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A R Pond ledgder c. 6 x 77 no identification of Pond on cover or inside. First 2/3 acctg entries 1837-1848
Diary begins August 24 1849.

A report reached our train that Messrs Hudspeth & Myers opened a road thru the Mts to Feather River ch was much nearer to the gold region than the rout by the Sink of the H- We er now ov ~~22~~ 50 m above the Sink. Yesterday we met a lg tr of M teams gg from the Pacific to SL They started fm SF on the 19th of J /Notwithstdg their advice/ we forded the H- & started nea west to strike into a road call d the Southern Oregon Road ch we had passed

Sept 9 Goose Lake At r last nites enc a fireing cmmcd at t edge of the pine timber. . There was 6 or 8 encs. . in a short time the firing ran along the foot oth mt and appeared like a pretty gen angeagement. . No enemy in sight. . In the mg we ascertained that the fireing was intended as a rejoicing for havg passed the mts in safety it cmmcd w a party of Missourians.

Sept 11 Encamped at Pitt River w Capt Bell & Co

Sept 14 We met a co 8 m above r encmp. They were in the emp of the govt exploring as far north & east as the pass in the mts. Thence west to the Pacific. They informed us we were up of 160 m from Lawson R. . Gave us a table showg the dist betwe watrg places & as Mr. Lawson was guideing the comp I hope we v ~~at~~ at last some correc infm

Br~~ef~~ entries to 1852 in the diggings.

Welsh

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JOHN PRATT/ HM 30628 (4 vols) ^{was} Diaries of 1) overland j from Wi sc to Oregon via Sublette cutoff & Northern Calif in 1851 2) return to Ill via Nicaragua on the ship Lewis in 1852 3) 2nd tr to Oregon via the same rt 1853 4) life in & n Portland, 1863

v.1 ca 3 x 6m binding disintegrated paper cover. . good sc ript, ink, sm pages faded 3/12 left Mill. ~~8~~ Wisc script fine but mainly legible lv w teams

May 2 to Kanessville look for CJ Hills & ball oth co cant fi find go to Traders Point. . to look. . back to Ksvl, a sm v 3 m fm the Mo & 8 m above CBs. A much m business place than the Bluffs, there bg sm quite respec stores in it. c on Mosquito C

May 10 cross Mo. . 25 rods. . storm, ctuwd sinks r wg to th hub May 17 P vg ~~add~~ s of Pl 5 m, rec a visit from the chief, demands sm cows for pasg thru his land fr ill, quinine & rhubarb powders, rub him w camphor & brandy (Briggs?) No, Thom delirious & raving. . details of symptoms. . attrib to severe la bor & diaharhea, chillde by rain & rv water

Loup ~~fork~~ Prairie Ck June 3 pdog ts 100 to 500 acres See a tr of Es ss in neighborhood of Ft. Carney Dry C Elm C, latter with elms for many miles a beau & rare sight in this op ct 5th Sev lg trsssp rd runs n P 10 m, then leaves it

Bluff ck Rattlesnake ck opp cedar bluffs Sand ck May 12 lone tree, a lg red cedar. . 10 m to AH. . 3 m above t his a beau island in mdl o rv g cedars. 7 Altogether the pret st spot on the j thus far. . Quick sand creek Shoal ck . . across the rv see 2 trs w lg droves catl. . go bathg in P, ~~at~~ wade across, l n avg knee deep 1 m across

Thik we see CR, Weather hazy June 17 road runs near river to
 SBs June 20 to F deposit 3 letrs in office then write another
 One oth co sick & ccluds to stop at the F wgs g 5 ms & camp. S
 on ft to overtake them 2 mls upriver an I camp of sev hundreds
 gr medicine dance to last 4 days June 28 at bridge of the Pl
 June 29 to Upper Ferry of Pl

7/1 B hunt 7/3 Greasewood Ck IR DG 7/9 DP 7.19
 At Smith, s Fork of Bear Rv sev tra g lodges, toll bridge -
 buy elk pants, moccs deer skins 21 Write notice to Es reques
 tg co for the Southern rt, soon get add of 5 wgs and 10 men
 22 Soda Springs --- the s road is the H- cutoff?

1/1 ~~Street~~ broken pointed steeple like rocks and jc w SL
 road 8/3 meet co of returng Cals from the Northern Mines (Chr
 isty. Report open hostilities bet the Ore Is and Govt; pass gr
 ave of colorad man kd by Is 7/11/51 -- Mrs. Hills gives warning
 Indian attack averted by shots (at Thousand Spring Valleu) . .
 Along H- fight w Is wounded in arm -- other battles, up to 4 ho
 Bones/ shattered, pick out pieces.

8/22 find the Oregon T Road

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 HM 30873 william TELL PARKER (acc fm Jean Parker Kroger 1951
 "Notes by the Way" d of an ov j fm Ohio via SCO and the HR to
 CA; life in the mines on the Feather River; return by the ship
 Golden States from SF to Panama and the El Dorado and Empire
 City to NY

leather bound w fold-over cover c 4 x 8 c 250 pp
 4/25/1951 sending ms bk ch grfthr wrote 100 yrs ago. . Typescri
 also, buckskin-bound book with flap and thong ties ch he made h
 imself nd ch still smell s of pine and the cvwg. . intsg story
 in a smooth style advs crssg pls from Medina Co, Ohio to Calif.
 Grfthr a physician. . shdb published 215 pages pf typing

March 25, 1850 Left Medina. . m. 5 months. wife lg to
 sacrifice her own feelgs for the prospect of r mutual good. . I
 v the g wishes and prayers of a lg ci cle of frs. . At Cincy
 learn that Calif Co. from Lafeyette, Ind robd last Sat her e of
 \$1500. Sm v retd. . . Chief Justice Marshall for SL. . bt cro
 wd with Calif advrsrs/ 25 2/3 of pasgrs

/ve literate, very detailed a r SL 29th

4/1 ccldd to g w Mr. Booth from here by land. Pay him \$130
 and attend as physician 3 men in co. . to SJ 350 by land, 600
 by water, and low water. . Xpress cos advertise to take pasgrs
 for \$150. . . 4/2 lv SL . . drunk E. takes brandy to keep ou
 the west, overcome by it, so that the muddy road had risen up &
 struck him in the face

4/7 St. Charles. . details of overland Mo 4/17 ST
 Feed high; Mo R hi, swift and turbid, full of snags. Med na me
 n inform that their agent, E. L. Warner has gambled away a lg
 part oth money entrusted to his care and made his escape w th
 bal. . .lgst biz appears to be done in retailg spirits and keep
 gambling hss. . 3 hurches but the town a remark one for vice &
 degradation . . . 4/21 corned sellg \$1. bushel 4 ferry blat-bo
 ats in operat on all the time, also one 5 mi above town. There
 was a horse-boat started but it soon sunk, so now it all done

Parker for 2

by hand. . 100 Pots enc. . filthy and misq wretches. . E
 crossg at this pt less than last yr at this time. They r more
 scatrd -- I, Weston, Westport, Sav, SJ, CB a nd nu other plccs
 4/24 Eion cmg in rapidly. . to Duncan8s Ferry, wait. .
 we may be ahead of the gr mass. . Stbt Melodeon pass on her way
 to Cbs, making 3½ mph

4/28 crsd on 24th. . to Mosquiot Cr last nite. . had axl
 repaired at Mission. . Only Iowas, Sacks & Foxes withdraw

4/29 lv Mission. . elec Jacob Armitage of Columbus Capt
 The Nernahaw. . wind blows so as to throw my pen off the lettrs
 this 1 apologize for my bad handwriting (tight but legible scri
 on blue gray paper)

5/1 faces black, mouths and noses dry & feverish. When w
 wish to speak it is nec to scream

5/2. . In P ct, Capt A robbed here last yr. .

5/3 turnarounds . . take mail for 25.c

5/4 cold and blue on the ~~Big~~Blue. . antelope chase fruit
 less they seem torun w/o effort

5/8 cd 2 m belo FK. . no enclosure, nor blockhouse for
 defence. 3 lg frame hss f barrx nd other of prairie sods. . v
 ll the necessaries, such as cows, gardens, dogs, women and chil

Co soldiers v gone to make a cutoff from BB to this place. .
 Many men affected with scurvy. . report road from Old FK better

5/9 The PR avg ½ m in w where there are no islands, but
 it is diffic to find such a place. . Ps downriver war w Otoes.
 About 100 m l br us to th ford oth SF

5/11 met 6 trs oxen w furs & skins, belongg to Roubadoux
 of St. Jo. V spejt the winter in the mts. Most oth men app tb
 Fr and presented an outlandish app. Some had no shirts, and
 their hair was long and tangled. Behind the tr rode Roubadoux
 (brother of the one in St. qJo) in a buggy. They take I suppl
 es up in the fall . . In pm another fur co 12 wgs ox. . AFC. .
 The men r nearly all Fr. . Grass burned, Fur Co told us that ¼
 most of it had bn burned by Denison, Capt oth co from Wooser, O
 We heard o his raaqcality at FK (cheat on stbt) The man who
 carries the ~~max~~ xrmal from FL said his men were preparg ~~to~~ a
 rope to hang him. . there is a Co uf U.S.Riflemen in purauit o
 hi . He cros the SF at the upper crossg andburnt grass all thw

5/12 quinine pills for neuralgia

5/15 Rd makes co ojn a bend oth rv and crosses sandhills
 About 8 m fm where rd crosses this hi sandy pt, we came to the
 lc oth SF. This we v crossed this forenoon. . 1/3 m wide, and
 no place as deep as the axletrees. . There was a fight just now
 between man and woman from Columbus. The wmn pulled csid hair
 o t of the man's head. . This crossing 5 or 6 m from forks. The
 upper crossings r from 80 to 100 miles.

5/16 Aft tvg ar the pt oth bluff we proceede up the bottom
 o NP. . then road rises over bluff. . not prepared for this co
 I was on the rd w 2 hrss 12 hours w/o any dinner or drink. I
 thot this was seeg the elephant. . . I am 29

5/17 Passed Cedar Bluffs. . Sx beggars w paper from Major
 Sanderson FL 5/19 c 15 m above AB on the bottom. . m I beggar
 includg Cheys - dscrip of lodges and I work Fr squawmen

JOHN P. WELSH LEATHER covrd diary 2½ by 8½x5
 Savannah Bottoms 4/21/53 Savannah Missouri 4/20/53
 more legible than the 51, not faded. good script - from SJ
 4 men w 16 steers and cows, 2 wgs, 2 saddle horses, 2 colts and
 3 short horn calves. All we can afford. . Wanted to got o
~~Sax~~ Iowa P int but hear too crowded

Several blank pages 10ths /May?/ to Platte bottom 11th
 drive up to the Fort. . drive on while 3 or 4 stop awhile aft e
 F to trade alittle mail &c . . rgan, rain. . to middle ford, wat
 5½ feet deep in places, bottom pretty good. This ford is abou
 70 m above FK /quited detailed re topography -- hills, timber
 /He crossed to the north side!!!!. . makes comparison with 185
 11. . Finds Navy revolver useful in B hunt

re Lone Tree some ruthless barbarian has villainously
 destroyed it. Passed by unharmed for years by thousands, It
 was doomed in 1852 to be vis ted by so vile a wretch that 4
 yrs cstant eion had not the power to deter him from the carcile
 gious act. Would that he might have been ~~xxxx~~ in the fire, th
 that consumed that much instepcted tree/roasted/

To AH 5/25 Cobblestone bluffs. . . How we got along
 so fast in 1852 //I cant tell The miles seem much longer now
 tho we x certainly v finer steers. CR in sight from Cobble-
 stone Bluffs Dull morning/ his favorite phrase.

Elaborate detail re route i.e. 26 Just opp CHR road
 ve g, . rest where road touches a alough abive the CH about 3 m
 At 4 pm turn from the main road and drive for CR, make the rv
 a mile or 2 below the rock Today took a small piece of bone
 out of my arm 0- broken on the road 2 yrs ago.

/Above SBs met a few Is and sm traders movg d the rv, the
 1st seen this side oth P 30 camp opp F. . I camps. . a few v
 beau childrn with them nearly white and ve pretty & intel chil-
 dren of French traders 312 men gone tothe Fort loose 2 hrs
 in waiting for them and start the train. Then /I/ g over to th
 F, Get no news of any acct. About 400 wgs and 7,000 head of
 stock v passed up on the S side. On this side about 100 wgs r
 bf us . . Cattle w. Bloody Murrain, give him some gunpowder an
 lard Came up w a co that had a boy w his thigh broken no
 physician so make a few splinters set it as well as we can

June - better grass and water and roads than ever
 known bf on the plains. .passed by wg w/ broken-legged boy, dg
 1, somewhat swollen

At crossg oth rv find a tp and a rickety bridge toll
 \$3. and a haul yourwgs by hand as the bridge l n bear cattle 10
 IR. . tp at DG ve neatly built . . The cos r gen small this yr
 from 1 to 10 wgs. . new road approachg SP

has thermometer and barometer . . To Little Sandy by
 Middle Road? via two twin mounds we make the first track on t
 road this year. . The SL road and SCO cross KS about 5 mi apart
 Kennys cit-off? Ferriage of GR \$6. pw and \$1 for animals \$3
 9 paid by r co

At Soda Springs, Capt Grants trp . . July 1 start on th
 S route w 10 men 5 wgs . . Rabbit Holes. . Goose Lake ?same rt?
 to Rogue River valley /end/ 200 pp.

5/20 Mormon Trace 5/21 C H or Church, looks like the SL CH and somewhat like the old Bazaar at Cincy CR res the tall chimneys at the Chemical Works in Cincy. . so slender a pedestal . . nd m than 1/10 oth Eion on ns

5/22 From CR I presume as much land may be seen $\frac{1}{2}$ from thi pinpoint as would make the state of Rhode Island (ascended to the notch of the 2nd cone)

5/23 ravine where springs are (SBs). $\frac{1}{2}$ is one of the most entic ng retreats on a hot day, in the world. . At this place M Robidoux has a tp csistg of half a doz log hss, where the men live w their I wives. They pretend to v a store, but we cd get no provision ~~there~~ of them. . The Fr's squaws are gen dressed like white women and looked rather more resped than the wild Is
A good many footmen on the road. . some I suffer

5/26 cd 10 m above FL FL fortifica csists of a row of bldgs formg a square perhaps 200 feet long by 150 wide . This fort built 1816, thirty four yrs ago. . now a mil post under cmand of Major S of Columbus, Ohio. . handsome & neat app . . scurvy, some liping atound with stiff legs. . . Mr. Booth brot a packg from Columbus for the Major, and this brot us into noti on the Post. . . A model gentleman. . has stock of provs, ch l no doubt be the means of saving many lives. . lets us have 100 lbs of hard bread and pair of buggy horses, presented by Whirlwind. \$200 payable in Columbus in 6 months . . to dinner, loin of antelope. . blacksmithing gratis

Mr. Armstrong left us, arrgs with Mr. Bufogle of Columbu
~~The plain led butted~~, as the whole ct is thrown up in rounded
Major S. defends Mr. Denison, says Pawnees burnt grass.
Dscrip of Lower Platte Canyon

6/2 to cross at Upper Ferry \$4. pw and 25c hrss. . M itra in w a dputa of dozen preachers enroute Europe to evangelize th benighted land. We purchsd guides of them Rock Avenue

6/3 IR over 1,000 names We had no materials to paint & the granit rock too hard for a chiselled inscrip.

6/9 ~~SP~~ put SP between us and our homes. . For mt sicknes prescribe A B Physic and doses of Podophyllin 6/10 our guideb ooks are woefully deficient.

6/10 fork. SL Road to left of this, called the Oregon Roa We intend to go the Middle Route, via Sublettes co etc. . ?

6/10 To GR. . Ware says 35, but Bolaski says 53 ? \$ mi f the Sandy is a conical mound 60feethi res a huge haystack.. No regular ferry. One man crossg wgs in a boat wg box at \$20 e Old ferry boat is operating 5 mi below., \$10 pwg. We pay rathe r than risk raft.

6/14 dividg ridge bet Gr and Bear rvs. -- no no Ham's for

6/18 relapse of fever, no notes . . Smiths fork Thomas fo Bear River v grass first rate

6/19 Soda Springs. . a wonder ful place. lv FH Road. .

6/23 now near jc of this (Myers co with that road that goes around by Fort Hall. . 4 days from SS, 120 mi, forks of Ra ft River. . up waters of Raft River. . pass plae where the SL r comes in, about 30 m from the jc of Myers Cutoff with FH road. SL road comes in the Steeple rocks

6/26 Goose Creek - Hot Spring Valley (or Thousand SV) -
 Cold Spring V 6/28 Townshend's springs Kanyon sprgin~~s~~
 Avct lightning fever, we v thrown out our scythes so unabl
 to cut tall grass . . Plight of other messes. . desperation

H- descrip at its orgin will apply to its whole course.
 It is divided into numerous bayous, or sloughs or slews. The
 bottoms are mostly alkaline deserts

7/18 to Sink.. dispose of medicine chest. . Lord's company
 Stock give out.. much generosity and heroism re thirst relief
 Deadly heat. . The Carson River with cottonwds the most beau
 sight that have yet met my eyes. . We v lost 7 of 8 horses.

Whirlwind pony the only survivor. . Cleveland co also packing

7/19 abuse of negro by master p. 99 Our road now lies
 up the Carson R to the summit fht eh SN .. 2 men dead of thirs
 bury same . . the desert traders with provs from Calif

up Pass Creek canon

7/30 Weaverville, the first of the settlements. .

and camped. . . posed of 3 canoes pinned together. . . take wgs apart. . . celeb by firing guns. . . Pioneers v crossed today, The left SL w some 40 wgs, carryg Es thru for \$200 apiece, but now ctain only 10 wgs as they lost their mules by too fast driving

7/6 slow crossing. . . catl refuse to swim, drift downstream
7/8 still attempting to cross cattle. stoned, clubbed and beat. rideen etc. . . 7/9 finally succeed via island upstream. . . here 5 days, swimg ev day. . . grass eaten for miles around . . . sell the ferry to others, falls apart on them. . . murdered man found by Galena & Dubuque Co. 7/13 Rock Avenue. . Prospect Hill

rd lined w dead oxen from alkali. . 7/14 a woman was run over by a wg & the next day was delivrd of a child lvg cmpd on the banks of the Sw 7/18 IR 7/26 through the pass in the RMs . . v det to g to SL as we v some doubts e can cross the Sierra mts this yr 7/31 GR ferry

8/4 Ft. Bridger small nd posed of logs. . sm 10 or 12 whites here, lvg w squaws. Mr. B is a man of strong frame. . H e has a small store reach SL 8/12 description of city and v Kellers v taken the northern rt, 850 to SF dist SJ to SL1184m by my measurement. . reports of suffering on Sublettes co. . th Ms v sent relief trains

9/26 on Provo River. . many Es assembled Ther are 2 gds one a Mr. Hunt a mormon whoes price bw is \$10 the other a spaniard by the name of Antonio who charges nothing except to take him & his bgg thru . . sm 25 wgs hv det to g w the Sp while ove 100 l g with the mormon. . We v formed and called r tr the Independent Pioneer Company. . leave 9/27, taking the Southern rt to LA, nd has nv bn trvd by wgs bf

12/20 to Jacksons Ranche (or Cucumungo). . After about 9 months travel living constantly out of doors and faring hard we v at last reached y civs.z . . 1/250 Mission San Gabriel.

b, b, b

Averett, George Washington Gill HM 51162 Genealogy & memoirs of M life in Mo (1837) and Illinois (1839-1849); ov j to Calif in 1849 via FH and Truckee Rv, mining near Georgetown, returnin in 1850 via Nic; j f Ill to SLC in 1859. Mrs. C. Syphus 1966 (Mormon File) pp. 155-165 (in on fragment of book, ledger siz

low and beholde in the winter of 1848 the news came to hand the golde had been disc in gr abundance in Ca nd My Selfe and my brotherinlaw E G Harper, W. Smith and Wm Thompson ccluded ? & soon made arrgs to starte in the pring of 1849 for the great Eldorado the goldmines of Ca and on the 4 day of Aprile we left fonotheigolde nagonhsowih Wagoniasduog, tBike Ct, Ill and strdt side trip to visit unkle nd aunt at Plattsburg Mo... At SJ others sep & I get into a mess. . cross & org into co of 30 wgs, John Danemone? bg elected Capt of r train .. avg tv 20 mpd piles of baken and flower wg chanes yoaks. . sm trains of wgs amntg to 100 wgs each tr vg a guide or pilot r co vg for thear gide what was caled the M guide gound tobe the moste reliabel of any we coubde finde vg sev others in r co Fremonts and Bryants neither of them bg sow reliabll

On hdwts of lital blew the riter of this Sketch had a lite atackt of the colery but bg l cared for and medison adm nistrd in dewt me I soon recovered. . olde Forte Carney perary ct to North side for buffilow. . not asleep after all. . frs in deep water, lose money and almost their lives

Forded SP river near OFallons Bluffs. . k white woolfe Old Forte John and adobey wall somthing like one or two mls from the olde structure stood Forte Larime in a good st of rep air and well manned and su plied w munitions

pizen springs and Ice springs. . IR some signatures old acquaintances. . I shoulde v mentioned that some of us on the South side of the Plat r visited Cartehaul and Chimneye Rocks points of mutch ints to travelers find ng hundreds of names ingraven on them

on 3d day of July we atained the summie of the Rocky mts. Pasiffick Springs. . 4th there, firearms all nite all seaming to be jubilante in that Sturile Spote in the Ameri Desrett. . a t GR but one boate there bg another one in process of erection/ Colery deaths at GR

neighborhood of Bear Lake near an old mteers place by the name of Smith who had lost one of his legs. . Soate Springs Foarte Hall .. ThousandSpring valley . . on H R vain search for white woman ~~prisoner~~ . . To Trucky River .. Trucky Lake . haltide to look ate the seans of disaster that befell seome Es sm sev yrs befour. . ~~xxxxJohnsonRanchxxxxRiverxx~~ ;lllyoke of oxen to pull one wagon

9/7 reach summit hill that lede us dow to Bear river .. lower w ropes - 5 months and 3 daze on the roade being quite elatide we drove down the stream and campide and comensed to prepare for mining. . in a few days for Sacramento city by way of Johnsons fourte. .

