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Friday evening, I returned back for Fort Pelly I encamped near the upper fork, & by the kindness of Kingston got three of my children vaccinated by the physician Dr Cowie.

17th Saturday morning, I proceeded on my journey, during the day we had a little rain which did not impede our going, the rain increased as the day, we however reached the White-horse plain.

18th The Lord day, we rested for our mutch by saturday it rained the whole day.

19th Monday morning, we again commenced our journey, made but a short day.

20th Tuesday, & Wednesday we remained there for two days.

22nd Thursday evening, we are making a start on which we came to a house, belonging to an half breed who told us to put up for the night, here the old man examined our carts & said I fear that you will have a great deal of trouble with your carts, you will not bring them to where your are going, to be worn, find enough to repair the carts.

23rd Friday, On our way for the plain portage.

24th Saturday, we reached the plain portage.

25th The Lord day, Morning, About 9 Oclock I saw the people gathering together, for a publick worship at John Sinclairs house. I went with a cheerful heart to the place of worship but to my disappointment no Body came to mind to the people here they wasted a most part of the day, I thought a great deal this day seeing the poor people going to their homes, without the ordinances read to them. Resembling so much like sheep without a shepherd. Would to God that he would send more labourers into his vineyard

26th Thursday, morning, I commenced my journey having made my mind to go towards the running mountains, to avoid danger from the wicked Indians who might come in our way. I reached the oak Island in the plains & there we passed the night.

27th Friday, came to the white-mud river
28th Wednesday, we are now compassed all round with water, I wanted to cross the river, but I could not, the water so high, I was afraid both me should be drowned, me & our cattles. Often I call to mind that encouraging promise in the word of God, where it says, When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee & thy rivers they shall not overflow thee. O may the Lord increase & strengthen my weak faith.
29th Thursday, morning, I returned back through the plains, having a mind to go through the beaver-creek road.
30th Friday, reached the rat-creek with great difficulty we got over all safe.
1st July. Proceeded on my journey with a fine day so we reached the bad-woods so called.
2nd The Lord's Day, with shame & confusion of face I am sorry to write, I went on this day to get out of the woods. & this day travel did me no good I received a blow from a branch of a tree, at my left eye which almost blinded me altogether just what I deserved & thank God it was not worse, because his compassion fail not.
3rd Monday morning, I went on my way. but could not travel all the day, for the present rain, we however reached the pine-creek.
4th Tuesday morning, from thence we travelled through the plains encamped at the open-plains
5th Wednesday, morning, we reached the wood adjoining to the little Saskatchewin river.

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6th Thursday. we hoped to reach the river to day but not being permitted we encamped short of it because of the present rain.
7th Friday. A fine day we reached the little lake athenin river the water so high, I made a canoe frame of willows & covered it with our tents we got over all safe.
8th Saturday. weather continues favourable.
9th The Lords Day. remained here all the day
10th Monday. resumed our journey with fine day we reached the shoal lake.
11th Tuesday. to day we came close to the bird tail creek
12th Wednesday, reached the bird tail creek, the hills of this little river very steep upwards of one hundred & eighty feet high & the animals got up the light cart up the hill. our property I had to carry them up on my shoulders. here we passed the night.
13th Thursday morning. fine weather still continues here now I forked off the beaver creek road, my intention to avoide so many crossing places. to night we are opposite the mouth of beaver creek fort.
14th Friday morning, we are still favoured with fine weather
15th Saturday a fine day we travelled all the day.
16 The Lords Day. an emblem of Eternal sabbath of rest in heaven. for there who are faithful unto death
17th Monday morning. Cloudy weather & rain but not the whole day we encamped a little short of Cell river
18th Tuesday a fine day. reached the forks of the Asseneboin river & Cell river, the rivers very high by the providence of the almighty we found a canoe which was a mercy for us we got over all safe & here with great difficulty got over our animals & passed the night up the hills
19th Wednesday. To day came to the cart road which

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lead to fort pelly, prayed the night here at the entrance of the woods so called.

20th Thursday. continuance of fine weather reached the stony creek

21st Friday came to the white mud river it being high, here again we found a canoe made of buffalo hides which was a great help to us. the banks of this little river very bad for the animals. we however got over all safe.

