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|  | Oct 57 |  |  | |
|  | Dinner 1 1/4$ Jack  went over to Henrys  with us. I bought a pa  ir spects cost 1 1/2$ |  |  | |
| Th 15 | Henry and Family  sick eith chills & ague  Jack started to sackramen  to . took pair Large bay  horses to sell & then to san  Francisco after his wife  I & Derick went to town  I pd 1/2$ whiskey 1/2$ dinner  on yesterday I sent 100$  to wife cost 1$ & wrote a  letter cost 1/4$ |  |  | |
| Fr 16 | I came to town with  derrick. I got a letter from  Bub & says he is not  got any mooney but will  get it before he stops. I  left his note with and |  |  | |
|  | Oct 57 |  |  | |
| Fr 16 | mortgage with C. Lin  dly to collect. I bought  cylinder & tube. 1$ pd 3/4$  for whiskey. I staid in town  went to see the negro ministri  als. then pd 1$ for bed at wes  tern house room 16 did not sleep  mutch on account musketoes. |  |  | |
| sat 17 | breckfast 3/4$ I pd whis  key & caps 1/2$. put in my time at  at nothing. late went out  with Derrick to Henrys.---- |  |  | |
| Su 18 | we all were Lying around  most of the day, late p.m.  I went on the slew & got  some wild grapes. |  |  | |
| Mo 19 | I caught my horse &  went to town with Henry  & Derick. I made out a bill  of groceries for Galloway  Hite. & to fill beer 1 bit sup  per 1/2$ I then rode out to  Jacks to stay al Kt. |  |  | |
|  | Oct 57 |  |  | |
| Tu 20 | after early breckfast  at Brother Jacks. I started  for home. I took dinner at  sawmill cottage & fed horse  cost 1$ then made Columbus  house put up for the kt. |  |  | |
| We 21 | after Breckfast pd my bi  ll 4$ &stopd at Gibsonville  took Dinner & fed horse but he  refused to eat cost 1 1/2$ then  to onion vally stopd about 1  hour to Nelson creek staid  till after sunser then in  compy with Snyder we  put for the Am vally, my  horse had got quite stiff  I got in the vally & had to  walk & drive him I arrivd  about 11 in the kt took some  oysters & went to Bed all well. |  |  | |
|  | oct 57 |  |  | |
| Th 22 | I did nothing all day.  John Dick & Stinson were  digging potatoes, the cow I  bought of Lem had a calf  on sum kt 18th last……… |  |  | |
| Fr 23 | the boys digging potatoes  after killing the white sow  weighing 174 bbs I pd 1/2$ for  salt tsalt with p.m. I  was assorting potatoes & John |  |  | |
| Sat 24 | John & Stinson halld to  ad hay to Dr Brewster, then  then ploughd up all the  Blue potatoes & finishd them  I was assorting all day we  put 32 boxes weighing \_\_\_\_\_ tts.  in lower hole & 38 in middle  weight \_ tts & 23 in the upper  weight tbs. I let Stinson ha  ve 10$ |  |  | |
|  | oct 57 |  |  | |
| sun 25 | my horse has been quite  lame & stiff form founder or  something else he is getting be  tter. the day is past off as usu  al in sin & iniquity in the town |  |  | |
| Mo 26 | John & Dick were baling  hay. I went up to long val  ly to see some cattle with  Burkholder Returnd after dark |  |  | |
| Tu 27 | we all three were digging  potatoes. I pd Bloods & Co110$  on a note all I owe them and  don’t expect ever to owe them  I recvd 125$ worth of groceries  freight on the same 40$ pd |  |  | |
| We 28 | we loded on ton bald hay  John & Dick started for the  mountain House. I made  a pen to keep the calf in |  |  | |
| Th 29 | carter came home aga  in & was fixing to make  krought & fixed the wagon bed |  |  | |
|  | oct 57 |  |  | |
|  | I was digging potatoes & a  sorting. John & Dick as not  got home yet 9 o clk at kt. |  |  | |
| Fr 30 | I pulld up some cabbage  this fore noon. John & Dick  got home this a.m. all right  John gave me 55$ & pd all ex  pemses. I then gave Harber  son 50$ for Dan Kate on  act. we all pulld up cabbage. |  |  | |
| Sat 31 | John halld some wood  the cabbages & Dick to help  him. I & Carter making kraught |  |  | |
|  | Nov |  |  | |
| Su 1 | we are all making our way  down to perdition as there is  no kind influences among us |  |  | |
| Mo 2 | dup some potatoes & finishd  the third bbl of Kraught. has  some appearance of rain |  |  | |
|  | Nov 57 |  |  | |
| Tu 3 | pulled up some cabbages  on yesterday & halld up. we  were buirring cabbages, John  went over to Nelson pointto  get money to pay off his help  at rocky bar 158$ got the  money of J.W. Thompson |  |  | |
| We 4 | raind all day yesterday & last  kt & to day nothing doing |  |  | |
| Th 5 | stull raining I & Dick loa  ded on some hay. Dick drove  the team up to betsy town to  Dr. Cate & deliverd the hay  John came home this a.m.  I was gumming & sharpning  the cross cut saw. halld ver  ry hard this pm. |  |  | |
| Fr 6 | I & Dick, John & Dave were sawing  & splitting wood. |  |  | |
| Sat 7 | I & Dick put up the fence  that blew down on thursday  evening last between our |  |  | |
|  | nov 57 |  |  | |
|  | lot & Garlands. John &  Trewit were digging potatoes  p.m. Dick to help him  early John went down to  boyingtons mill & got a tire  from Mage Hays east 8$  to put on hind wheel. late  we all assorted to potatoes  & put them in root house |  |  | |
| Su 8 | The day of rest is desicrated  moore & moore as we are all  verry a anxious to get rich. as  business is the order of the day  with all sorts of gaming |  |  | |
| Mo 9 | I, John & carter & Dick  digging potatoes, theap  pearance of the wheather is unlikely |  |  | |
| Th 10 | all four sawing & splitting  wood on the morning & digging  potatoes, cowdy. the wind  from N.W. |  |  | |
|  | Nov 57 |  |  | |
| We 11 | the fround froxe quite hard  this morning I borrowd 40$  of Trewit I went over to Nel  son creek pd Thompson 160$  that John had borrowd last  week pay off the hand that  was at work at Rocky Bar  the boys were digging potatoes  Maston shod his gray horse  al round yesterday |  |  | |
| Th 12 | still the ground is froze ver  ry hard & some of the potatoes  we sackd & weighd 1830 tts late |  |  | |
| Fr 13  out selling out | verry cold of kts. John star  ted for the mountain house  with 1830 tts potatoes and hay for  oxen to warren stag. us three  to digging potatoes. I settled wi  th John Thompson & gave my  note for 925$ with interest at  the of two per cent per month  I don’t like my condition as to  my indebtedness. Cant pay wit |  |  | |
|  | Nov 57 |  |  | |
| sat 14 | another cold frosty kt the  ground is froxe so hard that we  compelld to use picks to dig po  tatoes. I & Dick is all that is at it  I gave carter 10$ this morning  he is not at work for us to day  John came home this evening  I collected 7 1/2$ of sqr Jones |  |  | |
| Su 15 | cold last kt, the branch is cov  erd with ice & has been for sev  eral kt that run through  the yard. Ive shavd & shirtd  that is pulld off one of the same sort.  I put the day in as sundays  is allways put in attending to  business of all kinds that is w  anting & no though of rest. |  |  | |
| Mo 16 | I John & Dick were pre  paring a load of vegetables for  the Mountain house |  |  | |
| Tu 17 | John Hitchd up both yoke  of oxen with hay & cabbages |  |  | |
|  | Nov 57 |  |  | |
|  | for the mountain house  I & Dick are getting in the potatoes |  |  | |
| We 18 | I & Dick digging potatoes  we have put away the beets  Jack stinsin is here to board  John came home all right by noon  after he helpd us finish |  |  | |
| Th 19 | we pulld up the femaining  cabbagages & placd them in a ditch  & coverd with straw for the present |  |  | |
| Fr 20 | we cut all the limbs that lay  back of the house & halld to  the wood house & Dick is putting  it a way. I & John assorted some  potatoes that outsid root house |  |  | |
| sat 21 | I & John made a straw  rack back of the barn out of  rails. John & Dave cut down  one of the ded pitch pines that  stood near the house & pild  up the limbs & stinsin left  for martins again |  |  | |
|  | Nov 57 |  |  | |
| su 22 | the wheather is clear & cold  of kts. & warm days. John rode  over to Ricky Bar to see if  the copy wanter eatables but  they are supplied. he returnd |  |  | |
| Mo 23 | I & John filling the rack  with straw till noon after  Duesler had the team. I &  John let bates have 380 tts  cabbage at 15$ on carters act.  I coverd some cabbages John &  Dave sawd the log in two 4  times that they cut down |  |  | |
| Tu 24 | I & John put straw in  the rack after he halld up  the logs he cut in two |  |  | |
| We 25 | raind some to day we  went down the creek &  cut a way some drifts  got some wet Dick helpd |  |  | |
| Th 26 | I was fixing the hen  house stoping the cracks |  |  | |
|  | Nov 57 |  |  | |
|  | John & Dave sawing up the  logs for wood, still raining  in the valley & snowing on  the mountain tops. |  |  | |
| Fr 27 | I sharpd both hand saws  & set them. I then made a  door for the wheat house  John & Dave sawd & splitd wood. |  |  | |
| Sat 28 | still snowing & raining  I cut & piled some wood in  front Back porch. I then fix  the bridges to go in the barn  late we sawd up the last  logs & split then after fil  ing & setting the saw. Jack  Stinson left this eve, been here  since Wens eve last |  |  | |
| Su 29 | clowdy & warm wife  got a letter from Rains of  date No. 8th from petaloma  he is with his family & frie  nds well pleasd once moore |  |  | |
|  | Nov 57 |  |  | |
|  | the day has beenclowdy  but no rain or snow fell  in the vally, I’ve felt quite  unwell to day on act of bad  cold. weve no work to do  I’ve pd 1/4$ for nails & 1/4$ for file  a day or so ago. |  |  | |
| Mo 30 | snowing some kts though  warm & clowdy in the vally  John went to see Myres to  get the use of his wheat fan  Uve stukk a verry bad cold &  did nothing today. |  |  | |
|  | Dec 57 |  |  | |
| Tu 1 | John went after the fam  snowd some last kt, but the  sun shone out this p.m. I &  John were running wheat thro  ugh the fan & putting it in sacks  Dave went over to Rocky Bar  & returnd again. Compy not do  ing mutch, what is to be done  I cant say, money is in great need |  |  | |
|  | Dec 57 |  |  | |
| We 2 | I am up before day as us  ual. It looks verry mutch  like snowing wife got up &  dressed & went Back to bed aga  in. I & John cleand up all the  wheat we could & put it the  grainry we then filld up 20  sacks & fixed up the chures. |  |  | |
| Th 3 | some clowdy, we loded up  the 26 sacks & fan John drove  the oxen to Judkins mill. the  wheat weighing 2219 tts. retu  rnd home again. Jas Vierre  brought suit against me &  Duesler for 560$ only 145$  & 17 $40 cts interest is my part of  the debt. I then made an  assignment of all my perso  nsll property to, john & then  R. Elliot brot suit against  me for 312 1/2$ as security for E.T.  Hogan. servis at 10 p.m. |  |  | |
|  | Dec 57 |  |  | |
| Fr 4 | there is no peace for me  my own troubles is moore  than I can bare to think  that after all my efforts  to gain some money, now  at this time all is lost, but  I shall keep trying let come  what will if I know my  self, it has rained quite hard  all day, weve naught to do |  |  | |
| Sat 5 | some sunshine this a.m. &  rain & snow p.m. I don’t ha  ve scearcely any enjoyam  ent, but the horrows of the  damd is our portion throu  gh life as yet, on yesterday  Ray & Bevans went out bon  sa, to stop proceedings un  til the money could be raisd  to pay off. |  |  | |
| Su 6 | snowd some last kt in  vally clear to day & cool |  |  | |
|  | Dec 57 |  |  | |
