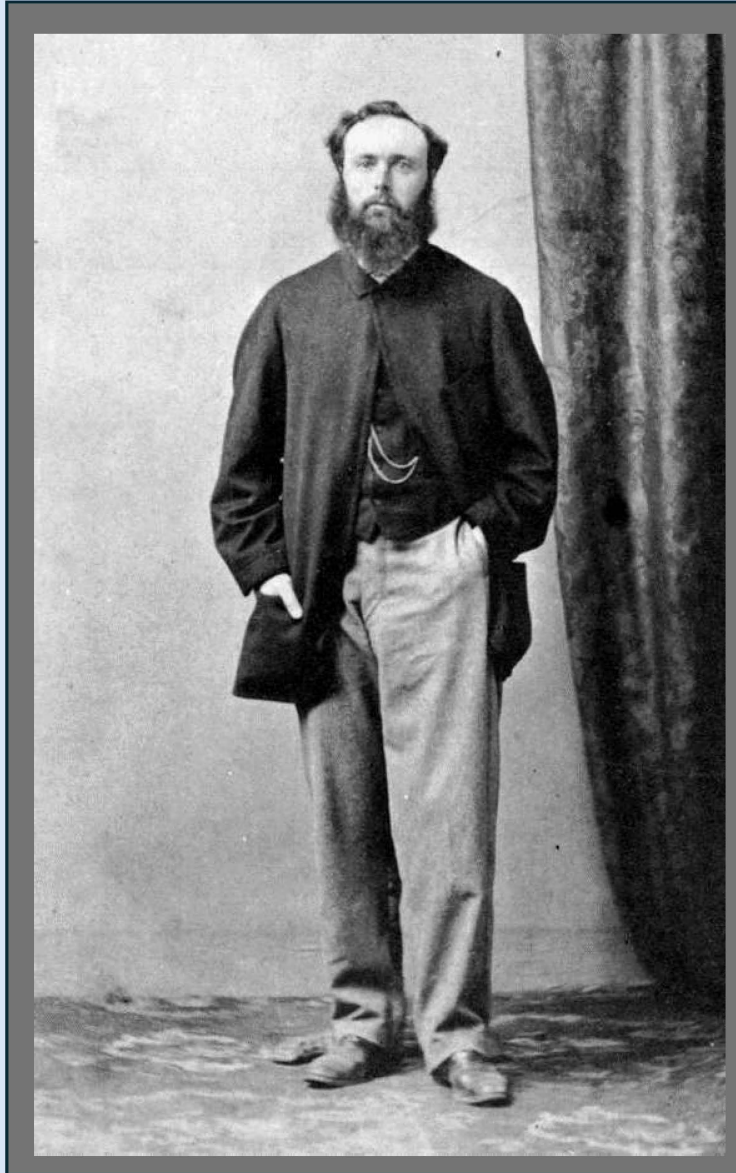


# DIARIES OF PETER O'REILLY

## 1858 – 1905



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1870

# DIARY TRANSCRIPTION

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## SAMPLE DIARY PAGE

Laying out Indian reserves with John Trutch at Popkum & Cheam on the Fraser River.  
September 28, 1870

Wednesday, September 28, 1870.

Up at daylight. Made our way to Agasson farm, found them all well walked over the farm, & then back to the river. laid out reserves at Popscum population 28. & at Cheam when the population is 88. - went down in canoe to meet the Agassis at Coes barn just as we got them the St. Onward here in sight with the Governor & the Misses Murgreaves - went on town

Thursday 29

Up at 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Reached Hope at 6. & Gale 9. took the ladies for a walk round the town, & then returned to our house where we regaled them on Melrose wine. John had an interview with H.E. The party started in Barnard wagon at 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  noon -  
6 hours  
Busy in office all evening

## DIARY SUMMARY

### JANUARY

Peter O'Reilly remains in Victoria awaiting further instruction from Governor Musgrave – attends two plays at Victoria Theatre with John Trutch.

### FEBRUARY

On his fourth birthday Frank O'Reilly wears knickerbocker pants for the first time - Legislative Council opens with Peter in attendance, "a large attendance of spectators."

### MARCH

Legislative Council debates confederation.

### APRIL

Peter and his wife Carry attend a Beacon Hill cricket match – Peter attends meeting "on the subject of Responsible Government, an abusive affair." - leaves Victoria to work at Yale and Lytton.

### MAY

Travels to Cache Creek, Kamloops, Ashcroft - receives offer to purchase house on Fort St in Victoria, "sent a cheque for \$1000- to ensure the bargain." - holds court at Lytton – sends ninth letter to Carry.

### JUNE

Peter requires a "Lunatic" from Quesnel, to be escorted to New Westminster - deals with man who attempts suicide by poisoning - Yale house cleaned in preparation of arrival of Carry and children – Peter returns to Victoria, "Went to the Gorge in the Governors Carriage to see the Regatta, spent a most miserable day." - Tommy Ellis proposes a partnership with Peter to buy 1/3 interest in his Penticton property.

### JULY

Few diary entries – court held at Lytton.

### AUGUST

Few diary entries - court at Lytton - telegraph line to Yale established, first message sent.

### SEPTEMBER

Peter and Carry travel from New Westminster to Hope by canoe – while traveling to Penticton by horse Carry is thrown from horse but suffers minimal injury - Peter lays out Indian reserves north of Yale and at Cheam and Popkum on Fraser River - returns to Yale for court.

### OCTOBER

Reserves laid out Chapmans Bar on Fraser River - John Trutch assists in laying out reserves between Hope and Yale - Peter travels to Ashcroft to attend horse races – first snow of the season on October 28<sup>th</sup>.

### NOVEMBER

While in Yale Carry becomes very ill, recovers, then Frank becomes sick – "Carry & children, servants horse cow & baggage left...in a down pour of rain" to return to Victoria – alone in Yale Peter notes, "everything dirty & so lonely that I could not bear to go near the house." - Clement Cornwall from Ashcroft is elected to the Legislative Council.

### DECEMBER

John Trutch marries Sarah "Zoe" Musgrave, daughter of Governor Anthony Musgrave – anxious to return home Peter engages two Indians to navigate ice-filled Fraser River in canoe - arrives in Victoria in time to spend Christmas with family - daughter Kathleen very ill and in pain, Dr Helmcken prescribes "hot bath, & powders" which provide little relief.

## REFERENCES & COMMENTS

1870-01-19

**Thomas Lett Stahlschmidt**

(1833-1888)

Commission merchant for Lowe, Stahlschmidt & Co in Victoria, appointed Agent General by Joseph Trutch in 1871.

1870-01-24

**Victoria Theatre “Honeymoon”**

Newspaper advertisement for the Victoria Theatre entertainment attended by Peter O’Reilly and Joseph Trutch.

**Image:** *The Daily British Colonist*, January 23, 1870

1870-02-02

**Eleanor Fanny (Leggatt) Jackson**

(? - ?)

Married Robert Edwin Jackson (1824-1909) in 1867 in Victoria.

1870-02-27

**Montague William Tyrwhitt-Drake**

(1830-1908)

Member of the Legislative Council of BC (1868-70), Mayor of Victoria (1876-77), Justice of the Supreme Court of BC (1889-1904), neighbour to the O’Reilly family at Point Ellice.

1870-02-27

**Joanna (Tolmie) Tyrwhitt-Drake**

(1835-1901)

Married Montague Tyrwhitt-Drake (1830-1908) in 1862.

1870-04-27

**oulaghans**

Variant of “eulachon” also spelled “ooligan”, a variety of herring rich in oil.

1870-12-08

**Sarah “Zoe” Musgrave**

(1842-1894)

Married John Trutch (1828-1907) on Dec 8, 1870 at St John’s Church in Victoria.

1870-12-29

**“Puss” / “Pussy”**

Nicknames for Charlotte Kathleen O’Reilly.

## DIARY – 1870

### JANUARY

**1870-01-01**

**SATURDAY**

Fine day very mild. Called at Govt house met a large number of visitors going their rounds  
Joe & Julia dined with us.

**1870-01-02**

**SUNDAY**

Lovely day, drove Carry to Church at St Johns. Revd Mr Jenns officiated  
Took a short walk with Carry & the children. John went alone to St Johns to Evening service. Mr Jenns preached against evening parties dancing &c, & applied very strong language towards some of the lady members of his Congregation

**1870-01-03**

**MONDAY**

Lovely day remained at home & drew wrote to White enclosed him my acct, against Plomer for \$178-. The Gussie Telfair sailed at 4 P.M - Mr & Mrs C. Good & 3 children, Mannsell, Col. Foster & Pope went in her. Drove Carry to Esquimalt to call on Mrs Pooley & Mrs Fisher, enquired for Mrs Foster on our return.

**1870-01-04**

**TUESDAY**

Went into town, ordered diaries for Yale & Lytton & music for Revd Holmes to be sent by tomorrows Enterprise. Called at Treasury ordered Vowells pay for Decr, & my own for Octr Nov & Decr. Saw Hankin Joe, Hamley & Crease. Called at Fairfield on way to Govt house. Saw H.E. who expressed no desire about my returning to Yale, sat with him for a couple of hours.  
Wrote to Mr Burr about acct & to Mc Roberts about supplying us with butter.  
*[overwritten text]*  
Paid \$130 to the acct of Price brother being an order given by Vowell

against his salary.

**1870-01-05**

**WEDNESDAY**

Enterprise left for N.W. at 8- AM  
Bushby Mr & Mrs Pooley went up in her. Fine day soft & mild as in spring/ Drove Carry to call on Mrs Wood, Mrs Johnston Mrs Alston Mrs Ward & Mrs McDonald.  
Mrs Trutch Senr returned to Fairfield.

**1870-01-06**

**THURSDAY**

Bright clear day. Lewis commenced to work. Got a quantity of the hay housed & found about a ton rotten & as much more damaged.  
Young Musgrave called. Enterprise returned at 4½ - received the Yale & Big Bed accts fr Mr Burr & a number of letters. Mr McRoberts sent down the first 2 lbs of butter

**1870-01-07**

**FRIDAY**

Beautiful day. Up early - busily employed in getting the hay housed found a large quantity damaged  
Mrs & Miss Needham called

**1870-01-08**

**SATURDAY**

Fine day - rode into town & left a parcel of accts at Audit office consisting of those fr Yale to 31st Decr fr. Columbia & Kootenay for *[left blank]*  
Rode with McCrea & Walker afterwards fined with them at the Colonial, & went to the Theatre to see the play of the Lady of Lyons.

**1870-01-09**

**SUNDAY**

Fine day, but with the appearance of a change.  
Went with John to St Johns Church. Revd Mr Jenns officiated  
Hankin took paid us a long visit. Took a short walk with Carry & the children.

**1870-01-10**

**MONDAY**

Threatning rain - but held up all day. Rode into town & declared to the Collectorate State-ments before Alston. Afterwards rode to Squimalt with Walker & called on the officers of the Charybdis, & Boxer - on the way home Dan became lame.

**1870-01-11**

**TUESDAY**

Clear Bright morning, about 9 OC slight rain, went out with John to look for some grouse, but only got one, home at 3 PM Mrs Rhodes Ball at 9½, & home at 2 AM. Given on the occasion of Annie having attained her 18th year Rough stormy night.

**1870-01-12**

**WEDNESDAY**

Blew a gale all day, with rain at intervals. Remained in doors & wrote some letters. Enterprise could not leave for Westminster.

**1870-01-13**

**THURSDAY**

Enterprise left for N.W. at 8- AM

**1870-01-14**

**FRIDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-01-15**

**SATURDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-01-16**

**SUNDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-01-17**

**MONDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-01-18**

**TUESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-01-19 \***

**WEDNESDAY**

About ¼ of an inch of snow on the ground The wind went suddenly round to the South & the thaw commenced. Walked into town called to speak to Ward & afterwards on Stahlschmidt - these to Audit office & went through my accts with Holmes Str California arrived at 5- O.C. Small mail received a letter fr. White dated 3rd Decr posted 7th Decr. Enterprise left fr N.W. at 8 A.M.

