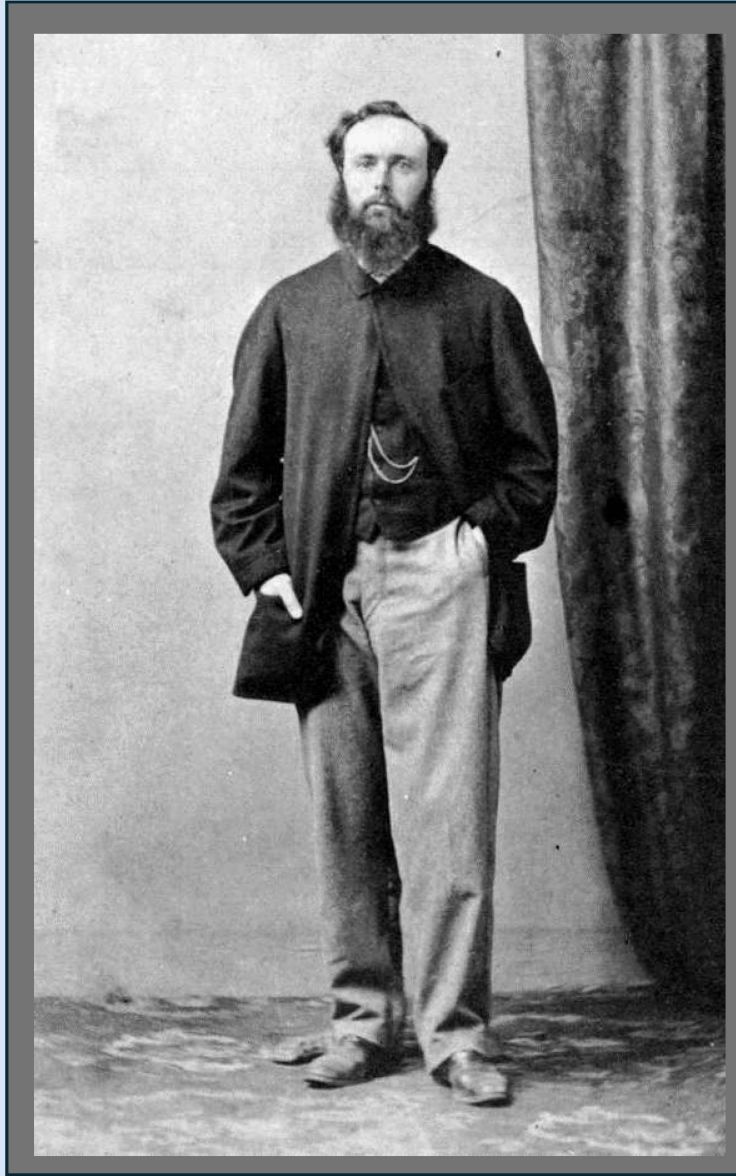


DIARIES OF PETER O'REILLY

1858 – 1905



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1866

DIARY TRANSCRIPTION

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SAMPLE DIARY PAGE

A summer storm and flood threaten French Creek gold mining in the Big Bend region.
June 28, 1866

June,	Thursday, 28.	1866.
<p>Another Kwacting day, Thunder lightning, heavy rain the first real storm we have had this season. tremendous flood in Creek & a great deal of damage done, the Half breed flume almost carried away. The whole population worked during the night to save the dams &c. The box sent by Joe arrived at last by trade packer paid freight on it \$12.50</p>		
<p>Friday, 29.</p>		
<p>Fine day, a good deal of damage done to dambores. The 2 boxes from Seymour arrived by Deitz the packer, Layton having forwarded them from his camp. paid freight on them \$32.75.</p>		

DIARY SUMMARY

JANUARY

Peter O'Reilly meets with government officials and friends in Victoria - opening of the legislative session with official dinner in New Westminster - tennis at Government House.

FEBRUARY

Birth of first child Francis Joseph O'Reilly on February 9th in New Westminster.

MARCH

Funds received to purchase leg irons, handcuffs, and safe for Columbia district - Peter's district plans opposed by Nonus Birch and Matthew Ball - wife "Carry" (Caroline) attends church for first time since giving birth.

APRIL

Christening of Francis O'Reilly at Sapperton (New Westminster) church by Rev Percival Jenns - Peter departs for Big Bend to deal with gold rush - three weeks of travel to Big Bend on poor roads - tent camp established.

MAY

Peter rents 10 ft x 12 ft cabin to issue mining licences and hold court - after initial flurry of activity, issuance of licenses subsides as miners leave for other areas - seventeen men perish at Death Rapids on Columbia River - no attempt to celebrate the Queen's birthday by miners.

JUNE

"Head still most painful...could not even write my usual letter to Carry." - sudden death of Constable Gompertz - beef cattle driven to supply mining camps - a mining company brings in \$1500 in one week - heavy rain causes significant flooding and damage to mine operations.

JULY

Departure from Big Bend to return to Wild Horse Creek - unavailability of Steamer *Forty-Nine* causes change in travel plans - Walter Moberly persuades Peter to take Columbia route to Fort Shepherd - Dewdney's trail followed eastward to Wild Horse Creek.

AUGUST

Peter oversees magistrate John Gaggin at Wild Horse Creek - decides to depart after two weeks - retraces route to Fort Shepherd, then southward to Fort Colvile to avoid fire on Dewdney's trail - arrival at Sooyoos (Osoyoos) Lake.

SEPTEMBER

Peter visits Tom Ellis at Penticton ranch before proceeding northward via Fort Kamloops, Thompson River, and Shuswap Lake to the Big Bend - poor reports on Big Bend mining - Peter organizes an election and works on court cases at Big Bend.

OCTOBER

Legislative Council election held - remaining court cases held over until June 1867 - winter sets in and Peter departs for New Westminster - heavy rain and deep snow slow the journey.

NOVEMBER

Arrival at New Westminster in two weeks - meetings with Governor Seymour - hunting with friends at Pitt Meadows.

DECEMBER

Peter and Carry depart for Victoria in a storm and are forced to lay over at Saltspring Island - ball held at Government House.

REFERENCES & COMMENTS

1866-01-07

Thomas Lett Wood

(1821-?)

Barrister and acting Stipendiary Magistrate in the 1860s, later Attorney General.

1866-01-08

Mary Letitia (Pemberton) Pearse

(1840-1872)

Married Benjamin Pearse in 1862, cousin of surveyor Joseph Despard Pemberton.

1866-01-12

Joseph William McKay

(1829-1900)

In charge of Fort Yale for the Hudson's Bay Company starting in 1866, chief factor (1872-78).

1866-01-14

Percival Jenns

(1834-1915)

Anglican minister in New Westminster (1865-66), Nanaimo (1866-68), rector of St John the Divine in Victoria (1868-1914).

1866-01-17

Government House, New Westminster



Image: Government House – south view (New Westminster Archives IHP1714-09, c. 1865)

1866-02-09

Francis Joseph O'Reilly

(1866-1941)

First child of Peter & Caroline O'Reilly born February 9, 1866, at New Westminster.

1866-02-15

Steamer *Onward*

Operated on the Fraser River starting in 1865.

1866-03-13

St Mary the Virgin Anglican Church, Sapperton

Church built by the Royal Engineers in 1865, the location of the christening of Francis Joseph O'Reilly in 1866.

1866-04-07

Arthur Wellesley Vowell

(1841-1918)

Chief constable at Big Bend (1866-72), later gold commissioner and stipendiary magistrate, and lastly Indian Reserve Commissioner succeeding Peter O'Reilly in 1898.

1866-04-07

Big Bend Gold Rush

Gold rush of the upper Columbia River region peaking in 1866 and centered on French, Mica, and McCullough Creeks.

1866-04-11

Gustavus Blin Wright

(1830-1898)

Built Old Cariboo Road to the Cariboo gold fields. Commissioned the sternwheelers *Enterprise* and *Victoria* for the Fraser River trade to Quesnel.

1866-04-12

Helen (Holmes) McKay

(1840-1914)

Married Joseph McKay (1829-1900) in Victoria in 1860.

1866-04-14

Louis Vincent Hautier

(?-1886)

Proprietor of Globe Hotel in Lytton starting in 1862.

1866-04-17

Savona's Ferry, BC

Ferry crossing of the Thompson River starting in 1858.

1866-04-17

Seymour Arm, BC

The northern portion of Shuswap Lake became one of two access routes to the Big Bend area in 1865. This route followed the Cariboo Trail to Savona's Ferry and the South Thompson River to the lake and by trail over the Gold Range mountains to the Columbia River. Walter Moberly surveyed the town of Seymour and the trail to the Columbia.

1866-05-22

Death Rapids

One of the most hazardous rapids of the Columbia River, now submerged in Lake Revelstoke.

1866-07-08

Steamer *Forty-Nine*

A steamship built to service the Big Bend area of the Columbia River starting in 1865. It traveled from Washington Territory south of the 49th parallel, through the Arrow Lakes to Death Rapids on the Columbia.

1866-08-15

corduroy road

The placement of logs or timbers perpendicular to the direction of the road over a swampy or low area to make it passable.

1866-09-04

Immaculate Conception Mission

Started by Father Charles Pandosy and Father Pierre Richard in 1859, the mission became an agricultural and ranching operation and community hub to settlers and First Nations peoples, now the site of Kelowna, BC.

1866-09-05

Charles Frederick Houghton

(1839-1898)

Started Coldstream Ranch which later was sold to the Vernon brothers, also served as a militia officer.

1866-09-05

Forbes George Vernon

(1843-1911)

Okanagan rancher with brother Charles Albert Vernon, MLA for Yale, BC, Commissioner of Lands & Works (1876-78 and 1887-94), namesake of Vernon, BC.

1866-09-05

Charles Albert Vernon

(1840-1906)

Brother of Forbes George Vernon.

1866-09-18

John Andrew Mara

(1840-1920)

Merchant in Seymour and Kamloops, MLA (1871-86), MP (1887-96), rancher in the Okanagan and Shuswap.

1866-11-07

Nicholas Hare

(? - ?)

Rancher and orchardist at Cherry Creek between Fort Kamloops and Savona's Ferry.

1866-11-08

Henry Pennant Cornwall

(1838-1892)

Developed a 6400-acre ranch at Ashcroft with his brother Clement Francis Cornwall.

1866-11-14

Frederick Seymour

(1820-1869)

Governor of the Colony of British Columbia (1864-66), Governor of the United Colonies of Vancouver Island and British Columbia (1866-69).

1866-11-14

Florence Maria (Stapleton) Seymour

(c. 1832-1902)

Married Frederick Seymour (1820-1869) in 1866.

DIARY – 1866

JANUARY

1866-01-01

MONDAY

14th July - Carnes Cr ~~Recorded in favour~~
of H Carnes transfer to
Joseph Wilson 6493 one
½ interest in 300 feet
Known as the [Diver] Co
on Carnes Cr.

J. H. Cole transfers to
Thos Wilson one half [*illegible*]
in 300 feet known as
[Misery] Claim in Carnes Cr

1866-01-02

TUESDAY

Received in favour of
Cornelius Driscoll 709
100 feet situated immediately
above the upr Line at J. H.
Cole claim & to be worked
as part of the Pioneer
Company on Cairnes Cr.

1866-01-03

WEDNESDAY

Left N. W. at 11- in the
Enterprise. Birch Mansell, Elliott
& wife. Called at Nanaimo
reached Victoria at 10 P.M.
Beautiful day not at all
sick. Commissioner McConway
to buy me a Rifle (Henry's)
at Frisco, with a supply
of ammunition, supper at
the Colonial with Birch Mannsell
Elliott & Mrs Elliott. Put up at the
St George

1866-01-04

THURSDAY

Enclosed nearly all day
with Birch. Called on
Sir James & the Youngs, but
found them both out, saw
W.A.G. in his office
Dined with the Kennedys
rather a stupid evening

1866-01-05

FRIDAY

Get Bill of Exchange for
£25- which cost \$125-75
in favour of Robt Galbraith, Lake View
Saintfield, Co Down. Posted letter with
enclosed 1st of exchange to above
address.

Very busy day. Paid a number
of accts & made no end of calls
Dined with Sir James at 6½

1866-01-06

SATURDAY

Another busy day. Met Birch
by appointment at 11- & remained
with him till 1- Lunched with
the Bishop. Dined with Walker
at the Club, & spent the evening
with the Charles'es.

Lovely day

1866-01-07 *

SUNDAY

Beautiful day Christs Church at
St Johns 11- walked home with
Sir James lunch with the
Youngs. Donald Fraser called
Went to St George to meet
Birch, afterwards Walker
drove me out to see the Woods
& Mrs Bacon. Walker dined
with me at Colonial, afterwards
paid Mrs Charles a visit

1866-01-08 *

MONDAY

Busy all morning
executing commissions
Walker kindly drove me
to the Kennedys, Mrs Lane
Mrs Pearce, & Mrs Foster
Paid Mrs Nind a visit
Dined with the Youngs.
Nind came in the evening
& stayed till 5 AM

1866-01-09

TUESDAY

Up at 7. Started for
New Westminster in Enterprise
at 8- with Birch & Mannsell.

Beautiful. Arrived at
N. W. at 4.30-

1866-01-10
WEDNESDAY

Jno left fr Victoria at
10 A.M.

1866-01-11
THURSDAY
[no entry]

1866-01-12 *
FRIDAY

Settled with Dewdney in full.
Wrote to White & sent him
a pocket deary 6- books &
a large bundle of newspapers
Also wrote to Jane & sent
him papers & books to be read
& forwarded to White.
Birch desirous of sending
me to Victoria in re this direct
Mail Steamer arrangement
Enterprise arrived with
McKay & a number of work men.

1866-01-13
SATURDAY

Hard frost. Enterprise went
up river with McKay & men
en route to Shuswap Lake to build
Steamer. Had a long interview
with Birch in re my trip to
Victoria. Steam up in the Leviathan
but I succeeded in putting it off
Called & said good bye to Mrs
McNamara
Hard Frost

1866-01-14 *
SUNDAY

Heavy full of snow, about
8 inches on the ground
Cold all day. Church
at 11- Mr Jenns preached

1866-01-15
MONDAY

Very hard frost went out
to sleigh drove 4 horses &
took Carry out for an

hour.