22nd Saturday evening within four miles from the fort about 2 Oclock Gabriel Cote with a part of his family overtook us going to the fort with his summer hunt. he was very happy to see us. came back again to them, about 8 Oclock came to river, Mr. W.m Mackay was kind enough to assist us in getting over the Assineboin river it was so high that it overflowed its banks in some places

23rd The lord day. Cloudy weather & raining most part of the day, I could not go to the Indians

24th & 25th I rested myself Gabriel Cote with his wife & family visited me to hear the word of God read to them one more. I feel very happy to find him in the same mind about Christianity. he said after I was done reading to them, I never forget what I have from the great book is my principal meditation the whole summer, it never goes out of my mind until I fall asleep. I turn up of my supplications way, for they have led me out of the good way. he asked if the great minister wished me to teach children still. I replied. O yes. he told me to do all I could both for the old & the young. I said, I would wish to teach some children this winter. he said. within twenty days time I will return with all my family & then I will speak to the Indian to get some of their children to school.

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26th 27th 28th I was employed in cutting road for to get the wheat home stand

29th To day I am cutting a road through the marsh so as to get the road home

30th The last day I visited the Indians to day at the Lake La coarse creek

31st Completed the road

1st August, To day I am occupied in making two pair of ox dogs to get my road home

2nd An Indian arrived with some provision for us he came with all his family one of his little boys very sick he asked if there was a minister come he came here hoping to get three of his children baptized before remaining with us till he see what will become of the child

3rd Thursday morning the Indian with his wife & family attended at the morning prayer To day I am still working on the road I am quite at a loss what to do for I have no man to draw logs with me

4th Friday To day I am getting home the wood for the men by oxen two Indians boys helping me.

5th Saturday Occupied the same as yesterday.

6th The Lord's day morning began with family prayer after a lesson to the children who are present six Indian children with us this morning after I read the service of the church of England our home quite full with people from the fort & Indians together

7th Monday morning I am about digging a grave for the poor man child who is no more, this man & his wife are in great distress concerning the second because the child ever not baptized, the rest of his family are baptized by the Romish priests except three & he is very anxious that a minister would come he regrets that any of his children were baptized at all by the Romish priests, he is complaining very sadly about them

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he said that the romish priest has destroyed many a soul by his doctrine. he baptizes indian & then leaves them for ever, & how can we know the way. I know now who is making for God. I told him do not despare. your Christ is the way the truth & the Life, none ever went to him that was sent away empty. you are still on this side of the grave, take good heed to the word of God & pray to God for his holy spirit to open your heart to receive his holy word, for he says him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out & again, he will save to the uttermost all who come unto God by him seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for us & many more such promis to the last.
for Behold now is the accepted time, now is the day of salvation. the night cometh when no man can work, for there is no knowledge nor device in the grave, whither we are all hastening.
three other indian were present in the meantime, I took all the opportunity of speaking & reading to them, I read the 15th Chap.t 1st Cor.ns with a prayer to almighty God. M.r Mauchy was kind enough to make the coffin. so I buried the departed this evening, with another man from the fort.
6th 7th & 8th & 9th Do Day I began to cut down logs for the new house.
10th Do Day I am getting roofing with an indian & two of his boys to haul with two oxen.
11th & 12th Employed in putting up the frame of the house.
13th The Lords Day. I have had no school this morning for the people came over to me at an earlier hour then usual time, our house quite full, I read the church service with the Lesson of the Day & Lastly the Gospel taken from 10th Chap.t St John. English in the evening, some indians attended I read 22nd Chap.t St Luke