|  | this evening, I was setting  up pur acts with Timberm  an, not finished yet at dark  a committee of 5 was in sess  ion on Fr last to investigate  legally tried I suppose  the charge made by Ben  Forman against Wm. Timber  man it was held by his requ  est. the charge was having co  mmited sodomy with Harlo  person. Jack Stinson & G, Miller  testimony was that he wan  ted to do the same with them  Westerland, Grubbs, Jomes  Lovejoy & myself were the com  mitty the charge will will be |  |  | |
| Mo 7 | Judgement was had aga  inst Hogan & I in favor of  Elliot. Hogan’s house and lot  was sold to satisfy a debt to  alford nothing doing |  |  | |
|  | Dec 57 |  |  | |
| Tu 8 | Dave started below. John  went with him to Rocky bar  staid all kt. I settld  with Timberman in full  & passd respts. the weather has the appearance of snowing |  |  | |
| We 9 | weather insettld, John got  home at noon. I gave a note to  Burkholder for goods for 251 $  carter got back on yesterday  & is gone to day to Indian vally  John has loded up Lovejoys  goods to take up to long va  lly will start early in morn  ing, John Playing on violin  I & wife all three togeather |  |  | |
| Th 10 | snowd last kt some. I was  up early Breckfast over before  light & John off with team  at light. The sun shone ar  intervals & warm, the hind |  |  | |
|  | Dec 57 |  |  | |
|  | axel Broke Down the other  side of Martins had to get  Martins wagon to take goods  to spring garden ranch he  staid all kt there left the goods  there & came home & brot the wa |  |  | |
| Fr 11 | ggon. raind all kt. & today  verry hard in vally, John got  home about dark. I was mutch  vext on aaccount of his being  out in the rain all day. |  |  | |
| Sat 12 | John & Carter went to the  woods got an oak stick ma  de a new axel all to finishing  I was as usual not doing any  thing |  |  | |
| Su 13 | John & Carter finishd the wa  ggon & put the irons on again  I plaid chess most of the fay |  |  | |
| Mo 14 | I & Trewit was getting pitch  wood. p.m. John helpd to hall  it together & split, maston  cameout & set it up in the kiln. |  |  | |
|  | Dec 57 |  |  | |
| Tu 15  all the time verry mutch depressd | I, Trewitt & maston went out  & set it on fire. John & Dick  was balling ton hay for Ray  got 9 1/2$ for it. p.m. John came  out brot us some dinner I went  in they came in at bed time. |  |  | |
| We 16 | raind a little last kt. John  & Trewit was out to see after the  tar. maston has an interest in  it allso. I plaid some chess. |  |  | |
| Th 17 | John took 1/2 bbl krought to  Ill Ranch they to pack it over  to Rocky Bar to Kyler & Co. John  went by Judkins mill & brot  home the flour of 2219 tts wheat  wheight 1434 tts flour bran 393”  shorts 303”—in all 2130” loss 89tts  I got quite drunk. My spirits is |  |  | |
| Fr 18  waggon | it is clear & sunny to day the  first for some days. I feel quite  out of sorts John & Carter has  been weighing the flour && putting  it a way. they are now out  driving their horses in Dueslers |  |  | |
|  | Dec 1857 |  |  | |
| Sat 19 | I am at a loss to know what  I done but I know cant say  sqr Reese came & staid all kt. |  |  | |
| Su 20 | after Breckfast he left & I as  usual was playing at chess |  |  | |
| Mo 21 | carter & John was fixing a  new tong in the wagon, I am  at a loss to know what to get at |  |  | |
| Tu 22 | carter & John still potering at  the waggon. John & Dick ha  lld some wood for Maston to ma  ke a cole pit, poor miserable man  that I am. My hands is tide &  I am in debt & cant pay duns  on all sides & naught to pay. |  |  | |
| We 23 | the waggon is finishing will be  done to kt. we carried 312tts. wheat to  the Brewery for the Jews at 6 cts. tt John  halld some hay to Harper & bran,  we let Maston have 111ts old Iron & halld  him 6 cords wood at 9$ |  |  | |
| Th 24 | preparation for a ball to kt. at Quin  cy house. John got a new coat of Jews  at 14$. I am still in trouble got a |  |  | |
|  | Dec 57 |  |  | |
|  | letter from John Overton say  ing he would be over to see me a  bout money Due him as interest  225$ to day I recvd 125$ from Bourne  by C. lindley from Mville express  cost 1 1/2$ |  |  | |
| Fr. 25 | I was at the Ball last kt awhile  looking on his morning I dressd up  this morning some several Drunk  to day of the smart ones in town |  |  | |
| Sat 26  Romantic | the weather is pleasant of days  & cold of kts. no snow in the vally  p.m. the Plumas Rangers met  in Quincy & was drilld some by Capt  Cunningham & Lawyer Haydon  was married to Miss Story this eve  ning at Betsy town, a runaway match  the girl 16 & the Boy 32 quite |  |  | |
| Sun 27 | the day of rest is here again so  far as labor is concernd I rest evry  day. but in minf no day all is  labor to me. I was dund to day  again, John & Carter went over to  Rocky Bar & took a 1/2 tts. Krought  to Kyler, they got back after dark |  |  | |
|  | Dec 57 |  |  | |
| Mo 28 | I, john & Kyler went over to  Rocky Bar it was late when  arrivvd, late before we started |  |  | |
| Tu 29 | I slepd with old dad in his  Bunk, as usual I was up before  day & built a fire, early we had  Breckfast. I & John went up to  the point. John & the express  man started for rabbit creek  John on his way to Mville. I  & F Fox footed it to the vally got  Home at noon, in time we had dinner |  |  | |
| We 30 | I am poking about as usual  as miserable as can be, but living  on hop that the day will come  when I shall be free again |  |  | |
| Th 31 | th kts are quite cold, but the  days are warm and sunny preperali  ons are being made by many of the  folks to go to Marlins to kt to ate  nd a ball. I am not in the mix.  we stay at home as sutch amus  ement os too young for us. |  |  | |
|  | Jan 58 |  |  | |
| Fr 1 | new year has commensd with us  again. we are quite discontented  owing to out unsettld condition&  of our affairs being in a very bad fix |  |  | |
| Sat 2 | I had another dun from Haydin  for Burkholder allso one from A.  Mengers from M ville in recei  ving a letter from him of date 18”  Dec. last, arly carter & I started over to  Mill creek prospecting but returnd  with out making the desird  discovery, though we found some  fresh deer sign, that we expect  to look after some other time.---- |  |  | |
| Su 3 | cold last kt. yet a beautiful sun  ny morning calm & sarine a  day of rest, a day that should  be devoted to the prais of God & yet there  is none that will set the example |  |  | |
| Mo 4 | I wrote a letter to John  at Mville but faild to get it  off. I was lying around as  usual not doing any thing. I  let Maston have the oxen & wa  ggon to hall wood. |  |  | |
|  | Jan 58 |  |  | |
|  | Dick to work for the akansas  company on yesterday eve. |  |  | |
| Tu 5 | commensd snowing this mor  ning at day light continued all  day. some 6 or 8 inches deep in  vally. the slays are running |  |  | |
| Th 6 | clear & cold nothing to note  but evry where about  this place seems verry dull.  om sunday last I pt from  J.C. :ewis 74 3/4$ for Lovejoys note  of same amt. due 3 moths with  interest at 3 per cet pr month  I pd same day, overton 100$  interest money & gave my note  for 125$ moore. for the same  & gave Harper 20$ & my note  for 120$ on an old beef act to  date Dec 9th 57 on monday last |  |  | |
| Th 7 | let Maston have the ox team  to hall wood & hay the kts are  cold but days are sunny  and dome warm &c. |  |  | |
|  | Jan 58 |  |  | |
| Fr 8 | kts are cold & days some  warm & verry dull about these  diggins on yesterday I collected on sun  day last 10$ of streshly for hay |  |  | |
| Sat 9 | quite cold last kt. the water free  zes out of the branch evry kt  the past week, none comes down  till noon for the stock to drink  I gave Byers a letter to carry to Mville  for John to look at as B is going  down. I & wife took tea with Lewis  & family |  |  | |
| Su 10 | clowdy & snowing a little this  morning early as i can discover  while noting down the past week  occurances that interested me  the day has passd with out any  here at quincy  improvement in the morals  of the people of quincy--- |  |  | |
| Mo 11 | it snowd all day mode  rate but melted quite as  fast as it fell. I pd 1/4$ for  tax put soles on my boots  playing Billiards & cards for  whiskey, is what most are at |  |  | |
|  | Jan 58 |  |  | |
| Tu 12  message | last evening Myres li  ttle daughter came to board  with us while going to school  it snowd last kt 8 in deep in  the vally but cleard up to day |  |  | |
| We 13 | the slays are in full blas  t, to day is some clowdy, not  thing to note all dull & disi  pation. weve red the presidents |  |  | |
| Th 14 | verry clod Last Kt. in deed  but the day was warm & sunny  several citizens went up  to Spanish Ranch in slays  with a view to have a dance |  |  | |
| Fr 15 | early this morning it is sn  owing fast and appearance in  dicate a deep fall of snow. p.  m. it melts away as fast as it  falls. I brought suit against  old sockum to recover costs  in whitch he was interested. i  had a note garnished in the  hands of Jews, Asheim &c. |  |  | |
|  | Jan 58 |  |  | |
| Sat 16 | the snow is 6 inches deep  here with crust on it, with  a damp atmosphere, the sun  shines out at intervals  maston got 73 tts wheat, a  dance at meadow Vally to kt. |  |  | |
| Su 17 | to day passd of as usual  Drinking bad whiskey & play  ing Billiards with most idles  I too was playing chess with  Norton & won the odd game |  |  | |
| Mo 18 | up at day light while  the rest in the house is quiet  the fog is quite dense, but  few houses with the smoke  ascending the chimney pipes  as yet in the town. I cleand  of the hay ladders so the  sun could melt away the snow |  |  | |
| Tu 19 | quite frosty last kt we  are still doing out regular  do nothing ways, p.m. I |  |  | |
|  | Jan 58 |  |  | |
|  | we loaded on some hay &  carter & jack went to Betsy  town with the hay to Brurk  I let Hogan have the horse  to go over to Indian Vally |  |  | |
| WE 20 | clowdy & rainy all day  about dark commensd to  snow & continued all kt |  |  | |
| Th 21 | still snowing & raining  all day with out increase  in its depth at all in the  vally. verr dull in deed. |  |  | |
| Fr 22  37$ 15 cts I gave him a receipt | the snow fell near 1 foot  deep last kt & has been at  it all day. but rather warm  to increase its depth Sock  um came to town to settle  out law suit. by giving his  note with G. Martin as sec  rity for 162$ 85 cts payable  first June next & paying |  |  | |
|  | Jan 58 |  |  | |
|  | in full for the company &  I solde Maston 75 tts cabb  ge at 5 cts & got the cash 3 3/4$  I halld on the coarset pa  ir of boots on Wens-last th  at Ive worn is calafornis  for whitch I am to pay 7$  they being the sixth pair  got for my use since in cala. |  |  | |
| Sat 23 | it is snowing this mo  rning at day light verry  moderate there was sever  al old woman took tea  with us & some Men. |  |  | |
| Su 24 | it was quite cold last  kt sundays is considered  no better day than the rest |  |  | |
| Mo 25 | the weather is mod  erated some clowdy & foggy |  |  | |
| Tu 26 | the same rotine of  businessm lounging all day |  |  | |
|  | Jan 58 |  |  | |
| We 27 | there is no alteration  in the weather it being  Clowdy & foggy & in the  regular employment in  town with the citizens |  |  | |