Volunteer Ball did
not go, but Tommy put
in an appearance.
[illegible] cold night

1866-01-16
TUESDAY

Another cold day, the river
nearly closed with ice
Had a long talk with Walkem
which ended in my paying
Picht \$500 in discharge
of his claim against the
Sheriff for £175-2-0- in the
case of Picht v. Felker.

1866-01-17 *
WEDNESDAY

Hard frost bright cold day
drove tandem with Dewdney
& Prichard.
Dined at Government House
official dinner.
Steamer Expected but
she did not come.

1866-01-16
THURSDAY

Thermometer showed 18 degrees
of frost. Beautiful sunny
day.
The Council was opened
at 2- PM by His Honor the
Administrator, a large
attendance, started fr the
Quarters in the sleigh with
Mrs T. Mrs Claudet, & Tommy
& came to grief going down
the hill at the Camp fortunately
nobody hurt.

1866-01-19
FRIDAY

Hard frost. Went to camp
intending to drive to the
Inlet with Birch, but found
it was too late. Attended
Committee Meeting at the A G's
office to prepare reply to
the speech

1866-01-20

SATURDAY

Heavy fall of snow, drove the 4 horses to the Inlet with Birch & Bushby to meet the steamer, but she had not arrived, left at 4½ & got back at 6- the road very heavy thawing fast Dined with Birch, heard that the Steamer arrived. Tremendous heavy rain.

1866-01-21

SUNDAY

Church at 11-. Rained all day. Tommy & Joe drove to the Inlet for John, & returned with him at 8- PM. Begbie dined with us

1866-01-22

MONDAY

Rapid thaw, snow disappearing fast. Council at 2 PM
Recd letter from Nind enclosing Power of Attorney & Title deed for Suburban Lot at Hope

1866-01-23

TUESDAY

Thaw, snow & frost going away very fast, the River nearly free of ice.
Council at 1½, presented reply to His Honor at 2 P.M. & afterwards lunched with him.

1866-01-24

WEDNESDAY

Council at 2 PM.

1866-01-25

THURSDAY

Council at 2 P.M.
Home early Carry took a short walk.
Hyack Ball in Drill shed. Tommy went. Mrs Trutch went with us very heavy rain during

1866-01-26

FRIDAY

Rained all day. No Council.

1866-01-27

SATURDAY

Incessant Rain
Played Tennis at the Govt House.

1866-01-28

SUNDAY

~~Council at 3. PM~~
Service at 11- Mr Jens preached

1866-01-29

MONDAY

Council at 3 PM.
Fine day

1866-01-30

TUESDAY

Very fine day. Tommy went to Mud Bay to shoot ducks.
Council at 3 P.M.

1866-01-31

WEDNESDAY

Fine day Council at 3. P.M.

FEBRUARY

1866-02-01

THURSDAY

Fine day. Council at 3. P.M. adjourned till Tuesday the 6th inst the estimates not being ready.
Carry took a drive in the pony carriage
We dined with Joe in the quarters, got home at 10½.

1866-02-02

FRIDAY

Fine day, hard frost
Played Tennis with
Cornwall & Birch at
Government House.

1866-02-03

SATURDAY

Up at 6. Hard frost. Went
down the River with Birch &
Cornwall to shoot ducks.
Killed 28. & 1 Goose, got
back at 8½.

1866-02-04

SUNDAY

Hard frost, cold morning.
Came on to snow at 4 P.M., &
afterwards heavy rain.

1866-02-05

MONDAY

Rained nearly all
day.

1866-02-06

TUESDAY

[*no entry*]

1866-02-07

WEDNESDAY

[*no entry*]

1866-02-08

THURSDAY

Beautiful day, went to the
Camp early. Council at 3
PM, got home at 5½ & found
Carry very ill with her Mother
Mrs Ker & Doctor Oliver in
attendance about 9 OC she
became so bad that I sent for Doctor
Black
Birch & Elwyn went down
the river to shoot

1866-02-09 *

FRIDAY

Dearest Carry was confined
at ¼ 2 AM.

1866-02-10

SATURDAY

An eventful day in New Westminster.
Good's sister married to
Rushton. A Fire broke out
at the back of Hicks Hotel. The
"Active" arrived fr Victoria to
commence her trips direct to
Frisco. A number of Victorians
came up in her.
Carry & youngster going on
very well

1866-02-11

SUNDAY

Beautiful day. The "Active"
left for San Francisco at 9 P.M.
Service at 11- Revd Jenns
preached.
Took a walk with John

1866-02-12

MONDAY

Frosty morning, Council at 2 P.M.
Committee of the House on the
Estimated which lasted all day

1866-02-13

TUESDAY

Frosty morning very cold
Had a chat with Birch in
reference to the Columbia
district. Council met
at 2 PM, occupied all
day with the estimates.

1866-02-14

WEDNESDAY

Hard frost ice beginning
to form on the river.
Council at 3. PM Cornwall
bought in a resolution censuring
the Editor of the B. Columbian, which
was passed after a warm
discussion.

1866-02-15 *

THURSDAY

Hard frost again, a good deal
of float ice in the river, the
"Onward" went a second time
into winter quarters, another

row in Council with reference
to the vote of censure.
Begbie, Elliott, & wife, Mrs Crease
& Mr & Mrs Rushton went to
Victoria in the Enterprise

1866-02-16

FRIDAY

[no entry]

1866-02-17

SATURDAY

[no entry]

1866-02-18

SUNDAY

[no entry]

1866-02-19

MONDAY

[no entry]

1866-02-20

TUESDAY

[no entry]

1866-02-21

WEDNESDAY

[no entry]

1866-02-22

THURSDAY

Beautiful day. Council
at 2-

Recd fr Trevor an order
on the Bank of BC for
\$79- Rent of Fashion Hotel
for Nov. & Decr. 65-

1866-02-23

FRIDAY

[no entry]

1866-02-24

SATURDAY

[no entry]

1866-02-25

SUNDAY

Lovely day. Church
at 11- Took a walk
with John, & called on Mrs

Dewdney, The Goods, & the
Nagles.

1866-02-26

MONDAY

Heavy rain during the
night

1866-02-27

TUESDAY

[no entry]

1866-02-28

WEDNESDAY

[no entry]

MARCH

1866-03-01

THURSDAY

[no entry]

1866-03-02

FRIDAY

The Steamer "Active" left
for Sanfrancisco. Wrote to
Mrs Ellis.

Recd \$66.10- from Aggasis
Sheriffs fees.

1866-03-03

SATURDAY

[no entry]

1866-03-04

SUNDAY

[no entry]

1866-03-05

MONDAY

[no entry]

1866-03-06

TUESDAY

[no entry]

1866-03-07

WEDNESDAY

[no entry]

1866-03-08

THURSDAY

Heavy Rain nearly all day. No Council Played in the Fives Court with Cornwall &c &c.

Paid Gompertz a visit at the Hospital found him suffering much & likely to lose both his feet.

1866-03-09

FRIDAY

Council at 3- PM Conference with Birch in reference to the Road Toll question. Enterprise arrived. Recd letter fr White dated 22nd Nov enclosed by Jane

1866-03-10

SATURDAY

Very wet day. Long chat with Birch in reference to the working of my district both he & Ball strongly objected to Whites removal to Big Bend. Heard of the accidents to the Reliance & Lillooet

1866-03-11

SUNDAY

Rained all day. Service at 11- AM, Mr Jenns.

1866-03-12

MONDAY

[no entry]

1866-03-13 *

TUESDAY

Recd fr. Treasurer \$250-00 on advance warrant for the purchase of leg irons Handcuffs, & a safe for the Columbia district. Wrote to White, & enclosed him two circular letters

& 4 private letters to Jane. Wrote also Drove Carry in the pony carriage to Sapperton Church

1866-03-14

WEDNESDAY

Left in the Enterprise at 10- AM for Victoria. Tommy missed his passage, arrived at Victoria at 4½ P.M, after a beautiful run. Dined with Walker at the club, & afterwards retired to his quarters to chat, turned in at 12½

1866-03-15

THURSDAY

Lovely day, busy executing commissions, bought a small iron safe fr Fellows Roskell. Rode with Sir Jas & dined at James Bay. - Wrote a short note to dearest Carry to go by Enterprise in the morning. Paid Tommy \$650-, being the amt borrowed fr. Robt McMahon with interest since 1859. Settled private acct in full with [*illegible*]

1866-03-16

FRIDAY

Up at 7½ lovely day Busy day making purchases ~~Dined~~ & paid a number of visits. Dined at the Woods with Walker Mr & Mrs Lee.

1866-03-17

SATURDAY

Up at 7- went out shopping before breakfast Rode to Belmont with W. A. G. Young, Mrs Young, Walker of B. B. C. & J. R. Steward drove in a buggy had luncheon at Belmont with Mr Cameron, & got back

at 6 P.M. Dined at the
Governors. Tommy arrived
fr N. W. Recd a note fr
dearest Carry.

1866-03-18

SUNDAY

Heavy rain during the
night. Church at 11-
at the Cathedral, the
Bishop preached, took a
walk with Sir James, &
dined with the Youngs
afterwards went to evening
service at St Johns
with Walker of the Bank
spent the evening with
Charles.

1866-03-19

MONDAY

Threatning rain all
day, paid a number
of bills, afterwards hired
a horse, paid visits
to Mrs Young, Sir James
the Kennedys, Woods,
Mrs Pearse & Mrs Foster
Dined with Charles
Engaged Sydney Mc
Donald to come up to
Carry as nurse

1866-03-20

TUESDAY

Up at 7- John Left in the
Enterprise for N. W. at
9- very rough passage
arrived at 6- P.M.
Recd letter & accts fr. White
also letter fr Jane

1866-03-21

WEDNESDAY

Wet day. Council at
2 PM. Paid Birch a
visit. John went to Victoria
in the Enterprise

1866-03-22

THURSDAY

Rained nearly all day

Went to Birch by
appointment at 10 AM
to talk about my
district. Ball as
usual in opposition to
every proposition made
by me.

1866-03-23

FRIDAY

Raining all the day. Council
at 3-
Wrote to White, & enclosed Trades
License act, & Ferry act. Birthday
leave of absence. Also to
Jane, to go by Nelson in the
morning, enclosed authority to
White to pay Nelson \$300.
The Enterprise arrived
Tommy returned fr Victoria

1866-03-24

SATURDAY

Lovely day. Enterprise
left for Victoria. The
mail steamer "Del Norte"
arrived at 9 AM with
English mail

1866-03-25

SUNDAY

Rained all morning
cleared up at 9 O.C.
Carry went to Church
for the first time since her
illness. Mr Jenns preached

1866-03-26

MONDAY

Council at 1- PM
beautiful day.

1866-03-27

TUESDAY

Rained all day. Enterprise
arrived. Walter Edmonds
came up in her, also Walker,
Layton, & a number of others
Council Took Carry out
for a drive, Council
at 2 P.M.

1866-03-28

WEDNESDAY

Enterprise did not go down Assizes opened at 11- O.C. only two criminal cases, one of which was thrown out by the Grand Jury. Two or three civil cases tried
Raining all day
Walker & Walter Edwards dined with us

1866-03-29

THURSDAY

Enterprise left for Victoria at 6- AM
Joe went down in her.
Beautiful day
Eddy v O'Reilly was called at 10 O.C. & the following Jury sworn. W. Johnston, foreman
C. Nelson, S. King, G Harods, S S. Brough, G C Keays, S. Kilbeck
J. J. McBean, A. Morris, A Carpenter
R Millman & T. W Graham, the case occupied the entire day & a verdict returned to Plt at 12½ night for \$3000

1866-03-30

Good FRIDAY

A public holyday.
Rained all day. In house
Str Leviathan & Mannsell left for Victoria.

1866-03-31

SATURDAY

Rained all day. Walker moved for a rule to show cause why the verdict should not be set aside. Robertson objected
Rule granted for Tuesday at 10- OC AM
The Chancery case of Aurora Co v. Watson Cr occupied the court all day.

APRIL

1866-04-01

Easter SUNDAY

Lovely day. Church at 11- Carry & self remained for the Holy Communion.
Walked to Govt house with Birch, & he afterwards came back with me & paid us a long visit Mrs Trutch Sen & Jun, spent the day, & dined with us.

1866-04-02

MONDAY

~~Raining all day~~ Fine day
Tommy took Mrs Glennie out for a drive in the pony carriage
The Court occupied all the day in the Chancery Suit.
Went to Govt house & had a long chat with Birch in re the arrangements for working the district. Agreed with Ball to refer our differences in the case of Edwards v. Sampson to Elliott each of us to state our case in writing. Mannsell returned from Victoria

1866-04-03

TUESDAY

Court to sit at 10.) The court sat at 11- O.C. when the case of Eddy v OR was argued at length, & after a fight, the judge granted as a "Non Suit". Raining nearly all the day.

1866-04-04

WEDNESDAY

Busy day. Council Prorogued by the Administrator
Mr Birch at 2 P.M.
The Kennedys arrived in the Sparrowhawk. Ball gave his official dinner at the Colonial, a very noisy affair.
I got home at 12½ -

1866-04-05

THURSDAY

Yesterdays
entry should be read
for today.

Drew fr. Treasury my
allowance fr Ist Octr to 31st
March Decr 65- \$242.50
Salary for March 323.33
Allowance fr 1st Jany to 31st March
1866 - 121.25.

1866-04-06

FRIDAY

Heavy Rain. The Str
Enterprise arrived at 7. P.M.
Mrs & Mr Wood & the 2 Miss Leggets
Mr & Mrs Rushton, Col & Mrs Foster arrived
Birch gave a Ball at
the Camp which was a
great success

1866-04-07 **

SATURDAY

Raining all day
Mrs Foster called
Walker left for Victoria
Vowell left for Yale in the
Reliance to ship my traps
for Big Bend.

1866-04-08

SUNDAY

Raining all day.
Church at 11- Mr Jenns
read the Service & preached

1866-04-09

MONDAY

Rained heavily all day. Our
Youngster was christened at
Sapperton Church by the Revd
Jenns - "Francis Joseph O'Reilly"
After which we had lunch
14 sat down.

