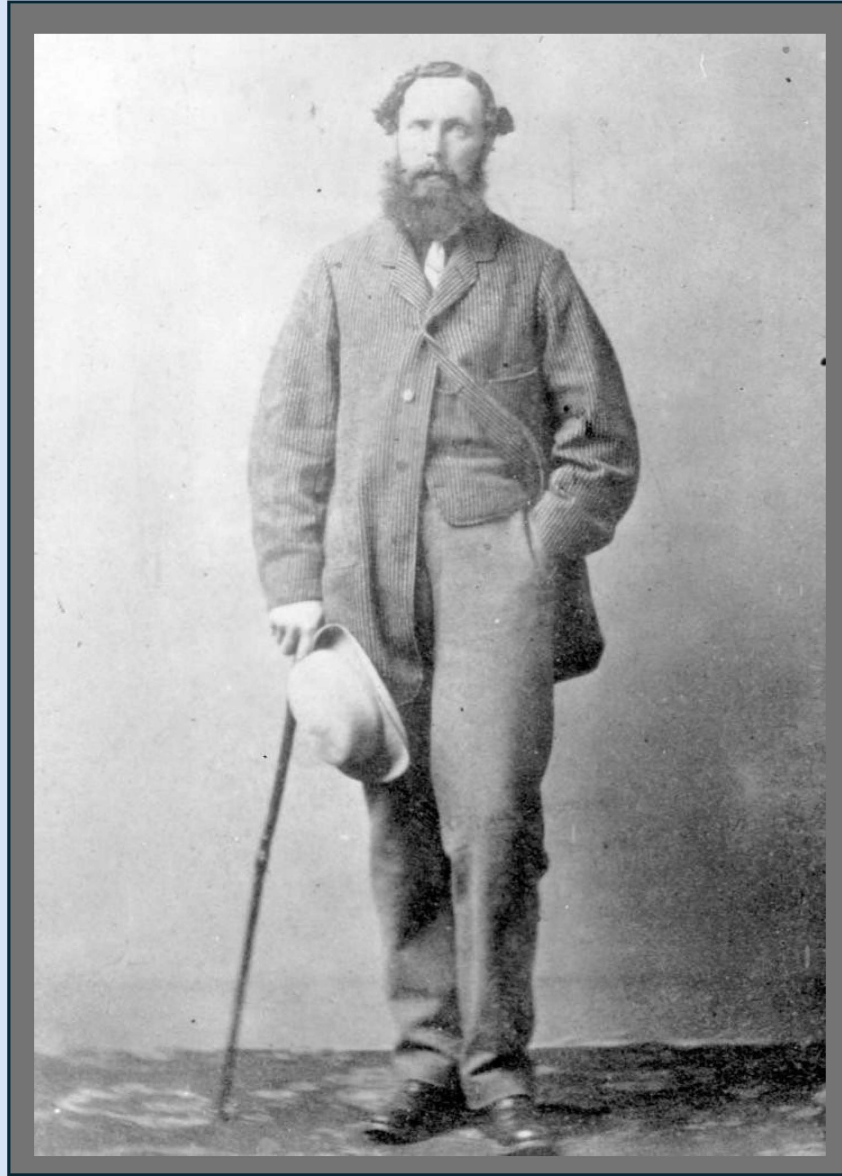


DIARIES OF PETER O'REILLY

1858 – 1905



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1859

DIARY TRANSCRIPTION

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FOREWORD

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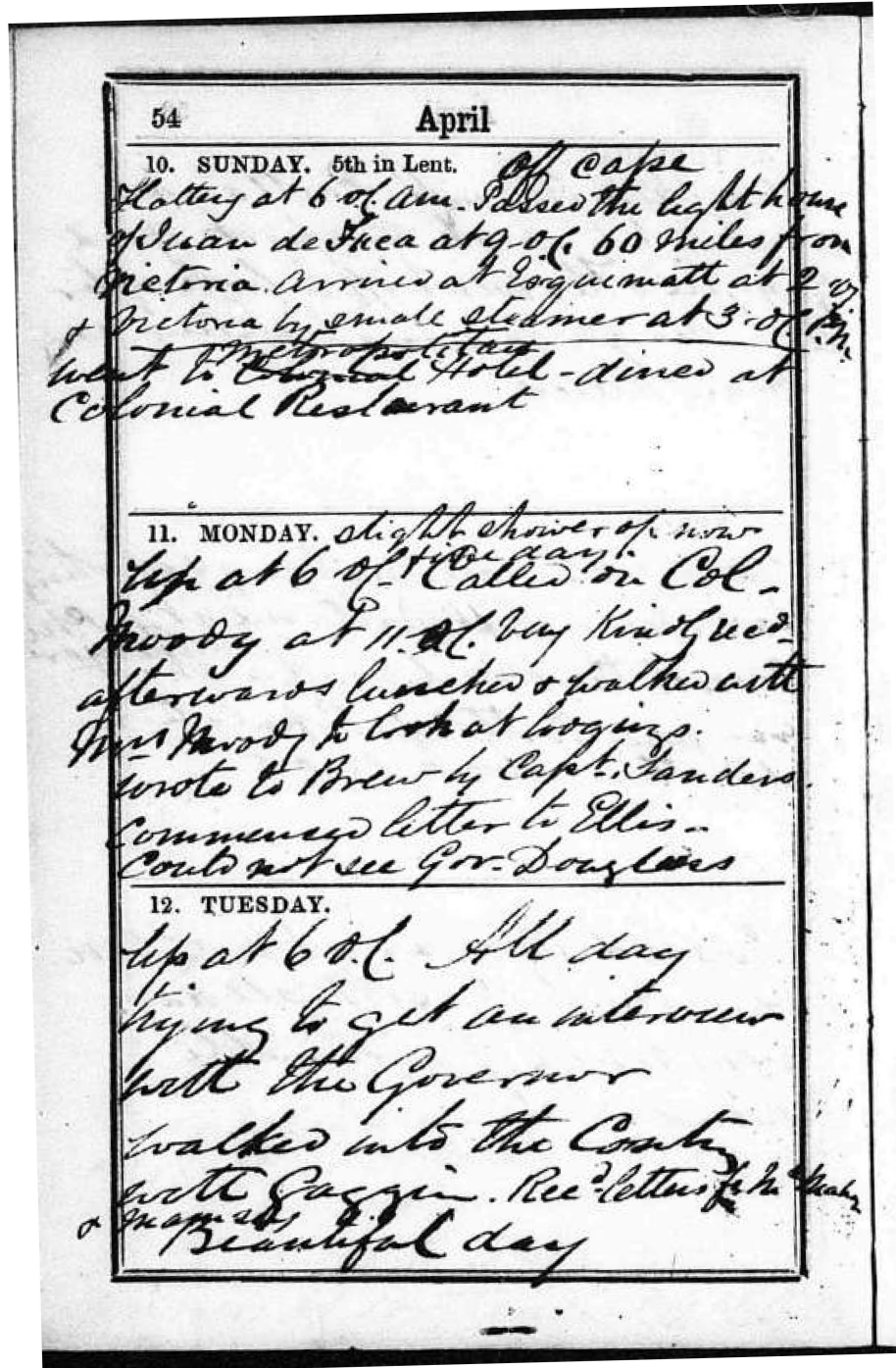
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SAMPLE DIARY PAGE

Peter O'Reilly's arrival at Esquimalt & Victoria.
April 10, 1859



DIARY SUMMARY

JANUARY

Peter O'Reilly purchases ticket to New York for £18 – requests transfer of pension – visits childhood home of Ballybeg – visits with friends, trains horses, and returns to Faccary one last time to see the Ellis family.

FEBRUARY

“Busy Packing” – travels to Galway to catch New York bound ship – boards the *Prince Albert* in the “Saloon” (First Class) section - “Very ill nearly all on board sea sick” – “sea running mountains high” - “a hurricane rough all night” - icebergs and field ice seen – arrival in St Johns, then New York.

MARCH

Peter attends the theatre in New York City - posts letters to Mrs Louisa “Mamsey” Ellis in Ireland - arranges \$125 passage to San Francisco via Panama – arrives in Aspinwall (Panama) in one week – travels by train to Pacific coast to board San Francisco-bound ship – observes rough weather, sharks, whales, porpoises – stops in Acapulco – attends two plays in San Francisco.

APRIL

Departs for Victoria aboard the *Brother Jonathan* with stops in Astoria and Portland - “Beautiful wooded senery all the way” – arrival at Esquimalt – unable to obtain meeting with Governor James Douglas for a few days - appointed “Resident Magistrate” for Langley - temporarily lodges at Langley courthouse - takes charge of post office.

MAY

Receives trading licences for Fort Langley - settles disputes - holds trial for Indians accused of assault, another trial involving robbery of Indians - establishes permanent lodging and starts garden - travels to Queensborough (New Westminster) for Queen's Birthday celebrations - dinner with Royal Engineers.

JUNE

Meets with Gov Douglas - attends church services by Reverend Crickmer - writes to friends in Ireland including Mamsey – dines with Dr Pears and Rev Crickmer - grand jury in court.

JULY

“American Independence - Firing off guns all night.” – four cases heard at Fort Langley - “musketoos in millions - remained in house all day” - Fort Langley village destroyed by fire – prepares fire report for Gov Douglas.

AUGUST

Tensions rise over the boundary dispute between the US and Britain in San Juan Islands – prepares list of all British subjects - “Queensborough” name changes to “New Westminster” as promoted by Queen Victoria - receives appointment as “assistant Register” - travels to Victoria to meet with Gov Douglas – becomes High Sheriff of BC at increased salary of £300 per year.

SEPTEMBER

“Felt very lonely all day - cannot help thinking of my old & dear friends” – travels to Hope and encounters two “Yankees” who think Peter intends to arrest them – travels to interior via Hudson's Bay trail - “fearful hard work - at every turn a dead horse or mule”.

OCTOBER

Holds court in Hope – issues miner's certificates - travels to Port Douglas to hold court - convicts Indian of murdering Frenchman and sentences the man to death – travels to Fort Langley - worries about Mamsey and Charlotte, “I wonder if I shall ever be with them - It is what I wish most for in this world”.

NOVEMBER

Winter sets in at Hope - holds court and issues mining certificates – ice skating – Steamer *Colonel Moody* runs aground causing all mail deliveries to stop - “If I were back at home once more it would take a deal to induce me to leave it”.

DECEMBER

Suffers bad headaches - purchases a 5-acre lot in Yale - holds court – disapproves of new Methodist clergyman Robson and prefers Anglican minister Pringle - mail deliveries resume – no news from the Ellis family in Ireland.

REFERENCES & COMMENTS

1859-01-10

“Mamsey”

A reference to Louisa Ellis, mother of Charlotte Ellis. Peter had affection for both women and frequently visited them at Faccary House. The word “Mamsey” can sometimes refer to a gentle, caring, loving, or doting person, usually a mother.

1859-01-15

Steamer *Prince Albert*

Immigrant ship sailing from Galway, Ireland and St John's, Newfoundland to New York City.

1859-01-15

comment

Peter O'Reilly received a pension from the Irish Revenue Police which he served in from 1850 to 1857.

1859-01-21

Ballybeg

“Bbeg” refers to “Ballybeg”, the home of Peter’s family northwest of Navan in County Meath, Ireland. While there he trains a colt for Patrick, the name of his father, however, it’s possible Patrick may refer to another person.

1859-01-30

Cappagh, Ireland

Cappagh Parish Church, St Eugene, north of Omagh. Faccary House is located within Cappagh Parish.

1859-02-05

***Prince Albert* ship manifest**

This list of 223 passengers on board the *Prince Albert* bound for New York from Galway, Ireland identified (with errors) the men who would travel to Victoria including Peter O'Reilly (“John O'Reilly”, a Scotsman seeking to inhabit the US), John Boles Gaggin, and John Connell from Ireland, and Robert Ker from Scotland. Peter O'Reilly berthed in the “Saloon” (First Class) section which contained eleven passengers.

1859-02-18

William Smith O'Brien

(1803-1864)

Irish nationalist Member of Parliament and leader of the Young Ireland movement.

1859-02-25

Saint Nicholas Hotel

Luxury Broadway in New York City hotel opened in 1853.

1859-03-01

Laura Keene's New Theatre

Broadway theatre in New York City opened in 1856, burned in 1881. *Our American Cousin* debuted there in 1858.

1859-03-15

Aspinwall, Panama

Atlantic terminus of Panama Railroad constructed between 1850 and 1855, named after its American founder William Henry Aspinwall, now known as *Colón, Panama*.

1859-03-19

Charles Good

(c. 1833-1925)

Also traveling to Victoria was the Oxford-educated Charles Good. He served as acting private secretary to Governor James Douglas (c. 1861-69?) and became his son-in-law by marrying Alice Douglas (1844-1928) in 1861. Good also served as Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of BC (1872-73).

1859-03-19

Robert Ker

(1824-1879)

Emigrated with Peter O'Reilly, served as auditor general and paymaster general in the 1860s to 1870s.

1859-03-22

John Boles Gaggin

(c. 1830-1867)

Emigrated with Peter O'Reilly from Ireland, becomes a magistrate, assistant gold commissioner at Port Douglas, then magistrate at Wild Horse Creek in 1866.

1859-04-01

Steamer *Brother Jonathan*

Paddle steamer built in 1850, instrumental in bringing smallpox to Victoria in 1862, shipwrecked in 1865.

1859-04-11

Richard Clement Moody

(1813-1887)

Commander of the Royal Engineers, Columbia Detachment, Commissioner of Land & Works, Lieutenant Governor of BC, all posts 1858 to 1863.

1859-04-10

Esquimalt, BC

James Douglas of the Hudson's Bay Company liked Esquimalt for its harbour but established a fort on Victoria's harbour in 1843. The Esquimalt harbour continued to be used to offload passengers and supplies and in 1855 the Royal Navy constructed hospital buildings there to treat casualties of the Crimean War. The Fraser River gold rush of 1858 brought many more ships through its harbour and by 1865 the Royal Navy had established its Pacific fleet headquarters there.

1859-04-10

Fort Victoria

Hudson's Bay Company fort established in 1843. Vancouver Island became a British crown colony with Fort Victoria as its capital. The discovery of gold on the Fraser River in 1858 caused a large influx of gold seekers and quickly transformed the community. Incorporated as "Victoria" in 1862.



Image: Victoria from the Songhees (BC Archives F-09564, 1859?)