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Gospels Christ's agony in the garden, his death & burial. 14th Morning prayers read the Resurrection of our Lord. The indian whom I employed as a hunter is making preparation for a start to the plains, I have sent him two oxen with them cart to bring provision for us so that I may be able to keep school this winter. I have sent the oxen in order to save the horses for the winter hunt commenced
15th to the 19th still employed at the horses.
20th The Lords day began with family prayer & a lesson to each of the children, about 10 o'clock the people came to my place I read them to them as usual & talked the Gospel taken from 15th chap. of Matthew
26th Saturday the week ending I have finished the horses
27th The Lords Dy. the people came to my place as before & with 7th chap. of Matthews Gospels from the 21st Ps. to the 25th Ps.
28th Monday a few cree indians from the plains & most of the fort petty indians are here. I am sorry to write I have scarce seen an indian sober these four days, the cree are tenting before my door, but continually drunk 29 & 30, I have commenced to cut hay
31st Thursday a day of rain the indians all drunken I remained in the house to day for fear they should frighten the children, none interfered with me, they give me many attacks about the Christian religion.
1st September. The cree indians are make their way back, about 7 o'clock in the morning I went to the tents, I found some of them asleep, I rouse them up, told them to come in to house, I am going to read the word of God & so they came in, I spoke to a little just before I read the word of life, My friends I am going to read the of God to you once more, not knowing if we shall meet again, Life is so uncertain I suppose the whole who are setting here would be ready to ask if you would but speak your minds. What does the white man pray for.

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I would ask you why do you take your meat regularly morning & evening. is it not to nourish your bodies you doubt it not. we infinitely need a nourishment for our souls who are to live for ever, & it is only from this great book, we can derive a full satisfaction to strengthen our souls as pilgrims towards God whether our Lord Jesus Christ ascended on high & now setteth on the right hand of the majesty on high. I read the 36. 39. 40. 41 & 42. Chap. of the Book of Job. with a prayer to almighty God that he would visit the poor heathen & bring them to the knowledge of God & his son Jesus Christ

29th To the 2d September we have had rainy weather I could get on with the Army

3rd The Lords day. gave the children their lesson in the morning no people came to our house. so I went to the Indian tents. Mr. Gabriel Cotenant the Indian came in one after another. I was very glad to see so many come in to hear the word of God. I read the 59 & 60 Chapt. of Isaiah. with the 14 & 15th Chapt St Lukes Gospel with a prayer to almighty God. after I ended Cote spoke to the Indians, he told them we all hear the word of God. when did we hear such good news never we are all sitting in darkness & we ought to look to the light that is come to us. for my part I am willing to pray. I say of a truth for I fear God & then he added. It is the ministers fault you see us beg prayers because he will not come to remain with us this is it what all the Indians doubting. I said let us wrestle with God in prayer that he would send his servants to us.

4th Monday still rainny all the day. the company flag is hoisted up to day & Gabriel Cote his made a Chief guns firing in the midst of pour of rain & received eight gallon keg of rum. When shall this destroying liquor cease from our lands

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9th Saturday the week ending I have got on very well with the boys we have had so much rain all this week
10th The Lords Day about 9 o'clock Gabriel Cote with four others came to my house we sang the Old 100th hymn read the hymn in Indian tongue with a prayer to always by God that he would direct his holy word into our hearts by his Holy spirit. I read the first 2 Chapters of the Book of proverbs the Sacred Lesson taken from St John Gospel Chapter 2.
I found them very attentive to what I read & both I directed them minds to the Last Chapter of the Revelations of St John the Last time our Saviour spoke bodily to his servant & now speaks to us by his word promising to us that he would send his Holy Spirit to guide us to the knowledge of all truths we sang a hymn with a prayer to God. After I was done reading to them two of the Indians spoke to me that they have brought their children to me that I should give them English names meaning that the men willing to embrace christianity they said we would give up our elder children if I could support them on provision we see that your guide grocks alone unable to support your own family. we are in a doubt about it. I told them that I expected Mr Hyde would likely be coming this way & that I would be very glad he should baptize & give them english names & become Christians both Old & young so they were willing to wait until a minister should come. In the after noon I visited the Indian tents I read the 3rd Chapter of the Book of Daniel the prophet. About a king who made an Image of gold & commanded all nations to worship it & how the great God delivered his servants that put their trust in him &c
16th Saturday this ending week I have been occupied in sowing the hay. We have had such rainy weather I can scarcely get over this evening Mr Hyde arrived here late with a shower of rain & Mr Christie is kind enough to receive him into the fort for our own houses are not yet arranged.