/writing and spelling both atrocious/

Doctor Jōseph Pownall's overland diary, bg an 1849 narrative. . ed by Albert Dresses. Typescript copy and original ms. . /portion in Pac Hist Rev for 2/49 "From La to Mariposa" by Robert Glass Cleland..

PW 553

JA 1051 Asa Haines. Diary of Jayhawkers' route from Knixville Ill to Rancho San francisquito, Calif & return by way of Panama x FACSIMILAE 1 vol c. 3 x 6 (original in Box 9?) partly in pencil

jumps from Iowa to the desart . . very breif telegraphic notes on dates, distances and landmarks incoherent?

~~#E~~~~Adlm?~~

FAC ""# 223 / Brooks, "Grand Trip Across the Plains" 1859

My 19 crossed the Mo. / c 6 x 7/ mileage chart
Omaha quite a city. took a sk oth capitol

My 21 thru Elkhorn a small dwarfish lkg place~~d~~, crossed
the Elkhorn . . 22 had the luck to lose my sketch book w sev pi
in Y & other trinkets. . passed P villg pop 3500, s tuated just
below Fremont onopp s te oth rv. . I keeps my knife I pounce on
him & retrieve, then hot-foot it from 15 24th thru Columbus a
dece t l town 27 thru city of Genoa a mormon settlement 30th
formed rss into co 9 wgs 21 men 5 wmn 4 children 50 catl
code of laws or constitution Geo Burr elec. capt

/daily journal, good clear script/ 2 or 3 entries to page
June 3 w 2 others crossed rv; cold and windy, I nv sufrd m in
my life . Nate came near drowning the ss P a hard looking
hole alkali and no feed Uncle Sam's boys look quite spruce in
their uniforms w the r pop guns a few cannon on wagons standg
in the plaza was all I saw of note. . coming back had to throw
away my coat to keep from drownig lost my purse every cent I
had in it saw a dead squaw rolled up on a B robe layg on
the bank o Platte

fellow crossg the plains barefooted, drivg loose cows

6/6 B creek had to feel of sev heads as I am called our
phrenologist, some I nv saw bf as it was after dark so I had to
go all by feeling they said I done it up right & all I saw was
true

6/8 swim in P, n Bearskin ck P- springs at 294
miles ///// has cumulative mileages

6/10 317 9 m to Black Mud ck 14 m to North Bluff Fork --
P 6 rods w de 12 inches deep clear as crystal 322 Elk creek,
Shepherds Creek Wolf springs 352 Rattlesnake River --
fight ng musqu toes. smudge. . Patterson's wg upset in acrossng
a muddy ck in went the women into the muddy water headifrst one
of them fainted had a tall time getting out

6/15 passed AH (386) crossed Castle rv . . 406 I burying
gr skulls in a circle, facing in cpd at food o ABR disc 3 ne
w flowers 440 6/18 0 oposite the Cr at noon took a sketch

of it a curious piece of nature's work 19th sk of the bluffs
op as resembalce of ruins a chinese wall & railway car P full
of islands. cpd on platte op Sbls tryed to cross over we got
half way and backed out as the other side was a steep rock bank
and prob we would get drowned

6/20 took a sk of Sbs Sx are the cleanest & hansomest
lookg tribe I v seen yet, almost fell in love w a beau squaw of
16 summers or at least I admired her symetry

6/22 500 m cpd on p 8 miles below Ft. Larimie 6/23 drove
past FL & cpd to lay over in a bend oth P p has become very
crooked into Black Hills more swimming in Hellespont,
buddy almost drowns from swift current, save w log m sketches

6/29 f rmed rss into a Lyceum & discussed this question:
that there is m pleasure in the pursuit than the possession. .
next on program: love of money is greater than ~~the~~ that for
women 6/30 pasd cannon ball ally, I tow tp and ferry. .

July 1 passed the bridge which crosses the P. a few govt bldgs,
soldiers, Is, and a tame antelope

7/2 bid adieu to old P after 5 m. . I v fod one rv nearly
650 m where the P enters mts the scenery is the grandest yet

7/3 Willow Sp a gmn just died here of csumption -- saw
Horace Greeley pass in a carriage but was not aware it was him

at the time still I thot it was some big gun. 7/4 IR a wedding took place on the rock a grand foundation to get united on took a sk of IR and turned a summersalt on the highest place ~~of~~ in honor of old Uncle Sam . . DG struck w/ astonishment; in eve went through the gate to a dance at the tp. girls mighty scarce.

7/5 I took a picture /?/ from lower mouth of the canon took a sketch from the upper end from top men look like walking buffalo chip for I cd only see the hat

7/7 on Sw crossg wait for a M train 6 or 7 yoke on ea wg freight 9500 lbs use whips freely, draw blood.

7/11 crossd Sw f last time a po here so I mailed my letr pased the summit oth rockeys which appeared like a prairie in Wisc

7/14 tp on Big Sandy 7/15 ab midnite taken w the coleramorous to GR take sketch took a g bath which cured me 7/17 Hamsfork Here lies the ruins of a mormon - massacre cattle by the hundreds dead catl r all whole some vbn stood up in an erect position by the boys

7/18 cpd sm tow of Millersville. Corral made of wagons over 900 wgs all lg ones use by Russel & Co to carry Govt freight. . field made or fence by stdg wgs full of cattle I took while here 2 miniatures ~~of~~ & a picture of Millersville for \$5. with which I bought me a pair of shoes havg been barefooted 600 miles or so . .

7/19 took d nner l m e FB. . rave about scenery w. of FB 7/21 Bear rv 7/22 Echo Creek and Canyon, fortification built on both sides lg deep trenches built across Webber R cross, up canon leading to summit ot mt . . see immense v of SL

7/21 ar SLC . sk of Brigham's mansion of doby brick. . temple not yet built but cmcd he has lots of clerks all armed to the teeth old BY had his Sharps rifle and telescope & ~~he~~ was about to go hunting I took a pencil sk of him took a bath in the river Jordan where BY washes the sinse fom his ple the Passg/29 R co has split all to smash 17 oth boys gg to g in the Passenger Train sold their catle and wagons

at hot springs bathhouse made acq ~~of~~ of an artist /Jno R. Key with Landers Ex/ & bg a l in that line myself, exchanged sketches. . thru Centerville . . 8/1 crossd Bear R went thru the thrivg c ty of Ogden 8/3 to Box Elder or Brigham City. . talk of enlargeing r co as a gr I masacre took place 60 miles ahead Shepperds train robbed & killed they v brought their spoil dow to sell to the mormons

cross Malade Hensells spring - deep creek - stony creek De Casuia/?/ creek - 5 m to jc of Sublet's co /?/ and SL road. sketches of the City rock. . 8/10 ~~mix~~ summit Goose Creek mts. Statue rocks - Thous Spring Valley - HR. . Shoshonee I took a pix of one & had a good swim /end of diary/?/ 51 pages total

REASON FOR THE TRIP SWAS SCHOOL TEACHER in Wisconsin, got lung tr fr fallg in well, give nabor \$50 in gold, Mr. Burr was born 4/3/40 my health is better now than any time since the Civil War H F Brooks, Kenilworth, Ill. . . /all in diary/

Dear Mr. E. E. Ayer. I am sendg this memorandum book t day you will observe I left the Platte July 2 and I have not se

Classed Mrs. R. in Dubuque

en it since. . My dgtr Mrs. Geo W. Maher had this book and she wants it returned to her, you c v a typewriter make a copy when I was 16 I was very spry and cd turn a ss as g as an circ s man and was the champion runner and wrestler at the Academy thi acctd for my encounte w the Is.
 letter dated July 2, 1923 51 pp

George W. B. Evans FAC 69 see mexican gold trail; the j of a 49er. ed by Glenn S. Dumke, pref by R G Cleland. pub by HL, 1945

FAC 612

Lester Hulin. 1847 d ary of Applegate Trail to Oregon machine copy of typescript
 ub k844 to Henry Ct, Ia, age 21. Yr later SL, met Fremont & Abert, dng to g on explorg xped. After many narrow escapes h ret to SL. . 47 again to SL, this time as pilot for co. to FH. There they chose to take the new Scott-Applegate Trail to Orego Ind an attacks. . Ann Davis 9/29 shot by 3 arrows. . in Oregon fisrt to Corvallis; later that yr to Lane Ct. . d 1897

DAY BOOK OR JOURNAL OF reprod by Lane Ct P-H S 1959
 fm the orig Day Book owned by Wilbur S. Hulin, Eugene. 6 x 8 inches, marbled paper cover. leather hinge. Begins w accts in Mo., 1843, then J, then biz accts nd notes in OT
 4/23 lv frs in Iowa. . 9 days to SJ. . May 20 across MR

no nonsense/ some mileages
 /short passages w th dates, no mileages/ Burr Oak Creek 6/4 to Republican creek. . 3 m came to I trail or jc this now is the b g road to Oregon Wyeth's run 6/6 Cannon Ball ck - Otto Ck (from Otto Is) Dry Sandy, Big S, Little Blue
 6/14 grv J H Fisher d 6/6 miserable Ps had dug him up or rather dug dow to him we covered him aga n on PR 13th
 6/17 lay by to attend to case of Mrs. Balch, infant son others join train now 47 wgs and 75 men ctinue coasting up the P
 6/19 last nite a child of Mr. Kimball's met the king of terror and we had to remain in camp and bury her

/pic CR Upon Columbia(s natal day we passed this tower- ing natural object, View of CR taken by Hulin at distance of 4 Also view of Castle Rock, taken by John Ross and xtract by Huli
 6/26 crossed P 6/28 descended into sandy bed of Ash Creek. . plenty ash and Cedar made coal

7/2 2 noted works of nature Castle Rock a d CR
 /pix "Scott's Bluffs" is Dome Rock// looks kqlike Cast
 7/5 passed up behind SBs follow up a broad v
 7/9 Moved on across Laramies Fork, taking the right hand road . . 7/10 troubled b Sx visitors 7/20 camped 2 m above M ferry, cross ford above Red Butt spring Chinese wall the soap mine Willow Spring 7/25 IR 7/31 SPasse no problems at GR or before . . to Fort Bridger 8/6 8/12 camp of Peg leg Smith, 5 m to Bear River - Soda Springs - Portneuth C to Snake R - to Fort Hall - Raft River Goose Ck - Marys Rv

Handwritten note: I was born April 1840, my husband is 61th now then at my time some of CW & I hope to go to 100 in year Feb d. 66. I mounted horse again

See H-125

9/14 cpd w th some of Mormon Battalion from Ca
 917 to forks of road 9/29 sadly v sited by savages
 3 arrows into yg lady baking by the fire. . 10/2 miss D
 cdn ride, had tb carried on a stage 10/7 to Sacramento Riv
 8 crossed SR to Clammatt Lake - to Rogue River 10 21 Umpqua
 mts. horrible roads Umpqua rv 11/1 ~~W~~ Walammatt v

12/1/53 Miss Abby Jane Craig m to LH by Rev R Robe

orig j had ~~no~~ little or no punctuation use spacing -
 original writing beau, clear and distinct. It varies only durg
 the arduous trip over the s Oreg streams and mts and horrible
 roads; then irregular and shows strain.

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FAC 597 a journal of Catherine Amanda Stansbury Washburn.
 Iowa to Oregon in 1853 reprod cq by Lane Ct Historical Soc
 Eugene, 1967 cpiled from orig j and an amended copy later
 made by her. . thru courtesy of Claude B. Washburn, grandson
 of the author and owner of the js.

b. 9/27/35. m Charles Wesley Washburn 11/53 at Mt. Pleasant Ia
 13 children. she d 1894 . . CW crossed plains w Capt Ikenberry'
 party of 70, arrvg Coloma 10.49. . return to iowa spring 53
 sold out and again crossed the plains, w wife, for Oregon. They
 had 4 wgs, 16 ox and 63 head catle, 8 men, 6 women, 1 child. Th
 event oth j was birth of first child Ruth Ellen n CR 6/5. Thei
 tr crossed the Cascade Mts of Oregon via the Barlow rt and land
 at Foster's. . Nov they loc on a donation land claim 640 acres
 n Jc City, Lane Ct. /met a spellg bee, the winner

3/21 left r home in Henry Ct, Iowa 4/25 Ishnebotny creek
 4/28 cpd within half m oth ~~W~~ CB ridge 4/29 to St. Marys -
 on Highland Mary steem Boat 5/2 Is take poss of bridge over
 Papea and chg \$2. for crossg 5/8 after long delay acct ferry
 & I tr cross the Elkhorn, 9 rods wide \$2.50 pw. .

5/9 saw I villiage across the Plat. at Loup fork old Harp
 ee has 2 ferry boats \$3. pw 5/17 catl scatrd by storm
 have to ferry Prairie Creek, ditto Wood river 9 rods wide. .
 pasd a co where a child had fell out of the wagon and was run
 over it ran over its jaw and shoulder another died with flux
 elm creek buffalo ck 5/24 ss covered w droves and wgs

/short jerky sentences 5/29 North Bluff fork 6 rods wide
 man abandoned by his co we gave him a quilt he will die here
 w/o a fr near camp creek wolf creek 6/3 ABR pass Castle
 and CH rock the 7th and Cr the 8 passed Castle bluffs the 10th
 hail storms, hail 3 feet deep. passed fort larima the 11th
 crossed the hills in 4 days came to the toll bridge over P th
 Es rolling over 6/21 Sweet water 6/22 toll bridge \$2.. IR
 cposed of soled granate and covers tern acres 6/27 passed a
 tp at noon passed over the summit this eavning 6/31 took

Sublets cutoff f Green river at GR \$8. a wagon
 7/8 crossed a toll bridge Smiths fork of Bear - next day
 2 more toll bridges, slough and thomas fork. . cr ckets as
 large as mice
 7/12 soda spring to Portsmouth river toll bridge 2 bits
 7/15 left the FH road and took the left hand road
 7/17 American falls 8/12 fort Boice ferried wgs \$8.pw
 8/13 12 m to Fortunate Creek tp new road from here to
 Ore we will take the old road Powder River Grand round,
 tp owned by a fr from Iowa Blue mts Umatila r, I garden
 and salmon. I agency first house in 20 hundred miles - cross
 John Days r columbia r De Shutes r The Dalles start in
 the Caskaes at Barlows Gate down Laurel Hill.

John Joseph Callison FAC 588 Diary of. . OT 1852 reprod by
 Lane Ct Pioneer-Histor cal Soc ety 1959, from a typed copy oth
 original

~~10~~ 10 pp

b 8/13/30 d 8/23/52

4/6/52 st to Or 9th came to Warsaw, crossed Missip --
 // another terse one, mainly dates and distances a d camp sites //
 5/4 Mosquito c 1 1/2 m from Hanesville 5/6 6 m down the
 bottom and enc at Johnathan Browning's on Mosquito c. . 12th
 10 m downriver and crossed at Platville, ferriage \$8.50. .
 Is of Ottoe tribe, friendly 15th left MR nd started across
 the plains 17 cross Salt River 20 to P bottom
 20th Ps laden w meat, all well armed 21st troops encamped,
 gg dow the P to arrange a d ffic bet Is and Es andbr the Is
 to justice 22 pass old deserted I vg, got plenty of g dry
 cedar wood there. Has been evacuated sine hard w nter of 1848
 1849 their ponies all died off during that winter and they took
 and f rmed a square w th them. They / is now 63 of them and th
 r bleached perf white. . Doz Shians seeking revenge on Ps.
 5/26 FK bea sitd about 2 m from rv 4 or 5 g-lookg frame
 hss and sev sods. . Troops decently dressed and capt a g-man. .
 5/27 15 mi (17 from FK) crossed over to the ns P, width
 supposed tb 2 to 2 1/2 ms w de /ns to ss to ns.!!!!
 6/1 Absolom Newingham d of cholera, half co down with
 diarrhea. . 6/2 Josephine Bristow dies 6/10 Cobble hills and
 abr 6/11 c above cr on ss. a gr curiosity 6/12 SB another g
 r natural curiosity 6/15c within 2 m FL thru Black Hills
 6/23 pass upper P ferry at noon and started across what is call
 the desert, 30 m to Willow Spr ngs 6/25 c near IR /END//

// The d ends here - JJC died 8/23 of cholera & was buried //
 near OT vic La Grande, Oregon. Reason diary ceases last 2 mon //
 is unknown. . B 1830. . unmarried. .

Emily

Charlotte/Stearns Pengra

FAC 594 Diary of Mrs. Bynon J. Pengra (Charlotte Emily Stearns) kept by her on a trip across the plains from Illinois to Oregon in 1853 reprod by the Lane Ct Pioneer Historical Soc. Eugene, 1966 (2nd printing) 55 pp

b. 1827 m. BJP in Ill 1849. . Mr & Mrs cross the pls over OT in 53, settling near Springfield, Lane Ct. He was Surv-Genl fo Ore under Lincoln in 1862 . . d. copied from orig, consistg of a number of pale blue sheets, 10 x 7½ in poss Mrs. Jerry Adams of Eugene. .

1st entry April 7 - week days are given, but numerical dates on occasionally - thru Freeport - Mt. Carrol - cr Missip at Fulto wrong way to spend the Lord's day - slew, slew, rain rain - quagmires and Rubicons - the Nishnebotnee

5/6 to the Bluffs, not the City - Is pres papers askg aid from Es. Poor fellows they stood the reps of a once mighty but now fallen people - 5/6 report that a boat, running from SL to the Bluff has sunk, fearful for r co

5/10 to the City - built right bet 2 hi bluffs w/ barely room to set the hss and allow a street between them, mostly of log covd w board siding in front. . gr many stores a d all fild things reasonable /literate, observant, detailed

5/11 on board the steamboat. . crossg cost \$11. . . thru Mavilg, from app of a grave yard a little above it

5/13 l ck bridged by Is, toll 2 shilings per wg - a ve intel I recd the money - e cd talk g English - 5/12 to Elkhorn ferry, sadnd by grave of 19 yr girl, cdnv skd a prettier buryg spot -- tent stores, grovery or liquor shopt, and refreshment rooms 5/14 ferriage \$3. pw

5/15 tremendous storm, tent deluged, watter flows thru in torrents - 5/17 Sheell C'bg bridged by Es /deta ls re cooking clothing, mending, bedding, etc./ no mileages, oc

5/19 return on horseback to aid sick lady, found her with a dgtr a hour old. Gave it a name, wished her success and rode back, l pleased w r expedition

5/20 our hrss runaway, I on reins - stopd by rung into catle, after man struck them in their faces - Loupe Fork ferry report 400 Is declarg Eion shdn pass until they had 3 white men in ret for an I that was shot

5/21 pass gr ready to recieve its trust - yg md lady mesl

5/31 cclude the tale we heard is false 6/1 more storms howling of wolves cobined with war of the elements

6/2 first time c see PR distinctly beau w isalnds and hi bluffs opp diaria names creeks

Creek, 6/8 Astle B pasd Lone Cedar tree, Ash hollow, Quicksand Creek, Castle Bluffs 6/11 Cobblestone Bluffs - Mrs. Allison and myself take bath in the river

6/11 wagon tips over sand storm cpd op CR in form of a pyramid, and assumes a round cone lke app of sev feet in het.