**1870-01-20**

**THURSDAY**

Fine soft morning. Frank walked over to Fairfield to spend the day

**1870-01-21**

**FRIDAY**

Beautiful day, wrote some letters afterwards rode up to Govt house enquire how H.E. was getting on - then took a turn round Beacon Hill & home.

**1870-01-22**

**SATURDAY**

Lovely day. The Hankins & Berkley & Miss Jessie Nagle called, also Walker & McCrea. Rode out with the latter posted my letters to White & Grant. No 3. Suffering much fr the cracks under her arms &c. Carry complaining of sore throat.

**1870-01-23**

**SUNDAY**

Rained heavily all day. Church at St Johns Revd Jenns officiated About 6- P.M. a terrific gale of wind set in which lasted until about 2 O.C. AM.

**1870-01-24 \***

**MONDAY**

Prince of Wales, H.B.Cos ship arrived at 1- AM having made the trip in

145 days. Rained heavily all day.  
Walked into town to the Theatre with  
J.T. to see Miss Louise Arnot, & Mrs Carter  
in the play of the honeymoon.

**1870-01-25**  
**TUESDAY**

Wrote to Charles & sent him a parcel  
of socks fr. the children, also two watches for which  
I agreed to pay Recd \$2-00 Wrote to Vowell  
& enclosed him 1- home letter, & 1 newspaper,  
also a parcel containing Diary fr 1870. Powder  
Flask, Shotbelt, & Bullet Mould No 13 also mourning  
note paper & Envelopes  
Dr Helmcken called to see the Infant.  
Mrs Trutch walked over fr. Fairfield, drove  
her back in the Pony Carriage. Mr Walker  
& McCrea dined with us

**1870-01-26**  
**WEDNESDAY**

Enterprise left for Westminster  
at 9- AM. Reid the Expressman  
went started fr Big Bend.  
Rode down to Squimalt to see Bissitt  
about my boxes on board the Prince of  
Wales. Afterwards walked into town  
& paid the duties, & freight, afterwards sent  
Lewis with the little cart to Squimalt to  
bring the boxes up.

**1870-01-27**  
**THURSDAY**

Rained heavily all day, remained  
at home & unpacked the boxes per  
Prince of Wales - found everything in good  
order, greatly disappointed with my boots.

**1870-01-28**  
**FRIDAY**

Coffee called in reference to withdrawal of his  
resignation.  
Paid Tom Chinaman \$50- being the amt  
due to him in full to 18th Decr & \$20- on acct  
of his wages for to 18th Jany-70.  
McKay called about 5- dined  
with us, after which he, John & self  
went to the Theatre to see Miss Louise  
Arnot & Mrs Fowlis play the Lady of  
Lions, McKay slept at Rock Bay.

**1870-01-29**  
**SATURDAY**

Up early. Beautiful day. Drove Carry  
& the children in the Pony Carriage to  
Parsons bridge. Joe called in his Carriage  
John went with him to dine at Fairfield

**1870-01-30**  
**SUNDAY 30**

Lovely day. Church at St Johns  
Revd Jenns officiated. McKay dined  
with us

**1870-01-31**  
**MONDAY**

Drove Carry to call at Govt House  
Mrs Needham & Mrs Stahlschmidt, the  
Str California arrived. Good returned  
in her. Recd Whites first letter from  
Halifax, also one for Tommy Ellis, but  
no newspapers.  
After breakfast walked into town & paid  
a number of bills.

## FEBRUARY

**1870-02-01**  
**TUESDAY**

Rode into town to see Hankin, Mrs  
Wood walked over & spent the day, Wood  
& McKay dined. Drove the Woods home  
at 11- O.C. Heard that Mr Needham  
had been appointed Chief Justice of Trinidad  
at a salary of £1800- per annum.  
Wrote to Burr, Boyd & Vowell, also  
to Charles, & Landvoigt.  
Sent Key of lock to Mr Holmes by Coffee

**1870-02-02 \***  
**WEDNESDAY**

Enterprise left fr N.W. & Langley at  
6- AM. Coffee returned to Yale.  
Drove Carry to call at Mrs Jackson's  
Mrs Ker's, & at Fairfield - very cold evening  
Joe, & Hankin called while we were out.

**1870-02-03**  
**THURSDAY**

Walked into town with Carry to  
Shop. McKay dined & slept.

**1870-02-04**

**FRIDAY**

Up early, rode Dan for a couple of hours before breakfast - to quiet him for Carry - took her out at 12½, & went round by Craigflower & home by Esquimalt road the first time she has been out this season.

**1870-02-05**

**SATURDAY**

Heavy rain in the morning, cleared up at noon, remained about the house all day Joe, & party fr Fairfield with Mrs Crease Called. McKay dined & slept.

**1870-02-06**

**SUNDAY**

Church at St Johns Revd Jenns officiated. Took a walk with Carry & the children. Started with Carry for evening service but found we were late, & returned. John dined at Fairfield. Capt Edgerton & Lieut Thomas called.

**1870-02-07**

**MONDAY**

A most unpleasant day, wind & Rain. Dined on board the Boxer with Edgerton. Needham, & Capt Lyons spent a very pleasant evening.

**1870-02-08**

**TUESDAY**

Blustery day. Walker called, went with him & McCrea for a ride, & got soaked with rain. Dined at Jacksons with Capt Lyons & Edgerton Mr & Mrs Rhodes & Annie, & McKay.

**1870-02-09**

**WEDNESDAY**

Franks fourth Birth day his first appearance for the day in nickerbockers. The Fairfield party spent the day & dined. Mrs Elliott May, & Mrs Wood called. The Active arrived fr San francisco at 10¼ OC P.M.

**1870-02-10**

**THURSDAY**

Cold raw day. Walked into town with Carry settled my acct at H. B. Co store to 31st Decr 69. Bought a draft at 60 days sight on the B. B. C. London ~~for \$640-75~~ - £128-3-0 for which I paid \$640-75 - payable to my order to be endorsed to the Major on acct of Capt Knox. see copy letter. - Recd one letter fr. Tom Enterprise arrived fr N. W. with Ball Bushby & Sanders, on board to attend the Council on Tuesday Recd letters fr. Tommy & Haynes, & Jany accts fr. Mr Burr.

**1870-02-11**

**FRIDAY**

Rained heavily all day. Spence & J. Adair dined with us

**1870-02-12**

**SATURDAY**

Rain & storm, drove Carry ~~into town late in the evening~~ to Squimalt to see Mrs Foster - found them in a most uncomfortable situation. Carry & I dined at the Needhams.

**1870-02-13**

**SUNDAY**

Stormy day Church at St Johns Dean Cridge officiated. Went to evening service with Carry Mr Jenns officiated.

**1870-02-14**

**MONDAY**

In the house till 4- drove Carry to Esquimalt & brought back little Sis Foster to stay with us till they sail for England in the 20th

**1870-02-15**

**TUESDAY**

Fine day. The Legislative Council opened at 2- O.C. Hankin read the Governors speech - a large attendance of spectators.

**1870-02-16**

**WEDNESDAY**

Attended Committee meeting to draft reply to H.E.

Capt Lyons, Mr & Mrs Ward, Mr & Mrs Jackson, Steward dined with us

**1870-02-17**

**THURSDAY**

Attended Committee meeting at 11- AM Carry John & self lunched on board the C [left blank]

Mr Mrs & Miss

Rhodes, Godfrey Brown Mr & Mrs Pender were of the party. Afterwards called

at Govt house to congratulate the

ladies on the good news concerning

H.E. leg. Enterprise returned fr N.W.

Begbie & Dewdney came down in her

McKay dined & slept. Called with

Carry on Capt & Mrs [Twist]

**1870-02-18**

**FRIDAY**

Dewdney breakfasted with us we

walked into town. Council met at

1- P.M. Dewdney was sworn in &

took his seat. Dewdney & McKay

dined with us.

Lovely day

**1870-02-19**

**SATURDAY**

Rained heavily all day. Str California

arrived at 3½ P.M. Recd a letter by her

fr White, also one from Tommy & Andy

Set two hens with on 15 eggs

each

**1870-02-20**

**SUNDAY**

Damp drizzling day. Carry Sis

Foster & John went to Church at St Johns

Remained in house all day

**1870-02-21**

**MONDAY**

Council met at 1. P.M.

Dewdney & McKay dined

**1870-02-22**

**TUESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-02-23**

**WEDNESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-02-24**

**THURSDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-02-25**

**FRIDAY**

Paid into the Savings Bank

(Berkley) \$100- - which a deposit

in the Yale S. B. by Holmes which

I recd fr. Mr Burr yesterday.

Council met at 1- P.M.

**1870-02-26**

**SATURDAY**

Beautiful day, Paid Haynes &

Lowes orders at the H. B. C. \$726.00

Also brought fr J. C. H. stamps \$3.75

Books at Hibbens 3 25

733.00

By Haynes Pay sheet 732.00

Bal due me \$ - 1.00

**1870-02-27 \*\***

**SUNDAY**

Lovely day. Church at St Johns

Revd Mr Jenns officiated. Carry Frank

Jno & Dewdney accompanied.

Joe called in the evening & took

a walk with Carry myself & the children.

Met the Drakes when the brute (Jack)

attacked Hector.

Expected Begbie to dine, waited

for him till 7- PM.

**1870-02-28**

**MONDAY**

[no entry]

## MARCH

**1870-03-01**

**TUESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-03-02**

**WEDNESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-03-03**  
**THURSDAY**  
[no entry]

**1870-03-04**  
**FRIDAY**  
[no entry]

**1870-03-05**  
**SATURDAY**  
Cold morning. John went with Mashell for the articles purchased at Mr Needhams sale. Went for a ride with Carry called at Hill side, & ~~at the~~ on Mrs Mc Kenzie - did not get back till 6 PM

**1870-03-06**  
**SUNDAY**  
Fine day. Church at 11- OC  
Revd Jenns officiated - afterwards took a stroll with the children - evening service at 7-

**1870-03-07**  
**MONDAY**  
Council met at 11- AM  
& finished the estimates & adjourned till Wednesday at 1- PM

**1870-03-08**  
**TUESDAY**  
Cold stormy day - drove Carry into town to call on the Needhams, called at Mrs Bowmans to enquire fr. Mr Beadon then on to Fairfield to lunch, afterwards called on Mrs Robertson.

**1870-03-09**  
**WEDNESDAY**  
Enterprise sailed fr. Westminster  
Johnston left for Kootenay with a mail, & express. - wrote to Normansell & enclosed a letter for Carrington.  
Wrote to Haynes, & Tommy & each [him] one home letter, & also one fr Andy  
Council met at 1- P.M.  
debate on Confederation commenced

**1870-03-10**  
**THURSDAY**  
Cold raw day. Council met at 1- P.M. Confederation debate

continued. Enterprise returned fr. N.W. no letters fr Yale.  
Called at Govt house & had an interview with H.E.

**1870-03-11**  
**FRIDAY**  
Bitter Cold day - with a strong blow from the West. Some alarm at the non arrival of the "Active" which left Frisco at 11- OC the 5th inst.  
Council met at 1- O.C. debate on Confederation concluded. Dewdney made his maiden speech.  
Revd Cave & Dewdney dined with us, Bitter cold night.

**1870-03-12**  
**SATURDAY**  
Very hard frost, bitterly cold - about four inches of snow fell  
Remained in the house all the day.

