Sunday 19 Sunday morning, we took leave of the Bishops Rapid having rec'd some supplies from the Commissariat Store, & we encamp'd at the upper fort Garry.

20th And here we remain'd all this day at the same place getting some more of our supplies.

21st The next morning, we are now ready for our long voyage this morning, to our J.L. my father-in-laws mind from the Lake of Manitoba, whom we had not seen these seven years, & then detain'd till about three O'clock in the afternoon, we however made an evening start. & encamp'd a little above the Rev'd Mr Taylors Church at the Assineboin river.

22nd The Lords Day, with a thankful heart, I went to the house of God, not knowing if ever I would go in the house of God made with hands in this earth. Mr Taylor took his text, from the 16th Chapter of the 1st Book of Samuel. V. 7th & thus written. But the Lord said unto Samuel look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the Lord seeth not as man seeth, for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh in the heart. O may the Lord ever impress this text in my heart. And in the evening last preached Mr Chapman at the Middle Church, text taken from the 5th Chapt. of the Epistle of Paul, to the Romans, V. 21st as follows. That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen even so Lord Jesus. Another sermon preached by a young minister, Mr Young who was about to leave the Red River, for the Cumberland Missionary station, took his text from the 6 Chapt. of the Book of Joshua & the 16. V. And it came to pass at the seventh, when the priests blew with the trumpets, Joshua said unto the people, Shout. for

Lord hath given you the city, I mean to God that the priests would blow the Gospel trumpet more freely & far abroad. O my ne'er all indeed, shout. Salvation is of the Lord our God; for he his taking the heathen for his Inheritance & the uttermost parts of the earth for his possession. O my his word fly swiftly with healing in its wings. for his own name sake

26th Thirdy morning. The venerable Arch. Dean Cochrane overtook us near the plain portage. I Thank'd God, to have seen once more his aged servant, to watch the house of God. at the mean time, man could not perceive what was in my heart. when beholding at the upper church of the Ojenebairs river. I pray God it may not be the last church.

27th Friday a rainy day. here we remain'd all this day

28th We took our voyage, taking the inner route by the running mountains, towards the evening we had a great shour of rain, in the plains all wet both Children & suckling, we reach'd the white mud river, late. a beginning of trials. O my the Lord give me strength as my day.

29th The Lord day. here we pass'd the day reading the word of God & singing forth to his praises

July 1st.

Thanks be to God, we are entering upon another week in the plains of the little rapid river the word of God sounds now where it never never heard before. O my the name of your sound for ever for his own name sake

2d The week ending, we have now reached the shell river, here we pass'd a long sore night. a night of mosketos

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July 13th The Lords Dy. about 2 Oclock we had to cross the oppo
site side more open ground for our animals & in crossing
our little calf was carried down with the stream & swam
after with Thomas Sinclair he was near drowned.
Thanks be to God for his mercy endureth for ever.

" 14th Monday morning, commenced a new road north side
of the Assiniboin river, a straight course for Fort Pelly

" 17th We encamped near fort pelly where we met some indians
late in the afternoon Gabriel Cote with three young men
overtook us, & prayed the night with us. read the letter
to him sent by the Bishop of Ruperts land

" 19th Arrived at Fort pelly.

" 20th The Lords Dy. the people from the fort came to my
house both men & woman & some indians. I read
the Church service with the Lesson of the Dy in
the Cree language & lastly I read from the Gospel
of St Matthew Chapt 4th beying at 21st to 24th concluding
with a prayer to almighty God in the Cree language
O my God accept our weak attempts for his dear sake

" 26th The week ending, we are still at fort pelly remaining longer
then we ought, but on account of our animals quite
spent, we had to give them rest.

" 27th O the Day of God, the best of all the days the chosen Dy. for Jesus broke the powers of Death & Hell,
a glorious Dy of hearing & hearing of glad tidings of a
risen Saviour. I could not but arise him a night
& spend the Dy to his own praise & glory alone. about
9 Oclock men & women came from the fort to hear
the word of God. which I did, except the Lessons of the Dy
I read in the Cree language, some present who did
not understand English & lastly I read from the Gospel
of St Matthew Chapt 6th V. 24-33d In the afternoon some

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Indian women came in amongst them was the wife of the dear little child to whom I read the word of life.