6/12 c op SBs, a ve pic rg of bluffs opp 6/13 Saux village, try to buy bread with beads and mockinsons -- 3 wigwams of half breeds 6/17 pas another I vg th s mg, called to their Wigwam

but they appeared ve hostile, pointed their guns at us y sev x, a half breed that was w them said there had bn tr at the Fort,

and that the Is intended attackg the Es. At noon we pasd another trader pt, they said there had been a fight the day bf, and that 6 white men and 6 Is er kd, also that 30 head of cattle hd bn kd - but we had not other way but to go on. . . We came op the F 3 oc, found that there had been tr, 150 Is attempted to cross over the ferry ch was a violation of their treaty. Six only to be allowed to cross at one time, the col refused them, and 8 Is shot at him, but did not wound him, he then cd out the solds, and ordrd them to give up the men that had fired on him, but they dn nd th solds fired among them klg 3 and wondg 2. The Is then fledt the mts. They ow took 2 of their cheifs prisners. . The capt advised us to form a co - nd be prepared for battle v co of 30 waggongs, 100 men

24th / lady wishes pattern of my sunbonnet 25/bridge acrs the P (do not cross) 27 Willow Springs 28 IR, 29 road sandy, wind blowing, cpletely filled with sand

7/1 tp at DG, lv letters -- sick r trated by packing, the water cure 7/5 r men to mts cutting grass 7/6 over SP, ch she does notname -- cclude to enter the barren trail laid down in the guide as bg 54 ms w/o watter or grass 8 to GR 7/9 we ferried r 2 wgs and span of horses for the light sum of 17 dols that bg \$8 pwg nd 50c head for stock, unlg to swim so \$21.

tolls bridges at Thomas Fork an Tulicks fork of BR. . 15/ met a man 30 days from Orregon, who is takg the census of the E ion tothat ct. . he cifirmed a new cutt off that d save us some hundreds of miles travel 7/17 Soda Spr ngs Stbt Spgs, M. traders washing the r clothes in it

7/18 after 2 m struck the Orregon road, an extinct volcano crater on m tothe S - cruel mosquitoes Mosquitoes make air bla ck - ford Snake, - Am Falls - /hazy on topog identifics. .27 I l say that this part of Orregon is the most fertile for rocks and sagebrush of any part oth rld - Cat Rock Creek 30th cd on Snake R below Bannack C 31 2nd ferry on Snake above Salmon Fl Cross despite hi wind, take covers off wgs

8/1 all nite serenade by Is -- many graves from last year 8/9 Boys river -- the Bullfinch co. -- lots of bugbear stories about Is crossed Snake at Fort Boys that world renowned spot of one miserable blockhouse all gg to decay 8/13 start on new cutoff the 2 crossing of SR cost us \$25 -- stench from ravine that is resorted to for special purpos by all the Eion -- afraid to try the new route, tho is all Stakedout 8/18 v discontd j acct sickness, wet bandages and opium -- Powder R, Blue Mts. Grand Round v all m or less sick - Umatilla 8/28 d ends

/writing smaller and smaller as tho paper, as well as str oth author might v failed.. ./ when ov party left members inc Mrs. P's father, Rev John Stearms, 76, Myron N. Stearns and fam also Sam E Stearns, and fam ly. . Issacher Williams and his w f Velina (Stearns) and kids Bymon J P and author and one dgtr Stella 3 yrs old and her brother Wm, 19 - Avery E. Stearns et Wm Brannon , a Mr. Bullfinch and son etc. /Stellamong sick/ /lived to v 9 children, m Geo Larison///

FAC 592 Diary of Helen Stewart 1853 reprod by Lane Ct P-H
Society, Eugene, 1961 27 pp.

Helen Marnie Stewart b. 1835. . 53 to Ore w her parents. .
orig d owned by Mrs. Elenor Watson of Portland, grand-dgtr
John Stewart family across plains. . w them was Mrs. Margare
Love and 3 sons. . On 1855 Helen Stewart m. David S. Love, who
had been to Calif in 1849, by ship, thence to Australia

They chose to try a new route from Fort Boise to WV and er
part of the m than 1000 who became lost in eastern Oregon and
sufrd gr from lack of dood and with exhausted oxen and hrss bf
they reached their destina. . The Cascade Mt pass thru ch they
entrd the v was s of Diamond Peak; they were part of what has
been called the "Lost Wagon Train of 1853."

from Penn. 4/1 steamer Arctic at Pittsburg -- honduras to
SJ 4/20 /spelling is not so hot/ d resumes 4/29

5/3 we was within 3 ms oth fry en the fry boat sunk and
dround 3 men now we l v to g to Iowa Point -- head north thru
mud holes and dubling teams /no mileages, oc. towns o oregon
and savanna - cross nodaway rv cross Mo ? n.d.

5/14 to minehaw ck streams bridged, sort of, Is demand
tole /some dates skilled/ AGNES STEWART IS HER SISTER

5/17 we heard the wolves hllowing it is lightning all rnd
and the face oth moon is obscured under dark cKouds nd the wi
Agnes b 1832, m Thomas Warner 1859

nd is blowing nd I am in th wg tryg to write a l the lantern i
tied to the ridge pole every body is inbed but agnes and mys
nd we d b there but we v to wait till the apls r stewed enough

5/19 at big blue man dround w drove of sheep storm and
winds threaten wg covers

5/23 so l time to write that I missed from 23 to 27 but
it is no difference there was neer us a gr that had been dug
open and a women head was layin and a come sticking in her hair
it seems rather hard 5/28 mother fell as she was geting

in to the wg and the front wheel ran over her she was bruised
but none of her bones is broke, acc where she fell is sandy

/few creek idents 5/29 thundered the hole night and
forke lightning flew through heavens in a most erifick manner

5/31 tews v come in site of fort carney we pass there
was a sholdier came and got the number of all of us and r catl
nd e told us there was 13,000 head pf people and 90,000 head of
stock the largest elion has ever past yet

6/1 we c see Es now as far as we can see for the winding o
road there was a man was gg to cross the rv w a drove of shee
and he put in 30,000 and he got out 5,000 someing up a storm
so we chain all the wgs together

6/3 plum creek there is wgs standing in the place of a
grog shop they v two sines up a bad crossing

6/9 camp within a short distance of the second ford 6/10
got to dording today some will go to the upper one fellows
v dreadful hard job, swimming w catle I was so afraid they d
cramp they looked like dround rats we r divided tonite the
gallenippers was so bad I cdn sleep

sater ll v nt had the diff cultys we see many others vg
. . . if there had not v bn a strong arm to help and guide we d

come out poorly thank heaven for its goodness -- men
 ve tired we had to run and put blankets round them all whome
 ver they came out of the water a d drench them with ginger tea
 and boiling coffee.

6/13 we had one the real je uine platte storms last night
 some places that is nearly perpindicual down the hollow -

6/15 lots of wgs moveing bf and behind us and rss moving
 on in the general throng

6/17 chr they say there is 500 is gg to fight we hear th
 at they v laid down blankets that is the sine for the Es not da
 re govern them fears of one old bachlier he has a toleable
 big body but a ve l soul but old bachaliars ought tb excused a
 l all ways for they are not always accountable.

but the gr army that frightened him so proved tb an I ca
 mp and indeed they er ve fr peace of paper w things wanted Is
 follow us to scots bluffs wish oxen had goggles

6/22 my birthday 18 I feel myself getg older but no any
 wiser 6/23 I decorated, wanted me to get on his horse behind
 him (walk in hi hills) . . we at last crosts the steme we pas
 s the fort and the grave yard I think it in a runis cd for so
 many big idle fellows loungg about there is harly any fese it
 is all broken down catle and every thing else can go in and tra
 mp over it the names r cut on head bord

then we come up a ve long hill and camp rite on a cactas be
 d for there is nothing else there fry 24 black hills

6/24 plagued by fellows (me and Agnes) I think Agnes is
 made of lode stone for she draws to her wonder powerful

6/27 Mexicans indians and half breeds there are the most
 deceeteful ugly set ever was

7/3 sabeth we r all so wicked we come to the bridge t
 here is a store and a bss and another hs or 2 there is a gr
 many spaniards here they all had squaws had to pay \$5. ea wg
 and 4 yoke ox and one drive a bit for each odd man and a dime a
 head for the lose catl they ladies go over free of charge

7/4 this is the fourth in the States. . we r selerabratin
 it by ~~xxx~~ traviling in sand and ~~xxx~~ dust but we v a gr dance to
 night as and I went up the hill and talked over old times and
 repeated some paraphrases and allthe like of that and the we
 come down and danced untillneerly one oclock

7/6 IR 7/13 south pass I c see nothg for I v the curt
 ain tied tite down to keep the wind and the dust out we are
 in Oragon now 7/14 pass the salt lake road and set up a ticke
 t for annie ***to get when they come up if no person nockes it

down - thru the desert 7/17 GRferry \$6. ea horse 3 bits ahe
 and 75c for catl 7/19 little bear r or fo tenell fork 7/21
 Christe bomgardner had a dgtr added to his familie 7/24 Bear r
 Is visit durtyist creature I ev saw pick lice and eat them

7/31 Soda Spring a treading post

8/1 the coulerd people will hold this day*** as one worth
 of remembrance clinker valley beyond Steamboat Spr 8/3 I do
 not remember one thing about the road from the thurd on

END

FAC 590 reprod perm Alton Ill. Telegraph and descendants
of SH Diary of Samuel Handsaker OT 1853 reprod by Lane Ct
Pioneer Historical Society Eugene, 1965 37 pp.

Autobiog sk. . I was b England 1831 to America 1843
3/22/53 farewll to Illinois 3 other yg men and I agreed to
drive 3 ox teams, 4 pairs to each team, and er to rec as pay r
board the owner was Mr. Robinson, a surveyor Bf startg I
agreed with John Bailache, ed of Alton T. that I d write to him
en oppor ofrd en on the road. This was prac my first exper in
writing. I kept a Daily Journal of the entire tr of 6 mos, ch
the T printed . . shdvused something m durable than a common
lead pencil. . part lost from the press only part of book cb
deciphered. That ch is in ex tence is printed in this book

We er on the way from 3/22 to 10/3 Nearly all r oxen d die
from drinkg alkali water, d hitch up a cow to take its place. .
use r wg boxes for ferry boats. . acct dust we had to wear vail
s or silk handkerchiefs left one new wg with a lot books
Robinsons mean esp Mrs. R. . upbroaided for selg ox, a d refuse
to stop to aid abandoned couple with child -- excerpts from
PIONEER LIFE by Uncle Sam Handsaker, Eugene, 1908.

DIARY acct from Iowa to Utah is all that is now extant
4/27 at ~~xxxxxville, xiowa~~ MR ferry 4/29 now in Nebraska Terr
vg crossed the rv on Highland Mary, \$5. wg, 25c loose catle
4/30 Is begg, Omaha tribe, missnry stat one m from r camp
5/2 3 m to Papillon or Butterfly ck I bridge washed away, buil
r own, much to mortification of the Is

5/4 beau ct but scarcity of timber 5/5 man drowned at
Elkhorn slough, with \$700; family gone back home w/o a y attemp
to get the body out, from Ill 5/6 200 wgs waiting to cross,
\$5. wg stock \$1.50 boat an old scow, one wg at a time. Ea man
has to rk the boat

5/11 in wolf ct ferocious animals howling at nite, flying
bf us by day Devil creek to PR 5/12 Shell Ck bridge, here
a fight 3 yrs ago bet Is and Es, over toll, Is routed

5/13 Loup Fork Ferry. We shall not cross here; but l g up
sm 50 m to a ford. . 16 thru 2 old I vilgs. reach ford 17 rv
risg, no safe to cross 19 finally cross via making r own ferry
take wg box, water-tight; lash 3 water kegs ea side; unload at
sand bar 5/23 ferry over Wood River, same system

5/25 op FKy, nd c see wgs crossing over to this side, on
acct scarcity of grass 5/26 cross Ellen ck. . all kinds of
teams may be seen on this road, the grr part oxen

5/31 White men attack train for stock, one guard knifed,
below Bluff Fork.. 65 horss stolen by Is 6/8 Cobble Hills
6/9 op CHr and the Clerk's office 6/10 Cr 6/11 SBs wood
sgain after 200 m . . smell from river sinks

6/13 all handsin writing hom. near FL, last chance
6/14 FL went over rv t F to pail a parcel of letters. I was j
ust in time to be too late. The mail had left only a few hrs p
revious. The letrs l v to lie there until the middle of next
month . . saw 3 first rate 2-story frame hss, besides one or tw
made of rock The others r adobes or mud hss 0 -- in all about

15. There is also an excel store where you can get nearly evthg you wish. The bldgs here do the govt much credit. . Here we first heard oth death of vicepres ~~King~~

15th Black Hills, a spur of RMs. I nv saw a more rocky and hilly ct. . we are now in Utah, Fort end of Nebraska

18 tp w Frmn and squaws moccasins, hides to sell. .sm supply of liquors, pickles, buffalo beef, shoes, tobacco and other notion on all of ch they make gr profits

20 report reached us a few days ago that a fight had take n place near the f bet the Is and the solds. It appears that the Is had some antipathy ag the solds, and to spite them they stol e the ferry - This raised the dander o the solds who went to chastise them. One sold was wounded in the arm w an arrow. Th Is lost 6 kd and a g many taken prisoners

22 last crossg oth P formerly a ferry, now a g substanti bridge. Toll \$6. wg 24 adiew to the p 25 Willow Springs, Prospect Hill 26 Sw 27 DG 29 Wind River mts 30 gravelly r best for horses or mules w shoes on, but detrimental tooxen

7/3 SP 7/4 rejocing, pleasure and mirth at hime 00 at nite boys make merry speeches, singing etc.

7/7 mt fever, not dangerous. diet is the ma n thing tb watched GR 2 g ferry boats \$5. wg grocery, ch does a fair a mt of bus in gamblg nd drinkg 7/8 prairie dogs not so lg

7/14 FB not what is gen termd a fort; but the resd of a Mr. Bridger, formerly from the American Bottom. . br on Bear R. 16 Webber R, hs and garden - Kenyon Ck - worst kind of descend after hi mt. 9/20 SLC dscrip drove thru w/o stopping. .

7/23 the Ms ve careful not to let Es stay too long in one place. We had orders to lv yesterday, after trading. . we pay 3 prices for evthg we get. . gharvest fm the Es

7/25 common to pack to Ca. . Each mn has 2 mules; o e to carry himself and guns, the other for provs a d utensils. . co fm Oregon, w/ lady on horseback all the way. . 26h Ogden 29 Bear R again. 2 skiffs w plank laid across \$5. wg

8/1 Pilot Spr ng 8/3 if our map correc, now in promised land, crossed Oregon creek - De Casure creek 5th jc SL and Sublett's Cutoff road. We now v to take the back track on the Co road until we reach the FH road, the we come to Oregon rd. our guide book is the cause of r vg to go back. . near jc Steep le Rocks . . At Raft River reach the Ore road

8/18 vross Snake. . I fishmongers . . 28 doomed to dusty sage plains of Utah and Oregon for 3 months. . cros Boisse rv lv wg w books, trunks, chairs sad destruction Fort Boisse, . and adobe hs occ HBC up Burnt ck - Powder Rv Grand Ronde v, richest tract of land since MR - wealthy Cayouse over Blue mts Umatillah v 8/19 I Agency, first frame hs in Ore register of 5,850 persons. . Besides a no v gone the new route 7000 l ente r Or this season /The Dalles?/ no that is next, after John Day

Expect to go by water rest of my j pack along river 0 Oregon City 10/5 addendum letter from Oregon 1/1/54

B ^{Joseph}
 Esther ~~Brakeman~~ Lyman Letter^s 1853 reprod by Lane Ct p-H
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b. 1826 m. Joseph Lyman 1850 In 1921 Mrs. Elmo S. White of Salem lkd f info re grparents, Elisha & Harriett Wadsworth, who came fm Mich to Ore in 1853, accpd by her sister, Esther and husband Joseph, and their 4 children. Her search brot to light these accts of their j, Mrs. Lymans apparently written partly as a j on the way and ccludg w a letter to her mother in Michi, and JLs letter to his relatvs in Mich tellg of his trip thru the mts in Ore after lvg his party in attempt to reac WV to bring help and food back to family

Their wg tr had left OT near Ft. Boise to take what they had heard was a shorter rd thr the mts. The "new road" soon became a poorly marked trail and the Lymans and Wadsworths crossd the deserts of eastern Ore and the Cascade Mts as part of the E that cprisd the Lost Wagon Train of 1853

Esther B. b 1826 NY in 36 to Kalamazoo ct Mich . . the 2 families left Cooper spr 1853 in 2 wgs & buggy. Mrs. Lyman wa supposed t v kept a j and in sending it east for publica was lo st. . after arrivg in Ore the first hom went to Tillamook Ct

Material has been gathrd in Lane & Benton cts and from Vernon White of Portland, desc of Elish & Harried W, from whom a copy of Esther's letter was secured

~~JL~~ ^{or} EBL left Cooper Kal Michi 3/4 commencg the j ^{Below FL in P} at ~~FK~~ My 28th 5/29 p w numerous islands something line an Archepelago Bf drinking or cookg it should be settled by psrinkling a handfu of corn meal slowly into a pail and stiring it at the same time

The gr E thorofare runs upon theriver bottom, some oth way near the rv a d s oth way farther back towards the bluffs c 5 mi below FK 31st c Plumb Creek, trench fire

We jd a Ore ~~of~~ ^{to} about June 11 and Joseph was taken sick after w/mt fever, all the medcine did not help him fever run 12 days weak as a child had to give him Brandy to keep him alive . . 4th of July at IR - when Joseph recovered, I taken w same fever. it was 6 weeks bf I was able to be even taken out oth buggy. .I had just got able to stagger around a l when I tak down w diarrhea, and I fully expected to die. . Augu 21 I lost my babe, it lived only a few hours . .

If I should tell you an 8th part of the accidents bad roads etc I shd fill sev sheets. . lose animals, lighten load

Joseph in favor of taking the new road, diverges 15 mi this side of (w of) FBoise . Harriett and Elisha stayed with old road, with Mr. Cline, wife ~~w~~ died with new baby and 8 other children . . Mr. Swartz with us, wife has an addition to r part in the shape of a youn dgr . . thru Burtn Hills . . misled by Mr. Elliot who had been hired by the people of Oregon topilot the Es through. ~~MrxxExx~~ It seems the road had bn cut out only to Fall River near the Cascade mts. Mr E ~~tho~~ he was suff accout w ~~the ct to take the shortest road to the rv,~~ but he got bewilidr and led the Es over desert some 50 or 60 miles w/o water . .

estd 900 wgs 1500 perso s. . relief parties.
 Joseph Lyman letter fo mother Mich d 11/11/4 53

70229 a EARLY DAYS IN CALIFORNIA SCENES AND EVENTS OF THE 50's AS I REMEMBER THEM. Mrs. Lee Whipple-Haslam, Jamestown, CA, 1925 pp. 6-11 of 34 pp.

See Lee Sum

"Crossing the Plains"

In summer 1850 father Franklin Summers, left Mo and came around the Horn to Ca. He mined succ at Shaws Flat, near Sonora. In 1852 he again braved the danger of a trip around the Horn to bring my mother and me across the plains to Ca. He used his gold to buy the best equip available and also, as a lubricator, to org a lag train

A str wgt 1 cvrd and 3 yoke of gentle st oxen nec, a g cow and a saddle horse for ea wgt. evthg was home production. Hicker used as a sub for iron; the only iron used was for lynch pins and king bolts

/see Lee Summers/

We crossed Tahoe range where the Kingsbury grade is now and a few days later reached what is now Placerville .. to Shaw's Flat.