1859-04-11

James Douglas

(1803-1877)

Chief Factor of the Hudson's Bay Company at Fort Vancouver and Fort Victoria (1839-58), governor of Vancouver Island (1851-64) and of the crown colony of British Columbia (1858-64), knighted in 1863.

1859-04-14

Fraser River Gold Rush

The Fraser River canyon, primarily in the area between Hope and Yale, BC became the site of a gold rush in 1858. Nearly 30,000 individuals, many of whom were miners from the California Gold Rush of 1849, passed through Fort Victoria in the first year on their way to the gold fields. Governor Douglas proclaimed the Crown's authority and announced a system of mining licenses and appointed men like Peter O'Reilly to maintain control over the situation. By the mid-1860s the Fraser Rush collapsed, the miners moved on to other promising areas, and British Columbia went into a recession.

1859-04-15

Augustus Frederick Pemberton

(c.1808-1891)

Chief Commissioner of Police and Justice of Peace in 1858, uncle of surveyor Joseph Despard Pemberton.

1859-04-15

Steamer *Eliza Anderson*

Paddle steamer operating on the Fraser River to Fort Langley route.

1859-04-15

Queenborough, BC

Colonel Moody's name for the capitol city of the Colony of British Columbia, also called "Queensborough", was soon changed by Queen Victoria.

1859-04-16

William Driscoll Gosset

(1822-1899)

Royal Engineer, Colonial Treasurer (1858-1862)

1859-04-22

Royal Engineers, Columbia Detachment

Operating from 1858 to 1863, the Engineers surveyed town sites (New Westminster), built roads, examined harbours, and provided a military presence. Also referred to as "Sappers".

1859-04-22

Wymond Thomas Ogilvy Hamley

(c.1818-1907)

Customs collector and member of Legislative Council of BC.

1859-04-24

Fort Langley

HBC fur trading post started in 1827 on the Fraser River, became a major export port by the 1830s.

1859-04-27

Steamer *Beaver*

First paddle steamer to operate in the Pacific Northwest, owned and operated by the HBC. In service from 1835 to 1888.

1859-04-30

John Marshall Grant

(1822-1902)

Captain in the Royal Engineers, Columbia Detachment (1858-63).

1859-05-01

William Burton Crickmer

(1830-1905)

Minister at St John the Divine, Fort Langley (1859-1860)

1859-05-03

HMS *Plumper*

A survey ship on the Pacific Coast, British North America, and the Fraser River.

1859-05-04

Herbert George Lewis

(1828-1905)

Joined the Hudson's Bay Company in 1846, first officer of the Steamer *Otter* in 1853, remained active in marine affairs on the west coast.

1859-05-11

Fort Hope

Site of a Hudson's Bay Company fort established in 1848-49 on the Fraser River.

1859-05-18

Charles John Riland Bedford

(1828 - ?)

Lessee of Langley Farm, Justice of the Peace for Langley District from January 1859 to 1860

1859-05-30

Chartres Brew

(1815-1870)

Gold commissioner and judge.

1859-06-21

Yale, BC

A Hudson's Bay Company fur trading post on the Fraser River starting in 1848, Yale boomed when gold was discovered near there in 1858. Yale was the end of navigable water for steamboats and the starting point of the Cariboo Wagon Road which accessed other gold rush areas. Yale boomed again in the early 1880s when the Canadian Pacific Railway started construction in the Fraser Canyon.



Image: Yale, on the Fraser River (BC Archives B-09632, 1862)

1859-06-28

Matthew Baillie Begbie

(1819-1894)

First judge of the Colony of British Columbia (1858), then became the first chief justice of British Columbia at Confederation in 1871 serving until his death in 1894, knighted in 1875 by Queen Victoria.

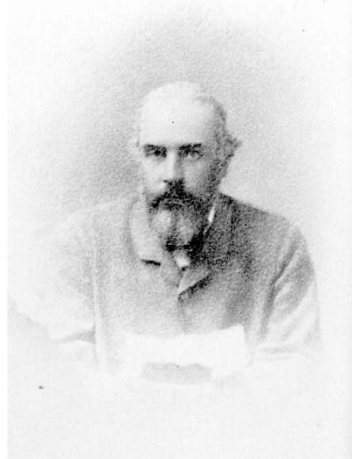


Image: Matthew Baillie Begbie (BC Archives A-01098, c. 1860)

1859-06-28

George Hunter Cary

(1832-1866)

Lawyer, acting attorney general from 1859 to 1861.

1859-06-28

Arthur Thomas Bushby

(1835-1875)

Private secretary to Judge Matthew Begbie.

1859-06-28

Andrew Charles Elliott

(1828-1889)

Lawyer and judge.

1859-06-30

Port Douglas, BC

Gold rush town started in 1858 at north end of Harrison Lake.

1859-07-03

John Vernon Seddall

(1831-1870)

Medical officer with Royal Engineers, Columbia Detachment, 1858 to 1863.

1859-07-08

Steamer *Colonel Moody*

Paddle steamer built in Victoria in 1859.

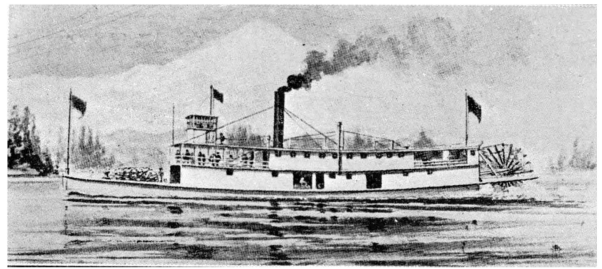


Image: SS *Colonel Moody* (BC Archives A-05520, c. 1861)

1859-07-10

Royal Engineers Camp, Sapperton

Royal Engineers Camp (center), Government House (left) at Sapperton (New Westminster)..



Image: Royal Engineer's camp, Sapperton (New Westminster Archives IHP0623, c. 1862)

1859-07-11

John Drummond Buchanan Ogilvy

(1835-1865)

Hudson's Bay Company clerk, later a member of the Chilcotin Expedition in 1864.

1859-07-14

Mashell

(?-?)

Indigenous man who would work, travel, assist, and interpret for Peter O'Reilly for many years.

1859-07-26

Kanakas

Workers from various Pacific islands employed in British colonies.

1859-07-30

New Westminster, BC

Queen Victoria determines that Queensborough should be renamed “New Westminster”.

1859-07-31

“Chaw”

Nickname of Charlotte Ellis of Faccary House in Ireland, eldest daughter of Francis & Louisa Ellis.

1859-08-02

Pig War

Boundary dispute between the US and Britain in the San Juan Islands.

1859-08-04

Steamer *Otter*

Built in 1852 and used by the Hudson’s Bay Company, the *Otter* was the second ship to operate on the Pacific Coast along with the *Beaver*.

1859-08-04

Robert Mann Parsons

(1829-1897)

Surveyor and map maker for the Royal Engineers, Columbia Department, 1858-1863.

1859-08-04

Henry Spencer Palmer

(1838-1893)

Lieutenant in the Royal Engineers, Columbia Department, 1858-1863.

1859-08-29

Colonial Administration Buildings, Victoria

Completed in 1859, these buildings became known as the “Birdcages” for their unusual design by architect Hermann Otto Tiedemann.



Image: The “Birdcages”, first Legislative Buildings (City of Victoria Archives M07545, 1860)

1859-09-08

Chinook Jargon

Chinook Jargon is based on Lower Chinook, Nuu-chah-nulth (Nootka), French, English, with some contributions from Salishan, and other Indigenous languages. It is estimated that approximately 100,000 people could speak Chinook Jargon or Wawa in 1875, and it was used widely in court testimony, newspaper advertising, missionary activity among Indigenous peoples, and everyday conversation from central British Columbia to northern California.

1859-09-08

halo

Chinook jargon meaning “nothing”.

1859-10-16

Alexander St. David Francis Pringle

(1828-1908)

Anglican missionary at Hope (1859-1864).

1859-10-21

Cornish Bar, BC

6 km south of Hope, BC on Fraser River, a gold rush site from 1858 to 1859.

1859-10-22

Free Miner’s Certificate

Under the Gold Field Act of 1859, the gold commissioner issued a certificate for a fee which entitled the person the right of mining on Crown (government) land.

1859-10-23

Ebenezer Robson

(1835-1911)

Methodist clergyman, brother of John Robson who became BC premier (1889-1892).

1859-10-23

Donald Chisholm

(1822-1890)

Constable, miner, and later MP for New Westminster.

1859-11-17

Arthur Reid Lempriere

(1835-1927)

Royal Engineer, surveyed Hope to Lytton route via Coquihalla River in 1859.

1859-11-18

William Charles

(1831-1903)

Fur trader and HBC employee, clerk at Fort Langley, chief trader at Forts Hope, Yale and Kamloops (1860-70).

1859-12-03

William McColl

(1819-1865)

Royal Engineers surveyor.

1859-12-10

Roderick Finlayson

(1818-1892)

Thirty-nine-year career with HBC including Fort Victoria as accountant, trader, factor (1843-1862), also helped rebuild Fort Langley.

1859-12-24

Mary Ann (Birnie) Charles

(1839-1921)

Married William Charles (1831-1903) in October 1859.

DIARY – 1859

NOTES

Form of oath for Coroners

Juries -

You shall well & truly try
a true inquisition make, &
verdict give according to the
evidence which shall this
day be brought before you
touching the death of [*left blank*]
So help me God.

Above Langly to Mt
of Harrison River

Bushby gun at Bedford's

Restaurant

Forgive me if by any accident the
slightest word should escape me to
cause you pain or displeasure,
nothing can be farther from my thoughts
than this intention & I beg of you so to
receive whatever I may say.

Youatt - on the structure & the disease of
the horse, with their remedies, Remarks
by W. C. Spooner –

JANUARY

1859-01-01

SATURDAY

Mrs E & Sharlotte still
Ill. Ride to Omagh & home
with Ellis

1859-01-02

SUNDAY

Charlotte in drawing room
for half an hour - looking very ill
very uneasy day

1859-01-03

MONDAY

Both down stairs for a
short time - marked trees
with Ellis. Exercised McMahons
horses

1859-01-04

TUESDAY

Mrs down for Breakfast
for the first time. Charlotte
very bad cough. Hunted Ercules
capital run. Tom rode the
colt

1859-01-05

WEDNESDAY

Ellis at Gortin - Exercised
Horses. Mrs looking better
Charlotte cough no better, & looking
ill.

1859-01-06

THURSDAY

Very cold heavy snow
In house all day
Both looking better

1859-01-07

FRIDAY

Ellis at Gortin Sessions
Wrote to Capt Humfrey.
Rode Ercules with Tom & Fan
Cosey chat with Mamsey.

1859-01-08

SATURDAY

Drove
Mrs & Charlotte to Omagh
Chatting all morning

1859-01-09

SUNDAY

[no entry]

1859-01-10 *

MONDAY

Rode with Charlotte
& had a comfortable chat
Also with dearest Mamsey
in the evening

1859-01-11

TUESDAY

Rode with Charlotte
not home till late
remained up till late chatting
to Mamsey & afterwards with
McMahon

1859-01-12

WEDNESDAY

Rode with Charlotte & had
round the mountain road
& had a most cosey chat
& again with both in the evening.

1859-01-13

TUESDAY

Left Fecarry for Dublin arrived at
10 O.C. P.M. Brought up Cock Grouse
for P.J.N. What a wretched lonely
day I have spent

1859-01-14

FRIDAY

Called on Mr P. Jones with
reference to my passage to Columbia
Recd half yrs pension at Custom
House - dined at spads with Mac
went to hear Christy's Minstrels
with A.D.N.

1859-01-15 **

SATURDAY

Engaged my passage to New York
in Prince Albert - paid fare £18 -

Wrote to Commissioners about transfer of pension. Dined at spads - went to hear Woodin - a humbug

1859-01-16

SUNDAY

St Stephens H. Communion 1st
Dined at spads. Round Church called at 49 Alley St.

1859-01-17

MONDAY

Commissions. Called at Castle - saw E O'R about memorial - started to Navan by the 5- PM train with A D N

1859-01-18

TUESDAY

Paid visits at Belmont & Boyne View.

1859-01-19

WEDNESDAY

At the cottage - dined with Dr Hamilton.
Rarefied colt for McWorthy

1859-01-20

THURSDAY

Went out to course with Dowdale. Dined at Belmont.

1859-01-21 *

FRIDAY

Went to Bbeg. Rarefied colt for Patrick - Aunt C. looking very ill.

1859-01-22

SATURDAY

Returned to Navan dined at the Cottage.

1859-01-23

SUNDAY

Dined at Boyne view

1859-01-24

MONDAY

Rarefied a colt for

Jas Williams

Left for Dublin by midday train S. N. came up

1859-01-25

TUESDAY

Busy commission
Dined at spads. Christys Minstrels S. N. Supper at Bindons - Dr Frank Junny

1859-01-26

WEDNESDAY

Breakfasted with Jas Williams at the Verdon. Met S. N. at Rathmines. Dined at spads with [Jasticoll J. Damiant & Linler]. Started by rail for Fecarry arrived at 6- AM

1859-01-27

THURSDAY

Chatting with Mrs E & Charlotte. Ball at the Asylum Brown & [Mita] Stack Spooney.

1859-01-28

FRIDAY

out with Ellis
Chatting with Mamsey

1859-01-29

SATURDAY

Paid a visit at Swifts - went to Omagh very stormy.

1859-01-30 *

SUNDAY

Cappagh Mr Byrne
H. Communion – snow.

1859-01-31

MONDAY

Shot Drumlea with Ellis Willie & Claud Hamilton bad sport.

FEBRUARY

1859-02-01

TUESDAY

Packing.

Stewart Gahan West

Flemming & Weir dined

Mamsey gave me -

1859-02-02

WEDNESDAY

Went to Gortin

Capt Humfrey, Molony Coulson

Barly Stewart Landsay &

McClintoch dined.

Coulson & Molony presented
me with a ring.

1859-02-03

THURSDAY

Coulson & Ellis presented

me with an address on

behalf of the Tyrone Magistrate

Busy Packing

1859-02-04

FRIDAY

Started at ¼ 9- for

Galway. Wrote to Mrs Ellis

from Mullingar - arrived

at Galway at 12½ P.M.

Ellis came to see me off

1859-02-05 *

SATURDAY

Sailed at 6½ P.M. in Prince

Albert for New York.

Ellis left for Dublin by 4 OC

train Wrote twice to Mrs Ellis

Wm Smith OBrien a passenger

Capt Nicholson commander

1859-02-06

SUNDAY

Very ill. Prayers read by

Capt Nicholson . Fine calm

day. Felt very lonely.