**1870-03-13**  
**SUNDAY**  
Bitter cold with heavy rain

**1870-03-14**  
**MONDAY**  
[no entry]

**1870-03-15**  
**TUESDAY**  
[no entry]

**1870-03-16**  
**WEDNESDAY**  
Enterprise left for N.W.  
Council met at 1 PM  
& adjourned at 6¼ O.C.

**1870-03-17**  
**THURSDAY**  
Council met at 1 PM  
& adjourned at 6- OC  
Enterprise returned fr N.W.  
no up river news

**1870-03-18**

**FRIDAY**

Council met at 1- & sat  
till 6- P.M. adjourned till  
Monday at 1 PM

**1870-03-19**

**SATURDAY**

Cold day. Drove Carry Frank  
& John to call on Mrs Pearce -  
afterwards on Mrs Miles, & then to  
Fairfield.

**1870-03-20**

**SUNDAY**

Slight rain. Church at St Johns  
Revd Mr Gribbell officiated - Holy  
Communion.  
Begbie called

**1870-03-21**

**MONDAY**

Hard frost. Lewis worked at  
the road.  
Council at 1- PM

**1870-03-22**

**TUESDAY**

Up early - working at road  
Council met at 1. P.M.

**1870-03-23**

**WEDNESDAY**

Council met at 1 PM

**1870-03-24**

**THURSDAY**

Fine day. Lewis & Mashell working at  
the road in front of the house.  
Went into town to try a pr of horses  
for H.E. - drove them towards Esquimalt  
with young Musgrave, but did not like  
them. Met Mrs Trutch in town, sent her  
over to Rock bay in Russells carriage.  
Council met at 1- P.M.

**1870-03-25**

**FRIDAY**

Paid "Tom" \$40.00 wages in full to the  
18th Feby.  
Fine day. Carry, & Frank walked into  
town with me - paid bills &c.

Council met at 1 P.M. Enterprise  
returned from N.W. Recd letters fr Burr  
Boyd Stevenson. Yale accts for Feb Sooyoos  
accts, Kootenay accts fr Nov & Decr  
2 Letters fr Haynes, but nothing from Tommy

**1870-03-26**

**SATURDAY**

[no entry]  
1870-03-

**1870-03-27**

**SUNDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-03-28**

**MONDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-03-29**

**TUESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-03-30**

**WEDNESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-03-31**

**THURSDAY**

[no entry]

## APRIL

**1870-04-01**

**FRIDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-04-02**

**SATURDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-04-03**

**SUNDAY**

Beautiful day Rode with Carry to  
see the Cricket match at Beacon  
hill - Victoria v The Fleet Esquimalt,  
which resulted in favour of the Victorians  
with 9 wickets up.  
Dined with Bushby, Ball, and  
Sanders at the Colonial got home  
at 12-

[*overwritten text*]

Read this on yesterday

Saturday 2nd inst

**1870-04-04**

**MONDAY**

Council met at 1- PM

**1870-04-05**

**TUESDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-04-06**

**WEDNESDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-04-07**

**THURSDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-04-08**

**FRIDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-04-09**

**SATURDAY**

Fine day - drove with Carry to Jay's nursery garden & bought a few shrubs, afterwards rode to beacon Hill to see the Cricket match between the Victorians & the Fleet & Esquimalt - which resulted in favour of Victorians afterwards rode to the Cemetery at Esquimalt.

**1870-04-10**

**SUNDAY**

Fine day. Carry & self took Frank to Church at St Johns - Dean Cridge officiated. Str Active arrived - recd a letter from Pope also two for Tommy & one for Andy. Heard of the death of poor old Luard, also of Graham Hankin, & Creases Mother. Went to St Johns with Carry. Revd Jenns officiated. Begbie took tea with us.

**1870-04-11**

**MONDAY**

Council met at 1- PM. & adjourned at 5½.

Meeting held at the Theatre on the subject of Responsible Government,

an abusive affair.

**1870-04-12**

**TUESDAY**

Beautiful day Council met at 1- PM  
Paid into the Bank Cheques to the amt of \$434.33 - Viz \$69.00 fr. Walker fr Emory Bar estate - \$36.49 - fr Edmonds N.W. & \$328.84 - fr C. C. L & W.  
Met Carry in town & walked home with her. Settled Mashells acct in full to 31st March - paid him \$24.00  
Dewdney dined & slept in town.

**1870-04-13**

**WEDNESDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-04-14**

**THURSDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-04-15**

**FRIDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-04-16**

**SATURDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-04-17**

**SUNDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-04-18**

**MONDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-04-19**

**TUESDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-04-20**

**WEDNESDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-04-21**

**THURSDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-04-22**

**FRIDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-04-23**

**SATURDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-04-24**

**SUNDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-04-25**

**MONDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-04-26**

**TUESDAY**

Up early Left Victoria for N.W. at 10 AM  
Carry & Frank came in to see me off,  
delightful day. Bushby & Dewdney were  
also passengers, arrived at 6- & dined  
at Colonial with Bushby & Dewdney  
Slept on board the Onward.

**1870-04-27 \***

**WEDNESDAY**

Magnificent day. Wrote No 1  
to dearest Carry & sent a box of  
oulaghans. Left N.W. in Str  
Onward at 8- AM about thirty  
Passengers. G Leggett came up &  
stopped at the Mission. McKay  
came on board at the Sumaas

**1870-04-28**

**THURSDAY**

Arrived at Yale at 11- OC  
found all quiet

**1870-04-29**

**FRIDAY**

Clark commenced to work in  
the garden.  
In office all day. Rode  
down river to settle Indian  
dispute about land.

**1870-04-30**

**SUNDAY**

Up early Clark at work in  
Garden. Busy day in office

**MAY**

**1870-05-01**

**SUNDAY**

Cold raw morning - rained nearly  
all day. Str "Onward" arrived. Recd  
a letter from Carry the first I have  
had. Recd a package of Cabbage  
plants fr N.W. - sent Finlaison  
a Dollar to pay for them. Church  
at 11- Revd Holmes officiated  
Dined at the McKays.

**1870-05-02**

**MONDAY**

Ball & Dewdney left in the stage at  
6½ for Cariboo. Str Onward  
left for Westminster at 10- Wrote to  
White, & also No 3 to Carry.  
Started for Lytton in a Buggy  
with Barnard at 10½ - Met Stevenson  
& party beyond the bridge & paid him on  
acct \$4.00. Examined the new bridge  
round the Bluff, China bar, a capital  
piece of work, reached B Bar at 6½

**1870-05-03**

**TUESDAY**

Up at 5 - breakfasted & started at  
6½ in a down pour of rain, reached  
Boothroyds at ¼ 9- - still raining  
Heavily. Paid McGregor \$900- on  
acct - reached Lytton at 2½  
Found Allard & their others about  
to start for Peace River. Held  
Court from 4 till 7- O.C.  
Blowing a regular Lytton gale & fearfully  
Cold.

**1870-05-04**

**WEDNESDAY**

Up at 5- Sent an Indian off in  
advance to Cornwalls - started at 6½  
with Barnard - reached Ferry at ¼ 11  
dined - wrote to Joe, & also No 4 to  
Carry, to be forwarded by stage.  
Left the Ferry at ¼ 2 ¾. Met  
the stage about 2 miles fr Ferry.  
Grant of the bank of B.N.A. on board  
heard from him that [Burr] was no better,  
reached Ashcroft at 7- & to my disgust

found that H. Cornwall had gone to Hat Cr.

**1870-05-05**

**THURSDAY**

Very unpleasant day - blowing a gale & loads of dust, sent their horses to be shod at Cache Cr. Cornwall returned about 3- P.M. walked over the farm the garden, & inspected the hounds. dined at 7- - turned in at 11- O.C.

**1870-05-06**

**FRIDAY**

Up at 6- sent the Indian for the horses - commenced No 5 to Carry. Left fr. Kamloops at 10- taking three Govt horses, reached Cache Cr. 11½. Met Barnard who sent by me an offer to Charles for [*deletions*] his house on Fort Sts Viz \$3000- sent a cheque for \$1000- to insure the bargain. - Called at Semlins also at Sandfords in reference to this land reached Savana Ferry at 7- OC

**1870-05-07**

**SATURDAY**

Up at ¼ 4 - & to my intense disgust learned that the horses could not be found waited till 10½ - hired a horse fr D McLean & started fr Kamloops at 11- Called at N. Hares who was disposed to be cheeky - reached Kamloops at 6- put in time for Dinner - found the Charles's kind & hospitable as ever. Found Tommy Ellis at the Fort from I learned that he had sold his cattle for \$51- per head to Reynolds of Victoria. Found Vowell also ensconsed at the Fort.

**1870-05-08**

**SUNDAY**

Lovely day. Rode up to Tommys Camp & had a long chat with him, did not get back till 6 P.M. Heard from Tommy that Haynes was to be at the Mission on the 10th Sent off an Indian, one of Tommy's to tell him to meet me at Vernons on Wednesday.

**1870-05-09**

**MONDAY**

Transacted some business - finished No 5 to Carry & enclosed in it a letter to John with Tommys two Notes for the price of the cattle - wrote also to Dewdney, Burr & Boyd - sent bunch of accounts to Burr fr. March & April The Indian arrived with the horses at 4. A.M.

**1870-05-10**

**TUESDAY**

Up at 5- started for Okanagan with Tommy, Charles, & Vowell. Called at L. Campbells, & received \$11- fr him leaving \$1.38 still due. Met Ingram who to Ducks with me, & paid me \$200- half purchase of 400- acres of land on Grand Prairie for Groves. Found out that I had forgotten some of my papers at Kamloops. Ingram volunteered to return for them. Rode on to Grand Prairie where we camped. Saw one Cayotte on the road. A number of Indians camped with us

**1870-05-11**

**WEDNESDAY**

Up at 5- Recd the papers which Ingram had brought from Kamloops for me - started at 7- rode slowly & reached Salmon River at ¼ 12- which we crossed with difficulty Lunched at the lake about a mile beyond the crossing of Salmon River Started at 2- Called at Woods house & reached Vernons at 6½- Found Charles & Forbes at home, but no news of Haynes

**1870-05-12**

**THURSDAY**

Up at 6- walked round the farm with Forbes. Tommy started for Pentiction at 12¼-. Haynes, Mrs Haynes, Houghton & Tronson arrived at 3 P.M. Haynes having come up the Lake in a Canoe  
~~The Vernons~~

**1870-05-13**

**FRIDAY**

Up at 6- Breakfast over at 8- - got the horses in, but could not start owing to my head ache which continued nearly

all the day. Settled with Haynes in full & recd from him \$64- [left blank] Viz amt of bills at Victoria \$ [left blank] Freight on packages from Hope to Sooyoos Vernon paid me \$70- the price of two horses sold to them in 1866. - Haynes & wife Charles, Vowell Houghton & Tronson went out for a ride.

**1870-05-14**  
**SATURDAY**

Up at 6- said good bye to the Vernons Haynes & Houghtons started for Spallumsheen at 11- O.C. with Charles, Vowell & Jim in attendance - slight rain, met Wallis about half way, en route to Vernons. Met Reached Fortunes at 5½- - inspected his farm which is beautifully situated - about 80 acres in crop. - Put up at Fortunes laid out two reserves for the Indians Had a long Wa Wa with them.

**1870-05-15**  
**SUNDAY**

Up at 5- left at 10- Met Bennett who accompanied us with Fortune several miles - reached Ingrams at 5½ - distance about 31 miles Met the Shuswap Indians near Grand Prairie. Ingram made us as comfortable as possible One of his pets, a young bear, got on the roof of the house & kicked up no end of a row

**1870-05-16**  
**MONDAY**

Left Ingrams at 7- Cold raw morning slight rain - reached Ducks at 11- remained a short time & reached Kamloops 2½ when I received No 2 - also a short letter from the Major, & number of officials. Finished Nos 6 & 7 - & sent an Indian off with then to ~~Kamloops~~ Cache Cr

**1870-05-17**  
**TUESDAY**

A large number of Indians

made their appearance - very busy day - did not finish my work till 7- P.M.

**1870-05-18**  
**WEDNESDAY**

Busy in office till 1- P.M. when the Indians returned with the mail & a package of letters for me - No 4 also one from Joe, & a number of officials.

