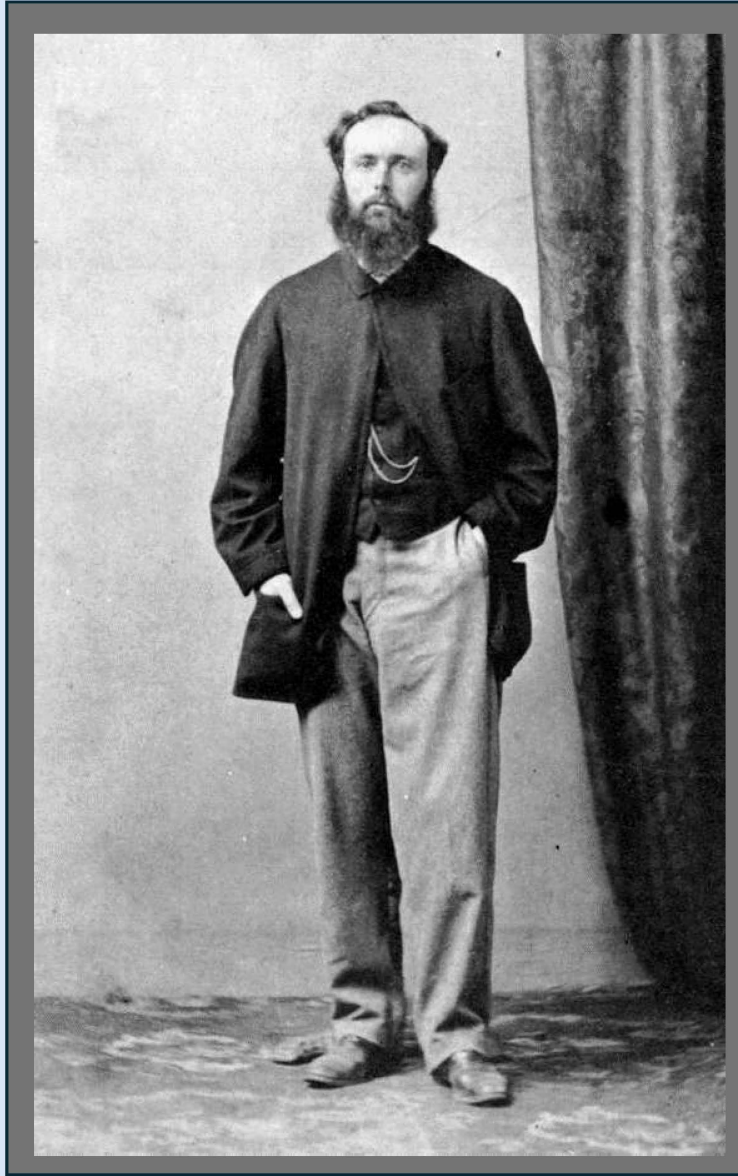


DIARIES OF PETER O'REILLY

1858 – 1905



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1864

DIARY TRANSCRIPTION

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TRANSCRIPTIONIST: TIM FITZTHUM – VICTORIA, BC

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News of the Chilcotin (Tsilhqot'in) War or Bute Inlet Massacre.
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SATURDAY, MAY 21, 1864.

Held Court, & afterwards tried to
wind up Government's action with White
but found it impossible, & gave it up
as a hopeless job. Recommended proposals
to proceed at once to K. V. & write to Col. See
informing him that I had done so.
Also wrote to Bejbu - Shalving dean
Camp. - Bowed over Indians to keep
the peace for 3 months for using
threatening language towards K. V. & Co.
Took over all Government property for Government

SUNDAY 22

Up at 6. - Started Fraser, &
Beck head to Soda Creek with our pack
horse. - Rode on to Packs by 4 1/2 O.
When White & self dined, afterwards went
on to Soda Creek, & slept on board the Enterprise.
Missed the return stage & of course could
not send my letters down. Head of the street at
Fraser head of white men on the Bute Inlet
trail, & of the steps taken by the Government to bring
the savages to justice.

MONDAY 23

Started at 3. Saw Alexander at of
Fitzgerald, on board, & brought corroborative
evidence of the murders on the Bute trail
me? for two Indians just returned from
Pinchin - the evidence of a settler named
Bibi Manning. - Heavy gale of rain
& thunder & lightning. Lay up for the night
about 12 miles from the M. of Fraser.
But the man or show for in town

DIARY SUMMARY

JANUARY

Peter O'Reilly attends police court in Victoria and meets with Gov Douglas – his salary increases from £500 to £600 per year - leaves for New Westminster to represent the Cariboo district as appointed member of Legislative Council for Colonial Assembly of British Columbia.

FEBRUARY

Returns to Victoria and settles into routine with wife Caroline "Carry" of visiting friends and his wife's family, the Trutches – attends church regularly and the theatre.

MARCH

Resumes attending Legislative Assembly meetings in New Westminster - Arthur Kennedy becomes governor of Vancouver Island succeeding James Douglas.

APRIL

Departure for the Cariboo – Carry travels with Peter as far as Yale before returning to New Westminster.

MAY

Nineteen days of horseback travel to reach Williams Creek - "dreadful massacre" by Indians of some members a road building crew working on the Bute Inlet trail - Peter's winter replacement and fellow gold commissioner William Cox is sent to Bute Inlet to deal with the "murderers".

JUNE

Court business resumes at Richfield and two inquests held - Walter Moberly, Joseph and John Trutch start laying out a new wagon road from Williams Creek to Quesnelle Mouth (Quesnel).

JULY

Peter writes to Tommy Ellis, son of Francis & Louisa Ellis in Ireland, about his intent to come to British Columbia – works through heavy case load - attends hospital committee and mining board meetings – inspects Trutch's work on new road.

AUGUST

Governor Kennedy and Victoria mayor Thomas Harris visit Williams Creek.

SEPTEMBER

A busy court schedule continues – an accidental mining death occurs - Peter continues writing numbered letters to his wife Carry.

OCTOBER

George Walkem elected to the Colonial Assembly for the Cariboo East district - Williams Creek hospital kept open during the winter – at Quesnelle Mouth Peter arranges the execution of five Indian chiefs found guilty of murder in Bute Inlet incident – returns to Victoria for the winter while William Cox takes his place.

NOVEMBER

Peter's pension from the Irish Revenue Police stopped – return trip to Victoria takes three weeks.

DECEMBER

Peter and Caroline move their household from Victoria to New Westminster – resumption of participation in Colonial Assembly of British Columbia.

REFERENCES & COMMENTS

1864-01-10

Charlotte Hannah (Barnes) Trutch

(1799-1876)

Mother of Joseph, John, Emily, and Caroline Trutch, married to William Trutch (c. 1796-1859) in 1822.

1864-01-21

Colonial Assembly of British Columbia (New Westminster)

Magistrate Peter O'Reilly sat as an appointed member of the Legislative Council of the Colonial Assembly representing the Cariboo East district in the first session 1863-64 in New Westminster.

1864-02-25

Sarah (Lindley) Crease

(1826-1922)

Artist, socialite, diarist, married Henry Crease (1823-1905) in 1853.

1864-03-25

Amelia (Connolly) Douglas

(1812-1890)

Métis wife of James Douglas, HBC chief factor, Governor of Vancouver Island, Governor of British Columbia. When James Douglas was knighted in 1863, Amelia Douglas became Lady Douglas.

1864-03-28

Jane Shaw (Moir) Dewdney

(1843-1906)

Daughter of Susan Louisa (Moir) Glennie, married Edgar Dewdney (1835-1916) on March 28th, 1864 in Hope, BC.

1864-04-10

Arthur Edward Kennedy

(1809-1883)

Governor of Vancouver Island from 1864 to 1866 succeeding James Douglas.

1864-05-08

comment

Joseph Trutch is appointed Chief Commissioner of Land & Works for British Columbia.

1864-05-22

Chilcotin (Tsilhqot'in) War

Confrontation between Tsilhqot'in members and a white construction crew building a wagon road to access gold mining areas resulted in deaths on both sides. The route extended from the Homathko River at Bute Inlet through traditional Tsilhqot'in lands.

1864-05-29

Arthur Nonus Birch

(1836-1914)

Colonial Secretary of British Columbia (1864-66).

1864-06-20

Richfield, BC

Richfield at Williams Creek in the Cariboo.

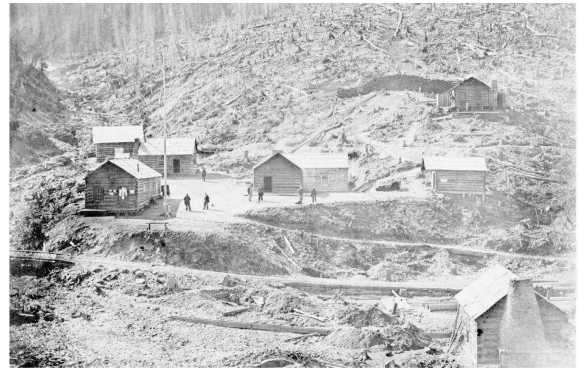


Image: Richfield courthouse, magistrate's residence, prison, judge's residence (BC Archives A-04286, 1866-70)

1864-06-25

comment

Peter now refers to Louisa Ellis as "Mrs Ellis" instead of "dearest Mamsey" or "Mamsey" as he did prior to his marriage to Caroline Trutch.

1864-08-09

Thomas Harris

(1818-1884)

Mayor of Victoria (1863-65).

1864-10-12

George Anthony Walkem

(1834-1908)

Lawyer, politician, judge. Elected member of the Colonial Assembly (Cariboo East) (1864-66), BC premier (1874-76 & 1878-82).

1864-12-12

Carlo Gentile

(1835-1893)

Photographer active from 1863 to 1866 working in New Westminster, Victoria, Vancouver Island, Seattle, and San Francisco.

1864-12-12

Legislative Council, New Westminster

On December 12, 1864 Peter O'Reilly wrote, "Gentile took a groupe of the Members outside the Council Chambers". Peter O'Reilly is pictured in Gentile's photo standing on the stairway, fourth from the right.



Image: New Westminster; First Legislative Council (BC Archives A-04736, 12 Dec 1864, photographer - Carlo Gentile)

DIARY – 1864

NOTES

District of Cariboo East.

Month of October 1864.

Salaries	Amt	Sal	£	s	d	Allowances	£	s	d
P O'Reilly Esq GC	500	41	13	4	Travelling Expenses	31	“	“	
					31 nights @ 20/0				
Do	Increase	100	8	6	8	Distr [illegible]	8	6	8
						Allce @ £100			
John White, Clerk	250	29	3	14	Travelling Expenses	23	5	“	
					@ 15/-				
Inss Phillips, Assist	300	25	“	“	do	12/-	18	12	“
S Redgrave, Constable	240	20	“	“	do	“	18	12	“
D B Chisholm do	“	20	“	“	do	“	18	12	“
J G Brown, do	“	20	“	“	do	“	18	12	“
Jno McNeill, do	“	20	“	“	do	“	18	12	“
Total Salaries		184	3	4	Total Allowances		155	11	8
“ Allowances							155	11	8
Grand Total							£339	15	“ per month

JANUARY

1864-01-01 / 02 / 03

FRIDAY / SATURDAY / SUNDAY

20th Augst Cram v. Collens

Cram

The ground in dispute 100 was taken up 11 Augst for me by White, it was Recorded 12 Augst it has been [reposit] since that date. X My claim was taken up reportedly to be worked in camping with White Head & Nicols. - (A. J. White [*illegible*]) - I took up the claim in dispute fr Cram by his authority, the same day I saw Collens staking after I had staked it out Mr Marshall [*illegible*] I saw Collens staking out the claim on Monday last.