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17th The Lords Dy Mr Hyslop held the morning service at the fort. administred the Lord supper to six communicants & I pray God that he would give to us the strength of that meat & drink we the bread which came down from heaven. so that it may strengthen to go on our way rejoicing in God our Saviour. In the afternoon Mr Hyslop came to my house. few indian attended he read to them in ore tongue. I after read to them in sotie language Mr Hyslop baptized one of Gabriel Cote Sons Indian. & two other belonging to the company servants. there are fourteen person waiting to be baptized. & to give themselves up to Lord who bought them with the price of his own precious blood. We have missed the opportunity of baptizing them. But we will wait on the Lord.
20th Wednesday morning. Mr C. Hyslop & myself paid a visit to Gabriel Cote. We read the 2nd Chapter Acts of the Apostles beginning at the 26th & returned home the same Dy. 21st I am employed still mowing. the first to fine day we have had this while back
23rd Saturday a fine day still employed at the hay.
24th The Lords dy. before Church service commenced I gave the children a Lesson. Mr Hyslop gave us a very good sermon. The text taken from the 6th Chapter St Matthews Gospel & the 24th V. No man can serve two masters &. I was happy to see the very attention & may the Lord hasten the time when we all shall hear the ministers of the Gospel every sabbath day Evening Service at the Mission house there who did not understand english. came here every prayer held at the fort & likewise at our place. O may the word of God soon prevail here & abroad.
25th Monday I have got all the hay secure for the winter. 30th Saturday this closing week I have been employed in preparing our houses for the winter.
1st October. The Lords day. Mr Hyslop held the morning service at the fort. few people attended this morning

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The text taken from the Gospel of St Luke beginning from the 11th to the 17th. In the afternoon Mr Hyslop came over to our place & held the evening service in the Cree language & more people attended in the evening service than was in the morning. I keep morning & evening schools at every sabbath day.

6th Friday Cote Albert son arrived here enquiring to get his two children baptized by Mr Hyslop.

8th The Lords day. Mr Hyslop held the morning service at the fort. The text taken from St Lukes Gospel beginning at the 12th Chapt to the 7.th Vr. In the afternoon Mr Hyslop came to our house & held the evening service in the Cree language. O may the day arrive when we shall hear the word of God read in good Cree.

Mr Hyslop has baptized two children belonging to the Albert son of Gabriel Cote. the eldest child a girl named Mary & the youngest a boy named George. May the day soon come when both old & young shall turn to the Lord Jesus Christ. when he shall take the heathen for his Inheritance & the uttermost parts of the earth for his possession. when all shall know God from the least to the greatest. O Lord God hasten that happy day.

9th Monday I am employed in fixing a stable house or rather a meat store & the byres for the cattle.

11th Saturday the week ending. this is now the third week we have been in want of provision my stock of beef is getting weak. for want of meat. I can only say, God be praised he does as seemeth him good to poor mortals. Thanks be to his name through Jesus Christ that while my body his weak he his feeding my soul with that bread of Life which if a man eat thereof he shall live for ever. O Blessed Jesus ever more give us that bread.

15th The Lords day. before we went to service at the fort I gave the children a Lesson to each of them.

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Mr Hyllier held the morning service at the fort most of
fort people attended & some of the Moosonik people attended
the text taken from Gospels of St Matthew Chpt 22
from the 34 V to 41 In the afternoon Mr Hyllier came over
to our place & held the evening service in Cree language.
20th Friday Our hunter arrived here with some dry pro
vision which weighed ℔ 362 at a penny a pound weight
the oxen are both brought home one of them is same but
he is recieving fast
21st Saturday clearing roads, I have every thing prepared
for the winter. Mr Hyllier think it advisable to go
& winter at the Caped River. & so I have made up
my mind to go & winter there. but no longer if God
will. I hope to return back to fort pelly Indians
I cannot possibly think to leave them for they belong
to Christ the Lord. & so we cannot run & leave them
else the good seed that has been sown will be choked
with the wild weeds of this world. O may God for-
bid may he send more labourers into his harvest.
I do not say that I will remain so long as I live
for my spirit yearns over my own nation the plain
Indian tribes, I am in a strait betwixt two having a
desire to declare the knowledge of the truth as it is in
Jesus Christ, to the Indians of fort pelly & a longing
desire to proclaim the name of Jesus Christ to my
own nation. O may the Lord hasten his kingdom.
22nd The Lords day. Mr Hyllier held the morning service
at the fort as usual. I am glad to say the people are
very attentive to hear the word. The text taken from
the 23d Chpt St Matthews Gospels. V. 38. Are there words
Behold. your house is left unto you desolate.
In the afternoon he held the evening service at our place
in Cree language. O world to God. I may see the New
Testament translated into good Cree language it
must be through the agency of the Spirit of God
before we can translate his holy word to any language

& we must not add thereto, nor diminish from it.
O may God help us for his Son sake.