**1870-05-19**  
**THURSDAY**

~~Settled my private acct Layton~~ Recd from Layton bill of exchange for \$60.00 to pay for his bill for clothes &c at Victoria \$28.50-. Also to pay his subscription to Biles life, & bal to go to pay off his debt to me Started with Vowell for Savana Ferry at 10½ where we arrived at 5 P.M. Found Sabestons house shut up & had almost made up my mind to go on to Cornwall's when he Sabeston arrived with his bride having been to Lytton to get married A number of persons arrived to see me on business

**1870-05-20**  
**FRIDAY**

Left ~~Cache Cr~~ Savona Ferry at 8, stopped at Semlins for about 1½ hour to receive applications for survey - had lunch stopped a short time at Sandfords & Cache Cr & reached Ashcroft at ¼ 5-. Found the Cornwalls well & glad to see me as usual.

**1870-05-21**  
**SATURDAY**

Busy all day - with reference to L & Works matters, the house was crowded - did transacted a good deal of business. Mr & Mrs Charles & family arrived on horse back presenting a formidable cavalcade.

**1870-05-22**  
**SUNDAY**

Took a stroll with the Cornwalls & Charles over the farm - afterwards

Mrs Charles joined us & we inspected the garden.

**1870-05-23**

**MONDAY**

Harry the Indian - went in search of the horses but did not return till evening, when it was too late for me to start for the Ferry as I intended. Cornwall's young horse covered the Bay mare "Molly" (Ninds) for which I agreed to pay \$15-00 Barlow & family arrived en route to Quesnelle Mouth accompanied by P. Kirwan. Recd a budget of letters & No [left blank]

**1870-05-24**

**TUESDAY**

Up at 4- Jack Chinaman provided a capital breakfast, paid my bill Viz \$25-25 gave Harry \$3- for hunting horses &c Started 5 O.C. on the "Charger" Met the stage about 1½ mile from the Bridge & recd a few letters from Steve. Remained a couple of hours at Kirkpatrick's - met Boyd the Constable at Necuomeen - arrived at Lytton at 4½- PM

**1870-05-25**

**WEDNESDAY**

Held County Court, in office all day. Stage arrived at 6- with Mrs Charles & Family.

**1870-05-26**

**THURSDAY**

Left for Yale in the stage at 6½ with passengers consisting of the Charles family, the Qualiotte family, & Mr & Mrs McKenzie, the day was not too hot, & as I had the box seat was comfortable enough & reached Yale at 6½- but owing to it being the week of the Queens birth day there was no steamer.

**1870-05-27**

**FRIDAY**

In office all day. X Wrote to the Major in reference to Toms settlement with Andy.

**1870-05-28**

**SATURDAY**

Busy in office. Committed [*left blank*] Indian for trial at the next assizes to be holden at Yale.

**1870-05-29**

**SUNDAY**

Str. "Onward" arrived at 11½ while we were all at Church. Recd No [*left blank*] & a budget of officials.

**1870-05-30**

**MONDAY**

Str. "Onward" left at 10 A.M. for N.W. Mrs Charles & family went in her - sent off No 9- Arranged with Peck for the painting & papering of the Govt house & office.

**1870-05-31**

**TUESDAY**

Peck commenced to white wash & Paint. Took up my quarters at the McKays, while Peck ~~white~~ was at work Busy day in office

## JUNE

**1870-06-01**

**WEDNESDAY**

In office nearly the whole day. Mrs McKay & family left in a canoe, to remain a few days at Hope. Read this for Thursday X Stage arrived E. C. Shepherd arrived in charge of Michael Riley a Lunatic from Quesnelle Mouth.

**1870-06-02**

**THURSDAY**

Str arrived at 7- Recd No [*left blank*]  
& a number of letters.

**1870-06-03**

**FRIDAY**

Str left at 7 A.M.  
Sent of No 10. Forwarded  
Lunatic M Riley to N W in  
charge of Forrester the Steward of  
the Onward.

**1870-06-04**

**SATURDAY**

Very hot day. Worked in  
garden in the evening.  
The river fell about 2 feet

**1870-06-05**

**SUNDAY**

Str Onward arrived at 7½  
Walker arrived en route to  
Cariboo, he breakfasted with me &  
started about 10½ - Guerra  
& Scott (the Rabbit) arrived en route  
to Big Bend.  
Recd No [*left blank*] and to my  
disgust learned that Carry did not  
intend to leave Victoria till next Tuesday  
not the 14th inst. Recd an important  
communication from John

**1870-06-06**

**MONDAY**

Str left at 10- sent by  
her No 11- a very short epistle,  
wrote also to John, Alston & sent  
off about 15 officials.  
Intensely hot day.  
Held Court, & sentenced Ross (Indian)  
to 3 months imprisonment with H. L.  
Intensely hot day

**1870-06-07**

**TUESDAY**

Thermometer stood at [*left blank*]

**1870-06-08**

**WEDNESDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-06-09**

**THURSDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-06-10**

**FRIDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-06-11**

**SATURDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-06-12**

**SUNDAY**

Very fine day. Church at 11-  
O.C. No steamer arrived owing to  
the high stage of the water.  
Jackson Lawrence attempted suicide  
by taking a quantity of strychnine  
Called up at 12½ - wrote his will out &  
remained with him for hours.

**1870-06-13**

**MONDAY**

Lawrence slightly better, but  
suffered much fr convulsions.

**1870-06-14**

**TUESDAY**

Busy all day preparing  
for the arrival of my family, had  
the house washed out for the third  
time.  
Mr Finlayson & Charles  
arrived from Kamloops.  
Clapperton arrived in a canoe with  
mail & express - on his return fr Ireland  
he gave me a quantity of garden seeds &c.

**1870-06-15**

**WEDNESDAY**

Busy day. Left in a Canoe  
for Hope taking with me two men  
to work on the Hope trail - also  
Mr Holmes. Slight rain  
Met Jasson Allan who had  
just arrived from Fort Shepherd  
Put up at H. B. Store - just as  
I was about to turn in, Mr Holmes  
arrived from the Bishops farm, having  
been attacked by a skunk.

**1870-06-16**

**THURSDAY**

Busy day Str "Onward" arrived at 4½- O.C. but not Carry or any of my belongings - remained at Hope till 9½ - & then started for Yale, reached Emory's bar at 12½- where the boat was tied up for the night. I went on in a canoe with Mr Holmes, & reached Yale at 4½ - Kurtz & Col Lane on board Heard of the loss of the Active of[f] Cape Mendocino on the 12- inst - all hands saved

**1870-06-17**

**FRIDAY**

Left Yale on the "Onward" for N.W. en route to Victoria at 9 A.M. River very high, but no drift, reach at Langly Mr Finlayson & Charles got on board, arrived at Westminster at 5½. Met Musgrave Jun. at Colonial, Enterprise arrived at 7- Recd a letter from Carry.

**1870-06-18**

**SATURDAY**

Left N.W. in the Enterprise at 9. AM. for Victoria. Charles, Finlaison, Musgrave, Fisher &c came down, beautiful day - arrived at 3- PM Met John - drove home in Russells Carriage, & afterwards went with Carry to a sort of Pic nic at Wards - where I met Begbie, the Admiral, & a host of navy men.

**1870-06-19**

**SUNDAY**

Slight rain - went to St Johns Church with Carry & John Revd Jenns officiated. Hankin walked home with us & dined Begbie arrived at 8½- & did not leave till 12 O.C.

**1870-06-20**

**MONDAY**

Threatening rain all day. Went to the Gorge in the Governors Carriage to see the Regatta, spent a most miserable day. - The Miss Musgraves called on their return from the Regatta to enquire

for Mrs Trutch whom they lost missed while in the boat.

**1870-06-21**

**TUESDAY**

Left Victoria for Yale with all my belongings - bag & baggage - beautiful passage.

On arriving at N. W. the first person I saw was Tommy Ellis Had a long conversation with him when he proposed to me to go into partnership with him & buy ⅓ interest in all his property at Penticton

**1870-06-22**

**WEDNESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-06-23**

**THURSDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-06-24**

**FRIDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-06-25**

**SATURDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-06-26**

**SUNDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-06-27**

**MONDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-06-28**

**TUESDAY**

Crease heard the assault Case Coffee v Burr - & imposed a fine of \$25-

Left for Boston Bar with Crease & John - Revd Holmes, Pooley, J Walker having preceded us.

**1870-06-29**

**WEDNESDAY**

Laid out Indian reserves at

Boston Bar Rombros, Chapmans  
Bar, & Spuzzum, also sites  
for Churches at B. Bar &  
Spuzzum.

**1870-06-30**

**THURSDAY**

Examination Yale School.

## JULY

**1870-07-01**

**FRIDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-02**

**SATURDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-03**

**SUNDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-04**

**MONDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-05**

**TUESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-06**

**WEDNESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-07**

**THURSDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-08**

**FRIDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-09**

**SATURDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-10**

**SUNDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-11**

**MONDAY**

Left Yale at 6- AM in stage for  
Lytton, Boston Bar at 11- Piaggio  
signed Bill of sale to Bunster - which I  
forwarded to Jackson. John came on  
with me in stage to Lytton - where we  
arrived at 6- P.M.

**1870-07-12**

**TUESDAY**

Left Lytton fr. Fosters Bar at 10- delivered  
Title deeds to Seward. My horse very  
lame - intensely hot day. My horse Charger dead  
lame. Reached Roberts at 6- returned  
to Baileys & camped in a field opposite  
his house.

**1870-07-13**

**WEDNESDAY**

Crossed the river & laid out Reserve  
opposite Baileys Farm - a good deal  
of trouble about the canoe with the  
Indians. Called at several Indian  
Camps while returning. Reached Lytton  
at 7- found the stage in - Kurtz  
Col Lane Jno Adair, McCullen &c  
Soon after we got in it commenced  
to rain heavily.

**1870-07-14**

**THURSDAY**

Held County Court.  
Wrote to the Major

**1870-07-15**

**FRIDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-16**

**SATURDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-17**

**SUNDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-18**

**MONDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-19**

**TUESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-20**

**WEDNESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-21**

**THURSDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-22**

**FRIDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-23**

**SATURDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-24**

**SUNDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-25**

**MONDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-26**

**TUESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-27**

**WEDNESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-28**

**THURSDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-29**

**FRIDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-30**

**SATURDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-07-31**

**SUNDAY**

Very hot day went to Church with Tom & Mrs Dewdney. Revd Good

officiated & performed the service in a most excentric manner. In his sermon he alluded in a most pointed manner to his recent fracas with Mrs McKay, & in so objectionable a way that I left the Church.

## AUGUST

**1870-08-01**

**MONDAY**

Sent Ducorrans note for \$376.42 dated 21st April 1865 to J R Stewart for Collection.

Mrs Dewdney left in the "Onward" for Hope

**1870-08-02**

**TUESDAY**

Long visit from Revd Marshal in reference to Indian reserves  
Tommy left in Canoe for Hope

**1870-08-03**

**WEDNESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-08-04**

**THURSDAY**

Intensely hot

Str Arrive at 8½ Mrs Trutch  
Miss Nagle, & Mr Gribbel on board  
Stage arrived at 4 ½ Dewdney  
came down

**1870-08-05**

**FRIDAY**

Str left for Westminster at  
6 AM. Revd Holmes went down  
to Victoria.

Very hot day

Revd Gribbel took his meals  
with us

**1870-08-06**

**SUNDAY**

Bad headache. In office till  
3-. Paid Mashell \$17- of which  
\$10- was for interpreting in June, July  
& \$7- the bal. I believe to be due him  
to 31st July.

**1870-08-07**

**SUNDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-08-08**

**MONDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-08-09**

**TUESDAY**

County Court at Lytton.