1864-01-04 / 05 / 06

MONDAY / TUESDAY / WEDNESDAY

Defense

Collens

I started off to claim on the 11th

Received 12th I restaked after I recorded.

Do as below granted to Marshall & Walker

Permission granted to move the upr line of the set if claim held [*illegible*] River - Moore & Smith so as to curtail the [*illegible*].

1864-01-07

THURSDAY

Hard frost Good skating

at Saan[ich] & Elk Lakes

In Police office till 2. PM

The Mayors Ball at the Colonial hotel. A fearful gathering & such a dust, but all passed off well. Begbie & Mrs Trutch got a cropper.

1864-01-08

FRIDAY

Very hard frost. Police Court at 11½. At Gov office at 2 P.M. Called on Mrs Nind. Walked with His Excellency, when he informed me that my salary had been increased to £600 per annum.

1864-01-09

SATURDAY

Hard frost, a rush to the Lakes. Police office at 11½ - David Kurtz lodged with me £25- deposit for lease - Artesian swamp Mining Co

1864-01-10 *

SUNDAY

Heavy Rain did not go to Church. Burnaby called Mrs Trutch dined, Jno & self went to St Johns tremendous heavy rain.

1864-01-11

MONDAY

Attended Police Court at 11½ O.C. Afterwards with H. E. in the office.

1864-01-12

TUESDAY

Police Court at 11- Called on Mrs Nind - spent a couple of hours at the Gov buildings. Napolion the 3rd arrived at Esquimalt, 153 days from London.

1864-01-13

WEDNESDAY

Attended Police Court. Went shopping with Carry & called on Mrs Harris, Young & Nind found the latter very ill. Rode up to call on Pemberton. Mrs Trutch dined with us.

1864-01-14

TUESDAY

Rough stormy day. Went with Carry to call on Mrs Cruikshank found her out. Gov buildings till 4 PM - called on Mrs Nind & ordered 2 bottles of champagne for her fr the French. John & Dewdney dined. Joe & Julia came in for tea.

1864-01-15

FRIDAY

Police Court till 1- P.M.
Lunched with Burnaby gave him some specimens, office till 4. Called on Mrs Nind & Walked home with Dr Walker Carry - bought some chairs at Sehl's. Cary walked home with us, but would not dine

1864-01-16

SATURDAY

Rained heavily all day
Police Court at 11½. Caled on H. E. & Young, also on Mrs Nind Rode out with Joe, & Begbie & got drenched.

1864-01-17

SUNDAY

Heavy rain Church at 11 O.C.
Paid Mrs Nind, Mrs Goss, & H E visits. Carry Jno, & self. The Trutch family diner
Very wet evening, could not go to Church.

1864-01-18

MONDAY

Very busy day. Police office till 1- PM Called on Burnaby to say good bye. Mail steamer arrived no English Mail
Called on Mrs Young. Dined at Trutches Joes Birth day. Gave Mrs Nind cheque on Bank of B. C. fr \$250- also to Carry for \$200- besides cash \$ [*left blank*]

1864-01-19

TUESDAY

Left for B. C. at 8½ with H. E. Begbie & Good, & J Young beautiful passage, arrived at N. W. at 4½ no excitement
To my surprise found Nind waiting to go to Victoria

1864-01-20

WEDNESDAY

Nind return to Victoria in the Enterprise. Beautiful day
A long interview with H. E. Sanders arrived fr Yale

1864-01-21 *

THURSDAY

Wet day. Legislative Council assembled for the first time sworn in by Begbie. Gov's speech & a slight altercation between Crease & Homer.
Dined with H. E.

1864-01-22

FRIDAY

Rained all day. Council met at 3- OC P.M. Public not admitted. Great indignation expressed/
Sanders & self spent the evening at Spaldings.

1864-01-23

SATURDAY

Rain Rain Rain
From 11- to 2½ with H. E.
Council met at 3- PM.

1864-01-24

SUNDAY

Rained all day.
Service at 11- Good sermon from Sheepshanks. Early dinner at Creases with Sanders, Called on H. E.
Service at 7- PM.
Retired to Begbies rooms

1864-01-25

MONDAY

Rained all day - with H. E.
Council fr 11- till ¼ 3-
Council at 3- Dined with H. E. Recd No 17- fr Carry
written 8th of Octr.

1864-01-26

TUESDAY

Rain - in consultation

with H. E. till 3-
Council met as usual
Enterprise arrived. English
no news about the new Gov's
Recd No 1- fr dearest Carry
also one No 22 fr Mamsey

1864-01-27

WEDNESDAY

Sent £20. to White by
Butler Anderson, & No 2 to
Carry by Moberly, wrote to Nind
& Stahlschmidt enclosing a
note drawn by Dewdney on
Burnaby.
Council met at 3. PM.
Dined with Bushby very
stupid evening

1864-01-28

THURSDAY

Rain in the morning
Frost at night
With H. E. as usual
Council at 3- PM
Dined with Ball & Sanders
at Colonial - retired to Begbies
rooms & drew up memorial to
H. E. in reference to salary of Court Judges
Begbie arrived 10½ - pretty jolly
played cards.

1864-01-29

FRIDAY

Fine frosty morning
Presented our memorial to
H. E. returned fr further
Particulars. Council
met at 3- PM
Spent an hour at Spaldings
Recd a letter fr Charles

1864-01-30

SATURDAY

Very wet day. In consultation
with H. E. till 6- PM Council till 6-
Row in the house with reference
to information required about
the Estimates.

1864-01-31

SUNDAY

Snow. Rain cold morning
Service at 11- The Archdeacon
preached - Walked home with H. E. & had
lunchen with him, & rather a warm
discussion with reference to the
doings of Council yesterday.
Walked with Begbie & dined
with H. E. at 6 O.C.

FEBRUARY

1864-02-01

MONDAY

Rain, cold raw day, as usual
went to H. E. at 11- Ball Sanders
& self - had the whole affair out
before H. E. with reference to the
occurrence at the Council on
Saturday, we all pitched into
Crease.
Council met at 12- OC
today

1864-02-02

TUESDAY

Another wet day, went to H. E.
as usual, Council met at 3-
The Enterprise arrived at 5
a regular down pour. Recd No 2
fr dear Carry, also a batch of other
letters. Recd from Mathew
per Holdbrook £15-0-0, but
no particulars. Jno Work came
up. Writing letters all the
evening.

1864-02-03

WEDNESDAY

Fine bright day for a wonder
Called on H. E. in reference to the
remission of duty on Lanries pump
for the New Richfield Company, which
was remitted. Walked with H. E.
for a couple of hours. Dined with
him & went with him to the Concert
at the Hyack engineer room
Sent No 3- to Carry by J. Work
also 1 pr of ducks, & 2 brace of grouse

1864-02-04

THURSDAY

Another beautiful day, paid Mrs Prichard a visit, also Mrs Finlayson. Council at 3. Very little business done. Begbie Ball Brew & self dined together at Colonial. Went to see the Volunteers drill the 1st night with their arms.

1864-02-05

FRIDAY

With H. E. till 2 P.M. Council met at 3- and after a fight adjourned till the 17th inst - Begbie Ball & myself dined at Creases. Heavy Fog all day. The Enterprise did not arrive much to my disappointment

1864-02-06

SATURDAY

Fog ever worse than yesterday Lodged with Brew on acct of purchase of Lot [*left blank*] \$460-50- Enterprise arrived at 2 PM, but to my annoyance did not return - recd No [*left blank*] from dearest Carry & a number of other letters. Reliance returned fr Yale

1864-02-07

SUNDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-02-08

MONDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-02-09

TUESDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-02-10

WEDNESDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-02-11

THURSDAY

The Friday's entry - should have been for this day, & Saturday fr Friday Saturday Took Carry & the Trutches to the Theatre - Octoroon

1864-02-12

FRIDAY

Lovely day. Rode with Carry & paid a round of visits. Jno dined Dance at Lyceum - bad cold did not enjoy myself.

1864-02-13

SATURDAY

Lovely day Recd No 23 fr. Mamsey with enclosure fr. Tommy. Paid H. E. a visit also Mrs Nind. Rode with Carry, Joe & Mrs T. to call on Mrs Foster Amature Theatricals. Begbie arrived fr N. W. per Enterprise

1864-02-14

SUNDAY

Beautiful day. Church at 11- Mail steamer arrived but could not find out if there were letters fr me or not. Mr & Mrs Cary Ball & Mrs Trutch lunched. Carry & I dined at Fairfield

1864-02-15

MONDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-02-16

TUESDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-02-17

WEDNESDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-02-18

THURSDAY

[no entry]

1864-02-19

FRIDAY

[no entry]

1864-02-20

SATURDAY

[no entry]

1864-02-21

SUNDAY

Very heavy rain all day, went to Church at 11- spent the day & dined at the Crease's

1864-02-22

MONDAY

[no entry]

1864-02-23

TUESDAY

[no entry]

1864-02-24

WEDNESDAY

Beautiful day.
With H. E. all the
Morning. Council at 12-

1864-02-25 *

THURSDAY

The usual routine. Carry
& self dined with Begbie & Brew.
also Mr & Mrs Crease, Dr & Mrs Jones
were also of the party.

1864-02-26

FRIDAY

Recd £100 fr Treasury
per advance warrant fr an
acct of Horse Fly trail. Paid
same to Capt Mitchell
Council adjourned by Crease
no Quorum? Str Enterprise
arrived at 5¼ Mrs Nind came up.
Dined at Colonial with Ball
Joe, & Good.

1864-02-27

SATURDAY

[no entry]

1864-02-28

SUNDAY

~~Easter Sunday. Rained
incessantly - Church at 11-
Holy Communion - Ker & Bushby
Lunc[h]ed - remained in house all
evening.~~

1864-02-29

MONDAY

~~One of the wettest days I
ever remember. Called on Hamley
in re a dinner to His Excellency
Signed leases for Horse fly Co
Prince of Wales Silver Lead Co~~

MARCH

1864-03-01

TUESDAY

[no entry]

1864-03-02

WEDNESDAY

[no entry]

1864-03-03

THURSDAY

[no entry]

1864-03-04

FRIDAY

[no entry]

1864-03-05

SATURDAY

[no entry]

1864-03-06

SUNDAY

[no entry]

1864-03-07

MONDAY

[no entry]

1864-03-08

TUESDAY

[no entry]

1864-03-09

WEDNESDAY

[no entry]

1864-03-16

WEDNESDAY

[no entry]

1864-03-17

THURSDAY

Went to a Ball at the Lyceum

1864-03-18

FRIDAY

Capt Layton called.

Went for a short ride

Miss Legget dined & went with us to the Concert in aid of the Hospital

1864-03-29

SATURDAY

Fine day. Rode with Carry to see the Cricket Match

Cariboo v. Victoria - the former won by one. Called on Mrs Young Mrs McDonald, & Mrs Cary.

1864-03-20

SUNDAY

Beautiful day Church at 11- Walked home with Mrs Young spent the day & dined. Went to St Johns in the evening. White walked home with us & had supper

1864-03-21

MONDAY

Beautiful day - went for a short ride with Begbie busy packing. Mrs Trutch dined

1864-03-22

TUESDAY

Carry came up with me to Westminster - beautiful passage Took up our questers in Brews house.

Joe & John also came up en route to Spences Bridge on the Thompson River.