28th Monday morning making ready to leave this today, but a great shower of rain commenced & continued all the day, so we had to wait till the next coming day, leaving all to the Lord to judge for our times are into his hands. Bless'd be his holy name from hence forth & for ever.

29th Tuesday. we made an evening start. for our cattle gave us some trouble. About 4 o'clock in the afternoon we again had a very storm of rain mingled with hail, this gave me an evening meditation in my travail in leaving first sight the Indians tents pitch'd in a line before my house, which I was about to leave. I pray God to visit the poor heathen of first sight. I am taken from them. O that God would send more labourers into his vineyard bears it in the Lord, for he paid for them the price of his own precious blood. O may the kingdom of the heathen be his own against that day.

30th We reached the little white mud river which gave us no little trouble for its waters being high, we got safe over, Thanks be to God who has preserved us in all our travels, particularly in urging times, a great encouragement to my weak faith, O may he strengthen me to rest to his hand of providence which alone can keep & guide us. to go on our way rejoicing in the Lord our God.

31st A fine day, for travelling this evening, we encamped at the abiding hills, so called, we having to hunt for our living in our way which will detain us. but we must take as it comes day for the best

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August 1st Friday morning we had a shour of rain that lasted about
12 Oclock, we made an early Jorney.

2nd Fair weather for us who are traveling, we encamped
at a little river a branch from the white mud river
Thomas L. a half-breed a freeman who accompanies
with us, gave us a great assistance in hunting all the
way, our provision sacks getting quite empty & our
Ammunition nigh spent, what I thought would serve
a whole year, we collected eighty ducks & a stock
of sandy-

3rd The Lords dy, here we are in the open fields near a
small river & here we spend the dy to the Lords Sha-
dy & give & prayer be unto him for ever.

9th The next ensuing, we are but moving but slowly, being
as I said before hunting on our way. we encamped about
ten miles within from the Lakes of Dauphin.

10th The Lords dy. here we passed the dy in reading &
prayer, the french half-breed who is with us is very
attentive to hear the word of God, he said. our priests
never read to us, what you read. I am sure the
english, is the best religion, I wish I could read
the bible for myself.

11th Monday morning, reached the Dauphin river, we
found that the Indians had lately picked off to
seek for buffaloes, to our surprize we found the
river over flowing its first banks, I fear it will be
hard for us in the way of living.

12th Friday, some indians arrived here to day, who have
followed us in hopes to settle on one place when we

16th This dreary week, as yet unable to commence to build
for want of food, the waters being so high & the buffalo
are a long way off from us. we are making a birch-
canoe made of two hides one an ox hide & the other is
a grizzle bear skin, which will make a good ca-

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Canoe to let down our nets in the water

17th The Lords Day, here we are once more at the lake of Quappelle. where the word has been read, it his as it were as an Day light to here the word of God read within the light banks of Quappelle. Trusting in God that his word shall not return unto him void. but shall accomplish whereunto he sent it. may his shine as light in a dark place for his own name sake

20th Wednesday evening, Thomas Sandair with three freemen went off this evening, in seek for buffalow. I suspect they will be a long way out.

25th The week ending. I have been employed in fishing & hunting for our living

24th The Lords Day, we have been employed in reading & prayer in the afternoon I gave the children Instruction

30th The week end, I have had work to get our living. Thanks be to God, we are getting more white fish then before. so I am able to commence at the hay. my hunters still absent.

31st The Lords Day, O may I spend it to the Lord & morning prayer we all unite as one family I read the 5th Chapter of St Johns Gospel. I spoke about the living spring which flows from the word of God, even the flowing stream from Jesus side on the cross, which exceeds the healing pool of Bethesda. O may I wish to be clear

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September 6th The next evening Thomas L. arrived from the buffalo hunting he was not successful he brought home two buffalo tongues he travelled a long way, that is, near the mountains at the American Territory saw no cows he was about thirteen days the plains indians are a long way out in the plains a great many of the indians have been starving through the summer for want of buffalo, had not been for the Lakes of Lac Lapette which preserved them by spearing fish. I am sore walking, unfortunately a thistle went through my foot

7th The Lord Dy, to day I could scarcely get to the indian tent which about twenty yards from us, Thanks be to God, I read the word to them

14th The Lord Dy, to day the Lord has been merciful to me still, though unworthy of all the least of his mercies I am very low indeed to day, but has given me a little strength, so that I am able to read the word of life to all around me.