**1870-08-10**

**WEDNESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-08-11**

**THURSDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-08-12**

**FRIDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-08-13**

**SATURDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-08-**

**SUNDAY 14**

[no entry]

**1870-08-15**

**MONDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-08-16**

**TUESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-08-17**

**WEDNESDAY**

C. C. Lytton.

**1870-08-18**

**THURSDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-08-19**

**FRIDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-08-20**

**SATURDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-08-21**

**SUNDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-08-22**

**MONDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-08-23**

**TUESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-08-24**

**WEDNESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-08-25**

**THURSDAY**

Telegraph line opened to  
Yale - first message sent.

**1870-08-26**

**FRIDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-08-27**

**SATURDAY**

In office nearly all day

**1870-08-28**

**SUNDAY**

Str Onward arrived at 8½  
Intensely hot day  
Church at 11- Revd Mr Holmes  
Officiated. Intensely hot  
day

**1870-08-29**

**MONDAY**

Str left for N.W. at 10- O.C.  
Very hot day

**1870-08-30**

**TUESDAY**

In office nearly the whole  
Roasting hot day

**1870-08-31**

**WEDNESDAY**

Very busy in office  
Another roasting day

## SEPTEMBER

**1870-09-01**

**THURSDAY**

Str Onward arrived at  
8½- Recd a number of letters  
one fr H.E. in re the Quinisco  
grievance

**1870-09-02**

**FRIDAY**

Str left at 6- AM.  
Up early preparing for a  
start to Similkameen on  
Tuesday next.

**1870-09-03**

**SATURDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-09-04**

**SUNDAY**

The three horses arrived from  
Nicola Lake in charge of George  
Church at 11- OC Mr Holmes  
Officiated, but was very feeble &  
lame from the effects of his late  
accident.  
No steamer.

**1870-09-05**

**MONDAY**

Busy day preparing for a  
start tomorrow - got all the  
horses shod - 5, & sent them down  
by trail to Hope in charge of  
Mashell & George.  
The mail & express arrived in  
a canoe fr. Westminster at  
10½ A.M.

**1870-09-06**

**TUESDAY**

Up at 5-. Left in a canoe for  
Hope en route to Penticton at 8- OC  
with Carry & baggage. Reached Hope

at 9½- where we found Mashell with  
horses. - Paid Mrs Glennie, & Mrs  
Dewdney a visit & started at 11¼ -  
lovely day - camped on the waggon  
road about 23 miles fr Hope  
paid an Indian half a dollar  
to cut grass for the horses.

**1870-09-07**

**WEDNESDAY**

Up at 5- Carry very fresh  
started at ¼ 9- threatening rain  
all day but fortunately it kept  
away. Crossed the summit at  
2- reached Powder Camp at 4¾  
Met Allison en route to Yale & Hope  
Bill Bristol who is repairing  
the trail camped also at Powder  
Camp & presented me with two  
grouse. - Carry tired after  
her ride over the mountain

**1870-09-08**

**THURSDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-09-09**

**FRIDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-09-10**

**SATURDAY**

Left Camp at 8- AM. rode on  
to Ashnola & instructed Bristol  
as to repair of trail. Met Frank  
[left blank] with pack train en route  
to Hope - shot a rattle snake -  
rode - rode on to Tait's house at  
Keremeos saw Mrs T. & her children  
rode on & overtook Carry on the stony  
slide Camped about mile from  
summit.

**1870-09-11**

**SUNDAY**

To our disgust the horses were not  
found till 9- started at 9¼- Carry  
lost her veil - I rode back 3 miles  
- arrived at Penticton at 1- PM  
Neither Tommy & or Andy at home  
they did not make their appearance  
till 4- P.M. Tom a good deal

put out at our arrival without his knowledge, but was as usual overwhelmingly kind & attentive.

**1870-09-12**

**MONDAY**

Very hot day - shot 3- wild ducks & 5- Prairie Chicken

**1870-09-13**

**TUESDAY**

Walked over the meadow with [*left blank*]

**1870-09-14**

**WEDNESDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-09-15**

**THURSDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-09-16**

**FRIDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-09-17**

**SUNDAY**

Intensely hot day. Took a ride with Tom to exercise & shoot Robbin.

Afterwards went for a ride with Carry. Haynes arrived at 7- - inclined to be stiff & stared off.

**1870-09-18**

**SUNDAY**

Settled with Haynes in full for all private, & Govt accts to 25th July by payment from him of \$18.93.

Haynes started for Sooyoos at 1- O.C.

**1870-09-19**

**MONDAY**

Started the pack horses at 12 O.C. & left ourselves at 1¼. Tom rode with us about 5 miles. John remained behind to finish the survey. Crossed the summit

at 5- & camped at 6½ on a small creek about 8 miles from Keremeos - very stormy night

**1870-09-20**

**TUESDAY**

Up at 5- Carry & self rode on to Keremeos at 8- learning that Mashell to go on with the Pack horses - arrived at Keremeos at 10- where we met Haynes & Mrs H. - but to our disappointment Tait had not returned & no letters. Recd the Sooyoos accts for Month [*left blank*] & bal in full \$ Viz pay sheet cash - [*left blank*] Camped on the flat adjoining the potato patch at 5-

**1870-09-21**

**WEDNESDAY**

[*no entry*]

**1870-09-22**

**THURSDAY**

Up early Quinisco & about a dozen other Indians came down to camp & had a long talk about their reserves before Allison - they went away apparently well satisfied with the land I had marked off for them. Remained about two hours at Allison's - where we were joined by John. Rode on to Powder Camp where we put up for the night.

**1870-09-23**

**FRIDAY**

Left camp at 8¼ - beautiful day crossed the summit at 10½ before reaching the 32 mile camp we stopped to eat our lounch - where in getting out of a creek Tommy fell back & threw Carry off stunning her, but fortunately not hurting her much John shot a wild goose on the river at the 28 mile post - got a few Rhododendrons at Skagit Flat. Camped on Waggon Road about 19 miles fr Hope.

**1870-09-24**

**SATURDAY**

Left camp at 8¾- & reached Hope at 1- P.M. - bought on the way some

mountain sheep goat meat. The Onward arrived at Hope en route to N.W. a few minutes after us - H. Cornwall on board but I did not see him. Left in a Canoe fr Yale at 3½ & reached home at 8½- where we found the dear Children quite well

**1870-09-25**

**SUNDAY**

Lovely day. Church at 11- Revd Mr Holmes officiated. Spent a few hours in the office Lecture by Mr Holmes in Church at 7- PM on the the introduction of Christianity into Britain.

**1870-09-26**

**MONDAY**

Stage left at 6 A.M. Up early wrote a number of letters, & transacted a good deal of business. Laid out the Indian Reserves between Yale & Emory Bar. Poor Frankey met with an ugly accident by running a pencil into his mouth which caused him great pain.

**1870-09-27**

**TUESDAY**

Up early did not get away till 8 AM. Left Mrs Dewdney at Hope intercepted telegram, & heard of H.E. intended visit to Yale. Laid out reserve just below Greys farm. Corduroy Jack Chief - population 75, at Ohamel – population 60- - at Squalush population 18-. To late to go on to Agassiz Camped on a sand bar opposite to the Village of “Cheam”. -

**1870-09-28**

**WEDNESDAY**

Up at daylight - made our way to Agassiz farm, from there all well walked over the farm, & then back to the river - laid out reserves at Popscum population 28- & at Cheam where the population is 68- - sent down in canoe to meet the Agassiz at Coes barn Just as we got there the Str Onward hove in sight with the Governor Mrs & the Misses Musgraves - went on board

**1870-09-29**

**THURSDAY**

Up at 5½- reached Hope at 6- & Yale 9- took the ladies for a walk round the town, & then returned to our house where we regaled others on melons & wine John had an interview with H E The party started in Barnards waggon 6- horses at 12½- noon. Busy in office all evening

**1870-09-30**

**FRIDAY**

County Court at Yale Governor & party returned from Boston Bar at 11¼- a salute fired & no end if bunting displays Str left with party at 12- noon Pope to his wife to Victoria having obtained a weeks leave of absence.

## OCTOBER

**1870-10-01**

**SATURDAY**

Fine day drove to Chapmans Bar with John to lay out Indian Reserve below the bridge but found no Indians there & consequently lost our day for nothing - home at 6 P.M. Recd road Toll from G. Pope \$1167.25. Took Frank with me to Chapmans bar to his intense delight.

**1870-10-02**

**SUNDAY**

Steamer arrived at 9¾- Clement Cornwall, & Dr Carroll came up. In consequence of the Stage leaving at 2. P.M. was unable to go to Church

**1870-10-03**

**MONDAY**

Cold wet morning. Str left at 9- John Trutch intended to have ~~gone~~ surveyed the Indian reserves between Hope & Yale, but was prevented by the rain.

**1870-10-04**

**TUESDAY**

Up at 7- went with John to finally lay off Reserve at Albert Hat, returned at 2. P.M. John went on to finish the reserve below Hope & then proceeded to Victoria Aggasiz arrived with his son. Telegram fr Joe to say he had arrived at Frisco & would leave tomorrow for Victoria.

**1870-10-05**

**WEDNESDAY**

Busy in office nearly all day Got Dan shod. Paid my bills in town

**1870-10-06**

**THURSDAY**

Lovely day. Onward arrived at 10- O.C. Pope did not return as Expected. Rode out to meet Walker - got five miles when he came up - he dined with us The McKays & Harvey spent the Evening. Had a long chat with Harvey Walker when he asked me to hold his power or attorney after he left the Colony.

**1870-10-07**

**FRIDAY**

Mrs Trutch left for Victoria in the Onward at 7½. Beautiful day. In office till 3 P.M. Took a ride with Carry to Hodges Flat & back. Sold Birch Double barreled Manton to C Evans for \$100.00

**1870-10-08**

**SATURDAY**

Lovely day. Busy in office most of day.

**1870-10-09**

**SUNDAY**

Very fine day. No Steamer Church at 11- Rev Mr Holmes Officiated. Dined at 3. PM Took a walk with Carry the

children & the McKays to Gordon Creek.

**1870-10-10**

**MONDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-10-11**

**TUESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-10-12**

**WEDNESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-10-13**

**THURSDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-10-14**

**FRIDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-10-15**

**SATURDAY**

Left Yale for Ashcroft with Henry Cornwall - in Oppenheimers buggy horsed by Barnard - started at ¼ 8 & reached Lytton at 9½ the latter part of the road very dark.

**1870-10-16**

**SUNDAY**

Left Lytton at 7- fine morning stopped a few minutes at Necaomeen to speak to Clapperton fed the horses & remained 2 hours at the Ferry reached Ashcroft at 7- P.M. where we found C. Cornwall & Layton, besides a number of others preparing for the races. The dust on the road throughout the day was fearful

**1870-10-17**

**MONDAY**

Up at 7- every one busy making ready for the races, horses being exercised all day. Walked round the course & put up some flags with the Cornwalls & Layton. Had Red Robin out to exercise Layton

rode him over a few fences, & declared his confidence in his performance

**1870-10-18  
TUESDAY**

1st day of the Ashcroft Races

**1870-10-19  
WEDNESDAY**

2nd Day

**1870-10-20  
THURSDAY**

Held County Court, & transacted a variety of business. ~~Left~~ The crowd showed not signs of dispersing, & the racing was being carried on with great spirit. Cornwall consented to ~~stand~~ become a candidate for the Council. Left Ashcroft at 12 & gave Yank a seat in the buggy reached the Ferry at 6½.

**1870-10-21  
FRIDAY**

Started at 5- Cold wet morning borrowed a waterproof coat from Clapperton reached Lytton at 11- Held County Court at 12- & remained in office till 6- Buie dined with me. Revd Good & his son Arthur favoured us with his company in the evening.

**1870-10-22  
SATURDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-10-23  
SUNDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-10-24  
MONDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-10-25  
TUESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-10-26  
WEDNESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-10-27  
THURSDAY**

The first day we have had without rain, wind from the N.E. bitterly cold Carry took the children out for a short walk. Steamer "Onward" arrived at 11- O.C. Haynes fr Similkameen arrived.