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294181 Origen Thomson CROSSING THE PLAINS NARRATIVE OF THE SCENES INCIDENTS & ADVENTURES ATTENDING THE OVERLAND JOURNEY OF THE DEACTUR AND RUSH COUNTY ES TO THE "far-off" Oregon, in 1852. Printed from a d o daily events kept by the late _____ w a introductor chapter by Mrs. Camilla T. Donnell, and a thrillg narrv of a Battle Royal with mt wolves, by Mr. Sutherland Coy Greeburg, Indiana 1896

Director's copy

Preface: These notes were mere shorthand snapshots taken on the spot, and writn out in full after reachg their destina. and make no pretense to literary style

Mrs Donnell

Donnell: The Oregon Pilgrimage: Its Genesis & the Exodus Yr 1850 Congress passed Donation Land-claim bill giv to a man an wife 640 acres. My brother Origen and Zelik M. Donnell and I (m. 2/52) plan to g w co from d & r cts Indiana, c. 100. some the oldest and best known families of this sec. Rev James Worthe, St Senator Dr Robert H. Crawford

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Sunday 3/5 prayed for from all the puplits. At Madison a new boat Kate Sweeney chartrd for trip to SJ, arr 3/27 /~~xxxxxx~~ ~~xxxxxx~~ tvd thru Iowa 100 m; crossd Mo May 9 and 10 on a rope ferry, where O now stands

On both n and s sides oth P, as far as the vis on cd reach was one ctinu line of prairie schooners

We forded Pr at the place where Platte City now stands. CR 500 m w MR. On the same flat plain was IR, elev some 500 fee above the prairie. One portion of r party arrvd here July r 4 and selec this spot as the scene of a marriage ceremony I N Smith and Josephine Gray

SP reached on the day of r Natl I. Arrvg at TD, after fording Des Moines rv, we found but one house, a log, and a fe old lg bldgs belongg to the Methodist Mission. The beach was covd w tents, a thous waiting trans by batteaux to WV. Sutherla McCoy, Scott Patten and my brother Origen took the catl and horss overland, by the trail leadg along the CR into the Dogriver

the rest oth party took pasg in the b. under chg of Fr Canadi
ans, crossg the Cascade mts /?/ at a point d rect op where the
Govt has since built the locks, by means of a kind of horse-car
Government has since built the locks, by means of a kind of hors
car. The portage was about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles long

We ard Portland late at night. . l vlg. . to Dayton in Yamhi
ll Ct. . Genl Palmer was the prom man of Dayton. . then to Lynn
ct near Brownsville where we took up a D claim
at the Dalles March 1896

a FIELD NOTES: JOURNEY ACROSS THE PLAINS IN SUMMER 1852

March 8, 1852 day apptd f r departure - to Cincy -- w Worth &
Crawford selec the Kate Sweeney, a new boat on her first trip

3/14 load at Madison 3/18 SLL 3/18 pass SLL 3/23 came
across the $\frac{1}{2}$ Alton lying on a sandbar, take on a nu o her pasgr
also Is on hurricane deck 3/25 Limour tows us off sandbar

3/27 ar SJo, rent rooms - stay 1 month -- Mr. Hann cross 12
m above STJ, we go by old Ft K - depart 4/28 Savannah and
Newark. . crossed Notaway - Linden, the last town we were to se
this side of RMs - Nishnebotna - athe ferry 50 wgs ahead of us
\$1.25 for wg and 25c yoke for catl -- now v 27 wgs

5/9 in ev visted the old fort. It is built in blockhouse
style 2 stories hi, and the upper story so arrgd that the side
r over the corners of the lower story. . port holes. no occupys
There r corrals built for stock. The ferryman lives in hs adjng

5/10 Mr. Worth elec pres oth co; Crawford leader or capt
5/11 Panic re imaginary Is, form corral 5/12 passed OIs, sea
ted on the gr around a blanket w some bread and corn. I suppose
they er begg

5/13 pasd first grs, 6 Salt Ck, 45 m from Old Fort
tents prostrated by the wind. . fine ct but scarcity of water l
prevent its bg settled

5/18 gr of I chief; surr by 32 horse skulls formg a circl
12 ft dia. Above us r the ruins of an I vilg, ch furnished us w
cedar wood. Some otheir lodges are ent re yet, made of cedar
poles interlaced and held to place by withes, and covrd w dirt.

about 12 feet hi, smoke hole, 18 feet dia. . 5/19 passed in m
ruins of another vilg, wigwams all rotte ddown

5/20 3 or 4000 Is pass, to SJ. . later 60 soldiers w a 6
pounder on way to punish Is that had passed usthis am, for some
otrage they had perptd on Es 5/22 Mr. Findlayson's child d in mg
& was buried at noon by wayside, first death in r co. 0 the diee
se was whooping cough -- in sight of St. Jo road

5/23 one of r unhappy days.. a division of seceders
5.24 tvg all day in sight oth rd f SJ; they gradually cverge &
unite at the fort, 20 miles fm last nites camp

5/24 arvd at fort. . Es help themss to wood, perceivg ch
the gm ordered them to br it all back under penalty of the guar
dhouse. . w/o fortifics, low squatty bldgs, 2 oqs, stone bss
and po 294 fm StJ, 320 by way Old FK, 220 from latter

5/25 in 14 m (15 from fort) we came to the first crossg o
P, late discvd, just crosd a few days bf. Rv 2 ms wide here,
axletree dep, reqs 10 yoke to o e team, nd must not b allowed t
stop. Our seceders crossed here a short time bf.

O. Johnson
14-105

5/26 Yest and today by Walkers guide 32 m and by Platte and Slater 40 m, the latter I think correct and adopt it

5/28 Tvd $\frac{1}{2}$ day. Swain, of B chase, taken violently sick w d arrhea, and by 3 oc was a corpse. . drank from noiseome well. 2nd nd last death in co durg r cnec w it. We buried him about dark by roadside, as he had a brother behind in Perry's train, who we wished d see it 5/29 Ash Creek

6/1 road to the upper landing along the bluffs, but the tr to the lower crossg turns sharp to the right; there is a spr to the rt oth track. Distance to upper crossg 15 m. By crossg he re we v a betr road - save 20 m tv and the descent of a ve stee hill to the ferry ?. . From the ford the tr strikes across the ridge and in 5 m strikes the N fork; the cflunc 8 or 9 m below

6/3 cedar on the bluffs as far as AH. . Me t the Laramie mail today 6/4 ascended the bluff and descend into AH. . here the road from the upper crossing comes in. . Co said it wa not much further, and hill not bad

6/6 Hannas co v split on the Sabbath tvg question. . Mr. Hannas co was not the proposed colony, as not more than half a doz of those whose names er enrolled ever jd him at St. Jo

6/9 to CH Creek. . reminds me m of th old pix of Noah's Ar k than a ything else 6/10 walked to CR, 4 m from road at the nearest pt. . app of a circus pavillion w church spire. It cb ascended a g distance by winding around. I inscribd my name on the C about 20 feet hi. . dtop at tp

6/11 thru SBs the roa d crosses a raving w steep banks. . A trader by the name of Scott, while retng to the Sts, was robd & stripd by Is, he crawled to these bluffs and there famished. His bones were afterward found and buried

6/14 to LF, the road bg most of the way in vic o rv. Brid ge here \$2. wg w 4 yoke and 25c each adl yoke. . 2 roads from here, one thru BH, other keeps up rv, we fod this. . The F is much like K in its bldgs & arngmts

6/23 came to E's dug out ferry, cposed of 6 canoes lashed tog. It is a g deal cheaper than the M ferry \$5.50 a wg and a dollar f each person. . men drownd swing catl

6/24 r late seceders er recd back into co this mg 6/26 IR tar and cuts, find piece of paer w pencil "He is a poor devi whose name for want of tar is lost to fame" . . DG the most sub lime specl I v hitherto seen. . tp, bot coarse shoes for \$3.

6/29 at Narrows. . a short time bf a man hanged by his co. The mrdr had a yg man in his employ w whom he had bn quarrelg. seduce him into hills etc. . Search was made, thebody found. 2 or 3 cos cmg up a jury was empaneled and the man cdemnd. They made a gallows by runng 2 or 3 wagons w their tongues tog so as to make a fork, then locked them so they cdn slip; the culprit was made to stand on some boxes and the rope put on his neck an when all was ready the sheriff kicked the boxes fr~~om~~ under him nd he was launched into eternity. This is the way justice is ~~adminstrd~~ meted out on the Plains - w/o impd o legal proceedgs

7/2 tp near Quaking Asp ck. . at last crossg Sw yg Swain, brother of yg man who died this side FK, got his brother's good 7/3 summit runs bet 2 small mounds

7/4 Mr. Worth preached in mg. In ev we yg folks formed a Bible class 7/8 to jc of Oregon and SL roads; the latter als

leads to Kinney's cut-Off, by which the long decent is avoided. It is 6 or 8 ms further but nv more than a half days drive w/o water, whereas the decent /?/ on the other road is about 40 ms long. . that we take 7/12 GR ferry called to see a negro wh had bn shot in the arm and ill treated; l lose his arm, if not his life 7/14 division at Hams fork 15 bridge at SmithsF more bridges. . Bear r empties in SL, so there is no connec w the outer world . see sick child w diarrhea, not much to do 7/19 Big Soda Springs 2 m further to Boilg and Stbt Srs. . from here to Myers Cut-off in the Humboldt V is 4 miles 7/21-25 to summit of divg ridge bet Bear and Snake rvs. . c see 3 peaks towering above all surr. These r the Three Teton 150 miles distant. . 7/22 to Fort Hall of adobes, square form. Estab owned by HBC, r govt vg sold it a few yrs ago. . Shoshone or Root Digger is, clothed in nature;s own garb 7/26 to Raft River, called Cairo ck by Palmer. Here the last Calif trail takes off , and also the Southern route i to Rogue river and the Umpquas. . 4 of r tr take this route Sam Be ll, Bach and Grubb (another Bell). . heard Mrs. Bell died on th way, leavg a child a week old. . nv heard from Wm Brown 8/4 gr Shoshonee Falls in Snake R. . Salmon Falls dead man d the rv, suppose he one who attempted to come down th Snake in wg beds. . treat Mrs. Willard, low of bilious fever 8/17 Fort Boisee a mis place Burnt R Powder R Grand Rondl Blue mt Utila v TD 9/27 Portland by trail

MEMBERS OF THE ORIGINAL CRAWFORD PARTY 111

MCCOYS STORY HIS B HUNT AND BATTLE W MOUNTAIN WOLVES
brutes gnawing down the tree -- Allen Revolver saved my life --
wolves feast on each other.

*McCoy
146-115*

/pasted in the front end of Thomson/
letter from the plains - Nathan Logan of Spring Hill has a
letr writn by James Downie to George A. Anderson in 1852, whil
w the Spring Hill and Richland party of Es to Or. The history
of the trs and tribs o this party, about 100, was writn nd pub
in bk fm by Orville Thomson about a dozen yrs ago. The latters
sister Mrs. Camilla Donnell, 85, of TD, Or is about the only sur-
vivor of the party now alive

"Plat River Bottom, near Fort Laramie, Wyom June 14, 1852
Dear Friend: . . We rnow ab one-third . . there is ve lg
Eion on the plains at this time. We c count from 80 to 100 wgs
in sight at one time. We v seen sm returng to the states today
and they inform us that the foremost trs r ab 600 ms before us
nd we s ppose we r somewhere near the center

Downie

There is a g deal of sicknam ng the Es; it is gen cholera
but it is tho by some to be/frequent and excessive drinking of
bad water, a ve cmn thg as the weather is warm and some overhea
t themss after B and deer. A yg man of r co from Mo died from
this ve cause in less than 24 hrs. This was the second death i
r co since we came on the plains. . We pass some days as many

as 8 new graves. They always bury on some knoll near the road.

No I trs Wehn we cross the rv there er 27 wgs in r co and 60 men, but the second Sabbath after we left there was gr anxiety manifested by sm to tv every day, and 6 wgs left our tr and 15 men, lvg 21 wgs and 45 men. . . Mr. Worth preaches ev Sb tht he is able. He has had a spell of the erysipelas. .RH Crawford's boy has been ve bad w a bowel cplaint, cmg ve near cholera. . The health oth co is gen midling g

James Downie

122 pp in all

/at end of the book, in print, pp. 116-120
INCIDENTS OF THE TRIP OF THE GRAY PARTY Dr. George W. Gray,
San Jose, California May 1896

On r arrv at St Jo we formed the acq of a party from Peoria Ill and learned that ~~the~~ one of their co had been 2x across the plains; and as they intended to start some weeks sooner than th Crawford Co, my father's fam, - w the xcep of brother Samuel, who had married Rev Worth's dgtr -- Uncle Jöhns fam and sm othe from Preble Ct, Ohio ccluded to g with them

Co of 70 ~~wags~~ 19 wgs, 70 persons, ferried across M - came to ford of the wonderful PR, 2 m wid , a sea of water & shi ftg sand. Horseback riders to asc most solid bottom. . I drivg tho had scarlet fever. . came to halt in sinking sands. . until the other teams got over and reted to help us out

Once over the P we had fair sailing until arrivg at the swollen waters of the NP. . 2 row ferry boats, one wg, no team. Mr. "Enterprise" demanded \$6. wg - Capt offers \$3. refuses, we would take chag of boats . He the threatened us with Is. . Bring on your Is and we l clean them out first, etc. So r men took chag of his boats and we er soon landed

The next serious impediment to r progress was swollen waters of the Portniff rv, no ferry boats. . raise wg boxes, then platform over top, 15 or 20 yoke etc.

met squad of Hudons Bay F Co men retg fm wester w lds w B hides and other val skins, to eastern market. As soon as r ox smelled them, stampede

In descendg mt rough-lock the wheels, by tieing a log cha in around them; then tieg small trees, top forward, behind the wagon. . in sm cases in gg over steep banks, a rope attchd behi the wg, and men standg at the top d w swing upon the rope to prevent it from upending the team.

After ma y hrdshps, some sickness, one birth and one marriage - no loss of life, but csid loss of stock - we arv in WV 5 months

Gray

~~116-120~~

FAC 77 journal of J. A. Wilkinson Across the Plains 1859
 122 pp original? NL?

c 3 1/2 x 6 large legible writing

3/8 Started r teams to PP from Cass Ct Mich w Hungerfords, both old Californians, and 2 other men (5), plus a other wg plus 3d wg mine with Uncle Dan Farnham an old Ca. me 23 & Dan Fra ham jr

4/28 M rv hi 500 Es cd waitg to cross to Nebraska City - list of supplies 4/30 ferried over. nearly evbody 1/2 drunk. Es help themss to anythig they find in the sores to eat and drink. Ministers and deadons are on a drunken frolick this last day in civz . . r co same 4 wgs and 12 men

5/1 Major and Russell the Govt ctractrs v their big stock ranch here. . layed in sm corn nd r heav ly loaded

5/2 on d vide bet Weeping Water and Nemaha rolling prairi ret to city t o get axle mend d . . at Salt Creek a farm fencd in and ctwd toll bridge (iron axle a mistake)

5/7 M&R train 26 wgs w 6 yoke oxen wg master, his word is law and gospel. Their wgs r all wooden axle w lock chains inste of brakes. . made in Indaian eac w 4,000 lbs

5/8 grave of Carpenter, murdrd by Curtis -- retg ppers say humbug n we fools to g any further -- our own party splits up, some backwards // gives miles at endof each entry //

5/10 Elm Creek is a turning table a mile from here

5/11 Since lvg Elm Cr r route has been up the PR -Clear Ck another turning table, hundred of Es camped arguing and quar relg about ch way to go, some cutg wgs and makg carts - we r meetg 200 teams a day, some with specimens brass gold dust the mines er saltd w . . 5/12 sm on foot w/o blankets or food begg

5/13 . . throw away sheet iron stove. . we v more than we w ant to g to California with // 5/14 20 teams a kind of minstrel show co w a big tent they make lots of fun & music ev nite 5/15 org a co w 9 wgs, capt Jesse Griffith of Ottumwa

5/17 St Jb road comes in. . 2 men r bldg sod hs here f tp. Their st ck csists of a barrle of whiskey w a little tin cup, . customr helps himss to what he can drink f r 25c. . pasd FK 3 pm The soldiers put lot os hay a d hav a veg garden. We r no alld to stop near the fort, socamp r m out

5/18 wg tr from SL, sev women, prob runaways (empty Govt tr they couple 3 0 4 wgs together to save drivers

5/19 Plum ck. . one of r men got letr at F from a fr who ha precedd him to PP, d g up a new G such a distnace from the F, a box of whiskey in bottles - payme t of debt?

5/20 Wolvertons whiskey sells ve readily - retg PPer's tax r breadbasket rather heavy but we v nv refused them, others do new gr markd John Snyder shot by James Garner 4 5/14

5/21 100 teams may be ctd at once on both sides oth rv kay over at Ctwd tp and stage station 5/22 sev log cabins

5/24 OFallons bluffs stage sta, trpst, po and I village. platform burila to rot 1/2 m 2 fiddlers, stag dance

5/26 tomorrow cross SP no m retg starved PPer's - Sx gg to fight Ps - at ford an I vg and tp - platform on wg boxes, puld by ox and men on rope - traders v a flat boat that they operate w Is and do a g bus haulg gs over -- Is also make some

H 12th start

start

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Call

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K 1st?

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start

actg as guides got over all right & changed clothes took a turn at the jog ~~smk~~ just for spiritual consolation

Next day 5/28 arvd at Hollow at noon Is w/ travois - tp upriver 5/31 CHR, dist decg 6/1 struck out to visit CR No one but a geologist cd tell how it is formed, climbed, name in strata of chalk rock. . cd under SBs at a spring

APV
6/2 SBs . . a spur of a mt w a natural pass thru it f a wg rd only a few rods wide with nearly perp walls. named for a man pursued by Is and hid in a cave and starv to death rather than be taken. . I vlg on the P and tp kept by and ol Frman w squaw. . . 6/3 only 1 women in the tr

6/5 Capt has a guide book ch is unreliable 6/6 crossed th Larimie on a bridge toll \$2.50. A road comes in here fr m PP soldiers here 2 of them are choppg wood at a pile of dry ctwd poles in the hot sun, with their woolen costs butnd up under their chins, and a guard standg over them w a loaded musket. They vbn drunk on E whiskey

There is a bushel of letrs at the F and everybody looks th over and take what belongs tothem, and mail letrs for him - they put 6 l & Sp mules on a stage

6/8 tp and sta a Horse Shoe ck -- saw pit 6/10 at Deer C tp and Ivg near ferry - do not cross 6/11 as many people tvg on n.as on our side oth P drove 700 catl

6/12 at bridge Iv n tp, ctndw ti ber w hewed poles for a floor. \$3. pw Fr w lg store, w sev clerks and servants - much trade w indians skins and furs

6/15 Sw bridge and bss yg cinnamon bear IR - mail sta at western entrace of DG 6/22 SP on backbone of ctinent 6/24 w of Big Sandy where Ms burned a govt tr a yr ago, givg th teamsters what provs they cd pack on their backs

6/29 at Smith Fork, bridge stri gers, but floor gone. . sort out wago s by ~~width~~ wide a d narrow tracks etc. - musketoos terrible -- soda springs

what he calls Subeltte cutoff seems to be the Oregon rt and then Hudspeth cutoff 7/12 city of rocks n jc of SL Road 7/13 Goose Creek. . Frman packer shot in back w arrow, Louis Philippe, yg M with Indians painted up andbossing the shooting Es succor the old man and take him thru / hanging suggested but

7/27 on HR - Horace Greeley pas r camp last nit o the st age to Ca Capt Griffith cross rv and l go over mts on Truckee or the Honey Lake rt - godforsaken ct, no game but sage rats - to Sink and Desert 8/7 Ragtown, Carson R

8/10 news of gp strike of silver and gold a sh distance ahead of us. They call it Virginia City. . 8/12 visit mines, no houses, only cloth ones yet - 8/16 started again for Calif. . to Genoa . . 6-mile canyon - Hope Valley - tohead of American r

8/28 ar at Hanks Corners a sh dist s of Placerville, or Hangtown. . We vbn 169 days on the Road from Dowagiac Mich and v tvd 2516 ms 2 of r oxen that we left Mich w out of 6 got through - Hiram Spencer got thru s 3 oxen and a cow

upon the
ferry

87959 CALIFORNIA LETTERS OF WILLIAM GILL written in 1850 to his wife Harriet Tarleton in Kentucky. ed Eva Turner Clark 1922, ny

.. m HT 1846 in 47 to Lexington. /see Eldredge HISTORY OF CA she to Ky while he to Calif in 1850 - letters from Lexington to wife re preps for departure -but no letters to show the route taken to Calif in 1850 - letters from Scamaneto and elsewhere in calif

He returns home in 1852 via Ithsum to Ky, return to Lex w wife a d son -- return to Calif 2/23/53 arrgg f sale of house; prch 3 yoke oxen. . started 4/6 w free negro Vardaman Bullard. tvg w 3 other ~~xxxxx~~ wgs Wm and H had riding hrss; while ridg ahead of wg 3d day out John Taylor, 6 fell out of wg and was run over. . painful but not killed. . H kept a diary, the items bg all too brief but shows route, time, etc.