21st The Lord Dy, Thanks be to I am enjoying another sabbath day even one of the days of the son of man while our bodies are falling away, for want of food, I trust he is feeding our souls with that bread of life which if a man eat thereof he shall live for ever, & may he ever more give us that bread.

27th This evening week we have been beginning at our hours & got some of our hay home.

28th The Lord Dy. this morning, we have been waiting all together as usual, in reading & prayer &c.

29th Monday. making preparation for buffalo hunting.

30th Tuesday morning, we made a start for the plains, left our families with an old indian. to hunt & fish for them

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we reached the fort at the Squirrel hills, here I met with plenty of Indians with grief I could not near the words of life to them, in a state of drunkenness & on leaving the fort they must of drunk it when shall this poisonous liquor be over.

October 1st Wednesday we commenced our journey for the plains expecting our horses to be stolen reached the morning Lake.

2nd Thursday morning, next on our way, saw a few buffalo bulls in the evening we encamped on the first plains scarce found any water. here I considered the works of God who made all things out of nothing, how unsearchable are his ways & his thoughts past finding out.

3rd Friday morning, saw plenty of buffalo to day so Thomas Sinclair had a chase after a large bull but a breeze of wind, the gun would not fire he however killed two. to night the buffalo are keeping an awful praising all direction around us

4th Saturday morning, in search for our horses altogether nine animals we could not find them, how unlucky but I must it patiently, I suspect they are stolen this evening I killed three buffalo cows, but how shall we get the meat together for the wolves will destroy it.

5th The Lords day, O God be merciful to us sinners how are we to spend his day, I am quite perplexed. I had to cart the meat together on this day, O my God forgive us for his sons sake.

6th Monday morning I sent Thomas Sinclair to the fort to Edmond Hardisty to give him in charge for the loss of three horses, myself & my son Josiah in search for our horses but we could not find them

7th Sunday morning went off with search again in search for our horses, the whole blessed day, but all in vain, came to our tents at night, to day some indians found our tents & stole my blanket & a large axe, we are now destitute of all earthly comfort, no blanket to cover ourselves for the night & a night of rain it is now, with a green buffalo hide. this is now the fifth night we have been here, often I think of our women & children how are they getting on for they but the young lions do lack & suffer hunger, but they that fear the Lord shall not want any good thing, what a comfort it is, that God has taught me to know him & his holy word, without it, how should have I been, I should have taken a dislike & grieve & appear to go about in search for my horses, Thanks be to God, who has taught me better things my poor countrymen, O may he soon teach them to the knowledge of his truth for his own sake.

8th Tuesday we have off again to day but all in vain. Thomas Linclaw brought three horses from the company, started home ward this evening, Thomas L. leaves us the following day to the Lake for oxen.

10th Friday evening, we reached the fort & we passed the night here.

11th Saturday remained here awaiting for Thomas L. came in the evening with the three oxen.

12th The Lords Day, we travelled home, for our wives & families having nothing to eat. I should have remained myself at the fort, but I found it was no use, for drinking rum carried on night & day perpetually. would to God it were all spent. reached our place. Thanks be to God I found them all well. but little to eat indeed.

18th This closing week we have been able to work a little we got up our house.

19th The Lords Day, we spent this day in reading & prayer &

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25th This ending week, we have been employed still at our home, & the weather as been rough rain & snow. no indians have come to this place as yet. the fort at the Dyquard-hills, is a fort keeping the indians back from us.

26th The Lords Dy. Thanks be to the Lord. he has permitted us to see so many Sundays, may he prepare us for that eternal rest above, we have all come together to read & pray, I pray God, that our meeting may not be for the worse, but for the better, for the sake, who is Lord of the sabbath.

29th Wednesday. morning, Lieut Thomas Lindsay to the fort. for a little Ammunition for we are quite out

1 Mar. Saturday still making at our home.

2nd The Lords Dy. we spent this Dy as usual in reading & prayer.

3d Tuesday morning, I went to the Long Lake fort in search, for my horses, but all in vain, this is a desease amongst the stony indian tribes a good many dying. I suspect it is the scarlet-fever, poor indians they are killing each other for fear of the desease, O may the Lord have mercy upon our people & country, that he would himself known to them, with the rod of affliction O pray God, that in the midst of wrath, remember mercy, for his dear sons sake Jesus Christ our only Saviour.

