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[Dr David Fisher, Dean, 1849] - microfilm of copy - pp  
"Notes of the day" March 1849

- 3/14 left Harrisburg to be N of Dayton, Ohio - took stage to Coney
- 3/15 much gear + papers
- 3/16 mail on by a sb frontier - push more at Louisville -

Chey co. ahead at Memphis. They r hard cases v kept the bar ke  
eper quite busy since they came aboard

/// g oo good clear script/// advice to persons tvg on the  
Ark. River ??? Napoleon Pine Bluff Little Rock Pt Smith

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George E. Jewett, 1849 have to 7/20  
San Mateo Ct HS

7/22 to worship w Ms at lg shed made by setg posts in gr covrg w plants  
rud pulpit occupied by President Preacher & 12 Apostles very excited  
dwellg on their wrongs nd callg down the vengeance of heaven upon  
their persecutors.

7/23 busy preparg to celeb the 24gh left town

7/28 \$4. pwg to ferry BR

7/30 dust so thick man can see a whole team at a time  
deep creek cassius creek //becomes quite faint //  
Goose Lake

9/12 leave Oregon Road to the right cpd on Pitts creek

9/15 meet some men on an explorg tour said 180 ms to the settle-  
ments

10/8 went up to Lawson's Ranch ch csists of sev bldgs of adobe & a  
yard of carrel cstrctd of logs for purp of brandg cattle ch run wild  
in gr numbers

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1850

D. A. Millington, "J of a C. miner" Diary 3/4/ - 9/25, 1851

loaned for microfilming by Richard Lemmon, Berkeley d written in br  
and blue ink nd is bound in br leather j fm Ill ov to Burligton  
Iow, boat to SJ to SLC SL C-0 Carson rt (typed intro)

Micro of original ms. journal cm to the cclusion that I cdn make  
money fast enough in Ill

3/4 off on horseback thegentle bg who had confided happiness to my  
care was bf me in my imagination burdned w one infant

R outfit csists of wg nd 5 hrss

3/12 in co w wg by Baker P Wixom and S Wixom

3xx122 reache Burlington Iowa, across in a ferry//waxes oratorical  
about farewell to the Prairie State there is an unseverable chord that  
m binds my heart etc. ///bottom line has disappeared on each page,  
having been worn off or whatever ///



Decided to go by SL and take supplies up the river, acct pr  
prices higher on Mo River (we hear)

17th on Stbt Magnet at Nauvoo old temple tho ruined by fire  
presents n imposg app hack to Keokuk reseume on S. B. America  
20th into SL clamorous din

21 on board the El Paso

26 passed I, Weston nd FLV and saw gr  $\frac{1}{2}$ re $\frac{1}{2}$ s ,along fpr gg to Ca  
reach SJ sundown store goods and get boarding house

31 went to Rochester w my frs (who came overland)

4/5 back to St J

4/11 probs of adjustment - cold gr rude cookery (cross over)

4/12 Pots w noble and warlike app

4/14 moved across the bottom and encpd wt Marshall & Hines

4/15 started early on to the plains in a tr of 28 teams  
22 miles deserted I vg 1 mi further toll bridge pay quarter ta  
to a fr-man who called himself an agent oth Sacs & Foxes to a  
missionary sta and vg of Sx 3 lg fields fenced in and some green  
fine lookg winter wheat Is engaged in plowg f other crops

4/16 in co with Marshalls, St. Johns and Turners

4/20 BB water so low, ford w/o diffie usually causes o loss of  
2 or 3 days time

4/21 jc w I road overtook a co of footmen think they need  
watching more than the Is

4/25 into PR bottom

4/26 found Ft Key close by PR 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  miles wide FK about one mile  
s of rv on the plain It has 3 frame bldg ch a soldier told me  
cost the govt severally 15, 18, and \$20,000 others turf No pickets,  
breastworks or entrenchments provx scarce footmen obtained enough  
to last them to L

4/27 wrote letter home, then hurried on to overtake the tr

4/28 met war party of Sx grass cropped close, vast amt of B  
bois de vache, indicating immense nus B wintered here party sneaks  
on B, finds it to be a poor old ox that someone had let loose

4/30 another B turns out to be a cedar ~~bx~~ bush on the bluff  
Xpected to reach the lower crossg sf to night but found we had taken  
the south roadleadg to the upper crossing

5/1 see g nus B

5/2 met a tr of teams loaded with furs nd B robes belongg to ? at  
Scotts Bluffs in the mg, and in the eveng met another loaded the same  
from L of AFC crossed sf at upper crossg 3/4 by not over 3 $\frac{1}{2}$

5/3 left rv nd went up a grad ascent of 14 miles to the sun  
divide bet 2 forks then down a descent of 5 miles by steep rocky  
hills, bet hi bluffs deep ravines and robck ribbed chasms. . the last  
of ch s called AH one of the most pictursk picturesk places I ever  
behdl brheld passed the Ogalalla vg oth Sx numberg sm 300 or 400  
inhab. . Many of them fod us to r encapm

5/4 laid over visited Is in their vg They recd us ve cordially  
ofrd us plenty of jerked Bbeef and their yg squaws put on their finest  
ornaments and entered us by feats of agility, dancing, and playg ball

5/5 Castle Bluff another resemble pyramid of Cholula, ptd at the top, and some 600  
feet hi. . One resd the Capit ol at Washington, another had hi per

p sides and a broad level plain at the top and cdb seen at a gr distanc  
 cd near another vg of Sx here were some traders from the  
 Arkansas who had bn e sellg corn to the Es Ixand trs had gr numbers  
 o mules nd ponies ch they er ready to trade for the Es for tired  
 hrss We hear that the Sx vg on the SP was entirely destroyed  
 by fire nd many lives lost day we crossed that str I recollect  
 vg seen a dense smoke in the direc oth vg on that day The xSx  
 seem to be a ve powerful nation nd vg an alliance w the Cheys another  
 powerful tribe, they carry all before them

5/6 5/7 When opp bluff called the CH started to make it a visit. .  
 one lg rock ch might be called the jail thot 1 mile was 7 ascend p  
 a pyramidal base then perp (describes his exact route, and heights  
 of each level at summit waved r hats handkerchiefs and coats to atract  
 the atten of r co horse lookg about as lg as a flea across a church.

Here wolves hold their solitary ~~pn~~ courts, and howl their pleas,  
 while eagles sit in judgment on the lofty benches.

cpd beside ~~ixp1~~ op Chimney rock beside the Platte opp to Chimney  
 rock and about a mile north of the road

5/8 icy this mg In co w others I visited Cr the most famous h  
 rock on the rt It has an immense pyramid of sandstone about 275 '  
 hi capped by a pedestal on ch stands the perp chimney 175 ' hi and  
 some 25 ' in diameter I succeeded in reachg a notch above the  
 pedestal nd there recorded my name Here the ~~xanga~~ distant rang of  
 bluffs approach the rv and fl follow long near it Many of them are  
 equally singular and gigantic as the Chouse stupendous sights of  
 nature Tell of your Geysers, your Giants Causeways your Fingalls  
 caves, I do not be they c cpere with these bluffs in sublime grandeur

We took the right hand road after lvg the Chimney inx instead of  
 /theleft/ as we had bn advised ch passed at a tradg hs We found that  
 the right was a shorter and better road than the other as we made SBs  
 in one /day?/ and found E just arrived there by the other road 2 days  
 from the Chimney Bf reachg SBs we ascended a long hill to the south-  
 ward to head a deep impassable ravine thence down again ~~to~~ on the west  
 side of the ravine to a fine spring near the tg establishment of Mr.  
 Roubadoux where we encamped in a notch or pass between two high Bluffs.  
 This place was so named from Scott a yg trader who was mur drd here by  
 is

5/9 waited to get some blacksmithg done and started about ne  
 noon. R road was up a hill to the summit oth pass then down a long  
 gradual descent o to Horse Creek

//on CR page penned outline of CR silhouette with the writing///

5.10 5/10 to Ash Point, another tp nd a few Sx (17 miles from  
 HC) we encpd 6 miles on where we found wood and water. Here werem  
 were some men engaged in digging out a lg ctwd for a ferry scow tb  
 used on the P near this place.

5/11 forded the Lar river and cpd about 3 miles above the f FL  
 formerly called Fort John is about 1 1/2 miles SW oth NP There are sm  
 g bldgs here built of adobe or Spanish brick. Corn here for sale at  
 \$6. per bu and flour at \$11. per 100 lbs. Maj Sanderson the com ofcr  
 appeared ve gentlemanly and gave us all the info in his power

71 double pages

5/13 cross to an island and back to avoid a ridge of rocks ch projected to the rv bank the ~~ex~~mg lofty escarpment of granitic sandstonr here force the road fm the rv and we tvd up a long ascent to the top of a high ridge and down again to Bitter Creek - another high ridge to Deax Dead Timber creek nd over a 3d ridge to another creek where we encpd

5/14 Horseshoe C 8 more brot us to the NP again A lt zabove this place the rv flows fm a chasm the side of ch r perp granitic rock 500' hi the Dalles of the Platte Marshall and I go through it, a vg to scramble up cliffs bf cmg down and rejoin the road "ch had made a circuit around the spur oth mt

take fake cut-off (turns out to be an old road backtrack //this to prove frequent changes of rt//

5/16 Deer Creek and lower ferry across nk nf  
my 27th 27th bd

lengthy passages of wistful nostalgia for wife & child

5/17 keep up the south bank 2 side-trip to get snow see deer, antel, B, elk, goats, mt sheep and bears Hines lost says an I had chased him on hands and feet must vbn hallucination fright

5/18 St. John separated fm th his horse midstrem ferry for \$4 \$3. pwg 25 for man or beast 6 miles brot uw to the M road ch crossed t the UPF, 4 miles above r crossg in 7 m miles, lv the rv very long hill (Propsect?)

5/19 to WS and 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> to Prospect Hill nd Grease wood creek

5/20 IR db called a lg mt in Ill

5/21 met 2 trs of Ms vg left 19th . . lid over among mts accts snow. . A P ferry co SL merchants and Preachers sent out to enlighten the world

5/23 now in or rather on the SP

5/25 St. John to rt, we to left 5/26 to GR 7 to 10' deep. Ferries kept by F ~~xxxxxxx~~ trappers from Ark

5/27 \$5. pwg

5/28 Hams Fork \$3. to Fort Bridger (no dscript or stopg)

5/30 At/BR a man who ad rolled a wheelbarrow thru to this plae Here he had broken it and left it having got in with a wg and we sacrilegious made fire of the wheelbarrow to cook our supper by

6/1 Weber crossing. . build a raft ch we managed to navigate w ropes

6/4 2City of GE GSL dscrip Ms seem to live voluptuously, and glory in their plurality. //lo if short of cash, go to Calif, and return w a pocket full of rocks. . 1000 of them v gone this yr Ms ~~xxxx~~ love to make folks think there is gold in their vic

6/6 take northern road not so near as the old one less de desert Sulphar Springs or artificial well Nebuchadnezzars furnace -

7.4 reach Carson River r direc across the desert was s by sw CV a paradise, to s. end of v new road to Georgetown, said tb 75 mis nearer; direc up mt, suitable only for pack animals so we pack Tragedy Springs - Deep Valley Johnson's Rancho

7/14 to Placerville or Hangtown 7/18 taversn -- 19/20 reached Sa no lon er the city of canvas but of elegant frame bld gs.



S A Lane 1850 3/14 to Aug 5 Akron S Summit Ct Ohio  
 microfilm of orig n ms. diary in printed Stewart's register  
 3 days to a page

//have to Junex<sup>14</sup> LS add 9 exposures or 18 pp.

6/15 filled r water casks and started across the so-called desert  
 6/16 M ferry \$7. \$1. head for stock  
 6/17 gr many ferry themss over in wagon boxes &c mt sickness gen  
 6/24 S<sup>m</sup> peculiar fm vg no outlet nd the wtr cstantly bubbling up and  
 crusting the surface as it overflows β 4 miles fm this pt FH and  
 Emigrants cutoff separate take FH road  
 6/26 F occupied by HBC the G vt fort by a short distance out ?  
 the river, and now destitute of troops cpd near F and boys mad  
 some trade buck pants, milk, butter started with I for guide Port  
 neuf good to cross but Panack deep and bad to get out of Mills  
 & Anson upset wg in rv  
 6/28 lay by for Mr. Sperry Am Falls and Fall River  
 6/29 30 ditto  
 7/1 Sperry too weak to go on. . start out, ~~na~~ leave 2  
 7/2 up rr came to the cut-off road on S R-Snake river  
 7/3 up RS river 7/4 not much done by way of celebrat~~ion~~  
 7/6 TSV Sperry still very low, tho better  
 7/7 overcoat and gloves  
 7/21 large meadows , lay in feed for desert Marys River  
 7/31 Tragedy Lake whiskey shops  
 8/3 Johnson Ranch  
 8/6 setld w the boys and booked passage on a lumbr wg for Sac.City  
 & \$6. 8/7 yook a turn around the city

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 68 exposures

first p illegible ditto no. 2  
 p. 3 cattle swim across the river  
 seen a grave where the indians had buried their dead  
 they bury their dead on top ofteground all in a heap thrown  
 up into a mound. met 6 Is  
 Mon got to Platt river in the forenoon we /?/ the Platte river  
 valley and will be for 5 hundred miles had a hard storm of  
 wind and rain  
 6 Tues cold rained this mg tvd 6 miles  
 page 4 on the P River some people say it storms every day o2 or 2  
 page 5 clear and windy this morning  
 met an army of indian fighters gg to fight the P Is they were  
 dressed in full indian uniform with their guns bows an arrows  
 and lances an shields  
 page 6 camped on large fork of big Platte there is 5 trains in  
 company camped in sight  
 page 7 Mr. Davidson mending buggy are cooking /?/ and washing  
 page 8 illegible entirely

page 9 illegible (faded out)

page 10 seen several companies ahead of us on their way to  
california camped to night on big Platte river  
plenty of wood and water

page 11 illegible except for Mr. Davison is about to leave us  
again he is dissatisfied with the company

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page 13 gathered a variety of beautiful wild flowers  
Mrs. Langdon had a fine son

31 Wed In camp all day Mrs. Langdon and Mrs. Simmons washed.  
I baked some bread

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page 15 this evening camped on a small creek into // ?// big Platte  
we bid farewell to the timber this mg we v to burn b  
chips and brush where we can get it for 200 miles

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page 17 Mr. Brindles little boy fell out of the wagon tod  
6/5 to day but not much hurt

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page 20 ditto 21 ditto 22 ditto 23 ditto 24 ditto 25 ditto

page 21 we are 4 miles from Fort Laramie a hard storm of rain  
6/13 tonight

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page 23 this morn and his /leader?/ died this morning with  
215h with the colera She was sick but 24 hours passing  
5 graves besides her //doter???)//

page 24 Mr. Langdon gave up his office of captunship Mr.  
Hartsough ?sp?/ electee captain

///fs faded writing is beneath the occasio al legible notes//

many more blanks 68 double page exposures



Diary of John Boggs, 1849 typescript "written while crossing the plains in 1849 started fm Howard Ct Mo in late fall of 1848, and wintered with frs in CBs, Iowa Early in May, 1849, they left Fort Kearney for the west. . The first 2 pages of the Diary, in lead pencil, are illegible 3d page begins at Fort Kearney on the Missouri River

- 5/3 left FK went 25 ms, cpd in open prairie w/o wood  
 5/4 20 ms to Salt Creek.  
 5/5 fell in w Clay's company. 14 ms to Elk /sic/ creek  
 5/6 14 ms to Oak pt Point  
 5/7 14 miles to Big Platte  
 5/8 up the river 16 miles  
 5/9 up river 12 miles, came to the P vg 2 miles above cpd  
 5/10 up 13 miles  
 5/11 up 15 miles  
 5/12 up 17 miles. met a war party of Cheys after of Pawnees  
 5/13 8 miles to Fort Chiles 6 ms above  
 5/14 15 miles  
 5/15 crossed Ash Creek and met 4 wgs full of B robes, and express  
 fm SL B across river sthey stampeded 10 oc night  
 5/16 rained all day 13 ms  
 5/17 7 mi in rain  
 5/18 20 miles  
 5/19 rained to works of P 18 miles  
 5/20 up NF NF 18 mi, kd 2 Bs  
 5/21 20 miles  
 5/22 3 miles to ford and crossed ??????  
 5/23 18 miles to AH  
 5/24 struck NF P up 3 ms rain all day catl stampeded  
 5/25 found 3 oxen 10 ms above cp 20 ms  
 5/26 met men returng w the other oxen 20  
 5/27 passed C H R 18  
 5/28 passed CR 18  
 5/29 pass SB, 12 m to shop 3  
 5/30 Horse Creek, 14  
 5/31 20 over heavy road  
 6/1 passed FL plus 1 total 13  
 6/2 Hot Springs 21  
 6/3 19 to a creek 6/4 La Bonte river 3 Bs H kd  
 6/5 Red Hills La Prella river 18  
 6/6 De Broisse River  
 6/7 struck NFP 5 miles up Deer Creek to camp cut off wg bed  
 6/8 13 mi  
 6/9 PF, 55 wgs bf us  
 6/10 cross with gr deal of diffie  
 6/13 IR  
 6/18 wn 2 went throug SP  
 6/20 GR  
 6/25 went up and down steep hills to Bear River; went up 10 mē miles to Thomas Fork and crossed. Col Russell there.  
 6/28 SS 7/2 FH 7/9 Warm Spring V up HR (not named) CR  
 7/31 started a mule wagon loaded w water and grass for cattlem in the wgs 8/11 Lake Valley Leeks Springs Pleasant V  
 8/20 went to Sutter's Mills END Note by son Frank S. Boggs father helped survey streets for Sac