1866-04-10

TUESDAY

Fine day. Called with Carry
on the Kennedys, & then at the
quarters. Very busy day
packing & squaring up

accts. Enterprise arrived
fr Victoria at 7½. Birch
gave a dance, neither Carry
or self went.

1866-04-11 *

WEDNESDAY

Fine day up at 7- Very busy
packing up. Drew fr Treasury
\$250 on acct of travelling expenses
& \$250- salary as sheriff for Jan, Feb,
& March. Paid John Trutch \$160- on
acct of vouchers pd by him at Victoria
Said good bye to dearest Carry, &
left for Yale in the Reliance at noon
taking with me Mashell. Joe also came
up to inspect G B Wrights road, stopped
at H. river for the night

1866-04-12 *

THURSDAY

Started at 3½ O.C. & reached Hope
at 11½ - paid Mrs Landvoigt a
visit & found a parcel of books
which should have been forwarded
to White in Decr. Hope looking
more dilapidated than ever. Yale
at 1. PM. Joe & self dined with
Sanders. Called on Mrs McKay
Intended to start for Chap. Bar
but could not, spent evening with Landvoigt
Wrote No 1- to dearest Carry, &
a note to Crease.
Slept on board the Reliance

1866-04-13

FRIDAY

Beautiful day. Started in waggon
with Cudlip & Mashell at 9½.
Joe followed in buggy with Cornwalls scamp
tumbled ever bluff - reached
Chap bar at 1½, ~~dined~~ lunched & reached Boston
Bar at 5, when I found Tom
& Vowell waiting. Capital dinner
& bed. Cornwall arrived at 9½

1866-04-14 *

SATURDAY

Snowing heavily. Tom Vowell
& Mashell started at 7- O.C.
Cornwall on horseback, & Joe & self in
the waggon at 9- Fed the horses

& luncheon at Salters, reached Lytton at ¼ 6 O.C. dined & put up at Hautiers. Met Dr Black returning to N. W. in the stage. Got the records &c fr. Cochrane Snowing & raining all day the road very heavy.

1866-04-15

SUNDAY

Up at 7- Wrote No 2 to dearest Carry, & posted it with Cochrane
Started at 1. PM, & reached the Ferry at 5½ - put up at "Hales"

1866-04-16

MONDAY

Up at 6- Beautiful day
Stage arrived at 7½ with Lang in it. Sent a short note (No 3-) to dear Carry. Got the horses shod, & started at 10- O.C Reached Cornwalls at 4½ - Walked over the farm with the Cornwalls, G B Wright arrived fr Cash Creek.

1866-04-17 **

TUESDAY

Up at 7- Joe & G. B. Wright started in in a Buggy. Spence, & Keyscote in light waggon. Tommy Self & Mashell on horseback. Reached Wrights camp at 5 O.C. Spence & Kingscote came to grief & smashed the waggon Rode on to Savonas Ferry & engaged a Canoe to take me to Seymour on the arrival of my traps in Nelsons Waggon. Stage passed the camp at 9. Recd No 1- fr dearest Carry enclosed in a note from John

1866-04-18

WEDNESDAY

Up at 7- Said good bye to Joe & started with Tommy & Mashell for Kamloops. Left Scamp with McNamara till to come on with Vowell Crossed Savonas Ferry at 10½, stopped at the Frenchmans to feed the horses & lunch. Reached Kamloops at 6½ Dined at the restaurant, & slept at the H B Co's fort. Mr Bennett in

charge. Recd a letter fr Moberly stating that the lake would not be open for 8 or 10 days.

1866-04-19

THURSDAY

Up at 6- O.C. beautiful day, after a good deal of discussion, we decided upon laying over for the day. Took a walk with Bennett Mr Parsons & Tommy. Lyndon laying over waiting for an opportunity to ship his freight to the mines. Heard that about 500 men have passed the Fort for the Big bend.

Wrote No 4 to dear Carry & enclosed it to Birch.

1866-04-20

FRIDAY

Recd application fr. Mr Bennett & Co for the purchase of 60 acres accompanied with \$30- being one half the purchase money. Started at 10 O.C. with Tommy Bennett, Parsons, Mashell & our pack horse, eat bread & butter at Ducks, bought 6 lbs of butter fr him, reached Bennetts ranch at 5 O.C. when we put up for the night. Denourion arrived & told us the sad news of the loss of the Labochere

1866-04-21

SATURDAY

Up at 6. Tommy left for Sooyoos Lake very sorry to part with him. Started at 10. & reach[ed] the Steam boat Camp at 2 where I put up with Capt Moffatt Wrote No 5- to dear Carry, & sent it by Mr Parsons who is about to start fr N. W. after my arrival at the boat Met Ladner, & wrote another note to Carry No 6, also one to Birch & sent them by him.

Heavy rain during the evening

1866-04-22

SUNDAY

Up at 8- fine morning. My

head very painful. Anxiously expecting Vowell & the canoe, [*illegible*] scow. Lyndon & about 30 passengers on board. Spent a most unpleasant lonely day notwithstanding that Capt Moffatt was most civil and attentive.

1866-04-23

MONDAY

Up at 7- fine day. Whiskey Dick returned fr Seymour, to whom I spoke my mind in reference to the Canoe. Walked about with Capt Moffatt, & bathed with him in the Lake, on our return found that Vowell had arrived in the Canoe, said goodbye to Moffatt & started at once reached our camp near the island Kamocalka about 15 miles, beautiful day.

1866-04-24

TUESDAY

Up at 4- started at 6- cloudy morning. Camped at 12½ to lounch, started at 1¼. Raining heavily, saw large quantities of floating ice, thick mist lost our way & did not reach Seymour till 6¾. Met Gaggin Layton & Moberly. Pitched my tent close to them & had supper with them. Raining & snowing all night.

1866-04-25

WEDNESDAY

Very wild day raining sleeting & snowing alternately. Busy selecting my stationary & packing. Gaggin not in a business mood, Tried to engage men to pack, but could not get it done for less than \$1.00 per lb.

1866-04-26

THURSDAY

Bitter cold day rained & snowed alternately, collected nearly all the trade & spirit

licences. Took over the money collected by Gaggin (\$ [*left blank*]) & paid him \$200- by authority fr Col Sec engaged men to pack to French Cr fr 80 cts. Wrote to Joe & enclosed No 7 to dearest Carry, also receipt fr Bennett & Lunly fr 12 Govt horses.

1866-04-27

FRIDAY

Up at 5- after a good deal of chat induced Gaggin to start with Layton on his way to Kootenay via Sooyoos Lake. Paid him \$100- more. Layton went to Lytton to engage indians for Moberly sent by letters by him also a [*illegible*] on to Birch Packed up my traps & started at 12 O.C. met DeNourion returning fr. his home at French Prairie Reached French Prairie [*illegible*] 12 miles when we had supper, & stopped for the night, the trail very bad about 2 ft of snow
[*overwritten text*]
Recd \$200.00 from Denourion the price of Lytton Lots

1866-04-28

SATURDAY

Up at 5- Started at 8- reached camp at 1½ 10 miles French mans at 2nd Bridge, had some dinner at 4½, the trial in a most frightful condition about 2 ft of snow

1866-04-29

SUNDAY

Up at 4 cold raw day the trail soft & sloppy, travelled up the Cr. by the middle trail snow getting deeper & deeper, camped at 2 O.C. on 30 ft of snow, having travelled about 11½ miles. The packs did not get in till 5- O.C.
Wrote part of letter to Carry, slept in a brush house.

1866-04-30

MONDAY

Up at 4 the first fine day we have had, slight frost, snow sufficiently hard to bear us till about 12- O.C. when it became soft & dangerous, did not reach Wilsons Landing till ¼ 6 O.C. The Packs did not arrive till 8½, the men greatly used up.

MAY

1866-05-01

TUESDAY

Up at 6. Issued a number of Licences, & arranged the Records. Wrote to Jane in re transmission of accts & Revenue also to White & Haynes. Letter to be sent to Jane by Mr Hardesty Wrote No 8 to dearest Carry & enclosed it to Birch. Letter sent by a Frenchman to care of Smith & Ladner, also wrote to Moberly.

1866-05-02

WEDNESDAY

Up at 4- started at 6. for McCullaghs Creek. Walked to Gold River, & took a boat (Millars) to McCullaghs Cr. which we reached at 12. O.C. hunted about for a place to pitch my tent, but could not get one, old [*left blank*] let me occupy his cabin no fire place & no windows, issued licences, Cunningham insisted on my taking some dinner with him. Wrote to Moberly & Cornwall, & sent them by Holmes my packer

1866-05-03

THURSDAY

Up at 6. opened the office at 8. very busy day Recording & issuing licences did not close till 6½
Mashell went out with the gun & to our great delight brought in two grouse "Mr John Grouse"
Fine day.

1866-05-04

FRIDAY

Up at 6. opened the office at 8. - closed at 12. & left for French Cr at 1. PM. & in a boat did not reach the landing till 6½ in consequence of being too heavily laden. Camped on the bank of Gold River there being as it was too late to go to the Cr
Just before starting fr. McCullochs Cr old Joe brought me a parcel of letters Recd No 2 & 3 fr. dearest Carry, also 2 notes fr John, & one from White & Young.

1866-05-05

SATURDAY

Up at 4 started at ¼ 6 arrived at French Cr at 7- several houses in course of construction, but not one with a roof on, opened office within the wal[l]s of Leons house, & issued a number of licences.
Wrote to Moberly, also to Tommy which I enclosed in one to Jane
Beautiful day, arranged to rent his house 10 x 12 for \$50- per month when it is finished

1866-05-06

SUNDAY

Up at 7- beautiful day, bright sun & very warm.
Read, afterwards wrote to John & commenced No 9- my letter to dearest Carry.
spent a most lonely uncosey day

1866-05-07

MONDAY

Beautiful day. Snow melting very fast & creek rising the Munroe Co took out 10 oz & 4 \$. to 4 mens work on Bed Rock ½.
Opened office at 9- & did not close till 6½. Walked a short way up creek with Vowell

1866-05-08

TUESDAY

Another fine day -
In office fr. 9- till 5- PM
Took a short walk with
Vowell to Romano's Saw Mill
Pearson called to say he
was going to Seymour at 4 O.C
in the morning, & would take
my letters - finished No 9
to dearest Carry & enclosed
it in a letter to John,
sent a letter also to Moberly by Mr
Pearson

1866-05-09

WEDNESDAY

Threatning to rain, but cleared
off again & turned out a lovely
day. Busy in office fr
10 till 6 O.C. Heard two cases
in the Gold Commissioners Court
Lyndon arrived brought me
the weekly Colonist & Cronicle
of the 24th April

1866-05-10

THURSDAY

Another fine day the Creek very
much risen. In office till
6½. Dined on Beans & Bacon
afterwards took a walk up
Cr to Perriers claim with whom
I had a long chat

1866-05-11

FRIDAY

Beautiful day snow soft &
sloppy - almost impossible
to move about. Calbick informed
me that he has made up his mind
to return to N. W. in the morning
Wrote No 10 to dear Carry, &
enclosed \$600.00, viz \$65.00
recd fr Aggassis \$200- fr. De-
Nourion. Salary &c fr April \$335.00
Calbick promised to deliver the
letter immediately on his arrival, not
later than 24th May.

1866-05-12

SATURDAY

Lovely day closed the office
at 1- PM & took a walk up the
Creek to the Glencoe Co, a good
deal of work going on, but I fear
it runs much risk of being carried
away, by the freshets. Express &
Moberly expected, but neither
arrived.

1866-05-13

SUNDAY

Fine morning, but came
on to rain about noon, & continued
all day. Express arrived at
McCulloch's Cr but did not
come on here much to my
disgust. Read, & commenced
my letter to dearest Carry.
This has been the first wet
day we have had since my
arrival

1866-05-14

MONDAY

Rained all night, & the whole
of this day without as a
moments intermission.
Pool arrived with the Express
the first we have had. Recd
No 4 & 5- enclosed together
the Bank acct, & some letters
fr White, Kootenay.

1866-05-15

TUESDAY

Another days incessant
rain, the Creek rose to a great
height & did a good deal of
damage. Wrote a good number
of letters, officials & private,
one to Birch, Bushby No
11 to dearest Carry which I
sent by express.

1866-05-16

WEDNESDAY

Rained the whole night,
heavy showers in the morning
Turnbull arrived at 11- O.C.
& told me of Moberly's illness

In office till 40 Took a stroll with Vowell. Recd two maps of B. C. fr. L. & W. per Turnbull.

1866-05-17

THURSDAY

Beautiful day. Kept the office open till 12- O.C. Started for McCullochs Cr at where I arrived at 2-. Met White just as he got out of the boat, very glad to see him. Recd letter by him from Haynes, Jane, & Tommy, also one fr Galbraith. Kept the office open till 8- PM. The miners in very good spirits about the claims.

1866-05-18

FRIDAY

Lovely morning. One of the Lillooet Cr showed me a piece of gold \$9.00 & 7 cts which they had taken out the day before. He also stated that the[y] had only set their sluice boxes at noon the day before & had taken out \$12- to the hand. Left for "Wilson's Landing" at 2. & reached there at 7- PM

1866-05-19

SATURDAY

Up at 6. Started fr. Moberlys camp in a canoe with J. Gerald McNeal at 9- reached there at ¼ 10. Found Moberly in bed, a good deal better but still very weak. Talked roads & trails with him, & returned to Wilsons at 4 P.M. had some dinner & walked out to the boat landing on Gold River. Pool informed me that the Express would not be in for 3 days. Wrote to Joe in re G. B. Wrights cheque, & enclosed copy of Barnards letter to me.

1866-05-20

SUNDAY

Lovely day, started in boat for French at 8- A.M. arrived

at 4 P.M. & found to my disgust that Mr Turnbull had only left to explore the pass to Columbia R. the evening before.