| Th 28 | it is the same thing over  again day & kt playing  cards for whiskey & billi  rds to see whoo shall keep  his money or pay to the ta |  |  | |
| Fr 29 | cold & cleat last kt. I  let Maston have 53 tts wheat  the sun shone out warm  & pleasant nothing doing |  |  | |
| Sat 30 | cold & freezing last kt & warm  to day. I plaid some  chess with Norton. I provd  rather the best to day –  I let Duesler have the oxen  & waggon to hall load hay |  |  | |
|  | Jan 58 |  |  | |
|  | I let Brewer have 348  tts wheat at 6 cts # & got in  return 10 Gls lager beer & had  the same amt previous. Hog  an came back on monday  last after being gone with  horse one week -- |  |  | |
|  | Feb 1858 |  |  | |
| Mo 1 | carter started for Bid  wells Bar to Bring in the ma  il. I bought 6 Gls whiskey  pd 13 1/2$ & a bottle besides cost 1$  all to be used by our cook. --- |  |  | |
| Tu 2 | down to sat 6 is one rou  nd of fine days sun warm |  |  | |
| We 3 | & pleasant but cold kts. John |  |  | |
| Th 4 | got back of Fr 5 & so did car  ter with the mall. I got a let |  |  | |
| Fr 5 | ter from L.M. Thurman of  date Dec 23rd 57 from Knox cty  Ill, says he wants to come back |  |  | |
| Sat 6 | John Bass maede me a present  of pair of pants on Fr last ----- |  |  | |
|  | Feb 58 |  |  | |
| Su 7 | beautifull morning after  a cold frosty kt. the Black smi  th is at work sharpning some  poore miners pick I suppose |  |  | |
| Mo 8 | snowd some last kt  & a little today, cleard off  again nothing doing |  |  | |
| Tu 9  bail | verry cold last kt. I pd  1/2$ for candles last kt at noon  there was a fight between one  Thos Hogan & George Miller in  whitch got cut about  the head with a knofe then  Miller got his knife out &  made Hogan run as his  knife was not fit for use  being bent double Hogan  was arrested I & Maston went his |  |  | |
| We 10 | Last kt cold & warm to day  I wrote a letter to LM Thursday  man, Miller is a bout with  his head tide up |  |  | |
|  | Feb 58 |  |  | |
| Th 11 | cold last kt & warm day  some appearance of snow  wife sold 18 chickens for 27$  & gave me 20$of the money  & 1$ to bye a broom, I let  Bass & Neal have 2 doz eggs 2 1/2$ |  |  | |
| Fr 12 | Carter left for bidwells  Bar with the U.S. Mail  the weather is clear & cold |  |  | |
| Sat 13 | no change to note of im  portance, sold to J.C. Lewis 58  tbs wheat on time |  |  | |
| Su 14 | snowd some last kt &  continued all day verry fast  I was on a jury to try the  right of property. & recvd 3$  for a verdict. all in cash  onFriday last |  |  | |
| Mo 15 | up before day the grou  nd is again coverd with sn  ow as well as the trees. looks  deary in deed continued  all day snowing with  intervals of rain |  |  | |
|  | Feb 58 |  |  | |
|  | all day snowing with  intervals of rain. |  |  | |
| Mo 15 | last kt appears to  have raind some all kt but  not so fast as it has been  all of to day, it is quite  slushy, on the ground of sn  ow & water & sheriffs sale  took place to day, selling out a  Jews store for what it will bring  for cash in quincy, I bought  a white Rubber coat for 2$ cash |  |  | |
| Tu 16 | still raind all kt on the vally  & the snow is being washed away  some. the branch is quite full  to over flowing that runs through  the yard. snow mixed with  rain this morning as it falls  I bought 6 pair pants at 14$  & 7 pair stocking at 2 1/2$ & one  other pats at 1$ I then sold  1 pair at 2 1/2$ |  |  | |
|  | Feb 58 |  |  | |
| We 17 | continues to rain in  the vally & snow on mont |  |  | |
| Th 18 | an interition of fall  ing weather. Hogan got  back to day with horse |  |  | |
| Fr 19 | still falling weather  Maston got 55 tbs. wheat  John & Jack halld load wood |  |  | |
| Sat 20 | last some of my plank  fence blew down last kt  back of town still raining |  |  | |
| Su 21 | still raining Ive spent  1/2$ for billiards & 1/2$ for  something else |  |  | |
| Mo 22 | cleard up this evening  a dance at betsytown to kt  the frogs has been singing  in the vally since the mid  dlw of last week, it looks  verry mutch spring in vally |  |  | |
|  | Feb 58 |  |  | |
| Tu 23  Niggers in Ky | fine day I took some  pills this morning eat but  little to day some tea & toast  at supper Carter got up with  mail & wife recvd a letter  from H Rankin of G. town  Ky giving some information  of hard times & scearcity of  provisions & the necessity of  doing something with our |  |  | |
| We 24 | it is beautifull sunny  day & the kts not verry cold  has all the appearance of sp  ring the Frogs singing at  evening & the hens cackling |  |  | |
| Th 25 | I had a settlement with Ju  dkins fell in debt 40$  for whitch I gave my note  I gave 1/2$ for candles last kt  John & carter halld some lu  mber from Mill for Poerter |  |  | |
| Fr 26 | I took some blue Mass  last kt don’t feell well this |  |  | |
|  | Feb 58 |  |  | |
| Fr 26 | morning. Norton came  down this morning & pd  me 14$ for wheat |  |  | |
| Sat 27 | nothing of notice |  |  | |
| Su 28 | don’t feel well |  |  | |
|  | March |  |  | |
| Mo 1 | I am not able to work |  |  | |
| Tu 2 | I helpd John hall out  manure on garden but was sick  all day |  |  | |
| We 3 | I took a dose calomel  last kt. was down all day |  |  | |
| Th 4 | I am still out of sorts  the weather a little stormy |  |  | |
| Fr 5 | I am improving John  halld load wheat to  mill for Burkholder |  |  | |
| Sat 6 | I help John to start  to ploughing in garden  the first he has done that  way, I recvd a letter on  Friday kt last A. Mengers |  |  | |
|  | March 58 |  |  | |
|  | informing me that he  must have 389$ that I  owes him------- |  |  | |
| Su 7 | I wrote a letter to H.P. this  moring in an  swer to A Mengers req  uest & hope it will be at  tented to took a  cold bath early this morning |  |  | |
| Mo 8 | I sent H.P.s letter by express  cost 1/4$ John was plowing |  |  | |
| Tu 9 | John plowing this fore  noon & after two I can get  to doing anything yet. I d  1$ for green tea |  |  | |
| Th 11 | John ploughing this fore  noon & after, him & Truit  went to Bates Mill & halld  down a load lumber each  for miner on Bagger Hill |  |  | |
|  | March 58 |  |  | |
| Fr 12 | John & Truit started ear  ly with one waggon & plamks  for Badger Hill. got back after  dark |  |  | |
| Sat 13 | the weather a little  unfavorable. John was plo  ughing & I halld 3 loads wood  to noon, after John & Truit  went to Alfords mill & got  a load plank for Arkansas  compy. Dick finishd ploughing |  |  | |
| Su 14 | snowd a little last kt &  some cold, I mad a mistak  of one day in halling it  was one day early than Ive  started |  |  | |
| Mo 15 | John & Truitt took a load of plank to Arkansas Comp  I was up there to day |  |  | |
| Tu 16 | John & Truit took another  load plank up there to day  it raind & snowd consider  able to day |  |  | |
|  | March 58 |  |  | |
| We 17 | the boys went up to the  mill & got two loads of plk  it was all they did |  |  | |
| Th 18 | the boys halld another load  of plank to Arkansas comp  verry cold last kt. I was on a  Jury to try the right of proper  ty between canion & oneal---  I got 3$ for the same |  |  | |
| Fr 19 | the boys has gone to Badger  Hill with a load of plank for  Hackells I pd 2 days agao 2 1/2$  for whiskey & paper & to day 1/4$  fr paper again, I recvd a  letter from h.P. on business &  one allso from A Mengers, &  says he must have his money |  |  | |
| sat 20 | I went to Jonesville & recvd  50$ in gold dust of warren Stag  came home od 1/4$ tool gate fee  John went to Nelson Creek to see  Jas Smith for money but got none  Dick halld 2 loads of lumber for  John from the Mill ----- |  |  | |
|  | March 58 |  |  | |
| Su 21 | the ox press came in I  recvd another letter fromMengers  & H.P. money mengers must have |  |  | |
| Mo 22 | I sent 231$ by Whiting to  H.P. cost me 2$ for carring it  John & Truit took load plank  to Badger hill to Heckel |  |  | |
| Tu 23 | Dick left yesturday for arka  nsas compy. I laid a floor in  the wood house to put cabbage in  on yesterday, I wife & Davy took  out of ground cleand & put n  house a lot of cabbage John &  Truit halld load plank to varners (?) |  |  | |
| We 24 | raind last kt in vally & sn  owd on mountains & continue  all day the wind blew a part of  lot fence down, In front. I &  John put it up again in the  rain, carter got back with mare (?) |  |  | |
| Th 25 | snow fell 5 inches deep in va  lly & plenty on mountains. the  sun shone out. I john & Carter  dug out the rest of cabbage |  |  | |
|  | March 58 |  |  | |
|  | on last Wednesday Mrs. Duesler  gave John 75$ for the grey horse  Joe Coffin got over 500 tts cab  bage at 2 1/2 per hund, and at least 3/4  were rotted on taking them out |  |  | |
| Fr 26 | snowd all kt last. some 6 inches  deep this morning, & continued  to fall verry fast al day with  out any intermition increase  of the depth on the ground  in the vally, but is quite deep pn  the mountains say the miners |  |  | |
| Sat 27 | cleard up last kt & froze some  but is quite fogge this morning  & some clowdy, nothing doing |  |  | |
| Su 28 | the weather unsettled and if  I mistake not the storm will  last some time yet, though the  sun has been shining out to day |  |  | |
| Mo 29 | the snow has fallen consider  able last kt. I John & Dick went  out to cut some wood for Bass |  |  | |
| lately | March 58 |  |  | |
|  | after it held up from snowing  this morning, my hands blis  tering some as I have not workd |  |  | |
| Tu 30 | continues to snow & rain  but held about noon. we again went  out in p.m. & did  some moore cutting. John halld  I load wood in a.m. |  |  | |
| We 31 | the day passd off with out rain  or snow. John Halld 4 loads wood  to John Bass. I was about town  all day as there was an election  held in this district for super  visor No. 2 & in No. 3 allso  on Mo. last I sent by Whiting  express 75$ to HP Haun & cost  me 1$ expressing & 1$ for tea. |  |  | |
|  | Aprl |  |  | |
| Th 1 | raind last kt & continued all  day verry hard some times  snowing. I & John fixd up the  hay ladders in the rain & then  put on load hay before noon. |  |  | |
|  | Aprl 58 |  |  | |
|  | p.m. John hitchd up the oxen &  drove to Betsy town to Butcher  I was a lounging or Loafing  Carter started out with mail  but returnd again p.m. –  Dick went up to the diggins. |  |  | |
| Fr 2 | the weather is unsettled. I & John  was halling wiid for thehouse p.m.  we halld 1 load of short wood  that was cut for Bass. |  |  | |
| Sat 3 | the sun come out warm & pleas  ant. I & John halld the rest of the  short wood being one load to Bass  then halld another for the house  of another quality. p.m. we sackd  up 2786 tbs. wheat & John took it  to jukins mill. John let Judkins  have 800 ttd wheat to pay him 40$  that he held my note for.  John Overton has come over to  get some interst money of me  he took supper with us this evening |  |  | |
| Su 4 | snowing again this morning  & looks rather gloomy as ime pressd |  |  | |
|  | Aprl 58 |  |  | |
| Su 4 | p.m. inclind to clear up storming but  it is hard to tell when it is done |  |  | |
| Mo 5 | John Halld 925 tts wheat to Burk  holder at 5 1/2₵ per tts. & Brought  Back some slats to make a poling  fence, I cut and split 1 cord wood  for Newron. late p.m. I & John  stakd & riderd a log fence |  |  | |