Overland J in 1853 . D of Harriett Trleton Gill, pp 35-38 of 43

April 6 lv Lex

9 wg ran over John. . c at Lone Jack 13 Lone Elm
14 Coon Creek 15 c Wakeerusha 17 Brush c 18 Kaw River
23 c Black Vermilion 26 cross Big Blue

/most e tries only one line

May 4 PR 5 passed FKY 11 Mr Walton % co k a B
13 /longest entry/ tvd about 20 miles. We left SP early in the morning, passed over Ash Hollow, and encamp a mile and a half u NP. Mist and rain all day - at night very rainsy and stormy

17 CR rained all day - snow in the evening

18 Tvd about 20 m and encamp by Scott's Bluffs. Passed Rubydoos Trading Post at noon 21 Fort Laaramie

29 IR 3d June Pacific Springs 7 GR

Hams Fork Thomas Fork Raft River Goose Creek
6/25 HR last entry July 1

/husbands illness plus desert doubtless put diary out of H's mind. We do know that the tr was the first to cross the Truckee R and pass that year and that a heavy snow fell immed afterw delay the fog trai s for weeks. It was July 20 whe they rec the Sierra Valley in Ca

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227652 LUZENA STANLEY WILSON 49er: memories recalled years later for her dgtr Correnah Wilson Wright - introduct on by Francis P. Farquhar illus by Kathryn Uhl Eucalyptus Press, Mills College, Califor 1937 61 pp

sig no only for vividness of the portrayal but f the c/rcu mss that led to preserv oth story. In 1881 dgtr convalescg fr serious illness. . Mrs. W recounted her expers and dgtr wrote them down in longhand. Years later they were typewritten and bound, copy given to Mills College by husband Mason Wilson. . she 28 at time of j. Two children came with them

log cabin in MI, 2 toddling babies. . sell r section cow
w us across the continent, giving milk thr out, live to s
serene old age /no dates, no mileages, straight narr/

1st day to MoR, ferried over in the twilight to IT here
commenced my terrors Indians but no whiz of bullets or arrows
asked to join the Independence co, w/ banners and brass band. .
They se t back word they didn;t want to be troubled w women and
children. . r tr csistd of 6 wgs but we were nv alone. As far
as the eye cd reach a thin cloud of dust marked the route oth
trs. . behind us, like the trail of a gr serpent, it xtended to
the edge of d civz. . The tvrs almost all men, but there was a
chivalric spirit

Nthbut actual exper l give an idea oth plodg, unvaryg
monotony, the vexations, exhaustive energy, throbs of hope, the
depths of despair, thru ch we livd

ford P w wg-beds/ on blocks 12 or 14 inches th ck to rais
it out of th watr, some oth me astride the oxen, some of them
in water, and all goading the poor beasts, we started. .The wat
er poured into the wg and floated off some our moveables. . .

wg behind us stuck, sank slowly. They went out of sight inch b
yinch, and the water rose over the moang beasts. W.o a struggl
they disaprd beneath the surface. . no ripple to mark where a
lonel man parted with all his fortune.

In contrast, the NP a turbulent steam. . huge sycamores
er felled and pinned w wooden pins into the semblane of a raft

We freq met men who had give up the struggl, and w blanke
ts on their backs were tramping home

saw men buried w/o formality of a funenral - shivers
in the desert /?/ came on I Co. . found 2 moaning in the
starlight for death to relieve them fm torture. They called me
an angel . and begged my forg ve ess

the first man we met was 50 mi above Sac. . had ridden
ahead, bought a fresh horse a d some new cbthes. .The sight of
his white shirt revived in me the languishing spark of womanly
vanity. . I felt embarrassed, drew down my ragged sunbonnet ov
my sb face, and shæank from observation. My skirts were worn i
rags; my sleeves hung in tatters; my hands brown and hrd; the
soles of my shoes had a long ago parted company with the uppers

almost dusk of last day of September, 1849 that we recd
the end of our j in Sac lose \$10 gold piece given for bread

on arrival .looked at stared at as at a strange creat
ure, and sleeping babies passed around, noveltyies. .

288693 THE HALL FAMILY CROSSING THE PLAINS, by Margaret Hall Walker, with material collected by Shirley Walker. pp by Kibbee & Son, SF, 1952 (135 copies)

Marshall, Texas to San Diego

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Winthrop Canoe and Saddle 1863 zilch

Sawtelle, THE HEROINE OF 849 fict on

32972 Charles Alton Messiter. SPORT AND ADVENTURES AMONG THE NORTH AMERICA INDIANS. London, 1890 pp 105-163 of 368 pp

I retrd such pleas memories of my vis t to the prairies in 1862 that I det to go again; so I left England in June 1866 intendg to hunt during the summer on the prs of Ks

to St. Joseph's Mo. . put outfit together, 11 lt wg 2500 M& I had 2 horses each, and two hired me in wg

to FK, but mainly a lot of bulli

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HM 27519 Lydia A. Rudd (Morrison) d of ov j f St J to Burling ton Oregon May 6 Oct 27, 1852

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leather bound booklet c 3 x 5 original inked, neat/script
acq from Mrs. T. A. Young, 1963

C 120 pp

Notes by the wayside en route to Oregon

5/6 1852 left the M r f our long j across the wild uncultivate plains. . 1/2 m d rrv lay a stbt stuck fast on a sandbar. Still further down lay the busy vlg of StJ lookg us a good-bye

5/7. . Wolf River toll 6 bits , , 5/9 met man who was gg bac k he had buried his wife this mg she died from the effects of measles 50 wgs on Vermilion creek 5/11 measles and cholera 5/11 sev take back track for the states homesick I presume let them go cpd on Nimehaw the most beau spot that I ev saw . .

5/13 man with wheelbarrow for Calif, a dutchman . . 5/14 4 packers digg a gr, cholera morbus. . a sad sight. . at BB a small log cabin nd a few rods of fence, prob the ferrymans hous we forded and savd r money. . on the bank stood a dray with 5 m en harnseed to it bound f r Calif. . 3 m grs

5/15 pasd today where the road from I comes into this It seems alive with men and stock lg drove of sheep . . sick myse am tryg to s t up a few minutes to keep up my memorandum

5/18 Henry and I crossed off the sick list this mg . . our men look like negroes. . dust from wind /gives mileages. . wasp stung me on back of neck and it pains me so I cannot write any more - - wolves keep me awake all n ght

5/20 men gg back vg bn robbed of their hrss by Is and one of their co killed - 6 agai st 150 Ps

5/22 met a long tr of traders from FL w loaded w waggons

5/23 to PR 25 m fm the B to this stream dead level

5/24 Reached FKey. . It is quite a place for the wilderness There r 5 lg frame bldgs. The barracks r mad of brick some cabins of log and some brick. cd one m west of f

5/25 we er so near the F last nite that we heard them call t roll and beatg of the drum. The v got one of the Es locked up in prison: about a m w oth f he quarreled w one of his men & knifed him the man that was hurt got back to the F some way & the Capt sent out some soldiers and brot the gentleman back . t wounded man is in the hospital. They do not know whether he l recover or not

They told us there was a gr rush across the pls this summer They said 2,000 teams passed averagg 5 folks to a team, so gras short . . we ventured to ford the Platte (2 ms wide) for the sake of better grass. . we find more wood a d grass, repa d for This is the council bluff road. The most of the Eion on this r is behind

5/31 handsome boiling springs 6/2 sandhills and heat struck north fork yesterday 6/3 pass 4 grs all died yesterday 6/4 3 new grs today 6/6 a deaf & dumb man di d this mg a few rods fm r camp name and place of residence we cdn learn for he was too sick to write we found him lyg by the side oth r ad w/o a person near that ever saw him before

6/7 we passed 3 persons this mg that their c said was dyg also ~~ap~~ a new gr 6/8 left r s ck man and his wg and co behi nd this mg had a g day for tvg cm 18 miles . . all day in sit of court or castle rock. . it is 8 or 10 miles when we get op Also in sight of CR this curiosity also on other side oth rve I ve much regret not bg able to get a nerer view of these rox

/pencil or charcoal sketches of CHR and CR/////////
this is a view of CHR at 8 miles 6/10 nearly opp CR

6/11 tvd all day in fullv ew of scots bluffs and they r the most intrstg of anything that I have seen yet I was delight w the view from where we v encamped I cdn describe them if I shd try they xtended f miles lookg like a city of ruined castl es churches towers mo uments assuming all shapes and forms th ey r of white limestone towerg to the he ght of 2 or 300 feet

CH and Crs r cuss on acct of their standg out alone (these bl uffs r a multitude of them cpiled together much m: interest g t me than those were -- an I lodge opp. /!/)

The team that we left with the sick man has overtaken us Mr. Chit wood died the next day after we left them

6/12 5 new grs nd a camp where one man was dyg

6/14 reach FL this eve where the south fork empties into the nf oth main P. . it looks quite a lg villg fm here I shd thik it was much lrgr than K There r sm ve lg bldgs that I c see fm here Is moving thick, make my pony nervous

6/15 Henry & 3 more of r train are sick 6/16 no move toda 6/17 yg lady in another tr died last nite and the other cnn liv but a few hrs longer, s sters - father says wife, brothers and others in his family all died prev 6/18 still cnn move , the heat intolerable 6/21 Yg Mr. Girtman d 4 oc 6/22 sm of r

wggs v gone on today they cd not wait any longer for r co
R sick no better 6/23 Mr. Girtman /father?/ died last nite
he last left a wife w/o any relatives

6/24 about 10 ms w r s ck boys today nd I think they r a l
Y betr 6/25 so anxious about the sick that I cannot write any
6/26 Stopped by a train w a doctor to v r sick ones doctored

7/2 farewll to the P poison sp and w llow spr

7/4 day of our nations jubilee of liberty hit Sw

7/5 IR /she does not capitalize//// I pres me there are a
million of names wrote on this rock I saw my husbands name that
he put in 1849 dg surpassed anything that ever I saw

7/10 Strawberry creek /evidently the sick are well or betr

7/12 cross summit of rms - take desert route, snake is,
swap hardbread for gooseberries 7/16 GR

7/20 Our sick men are some better this mg ple ty offI callrs
steep hills and musquitoes thick 2x7/26 Thomas Fork

7/29 Soda spring 7/30 at Stbt springs a M settlement

8/2 pass FH a few coon bear and wilf skins and 2 or 3 dobie
huts comprise this place 8/3 forded Snake r 8/4 Am falls

8/8 raft river 8/13 one of r me shot at by Is but no hurt

8/14 left the rv for the desert 8/15 upper cr ss g of S

8/16 passed the lower ferry 5 mi after lvg the other -

8/28 along Snake yet cross Owyhee r c on Malheur passed
Fort Boisse this mg, on opp side oth rv 8/31 Burnt River

no more grass problems? 9/5 Powder rv I am sick w the

bowel cplaint

9/10 grand ronde va via the worst and most rocky rd yet
blue mts umatilla 9/18 pass agency 9/26 reach Columbia
9/27 to Deshutes, fery \$2. pw 9/29 to TD where they ship for
Oregon down the rv, other road leadg to Cascade Mt we v codd
to cross the mts. . 2 or 3 weeks wait at TD

10/ take the back track acct snow 10/4 back to TD 10/5
Is v war dance 10/6 eng pasg d C w Is left r wg tb shipped
after the rush is over - holds 17 w bg lay by acct wind
r frail bark -- threatnd again w winds, barely make it to shor
lay don in sand in r wet clothes -- rr to stbt landing -
stbt left, take flat boat 0 m wind -- no resume by wg???

10/18 Oregon City - on to Salem /prob packed in

Rudd, Lydia Allen (Morrison) Dgtr of Asa Morrison of
Pokagon, Mich, b. 1/21/28. mHnery Lindsey Rudd 11/13/47
Settled at Peoria, Ore, where they stl lv in 1881

from Leonard A. Morrison, THE HISTORY OF THE MORISON or
MORRISON FAMILY, Boston, 1880 pp 98 and 117

with

/Swift also/

McD and Sloss/det to purchase extra stock from Es and pack to Ca. . swapped w 2 for seats on the train. . acq 6 horses. . left T & A train, and rapidly passed all other ahead of all team Eion. . together they entered Sac etdqcccc.

applic of 2/3 rules to settle disputes - band of 3 /editor really mixed up here/ Incrossg the SP they barely escp w their lives, not bg able to swim (except for Swift) . . worse trs at NP crossing, finally disc toll bridge

B. . when frightnd and stampeding they moved in one direc w the regularity of a l-trained army. Whatever was bf them they overran and destroyed; and hardly a relic of the victim tr ampld underfoot d remain

overloading - get thru s their lives -- furniture and hh or naments, flour, canned meats, bacon, books, cookg utensils and stoves. In nearly ev case they er neatly arrgd by the roadsid with signs @ "Help yourself" etc.

terrible sand-wastes of the HV - danger s of H Wells, no boots to holes -- dgrs of hot springs at H Sink party bore to rt and crossed SNmts to the bea Truckee Rv -- examine evidence at Donner Lake, bones oth unfortunates - they left the summits and came down into Steep Hollow near Nevada City on July 18

HM 16760 Susan Parrish 1850 with Oatmans via SW

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A TRIP ACROSS THE PLAINS IN THE YEAR 1849 w NOTES OF A BOYAGE TO CALIFORNIA BY WAY OF PANAMA, also some spiritual songs %c by Mrs. Martha M. Morgan. SF 1864

left SJ for Ca via SL 5/24 5/25 passed Savannah, Nodawa R, Little Sarkey R and Big SR 6/1 Linden, ct seat of Atchison 6/3 crossed the Shnabotany 6/7 psd Cainville 6/8 ar Upper Ferry Bayou

7/2 crsd MR 7/4 enc IT - Omaha Is, near MWQ, a city blt of logs by the Ms, ctaing sm 7 or 800 hss, or rather hovels, all deserted 7/6 Elkhorn R 7/10 Crosd ER in 6 hrs 40 min w 65 wgs 7/11 Liberty Pole, bodies of dead Is, kd in battle.

7/18 up Loup fork, series of stampedes. . catl chained tog. nd er lit piled up in heaps, some w broken legs, sm w horns broken off, 2 men badly hurt. . thr the day had 6 or 8 stampedes. we then septd them into squads of 10; d ring this operat on I think I saw the tracks of the "big elephant."

7/19 c on LPF, near Pvg 7/21 Loup Ferry; thru the day a dr aft of 30 men from the One Hundred examined the fording 7/22 lay in camp waitg for Alfred's Fifty 7/23 cross LF 7/25 antelope kd by the Ten ahead of us

7/28 enc op GI, gr Moses Hale from Wisc 7/29 gr Capt Gul ly and one of his men, capt of the Hundred that started 4 wks prev 7/30 psd FKY ch lies ab 6 mi s, on GI. . pdogs as thick. as grasshoppers

8/2 first day gratified by the sight of B I suppose we saw 1,000 . . 8/3 a gr of the Hawk Eye Co, Haggard. 8/4 owners cam

b. b. l. w

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for the catl we had found. They belong to Capt Owens' co of gold-diggers from NY and Wisc; they lost them durg a severe str

8/5 recd intl that England had sent 60,000 troops to Calif, and as many more to Mexico. . Skunk Cr, meet 5 wgs gds on their return home, ss of the river

8/7 up NBranch. . vbn tvg among the Sx s nce we left GI. Their ct extends from IR //acct brisk, business-like, no sentimentality// had a dance 8/9 Bluff Creek 8/11 pasd Cedar Bluff 8/12 religious meeting first since started

8/14 passed AH ss, a d the ~~xxx~~ Lonely Tree ns . . wmn in another train died of wounds recd in stampedes

8/18 meeting of the One Hundred, cald b Capt Taylor. The M quarreled like fiends. . met Brother Babbitz from SL

8/20 saw 29 govt wgs pass down ss, from FL; they had with th some unfortunate g lddiggers, one crazy man, and sev cripld by bg in a stampede. . cd opp CR, quite notorious 8/21 c op SBs, appear like so many fortif cations, fm 1 to 300 feet hi

8/24 new tp, 15 m e FL 8/27 crossed north br oth r at FL Here stands an old Fort, called FJ, blt by the Western Fur Co; it is nearly torn down; Laramie Fort is built one m up LR, a beau place for a town. Here the roads fr I, FLv, Saint J, CB and Arkansa river come together

8/31 now in BHs. Capt Snider and myself had a l quarrel; we are now on the Crow IT 9/1 left Sam Snider a d jd Geo Sniders

team 9/2 Mr. Campbell and 2 others red from G Smiths camp, w the express from SL, and drew on our party for horss and prov 9/6 f rd PR 9/9 Saleratus Heads IR, notorious for size n a gr cury. I presume the names of more than 3,000 people recd

9/15 old Zabriskie and his wife had a trmendeous fight /she goeshunting, had a shot an an antelope, missed him, but hd some rattlesnakes ,////

9/20 SP OT and Snake R Ict 9/23 Govt tr 30 wgs, loaded w corn, and bound for Bear R, under Capt Reed 9/25 GR went o huntg excursion, kd 8 ducks

10/1 FB, found Capt B in g spirits, a frank, open-hearted mteer. He is a Virg by birth, has lvd in mts for last 28 yrs; he has visited the States but twice. He has a squaw or sev of them for a wife. . l m, I camp, with 6 or 8 Frmen

10/12 landed in the v of SL

4/22/50 left GSLC. . on road to California pp. 14-211
7/3 into the digginss in Pleasant Valley

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pp 22-26 notes of a voyage to Calif by way of Panama
by ? after poems, certificate of death of Jesse Morgan,
of Ohio. . at Sc City. . kd 8/14/50 vg 2 wounds, age 45

apparent stupidity, is ev a dry humorist. He likes to see his rider w his feet uppermost sticking in the mire, and he knowshow to get him there. No circus cd furnish half the amuseme t .

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} despite introdu tries to be quite literary - flowery
or rhetorical Chapter I

Chapter II st 4/30 extensive narrative ramblings about in town, cholera inroads, arguments, cheaters

5/1 The sun rose bright and clear, the birds are singg, the grass is spr ngg and all the world is love and May //hardly the crude notes// . . crushed roasted corn, pinola 5/2 agree with other cos torendezvous at Iowa Mission; They had prev eng an old and celeb I trader, one Antonio Rubedeau, as guide. It was said he was gg out w his family nd db of g serv ce to us.

Rule } 5/3 organize our 4 man mess 5/5 //quotes poetry.. to Savannah 5/6 long lines at the ferry 5/7 the ferry a crazy flat boat w by a Charon with long unkempt hair, etc. . I org help to speed things up (the craft towed up by rope w oxen, and then w aid of oars and current shot over tothe landing plac (Anglo-Americans take to orgd effort w wonderul instinct

5/8 Exhuberance. .grave men became boys again
5/9 dam up at Wolf Creek, build pontoon bridge 5/10 gr lenth to describe the Iowa Mission 5/9 wait for R. . visit cos in r naborhood, bearg highsoundg titles, thor ly orgd, wearg flash g uniforms and fully equipd in true mil style, vg baners and music 5/12 r co o 125 men 35 q wgs com desig Robidaux Train Ohio men name captain; Wisc the campmaster and NYs, wagonmaster Capt King of Dayton O an offc in Mesican war first pos. . vote agai st Sabbath stops. . l go on w/o R.

5/13 roll out. . some crack city cos, with burnished brand s and glittering sabres -- corral in horseshoe form

5/15 news that guide cmg by forced marches . . he reaches r enc. . had been told of R family, but all that seemed to be w him was a son, a lad of 18, slightly dusky in hue, a hors and a dog, w the driver of his team. . a tall, ge teel lookd persg, a desc o on oth old Fr voyageurs in SL. He had been all his li eng in the I trade, once had a tp on one oth branches of GR, had jnd sev times tothe Pacific. He bore the sobriquet of the "Prairie Wolf." He was dang wounded at the batl of San Pasqual durg the Mexican war. . We er to pay him one dollar and a half each, one half down and the bal at tne end oth j

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Chapter V all chapters w multiple sub-headings
5/16 5/17/ .aphilospher and nature lover yet///. main br of N imeha. I never laid eyes on a m charmg place, trees and stumps cvd w names -- B skulls as lying js, lies and rude rhymes

5/21 cross BB 5/22 returnees take letter, quoted in full "The road is finer and smoother than Liberty street, kept at t crossgs of sloughs and streams. . . "The Doctor in his mess, known as the NY Dr . . returnees offer excuses w terrible store o privation and sufferg 5/25 to jc SJ & I rds. . meeting in the corral announced, cplaints of those at the rear

5/26 te t w solitary female, stampede searchers 5/27 meet sm mteers under lead of a Frman w 2 wgs laden w B skins. They left FL 21 days back; sm Es had reached FL bf he left. He met thousands of wg s on the road. His men a rough lookg set. The long black unkempt locks hung over their shoulders, and the r beards er like a B's mane. . bucksin. . but quiet a d gentle in

their manners as mteers gen are. Purch B robe for \$4.
for a bed, equal to the ve best mattress

5/28 reach PV 5/29 FK a govt post but lately estab.
nu long, low bldgs princ of adobe, w nearly flat roofs; a lg
hospital tent; 2 or 3 workshops enclosed by canvas walls; a
sotrehouse cstruc in same maner, one or 2 long adobe stables, w
roofs o brush, and tents for acc of officers and men. . 2 cos o
infantry and one o dragoons. . under cmand of Col. Bonnerville,
redoubtable soldier and mteer. . unable to v a chat

5/30 P utterly worthless for naviga . . agree to rotate
5/31 impos for w-m to maintai order of march. . The cow-trains
pasd us nd attrac atten. The cductor was a tall, lank specimen
of humanity. He led a solitary cow upon whose horns was strapd
a sm bag of meal and on her back his blanket, while in his hand
he card a tin & pail to milk her

6/1 lib tge io bank is tr from CBs and a long line of team
seems tb creepg along like so many caterpillar. . . as if r trs
er reflected fm the bosom oth stream

6/4 the obligatory B hunt/ antelope instead/ lost/ track
ed by wolf 6/5 cross sfp. . Sx like Roman legionaries of
Caesar. . the master spirits oth western tribes

6/5 (Chapter IX) AH on 6/8. . the tr is here forced
around the head of this ravine. The assent oth bluff is quite
steep and diffic. . lg crowd scrambling u the hill, and a still
lrg r throng waiting their mot ons. . not less than 500 wgs in
the line . . . mentioned "Dr. Read"

6/10 sm Ms retg, had cnted 2800 wgs. . had specimens of
virgin gold. . write letr again 6/11 E w skull crushed by
wg wheel, lvg woman and children 6/12 we vbn waitg to see the
grand Pioneer line of post caches, six in hand, dash b us --
no sign; did see buggy w 2 gmn in black, shining silk hats,
nd massive f nger rings. . CHR res Sterling Castle

6/13 visit CHR and CR 6/14 for SBs quotes (but does n
give credit to) W. Irving

Chapter XI 6/16 remains of Fort Bernard 6/17 r old
Robidaux tr pasd r encamp 6/18 FL, formerly known as Fort Wm
539 m from FLV. . Fur co had recently sold it to USG, nd the en-
gagees of th co er temp enc nead the ford, vg just surrndrd
the poss oth post to the govt troops /?/, whome we found eng in pre
for its extension and erec of addl quarters under Lt. Woodbury.