1866-05-21

MONDAY

Fine day Busy in office with White arranging accts &c - very bad days receipts the town almost deserted all having left for the excitement on Gulch flowing into French Cr. Walked up hill with White & Vowell & selected a spot for tents, & engaged a man to clear it

1866-05-22 *

TUESDAY

Slight rain in morning, but cleared up about 9- O.C. Another poor days receipts. Wrote 2 officials to Ball, & 1. to J.W.T. Also No 12. to dearest Carry & enclosed it in a private note to Joe, also wrote to Haynes, Jane Tommy & Moberly. Squared all accts with Vowell & paid him in full to 31st May Report received of the loss of 17- men at Death Rapids on Saturday last, wrote to Cornwall

1866-05-23

WEDNESDAY

Vowell left for Seymour at 7 O.C. to collect Licences &c. Gave him all my letters, some to forward to Fort Shepherd, the others to take to Seymour

1866-05-24

THURSDAY

Lovely day, but not the least attempt at keeping the Queen's birth day, no flag to hoist & not a lb of powder in camp to fire off an anvil. - Busy getting ground prepared for tent. Pool arrived with a small

mail (our first) Recd some officials & No 6- fr dearest Carry - also one from Joe also one fr Homer with enclosures for appointment of Dep Sheriff

1866-05-25

FRIDAY

Beautiful day - very warm
Very busy in office, wrote a number of letters to Bushby Birch, Homer
R. T. Smith arrived, & dined with us

1866-05-26

SATURDAY

Up at 6. lovely morning
Finished my letter No 13- to dearest Carry, & sent it in the mail bag. Wrote also to Joe Pool left with Express & mail at noon. Heard case in G. C. Court which was not over till 6½.
R. T. Smith arrived breakfasted & dined with us.
Barnston Dr Chisholm & Mr Tomb arrived

1866-05-27

SUNDAY

Lovely day oppressively hot read & remained in doors all day. My thumb very sore that I could not write to my dearest Carry.
Took a short walk in the evening up the Cr with White, tremendous flood in Creek & a great quantity of drift wood floating down

1866-05-28

MONDAY

Another very hot day, busy in office till 4 P.M. - took a walk with White to Saw Mill

1866-05-29

TUESDAY

Oppressively hot day - remained in office till 4½.
Cornwall & Ormanby arrived & brought news of the death of Mrs Howlett, poor Howlett in great trouble. Recd No 8- fr dearest Carry, also letter fr. Birch, & one from Ball. No 7- not yet recd.

1866-05-30

WEDNESDAY

Very hot day. In court from 10 till 6½.
My head very troublesome & painful

1866-05-31

THURSDAY

Another washing day. In Court McCulloch v Clements Co till 4 PM. Ormandy left fr McCullochs Cr. Wrote to J. D. Walker by him. Granted Howlett one months leave of absence, he started fr N. W. gave him official, reporting same to Col. Sec. also sent by him No 14- to dearest Carry.

JUNE

1866-06-01

FRIDAY

Love day Busy in office till 4. PM
My head very bad & so sore that I could not bear to bathe it in warm water.
Haynes arrived
Wrote to Begbie

1866-06-02

SATURDAY

Head still most most painful
Could not sleep fr it.
In Court till 6½.

1866-06-03

SUNDAY

Fine day In great pain
Spent a most uncosey day
could not even write my
usual letter to Carry.

1866-06-04

MONDAY

Cold day several showers
of Hail & rain, & Court (Lent)
all day hearing the case of Mc
Culloch v. Clements Co.
Moberly arrived, & brought me
Nos 8 & 9 & 10 also a note with prayer
book & Mosquito net fr dearest
Carry, the former No 8- should
have been No 7-. Heard of the
death of poor Gompertz.

1866-06-05

TUESDAY

Fine day. My head rather
better. Paid Moberly \$5000-
on Treasury order, retained
\$1500- to meet Turnbolls &
Howells orders
Moberly left for Mc
Cullochs Cr. Walked
with him to Mouth of
French Cr

1866-06-06

WEDNESDAY

Cold morning, took
medicine which made
me rather sick
Cod raw day. Received
the little brush which I have
been so long expecting & my
spectacles, the latter smashed
to atoms.

1866-06-07

THURSDAY

Very Seedy all day having
taken physic over night

1866-06-08

FRIDAY

Fine day. Vowell returned
having collected \$340-00

Pool arrived with mail, but
no letter or parcel for me.
Wrote note to Ball & enclosed
No 15- a long letter 4 sheets to
a authority to Walker to cash
Carrys Cheques sent the letter
by C. G. Good to forward from
Seymour.

1866-06-09

SATURDAY

Rather cold day one heavy
shower of hail. Busy all
day preparing my accts
&c for the mail which is to
leave on Monday.

1866-06-10

SUNDAY

Beautiful day. Read &
remained in my tent. Mail
arrived at 6½, recd a letter fr
Crease also one fr Neal Doherty.
The pack of grub arrived fr
Seymour, & by the beans I recd a
letter fr Moberly, with one fr Joe
& enclosures informing me of his
arrival at Seymour, & enclosing No
19, which should be No 11- fr Carry
& one fr John

1866-06-11

MONDAY

Up at 6. Wrote a number of
letters, to Birch No 16 to Carry
with enclosure to John. Heard
the case of Bourasse v Grivelle in
the G. C. Court. Pool left with
Mail & Express at 6 PM
Sent all of my accts to 31st May

1866-06-12

TUESDAY

Very fine day. "The Shep Bailey
claim" washed up 16 oz -
Grevelle claim 20 oz -

1866-06-13

WEDNESDAY

Mail sent off to Shepherd &
Kootenay
Romano

Walked to McCulloch's Cr
with Vowell & McNamara
A great deal of hard work
being done, but no
immediate chance of their
taking out pay.
Paid off a number of Turnbolls
men Wrote to Crease

1866-06-14

THURSDAY

~~Vowell started at 5 AM
for Steamboat landing to over
haul the Cargo of the "49".~~
Romano arrived on horse
back the 1st horse that has
ever been in the diggings.
Recd by him a letter from Joe

1866-06-15

FRIDAY

Vowell started at 5. A.M.
for Steamboat landing to over
haul the Cargo of the "49"
Haynes came with my tent
at 11- O.C. & remained till 4 PM
& prevented me from doing
anything.
Moberly arrived

1866-06-16

SATURDAY

Rather a good day in
the office \$235.00
Wrote a lot of letters
Turnbull finished the trail to
Mouth of French Cr
Discovery claim washed up today
15- oz - less \$3.00
The Shep Bailey for the week \$1447.25

1866-06-17

SUNDAY

Creek risen about 18 inches since
yesterday. Beautiful day.
McCulloch arrived fr. Seymour
& brought me No 11- ? 12 fr dear
Carry, also two letter fr L&W,
with letter fr Dewdney enclosed.
Mail arrived in the evening
by an Indian, recd a letter
fr Birch & Ball, & two officials

also a letter fr Walker giving
notice that Bank wish to
give up possession at Quesnelle
Mt at the end of the season

1866-06-18

MONDAY

Beautiful day. Creek still
Rising. A small train of
5 pack animals arrived
belonging to [*left blank*].
Jno Claxton arrived & reports
that he has some beef cattle on
the way fr. the Columbia.
Mail left, sent off No 17- to
Carry, also one to Birch Joe
Begbie, & Walker enclosed to
the Judge. Wrote to J. D. Walker
in re the Bank at Quesnelle

1866-06-19

TUESDAY

Beautiful day. Two wretched
bullocks arrived & were immediately
cut into beef steaks. Moberly
left paid him \$1500- on acct
of L&W & took an (E) Receipt
Poor old Joe left

1866-06-20

WEDNESDAY

Beautiful day. Blair
arrived with some capital
Beef & reduced the price to 30 cts.
Took a walk down the Cr
& visited a good many claims
& requested the foreman to supply
me with returns weekly.
Bissett arrived & dined with
me. Got tent pitched fr him
Wrote to Spalding & Trevor
Took a walk up the Cr with Haynes
Cornwall & Bissett.

1866-06-21

THURSDAY

The Longest day. Slight
rain but afterwards cleared
up. Took a walk up the
Cr with Cornwall
Wrote to Sir James
Douglas

1866-06-22

FRIDAY

Beautiful day. In office till 4½. My head rather better.

1866-06-23

SATURDAY

Very fine Day, heard one case in the G. C Court. Wrote some letters. Walked out on trail to meet the mail Got my letters. No 12 from & enclosure fr John & dearest Carry, also one from Bushby, Ward, of B of B. C. & 2 officials.

1866-06-24

SUNDAY

Cold raw day. Commenced to rain about 11- & continued till evening, read & wrote to Carry. Spent a very lonely day.

1866-06-25

MONDAY

Cold morning fresh snow on the tops of the mountains. Cornwall left for his home. Mail closed at 7 P.M. sent my letter to Ball (private) to Spalding with enclosure for Trevor, to Ward, Franks officials to Joe, & No 18 to Carry with enclosure to John & Whites order on HBC for \$207- also a letter for Walker in re the Quesnelle office

1866-06-26

TUESDAY

Cold raw day slight rain In office till 4 P.M. dined at 5-, & walked up the Creek with Haynes & Vowell The Shep Bailey Co washed up

1866-06-27

WEDNESDAY

Very hot & oppressive day In tent till 6 P.M.

1866-06-28

THURSDAY

Another Roasting day. Thunder & lightning, & heavy rain the first real storm we have had this season, tremendous flood in Creek & a great deal of damage done, the Half breed flume almost carried away. The whole population worked during the night to save the dams &c. The box sent by Joe arrived at last by Wade packer paid freight on it \$72.50

1866-06-29

FRIDAY

Fine day a good deal of damage done to claim owners. The 2 boxes from Seymour arrived by Deitz the packer. Layton having forwarded them from his camp, paid Freight on them \$32.75.

1866-06-30

SATURDAY

Beautiful day, paid all the salaries in full to date Wrote to Begbie & enclosed one to Walker Left \$360 in cash box locked up in Vowells portmanteau

JULY

1866-07-01

SUNDAY

Beautiful day Mail arrived at 8½, but to my intense annoyance no letter fr. home. Recd one fr Cornwall enclosing Telegram fr Birch Wrote No 19 to dear Carry & enclosed a short note to John. Wrote also to Joe Birch &c Busy preparing for a start

in the morning
Romano kindly sent up his
horse for me to ride

1866-07-02

MONDAY

Up at 4-, procured a man to pack
& started at 8 with Vowell & Mashell
Overtook Pool with Express at McCulloch
Cr & travelled with him
Wrote No 20 & enclosed it to
Joe with Moberlys receipt fr \$ [*left blank*]
who I met at Choppers camp
about 6 miles fr Columbia R
3 miles of the trail reported
blocked up with fallen timber
after the storm of Thursday last.
Met Howell & Recd No 13- from him
wrote note fr John
[*overwritten text*]
Cash Revenue in house
after paying Salaries & all
other expenditure to 30th June
\$868-93- which I handed
to Haynes & took his E receipt.

1866-07-03

TUESDAY

Up at 7- started with Moberly
Vowell & Mashell for the Columbia
R trail in a frightful state
almost impassable, 16 men
employed, it will take them
at least a week to open it
Did not reach Kirbys till 2
fearfully hot, started at
4 crossed the river, & walked
2½ miles down the river to
Moberlys camp

1866-07-04

WEDNESDAY

Spent a wretched night, from
the annoyance we suffered from
very small nats. Up at 8- the
river still rising & covered with
drift wood. Walked with Moberly
to Kirbys old landing, where
he purchased some icktas, saw
2 or 3 trains camped waiting for
the road to be open. Think the river
at its height at noon, it commenced

to fall about 4 OC & fell one foot
by 10 oclock

1866-07-05

THURSDAY

Beautiful day, remained in
camp & read old newspapers.
The river rose again about
5 inches, but commenced to fall
at noon, & fell 2 feet by 1 O.C. PM

1866-07-06

FRIDAY

Lovely morning. Walked to
Steamboat Landing with Moberly
& Vowell. Pool arrived with
Mail, & Express, Recd a long
letter fr Begbie & also one fr
Walker, & one fr Mrs Woolsey
But none fr dear Carry
Purchased the newspapers I
was disgusted at the state of
things, particularly in Wm Creek. Thunder
& Lightning & light rain, River fell 3
feet.

1866-07-07

SATURDAY

Beautiful day. Wrote to
Begbie & Walker, the latter
enclosed to the Judge. In
Tent nearly all day wrote also to
Woolsey & his Mother.

1866-07-08 *

SUNDAY

Slight rain, river has fallen about
9 feet, 49- anxiously expected
Read. Wrote a letter to Brown
in re the rent of Websters home
Wrote no 21- to dearest Carry &
enclosed her Browns letter, & sent
all in Moberlys official to Joe
Also wrote to Birch
Small fleas very troublesome, spent
a most wretched lonely day

1866-07-09

MONDAY

Slight rain in the morning but
afterwards cleared up. Some
Indians arrived en route to Kootenay

& Columbia Lake.
Spent another wretched day.
Howell arrived having completed the trail.
Commenced to rain at 9½ &
continued to pour throughout
the night.
River still falling, but no sign
of the "49"

1866-07-10
TUESDAY

Very wet morning. Pool & Ladner
arrived en route to Seymour
Recd letters fr White, & Haynes
Hardesty arrived fr French Cr &
told me the Steamer could not
get up for two weeks, upon which
I made up my mind to go round by
Seymour, but Moberly persuaded
me to remain & promised to go down
to Arrow lake on Saturday.
The river rose 1 foot today

1866-07-11
WEDNESDAY

Fine day. Moberly had all the
Govt tools &c removed fr McNeills
to Robertsons at Kirbys Landing
Browns boat which we want to
have had to go down the river was
stolen last night. Went across
the river with Moberly to Donner
Cr & had a feed of berries which
were very good.

1866-07-12
THURSDAY

Another fine day, but as usual
spent it in a most stupid
manner nothing whatever to
do.