23rd Monday morning making preparation to leave on the morrow

25th Wednesday evening, we have just a start ready for our journey to the Rapid Lakes & the 26th Saturd with fine weather reached the white mud river. here M. Hoffman rode up to us on his way to Rat River Settt accompanied by Mr Wellman Mr. Mowatt who had paid a visit to Mr Mc Christie; the little river being high we made a canoe with a tent but did not quite answer our purpose. we however all got over safe & pitched the night opposite side of the river

27 Friday continued fine weather & we reached the rapid lakes & encamped I am happy to write that the name of Jesus Christ is sounding in my round about settlement & his praises sung, where before no voice of praise was heard. Blessed be God. for his mercies endureth for ever. May his name be exalted among the heathen for his own sake.

28th Saturday the weather still fine we reached another little white mud river so called a branch from the main river & encamped. 29th The Lord Day. how we rested from our journeying in reading the scriptures & praise to God our Saviour. our weak attempts to love our Saviour, O may the Lord increase our faith to love him more. this afternoon has been raining till night

1st Nov Wednesday night we had some snow, & I was much afraid we should get to the Rapid Lakes with our carts

4th Saturday we reached Rapid Lakes. quite lonely at present there are but two Families one a Freeman half-breed the other an Indian. I suspect there will be very few Indians here this winter on account the Company removing the trading post

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5th The Lords day. to day I visited the Isle brud. I asked if he would permit me to read in his house to them about the place. one young one present. I read one Lesson taken from the 11th Chapt St John. read in the Isle language throughout.
6th Monday morning our hunter is going out for fresh meat he is taken but one cast for us.
7th Tuesday. Cathrin Brett get very ill indeed. her complaint was pewing & strike across the breast during the week all my family were laid up with the same complaint very severe.
11th Saturday this closing week I have been striving to get white fish from the river but very few to be got at present
12th The Lords day. I read the word of God in my own tent it appeared to me my Lord seeing all sick about me, I did not complain, For, It is the Lord he doeth as seemeth him good
13th Monday Cathrin Brett feels better & the children all seem to get better from the complaint. & God be praised.
14th Tuesday I am about to repair one of the old houses belonging to the companys post, Mr James Mackay beig the post master who has removed from the Rapids Dubois to the Spanish mountain about 17 miles southward from this.
19th The Lords day this morning, I read the 60th Chapt. Isaiah, with the 22d Chapt St Lukes Gospel. In the afternoon I kept the Sunday school in my tent.
20th Monday morning, I am still repairing the house we have had a shour of rain to day.
22nd. Wednesday. to day we were getting into the house no sign of snow as yet.
26th The Lords day, this morning I kept the service in my house the people all came in to here the word of God. I was very happy to see them all come in; all of them being papists religion. The 1st Lesson taken from the 1st Chapt Genesis to the 3d Chapt with the 1st Chapt St Lukes Gospel, The conception of John the Baptist, & of Christ.
27th Tuesday morning, I am making my way for the plains

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for some provision. arrived at Mr J. Hunter Mackay post
who received us kindly & supplied us with provision for our
way to the plain. I was very happy to see Mr J. Hunter
going on his knees to pray to God. before he lay down to
rest. I have been in the Company several times. I never
saw a company sincere of his employment to go on his knees
to pray to God, & praise be his name, all have not
bowed their knees to the Image of Baal. how delightful
it is to meet with a Christian brother in the midst
heathen land. nine is satan reign. But behold the Lamb
of God which taketh away the sins of the world
will soon destroy the kingdom in our land & he
shall take the heathen for his Inheritance, & the uttermost
parts of the earth for his possion. O Blessed Jesus
hasten thine happy day.