Boggs is typescript & copy of original ms, also microfilmed

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John A. Markle's diary 4/18/49 microfilm of origin ms book  
clear distinct writing 93 exposures

The Travell of a Gold Digger enroute California

4/18 lv SJ in co w Foster, etc. with 1 wagon 8 mules and one pony w about  
30 3200 lbs of Baggage and tv about 5 miles toward fort Chiles

4/19 stuck fast 3 x had jolification w Jennings fm Greenburg

4/20 cpd 1 m above Savannah w ev hollow, a deep mud hole  
at Savannah 2 more days

4/23 went back to SJ for letters moved on to Newark 11 ms

4/24 at Newark all day

4/25 cross Nodaway Notwa Notaway

4/26 bal of co not come up yet still enc on bank of Nodaway

4/27 ditto wolves howl around r tent

4/28 overtake 16 of r wgs 4/29 more lingering

4/29 30 Tarceo

4/30 Linden, Holt Ct

5/1 cross Nihnipotting

5/3 pass the lake house c 3 ms fm MR

5/4 wind bg ve hi we cdn cross the river plenty of deer to chase

5/5 still in place ferry crowded wit wgs

5/6 cross at Bussells ferry, 7 miles below old Fort Kearney.  
walked up the river and staid all night with the Elizabethtown  
mess //did not cross Mo yet// they jd an ox co fm Indiana

5/7 co not yet all come up

5/8 started tv 5 miles no road xcept

5/9 started , pass old Fort Kearney then take ? and tvd over a  
beau plain - road excellent

5/12 Crossg the river we had to let a wgs down to it w ropes

5/13 go may cut fish + pile - it - caught some by ones

5/17 come to Pancee town - B of chip excelled w dead horse heads

69, but we found no person there as they had all went down to

the CPs. the town was very built - only of 110 or 120 house - all

all built w mud - long entrance - meet 3 mule live ones, w pump,  
shook hands w 3 balls

5/19 came to a PT who was shot - the hips, + he had some warty w his  
stubby that he had be shot by the Sx, he was equal to an E. Gave  
him something to eat, + passed on

5/20 Sun - 60 Sx Ft came down river, in pursuit of PTs, gave +  
the some biscuit - returns w fresh scalp, ch we supplied

w3 the wounded I cross

5/21 Blacer + Smith fought, go deal of cpw - Corp



to truck

5/22 5/23 found the Fugy

5/24 gm nest up - take 1/2 n by bed of - throw out - in evg

I went down to the F + traded clothes for 2 by B robes

5/25 hitched up a mule, passed 100 ox teams - cooked a supper up  
the grass - this my 2200 teams had found the F -  
the Star (?) Co - this my was all divided, & ev team started when  
they pleased

5/26 no fire, freezing, eat biscuit & saw bacon - we roasted a  
snipe on the coals, quite palatable

5/27 road miring & very much cut up by the trees - Taylor bot & 1/2 gill brush  
cut B range, - trails, 4" deep 10 wide, & as soon as it  
cut up a spade

5/29 Oriskany Co. mule teams of Arvey, As usual my feet <sup>so</sup> sore that I  
cd scarcely walk

5/30 - up a ravine, lone Owl, Eagle nest, wolf dens

5/31 today plains all run over by Fs in search of oxen - of whom two  
more - one my oxid too had not found - these were whole teams lost  
all their teams - many volunteered to help find

6/1 Cross or lower Gray SF, & ridged tree helps 1/4 wide  
to NF - cooked B meat & B chips - yummy

6/2 walk all day barefoot

6/4 run on bluffs twice as they came Bleep to the water's edge -  
to a h - majestic cedar trees

6/5 hard drawing

6/6 Spitz Ch - cedar case? - (G) Lullall of mucky +  
him Stephen, Boone Ct. Md, just about to bury - lay the  
in a sand hole but for he l on lay long

6/7 Go up to Solitary tower, a steep pile of sand + clay so  
cemented top as to res. stone - level & 500'



Palmer says 6 to 800 - storms & washed ~~it~~ it down since  
 Gully at top - a gully may come to it, but when they ascended  
 Gully | about 1/2 way, returned - note keeping rock - the whole of the  
 dist end of one day was so high, that snow washed away

6/8 CR

6/9 SPs one of the most bear faces I ever saw, there is a ledge  
 bottom of at 10 by 15 mile encircled by them - set up into all  
 kind of towers - if I had a spear I stop & stay - to see  
 look to where we could take a bluff where there was plenty of wood  
 & water of the best kind - looking up at head of snow, I saw  
 Mr. Rubedeem his activities - boss, others & I wife, all ch in sight  
 at a distance of the sps

6/10 today we lay by & go back to Rubedeem & the way of a smaller  
 one day ch time & on to Pittsburgh was part us, & for the name they &  
 I resolved not to see that I belong to it to

6/11 HC Bad crazy - Overtook that part of Co. ch crossed to us  
 at 5/24 etc Capt Taylor

6/12 took up the Co. - LF

6/13 took the river road - 8 mile to a steep bluff, descend by ropes  
 then grazed - 7 mi farther to a flat - Big Sky ch bursts out at the  
 base of a hill - too warm of day

6/14 road forked 1/2 way a camp - took left hand to Bottom (trail C)  
 up ch we had 5 mile - Dr Walker men packs & packs

6/15 at the 5 & la bote

6/17 Boreas r. - Down C, level up tent (Sun)

6/18 Semi go gours manding on just

6/19 Pittsby up led of Capt Taylor - sail 800 up at ferry -  
 agree to build a raft, by sunset had 3 up and  
 to preserve labor as had to take 2 up all apart

6/20 6/21 but in to the ferry, at lower end of a island



learn that Frank & Byrnes had also called it Hawk Island.

6/22 WS 6/23 IR.

6/24 2 camp in stationing - OG - rambles over IR, on ch I put my name on 2 places, one on top, other a to side next to the road - in view Cape Buzard Co. post, & a part of 40 yrs

6/25 & 6/28 - make steps a gun - go, ball struck Alexia Beal on the knee, entel cap, lodpal - bone - got to Sgt. Sergeant for the Govt to; he ~~said~~ said leg 1) to be taken off. But Beal, his bro & Gallbreath & not by to v it done - probal - full ball - 2 pieces - drew it, got her away

6/29 Beal's leg so one & cdn ride - away. So we had to live here & his mess - I not had to live anybody on bed on the, all noble fellows - to PS

6/30 500 7/1 on leg dreaded descent, but I was pleasantly dis-  
appal for we had given us mess as good as usual - at ER 300  
up, gun all ate off - & stop here

~~7/2~~ 7/3 - on ch - Cape Buzard Co. drew 11 head - Govt to come up, start 12 regularly of some Es to hunt a man name of Brown who had had a man or to find last Sat

7/6 / 7/12 - SS - Smith free in to his chin, I pulled him out, he was trying to hang - to green

7/13 to FH (but not visit) [detail of mt to go to FH]

7/16 mas chetora away

7/18 to where OT turn off - up RR

7/21 lovely views of all proper - 1) take trail that runs NS of SL

7/25 pm 50 of team 7/26 hotel Marys Run

8/9 day 8 & mouse grass, & prepl of descent - 500 yrs - ✓  
day ditto

8/11 at Sulph Sp left to Simin

8/12 to Sals trout R (C? - drink & put open  
Caum prob.)



8/17. about 9 AM McCann post a cap w/ a pack train, who had started by way of Ft Smith, but to Cole now by overland he had to open his way thru the mts & return to road of way of FB about 500 m out of his way -

Truckery Lake where Boone camped - Cabin  
2 Cabin see photo

8/21 summit - double team - dead w/ ropes

8/25 Mississippi masses

8/26 to On Bumpai where Good Digg

8/30 to John 8/31 Nichols R.

9/2 Sutter Fort, ch he created w/ hospital - SC

93 single exp

Jacob Stitzel

3/20 - 8/26/49

mount of  
expans

NOTE of DM: S - set out of New Carlisle, Ohio as a member of New Carlisle Cal. 1st Regt & May Co. 1888  
Mr. Stitzel to I - SCO - CR - Soc - in pp.

3/20 departs

3/21 left Dayton about prospect Arrow of Quincy  
since day - bad snow, regular

John Hancock of SL

3/25 for Revere day of cholera - bad SL cemetery (Rufus)  
take chg of his press - dept of books - materials -

3/28 Skene Alt of I 37.

3/29 there was about Capt Bryant Co. of Louisville vol  
part of m. B. Brown of Lt - total 450 - dep

3/30 3/31 - take of Remduta SL 858

488 to St J - I 858 60

I dig fals occ



## Journal

Give man of co. to an agent (?) of St. Louis Republic -  
I started to go down - stopped on way to land, etc. -  
about 2000 Es

4/7 Boat loaded last evening 184 passengers for the Place to St. J. (?)  
Sitting by bill at the I house

4/9 Left I - put up at I Landing to go on to first boat of St. J.  
{ too bad it is very foggy & foggy }

4/10 In my mule to go to St. J. of land

4/11 Platte City - arrived St. J. [where did he live?] ]

~~1500~~ 1500 Es → Adams - Mountain House - note arrival of  
Steam motor & mule of St. J. - some first flight - then  
California au Gmery - very civil rest of fellow

4/14 Steam documents 4/16 Algomen & St. Louis -  
Alhambra [journal used - indistinct]

4/20 Walk to river - other goal of Woodworth Co.

4/21 Alhambra [unseen vegetables]

4/22 Walk & I walk on I enjoy a very warm

4/25 hitched up mule & started to go - wait all day

Collier Co. broke the big log & had to lay by - and at the  
Woodworth place

4/28 W Co. met at the District to deed - day of starting

4/29 Took walk - to Plains

~~4/30~~

5/1 Greater pro-otto Co. moved out at 80°C - no problem but dust

5/2 Deep Creek, very bad cry - I was - can be  
to cry - home - Patawatone prob - I start

5/3 Variety to make some eggs - number (up?) off 1 to 10, NO  
lots of our first at the canal, etc

5/4 Rains - well stamped to mule

5/5 Wolf chases in 13 - of. Any he his foot run over

5/6 Orphan of deer



- 5/7 Capt & Dons of Jt L, 10 yrs, 40 —  
 run - to Nwachangy, up den of rope.
- 5/8 scary moist ground
- 5/9 5/10 busy - elect Dr W - Chief - BB tolerably bad  
 crossy - G Nicholas Bossman.
- 5/11 - rest - saw of 2' by body - throw out most of day
- 5/12 (G) B F Adams of Painsville Co. - Lower Co Ohio  
 In party of Crow Is. via fr - I trail
- 5/13 5/14 heavy rain, bad road - heard that Pomer Line of Jt L  
 had about 100 head mule taken of them - or ok Co. called to  
 Rouse + Realy paid in, the Gernatou boys ahead of us
- 5/19 5/20 get with P Bottas - hear C. of Troy (?) ask
- 5/21 to FCS 150 oaks - boggy 98
- 5/22 5/23 5/24 to pack mule - Capt Bayant
- 5/26 from 100 ox + mule team - get goat
- 5/27 much on the Ohio cor. + other as well - Springfield Ill Co.
- 5/31 at camp, in 1/2 m wide 2' deep - wgn break  
 thin tongue of dirt into the river - up the camp, said the  
 much the best - not less than 500 km and today —  
 2 G-men, 88 the - foot, get them meat + lodging of the diff camps  
 along the way. They are thinly clad - carry nothing but on pack +  
 bread - Co. of U.S. into Republic Grand the size. - 5 Ft
- 6/1 K B - are weighs 1500 - run any 1 mule + can  
 then to stupides
- 6/2 on bluffs to a precipitous hill - obliged to locke both  
 wheels, + let them d up rope as hollow - I camp when  
 road down to bottom [ to p 89



Quite an aged chief came up and took dinner w/ Mr. A others come up an an begging exped sev Fr-men among them E train bury one with inflammation th bowle bowels, Crandall age 17 19 fm Blue Island Ill -- muxh much dividing but we remain w Springfield Co -- pass U S ox train consist of 45 wgs, also co of Mtd Riflemen Bryants co is staying within = 1/2 mie o our camp -- Sermon by Pres clergyman

6/14 now passed b Govt tr and Bryant cpd by a lone ctwd 600 yds s of rd w remains of Soo Is Solatory Tower, a trem heap of clay 6 to 800 feet spring creek passed 1/2 doz cos rumor that 8000 Is in arms near FL robing the trs as the passed along also that that they had murdrd some 100 Es we dont think this cb d credited  
xxxxxx

6/6 CHR 77 miles off road reunion of 3 brothers

6/7 opp CR lg haystack w a pole gman belong to an ox tr behind us had some lt diffic bet eac other upon ch one of the party shot the other with a pistol a fr of the one that was shot then shot the other fm what I c learn they r both mortally wounded

6/8 SBs excellent spring Horse Creek There is a small tp and bss &c at Scotts Bluffs near the spring

6/9 passe some 1/2 doz trains Dr. Woodworth and the Milan Co. about 4 miles behind us ditto the Govt train

6/10 LF bg tolerably high we ccluded best to ferry FL opp stnds on the opp side. There is no troops stationed here at this time and is nothing more t an a tp. Capt Davis of St. Luis wzs crossing as we came up

6/11 ///excllent clear script/// much detail on roads and grass etc

6/14 mules frm SJ passed us we throw out bacon, lead &c

6/15 first crossing oth mfk2 NFP 2 ferries 4 miles apart. . We went on to he upper ferry, 175 ahead of us 3 Ms gen cross about 50 wgs per day \$3. race with SL co fm the lao lower ferry Bryants co crossed it yest Here was Cincy co that left I 4/24 w mule teams

6/6 6/16 graze mules while waiting man with Cass co wounds a grizzly bear 100 wagons came up this eveni g

6.17 Sunday Ms v a bss hansome profit x22 \$9. yoke oxen 50c apiece for nailing mules (per nail) shd gross \$3000 in one month

6/18 cmnced ferryg have roadometer

6/20 IR sol pile of gray granite standing in an open plain cvr cvrd w inscrips giving names, dates, nd companies, some carved, some in black paint, others in red.

