



Life In The Past

Nelson Hicks' Journals
January 1927

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March 1 - Old sow had 15 pigs. All seem weak. And not very smart. Royden and I drew out some manure

Wed. 2 - I went up to Archie got 25 bus of BuckWheat. Took a Ash log up to the Valley got it saw in Oars

Thu. 3 - Old sows pigs is not doing very well. Only has seven now. I went down to Kiddy's and fixed her sistern. Quite a cold day

Fri. 4 - I helped John Loney saw his wood been a lovely day

Sat. 5 - Drew up some stone from the Flats. Floral and Kathleen came home with John Loney.

Sun. 6 - Kathleen Floral Mirt and I went around to Church

Mon. 7 - Mirt and I took Kathleen and Floral over to Picton roads were very good for cars

Tue. 8 - John Rose came down to saw my wood But the Engine didn't work very good so we left it for another day.

Wed. 9 - I splited up some wood. been a lovely day Mirt and I over up to Thomas Rose for the evening.

Thu. 10 - Royden and I trim apple trees along above. Four O'clock Royden took Garnet out to Mr Hudgins for a little visit then Royden went to Mr Spafford for the evening.

Fri. 11 - I went over to Picton took a Veal calf over roads were very good for cars. Floral came home with me.

Sat. 12 - John Rose were here and saw up my wood. it was a very nice day. Kathleen stayed over to Town

Sun. 13 - Clarence Ostrander and Myrtle were here for the day along about Two O'clock Lloyd and Luise came down.

Mon. 14 - Royden and I work at the wood. Milt and Charance fetched their Boat out from Picton with the wagon and stayed here all night

Tue. 15 - Milt took my team and took their Boat out down to the Point We are having lovely weather Visitors Clayton Ostrander & wife John Rose & wife Thomas Rose and wife Earl McKintosh & wife Albert Welbanks & wife Donal. Miss Grimmon from Picton came with John Rose. George Collier & Col

Wed. 16 - I trim trees Royden split wood we are having spring weather it so warm

Thu. 17 - To day the weather has been just like a nice spring day. I work at the orchard trimming

Fri. 18 - Still we are having fine weather. After dinner I went over to Picton after Floral Seen Lloyd in Town came down for the Banquet at the Royal Hotel.

Sat. 19 - Mirt and I went back to Lloyd's on our way stopped at Picton. Kathleen not very well. Got back to Lloyd's at noon. After Dinner Lloyd and I went over to Belleville came back after Tea. Mirt Luise Lloyd and I went to Belleville and to the show

Sun. 20 - Change in the weather this morning colder and snowing. In the after noon we came from Lloyds home

Mon. 21 - To day we have had a sleet storm all the tress are loaded down pretty well. Floral went over to Picton with Hamilton Welbanks.

Tue. 22 - Lorn Karr were here came last night. I work in the little Kittchen making some oars.

Wed. 23 - Lloyd came down to day fetched me down a Star Car, I gave some differense and he took the Ford home with him it has been quite cold to day.

Thu. 24 - Lloyd and Frank came down again today looking after some prospects for cars Royden and I finished splitting our wood.

Fri. 25 - Royden and I picked up brush in the orchard

Sat. 26 - Mirt Royden and I went over to Picton I drove the Star over. Made the trip safe and sound.

Sun. 27 - We all went round to the Bay to Church.

Mon. 28 - I took Kathleen Floral Dorthy over to Picton snowed some going over Ice went out to day.

Tue. 29 - Royden took some grain up to Milford to get ground. Mirt washed I trimmed some trees.

Wed. 30 - We piled up the brush in the orchard quite nice weather

Thu. 31 - I trimmed some trees Royden piled up brush.

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Lloyd, clearly becoming quite a successful car salesman in this booming era, brings Nelson a new Star Car on Wed. 23. This car was made by Durrant, a competitor to Ford. In the ad here you can see a trend that was just beginning at this time, to market cars to women; Lloyd's sister, Kathleen, could drive. This 1927 Star cost \$925, although

Nelson purchased it in part exchange for his old Ford.



Cars were very much for family use and for leisure use, with Nelson continuing to use horses for work. This photo of a Star car shows some

ingenious packing, apparently of a tent and picnic equipment for a family outing.

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