1866-07-13
FRIDAY

Slight rain. Pool arrived
with Mail & Express. Recd
a letter fr Sir Jas Douglas
but none fr New Westminster
A messenger (Hank Carnes)
also arrived fr Dalles reporting
the 49- disabled. I have decided
on returning with him in the morning

Finished my letter No 22 to
dear Carry, & enclosed it in official
to Joe. Wrote to Birch, & also
to Cornwall, White & Haynes.
Recd the Fort Shepherd accts, sent them
up to Creek with Pool

1866-07-14
SATURDAY

Boat did not arrive fr Steam boat
landing till 2 O.C. PM. Started
immediately with 16 one lady passenger others. Hank
Carnes Capt made a very
successful trip to little Dalles
(only two portages & stopped at Carnes Cr 1 hour)
walked about
a mile to foot of Dalles when we found
the 49 it arrived at 8 PM. Capt White & all his
officers most civil & attentive
Very tired. Turned in at 11- OC PM

1866-07-15
SUNDAY

Up at 7- beautiful day. Wrote
to Haynes.
Sent No 23 to dear Carry
enclosed to Haynes
Started fr. Little Dalles at
11- AM, beautiful run down
river & through the Arrow Lakes

1866-07-16
MONDAY

Arrived at Shepherd at 6½
AM having made the run fr
Little Dalles in 18 hours.
Allowed the flour to be taken to Cr
Landing. Sam & Hughes met
me. Breakfasted with Hardesty
Found D. McLean & F. St Paul
in charge of Prisoner Jones
en route to Big bend. Directed them
to proceed to N. W. Wrote to Birch Ball
Low, also No 24 to Dearest Carry &
enclosed it to Ball

1866-07-17
TUESDAY

D. McLean, & F. St Paul left for N. W.
with prisoner Jones
Very warm day, went through
all the accounts &c &c with

Jane. Walked down to Ferry
examined Woodside's house, &
offered him \$500- for it on behalf
of the Govt for a Custom house.
Put two shoes on "Sandy"
Gregon arrived had a long
"wa wa" with him, [*deletion*] sat
up till 11 talking with
Hardesty
Sent out Peter Adair & Wm Ronolds
to clear the trail fr Shepherd to the Lake

1866-07-18

WEDNESDAY

Another roasting day. Hughes
cought a beautiful dish of trout
Woodside told me he would give
an answer about the house in 2 days
Started for Kootenay, with Mashell
a[t] noon 2 light packs & a
riding horse each, the trail in
first rate order except for two
small slides on the Pen'D O'reille River.
Camped at ¼ 6 at the old house
which I think is 12½ miles

1866-07-19

THURSDAY

Up at 3- but did not get the
horses in till 6- started at 7-
got to Salmon river at 11- O.C.
J. Thornton (alias Jolly Jack)
took us over in his canoe, swam
the horses. Pat Loughrun who camped
with us joined Jolly Jack to prospect the
Salmon River, gave him ½ of my
provisions. Started at 1- PM &
cought up with the Choppers at 4
O.C. about 5 miles fr Summit
trail very bad but reached the
summit at 7½ - distance 23 miles

1866-07-20

FRIDAY

The Choppers started at 4 O.C.
as we head fr Indians that the trail
was impassable, shot the Pinto
horse & did not start till 2. P.M.
the trail soft & swampy in places
for about 4 miles, & a great
quantity of fallen timber, overtook
the Choppers at Cayoosh Cr.

Camped about 1½ mile farther
on at a small cr no feed for the
horses - distance about 8 miles

1866-07-21

SATURDAY

Up at 5- but did not leave
camp till 10. Mashell cought
a nice dish of trout. The trail
very bad in some places, the
pack horse got mired twice.
Arrived at the lake at 4 PM
distance 13 miles.

The trail across the swamp 4
feet under water. Met the half
breed "Piere" who is in charge of
the ferry just about to start to Ft
Shepherd, tried to fish but was
unsuccessful

1866-07-22

SUNDAY

Beautiful day, up at 4, sent the half
breed fr. the scow, & took the horses down to the
Ferry, found we could not get them across
Started at 12 OC in the small boat with Adair &
Ronolds to look fr an opening through which to
take the scow to main land, followed the River
up fr. 5- miles & found a branch running
down towards lake followed it for 4 miles &
got to land, returned to ferry at 6 PM across the swamp
having made a portage with the boat, found
the horses almost driven wild with mosquitoes tried
to eat but could not, went to bed but could not
sleep, got up & started in scow with horses at 11 OC PM
pulled away till 1- AM, when it became so dark
we were obliged to tie up, distance fr last camp to
Ferry 4½ - fr Ferry to main land on opposite side
2½ miles

1866-07-23

MONDAY

Started at 3 AM & pulled away till 8, when
we stopped & had breakfast, & the poor horses
some grass & rushed for the first time in 24
hours, started at 10 & landed at 1- PM,
distance about 10 miles by water, packed
up immediately & after some little
difficulty got on to Dewdney's trail
travelled 6½ miles. Found one of the
Government horses on the trail & took
on mosquitoes in millions, could

not sleep & horses could not feed, got up at 12 night

1866-07-24

TUESDAY

Started at 3½ trail very good
crossed Goat River at 5½ - distance
6 miles fr camp, rode on till 9½
& breakfasted, & got a little feed for horses
off again at 12, trail in very good order
reached the Junction at 3- P.M. when
I found Lorenzo in possession of of
Norris' old house, went up the trail
about about 2½ miles & camped on the
Mooyie River distance 22½ miles
Distance fr. Kootenay Lake to Goat River
12½, fr. G. River to Junction 16 miles
Fished for 1 hour & caught 3½ doz of nice trout.

1866-07-25

WEDNESDAY

Up at 3, horses could not be found
till 7- started at 8- trail not very
good. Met the Walla Walla Express
(McGreavey) stopped him & wrote a short
note to Birch & No 25- to dearest Carry
which I enclosed to Birch. Found the
Mooyie Bridge carried away. Reached
"Peavine Prairie" at 5½ - distance
27 miles.

1866-07-26

THURSDAY

Up at 3, beautiful morning
Started at 5-, "Sandy" very lame
shot 3 ducks. Josephs Prairie at
8½ - Ferry at 12-, borrowed a
horse fr. Galbraith, to ride to
Town, Sandy being too lame,
reached the creek at 2. PM.
distance 27- miles. Found
Gaggin looking remarkably well
& kind as ever. Dore Reece
Ham Oppenheimer & several
others called.

1866-07-27

FRIDAY

Up at 7- Roasting hot day
Very tired & not in humour
to do much in the shape of
business. Several cases of

disputed ownership to claims
referred to me, three of which
were entered for trial.

1866-07-28

SATURDAY

Another roasting day in office
till 4. P.M. Took a walk up
the Cr with Gaggin & settled
dispute between Kirby & McGreavey

1866-07-29

SUNDAY

Oppressively hot day. Read
& commenced my letter to
dearest Carry.
Took a walk with Gaggin
to reserve, & arrived by the big
ditch.

1866-07-30

MONDAY

Another roasting day, busy
in office till 4- heard two
C Court cases two in the Gold
Commissioners Court, & one in
in Magistrates Court.
Walked up Cr with Normansell
& settled two cases of dispute

1866-07-31

TUESDAY

Very hot day. In office till
1 P.M. rode to the Kootenay
bottom with Gaggin took the
gun & killed 2 brace of Prairie
Chickens, 1 duck 1 snipe & 1
Plover. Gaggin could not hit anything
did not enjoy myself much

AUGUST

1866-08-01

WEDNESDAY

Very hot & oppressive day.
Busy settling cases in the G. Co
office till 2- P.M.
No sign of the mail coming
Went up the Creek

1866-08-02

THURSDAY

Close sultry day looks as if were going to have a storm. Busy in Court till 3- PM, took a walk up the Cr. & visited nearly all the claims to the head of ditch, got back at 6½
Very uncosey about my letters, & becoming impatient

1866-08-03

FRIDAY

Very sudden change in weather, cold & raw this morning, so much so that we were obliged to have fires lighted.
In office all day.
No news of the mail

1866-08-04

SATURDAY

Very cold night & morning
In office till 1 P.M.
took a short stroll with Gaggin who does not approve of taking much exercise.

1866-08-05

SUNDAY

Cold raw day. Lean & party returned fr prospecting but dont bring any good news. Spent a most stupid uncosey day. Read.
Tried to write to dear Carry but could not manage it.
Nothing of the mail as yet.

1866-08-06

MONDAY

Much warmer today
In office till 4 PM

1866-08-07

TUESDAY

Fine day very warm &

pleasant. Rode down to big shaft. Found them at a stand still waiting the completion of the wheel. Presley & four others working the surface & making \$7- per to the hand.
Major Downie arrived, but no news of the mail

1866-08-08

WEDNESDAY

Beautiful day. Settled
Disposed of 4 cases in the G. C. Court today
Walked up Cr. to see some Ground in dispute between some Chinamen, also to Reeces hill claims, & saw them wash up about 7½ oz over 1 oz to the hand.

1866-08-09

THURSDAY

Very hot day. In office till 5 P.M.
Heard the case of Wilson v Leo. in the County Court.
No mail, made up my mind to start on Saturday morning.

1866-08-10

FRIDAY

Fine warm day. Adair & Ronolds left for Shepherd & promised to wait for me at Kootenay Lake. In office till 4 P.M.
Horses came in, & the mail arrived immediately after
Recd a whole batch of letters
No 13- which should have been No 14 & No 14 wh should be 15- fr dearest Carry, also one fr Joe & John, Birch Ball &c &c.

1866-08-11

SATURDAY

Beautiful day, sent off the pack horses with Lawson & Mashell, Nelson in charge of Oppenheimers swag. I remained till 12½ to take the mail Gaggin & Oppenheimer started with me. Sandy very sick obliged to

leave him at the Ferry & take Barney on - said good bye to J.B.G. at the Ferry. Scamp gave out, sent him back to Normansell by Lord. Camped at Josephs Prairie mosquitoes very troublesome.

[*overwritten text*]

Met Lord & Dakins
band of Cattle 80 fine
steers also Shelocks
drove of 240 sheep

1866-08-12

SUNDAY

Up at 3 AM, horses not in till 5½ - started at 6½ - trail pretty good to Pea Vine bad to the Bridge & in fact all the way to Junction several trees down & a great quantity of stones on trail, which ought to be shoveled off. Camped 4 miles beyond the Irishmans. Met 2 trains of goods en route to the Cr. Killed a dozen nice trout & about the same number of grouse

1866-08-13

MONDAY

Up at 4- started at 6½, trail pretty good expecting for some fallen timber. Crossed Goat River at 2 PM & camped at 3- about 2 miles farther on, soon after C. Oppenheimer & Reed arrived
Recd fr Reed - a batch of letters & Papers - No 15 fr dearest Carry - also John letters to her, & 1 fr. Joe

1866-08-14

TUESDAY

Horses were not found till 8- though they have been hunted since 6. AM. started at 9- C Oppenheimer returned with us. Got off at 9- & reached the slew on E bank of the Kootenay at 1 P.M. a good deal of timber on trail & one bad mud hole Crossed the slew in scow & sent it round to Ferry house with Ronolds, Adair Oppenheimer & Nelson. Larson returned with Barney, reached Ferry house at 3- the scow did not come till 10. P.M. Musquitoes in millions

did not open my blankets could not close my eyes all night

1866-08-15 *

WEDNESDAY

Dave McLoughlin came with small boat crossed the bottom, & started at ~~ten~~ 10. A.M. fr foot of trail. Camped at the same place we stopped last fall about 4 miles fr summit trail much in need of corduroying Found good feed for the horses about ¼ of a mile nearer to the summit.

1866-08-16

THURSDAY

Up early, started at 6 A.M a good deal of Corduroying required to summit, past a party of prospectors on this side of summit. A great many trees laying on trail & the otherwise in good order. Met Moberly & party of 5 choppers about 7 miles fr Salmon River. Moberly gave contract to Adair & Ronold [*illegible*] timber fr summit to Junction fr \$350- Moberly informed me that the 49- had gone up river yesterday. Met Jolly Jack who told the same story. Camped on Pd OReille where the house [was burnt]

1866-08-17

FRIDAY

Beautiful morning up at 4 Oppenheimers horses could not be found till 7- O.C. Mashell & self started at 7½, reached the Ferry at 11¼ when to my great annoyance I heard that the 49 had only gone up river at daylight this morning, had I known this I might easily have got in last night. Put up at the Fort, & wrote letters all day to send on by Oppenheimer to Birch, Ball, Joe Edmonds, Editor of Tribune, & finished No 26- to dearest Carry, which sent enclosed to Ball

1866-08-18

SATURDAY

Very close [*deletion*] sultry day looks like a thunder storm brewing. Very tired. Entered into an arrangement with Wm Ronolds to carry mail fr

Shepherd to Kootenay for 5 months
commencing 1st Sept fr \$75 per month last trip
after 1st Jan direct to N W for
\$40 extra.

1866-08-19

SUNDAY

Very close sultry day, the expected rain
having passed away. Read, &
wrote letter my letter to dearest Carry
Took a short stroll with Hardesty

1866-08-20

MONDAY

Beautiful day, went over the accounts
at Custom House, busy till 5- PM
Took my rod & went out to fish above
Ferry, but only killed 2 small trout

1866-08-21

TUESDAY

Not so sultry or hot as yesterday
Walked down to Custom House. Jane &
Hughes busy working at house. Hardesty in
a great state of excitement about some
Chinamen who owe him \$450. & an about
to leave, eventually they have a fight
which ends in 3 Celestials being locked
up.
Remained in house nearly all
the day.

1866-08-22

WEDNESDAY

Not quite so hot a day a[s]
yesterday. The whole country in
flames, very much fear the trails
will suffer. No Steamer, my
usual luck. I wish I had gone
round by Sooyoos Lake at once.

1866-08-23

THURSDAY

Hot sultry day threatning rain
but cleared off again. Mashell got
the horses in & cleared & greased their
backs, he also brought in four grouse
Spent a most stupid lonely day

1866-08-24

FRIDAY

Had a most extraordinary dream

about Shaw & Dr Deveney.

No appearance of the 49.

Threatning rain, but it passed
off again

1866-08-25

SATURDAY

Very hot day. Walked to Ferry
to speak to Capt Oberg in re
the Ferry. got "49-" arrived
at last, having been delayed by Capt
White who paid us a visit to French Cr.
He promised to send me word
from Little Dalles if could not return
before Wednesday. Not very encouraging
news fr the mines. Recd No 16 & 17- fr
dearest Carry with enclosures fr. Mother
& John, also letters fr White & Haynes
A mail fr Kootenay came down
Wrote to Gaggin & sent him a whole
batch of newspapers

1866-08-26

SUNDAY

Very close oppressive day.
Read & wrote part of my letter to
dear Carry. Spent an other
lonely uncosey day.
Arranged with Smiley to take
the mail to Kootenay without
any charge. Jane wrote to Ronold
to say that he would not be required
until the return of the 49- next trip
~~Lent a Government horse to P~~
~~Haley to pack~~

1866-08-27

MONDAY

Roasting day -
Lent a Government horse to P
Haley to pack some provisions
out to summit to assist him
in prospecting the horse to be
returned by Thursday.