6/24 wd we now strike the SP snow along the road, up to 10 8'

6/27 to GR follow it down 4 miles bf cmg to ferry

6/28 accident to ferry went to rk corkg r wg beds to fery rss

6/29 cross swift 150 yds almost navigable for stbts there was not less than 12 or 15 ferries runng the river today, mostly wg beds - present app of a stbt landing

Melancholy occ near r camp 2 gmen fm Wisc had a few wods when Brown stepped drawing a knife and stabad B- to the heart He expired in 20 minutes diffic over a peace of soap, and was all done in an instant Brown gave himself up, w & was put under guard



6/30 Excitement in re murder of Borngasser /?/ give him his chance either to have a jury trial or let the guard take him out one mile from the incampment and alltho those who choosed to dnything could pursue him & do as they see fit. Brown asked for 2 hours to reflect on, which was granted him during thistime he was partly engaged in writeing his will. The too hours expired and Mr. Brown made choice to let the guard take him out. The guard started to /do/ this the co then objected d sayg that in this way there db nothing done with him, that no one would take the resp to molest him

A meetg oth Es was then called to decide what to do, whether to v a jury trial or no A ? votes was taken for the jury trial they then went after Brown to bring him in, to ch he reused some 15 or 20 men then started to bring him in by force he finally consented and came in w/o any diffie cd get only one man as juror theco became impatient to be off at 12 oc Mr. B- was released and nohig done The Co ch he belonged to discharged him and left him siting on his trunk trunk near by the rv the last I noticed him

7/2 200 lodges of Shawnees and Snakes 500 poneys

7/4 celebr this day by passg over a big hill or mt Peg Leg S-

7/7 SS volcanic

7/9 Fort Hall

7/11 ~~xxxx~~ here on Beaver ? Creek the Calafornia Trail turns off and OT leads northwest over the hill leads in a southerly direction up Raft River

///here pages start to bleed through

Carson iver Kanyon Red Lake Tragedy Springs

8/21 to Sac City Suters fort Fort at this time is occupied by diferent perxons one Hospital several groc & ? shop Capt S now living 40 miles north

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E C Springer Day Book Sept 9th 1849 ew Lebanon Sullivan Ct, Indiana p/pp from orig in pp \$50 1850

3/11 Memphis, Tenn biz deals /// writing is faint //

3/11 started from Memphis for NO on Luna arrv NO 15th Failed in getting a ticket to California

3/24 arrived St. Louis Left on steamer Niagara to Naples Ill to Jacksonville, Ill

4/2 left Jv in co with Miles & Co. for California by land

4/5 crossed Illinoisriver

4/6 caught the elephant by the tail in Misip bottom cross at Hannibal, Mo

4/29 arr ST (has inventory is equip purchases)

5/10 (here writing is more distinct, as if it had pencillighad been penned over.) Crsos crossed the MR at SJ in steam ferry

5/11 rose top of the bluffs, where the beauties of nature, untarnished by the works of art, presented thmss to our view. The scenery was indeed grandk interesting, and pec liar able to get a last glimpse of St Jo acct crookedness of theroad, teams looked like one ctinu l proc of teams tvg toward e every point of compass. I think the nmost broken ct I ev saw



- 5/13 Sunday, rest  $\frac{1}{2}$  day grass backwards Presb mission
- 5/14 Organized co of 5 teams
- 5/18 dust in such vol it resembles clouds Crossed BB ford  
I can see nothing destitute of ints and all is beau
- 5/19 hear hollering while on guard - camp alerted for defdne -  
turns out to be a lost Dutchman
- 5/20 5/21 2 o r mess vg a diffic, had to call upon the counsel  
for an adjustment Capt Ogle actg as president & judge. Dr. Miles  
& R. Duncan as advocates. E C Springer & Youn as attorneys and Mr.  
Toliver as sheriff proceed to trial settled satisfactorily to both  
parties
- find LB a little, nasty, dirty, hard-to-get into and out of  
stream first graves from this year, sev last //he was talking  
about some other stream/// now lb is one of the richest extensive  
bottoms in the rld.
- informed that a man shot today a few miles back for inter-  
fering with a lady.
- 5/25 I am told by the fur co that it is 24 mis to Platt rv and 48  
to F Kearney fm here. Fur co passed fm fort Larime to this place  
/report? / 4500 teams
- 5/26 feast on B Sunday 56 teams passed us (or 356 ?)
- 5/27 lv LB (says this Blue river) come upon 1 to 200 Is of a  
Shian tribe endd for hunting ve fr shook hands w us all
- 5/28 cold as January struck the P where we passed the jc of the  
OFK road passed FKey  $5 \frac{3}{4}$  miles plenty of wood on the island  
opp the Forte I went through and examined FK & the works thereof  
had an interview w w sev oth sols they cd give no idea oth number  
of teams ahead - at least 5,000, perhaps 6,000 about 160 sols here
- 5/29 Pulled up stakes and rolled on one mans oxen feet had wore  
out and he took him back to the fort to trade him off -- behind us  
as far as we cd see, the procession of teams extended, ditto in front  
rv at least 1 mile wide full of islands and toe head wtr  
ve muddy and nearly bank full, quite swift FK sitd on Platt bottom  
 $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles fm the rv and 15 ms fm the jc of OFK road with ours
- 5/30 man returns fm fort had xchanged his lame ox for a cow  
passed 130 teams today we v now passed more teams than passed us  
on the sabbath while we were lyg up.
- 5/31 there was a wedding at an enc near us night bf last The  
bride and groom rode on today tog about  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile fm the road looked  
as if they were returning from the i/?/ inpass????
- 6/1 now w just 2 teams - just as safe as with 200 musical never  
hear bf, with braying of jackass, howling of wolves, d a Dutchman  
took a walk and ascended the highest peak that I have yet seen on the  
plains scenery grand
- 6/3 left hand road leads to upper or oldford some 20 miles above ..  
the right hand ~~mm~~ road leadsto the lower ford  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles from the forks  
of the road just above the w/ forks of the river ???? We took the right  
hand road as we er told that we saved 15 miles by so doing  
v to use B chips for the first time SP at its mouth here where  
we crossed is  $3/4$  m wide but the way we had to cross was 1 mile very  
little variation from 2 feet deep

6/4 pass immed around the point oth bluffs into bottom of NP  
finest blue gass pasture yet

6/5 6/6/ ascended blufs ch er ve high and craggy but cmneced  
descending as soon as it reached the top into Ash hollow where it  
interesets the road fm the upper ford

in AH 3 gs one of them a yg lady 18 passed this evening the  
express passenger tr of Jerome, Hanson and Smith of St. Louis.  
We left St. Joseph on the bluffs this side at the same time

///he counts all the dead animals, awa human Gs///

6/7 more Is than common. some shians & a gr many sues

6/8 6/10 passed CHR at noon 5 miles to left  
CR 3 m left of road

6/11 visited CR this mg and ascended 200 feet toward the top and  
yet 50 feet remained abo ve me ch cdb/ ascended no rocks but clay  
and sand formed in a kindof cement 3/4 soapstone

SBS asxceded the first rt hand peak 500' hi. Nearly perished  
for water found a fine spr of the best water I v had on the plains  
at the ss North Peak ve tired walked all day w one boot and one  
mockerson Left the rv ll mi below sbs and left the bluffs to r  
right no water tonight

6/12 to a bss and store half way fm the foot tothe top of the  
bluffs. Here we found fine spr water but no grass

6/13 ruins of an old forte 8 miles from Forte Laramie pas an  
I tradg establishment in second bottom saw ox tr of 12 or 14 wgs  
run away today sev men run over, 2 badly hurt

6/14 LF 75 or 100 yds wide and 4 1/2 feet deep drove 200 yards  
nd exchanged our wet clo hes for dry ones then on 8 miles

6/16 still stopping on the Sabbath pays off in tv time those  
that wont stop on Sundays are all behind us their teams are failing  
while rs r improving

6/20 3 canoe ferry here but i am in favor of moving on to the  
upper ferry 24 1/2 miles

6/21 to upper ferry v 5 boats run actoss with ropes by the  
current 2 wgs, exclusive f teams, on a boat \$5. pwg make a trip,  
loan load and unload in 10 minutes 50 cts head for ~~xxxxxx~~ hrs  
and mules \$1. for oxen. Kept very busy

6/22 Fail in repeated efforts to cos cross stock me in the ater  
water the better part of the day -ve cold

6/24 WS fine water, no grass Prs Prospect Hill Greasewood C

6/25 IR DG 6/28 my birthday 23 heavy a sand road h  
hi wind rocky perf cloud of dust no ww or g death & dstruc

END OF DIARY



*memo*

John Heath Bonner Daily J Across the Plains commeng at  
CBS 5/13/61 from original in pp. //have to 7.7. Big Sandy//

7/8 crossed GR here the musquitoe attempted to take us sol  
sol soul and body but er repulsed w gr slaughter  
7/9 cpd on muquiotor crk and fought the e emy all night  
7/10 had a desperate cl cflct w musqiots but lost no lives  
on our side  
7/11 7/13 assended 2 mts calculated to try the patience of  
the patient cp on Thomas Fork  
7/14 oxen to shoe as is always the case on Sunday am Tullicks F  
7/15 SS nd STbt sp went to hunt the grisly bear but found him  
not 7/18 pass old Fort Hall to the right (means road?0) and the  
ca crater of a v volvan volcano on the left  
7/23 started w Mr. Hagan the wounded man, his sufferings er  
severe but bore it like a sol souldier 7/20 to RR  
7/25 passed the jc oth Landers road and crossed the 2nd bendh of RR  
7/26 to City of Rocks jc SL road Goose creek mucis nd dancg  
7/30 Boiling Springs took our girls to see the gr and wondrous  
works of God  
8/1 Humboldt Wells  
8/7 decide to stop after a warm dd debate  
8/9 death of old Ha rry, old Harry, oxen  
8/13 8/14 Landers Citya tradg vg opp silver mines  
8/16 started on Honey Lake Road bid r girls farewell (their  
family parted after a quarrel with Captain Gillis  
8/17 R H Springs Gr nite creek B spring Snake c  
8/24 H L Valley, first see SN mts tp on Susan River  
8/25 camp near Susanville  
to Bells on west side of Sac River 135 mis fm S  
or 1731 miles fm CBS to Sac V , Ca

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Incidents and Rems oth Life of C D Reynolds b himself 49  
typescript on microfilm b. Va 1819

Virginia to Ky on trip to visit bros persuaded bro Ph Philip to  
bre k up in Ky and go w me west April 1842 to SL by Louisville  
on water to Glasgow settle in Missouri dissast dissatisfied  
Saline, Mo. gold discovery Miami, Missouri  
winter 1848 cmnced makg preps 7 of us united in a co. ox-wagons  
2 plus saddle horses provs for 12 mos outfit Strother, own 2/7 .  
one was Joe Hill, and I, man by name of Tutt, a morose foreigner

4/11 get tog in Marshall, Saline ct  
go thru Lex nd I to byond state line

4/20 start w 13 wgs and 50 men cs of our jackasses and jennies  
we er known as the Jackass Train to FK. Nite we arrvd a terr rain  
storm, w wind, thunder & lightning put animals in enc of wagons w log  
chains thorly st saturaded

chol drove Is out in a hurry road so crowded w Es that if you hd  
to stop, u had no show to get a back in the road w your train until  
noon or night. Gr cloud of dust fore and aft.



pas soldiers on way to Salt Lake. Freq patrols detached to  
hunt deserters' ////typescript////

starts p. 17  
at vic CHR and CR scrub r-snakes big horn sheep as they  
crowded tog their horns made a terr rattling lkd like a gang of  
billy goats, dirty blue color

SF crossing seemed to be 3 or 4 mis abov where the two rvs  
come together see 2 Bs, beat Is to them, kill one; Is cut up meat  
and distribute

rt lay up f nf and I think the 2nd or 3 day we came to the  
crossin ?????? find raft with water-soaked logs, hep help by  
using water kegs

stop 2 2 x a month for wash and repair

7/4 at IR (came in sight of PP

Cross Sw at Fort Laramie

GR \$4. wgs swim stock to island

I find out that even a good swimmer hasno strength in ice water  
on Fontenelle creek, Peg Leg Smth squatty build, about 50

Es tryg to find alternate rt get boxed in narrow canyon, cant  
turn back we rescut, o l ox at a time, use ropes

E dies cd captain refuses o stop tr, Smith's fork  
to FH occupied by a squad of British soldiers, Capt Grant; they  
er then fixing to leave atmosphere filled with smoke from efforts  
to repulse mosquitoes.

On RR get away from the road

our 5 gallons good Bourbon \$5. all cnsuned secretly by a  
driver within 30 days

get rid of him and quarrelsome Dutchman , beaten so badly hax  
has to be hauled in the g

9/1 to Sink H- land of mirages to Truckee meet Truckee th  
chief of the Pyramid Lake Is describes Donner site

to Steep Hollow, where logs used to slow down wagons

9/20 to Sac 5 months from Mo st line

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recollecs of Henry Carter micro film of typewcript

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Chalres Gould mico of orig at Minn HS 88 exp

Left Boston April 18 1849 at 8 o'c weather clear and cold arrived  
at Springfield etc.

check Boston & Newton Co



John Shinn's Journal ms. 31 pp.

///have to 7/26 Black's Fork ///

7/27 7/28 Blacks fork below FB  
 7/30 SS (o impossible)  
 7/31 over ridge bet wtrs of Colerado and Great Basin BR  
 8/8 to City of SL  
 8/28 in desert gg to Ca divided at thispla place  
 Alvah Grow Daniel Bacon Orin O. L. Grow, John R. Shinn  
 8/29 Is trsome. Stealg & shootg catle & hrss seems to br  
 their business  
 9/6 cpd at jc of FH Road nd theone c that comess of SL  
 // ch means he went the latter route ??// Marys river  
 9/20 to Trucky river  
 9/27 crossed the ~~Yuhaxmtx~~ Nevada Mts, cpd 4 mi fm summit Yuba V  
 10 / 1 on Rock Creek 5 mis fm Nevada City this business to a  
 termination.

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James F. Reed 5/20 1846 3 m w Cansas or Caw River and  $\frac{1}{2}$  m  
 e of last years enc

arrv here yest in vic oth lg caravan cmnded by Col. Russle of Mo  
 csisting of 49 wgs They were too large . . nd on evg before last  
 divided and 21 wgs or fams septd ch crossed the rv bf us  
 //photo of origin in Ill SH Library // also also typescript

Col. R tol me he db glad to v me along after his talk to group  
 sev moved that I be admitted w my 9 wgs, carried unan  
 Your mother feels ve much like she was gg to die  
 The Oregon waggons v gone on about 2 weeks Still there are a  
 nu bound for that ct 10 to 30 Cs are yet behind The Ca  
 caravans is the largest this yr by about 2 to 1  
 There are 3 distinct cams for Ca, in all about 120 wgs I see none  
 that is asgood as my family wgs  
 here is as rich as the best land in Sangamon

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Diary of William Browder from Warsaw, Mo to Sonora Calif  
 b Russel Ct, Ky 17 1826 micro of orig ms pp printed pocket diary

this is badly confused record seems to have irrelevant me ater  
 material at the outset, then suddenly he is on the Humbolt, at a  
 tie unrelated to trave. -- then in May he is on the plat/

5/24 came back to the wngons they eir crossing plat 9 miles fm  
 fort carney campdon the north side on he bank

much illegible

6/7 had our cattle on an eyeland whatis legible is worms eyes  
 view ~~fix~~ weather road, topo detils

6/15 Black hills

7/1 Strawberry creek

7/6 green river 7/7 crosslower ferry on the salt lake road  
 bair river eco creek 7/19 to city of Salt Lake stoped there  
 a few hours sold a cow to Sonora.

Maria J. Norton diary 75 exposures

typed intro "To the Pioneers"

subject of this history was a Samuel F. Mathewson, b 1834, NT md 1859 went west when for christ sake? sa started from Chi, hired out to drive stock I trsbut for Captain Elliott lotta bull now in ms.

this diary is Mrs. O O Norton mother of Judge Norton nos now typed. Diary of a t across the ps by Maria J. (Elliott) Norton property of Mrs. J Drish courtesy Mr. W G Paden

Introduction: Elliott family estitued the major portion oth co, led by Edmund Elli tt and 6 children, including Maria Illinois Wilson, eldest child, came to Ca 1853 and wrote glowg c acct returns to help family cross in 1859 (father went in 1858) among others gg were Marion o Morse, husband of one dgtr, Sam and Carrie Mathewson, and Jerry Hubbard all poss vg been sold, part of c went to Mo and invested in cattle and mules rendezvous at Eddyville, Ia

diary on blue tinted paper mostly legible fam met in CV by Elliott Sr. and ~~Elliott~~ Norton Sr, writer of introduc

#### TRIP ACROSS THE PLAINS

5/6 took cars at Blackberry for Aurora  
5/7 more cars to Burlington. . across Missip on boat / rail to Agency City stage to Eddyville men finally in with cattle

5/26  
6/10 arrived at CBS (after dreadful trip thru Iowa mud 3000 inhabs nice-lookg gg gents on the streets at r cg Is the most hideos hideous lookg objects I ever saw

6/11 v crossed the Mr on the Nebraska Had to go three times to take all the catle and wgs O about the size as CBS

6/12 first Sabbath to lay by  
6/13 cross Papellion and Peppea sw a few Is who looked as if they er not human

6/14 past Elk Hortn Hotel cross river on one of Uncle Sam's frame bridges. Hotel - Pikes Peak House, a poor excuse for a hotel house as most of theh tels are

6/15 At tiny Fremont a liberty pole I guessed they had the 4th July there some time

6/18 M train w 60 women and handcarts, 3 to a cart few farms v log hss passed M train, the greatest sight. . There er 60 x x carts and s e 240 in all of which 175 were w & c. Some of them looked rather hard, er dressed ve c shabbily, sun pouring down on their sv burned faces u But some looked passabel, and all seemed to take hold of their work in gr earnest. I thourhg to myself, what poor, foolish creatures. . . I would need more i ducment. . . Some of them nnnnnnn They are old-country folkks, some of them Dutch . . . later they er so anxious to pass us they would go on the run (some)



After awhile they cdn get in ahead, and turned out and let the whole of r tr pass by they er strung out  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile we cp LF

6/17 at F LFF drove of 4,000 sheep they er tryg to get across. v to wait, took out my embroidery and went to work

6/18 how we ferried. . We drove into the f-boat and er escorted 20 rodes, then into rv with quick-sand. It goes jolting like over stones. . boys gets a g wetting

6/19 Snday tv cs we laidover on Friday Come up to drove of sheep and 5 wgs under Mr. Rawson said this is his 3d time w sheep, has 29 p in his co.

6/20 respect Is, with pants, capt's % met party of warriors on h-b bac; had bn makg treaty of peace with the Sx some came to r carriage and took hands with us, said they er Ps present of a sheep

6/21 some sm farms fenced w nice rail fences roofs of slough grass

6/22 6/23 Wood river sod houses 6' hi, 8 x 12, some with wing, 6 x 8. Now a window cd we see, but lots of bipeds cdb seen around the doors. I thought I shd prefer livg in a tent

6/24 birds singg sweetly as if their hearts er full of praise Supposed that we v passed FF FK, but cdn see it on acct of the trees on other side oth river

6/25 at Elm Creek, a sm co fryg B meat another co comes up, c-sisting of a hearse ?, five carriages, and 5 wgs.