5th The Lords Dy. I passed the day here at the long lake, & read to the people & indians. I read in St Lukes Gospel, Our Lord Resurrection on this Dy. the indians were very attentive to the word read, but the French half breeds were annoying paid little attention. O how sad it is to be so true, many are called, but few chosen, may I be among the few.

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10th Monday morng. I set off again in search of my horses
arrived at my place on Tuesday night without them
14th The Lord Dy. we have had two meetg to dy. all came
to my house to hear the word of God read. I pray
God to bless my weak efforts for his dear sons
sake.
18th Tuesday, indians are coming in here at the Lake to
pass the winter with, those who wish to cultivate
the ground: may they succeed. But how. I am ready
to start on this morrow, to search for my horses
for we cannot do any thing without them that is
to collect provision. & keep school. Thomas. A.
& Joseph. Toma. are going out to hunt for buf-
faloe. with two oxen. & one horses, a great pity
to have lost our horses, the buffaloe so plentiful
it must be so.
22nd The week ending, I have been employed in putting up a
house for Joseph Toma. the man who offerd his
children, To his lordship for to be baptized, & he is
pass the winter with us or near our house there is
a good Indian around us principally so there
this is a great many plain indians dying this win-
ter as some say with the small pox. a sad news
to hear of there, pray on them, I pray God, that he
would correct us but with judement, not in his
anger, lest he bring us to nothing, O may it be for
the good of our souls. for his dear sons sake we
have all ben vaccinated by Joseph Toma
23rd The Lord Dy. we had scarcely finish the morng
prayers, when the indians around us came in our
house quite full. I read from Genesis. Chapt. 6.
& to the tenth. with the 2nd Chapter St. Matthews Gospel
the birth of our Blessed saviour, who came to take
away the sins of the world. & Established the order of his
Church. O may I be a living member in his church.

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8th The Lords Day. Once more permitted to read the word of Life. The indians came very early this morning to hear the word read to them, both men & women & children To Day, I read the 22d Chapt Genesis The trial of Abrahams faith to offer his only son Isaac. 2d Lesson taken from 23d Chapt of St Luke Gospel. Our Saviours crucifixion, who was made a curse for us, who knew no sin, that we might be made the righteousness in him Do be it, Good Lord.

9th The Lords Day. O that I could serve him better than the past. Immediately after morning prayer the indians came to my house. The 1st Lesson was taken from the 55th Chapt of Isaiah. with 24th Chapt St Luke Gospel. The resurrection of our Lord on this Day. O my God help me, to preach Christ crucified. for his own sake.

15th The Lords Day, the people came to my house this morning, earlier than usual, to hear the words of God, I pray God that he would guide me by the teaching of his holy Spirit, that our meeting together, may not be for the worse, but for the better all to his own glory & praise. The first Lesson was taken Genesis, Chapter 37th. 39th. 40th to Chapter 45th. 2nd Lesson from St Luke Gospel. Chapter 22d Our Blessed Saviour betrayed by one of his disciples. Viz. Judas Iscariot, O God help me from the power of that wicked one, & make in me a new heart & put a new spirit within me, for Jesus sake. In the afternoon, I read the 16th Chapt St Luke. O my. the Lord work in us both to will & to do of his own good pleasure for his name sake.

20th The week ending. I have much reason to be thankful, that we are all still in good health,

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because his compassions fail not, hundred of our fellow brethren are dying with the scarlet fever, as some suppose it to be, it is now within twenty miles distance from us, poor indians scattered all over as sheep without a shepperd. O may the time be drawing near, when they shall be gathered to the Redeemers fold. Blessed Jesus, hasten thine own time, for this sheep which thou hast. which are not of the Jews fold. for them also bring, that they may hear thy voice, & that we may be in one fold & one shepherd, even thou, O thou shepherd of Israel.

21st The Lords day, after morning prayer, the indians came to my house, with some freemen who attend regularly every sunday. both men women & children, I continued the history of Joseph & his brethren from Chapter 46th to the end Genesis, 2nd Lesson. taken from the Epistle of Paul to the Hebrews Chapter 4th to Chapter 3rd. I thank God the indians are very attentive to the word, their is a great struggle on the minds, of some of them, & I pray God to carry on his work & glorify his son On the afternoon came some more fresh hearers to them. I read. the 1st Chapter to the 2nd of Genesis

25th Christmas or the birth-day of our Blessed Lord the heavenly messenger bringing glad tidings of salvation. & the angelic host join the chorus. Glory to God in the highest, & on earth peace good will towards men. & the angelic host sing, for salvation brought down, which is not for them, shall we be silent. O God forbid it, do thou open our hearts & tongues, to praise & adore our Savior & thine all the glory. this day we have but little

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to eat. nothing to trust the indians with, except to set before them. the bread of Life or the heavenly manna. I read 55 Chapt of Isaiah with Gospel of St Luke. Chapt 1. to the 33. in the morning. I read the 53 of Isaiah. with the 23 Chapt St Luke Gospel O may God have compassion on our meeting, to our souls health. amid this wild wilderness, for his own dear son sake.