1866-08-28

TUESDAY

Head the complaint of Jane
for smuggling 1000 lbs of
Flour, & condemned it & ordered
that it be sold by public auction
Spent a most stupid lonely day

added another sheet to my letter to Carry.

1866-08-29

WEDNESDAY

Threatning rain. An Indian arrived fr. Little Dalles who report the Steamer high & dry undergoing repairs, but no message fr Capt White, dispatched a note to him or W. Elrick to ascertain when she will go up for certain. Mashell got the horses in & all ready for a start in case the 49 is not going up.

1866-08-30

THURSDAY

Up very early but the Indian did not return fr Dalles till 10½ & then brought a note fr Wash Elrick the Engineer to say it is uncertain when the 49 will go up river. Saddled the horses & started at once for Sooyoos Lake via Colville, there being a fire on Dewdneys trail. Got off at 12½ trail pretty good, rode till 7- camped on the banks of the Columbia R. - distance 35 miles

1866-08-31

FRIDAY

Up at 2- but unfortunately the horses could not be found till 6 started at 7- took the cut off to Kettle River, 3 miles before above Colville rested for 2 hours, & camped at 6½ PM on the Kettle River about 1½ miles below the Half breeds Ranch, - distance travelled 48 miles.

SEPTEMBER

1866-09-01

SATURDAY

Up at 2- P.M. beautiful morning slight frost, started at 4- bright moonlight, passed a large tribe of Okanaggan Indians at Grand Prairie, crossed Boundary Cr. at 10½ stopped to feed horses 2 miles above the houses fr 11- to 1 P.M. passed

Rock Cr looking played out, only about 50 men at work. Passed 2 H B Co's trains en route to Shepherd. Reached Sooyoos Lake at 8½ had some difficulty in crossing the ford. Low just about to turn in, self & horses very tired distance travelled 64 miles

1866-09-02

SUNDAY

Toms house 22 x 17 - 6ft in height Very stiff & tired. Low lent me his grey horse to ride to Pentickton started at 10 passed a large band of Cattle 550 head belonging to Harper. Reached Tommys house at 5 P.M, & found him all alone, & just about to commence baking. Very glad to see him looking so well, & the poor fellow was delighted to see me. His house not a model of architecture, but very creditable to himself & Andy. Distance today 35- miles Wrote No 30 to dear Carry & left it with Lowe to be forwarded.

1866-09-03

MONDAY

Up at 6- Decided upon remaining over this day with Tommy, rode with him to Dog Lake & round his boundaries, & also to see some of his Cattle, had a great deal of chat with him about his affairs, & lent him \$550- making in all \$700 - for which I took his I.O.U.

1866-09-04 *

TUESDAY

Up at 5- A great deal of trouble in getting the horses in started at 9- Tommy rode with me for about 12 miles, saw all his Cattle rather a nice lot, the cows small said good bye to Tom at foot of mountain, poor fellow I was very sorry to part with him. Camped on edge of Lake about 6 miles ~~before~~ nearer than the Mission, distance 24 miles.

1866-09-05 ***

WEDNESDAY

Up at 4- horse lost (Jeff as usual) started at 9- reached the mission at 10¼ Called at Mrs Ely's & got some bread & butter to take on for Lunch. The mission valley looking very deserted, though the Crops were I was informed good. Large band of sheep, "Auguste", trail very good Met a man who told me that Landvoigt had gone on, but I did not meet him, reached Houghtons at 7- after a good deal of trouble. Met the two Vernons, Philip & [left blank], 35 miles

1866-09-06

THURSDAY

Up at 6 AM Vernon lent me his horse to ride to Grand Prairie, & came with me to the head of the Okanagga Lake. Very good trail the whole way Arrived at "Ingrams & Groves" house at 5½ - found them busy harvesting & Duck assisting them.
Distance 35 miles

1866-09-07

FRIDAY

Up at 6- but could not get off before 8- (A very late house)
The trail in very good order
Got to Ducks at 1- PM but found the house locked up, rode on & reached the Fort Kamloops at 3- PM, where I found Dewdney & Mannsell, & learned to my disgust that Birch Joe Ball & Salmond had gone up to the mines by Wednesdays boat.
Bissett & Bennett very civil
Distance today 35 miles

1866-09-08

SATURDAY

Very tired. Mannsell started fr Hope via Nicola Lake & Princeton, sent by him my long letter No 20 to dear Carry also enclosed one to Mrs Trutch, John & Tommys letter & one to Young at Frisco to be posted. Dewdney started to survey some land for the

H.B.C. & I rode out with Bissett to see it.

Wrote to Crease in reference to Regina v Jones is Normansell required?

1866-09-09

SUNDAY

Beautiful day, remained in house Read, & commenced my letter to dearest Carry. Dewdney rode up from his Camp in the evening, took a short walk with Bissett, Dewdney & Mrs Moffatt.

1866-09-10

MONDAY

Dewdney returned to his Camp early. I went out to shoot but found the birds rather wild shot 3½ brace & 1 duck, when my powder ran out & I was obliged to return

1866-09-11

TUESDAY

Another lovely day. Dewdney came up at 1 P.M. went out to have a shot with him, & killed 4½ brace of Prairie chickens
Steamer Marten arrived at 6½
Left in her for Seymour. Recd No 22 from dearest Carry, & also one from Cornwall & Begbie
Tied up at Harpers camp, where I met Capt Houghton en route for Victoria. Throughout my stay at Kamloops Bissett has been most kind & attentive.

1866-09-12

WEDNESDAY

Lovely day started about 5 AM stopped at several places to take in vegetables, Hay & some Beef. Arrived at Seymour at 5 PM not letter fr Birch or Joe dined at Milne of the H.B.C. slept on board.
Finished & posted my letter No 31- to dearest Carry, also letters to Begbie & 2 to Cornwall.

1866-09-13

THURSDAY

Up at 5½ no message fr Birch much to Capt Mouats annoyance The Marten left at 8 AM. Breakfasted at the H.B.C's establishment, examined my boxes at Smith & Ladners store, & went out in a Canoe with Dewdney to fish, but were unsuccessful. Mr Milne of the H.B.C. most attentive. Had a delightful bath in the Lake.

1866-09-14

FRIDAY

Another delightful day
Wrote to Walker, Dr Trevor & to Torrens, took a short walk with Dewdney & had a delightful bath in the Lake.

1866-09-15

SATURDAY

Lovely day, wrote some letters Birch, Ball, Joe, Salmond arrived fr. French Cr about 4½ Had a good chat with Birch, Joe looking troubled & would not talk, no letters for me by any of them. Dined with the Devells at the Restaurant. Did not turn in till 11- PM

1866-09-16

SUNDAY

Fine warm day, a few clouds flying about. Up at 7- bad head ache, bathed, long wa wa with Birch, afterwards with Joe.
Dearest Carrys birth day

1866-09-17

MONDAY

Birch called me at 5 AM They all started in Big Jacks Canoe at 7- to lay out the Indian Reserves.
Sent off No 32 with draft for \$118-80- to be lodged to my credit.

Started with R. T. Smith for French Cr 12- rained nearly the whole way reached the 21 mile house at 7½ quite dark & trail very bad. Gave supplies to Millon & Co 3 men to prospect Moberly Co \$

1866-09-18 *

TUESDAY

Up at 5- Started at 6½, trail in a wretched state, met Mara the Deputy Sheriff with Express en route to Seymour. Recd Nos 18, 19, & 20 with two likenesses of Fuddle, also a whole batch of other letters. Drizzling rain all day camped on the mountain for 2 hours read my letters Met Holt, Deffis, Gambitz & about 15 others returning fr the mines, none of whom give good accounts, reached Steam boat Landing at 4¾. Slept at Nicol's.

1866-09-19

WEDNESDAY

Up at 5- wet morning, very late in getting breakfast. Got order on R. T. Smith fr Woodside for \$58.00 in payment of his I.O.U. due since 1862. Started at 9 cleared up at 10- trail in very good order except the last 2 miles before I got to McCulloughs Cr. Stopped at Mc Culloughs Cr fr an hour reached French Cr at 4¼, when I found Haynes White Moberly Vowell &c

1866-09-20

THURSDAY

Very cold raw day rained a good deal. Busy writing letters & taking over accts & cash from Haynes of which he knew nothing. Found a good deal of collections in arrears.
A number of miners called to see me

1866-09-21

FRIDAY

Another cold damp day - busy the entire day. Mail arrived

at 7 P.M. recd No 23 from dearest Carry also a note fr Birch Nawn & several others. Heard of the death of Poor Casey & Mathew

1866-09-22
SATURDAY

Another busy day in office.

1866-09-23
SUNDAY

Fine cold morning. Read & commenced my letter to dear Carry but was disturbed every five minutes, Pool expressman left for Seymour Sent off my officials, but as the Marten has changed her day of starting I kept my other letters to forward by White

1866-09-24
MONDAY

Very misty dark morning settled accounts with Moberly. Issued notices for Election of Member of Legislative Council McCullochs Cr 11th French Cr 12th & Seymour 22nd Octr. "49" arrived received letters fr Jane & Gaggin, Haynes in a [fillafillue] about getting away. Very busy Paid Moberly #142- for Landvoigt & took receipt

1866-09-25
TUESDAY

Up at 6- Haynes started at 7 AM & took mail with Gaggins instructions about Legislative Council, &c also to Jane on same subject. Also to Jane enclosing Newfelder notes, & a letter to Hardesty White & Moberly left for Seymour at 9- Moberly en route to N W & White to spend a fortnight shooting &c. Sent by him No 33 to Carry also wrote to Birch Ball Joe Landvoigt.

1866-09-26
WEDNESDAY

Raining all day, wretchedly cold & uncomfortable, remained in office till 5 P.M.

1866-09-27
THURSDAY

Damp drizzling morning some heavy showers about noon Took a walk up the Creek with Capt Moffatt, but caught in the rain. A good prospect of 6 \$ to the pan found today in the Rain claim, prospects not so bad as were represented Bissett arrived

1866-09-28
FRIDAY

Very cold morning slight frost, afterwards a fine clear day. In office till 4 PM heard the case against Dr Shields for selling whiskey without licence, which dismissed, but forfeited the liquor Bissett & Moffatt dined with me, & played a game of Whist

1866-09-29
SATURDAY

Cold raw morning, threatening rain. Sent Vowell to inspect the improvements to trail by Jas A Gardiner

1866-09-30
SUNDAY

Wretchedly cold day, & a very uneasy one for me, moped about & could not make up my mind to do anything. Took a walk to Gold River with Capt Moffatt & Mr Bissett who afterwards dined with me The mail & express arrived at 9 O.C. P.M. Recd No 24 fr. dearest Carry with a note fr John enclosed, no other letters. Remained up till 1 O.C. AM & issued Capias in the cases of HBC v John Martin, & Mara v. Fortiere

OCTOBER

1866-10-01

MONDAY

Busy in office till 5 P.M. a good days receipts

Did not move from the tent all day.

1866-10-02

TUESDAY

The finest day we have had since my return.

Wrote to Birch, an official to Joe in re Woodsides Ferry & finished No 34 to dearest Carry.

Ladner arrived fr. Seymour.

1866-10-03

WEDNESDAY

Pool Expressman & Ladner left for Seymour.

Walked out with Gardiner to examine his work on trail, & ascertain if it is completed according to contract, directed the ribbing to be laid close down in three places, in other respects the work is well done

1866-10-04

THURSDAY

Fine day slight frost, heard the cases in the G. C. Court Moffatt & others v. Deffis Dr Shields as agent also Moffat v Cura Co in which Dr Shields attempted to show that Vowell had refused to record for him.

Discharged Howlett it appearing in evidence that he held a [*illegible*] interest Pd Gardiner the full amt left with me by Moberly on acct of contract ~~viz~~ but on weighing the gold dust found it was short \$2.00

Moffat & Bissett came up in the evening & played a game of Whist

1866-10-05

FRIDAY

A terrific thunder storm took place at 1 O.C. this morning followed by heavy rain, fine bright day. In office from

10 AM till 4 P.M.

1866-10-06

SATURDAY

Raining slightly the entire day Made up my mind to walk to head of the Creek but could not move Dr Shields paid Vowell \$100- on account of Whites note.

1866-10-07

SUNDAY

Cold raw morning drizzling rain the whole day Anxiously looking out for my letters but neither mail or express came in spent a wretched day. Capt Moffatt & Mr Bissett dined with me.

1866-10-08

MONDAY

Heavy rain & sleet bitter cold morning, busy day in office Wrote letters to Gaggin, Jane, Haynes & Tommy to send by Bissett who leaves in the morning for Fort Shepherd & Kamloops. Paid Purdy \$50- to assist in prospecting the Fort Yale Co on McCullouch Cr Bissett & Moffatt spent the evening with me. No mail or express.

1866-10-09

TUESDAY

Slight fall of snow. Hard frost Bissett & Moffatt left at 7 AM the former to catch the "49-" the latter to Kamloops. Walked up the Creek Pool arrived with mail & express & reports the trial in a fearful state snow on summit 18 inches deep. Recd No 24 ? fr. dearest Carry Also a note fr Joe & Crease & a batch of officials.

1866-10-10

WEDNESDAY

Hard first, & 4 inches of snow. Pool left with mail - sent by him No 35 to Carry, also wrote to Birch Joe &

White. Commenced to rain at
11- O.C. & continued all day
Wrote to the Major a long letter
& kept copy in reference to Lots.
Also wrote a long yarn to Nind
Wrote to Crease in re Regina v Jones

1866-10-11

THURSDAY

Bitter cold day. Snowing &
raining without intermission
Vowell Smith & McNamara
went to McCullouchs Cr to open
the poll. Busy nearly the
whole day in office. Vowell
returned at 5 P.M. Smith having
polled [*left blank*] votes McNamara not one
This day six months I left N. W.