1859-02-07

MONDAY

Very ill nearly all on board

sea sick - could not eat any

thing all day - rough sea.

9- O.C. P.M. a perfect hurricane

Shut off steam & lay'to for 5 hours.

1859-02-08

TUESDAY

Very ill, great confusion in

saloon - no end of breakages - sea

running mountains high - 8 O.C. P.M.

Lay'to for the night, very stormy

1859-02-09

WEDNESDAY

Rather better - very rough & head

wind - making very little way - heavy

rain - glasses &c flying in all directions

Bits of wreck seen floating - 7- O.C.

heavy gale - lay'to fearful night

1859-02-10

THURSDAY

Much better - eat my first breakfast

head wind & very rough - 5 O.C. P.M.

Lamp trimmer blown away & lost

sea running very high - 9- O.C.

fine night.

1859-02-11

FRIDAY

Quite well - passengers

mastered very strong on board

Long chat with Smith OBrien

9- OC PM sea very rough

1859-02-12

SATURDAY

Calm morning - sea rough

heavy shower of hail - Supper &

singing - 11- O.C. PM fine

night.

1859-02-13

SUNDAY

Heavy rain sea running high

Prayers read by the Capt. Sermon

by the Revd Mr Fall - St John III-16

Bad head ache - 9 O.C. P.M. a hurricane

rough all night

1859-02-14

MONDAY

Rough sea - & wind ahead - 11 OC AM wind changed - & was favourable for the first time - all sail set. Passengers in great good humour. Valentines going! - 3- O.C. PM - wind changed heavy rain.

1859-02-15

TUESDAY

Fine frosty morning - 14½ knots per hour - 10- PM in iceberg seen - length about 500ft - height height 350 - Moonlight night - beautiful sight 11- O.C. immense quantities of field ice great alarm among the passengers who remained on deck all night

1859-02-16

WEDNESDAY

Very hard frost, & bitterly cold running through ice for 14 hours accident to boilers lay'to for 6 hours - great flocks of sea birds

1859-02-17

THURSDAY

Very hard frost - sighted land at 8- AM - arrived at St Johns at 4 P.M. harbour frozen went with Smith OBrien to visit the Bishop Dr Mullock - visited the house of assembly - dined & slept at the Palace

1859-02-18 *

FRIDAY

Very hard frost & snow visited all the public buildings. OBrien presented with addresses from the benevolent society, & Mechanics institute Drove into the Country on Catamaran Visited the Governor. Large dinner party at the Palace, procession to steamer Population of St Johns 30,000. Beautiful harbour - *[overwritten text]*
Posted my letter to Mamsey

1859-02-19

SATURDAY

Weighed anchor at 9- O.C. 1½ when out of harbour - very thick ice Beautiful day - five 1st C Passengers from St Johns

1859-02-20

SUNDAY

A good deal of rain - heavy sea - 9- OC AM Steamer sighted in distress. Prayers read by the Capt a very rough & stormy night.

1859-02-21

MONDAY

Very ill - schooner sighted apparently bound for Spain - also a steamer short of coal rough all day.

1859-02-22

TUESDAY

Very rough all day - accident to Boiler, lay'to for 16 hours drifted a good deal out of our course a most stupid day

1859-02-23

WEDNESDAY

Fine morning getting on very well - every prospect of reaching New York on Friday Supper & singing

1859-02-24

THURSDAY

Fine morning getting on well - 11- O.C. High wind & very rough sea - 12 OC night. Fine

1859-02-25 *

FRIDAY

20 days to New York. Fine morning sighted land (Sandy hook) at 6 AM arrived at 11- OC - Deputation waited on Smith OBrien. S. F. Meagher &c - great deal of bother with luggage Went to St Nicholas

1859-02-26

SATURDAY

Wrote to Mrs Ellis - walked about town - very heavy snow & streets mucky. Band & fire works for Smith OBrien speeches &c
Recd a letter fr Mrs Ellis.

1859-02-27

SUNDAY

Late for Church - went to Grace Church - at 2- OC PM
Sermon at 7½ walked with Connell.

1859-02-28

MONDAY

Busy getting information about our journey to San Francisco
Changed to the Washington from St Nicholas - a change for the worse

MARCH

1859-03-01 **

TUESDAY

Engaged our pr berths in the Illinois \$125 to San Francisco
Went to Laura Keans Theater (Our American Cousin) a farce

1859-03-02

WEDNESDAY

Wrote to Ellis.
Walked about town with Connell
Dined at Taylors saloon with Capts Nicholson & Halpin
Went to Nibloes circus

1859-03-03

THURSDAY

sent a box of collars to Ellis
Up early, wrote to Mrs Ellis, McMahan Dowdale [Terean] Patrick, McDermott - sent papers to Ellis, Coulson Dowdale & Terence & sent them on the Prince Albert by a Boatman (Green) called at [*illegible*] office about Brews Box.

[*overwritten text*]

Recd a letter from Mrs Ellis

1859-03-04

FRIDAY

Went to the Bank. Then to Custom House about Brews Box. a deal of trouble about it
Commenced letter to Mamsey

1859-03-05

SATURDAY

All day up to 3 O.C. at Custom H about Brews Box - got it brought to Hotel. Exchanged pistol for a Colt & got 18\$.

1859-03-06

SUNDAY

Trinity Church H. Communion
Dined at 1- OC P.M. went to Trinity Church at 3½ - capital sermon
Packing, & writing to Mamsey

1859-03-07

MONDAY

Busy morning getting luggage &c on board, humbugged by Yankee car driver.
Sent big box by long sea. Posted letter to Mrs Ellis. Started at 2 O.C. P.M. for Aspinwall per Illinois steamer

1859-03-08

TUESDAY

Very ill - sea a little rough - heavy rain, nearly [*deletion*] all the passengers sea sick
sighted two schooners bound for New York
~~Lat. 34.18 Lon 74.18 Dis fr N York 394 miles~~

1859-03-09

WEDNESDAY

Ill. Beautiful day - a whale seen - small schooner - crossed the Gulf stream - singing on deck - a man in irons - (delerium tremens)

Lat. 34.18 Lon. 74.18 Dis. fr. N York 394 miles

1859-03-10

THURSDAY

Ill - Beautiful day, & getting warm
passengers all on deck. 9- OC PM
wind fresh from S West -

Commenced my letter to Mamsey

Lat. 30.10 Lon. 74.12 Dis 248 miles

1859-03-11

FRIDAY

Up at 6 O.C. Beautiful day
sea like glass. Quantities of
flying fish. Expect to see
land tomorrow - ~~Run in last~~

~~34 hours~~ 240 knots. Lat 26.8

Long. 73.46 - Distance 240

1859-03-12

SATURDAY

Up early - very warm - passed
the Island of [*left blank*] uninhabited

Two schooners sighted -

Run up to 12 OC noon 243 knots

Lat 22.6 - Lon 73.26 - Dis- 243 miles

1859-03-13

SUNDAY

Very hot. Service by the

Revd Mr Bishop. Sighted

St Domingo, Cuba, Navassa

~~& C & C - Lat- 14.2 Lon- Run 262~~

Lat. 18.4 Lon- 75.12 - Dis - 260 miles

1859-03-14

MONDAY

Oppressively hot. Height of

St Domingo still in sight.

Luggage weighed & checked

Lat 14.2- Long- 77.43 Run 284 miles

1859-03-15 *

TUESDAY

Scorching hot - arrived at

Aspinwall at 4 P.M. Population 3000

[Sat] 10 - Started in Baggage train at 5- OC

arrived at Panama at 7½ - distance 46

miles, most delightful drive, Chagres

river in sight nearly the whole day. Tropical

trees of all sorts, & beautiful creepers -

went to the British Consul (Bidwell)

to try fr letters [received] by post master - went
on Board [*illegible words*] at 12- [*illegible*] - 2 A.M.

[*overwritten text*]

Lat 9.3 Lon 19.43

Distance run 274

[34] miles from

Aspinwall at 12 noon

Posted a letter

to Mamsey

1859-03-16

WEDNESDAY

Tried to get on shore for letters

but could not - looked after luggage

Crew of [*illegible*] & officer Mr Fox saved by

officers of American ship of [*illegible*
words]. Weighed anchor at 4½ PM

splendid harbour dotted by hundreds of

Islands. [*illegible*] watering place 12 miles

from Panama. General Walker

on Board.

1859-03-17

TUESDAY

Beautiful sea & cool. High

land in sight passed some

small islands. The Senora

from San Francisco passed at 11- OC.

~~distance fr Panama~~

St Patricks day kept - Got Ellis

into Calvin Lat 7.11 - Lon 81.4 Dis 230 miles

1859-03-18

FRIDAY

Not a breath of air, scorching

hot, sea like a pond - numbers of

sharks & one whale seen - slight

wind, 268 miles run

Singing on Deck.

1859-03-19 *

SATURDAY

Roasting hot, sharks & whales

seems Good obstreperous -

Ker offers to provide the

ice. Lat 11.12 N Long 10.33

Distance 301- miles

1859-03-20

SUNDAY

Service by the Revd Mr Bishop

Land in sight nearly all day

Singing on deck in the evening.
Lat. not taken - dist, 286 miles

1859-03-21

MONDAY

Very hot - Land in sight - whales - sharks & porpoises seen. Acapulco reached at 9 O.C. P.M. went on shore & walked through the town [*illegible*] &c - horridly dirty woman smoking. Returned to the ship at 11- O.C. in a canoe, cattle swam to the ship - very exciting scene [*overwritten text*]
Posted a letter on Board to Mamsey [*left margin text*]
Started at 2 O.C. AM 70 [*illegible*] gin [*right margin text*]
Lat- 16.6 Lon 98.26 - Distance 263 miles

1859-03-22 *

TUESDAY

Sighted [*left blank*] beautifully clad. Singing on deck. Gaggin [crusty]. Expected to call at [*left blank*] but did not weather thick. Evening cool.
Lat- 17.26 - Lon- 101.44 - Dist 205-

1859-03-23

WEDNESDAY

Fine cool morning - awning off deck for the first time
Fight in the 2nd Cabin one of the pugilists in irons
Lat 19.41 - Long 105.46 - Distance 270 miles

1859-03-24

TUESDAY

Crossed the Gulf of California
Bad head ache, very calm off St Lucas at 2- O.C. P.M.
Lat - 22.34 Long 109.28
Distance 271 miles

1859-03-25

FRIDAY

Great quantities of porpoises seen - & a few seals -
Very heavy dew in the evening
Lat 25.29 - Lon 113.21 - W
Distance 274 miles

1859-03-26

SATURDAY

Off the Island of Coros 6- O.C. A.M.
730 miles from San Francisco
Lat - 28.53 - N. Long- 116.27.
Distance 260 miles

1859-03-27

SUNDAY

Stormy & head wind all day
Passengers sick no service
No [reading] taken.

1859-03-28

MONDAY

Sea very rough
off the Islands of [Iadamse & Sandagual] 260 miles from San Francisco Lat 34.13 Lon 120.50
Distance 180 miles, Forty eight watches stolen in 2nd Cabin - great commotion
100 Dollars reward offered

1859-03-29

TUESDAY

Close to land at daylight
entered the Golden gate at 3½ O.C. beautiful harbour & sunny. Arrived at San Francisco at 4½ O.C. Went to the American Express Hotel. Proprietor - Sergeant. Went in the evening to the American Theater
Mrs Wood (in Marble Heart.

1859-03-30

WEDNESDAY

Went to Custom house about Brews Box. Walked with Worthingtire to see horses & stables. Worthingtire sailed fr Sacramento at 4- O.C. Walked with Ker to Telegraph hill & then through the town. Went with Connell to the Colliseum to see Anderson - Richard III.

1859-03-31

THURSDAY

Walked through the Markets
greatly pleased with everything - at
Custom house from 10- to 4- O.C. P.M.
about Brews box. Paid 7- Dols expenses
& lodged 60- Dols as security with Mr
Price before I could get it. Brother
Johnathon could not sail as expected
in consequence of rough weather
American theater - The Golden age
Posted letter to Mrs E. & 2 papers for the Capt

APRIL

1859-04-01 *

FRIDAY

Sailed in the Brother
Johnathon for Victoria at 12- OC PM
fare 50- Dollars. Very fine
day - off Point Del Reys at
6- O.C. PM -

1859-04-02

SATURDAY

Head wind all day
& going very slowly. Land
Close to land. The coast
magnificently bold & much wooded
passed two small villages of
belonging to the Indians.

1859-04-03

SUNDAY

No service. Close to land
all day head wind & not making
more than 4 miles an hour
off Trinidad Bay - Humbolt Bay
Mendocina City. Called at
Crescent City at 7- O.C. PM & landed
some passengers - 285 miles
from San Francisco. Gaggin
& Good have a difference of opinion.

1859-04-04

MONDAY

Head wind, & getting on
very slowly. Land in sight all
day - immense forests.

1859-04-05

TUESDAY

Blowing hard off land -
not making more than
4 miles an hour. Canadian
Jew on sentry all night
expected attack by the
Indians

1859-04-06

WEDNESDAY

Anchored outside of bar at the
mouth of Columbia river at 4- A.M.
Crossed the bar at 9- O.C. Pacific city
deserted - stopped at Astoria & took up
river pilot, also at St Helens. Ranier
sighted not St Helens & Mt Hood
both covered with snow. Beautiful
wooded senery all the way. Entered
the River Willamette at 8 P.M.
Arrived at Portland at 9 O.C. P.M.

1859-04-07

THURSDAY

Walked through Portland,
went out to shoot no sport. Good
Gaggin & Ker went to look after
deer - no go. Indians fighting one
man killed.

1859-04-08

FRIDAY

Very wet day - fishing & shooting
bad sport. Left Portland at 4 P.M.
Passed the mail boat a short
way from Portland. Population
of Portland about 2000

1859-04-09

SATURDAY

Crossed the bar at 8- O.C. A.M.
very rough sea. Sea sick all day
Very rough favourable
wind.

1859-04-10 **

SUNDAY

Off Cape
Flattery at 6 O.C. AM. Passed the light house
of Juan de Fuca at 9- O.C. 60 miles from
Victoria. Arrive at Esquimalt at 2- OC
& Victoria by small steamer at 3- O.C. P.M.