| Tu 6 | I & John were all day taking  out our blue potatoes of ground  & put them in wheat house, Carter  was sawing & pointing palings  till noon, after he started down with  mail. Jack Stinson got home early  this morning. |  |  | |
| We 7  have 50 tts. potatoes | John & Truitt took a load of lu  mber to varner on Bager Hill  I & Jack made 20 posts & set  them for paling fence a.m.  after it commensd to rain &  continued till kt, we put on so  me palings, Mcnealy helpd us  I pd 1 1/2$ for coffee & salt & got 6  lb nails on credit, I let Newton |  |  | |
|  | Aprl 58 |  |  | |
| Th 8 | some snow on the ground this  morning; John went to mill  & got some slab scanting & slats  for palings & halld 200 ft scantling  for G. Apple. I 7]& Mc was making  paling fences & late Jack helpd. |  |  | |
| Fr 9 | John & Truit to halling plank, I, Mc  & carter went up on the ridge at  head of Mill creek to find new  diggins but did not succeed, it was  verry cold up there. |  |  | |
| Sat 10 | John & Truitt to halling plank  I went up to Curtis Piunt to see  sqr. Rees to get some money he pro  mise to bring it down on tomorrow  Mc was cutting potatoes to plant |  |  | |
| Su 11 | the weather is warm & pleas  ant. Jodge Sexton came in to  wn yeasterfay to hold circu  it court, late this evening Reese  came down & loaned me 200$  at 5 per cent per month. Hogan  is allso on the note joint party |  |  | |
|  | Aprl 58 |  |  | |
| Mo 12 | I sowd about 2 a cres of  wheat in the garden. John Har  rowd it in Mack laid off the  potaote ground. & I planted 8 roes  I & Duesler paid a debt to Jas  Viers of 696$ debt interest & cost  my part being 201$. |  |  | |
| Tu 13 | John & Truit to halling plank  on badge hill. I & Mack plan  ting blue potatoes not 1/2 done |  |  | |
| W 14 | I & John laid off the ground  again, or run another furrow  in same place of the rest of  ground that was not planted  in potatoes. Mack cutting  p.m. Jack helpd us we got  done John went to mill af  ter a load lumber & Truit |  |  | |
| Thu 15 | John & Truit took another  load lumber to Badger  hill. I & Mack finishd the  patings & did some other things |  |  | |
|  | Aprl 58 |  |  | |
|  | after dark we had a meeting  in court house to pass res  olutions to sustain Duglass  in his course against the  Lecompton Kasas swindle  but it was no go. I pd the  express 3 1/4$ for services & 2 1/4  $ to bass & houk on settlement |  |  | |
| Fr 16 | the day is warm & pleasant  some clowdy nothing doing  coffin got 500tts cabbages  p.m. John & Mack is loding  on hay for G. Apple |  |  | |
| Sat 17 | it has been several days since  I wrote down any transactions  But I was around town as usual |  |  | |
| Su 18 | May God help us we are in a bad  fix & see no way to get out of itt  we are to be as poor as the pooredt  dons from all quarters & nothing  to pay with but the ranch |  |  | |
| Mo 19 | I was helping Maston to fix |  |  | |
|  | Aprl 58 |  |  | |
|  | three picks cost 1 1/2$ each in all  4 1/2 dolls p.m. I had him to make  a claw to draw nails with 2$  for it John & Mack was fixing  the fence down the lain till noon  after the were halling wood for  Maston two loads wood 4 cords 6$ |  |  | |
| Tu 20 | early. Watpain came with two  pack mules of Coffins to take  our grub & tools to the mines at  Willow Ranch Mack & I set out  after a short embrace of my wife  my blamketts & some of clo  thing was on hand. It has been 2  years since 10th last March we all  lef the same place to live in the  Am vally but what a change  Lizzy has ran off & got married  Dave is gone to Mville & John is  low spirited with his mother on the  ranch & she too, O God, is verry  un happy, I left her weeping ---  we arrivd at the Cabbin about |  |  | |
|  | Aprl 58 |  |  | |
| This is Tuesday Kt. | about noon it was occupied  by two poor dirty miners, we  on packd the mules then took  out some provisions that wife  had prepard for us before we left  & sat down out of doors & eat  then cleand out the Cabbin & in fro  nt, put our things in, the went  out where these men were mining  saw them clean up had 9$.  spred my blankets on a verry nar  row bed stead woke up verry cold in  the kt, got another pair Blankets  & tride it again, but with no bet  ter success --- |  |  | |
| We 21  provisions was not all gone yet | I & Mack went down to Rocky  Bar & dind with Kyler & Co after  he gave us cups & sucers knives &  spoons, 2 fry pans & Skillet, we put  for home, at Nelson Point we  got 10 1/2$ worth moore Grub & tools  so we put for the cabbin with our  packs, we took supper as our cookd |  |  | |
|  | Aprl 58 |  |  | |
|  | I changed my bed Wensd kt. &  slepd some better, though I dreamd  that John Hurst had came to this  country to see after his daughter  Lizzy he seemd verry mutch dissat |  |  | |
| Th 22  you know it was not well done | after Bkt. as we do no cooking it  is easy got. we started up the di  tch to se if all was righ, we soon  found pleanty of water as we went  a long the ditch we cleand out &  cut some brush out of the way th  at had grown up since I left it  the floom is mutch out of order  though plenty of water is passing  still father up it has been cut & stop  pd again recently & near the head  it has broke down & a sluice box  been put in by someone it is not  large enough to carry the water so  it runs over, we stopd some of  the water out of the head of the ditch  went home & got diner, After we  was hunting for a place to prospect  Mack made up some dough for  Bred as neither of us had done it |  |  | |
|  | Aprl 58 |  |  | |
| Fr 23  my thoughts & feelings are anything but pleasant  as the distance of 10 miles separates wife & John from me. | we went over to the main ra  vine to prospect every pan, we put in  the day to verry little effect. |  |  | |
| Sat 24 | Root was up here last evening  & promised to be here soon this mor  ning, we went up the ditch & left  him. he overtook us, we exani  nd some diggins at the head of  the ditch to the left found gold  on bed rock & shovel sloos fork &  Root ax, and 3 of my sloos boxes  we went mutch up the ravine, but  too mutch snow to see the carac  ter of the ground, returnd home &  took dinner wend down to willow  ranch then to Nelson point & staid  till near Kt. , learnd there of quite  an excitement in honey lake val  ly. the Indians is gathering to fight  the citizens of that valley them take the mi  bers as they come to them, we went  #### home to cabin & as kt approches |  |  | |
|  | Aprl 58 |  |  | |
| Su 25 | it was daylight when I awoke  after dreaming that old Charles  was altering some Negro Boys 8 or 10  years old as so many pigs, intime  we had out breckfast Mc made up  some dough for bred, we then went to  to reservoy & tride t pans of dirt, but  got no coulor, came to cabin Mc is  baking bred, after dinner we went  down to the point staid till next  kt. Baught some beef , Butter & Mo  lasses all cost 7 1/2$ cash then home  Emmonds Brought 4 letters over from  Quincy 2 from Mville, 1  from Geotown Ky & I From wife  she is about to take charge of the  ols American hotel at qincy. |  |  | |
| Mo 26 | early I & Mc shoulder our  tools & went up to reservoy to pro  spect we set to sluce boxes one  with a riffle in it. turnd in  the water & set to diggin. we  quit early & cleand up & got gold |  |  | |
| Tu 27 | I came to the conclution to  work at an other place for the |  |  | |
|  | Aprl 58 |  |  | |
|  | present until can get hose. we  are a going to try the channel  that Dave left off, I fixed up  3 old sluice boxes that wes near  & set the & had the water running  through them we had to moove  apart of rock pile that was  under a large pitch pine that  had been dug up by the roots |  |  | |
| Wd 28 | i dreamd that wife said some  hard things to I said nothing in  return., early I was making a  sloos box out of some old lumber  Mc is out digging or running the  top dirt of Icarried the box out  in commensd snowing we quit  work & went to the cabbin staid  the rest of day. I drew of some  accounts, snowd all day. |  |  | |
| Th 29 | verry cold this morning ground  coverd with snow. I continued draw  ing off accounts, clowds from the North  we took dinner & went out to groom  d sloosing, I repaired another  old sloos box & put it in below |  |  | |
|  | Aprl 58 |  |  | |
| Fr 30 | another beautifull morning  Mc is getting Breckfast. it over  we went to ground sloosing till  noon, after we tride to clean up  but the sea ment is so verry hard  we made but little head way at  all events we cleand up the boxes  and got about $4 for a starter |  |  | |
| May |  |  |  | |
| Sat. | we went out to diggins, but I  made a riffle, we rest the boxes  & put another in , while fixing  some 3 new miners came to us they  wanted to work hire or dig for them  selves. so i let Wm Deavenport aet  in as a partner, we cleand up at  noon. got gold about 15$ I fixed  up and started for the am Vally. I  wore a pair of Gun slipper so as not  to have to carry another pair Boots, bac  by so doing I blisterd my feet. I arrivd  in good time wife was at the old house  yet but fixing to go to the old house  yet but fixing to go to the tav  ern to eat supper so we soon did  & took up our lodgings there also |  |  | |
|  | May 58 |  |  | |
| Su 2 | all see,s going on in the same  way but i am at a loss living  at the Am Hotell as my wife is  proprierness, and our house lockd  up looks rather deserted. I am  made to feel verry sad on account  of poverty. willit never alter in  my time, I’ve moovd often enoughf. |  |  | |
| Mo 3 | wife is verry buissy to get a  dinner for the public, as the Grand Hury  coming in town. at noon  the bell was rung, quite a number  was to dine e p.m. I handed in my  report as over seer of road  section N. 13 was recvd also my  resignation from that pos t of honor  I collected 12$ moore road tax & lea  ves me minus $18. I settled with  Tom Carter, he wants to call it even. |  |  | |
| Tu 4 | breckfast over I got ready, shou  lderd a sack full of one thing &  another, a hoe, m rifle & shot poutch  & powder horn & my old hickory cane  & set out a foot for mu diggins |  |  | |
|  | May 58 |  |  | |
| Tu 4 | arrivd there at noon after hav  ing stepd the road from Ill Ranch  to my cabin, it being 6 miles less  300 yards, the boys we getting dinner  got gold som ten or 12$ |  |  | |
| We 5 | I & Mc is alone we were out  in good time cleand up the  rest of Boxes & put another in  a head, & was cleaning up bed  rock the rest of the day. Got gold  some 2 oz I suppose mutch to  the pleasure of Mc, before noon  our Wm came to the cabbin &  got his kit or wardrobe & left  without letting us know, about  it, after supper I gave my check shirt  a cold water rinse  & hung out to dry |  |  | |
| Th 6 | Mc was mining all day I we  nt up Nelson Creek baught some  hose & Pipe gave $20 I sold what  Dust I had on hand amounted to |  |  | |
|  | May 58 |  |  | |
|  | 82$ I also got 40 yds cancas at  65cts per yd some beeswax needles  & apalm to sew with, I got to the  cabbin in p.m. I went out to help  Mc clean up we got some $20  in dust as near as I can guess |  |  | |
| Fr 7 | Mc ernt down to the point got  12 tts beef & bottle ground pepper,  re turned & went to mining. I was ma  king hose to day, Late I went out  & helpd Mc clean up 2 boxes &  got gold I gess about 8$ Jake  Jourden was to see if I would let  I arrivd at quincy at sundown  him work with us. I agreed to it |  |  | |