1866-10-12

FRIDAY

Miserably cold day sleeting & raining
cleared up at 10½ - Opened Roll for
this Creek at 11 O.C. closed at 4 P.M. sharp
Smith 1 McNamara 27- Barnston
3- (half breeds).
The evening cleared & looked
as if we were going to have fine weather
Sent off my letter to the Major written
on the 10th inst. also my letter to
Nind

1866-10-13

SATURDAY

Heavy fall of snow in the morning
afterwards turned out fine, heard
three cases in the County Court.
Remained in office till 3 P.M.
appointed arbitrators, Viz Webb
Lipsett & McGregor Baird in the cases
of Emma Watts v Mara, & Mara v
Lyndon. Took a walk with Vowell
to Gold River

1866-10-14

SUNDAY

Hard frost. Clear bright day
Read & wrote some letters
Took a walk with Vowell to
the Saw Mill & to Frenchmans
garden.

1866-10-15

MONDAY

Another hard first, the water
covered with ice ¼ of an inch thick
Heard two cases in the County Court
Remained in office till 4 P.M.
Chopped down some trees to
warm myself.

1866-10-16

TUESDAY

Hard frosty morning, bright clear day
In office till 4 P.M.
Expecting Mail all day, but it did
not arrive. Wrote No 36- to dearest Carry
& sent in by Mons [Watellitt] who promised
to post it if he did not go down direct

1866-10-17

WEDNESDAY

Bright clear frosty day in office
till 4- chopped some wood to warm
myself. Pool arrived at 7 P.M. but
to my intense disgust & disappointment
there was no letter for me in either mail
or express. Cannot for the life
of me account for it, & to add to
my annoyance Pool informed me
that the Marten had made her last
trip & that he would not return
again.

1866-10-18

THURSDAY

Spent a most restless uncomfortable
night, worrying myself about my
letters. Ground covered with snow
Cold & damp, ice ½ an inch
thick.
Busy in office all day
in the case of Emma Watts v
Mara, & Mara v Lyndon

1866-10-19

FRIDAY

6 inches of snow on the ground
Cold north wind.
Wrote No 37 to dearest Carry &
posted it as Pool is to leave
at daylight in the morning.

1866-10-20

SATURDAY

Very hard Frost, all the men fr the upr portion of McCullochs Cr came with a petition asking to have their claims laid over, the first being too hard to admit of them working any longer, which I granted
Jane arrive at 10 PM with \$3000 fr Kootenay & Election returns fr Wild Horse Cr

1866-10-21

SUNDAY

Spent a most miserable day, cold & damp, did not stir out.
Busy with Jane setting up his accounts as he has to start at daylight in the morning

1866-10-22

MONDAY

Snowing & raining the entire day
Busy in office till 4 PM
Heard a number of C. C. Cases & one in the G. C. Court

1866-10-23

TUESDAY

Heavy fall of snow.
Elliott left for Victoria sent by him
No 38 to dearest Carry

1866-10-24

WEDNESDAY

Raw cold morning, commenced to rain at 10 O.C. & continued all day.

1866-10-25

THURSDAY

Frosty morning. All Claims in the Columbia District laid over from today till 1st June next
White arrived at 8. PM having walked fr La Porte & reports the road to be in a frightful state, that he saw the mail at Savonas Ferry but

no letters for me

1866-10-26

FRIDAY

Raining & sleeting the whole day, busy with accounts as I think I may possibly get away on Monday

1866-10-27

SATURDAY

Rained & snowed without intermission. Busy all day squaring up accts.

1866-10-28

SUNDAY

Rained all night & up to 10. AM, fine for remainder of day.
Wrote a number of letters, & finished accts a number of miners called to say good bye. R. T. Smith dined.

1866-10-29

MONDAY

Up at 4 AM 4 inches of snow on the ground, started at 7- AM, in canoe, & with C. Fortiere, Jas Anderson who were on their way to Canoe River to trap, ran against a snag & very nearly came to grief, got to Allens Ferry at 11½, & started immediately, trail very heavy particularly about Reillys house, walked till ¼ 6- when I camped within 3 miles of the La Porte
No cooking utensils in tent, rained heavily all night, blankets & everything saturated, very bad fire not having an axe.

1866-10-30

TUESDAY

Up at 4- pouring rain & wet through reached La Porte at 8- AM where I found Smith & all those who came on yesterday, had a cup of coffee, bought some provisions & started for Kirbys landing, got into one of the old houses & had a wash & dried my clothes
Got a pistol fr Nicoll which had been sent fr Kootenay by Gaggin addressed to Crease

1866-10-31

WEDNESDAY

Up at 3½ but so dark we could not start till ¼ 7- commenced to rain at 8- & continued all day snow for about 11 miles on the summit fr 4½ to 5- feet deep, & very hard work to break trail, stopped at McDonalds (Trapper) for half an hour, reached 21 mile house at 5- very tired, only five out of 17 who started came up. Blankets & everything saturated with rain

NOVEMBER

1866-11-01

THURSDAY

Up at 4- started at ¼ 7- trail knee deep in mud walked very fast & got to 12 mile house at 11 O.C. had a cup of tea & some bread & butter, started at ¼ 12- Met the mail & express in charge of Cormack & got my letters, & Nos [*left blank*] fr. dearest Carry Met Milne on route to French Cr, but as he could not possibly reach 12 mile house I persuaded him to return to Seymour with me, where I arrived at 4 P.M.

1866-11-02

FRIDAY

Up at 7- AM Wrote to White Milne started for Seymour at 8 O.C. Repacked my boxes, but found to my disgust that I could not get away before the morning. Took a stroll with R. T. Smith

1866-11-03

SATURDAY

Up at 3 AM - but the Indian Jim one of our crew did not come till 7 AM when we started at once in H.B.Cs boat with Sabaston, Purdy, Keynton, Mashell, & Jim got on very well notwithstanding we had a head wind most of the way. Met Big Jack with mail, but no

letters for me. Camped about 4 miles above the Island. Rained heavily during the night.

1866-11-04

SUNDAY

Started at 4- AM, head wind reached the steam boat Camp at 12 O.C. noon fair wind to Lumbys where we landed & left Mashell to bring on horses. Saw Pemberton & gave him his preemption papers Started again & got to Ducks at dark, had something to eat & started again but did not get to Kamloops till 2. AM - wet tired & sleepy.

1866-11-05

MONDAY

Up at 7 bathed in the river, Rodgers went out for horses but did not return till 2 P.M. too late to start. Mr Rodgers insisted on letting them out again & saw there was no doubt of his being able to find them by 8 O.C. AM tomorrow Went out a short way with Ponte & Mashell to get a few Prairie Chickens, but Ponny would not hunt

1866-11-06

TUESDAY

Up at 7- Rodgers went out at 7½ for horses & did not return till 1. P.M. & stated he could not find them. Sent out Mashell & an Indian, who returned with equal success & here I am detained another day. Went out a short distance with Bennett & Ponny, but again he would not hunt - so much for lending him to White.

1866-11-07 *

WEDNESDAY

Up at 7- no appearance of the horses Mr Rodgers who was to have gone out to look fr. them at day light, did not show till 9- Mr Bennett out all the night

Young McLean brought them in at 12- just about to start when Capt Moffatt arrived, & did not get away till 1½- rode to Nicolas Hares where I had some lounchen, got to Ferry at ¼ 6- quite dark, put up at Kays where I was made comfortable

1866-11-08 *

THURSDAY

Up at 6 started at 8. Big Jack presented order fr Howlett fr \$5.00 which I paid like a fool. Met Spence on the road going to inspect road arrived at Cornwalls at 2½ H Cornwall at home, but his brother absent at Yale spent a pleasant evening. Spence returned & had a great laugh at him Tried to get a brace of Prairie Chickens, but Ponny would not hunt. Recd No [left blank] fr dear Carry, with enclosure fr John & Walker

1866-11-09

FRIDAY

Up at 5. Got away at 7. Met C. Cornwall returning with waggon, Fed horses & had lounch at Ferry. Arrived at Lytton at 6. P.M. Sent Telegraphic message to dear Carry to inform her of my arrival Stage arrived fr Yale, with mail but no letters

1866-11-10

SATURDAY

Up at 5, started at 6½ rode to 10 mile house to breakfast, fed horses arrived at Boston Bar at 3, stopped a few minutes, & rode to Chapmans Bar where I arrived at 6 PM

1866-11-11

SUNDAY

Up at 6- Started at 8- raining slightly, road in very bad state arrived in Yale at 11¼- when I met Burnaby who is in charge of Oppenheimers business. Called on the McKays, dined at Sanders. Str Reliance at 6- PM blew her whistle at 6- but could not get up in consequence

of the darkness of the night. Dewdney arrived & by him Recd No [left blank] fr dearest Carry. Slept at hotel.

1866-11-12

MONDAY

Str came in at daylight Started for N. W. at 10½ stopped several times, left 3 horses with Vedder to winter, Viz. Jeff Davis Cox's old Grey, & little Grey mare. Did not arrive at N. W. till 8 O.C. Found dearest Carry looking very well & the dear son very much grown & quite well

1866-11-13

TUESDAY

Raining nearly all day, Carry & self walked to Camp, had a long chat with Birch

1866-11-14 **

WEDNESDAY

Showery day Carry John & self called at Govt house & paid our respects to Mrs Seymour. I had a long chat with H. E.

1866-11-15

THURSDAY

Fearful storm during the night, rained incessantly for the whole day. Capt Layton dined Called on Crease & had a long chat

1866-11-16

FRIDAY

Terrific storm of rain, & hail during the night. Went to Camp with Carry The Str Sir Jas. Douglas arrived with W. A. G. Young much to the disgust of Good and others. John Layton & a party went to Mud Lake to shoot

1866-11-17

SATURDAY

Arranged to go out to shoot with Birch to the Pitt, but could not go in consequence of the heavy rain. Young returned to Victoria in the Sir Jas. Douglas.

1866-11-18

SUNDAY

[no entry]

1866-11-19

MONDAY

[no entry]

1866-11-20

TUESDAY

Very wet day.

Wrote to Trevor & acknowledged receipt of his letter of 16th Octr. with order on Bank for \$209-

1866-11-21

WEDNESDAY

[no entry]

1866-11-22

THURSDAY

Wet day.

Took a walk with Carry & called on the Dewdneys & Mrs Crease.

1866-11-23

FRIDAY

Raining incessantly
Did not stir out.

1866-11-24

SATURDAY

Raining all day -
Paid \$3000 into Treasury being the amt forwarded from Kootenay Collectorate. Mannsell invited himself to dinner.

1866-11-25

SUNDAY

Very wet day, up at 8- OC
Church at 11- Revd Sheepshanks

officiated. Rained nearly all day
took a walk to saw mill with
Joe & Begbie.

Very stiff & sore after my
game yesterday in the
Ball court

Sent Mashell away

1866-11-26

MONDAY

Rained all night, & day.

The Leviathan returned from
the mouth of the river with Gov,
Birch, Ball, & Bushby, but
had no sport.

Called on the officers of the
Sparrowhawk with Layton
who afterwards dined with
us

1866-11-27

TUESDAY

Lovely day, only the second
since my return to N. W. Played
a game at Ball in the Drill Shed
Afterwards to a walk with Carry
to the Camp.

Enterprise arrived.

1866-11-28

WEDNESDAY

Heavy rain & high wind
during the night, fine
morning, but came on to rain
again about 12- O.C.

Walked to camp with Carry
& called on Mrs Seymour
got wet through on the way
home

1866-11-29

THURSDAY

Fine morning. The Sparrowhawk
left for Victoria with H.E. & Mrs
Seymour on board.

Birch & self left in the
Leviathan for Langley, stopped at
the Pitt Meadows for the flight. I killed
4 teal, Birch nil - very dark
night, pushed on & reached Langley
at 7½- P.M.

1866-11-30

FRIDAY

Up at 7- raining heavily, went out at 8½, very bad sport only 4 brace of snipe, & 8 couple of duck. Birch, & self shot even - rained at intervals all the day
Left at 4½ & got to camp at 7.

DECEMBER

1866-12-01

SATURDAY

Raining the entire day.
John returned from Mud Bay.

1866-12-02

SUNDAY

Fine morning - church at 11- Revd Sheepshanks officiated, walked to Camp with Carry & lunched at the quarters, afterwards walked with Carry to the Brunette Bridge.

1866-12-03

MONDAY

Very wet day, up at 7 breakfasted with Birch, left in Leviathan for Pitt Meadows at 11½ - Birch Joe Good & self - very bad sport, only killed 1 snipe & 1 duck, Birch 8 duck good 2-, Joe nil.

1866-12-04

TUESDAY

Fine day. Settled with Mashell on all accounts. In my hands for him - \$189.00
Paid him this day 59
Bal retained by me \$130.00
Drew my pay from Treasury for Nov. \$323-33-

1866-12-05

WEDNESDAY

Raining all night & day without intermission
Left for Victoria in Enterprise in a perfect storm of rain & wind, very rough passage across the gulf. Birch, Joe & wife John, Mrs Bushby &c &c on board.
Blowing very hard anchored off Saltspring island for the night very uncomfortable

1866-12-06

THURSDAY

Pouring with rain, arrived at Victoria at 8½ took up our quarters at the St George.
Sold my gold bar to Ward of the Bank BC for 1⅝ per cent discount - \$2187.42.
Less discount
Carry Jno, & self dined at Colonial
Walked to Mrs Charles & took her some game.

1866-12-07

FRIDAY

Fine frosty morning at last

1866-12-08

SATURDAY

[no entry]

1866-12-09

SUNDAY

[no entry]

1866-12-10

MONDAY

[no entry]

1866-12-11

TUESDAY

Beautiful day the town full of British Columbians
Ball at Govt House, very well attended, & went off well did not get home till 4 A.M.

1866-12-12

WEDNESDAY

Up at 12- breakfasted at Colonial
Drove in pony carriage with Jno
& Carry to Esquimalt.