The habitues of old Fort William er w ld nd rough lookg custo
mers, so begrimmed w smoke & dust that their nati nalties cdn b
det . . take on ~~xxxx~~ dr. thrown out by Scotsmen

6/25 ccludd to cross P, at a tempo ferry est by an E,
single wagon raft. . sold and re-sold . bot for \$7. . borrow ro
pe. . The 2 heifers took the lead, but w th the freakishness of
their sex, whe half way over they turned around, and thus thre
w the herd in cfusion. . sold to next comer for \$5. . at fery
below us, sev drownings.

6/26 in Alkali region: Rocky avenue 6/29 IR DG
7/2 the celeb ice mine 7/5 SP mt fever no tidings of GPLine
Either from fear or prejudice ag Ms lg propo of Es took the FH
road (Greenwood's cutoff). . we go to the modern Mecca, to test
their hospitality. . gr ~~xxxx~~ army of tramps or walkers' trai
as sol footmen r designated, seems tb gaing nus daily. . plains
scavengers. .

7/9 GR 7/14 FB to interview the usual form o pickets w/ lodgg apts and ofcs of logs openg into a hollow square, str gate of timber. On the n nd ctin w th walls, is a str hi picket fence, enclosg a yard for a imals. .intord myself to the redoub Jim Bridger who recd me mosg cordially and repliefreely to all my inquiries. drew for me a map on the rude floor w charcal of the gr basin. . cd reach SC in 500 m but advised old trail. . native of the Old D and about 50, tall, trim, a d straight as an arrow etc etc.

7/16 Pegleg Smith by Pratt's Pass to GSLC and Golden Pass 7/20 ahead into SLC by horseback. . hospitality c ty of the Saints its topography water works tabernacle or temple a rude affair, a im ense c rcular shed holding 3,000, the Bowery. . services climaxed by BY tirad of cant, balderdahs and abuse. . e came down on the female saints savagely f their extravg and love of dress and finery. . perf stream of billingsgate pon th Gentiles. . rude boys, moral training of youth neglected.

7/23 our mess turn out to assist the Ms in raising the Liberty Pole for their gr celeb tomorrow, anniv otheir arrival in v a in 47. . ivntied togrnad picnic at the Bowery

7/24 the grand celebration, drums and trumpets. . thunder of an old iron piece brot back by Mibattalion: proc 24 yg wmn in white. . no turmoil. . thdr industry and thrift worhty of pr switch to packing, but for one wagon, co of 7, (~~w~~ quite fallg off fm the old Robedeaux caravan)

Row } 62- Humboldt 8/10 fall in w part of the old Robedeaux train 8/16 refuse to take Lassen Cut-off (w a vengeance, acc to frs who followed it) infernal regions The Truckee - cznnibal cabins Johnson Ranch -- Nicholas at mouth of Feather River 9/18 Sac City JR at junc of many trails leadg to Sutter's - The c ty was laid out like Phila in aquare block It ctained only l sizeable frame bldg, city hotel; remg dwelgs er of cloth or wall tents

The cow train and wheelbarrow man arrived all right. The GPLine broke down on the Platte. Its psngrs, w/o means, either rked or begged their way to the Pacific. . ev letr I wrote onth way a d committed haphazard to Ms, mteers, wayfarers and eve Uncle Sam's messengers, reached their destination

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In pencil: "This is a v for my ow pr vate use"

Ill. Father William C. Laughlin m Mary J. Yeargain, 1840
W l wg we startd on 4/20/50 /from Missouri/Schuyler Ct .
crosd Mo at Old Fort Kearny (via Savannah and Oregon) 3 wks
later terr roads/ / she born in 1842? small as I was I remembr
crossing that ferry, and seeg O I, tho e d steal baby ~~Frank~~
Frank. . old FKey a block house w a few outbldgs

Helper turns around. . try to avoid tra n of Captain Burns
had name of outswearg a y one on the road. . the plains was un
doubtedl the most demoralizg place then known, , encs of white
tpees, travois. Is er fine lookg and had the app of wealth nd
independence. They seemed ind ff to whites. I tho they er a gr
sort of people

People crazy to hunt B narr escape getg overturned. .
 We boil r water 5/25 Fort Key /not a diary///
 freq pasd old dsertd I vgs, csistg o poles on ch B hides stretch
 ed, and wickie-ups of bent willows coverd w earth. These er used
 for fuel by Es, and er fast disappearg. . . alkali dust a gr
 trial. . benefit of bg few in a co, as teams cd b strung out fa
 apart and not be smothered by each others dust
 crsd P about June 1 ^{am} w. . pdog vlgs. .mother kills one for
 supper not bad. .we all ~~w~~ walked most of the time from choice;
 feel abused whe mother walked and I minded the baby
 cholera death of old man, thrown into gw. . next buried. .
 others terified and fleeg f their lives. .most die in a hurry

ab middle of June CH and CR. . near SBs we passed a sm tp
 FL cross NP in wg boxes, ropes. . r cows cross only after mot
 her calls their names IR, to 1844 SP jc etc

Beyond GR cattle bloated, poisoned w alkali ordeal of getg
 bacon d their throats, fath r wanted to kill etc FH about
 midl of August, blt of adobe on Port Neuf R m alkali d strict,
 hands and feet rough and sore, evbody burned as black as a whit
 person can get. . latr part of r j we chil had t g bare-footed
 as our shoes of cal skin hardned, burned and shrunk until we cd
 n get them n:r feet. . r feet bore th tv betrn th hoof o catl,
 occ stone bruise and prickly pine needles

skirt caught on king pin; this threw me under the wheels
 the first one ran across my face, taking all the skin off. .
 the next one across my abdomen. Father and m both out in a mom
 ent xpectg to find a dead child. I was badly hurt but the dust
 was so deep that it softened the weight and lightened the load. .
 In a week or 10 days I was out again, but my face showed the
 scar for a yr or 2

Burnt river. . rung fm imaginary Is after gr warning. .
 Powder r. . Father shoot salmon GRV, wealthy Is, blue mt,
 Umat lla r John Day Deschutes to TD

Arr October 4. . decide to stay at TD. . land unsurveyed;
 reserv of mil plost 5msq, camp in the center. . Crate's Point.
 log house. . TD a temporary post, to prevent men from deserting.
 Their leavg threw 200 men out of employment

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b Claremont Ct, Ohio 1835, father Wm. My mother was a Mee
 k, 2nd cousin oth renownd free trapper General JLL. Durg winte
 # 489 father caught CGF nd started w his family, csistg of mothe
 4 sons and 4 dgtrs, of ch I was the 3d in age. . loss of catl t
 murrain nec his stoppg in Iowa. . two older bros sbtg & led-mng
 Spring 52 fatehr rigged up 2 teams 6 yoke catle ea, for Or
 plus doz cows. . wg boxes decked over, for sleep, awa tents. 6
 months supply of provs nd clothing. . jd by John Haligan, scho
 ll teacher, small and delicate

At Ksvl, ne CBs jd E tr 50 wgs f tedious 7 months j ov
the parched plains, burng sands and arid wastes. . now acc in a
palace car in 96 hrs. . . for protec ag Is we orgd, chosing on
Smith of Bonaparte Iowa as captain of train:

ferriedon stbt. . saying "evbody came to Or in 52" nd ther
bg an almost ctinus string for 500 mls, we soon had to drive a
m or 2 from the rd for feed. . cholera fells r capt and many
others to malig, a few shovelfulls of earth nd some rocks. .
dug shallow g, baled out water, wrap in blanket and a feather b
ed, held them down in the water till the earth and stones er
piled above them, the leadg away his 2 sorrowg sons. . For week
s we er scarcely out of sight of one or more burial parties

quarr&lsome Kent. . soon after this incident r tr split up
near FL. . fall in w McFarland, Helen and step-mother. . she
takes my arm when returng w water to save the train - quarrel &
split up. . Haligan and I pull ahead to save provisions; that w
the last time I saw any of the family for more than 2 yrs . .
At JDay rv met a supply train, from WV to relieve d stred Es

Latter part of Nov we reached the Dalles. . Father Mesplie
prevailed on Haligan to remain, and teach him English; thus I
was left to wander alone . . despite gr hardships Father and fa
over Cascade mt to WV set near Corvallis . . I a 16 yr old down
Columbia River shores. . help drive catl despite dhills and fev
er. . cheated by Adams. . kindly captain takes me to Portland

Shasta City Rogue River Wars - Montana Nez Perce War etc

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Fog letrs nd d written by 4 ~~kw~~ bros, Alexander, Wm, John &
Samuel F. McCoy. Alex a civil engineer, John a merchant and J
SF trader settle w an older bro Wm in I in 1836, and Samuel was
lawyer and the g yngst o 3 bros

Letrs written by John A Johnson to his wife from I and the
gms of Ca er given th editor by his son. . He also a yg lwyer
from Ohio who went to Ca in quest of gold and health. . record
submitted to late RGThwaites who advised its publica

The selv revelations go far to refutg the top prev notion.
that the Argos er godless, irreligious or immor~~all~~

ALONG THE SANTA FE TRAIL IN 1848 by John McCoy

PREPARATION FOR THEOV J TO CA IN 1849 start unnumbered page

Cincy We r yet in Cincy vgbn detained to get up a part of outfit. . 1 lv on steamer Bell of the West for SL Sharp & Card well 1 fo w r wgs and gear. . Yest we had r Dagerrot pes taken at \$1.50 and sent back to r wives -- 2 shots one in plain duds and one in full Ca rig, including revolving pistol, knife, dirk and hatchet

3/16 arr ST love to children and all /my dear wife, fog/

3/23 I Mo. . 12 mi fm IT, arvd here safely yest. . now out of reach of chol, in a healthy and beau town. . boardg w pvt fam now decide to g w ox, no so much danger of rung away and Is will not steal as they care nothing for an ox, but I steal a mule en ev they can. Oxn I require 15 more days on the road. . no more than 300 Cas here yet. . Sandusky Co changd their mind and lgth SP route w use. . Mo mules too yg, Spanish mules broken down

/ev lived in Lower Sandusky. . much lovydovy re wf & chils

I Mo 2 miles out 4/1 My dear Almira we gave up the id ea of buyg oxen on more mature delib nd we now purch thvebest mules the ct c afford, ~~xx~~ paid more. . lt sheed iron stove that I do everything

I Mo 4/8 My dear wife: There r now 1100 Cas in I, and the re r 600 at SJ - provs for 9 months. . My love to yourself dbld trebld shaken down and running over. . Fidelity to each other e where and under all circums

I 4/15 1500 here now nd ab as many m at neighborg points

4/16 The Sandusky co anx for us to g w them, but we de clined. We also liked r guide better tha theirs O Jas. HeadO- speth, a ve cptenmt nd noted guide. He has bn out / w Fremont. We shall v some 30 wgs and 75 to 10 men

4/22 departr deferred acct cold weather. .nearly all hun ters and pilot superst ous about wantg to lv on Sundays . .the grass problem . . Benjamin Headspeth. . discard B robe for mat tess with corn husks. . India rubber spread for the gr

I Mo 4/23 cholera ln spread into the ct

Enc 8 ms SE of I No 4/29 My dear wife: cholera still in town only A corres of St. Louis Republican here getg a list o all the Cos and the names of ea persons gg to Ca. . the paper i I is dg the same thing. . v paid to v papers sent

April 30, 1849 //In Camp 8 m SW I May 1 . a fr of rs William McCoy I 1836 has ctract to deliver Govt supplies to FL & his tr l br back letrs fo the States. . Boren is writing to his wife. Some 1800 givt solds lv ST J May 10 for Bear R

5/2 We r hitching up to start. Boren goes topo

I Mo 5/3 /from L. E. B./ My co left uest mg, while I to po for mail. Mr Johnson in good health

lone Elm 40 m fm I 5/3. . t o expedite letter, I now cmen ce my Diary in the fog form:

May 2 Took r j for Ca May 3 Boren still behind, he at I to bring up the mail 5/4 Henry J. Beeney of Newark, Ohio, b uried frm bg run over by a wagon / lost from Headspeth's train

May 6/ Boren came up, Gallagher 10 mi back with H's, let from wife, I threw my old Beaver up and let the prairie winds t ake it. . .

Kansas River 5/10 Recd ur most affec letr by Mr. Boren. . all kinds of bugbear stories, i.e. my vg absconded w co funds

hills

c v just cross Kansas in safety. . prairie/appearing one after another in the blue and smoky distance like the waves of the ocean

FKey

~~max~~ ~~Smith~~ ~~FKey~~ on the PR 5/23. send a line while mules baiting.. No one unwell but nearly all w touch o diarrhea incident to commnt o j on pls. . the only thg counted foolish here is to be caught in a lg tr o 50 to 100 men; from 15 to 30 r cted self-suff a d most cos v split all up into sm parties. . sm w 1 wg a 4 or 5 men. . scores with 8 or 10 men. . Rd lit filled for 2 wks tv e ther way, probs to get out way or pass others. . the road is as plain and m tvd than the Maumee and Western Reserve Road. more than expected. At least 10,000 on the way -- sooo 2000 ahead of us. . ct m val to look at than to occupy, as woo and water are gen defic. Your most affect husband. .

THE DIARY OF SAMUEL F. MCCOY of Chillicothe outlining the OJ to Ca by the Death Route of 1849

Takg brother John's outfit, w which he had just ret fm Mexico over the SF rt, I left I w bro Alexander. He had started fm Chillicothe April and w lg co left Cincy 4/19 for Ca gms /May 19, 1949//depression. . yet we ~~u~~ know there is one who careth for us etc.

Bro Wms freighting for the Govt dv kept me employed for 6 or 8 mos but not enuf money. . if nothg else, a clerkship in SF

Alex has quite a co of his own and has attached himself to an excellent guide Hedspeth who has cross the plains for man years and who has a force of his own to guard us from hostile I

As to sickness we v a gr adv in that we v Dr. Thompson o Chillicothe, O. . overtook the mule wg 20 ms out

5/20 started at sunrise, after cmendg myself to His care How beau r the prairies, etc. tr at Coon Creek, had to unload r wgs. .May the sins of this day be pardoned

5/21 5/22 unwell, unable to sit, thqs of death, hopes oth future r painted in color moliroseate 5/23 pass Baptist Mission to the Pottawottamies 5/24 Kaw Ferry, rv seemed to be

nearly a third of a mile wid Sabbath 5/27 Read much in the Scriptures this day. Shall strive m earnestly to do g to thos about me 6/1 Grumbles can easily find material for cplaint

6/2 10 m beyond the B the St. Joe Trace jd ours -- 6/4 nooned at Wyethe's ck. . Sandy ck. Est that Alex and I had made 28 ms, and his exper as govt surveyor on Mo prairie in 1843

outh to make his ests acc 6/9 party of L traders en route to States nd xchanged greetings with them. . to PR 6/10 Hedspet criticized for bg too slow and cautious, despite h s prev experin

6/11 divide the company. . We cdno tv w either div w/ o offendg r frs, so went on our own. . cd w one wg belong to th Pioneer train 6/16 B hunt

6/18 cross SF, m wide (ev lower ford 6/23 pass thru AH 6/27 CR. Accordg to oñ plainsmen it cd formerly be seen as far away as Ash Creek CHR or McFarlan's Castle

6/28 locality where bluffs crowd river cd SbB, . . arel to turn from thots of what misery he must v endured v ctemplat the gr and imposing spec of Nature ch had reared this mimic cit among the solitudes of the desert. . This varied e chanted basin offers inacc homes for the mt sheep and grizzly bear

7/2 FL r first sight of civ dwellgs since lvg the frontr,
and the place was more intsg to us than we were to the inhabs..
sent letters home

7/12 M ferry. the Ms in charge er accdtg nd lg t favor us
in all ways, ctrary to reports we had heard encrg their suspei
nd churlish char. 7/14 extinct volcanoes. Willow Spr ngs
Here er buried many Ms who d ed while crossg the pls in '46, who
se grs we took occ to visit, tho but faintly tb seen:

7/17 IR names desirous of notoriety. . name from party tr
appers under one Thorp once spent 4th J at ths place

7/21 the odious sage ice spring 7/25 SP despite sublim
visions of grandeur much depressed in spirit 7/28 via Subcof
to GR, savg t days tvg Fontelles fork, Bear River

7/8/7 Soda Springs Hedspeth's cut-off. . passed a nu o
fams who hd plnd to spend the winter in BRV nd tr w the Is resu
me their j in the spr. . acct their ox-teams v given out

8/16 Goose Creek 9/1 Mary's river (sees nothing rem
arkable in intermediate scenery) 9/3 heard of Lassen's Trace
as offerg a better and shorter route. . take it, the right hand
road - Black Rock Spring - Great Boiling Springs - Mud Lake
V - 9/22 ascend SN - Goose Lake - on man accid shot, another
stabbed - Round V majestic forest, N Fork of Feather R -
Sac V - Lassen's Ranch Oct 20. The ranch is nothing but a mud
house w meat, flour and whiskey for sale at extravag prices. . t
grr body of Es r still on the road, and there lb immens suffrgr

Arr in cow 2 Wyandot Indians . bro Alex ok too praise
the lord - Sac R as large as the Ohio 11/26 Sac City

notes include lline itinerary - grades on the route
to Calif. . i.e. from Platte to F Lav grade per m 8 feet from
SW to SP agpm 14.7 feet

letters from the California gold mine

John A. Johnson, also has letters from CGM that is a
recap of his tr p. . says he sent letter from FL, but may
not vbn reced.

A J TO LOWER OREGON & UPPER CALIFORNIA 1848-49 by Rev Samuel C
Damon. SF, 1927

zilch from Honolulu

SIXTY YEARS IN CALIFORNIA, by Wm Heath Davis SF 1889

zilch

HM 16778 DIARY OF MRS. ALGELINE JACKSON ASHLEY CROSSING THE
PLAINS IN 1852 typescript 11 pp.

A J was m. to William Ashley in Wisconsin just bf they
started for Ca in spring 52. Mrs. A. was 22 yrs old. the firs
and last parts of her d vbn lost -- and this part is a copy so
that it has not bn verified and numbers esp r often uncertain
(San Diego Public Library)

out 27 days

- 5/29 cd on P few m fm FL on ssr. We cd see it plainly fm the r the blds r made of Spanish brick. . The sxs r estab in thi pt oth ct; they keep a gr many horses, mules a d ponies fo sale and ask from \$100 to \$125 for h and m, and from 65 to 75 for ponies. . fr traders and dogs. . they do not beg bu offer to pay for anythi g they desire
- 5/30 struck BHs, covrd w cedar nd Norway pine. . describes flow
- 5/31 violin player has left, divide acct grass. . ll gs yesterd 8 today. . I write on my lap w the wind rockg the wg. rain
- 6/1 I ride hrsback ev other day. . hrs poisoned from weed
- 6/2 ll graves - botanical observations
- 6/3 G bridge 5 mi from the ferry 6/4 man sick w measles
- 6/5 cd near the ferry tof ll the bags w water 5 gs 6/6 left P 6/8 ferried the rv in r wagon-bed, swam the hrss. Ther is a bridge across but it is under water so that it is dif crossg \$3. passed near IR, many wigwams
- 6/8 is a bridge across but it is under water so that it is dif crossg \$3. passed near IR, many wigwams
- 6/9 new route, said tb shorter and fords the rv but once. the old road fors 7 x. . Greasewood, burns rapidly pass a tp, a lg low hs w family. wg near us selg brandy to Es
- 6/10 botany and some ornithology. wagons join and unjoin
- 6/11 SP . . summit supp sed tbnear the twin mounds
- 6/12 Breedlove w mt fever, dose of calomel 6/14 42 gs
- 6/15 Ferried GR a new hs here for ferrymen nd sm traders. .
- 6/16 ferry Hams fork 6/17 new road to avoid crossg Blacks fork
- 6/18 FB. . 4 log hss nd an enclosure for hrss, on ss BF
- 6/19 mosquitoes intol. . div gridge bet Colo nd GB
- 6/20 Echo Creek. . wildest nd most romantic cross 8 - 9 x
- 6/21 Ferry Weber R 6/22 mts. . Man named Shaw. . has tvd w us fr m New Fort Kearney 6/23 thru city of GSL handsomely laid out, strsr r reg nd broad and a streams runs fm mts e of c, div des into 2 branches, passes thru the city into the outlet of Utah R, 3 m fro the city. . adobes. . church and council hs. . BY in lg adobe hs painted white, sands to one side. . grasshoppers destroyg their crops. . we vbn 47 days from Hanesville here. . v passed 47 gs fm FL. If this is worth reading read it and show it to one one if you please. . getg along l nd vbn bles w g health.