6/28 2 6/26 B hunt take some leave some

6/27 B creek rightly named drove of 50

6/28 6/30 met party of 40 I warriors; Sx gg to fight Ps sev came to carriage and shook hands with us try to sneak a few things beau boils boilg springs Skunk Creek Mestazer Creek

6/29 I vg 80 wws naked papooses oxen cmnced running, and the papoo papooses ran like wild cats to their wws

7/2 Grass Ck North Bluff Creek G W W Payne, 5/20, 59

7/3 Cuck Creek Shepher's Creek, Wolf Springs and ck I vg of 20 Wws they er not too fashionable, callg on us bf we had got set settled, but they kept comg thicker and faster, unti we thought there was no end f to them amused at r singg gave them crackers and bread. . . A gr number came around me and stood looking at my writing

7/4 akwnd by firing of guns froms some distant cos we are now a procession of 65 wagons, more than 1,000 catl, plus had apple dumplings invita to a 4th of July dance jd by 4 g men for PP

7/5 Horns creek the carriage co cpd near us

7/6 I travois to FL

~~7/7~~ cros Castle River Calm Creek noticed AH tp ss rv 200 soldiers stad there to protect tvrs; also a stage station carriage co and flag co campe nearus

7/8 Shoal Creek Saw a ve high mound of earth, put there from the beginning of the rld nd some hi bluff ruins c n see a hi pt ascending to the sky; do not know as it has ny name //,,, ,....''''

7/8 boys v all bn in bathing

7/9 CHR res the one in Boston CR

7/10 sm of r men over to see CR to climb and inscribe

7/11 can see Capitol Hills or SBs look as if the road divided them /// this diarist very graceful writer///  
 spend ev leisure moment writing letters, to mail FL passed by train 2 miles in length

team stampee2ded by some black birds cause wheels to bounce 3  
 ' hi it was while they were in the water drinking SBs the # most mag structures of the kind we v seen I thought how much more beau are the rks of Nature than of art d liked to v visited them

7/11 (she doubles up here) grass here salty, so that catle do not need tb salted again water so muddy it will almost do for coffee thunder lightingine etc, e but no sprinkle

stage sta across rv also saw the stage gg at a rapid rate. . dv taken us to Ca a gr deal sooner

Spring ree Creek boys fire a p-dogs ch only made their feet twinkle in the air, and they er out of sight

7/13 drag antel on mile trading sta, 1 ww and 1 tent etc.

7/14 LF boys started to cross the river to the office, but er told that the office db closed at 5

7/15 lay by a go to the officd office no ferry-boat, only an old wagon-box. Most oth boys went to the Fort and brought us back quite a number of letrs

sev cos cpd near us. Some r gg to the Peak. . Yest I e went to visit F Saw sev lg white hss, ch made me think of home. . The trees too looked ve nice and cool as we had not been near any but once for a long time, and that was the night bf Evthing is very dear at the F; whiskey 2½ a pint flour 17 a hundred alum \$1 lb tacks, 2 shillings a paper etc.

7/16 Came to the F, 31 mi, and sold four sacks flour to PPer \$8. per sack

7/17 climb rugged bluffs romanticlooking places inscribe r names on a big ctwd tree, with many others

7/18 M wago s, hard looking set crossed a small str by Ash Hollow

7/19 7/22 G of boy 10 kd in a stampede

7/23 passed ferry ehre Es cross over; there er 2 small boats. There er some 6 or 8 hss near the ferry. . sent letters over to po, ch was also a stage sta

7/24 sksleton of a papoose, ch had b enn buried up in a tree, and had fallen down it was done up in a red handkerchief, w blue and red flannels, and B robe dried and shriveled up passed the bridge across the river, also a stage sta, 30 hss, mail more letters

7/25 passed a fort on other side oth river also 2 tps on this side. another place a log hs bg built, 12 by 30

7/26 another tdg hs small log hs, 1 ww, 4 F-men, 2 sqs, 2 ps nd a fawn. We all went to see them, but the greatest absurdity It gought was for white men to live with dirty black squaws. had beau white ponies. . try to trap us into drivg cattle acrossth rv for feed

WS catle last drink P, farewell drink (WS 15 miles further) Seems as tho we had parted with a friend, as we have used the water for so long time, and we always knew there was plenty of healthy water for man and beast

7/27 at WS only stumps Harpers Creek Greasewood Ck L Saleratus Lake to Sw a sta sta, w sev log hss cneted, and looked much better than stage sts usually do. Nearby was bridge IR



7/28 14 of us went to visit IR names to 1849 wrote r names on a piece of paper, and put under a ledge It is the greatest sight we v seen yet Co of Uncle S men camped in the shade of the rock, csistg of 26 wgs, forming a corral We r to cross Sw soon after starting did not visit DG R-snake mts 37 dead creatures today Visited by 3 squaws Appelloes, li look like Sx 2 tps. One inside like quite a store, logs, no floor

7/30 4 men on mules 1 had stolen a mule, er taking him back to their co did k not know wheter to shoot him or whip him Ice Springs

7/31 Muskrat Creek

8/1 Strawberry ck McAchrons Branch Willow ck

8/2 SP tr of 25 govt wgs passed us

8/3 tr for SL, and as the stage rt is removed off this road to a newone, we sent letrs by them to mail. The reason of its bg removed is that the feed is better on the new road Tr of 15 teams, to Ca. There er 6 stages 95 horses bound for Califr ????? They er from Mo and er gg to stage it jc and LS

8/4 wmn said one oth ther co drowned in P near AH Sta sta

8/6 to GR rightly named as to color started across the Plain on a new route ch we called Elliott's cutoff a one-horse buggy

8/9 boys had a jubilee last night gr fire violin hill sidlg hills sidling steepest yet to BR

8/18 SS scatrd over 40 acres a volcano that has had its day of triumph

8/19 into HCO ? 8/20 passed thru a swamp en 2 men came up wt the awful news that their tr of 20 men, six wagsons and 2 women, had been attacked by IIs who hadkd 2 men, taken all cattle, wgs and evthing .. had come back 7 ms to a M tp to inform all the trsins

7/21 men came back with awful news that one poor man was alive, tho badly wounded. . Is left him for dead. . they rifled his pockets and took his belt and knife, hit him 2 or 3 blowson the head, and 1 left him. . Another man dreadfully mutilated. Some of the boys took 2 light wgs and went for the 2 men, ch they brought in about 4. I nv imagined anything 1/2 so terr bury theone

8/22 the sick man in a good deal of pain this mg, sm think e l n get l v caluced to take the most of the unfortunat 's tra along w us We r gg to start out thismg w a co of 50 or 60 the best place we v seen for the Is to attack It made my heart bleed to see the blackeened ruins of that poor tr

8/23 men go armed wounded man in r co has the skin off both his heels, caused by rung fm the Is Traders fm Wash Terr say the Is had kd sm more men fm 2 trains One lost 5 out of 12 Also said the soldiers er after themm a co of 350 about 9 miles fm us Mr. Yeiser said there er 200 of them, that they had a skirmish w Is, and had kd 25 o of them, and had 6 of their men wounded

Man to r cp said histr had bn roob robbed and four men kd a month bf. . Mr. Y took him in

8/25 scene of another massacre. the best plaace for murderous deeds that I vseen

8/26 to br of Raft River

8/27 jc of FH and Calif roads 80 rods up the FH road is the G of a boy of 16 hung for killg a man at that place

8/29 Pyramid Circle 5 x 3 miles names passed jd jc of  
GSL and Ca roads , just at the west o end of PC  
8/30 after horrid hills, Goose Creek

//8/24 Diary ends abruptly after father is met on the Humb  
in the Carson Valley jy ctinued to Elliott ranch in California  
last entry is at Boiling Springs 75 pp typewcript

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Diary of Henry R. Mann 1849 micro of origin ms diary  
starts out in the mddle of things ref to the most gentlemanly co  
well done for Old C lhoun

//barely legible//////// much faded///// (pencil?)  
June 23 at Deer Creek caught some fine fish there among them so  
some fine salmon

6/24 pass a number of ferries came to the crossg of Fremont  
only about 80 wgs here the ferries of the Es v taken aw y their biz  
10 Ms here acting as ferrymen and bss \$12. per yoke for shoeing  
we v left the platte never more to see it we left it at the  
Red Buttes

6/25 IRx alkali bit WS

6/26 Prospect Hill when the Sweet ater Mts m burst upon r sight.  
in all their beauty

6/27 left camp at 6 this mg w our 300 waggons in one t2 train.  
IR one m above r enc is huge mass of granite 30 acres w beau  
green rass all about I fancy it must look some like the Pyramids  
of Egypt It is rightly named for it stands forth in all itssubmlimity  
of its own isolated magnificance Thousandsof names were  
inscribed upon it, all executed with tar and some of t em did honor  
to the artist Among the most co spicuous ~~names~~ were the names of  
P. Jackass, and J. Mc Ass my name does not embellish the rock  
DG a singular fissure

6/28 Sage c aptly named; sage 10 ' hi and sev inc es in dia

6/29 S cross and recross ice spring

6/30 gil gliettering peaks oth mts approachg sp a co of traders  
here that l take letrs to the States for 50c ea at least they say they  
l but I shall not trust them Batted today at noon gr squirrels  
make delicious supper had some elk for brkfst sorrowful reports  
re the Eion behind us d said tb dyg by hundreds in some cases leavg  
entireoutfits w/o owners nd that hundress r turg back we v had  
no sickness in r camp xcep one case of ague

/// writing fades in and out sotim quite legible sotime impos//  
strawberries on s- creek

I saw Mr. Bridger today the mteer who owns a fort west of us He is  
here trading with the Es he only asks \$ \$150 per horse and 125 per yoke  
of oxen we r now on the banks of the sw for thelast time

ninth weeks July 2 t s this mg about 6 Oc we bade i adieu to the  
waters of the Atlantic twin mounds two hills exactly alike  
o eitherside of the road. passed snow in many places the mt  
bears a gr variety of the moss from snowy white to deep purple at



10 oc reached the summit oth SP and gave one long lining look towards the scenery of the t atlntaic coast, we pated from it with reluctance we v exceeded r most sanguine expectations not expecting to reach this point bf the 10th at most. PS

a co of traders v passed us today on their way to FB they r a rough looking set with squaw wives they offered us horses for \$60

7/3 the mg sun rose in splendor, uthe air s was bitter cold take the Oregon road about 1/2 were taking this road route 8 miles m to the LS

7/4 rising sun and its first rays shot athwart the Plains, from the snow clad peaks of rms was not greeted by the sound of the deep mouthed cannon or the merry peel of bells yet we all felt that we were Americans tho thous of miles etc. septd us fm the land of r birth to BS sev cos had jd each other here and had gotten up a pic nic party for the 4th 100 firearms and cheers at cclusion we had lobsters peach pies and plum tarts, and boiled ham, but none of the ardent

Judge Lynch is hold ng court today at the PS in the case of a man by the name of Reed. It sees seems that R- and another man er packing through and Reed had shot him thru the heart; leaving him layg in the edgeof the Sw 10 miles east of the pass, when he overtook a tr that he was acquainted wit he gave out that his partner had drwoned drowned in crossg the P, and he saw him go down the last time. He had some \$400 in money and the subsequent finding of the body led to his arrest and he l prob n<sup>t</sup> see California

There are no doubt a gr many despaeradoes on the road and will scruple at nothi g to get what they re gg after

7/5 mg rose in sp splendor the spirit of .76 heard all night and has hardly ceased this mg

7/6 GR ferry making about 100 trips a day at \$6. 52 3/4 mis as measured by the govt train , and this w/o water called SCO it is a cut-off with a vengeance

////have at home

Diary Jane A. Gould Tourtillot      mico of original  
micro also of type p tt

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Anon. J of Incidents of Tvs to Ca. Lowell. 3/27/49  
fm collec of Minn historical society ms dept 1 vol

3/27 left Lowell arrvd Lynn partook of a colation social  
va gatherg w the ladies spiced with dancing at Sagamore Hall  
recd at Boston by Bay State Col steamer Rhode Island for NY  
3/30 arrvd NY

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No. 7 Anon (S. Churchill)

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William E. Taylor diary see D M 1846

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William Taylor Rems micro of ms dedicated to dgr  
father in Tennessee 172 double exposures

I dont re, e, ber any reason that father gave for leaving so many  
cforts in his old age father sold a his fam farm had a boat built  
down the Red River into the Cumberland into the Ohio and  
Misip monster stbots down the Missip/.

no dates whatever

p. 169 loaded up w wife, sisters and father & mother in a lt  
covrd waggon moved to a new settlement mother dies wife  
dies giving birth to Rachel  
re-marry move to Lex, Ky

start p. 230 I go to Calif, mill biz down

bid adieu to little mother the ballance of my dear chil and started  
on a long trip started for Memphis (when? godammit?)

Reached Memphis (maybe not Ky after all) board boat bound for  
SL the capt of the Siranack who we had paid \$5. to see e our pasg  
to I, told us that he cdn take r freight, for he was already pver  
loaded. There was another boat the Saluda but stuck with my \$5.  
went with Sarinack saved same, if not all r lives, for if we had not  
paid anythi it is almost certain we wd v went w r outfit on Saluda  
/// and get blown sky hi?????///

At I we cpd near the landg, waitg f r outfit ch never reached us.  
In a few days we recd the news that the Saluda had blown up at Lex -  
g-men investigated, found the boat w at least half the front torn to  
2 fragments There was a lg crows oc M Es on board and an awful loss  
of lives some blown into the river, and some on the bank the cap  
tain was blown on the bank a corpse terribly mangled

It appears that the r rv has a str currant op the Lex landing, an  
the captain had made sev attempts to stem the currant, and said  
he d make the raffle this time, or blow her to Hell

I found nothin o nothi g of r outfit but a k ceg of medicine  
brandy and did not get that. We reted to I. . I did not now v enou



money to pay my part of anew outfit Sinclair boys loaned me ch I paid after we reached California

The first knight in camp one oth Sinclairs took the measl measels - next my 2 boys were taken with measels, with wind and rain and in the wg it was a wonder and mercy that one or both did not die. O br ndey stews walked nearly every step to Ca (me , that is)

We had formed a co of some 20 or 30 and the only man who had a wife was elected captain she was an angel, fixing many piex and little luxuries ch mpt many men know how to prepare (that was after the new company we formed

R capt was as cruel as his wife. . I was the oldest man in the crowd had my boys to attend to yet heinsisted that I shd take my turn in guardg the catl told my boyswe d form a co by rrs left and never saw him since lg to risk the Is lonesome, but by rrs 1/2 way across pls jd by the Ware family with a niece who was my angel / a 2-wagon train to the Humboldt River Missourians tho the two bros d smite e ch other ip and thie w their tongues but it was an ev day occ for bros, fathers and sons to fal l fall out nd quarrel

Nothing of imp occurred unti we crossed theSerea Nevada mts near the spot where the CP RR tunnel runs through, we saw the Downey cabbins, tall stumps, it was diffie even w doubling to get r now nearly empty wgs to thetop of the summit co had increased to 15 or 20 able bodied men Is steal cattle, unable to go on form xeped of 12 guns Is had driven steers across the mtsto the Trucky side by this time the id dv them butchered

rest of way down by ropes etc. had tvd thous of miles w/o seeg a single hs xcept at fort Karney and fort Laramie until hdwtrs of bear river us 6 months plus 4 or 5 days have to walk in w packs on r backs to blue tent

///but he still gets his waggon and team to Nevada City, auctions off for \$5 600 w sends to wife in mail safer than if I had put it in Adams Express company's bank. . last remittance in year 1852 1852 end p 249 of 344 pp

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Eliza Roxey Snow j 2/12/46 - 8/49 2 v original in Dgtrs of Utah Pioneers Museum

2/13/46 crossed the Mississip we fly from aggression re the exodus poetry Biblical passages tiny vols, tiny script v. 2 Winter Quarters of the Camp of Israel 6/1/47

///micro of original ms.///

Even blown up on microfilm, barely readable for size of script, style of penmanship, and fading /// full of the spirit

6/12 bade farewelll to many who seem dearer to me than lift life nd se ted in the carriage w M. & E. Hook my departure from WQs 14 wgsin theco.

6/13 met Parley returng to town arrived at the Horn just bf sunset my feelgs peculiar during the day it verilyseemed that the Glory of God rested / down on the wago s (24 in No.) and over/ the prairie.