Went to Colonial Metropolitan Hotel - dined at Colonial Restaurant

1859-04-11 **

MONDAY

slight shower of snow
Up at 6- O.C. fine day Called on Col. Moody at 11- O.C. very kindly recd afterwards lunched & walked with Mrs Moody to look at lodgings. Wrote to Brew by Capt Sanders Commenced letter to Ellis. Could not see Gov. Douglas

1859-04-12

TUESDAY

Up at 6 O.C. All day trying to get an interview with the Governor walked into the Country with Gaggin. Recd letters fr McMahon & Mamsey Beautiful day

1859-04-13

WEDNESDAY

Up at 6½ - O.C. Could not see Governor - very bad head ache. Fine day Posted letter & newspaper to the Capt & Mamsey Mail left at 9- O.C. AM

1859-04-14 *

THURSDAY

Up at 6½ - O.C. Called on Col Moody - who came with me to the Gov. but could not get an interview - but decided not to call next days – walked to Beacon hill - very fine day
[overwritten text]

Ker R Stewart &c started per [Pearce] for the Gold mines in canion Country
~~Col Moody~~

1859-04-15 ***

FRIDAY

Up at 6½ Called on the Gov. by appointment - who appointed

Resident Magistrate for Langly Presented letter fr Mr Young to Mr Pemberton. Dined with the Gov met Mrs Dallas, & Miss Douglas.

Home at 11- O.C. Fine day

Gaggin [illegible].

Appointed Resident Magistrate

[overwritten text]

Col Moody started for Queenborough per Eliza Anderson

1859-04-16 *

SATURDAY

Attended the Police Court with Mr Pemberton. Had an interview with the Governor, Capt Gosset & Mr Young. Fine day

1859-04-17

SUNDAY

Service at 11- O.C. Mr Cridge Commenced letter to Mamsey Evening service at 3- O.C. Mr *[illegible]* Dined at Colonial - walked to Esquimalt - with Connell Gaggin & Stewart. Cold evening

1859-04-18

MONDAY

Up at 6 O.C. attended Police Court at 10- O.C. waited upon Mr Young. Daily dinner at Mr Pembertons. Tea at Mr *[illegible]* walked home with Mrs Moody Very rough & unpleasant day
[overwritten text]
Met Mr Redfern

1859-04-19

TUESDAY

Up at 6 O.C. Attended Police Court at 10 O.C. waited on Gov. Mr Young & Dept Gosset to receive instructions as to duty at Langly. Cashed £30- at Mr Maynes \$144 - Supped at Spaldings

1859-04-20

WEDNESDAY

Up at 6 O.C. Police Court at
10 O.C. Recd Commission of the
Peace from Mr Young. Walked
through the Indian Tents with
the Sheriff Heaton

1859-04-21

THURSDAY

Up at 6 OC AM
Sworn in as J. P. by the Governor
Paid visits Mrs Moody & at the
Governors - walked with the Ladies
Dined with Stewart Gaggin & [Connell]
Paid visit to Crease -
Posted letter to Mamsey

1859-04-22 **

FRIDAY

Up at 3- O.C.
Started at 4- O.C. on board the
Eliza Anderson for Langley
Passengers Hamley Gosset &
[Lemprier] &c - about 30 men
of the R. Engineers, Queenborough at
5- OC - saw Col. Moody, Langly at
8- OC, supped at Crickmers
slept at Barracks Beautiful day

1859-04-23

SATURDAY

Up at 7 O.C.
Breakfasted at Crickmers
Took up all the public property
from Bedford. Took up my
quarters at the ~~Barracks~~ Court House
Walked to Fort Langley with
Mitchell. Tea at Crickmers
Fine day

1859-04-24 *

SUNDAY

Up at 7- O.C.
Breakfast at 9- O.C. with Hamley
& Mitchell. Church at 11- OC in Court
House, & again at 3- O.C. Went in
Rev boat with Hamley to Fort
Langley.
Very fine day

1859-04-25

MONDAY

Bedford lodged two informatives,
issued summons.
Fishing with Mitchell
bad sport

1859-04-26

TUESDAY

Up at 6 O.C.
Went to Queenborough in the
Enterprise - Then with Col. Moody
Capt Richards &c &c up ~~Frazer~~ Pit
river the entire way distance about
Enterprise broke her shaft - got
fast on a sand bank - Back at
Langly at 1- OC in the morning

1859-04-27 *

WEDNESDAY

Up at 8 O.C.
Took charge of the Post Office
&c &c from Mr Bevis -
attended sessions at Fort Langly
at 12- O.C. dined at the Fort
Mitchell & self laid in a store of
provisions & brought them back in
a Canoe. Beaver arrived with
the mail. Fine day Letter fr Mamsey
& Brew

1859-04-28

THURSDAY

Up at 6- O.C.
Dispatched mail by the
Beaver at 9- O.C. Settled accts
with Mr Bevis - a "troublesome job"
Walked inland with the Doctor
Blake & Baylegate arrived
sene in Indian camp -

1859-04-29

FRIDAY

Up at 6- O.C.
Breakfasted at 9- Blake
& Baylegate started for Queenboro
Went to Fort Langly to settle
Dispute. Dined at 5-
Fine day

1859-04-30 *

SATURDAY

Up at 6- Breakfast at 9- OC
Walked with the Doctor inland
Capt Grant arrived & inspected
the Court House & Jail
Fine day

MAY

Up at 6- O.C. B-fast at 9-
Church in Court House at 11- O.C.
Crickmer again at 6 O.C. PM.
Crickmer gives notice of his
intention to have reading lessons
&c &c. Walked with the Doctor.
Fine day

1859-05-02

MONDAY

Up at 6 OC Bfast at 9-
Grant arrived from the fort
& started for Q-borough. Recd Trading
lisences at Fort Langley. Gov
Douglas arrived - no mail.
Crickmer's reading a failure
Fine day

1859-05-03 *

TUESDAY

Up at 6- B-fast at 9-
Plumper arrived at 10- went
on Board at 1- PM to see Dr Wood
Dinner at 5- Eliza Anderson
arrived at 6- no mail. Palmer brought
flies to me from Grant Dr Wood
& Croker & spent evening on
shore with me
Fine day.

1859-05-04 *

WEDNESDAY

Up at 5- Sent off mail at 6-
by E. Anderson. Wrote to the Capt
& enclosed one to Mamsey.
Beaver arrived at 9 - with Recovery
in tow - sent off 2nd mail by Beaver
& \$50- to Connell & 20\$ to Gaggin
by Capt Lewis - commenced my Garden
Sparrow left for Victoria Fine day

1859-05-05

THURSDAY

Up at 6 O.C.
Attended the Court House to hear the
summons for [non] payment of
Trading lisences . Rifle practice with Drs
Wood & Mitchell. Called on Capt Richards
also Mrs Crickmer.
Very warm day -

1859-05-06

FRIDAY

Up at 6- OC - Breakfast at 9-
In office all day. Eliza Anderson
arrived at 7- PM – mail.
Sent for Timber to Victoria to
build boat - heavy rain
all - day - the first rain we
have had.

1859-05-07

SATURDAY

Up at 6- O.C. Breakfast 9- O.C.
Very wet day - In office,
& fitting up my room.
M. Malamaunt. Charges by Mr Wilde
with smuggling Camphine - postponed
till Monday 9th

1859-05-08

SUNDAY

Fine morning
New Church opened.
Walked with Drs Wood - Mitchell
Dined on board the Plumper

1859-05-09

MONDAY

Fine day - out shooting & collecting
specimens of flowers &c with Dr Wood
Gov Douglas arrived - No mail
Recd Whamell's application for change
of station. Dr Wood, Croker and
Moriarty dined with me at Restaurant
Went on Board the Plumper.

1859-05-10

TUESDAY

Up at 7 O.C.
Rifle practicing with Mitchell
Working in garden. Eliza
Anderson arrived. Mail, & Timber

for boat. Stewart arrived fr. Port Douglas by Maria at 11- O.C. P.M.

1859-05-11

WEDNESDAY

Up at 6- O.C.

Out Rifle shooting with Mitchell Stewart, & Cullen. Gordon arrived from Fort Hope bad news from diggings

1859-05-12

THURSDAY

Up at 6- O.C.

Started with Stewart, Croker & Dr Wood - up [*deletion*] slew - very hard work - no sport - got back at 8- P.M. - quite done. Croker & Wood dined with me at Restarant Beautiful day - discovered a nice trout stream

1859-05-13

FRIDAY

Up at 8 O.C. -

Attended the Court at 10 O.C. Eliza Anderson arrived - English mail Recd letter from Mamsey. Sent mail bags to the Fort but was late for the Maria Stewart & Cullen left for Victoria - Heatons Pup arrived.

1859-05-14

SATURDAY

Up at 6 O.C. -

Breakfast at 8- went up the Creek with Drs Mitchell & Wood, Croker &c - lunched on the bank of the River. Fished down & got home at 8 OC P.M. Intensely hot

1859-05-15

SUNDAY

Up at 7 O.C.

Breakfasted for the first time in my own room - Church at 11. O.C. Collection \$5- & Holy Communion. Dr Wood dined with me at Restaurant. Church at 6- P.M. Very hot day

1859-05-16

MONDAY

Up at 6- O.C. wet

Morning. Gov. Douglas arrived with mail. Recd information of Joseph Hall deserted from Plumper. Dr Wood & Croker spent the day Fine afternoon

1859-05-17

TUESDAY

Up at 6 O.C.

Took lessons from Dr Wood in skinning and ~~birds~~ [stuffing] birds. E. Anderson arrived. Beautiful day

1859-05-18 *

WEDNESDAY

Up at 5 O.C. writing

Breakfast at 9- O.C. Took the information of C.J.R. Bedford & two Indians against Wm H Pollard for assault on Indians Went to the Prairy farm & took the information of the Indian woman Committed Pollard for trial & refused bail. Fine day

1859-05-19

THURSDAY

Up at 6 O.C. Breakfast at 9 O.C.

Reported the case of Pollard to ~~the~~ Mr Young Wrote to Col Moody with reference to the HBC claim of land in Langly. The Beaver arrived. Fine day

1859-05-20

FRIDAY

Up at 5- O.C.

Breakfasted on board the Plumper at 7 O.C. Arrived at Queenborough at 10- Saw Col Moody &c &c, walked over the lots. Met Ker, sent 20 dollars to Connell returned to Langly - sent Bills to Mayne for £150- Took over Court House & Jail. Wrote to McMahan & enclosed a letter to Mamsey.

1859-05-21

SATURDAY

Up at 8- O.C.

breakfast at nine. Working all day at the garden - put up pailing & sowed seeds. Paid Lipsitt \$42.50 sent up \$5 - to Sanders - from Brown by Mitchell
Fine day

1859-05-22

SUNDAY

Up at 6 O.C.

Church at 11 O.C.

evening at 6 O.C.

Fine day

Took the information of the Indian Swany against Forester for Robbing of 183\$ - remanded both.

1859-05-23

MONDAY

Up at 6 O.C.

Breakfast at 8 O.C.

Indian escaped from Jail

heard the case against Forester & Sandford Went to Langly to examine the ground - where the volley occurred - admitted the prisoner to Bail.

1859-05-24

TUESDAY

Up at 5 - Started in Rev Boat

with Newton for Queenborough - Queens

Birth day. Races - Flat & Hardie &c

&c &c. Dined with the Engineers

Slept on the Plumper -

a very jolly day.

1859-05-25

WEDNESDAY

Called on Mrs Moody Mrs Spalding & walked over the [*illegible*] with Dr Wood & Brown - dined and slept on board the Plumper.

1859-05-26

THURSDAY

Had an interview with Col

Moody. Called on Mrs Grant.

Returned to Langly in the Beaver

Mr Cridge & Gammage on board

Man drowned off the Beaver at Fort Langley. H. Duff came as assistant P.M.

1859-05-27

FRIDAY

Up at 6 O.C. Sent Salmon to

Col. Moody - Plumper & Engineers

Gov Douglas arrived - English mail

(Letter from Mamsey) E. Anderson

Arrived. Stewart came from

Queenborough.

1859-05-28

SATURDAY

Up at 6 O.C.

Writing in office. Working

in garden. Tried the spoon for

first time, no go

Wet day.

1859-05-29

SUNDAY

Up at 7 O.C.

Church at 11 O.C.

Church at 6 O.C.

Took tea at Crickmers

Brew called & left a note - but I did not see him - showry

1859-05-30 *

MONDAY

Up at 4 O.C. Gov Douglas arrived fr.

Hope Brew breakfasted at 5½ - Stewart

& Brew started for Victoria at 7 O.C.

In office receiving Trading licences -

working in garden - showry day

a heavy shower of hail.

1859-05-31

TUESDAY

Up at 6 O.C.

In office receiving Trading licences

Working in garden - Prepared to

go to Victoria - for auction disappointed

by the non arrival of the Eliza Anderson

JUNE

1859-06-01

WEDNESDAY

Up at 6 O.C.

Sale of Queenborough lots.
Working in garden - sowed seeds
Bedford, Mayne, Campbell, & Nicol
Called - on their way to Queenborough
Mrs Mould serviced & locked up for
the night.

1859-06-02
THURSDAY

Up at 7- O.C.
Gov Douglas arrived Beaver came
to stop with me - Langford to Newton
Tea at Crickmers.

1859-06-03
FRIDAY

Up at 8 O.C.
Langford called. Wrote to Mayne
about the Bills sent to him on 20th May
Boat Launched. Engineers Ball

1859-06-04
SATURDAY

Up at 6 OC
Brown started in the Beaver
for Queenborough. Dr Pears
arrived. Wet day
Went to the Fort - in the
Boat - met Nicol.

1859-06-05
SUNDAY

Up at 8- O.C.
Church at 11. O.C.
Dr Pears & Newton called.
Church at 6 O.C.
Murray - sent McMurphy Corb McKennie
& Hall went to Queenborough

1859-06-06
MONDAY

Up at 7 O.C.
Engineers preparing to leave for
Queenborough - got Boat painted &
Boat House built.
Tea at Crickmers

1859-06-07
TUESDAY

Up at 6 O.C.
Engineers left in the Recovery
at 1 P.M. drifted down - 4 boats broken - 5 men

fell over board - all saved -
Gov Douglas arrived with
Mail.

1859-06-08
WEDNESDAY

Up at 7- O.C.
In Court at 10- O.C.
Working in garden.
Went up the creak in boat
Bathed.
Murray started in a canoe
for Queenborough

1859-06-09
THURSDAY

Went to Langly in Boat
Houses nearly washed away
River very high.