29th Wednesday, remained here still to day. our horses re-
turned home-wards, arrived from the plain one Cree with
his wife & some sotis, we had prayers with us. I
read, The 17th Chapt. Acts of the Apostles beginning at the
24th V. to the 31st V.

30th Thursday morning, I left Mr J. Hunter post, taking
five road in our carts, by reason of the open plains.

1st December Friday favourable weather, travelling
south-southwest, about 1 Oclock afternoon, saw a
party of Crees at a distance making their way for the post
enjoyed that opportunity of reading to them the word of life
two hours after reached the Buffalo where very numerous
so our people raced after them on horse-back killed
2 Cows with 1 Calf,

2nd Saturday, after morning prayers we made preparation
to approach the cattle, the wind blew from the north
very cold, no luck to day, the cattle belong to God
he giveth to whomsoever he pleases.

3rd The Lords day I am sorry to say, it was hard
matter to restrain the people from hunting. I had
the pleasure of reading to them. three Indians

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accompanied with us, I read the 6th Chapter of Genesis to the tenth Chapter with the 13th Chapter of St. Mat. 2d Gen. 2d
4th Tuesday morning, we made out for the open plain & encamped near the cattle, my hunter killed one this even. I have many opportunities of reading the word of God. But, O for more of his grace to help me amidst this wide plain every thing around seem to speak loudly pointing to the great God of heaven & earth who feedeth his cattle upon a thousand hills & when I look upward the heavens declare the glory of God & the firmament sheweth forth his handy work &
5th Tuesday. killed another animal to day,
6th Wednesday I killed one cow to day & my hunter killed one likewise. that makes up the quantity we can take on our carts, God be praised, for his mercy endureth for ever,
7th Thursday morning, returned home-ward.
8th Saturday morning came to Mr. G. Mekay's post here I saw the plain Cree Chief Mr. Gortons guide he was very glad to see me, he enquired for Mr. Hoy whether if he was remaining at the Qu'appelle Lakes, I told him that he was gone to Red River settlement, he asked further if he was coming back again, I told him likely he will. he said the Crees are very fond of him they wish him to be here at the Qu'appelle Lakes. he enquired further if I was coming now to remain there, I said I did know yet. whether or were to remain. but I hope to know soon, again he said the white people was to build me a house several years ago. I wish they would come now & help us to cultivate the ground so that the young people may learn. the other Chiefs has been enquiring about settling down to cultivate the ground. would to God that he would cultivate the ground of their hearts with the good seed of his holy word. for his name sake. I arrived at my place to night.
10th The Lords Day, I kept the service in my house, the few people who resides with me came to

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hear the word of God. The portion of scripture I read taken from 2d Book of the Kings Chapt 2. with the 2d Chap of the Gospel St Luke

15th Friday, to day there as been a great shower of rain

16th Saturday, the weather has been remarkably fine, some snow falling this evening about the Indn

17th The Lords Day, I kept the usual service two persons came in with their family to join with us The place of scripture I read was from 2nd Chapt Habbakkuk, with the 11th Chap Epistle of Paul to the Hebrews.

18 Monday imploying preparation for the plain quarter, I reached M.J. Mikey post Lynard Mountain, here I met two old principal Indians one called Gortons guide a chief of this quarter, who fell sick at the post, he asked me if I could take him back to his place, I told him, I am willing to take you both out to your places & have an opportunity opened to the Red River. Mr Mikey gave me two sheets of paper so I was able to write to his Lordship & likewise to Mr Hopkins

19th Tuesday morning, I went off with the two old Indians & five other Indians who went to the plains, every one of them having a quantity of rum for sale to the plain indians, this is a great obstacle in my way, I cried to God it was at an end for it hurts the body & destroys the souls of the purchasers

20th Wednesday our second day travelling in the open plains encamped at a certain creek, here I read the word of God to them to night. Pg. 3rd Chapt Genesis & the 4th Chapt St Johns Gospel