6/14 over in a raft much palaver about the gift of tongues

6/15 The brethern call a meeting around a liberty pole ch as erected yesterday for the purp of organizg the camp judged to be more than 300 wgs met here with father Smith orgd

6/19 carcass of a man recently kd and picked by the wolves many papers were found which designated him to vbn an officer from S SL led on PR 15 mi fm where we crossed the Horn. The pole of liberty w/ the white flag waving was erected by the com that preceded us

6/20 this mor heard the painful news of a combat bet Jacob and Weatherbee & 3 Is. Mr. W was / by one of the Is thro the body while s were endeavoring to prevent the robbing his wg. Those 2 bros had been sent back to WQ on buz and er at the time of the encounter encountered about 4 mis on the other side of the Horn. My health ill today not able to attend the general meeting

6/21 the artillery does not arrive we do not journey on

6/22 the camp moved tvg 5 or 6 abreast we fod up the P ct delightfl

6/23 We go 2 abreast Capt Smoot's co stop for the night

6/24 Capt Grants co start at 7 so e rebellion by those on h-back about keeping i line

6/26 2 abreast cross the looking glass ck camp on the Beaver

6/27 vbn very sick ride in bed the last 2 days crossing the steam we had another refershing fm the Lord Praise him all yet Saints

6/28 broke 2 wg tongues in r cmxx ten crossed Indian creek passed 2 cornfields, some habitations overtake J. D.'s division some of the inhabs visit us, one man is appointed to aid the Inds in building barracks etc/

6/29 Pass at the Pawnee town ch seemed entirely deserted crossed a sandy bottomed stream in sight of the I settlement encamped in front of sev wigwams J. G. bf and P. behind.

6/30 Capt P. Ten take the lead of F.G. hundred herd of antels runng in eve direct

7/1 we crossed the Platte or rather what is called Luke's fork J. G. com crossed first when we left Parley was crossg

7/2 teams begin to fail for want of water Capt Huff ? leads r co

7/43 came into the trail of the Pioneers

7/4 a board is found on ch the Pioneers had written computing their distance 217 mis fm WQs

7/5 6 rivalry between trees for keeping ahead //

7/7 Capt P lead r 50/ after starting we were told to leave the beaten track and each 50 break a new one it made hard riding for me yet et c/ p ss bro Rich baiting later he demands the road //no paging//

7/9 more speaking in tongues. Praise the Lord

7/10 P judged tb m in width this is B ct.

7/11 Public meeting the Lord poured out his spriti S ster R called to see me in the eve, and spoke in the gift of tongues Stopp Supped on B 8 killed this ? Drank well water

7/12 pr little else than a barren waste

7/13 B paths plenty ch lea lead fm the bluff to the rv across our way. Capt P leads Capt H 50 r left in the rear etc. . . we fall into his track (Capt G? // ch occs some tr but all is adjusted by Ca $\frac{1}{2}$ toam G who acts as Pioneer

7/14 frigh ful circums the herd took fright upset one of Capt P's wagons crushed 2 wheels for Capt Snow, cu caused the death of Captain K's only cow and ? several horns from the oxen stop one day for repairs Capt Rich Capt Smoot



✓ Capt G brought me a B head on ch was written by the Pioneers, dated m y 9

7/15 started this mg in 2 coms, each 50 by itself in double file in csequence of the fright of the cattl r leaders think best oto divide the hurd and form circles by fifties This mg we ? the bluff ch forms a jc w the river over sandhills we find rss ag in on the rv platt bea springs - a blessing

6 7/16 7/17 cattl in Capt Gs 50 broke out last night 20 yoke of oxen cnn b found some men came down the river with letters saing they met the Pioneers at the South Pass left sev berthern at a ferry 125 m up beyond fort Laramy

7/20 here sf

7/21 much delibera, consulta, parleyg and grumbli g sev hunters are sent to to search for thelost cattle nd we moveon to the first 50 in fro t in eve called co tog for prayer ch truly made r hearts rejoice

7/22 B in sight all the time almost innum herd of them come over the bluff today were about to run over r camp on their path to the rv our hunters met them and they changed their course much to r gratifica agree to stop for other 50s when we find a place for baiting

7/23 vist by 100 Sx

7/24 take a view of their town thru the spyglass

7/25 Bf e start bros P. Young & others of the Pioneer train came up much to our joy it was truly like clusters of grapes by the way ch we come up wot with the main camp ch outstripped us yesterday eincamp in Taylor's division

7/26 Many Is passed with tents and baggage fastened to mules, hanging on drays formed of tent poles drawn by horses, mules and dogs ch r fixed to the upper sides of the drays had to move off Is in danger of bg kicked by horses ///

7/27 arrd opp Ash Hollow half halt for purp of getg timber to repair wgs in case of accident

7/29 cmence rising the hills bluffs all day present bldgs, terraces, platforms c of every dscription bluffs present view truly mag

7/31 met one of ? by the name of Davenport gg to WQs with a co of traders chimney peak the bluffs r stupendous and beau to the lovers of nature cookg done w g fragmentsof flood wood and B chips  
Scotch bluff

8/1 some of the boys visit the Scotch Bluffs report it to be a mile high and almost inaccessible

8/3 a lt bf night the co halt while Mr. Ewing who w s taken sick 2 weeks ago died saw a bluff ch is said to be 50 mis beyond the F

8/4 this mor we saw many men & houses many female faces er lifted w/ unusual joy at the arrival of some of the battalion fm Calif look healthy and in g spirits we ascertained the com to be Gen Kearney, Fremont, and 14 Mormon soldiers gg to Ft. Lv for their reliese The Gen had brought Freemont, he bg obnoxious to r interest, by prejudicing the Spaniards against us The burial of sis. B was attended with all the propriety circums d permit after the customary dressing the body was wrpd in a quilt and csigned to its narrow home w/o a coffin. .  
Capt P found a wood written by the Pioneers dated une 1, sayg 15 ms fm FL

8/5 encamp near the fording place

FL 8/6 cross the rv ch has a sto y bottom we cross below the old Fort both r built of unburnt br ck Mother Chase and I v a treat in the eve. Jacob C - baptized & my health much better Jacob Edward (her baby???) a Spaniard supped w Mr. Taylor

7/7 All is well - may r union increase squabbles among leaders  
7/8 7/9 now among the much celebrated black hills bluffs like well fortified castles 2 grizly grisly bears vbn seen

7/9 7/14 had a gloriuous tme I recd the gift of tongues the spirit of the Holy Ghost was truly foundout yg m people metfor a dance and bro Bk Bakers boys and others intruded with much violence they are tried this evening bf the bish op 's court This 50 burn a coal pit We r also manufacturing tar

8/16 hear the Pioneers v arrived at the upper camps that the City is laid out 16 catl missing

8/17 news they were in the beau valley of the GSL that they had cm mende surveyg the city that it is a goodly land and their souls are satisfied

9/11 cross the dividing ridge into S L early October

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Anonymous ///Stillman Churchill//  
Journal of Incidentns nd Tvs to Ca. Lowell. 3/27/49  
fm the collects of the Minnesota HS ms dept St. Paul 1 vol  
microfilm of typed transcript

3/27 left Lowell, arrv Lynn partook of a colation dancing at Sagamore Hall

3/28 29 receivd at Boston by Bay State Co. on steamer Rhode Island aarvd NY by boat, train, canal boat via Holidaysburg

4/9 to Pittsburg

4/10 lv on steamer DeWitt Clinton Wheeler Cincy Louisville

4/17 arrived SL took passage immed on Belle Creole

4/19 came up with Saluda both shafts broken take on her pasngrs 60 for Ca 4/20 at Boonville, unload effects priv of resting r bodies on the banks of Terifirmi after canal boats and steamers

5/21 camp sitd 12 m fm Pilot Grove 20 to I

5/22 passed the Mo line into the Shawnee Ct 18½ mi sw I On Mo frontier is a small log hut used for a store & dwellg hs the last tradg hs in Mo

5/23 mm santafee road passed met sev cos of Es on their return home owing to the death of the owners of the teams torrents accpd by Heavens loudse loudest artillery

5/25 Wakaloosa or Wakarusia

5/26 passed the Virginia co, one oth co hadhis arm broken by bg thrown from his mule

5/28 to Kansaslower ferry ferries 12 miles apart

5/29 some to upper ferry to purchase provs as we begin to entertain fears we were short owg to the roads and time spent in crossing strs

5/31 meet cos from Lex, Tennesse and Ill returng home

6/1 Big V up and down with ropes

6/5 overhauling loads equalizing the same was visited by sev oth wolferine rangers



6/5 cross BB

6/8 ~~6/2~~ little blue river catfish

6/11 we had r quarterly meeting to make choise of officers: Dr. Paige Pres, H. Rice vp Mr. Hooker Capt R Churchill 1st lt and S Churchill Commissary at large w unlt'd powers to distribute provs reach Platte bottoms met Maj Belcher & escort fm FK for FLV he stated there had bn a skirmish bet sm Ps ' & Es & sev cos of dragoons er in pursuit of them advised to wear our sidearms they were at war & waiting for a tribe of Chienne we did not see them Belcher 's escort csisted of 8 men we tvd today in co with some western men the Maj advised us not to admit any is near r camp nor allow any but the captain toc cmmunicat with them the ps had robed 2 E wgs & today sev cos of drafo dra- goons r in pursuit of them

///evidently two versions of the journal, passages are re- peated, sotimes the 2nd version is more detailed //

6/13 FKey sitd  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi m fm P on a perfect level Hospital Black hs & sev other bldgs of turf used for various ocupations nec for the safety & prosperity of a fort 200 plus officers the fort is  $\frac{1}{4}$  fm the river they live easy & on the fat of the land hunt Bs elk &c provisions cheap tools mostly given away or sold very cheap a gr many is hover arround here

6/14 voted to reduce r personal bagg to 80 lbs per man put r hard bread in sacks and throwed the barrels away sold the bellows & anvil left books on the gr cut the bonesout of the hogs joles throwed away 2 spare axes so e done some blacksmithing at the fort 3 of the co bought ponies of the soldiers the wolvarines visited us & tried to buy some liquor did not succeed mail to FLV once a month

6/15 Nothing of thrilling interest sev wells where e we waered r mules they er dug by Es roadmost oth way 1 to 2 miles fm P

6/16 antels l outrun the tail end of lightning co voted to tv to- morrow ch was a violation oth Constitution some pretne pretendg it was nec ch was all moonshine thus hardness ctinued to increase from day to day unti its disolution

6/17 Hobart & Stearns the troublemakers. . one of them said he cd go to Ca straight through Hell

6/18 p ssed the Telegraph Co. see B opp side by telescope

6/20 last nite howling of storm and wolvees makes us all felt somewhat tired of camp life to crossing of P 10 AM we shoveled down the bank doubled r teams sev ofus forded the stream 4 x  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile wide on opp shore hail like hens eggs depth 3" to 3'

6/21 tvd 6 mis on sf P then left it for nf, distant 3 miles view of both forks

6/22 ~~XXXXXX~~ vote to permit some to withdraw and rec their shares

///2 versions of every daily entry 2n one us more extensive ///

6/23 vote to dissolve the old original Sagamore Co. lf Lynn, Mass co again formed themss into 5 separate messes officer chosen to divide the mewls & all other property that cdb divided Provs stacked up in a pile the commte then cmnced dividg them out equally among the 5 messes, ch they ctinued to do t during the day All those th ngs that

*Planned  
on 6/16/11*

*Any  
mules  
for*

cdnb divided were sold at auction & the funds divided. During the settlement all is peace & harmony there is I camp  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile from here visited it & it has the app of vg bn a fight bet Ps and Chienns I I cpletely buried up in B skins and blakets, beads & horses bones scatrd in all direcs

6/24 final division the old Sagamore co was extinct then left to tv w rss w/o Captain Hooker or any of his inferior officers & also No. 1 mess who were the originators of all tr

6/25 ~~xxxxxxx~~

6/25 there is now 29 of us tog & 8 wagons we are all 1 united The Wolverines v overtaken us they say they passed 700 Is who er much enraged at some E who had poisoned a part of their number, including a son of the Chief & they er in pursuit of them

invite to dinner 2 fm CBs they aid they had passed sev hundred Is the Chief came to their camp & demanded pay for crossing their ct & killing their Bs they answered them by a general muster & display of fire arms & the is immed dispersed passed ash hollow

6/27 turnarounds they looked as i their mothers didnt know they was out arr at c h r CR like Bunker Hill mon or a Locomotive House vg a bell top & chimney in the centre like an inverted tunnel

6/29 exc spring on the right directly below is a bss also a store & dwelling hs all under one roof built of cedar owned by a trapper who md an I squaw distnat fm Ft. Larramies 55

on the rt directly below near a small stream is a bss, store & dwelling hous all owned b a trapper fm Misso ri they are all under one roof built of cedar he md an i squaw by whom he had sev children & they seemed to enjoy life as well as the best of us some of r men got their mules shod here viewof LP seemed to give us all new life

worksor works of art resemblg large palaces E name of Scott

7/1 7/2 LR r road 4' deep  $\frac{3}{4}$  miles from here is FL blds of dried clay & a large wall surrs the whole & presents the about the same app as FKey the Bss is near the river there is a po here estab by the Es each one payg 10c scores of wgs r lyg in all direcs & r worth nothing

7/3 took r mules to bss shod all around \$1.25 pair

7/4 slept on bed of camomile & mosquitoes slept on us by the bushel we fired /// no doubling up here/// minute guns of 8 ? rounds each & heard echoes of our guns & almost stunning reports of hundreds of kegs of powder burnt by surrdg cos

tv 46 miles when misunderstanding about the rt lame linament

7/5 camped noon where rv takes a bend through a deep gorge

7/6 jc of FL roads to Labontree no grass, mules look like the last run of shad dried meat is plenty on their bones

7/7 B. in a ravine I crawled behind some bushes & drove the whole charge through his lifhgts ///no more doublig up of text///

SKIPS FROM JULY 11 thru 19



7/20 passed summit RMs obtained specimens of rocks

7/24 GR cmnc immed to ferry ate r breakw fast and dinner tog  
the depth of fatigue

7/25 the Pioneer Line a hemming us in on 3 sides the smoke of  
their campfires bg ve annoyg to r eyes also a Tennessee co.

7/30 U S Dragoons camped near us while I am writg there is another  
div a passing h ch inspires m us w renewed zeal seeing Uncle S's sols

8/2 stbt spr leave the river to the left & take a new road 4 or 5  
miles distant there is the remains of an old crater ch is now extinct

8/3 trapper lies about water bg near

8/8 ~~xxxxx~~ crossed the M trail today ch leads fm the city to FH

8/9 8/10 pass jc of M & FH road 180 m fm M city it is reported  
tb 60 miles further to Ca this road than the old FH route including  
the cos

8/13 purchased a lg red pony of a Shawnee I for a rifle and 11  
dolls & a red flannel shirt worthy \$1.25

8/14 an early withdrawer treated like a prodigal

8/30 forks of the road we take Lawson s cut-off we obtained info  
from Mr. Martin Captain of an escort tr fm Oregon under the authority  
of Gen. Lane to meet & escort the Govt troops fm FH through the southern  
OT

Rabit Spring dead catl plenty to perfum the air with BR Spring

9/10 Goose Lake

9/26 to Mr. Lawsons camp on the Sac

accounts and the constitution Oskaloosa Company 7/16 9 members

3/10/50 list of deptros to S. Churchill & Co. forgot no pages

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Thomas Larson dictation, 1887 micro of ms ZILCH

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Henry Minton autobiog typescript microfilm C-D 5046 Pt II  
Calif biog miscellany

When?

b Ky 1822 franklin ct mo my bro Isaac and neighbor J Groff  
with 3 others in another wagon lv 4/1 crossed Mo river at Washington,  
We er to meet 18 wgs at I 5/10 A few days bf arrivng there the  
tr all met and we orgd and elected a Captain as a leader oth Co,  
Clint McDonald d

12 mi to Westport, waited for goods at Kansas City  
made a beau white streak across the green prairie  
At AH the cholera struck our trzil

We then moved on till we got up to the crossing of the SFP  
cross NF on a small flat made of two canoes lashed tog w boards laid  
across the top, for which we paid \$50. It was pulled across by a rope  
fastened to it and an ox team hitched to the other end etc.

The boat got half way across when I heard a terrible racket  
and ran to see what was the matter. One or of r men had attempted to  
swim his horse across . and the current turned him. The last we saw  
of him was just one hand thrown up. We hunted for him all that night  
and the next day but finally had to go on without him. We sold the

boat to the next outfit that came

Boys get out of sorts train grad split itself up some became very hard to please and some d pull out nd go ahead nd some d go slower and by that means the tr became csid split up. A small remant of us bg together till we got up as far as Sweet Water

Above IR a cavity in the rocks to let the stream pass through. My elf and sev oth boys went through but the wagons went around.