We all Dined at the Colonial.

1864-03-23

WEDNESDAY

Carry, & John went out for a short ride. Called on H. E. and attended the Council which was adjourned for a break.

Joe & John left for Yale in the Reliance. Walker dined with Us. Took a short walk & called on Mrs Crease. Recd No 1- fr Mamsey with enclosure fr the Major

1864-03-24

THURSDAY

Cold raw day. High Wind & rain - remained in the house

Carrie went to the practice

I spent an hour with Brew

& then called for her

Wrote to the Major in re Tommys outfit also sent an enclosure to Tommy

1864-03-25 *

FRIDAY

Good Friday. Church at

11- AM. Called on Lady Douglas spent the day & dined.

Doctored His Ex's horse came on to rain a wet walk home

Enterprise arrived fr Victoria

no English mail - Reliance fr Yale

Ball came down in her.

1864-03-26

SATURDAY

Ball, the Goods, Claudie, & Mrs

Newton called - took a short

walk, called on Mrs Bushby. Ball

dined. Carry went to the practice

Elwyn Connell came in, played

a game of Whist.

1864-03-27

Easter **SUNDAY**

Very wet day, Church at 11- AM

Holy Communion - Sheepshanks

[*deletion*] preached. Bushby, & Ker
dined. Remained in the house
all the evening.

1864-03-28 *

MONDAY

One of the most incessant
days rain I ever remember
Went into town to consult with
Hamley with reference to the proposed
dinner to H. E. Called on Walker.
Signed leases for the Horsefly Co
Prince of Wales Co & the [*left blank*]
Moberly dined. Reliance returned
with Dewdney on board, having been
married in the morning at Hope

1864-03-29

TUESDAY

Fine day - perfectly inundated
with visitors. H. E. & almost
every person in town called. Took
a walk with Carry & Ball

1864-03-30

WEDNESDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-03-31

THURSDAY 31

[*no entry*]

APRIL

1864-04-01

FRIDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-04-02

SATURDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-04-03

SUNDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-04-04

MONDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-04-05

TUESDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-04-06

WEDNESDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-04-07

THURSDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-04-08

FRIDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-04-09

SATURDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-04-10 *

SUNDAY

Beautiful day. Church at 11-
Revd Cridge read prayer. Gamage
Preached. Gov Kennedy & family
attended Church. Stahlschmidt & all
his family with Holmes called, also D
Fraser. Carry & self called on the
Pembertons "Castle rock". Church
at St Johns at 7-

1864-04-11

MONDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-04-12

TUESDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-04-13

WEDNESDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-04-14

THURSDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-04-15

FRIDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-04-16
SATURDAY
[no entry]

1864-04-17
SUNDAY
[no entry]

1864-04-18
MONDAY
[no entry]

1864-04-19
TUESDAY
Beautiful day. Called on Sir James & Lady Douglas at 8½ also Mrs Young to say good bye. Left in the Enterprise for New Westminster en route for Cariboo. Carrie came with me, & went to Mrs Ker's, [*illegible*]

1864-04-20
WEDNESDAY
[no entry]

1864-04-21
THURSDAY
[no entry]

1864-04-22
FRIDAY
[no entry]

1864-04-23
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MAY

1864-05-01
SUNDAY
[no entry]

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MONDAY
[no entry]

1864-05-03
TUESDAY
[no entry]

1864-05-04
WEDNESDAY
Council prorogued by H. E. Left N. W. en route to Cariboo Jno & Carrie also came up, about 100 passengers on board. Touched at the Sumaas & took on board 4 Government horses reached Harrison river at 9½ & remained there for the night.

1864-05-05
THURSDAY
Left Harrison river at 3- AM & reached Hope at 11- AM. Carrie & self stopped with the Charles at Hope. White went on to Yale to see the pack horses started. Mrs Charles & the wife kind as ever but in trouble at the thoughts of breaking up their establishment at Hope & moving to Yale.

1864-05-06

FRIDAY

White returned fr. Yale in Reliance. Roasting hot day Carry, Charles, & myself went out for a ride to the water fall & called on the Glennies.

1864-05-07

SATURDAY

Another hot day. Paid visits to the Agagacies, Pringles & Landvoigts. Went in the evening to inspect the silver lead.

Jno arrived from Yale in a Canoe.

1864-05-08 *

SUNDAY

Very hot day. Left for Yale in the Reliance at 10½ - dear Carry not at all well Recd a letter from Joe informing me of his appointment at C. C. L. & W. Took up our quarters at Sander's. Sanders paid me \$20- for marmalade &c sent to him fr Victoria, found my Chestnut horse very lame & unfit for work

1864-05-09

MONDAY

Another very hot day. Dearest Carry returned to New Westminster in the Reliance, how very sorry I was to part with her! Sent the Chestnut horse back to the Sumaas. Started at ¼ 12- O.C. The grey horse lent to me by Jno got sick & prevented my travelling farther than Chapmans Bar, 14 miles very much fear I should have to leave him behind.

1864-05-10

TUESDAY

Rode from Chapman's Bar to Lytton 43 miles. Mashell walked to Sitka flat where I hired a horse for him. Found Judge Ball Walker Walkem &c &c.

Slept at Denourions - very tired

1864-05-11

WEDNESDAY

Scorching hot
Wrote No 1- to Carry & sent it by Capt Houghton, also sent to Sanders an appointment, & Bond for Sheriff in case Commeline should leave. Rode to the Ferry 22- miles, camped with Spence.

1864-05-12

THURSDAY

Left Spences Camp at 6- AM stopped for ½ hour at Higmans - rode to Cornwalls 24 miles. Very hot day.

1864-05-13

FRIDAY

Horses astray & could not be found till 8. AM started at 9- stopped at McLeans for ½ an hour, reached the Junction Clinton at 5½ - distance 30 miles. Saw Grace Maxwell in a dying state
Wrote No 2 to Carry to be sent by Express, also to Joe, & Elwyn, & Sanders enclosing the latter list of Sheriffs fees

1864-05-14

SATURDAY

Fair day, Left Clinton at 6 & arrived at Loch lomond house at 1 P.M. 74 mile house - distance 24 miles

1864-05-15

SUNDAY

Up at 3- AM, rode on with Mashell to Bride Creek (the 100 mile post, 26 miles) when we arrived & had breakfast at 10 O.C.
Stage expected but did not arrive.

1864-05-16

MONDAY

Recd fr White \$485- equal to £100- for

Capt Mitchell - also \$20 for expenses
Up at 4 AM but could not get
started till 8½ - branched off at the 108
mile post for Horse fly by Capt Mitchell.
New trail - the first few miles of which is
[illegible] to the brigade trail, then through timber
without grass, much to my disgust, Camped at
a small lake having ridden on the trail 18½
miles - tied the horses up, only a little swamp
grass for them, visited by an Indian
[overwritten text]
Dewdney & Mashell
accompanied me in this
trip. Sent White on
with Webster to Wms
Lake to settle with
Gompertz

1864-05-17

TUESDAY

Up at 3- AM. The Indian brought me a
present of some fish, exciting hunt after a
Beaver, which we caught, but afterwards
Escaped. "The Indian performed a fete in
dentistry". Started at 8- AM trail very bad
the quarter portion of which has not been cut
out, stopped for an hour to allow the
horses to feed, rode on till 4 P.M., when
we came to a fire on the trail which
compelled us to return & camp, no feed
again for the horses - distance travelled
today 17½ miles

1864-05-18

WEDNESDAY

Up at 3- AM started at ¼ 6- & rode
for an hour through dense smoke fr
the fire of last evening, reached Summers
on Moffat river about ½ mile above its
Junction with Horsefly river. Found that
Capt Mitchell had left in the morning, Summers
went after him & returned at 6½. Paid
him \$485.00 equal to £100- on acct
of cutting trail from 108 mile post to
Quesnelle Lake.

1864-05-19

THURSDAY

Up at 3- Started at 5½ - rode
down the valley the head waters of Beaver
Lake river - passed a farm kept by
a man named "Porquist" stopped to

feed at Moffets & fed the horses - no person
at home - reached "Beaver lake" at 4, the
place almost deserted, bought barley
& packed it to Big lake which we reached at
6½ - total distance 34 miles. Bary &
a man named Smith paid us a visit

1864-05-20

FRIDAY

Up at 4- bad breakfast - rode on
to Deep Creek where we dined, & then
on to Wms Lake where I found White & Cudlip
waiting. Total distance today 27-
miles - horses very tired.

1864-05-21

SATURDAY

Held Court, & afterwards tried to
wind up Gompertz acct with White
but found it impossible, & gave it up
as a hopeless job, recommended Gompertz
to proceed at once to N. W. & wrote to Col. Sec
informing him that I have done so.
Also wrote to Begbie, Spalding & dear
Carry. - Bound over Meldrum to keep
the peace for 3 months for using
threatning language towards Robt McCance.
Took over all Government property fr. Gompertz

1864-05-22 *

SUNDAY

Up at 6- started Mashell, &
Peckheckan to Soda Creek with one pack
horse. - Rode on to Packs by 4½ OC
when White & self dined, & afterwards went
on to Soda Creek, & slept on board the Enterprise.
Missed the return stage & of course could
not send my letters down. Heard of the dreadful
massacar of white men on the Bute Inlet
trail, & of the steps taken by the Governor to bring
the savages to justice.

1864-05-23

MONDAY

Started at 3- AM Alexandria at [left blank] OC
Fitzgerald came on board, & brought corroborative
evidence of the murders on the Bute trail
recd fr. two Indians just returned fr
Pinchin - the evidence of a settler named
Bill Manning. - Heavy fall of rain
thunder & lightning, lay up for the night
about 12 miles fr the Mt of Quesnelle

Sent the man on shore for an hour

1864-05-24

TUESDAY

Heavy fog - started at 5½ - reached the Mouth at 11- O.C. pack horses had not arrived. Queens birth day - dined on board with Capt Doan who stood champagne Wrote cheque to self & left it with Grey to be sent to Walker the amt incurred for erection of Bank Viz \$2044-30

Recd from Fitzgerald

\$51-75- my proportion of Sheriffs fees to this date

1864-05-25

WEDNESDAY

Drunken rows all night, up at 5- O.C. Enterprise left at 7- Sent No 3 to dearest Carry by express - also to Col. Sec. & Spalding - one also for Begbie by hand After much trouble got the horses started at 11¼. They camped at 9½ miles house. I rode on to Smiths 20 miles bridge carried away swam the horses Fitzgerald accompanied me to assist in arrangements with Smith fr. repair of trail.

1864-05-26

THURSDAY

Up at 5- my man lame fr the effects of a cut on the fetlock recd while swimming the river - started at 8- Edwards at 1- OC Beaver pass 5½ - agreed with Smith for repair of trail fr. the mouth of Quesnelle to VanWinkle for \$950- to be completed on or before 10th June next. Fitzgerald returned. I rode on to VanWinkle which I reached at 8½. Man very lame put up at McCaffreys

1864-05-27

FRIDAY

Up at 4- sent my horses back by Smith to be kept on his farm Sent my blankets on & started for Wms Creek where I arrived at 10½ - had long explanations in reference to the winter work with Cox. Dined with him at Lemons Restaurant

Found the house &c pretty much in the same state I left it. Commeline arrived at 7- O.C.

1864-05-28

SATURDAY

Fine morning - breakfast at 9- In house all morning writing & arranging postal matters with Commeline.