| Sat 8 | Early Jake was up with his  pick & shovel, so we concluded  to repair the chimney Mack &  Jake went at it & was sewing  on hose. p.m. Mack started for  the vally & still later John ca  me over on horse after me. I con  cluded to go over. & left Jake to  take cear of the cabbin &c |  |  | |
|  | May 58 |  |  | |
| Su 9 | alls well wife is getting a  long as well as could be ex  pected dislikes to be a lone or  without me cant be helpd, the  grand Jury closd its session last  kt at 10 p.m. & at about 2 p.m.  I, Mack & Bill Mackmanaway  started for the cabin was there  before sun down had supper  the two Mcks went down to the  poin to get some blankets Bill  I rin some Bulletts for my revo  lver as there is a good deal of ex  citement about the Indians  of late out at hone y lake & thereabouts. |  |  | |
| Mo 10 | the Macks went to sloosing I  to making hose & Jake to knock  ing old boxes to pieces we also  did some packing of boxes. I got  done sewing one seam of the new  hose. Jake helpd me to turn it |  |  | |
| Tu 11 | the Macks were sloosing this a.m. p.m. they  cleand up & got gold | |  | |
|  | May 58 |  |  | |
|  | Jake made too sloos boxes a.m.  after, he went down to point after  some grub. I was making hose |  |  | |
| We 12 | the Macks is cleaning up for  gold, Jake is making floom  boxes to conduct water to pen sto  ck. p.m. he went down to point  after nails. I finishd the new  hoes. the boys got some gold |  |  | |
| Th 13 | Macks ar cleaning up get  gold every day. Jake is making  floom boxes finishd by noon, I  cut open & sewd up some 10ft of  old, hose by noon. Afte, I & Jake  ficed four bosex to clean up  about the cabins that were burned  we cut a small ditch, had the  water running through the  boxes, I put in some dirt. |  |  | |
| Fr 14 | Bill did not work this fore  noon neaty was cleaning up  I & Jake was cleaning up a rou  nd my old cabbin & got some gold. |  |  | |
|  | Oct 58 |  |  | |
|  | there had been a big fall of  snow for the season, but we  got out before any moore fell &  in November we were three  days getting down to Jacks  soon after. I went up to Bou  rnes to get money he owed, a few  days after he dent me 360$ in  two parcels & I sod the horse &  wagon to Jack for 250$ I then  sent Overton 550$ November  22nd.. I put in my time  helping Jack. wrote 3 letters  to John to come down & John  wrote one to his ma that he  would wait until I came up  we get it about 20 Jan 1859  so on Sunday morning at 6  I put for the mountains & that  evening I suppose John arrivd  at Jacks, my passage up to  New York house was 6$ then I |  |  | |
|  | May 58 |  |  | |
| Fr 14 | p.m. I was paning it out  Jake was cutting poles to put up  the floom, we all carried a box  this afternoon McNealy went  down to the point got back dark  there was 11$ 3 bits of gold about the  cabins that was burnt ------- |  |  | |
| Sat 15 | the Macks were putting up the lead  boxes to pen stock & digging a ditch  John came over with  100 bs. flour & 115 lbs. potaotes.. we  gor gold this week 50$ 3 bits in all  Mack made a stool, Jake put  up a Bunk I made a lead box |  |  | |
| Su 16 | the Macks went a prospecting  I & Jake went out to diggins got  the picks took them to Blk Smiths had  three sharpd & hoe mended cost 2$  we went down to point settled with  fox pd him 45$ 3bits for goods  previously gotten & pd him 7$ for  Bill Mcmanaway & 20$ for John |  |  | |
|  | May 58 |  |  | |
|  | - we then got 23 1/2$ of Grub that  is to be paid for. Mc came down &  helpd me pack them hom we left  Jake down there playing at cards  I saw 4 moore of the Maston family  fresh from Miss. to the American Vally |  |  | |
| Mo 17 | Jake & Mc ewere cleaning up done  well. I & Bill were curring ditches &  fixing to pipe a.m. p.m, we got  at it, but have not head enoughf |  |  | |
| Tu 18 | We went out to work, but fou  nd that we had not water enou  ghf to pipe & let the Boys have a  sloos head to run off top dirt. so  we took a cold dinner and all four  went up the ditch & repaird it.  took a Box out of it & stopd the  Brake & mended up the floom &c. |  |  | |
| We 19 | we took some rags up the ditc  h to calk the floom & threw out the  rocks & shoveld out the dirt in  places. by noon we had the water  running down again & Jake |  |  | |
|  | May 58 |  |  | |
|  | helpd the water in the ditch to  Bring the sloos box down to dig  gins, but it was raining to ha  rd, so we left of & went to cabin  got dinner. we all staid in as  it continued to rain the evening |  |  | |
| Tu 20 | Jake & Mc was sloosing down  this fore noon p.m. were shoveling  in for pay. I & Bill put in too  sloos boxes in a head of the rest in  the cut. p.m. late we were pipe  ing down, raind & sun shine  all day at intervals, no gold today |  |  | |
| Fr 21 | sun up, Jake getting breckfast  as usual, that over we. I & Bill  to pipeing down. we tride out  boxes for gold at noon but got  none so I closd work at this pla  ce at Kt, Jake & Mc got goid to  day & finishd the place p.m.  the moovd down to another spot |  |  | |
| Sat 22 | we all four workd at the  same place sloosing down go  some gold. a.m. after did not work |  |  | |
|  | May 58 |  |  | |
|  | John came over by noon & led  Carters mare for me to ride over  to Quincy whitch I did this p.m. |  |  | |
| Su 23 | all the American ranch hotell  with my wife & John. alls well  not mutch doing in the way of  hotel keeping. I spent the day in  talking politicks & so on, it raind  quite a shower at Quince on  yesterday evening before I got there |  |  | |
| Mo 24 | I gave John 60$ to pay off  manges in Mville I got a letter  from him & H.P. stating there was  due yet 55$ I then left for the imi  nes on foot in compy with 4 ot  hers & carried a large rope, we got  over before noon.. took dinner  I & David Thurington went up the  ditch & up the mountain on the  snow hunting for the blue lead  we Brot home a mess of wild onions  it raind quite a shower before we  all went to bed, the boys we sloos  ing down today, got no gold |  |  | |
|  | May 58 |  |  | |
| Tu 25 | Bill said he was sick & star  ted for the A M Vally I gave him  5$, Jake & Mc went to mining. I  went down to the point with  Fox pd him for Grub 37$ and  sold him 48$ 37 cts worth of dust  & got 2 bottles of Brandy cost 1 1/2$  came to Roots on the hill & had  to go to his mill to get a chissell  & came home by noon, after  grinding it, I made a windless  the boys got a little gold today |  |  | |
| We 26 | the boys out mining, I finishd the  windless put on the rope withe the tub  & made stool & so on by noon, it  is raining, p.m. it continued mu  tch harder, the boys did not go out,  to work I mad another stool |  |  | |
| Th 27 | I Jake & Mc is all we were out  mining this fore noon & the picks  are broke & dull. p.m. I took them  down to the point & had 4 upset  & sharpd pd the smith 5$ the boys  we mining got some gold ---- |  |  | |
|  | May 58 |  |  | |
| Fr 28 | I went down with Root to see  his claims on feather River oppo  site the old Bray diggins, we got  the coulor in evry pan & once 3, so  we went down to the point. I got 4  tts sugar & 11 1/2 tts beef & got home by  noon the Boys had been out mining  p.m. I mead a pick handle & was to  help them the rest of the day. got gold |  |  | |
| Sat 29 | Mack is at work by him self, as  I & Jake is prospecting some old holes  near the cabin, the first one we could  get the coulor evry pan of the bed rock  the second we have got the water out  off it & now getting dinner. after  Mc helpd us we got the mus out by  hard tugging & some gravel off the bed  rock but not the right kind it has some  gold in it, I fear not enoughf to ma  ke it pay so says Jake. |  |  | |
| Su 30 | we indulged out selves in lying  in out bunks till late but Breckfast  over we all set out. I & Jake for the  point & Mc up Feather river to see some  diggins, we staid all day at the  point. I spent 1$ for pike on billiards |  |  | |
|  | May 58 |  |  | |
| Mo 31  at home by my self rather lonesome | we all took the windless &  things belonging & carried up on  the reservoy flat & picd out a pla  ce to sink a shaft. I set to work  at it my self, Jake & Mc went  down to the diggins to set sloos  boxes & clean up some bed rock  they got some gold & one piece  about $10 by noon, P.m. ja  ke was to help me sink the  hole & Mc by him self sloos  ing down., Dick was over  to see me on yesturday, all well  I saw a man by the name of  Berry on Sunday lst that was  well acquainted with W.G. in iowa |  |  | |
|  | June 58 |  |  | |
| Tu 1 | I & Jake is putting the shaft down  the water was 15 inches deep in the  hole this morning the hole 11 1/2 ft  deep. this evening it is 21 ft deep  & mutch water to contend with  Mc is sloosing down by him self  Jake & Mc is gone to the point to see  a show of some kind to kt I am |  |  | |
|  | June 58 |  |  | |
| We 2 | Jake got in before day light &  Mc after sun rise. we were late get  ting to work. I & Jake sinking the  shaft most of all rotten boulders  about 30 ft deep to kt, Mc is by him  self slooding down verry hard sement.  we are down to bed rock & no gold  from appearances weve not had time  as yet to prospect the bed rock dirt |  |  | |
| Th 3 | I & Jake went up to the hole to  prospect but got no gold, I don’t  know where to look for gold now  we went north & prospected some  old holes but no colour of gold  by non we were at the diggins to  hel Mc p.m. we all set in to pic  king sown hard sement. did not cle  an up. Ive not enjoyd my fate  verry well. I am all the time thi  nking what shall I do to make so  me money I am wlling to work  but fate is against me. I ve all  most give up trying to any longer |  |  | |
|  | June 58 |  |  | |
| Fr 4 | we all three was at work in  the diggins at work all day, er  did not clean up the slooses |  |  | |
| Sat 5 | again we are digging down  top dirt & running it through  the boxes. at noon we cleand up |  |  | |
| Su 6 | I staid at quincy all day I  gave him up his note of 114$  or rather he had a man to buy it  up for him. I settld with  Dr. Kate pd him 76$ in an |  |  | |
|  | June 58 |  |  | |
|  | account of 65$ & 11$ in cash ao we  are even again, I pd. A Rich  ards 11 $ still on balance Due him  I got 87 1/2$ on the A.C. Thompson  note & Martin as security the  remainder of note goes to sam  Baloo & Fox so I gave the note to  sam Baloo this done last Kt. |  |  | |
| Mo 7 | I pd. p.o. Hurdley 50$ for  Harper & Apple on a note of some  thing over 100$ & took a recept for  the same I soon after left for  the diggins in compy by myself  I went by Alfords mill  & up the hill the Boys had Just  gone to work after dinner I  went to the cabbin got some  thing & made too small tro  ughfs & two pick handles then  out to help them till kt. |  |  | |
| Tu 8 | I made a pick handle for  Jake out of Dry oak then  went up to the reservoy & turnd  in all the water.. I then went |  |  | |
|  | June 58 |  |  | |
|  | to help the Boys pick down  that intolerable hard sement  we soon broke the points of  all the picks though we  workd on till kt. Jake &  Mc has gone down to the  point to kt to have them  fixed again is verry wa  rm & has been for 3 days |  |  | |
|  | June 58 |  |  | |