28 The Lords day, the people & indians, came to my house very early this morning, even before we had family prayers, both men women & children our house was quite full. & some standing out side the Lessons for this day his taken from the 1 Chapt of Exodus to the 12 Chapt 2 Lesson taken from Epistle of Paul to the Hebrews beginning at the 11 Chapter An exhortation to stedfastness in the faith. what is faith. without faith we cannot please God. I am happy to write that the indians are very attentive to hear the word of God. some are enquiring & some again. say, how can these things be. I trust through the mercy of our God, & for his son sake he will visite the poor heathen with the message of salvation to my poor perishing countrymen. I pray & may God speed, for our deliverance for his dear son sake Jesus Christ our only Saviour.

1859 1st January Thursday we have no indians to day most of them going to the fort which is about twenty miles from us. Thanks be to God that we are entering upon a year. & I pray God that completes his good work in my own heart. & make in me a new man in this new year, in Christ Jesus. the poor indians are dying around us still. a great warning to the living. To prepare to meet our God.

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Tu 4 The first sunday in the new year. O my God bless it to my soul's health & revive his work amongst my own beloved men for his name's sake. the people came early as usual to hear the word of life. & may he impart it unto us all. that our little meetings may be for the better, for our eternal good. The first Lesson I read to day. taken from the 12th Chapter of Exodus to the 18th Chapter with the 6th Chapter of St Johns Gospel Christ being the true bread of life.

Th 10 The week ending, we have had very little to eat this week particulars. getting very few fish at present Thomas Sinclair had been off. above the Lakes were buffaloe had been drowned this fall in crossing the river, but he was not successful, on account the Ice being too thick. a good many cross tenting all through to the Quappelle river. getting their livelihood with the drowned cattle. the indians are in great fear of each other, because of the disease among them some of them are within sixteen miles from us.

Tu 11 The Lords day. we had morning prayers very early this morning, but before we were done the indian & freemen came. to whom I read the following, Exodus 20th Chapter with 1st & 2nd 5th Chapters 2nd Corinthians I kept them about 4 hours speaking of the things, which belong to our eternal welfare. a few of the indian youths kneel down with us at prayer time & all the children that come in to join with us. O may God have mercy upon, our weak attempts to spread his Gospel. for his own name sake.

Tu 17 The week ending, we are indeed hard put to work in the provision way, having little to eat. that is, from hand to mouth, the winter so severe, & I am much afraid all our cattle will die, the companys horses have destroyed all our hay, I have to cut hay in the swamps with my knife

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15th The Lords Day, this people & Indian came in to to
my house at prayer time about sunrising. my usual custom
is to read about our Saviour resurrection on this Day
several more indians came in while at breakfast. &
then commenced to read the word of God to them. I taken from
Deuteronomy Chapter 31st – 34th with the Epistle of Paul to the
Romans, Chapter 5th 6th & 7th & then concluding with a prayer
to almighty God, that he would in mercy, visit our little company
for his Dear Son's sake.
16th The week ending, it has been very hard with us particularly
this week just closing, cannot attend our nets weather assisted
I have got my fingers all frozen trying to support ourselves
I am sorry to say that Thomas Indian is not a striving man
not fit for a missionary labourer. he does not love work.