1864-05-29 *

SUNDAY

Up at 6- beautiful morning Express arrived at 9½ Recd No 1 fr dearest Carry - also a number of officials & a private note from Birch Cox ordered off to Bute Inlet with a party of 7 men fr. Alexandria My pack train arrived, horses in good condition. Busy all day taking over accts & money fr. Cox. Cast handed to me £2048-0-0 equal to \$12040-00

1864-05-30

MONDAY

Busy in office nearly all day Cox left for Alexandria & Bute Inlet.

1864-05-31

TUESDAY

Paid J. Cameron \$130.00 on acct of R. L. Brown Lent Dewdney \$25.00 Woolsey left for VanWinkle in the evening.

JUNE

1864-06-01

WEDNESDAY

Paid into the Bank of B. C. \$250 the amt of Purchase of Hopelands & Piano. Redfield giving an undertaking that should an error exist, it will be refunded. Commenced to take over meals at home - White & self Dr Black arrived recd by him

notices of reward for arrest of
Indian murderers.

1864-06-02

THURSDAY

Another very busy day.

Posted No 4 to dearest Carry
with enclosure to Mrs Dewdney.

1864-06-03

FRIDAY

Paid Cameron \$200- on Ker's
acct also to White on account
\$250.00 Busy day in office
till 4- PM. Walked down to
Cameronton with Walker, bought
24 small Radishes for 50 cents.

1864-06-04

SATURDAY

Another busy day till 2- O.C.
White & self walked down to the creek
to the Mt of the Bed Rock drain
did not get back till 7½.

1864-06-05

SUNDAY

Spent a very lonely day - no
service in the Church, tremendous
fire on the hill, which nearly cought
Bebbies house, but fortunately it
commenced to rain just in the nick
of time - also a storm of thunder &
lightning. Walker & Russell dined
Recd a letter fr Cox - which I answered
& also sent a book of F. M. Certificates
to Trevor at Quesnelle Mouth.

1864-06-06

MONDAY

Very busy day in Court till 6
P.M. took a short walk to see
a sick man named Wm Craigie
who appears to be dying. Sent Dr
Bill to visit him.
Mail & express arrived at 10-
O.C. PM

1864-06-07

TUESDAY

The poor miner Wm Craigie died
today. Wrote to Joe & Carry No 5

& sent them by Sage Miller to promised
to deliver Joe's in the road & to Carry
at Victoria

Recd a letter fr Johnny

Humfreys -

Suspended Constable McNeill
& informed Hamilton that H. E. declined
to accept his resignation, & directed his
dismissal

1864-06-08

WEDNESDAY

Very busy day in office & answering
officials. Posted No 6, to Carry
enclosed to Edwards. Mail closed
at 6. P.M. Recd a letter fr Cox
Wrote to Joe, & Smith with
orders to send the horses to Quesnelle
if Joe had not already got them.

1864-06-09

THURSDAY

Woolsey arrived fr VanWinkle
placed him under suspension

1864-06-10

FRIDAY

[no entry]

1864-06-11

SATURDAY

Very busy day. Begbie, Joe, &
Jno Trutch, Holmes & Moberly
Arrived. Recd No 3 from dearest
Carry handkerchiefs, & a present
of a ring.
Woolsey left for N. W. to
explain [Mathews] to H. E. Lent him
\$200- to be paid into my acct at Victoria
Wrote No 7- to Carry & sent it by Woolsey

1864-06-12

SUNDAY

Cold raw morning. Walked
down the Creek with Joe & John
& White. They all dined with me
also Walker
No parson - no service

1864-06-13

MONDAY

Very cold morning - snow

& hail. Busy day in office till 4. P.M. White opened the new office today for the first time
Walked down the Creek with Begbie & Walker - heavy rain & sleet got wet through
Jno & Moberly left at noon fr Mouth to explore for a new line of road by Willow River.

1864-06-14

TUESDAY

Cold frosty morning. Hail & snow
Held County Court - 27 cases entered for hearing.
Took a short walk with Begbie down the Creek

1864-06-15

WEDNESDAY

Cold raw morning about ½ an inch of snow in the Ground. Mail & Express arrived by Pool. Recd No 3- from dearest Carry, - this day 6months I was married to her.

1864-06-16

THURSDAY

Cold frosty morning snow & sleet
In office all day. Joe walked with me to the "Prairie Flower" claim where I held an inquest on the body of Samuel Davids who had been killed the previous evening by the accidental falling of a pump down the shaft, home at 8- PM. Landvoigt arrived & spent a few hours in my quarters.

1864-06-17

FRIDAY

Another cold morning, & a busy day in the office afterwards closeted writing letters. Jno & Moberly returned, both very tired
McCall also returned fr his trip by Nelson Cr.

1864-06-18

SATURDAY 18

[no entry]

1864-06-19

SUNDAY

Fine day at last - no Clergymen as yet on the Creek. Lowmaster arrived fr. VanWinkle & reported the death of Chas Robinson & also rich strike in Lightning Cr one nugget [illegible] 30- oz
Sent off No 8- to dearest Carry by Mr Tarball with \$100- enclosed, & also \$100- from Dewdney to his wife, also enclosures from Joe, & John. Capt Holmes dined with us, & remained till 12 O.C. much to my annoyance.

1864-06-20 *

MONDAY

Up at 3½ started at 4¼ for Lightning Creek to hold inquest on the body of Chas Robinson, alias [left blank] Returned to VanWinkle at 12 O.C. & remained till 4 PM Recording &c - visited Perrins, Discovery & the Batcher claims. Got back to Richfield at 8½ - very tired. Trutch & party went out on a prospecting expedition via Jack of Clubs Lake, to Chisholm Creek.

1864-06-21

TUESDAY

In office till 12- Walked down the Creek & on to the reserve with Begbie to examine the grass & arrange for having it fenced. Got home at 8½ very tired, Begbie dined.

1864-06-22

WEDNESDAY

Up at 7- Landvoigt dined breakfasted a very busy day in Court till 5 O.C.

1864-06-23

THURSDAY

[no entry]

1864-06-24

FRIDAY

[no entry]

1864-06-25 *

SATURDAY

In Court all day Mail & Express arrived at 6 P.M. Recd No 4- from Carry & one from Mrs Ellis enclosing list of contents of my box, [deletions] Jno arrived from his camp on Chisholm Creek.

1864-06-26

SUNDAY

Fine morning. Service at 11- by Revd Brown about 20 persons present. Wrote to Mrs Ellis, & enclosed list of out-fit for Tom - copy in dispatch box. Took a short walk with Begbie & Joe, the latter not at all well

1864-06-27

MONDAY

Begbie sat in Court fr 11- till 2- & heard 2 appeal cases & confirmed both. Joe seedy - bad could. Jno went out to Jack of Clubs lake to lay out waggon road.

1864-06-28

TUESDAY

Busy in office all day. Joe no better - gave him phisic. Jno went out agin to blaze the line of road.

1864-06-29

WEDNESDAY

Fine morning Joe very much better - Jno went out on road Very busy in office Berman arrived with a small express for me Wrote No 10- to Carry & White enclosed it to Edwards.

1864-06-30

THURSDAY

Beautiful day. Bank of B C Escort left with about \$110,000 Also the Express with about \$50000 Rode with Jno & Joe on the trail intending to proceed to VanWinkle. Jno went on Joe & self rode round the Bald Mountain, & got home at ¼ 8 O.C.

Begbie dined, the Hon Marsham spent the evening, played Whist

JULY

1864-07-01

FRIDAY

Assizes held, Grand Jury sworn at 10½

1864-07-02

SATURDAY

Recd No 5 - from dearest Carry - Wrote to Tommy in reference to his coming to B. C.

1864-07-03

SUNDAY

Wrote No 11- to Carry, enclosed it to Edwards & sent it by the Hon Marsham who is to take his departure tomorrow morning. Service at 7-

1864-07-04

MONDAY

Begbie unwell, & had to remain in bed. Held Court & had a very busy day of it.

1864-07-05

TUESDAY

Begbie much better Another busy day. Walked with Joe to see how the men were getting on with the trail at Jack of Clubs Wrote to Tommy in reference to his coming to B. C.

1864-07-06

WEDNESDAY

County Court Begbie sat with me - 34 - cases entered Wrote No 12- & sent it by Express enclosed to Edwards.

1864-07-07

THURSDAY

Joe left for Quesnelle Mouth Begbie sat heard appeals.

In Court nearly all day.
Fulford Hayes, & Hamilton v. [Kerwin]
Co - Cox decision reversed, & one
full claim awarded to the appellants

1864-07-08

FRIDAY

Fine day, beginning to get warm again
Begbie had a long day of
it in Court, hearing the case
of Roddy v. Carothers, which
was very amusing.
Walked down to Cameronton
to attend the Hospital meeting
but no person came.

1864-07-09

SATURDAY

Held Court till from 9 to
4-. Begbie sat at 11 ½ -
till 6-
Took a short walk along
the trail with [illegible]
A report Dunlevy arrived
from Quesnelle, & reported to me
that a rumour had reached the
Mouth by Indians, that Cox had been
shot. Poor fellow I hope it is not true

1864-07-10

SUNDAY

Beautiful morning. Revd Brown
gave a sermon in the Jail at 10- OC
& in the Church at 11- with
fettors. Walked out with Begbie
to see the trail. Met Gaggin &
Gregg on the way in. Gaggin
just as queer a fellow as ever, he &
Russell dined with me.

1864-07-11

MONDAY

Very busy day. Begbie sat in
the Court house till 11-
Early dinner attended Hospi[ta]l
meeting at Cameronton at 7- very
little business done. Promised to
subscribe \$50- Gaggin came
with in - did not get back
till 10 O.C.

1864-07-12

TUESDAY

Very wet day Begbie & Gaggin
intended to have started fr
Quesnelle Mouth, but it rained
so heavily they could not move.
Very bad head ache - obliged to close
the office at 12- & go to bed.

1864-07-13

WEDNESDAY

Wet morning. Cleared at 8- a little
better, Begbie & Gaggin left for the morning
Busy day till 2 PM, rode out
to see the trail. Express & Mail
arrived but no letters for me
Wrote to Carry No 13- & sent it
enclosed to Edwards - by Express

1864-07-14

THURSDAY

Rained nearly all day
In Court till 4 P.M.

1864-07-15

FRIDAY

Wet morning & rain nearly
all day. In Court till 3- P.M.
Early dinner. Recd Brown dined
with me. Walked down to Cameronton
Saw Ruby & Polmen in reference to
their becoming members of the Mining
board. Attended meeting of Hospital
Committee, did not get home till
11. O.C. found John waiting for me

1864-07-16

SATURDAY

Nasty wet day - in
Court from 10 till 6- P.M.
Express arrived - no news
of H. E. or Cox
Recd No 6 from dearest Carry

1864-07-17

SUNDAY

Fine day. Very busy. Could not
go to Church. John & Spencer
started fr Quesnelle. Sent Mashell
to Smiths for two horses - also for
Walker's two. Haughton dined
Busy writing till 12- O.C.

Wrote No 14 to Carry, & sent it enclosed to Edwards.

1864-07-18

MONDAY

Beautiful day the finest we have had for a long time. In Court from 10 till 4 PM Mining Board met at the Court House for the first time this season.

1864-07-19

TUESDAY

Very wet morning but afterwards blew up fine - rode out to see the trail. Samp[s]on is making a very good job of it, but appears to me to be getting on very slowly. Intended to have gone to Lowhee, but it was too late.