| We 9  went home, arrivd at sunset | Mc staid at the point as there  is quite a number of men going  up to the blue lead to day, Jake  came home last kt with the picks  all sharpd again, I found my  self on the way up to the picks  all sharpd again, I found my  self on the way up to the blue  lead by my self, but I soon  over took too men & mules, but  when we got on the ridge we  were overtaken by several moore  on we went till we got on the di  vide between American vally &  middle feather river, we staid  on the supposd lead & got too  men to prospect, for Gravel & then |  |  | |
| Th 10 | we all three was cleaning up  Bed rock, p.m. we pickd down some  of that hard sement & cleand up  after supper I & Jake went down to the  point, we had 59$ worth of dust  I pd Fox 21$ grub bill or rather  his clerk Myres, I put a letter in  the Express & 125$ to go to Galloway  Hite & lo at Mville. I then came  home Jake staid for the Kt. |  |  | |
| Fr 11 | Jake came up before we got out  of Bunks, with Beef & Butter we were  digging down all day without get  gold ot trying, or cleaning up. |  |  | |
| Sat 12 | , we are still digging away in sement  noon came & no one has come  after me. I went out to work a  gain p.m. but concluded that I  would go to the vally so I went aga  in to the cabbin, washd my self  put on my best goofs, shoulderd  my rifle & started, before I got out  of sighe of the canyon trail I saw  Dick & calld him over, I got on the  mule & soon made the vally. |  |  | |
|  | June 58 |  |  | |
|  | the Boys cleand up & got gold 53 1/2$  one piece weighing 23 1/2$ &-------- |  |  | |
| Su 13 | I put in my time at quincy  the Best i could some improvements  going on, the foundation is be  ing laid & mutch of the carpentery  work is done & doing ---- I had  a good mess of redishes of the ranch |  |  | |
| Mo 14 | I gave Dick 8$ John gave him  8$ last week & this, I then got on my mule  & Duesler on his mar we rode up  to Townleys diggins above Allfords  mill. then to my diggins, we  found the boys at dinner so we  too pitchd in, that over I had Due  sler to trim my hair, then to  work & Duesler started home with  the mule I rode, I pickd up a  piece of gold about 1 1/2 oz. cleand  up one box & got about 5$ more  Jes Woodward pd me 8$ balance on act. |  |  | |
| Tu 15 | we were sloosing down all day  it was clowdy all day & raind |  |  | |
|  | June 58 |  |  | |
|  | a little at kt. & it was raining |  |  | |
| We 16 | a little this morning we were  late getting out to work, at  noon John came over & took  a bite to eat with us, he brow  ght a letter from John B over  ton, says he must have some  money so John went down  to the point I gave him 90$ he  had 55$ making 145$ that he wo  uld send him at onion vally  we were sloosing down all day |  |  | |
| Th 17 | we finishd digging down  & sloosing down hard sement  p.m. we then wentto clean up  Bed rock the rest of the day, Jake  & Mc is gone down to the point  to get 4 picks sharpend |  |  | |
| Fr 18 | raind last kt & some to day we were  late getting out as it was raining we  were cleaning up till noon, we then  cleand up all the Boxes, p.m. we  had a settlement for Mc Benefit |  |  | |
|  | June 58 |  |  | |
| 18 …… | it over the Boys went down to the  point I hurld on my best duds &  made for the vally I arrived at su  nset quite a number was in atten  dance on the county convention |  |  | |
| Sat 19 | verry cool last kt, I went to the  theater last kt with wife, full  house. I was pleasd with the per  formance, quincy was full of men  to day, the convention nominated  all Bucannon Candidates for of  fice the Douglass men were all  Beaten, by a coalition of Know  nothings old whigs & BI Republicans  another show tokt. & Great dis  satisfaction among the duglass  democratic ranks |  |  | |
| Su 20 | still cool of kts in the vally  the people are leaving in mass  for their homes. Ive felt quite stu  pid all day, I gathered wife a lar  ge bunch of flowers on the event  ng last, I gave John Overton |  |  | |
|  | June 58 |  |  | |
|  | 56$ worth of gold dust, then to bed  to be applied on a note of 361$ in all  paid on it 201$ ---- |  |  | |
| Mo 21 | I feel verry mutch like I don’t  want to go over to the diggins, so  after some tome dil daling about  I wrote a letter to C Lindley at M  viler pd 1/4$ for expressage I then  shouldwrd my rifle & started I ar  rivd at noon Jake was at the ca  bbin & had dinner ready we eat  & then went out to work, cleaninf  up Bed rock, & ser the sloos Boxes  again. Jake had cleand out about  10$ in gold dust before I got there |  |  | |
| Tu 22 | we two are all alone & in for a good  days work cleaning up bed rock  evening came we cleand all the slo  os boxes & got some 4 oz. gold dust |  |  | |
| We 23 | we finishd where we were at  work & now for a new place we  are going to set in up the ravine  at the big that is propd up  at the but with two poles so we |  |  | |
|  | June 58 |  |  | |
| We 23 | ---- commensd tp pack up the sloos  boxes & tools, we set too boxes & let  the water in. I cleand out a sma  ll ditch to catch all the seap water  that was going to wast. p.m. we  run through all the old tailings  then cleand up & got about 2$  to day was my Birth day be  ing 47 years old, older than good |  |  | |
| Th 24 | we were out at work in not time only  we set 3 boxes higher up in the bank  thank they were & commensd to  sloos down, p.m. it raind quite  a shower did not clean up we  quit early & had supper then down  to the point sold out dust had 111$  the pd fox 18 1/2$ for Grub, pd  Cunningham 3$ for meal, pd fox  1 1/2$ for Express matter |  |  | |
| Fr 25 | we were a little late in getting  up some cool, to sloosing we went  but set 2 more boxes we made a  large hole in the ground the too  last days did not clean up |  |  | |
|  | June 58 |  |  | |
| Sat 26 | we cleand up the cut & also  the boxes & our gold was verry scearce  3$.. we concluded to knock off whi  tch we did & got our dinners, I put  things to rights & washd off dressd &  up & went down to the point, I took  out my old cloth vest that I brou  ght from Ky. & burnt it to ashes  withe too shirts. I took my gun  made tracks for quincy. I arrvd  before sun set all well.  I let Jake have 20$ & the 3$ dust |  |  | |
| Su 27 | quite a frost in valy last  kt vegetation froze some, wheat  & other grain mutch injured ---  the courthouse is up ready for  the rafters. was preaching in cou  rt house by Methodist minister  the hat was handed round of course |  |  | |
| Mo 28 | still another heavy frost froze  some potatoe vines, I rode up to  see Capt Riddle & diggins, he has  given a mrtgage to the Rest of the Compy  for 585$ & said nothing to me  bout it, I wanted them to set the  morthae a side but they would not |  |  | |
|  | June 58 |  |  | |
| Tu 29 | we had another frost last kt  harder than all the rest, also a  negro Minstrals. I was too see them  perform last kt. I halld on my  mining duds & gun, then I rode  to the Ill Ranch then footed  it the diggins, Jake had din  ber ready. p.m. we went to  mining where he had set the  boxes, we did not clean up. |  |  | |
| We 30 | I was verry cold this morning  in my Bunk with 2 pair blankets  & my cotton spread to keep  off the dust, I got up made a  fire & laid down again. Jake  was unwell so mutch so he did  not go to work all day, I went  & dug all day allone, later a  man came to diggins & says  he wants to work with us, we  agreed, by his paying us 65$  when it comes out for the  tools grub & furniture & to  pay for water. If the diggins pay |  |  | |
|  | July 58 |  |  | |
| Th 1 | Jake is still unwell. I was  to work by my self till noon  p.m. John Vigris & I put out  selves through & cleand up not  mutch gold no good place. |  |  | |
| Fr 2 | all three pitchd in we moovd  up in Lloyds ravine. set 2  boxes turnd in the water & set  in, late we cleand up but o gol  ly, the gold was left these parts  I dont know where to try my  luck again. it wont do. |  |  | |
| Sat 3 | Jake is not well, so I & John  went out to clean up the Bed rock  , by late dinner we finishd &  got some gold. Jake had dinner  ready, it over I prepared to go over  to the vally & Jake down to the point  & John was to stay tikk we got back  I gave Jake all the dust to pay  off the accounts, John went a  short distance with me E got  home in good time. |  |  | |
|  | July 58 |  |  | |
| Su 4 | I out in my time as most  men do in quincy – going from  one drinking houst to an other |  |  | |
| Mo 5 | to day has been celebrated  for the fourth by a mulutary  parade & speeches to suit the oc  cation. & a dance to kt given  by Maston, in court house. |  |  | |
| Tu 6 | the races commensd to day  5 entried stinsons Woodpecker  winning the purse |  |  | |
| We 7 | the same horse won the race  to day. I was not out on the hack  to day but was yesterday |  |  | |
| Th 8 | five horses started today  wheelers pided mar won the  race. I & wife was out to day |  |  | |
| Fr 9 | I am not able to say at this  time what was done or what I  did but Imesure nothing of  importance times are going  mutch worse with me all the  time |  |  | |
|  | July 58 |  |  | |
| Sat 10 | Ive had Smith sued & attac  hd on the 6 inst if I made a mistake  not, the time is waring a way  verry heavily, as money is verry  scearce with me & debts pressing |  |  | |
| Su 11 | nothing to do but to saunter  around all day & witness all  sorts of drunkards |  |  | |
| Mo 12 | the district Judge is on the  bench Sixton I mean & I was  summond as a jurir to atten  d on to morrow at 9 a.m. |  |  | |
| Tu 13 | I hired Joe Gass to help  cut wheat we commensd to  day.. I am still a Juror but  no case tride by Jury man |  |  | |
| We 14 | I have previously sent by  Asheim 100$ to John Over  ton at onion Vally. still a  Jurynan but n case tride by |  |  | |
| Th 15 | no change for the better  still jury man & discharged  to day without trying a single  case |  |  | |
|  | Jully 58 |  |  | |
| Fr 16 | I am waiting to see If so  mething wont turn up to favor  me I cant pay what I ow the  way I am progressing who can  help it |  |  | |
| Sat 17 | nothing encouraging is  to be seen for me so I will  be sold out before a great while |  |  | |
| Su 18 | sime of the citizens & I amo  ng the rest was to hear preach  ing in court house the second  time since Ive been on Cala  the hat was handed round &  I pitchd in a quarter, giving  to the poor & lending to the Lord |  |  | |
| Mo 19 | this week has passd off & I cant |  |  | |
| Tu 20 | tell, but wife had a dance |  |  | |
| We 21 | on kt 20th so the week pa |  |  | |
| Th 22 | ssd off up to Saturday 24 |  |  | |
| Fr 23 | when all the ladies & Gentle |  |  | |
| Sat 24 | man had a picknick up |  |  | |
| Su 25 | at Bates mill, all passed off  well, Lloyd was shot twice in  one leg this week by Dover at  Nelson point |  |  | |
|  | July 58 |  |  | |
| mo 26 | the case against Smith  was tride tride before Hogan  to quash the attachment but  before tis was trid another was  laid desition had in the morning |  |  | |
| Tu 27 | the Judge decided a gainst  me & the attachment. so I star  ted for the diggins once moore  I arrivd at the cabbin but ni  one there. I tiik some hard bred  butter & Melasses for dinne &  wet down to the point & then  down to Rocky Bar to see Kyler |  |  | |