1859-06-10
FRIDAY

Up at 5 O.C. Went in boat to
Langly to buy salmon for Col Moody
Beaver & Gov Douglas returned to
Victoria. Posted letter to Mamsey
& N. Paper to the Captain - also letter to Molony
Late for mail

1859-06-11
SATURDAY

Up at 7 O.C.
Attended Court. Working
in Garden. Went to Langley in
Boat. Bedford & Baylegate called
Bathed with Crickmer.
Bob Stewart arrived fr Port Douglas

1859-06-12
SUNDAY

Up at 7- O.C.
Church at 11-
Dined at Crickmers
No afternoon service
Bedford called on his way from
Queenborough.

1859-06-13
MONDAY

Up at 7-
Spend the day at Bedfords farm
with Crickmer & Dr Pears Bob Stewart.

Bought two
horses from Bedford
for \$250 -
Got back at 10- P.M.

1859-06-14

TUESDAY

Up at 6- Working in Garden
Prepared Stable for horses. Bathed
with Crickmer. Gov, Good, Ball &c
&c - arrived on their way to Port
Douglas - remained only two hours -
English mail - no letter fr Mamsey
Wet evening. Letter from Coulson

1859-06-15

WEDNESDAY

Heavy Rain. Went to Bedford's
farm in a canoe. Paid him \$100
on account of horses. Went out to
lassoe wild cattle caught one
- grand sport - very wet

1859-06-16

THURSDAY

Returned to Langley - Bedford
Baylegate. Bad headache. Wrote
to Gosset, & sent my monthly accts
River higher than [*left blank*]
Raining all day

1859-06-17

FRIDAY

Gov Douglas arrived from Hope
Whamell on board - sent Gaggin
\$30 - enclosed to Stewart
Gardening. Baylegate returned
to Queenborough. Bedford called
Fine day
Water begins to fall

1859-06-18

SATURDAY

Up at 6 - Attended Court
Went up Creek with Crickmer
& Dr Pears - long walk up
Mt Grant - got back at 6½ PM
Very tired - dined at Crickmers -
River down 4 inches

1859-06-19

SUNDAY

Up at 8-
Church at 11-
Walked with Dr Pears.
Writing letters. Bedford arrived
& slept supped at Crickmers.

1859-06-20

MONDAY

Up at 6- - Bedford started for the
Farm. Mrs Crickmer confined
Dr Pears & Crickmer dined
Walked with Dr Pears & bathed
River fell 7- inches

1859-06-21 *

TUESDAY

Up at 6- Attended Court
Walked with Dr Pears. He &
Crickmer dined. Gov Douglas
Arrived. English mail Letter fr Mamsey
Col Moody - Grant &c & 100 Engineers &
[*illegible*]
on board. Gaggin on way to Yale. Stewart
slept.

1859-06-22

WEDNESDAY

Up at 6- Stewart & McDonell
breakfasted, & started in Canoe for
Queenboro. Bob Stewart left with
them - Dr Pears & Crickmer dined
& Bathed.

1859-06-23

THURSDAY

Up at 7- OC - Attended Court
The Governor & Good returned
in Canoe. Inspected the
Public building, & books
Started for Queenborough at 6 P.M.

1859-06-24

FRIDAY

Gov Douglas arrived at 11- AM
Recd letter fr. Nicol appointing me
Sheriff - Went to Queenboro Capt Murry
arrested - to get Jury
men summoned. Spent day with Marines
Called on Mrs Moody & Grant
Dined & slept at Spaldings.

Horses came from Farm.
[left margin text]
Posted letter to Mamsey & Fred

1859-06-25

SATURDAY

Up at 3- Searched for Indians
to come to Langly in Canoe, [illegible]
with Bedford at 8- AM arrived at
Langly at 2- heavy currant
Summoned Jury. Very tired
A light shower of rain

1859-06-26

SUNDAY

Up at 8- O.C. Service in Crickmers
house at 11- O.C. No afternoon service
dined alone. Wet evening
River falling.
Constable Lipsitt went to [illegible]
to enquire into the circumstances
of the death of John Shaler

1859-06-27

MONDAY

Up at 6- Preparing court
house &c - for Assizes.
Bathed - very wet day
Recd monthly accounts from
Gosset

1859-06-28 ****

TUESDAY

Tuesday Up at 5. O.C.
At monthly accounts -
Bought Plates & at Hortons
Ropes for Horses - Went to Fort
Begbie Cary bushby & Elliot arrived
Bedford [illegible] -
[left margin text]
Elwyn & Dunlop
arrived

1859-06-29

WEDNESDAY

Up at 6- Bathed
Court of Assize opened at 10- AM
G Jury complained of the absentee officer
from the Colony, & the interference of J.P.
Forrester & Sandford acquitted, WH
Pollard remanded. Bedford runs off to
Farm having asked [illegible words]

to go there with him, Issued
warrant for arrest of Sergt Leonard
of [Simcahm], & send Const Lipsitt to
execute it

1859-06-30 *

THURSDAY

Pollard admitted to Bail.
Up at 6 O.C.
Bathed settled sheriffs accounts into
Bushby - Started as Sheriff in Canoe, with Begbie
Cary & Bushby for Port Douglas, Camped
for the night at 8 - lit fires cooked
dinner & turned in at 9½ Elliott
remained at Langley.
Wet day

JULY

1859-07-01

FRIDAY

Up at 4 - started at 5- Breakfasted
at 8- Uncomfortable day. Rained nearly
all day. Passed the Gov Douglas at
the mouth of Sumass River, Camped
at the mouth of Harrison river at 5- turned
in at 8- almost devoured by musketoes
Cary in particular.

1859-07-02

SATURDAY

Up at 3 - started at 4 - Breakfasted
at the entrance of Harrison lake
beautiful spot - Waterfall bathed, [illegible]
cards - singing. Called at fishing
station, scenery magnificent. Camped
at 5- close to waterfall - delightful spot
Cary & Bushby sketch tent and
indians - no musketoes - turned
in to blankets a[t] 9-

1859-07-03 *

SUNDAY

Up at 3- under way by 4 - fine
morning - arrived at Port Douglas at
8- Breakfasted with Grant Nicol, &
Seddal. Service read by Grant. Begbie
Bushby &c sing the Hymns. Walked about
4 miles on trail. Blake arrived
Took up my quarters with Grant.

1859-07-04

MONDAY

Up at 7- Bathed
on trail with Grant. Rode
mule to see Baylegate - 4 mile house
Begbie Grant Seddal & Bushby accept
visitation to Yankey spread - American
Independence. Firing off guns all
night.

1859-07-05

TUESDAY

Up at 6 - Bathed
Court of Assize opened at 10-
Indian squaw convicted of Robbery
& sentenced to 3 months imprisonment
Went out fishing on lake - no go
Singing, & cards - all challenge
by Centry - & passed as the Judge.

1859-07-06

WEDNESDAY

Up at 6- Bathed
Went to Marine Camp, Baylegate
returned with me steamer expected - bathed
again Bayle - returned to Camp
cards, & singing jolly evening
Nothing heard of steamer

1859-07-07

THURSDAY

Up at 6. Bathed and
Breakfasted with Grant - went on
trail & felled trees. Miners arrive
Good news from Canon river. Went
out fishing with Begbie & Grant
no sport. No news of steamer.

1859-07-08 *

FRIDAY

Up at 6 - Grant started on
trail at 4 - O.C. Went in Canoe
with Nicol Begbie Cary & Bushby
to explain - discovered beautiful
Water Fall. Engineer of the Col Moody
arrived, & report that she had broken down
no mail.

1859-07-09

SATURDAY

Up at 6- walked to
Marines Camp to Breakfast,

Baylegate returned. Cary sketched
Charly Wellington chief of war tribe &
little Squaw - with Pappouch. Steamer arrived
at 11½ - Gammage on board - dreadful account of
passage - remained chatting with Grant till 3 A.M.

1859-07-10 *

SUNDAY

On board at
8- AM - Lake too rough to start
Service in the afternoon by Gammage
Dined with Grant. Row in Engineer
Camp - [*illegible*] ordered out two
sergts confined & a number of men
Went on board at 11- P.M.

1859-07-11 *

MONDAY

Started from Port Douglas
in steamer Col Moody at AM 3- O.C.
beautiful morning - arrived at mouth
of Fraser River at 8 - took in Wood
swarms of musketoes - Pettibone &c
went in Canoe - arrived at 7- Hope
at 7- O.C. Supped with Nico, Begbie
Bushby, & Cary. Jolly evening. Indians
in Quod for murder - called on
Ogilvy. Slept on board the Col Moody

1859-07-12

TUESDAY 12

Tuesday - Begbie & Party started for Yale
at 3- OC. Bargaining for lot from
Smith. - Man found d[r]owned in River
Steamer left at noon - blowing hard
arrived at Langly at 6 P.M.
a heap of letters - answer from Capt
Woodruff. Horse returned to Farm

1859-07-13

WEDNESDAY 13

Up at 6 - could not bath musketoes
so troublesome, Working at accts -
Boat high & dry. Heard four cases
Tea at Crickmers. Wrote letters
could not sleep from musketoes
Duff sick, Lipsitt discharged &
paid to & for this day

1859-07-14 *

THURSDAY

Up at 4 - at accounts. Went to

Fort. Paid off Constable Lipsitt to & for the 13th inst. Mail arrived per canoe from Queenboro - letter from Mamsey Indian (Mashell) lodged complaint against Lipsitt. Tea at Crickmers

1859-07-15

FRIDAY

Up at 5 - at accounts, breakfast at 2- PM. Crickmer called refused to sign petition on which he departed in disgust. Wet day Musketoos unbearable Steamer expected but did not come

1859-07-16

SATURDAY

Up at 7 - Breakfasted at 8, at acct Very hot day & musketoos in millions - remained in house all day Duff sick. Roasting day -

1859-07-17

SUNDAY

Steamer Col Moody arrived at 3- O.C. Church at 11- OC. dined at Crickmers - walked in the evening with Mrs Crickmer & Miss Cridge. Bedford & Newton called
[left margin text]
Crickmer late for steamer

1859-07-18

MONDAY

Writing letters & Posted to the Capt & Mamsey. Attended court - Made up my accts for the Post. McCauley lodges complaint against Indians - Steamer arrived at 8- P.M. Begbie Bushby Cary & Nicol. Prisoner fr Yale.
[overwritten text]
Crickmer & his nigger came off in the Steamer

1859-07-19

TUESDAY

Up at 6 - sent Const. Higman in Rev Boat to execute

warrant in Ranchree. The Indian could not be found. Spent the evening with Crickmer. Very hot day - musketoos unbearable
[overwritten text]
Begbie Cary &c returned to Victoria. Nicol left Prisoner Solomon at Langley

1859-07-20

WEDNESDAY

Up at 6 - ~~Attended~~ Attended Court - Wagener v Bolton. Rowed boat up Creak but could not bathe. Musketoos so troublesome.

1859-07-21

THURSDAY

Hot day. Col Hawkins called & way to smass. Went to Fort The Col Moody arrived from Queenborough. Letters from Victoria Working in garden. Musquitoes in millions.

1859-07-22

FRIDAY

Wild got cropper of colt Went to the fort Musketoos most troublesome Bought potatoes for Mrs Grant. Went to Queenborough in Col Moody - dined at Engineers Slept at Marines Camp

1859-07-23

SATURDAY

Called at Spaldings & took up my quarters - scandal, Mrs Moodys, scandal Mrs Grant scandal. Ladies tongues going at the rate of 19 to the doz -

1859-07-24

SUNDAY

6- O.C. Henry & Dewdney arrived after spending three days on board the Caledonia. Walked to Marines

Camp & lunched & called on Mrs
Moody & Mrs Grant, & Engineers
[left margin text]
Most stupid day scandal
[overwritten text]
Fort Langley
Burnt

1859-07-25

MONDAY

Up at 8- Henry called - spent
day at Marines Camp. Henry
in great Force - failed in
getting a boat to Langley.
Musquitoes very troublesome

1859-07-26 *

TUESDAY

Started in Kanackars boat but was
obliged to return. Scandal - Mrs S's tongue
going 19 to the Doz. Called in Mrs Moody
& Grant. Dined with Marines - Gov.
Douglas, & Bever arrived, no mail. Col.
Moody & Nicol came from Victoria.
Musquitoes unbearable
Very hot day.

1859-07-27

WEDNESDAY

Started in Col Moody at 6-
towed schooner - arrived at Langly
at 10- Gov Douglas arrived. Mrs Grant
Nicol & Henry go up to Douglas. Visited
the sene of the late fire at the
Fort. Reported the circumstance to
the Gov sent it per Beaver.

1859-07-28

THURSDAY

Attended Court.
Writing letters. Worked in the
Garden. Went to the Fort with
Crickmer - settled dispute
between Mrs Lawless & Mrs Winnand
Tea at Crickmers Nelly howling
as usual

1859-07-29

FRIDAY

Intensely Hot. Mosquito's
Unbearable. In house all
Day. Writing. Gov Douglas

arrived from Hope. Good reports
from diggins.

1859-07-30*

SATURDAY

Up at 5 O.C. Started at
6-in Rev boat for New Westminster
arrived at 8½ - breakfasted with Col Moody
Mrs & Children in Victoria to get rid of
musquito's. Wrote to the Col with reference
to the Burning of Langly, & recommended that
parties should be prevented from squatting
there - arrived at Langly at 10- P.M. Woolsey
came to Wilde

1859-07-31 *

SUNDAY

Chaws - Birth day

How my thoughts have been [*illegible*] all day
Up at 6 - [*illegible*] service - &
Church at 11- O.C. - Commenced letter
to Mamsey. Dined at Crickmers.
Walked on trail to the Fort with
Mrs Crickmer. Beautiful day
Musquito's not quite so troublesome

AUGUST

1859-08-01

MONDAY

Up at 5 - Heavy shower of rain
Working in garden. Went in boat
to Lands saw mill - with reference
to his settling. Went up creek
with Crickmer to clear snags
away & make a passage for the boat
Report of Belview Island being taken
by American, & The Plumper coming to
Queenborough for Troops -

1859-08-02 *

TUESDAY

Went to New West Minster
in Canoe with Bedford - found all the
Marines had left for San Juan. Lunched
with Engineers, Col Moody at Victoria
Dined & slept at Spaldings NWestminster
Musquito's very Troublesome.
Spalding very noisy - abusing the Col

1859-08-03

WEDNESDAY

Spalding sick
Gov Douglas & Beaver arrive English mail
Recd letter from Mamsey, & McD.
Stationary from Bushby - \$50.0 from
Ker & \$50.0 from Stewart. Came up
to Langly in Gov Douglas.