1864-07-20

WEDNESDAY

County Court. In office till 3 PM, walked over to Lowhee Cr to settle dispute between the Eureka Co (the old Kelly Co) & the Brown Co, did not get back till 10 PM - very tired. An Express arrived but no mail no news of the Governor or Cox.

1864-07-21

THURSDAY

In Court till 4 P.M.

1864-07-22

FRIDAY

Another long day.

1864-07-23

SATURDAY

Beautiful day in office till 12- noon - then rode with White Walker & Dewdney to the Bald mountain - home at 7½.

1864-07-24

SUNDAY

Lovely morning - Service at 11-

very poor attendance. Begbie returned fr. Quesnelle, brought letters from Trutch informing me that they had all gone down to N. W. The mail & Express arrived at 2- P.M. No Officials. Recd No 7- fr. dearest Carry also letters from Joe & John, the latter enclosing a note from Brown fr. Collection Rained heavily fr. about 12 O.C.

1864-07-25

MONDAY

Very busy day in the office. Wrote a number of letters - to Joe - John enclosing an order to the latter on Bushby for \$84- drawn by Mathew which Jno is to hand to Carry - Posted No 15- to Carry & enclosed it to Edwards. Walked to Cameronton & held an inquest on the body of W. J. Crawford. Recd fr Dewdney \$300.00 which I had lent him at different times.

1864-07-26

TUESDAY

Up at 6- rode out to inspect the trail, back at 8½ to breakfast. Death of Thomas Toomey reported to me. Sent Chisholm to enquire into the circumstances, who reported that there was no occasion for inquest. Attended Meeting of Hospital Committee at the Hospital, & did not get home till 11- O.C.

1864-07-27

WEDNESDAY

In office till 4 PM Writing letters & making arrangements sending the 3 prisoners down to N. W. Wrote No 16- to Carry, to go by Carrington in the morning, & also sent her \$25- in specimens. Also sent by Carrington \$600-, to be placed to my credit at the Bank Victoria Recd a letter fr Fitzgerald reporting the death of McLean
[overwritten text]
Wrote to Birch
Ker McNamara

& Woolsey enclosing
the latter his notes
for \$200-

1864-07-28

THURSDAY

Up at 4, the Prisoners started for
N. W. in charge of Const Carrington
Hare & Cudlip, the latter to return fr
Quesnelle Mouth.
In office all the day

1864-07-29

FRIDAY

Another beautiful day.
In Court till 2 P.M.

1864-07-30

SATURDAY

Wrote No 17th to go by Phil Hankin
in the morning.

1864-07-31

SUNDAY

Wrote No 18- & enclosed it to
Edwards to go in the morning by
Express.

AUGUST

1864-08-01

MONDAY 1

Wet nasty day. Supreme Court sat
at 10- No criminal cases, &
very little civil business, H. E.
accompanied by Cooper & Evans
~~took~~ he took up his quarters with me
he & Cooper dined, Evans with
Begbie, spent a very pleasant
evening.
Rained nearly all day.

1864-08-02

TUESDAY

Fine morning
Up at 6, wrote letters
Breakfast at 9- Court
at 10 till 12-. Walked with H E
down the Cr. & went down the Aurora
shaft - also visited the Errickson
Walked to Cameronton. The Gov

& Begbie dined with me, about 10-
a large party came up & serenaded
Gave them drinks, McNeill tipsy

1864-08-03

WEDNESDAY

Up at 6- Breakfasted with H. E.
at the Paris & London. Court at 10-
Attended Hospital Meeting with H E
also visited the Reading room
Wrote No 19 to dearest Carry
Begbie & I dined with H. E. at the
Paris, & London also Cooper & Evans.
Rained heavily in the early part of
the day, but cleared up afterwards

1864-08-04

THURSDAY

Wet morning, cleared up & very
fine fr about 11- Court at 10- H. E.
went down the Caledonia shaft, also
the Errickson, & got big prospects in
both. Held inquest on the body of Josephus
Reed, who was accidentally killed in
the Columbia shaft. Public dinner to H E
at the Paris, which went off very well, excepting
for a few unpleasant observations fr the
Judge. Came home with H. E. at 11½, the
fun was kept up till 4 AM

1864-08-05

FRIDAY

Very wet morning, horses late in coming
fr the meadows, & when they did come there
was one short. Begbie sorry that he
could not accompany H. E. & tried to
blame me, but failed. H. E. & party left
in a torrent. I have enjoyed his stay
with me very much, & am sorry he is
obliged to leave in such a hurry, but he
has to attend another public dinner at
Quesnelle tomorrow. In court nearly
all day.

1864-08-06

SATURDAY

Beautiful day, tried to get
out for walk but was kept in
the office till 6½ - very tired
Express arrived at 9-, to my
very great annoyance I found that
my letters were all kept at Quesnelle

Mt as the Expressman supposed I was going down with H. E.

1864-08-07

SUNDAY

Beautiful day. Service at 11- bad attendance, walked with Begbie & Dewdney to see the new ditch past [Mink] gulch, Attended evening service at Barkerville the opening of Browns new Church. Very good attendance Wrote No 20 to dearest Carry & enclosed it to Edwards.

1864-08-08

MONDAY

Another delightful day, up at 6, took a walk up the trail before breakfast Brown accompanied me. in Court till 6- P.M.

1864-08-09 *

TUESDAY

Beautiful morning - in Court till noon - Walked to Gov house Cr to examine a new line fr. a trail with Begbie, terrific thunder storm, got drenched, home at 6½. Attended hospital meeting at the Court house Harris the Mayor arrived.

1864-08-10

WEDNESDAY

Fine morning, but came on to rain about noon. In office till 2½. Express arrived - Recd No 9- fr. dearest Carry & wrote No 21- to her, to go in the morning in care of Edwards. Begbie gave himself airs & left in a Huff, because I declined to pay \$300- for building his chimneys.

1864-08-11

THURSDAY

Cold raw day - snow & rain Mayor Harris, & Simpson Called. Busy day in office Kingston Simpson & Moberly dined.

1864-08-12

FRIDAY

Another cold morning, rained nearly all day. Lent Dewdney \$250- for P. V.

1864-08-13

SATURDAY

Hard frost, afterwards rain. In office till 2- wrote some letters. Walked with Moberly to Cameronton, to look out for the new line of road fr Richfield Express & mail arrived at 6½ P.M. Recd No 10- fr dearest Carry with enclosure fr John, also one fr Joe

1864-08-14

SUNDAY

Cold morning. Service at 11- Messenger arrived fr Quesnelle to say that Mathew had fallen fr his horse & broken his thigh. Dr Black sent down to him. Begbie also started. Wrote No 22- to Carry - also letters to Jno & Joe.

1864-08-15

MONDAY

Another cold frosty morning. Hare arrived for the case of field instruments for Dr Black. Wrote to Joe, & Crease enclosed to the latter in cheque in favour of Henderson & Burnaby \$250- loan towards establishing a paper, enclosed also to Joe a short note to Carry. Busy day in office, Harris, Walker & Commeline dined.

1864-08-16

TUESDAY

Beautiful morning the first really fine day we have had for nearly a fortnight. Busy in office till 4 P.M. Took a short stroll with White No further news about poor Mathew.

1864-08-17

WEDNESDAY

Fine warm day - in office till 4- Grier came into court drunk & came to grief. Wrote No 23- &

enclosed \$100- to Carry, also
wrote to Jno & enclosed Jennings letter
in reference to Browns [*illegible words*]
also wrote to Jain, & enclosed him \$40. fr Winnard
Attended public dinner to Harris (Mayor)
which went off very well - about 3. AM
A large party commanded my quarters
stood drinks - no express today

1864-08-18
THURSDAY

Bad head ache. Very busy day
in court till 6 A.M. Walker
& Hankin dined. Recd note
fr. Begbie Mathew much
better, and doing very well

1864-08-19
FRIDAY

Fine warm day, very bad head ache
again, in court fr. 9- to 1 P.M Harris
Laumeister Heseltine & Moor called, with
reference to lease of the S. branch of
Quesnelle River, horses came in
late. Left for Cunningham Cr at 4. P.M.
took Philips, & Dewdney with me,
reached another Cr at 7½. Jennings
recd us very hospitably & put us all up
fr the night. The B. R. Flume progressing
very favourably.

1864-08-20
SATURDAY

Up at 4 AM Lovely morning - started
at 5- & reached Cunningham Cr at
7½ about 200- on the Creek, who are
very sanguine of success, two Companies
taking but coarse gold about 30- oz per
day, about 250- Chinese said to be at
work at the mouth of the Cr. left at 4. PM
& reached home at 8- trail infamous.
Express arrived but no mail. Recd
No 11- fr dear Carry. Heard fr. Begbie
that 8- of the murderers, had surrendered to Cox.
[*overwritten text*]
[*deletions*]

1864-08-21
SUNDAY

Another beautiful morning.
Service at 11- poor attendance
Capital sermon by Revd Brown

Text - "What shall I do to be saved"
Acts [*left blank*]. Begbie returned fr
Quesnelle Mouth, & gave very good accounts
of Mathew. Remained in house all
the afternoon writing letters. Wrote
No 24 to dearest Carry

1864-08-22
MONDAY

Rained the greater part of the night
& all day - very much to the delight of
the miners as the water in the creek was
very scarce. - Very Busy day 58 cases
in the County Court. Begbie sat with
me. Afterwards a number of
mining disputes.

1864-08-23
TUESDAY

In Court fr 9- AM till 6. PM
Rained incessantly.
The mail arrived which
should have been in Saturday
Recd a budget from Crease

1864-08-24
WEDNESDAY

Up at 6- Wrote No 25 to
dearest Carry. In court till
7- PM.
Another wet day. Express
arrived.

1864-08-25
THURSDAY

Very wet day - in Court
from 9- to 6- very tired
bad head ache.

1864-08-26
FRIDAY

Fine day Thomas packed
up the hay. Kept up two of
the horses. Begbie & self rode
out on the trail four miles
Sampson getting on very well

1864-08-27
SATURDAY

Fine day. In office till 12-
Walked down Creek to settle two
disputes, afterwards Begbie &

self rode to Gov house Creek
had great fun hunting after a
young duck - did not get back
till dark, horse (Doctor) fell into
a tail race.

1864-08-28

SUNDAY

Beautiful day Service at 11-
Another very good sermon on the
observance of the Sunday. Express
arrived Recd No 12- fr dearest Carry
also one fr. Joe, & Munsell. Wrote
No 26 to Carry. Took a ride with Begbie
to the Frenchmans, & the trail Camp
Moberly had been there but had left 10
minutes before Joe arrived.

1864-08-29

MONDAY

Another fine day, In Court till 3
P.M. Walked with Walkem to the
Quartz lead at the B. R. F. ditch
Afterwards saw the new stable
put to rights.

1864-08-30

TUESDAY

[no entry]

1864-08-31

WEDNESDAY

Lovely day. In Court fr
9- to 7½ - One of the
hardest days of the season
Howett arrived, & brought
me a letter fr John Trutch.

SEPTEMBER

1864-09-01

THURSDAY

Beautiful morning. Mail
& Express arrived at 9- A.M.
Recd letters fr H. E. & a budget of
others. Begbie opened his Court
at 9- 10- A.M. No criminal business
The Express did not leave as
usual
Trevor arrived fr Quesnelle
in charge of Sewell arrested on Ca Sa

at the suit of Edward Toomay
Played Whist with Begbie

1864-09-02

FRIDAY

Up at 6- Breakfast at 8½ -
Trevor breakfasted. He paid me
\$294-70- - \$194-70, Sheriffs fees
& \$145-00. Rent fr. [left blank] to
1st Augst, 64.
Begbie sat in the Supreme Court
all day.