| We 28 | I had a hard sleep of it  last kt after Breckfast I & Ky  le r went down the river to see  some ground but pronounced it  not good for money & left |  |  | |
| Th 29 | I staid to see Kyler burst  his last Rock on Rocky Bar  whitch he did in good stile  the we went up to the point  John came over on business |  |  | |
|  | July 58 |  |  | |
|  | with me to know if he  must sell the mountain  Comps Ditch. I am too far  or too slow it was Fr. |  |  | |
| Fr 30 | we both took dinner at  Foxes cost us 3$ we then  went up to the diggins & Jake  allso, to gether up the tools  that done I & John started  for vally |  |  | |
| Sat 31 | John Thompson came  to see John If he could get  the ditch. a trade was condi  tionally made is to be back  on Monday next |  |  | |
|  | August 58 |  |  | |
| Su 1 | quincy is allmost deserted  times are hard and getting worse |  |  | |
| Mo 2 | Thompson came down  soon & closd the trade with  John, he is to give up3 of my  notes & get the 1/4 Massack ditch  & tools allso |  |  | |
|  | August 58 |  |  | |
| Tu 3 | I & Henry shoulderd our rifles  & came to my old diggins all is  quiet & still, Henry made bread  then we had our dinner with  out meet, we then went down  to the point, I talkd with ray  about the right he held smith  interest in Nelson Creek. Je let  me see the Bill of sale  we got some beef & came to  the cabbin & had supper |  |  | |
| We 4 | I calld to Henry to get up as  it was late. I slepd well enoughf  but was harrassd by dreams abo  ut my business affairs so I  was in a bad humor to wake  up having been troubld both  wake & asleep  Since the above date it would  be needless for me to attempt any  thing like a true statement of  facts. though I will endeavor to  state some of the most promin  it acts that has hapend up to  the present time. |  |  | |
|  | August 58 |  |  | |
|  | I am now takings easy as  to work, but never so hard up  in business matters suffice to  say I am willing to turn my  attention to most any thing  for relief for bankruptcy is  staring me in the, sometimes  neat the close of August. those  that were calld Douglass pop  ular sovreighnty Democrats  held a meeting in whitch I was  nominated coroner had to  mak a small apeech on the  ocation, in a few days I want  to humbug vally staid one  kt then down to Rich bar nor  th Fork Feather river one kt  there & the next day home, at  all events the election came  off first week in spt & I was  beaten as I expected by Dr.  Cate over 200 votes, about the  close of Sept I went down to |  |  | |
|  | August 58 |  |  | |
|  | Marys ville to see if I could  borrow some money but I ma  de verry little exertion to get it.  I done this for the purpose of  getting some relief & out of the  way of dunning creditors. H.P.  was down to Frisco on account  of bad health & his son allso  they all came up the close of  the first week in oct. staid all  kt at Jacks Henry said I gave  it the bye. so I did not ask  him to help me raise any mo  ney. neither did I go to see him  and on the 10th Oct I started for  home for the Am vally  arrivd the evening of the 11th  sundy at that --- |  |  | |
| Mon 12 | our circuit court com  mends, we had 2 cases in  court we for Judgement in 1 |  |  | |
|  | Oct 58 |  |  | |
|  | case against Jas Smith at  Nelson Creek, he has no pro  perty to make the money  out of.. the other case was la  id over ten days fir time to  anser. in that time the court  adjournd I was some unwe  ll with chills, overton came  over. wife & I made a deed to  the ranch & took up our note  & mortgage, we made every  effort in our power to wind  up wife in the mien time  closd out at the tavern &  we sold off most of our loos  plunder we got a horse & spr  ing waggon to leave the vally  in whitch we done, but not  until we had made some  arrangements to get the Ranch  back, wife paid 300$ & left  150$ for John to pay whitch he  did soon after we left. |  |  | |
|  | Jan 59 |  |  | |
| Su 23 | footed it the rest of the way  pd 1$ for breckfast at Sabris  keys – took dinner as I traveld  on foot often bred & chicken  that Ellin had prepard for  me. I arrivd a few minuted  after the saddle train had  got in from the same place. |  |  | |
| Mo 24 | lodgeing & whiskey at the  Columbus house 1$ I supd  on my bred & chicken & was  off at day light for rabbit  the road from here on was cov  erd with snow & ice I beat the  train in 1/2 our I was at rab  bit Creek 1/2 past 10 a.m. I took  dinner on the road to Gibson  ville off my bred & chicken  & pound cake arrivd 1/4 past  2 put up for the rest of the day & kt |  |  | |
| Tu 25 | supper lodging & Breckfast  2 1/2$ after sun rise I started |  |  | |
|  | Jan 59 |  |  | |
|  | for home against the heav  yst wind that Ive had to contend  with in these mountains, I got  the Nelson Creek before one p.m.  I wasted 1 hour here & allso at  onion valley & finishd my pro  visions as I passd my old diggins  & got to Quincy before sunset  & none to welcomb me home all  desolate dreary. I took supper  with Duesler & slepd in my  own bed all alone… |  |  | |
| We 26 | I Breckfasted with Dueslers  I turnd in at home for sleep  But our dog Grls was gone but  he came back & I calld him by  name he seemd to be well acq  uainted. I fed him is right  Big Kitty came in verry gla  to see me I fed him allso |  |  | |
|  | Jan 59 |  |  | |
| Th 27 | I took Breck fast with  Trull & lookd a round home  & cut some wood for my room  stove the white faced cow  had a claf on the snow & we  put them in the barn, I took  supper with Duesler |  |  | |
| Fr 28 | I was at Duesler for my  Breckfast again. I hen bou  ght some beef 1 3/4$ cleand up  the pantry Kitchen & dining room  cook tools & dishes & made  some buscuit the first I  ever tride on cookd some  beef stake & made tea & eat  supper at home -- |  |  | |
| Sat 29 | It snowd 6 in deep last  kt. I warmd up my stake  Bred & Tea & Breckfasted paid  1/2$ for candles 3/4$ for bar  soap 1/2$ for box blacking 1/2$ for 2  window glass. put one in the  pantry fixd the sink in kitchen |  |  | |
|  | Jan 59 |  |  | |
|  | got 4$ of Bates & Brooks for  use oxen & sledge 1 day. prea  cher Grove paid me 21$ for  hay & pasturage & 1 1/2$ for bale  of hay. been snowing some all  day. I did some sewing on  my pants to kt. I wrot wife  a letter on Thursday evening  expressage 1/4$ & made this entry |  |  | |
| Su 30 | I was up before day & had to  repair to the kitchen I was some  time in getting the stove hot made  up some deo & put it to Baking &  enoughf buiscuit to last another  day. as I only take two meals  per day. snowd consider ably  last kt. sloppy & the sun shining  I put pane glass in dinning room  window, no one to see me yet |  |  | |
| Mo 31 | stormy again last kt I pd  1 1/4$ for beef. I get a little wood  to cook burn in the house…. |  |  | |
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|  | I with 5 other Jury men  decided the right of property  fee 3$ each |  |  | |
|  | Feb -- |  |  | |
| Tu 1rst | verry windy yesterday mor  ning blew down 2 trees on dean  prmises 1/2 tree in the Am Hotell  Backyard & on the new fence  still stormy & verry wet un  der foot our potatoes are froze  Duesler & I assorted 3 sacks  he gets the frozen ones, late I ma  de & bakd a loaf bred the first  for me & good at that I was  up all kt playing cards  others Betting I don’t Bet, me  nded my pants & went to bed  at day light. |  |  | |
| We 2 | slepd till noon got up Cookd  my Breckfast or dinner as  you please, cut some wood &  packd it in for both stoves.  prepard for supper. I pd. for box  tea 1$ supd took a sasha round  town & back home. took a bath  & mended pair socks John, left |  |  | |
|  | Feb 59 |  |  | |
|  | & washd the pair I wore from  Mville. The sun shone warm  this afternoon I now turn in. |  |  | |
| Th 3 | quite frosty this morning. I did  some cutting on top of tree that blew  over in the field out of the barn lot  then I & Truit cut down the boddy &  are sawing it for wood, I got 1 tt  butter of Mrs. Duesler at 3/4$ I &  Ho gan gave been playing cribbage  he made 10 & 18 games, warm sun. |  |  | |
| Fr 4 | clear & pleasant to day, we fin  ishd sawing up the tree & split  some I am still able to do what  Cooking I need but dont try  the milking, after quiting work  I went down to the store got a  letter from wife & John of  date Han 29th 59 they both are  of opinion they had better wait  a few months longer before  going to Ky it is all right---- |  |  | |
|  | Feb 59 |  |  | |
| Sat 5 | clowdy all day a little rain |  |  | |
| Su 6 | Clowdy with some rain I  was waked up before day by  the smell of a skunk, my first  thought. the speckld pullet under  the house had paid the penalty  as there was nothing else the  stiniking varmint could ha  ndle. but morning came &  so did the hen for her grub  the speckld cow calvd last  kt in the barn, you ought  to have ween me give it the  teete but never too old learn  Breckfast over I cleand up the  dishes & then to make some  Bred whitch I did in good  style, then cleand up my  room & lookd a round & found |  |  | |
|  | Feb 59 |  |  | |
|  | the ben house roof was about to  cave in, some rany all day &.  closd the day by taking Dinner  & supper all at one time &c  what a pleasant time one has  by him self none to dispute |  |  | |
| Mo 7 | raind las Kt & to day some  I was ritting up the chicken house  I pd 1$ for beef & 1$ candles  & halld 2 cords wood to John Bass  deliverd to Mrs. Inman price  3$ per cord I suppose--- |  |  | |
| Tu 8 | still raining after doing up  the Cheurs & cooking I cleand  out the hen house & took down the  old nests to put them up a  new Overton was to see me  had some chat about money  atters. I told him he should  be paid for wainting, I wrote  a letter to wife & John rain  ing very hard at bed time |  |  | |
|  | Feb 59 |  |  | |
| We 9 | has snowd considerably last  Kt. & continued – by noon I fin  ishd putting up 2 doz hens nests  still snowing some after getting  y dinner I put my time in  down town.. forgotten. I had  Byers to moove his 6 oxen to be  fed elsewhere on Monday evening last  after supper & the milk pans &  Dishes cleand up I lookd over  the Argus & made the entries  for the last three days ------------ |  |  | |
| Th 10 | continues to snow a little day &  Kt without increasing the depth  But little in the vally. I bakd an  other loaf of Bred, and are saving  a churning of cream. I sold  Wm Ford a lor of ground 75Ft  wide & 70 ft. long for 80$ cash It was  paid to overton I allso gave 20$ mooore  I put a lock on the Kitchen door  & made a top to the churn & scald  it out ready for use. |  |  | |
|  | Feb 59 |  |  | |
| Fr. 11 | snowd some 2 in deep last kt &  letting it down to day but not en  oughf to keep it from melting away  I warnd some skimd milk & I  & Jones has a time to get the calvs to  drink. I put my cream near the  cook stove to sour, I next finishd  the hen house & put some old lime  in the holes to level up. I did some  work on the barn door & other places  I fixed the big gate in front &  warmd some milk for the calves |  |  | |
| Sat 12 | the snow fell about 1 foot deep  last Kt & yet in some places it nearly  all went off with a little sun &  a little snow accationally. I put a ha  ndle to the scimmer & one to an old  fry pan. & put some dans across  the Branch in the yard. it takes  mutch of my time to feed cook  & milk & some one has scalded  grls on the left flank. he stays at  home now all the time I  let Bates have the oxen &sledge 4$ |  |  | |