Algeline

Recallent

HM 538 A WOMAN'S TRIP ACROSS THE PLAINS IN ~~1849~~ BY CATHERINE MARGARET HAUN, WIDOW OF U S SENATOR HAUN OF CALIFORNIA. . ORIGINAL ms 8 1/2 by ll

A Woman's Trip Across the Plains in 1849. The following ms 43 pp was dictated to me by my mother, Catherine MH, and writte by me. Kate Haun ~~Dewey~~ Dewey

Jan 1st thot of Eion to Ca. It was a period of national har d times, Clinton Ia, pick up gold enough to pay off our debts. My health not good, 4 sisters vg died, dr. advises chg of clima my health was restored longbf the end of r j. . had been mard but a few months. . romantic wedding tour

Sm half doz fams o r naborhd jd us nd prob 25 persons cstd r l band. . r own party 6 men and 2 wmn. Mr. Haun was chose Major of the co, afterwards known by that title

with English

school

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Notes
from
Colum

1849 north since then in /
 with ext. of
 fullness detailed account
 Mrs of the (unclear)

Notes

div of duties, bro Derrick. . 8 oxen nd 4 hrss selec to draw
r 4 wgs - 2 wgs fd w merch for sale at land of gold, never go
the gs across the first mt, mainly flour and alcohol - 3d provs
the 2 hrs spring wg r bed room, driven by the Major - wardrobe
wedding trousseau to impress the gold miners. . dark woolen dre
served me dur g the whole tr p

quinine, ~~bluema~~ bluema, opium, whiskey and hartshorn for
snake bites and citric acid -- antidote for scurvy. A l. ofh aci
mixed w sugar and water and a few drops of essence of lemon mad
a fine sub for lemonade. . it was m than 3 mos bf we er thorly
equipd lv 4/24 cook resigns, I take over. vg bn reared in
a slave st my culinary educ had bn neglected

At end of month reached CBs - forming of cos --disc of facto
rs of desirability in partners, minimum w & c r carv had a go
many w and c, they exerted a g influence

Identification of the other families and their outfits -
also single men, and character estimates - cod of gen regs O
John Brophy Colonel, vg served in Blackhawk war -- dscrip of c
amp and tv routine -- no tv Sabbath if cg des, chores, ministr
protem in center, no disrespect

4 daysto org co of 70 wgs and 120 p cross MR 5/26. Wheels
taken off, bodies carried onto the flat-boats, atch by a pully
to a rope stretched across the rv, row, towed back. . week in ge
ting across. . when re reached Sa not more than a doz remained

At Elkhorn Ps, brusque treatment of papooses, dash of cold
water - practice drill by Col Brophy (surprise) - I w beau hrs
unable to get price, kills it w an arrow. . night thefts of hrs
nd cforters, crawlg like snakes. Dogs of nouse, sleepg fm exhs

animals feed on nutritious bark of ctnwdds awa grass /?/. .
alkal plains w sand mounds, for I ambush . . B advancing like a
gr black cloud, deafeng noise. . wgs in line, one demolished an
2 overturned. Sev persons hurt, one child's shoulder dislocated

Is steal and sell back cycle - man ~~wxank~~ snake bite, ankl
limb had tb amputated w cmn handsaw, recover, handyman

side-trip thru false sign -- back to BHs. . many Is buried
forks of trees. Grs resd big crow's nests, formed of sticks and
brush. Bodies rolled into a ball. Other tribes laid their dead
out straight - naked w excep of a britch-cloth made of bark --

heave-ho to merchandize - bury barrels of alcohol lest Is
shd drink it and, frenzied thereby, follow and attack

social life reach LR 4th JI. . Nec to build g barges to cro
ss the rv America West was the goddess of liberty O orator O
master of ceremonies songs repeated what we cd of DI, fired a g
un @ 2 a d gave 3 cheers fo Us and Calif Terr - grotesque costu
danced till mid ite to rollicg music of violin and Jews harp -
Woman and child, tremblg w terror; husband and sister cholera;
while bury the sister the survivors er attacked by Is, killg he
bro and son; she was obliged to flee for her life w 5yr old dgtr
Martha from ~~Mix~~ Wisc, taken in with us, helped wife of cripple

crossed the Laramie /?/. Martha spies her deserted wg. . th
gr o her sister was still open and her clothg and husband missn
The grewsome sight drove her almost mad. Mr. Bowen and she did

overlook
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overlook

4th June
FL
Is

Michael

bury the bodies lest they might bring contagion back to us.
No trace of either brother or son could be found. . . Everything stolen. .

Is spread the disease by digging up the bodies of victims for
the clothing. The major of Is is badly pock-marked.

Seven days after leaving the Laramie we reached Fort L/?/
where 50 or so men were stationed, and several companies of men

to Stillwater via SP - FB - a renegade white, forgot his
his native language, loathsome in the extreme. Echo Canyon SLC
near which we camped only one night for the men were not always inclined
to traverse treeless alkali region of the G.B. and H. .
gross privations of whole trip - road lined with carcasses of a
animals and abandoned wagons. Bowen and Carl West lost - the
young college age drivers.

wagons cut in half. . . sometimes Es themselves pushed the crude fraction
of a vehicle - eat crow, wild cat or coyote - and dog eaten
by the dog. Only death, that of Canadian woman, Mrs. Lamore
and two girls. . . bury her and the infant that had lived but an hour

At H. Sink met by agents who had been sent out by Lassen to go
his place (part of Vineland of Stanford Estate fame) part of which
he did so, to his sorrow, as it took us a month longer to reach S.
This was a scheme to sell provisions and fresh stock

Those who turned southwest, fog up the Carson River and Truckee Trail,
saved a month's time and received assistance from Gen. Sutter and Samuel
Brannan who sent soldiers with cattle to kill for food or serve as
draft animals.

Leaving H. we went north to the Pit River, passing over the Mud Lake via
an alkali dry desert. . . over S.N.'s discarded wagons. . . many other
unfortunate and disabled were now helped by the Relief Corps
sent to meet us by the SF people who subscribed \$20,000 to this
noble cause - women and children were favored.

At campfire emerges from a log Martha's brother, she had to
the southern or Truckee route. . . son that slain had been kidnapped by
Is during the attack on the Laramie and after several days was traded
to Es for a horse. . . Became noted lawyer, and his sister the wife
of a Congressman

Reached ~~xxxx~~ Sac Nov 4, 1849 six months and 10 days after
leaving Clinton, Iowa happy holiday times in our canvas house for Xmas
dinner grizzly bear steak

HM 16763 1857 Oct 12 Ables Ranch near Petaluma, Ca T. J.
Ables to dear friend and mother account of a trip across the plains from
Boonville, Mo to Calif by way of OT typescript 23 pp.

arrived 10th Oct, 115 miles, 2 days started Bnvl May 8 . . . at Bull
Creek in Ks joined by company Missourians, total 14 . . . crossed Ks R at
Tecumseh. FK June - description of it

about 15 miles above the first ford where many Es crossed to
the south. . . 100 miles above FK Forks; continued 40 miles, to ford.
from Fort P is 15 miles. . . To gain NP up to descent through a
narrow, deep hollow lined with ash brush. . . Here in 55 routed a
large body of Is by Gen. Harney. Many other Is killed and some whites, who are
buried in ditches on the road.

FL 6.30, Fork 100 yds wide w an uncommonly swift current. .
 July 8 crossg of NP bridge \$5. pw and 10c per head for cat
 Stock over by rushing them July 12 farewell to the P

7/16 IR, back to 1844 . . increase of 1 to r tr, Mrs. Cochran
 find yg dgtr. . catl s ckness along the Sw caused by a weed
 or grass called Sea Gall

7/22 summit of RMs . . desert to GR. . here commncd the rou
 portion oth rd interveng between Gr and Bear Rs; the way bg ove
 the Fontenelle, Hams Fork, and BR Mts. Those r th most d ffic
 any road, not esceptg the SNL .

2 bridges at Thomas Fork. after getg over lia d going $\frac{1}{2}$ m
 another br nd er informed that 50c would vtb paid for crossing
 it tog w another half for the one we had already passed over.
 They also informed us that the other road was round of 10 m nd
 they er backed up in the r lies by a co. of U. S. Surveyors who
 had got this for surveyg the road. They er informed that rather
 than be imposed on by a pack of sw ndlers that we d g 40 m arnd
 rather than cross the birde. . found ford $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles up

1/3 Soda Springs Boat Spring partially destroyed by Es
 stoppg it at the mouth to see the effect produced. . 3 m w cm t
 jc FH rd. Here most oth trs take the left hand road known as
 Head paths cut off. We took the rt hand r by the Ft, which is
 now evacuated. . all the hostile Is on the other road

The first of their devilment I saw was 3 mi e o where the
 SL road comes into the Calif road rung west, gr of mn. killed,
 native of Poland

8/21 HR. . Harps tr from Ark atacked by Is, run off all
~~wrxx~~ catl. . posse formed. . trail 70 miles, recover 36 catl,
 rest butchered and wigwams mad of hides

50 persons v lost their lives on this rv fm Is -
 at Gravelly Ford Mr. Holloway capt killed tog w his infant child
 and 2 other men. Mrs. H shot 2x, loses her scalp, moves, is
 pierced w arrow. . taken up by another tr, brot into the state
 and at last acc s was fast recovering. . Her own scalp is nw
 in her poss

On arriving at Lapens Meadows we took the northern rt by
 Honey Lake, takes off the main road 80 miles above the sink --
 Granite Creek HL Valley SNs Nobel Pass, supp tb passable
 any time in the winter to Sac valley

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HM: ~~xxx~~ 652 1863 April 13-July 27 A. Howard Cutting. Journa
 of a trip by overland froute from Fidelity, Ill to Sac City
 by way of OT and SL 96 pp, orig ms. black ink on blue linen.
 gift of Mrs. Mary V. Cutting 2/22/35 folio s ze

1st page blurred is rollcall (see below)

Lockley Collec Box 14 (3) 1910 acq from F. Lockley 5/27/47 ms
 Nancy M. Bogart (Hembree) M Remns of j across the plains in 18
 43 w Dr. Marcus Whitman's caravan and early life in Oregon

\$ 81

ink on tablet paper 9 pages

b. 1837 n Springfield, Mo.. My parents Capt. A. J. Hembre and Nancy Dodson. . out at 6 on May 3 w a few sturdy whole-souled men and women started across the plains. .they er piloted by that fearless, unselfish martyr Marcus Whitman. These er th first Es to break the road w wagons

I l remember when crossg the Platte river ch was both t urbulent and hi, Dr. W d fited his outer garments and waded the rv leadg the first team by a rope att to the ox horns

one nite en camped on the same rv there came up a terif storm ch blew over wgs, broke loose tents. . Is d engage in tr sot try to buy a white squaw; whilst everyone was thus engaged others would covertly slip around and run off the loose cattle. tb recovered if at all by strategy or running fights

wagons form a baracade, teams and tents inside. . how di women live thru it all and retain their reason? . . there er both births and deaths on the way, the dead er laid away in packing boxes but cnd be covrd so deep but the prowlg savage d exhume them toget the cbthes they er g buried in. . wolves, etc. remains to be interred by the next train /?/

So it was a sorry looking proc that wended its way into the place now called TD. . ~~vehicles~~ vehicles abandoned, some dr by ox or cow harnessed to a horse, . . had to hire Is to take the d in boats, for remun they asked about all the stock left

nearly drown in whirlpools, dragged to shore to fires. . re-sail. . in this manner we reached the pt wheré FV now is, a t that time it was a small trappers station. . to site of Portland, d. of yg girl. . stopped at falls, Oregon City. . hdqtrs of HBC. . many died from effect of trip. . I attack on Oregon City. . 1844, log cabin at Yamhill Co

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cut back to Cutting. .

4/28 crossed to Plattsmouth, on advice of people in Glenwood /much of writing faded but mainly legible with glass

5/6 PR trade w 2 Ps. .d take nothing but Treasury notes. Washington money they called it. No \$2. bills, just 2 \$1. . .

Ranch had beo Pss 3300 whiskey on opp side oth rv 5/8 stoped at Ps whole tribe about 3300 on oppo site

Ranch made of sods, whiskey sold at all these Ranchs

5/10 FK Whisky and lager beer for a sale at nearly all the R anchs. . Mos oth Rs r made of turf and v a wall of turf around them 5/11 Pasd a R at jLv St J and Atchison road 9 m fm

FK They afforded a frame house at this place, also a poe ther r sev log cabins bss & stores. . at noon we reached the fort, but nary fort cd we see. Three lg Govt stables, some fine lookg bldgs w shade trees. Flag pole, sev old bldgs and a few sod hs a sign a "no camping allowed 5 mi E or 2 mi W of this Post."

is posted in a Sutlers Store beside the road. We camped for dinner near Kearney City a sm settlement 2 m west of the Station and while there saw a tr of Govt wagons each dr by six mules an the tr escorted by about 125 cav. . They er fm FL gg to FK. .

intended to cross r ver here, but cclded to go up as a far as Julesburg sm 200 m above here. . Tobey crossg p-ground, halt ed by soldier and told he must go to the guardhouse and was teka

Ranch
FK
"
Is
Ranch

bf the Lieut Col and after an explanation was let off. .
some did cross near here 5/12 passed Plum Ck Ranch
blt of logs, ve lg & quite cfortb place. The Teleg runs beside
theroad here. Me tht mail cach, 4 mules and 5 pass

5/14 passed SS a aplendid log cabin w stable atthd. . Fo
r sale \$ whiskey, canned fruit, and B robes 0 75 m frm FK - Thi
Ranchman said we d b d-d lucky if we ever reached Ca. He said S
nk Is near SL had killed 15 men 1st week over 200 soldiers went
out a d surrded andkd 53 of them

5/15 I travois Is dressed in skins, some w no pants -
long procession squaws in chg Sx a hard looking set - at noon
stopped v at a Stage Ranch. . platform burial - on island, 50 i
trees, dead of ~~measles~~ measles. . man for Denver w leg crushed
2 places, ~~xxx~~ at ranch . . Dr. charging \$50 for setting leg a
\$10. per visit 5/16 we made up a purse of \$25.50 and presnt
to Ezra Carpenter, and a m grateful man I never saw. He was lyg
at Bishops Ranch or Fremont Slough. . Dr. warns of a nest of
Snake Is w FL; a Freemason who had married a squaw. . Said to go
by the mail route instead, protec by soldiers all the way

see owls w p-dogs but nary a snake
5/17 Sunday and the boys all dancing in camp. Pete Lawson fiddl
scraper 5/18 Stopped at Buckeye Ranc /// no mileages regu

Julesburg

R's squaw the first we v seen w a whitemans dress & hoops. .
reached Julesburg this aft, csists of Stage Ranch, Stable & tel
graph station. The Teleg crosses the river here and a branch r
uns the ss SP to Denver. . Sta say tv equally divided bet the
2 rts, but d prefer the mail route, , ~~VXX~~ Ill co wishes us to g
with them the mail route . . agreed. . say we are too early fo
grass 5/20 mail toute. . v to pay toll today 75c for lt
wgs 90 c lg wg. . Roads bg repaired. . cp at station, 120 m fro
here to mouth of Cacha poudre r were we r to ford the SP. The
Sta man said we er fortunate in not crossg the rv at J as the I
r getg ve ugly. The Sx Is er rung off stock and the Minneosta
Is er comg into the V at AH crossg where they cd run off the st
ock of Es. . .

Toll co working on the worst part oth road. . we r sick
oth PV no variety whatever. can't tell that we v moved. the r
is a mis ccern, water dirty as any rung in street gutters

I cavacades and villages Shyenees Is
passed the cutoff to Denver. . thru desert nearly all t
ime. . buy I robe full of "graybacks". . 5/23 advised P too full
liv to goto Denver. . camp near horsestealers ranch. . distance
deceitful. . reach Platte ford give a soldier \$1. to pilot us
across. . whiskey to recover, mules nearly drown. . A co of Cav
enc oppo, had bn in New Mex co. . we r 60 m fm LP; 50 fm Dvr,
and 30 fm Fort St. Vrain 5/26 forded Cache la Poudre

many settlers laong r route. . climate so healthy, have
to kill a man to start a graveyard

5/27 at foot of RM's, ojce more on stage road. Stoped a
few moments at Camp Collins where a co solds stad to guard the
mail line . . .stage staisons. . teams from Dv to Bannack City a
Beaver Head tothe new Gold Mines nw of SLC 5/29 Big Laramie
River. . Little L River - thru Syeenne Pass to Laramie Plains

Fort Halleck. . dscrption . lonesome is not the word
in the Kansas 9th. . NP GR SLC dscrp antago ism bet Ms and
soldiers hostilities Is and soldiers to Nevada - Virginai City
in ~~early~~ July 17 Sacramento (7/29) 102 1/2 days since lvg Fideli

1921 Edward Everett Ayer HM 16784 Early Rems. . first trip
1860; j acrs the pls later trips to SW, Mexico, Europe etc.
typewdcript 183 pp quarto -- 2 letters 1/14/99

April 60 night clerk at Harvard, McHenry Ct ILL. had
been 18 on nov 16. . father reluc agrees go to Calif. .to j
train from Kenosha. . lv last day of April - first nite ahotel
after that the whole trip to Calif r bed was on the gr. .30 day
to CBS . . crossed r to O , stayed there 2 or 3 days, finlaly
pulled out for the Great unknown

On the P, w of Loup Fork (Loo^r). . come Ps w B meat packed o
ponies, frightened all r horses, start on back track, have to
chase 20 miles. . ota 1 45 or 50 milesbareback

opp F Key. Mail for the whole train sent to FK. . I volt
cross the river on my off-mare, learn about islands, near drown
np p and np w/o any pat adv except one or twice $\frac{1}{2}$ bands of
Is d squat in the road and ask for provs

A sh distance w of Laramie made a detour ~~and~~ o the right
and cross the BHs and came on to Sweetwater . IR carve my name
with a coal chisel SP // no dates// crossed GR a few miles
above where the UP rr bridge now is

dress heavy boots with long legs above the knee, ve reddis
f want of greasg, a d out at the toes; my shirt was a hickory
shirt and a pair of blue jean overalls over some light pants.
My hat was a little black hat, the crown had bc worn oout and
the rim off, a d I had sewed it on w white cord

FB SLC Ms er brgg in stone fm quarries layg the foundas
of their gr temple. . stay 6 days. . old rt to Ca was around n
end of SL. A yr bf $\frac{1}{2}$ this Col Simpson of reg army had been ov
a rt gg around the s end of SL. . sq we follow this --
to Ruby Valley - desert - sink of the Carson and around
s end of Carson Lake, Carson Rv, Fort Churchill, then uc. and
Carson City, $1\frac{1}{2}$ yrs old

About $\frac{1}{2}$ way bet SL and CC recruit for desert. .Is steal
hrss - give chase -- up mt -- chased back down mt . .From 300
m this side of O we er on the famous PE rt all the way

Carson City capitol of Nev, 15 m from the chain of mines
incl silver city, gold hill and vc. . to the mines. . rkd in th
mill til I got money enough to get to SF. . hiredpasg in a frui
wg across the mt to Folsom, takg a l rr fm there to Sac. .then
steamboast to SF Oct 1, with 25c

3 vols See rem

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HM 4292 H M Chillson or L. D. Chillson? latter appears on sketch book July 3, 1859 Devils Gate size 3 x 6, w sketches in pencil of also American Falls, Snake R, Pyramid Circle near Salt Lake Road and 2 other unidentified sketches

HM 4293 no name appears on ditto leather bound diary in pencil size c. 8 1/2 x 6 1/2

May 1, 1859 5/4 drove 1 m below Quincy 5/7 camped on bottoms of Mo Riv for the Sab opp Plattsmouth NT

//pencil scr pt is legible enough except for ~~ink~~ fading, usually 3 entries to a page total ca 8/100 pages, unnumbered except first 19. Dates May 1 to December 31 -- table from Larence creek to Salt Lake -- table of stas & d stances from Plattsmouth to California -- table of daily meteorological data -- table no of hours drive each day end sketches include 2 unidentified but resemble SBs, Sweetwater Station w. troops, CR from 1 1/2 m CH Rock close up, and CHR from 8 miles away //at end/

Wings always

5/9 to PM to asc chanc of getg supplies. 2 disc Peakers! trs return, report no tr w Is, and no gold 5/12 PP backsliders painted r wg cover w beeswax nd tallow 5/13 5 wgs of us for CA 5/15 r co rolled on, left us, we dont intend to d r on the Sabt

start

5/18 pass Utah tr of 50 wgs, meet w 200 wgs on the return 5/19 to P bottoms, 100 m in 4 days 5/21 now 15 wgs for CA, old co w us again 5/22 the first Sabbath I ever worked in my life.