1864-09-03

SATURDAY

Wrote to Johnny Humfrey & enclosed
1st of Exchange for £25- payable at
the Bank of B. C. Lombard Street, London
Express arrived. Recd No 13- fr
dearest Carry, also letters fr Joe & Jno
& one fr H. E. in re map of the Country
between Bute Inlet & Alexandria

1864-09-04

SUNDAY

Service at 11-. A Good sermon from
Revd Brown on the observance of Sunday.
Continued fr last Sunday.
Finished writing No 27- & sent it
by express to care of Edwards
Commenced to Rain at 1 PM & came
down in torrents all day.

1864-09-05

MONDAY

Rained all night, & all through the
day, the Creek very much swollen.
The Bald Mountain covered with
snow the first of the season
County Court 30 cases for
Hearing. In office till 6 P.M

1864-09-06

TUESDAY

Rained through the whole night
and day. Many of the claims
below the Canon filled with water
& obliged to stop work. The Bald Mountain
covered with snow 6 in.
deep. Very busy day in
Court.

1864-09-07

WEDNESDAY

Incessant rain through the night. Fine day but cold. The Frenchman took down all his sheep fr. the Bald Mountain in consequence of the feed being covered up & took them to the Meadows.
No Express or Mail.

1864-09-08

THURSDAY

Heavy showers of rain during the night very cold. Fine morning
Election of members for Mining Board took place, where the following were returned - John Polmare - 185 Edgar Dewdney 163 James McLoughlin 133 - Capt Henniss 125 H N Steel 118 - (Capt Travallot the unsuccessful candidate 81)
Played Whist at Begbies & won \$1-25.

1864-09-09

FRIDAY

Fine day, cold, & bracing - very
In office fr 10 to 4- PM.
Mining Board met. Walked to Barkerville with Walker.

1864-09-10

SATURDAY

Fine morning, but rained a good deal during the day. Service at 11- Rode out on the trail with Commeline. Met Dr Rea coming in - he arrived at 5- PM & took up his quarters with me. Begbie & Walker spent the evening.
No express

1864-09-11

SUNDAY

X The above should have been written for today
Dispatched No 28- with enclosure to John to care of Edwards.

1864-09-12

MONDAY

In office will 2 PM - took a

short walk down the Cr with Dr Rea - afterwards Begbie joined us & we rode to the Bald Mountain bad day for a view Mountains covered with mist Begbie & Barrston came in & had a game of Whist. White left early for VanWinkle & Cottonwood.

1864-09-13

TUESDAY

Lovely day clear & warm
In office till 4 P.M.
Writing all the evening
Begbie breakfasted, & walked down the Cr. with Dr Rea, in on return the Doctor left for Alexandria.
Part of the Express arrived which should have come on Saturday. Recd No 14- fr dearest Carry

1864-09-14

WEDNESDAY

Another fine day. In office till 3 P.M. wrote a number of letters.
No Express or Mail

1864-09-15

THURSDAY

Beautiful day. In office till 3. PM. Walked out on the trail & met White returning from Cottonwood with Bay mare
Recd letters from Cox, Moberly & Trevor.
Posted Sent by Express No 29 to dearest Carry

1864-09-16

FRIDAY

Another fine day, very warm
In office till 3- PM
Express arrived, but no mail
Recd No 15- with enclosures fr. Joe & John, & informing me of Johns hasty departure fr England with Joe & Mrs T. Attended [Carful's] lecture on Creation, in aid of the Reading room, & took the chair.

1864-09-17

SATURDAY

Fine day very bad head ache
In office all day.
Wrote No 30- & sent it
enclosed in Whites letter to
Edwards.

1864-09-18

SUNDAY

Beautiful day. Service at
11- Very bad head ache
Could not do anything.
Walked with Begbie Walker
& Moberly up the trail. Mail
& Express arrived late. Recd
No 16- & about 20 officials.
Moberly dined & did not
leave till 11½ -. Recd a letter fr H E.
in re G.C's Fees.

1864-09-19

MONDAY

Supreme Court sat at 10½
only one civil case trial, Rodolf
v. McEntee. Busy morning
Wrote No 31- to dearest Carry
Drew on Treasurer fr £25//3//3-
in favour of Bank of B C for G. B. Wright 2nd instal-
-ment. Gave Dewdney cheque
for \$375- on Johns acct for
B. R. Flume shares. Attended
Hospital Committee Meeting

1864-09-20

TUESDAY

Fitzgerald arrived in search
of cash for Cox. Arranged with [*illegible*]
to advance [*deletion*] £1200- on my draft
on the Treasury to be replaced by a
similar order fr. Cox on Fitzgeralds
arrival at Alexandria. Held inquest
on [*left blank*] Davidson who was accidentally
killed in the shaft of the Prince of Wales
Cl. Fitzgerald dined
Hepburn arrived.

1864-09-21

WEDNESDAY

Held inquest on the body of
[*left blank*] alias, the "Scotch Lassie" who
was found dead in her bed, with the mattress

over her. John Bomgardiner committed
for trial on the Coroners Warrant on
suspition. In court fr. 9 till
6 P.M. Worked all evening
preparing depositions fr trial in
the above case. Lent Stenhouse \$20.00
as a Brother Mason, to be returned on my
arrival at Victoria.

1864-09-22

THURSDAY

[*no entry*]

1864-09-23

FRIDAY

Snow, beautiful day. Grand &
Petty Jury summoned to try in the
case of Regine v. Bomgardiner for
murder of the [*left blank*] alias
Scotch Lassie. Express arrived
Recd No 17- fr dearest Carry.
Dewdney started fr Victoria
Sent by him No 32-
Prisoner acquitted

1864-09-24

SATURDAY

Stormy day slight fall of snow.
Begbie, Walker Hare took their
departure for the lower country.
Commeline & self rode out with them
fine evening.

1864-09-25

SUNDAY

Cold frosty morning. Service
at 11- by Revd Brown only 6
present, spent a most uncosey
day
Chisholm left for Smith's
Cottonwood to execute Ca, Sa.
Wrote No 33- to Dearest Carry
Brown dined.

1864-09-26

MONDAY

Very busy day, in office
till 4. P.M.
Brown dined.

1864-09-27

TUESDAY

Frosty cold morning
Brown breakfasted
In Office till 3 PM
Browning took his departure
Walked down the Creek to
the Artesian Co's claim with
McLoughlin

1864-09-28

WEDNESDAY

Another Frosty morning, but
looking like a change, came
on to rain & snow about noon
Chisholm returned having
executed the Writ at Smiths, & brought
back Jno Collens, on suspicion of
being concerned in the murder of the
Scotch Lassie.

1864-09-29

THURSDAY

Recd No 18- fr dearest Carry

1864-09-30

FRIDAY

[no entry]

OCTOBER

1864-10-01

SATURDAY

Cold morning, snow 2½ inches deep
bath very cold. In office till 12 O.C.
Report on Creek that McDonalds bank
had been robbed at Victoria, great run on
him here. Got horses up fr the
Meadows Wrote No 34 to dearest Carry
Recd No 19- with enclosure fr
Mrs Trutch.

1864-10-02

SUNDAY

Cold morning hard frost.
In house nearly all, wrote
a number of letters. Finished No
34, & an enclosure to Mrs Trutch
which I sent by Lee who is to start
in the morning. Wrote to H. E.
Walkem dined.

1864-10-03

MONDAY

County Court very busy
Day. Philips rode the bay mare
to VanWinkle & kept her out all
night much to my annoyance
In Court till 4 P.M.
Very fine day throughout

1864-10-04

TUESDAY

Beautiful day frosty morning
In office till 3 PM

1864-10-05

WEDNESDAY

Another fine day In Court
till 1.P.M. Great excitement
about the election. Three members
in the field, Viz Walkem, Orr, & Chas
Hankin. Rode out a short distance
& met Cox, & Fitzgerald
on their way in. The former fat &
jolly as ever.

1864-10-06

THURSDAY

Lovely day. In Court till 1 PM
Walked down to the Bank, &
gave Russell of B. C. draft for
£600- on acct of expenditure
for repair of trail fr. Richfield to
Davis Cr Paid a visit at the
Hospital. Express arrived
Recd No 20- fr. dearest Carry
Walkem dined

1864-10-07

FRIDAY

Another fine day In Court
till 11- AM. Wrote a number
of letters.

1864-10-08

SATURDAY

Lovely day. No cases.
Lent Cox \$100- & took his I.O.U.
for \$145-17- being the full amt
he owes me on all accts private
Took a short walk on the
trail with Cox. Fitzgerald dined

1864-10-09

SUNDAY

Very fine morning. Read Dr Arnold
In house all day. Wrote to dear
Carry informing her that I should not be
able to get down by the 1st Nov as I
had intended. Spent a most uncosey
day. Russell dined.

1864-10-10

MONDAY

Fine warm day - in Court till
1- P.M. lent Frank Richards
\$400- & took his note payable on
demand. Walked up the trail
with Cox.

1864-10-11

TUESDAY

Beautiful day in Court
will 1- P.M. Rode out to 4
mile house with Commeline
& tried to get him to jump a
small drain, but failed.
No Express.

1864-10-12 *

WEDNESDAY

Fine morning. Election of members
to serve in L. council took place
when Walkem was returned by
a majority of 218-.
Walkem polled 434 Hankin 216
& Orr 191- A good deal of
excitement.
Fitzgerald left on the "Doctor" for
Quesnelle Mouth. No Express or Mail

1864-10-13

THURSDAY

Fine frosty morning. Lent Cox \$50-
& took his I.O.U. No business in
Court. Rode out on the trail with
Commeline & White, & met the Express
coming in on the back of an Indian
Recd No No letter fr dear Carry
to my great regret.
Dispatched No 34- to the dear
wife with a cheque for \$300- enclosed
Cox wrote to H. E. offering to forego his leave of
absence to take charge of my district

1864-10-14

FRIDAY

Hard frost beautiful day, bath
covered with water. In Court till 12
Cox White, & self rode out on the
Antler Cr trail as it was reported
that 3 bears had been seen, but when
we got there Bruin had taken his
departure & nothing could be seen of
him. - Small express arrived
at 8- P.M. Recd No 21- fr. dear
Carry, also heard fr. Crease & Good.

1864-10-15

SATURDAY

Very hard frost, fine bright day.
In Court fr. 9- to 11- Cox & White
left for Quesnelle, rode out with them
to the 4 mile house. Report made
to me that Pinn was missing since
yesterday, it was
supposed he had committed suicide
Walkem left fr. N Westminster
Philips dined

1864-10-16

SUNDAY

Beautiful day Mild & warm
No service - Read.
Wrote No 35 to dearest Carry
Walked down to the Bed Rock Flume
with Newfelder & Lowmeister.
Philips & Commeline dined

1864-10-17

MONDAY

Lovely day in office till 2 O.C.
Walked down the Cr with
Waty to consult with the Hospital
Committee in reference to keeping it
open during the winter months.
Dined alone. Recd Duff Mc
Donald, & Deapan spent the
evening.

1864-10-18

THURSDAY

Beautiful day, in office till
1- P.M. Wrote No 36- to dearest
Carry, & sent it by Deapan who
left for Victoria. Walked to Lowhee
with Pearks Newfelder, Steel & Miller

to examine the claim of the Washbourn Co & the Dreadnot Co preparatory to the dispute which I shall have to settle tomorrow. Pearks presented me with two small nuggets for dear Carry.