1866-12-13

THURSDAY

[*no entry*]

1866-12-14

FRIDAY

[*no entry*]

1866-12-15

SATURDAY

[*no entry*]

1866-12-16

SUNDAY

[*no entry*]

1866-12-17

MONDAY

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1866-12-18

TUESDAY

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1866-12-19

WEDNESDAY

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1866-12-20

THURSDAY

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1866-12-21

FRIDAY

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1866-12-22

SATURDAY

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THURSDAY

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1866-12-28

FRIDAY

[*no entry*]

1866-12-29

SATURDAY

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1866-12-30

SUNDAY

[*no entry*]

1866-12-31

MONDAY

[*no entry*]

MEMORANDA

P. H. Nind Esqr
 Care of
 Hon. R. W. Herbert
 Brisbane
 North Australia

Chas. Gramas, Porter at St George
 has in his possession a double
 barrel gun by Edge, or [*illegible*] -
 was at one time pawned to
 J. D. Johnston of Victoria.

I owe J.W.T. \$144.75

19th April Recd at Kamloops fr
 Mr Bennett - \$105-, which had
 been deposited with him for
 F. M. Certificates & 1 Spirit License
 & 1 Trade do -

To see Hardesty in re Galbraith
 G. bought 200 lbs of sugar,
 but on opening found a sack
 of Flour What allowance will
 be made?

Cash in hand when leaving Kootenay 11th- Augst	
Lean to Cornwall	\$50.00
For Connell J B Good	152 -
Bal of P.O. cash fr White	42 50
Carriage of Mail	25 00
For Jane -	15 -
Price of stamps fr White	15 -
For self 40 oz at 18 per oz	720 -
No 1- 200 oz -	3400) 6137
No 2 161 oz -	<u>2737)</u>
Total	\$ 7089

Estimate of distance fr. Fort Shepherd to Kootenay	
Ft Shepherd to Pend Oreille old house	12½
Pend Oreille to Salmon River Crossing	10
Salmon River Crossing to Summit	13
Summit to Cayoosh Cr.	6
Cayoosh Cr. to end of Dewdneys trail west of swamp	16
— to Ferry	1½
Ferry to Dewdneys trail on East bank	2½

— to Goat River	12½
Fr Goat River to Junction	16
Junction to Mooyie Bridge	17½
Mooyie Bridge to Pea Vine Prairie	12
Pea Vine to Josephs Prairie	10
Josephs Prairie to Wild Horse Cr	<u>17-</u>
Total fr Shepherd to Wild Horse Cr -	146½
From Shepherd to Sooyoos L	116½
Sooyoos L to Hope	<u>120</u>
	383

Estimate of distance fr Fort Shepherd
 to Kamloops via Colvile & Sooyoos Lake

Fort Shepherd to 1st Camp	35
1st Camp to 2nd do on Kettle River	48
2nd Camp to Sooyoos Lake	64
Sooyoos L to Pentickton	35
Pentickton to Mission	30
Mission to Capt Houghton's	35
Capt Houghtons to Grand Prairie	35
Grand Prairie to Kamloops	<u>35</u>
	317

Cash for tomorrow to Westminster 29th Oct	
Govt money	\$3000
Private 62½ oz -	1046.50
Notes & coin	91.62½
Cheque	100
Do	58.75

To pay Clarkson \$10- on acct of
 Ronalds papers &c - per Jane

1000 lbs Flour seized fr. Chinese July 6th Sold 5th Octr.	
Amt realized	\$43.75
Less expenses of seizure	<u>7.00</u>
	<u>\$36.75</u>

Revenue	<u>14 58</u>
Governor	<u>7 29½</u>
Revenue ⅓	12 25
Governor ⅓	12 25
Collector Customs ⅓	6 12½
Seizer ⅓	<u>6 12½</u>
	\$36-75

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Recd fr Jane \$18-37½ fr Gov & Collector

Return of votes Polled in the Columbia District to elect Member fr L Council 1866.

		[A]	B	C	D	E]
Wild Horse Cr.	5th Octr	“	“	“	72	33
McCullochs Cr.	11th “	56	“	“	“	“
French Cr.	12 “	182	27	3	“	“
Seymour	22nd “	19	“	“	“	“
La Porte	25th “	8	“	“	“	“
Total No of Votes		265	27	3	72	33
		400				

- [A] R. T. Smith
- [B] McNamara
- [C] Barnston
- [D] Galbraith
- [E] Duncan

Terms upon which A Townsend has been promised a Ferry right at Adams River.
 Exclusive right for 5 miles coming ¼ of a mile fr the end of Lake (Adams)
 Rate of charges - Foot passengers 25 cts
 Packed animals 50 cts Freight
 12½ cts per 100 lbs Cattle 50 cts
 Sheep 12½ cts - To commence fr 1st Augst renewable at the end of each mt with consent of Govt. to pay in advance \$10 fr each month
 a boat, & scow capable of carrying 5 loaded animals to be in readiness by 1st Augst
 The above referred to C. C. L. & W. on the 13th July

To have Stephens Letters forwarded fr French Cr & fr Romanos

April 20	Feed for horses at Bennetts	6.75
27	Vowell	5.00
“	Mashell fr Mocosins	2.00
28	Fangas Meals &c Vowell	10.75
29	Meals at Frenchmans 2nd Bridge	9.00

12th Octr 66
 Edward Doney, (supposed to be French man, drowned in Columbia R 19th May 66 - was owner of pack train consisting of 13 mules & 2 horses David Laderick (Half breed) had charge of train when Doney was drowned & worked it the whole season, fr which he admitted to have received \$1456.03 but had no accounts & no money to buy feed for mules or to pay expenses to Kamloops - Jas Jemison & George Steger to whom money is due for wages, undertook to pay all expenses & hand over mules to Leprat & [Leriver] who sold them to Doney for \$1500 but did not get paid. Wrote to [Leriver] to hold them till Legally disposed of

CASH ACCOUNT

CASH ACCOUNT - JANUARY

Date.	Rec'd.	Paid.
4 Beary \$3 - Pencil leads \$1- Galbraiths order (see diary)	4	128 75
5 Paper Collars	2	
6 [<i>deletions</i>] Artemus	1 75	
Turners Remnant Cloth	6	
" Whip Cretney	4 50	
6 Umbrella	5 50	
" A Present fr Young "Ats off"	13 50	
Reynolds & Co in full	34 85	
Dixon & Campbell in full	140 50	
Lester & Dunlop in full	32 00	
H. B. Company on acct	356 00	
Haywood in full	17 81	
12 Hand Blacksmith	17 75	
Jesse Cowper, in full	16 00	
X16 Pd Picht in the case of Picht v Felker	500 00	
5 Searly in full	23 75	
Cretney fr Whip	4 -	
10 St George Hotel in full	16 00	
16 Mashell wages in full to Decr Do fr Potatoes &c	20 00	5 50

CASH ACCOUNT - FEBRUARY

Date.	Rec'd.	Paid.
13 Lent Dr Black & took his note.	175 00	

CASH ACCOUNT - MARCH

Date.	Rec'd.	Paid.
2nd Ladner for Hay	72.80	
" Ferris oat Hay	75.25	
14 Fare to Victoria	3.00	
Meals, & present to Steward	2.00	
15 One Hat	2.50	
" Blank Cards	0.25	
16 Haywood fr Bacon & Hams	21.81	
" Wilkie, Waterproof coat	7.50	
15 Pd Tommy (See Diary)	650.00	
19 Reynolds (butcher)	10.75	
" Callaghan, Blonde &c	2.10	
J R Stewart 1 pr. Boots	7.50	
21 Freight "Gipsey" fr. Hope	4.00	
" Duties	16.50	

CASH ACCOUNT - APRIL

Date.	Rec'd.	Paid.
5 Pooley, S. C. Fees, Eddy v OR		18.75
Lent Vowell		100.00
9 Dr Oliver in full		50.00
10 Mashell in full fr Wages to 31st March & Cash		77.25
12 Freight on Chestnut Mare		6.50
" Passage for self Vowell & Mashell, & Freight		23.50 [<i>illegible</i>]
12 Landvoigt in full		41.25
11 John Trutch fr Vouchers		160.00
11 Clarkson fr Voucher Oppenheimer		158.75
Toothbrush [<i>illegible words</i>]		1.00
H. B. Co. Harbrashes & freight on Portion [<i>illegible</i>]		9.00
13 Horse feed &c Chap. Bar		3.00
14 Vowell on acct		10.00
" Boston Bar, Horse feed &c		10.75
" [<i>illegible</i>], Luncheon		1.00
15 Horse feed Lytton		6.00
" Meals		7.50
17 Cornwall Meals & Feed		9.50
" Vowell on acct		10.00
Vowell per Mac		10.00
19 Feed at Frenchman's		3.00
20 Indian fr Packing & hunting horses		10.00
" H.B.C. feed &c		28.75
" Duck for Butter		6.10

CASH ACCOUNT - MAY

Date.	Rec'd.	Paid.
1st F. Finlaison on L. & W. acct		16.75
2 Wilson Smith & Ladner for Meals &c		38.75
4 Boat fr McCulloch Cr to French Cr		15.00
5 Howlett on acct		10.00
6 Old Joe fr 4 lbs Bacon		5.00
11 Vowell on acct		50.00
14 Do do		50.00
16 Howlett on acct		60.00
" Pool. Express 1 letter - 2 papers		3.00
21 Howlett on acct		10.00
" Self on acct		31.50
" Pd Vowell my share of private acct		31.50
" Do - Eggs for Moberly		2.00
22 Vowell in full to 31st May		43.00
" White on acct		200.00
24th Howlett on acct		5.00
26 Paid White on acct of salary		500.00

CASH ACCOUNT - JUNE

Date.	Rec'd.	Paid.
4	Haynes For Tommy per order	150.00
12	Paid Mashell in full on all accts for April & May	60.00
19	Paid Moberly on acct of L. & W. & took (E) Receipt	1500.00
29	White on house acct	8.50
30	Mashell in full for June	30.00
28	Freight on box sent by Joe	12.50
29	Do 2 boxes fr Laytons Camp	32.75
	Paid all the salaries	\$

CASH ACCOUNT - JULY

Date.	Rec'd.	Paid.
2	Paid "Charly" for packing my traps to Moberly Camp	5.00
5	For Packing gun fr Gold river	5.00
7	Pd McNeill for burial of dead body on 1st inst	25.00
	Canoe hire & steamboat fr La Port to Fort Shepherd	20.00
	Ronalds for bringing horses fr Sooyoos to Ft Shepherd	40.00
	Ferriage across the Kootenay Lake	10.00
	Express letters to Walla	
	Walla by McGreavey	5.00
	Peter Adair & Ronolds 9- days work each on trail fr Shepherd to Kootenay at \$5- per	90.00
11th	Augst Mashell on acct	27.00
"	Share of Mess bill	31.00
	Provisions &c	25.65

CASH ACCOUNT - AUGUST

Date.	Rec'd.	Paid.
16th	Moberly on acct (fr Shepherd)	200
17	Wm Ronolds & Peter Adair 2 days each on trail at \$5.00	20.00
	Hudson Bay acct	29.42
	Mashell (shirt)	4.00

CASH ACCOUNT - SEPTEMBER

Date.	Rec'd.	Paid.
3	Lent Tommy	\$550
12	Fare fr self & Mashell on board the Marten fr Kamloops to Seymour	12
	Meals do & beds	10
14	Russian Charley subscription	5 -
15	Mashell on acct	5 -
18	Meals fr self & Mashell at	

	21 mile house	4.50
19	La Porte David B Seaton	
	Horse feed	8.00
24	Paid Mashell in full to 31st Augst -	

CASH ACCOUNT - OCTOBER

Date.	Rec'd.	Paid.
Octr		
1st	Dan McCrea fr "Union Co" McCulloch Cr	30
	Constable Howlett in full to 30 Octr	97.00
4th	Jas A Gardiner fr L&W per contract (see Diary)	202.10
6	A. D. Chamberlain ([Hard—] Cr)	10.00
8	S. W. Purdy for Fort Yale Co	50
13	Hardy for building fire plan	5 50
"	" for Prospecting (Never despair Co)	25
15	P. Demontier, 1 shore on Govt horse	1.5
"	Richardson, herding Govt horses	2 50
"	Lent McNamara	30.00
16	Vowell on house acct	31.
"	P. Cunningham, Prospecting Co	
	Discovery McCulloch Cr	40 50
"	Mashell on acct	5.00
	Postage	-75
20	Vowell bal of salary fr Sept	47.00
"	Mons Lambert price of house	50 00
"	Jane on acct	160.00
24	H.B. C. 2 yds of Baize	4 00
"	Dr Shield on acct in full	50.00
26	Vowell house acct	6.25
"	Lent White (& tool his Cheque for month	58.50
"	Vowell house acct in full	132.60
"	Mashell bal in full	25.00
30	Kinsell provisions	7.50

CASH ACCOUNT - NOVEMBER

Date.	Rec'd.	Paid.
5	Hudson B. Co supplies Seymour	17.50
"	Boat Hire fr. Seymour	20.00
"	Jim Indian packing fr French Cr	35.00
"	Mashell on acct	5.00
3rd	Cook at H.B.C.	5.00
4	Duck feed Govt horses	2.50
5	H.B.C. Rope cover fr Pack & Feed for Govt Horses	5.00
7	N Hare Barley for Govt Horses	2.50
8	Cornwall Kays Govt horses	
9	Kirkpatrick Cornwalls Do Kirkpatricks Do	

	Lytton McWha's Do	
	Houties Meals & bed	
	Frenchmans bar	
	Yale stabling Govt horses	
	Str Reliance fare of	
	Self Mashell & 3 horses	
	Mashell on acct	5
24	Treasury	3000
25	Quan Wee (Chinaman)	5
26	Mashell on acct	10
	Quan Wee	10

CASH ACCOUNT - DECEMBER

Date.		Rec'd.	Paid.
4	Mashell on acct (see diary)	59 -	
"	Assay fees	5.50	
"	Hitchcock for Carrotts	10.62	
"	Clerkson for Sanders	20.00	
	Do for Ronalds	10.00	
"	" one Cord of wood	4.00	
"	Mashell for game	3.50	
5	Carry for her Mother	5.00	
"	Passages on board Enterprise	6.00	
"	Meals beds &c Do	5.00	
6	Wash for head - Norris	1.00	
7	Mrs Whear for Carry	20.00	
9	Church	1	
10	Adamson (Sheriff) Real estate Tax	6.95	
10	Hair oil Curtis & Moor &c	1 50	
11	Dewdney price of Pony (Pet)	110	
17	Lent John	50.00	