Night of 7/4 camped near South Pass, Rockies, ice froze in buckets see line of 4 yoke of oxen struck down by lightning lyg in th yoke. . just as struck a few days bf

to Bear River, down that a short distance and just bf we got to the crossing Jim Gros Groff who had been poorly for some time got so bad we had to stop. We stayed there a day and a half 2nd he died. We buried him by the road and still went on. . to SS and Stbt Sp

took FH road leadg to Oregon and left hand road to Ca On HR dust db half leg deep and as thin as flour It d close over your feet as quick as water would. . Dust & sand together had worn off my toe nails so that the tops of my toes d bleed of a mg when I d start out

8/12 bro Isaac took sick with Mt Fever Came to reenhorn C-0 We took it Black Rock Spring To 5 or 6 yoke over the mts Bro Isaac died a hdwaters Feather River I had a dr nammed Besset fm SL Ct. bro died Sept 28. We buried him close to a big spring and m ved on to Lawson s Ranch Oct 4 then to Reddings Diggins

letter 3/14/49 to Mrs. Paden from Dr Henry W. Minton Dentist, Tac ma, Wash. very little mention of extreme hardships Not ing sensational or emotional l prepared for his 27 yrs

He does not say how he grieved he was at the loss of his bro Isaac. How he had begged his mother to let the little boy go with him, promig to return him safe and sound. . He dreaded to return to his mother and reports Isaac's death

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Mrs. Samuel Peter a true history of my life ms. on microfilm me born 1841 Jackson ct Mo Calif miscellanies

2 yrs from the time that my bros two bros retd from Calif my mother sold her farm as they were all ancious to come so leavg the dear old home. . we all struck out for the j across the plains in A pril 1 1852 (? probably) w ox teams I had a plesant time but the trip was long and tedious how well I remember crossg the desert sm of r oxen gave out either trade them off to the Is or leave them to perish at last we reached the goldenstate sotim in August of the same year, first settling in Santa Clara Valley I w asthen 13 yrs of age



James W. Evans Journal or A Trip to Ca Across the Plains in the Year 1850 original ms v///have p27 Fort Scott to p. 88 BHs

I am fully aware of the important step I am about to take, of the trials, hardships and dangers necessarily attending a trip at once so long and so hazardous.

Those with whom I go are all strangers to me, so that in case I should fall by the way I will here give a short sketch of who I am that may enable them (if they should see proper) to acquaint my relatives of my death.

b. Farmington, St. Francois Ct., Missouri on 8/6/21 parents reside at Big River Mills, St. Francois ct, Mo. //names bro and sisters/// taught school In 1846 engaged in biz of drawing Daguerrotype likenesses, but quit went to ~~Tex~~ Ark, taught school and clerk in Lewisburg engaged to marry Miss Caledonia Nichels of Glass Village shot Henry Stegemann in chest in quarrel over his wife, he eventually recovered Gave myself up, acquitted Married 5/48 to Caledonia to Sulphur Spin Springs, Pope Ct, and taught school, son born 3/49 wife's address Hurricane PO Conway Ct, Ark

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Sotime later part of February 1850 went to Fort Smith to join the Ca Co, but org'd under David V. Spring of that place wife finally but reluctantly gave in to the plan, tho she'd rather live in humble obscurity than for me to undergo the trials and hardships of a trip so perilous

3/23 mocs moved up to my fi-f-i-l there to lv my affec wife etc.

3/24 a dreadful panorama. . robs my soul of all vivacity.//reads like the scenario of a drama flash of insight; dn see my wife again. . her faint smile was enough to buoy up my spirits, it was the beacon of hope to my tempest tossed heart etc etc. . hovers like a perpetual prayer bet me and the council chambers of Deity.

by boat to Fort Smith, landing midnite 3/28

3/29 ashore informed Spring had started w his train 2 days bf, and had gone beyond Fayetteville to remain until grass shd rise.

3/30 took 2 mules for his brother crossed the Ark river at B V n Buren. . fresh exper in mule riding and packing over the B Boston mts to Fayetteville

4/1 to Dr. Smith's 20 miles beyond where Spring and his co er encpd, wild Benton ct We shall remain here 20 days (about) At this place I v cmnd my j. . little to do but feed r mules and hunt Our co consists of 8 men (~~including~~) Spring, Major Cox, John W. Taylor, David Hart, Harvey Neal, Riley Sprague, an Iris-m named Clark, and me/. . we v 2 wgs and 24 mules.

4/20 took up r line of march to Bentonville. . dullest little town I v ever seen my little practical joke

4/24 stopped at Hubbards in Barry Ct, Mo., crossing the Ark line about 11 AM

4/25 tvd 30 ms fell in w other wgs gg to Ca

4/26 30 ms to Spring river, camp near town of Oregon in Lawrence Ct

4/27 32 ms into oceanic wilderness, called here Grand Prairie. . where all previous notions of boundless space seem tvbn narrow and contracted at night an ocean of silver (wow!)

4/28 15 mi al prairie all rain, cold wind

4/29 15 mi Drywood ck me duly installed as cook, my first attempt in that line. . by far the most laborious duty devolving on anyone etc.

4/30 12 mis Big Drywood wind nearly put my eyes out

5/1 6 mis to Fort Scott

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than any other man living. He it was who piloted Col. Fremont in his explorng expeds, and literal justice d attribute to him more fame than d fall to the share of Fremont himself

6/17 tvd 30 ms. . KC gave me a sketch oth bal oth road to Ca, w the distances fm one point, or place of note, to another.

In the forenoon we left Platt Rv at a place where it seems to cm stealing forth fm the North thru a deep and narrow chasm in a strange lookg bluff. We did not strike the rv any m for 20 ms. Walk to favor r ridg mules Riley Sprague sudden violent sick, vomitg nd purgg

6/18 25 ms. Sprague placed in a carriage or express baggage wg ch Spring bot at FL and was hauled. I had no control oth wgs or I shd not v tvd today; but S- have had ev attention from Spring abo t noon came to the jc of the hill road fm FL and the river road.

6/19 25 mis passing Deer ck watched over S nearly all night

6/20 struck Platte Rv here Mr. Riley Sprague breathed his last. . We buried him about 60 yards fm the Ctnwd Tree toward the South. Fm the G as you look towards the se u l see at the distance of about 1 mile, a cluster of white lookg rocks that stand up on end nd are about 10 or 15 feet hi. . ve novel app.

when within 3 mis of Upper Ferry we camped at the mouth of a slough. . frs fm W shington Ct , Mo

6/21 We crossed at extreme Upper Ferry kept by Ms at \$5. per waggon and \$1. per mule to v ch ctains Poison Spring or Pond hauled water in acc w advice given by Kit Carson in my way-bill

6/22 tvd 15 ms to WS ///precise topog/// at Poison S. . r fresh Gs of some 5 or 6 perso s who drank of the water and died in a few mins. Notices r stuck over their Gs etc. giv warng to Es. Happy is the man who can read! sage birds r a fowl ab the size of a Guinea hen take course of medicine vg bn afflicted w the diarrhoea for over week

6/23 IR foregr of chrystalized alkali

6/24 24 ms after 4 ms to the famous Rock of Independence. . a smooth naked black lookg rock about 300 feet hi of an oblong shape coverg perhaps 3 cares. . but immed West os another rock that robs the R of I of much of its grandeur chasm of DG 15 wide at top, 30 at bottom

6/25 narrow defile, move along inch by inch, tr a mile long scent of dead catl unremitting and utterly obnoxious horns of oxen d tickle my frightened mule, he had no room to kick term DG applied to a place about 30 miles too low down.

to the nw at up to 100 mis, there r freaks rising high to the heavens covrd w perpetual snow

6/26 2 6/27 games of snow-balling cross main S W for last time, lvg it to r right now in SP, ch is a gradual ascent all the way from NO, a distance of over 3,000 miles. . Mts to right like immense stack of white clouds the gr backbone of N.A.

6/28 Es in unus good humor at PS Express wagon to carry letters 50c the Yankee must v realized a lg fortune in a few weeks to Dry S ndy

6/29 tvd 32 m take right hand road to LS and BS



6/30 downhill to GR had to lock every wheel. . then 6 miles to ferry too many wgs to crosstoday 5 or 6 men drowned today, too venturesome and in too gr a hurry; the whole Eion r wild and frantic . . It were much better if they db cool and rational (more) //essay on the subject //

7/1 lv wg at ferry Spring s co now csists of 7 men, w 1 wg, one heavy carriage bot at FL, and 24 mules. Recotr 's co tv w us

7/2 vn felt l since crossg the Desert bre k my gun over a wg wheel - getg scarce of flour, ration rss to 3 biscuits a piece per day for bal trp

7/3 Dr. Dean camped with us

7/4 up and over mts with snow. . taken sick, chils and fevers

7/5 15 ms over worst road yet cluster of hi mt peaks steep, crooked and rocky to level green valley of Bear River , beau first grass in any a bundance since black looking hills this side FL me ton confined to the carriage road so uneven soti I d b standing on my head; then again d find myself all in a heap at the front end of the carg. . Spring, advised by Dr. Dean, gae me an emitic of piecacuanha, then a dose of mercury

7/6 5 mis ~~no~~ b me bett r now Maj Cox and Taylor sick

7/7 20 mis 7/8 28 ms only luxuriant vegetatio we v seen

7/9 30 mies due west cedar grove then Soda or Beer Sprgs, ch boil up and blubber, yet perf cool about 60 yds below them is the famous Stbt Spr What a place of resort these springs lb en this gr V shall become setld by a thrivg people A natural paradise in a wilderness; the rld c scarcely show an equal

still unable to walk 3 miles beyond Hudsepth's Cut-off fm the crater a sulphurous smoke up the c-o 9 mis

7/10 30 7/11 28 ms 7/12 there seems to be little or no Eion on this road

7/13 40 miles 7/14 into FH Road HCO 143 miles long

7/15 30 ms innum no. of white rocks standing like sugar loaves in wild disorder and romantic grandeur up to 200' On passg the last of these rocks came to the jc of FH rd and the M rd ch comeson the ns of SL

7/16 25 mis Goose Ck V

7/17 up Goose Ck passed by some singular lookg rocks that stood on end in a straight row up the spur of a hill fm their shape they resembld women marching up in thill in Indian file a similar wall across r path

7/18 7/19 Thousand Spring valley Hot Springs

7/24 HR notoriously crooked and w/ sloughs some dry

7/27 Mules st mpeded by Is but recovered

7/29 extra large slough at ch Es had cstructed a temp ferry 50c for mules by pushing them off a bluff and pulling them over w a lo g rope tied around their necks. . but we avoided by turng up a mt

8/1 whole co ccluded to drop all the wgs here and pack into Ca. So we cmncd tearg up wgs nd making pack-saddles now down to 1 biscuit pd.

8/3 tvd 30 ms 8/4 prepare for the Desert 8/6 Big Meadow v seen places where I cd walk on dead stock for 100 yds w/o touchg gr. . this bg my bd I was intent on dg some g act, so where the mules had cut up the rich soil w their feet I sc trd a quart of mustard seed for the benefit of next years Eion

8/7 wait for the grass to dry for packing

8/8 into vast lake Sink of the H cs of unusual snow, overflow H-shdvnbn called River Styx gen course oth rv presents a model for a pot-hook a river of the De Devil's own creation (my words); s ashamed of himself, so run it into the gr

8/9 22 ms road leadg into the Trucky route leaves the gr road to the Carson River. We turned to the right more sloughs now tv in the night a Desert 50 mis wide fm Sink of H to TRV to Hot Springs

8/10 28 ms wait for water to cool; so obnoxious I poured it out - sleep aboard my mule - Dutchman on the gr, declarg his intention to die, his cpns had to go on nd lv him - tell I to take his bucket of water to the dyg men ctnd trees 4 miles further, first in a thous miles - tongue and lips so parched I cd scarcely speak - as to the I, he succeeded in finding the Dutchman, gave him a lt water ev few mins, and then went off and procured a pony on ch he brot the D- safely to R TrRv - Noble Indian! What generosity u v shown to ur enemy

8/11 rested under lg Balm of Gilead tree visited by Pah-Utahs. The Pyramid Lake wherd R sinks in the desert is about 5 miles below here.

8/13 just bf we camped Mark Evans shot 2 Is who raised up suddenly fm their place of concealment nd er prepartg to shoot him w their arrows.

8/14 to Star Camps where Capt Donner etc. 1848

8/15 40 ms 8 miles to steep ascent summit ve narrow

8/16 40 mis over foot mts SN formed by takg huge frags of a broken-up rld and pileg them up here in wild cfusion fir trees grow here to th amazg hight of 300 feet giant cedars madona trees descended dn into Steep Hollow, struck white settlmnts. We had reached the Gold Mines of California so accustmd to r sunburnt features, we er struck w surprise at the pale lookg faces of the miners.

8/17 15 ms 2 miles of town of Nevada on r Greenhorn creek, pan \$1. in gold into v south of Nevada

8/8/18 A Sunday 18th of August 1850 R j is ended; r long tiresome j! Thanks t be to that kind Providence ch has thus brought us safely through. Wash, put on clean clothes, now feel quite happy close my j in the shade of this majestic pine. . . to p. 160 160 END

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A Visit of Calif in Early Times by Col. J. B. Chiles bound ms. B coll b Ky 1810 md to Mo as farmer wife dies leaves chil with frs jd a co of volent ers in 1838 under Col. Richard Gentry for the Florida wars  
1842 ?

Baldrigid Baldrige proposd the venturesome j to Ca. . had bn corresponding w Dr. Marsh set about makin a co of venture persons to seek the far off shore. . Baldrige detained . . co formed w a man by name of Bartleson at the hae head 31 men and one woman and child Mrs. Kelsey

On they tvd for 7 months, w no guide or compass, nothing but the sun to direct them they had learned from Dr. Marsh the latitude of San Francisco Bay, nd they tho the sun a s suff to guide them (but alas)

they had bn subsistg on horse flesh little game imagine delight when they reached the Stanislaus Rv where deer abounded then et out to find Dr. Marsh who lived in San Diablo. In a short time J B Chiles, Charles Hopper, Bartleson er enjoyg the hospitality oth Dr.

Some of the party hadlost their way, and reached San Jose, where they were detained by the govt, for not vg passports had a hard time provi g they had crossed such a hostile I ct and madd their way by land

As time approachg to leave Napa Valley, Ca Geo Yount asked they br his family to him when they returned the next year, ch they promised to do. He sent back mules for his fam to ride by



started on their homeward j in January by way of Sutter's Fort At  
 Suisun they met Urmatingle w about 50rty men of HBC slept in his tents  
 S. c river overflowed Sutter had around him a gr many Spaniards nd  
 Is, all armed everything was free had wheat and beans and boiled beef  
 13 oth co met Chiles there had elk meat dried, pounded in mortises  
 until it was very fine then dropped in boiling lard or grease, then  
 taken out and pressed and packed into skins for use to be boiled with  
 some pounded wheat. killed horses for the mane and tail to twist into  
 rope they start for their homes in Mo to return to Calif the next  
 year ch Mr. Chiles and Mr. Hopper did . END END END 12 pp

Lovejoy Founding of Portland and Whitmans expedition to Washington  
 winter of 1842-3 by A. L. Lovejoy Oregon City 1878 B Collec  
 bound ms 40 pp

CHECK AND SEE IF IN OHQ

CLOVERDALE WEEKLY REVEILLE Cloverdale, Sonoma Ct, Ca  
 3/7/1896 Pioneer Rems W B Taylor writes of his exper crossing  
 the plains in '49 typescript cpy

47 yrs ago this month a co 50 men left Ithaca NY for PC. .  
 Ea member paid in \$500, making a p capital stock of \$25,000 ch was  
 in part invested in a hotel outfit, saw mill, shingle machine, bss,  
 seeds, etc shipped around the Horn . . co expected to make the trip  
 overland in 90 days d tv by mule-back purchase 150 mules

The co ctracted w a g-man to deliver them in SL by rail and canal  
 to Pittsburg, thence b steamer Cambria to I reckless race with  
 the St. Louis here the co rechartered the steamer, ch landed us  
 safely in I

CWR 3/14 of 50 members, not one in 5 had ever seen a mule before. .  
 to ea individual was allotted 2 pack animals besides a gentle mule  
 for riding a "holy show"  
 late start, path easy to follow. . Asiatic cholera detour to the  
 Arkansas River see pp 200 miles out At this pt it was nec to v a  
 guide to Salt Lake. We found one in a trappers fort at Pueblo

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 Life of Gov L. W. Boggs, by hs son ms  
 Reminiscences of W. M. Boggs ms. 33 ms. page

me born 1826 at or near old Fort Osage, Sibley or Six Mile in cseq  
 of a Govt Reservation KC was once a mere flat boat ferry point  
 my father Lilburn Boggs in the I fur trade, partner of Sibley known  
 as The Big Traders to is one otheir princ places of trade was the  
 Old Harmony Misson on the Neosho, where my elder bro Thomas O. Boggs,  
 was born  
 I was our h old home town father one oth comms who selected the  
 site for that town Mo raised them to be Independent, from old Daniel  
 Boone to Capt Walker, the Sublettes and ill Williams, the Greenwoods,  
 the Kit Carsons Big Blue & Little Blue form almost a circ around it  
 the ct and town of I

Son of Danl Boone had home on GrandPrairie west of I, on line of IT  
 His was the only settlement besides the home of the IA so far west  
 Father Governor 1836 and 1837 he was judge, lawyer, merchant,  
 doctor, helped others to settle  
 Thmfracas with the Ms Joe Smith employed one of his Danites  
 to assassinate father buckshot thru the window Rockwell 4 oth  
 bullets took effect two penetrated the skull to the front and lodged  
 in the left lobe of the brain together. . . he grad recovered --  
 About a table spoon full of the Brain was removed from the back part  
 of the head, etc. . mental powers not disturbed. . took seat in Mo  
 senate

Gov Boggs was but little in advance of the ill-fated Donner  
 party the vg formed a part of his train, the greater part of the J  
 nd d if they had remained w him come thru all safe but er led off  
 the old Walker trail by new adventurers and had to retrace their steps and  
 fell in behind sev weeks

his first wife was a dgtr of Col. John Bent of St Louis her  
 name was Julia e Bent sons Angus and Henry and Panthea dtgr of  
 Col. Jeff ? Boone, son of old Daniel

#### CHECK DAM DALE MORGAN

Statement of William Montgomery Boggs 1/27/86 at Napa ms

I started for Ca fm Mo jd the main body of Es on the Waukaloosa ?  
 on what is called Kansas now

All the rivers in Kansas / Nebraska were swollen by heavy rains.