17th The Lords Day, this morning we had morning prayer before
sunrising with two french half-breeds read Christs resurrection
on this Day. presently the people came as usual my house quite full
I commenced to read in Genesis Chapter 3rd speaking particularly
of the seed of the woman who should bruise the serpent head
Blessed be God, known unto him are all things from the beginning
Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made
a curse for us who knew no sin, that he might bring us unto God
If it was not so, the prophets would not have ceased, But as
Christ his come in the flesh, or God with us. & Therefore, Christ
is the end of the law, to every one that believeth, there is no difference
the same Lord is rich unto all that call upon him. O may my soul
be among that number. The 2nd Lesson taken from St Pauls Epistle
to the Romans Chapter 5th 6th Concluding with a prayer to Al-
mighty God. in the Cree language In the afternoon Read
from Malachi Chapter 3rd 4th with the 22nd Chapter Revelation
of St John. Brethren in Christ, pray for, that the
the word of the Lord, may have free course, run & be glorified
even as it is in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Feby 1st The Lords Day, this morning three french half breeds in my
readg to make them talk to the Company present. to whom
I read the following Scriptures 11th Chapter St Johns Gospel
& the 20th Chapt of Exodus, the moral law of the ten commands
& likewise I read, the 20th & 22nd Chapter Revelation in the time of
prayer, they all kneel'd down with us, & after ward, went on
their journey. presently, our people came in, at the usual time
I read the 28th Chapt 1st Samuel, Saul the first king of Israel
seeking for a witch at endor. & the 2nd Lesson from Acts of the
Apostles Chapt 13th & Elymas the sorcerer & smitten with blindness for
perverting, the right ways of the Lord. & my the Lord Jesus be ever amid
our little company, for his name sake.

4th The week ending. we have been hard put to this day week
for want of provision having no dogs to fetch meat. nothing even
to purchase a single Dog, we have shares but they cannot now
travel with their young & beside such a depth of snow, not have
been so deep, this while back, I hope it will not ever flow the
Red river again. a very unlucky year for me, my cattle are
dying fast. I cannot help it now, only to try & endure what cannot
be mended. & to try better for the future.

8th The Lords Day. before morning prayer, the people came in to
my house to hear the word of God read. the first Lesson is taken
from the Book of the Phrophet Zechariah Chapts 9th with
21st Chapter St Matthew Gospel, Our Saviour riding to Jerusalem
In the afternoon, I went to visit the Indian houses, present
the Indians came from different places, & to them I commenced
to read the word of Life. from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah
Chapters 48 & 49th & the 5th Chapter St Matthew Gospel Our
Saviour sermon on the mount.

15th The Lords Day, the people came at the usual time to hear
the word of God read, I read The Book of Job Chapts 1st
-3rd & 4th & The Gospel St John. Chapter 15th-16th. In the af-
ternoon I gave a Lesson to my Children & few others.

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18th Wednesday morning I with Thomas Lindsay went off a hunting after buffalow came to two tents there who had gone out from our place, & here we remained for three days running after buffalow or horse-thiefs among us, we killed thirty & four buffalow.

21st The next ending, to day I made my journey to the Touch-wood hills fort, hoping to get a little supplie of ammunition. which I received from Mr. Wm Sticky who was in charge.

23d Returned back to the tents, but I could not there, so I encamped about the middle of the Touch-wood hills here, I knew no man near me, Except the eye of God watching me, how thankfull I am often, that I have God, to know God, who is every where present, beholding the evil & the good. O that he may draw me nearer to him

1st March The Lords day, I reached my place. I could not stand out longer, on account of the snow blind.

3d An Indian a principal dearture came to my place in a visit, the poor man, had lost nine of his sons & daughters, with the small pox, the same day gave a good speech, concerning, the religion of the white-man he said, I verily thought little of the praying man before, but now, God has pitied my Ignorance, & opened my eyes to see a little light, but I delayed too long about myself & children, to listen to the word of God, I thought to lead my whole family to the white mans candle meaning religion, before I die. for there only, I see light but the thing I feared came upon me, my children lost all gone to the bad fire, now I am left alone. & after he was done speaking, I began to speak to him out of the Scripture, of the father of lights, still ashamed willing to the uttermost. - Now is the accepted time, now is the day of salvation. O Lord my soul hunger & look back

March 8th The Lords Day. this morning some of the people gained our family prayer & some of the Indians presently came in with a few more, we have quite a full. O may God enable me by his holy spirit to declare, in my own tongue, the wonderfull works of God. I commenced to read, The first Lesson Genesis 18th & 19th - both Abrahams intercedes for the people of Sodom & Gommorah I recited a priest which upon this subject, principally on these words, verse 17th And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, Escape for thy life, look not behind thee, neither stay thee in all the plain, escape to the mountain lest thou be consumed. O Lord Jesus, to thee will I fly for refuge. through the way of the Gospel plain & The 2nd Lesson taken from Acts of the Apostles Chapt 15th & 24th - 32d verse O my God have mercy upon us for his sake

14th The week ends, O greet me the mercies of our God, who still preserve us to this time though amid Difficulties. All glory & praise be unto him & unto the Lamb for ever. Amen Six Indians came to me to day, to write a letter for them to Mr James Mekay at Fort Ellice requesting for some barly, 2 lb, twelve quarts.