1859-08-04 ***

THURSDAY

Writing at accts, Otter
arrived with Col Moody Parsons
& Palmer on board. Palmer starts in canoe
to order the Marines from Douglas.
Receive orders from the Col to make
out list of British subjects. Went to
Fort. Mosquitos in hundreds
Heavy rain in the evening.

1859-08-05 *

FRIDAY

Posted letter to Mamsey &
Enclosed one to R.D.C. - 2 papers for the Capt
also sketch of Langly by Bob Stewart
Gov Douglas arrives at 9- The Moody at 10-
Appt Henry Blake came down in Moody
The Moody returned to Douglas for Marines
Wet day. Writing, & attended Court
Tea at Crickmers.

1859-08-06

SATURDAY

Bedford arrived to wait for Steamer
to go to Victoria. Steamer arrived at 8 PM
H Duff required Marines.
Working in garden. Present of
new potatoes from Pio Pio. Recd
complaints against the What Cheer house
Beautiful day after the Rain

1859-08-07

SUNDAY

Up at 6 - Fine day.
Church at 11- Large importation
from the Fort. Walked with Crickmer
Wild & Saunders dined. Walked on
trail & obliged to run from Musquito's
Knacka's fight.

1859-08-08

FRIDAY

Up at 6- Pigs in garden
Attend Court. Went up the creak in
boat to see hay cut. Went to Fort & got
from Newton a list of British subjects
Five Indians arrive from New West Minster
committed by Spalding for 14 day hard labour
Man shot at New West Minster

1859-08-09

TUESDAY

Up at 5- Mr Wild started to
New West Minster. Set the five Indians to
work & swear in special Constable to
watch them. Potted a brace of grouse
Gave them to Crickmer. Working in
Garden. Most anxious

1859-08-10

WEDNESDAY

Heard the cast of Nike v [*illegible*]
& refered it to arbitration. The Steamer
Gov Douglas arrived at 6- PM. Mail
Letter fr the Capt & enclosure fr Mamsey.
Recd che. from Stewart for \$100
& sent it to Grant, per McDonald to
pay for Queenborough lot. Tea at
Crickmers.

1859-08-11

THURSDAY

Up at 6- Fined Jno Nike
\$2-50 for being drunk & [*illegible words*]
Working at accounts. Sent the 5 Indians
to work on the Langley trail.
Wrote letters. Reported to the
Gov my having employed the Indians

1859-08-12

FRIDAY

Up at 6 - Wrote & posted
letters to Mamsey & McMahan [*illegible*]
Applied for leave of absence.
Send to Gosett my acct for April
May & June. Went on trail, to inspect
the work. Mosquitoes very troublesome

1859-08-13

SATURDAY

Up at 6- Steamer
arrived at 9- Went to Westminster

Nicol went on to Victoria. Recd my appointment as assistant Register Col Moody at Victoria. Returned to Langley in Rev Boat - 5- hours. Wet night

1859-08-14

SUNDAY

Up at 6-
Heavy Rain. No congregation
No Church. Long talk with Crickmer
Reading.
Wylde dined

1859-08-15

MONDAY

Up at 6- Went to Fort in Rev
Boat & selected a place for bridge on
Salmon creak. Wylde very gassy
Crickmer chaffing. Revelations of
the Wylde family. Got hay put in
by Sywashes.
Very fine day.

1859-08-16

TUESDAY

Up at 6-
Went to Mashells Ranchree, long
walk over prairy - much pleased
with it, met the Indians fishing
42 canoes - beautiful sight. Tide
running up very fast. Got the
remainder of Kanakas Henry's hay
put in & salted

1859-08-17

WEDNESDAY

Up at 6- Writing letters. Went along
trail to see about bridge. Went up creak
Crickmers party arrived fr the Fort. [Simpson]
Newton Saunders &c. Cricket - Steamer
arrived at 6- My leave granted Bedford returns
[with] Mitchell goes up to Douglas

1859-08-18

THURSDAY

Up at 6- Went up creak
to select some hay - shot Kingfisher
Walked along creak. Paid Kanakas Henry
for Hay - \$70- Working in garden
Edwards showing off grey mare
Musketoes very troublesome

almost as bad as ever.

1859-08-19

FRIDAY

Up at 6- Writing letters
&c made up accts to take to Victoria
Lacking any traps. Crickmer offers
to buy vegetables. Went into wood to
see the Indians cut timber. Crickmer
& Newton dined

1859-08-20

SATURDAY

Up at 6- Heard
of the accident to the Gov
Douglas - The Moody passed
up to adieu her. Went out to look
for Grouse - no go Newton & Capt
Lewis dined went in Canoe to New
West Minster. Great [fuss] about [Burnaby]
[*left margin text*]
and Moberly
[*overwritten text*]
The Plumper
at Burrards
Inlet
Slept at Spaldings

1859-08-21

SUNDAY

Nicol arrived from
Burrards Inlet. Lunched at
Engineers Camp. Dined with
Spalding. The Col Moody arrived
with the passenger of the Douglas.
The Douglas arrived from Hope. Slept
on board the Beaver - Trutch & Nicol

1859-08-22

MONDAY

Started in Beaver at 3 O.C.
AM - sighted San Juan at
12 OC - arrived at Victoria at
2- Called upon Mrs Moody
Dined at Colonial with Begbie
Slept at Colonial

1859-08-23

TUESDAY

Called on the Gov
& had a long interview, Called on
Mr Cridge Pemberton, Maine &c

great excitement with reference to
San Juan Recd letter fr Mamsey
enclosing one from Tom. Posted letter
to the Capt enclosing one to Mamsey
[overwitten text]
Dined at the
Governors with
Nicol.

1859-08-24

WEDNESDAY

Up at 7- Forwood
arrived - not sorry to see my
box from New York. Called with
Stewart at Marines Camp
Dined & slept at Carey's.
Rolled Begbie out of Bed

1859-08-25

THURSDAY

Pic Nic at Langfords -
Jolly dance - large riding
Party. - Admiral Barnes
makes his appearance
How often I have wished myself
at the last pic nic.

1859-08-26

FRIDAY

Riding party to cedar hill
great fun some [rum] notions of
horsemanship. Dined with
Marines Higher Muskamus
Dance at Works.

1859-08-27

SATURDAY

Race between Cary &
Heaton. The latter in full racing
costume, & beaten like a hack.
Rode three heates against Pemberton
Bushby Good & Cary won all -
Rarefied Bushby horse very successful

1859-08-28

SUNDAY

Up at 6- bathed with Ker &
Stewart Church at 11- O.C. Bob
Stewart returned to England, he &
J. R. Stuart left in the Forwood -
Lunched at the Governors - long [wait]
dined at Cary's. [*illegible words*] also

beautiful night.
[*overwritten text*]
Sent sketch
of Langley home
by Bob Stewart

1859-08-29 *

MONDAY

Up at 6- Breakfasted with Blake.
Called up the Gov & was appointed
High Sheriff of B.C. Salary increased
to £300. Walked with Young through
the new Government buildings &
lunched at the Governors - Goods Higher
dinner.

1859-08-30

TUESDAY

Up at 6- executed
Commissions - Recd \$720 from
Main fr Bills of exchange. Lodged 500
with Begbie - paid Newton \$150
Paid Connell £12-. Recd from
Treasurer £100//13-5- on advance
Warrant 51 - Rode with Begbie
Cary's dinner Party.

1859-08-31

WEDNESDAY

Up at 4- Left Victoria
at 6- in Eliza Anderson. The [U S]
Active for San Juan thick fog - layto
opposite San Juan for 4 hours - passed
the Otter in Gulf - 2 miles fr Plumper pass
Arrived at New West Minster at 6 PM. Tea at
Spaldings. Great grumbling about [Permits]
&c Hamly abused by all the Capt's'
Met Newton

SEPTEMBER

1859-09-01

THURSDAY

Got Permit for Bedfords
Horse. Long argument with Hamly
with reference to excise convictions
Started for Langley at 4 PM - after
very great delay caused by the Custom
house officers - arrived at 6 PM Got
my big box all safe Bedford dined &
slept

1859-09-02

FRIDAY

Up at 6- Attended
Court at 10- Rode Bedfords horse
to Farm, & Rarefied his grey [moult]
successfully - to the great astonishment
of the Mexicans. Came back to Langly
in Canoe, discovered a large quantity of
spirits &c Bedford dined & slept
Wild settled with & paid off all his men

1859-09-03

SATURDAY

Up at 4- Went in Rev
Boat to look after Wiskey, but found it all
Removed. Breakfasted at Fort
attended Court. Issued sport licenses. Bedford
brought in my
horse from the Farm Rarefied him after
a hard fight, but quite successful in the
end. Unprovoked attack on Indians
by Chas. Miller (a Yankey) for which I
[illegible] him. Packing up traps.
The Gov Moody arrived unexpected at 11- PM

1859-09-04

SUNDAY

Up at 5- Read -
This day 7 months I left home. How I wish I
were back again - All day I have been thinking
of what occurred before I left. Church at 11- O.C.
Walked with Crickmer to Salmon creak -
late for dinner - read. Felt very
lonely all day - cannot help thinking of
my old & dear friends.

1859-09-05

MONDAY

Early at work packing - attended
Court at 10. Granted licences - sold
Young horse to Crickmer for
\$150- and Rarefied him to the
delight of his Reverend, & astonished
the natives. Very busy day.

1859-09-06

TUESDAY

Up at day light packing
attended Court at 10- Handed over
P.O. to Winnand. Spalding & Dewdney arrived
dined at 7- Tea at Crickmers.
Sat up writing. Bad head ache

turned in at 1- O.C. very tired

1859-09-07

WEDNESDAY

Up at day light. Wrote
to Young, Ker &c. Hay put into Barn
Handed over all public property &
monies to Spalding. Sold him my Boat
for \$130, also Ton of Hay to Dewdney for
\$15- per Ton. Rarefied Crickmers horse
Posted letter to Mamsey enclosure to the Capt.

1859-09-08 **

THURSDAY

Went out to shoot with Crickmer
no sport - Steamer expected all day
but - Helo. Crickmer very full of
being made J.P. - stupid day, very
hot.

1859-09-09

FRIDAY

Crickmer gets cropper & his
courage forsakes him - went out riding
when his pluck returns a little Steamer arrives
at 6 P.M. but so full - no room for horse or any of
my traps - Bushby Begbie Palmer Mrs Gamage &c
on board - The purser & stewards conduct
most disgraceful towards Begbie - no bed
slept on deck, turned in at 12- O.C.
Poor Crickmer how much he regretted my
leaving

1859-09-10

SATURDAY

Kicked out at 6- great
confusion - the conduct of the officers
of the boat - worse - no breakfast till
10 O.C. while Begbie was as usual - called at
[Chilwhayhook] & delivered part of cargo. Begbie
Bushby & self almost left behind - arrived at
Douglas at 6½. Recd some papers with reference
[overwritten text]
to Sheriffs duty fr
Nicol. Left \$200-
with him to pay Grant
for [illegible] lot
Balance due \$40-

1859-09-11

SUNDAY

Breakfasted with

Nicol - started at 11- O.C. read for an hour.
Marked incivility of officials - particularly to
Begbie. Took in wood at Harrison river - came
to anchor 16 miles from Hope. Beautiful
sight - Yankees sing. Mrs Thompson [sorry]
the wretch who can number his [kisses] deserves to
[overwritten text]
[illegible words]
indeed

1859-09-12

MONDAY

Started at 5¼ arrived at
Hope 12. Two Yankees in a great state
of fright from the fact that they suppose
that I have issued a warrant for their arrest
they try to escape & in the attempt loose their
canoe. Took up all the public property
from Smith & report having done so. Dust
oz [left blank] @ \$16- to the oz coin
Prepared to start with Begbie

1859-09-13

TUESDAY

Roused in the morning by
Robson coming to consult Begbie on the law
of marriages - no horses to be had. Higher [fire]
among the Indians Blanket feast &c
The Moody leaves - Posted news papers to the [illegible]
Bushby Begbie out to fish & report having seen
thousands of salmon Bushby killed 15 with a stick
Bushby & I dined together, & walked till 10-
[overwritten text]
Poor fellow told me
[illegible] about [illegible]
officer of which I knew
before. He has
[illegible words] and
honourably. I do hope
it may turn out
well for him

1859-09-14

WEDNESDAY

No horses to be had, &
the Indians refuse to work - the
fellows are too full of salmon. Begbie
goes out to fish, but soon returns drenched
wet day. Walked round the town with Bushby
& promised to have his lot fenced in. Writing
to Mamsey - spent the evening at the fort -

1859-09-15

THURSDAY

Again disappointed in
getting horses. McClean expected every
hour. Smith going about like a fool
preventing me & every person from doing
anything. Wrote to Mack about summoning
Jury, also to Nicol & Spalding. Cards at
Fort. Sat up writing to Mamsey. Expect
to be able to start in the morning
Begbie dictating as usual. Bad cold

1859-09-16

FRIDAY

In all day - remained in bed
till late. Paid Ogilvy \$330- for
Begbie - strolled about with Bushby &
promised to get his lot staked. Posted
letter to Mamsey with one enclosed for Tom
Ogilvy promised to send a dispatch after
[illegible] should the mail arrive in time & there be any
Letters. Decided on starting early in the morning

1859-09-17

SATURDAY

Up at 5- after a good deal of
[bustle] got away at 10- Begbie Bushby self - 2 mules
& 2 savages Hudson B. Brigade - McDonald 20
Horses, &c Palmer R.E. Camped at foot of Mansons
Mountain - 2000 feet above the level of sea Lat 42-
29- ¾ distance from Hope. Begbie makes
bread the savages turn [rusty] & are about to
desert. McDonald interferes & sets them right
again - saw about a dozen dead horses
not well & a good deal fatigued

1859-09-18

SUNDAY

Up at 5- read - started
at 7- Top of Mansons Mountain at 8½ - 3000 feet
above the sea, fearful hard work - at every turn a
dead horse or mule our mules far behind

1859-09-19

MONDAY

[no entry]

1859-09-20

TUESDAY

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1859-09-21
WEDNESDAY
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1859-09-22
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WEDNESDAY
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1859-09-29
THURSDAY
[no entry]

1859-09-30
FRIDAY
[no entry]

OCTOBER

1859-10-01
SATURDAY
[no entry]

1859-10-02
SUNDAY
[no entry]

1859-10-03
MONDAY
[no entry]

1859-10-04
TUESDAY
Eight months
since I left
Fecary.