At Blue River had to cut down trees to make canoes & rafts. The

Donner party jd r party there They er fm Ill nd had 8 wgs R tr

csisted of 110 wgs. We er delayed sev days at Blue r makg canoes

At PR the cos began to divide up ch reduced r tr to 60 wgs & I was  
 elected captain of that at that point.

The Redd & Donner fams remained with us

We ctnd until we reached the head of Sweetwater Rv or IR near Devils  
 Gap. We er met by a man named Hastings who had bn in Ca talked with

my father, Reed, and Col. Boone He had discd a new route ch d save bet

300 and 500 miles persuaded Mr. Reed and his peo2le to go on this

new rt Our portion about half rode out and left them

The portion that septd at IR had no intention of gg to Oregon. . My

father and Jack organ and Col. Alph Boone made up their minds upon

recg the news of the war bet US and Mexico that it was safest to go

to Oregon I was opposed to it from the beginning and resu

//this gotta all be in Morgan ///

Statement of by Co. W. W. Hollister for BL 1878 ms, bound

came to Ca fm Licking ct Ohio in 1852, went back, and again

in 1853 on first trip came w about 15 tvrs, w oxen waggons. We er

armed ve thoroly. No tr w is always making new roads. . so that

in the course of a yr the hole tv might v changed 6 months may to Oct

failures due to want of skill and forethought and exper than fm

any real diffics

came about 80 mis north of S the first time placerville to

Volcano to Sac

second trip



not remarkb for any special incidents, but the length of time csumed was ve gr. . Of course, driving sheep . . 15 months bf we slept in a house We started with 6,000 and got here w about 2,000 The wearing out of their feet incapacitated them to find food, so starved I v seen a thousand sheep on their knees at once, eati g grass, they not bg able to stand on acc of the bad cd otheir feet  
 praire fires had burnedoff the grass, and the burnt stubs pier ced the sheep's feet like needles

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letter from Jabes Jabez B. Knapp to D. R. Sessions, 1889

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 Crnelius Hills crosses the Plains 1847, 1850, 1851  
 by Hallie Hills Huntington, grdgtr

at Wisc rkg on rr en heard of Oregon in Michigan St. Jo  
 5/20 40 wagons lined up 12 to 15 miles avg, highest 25 on level  
 oxen cd go 2 mpg mph

when rains came that was the time chosen by Mrs. Balch to add a son  
 Only one day was lost for this event no ill effects, fm jolting  
 horses get lost when mixed up with B herd

tr now 47 wgs after crossing P sm child of Campbells ill, tr  
 halted , first grave  
 Ps steal horses  
 Near FL stock feed was short dscrip I travois  
 Stock lost near L and B Blue rvs, but found guard took a nap  
 great scare dvbn immobilized

June 25, Sunday, they reached the Guide Post of the Prairies, IR  
 sort of a pioner po many ames already  
 deadly danger of the western parsnip, catl lost within 24 hrs  
 At FH re-supply with flour, bacon, salt nd coffee  
 foot-evil

Digger Indians arrows into cattle one man lost 12 head

Near last of September teams had turned south to follow the  
 Southern Rt to Oregon rain of arrows on camp yg girl Ann Davis  
 kneelg by fire bakg bread. 3 arrows sai ed thru the air at once, one  
 strikg her above the knee, another in the arm, and one in her side. .  
 w/o skill, arrow had to be removed w force built litter, ch cdb  
 carried by 4 men She recovered, much to surprize of every one. Gangrene  
 the dread of the early g trs did not set in. . married, long life etc.

HR to Fandango Creek In Clamat or Klamath area so-called  
 umpqua mts proved to be the m st difficult had to c ain wg wheels and  
 drag small trees chillrain Umpqua River crossed with help of Is  
 in a canoes Cow Creek Canyon to Willamete River Coast Frk and  
 Eugene Skinners cabin Nov 3 magic WV

Capt was Lester Hulin

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Return trip in winter and spring of 1850 overland, tvg in dark  
 In February 1851 he married Sefronia S. Briggs

Third crossing, 1851 (Hills-Briggs train)

two of Cornelius' bros  
wet miserable spring and weather stayed cold 6 oxen on heavy wagon sev runaways rivers high, banditry by ferry owners  
at LF ferry destroyed by storm wait for river to subside, build new ferry from nearby ctnwood grove  
B herds care taken not to startle them B gnats in thick clouds, their bite like the sting of a bee  
terrific thunderstorms raked the plains diffic t ctrol an mals as they tried to turn tail B had front end protected by generaous blanket of wool

near FL sev hundred Is took a firm stand on their ponies, with weapons brandished, refused to let white men pass. . angered by the disease brot by the whites The Capt, who knew Chinook, was able to convey that this tr did not v the disease

Narrowly avert oxen gg over cliff by GR, with W and c acct thirst at DG the road barely wide enough for the wgs to inch through PS always good for a celebration

One of the intrstg tricks was to keep a loud bell on one of the most tractible and best swimmers among the cattle. This lead animal always crossed over first, and the ingi g oth bell was signal for the rest to follow

tangles with Indians along H-

Black ock Desert worst on Lassen cut off section of sr to Ore find whiskey cache, prob left b Govt troops cs of size of load Capt Hills a strict prohibitionist fortunately the oxen too weak to haul the heavy b arrels, and only a few bottles were taken thru Plum Creek mts to Pandango Creek, named for Es fired upon Is as they danced to the tune of a fiddle

Tule Lake blocked by Modocs warm springs Is fr Klamath River jc of Oreg-C lif trail Rogue River V C w Creek Canyon to fe Orchard V lley to DLC in/P/ in WV pp 63-76

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1 page Horatio Morse (orig ms. book, ledgers size 0 on one page only he left home Sept 1850 stayed Cedar Rapids till 1852 to CBS 3 gg in one wagon that is all

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Edmund Botsford Calvin Park letters to wife Susan, 1849 typescript

4/18 Williamsburg Mo. wgs fm SL l wait till last of May till most wgs v left to avoid ctention and strife shnb later than June 1 write me at STJ not I

4/22 Smithland now but little more than half way to SJ hundreds and thous o wgs v precededus vbn across Grand Prairy -- I think it not at all unlikely that we will yet cclude to go by Santa Fe



this place is a small town on the Missouri we now cross we proceed no higher than I some of us for provisions shipped to SJ

LETTER post marked 5/15 I torn away, but apparently on the verge of leaving I saw a leader name of Jackson, of late Mexican war under Gen. Kearny IA after the war in SW most probably to Calif owing to the immense numbers could skip Sac maybe to SW for to work mines revealed by Is

thankx for your letter  
waiting for Mr. Detrick to SJ to recover excitement we are situated about a mile from the landing we are 10 miles below I and 60 below SJ

we will go by way of Santa Fe goddammit.

Brier zilch

a sketch of the life of Rebecca Hildreth Nutting (Woodson), ms. bound

father was Hiram Nutting, etc.  
Mass to Mercer Ct. Ill to Ft. Des Moines 1848  
cal gold fever Mr. Hickman and father made up their minds to fit out and start safe in the spring time proved that all was failure  
Hickman had 3 teams oxen and horses father had 2 teams (ox) and a buggy horse which became my riding horse Hickman built a boat which he used for a wagon bed except of Platte at Ft. Laramie, we crossed all the streams in that boat

5/8/1850 start

5/17 into Kaneshville boss to our wagon tie ties set others came up until there was 21 wagons in all Mr. Read of Wis elected captain  
5/21 David Parks and Catharine Hickman were married. got a preacher at Kv Sicj a chivarie as they got that night pulling the wagon onto the prairie, banging of cans shooting of guns until midnight next day  
5/22 came walking into camp amid cheers and congratulations cross MR it took all day to get the cow over we drove up the hill to a missionary school

We lived for a week with nothing new only the Is er trsm not hostile but begg and thiev set P tribe

hard task to ford the Lope fork this was when Is er at their peakiest, while men were trying to move wagons across  
others wouldnt wait so Hickman elected captain in place of Read  
one week later we came to the grave of a young boy a brother of Mr. Davis we never knew of what he died, board just said Isaac Davis, 17

uneventful until we reached the bank of PR opp Ft. Laramie 6/24  
the next day while some other men were bringing the large ferryboat over to us, Robert Bailey was knocked overboard. The river was very deep. He swam to within a short distance of shore. He had very heavy boots on they they filled with water and were pulling him under when the men on shore took hold of hands and rushed in to save him. I think the 9th man reached him just as his head was going out of sight. pulled him on shore they had a very hard time to bring him to but finally succeeded. He was very poorly the rest of the way

6/25 we crossed the Platte river at Fort Laramie and lived up to the P until

7/4 where we had to cross again We found afterwards we should have crossed at all tedious crossing via island could have gone up to Gerry for

\$5. pwg

7/16 we crossed summit of RMs 9th of July we had the only death in r co. Mr. Hinton fm Iowa cholera lv wife and chil in Iowa some oth co threw a wag away there so asto get the boards to put in his grave

father had advice fm an old mteer how to precaution ag cholera take a lg quan of peper sauce and put some in every bit of water we drank en the water seemed the least bit brackish took along sev cases

cmg down the mt sev of us took mt fever caught up f w/ Mr Reed nd others who had left us at Loop fork. . had been stalled for 3 weeks, he sick Used Hickmans boat to cross GreenRiver -- me sick at GR Mr. Reece had medicine with him jolting oth wgs was ve hard

8/2 sev of co left us threw away their wagn and packed one B did run through r camp many fish caught, mainly at night

we took the FH route as feed a wasmuch better at STbt springs I was just able to get around at FH grass to cattles kneew a tp 5 mis bf we got to FH It was called Fort Loring we all went in to see what it db like to b in a hs once more lots of trading there by Is and white men ??? Is d steal things right in fro t of us R boys sat up all night to watch them they had a real whiseky dance

on HR all r hrss stolen tracks showed whites awa Is failure a tired discouraged lot we had to dobule up and throw away the hose horse wagon and start again

had cows all the way nv w/o milk cowshadto rk same as oxen furtheron, arrows into oxen

9/22 sumit of SNs down to 3 familys Trucky rt

9/29 Nevada City then to Grass Valley . . . to pp 17 of 60

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Appleton, Horatio went by ship

x x x x x x

Isaiah C Wood, report to Hon A V Brown, PMG report on mail stage line rung semi-m bet San Antonio, Texas and San Diego, Ca

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Capt John T. Wright by ~~xxx~~ Mexico

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(No. 4)

E C Winchelly pp origin ms journal 2/ orig and 1 copy w amplicfication of original entries ctained in journal No. 2 6/24 to 7/29 re-written at Sac in 1854 my princ journal fm 5/16 to 6/23 vg been lost at the DG 199 191 to 258 r lit transcribed from the original entries No. 1 of Journal

Elisha C. Winchell

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William Tallack The CalifOverland Ex<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>ress, the Longest Stage  
Line in the World pp 19-66 in Carl Wheat, ed. THECA OVERLAND EXPRESS

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Charles A. Sumner. 'Cross the Plains The Overland  
Trip A Narrative Lecture 1 75 pb by rai road

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General Thomas H. Williams biog sketch zilch

x x x x x

Albert Jefferson Young origin ms. diary on micro

council bluff iowa 1862

5/2 down this mg in search of a train fm Missouri for Ca 100 teams  
waiti g to cross on ferry we had quite an add to r family this mg  
a son and dgtr to Mrs. Boyer too much of a good thing, think  
that May 24

church and temperance lectures

5/27 rolled out

5/ 28 camped on the paillion

5/30 w Michigan ~~xx~~ co George Marshall train passed us from

PP to CBs we v 72 mules

6/1 ferry LF

6/3 take on a new hand, a boy discharged from another co

6/6 Johnsons ranche everythig high form sep co of 5 waggons

6/7 10 miles fm Kearny ccluded to stop here and do r washing

caught some nice fish out of wood river

Diasppointed at not bg able to go over to the fort, the water  
bg too high a make up a sum of \$5. to give to a man to go over and  
get our letters Church today at the camp below

69 camp near Elm Creek annoyed by dust from ox teams ver trsome  
to pass so lg a train

6/10 nooned B creek road hilly and sandy, hard on mules  
tvd this day with Oppenheimers co of St. J seph ????

6/13 opp jc overtake Bellevue tr at Mud Creek

6/14 willows the size of lead pencils

6/17 cpd opp AH

6/18 notice to be ware of I horse nd cattle thieves

6/20 Can seem to gin on CHR and CR opp r nooning is a stage sta  
nd teleg line saw the stage for the first time since left Kearny ???

6/21 camp opp CR

6/22 camp w over 100 wzgons

6/23 passed a Sx vlg M tr of 50 wgs bound for Florence, left SL

5/18

6/24 my 21st bd

6/28 cpd within 8 m FL Mr. A and I went up to the fort quite a  
nice place we v learned that the Is r trsome above here

6/26 took r wgs up to the join theDes Moines Co

6/30 lose my revolver

7/1 7/4 stop gr celebration above us singing, speaking and at

night with a grand ball

7/5 went up to the first bridge crossed it crossed /passed/  
the upper bridge at 4 oc

7/6 to Red Buttes station found some Heard some news of I  
depredas, some dont be it, others scared to death

7/8 striek Sw lunched at IR wat r water so hi we cdn go over  
to the Rock

7/9 to Plante's station here is a bridge over a little stream  
Split "ock station

7/10 3 crossings sta

7/11 Ice springs Warm Springs Sage creek found graves of  
2 men kd here by Is 2 weeks ago today the wife of one of them was  
taken by them and has not been heard of altho the soldiers started  
immed in pursuit their wg lies about  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile from r camp

7/12 to Antel springs

7/14 to PS part fm German frs, they take the LCO for Oregon  
while we take the Ca road We join Capt Hildreths co bound for Ca

7/15 left the main road an went the old stage road stopped at  
where had been an old stage sta

7/16 LS g grass and water since we vl left the Oregon road but  
there is a ve heavy emigration to Ca 4 or 5 trs camped n us tonite

7/17 noon on BS

7/18 cpd on BS near jc of GR

7/19 GR not fordable there is a ferry still have to ford half  
of it lpull the wgs through b hand water up to r knees then m pai?  
paid the moderate sum of \$6. p wg for ferriage

7/20 Hams fork bridge washed away many of us sick w the mt fever

7/21 to Church Buttes 9 of r co down with mt fever

7/22 passed Millersville most cfortbl sta on whole rt to FB a  
beau place hss built of pine limbs and logs whitened and make a fine  
app here is a lg sutler's store where u c buy most anything u wish

7/22 //??

7/23 mt fever they r taken w pains in the head back and bones nd  
suffer a gr deal I dont know whether it is freq fatal or not

7/25 to BR

7/27 up Echo Canyon to anging rock

7/28 Weber rv lay over for the sick Mrs. Scott died and soon the  
little babe also died Capt Hilliard left usthis mg me sick myself

7/29 Dixie station

7/30 7/31 into SLC at noon camp in public square

8/6 rolled out of SL (after buyg provs) destina Carson City  
up and over Jordan River along GSL to Toolie? City Rush V

8/7 8/9 struck stage road summit of Pt Lookout

8/10 Simpsons springs

8/11 preps for crossing the desert 45 miles drove all night Dugway  
Fish Springs

8/12 Willow Springs Deep Creek Antel sp Spring V Shell Ck  
Butte Sta Ruby Valley Jacobs well sta Diamond Sp Su phur sp  
Roberts ck met Calif regiment of vols bound for SL Dry Creek Sta  
Simpsons park Reese river Dry wells sta Smiths Creek Edwards c  
Cold Sp Middle Gate Carson Sink Dayton or Chinatown Empire City

8/ 9/9 Carson City 9/10 last entry into Calif



1849

Mrs. James Caples tt

fam w oxen, as thot hrss cdn stand the trip  
3/21 crossed Misip rv at Warsaw, Ill 8 miles fm r home  
arrvd MR 10 ms above SJ, crossed over and 4/21 looked r last  
on civz

mainly stalwart young men, armed to the teeth

1st lt tr we had w Is was a B there a lg co had blt a rough  
bridge. . Is took pl poss, and demanded toll (after first co had  
passed) We drove up found 100 men parleyg with them  
Husband advised the Es to pay toll and avoid bloodshed they  
looked 10 feet hi thot they d kill us all, and take my baby  
into captivity

Up P, not one stick f timber, nothi g but green willows and an  
occ dead one

ford 1/2 mi i wide there enctrd 1000 Soux they demanded trib  
for passg, so much sugar and coffee but now we numbered 300 wgs  
and 2 or 3 men to ea wagon so we refused. . placed double guards  
as the I plan to stampede r catl

on NP, a temp ferry, raft of logs, kept in place by a cable, the  
only ferry we had the entire distance to Han town

At GR we unloaded r wgs, c alked the beds w cloth, made oars of sm  
saplings flatnd at one end, wit an ax. . dismantle wagons and wheels  
Weber Rv, Echo canyon  
SLC Bear R

only way we cd use the water was to make a pot of gruel  
Truckee river hear it is impassible so change r course  
took a 26 mile desert, arrivg CR 6 miles above Dayton

Carson Canyon, one of the worst pieces of road on whole rt  
Hope V to foot of first summit down to Summit Lake

to hill look down on Hangtown, the mecca oth E 5 months plus  
fm home sold cattle for what we cd get, asthey e was no feed  
o for them TOTAL 6 pp.