**1870-10-28  
FRIDAY**

The first snow of the season. A Wintry morning about 2 inches of snow on the ground Snow continued to fall all day. Dear Carry very ill, & obliged to remain in bed all day, suffered intense pain from pains in her face, head & limbs Steamer "Onward" ~~arrived~~ left at 7 P.M. ~~Barnard arrived, & Haynes fr Similkameen~~ [overwritten text] Mashell left for Hope in Steamer En route to Penticton Taking Robin fr Yale Tommy & Barney & the Grey pony from Hope Sent to Tom 2. bales from Finlay 2 do fr [Turner], his pr of green blankets, & a plumb pudding from Carry

**1870-10-29  
SATURDAY**

Carry no better - very suffering through the night. Stage arrived at 10- "Onward" left immediately Rained heavily all day

**1870-10-30  
SUNDAY**

Miserable cold day - rained & sleet alternately.

**1870-10-31**

**MONDAY**

[no entry]

## NOVEMBER

**1870-11-01**

**TUESDAY**

Cold miserable day slight rain  
In office - Pope busy preparing  
the Sept. accounts

**1870-11-02**

**WEDNESDAY**

Rained incessantly all day  
busy preparing my accounts

**1870-11-03**

**THURSDAY**

Slight rain till 9 AM afterwards fine  
Str "Onward" arrived at noon  
Barnard came up in her.  
Committed Weisner for trial on  
the Charge of having [*left blank*]  
bound R. Killy over to prosecute.  
The Stage had not arrived at 10 O.C. PM.

**1870-11-04**

**FRIDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-11-05**

**SATURDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-11-06**

**SUNDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-11-07**

**MONDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-11-08**

**TUESDAY**

[no entry]

**1870-11-09**

**WEDNESDAY**

Rained incessantly the  
whole day.

Carry slightly better & got  
up for a few hours, but was very  
much tired.

Mashell returned from Penticton  
& Sooyoos Lake - bringing letters from  
Tommy & the Sooyoos Lake accts for  
the Month

**1870-11-10**

**THURSDAY**

Poured all night - rained &  
snowed the entire day  
Steamer Onward arrived, but  
not a line for us from Rock bay or  
Fairfield.  
Carry very weak & cannot take  
any nourishment

**1870-11-11**

**FRIDAY**

"Onward" left at day light.  
Carry no better.  
Rained incessantly

**1870-11-12**

**SATURDAY**

Rained heavily all day

**1870-11-13**

**SUNDAY**

Miserable cold day with  
continual showers of rain & hail  
Carry very little better, remained  
at home all day with her.  
Onward arrived at 1- P.M.  
No mail the Enterprise not having  
sailed from Victoria

**1870-11-14**

**MONDAY**

Onward left at day light  
rained till about 9- O.C. when it  
cleared up, & the remainder of the day  
continued fine.  
Carry a good deal better, but  
Frank very ill & feverish.

**1870-11-15**

**TUESDAY**

Lovely day. Carry took a short  
stroll, the first time she had been out

**1870-11-16**

**WEDNESDAY**

North wind cold, but bright & clear

**1870-11-17**

**THURSDAY**

Steamer arrived at 1- PM.

Heard in County Court ~~the case~~ with a jury - the case of Markby V. Nelson - Jury returned verdict fr Deft.

Letters from John & Joe, but very vague. Carry in great state of mind as to whether she should go or not - at 5- O.C. PM she decided on starting - all hands & work & finished packing at 11- PM.

**1870-11-18**

**FRIDAY**

Carry & children, servants horse cow & baggage left per "Onward" at 7- AM, in a down pour of rain. Spent a most miserable day everything dirty & so lonely that I could not bear to go near the house.

**1870-11-19**

**SATURDAY**

Bright frosty morning. Nomination for a member for the L. Council took place at 11- O.C. A.M. in Barrys saloon. Dr McInnis proposed & Fuller seconded Pegleg Mick, Chas Evans proposed & Dr McQuarrie seconded C. F. Cornwall - show of hands in favour of Cornwall - poll demanded & all dispersed. Spence arrived & a whole number of miners.

**1870-11-20**

**SUNDAY**

Cold raw day. Church at 11- Revd Holmes officiated. The brothers Kelly arrived - the elder with a broken or dislocated ankle - spent a good part of the day with them. Dined with the McKays - remained in office till 11- preparing the Election papers & writing letters to

Boyd, Campbell, McKenzie, Layton, Vernon, Dally, &c &c

**1870-11-21**

**MONDAY**

Up early packed the shrubs, & chair to be sent by Steamer to Rock Bay Breakfasted at Mullens. Str arrived at 10- A.M. Recd letters from dear Carry, Mother, Joe & John - also Alston Holmes &c - very busy day in office, dispatched Indian to Sooyoos Lake papers relating to Election, & also packet to Tom with \$500- enclosed. Wrote to Carry No 1 Jno Joe & Alston.

**1870-11-22**

**TUESDAY**

Onward left at 7-. A row between Capt Irving & S. McDonald - the former refused to take his cattle on board. Kelly breakfasted with me & left for Clinton. Settled with Mc Gregor in full on all acct to 30th Nov, paid him \$724.25 so arranged that the expenditure for Decr on his section shall not exceed \$165.00 Beautiful day. Telegraph line down as usual

**1870-11-23**

**WEDNESDAY**

Cold raw day with a glimps of sun Shine. Commenced to write to Carry In office till six. Constable Coffee returned fr Union bar with Chinese - charged with drawing a knife on an Indian. Heard the case & fined the Celestial \$10-. Dined at Mullens - spent the evening at McKays where I found the Revd Holmes. Miss Nagle would treat us to music & home at 9½ - read for an hour & turned in.

**1870-11-24**

**THURSDAY**

Wet as usual. Steamer arrived at 4½ - Recd No 1 from dear Carry in which she informs me that H.E. is of opinion that I cannot leave till after the Election - agreeable very. Wrote to Joe, Bushby, Walker & No 2- to Carry. Remained in office till 6- & again from

7½- till 12- Incessant heavy rain

**1870-11-25**

**FRIDAY**

Stage arrived at 7- Wrote note to Joe in re purchase of land by Harper, Kay's arrears of Ferry rent, & Pierce Shaman price of land. Onward left at 8- in a downpour of rain. Sent Prisoner Weisner, committed for trial, to Westminster in charge of Special Constable  
My cold & cough very troublesome

**1870-11-26**

**SATURDAY**

Pouring wet day. Extra stage arrived driven by Stone, Walkem & a number of miners came down.  
Walkem dined with me at Mullens, afterwards adjourned to the McKays.  
Very wet day

**1870-11-27**

**SUNDAY**

Church at 11- Revd Holmes officiated Sun came out for about two Hours. Dined at Mullens after which Walkem & self retired to McKays.  
No steamer

**1870-11-28**

**MONDAY**

Up early Coffee came to inform me that a canoe was about to start wrote No 3- to Carry , & also one to Joe, at 11- O.C. to our surprise the Onward arrived & brought me No 2-, also letters from Joe, John, Hamley & Finlayson. Wrote No 4 & a hurried note to John - Str left at 2- Mrs McKay & Walkem went down.  
Black hoisted the Flag staff most successfully.

**1870-11-29**

**TUESDAY**

Slight frost. Cold raw day. One of Barnards stages left at 10 AM, driven

by Storm. Barnard arrived in light waggon, with Fravell of the Telegraph line, & some miners - Smith, alias, Pegleg arrived in Boothroyds waggon about 6- P.M. - Public meeting at Dunbars to discuss the political opinions of the Candidates. Spent the evening at Popes.

**1870-11-30**

**WEDNESDAY**

The Poll opened at 8- Pope returning officer, Barnard very active for Cornwall & stood no end of abuse Pegleg under the weather by very insulting to Barnard Morehouse also very excited. The Poll closed at 4 P.M. when Cornwall had received 27- & Smith 8 votes majority 19- G. Pope went to Hope as returning officer & where he recd 10 votes fr Cornwall none for Smith - Lytton 18 for Cornwall 8 fr Smith - Total 19. Majority for Cornwall

## DECEMBER

**1870-12-01**

**THURSDAY**

Cold raw day, the excitement caused by the Election all over. Onward arrived at 2 PM. Recd a letter from Joe - Alson, & No 3 from dear Carry, & one fr H. P. Walker Wrote to Carry No 5 a short note to John - to Joe & Walker. "Chang Yung" "Charley" paid me \$ rent of Lot at Yale from 10th Sept to 30th Nov. - Signed an agreement with him to lease him the lot for 3 yrs from 1st Decr 70 at \$20 per month.

**1870-12-02**

**FRIDAY**

Onward left at 7- A.M. probably the last trip of the season.  
In office all day  
Cold raw day wind from north & threatening snow or rain.

**1870-12-03**

**SATURDAY**

Hard frost, & north wind  
bitterly cold.  
In office all day

**1870-12-04**

**SUNDAY**

Hard frost, bright & clear  
Service at 11- Revd Holmes  
Officiated. Wrote to Carry No 6  
to be ready in case a canoe should  
go down. Dined at the McKays.  
Mr Holmes had evening service  
& gave a lecture to which I did not go  
He spent the evening at McKays

**1870-12-05**

**MONDAY**

Busy in office all day, wrote a hasty  
note to Joe, & sent it with my letter  
to Carry - N.W. by Charly, Chinese.  
Hector away all day.

**1870-12-06**

**TUESDAY**

Anxiously expecting canoe with  
mail all day - which only arrived  
at 8- P.M. received a note from  
Joe, No 4 from Carry with letter  
from White Enclosed, also one  
from Bushby with \$10- Enclosed  
being first payment from Moresby  
on acct of note.

**1870-12-07**

**WEDNESDAY**

Cold morning, had frost, about  
11- O.C. bright clear sun shine  
Clark covered the garden beds  
with manure. Indian arrived  
from Rock Cr with Election returns  
Nov accts from Lowe. letters from  
Haynes McKay, & Tommy.  
Played a game of cards at Mr Popes

**1870-12-08 \***

**THURSDAY**

My letter to Carry No 7- went  
off with some miners to N.W. at day light  
Beautiful clear day sun  
bright & clear at 11- O.C about the

time John would be married. I hope  
it will be a happy bright day for  
him.

In office till 4 dined at Mullens  
as usual. Spent the evening at the  
Rectory & with Mr Holmes audited the  
Church accounts.

**1870-12-09**

**FRIDAY**

Foggy morning, South wind, slight  
rain about noon - very soft mild  
day. In office all day.  
Coffee laid up with a bad  
attack of Rheumatism -  
About 9- PM. ~~came on~~ snow  
commenced to fall.

**1870-12-10**

**SATURDAY**

Six inches of snow - very mild  
day, thawing.  
Held meeting for the purpose  
of electing a school board - where  
Mr Holmes Mr Church & Mr McQuarrie  
were appointed, a good deal of difference  
of opinion but at least it was decided  
to do away with the compulsory tax of  
\$2- & support the school by subscriptions  
& tuition fees. - Recd the Poll books  
from Okanagan Kamloops Nicola & Lytton  
by Mr Ross late in the evening

**1870-12-11**

**SUNDAY**

Hard frost, bright clear day, Mr  
Kimball had his sleigh out, and drove  
the McKays to church.  
Church at 11- Revd Holmes officiated  
Vowell arrived at 2 PM with Indian  
prisoner Jim, charged with assaulting  
Reid the expressman.  
Dined at the McKays. Revd Holmes  
came in for tea & was as usual devoted  
to See U San - who was also sweet  
Wrote letters.

