

came across us across. Immediately upon the north bank is the Keelson Bay Post and police barracks. - I immediately looked up my place for observation, hunted up Mr. Young the H.B.C. officer in charge to whom I had a letter of introduction and then commenced fixing my camp, the carts having arrived in the mean time. By 10-30 AM, Mr. Macara & I had the three tents up & things in fair shape. I am going to have him cook for me until a regular cook can be obtained. I did not at first intend to have a cook here, but Mr. Macara says that he did not come out for that & besides it is a thankless job, altho' he is willing to do it if I so order it. - Why I didn't want a cook here is that there is not enough work for him, for Mr. Macara there is not enough of work as operator & assistant, and thus I'd have too much idleness about me, which I am greatly averse to. -

July  
Monday 1  
fine  
light shower

A good bath was the first work after arising. After breakfast (near noon) I called on Mrs. Harding to deliver a letter from her husband. She was at church but I found Miss Harding in. Busy writing. In afternoon called on Mr. Taylor re telephone line. I found him at Dr. Wilson where there was quite a gathering celebrating yesterday's election for the Legislative Council, Dr. W. being one of the candidates & supposed successful. When I opened the door two voices greeted me with "Hello Mr. Duff" they were Edin Strang an old schoolmate & P. V. Jamieson an acquaintance from Dunblair Mt, he is now Dr. Agart here. Mr. Taylor came down tent & we discussed matters, later Inspector Casey & Mr. Corson called on me, they being strangers to me I inferred that part of their visit was induced by the assumption that I had a "permit". In the evening met at Mr. Taylor's a Miss Garnett who had visited Palston, one J. K. Agart the Jell being her brother-in-law. Mr. Beecher of the H.B.C. called on me in the evening. ~

Monday 2  
fine  
showers in after.

Unfortunately for me this is a holiday - Dominion Day - & in consequence could get nothing done towards the election of my observatory. I hired a cook Chas. Gauthier today.