1859-10-05
WEDNESDAY
[no entry]

1859-10-06
THURSDAY
[no entry]

1859-10-07
FRIDAY
[no entry]

1859-10-08
SATURDAY
[no entry]

1859-10-09
SUNDAY
[no entry]

1859-10-10
MONDAY
[no entry]

1859-10-11
TUESDAY
[no entry]

1859-10-12
WEDNESDAY
[no entry]

1859-10-13
THURSDAY
[no entry]

1859-10-14
FRIDAY
[no entry]

1859-10-15
SATURDAY
[no entry]

1859-10-16 *
SUNDAY

Read the morning service alone. A most stupid day - short walk with Saunders & Haynes - most stupid day. Pringle arrived fr Hope evening service in Court House - the first I had heard read since I left Langley How often I have been thinking of home to day.

1859-10-17
MONDAY

Court opened at 19- Jury sworn in the case of Smith v. Way. Matter settled Coleman v. Solomon. Cary looses his temper & rushes out of court. Went to Hope with Pringle. Steamer just arrived. Letter from Mamsey & one fr A.D.N. How grieved I am to hear of Charlotte's illness. God grant it may not be serious. I am longing for the next letter. Held Court in the afternoon.

1859-10-18
TUESDAY

Uneasy all night & had all sorts of unpleasant dreams about home. Posted letter to Mamsey & Gazett to the Capt. Begbie Bushby & Cary arrive Cary goes on direct to Victoria. Court opened at 11- no cases discharged at 3- P.M. Elliot arrived from Yale - wet evening Cards at Oglivie's.

1859-10-19
WEDNESDAY

Court opened at 11- Elliot appeared in two cases - Very wet day could not stir out - Busy in the evening at my accounts. How I long for next mail.

1859-10-20
THURSDAY

Busy at accounts. Walked with Begbie Elliot Oglivie & Bushby to Quecqualla - to select a site for a bridge - [left blank] got into boat & could not return in

a great fright about him - sent for canoe boat filled with water & had to swim for it & saved himself manfully. Morning disputes Settled. - Very wet day

1859-10-21 *
FRIDAY

Went to Cornish bar with Begbie to see Coe's ditch & decided that he should be allowed to run it out to the bar on compensating those who had claims there - walked home by the trail - riding Ogilvey mare over bar - registered James M. Thorpe as free miner Packing & wrote letters to Gosett Young &c &c. Fine day.

1859-10-22 *
SATURDAY

Begbie ill during the night & not able to start as we intended Issued Miners Certificates. Committed Indian [left blank] for 7 days with hard labour. Begbie in bed all day. Dined alone & [illegible] with Begbie. Elliot & Bushby dined with Oglivie. Read. Felt lonely & thinking of home a great deal.

1859-10-23
SUNDAY

Turned in at 1 AM Begbie feverish up early. Elliot went to Yale with Ogilvy Robson preached in Court house every word of which can be heard distinctly in my room. Pringle arrived from Yale very late & read service in HBC store - only Bushby Constable Chisholm & myself. Fine day

1859-10-24
MONDAY

Up at 5- Busy morning held court at 8- Started for Douglas in canoe Bushby Begbie Elliot - very wet day - Harrison river at 2 P.M. Steamer expected hourly. George Williams applied for license Pollard applied presented Elliot with Bread & butter, stopped at an Indian house 8 miles from the lake - clothes & blankets soaked sat at fire all night - the savages very friendly, but a most unpleasant odour - wretchedly uncomfortable.

1859-10-25

TUESDAY

Beautiful morning bathed, & started at 8- reached the mouth of lake at 10- hoisted sail, but wind failed immediately & took again to the oars. Camped again at our old ground at 4½ - beautiful spot & most comfortable dinner & tent. Higher fire Bushby insisted on Elliot taking more gin Commenced letter to dearest Mamsey

1859-10-26

WEDNESDAY

Started at 8- very rough obliged to put to shore half an hour after starting again on our journey at 1- PM reached Douglas at 4½ - Met Gaggin & Franklin very cold, no fire slept in Government house Begbie not quite so grumpy as of late

1859-10-27

THURSDAY

Court opened at 11- An Indian tried for shooting at [*left blank*] a frenchman with intent to murder - found guilty on very magnificent evidence - sentenced to death. Rode out with Begbie & Mitchel to see Grant dined & slept. What a really good fellow he is, & Mrs Grant such a nice person A monstrous shame to leave them in such a place, the only married man of the lot.

1859-10-28

FRIDAY

Walked on trail with Grant to Hellen lake - a capital job they have made of it Begbie as usual giving directions. Grant shoots him up much to our delights - dined at the Camp & rode back to Douglas - walked with Gaggin through the new Government house - a most uncomfortable building. Begbie Mitchel Franklin play whist. Turned in early.

1859-10-29

SATURDAY

Started at 9- fine morning met Pollard at 12- the Bridge river at 3½. Pettibone let us have a read of the Colonist in which we saw the arrest of Cary &c for refusing to give bail. Begbie indignant with Pemberton. Camped at 5- delightful spot

Bushby & self bath. Turned in at 8-

1859-10-30

SUNDAY

Up at 5- start at 7- How I hope this may be our last Sunday's travelling - mouth of river at 1- PM Williams Paid \$10- on account of his license - our savage jumped out of the canoe at the Smass, & left us to work our way to Langly which we reached at 7- P.M. Supped & slept at the Fort. Read the service. [*deletion*] I hope dear Charlotte is well enough to be at Cappagh. I wonder if I shall ever be with them. It is what I wish most for in this world

1859-10-31

MONDAY

Left Langley for New WestMinster at 8- A.M. arrived at Noon. Spalding holding Inquest with reference to the death of three white men who had been murdered. Court adjourned till 10 AM tomorrow. Dined at Spaldings slept at Treasury. Called on Mrs Moody & the Engineers [*overwritten text*] Scandal very rife about Kitty & James

NOVEMBER

1859-11-01

TUESDAY

Court opened at 10 - Bad attendance of Grand Jurors. Steamer Eliza Anderson having past arrival. Pollard discharged by proclamation Got from Begbie Bibles for £20- to send to A.D.N. drawn on his brother Thos S Begbie 4 Mansion House place London Dined with the Colonel. Wrote to A.D.N. & enclosed 1st of exchange. Letter fr Mamsey, enclosure from the Captain [*overwritten text*] Posted letter to Mamsey A D Nicoll with first of exchange for £20- amt Thos Begbie

1859-11-02

WEDNESDAY

The Moody went up to Hope, Begbie & Bushby started for Victoria per E. Anderson spent day with Engineers & dined - called on the Col & Mrs Moody the former suffering from bad head ache. Went up the Brunett in canoe with Seward & Seddal & Sheepshanks shot 4 grouse.

1859-11-03

THURSDAY

Wrote letters - spent most of the day with the Colonel & Mrs Moody Walked with Dewdney.

1859-11-04

FRIDAY

Eliza Anderson arrived with large Mail 6 months old by [*left blank*] 188 days fr Southampton - some old Tyrone Papers which were posted in April - great anxiety about the New Caledonia - several days from Victoria & no account of her - dined at the Colonels Palmer arrived from Colvil - wet night

[*overwritten text*]

Thursday 9 months

I left my dear friends I wonder when I shall see them again

1859-11-05

SATURDAY

Left New Westminster at 11- in canoe but found it impossible to get on - changed into boat - with Huntoon & Chas Moss & pulled ourselves to Langley where we arrived in time for Dinner at the Rectory. The whole place looking deserted & melancholy. Heavy shower for hail at starting

1859-11-06

SUNDAY

Very cold night

Heavy fall of snow the first [*illegible*]

of Winter Church at 11- only 4

Karnakers. I know this is the H.C. day at Mountfield. How I wish I was there also. Crickmer went to Upr Langley to have service on sandspit - a stupid day.

1859-11-07

MONDAY

Went to Upr Langley & pd Newton \$104-50 also to Mass \$9-50 for fish Walked out to Farm to see about horse, Bedford just returned from cattle hunting with one calf which he mamalused - quite uncertain whether horse can be got or not but Bedford promised to do his best - came back to Rectory with Crickmer.

1859-11-08

TUESDAY

Heavy fall of snow 6 inches deep. Went to Fort to see about getting horse ready &c, Bedford in his usual disobliging way did not have him sent in arrange with Pollard to keep mule at the mouth of Harrison river - snow balling - Steamer did not come - dined & slept at Fort.

1859-11-09

WEDNESDAY

[*no entry*]

1859-11-10

THURSDAY

[*no entry*]

1859-11-11

FRIDAY

[*no entry*]

1859-11-12

SATURDAY

[*no entry*]

1859-11-13

SUNDAY

[*no entry*]

1859-11-14

MONDAY

[*no entry*]

1859-11-15

TUESDAY

Started in canoe with Pringle Landvoigt Huntoon - & 2 savages - at 7½ O.C. got two more Indians at ranchree, rained nearly all day - arrived at Hope at 6 P.M.

Found Elliot in my quarters - where he had been waiting for Steamer since Thursday
Dined at Restaurant - very tired.

1859-11-16

WEDNESDAY

Up at 6 - Wet day
Held court at 11- John Thomas fined for assault - on [D'ibert Croye]. Elliot lay in bed nearly all day. Making up accounts
Issued Miner Certificates. Wrote letter to the Capt. Elliot dined with Pringle the latter in a great state of excitement about Yale Miss, & meetings on bars.
Posted letter to Capt enclosure to Mamsey in newspaper
[overwritten text]
Posted 2nd of exchange to A.D.N. with enclosure to Teresa
2nd letter to advise brother of Begbie

1859-11-17 *

THURSDAY

Up at 7- wet day. Wrote to Begbie, Connell &c &c. Making up accounts & did not stir out the whole day - about 50 miners arrived on their way to Victoria. Wrote my application for land on the Flat adjoining Capt Lempriere lot.

1859-11-18 *

FRIDAY

Greys boat arrived at 10- AM
Seized Curtey - freight. Walked with Elliot. Accounts.
Ogilvy & Charles spent the evening. Raining nearly all day.

1859-11-19

FRIDAY

Wet day
Wrote a number of letters
Anxious for the arrival of Steamer, & longing for my letters

1859-11-20

SUNDAY

Steamer Col Moody arrived with mail. Letter from dearest Mamsey with good news about Chaw - one also fr George Arthur. Church at 11- very good sermon on the 103 Psalm Pringles delight at hearing of the birth of his daughter
Service at 6½.

1859-11-21

MONDAY

Steamer left at 8½ - Elliot Ogilvy & Mrs - on board. Stupid old mule could not be found. Issued ~~Commission~~ Miners free certificates, & registered 1 claim. Walked to river with Charles returned by mill race - got wet. Smith came up & remained till 1. A.M. to my great annoyance

1859-11-22

TUESDAY

James Urne commenced to work at the Court house - snow & slight frost - hair cut - walked with Charles he & Smith came up in the evening much to my annoyance

1859-11-23

WEDNESDAY

Hard frost - lots of skating but too busy to go. Issued Free mining certificates. Walked with Charles Carpenter getting on with court room very slowly. Constable Higman getting more useless every day -

1859-11-24

THURSDAY

Hard frost. Indians call with ducks & trout to sell
Worked at my room all day preparing & having it cleaned - commenced to write to Mamsey. Skating all through the day.

1859-11-25 *

FRIDAY

Blowing hard through the night very frosty. Walked with Charles on the Smass trail to see the skating

but they had all left. Dined at the Fort & Played a rubber at dummy whist

1859-11-26

SATURDAY

Held court. Issued mining certificates - making up accounts - small mail from Victoria. Heard of the Steamer Col Moody getting aground at Sea Bird bar, - a great nuisance all chance gone of getting the mails regularly for the Winter.

1859-11-27

SUNDAY

No Church. Pringle at Victoria Went to hear Robson - no sermon very cold. Walked with Charles to Coquhalla - dined at Fort. Freezing hard.

1859-11-28

MONDAY

Posted my letter to Mamsey
Wrote some letters, held court. Went out to skate with Smith Charles & Findlason - some good sport Smith & Charles got ducks Smith & Findlason spent the evening

1859-11-29

TUESDAY

Up at 6- a slight Thaw, & weather mild - fine day Walked to Coquhalla. Writing. Trying to get my rooms in order

1859-11-30

WEDNESDAY

Heavy fall of snow
Indians go to the winter houses
Everything looks as if we were going to have a dreary season of it.
If I were back at home once more it would take a deal to induce me to leave it

DECEMBER

1859-12-01

THURSDAY

This morning the snow is 18 inches deep - it has been blowing hard all night - but no quite so much frost. McLaughlan Turner of Col Moody comes up in the evening about the freight which I refused to pay. In office all day issuing Trading licenses

1859-12-02

FRIDAY

More snow - & very cold - finished my letter to R.D.C. but goodness knows when I shall have a chance of sending it, & what is worse when the mail may I arrive. I cannot help feeling very uneasy. Held court Issued trading licenses
Bad headache

1859-12-03

SATURDAY

The snow this morning about two feet deep, & falling heavily. My head so bad today that I cannot do anything The Revd Robson came down about his Store, but for some reason it was not brought up. Note from Saunders to say Sergt McCall would be down on Monday.

1859-12-04

SUNDAY

Very ill all night - the hardest nights frost we have had - could not keep myself warm. How I have been thinking of home. They are most likely at Mountfield I wish I were with them - no Church Pringle in Victoria. Robson did not have service - Read, & spent a truly lonely day - 10 months today since I left home.

1859-12-05

MONDAY

Bad head ache, awake & ill during the night Walked to Coquhalla with Charles. Sergt McCall R E expected but did not arrive fr Yale
Thermometer 15- below Zero.

Heavy fall of snow

1859-12-06

TUESDAY

Dreadfully cold night - snow 2 feet
Deep. Settled with Frank - paid
him salary for Sept Oct & Nov, & all
other sums due \$186-15- also settled with
Chisholm for the same time & all other
sums.