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N E Hanson, Sr. recollec of the days of '49 typescript

came over with father mothers total 7 sons, 2 dtgrs

3/1 father Geo Hanson left Charleston, ct seat of Coles Ct.,  
Illinois. . equipd w 4 ox teams haulg 4 wagons and a family spring wg  
span of fine horses. . one wg loaded w goods expected tb in gr demand  
in a pioneerg ming setlment. . hereafter known as the @Goods Wagon."  
ch proved tb a gr white elephant

via St L to CBs up P to FL

7/6 IR only 2 days behind the Pathfinder who had placed the  
S & S on its summit and christened its name another attrac feature  
was CR, whose slender spire piered the heavens, punctuating the wonders  
of nature by its exclamation point, so tall anx grand and lonesome  
did it look.

GRS GR Mts GR wagon boxes, pulled over by rope  
Hudgepeths cut off Lassens cut off, to the gr sorrow of all in  
the train reaching Humboldt Meadows ??? see fire from camps  
on CR ? ch kept up r hopes

mg after r arrival heard loud and angry talkg at a camp 40 ' of ours and then came the report of a gun. . . saw man fall dead while the powder smoke of a rifle was yest ascending above him. It w<sub>z</sub> was a quarrel between 2 partners in a tr

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the imm gs at once gathered in council to decide what shdb done w the man who did the killg. Many insisted he be hung at once, others declared for a trail at the hands of those present. It was finally detd to br him on until Calif was reached and then turn him over to the custody of the law. What finally became of the fellow I never learned.

At this camp known as Rabbit Hole Springs. . . later became known as Surprise Valley

/// she says or he says stopped at Humboldt meadows for grass to cut etc.

Goose Lake Lassen's Meadows. . . Had P Lassen een within reach of any of the Es his "cut off" bf reachg his settlement he d<sub>v</sub>bn hung to the first tree w/o benefit of clergy or cscientific cpunction. ~~But he redeemed himself. . . He spared neither labor nor expense in sending relief to the belated tvrs~~

He had his herds of cattle driven up and told the Es to shoot for all the meat they wanted, and tho his flour was worth \$1.50 per hundred per lb, he opend the doors of his store hs and told the hungry to help themss. There shc a monument raised to him his memory

Later in 51 or 52 he wandrd back into the mts on a prospecti ing tour and cmpd at the a same pla RGS where he was surprised nd kd by Is. At this pt the SN mts lose their name nd become the Cascade mts. The line of sep bet Ca and Ore runs thru the center of Goose Lake and the St of Nevada finds its nw corner in the valley ycletp Rabbit Hold Springs

20 miles further weleft the Goods Wagon I was left with the wagon while they went on to Steep Hollow me had to abandon the wagon and plow thru snow to Bruffs Camp where, day bf, tree had blown down dg father and sons

ovetook family at Lassen's ranch 14 pp.



Elisha C. Winchell orig ms diary in 4 vols.

original No. 1 part of orig j kept in cr thepl in sm 1850  
 contents entries fm April 11 to May 7 (hiatus to May 16)  
 original entries fm May 16 to May 20 disjointed memo of horses,  
 distances etc. All correctly transcribed into J. No. 4 fm page 191  
 to 258 thereof ECW

Original No 2 part of orig j  
 pp 9 to 58 reg entries fm June 24 to July 30  
 58 to 59 hiatus fm July 30 to August 23  
 59 to 60 reg entries fm 8/23 to 8 25  
 69-70 Sundays on the plains  
 120 freight list  
 234 notes and thoughts

Original No. 3 (no cover) slim  
 8/24 to September 1

Sedondary No. 4

pp 1-124 ctn amplifica of Original entries in J No. 2, from 6/24  
 to July 29, rewritten at Sac in 1854  
 the record for June 20-23 er written from memory, my princ j fm  
 5-16 to June 23 vg bn lost at DG  
 pp 191 to 258 hereof are, w except of first 2 or 3 leaves, lit  
 transcribed from origin entries No. 1 of Journal

In summer of 1848 admitted to practice of law in courts of st of  
 Mo located in Paris, ct seat of Monroe ? ct, about 40 m w of Palmyra

Jan 1850 John F. Bryant, yg medical student came fm Columbia to  
 propose to g to Calif 3d member Thomas Good bot a 2-horse wagon  
 ch proved too heavy later

4/11 //// a fine slanting script, tricky to decipher ///

4/12 hire yg negro Dave a slave 18 to help with the 6 horses  
 (2 for d riding purposes), d b set free at a 21 ~~while~~ while at lunch  
 15 hacks of mud wagons oth pasgr train of McPike & Strothers of SL  
 passed us. Each hack was drawn by 4 hrs nd card 4 pasgrns plus driver.  
 They moved along rapidly nd se emd tb in hi spirits, expecting to reach  
 Ca 20 days sooner than the rest of the Eion

The army of g-seekers on the rt is ve lg

4/13 4/14 snow storm  
 4/15 to Brunswick on n bank oth M cross Grand River rope ferry  
 4/16 4/17 Carrolton 4/18 We here learned that the chol was ragg  
 at SJ 4/19 4/20 to Richmond in ay ct overtook Sawmill Co. of Paris  
 4/21 rest of Monroe teams came in, had tvd all day to overtakeus  
 4/22 4/23 took 2 doses of cholera medicine and one of burnt brandy  
 and laudanum; grew worse overtaken by 10 wgs from Wisc, Odd Fellows  
 called Bader Gold Hunters Badger co of Frenchmen from SL wg w 8 or 0  
 8 or 9 from Georgia, had buried their strongest man

4/23 to Plattsburg C H of Clinton Ct. report fm SJ of scarce grain,  
 and teams returning to save their teams from actual death that the  
 boat White Cloud brot up 4 corpses fm cholra, and 15 cases had occured  
 at St. Jo to go to SJ is suicidal grass does not appear tv grown a  
 particle in the last 2 weeks we must find food for r stock

4/25 A/ Smiths fork of Platte river, g camp to wait for grass buy  
 25 bushesl of corn, sell some of it for \$1.

4/26 arrival of friends  
 4/27 attend a house-raising  
 4/28 cold rain  
 4/29 enter Platte purchase pass residence of Senator Atchison  
 4/30 word fm cmannt at Fort Kearny that there db no grass for 10 or 15 days on the plains that they cd expect no assistance at the Fort as they had no forage except for their own use to SJ to reconnoitre 9now 8 of us in 2 wagons 0 dscrip of approach The mag mansion of Roubideaux, the Fr Indian trader, is one of the first edifices that attract the notice oth visitor. The CH, Presb church, Catholic Ch, and 3 or 4 hotels and a nu of pvt residences r also fine bldgs.

Went with C- to Edgar House to stay overnight. Corn \$1. per bu hay \$4. per hundred. Lodings 95c horsekeepg 75c at the top of a hill the grave of an I chief, surmounted w a rough cross panoramic view

5/1 purch 2nd hand accordion dy preferred a cornet B- has a splendid flute Main st the app of a princ thorofare of a lg city Sm r giv up the undertakg nd thm 4 auctioneers r employed fm mg till night in sellg Ca outfits

5/4 re-camp at creek 102

5/5 rode to town, attend Catholic church resolve never again to visit such, unless I am at a loss for amusement - pretty Fr girls

5/6 5/7 remained on bottom of 102 till 15th of May, when we moved r camp to SJ and bot r supplies Crossed the river to west bank into the Kickapoo wilderness on 16th of May

(following is fm memory)

5/16 fnd lg nu wgs already at ferry sowe took a flat boat instead of gg on board the stbt Ks r wretched creatures

5/17 Nu ofteams passg, many of them foreigners road circuitous and undulating

5/18 reached Sac and Fox and Nemaha IA

5/19 25 ms storm grave of John Herlingers

5/20 general depression of spirits Co of Elisha Packwood, formerly of Monroe Ct, lately retd fm a Calif w a large fotune - has a number of families with him

*Heater*

6/20 this day about 2 pm r party reached the princi pe Ferry of the North Platte - a deep, rapid and somewhat dangerous stream of icy coldn. An enterprising party of Ms fm SL had ow cstructed sev lr nd sub boats, ch er driven by the veolocity of the current, w gr rapidity, fm bank to b bank. . we er transferred to the opp shore in a ve few minutes night travelling clouds of stifling alkaline dust

6/21 blessed liquid at small oasis few willows anda lt grass desolate monotonous solidtude (raves on about the desolation)

6/22 the green fields of S W v (almost sounds like he had pub in mind) pass the southern pt of an immense boulder or solitary rock of granite. . Southern face almost entirely cvrd w names painted thereon by Es in lg black letters unassuming title of IR

6/23 Scriptural injunction no more practical on plains than on the ocean remain in camp to rest hrss and to explore DG What fierce cvulsions o nature severed this adamantine chain and set it at liberty etc. extravagant dsceipt from top to bottom or vv sev pages on this

CNA

IR

*sketch*



- 6/25 Bridgefords tr of 17 wgs w ox teams passed sublime scenes  
 6/26 r wg too heavy for sand and pull those who v horse teams r  
 begng to abandon ~~thm~~ their wgs to pack through one man  
 offr his for \$20. but shdb able to get one for free \$5. or  
 2 plugs oftobacco more like it board w written acct of misfor-  
 tunes of an E family, whose hrs had bn stolen by some villainous  
 whtes 4 women i fam Bridgefords tr had extended assistance  
 to take them to SL
- 6/27 start to lighten up, clothing, B robes  
 At the head of a rude unprotected grave-mound at the road side,  
 part of the bot tom of a wooden bucket, was a tombstone:  
 In Memory of Columbus: who was found w histhroat cut; vg in his  
 hand w a death grip his pocket knife 6/19/50 9might conceal  
 some foul and treacherous deed, and that peaceful epitaph was  
 not designed to lull suspicion. Anxious to threax the pass  
 bf sunset A mile and a half below the summit we reached the  
 Station of Gen James Estell who had estabd a private po to PS  
 ///page after pages re one single day/// probls of keeping  
 a fire g as a signal to those in search of grass
- 6/28 Dry, Little and Big Sandies forksof SL rOad and SCO  
 //elab dscrips of ctry side// Bryant sick wi obstiat obstinate  
 diarrhea gloom
- 6/29 6/30 cross beau Big Sandy, to GR 35 miles we had bn assured  
 nighttime almost dead from fatigue etc.
- 7/1 do not get in until second night, andit is bare of grass from  
 the E throngs
- 7/2 sev ferries, but the princ one 6 miles down immense crowd  
 A register was kept nd trs ferriedover in the order of their  
 names on the book buy a lt wagon, registered to cross sooner,  
 pay \$60. obstinate animals refuse to cross, circle around etc. .  
 Crowd helps with yelling and throwing, finally induced to follow  
 in the wake of the boat fur us \$7. ferriage fm ch was deducted  
 62½ c for the assitance rendrd by one of r hands in pullg an oar
- 7/3 hrs dia disappear in the night on verge of orgg an armedforce  
 to scour he adj hills when a crackling in the adj thicket drew r  
 atten and lo, the delinquent sentinel of the prev night, mtd on  
 one, and drivg bf him the rest oth m ssg animals
- 7/4 fm the ferryman hadobtained a rude chart ctng outlines of the  
 unknown track bf us, w distances shd reach Ca in 25 days, that  
 it hadbeen accd on back of a mule in 18 days so disencumber rss  
 of evthing needed only for 30 days out with 100 lbs  
 B's tr was a day in adv r expected celeb ot his natl jubilee  
 was laid aside but the frequent crackling of rifles nd the dis-  
 play of striped andstarry banners . . proved the day not unnotcd.
- 7/5 //running into a small grove of trees, he launches into a review  
 of the timber situation from theeast coast tothis point.//  
 vast amt of sickness on the road, pri c diary and mt fever  
 take Myers or Hedgepeth C- O
- 7/25 my 24th birthday in Warm Spring Valley
- 7/27 realize we must pack \$75. wagon swapped for a \$5. saddle  
 threw away my inkstand, my writing paper, sold my gun, throw  
 out law books, to wit:

James F. McLean, two thousand miles - Humboldt

(NY 1867) 1-49 [and 60 m ~~from~~ Long Run

UCBL/WRW

6/1/66 Leavenworth KS - old of Schenectady, NY ~~by~~ <sup>rail</sup>

Immense number of legs & teams for Utah, N Mex, Nies & Montana ...  
small army of drivers, mechanics & contractors ... many of sets of I timber  
prospector city 15,000 - Flv 3 m N, Col Hill ...  
near to edge of town, exactly opposite of pole & spec

6/17 | Beats of Little Blain ... Coulson sketch ... up then all

The armies of the eastern might never maneuver for up days of by foot  
often equal to the sea ... same order & order gambles ... a det of in  
a sail, & wears other to shuck

Four 100 m, ~~is~~ is partly sketch ... sol. black as you  
det. - to return of pieces ... can sell at profit of 100 miles ...

Towns: Sierra + Manville ... are to back 2, 600 mi ... not  
a single to - Nies, or em - from proprietor ... a house here is  
a sketch, you log at roofed up into & grass ... edge enclosure ...  
half dwells, half cattle ... part of the, mostly state or Sty Co.

Been prose confit ... birds enorm a proprietor ... not  
from solitary, but road over the pop ... 600 as any of hiking  
into CT ... scared, in out of region of legs ... at dark time  
of God contract 7 miles ... mule team draw contract of 12 ... put  
teams to 10-20

Mostly pepper, one to - 7 1/2 to Dr., one of Utah  
man & grape

6/11/66 Four Wemy, NT - atom band

Any train to mule up, 60 at one, up to 38 mph

To Platte we can to sand & clay, up see ugly alkaline cont

6/11/17 Four ... Gun quilt, Wied Ball Bill, 6 feet,

Rithe, etc ... entire outfit in all

approach Four ... outline of into ( clay - sand hills, to  
Count etc - four early descender of miles

has train



Melrose

FW

PS ~~is~~ chiefs of blankets only - urban  
men, w/pt w/pt over belts 5x & Apaches, remitt fr -  
Cov of O IS

Notes

2 Miles a rancher is not a dully, not far-his,  
not a straw, not a tarantula but all of these + more... count  
by kg count - capsule of stly size - - sell liquor, card part,  
humer, play card, saddle, & goggles at blue & green

FW ?

FW intro 1843, § Cal James Stephen K (uncle of Gen Phil K)  
advise being, in 1846 a regular post... of far there is no longer a  
vrotige, present & 6-hs of by some detached - 3/4 = 7 PR,  
Noting grows - the mechanical, Cur 1 1/2, taking whiskey \$10, full

KC

KC report - 10-12 others + to Henry Kendall, a weekly paper  
ch cts showing Gdvs, mainly of ranches in San Angelo of  
Valley Ranches.

PR

Black line through Black of St. Louis in the PR near it  
Base of Frontal Peak - G1 now cut into 4 levels 900 m  
to head of Sw. - utterly western 2 part of moving

at KC office of overline, to regulate train west, and etc  
See 5/15 E trs & you west of KC at rate of 80 hrs

KC

& 160 people prob, exclusion of freight trains, ch spread to

E trs - number of wages - - ~~to~~ a KC paper  
give "List of Frequent & Pledge trains... party west of K" : is  
"Culminate Harro with, 20 ac hrs, 30 m, 8 hrs, 23 ranches: all of Dv's

PR

Co. expects to be paid - August next, & are now  
happy - & not 1/2 m p d.

non

2 6/13 Base of ~~PR~~ PR 34 m W of Plain C

PR 50th Grass to eqn. - a ~~low~~ broad as St. Louis is marked!

skidded by worn wheel - . non - I had ... it's to solving  
nank - in most you up of pistols & his belt -  
says Is I attack with by me own of Govt food