**1870-12-12**

**MONDAY**

Hard frost during the night, looks  
like snow. Declared the Cornwall to  
be duly elected by a majority of 93

over "Peg leg". Stage arrived at 11- OC  
Barnard arrived in buggy at the same  
time. Wrote to Alston, Joe, Bushby &  
finished No 8- to Carry, to go by  
Express Canoe in the morning. Wrote  
also to McKenzie & enclosed him 18- & to  
Duck \$6.00 also to Forbes Vernon & sent  
him the Land ordinance 1870 sent all by Ross

### 1870-12-13

#### TUESDAY

Frosty morning four canoes went down with  
passengers taking Express Mail - Barnard and  
Flavell left about 11- O.C. in canoe fr Harrison Rr  
Paid the salaries, had settlement with Black  
& Stevenson. In office till 4- Dined at  
Mullens - intended to go to the McKays, but  
met Pope & agreed to go to his house & play Poker  
won \$1-25- home at 11½.

### 1870-12-14

#### WEDNESDAY

Hard frost breakfast at 8- in office  
till 11-. Commenced No 9 to dear Carry  
Started for Lytton at ¼ 12- in buggy  
with Black - bitterly cold day & the  
road heavy snow about 3 inches deep  
arrived at Boston Bar at 6 P.M.

### 1870-12-15

#### THURSDAY

7 years today.

Started at 6- AM. intensely cold  
could not get warm - paid off road  
man at Salters - reached Lytton  
at 1- P.M. Heard a number of Police  
cases, & disputes of one sort or another  
Among others Mrs Tiffrey v her husband  
Recd telegram fr Pope to say today the mail  
had arrived, how disgusting.  
Black rode out to Spences Bridge

### 1870-12-16

#### FRIDAY

Up at 6- in office at 7- heard  
a number of cases in Police & County  
Court - did not get to breakfast till  
2 P.M. Paid Buie school teachers  
salary for Nov & Decr \$80.00 Settled  
with Boyd in full.  
Black returned at 12- started  
for Yale at 3-. Changed horses at

Kanaka Bar - road very slippery reached  
B. Bar at 9¾ - almost frozen

### 1870-12-17

#### SUNDAY

Left Boston Bar at 7- roads heavy in  
Places in consequence of the snow, & at  
others very slippery - reached Yale at 1- P.M.  
where I recd a pile of letters - 2 from  
Carry Nos [left blank] 1 from the Major, & a  
telegram from Hankin to say my leave  
had been granted from the 21st inst.  
Settled with Black & Stevenson  
in full - an immense quantity of  
float ice in the river, & every appearance  
of it being closed

### 1870-12-18

#### SUNDAY

Hard first & bitter cold day. North  
East wind. Church at 11- Revd Holmes  
Officiated. Wrote a number of letters  
Vowell dined with me at the McKays  
Miss Nagle recd telegram from her  
Father telling her to come down in canoe  
with Mr O'Reilly - old fool - Revd  
Holmes came in for tea & spent the  
evening

### 1870-12-19

#### MONDAY

Sharp N.W. wind - clear sun shine  
In Office all day. Paid all the salaries  
& settled all Private & public accts.  
see cash diary = Recd Telegram fr Capt Swanson  
to say Enterprise would leave N.W. fr Victoria  
on Thursday. Engaged a canoe & made up  
my mind to start tomorrow. Lunched at  
Popes.

### 1870-12-20

#### TUESDAY

Held County Court at 10- [Donaldson v Lowring]  
Judgment by default - Grey v [Marie] - no  
appearance Stevenson Vowell & self left in  
canoe for N.W. at 11¼ a large quantity of  
float ice in river - called on Mrs Dewdney & paid  
her for Dewdney \$157.00 only remained a  
few minutes engaged two more Indians, had  
great difficulty in getting along particularly  
from Cheam to Enterprise cut off the river  
being completely closed across with ice, arrived

at Harrison River at 8- P.M. half famished

**1870-12-21**

**WEDNESDAY**

Up at 4 - started at ¼ 6 very dark & somewhat risky immense sheets of ice floating - found the river completely closed in several places & had much difficulty in cutting our way through as the ice was not strong enough to bear the canoe, fine day but very cold, arrived at N.W. at 8- P.M. Went on board the Enterprise dined at Colonial, met Bushby, Claudet, Capt Raymour &c &c. Recd a letter from dear Carry, one from Alston Crease & a number of officials

**1870-12-22**

**THURSDAY**

Cold raw morning - clouds low & heavy looks like a change. Enterprise left at 9- tide against us but sea calm, arrived at 4- P.M. no one to meet me at the Enterprise was not expected, walked into Govt St with Charles when I met Carry John & the Children in the Pony Carriage all looking well.

**1870-12-23**

**FRIDAY**

Slight frost during the night looking very like a change. Carry busy preparing for her Xmas pies & puddings. Drove Carry into town to shop & then to call on Mr & Mrs J Trutch - not at home then to Fairfield where we met the bride & groom. Commenced to rain heavily, & continued all the Evening

**1870-12-24**

**SATURDAY**

Slight frost. Drove Carry into town to shop where we met every one, called on Mrs Charles & Mrs McKay John & his wife & the Fairfield party dined with us

**1870-12-25**

**SUNDAY**

Xmas Day.  
Fine day, soft & spring like  
Church at 11- Revd Mr Jenns officiated

Holy Communion. Begbie called John & Zoe lunched at our early dinner, & afterwards went to the Castle to eat their Xmas dinner. Elizabeth went to Church 9- & did not return till 11- O.C. very impertinent to Carry

**1870-12-26**

**MONDAY**

Very unpleasant day threatning rain - which came on heavily about 1- P.M. Joe, Hankin & Philipps called. The whole family dined at Fairfield. John & his wife the only ones present besides ourselves. Left the Pony Carriage at Fairfield & came home in Russells Carriage

**1870-12-27**

**TUESDAY**

Went into town early - had a long chat with Walker, & made arrangements to attend the Masonic Ball in the evening. Paid a number of visits, went to the Masonic Ball at 9- PM in Russells Carriage, a very pleasant affair, the Royal party attended in force got home at 2 A.M.

**1870-12-28**

**WEDNESDAY**

Tired & seedy, very wet day, walked into town at 11¾. Paid Stahlschmidt acct in full by cheque (\$36.00) Went on to Govt building Treasury L & W office, Audit, & Col Secs office also on Elizabeth Alston in re the Yale school, also on Walker

**1870-12-29 \***

**THURSDAY**

Puss Pie very ill - miserably cold wet day. Walked into town & settled my accrs at L & Ws office & Recd the balance due on Yale expenditure Viz \$630.71 on French Cr \$244.00 "\$847.71" also the amt due to Dewdney \$317.00 Paid \$400- by cheque into Treasury the Deposit by McQuarrie in Savings Bank Drove Carry to call at Govt house & were received by Mrs M. & H.E. in state.

Mrs & Mr Charles, Walker & McCrea dined.

**1870-12-30**

**FRIDAY**

Rained incessantly. Pussy still still very poorly. Walked into town & had a chat with Joe & Hankin & John. In consequence of Pussy's illness we could not dine with John & Zoe at the Palace.

**1870-12-31**

**SATURDAY**

Carry up nearly the whole night with Pussy. Went for Dr Helmcken at 4 A.M. who ordered a hot bath, & powders but no immediate relief resulted from it, she remained in great pain till about noon. Drove Frank to Fairfield & left him there, informed them, & John that we could not have them to dinner today. Joe drove over in the evening to enquire for Pussy, the Doctor paid three visits

## MEMORANDA

4th June - Agreed with McKay on behalf of the H.B.C. to supply Hay to Govt at 1¼ cent per lb & oats at 2¼ cents - sacks to be returned - 4 tons of hay & 3 tons of oats.

To pay Tommy for John \$560 from Bridge Tolls

10th July -

Recd fr Mr Pleace \$216.47

17th July Do 246.00

31st July Do 467.94

18th Augst 250.00

4th Sept 550.00

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June 2nd - Received from P. Clair Forty Dollars two months rent to 31st Jany - 1870 -

August 2nd Recd P. Clair the sum of One Hundred Dollars five months rent to 30th June 70

Octr 13th Recd fr P. Clair the sum of Forty Dollars being two months rent to 31st Augst 70 upon which day he gave up possession.

1870

Decr 1st Recd from "Chang Yung" the sum of [*left blank*] being the amt due by him for Rent of Yale Lot from 10th Septr to 30th Nov 1870

Amount due me by  
Wm Moresby since 1863.  
\$205.00

1870

Decr \$ - -Recd from Bushby on acct of above \$10.00

Col Chas Tisdale  
Balinagard House  
Co Limerick  
Ireland

F J Barnard  
Astor House  
N Y -

Spalumcheen.

## CASH ACCOUNT

### CASH ACCOUNT - JANUARY

Date	Received	Paid
2nd Church		1 00
3rd Lent John to meet his bill at B.B.C.	200 00	
4 M Humber (Mason) in full		60 00
" Mrs Johnston - walking stick		37½
5th Bryant - B. Smith in full		2 50
7th Philips for Soda Water in full		3 25
9 Church		50
X10 Mashell in full to 31st Decr		15 00
" Lewis fr garden rake & shovel		2 25
19 Bowman, in full, Carriage hire		10 00
23 Church		50
24 Theatre fr John & self		2 00
25 Purchase & payments for Vowell See his acct		29 00
X " Lent Recd Big Bend Expressmen		15 00
26 Freight H.B.C. on 3 boxes per Prince of Wales		22 54
" Duties on goods pro Price of W		48 36
" Stahlschmidt for Sherry in full		24 00
28 Chinaman fr Potatoes & onions		1 50
28 Tom, Chinaman in acct (see diary)		50 00
29 Grelly & Fiterre, in full		24 00
" Stafford & Hicken in full to 31st Decr		64 19
" Promis & Sanders, in full to 31st Decr		28 20
" Fell & Finlaison in full to 31st Decr		27 00
" Murry - Baker - Do		21 50
" Leneveu & Enxtein Do		93 81
" Broderick , in full to 31st Jany		49 50
" Langley & Co in full to 31st Decr		59 36
" Newberry saddler in full		12 25
" Mann Saddler in full		4 00
" Cairne & Grancine in full		6 25
" J. S. Deas in full		9 85

### CASH ACCOUNT - FEBRUARY

Date	Received	Paid
X3rd Mashell on acct		10 00
" Mrs Johnston, work book fr Ellen		3 50
" Adams, suspenders fr. Frank		37½
X1st Ellen-Lodged in Savings Bank		20 00
3 Clayton for Roses & Honeysuckles		2 00
5 Grahamslaw Carpenter		31 25

5	J.W. Williams fr. Cordwood in full	6 00
5	Lewis fr. labour in the garden in full	13 00
6	Church	- 50
10th	H.B.Co Victoria in full to 31 <sup>st</sup> Decr	368 65
“	Mrs Johnson, fr 2 hoops for the Children	- 50
	Draft on London 60 days after sight see Diary	640 75
13	Church	1 50
14	Lewis for oats lbs	14 50
“	Lewis for Labour in full	5 50
“	Mashell on acct	2 50
“	Drayage of Ale &c &c fr. town on the 10 inst	1 00
19	Plates dishes &c at Auction	5
20	Church	- 50
27	Boatman at Esquimalt	1 50
26	Mashell on acct	5 00
“	Bryant blacksmith in full	5 00
27	Church	1 00
28	Burnaby in full fr repair of house, & purchase of [Canterbury & Muni] stool	121 00

#### CASH ACCOUNT - MARCH

Date	Received	Paid
1st	Mashell on acct	6
3	Evans fr Sausages	1 00
5	Lewis fr. labour	13 00
“	Do - fr Washing	2 00
5	Glass Table saddle &c at Mr Needhams auction	50 37
6	Church	1 25
7	Hankin for Colonial List	1 25
8	Sausages & Black pudding	1 00
“	Mashel on acct	5 00
“	Ellen on acct	5 00
11	Miss Needham - tickets fr Concerts	2 00
12	Lewis fr. labour in full	11 00
13	Church	1
14	Duty on Furs fr. England	1 50
“	Wells & Fargo charges on box	11 60
“	Lewis for a Rake	1 25
17	Jay & Bales acct in full	57 50
19	Lewis wages in full	4 00
“	Mashell	1 50
20	Church	1 50
21	E. Harrison acct in full	6 75
25th	“Tom” wages to 18th Feby - see diary	40 00
“	Hibben acct in full	38 00
“	Mitchell & Johnston - in full	7 37½