FK

5/26 land pirates tried to stampede r catl again 5/27 pas d a setlmtn of old sod houses, reached ~~the~~ FK key this pm. saw 12 mtd brass cannon. 6/1 r tr 13 wgs, 44 men, 7 4 women, 5 ch

start

93 head catl 6/2 ctnwd springs 6/3 forks of P, Ofalands tp 6/4 found 3 old Red Wing acqs 6/5 attend church in a camp, 1/2 m belo us 6/7 ford rv, 3/4 m wide, camped op Moore's Station

Upper ca at

6/8 across the brakes to the NP, 20 m, came down l very bad hill. Cedar nd ash plenty in AH where we struck the rv 6/10 cd on a beau creek near a tp 6// another beau ck andtp, draw CHR 8 m 6/12 about 2,000 head of catl passed us today for Ca

withs

S3/FK Wind

6/13 road lined w wagons cd 1 m above cr about 300' hi, penciled a v ew of it at 1 m dist 6/14 drove 200 hrss for Ca - penciled an outline of sev Rocks today - camped at Roubaudau's tp, come in sight of LP 6/15 Horse Creek tp

6/17 met a regiment of L soldiers this noon, about 2 in number, on their way down the rv to protect th Eion. 6/18 reached L Bridge at 9 am. Rate of toll \$2.50 pw, 10c head for stock nd 25c for horseman. . went 1/2 m above the f and ferried r wgs nd loadg across w our boat b'f dark 6/19 saved about \$20. . camped on the R 1/2 m above Ward's Houses.

WFL

6/22 co reduced by 2 wgs and 11 men, includg the capt 6/23 dr outline of LP 6/24 met a lot of Salt Lakers and some Cas o way east. First Es reach SL when we er at ctwd spr. . saucy Is

6/27 cd 2 mi above the bridge tonight, \$2.50 pwg 6/28 afte long wait cross at \$1.50 pw //each day gives weather report /no IR/ drove up through the DG 7/2 helped raise a poll w the S&S, the first that ever wave in this v

withs

7/3 Stock sick. Greeley edt of NY Tribune passed here today 7/4 there is about 145 wgs and 700 perso s in the valley. had a oration delivd by Mr. Button, reading of D of I by Mrr./ etc. toasts, free concert

DO

7/5 penc led the entrance oth 2G and a view of the celebra-
 tion yesterday - r old capt overtook us but we left him behind
 again 7/7 ice beds 7/8 Strawberry ck 7/9 to Gilberts Sta.
 Here we left the old Calif road and took Col Landers cut off ru
 nning thru to Ft. Hall 7/11 passed summit of RMs - freezing
 7/15 GR 7/22 in v hdwts Wnake Fork oth Columbia R 7/23
 the Col/Landers?/ w his co passed this AM. He says the road i
 now cpleted 7/27 struck the old Oregon Trail. . now in the
 Snake Riv Valley 7/29 Am Falls 8/20 Raft River. . lv old OT
 and follow up R.R. to Headpath 8s Cut-off

8/1 passed gr of Joseph Selleck who was executed 7/29 for
 the murder of Wm Humble July 25, Age 17 yrs.

8/2 Goose Creek Mts - now about 50 wgs. 8/8/ hdwtrs H-R
 8/12 took the Greewhorn's cutoff today and drove 23 m over mts
 to make 10 m d the river. Es shd take the riv road

8/23 reach Big Meadow, grass 15' hi 8/26 Carson R
 8/28 the road follows the r $\frac{1}{2}$ m and then forks. the rt hand rd
 runs across a 26 m desert. . we crossed last nite /?/ 8/29
 the road follows the river to China, the 10 mi w/o grass or wa
 ter. . 4 mi back from the river at th's point is Carson City,
 a beau loc town in Eagle Valley

8/30 we reached the city ahead of evthg we v tvd w west
 ogf Mo river 8/31 commenced joiner work at noon today at \$3.
 50 per day nd board myself

3d leather volume c. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ by 8 pertains to 1865 involves
 SLC and Fort Halleck starting at Watertown, Lander Co, Nevada
 /black leather - others brown and all aging

pix of note, in small volume

Devils Gate
 Pyramid Circle
 wagon train around mt s de

in 1859 volume at end

Chimney Rock
 both sketches of Court House Rock
 Sweetwater station (loose label)

5238 a SCHARMANANN'S OVE J TO CA, from the pages of a pioneers
s diary. tr fm the German ~~of~~ H. B. Scharmann by Margaret Hoff
Zimmerman and Erich W. Z nprd ~~xxxx~~ 115 pp pp no sale, no
copyright 1849

Preface by Hermann B. Scharmann, d. 2/22/18 . . disc issue
of New Yorker Staats Zeitung for 1852 w/ father dscrip of ov j,
My father took ent re family w him, mother, sister and elder br
and myself. Mother nd sister did not return w us, for they met
an untimely death in that str ~~langx~~ land urged to pub by fr
Carl Schurz

A German co. chose me as pres. 3/20 from NY. . tr to SL at
\$10.50 per, train, canalboat, etc to Pittsburg, Enterprise to
SL, ct 57 steamers. . filed w Es f CA ar 4/11. . 4/15 ccludd a
greement w master of steamship to I for \$2.50 pp - arr 4/20, &
wait for commit to br the catl

5/20 depart w horse-drawn wgs plus stock. .the ov j one oth
most unfort undertkgs cs e cnn pos v any ccept of this kind of
tv. . disc horss entirely useless, oxen not old enough, etc.
Wgs shud be dr by 4 yoke ox or 6 mules, no more than 2,000 lbs
Axlks ~~break~~ in 2 like mere twigs

Ks Is barbous lookg but gentle. . FK 6/22. . site on an imm
ense plateau ch cd serve as a dwellg place for an unlt nu hbs.
obtain 15 lbs fresh bread. . 80 m from FKey P dividées. . vario
us parties E helped each other. . B between the divide. . air so
clear here that a slice of meat l dry in 24 hrs . . Some Bs wan
der into r catl herds, huntsemm br down one o r cows

115 m f FL I band, with doc fm commander, dinner, presents,
but cdn feed whole band. . industrious squaws, mocs and dresses

FL 3 days, repairs . . Miferry 150 m

At Big Santee R rest, then over 43 m desert to GR. . pcs of
shatrd wgs all around. . mts in this region r called Peak Base
ment, flax everywhere. . Land the rest of the way from FL to Ca
is not worth a cent, nothing but desert and bare mts. The bes
thing the tv c do is to hurry on as fast as pos fm one river to
the next

// vague general descr ptions. few dates, no mileages //

Capt Palmer, acc a govt supply train from Ore to Ft. Hall, a
dvised us to take the Oregon road, he decied us, no pass like
South Pass. . detour of 500 mi instead of 75. . deserts, plenty
of co in r misery, over 80 aband wagons, first day

no more hope for oxen, put out of misery ~~of~~ dysentery, fe
ver, cholera and scurvy, heat and cold at Muddy Lake, \$75 for a
hund lbs of flour - in cart -- at head of Pitt River, Sac Va
still 2300 mi away - O Mr Kelleof the Western Train refuses
to sell provs; gives in when I threaten to shoot him -- giant
trees but l grass

Gov of Ca had sent out wgs w provs - arr at first setlem
in Sac V November 1. The owner was Mr. Lassen, a Dane. . he ha
chosen his abode w a view of the gains afforded by E traffic. I
v nv seen a more covetous and heartless man than this Dane. . ta
just enough to keep us alive

Retrace to family. . l girl had died - w with diarrhoea,
rainy weather, back to LR. . 50 yr old bachelor, short and fat
wife dies o Feath r River. . Cali a land of vice and gruesome
ness . . return bia Nicaragua. My curiosity is satisfied and m
gold fever has disappeared.

295947 REMINISCENCES by Margaret Chambers, 1903, np 48 pp

Left my childh home w 3 bros, sil, 2 nephews and a niece
April 1, 1851 lit cr thecont w ox-teams - ~~vie Louisville~~ . .
? we crissed Wabash R at Terre Haute 25 m fm r home in Sullivan
Ct, Indiana. . overland to SL 5/9 lv middle of May

At LB me soldiers fm FL, including Major Wood & family
Was 18 durg trip, had all mgt of cookg planng - ashes on the
flapjacks - see parts of quilts and bones, dug up. . sm made
sec re by Heavy stones and vague topography
/a simple narrative, w few details of route, few dates////
poor dog perished in crsoss g the desert (few dogs survived)

Missed CHR, passg it in the nite . . CR . . s ome beau rock
like those in Yellowstone Pk - DG to Steamboat Springs

3 deaths and one birth, one death sombody left by another
in GRV. . cows stood trip bettern oxen . . give milk until the
alkali ct the 5 girls who made shortcuts along Sw r
were Eliz White, Jerush White (Mrs. A. W. Stewart), Millie
Stewart, and Margaret White, now Mrs. AJ Chambers

// rambles on scaffold for B meat -- new potatoes in
Powder RV -- flowers at AH on Burnt R

from TD steamer to Cascades, its first trip -- flatboat to
m of Sandy R, & cattle down the trail on the Columbia - ferry
boat (homemade) d the Columbia. . to Milwakukie, bet Portland
and Oregon City. . 1852 to Chambers Prairie, Thurston Ct.

Author burns her hand badly at TD in hot ashes
married in 1854 a little volume

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Recollections
39691 /ON THE PLAINS IN '65, by Geo. H. Holliday (late Sgt,
Cò. G, Sixth W. Va. Vol. Cav. . 12 months in vol cav serv. .
dedic to the Grand Army Republic, 1883 97 pp

Preface. . enlisted at 15 for War oth Reb. . winter
65 sev frozen in Wyo, fm ch he ahas nv recovrd

lv Wash 6/1865 on B& O. . scenes of devasta of towns. .
a NY or bummer regiment also for the Plains, . jd by 3d Mass,
14th Pen, and 21st NY, dest for West under Maj Gen Frank Wheato
n. . tr wrech by treachery of ex-Confed conductor

up MoR in steamboat to FLv - mutiny at FLv
Kinnakick cr c at Potawotta ie and Kickapoo reserv,
invasion of the rattlesnakes //heavy in incidents, hih-jinx

During this season the Platte route was lined w Govt, E
and transp trains f Dvr, SL and mil posts. . never out of sight
trains -- all nationalities except China -- in passg these trs
w their 5 tons, dr by 6 to 12 yoke, you ask the dark skin, long
haired ind v of the broad-brimmed hat "here are you from? and he
answers in a singing sort of tone "Omaha-ha-hay-ha-boy, who buc
come here Grant, you Sheridan, g'long old Abe" and he goes on
callg his 24 head of & cattle after as many of his favrt Gens,
and thus one c d tell about his sympathies, N or S - the canva
covers w rude charcolal letters & "Hell Roarin Bill, brom Bull
Crick, & or other poetic expressions

Poker is the one gr bus of everybody on the Plains. .
also chuck-a-luck -- Is who bring back stolen stock are badly
handled -- crippled cd f m the stampede (GHHolliday from Ohio)

FK, plenty of timber on the rv, occ scrub oaks and ctnwd as far as Fort McPherson, beyond is 300 mi sandy desert. . While here visited the scene of Phil Kearny massacre /?/ Here a lg mu Is decoyed into the m of a battery of artil and mowed down until but a few er left to tell how it felt. This was done som years before by the order of the brave Gen. Kearney

Every day passed by western bound overland stage and the incoming stage fm Denver City. . stat ons 10 to 30 mi, the most desolate lookg places that the eye of man ev looked upon. .hs in sod stables 12 to 20 head of well fed but hard rks horss. B yond FK all sts guard by solds. Coach always acc by 4 to 20 ca guards. . . wxx descript of scene of changg horss. .

At K all trs except mil stoped and orgd into divs. . a w-m from one oth trs selectd to take chg of the div with rank of Major-Ge of Bull-whackers, authority dependg on his luck and s kill as a pugilist. . a div left the fort nearly ev day

5 mi beyond K is Dogtown, 300 inhabs. . all adobes, or sod, w dirt roof. . Boys strike for lower prices on whiskey, 25 c had bn payg 10c startg in Kansas. . later learned to pay up t 50 c for Irish fire-water

vast quantit es of chips, not B but ox! - At Ctwnd r forc augmented by co of Winnabo Is, sco ts, not toal 375 men

to Alkali Station or Old Calif Crossing -- at this pt the PR divides Colorado from Dakota /?/ advance of Sx -- Battle o California Crossing, 300 WVa Cav pitted ag 1500 Sx. . f sev hou r I scouts, reinforce dy the famous BillPurdy and hisscouts, k up a runng fight at lg range. . Fallen Is dragged off. . While engaged in this skirmish the whole band of Sx crossed the rv an went pell-mell for eh hills, takg w them their w and c, and thu they escaped the gr P trail, ad er safe again on the lonely des ert on the way to Wester Ks. In / their flight they lost ma y robes and blankets, ch er gatheredup, / but soon dropped aga n en the boys disc they er alive w graybacks. Thus ended the bat of Old Calif cross ng of ch the Wheelg a d all the WV papers gv a glowg acct under flaming headlines

We lost not a man nor caputres and enemy. . Is er cmnded by Chief Standing Elk. Durg fog winter we made peace w this sam trib at FL

Saw a doz old dingy log huts and sm tents. . this was Jbr The NY 21st hadreachedthis post a week bf (Sedgwick). . ccluded raid the sutler and comm dept, we intervene, a few NYers found quarters in hospital. The old Fr sutler felt ve grateful. . The next day the 21st ordrd to SLC, where they comted deprede a g the Ms, and er finally mustrd out, d honorably. . saw many trampg back with bull trains, ragged, livng on scraps

Short time bf Julesburg had been laid to ashes. . now bg built on a m sub plan. . probs in getg vd bricklayers, dirt roo /. fro want of storage, flour and grain sacked piledin 2 enormo ricks or piles. . 5 mi below was Reschau's Ranch - flour stealg one

At Ft Sedgewick for a time. . / / detachme t sent as escort w tra of provs for th Ute Is . Another detach to Willow Springs Dakota as an escrot to a pay master, under H. W. Brazie, I alon A dangerous mission, prev p-m had been attacked and killed, and most of his small and ineff escort victims. . etc.

Cross SP at J and lv the gr overland stzge rt. .30 mi to FT : barren desolate ct. . but 4 hss along the rt to FL, ranches owne by Fr, at ch is a teleg station, and po, and all these w soldier quarters under one roof, or near to each other. . mls carried by pack mules or ponies driven under mtd guard. . many men had been slain at these stations. . a g many massacres o Es also. .

an attack had bn made at the blockhs at Willow Springs, sieg saved garrison but lost stock. . during this fight Is placed a white woman in front ev time an advance was made

c a Pole Creek station, 50 of 11th Ohio here, expectg ev da to be served up for breakfast for a hoard of Sx, reported in the section. . teleg operators all soldiers, but they got increased pay. . operator at Platte Ridge on Np, there 5 years /?/

to Dry Ridge or Alkali Desert. . covered white. . looms up great sham Court House //Willow Spring is ev mud springs// descript of bckhouse, hollow saquare 50 x 75, portholes above bunks, a watch tower. . welcomes by solders from 6th Mich Cav, 11th Ohio Cav, 3d US Inf and W scots -- I tree cemetery nearb

FL sev hundred mis further NW. . boys climb CH. . next da march brot us to CR another wonder oth pls, but we had a mn kld nd scalpwd by Is during the day, sin sight of sev of r men, a antelope hunter caught in ambush

within 1 m Scott's Bluff. This place is surrded by a my stery and ints. It was the hiding place of Green River, the yg road agent. . We had, long bf we reached here, heard of how man trs had been stopped nd plundrd. . Returng Cas X waylaid and forced to tur over the r hard-earned dust, and not longbf a p-m was forced to hand out \$60,000 of Uncle Sam's money to a band o Is who all spoke plain English. It was said that GR was the leader of this band, and that Captain Shuman's men, a co of the 11th Ohio Cav, camped at Fort Mitchell, just beyond, er his cfd ates on some of these darg deeds, esp the mail robberies

Then we er told of caves somewhere within these vast lava beds, where desperadoes Green River and his gang lived in pece and security. . romance ch we found increased as we drew

near the gr, rough, shapeless pile of rock thru ch the road passed. . Approachg ffm the east, th raod winds around deep canyons and ravines. As we enter the pass we r ordered to draw revolvers and keep close togeher. . Our ~~xxx~~ paymaster glanced into eve crack and crevice as he rode in adv of his ambulance. We ar at the west end oth pass after tvg for 15 mins in a dusky gloomy darkness. . The Fort Mitchell dawns upon us, etc. . NWSTD the stales, etc.

We camped the next nite at CR /he8s gg west/146. . Another blockhs called CR station, guarded vy 25 men of 3d US. I fantry. . res n old furnace stark stdg alone like g r obelisk. 170 feet. . I story re CR /see GPRR

Dafter after we left the gr CR we reached FL, the gr supply post oth NP. . LP looming up like gr pyramids of Egypt I stampedes at the post . . few days after r arrvl remainder o r regiment came on from J w r wg tr. We er now put oj duty at this F as herders, mail-runners, scouts, guards, etc.

More re Horse Shoe Station La Bonta winter at Fort Casper Gunarde's long pine log bridge. . cstruction of F

1850 (cat no) CAPTAIN GRAY'S COMPANY;; or, CROSSING THE PLAINS AND LIVING IN OREGON, by Mrs. Abigail J. Duniaw. Portland, 1859. 342 pp have 64-131

I v taken some liberties in the arrg o incidents, but a bett r wielded pen than mine has asserted that this is the novelists priv. Hundreds c testify that romance has ~~almost~~ been almo st wholly set aside in the incidents of tv over the Plains, and wholly avoided in the dscip o scenery ///a novel format

Framer Gray's Illinois home

Maurice Station: I am gg West to Ore or Ca, where peple won t die and then I'll be at liberty //no date at all

132 Extracts from Herbert's journal: 7/12 a tp here where sickly looking vegs r sold at ruinous prices. A world in miniat ure is here. Folks r & swearg and gambling at one encmp; music and dancg is the pastime at another; and a third, a collec of Es r holdg aprayer meeting. /camp at Green River/

Is of Shoshonee t enc near us. They r loathsome objects o degraded humanity, bg clothed in bear and B skins that are aliv w vermin.

Poor Mrs. Welden had a hard t me w her carriage. Mrs/ Sam Green took care of the 2 children. She bears her unfor beareve ment with the calmness of despair and fortit of a heroine

7/16 Smiths Fork of BR, turmoil over trail for murder, r Capt and Maurice were among the jurymen. . Danilel Olmst the ow ner of an outfit, 5 men w him as boarders. . quarrelwith Sherma Dunmore. . Dunmore jumped upon him an beat him severely. Olm- stead alled pon the bystanders to take him off, sayg that he ha a knife. No one interfered and he stabbed him in the chest. He fell and in 20 mins was a corpse. . "the wound inflic by the k of Olmstead caused the death of D, but th same was i flicted by O in self-defence.

7/18 I funderal proceccion 7/21 Soda Springs

7/25 today reached FH. Its walls r composed of sunburnt br ick adobes. It is a shabby concern. . This Fort is now in poss oth traders. .

8/3 comes into camp Captain Bald Hil. Smith. His story is sad one. So many of hmembers of his fam and co v died, that half oth wgs vbn abandoned His wife and 2 eldest chil d a few days ago, leavg him w a dependent fam of 7 l ones

1/4 death of John McD by drowning

8/25 now oppo Fort Boise. It is fashioned something like FH but is not so durably constructed. It was blt by HBC and was i tended m f a tp than a Fort. That co v now abandoned it, but it is in poss of other traders. . Is poisoned by strynine left by Es Herbert Godwin ???

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debatable

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ACROSS THE PLAINS IN '62 by William Smedley
Introductory by E R Warner, Denver, 1916 ms on shelf. .resur durg a search for material in prepg the banquet to Dr. S. on oc of his 75th bd, 1911. . 26 at time of crossing. . t oill to teac school. . Omaha to Salem, 5 months . . . later & ret via SF and Ithsmus to NY - dentst - practice in Dnvr

Actual