15th The Lords Day, the best of all the seven, O God assist me to reverence thy sabbath & prepare for the eternal sabbath of rest, which remain for thy people, O my God one. Our people & Indians together came very early to day since my dear girl Caroline came from the Long lake post, we have begun singing the praises of God. I read the following subject. Taken from 22nd Chapt Genesis. Abraham tempted to offer up his son Isaac. & the 2nd Lesson from the Gospel of St. Luke Chapt 23rd. Our Saviour crucified for us. & Shedding his most precious blood for us. O Blessed Jesus let thy precious blood cleanse my guilty soul. who am of the vilest

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22d The Lords day, a few of the people join our morning
prayer, and about 10 oclock the few indians about
us came in both men women & children. we began
singing a hymn to the glory of God. I then read the
subject taken from. The 28th chapt. 1st Book of
Samuel, with the 4th chapt. St. John Gospel
& the afternoon I gave my own children their Lesson
& few others, could I but teach all around me.

29th The returning sabbath of rest, O how often it re-
turns; great encouragement to all, who look for
that eternal sabbath of rest above, O my the Lord
Jesus, prepare me, to join the society of spirits
of just men made perfect, who shall sing
praises to God & of Lamb. The people came on to
my house early as usual, at the time appointed, they
came in to hear the word of God, The 1st Lesson from
the 2nd. 3rd. chapts of the Book of Daniel. with the 8th
chapter of St Matthew Gospel. O may the Lord visit
us with his salvation, & lead us to that true light
that we may see & behold the wonderous things out his
holy law.

April 1st. The week ending, Thanks be to the Lord for
his mercy endureth for ever. I need not complain
I daily get more than we deserve, from the hand
of God, because his compassions fail not, we are
getting our living day by day nothing over. O may we
trust in God more, & serve him better for his son sake.

5th The Lords day, O my the Lord be with us nearer
on his own day, that we may praise him according
to his own will, a few half-breed & indians came
as usual, to whom I read the following subject.
1st & 2nd chapts 2nd Book of the Kings. with the 24th chapts
St Lukes Gospel. Our Saviours resurrection &
appearett to his disciples.

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April 11th The week ending, but O how little a faith it have
behind, I pray God to help me on, with the fulness of
his grace, with a single eye to his Glory both now & for
me have hard times as much as for provision, we hope
we trust in the Lord our God, he does what is best for
us, we have still very wild weather very uncommonly
at this time of the year. about three Days ago I went to
the Company post, for a little help, which I obtained, I
met with the Cree indian Chief, The Fox, a son
of the Diseased. Old Chief Gostans Guide, he was
very glad to see me, & presently, he began to tell me
how he was & his family. he said, I hardly see. me am
all Dying this winter & my father is dead, three year he
lived in this world. The will of him, who his master
of us all. It has been a hard winter for us, my children
Dying in my arms, with the white man Disease, meany
the small pox, I did call upon God. to pity me & my
children. I answered, he did answer you, your earthly
father left you, your heavenly father will not for-
-sake you. I told him to go on, he said, This is
what I was afraid of, now is come upon me, The
English praying master, told me that he would build
a house for me to remain one place, I was willing to
do as they wished me, to live, It is them, that are so alone
I fear my children will all die before I can get them on
the white man way, I wish them to make speed.
& teach my children that am still living before I die. I am
going to beg him to speak to them one more. I am very anxious
to begin. I told him The will of the Lord be done, &c.
12th The Lord's Day I hope the reader, will bear patience with
my imperfect journal, I hope it will not be tedious. but
I grieve that I cannot spend the Day to the Lord, as I would
wish, I pray God to help me. The people came in as usual
both old & young with other fresh leaves, I pray God that
I may not speak my own words, or think my own thoughts
on this Day, that his spirit may teach me to the knowledge of
truth

I read to day. The 59th & 60th chapts of Isaiah 2d Lesson from St Matthews Gospel Chapts 5th & 6th a part of Our Saviours Sermon on the mount, we then sung the hymn Thou dear redeemer dying lamb &c pray that God would look down from heaven his dwelling place & forgive us for his dear sons sake Jesus Christ our Lord.