“	Davis Auctioneer fr. glass in full	12 75
“	Evans- Pork pie &c	1 50
“	Russell carriage fr Mrs Trutch on 24th	1 00
24	T N Hibben acct in full	38 00
28	J. R. Stewart insurance policy on life	151 56
“	Bushby - for Boyd	50 00
30	Mansell & Holroyd in full	31 50

#### CASH ACCOUNT - APRIL

Date	Received	Paid
1st	Stafford & Hickin in full	83 11
X5	Rice Tailor- in full - for <u>Vowell</u>	20 00
10	Church	1 70
X12	Mashell in full to 31st March see diary	24 00
13	J. R Stewart insurance on Hoffman house	16 87
22nd	Bryant - Black smith in full	3 75
22	Dr Helmcken med attendance	20 00
22	Treasurer - for 2 vouchers in L.&W. Kootenay expenditure	328 84
23	McDonald tailor in full	19 50
25	Redfern watchmaker in full	20 50
26	Fare fr Victoria pr Enterprise	5 00
“	Meals, & Steward	5 00
“	Dinner &c at Colonial	2 00
“	McRoberts butter Bill in full	23 25
27	Fare to Yale per Onward	7 00
25	McLean, scotch house boots for Layton	6 5
“	J. Cowper - Do Do	10 00
“	H. B. Co Horse brush do	2 00
20th	Wilkie Coat & Vest do	10 00
25	H.B. Co Wilkie Coat & Vest fr Vowell	10 00
“	[Inusgents] Bar Do	2 00
“	Houston Spoon bait & line	2 50
30	Coffee - Viz Garden seeds to Barlow 50 cts Potatoes 50. Indian labour in Garden \$2.50 Express charges on parcel to Ashcroft Johnston 50 cts	4 00

#### CASH ACCOUNT - MAY

Date	Received	Paid
1	Church	50
2	Indian boy	2 00
4	Kirkpatrick - dinner & beer	1 50
6	Ward blacksmith Cache Cr fr. 3. sets of shoes on Govt horses	12 00
7	D. McLean hire of horse from	

	Savana Ferry to Kamloops	3 50
11	Indian at Grand Prairie for going to Ingrams for papers	50
14	Jim on acct, Vernon's	1 50
X23	Cornwall	25 50
"	Kirkpatrick	3 00
"	Harry - Indian fr hunting horses	3
26	Hautie in full	15 00
"	McWha horse feed	4 00
27	Charley Indian on acct	2 50

#### CASH ACCOUNT - JUNE

Date	Received	Paid
6th	Charley Indian on acct	2 00
8	Clark for work in garden	10 00
"	Twine do do	1 75
1	Registration fee J Wilson	4 50
17	Passage per Onward Yale to N.W.	5 00
18	Colonial Hotel N.W., in full	5 00
18	Russell Carriage hire	5 00
19	Church	1 00
19	Tom (Chinaman) in acct.	10 00
20	Mashell on acct.	22 50
23	Hibben, books fr Mrs Glennie - pr Charles	2 00
26th	Charley - in full - for work in garden & house	11 50
2nd	Lent W. F. McCullough	130 00
X23rd	Forwarded to Tommy at Victoria	600 00
27	St Onward freight on 2 packages	2 00
30th	Evans & Williams Pork Butchers	11 90
30th	1 one yr sub to mainland Guardian	10 00
30	Freight pr St Onward	50

#### CASH ACCOUNT - JULY

Date	Received	Paid
3rd	Church	1 00
4	Mashell on acct	2 50
<del>4</del>	<del>one years sub to mainland Guardian</del>	<del>10 00</del>
6th	Mashell on acct	7 00
9	Tommy fr Mrs Trutch Sen,	20 00
7th	Mullen - Hotel Bill in full	17 00
22	Mashell on acct	1 50
24	Church	1 00
23	H.B.Co Yale per Harvey	13 96
29	McQuarrie - boots fr. Frank	5 75

#### CASH ACCOUNT - AUGUST

Date	Received	Paid
3	Robt Church - bakers acct fr July	13 93
"	C. Evans - Butchers acct fr July	33 80
"	C. Evans - Govt acct in full to date	22

3	Mashell on acct	
6th	Mashell see Diary	17 00
"	Tom - " one cord wood	3 00
"	C. Morehouse fr. Beedy - fr. Hay	3 46
11th	Augst Evans butchers bill to 31st July	33 80
11	Tom - In full to 18th June	30 00
XAugst 1st	T Ellis on acct of self	472 00
"	Do Do for John Trutch	560 00
29	Finlay & Durham for T. Ellis	18 50
"	Do for self in full	31 50

#### 29th Augs

31st	Mashell on acct	5 00
"	Tom on acct	1

#### CASH ACCOUNT - SEPTEMBER

Date	Received	Paid
3rd	Chatens fr 2. Cords of wood	6 00
"	Charley fr going to Lytton & returning with official letters	5 00
X "	B. Douglas fr. T. Ellis	21 50
"	Do - whips fr Do	5 00
4	Clark fr work in garden	7 50
"	Church	50
X5	C. Evans Timothy seed fr. T. Ellis 40. lbs	10 00
5	Mashell on acct	15 00
"	Tom Chinaman in full to 18th Augst	60 00
X8th	Freight on Hay seed fr. Tom	50
X12	Tommy on acct	300 00
18	T. Ellis fr Mashell on acct	1 50
"	Do George Indian	25 00
22nd	For repair of trail Allison- tobacco &c fr Indians	15 00 6 50
24	Church & lecture	6 00
26	George Indian in full	5 00
X29	Turner. Victoria for Tommy	18 00
21st	Wm Bristol on acct	40 00
28	H.B.C. Do -	20 00

#### CASH ACCOUNT - OCTOBER

Date	Received	Paid
5th	Robt Church bakers bill for Augst & Sept	23 68
"	Peck bakers bill to Oct	
6th	Mashell in full to 31st Oct Sept	18 25
9th	Church	62½
11	C. Evans butchers bill to 30th Sept	32 02
"	Do - fr Barnard buggy hire Govt	10 -
"	Do Do Express charges on cash Remitted to McGregor	9 75
"	H.B. Co per Harry bal in full on	

	Private acct to 30th Sept	14 70
13	Mashell Interpreter to S.M. to 30th Oct at sundry	10 00
“	Do Do - Indian reserves	20 00
“	Wm Bristol Hope trail 39 days @ \$3.50	136 50
“	Josh Ind. Do - Do @ \$2- per	78 00
13	Place for Telegraphic War news \$3. of this paid previously.)	5 25
14	Tom Chinaman on acct	15 00
21	Hautie in full meals booze	11 50
25	Pope Postage acct in full to date	9 75
“	Sent Mrs Dewdney	50 00
28	Pd Mashell in full to 31 Oct	20 00
30	C. Evans for Barnard for hire 20th Octr of buggy to Lytton & return	24 00

#### CASH ACCOUNT - NOVEMBER

Date	Received	Paid
X6th	Tom Chinaman on acct	30 00
“	Johnny Indian 2 cords & cutting \$1- wood, \$6-	7 00
14	Church Bakers bill for Octr	10 75
14	E. Harrison in full. by cheque	82 50
“	Fell & Finlayson Do Do	53 83
“	Coffee for canvass wrappers at Baileys	1 50
17	Mashell	17 -
17	Tom Chinaman	
“	Indians packing baggage to steamer	2 00
20	Church	50
22	Stirling Vaughan - hire of waggon L&W	12 00
“	Pierre Moran Do L&W	30 00
“	McGregor L&W	537 25
“	W Bristol L&W	5 00
“	Peck - Private	19 00
21st	Purser Onward fr Carry freight & Passages \$25 - Meals \$13.00	38 00
“	Do freight for Tommy Ellis	4 60
21	Purser Onward J Trutches passage	3 00
“	Do for self & Mashell	6 00
“	Do freight at sundry times in full	10 75
“	Indian going to Sooyoos on acct	3 00
“	Coffee fr pr green blankets at Baileys	5 00
“	McGregor L&W	724 25
23	Special Constable Gronow	5 00
27	Church	50
28	Str “Onward” fare of Prisoner & special Constable	10 00

29	Black on acct L.&W.	556 91
X30	Lent Mrs Dewdney	100 00
30	J. Wirth Hope R. T. Collection	91 43

#### CASH ACCOUNT - DECEMBER

Date	Received	Paid
1	Lent Samuel Neal	20
2	Pd Jimmy Indian fr work in house	2 50
3	H B Co Yale per Harry in Full on Govt Private accounts	13 30
3	W. R McDonald School Teaching Salary for Sept-Oct-Nov @ \$41.66	124 98
3	G. Pope D, returning officer	2 50
4	Church	- 50
5	Robinson private acct \$ in full	20 50
“	Do Govt acct both in full	22 00
5	Peck for preparing flag staff	38 75
6	Oppenheimer for Candles fr office	
7	Indian messenger to Sooyoos Lake	25 00
11	Church	50
12	Cash to Vowell on acct	40 00
13	McKenzie H.B.C (Election) pr Ross	18 00
“	Duck - Do Per Mr Jas Ross	6 00
12	McQuarrie - Franks Boots	5 00
“	Beedy - pr C Morehouse - in full	6 16
“	Ross Water Bill to 18th Nov in full	10 00
“	Kimball & Gladwin private acct in full	52 45
13	N. Black on acct L&W	260 00
“	A. Stevenson pay for Oct Nov Decr	300 00
“	E S Pope & G Pope salary fr Nov & Decr	184 00
“	Pope for repairs \$84- & keep Prisoners fr Nov \$14.	98 00
“	Kimball - cord wood fro office	35 00
“	Stevenson fr Vouchers supplied before his accident	44 00
“	R. Church bread bill in full fr. Nov	6 87
“	Strouss - Oppenheimer in full	11 24
15	Buie School teacher salary for Nov & Decr	80 00
16	Constable Boyd Salary for Nov & Decr	184 00
“	Do Do Cash advanced to McGregor	20 00
“	McWha in full \$13 - Hautie \$3	16 00
17	Coattee in full	9 00
“	Rombrot	3 00
“	G Pope salary in full for Decr	92 00
19	Barry acct in full	22 00
“	C. Evans butchers bill in full	40 88
“	Peck Bread bill in full	2 00

“	Clark work in garden	5 00
“	C. Evans - Fare to Lytton - Black & self	40 00
“	Do - for Cash sent to McGregor	1 75
“	Revd Holmes School teacher Salary for Decr	41 66
“	Vowell on acct	100 00
X	Turn over	
19	Vowell full amt L&W vouchers	- -
“	C. E. Pope \$92 - Coffee \$84	244 00
“	Pope for Cord wood for Toll house	21 00
“	“ for “ Jail	32 00
“	“ for sawing wood for office	5 00
20	Mullens hotel bill in full	47 50
“	Mrs Dewdney	157 00
21	Donnolly Harrison River meals &c for self & Indians	8 00
“	Share of canoe hire	20 00
“	Colonial Hotel per Vowell - dinner	1 75
21	Vowell on acct	50 00
22	Carrys bill on Enterprise	21 00
“	My meals bed &c & steward	10 00
24	Bowman Carriage for Carry	5 00
25	Church St Johns	1 25
27	Subscription for Revd Jenns	2 50
“	1 pr. Gloves at Wilsons	1 50
“	Ticket for Masonic Ball	5 00
28	“Tom” in full wages &c to 18th Decr	73 00
“	Stahlschmidt acct in full	36 00
29	Treasury fr. McQuarrie Saving Bank	400 00
“	Mashell on acct	1 00