1864-10-19

WEDNESDAY

Slight frost, bright warm day. In Court till 1. P.M. Walked down the Cr & went down the incline of the Aurora claim. Edwards walked back with me. Hankin dined & Russell came in for an evenings chat. No Express or Mail.

Wrote to H. E. informing him of the arrangements I have made in reference to the Wms Cr Hospital, in answer to Col Sec letter of 26th Sept, Recd 13th Octr.

1864-10-20

THURSDAY

Slight first, clear bright day. In Court till 11½. [*deletion*] Aired & packed all my traps & made list of the things I intend to take down country & those I shall leave behind Walked down the Cr. Recd letters fr. White & Revd Brown fr Quesnelle Philips & Commeline dined.

1864-10-21

FRIDAY

Lovely day. In Court till 3 P.M. heavy case. Dead Broke Co v. Raby Co. [*deletion*] Mail & Express arrived. Recd No 22 & 23 fr. dearest Carry also a budget of officials, & Warrant of Execution for the 5 Indians at Quesnelle Mouth. Philips dined Rained heavily during the night.

1864-10-22

SATURDAY

Wet morning - up early. Gave judgment in the the case of Dead Broke v. Raby - \$2030- Started at 1. P.M. for Quesnelle with Constable Redgrave. Reached Beaver Pass at 6. P.M. where we stopped for the night. Horrible fair for [*illegible*]

& very little better for the horses, barley \$0-50- per lb. hay \$3 per night

1864-10-23

SUNDAY

Up at 6- heavy rain during the night, but fine morning, started at 7- Redgrave had to walk in consequence of the Dun horse having lost his shoe. Stopped at Edwards for ½ an hour & fed the horses, took the old trail & reached Smiths at 3 P.M. Got the White Mary fr Redgrave & reached the Mouth at 9½. Found all well

1864-10-24

MONDAY

Beautiful day, Busy all day making arrangements for the Execution of the five Indians which I have settled shall take place on Wednesday

1864-10-25

TUESDAY

Lovely day. Up at 7- Inspecting the arrangements which are being made for the Execution Express arrived. Recd No 24- & Dispatched No 38 to Dearest Carry

1864-10-26

WEDNESDAY

Frosty morning. Up at 5-. The five Indians Executed at 7- A.M. everything passed off in a quiet & orderly manner. Borrowed \$300- at the Bank, to help to pay off my bills. Started at 12- O.C. for Richfield, fed the horses at Cottonwood & reached Edwards after a hard ride at 9- P.M. the mare very tired & no better myself.

1864-10-27

THURSDAY

A slight fall of snow during the night, cold raw morning - started at 8- the trail in a frightful state, fed the horses at Beaver pass, & again at VanWinkle. Gave Mr Haydon an order to get the Dun

horse fr Smith & leave him at the Mouth
Reached Richfield at 4½. Heard of
Bibles body having been found.
Philips dined with me. Very tired
turned in early. Chisholm reported the
finding of Bibles body

1864-10-28

FRIDAY

A good deal of snow fell during
the night. Fine bright day. In
office till 2 P.M. walked down
to Barkerville. Dined alone. Went
to concert in aid of the Reading Room
“very incipit” - home at 10½-,
hard frost.

1864-10-29

SATURDAY

About 3 inches of snow this
morning & very cold, clear bright
day. Newsletter left for Victoria
How I long to be on the road
Walked down to the Hospital, with
Grier, Watly & Dr Chipp arranged that
the Hospital can be kept open for \$210-
per month Viz The Dr. Nurse, & 2- patients
Very seedy all the afternoon, took
some medicine, & turned in early.

1864-10-30

SUNDAY

Very hard frost up at 8- Still very
seedy. In house all day. Recd Mr
Duff held service in the Court House
at 2- P.M. about 20 present.
Mashell bought in ~~some~~ 3 Martins
which he trapped. Wrote a number of
letters. Dispatched No 39- to
dearest Carry. How much I hope it
may be the last I shall have to write fr
the Cr. Spent a very lonely uncosey day

1864-10-31

MONDAY

Damp raw day. Held County Court
In office till 3. P.M.
Mail & Express arrived quite unexpecting
Recd No 25- fr dearest Carry, & very much to
my delight, orders to go down, & Cox to take
charge

NOVEMBER

1864-11-01

TUESDAY

Dispatched No 40 to dearest Carry
by Mr Wilcox.

Recd a letter fr the Major, in reference
to Tommy, also informing me that my pension
had been stopped.

Wrote to Elliott in re Towers escape
fr custody, & to Nind in re Jessies
escape, & to call on Nunn to acct fr
monies in the care of Amis & Co v.
P. Smith & Co

1864-11-02

WEDNESDAY

Lovely day, slight frost, warm &
bright

Chisholm left to execute Capias at Beaver
Pass in the case Heath v. Sykes
Wrote to the Major in re. Tommy, & enclosed
copy of list of outfit sent before, & also in
re my pension.

1864-11-03

THURSDAY

Wrote No 41- to dearest Carry.

Beautiful morning

In Court till 12. Dr Chipp called
in reference to Hospital accts. Walked
with him to the Cañon. Dined
alone & wrote letters. Very lonely
& longing to get away.

1864-11-04

FRIDAY

A heavy fall of snow, but not
atall cold. In office nearly all
day, closing my accts, & making
ready to hand over the office to
Mr Cox - getting very fidgetty at
his protracted delay in arriving.
Social Entertainment at Cameronton
in aid of the Hospital, to which I
was invited but did not go.

1864-11-05

SUNDAY

Snowing lightly all morning, a
number of men left the Cr. I

dont think more than 700 men
will winter in the mines.
To my great delight Co, White &
Fitzgerald arrived, horses looking
very seedy, & thinner, two lame.
Cox very jolly. Bad headache, took
medicine, remained up till 3 O.C. A.M.
very seedy.

1864-11-06

SUNDAY

Heavy fall of snow till 12- when
it cleared up & became very fine.
Busy handing over accts to Cox
all day. Service in the Court House
by the Recd Duff. Express arrived unexpectedly
Recd No 27- fr. dearest Carry, also letter fr
H. E. to Cox & myself in reference to Cox going
to the Kootnais, & Gaggin to come here, which
alarmed me not a little, lest I should
be detained, but Cox as usual good fellow
as he is would not hear of it.

1864-11-07

MONDAY

Very hard frost. Webster & Mashell
left with the pack horse at 9½
White & myself started to VanWinkle
Saw Commeline there taking the votes
A little snow all the way to Edwards
where I arrived at 5- O.C. & were made
very comfortable by Penfold, notwithstanding
the house was very full. Freezing hard
Before starting Put No 42- into
the Express, to care of Edwards

1864-11-08

TUESDAY

Very hard frost
Up at 5- The packs got off at 7- &
I followed with White at 7½. Killed
two Martens, horse ran away & I had to
walk 9 miles reached Smiths at
11½ - fed the horse & had luncheon
Rode to Quesnelle alone, where I
arrived at 4, found Gaggin in bed &
Revd Brown still wasting a chance of
getting down. Very fidgetty & anxious
to get away, turned in at 11- O.C.

1864-11-09

WEDNESDAY

Mild day, got the Dun horse
shod, & started at 10½. Moberly
accompanied on his way to Horsefly
to examine Capt Mitchells trail
Road bad in many places, think it
is money (\$3600) thrown away as
it is being expended. Reached
the Australian Ranch at ¼ 5 O.C.
where we put up for the night

1864-11-10

THURSDAY

Up at 6- Started at 7½ - reached
Alexandria at 10- O.C. exchanged
horses, left Cox's bay horse, the White
Man (Mary) & the old black & took
Wabstiguan, Pinto, & a Chestnut
rode on to Thomas's house at Mud
Lake where we put up for the
night. Mrs Thomas very civil &
gave us a capital supper, eat
4 Eggs for which I was afterwards
charged \$0.50 each

1864-11-11

FRIDAY

Slight frost. Started at 8- parted
Company with Moberly at Mud Lake
"Seller's", Came on to rain, stopped
at Packs & had some Lounchen with
them, a heavy fall of snow, reached
Wms Lake at 4- wet & cold.

1864-11-12

SATURDAY

[no entry]

1864-11-13

SUNDAY

[no entry]

1864-11-14

MONDAY

[no entry]

1864-11-15

TUESDAY

[no entry]

1864-11-16
WEDNESDAY
[no entry]

1864-11-17
THURSDAY
[no entry]

1864-11-18
FRIDAY
[no entry]

1864-11-19
SATURDAY
[no entry]

1864-11-20
SUNDAY
[no entry]

1864-11-21
MONDAY
[no entry]

1864-11-22
TUESDAY
[no entry]

1864-11-23
WEDNESDAY
[no entry]

1864-11-24
THURSDAY
[no entry]

1864-11-25
FRIDAY
[no entry]

1864-11-26
SATURDAY
[no entry]

1864-11-27
SUNDAY
Cold raw wet day. Service at
11- Revd Reeves. Sermon by the
Archdeacon. Walked to Gov house with
H. E. & Birch, afterwards paid visits to
Mrs Crease, Finlaison, dined at Goods
& afterwards retired to Begbies room

& wrote letters & answered quiries from
Col Sec

1864-11-28
MONDAY
Rained incessantly the whole
day. Had a long wa wa with
H. E. & afterwards with Birch
~~Dine~~ A report reach[ed] the Town
that the Kinnaird was aground
at the Mouth of the River
Dined with the Governor,
Franks & Walkem were there
also

1864-11-29
TUESDAY
Rained nearly all day long
Again in consultation with
Birch. The Otter arrived at
5- P.M. but no letter from
Carry. Dined with Spalding
Wrote to Charles, Sanders, Nind
& Ball, did not turn in till 12½.

1864-11-30
WEDNESDAY
Slight Frost, a fine day at last.
Left N. W. for Victoria at 10- O.C.
What a shame to have such a
Tub as the Otter on the line?

DECEMBER

1864-12-01
THURSDAY
[no entry]

1864-12-02
FRIDAY
[no entry]

1864-12-03
SATURDAY
[no entry]

1864-12-04
SUNDAY
[no entry]

1864-12-05

MONDAY

[no entry]

1864-12-06

TUESDAY

[no entry]

1864-12-07

WEDNESDAY

[no entry]

1864-12-08

THURSDAY

Very wet [*deletion*] day, walked into town to pay some bills & execute commissions afterwards drove round with Carry & Mrs T. & say good bye to every person & did not get back till 6 O.C. PM. dined & slept in Dewdneys house, everything in confusion The packing going on all night

1864-12-09

FRIDAY

Clear hard frost, up at 5- Carts came at 5½ to take down the furniture, by the greatest fluke got everything on board in time Capt Swanson very kind & attentive, he gave up his cabin to us. Archdeacon Gilson on board. Arrived at N. W. at 6 PM about 4 inches of snow on the ground, proceeded to the camp in the Gov waggon Connell very kindly got tea ready for us

1864-12-10

SATURDAY

[no entry]

1864-12-11

SUNDAY

[no entry]

1864-12-12 **

MONDAY

Beautiful day. Busy arranging the quarters. Council met at 1½. The Gov arrived at 2. PM & delivered his speech. Gentile took a groupe of the Members outside the Council Chambers Tried to drive the Mare & Begbies horse in the sl[e]igh but failed. The Gov Birch Ball & Mannsell intended to start for Vic

but were prevented by the bursting of the steam pipe in the Leviathan.