21st Thursday morning, we had morning prayer, we set on our journey, we are now amongst buffaloes & the further we are getting out the less snow we found, it was dispicuable for our animals drawing the sled-sleds, we encamped at a certain Lake, I took every opportunity of reading the word of Life to to them. 22nd Friday morning, went on our way through the plains, I met a party of Indians going to the fort with carts & horses to go & purchase rum more rum, this evening I reached two camps of Indians, but had not the opportunity of reading the word of God to them, for the Chief invited them to drink

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which prevented me, Some of the indians sent word to me, that they wished me to come & read to them, I told them in three days time I will return back to you, hoping in that time the drunkenness would be over, & so passed on for the other camps. further on. 23rd Saturday morning, I went off with the two old Chiefs who accompanied with us by force, from among them. in the midst of singing their conjuring songs, I reached the third camp, Chief called the Fox, the said old Chief sent this evening, I read the word to a few both men & women, whom I observed to be very attentive to hear the word of Life

24th The Lords day, this morning, I had a good many to attend prayers with us, I read the 28th Chapt. St Matthews Gospel. after breakfast, I paid a visit to another camp, accompanied by Nanahsung & two others, there indians had three mud houses at this party all sorts. the oldest man spoke as soon as I sat down he said, we have just done having prayer, one of his young men replied, you spoke about nothing, I immediately commenced to read, the 40th Chapt the Book of the Prophet Isaiah & the 4th Chapt St Luke Gospel, with a prayer to almighty God that he would visit the poor heathen, for his dear son sake I immediately returned back, to the Fox camp, here I spend the rest of the day, most of the Ojibbeway here in houses. I went in where the old Chief Yortans Guide was, the indians began to gather into the house till it was full, & a great many standing about the door on the out side, who were anxious to hear what I had to say, This old Chief, his the greatest Idolater among all the ones, I read the 30th 39th 40th 41st & 7th of the 42nd Chapt Book of Job. & the 17th Acts of the Apostles beginning at the 22nd V. to the 32nd V. with a prayer to God. One of the principal Indians, spoke to those who were on the out side, to keep silence, this is what we ought to try & hear we never heard such. I observed the old man, who was anxious to hear the word of God, I went to his house to night for to read to those of his household, he was very glad that I should come to them & read, 23rd Chapt St Luke Gospel.

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25th Monday. Christmas Day, I made a fast back to the Indians, to whom I had promised to come to in three days time the distance to be about ten miles, I reached the camp about 2 o'clock in the evening, after I had some refreshment I went to a principal man's tent who is a Sioux, the tent was quite full most of them were women. I open the Scriptures & read the 53d Chapter of Isaiah, with the 2d Chapter of St Luke Gospel never omitting in all my discourse, God's great love to the world, the gift of his Eternal son, his Life, his death & his resurrection, & his second coming to judge the world & therefor to take good heed how they hear the word of Life because the fire of God is to try every man's work of whatever sort it is, What will then become of you then at that great day, what will become of your Gods of wood & stone & other creatures whom you now worship, all your gods will be burned to ashes, & to whom shall you flee to for refuge & my friends, take warning in time to agree with our adversary quickly whilst we are in the way with him, For now is the accepted time, & now is the day of salvation, flee to the shelter of the Cross of Christ with all your heart & soul, ere it be too late. Have done pray to God with all your heart & soul, that God will not say of you, because I have called & ye refused, I have stretched out my hand, & no man regarded it &, Remember, and that I have told you, what God wishes us all to do. i.e. to believe on the name of his son whom he hath sent. I concluded with a prayer to almighty God, that he would put mine to this holy word, that it might profit me this day throughout this heathen world, for his dear son sake, Jesus Christ our Lord. I then visited a young man who was a Chief man over this camp of Indians named, Kah-me-tah-pus-ke-dwat. & read the 53d Chap. to the 42 Chapter of the Book of Job. after I read, one of the Indians said, I wish to hear more read, I told him I am very glad to do so, he said, what do you wish me to read about, he replied, how people lived long ago, I then read to them about the flood

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the wickedness of man, was great before God, it grieved him at his heart, so that God destroyed them from off the face of the earth, Noah escaped with all his house and from the deluge because he believed in the Lord his God, there two things set before us here, how God abhors sin & wickedness. & God's great love to them who put their trust in him faithfully. Let us learn hence, to repent from our sins, & turn unto the Lord our God with all our hearts & souls. flee to Jesus Christ he his sure ark to save us from the wrath to come. Remember that life is short & therefore ought to be improved. Eternity is long & therefore ought to be prepared for. I continued with them until about midnight. & retired to rest. This is the first day we had snow which remained on the ground.