1859-12-07

WEDNESDAY

Cold raw morning slight thaw
Bought Wm Nicholls interest (one sixth)
in the Cornish lead mine - for \$60-
also bought ½ lot B3 - Lot 4- from Chisholm for
\$200. Also bought fr. Chisholm
Lot [*left blank*] in B- [*left blank*] for \$120-
Sergt McCall arrived fr Yale

1859-12-08

THURSDAY

Thawing rapidly - posted letter to
Mamsey & R.D.C. & McDermott Smith took mail
Frank in a beastly state of drunkenness
Sent my requisitions & weekly collectorate
accounts to Gosett. Walked to Coquhalla
with Sergt McCall. Wrote to Col Moody
& Governor with reference to survey of
Town Suburban & Rural lands.
Lem & Charley Indians arrested on suspicion
of stealing \$120 from Lenan

1859-12-09

FRIDAY

Held court - remanded the Indian
arrested yesterday. Indian dance.
Sergt McCall commenced the traverse
of the Coquhalla & Fraser River
Issued warrant for the arrest of an Indian
in Greys boat charged on suspicion of being [*illegible*]
in the robbery of Lenan. Thawing - not at all
well & felt lonely - I wish the mail would come.

1859-12-10 *

SATURDAY

Slight frost during night.
Held court - \$63-70 - of Lenans money found
& the Pistol. Charley admitted having
stolen the money - To be whipped. His hair cut
& kept to hard labour for a month. Walked

to Coquhalla. Indians kicking up a row
their blanket feast. Stewart Finlaison &
Pitmann came down in the evening

1859-12-11

SUNDAY

Pringle not returned
fr Victoria. Attended Robsons service but
do not atall [admiss] it. Read one of
Arnolds sermons. How I have been thinking
about home all the day. Walked with Charles
& Mrs to Coquhalla - freezing [plenty]. Phail
Came, but to my great annoyance not
a letter for me - for some unaccountable
reason the English mail did not arrive

1859-12-12

MONDAY

Frost - Held court.
Walked with Charles to Maria Ville
Island. Saw Hows's Claim - no chance
of being able to work for some time every
thing frozen. Dined at Fort. Bad accounts
of the river being frozen below fr. Gerald
How I have been wishing for the mail to arrive.

1859-12-13

TUESDAY

Hard frost during the night very
cold morning. Badcock arrives fr Yale
with Indian Prisoner & [*illegible*] but no evidence
to be got. Send by him to Saunders £25-
to pay for my five acre lot - & £18-17-
on Bushby acct Dust \$219-15- David
Ogilvy arrives fr Alexander
[*overwritten text*]
Mack of
Albert Flat makes a
modest request

1859-12-14

WEDNESDAY

Up early read.
How I have been thinking & have gone
over every subject connected with the
events of this day twelve months
Read Chaws note about a hundred times
How every subject since has gone to
show how correct she was. May she always
follow the same course - Commenced letter
to dearest Mamsey. Charles & Ogilvy
came over in the evening.

1859-12-15

TUESDAY

Heavy rain during the night - & thawing - if it continues we may have the mail on a few days. My thoughts all day on the events of last year
Walked with Sergt McCall to point out the head of mill race, & to see his traverse of the Coquhalla. Ogilvy made me a present
[*overwritten text*]
of a very fine
otter skin

1859-12-16

FRIDAY

Thawing with occasional heavy showers of rain - high wind. How forcibly I have had before me every word that passed between the Capt & myself this day twelve months how very kind he was & dearest Mamsey. Poor dear Chaw how uneasy she was. What a deal of pain I caused her. Oh that all may be right - every day often I pray that it may.
In the house all day, but could not do much
Read & sat up - a very lonely day.

1859-12-17

SATURDAY

Snow disappearing slowly
Walked to Cornish bar to see the claims which has been applied for by Whitford Orr & Co Recd their memorial. Visited Coe's ditch - which is nearly completed. The mail should arrive if the thaw continues a few days longer, but very little chance of the Moody getting afloat

1859-12-18

SUNDAY

Up early read
No service Pringle not having returned. Went to hear Robson in the evening - Text- (Mighty to [*illegible*]) Wisley [*left blank*] revivals not at all a comfortable sermon, but he intends well
[*overwritten text*]
Posted letter to A. D.
N. with 3rd exchange for £20- enclosure for Teresa & Jas Williams

1859-12-19

MONDAY

Busy with Sergt McCall all day. Pringle arrive late with 2 mails - Letter from Mamsey only one & newspapers - how delighted I was to hear that all was well. Recd from Bushby £19-4 - long letter from Begbie. Findlaison in great humour.

1859-12-20

TUESDAY

Up early Held court
Long chat with Pringle. With Sergt McCall surveying town. Saw Coe with reference to Barge for river & ditch for sluicing at Cornish Bar, also about lease of his saw mill &c - delivered Begbies message to Waddingham

1859-12-21

WEDNESDAY

Held court.
Wrote to Newton - to Bushby acknowledging the rect of Tin. To Begbie & enclosed I.O.U. for \$500- sent them by D. Ogilvie. Sent mail to Harrison River - in H.B.C. Bateau. Recd approved requisitions - & Gov letter with reference to increase of duty & trails Boston Bar &c.

1859-12-22

THURSDAY

Posted letter to McMahon enclosure to Mamsey, & newspaper
Meeting in Court House with reference to Gov letter - great dissatisfaction expressed at the proposed duty. Committee appointed to draw up resolutions & to report on Saturday.

1859-12-23

FRIDAY

Held court - writing at my accounts nearly all day. Head ache & not at all well. Pringle opened his library at Waddinghams restaurant - a very poor assembly He is rather disgusted. He certainly deserves credit for his exertions about it.

1859-12-24 *

SATURDAY

Held court - head
Ache. Made out return of lots sold
forfeited &c &c. Walked with Mrs & Mr
Charles on the Sumass trail & saw
the rockers. Issued summonses for
Monday. Attended meeting in the evening
Chisholm in the chair with reference to
Governors letter respecting duty on goods leaving
Hope

1859-12-25

SUNDAY

Thaw & rain
Indians very noisy
during the night - Pringle an hour & half
late for service which was held in Waddinghams
Restaurant - only 7- attended - luncheon at
Charles - not particularly well - did not dine
row in Town. Service at 6½ - a very uncosey
day. How much I have been thinking of all at home
this day 12 months Mamsey made me a valuable
present

1859-12-26

MONDAY

Hard frost.
Attended Police Court
Walked to Cornish Bar & Coes ditch
to investigate the objections made by Coe
to the Companies application for a lease,
but could not come to my satisfactory conclusion
Dined at Fort - Pringle & Tim Hayson also
the latter could not [*illegible*]. This day
last yr Dearest Chaw was so ill. God grant
that all are well all day. I have been thinking
of them.

[*overwritten text*]

Bellows arrived
with express &
mail from Victoria
a heap of officials

1859-12-27

TUESDAY

Rain & thaw this morning
Held Court. Chisholm & Findlaison
start for New Westminster - very busy answering
letters to Cary, Gosset, Young &c Did not move out
of the house. Pringle
duns me for a loan for the library - which

I am at last obliged to give him

1859-12-28

WEDNESDAY

Hard Frost
Wrote out return of the sale of lots in Fort
Hope fr. Col Moody, Walked to Coquhalla
& then to Sergt McCall with reference to
the survey of the 5 acre lots - arranged
with Charles & Findlaison for a days
skating. Went to Library & afterwards
to Charles.

1859-12-29

THURSDAY

Very Hard frost
out skating on large lake
beautiful sheet of ice - bad skates
but enjoyed it. Shot a water ouzle
Blue Jay & small duck - for stuffing
Findlaison dined.

1859-12-30

FRIDAY

Frosty & cold night
Thermometer down to [*left blank*] below
Zero - Dearest Mamsey Ill last year
In the house the whole day - tired after
yesterdays skating. Reading -
Findlaison Charles & Pringle in
Library.

1859-12-31

SATURDAY

Hard frost. Held
Court. Went out skating with
Charles & Findlaison. Not home till
Dark. Pringle called to let me
know that the Holy Communion would
be administered - tomorrow - New
Years day. Went to Charles
for a short time. Read
Chisholm returned according
to promise.

CASH ACCOUNT

Distance fr. New York to Aspin
 - wall - 1980 miles -
 - To Panama 46
 Fr Panama to Sanfrancisco 3260
 Total 5286 miles

From New York to
 Sanfrancisco

CASH ACCOUNT - JANUARY

£ s. d.

Mr M. J. Matheson
 No 6 Natoma Street
 Sanfrancisco
 Pacific Mail Steering Ship Company

Mr Cooper
 Chief Clerk
 [Fecarry]

CASH ACCOUNT - FEBRUARY

£ s. d.

[no entry]

CASH ACCOUNT - MARCH

£ s. d.

[no entry]

CASH ACCOUNT - APRIL

£ s. d.

~~April 27th - Robertson fish~~
~~— \$10 - Costs \$3 - 13~~
~~“ 28th Power of Attorney 1~~
~~“ “ Information Search 2~~
~~— [illegible words]~~

April 27th Costs \$3
 “ 28th - 1
 “ 29th - 6
 May 5th - 12

CASH ACCOUNT - MAY

£ s. d.

May 2nd [illegible] \$1 -
 May 4th To Gaggin and Connell \$70 0
 “ 6 5th To Murry fr Timber for boat \$10-
 “ “ To Sparrow 9-
 “ “ To Const Lipsitt 47 50
 “ “ To Bedford 23 days pay

£ s. d.

fr Wilson 69 -
 6th To Wilson in full 13 days 39 -
 “ “ To Wilson for self “ 50
 May 2nd Freight per Gov Douglas 4 -
 May 1st To Mrs Lewis for Bed &c 20 -
 “ 9th To Fr Hertman on acct 10 -
 “ 13th To Fell as per rect 19 -
 “ 14th To Mrs McKenna fr washing 3 -
 “ 16th To Mrs Lewis 22 day meals
 In full 33
 “ 9th Boards for Boat, nails &
 freight per E. Anderson 11 20
 “ 15 Collection at Church 5 -
 “ 13 Brandy per Lipsitt 4 -
 “ 15 To Frank for Grub &c 5
 “ 19th To Lipsitt to pay for Indians
 to search for Joe Hall deserter
 fr Plumper 2
 “ 21st To Lipsitt - 42 50
 “ - Boat fr Mail 1 50
 Do - 1 -
 Tins fr Prison 2 -
 “ 26th To Lipsitt for salmon 4 20
 To Murry for Boat 4 -
 To Murry - £7-1//6
 28th To Murry fr drink \$2 -
 Dr Wood for Clothe 3 20
 24 Express to Queenborough
 & [illegible] 4 -
 30 seed Potatoes 1 -
 To Price fr making sail of clothes 7 -
 31st To Dr Mitchell 15 -
 “ To Murry for Boat 20
 “ To Sergt McMurphy for men 16 70
 “ To Corporal House for cloth
 fr boat 4 -

CASH ACCOUNT - JUNE

£ s. d.

June 4th To Hortman in full Jail
 and house account \$31 45
 “ “ Paid Const Lipsitt in full 93 -
 “ “ Paid Const Higman in full 35 -
 “ 7th Paid Sapper Richards for
 for making pigeon holes & 7 50
 - Paid Mrs McKenna washing 2 50
 “ Paid Lewis for Cranberries 1
 “ Paid for axe & lock 13
 “ 8th Paid Murry for making boat 37
 15 Paid Bedford on acct of horses 100

CASH ACCOUNT - JULY

	£	s.	d.
[no entry]			

CASH ACCOUNT - AUGUST

	£	s.	d.
[no entry]			

CASH ACCOUNT – SEPTEMBER

	£	s.	d.
\$48 – in purse when I started			
Sept 14th - To Ogilvy fr Begbie	\$300	30	
“ 16 To Frank	\$20	-	
17th Cloth for leggins		1	-
Oct 21st To Frank		5	0

CASH ACCOUNT – OCTOBER

	£	s.	d.
17th Paid fr [illegible]	\$1	50	
19th To Bushby	100	-	
20th To Begbie in dust	100		
20 Paid for lush		1	50
22 Paid Do		1	50
To Indian fr [illegible words]		1	“
21 Canoe on Gold Commission duty		2	-
22 To Bushby in dust	50	-	
24 To Chisholm for Burial	12	35	
28 Oct Recd from Sergt Williams [illegible] inn	\$10	-	

CASH ACCOUNT – NOVEMBER

	£	s.	d.
Nov 4th Holbrook	\$10	-	
8 Newton in full	104	50	
“ Moss - fish		9	50
8 To Crickmer for care of horse		8	50
Nov 10 to 15th Canoes fr N. W. Minster		14	50
Nov 21 To Ogilvy for mule		4	50
To Elliot for Grant	100	-	
“ 27th Waddingham Board in full		18	75
28 “ To Frank on acct		10	“ “
30 Restaurant		1	50
Nov 21st Recd fr. mining claims	\$30	-	
“ “ “ 1 Registry		1	-

CASH ACCOUNT – DECEMBER

	£	s.	d.
Decr 6 Paid Frank - salary for Sept Octr & Nov & all other sums due him	\$186	15	
7 Paid Wm Nicholls for Quanty tea		60	-
“ Paid Chisholm salary for Sept Octr & Nov & all other demands			
8th Paid Smith for Saw for Sail		3	
“ Do for looking Glass & carpet		6	50
14th Per Badcock to Saunders for My 5- acre lot at Yale		125	00
“ Per Do for Bushby		94	00
11 Robsons - Church		1	00
17th Pd Frank House acct in full fr 1st to 17th		27	35
18th Robsons Church		1	00
19 Tilly for newspapers		-	75
24th Paid Popper per Sergt McCall		18	“ “
“ “ Johnston (on survey)		18	“ “
“ “ Ross (Do -		18	“ “
“ “ To Frank House acct to this day		13	“ “
27th To Landvoigt (Government)		27	75
18th Recd fr Bushby Per Elliot			£19 4 “

NOTES

Drunk - Fined \$1-25. Costs \$2-

For Spalding

Potatoes - 2 loaf sugar

1 Doz of sherry - 1 case of ale

To wash flannel

Wash in very hot water

& rinse in cold -

Edwd Tags -

Peter Suite

Portsmouth

Columbia St Queenborough

No 2- B. 16- \$340

Took Alexander

Flour 58cts for lb

Bacon 80 15th Sepr 59

Beans 58

Sugar 58

10

4

11 - 50

1 - 50

20

20

1

3

5

4 - 50

£18-20-

Sir

I think it desirable to inform

you that a number of houses

situated in the said spot

[adjacent] the Fort [*deletions*] are

burnt down on the 24th inst

[*deletion*] & it appears to me to

be a good opportunity of [*illegible*]

[parties] from squatting there from

the [*illegible*].