18th The week ending, we have had but bitter, to him upon but I praise God for that bitter, the almighty gives his always ready & willing to help them that call upon him faithfully, the fault lies in me, because I do not serve him as I ought to do, often I call to mind, the words of the text The young lions do lack & suffer hunger, but they that fear the Lord shall not want any good thing, O may he give me strong faith in him even unto till death for his mercies sake.

19th The Lords day, I pray God that I may be able to observe his holy day, according to his appointed way. the few that are about me have attended the whole blessed day. both old & young. I read the 1st Lesson from Genesis. Chapts 1st & 2d. with the Gospel St Matthew 1st & 2d Chapts & may God Look down from heaven, & pity my weak efforts for his own dear sons sake.

20th The Lords day, & O may I be his. to serve him aright at least on his day, I summed to read, 1st Lesson from Genesis 3d. 4th Chapters with the Gospel St Matthew Gospel Chapts 3d. 4th.

May 2d The Lords day, O may he be present with our little meeting at the edge of the lake to day, in the open firmament of heaven may we serve him faithfully. The Lord pity us & save us. I read from Genesis chapts 5th–10th with the Gospel St Matthew. Our Saviours sermon on the Mount Declaring who are Blessed, I pray God to bless the good seed that is sown for I can do nothing. For paul may plant & Apollos may water, but God giveth the increase. May his word take deep root downwards & bear fruit upwards, to the praise & glory of his holy name.

Even so Lord Jesus come quickly.

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May 5th Thursday morning. we made a start for Red River. George Linclair accompanied with us the same, continued with us. I left six horned cattle in care of an Indian who is going to a little river in the ground. & the Iron works. I left to another Indian Dog Amias, Bone or Red Deer. the same old man sent two of his young men to Fort Ellice for some potatoes and, from Mr. G. McKay who is in charge of the post. I now leave the Lake of Dauphin travelling through the mercies of our God to supply us on our voyage, having no provision for our trip not even for two meals.

8th & 9th Reached Table hills & was detained with rough weather two days here we came to three tents of half-breed starving, had nothing but & not only with them, but all through out them is starvation, sickness & death. & may it be for good to the living.

10th The Lords Day. had morning prayer I read the 12th Chapter of St Luke Gospel. after prayer we went on towards the plain & encamped. George Linclair assisted us this evening with a little food.

16th The week ending, how troubled we have been throughout the coming week. but the Lord had mercy on us so that we are alive still the living to praise him. hunting for our daily bread.

17th The Lords Day. passed the Day here some Indians came to us to whom I read the word, 53rd Chapt Isaiah. with 23 Chapt St Luke Gospel.

20th Wednesday evening. The Lord has had mercy on us, who ever remains to help them that call upon him. Blessed be his holy name for ever & ever, this evening. I killed two buffalo cows which was a great help to us on our journey.

22nd We reached the forks of Dauphin river & Saturday went on to the fort for a supply of Ammunition, which I received from Mr. McDonald who was in charge. we got safe over the river.

24th The Lords Day. a Day of rest to the Lord, but O how much we fell short of spending it aright. O for more of his help to spend the Day aright, one Indian came to join with us to prayers, whom I taught as far as four & five letters, he asked for another book, which I gave him

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by 30 Thursday, this evening, the Lord has supplied us again with two buffalo cows, we do not despair the least of all his mercies, because his compassions fail not. Bless the Lord O my soul, & forget not all his benefits. Reached the Head Water

5 Thursday 29. I read to the people who overtook us on our way, people from the fort, most of whom were english half breed, & more attention to the word read. but the french half breed, disturbed us, they came not to hear the word read, but were taking their horses during prayer, The Lord have mercy upon us & pardon our wickedness, I read the 3d Chapt. Genesis with the 5th Chapt. St Matthew Gospel. Our Saviour Sermon on the mount to the end.

5 June We reach the plain portage & on Saturday evening came to White-stone plain, encamped near the french Church.

7th The Lord's Day. here we are near the Church, but not our Church O Lord when shall thy Church be one, how thou art one with Christ Jesus our Lord, that we may be one fold under one Shepherd Jesus Christ, hasten thine own time O Lord.

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