2d Thursday morning, I returned home, the cold weather is more commenced. to day we passed four nights through the plains.

2g Friday, I reached the squamel mountains N.J. Mckay's post. late at night. I suffered a great deal from the cold to day. I frozed most of my face & my great toes, I thank the Lord God of heaven & earth, that he has preserved me.

30th Saturday morning, I went on my way & reached home this evening. 31st The Lords day, I was unable to read to the people to day, a severe cold came on me & them, my wife & family are all laid up with it.

1855. The year of our Lord. 1st January, monday. the Lord. his pleased to enter us upon another new year. & I pray God. to give me a new heart & put a new spirit within me. that old things may pass away & all things become new. with the year of Lord Jesus Christ, & that I may be more zealous. to proclaim his name to all around, for his own name sake.

7th The Lords day. to day I was able to read to them people. who are with us, I read the, 53d Chapt of Isaiah. & the 18th Chapter Acts of the Another, my wife & family are still very ill indeed, God be praised. he does what seemeth him good. 14th The Lord. I held our usual meeting the people coming to hear the word of God regularly my sunday I read. 3 first Chapter. the Revelations at 9 o'clock & 22nd Chapter the same.

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6th Saturday. the week ending I have been fishing with fish hooks at the Lake, getting our living from the lake. for our animals are failing, & unable to go the plains for fresh meat, we are still very sickly indeed. But God has just he does what is best for poor mortals. Bless be to his Holy name for ever.

7th The Lords day. I kept the usual meeting. I read the First Lesson taken from 26th Chapt Leviticus. & the 5th Chapt. of St Matthews Gospel Our Saviours sermon on the mount.

27th Saturday I have been employed as the first week. my my eldest daughter is very low at present, unable to move herself.

28th The Lords day. I kept the service as usual. the people about us attend regularly every sunday. & on the week days morning & evening prayers they always attend old & young to day. I read 3rd Chapt. Malachi & 25th Chapt. of St Matthews Gospel

3rd February. Saturday morning. I made a visit to Mr. Mckay at the Squaret mountain & here some Indians from the plains arrived just as I am. I have had an opportunity of reading the word of God to them. to night. Lessons taken from 3 Chapts of St Johns Gospel with a prayer to almighty God. 4th The Lords day morning. the Indians went off very early this morning, a few minutes after other Indians arrived. to whom. I read the word to, with the people of the fort attended, I read the 24th Chapt of St Luke Gospel. The resurrection of our blessed Lord. In the afternoon. For the plains Indian Chief arrived with three young men, to whom likewise I read the word of God. taken from the 4th Chapt of St Johns Gospel. concluding with a prayer to God that he would send forth the light of his glorious among the heathen & that he would turn them from darkness to light & from the power of sin & satan. & turn unto him the living & true God.

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10th Saturday. week ending. this day week, I have been employ'd
for our daily bread. hanging at the Lake for fish. & through
the mercy of God. we are provided according as we require for
every day; Blessed be his holy name for ever.
11th The Lords Day. we have come together. to day as usual
the few people around us came to join with us. I read the
service of the The church of England. The Lessons I read was
taken from 3rd Chapter of St James. 2nd Lesson taken from 6th Chapt.
the Epistle of Paul to the Ephesians. enclosing the morning &
evening Lesson to all the children about us. with morning & evening
prayer. 16th The week ensuing. It his desire to write. continuing
the same thing. would God. I could perform it aright.
18th The Lords Day, after morning prayer, I read the 2nd 3rd 4th 5th
Chapter of St Paul to the Ephesians. & the 20th Chapter Exodus
the moral law. Universal application. hence shewing. that
Christ being the end of the law for righteousness to every
one that believeth. & therefore the law of God his holy & just
& good, as our school master to bring us to Jesus Christ. who,
is the way. the truth & the life.

Jesus my all to heav'n is gone,
He, whom I fix my hopes upon,
His track I see and I'll pursue,
The narrow way, till him I view.

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