1864-12-13

TUESDAY

H. E. & party started for Victoria at [*illegible*] A.M. Busy all day preparing the quarters & unpacking.

1864-12-14

WEDNESDAY

Wrote to Cox.

1864-12-15

THURSDAY

[no entry]

1864-12-16

FRIDAY

Very hard Frost. Busy arranging the house. Drove tandem in the sleigh with the bay mare & Richards pony. Council met at 3. P.M. Crease in the chair a slight row between him & Franks. The Otter arrived at 5 PM, & left again at 8- O.C. Tommy arrived, also a number of parcels. The Gov Birch & Ball returned - having sent the Leviathan round to Burrard Inlet

1864-12-17

SATURDAY

Hard frost. Settled Palmers acct with the Archdeacon & took his receipt the amt to be paid by me into B. B. N. A. to the Credit of the Church Fund, also received from him & gave a receipt for a cheque for \$375- being the amt of Recd Browns Stipend, of which I am to pay \$42- into B. B. N. A. for Church fund Walked into town, to order meat &c &c, & to give directions to have a Sheriffs Jury summoned in the case Edwards v. Sampson. Walked home with Birch.

1864-12-18

SUNDAY

Beautiful day. Hard frost, drove Carry to Church in sleigh with Kearys horse. Crease & all the family called. Drove out with Birch, "a Unicorn", to Col. Moodys farm. Begbie dined

Carry suffering from a bad cold.

1864-12-19

MONDAY

Up at 8- hard frost, rode into town to hold Sheriffs court but had to adjourn in consequence of applications fr. Barrston. Council met at 1- PM by desire of H. E. presented the reply to his speech & then the whole Council lunched with him, afterwards passed the supplementary estimates. Row with Hamley about Refund of duties, in which he pitched Ker, & got pulled up.

1864-12-20

TUESDAY

Fine frosty morning. Held Sheriffs Court at 10 O.C. "Edwards v Sampson" damages declared at \$2000- Council met at 3 OC PM Elliott Haynes & Landvoigt arrived fr. above.

1864-12-21

WEDNESDAY

Commenced to thaw Council met at 3 P.M. Elliott & Haynes sworn in by His Excellency who prorogued the house till the 12th Jany. Drove the sleigh with a unicorn, H. E. Birch Ball & Franks The Fideliter arrived, but no mail or news of any kind. Connell arrived The McNamaras & White took tea [overwritten text] Wrote letter to Dewdney & Graham enclosed the latter a cheque for \$51.50 \$40 of which was payment for his services packing our furniture the bal being due to him for bills settled for me

1864-12-22

THURSDAY

Up at 8- rode into Town. Ball

& Cornwall left in the Fideliter for Victoria, gave Ball the two cheques, for \$750- (drawn by the Archd in favour of Revd Brown to get cash to pay \$ [left blank] into Church fund, the Bal. to my credit. Haynes came up to get a rig out from me Raining all the evening. Otter arrived at 6- PM

1864-12-23

FRIDAY

[no entry]

1864-12-24

SATURDAY

[no entry]

1864-12-25

SUNDAY

[no entry]

1864-12-26

MONDAY

[no entry]

1864-12-27

TUESDAY

[no entry]

1864-12-28

WEDNESDAY

[no entry]

1864-12-29

THURSDAY

[no entry]

1864-12-30

FRIDAY

[no entry]

1864-12-31

SATURDAY

[no entry]

CASH ACCOUNT

CASH ACCOUNT – JANUARY

Date.	Received.	Paid.
12th	Ker fr Burnaby dinner	8 00
13	Pd Stone in full for self & Nind	20 00
15	Steward Meldrum bal in full	9 00
“	McDonald Tailor	23 50
14	Mrs Nind	120 00
16	Hat	2 50

CASH ACCOUNT - FEBRUARY

Date.	Received.	Paid.
4th	Paid Hotel Bill	
	In full to 1st (Colonial NW)	32 62
“	Moody - for Ranching Chestnut horse	35 50
9th	Lent Mathew, (Cheque)	100 00
“	Do - Dewdney -	10 00
“	J. Trutch for auction at McNamara	28 12
6	Colonial Hotel N.W. in full	15 75
27th	White - per B. Anderson (£20)	97 00
27th	Bill in full at Colonial	69 50
	Webster on acct	20 00
	Webster fruit for Crease	2 00

CASH ACCOUNT - MARCH

Date.	Received.	Paid.
19	Lent Dewdney pd	250 00

CASH ACCOUNT - APRIL

Date.	Received.	Paid.
20th	Lent Ker	200 00

CASH ACCOUNT - MAY

Date.	Received.	Paid.
18th	Paid Capt Mitchel on acct of Trail to Horsefly £100//0//0	485 00
19	Barley at Beaver Lake	65 00
20	Do “ Deep Creek	4 50
“	Fish at Big Lake	1
31st	Settled with Webster in full for 4 months	
	Wages in Victoria paid him	45 00
	Paid J D Cameron for Brown	130 00
	Lent Dewdney pd	20
31	White -	50 00
28	Paid Cox on acct of advance warrant £475//0//0 -	2375 00

CASH ACCOUNT - JUNE

Date.	Received.	Paid.
1st	Walkem on Begbies acct per order	720 00
1	Hamilton for Kehoe repair of road	100 00
1st	Paid into Bank of B.C. to Redfields acct	
	The amt of Hopelands auction	250 00
1st	McNeil for Cord Wood, \$8 per Cord	40 00
2nd	Jno Lewis assistant packer	10 00
2	Webster in full, private acct	
“	Cameron on Kers acct	200
	White on acct	250 00
4	C. Hankin on acct of R. L. Brown	70 00
4	Commeline on acct of Post office	307 00
8	Glover fr Repair of trail	10
“	Chisholm on acct	75 00
“	Hatch on acct	200 00
9	Lent Clifford	50 00
10	Flett- for Burial of Wm Craigie	28 00
10	To Woolsey as per vouchers	213 66
11th	Lent Woolsey, to be paid into my accts at B. B. C. Victoria	200 -
11	Paid Hatch on acct of contact	200 00
13	Despard - (pd) -	300 00
14	Hamilton in full for money lent	
	Sheriffs fees &c &c	164 00
“	White for Capt Grant	26 50
15	Brown & Gillis fr packing Hospital stores	57 -
“	White for house	76 00
17	Angus fr Begbies [<i>illegible</i>] acct in Cord wood	75 52 50
1st	Walkem on Begbies acct per order	720 00
1	Hamilton for Kehoe repair of road	100 00
18	J. Hatch on acct of Contract	400 00
19	Lent to Carry per Tarball	100 00
21	Smith on acct of Contract	300 00
23	Packing for VanWinkle	5
27	Hatch	300 00
“	Cameron on Ker's acct	300 00
28	White (for Capt Grant)	17 50

CASH ACCOUNT - JULY

Date.	Received.	Paid.
8th	Self	8
9	Perrin for Specimens	100 00
11	White my share of house acct fr. June	127 77
18	Nind for Cudlips bill at Douglas	75 -
21	Self	5 -

25	To Jno fr. Carry - per order on Bushby	84 00
28	Carry Specimens fr Carrington	25 00
“	Sent by Carrington to be pd into my acct at Bank B. C.	600 00

CASH ACCOUNT - AUGUST

Date.	Received.	Paid.
4th	Church	1
5th	Pd Capt Holmes Bill at the French Paris & London Hotel	86 50
5	Revd Brown fr Hospital Self \$50 White \$10- Lord Milton \$50)	110 00
9	May share of house acct fr July	105 00
12th	Lent Dewdney fr Pd.	250 00
15	Henderson & Burnaby for loan to [illegible] paper per Cheque on B. B. C.	250 00
17	Carry - per Simpson	100 00

CASH ACCOUNT - SEPTEMBER

Date.	Received.	Paid.
2	Subscription to Browns Church at Barkerville	25 00
X 3rd	Cheque fr. J. K. Humfrey	25 00
“	Expense on same	
5	Begbie - (per Hare)	200 00
3rd	McNeill, fr Postage, & Express	22 00
5	My share of house acct fr Augst	60 25
7	Begbie - per Revd Brown	50 00
8	Lent Revd Brown to be returned fr his Cheque in my hands	25 00
12th	Lowmeister for Forge for Lands & Works	150 00
13	M. Gihlevy on acct Cord wood	15
“	J Thompson	79 32
	R Mackintosh	201 34
17	Lecture	1 -
18	Church	1 -
19	Gave Dewdney Cheque for John on acct of his shares in the B. R. Flume Co	375 00
21	Lent Stenhouse B. M	20 00
29	Lent Revd Brown to be repaid fr his Cheque	75 00

CASH ACCOUNT - OCTOBER

Date.	Received.	Paid.
8th	Lent Cox (see Diary)	100 00
10th	Lent Frank Richards	400 00
13	Lent Cox (see Diary)	50 00
15	Pd Thomas on acct of	

	Cord wood	50 00
13	Sent Carry - per cheque on Bank of B. C.	300 00
26	Chas Brown (Hangman)	250 00
“	Jas McNerhanie (Carpenter) Erection of scaffold	300 00
“	pd my private For digging graves	50 00
26	Lent Revd Brown to be repaid fr his Cheque	75 00
	15- of the above to be pd to Blunt	
28	Ticket for Concert	2 00
29	Advance to “Packer” on Cox’s acct	40 00

CASH ACCOUNT - NOVEMBER

Date.	Received.	Paid.
1	Const Chisholm salary &c in full	193 -
“	“ McNeill Do Do	193
“	Commeline salary as Postmaster	166 75
2	Pd for getting my hair cut	1 50
“	Winnand fr. Stove for Jail	125 00
“	C. Morrison subscription for Mrs Jones	5 -
3	Ticket for Concert in aid of the Hospital. Recd fr & pd Chisholm for \$35 in disst.	5 00
4	Paid Searby & Moor in full	69 00
30	Bill in full at Colonial	11 75

CASH ACCOUNT - DECEMBER

Date.	Received.	Paid.
[no entry]		

MEMORANDA

23rd Jany Recd fr Bushby on
Elwyn liquidation acct \$60.00

Stahlschmidt

26th Recd fr Dewdney & Moberly
\$50- (per order on Burnaby)
on acct of deposit for
Lease "Horse Fly Creek"

Date.	Dollars.	Cts.
POR - Salary	£600	allowing £100
	Travelling allow	£1- per day
G. C. Fees -	£210.	-
	White Salary	£350
	& 15%	per day fr 4th
	May to 17th	Nov.
Constables	£240-	& 12% per

NOTES

6th June - Walkem Deposited
\$405-50- in the
China Mans case

Complete

Double Barrell Gun
Boyd No 11-
For Landvoigt to send
to England price
£20 - to £30 -

5 Table clothes
6 prs sheets
2 Doz towels -
2 Table covers -
16th Jun 63 Seat
Gymnasium
Fight at Lyceum

Mrs Sophia E. Cox
Car of G. Wade Esqr
Barrister at Law
4 & 5- Clare Street
Dublin

Mrs Charlotte Cox
Rochester
New York

Capt Holmes
Diving Dress
For Spencer

John Carrington
No 25 Wisley Place
Belfast
Ireland

Title of
Dixons Lot in
Richfield No 11-
Grier in Garfield
To speak to Walkem
[minister]

To see Judge [*illegible*]
& say that Grier
Will soon be [*illegible*]
In reference to [*illegible words*]
[*illegible words*]