|  | Feb 59 |  |  | |
| Su 13 | after doing up the cattle chu  res. I got Breckfast that over, I  made up some dough & put it  to Baking. I then fixd for chu  rning whitch I did in good style  but when in to came dressing the butter  I was most desperately awkward  but I got through and had some  4 or 5 tts. the first thing of the  kind I ever fif my Bred bakd  it was noon, I took some but  ter milk & bred for dinner. &  put on my new clacto shirt  on & wnet up town to see the  fashions the e clampsus is all  the go--- snowd last kt & today as usual |  |  | |
| Mo 14 | the snow fell 2 inches deep  here lastKt. & some little to day at  intervals, about noon the sun  shone out verry warm, I cle  and the cow dung out of the barn  & early Bates pd 4$ for the use of  the team. &Stinson 1/2$ for Grind  ing 2 axes. p.m. I assorted some  potatoes & put all the potatoes on |  |  | |
|  | Feb 59 |  |  | |
|  | plank I foot from ground to  keep the gofers out of them  there is a valentine dance going  on in the old courthouse 6 females  I pd 1 3/4 for beef. |  |  | |
| Tu 15 | it continues to storm not mutch  snow fell in the vally last Kt but  enoughf to hide the old tracks it  was snowing allday, but melts as  fast as it falls late this evening it  set in verry fast, I assorted & sackd  up 5 sacks in all 16 moore to go over |  |  | |
| We 16 | well the storm continues, the  snowful 1 ft. deep last kt. though  it is quite soft, clowdy all day  late commensd snowing and  is at it 1/2 past 9 as I write this p.m.  I did nothing out side my reg  ular cooking feeding & I pd  for 2 1/2 doz Screws 2 in long 1/2$  I build a fire to go to bed by  in my room. a pleasant life  this none to speak with |  |  | |
|  | Feb 59 |  |  | |
| Th 17 | this indeed is a gloomy morning  from appearances it has been sn  owing all kt last. it is deeper in the  Vally than it has been this winter &  falling fast, the wind blew varry  hard from the east at one time,  I Kepd too cows all day in the ba  rn & fed will p.m. I made & bak  a loaf of Bred & churnd again &  made a good article, I bought 6  milk pans cost 4 1/2$ it snowd  hard all day & up to 10 p.m. |  |  | |
| Fr 18 | after snowing moore or less last  kt the sun shone out warm  most of the day, it was quite  cold this morning, I assorted  2 sacks potatoes, qite cold this eve.  paid 3/4$ for beef |  |  | |
| Sat 19 | cold last kt about 3 a.m.  the old Braley Barn Cavd in  on some of Dueslers cows crip  ling them some on act of snow. |  |  | |
|  | Feb 59 |  |  | |
|  | I assorted some potatoes I had  Small to make & paint a milk  cupboard or press either Ive  not got it home as yet |  |  | |
| Su 20 | cold & frosty last Kt but wa  rm & sunny all day. quite a nu  mber of sleighs in town to day  Dickson Dind with me the mail  was brought in on yesterday eve  & no letters for me. |  |  | |
| Mo 21  to Knight | verry cold last kt. the sun sho  ne but little it soon clouded up  & snowd alittle most of the day  I brought home my milk cup  oard, & took the top off the Kitchen table  cleand it & will try & screw it down  level, I bakd another loaf of br  ed, I pd 2$ for beef, I keep griz  chaind & have for some days & kts.  I mended my boot & blackd the pair  I broke open one of the natives  meat house the first of the kind |  |  | |
|  | Feb 59 |  |  | |
| Tu 22 | snowd 2 inches deep last kt, cleard  up to day. I fixd up the tables  in the Kitchen & was all day churn  ing did nottake the butter out of the  churn at kt., I assorted some  potatoes. the Plums rangers  was out to day fired several  platoons in honour of the birth  day of the Father of this country  the E clmpsus was in full blast to Kt. |  |  | |
| We 23 | cold last kt froze ice in the kitch  in but was snowing this mo  rning & continued all day & a late  hour to kt, I dressd my third chu  rning of butter Bates has the  team a short time, A.m. I cleand  out the calf pen & got my reg  ular three meals. |  |  | |
| Th 24 | snowing still but the sun  shone out at intervals, cleard  off near Kt. the Preacher came  down I gave him some sweat & |  |  | |
|  | Feb 59 |  |  | |
|  | butter milk he allso got  2 bales hay is to pay 3$ the  speckld cow turnd over Jones  Buckett of milk. Dick the French  man gave me 1$ for the use of  team to hail load wood. I halld  2 cords to Mrs. Inman for John  Bass at 3$ per cord, I lost my poc  ket knife last Kt or this morning  a whole in my pocket i tore the re  mainder out of my Pantaloons |  |  | |
| Fr 25 | clowdy & some stormy, we tie  the white facd cow head & heel the  right foot is fastend in the flor wh  en we milk. I baked another loaf  bread & Churnd the fourth time  It was hard to churn, I put a  new pocket in pants to Kt & wa  shd off all over, Ipd 3/4$ for beef  & sold to Kirlin 1/4$ work of butter milk |  |  | |
| Sat 26 | snowd last kt but not in the  vally Peal & Jones hat the team |  |  | |
|  | Feb 59 |  |  | |
|  | to hall wood a load for each  & one for me & they cut it I as  sorted some potatoes cowdy  all day cleard off at Kt. John  Bass found my knife & gave it to me |  |  | |
| Su 27 | rain & snow falling verry fast  this morning & then to snowing  all day the sun shone out a  little before setting after a little  was snowing up late bedtime  I fixd a knob on the cuppord door  I sewd up a rip in my boot. blackd  & greasd 2 pair, puton a clean shirt  after sewing up the rips-- |  |  | |
| Mo 28 | snowd last Kt & some this  morning but the sun came out  warm I pd 3/4$ for beef, let  Bates have the team & got Tayton  right fore foot snagd, Jones & I  sawd off 5 blocks for wood off  the down tree in garden I fixed  the saw & made a bench to file on |  |  | |
|  | March 59 |  |  | |
| Tu 1 | snowd some last kt but cleard  off soon this morning, we sawd  off 3 blocks & split 5 $ corded up  3 cords.. Bates pd me 5$ for the use  of team & 2$ for use of saw  I took 4 shirts to Mrs. Inman to  wash 2 calico & 2 white |  |  | |
| We 2 | cold & frosty last kt it was  warm & pleasant to day, we sp  lit & corded up some & sawd off  4 blocks p.m. I let Bates have  the team p.m. has not Brought  the whip home, Kitty is Boaring  staid out last Kt. ---- |  |  | |
| Th 3 | some cold & Frosty last Kt but  clowded up all day. we did  no work till noon. p.m. we  split 4 blocks & corded up  the Preacher Groves pd me 3$  for 2 Bales hay he said one was  mouldy & got 2 moore I as  sorted 2 last sacks potatoes |  |  | |
|  | Mar 59 |  |  | |
|  | & pend the calvs away from  the Bald Hay & put some oak wood  for the cook stove & packd it in  besides feeding stock attending  to the milking I churnd a wh  ile longer on the cream in the  churn. I turnd it in a bucket  & put in a fresh lot & made &  dressd the Butter. I cleand up  the tricks, took some fres But  termilk & Bred for supper  Kitty is a boaring to kt is  raining & has been since dark. |  |  | |
| Fr. 4 | raind considerable last Kt  But this morning it was snow  ing & had been a short time the  ground was froze where it was  not coverd with snow & a cold  west wind the blew verry hard  & Knocked down a few panels  of plank fence Just below  the log fence, I & Jones put it  up by noon, p.m. we sawd off |  |  | |
|  | Mar 59 |  |  | |
| Monday last | 4 Blocks for wood, shoot sin  set John came in I was a lit  tle surprisd to see him com  ing through these hard snow storms  he says alls well left Mville on  I helpd him fix up his bed in  my room, he playd some on  the old violin old times again  I pd 3/4$ for beef |  |  | |
| Sat 5 | the coldest Kt since Ive been  up here through warm & pleasant  all day we sawd & split & put up  in all 10 cords wood this week a  fter supper I went up town for a  straner 1 1/2$ to be od by Bass & 1/2  tts. Black tea 1/2$ & 1 doz box matches  kitty was out with a tom cat all Kt. |  |  | |
| Su 6 | cold last kt again but not so  mutch as the Kt before, warm  & pleasant all day after the mo  rining work was domw I went to  Inmans & got 2 clean shirts & put |  |  | |
|  | Mar 59 |  |  | |
|  | on the long calico & my best  Boots & coat & went up town & sta  id the rest of the day, after supper  Hogan, Grubs & Mcnabb came &  set till bed time, John pd  1/2$ for candles |  |  | |
| Mo 7 | raind in the fore part & sn  owd in the after part of last kt  & mixd the most part of the day  I pd 1 1/2$ for beef, & churnd a  gain in a few minuted the best  Ive done supper over & john |  |  | |
| Tu 8 | snowd some last kt & was  cold frost on the window glass  the Back porch roof was about  to fall in we shoveld off the  snow, then I & Jones shovld  the snow away from the log  that we are sawing up, late  we sawd sawd of 6 Blocks  I shovled way some of  the snow & ice off the cellar door |  |  | |
|  | mar 59 |  |  | |
| We 9 | snowd 1/2ft. dep last kt  But it was clear this morning  & continued so all day. I cut  some wood for the cook stove  & packd it the & then to sawing  we sawd off 3 Blocks before we  took dinner them I whet & set  the saw we then cut off 7 Blocks  John halld one load wood  for V. Mastin |  |  | |
| Th 10 | verry cold last kt & warm  to day, I Jones cut & split 2  cords 2ft wood & John halld it  to the Printing office at 3 1/2$ per  cord out sledge has to be repaird  John halld wood all day. |  |  | |
| Fr 11 | some cold last kt yet warm to  day clowded this after noon  from the west I & John men  ded the sledge by noon p.m.  I & Jones wnt to the woods & cut |  |  | |
|  | Mar 59 |  |  | |
| good order | oak wood 2 ft. long for the pri  nting office John halld &  Bales of hayto the preacher at  1 1/2$ per bale after supper I  churnd & did up the tricks in  I pd 1 1/2$ for beef & John 1/2$ salaratus |  |  | |
| Sat 12  fiddle | quite cols last kt, I could  walk on the snow & scearcely  make a track on the snow as  we went out to cut wood, we  finisd cutting our 4 cords of  oak & John halld it by 1 p.m.  we got dinner after John  halld load wood & got 1$  made & bakd laf Bred clea  nd our room took out the ash  es allso the Kitchen, we are now  setting by a good oak fore in  the old stove & John playing bed time I pd 1$ for 1/2 gal  coffee pot rather billous |  |  | |
|  | Mar 59 |  |  | |
| Su 13 | Beutifull warm day, after the  little work was done up I put on  a clean calico & walkd up town pre  aching every sunday here quite a  stir in town several citizens  over from Honey Vally. |  |  | |
| Mo 14 | not so cold as the Kt before &  verry warm sunny days pd  1₵ for beef I went up to betsy town  & pd. 14$ for crop cut say & file &  3$ for one handled came home & got  1/2 gl linseed oil at 1 1/2$ & 1 lb  ventian red 1/2$ all to be paid  John halld load hay for Maston at  3 1/2$ to be paid. I missed paint &  John painted one wheel. |  |  | |
| Tu 15 | not so cold but clowdy & clowdy this a.m.  but warm & sunny most of the day.  I & Somes cut 2 cords oak wood a.m. after  John Halld it to the Barber got 8$  John finishd painting the wagon  This forenoon, Bates pd me 2$ for the  use of team & got my old X cut saw for a few days  1/2$ per day late I was sharpning my new saw | |  | |
|  | MARCH 59 |  |  | |
| Continued |  | |  | |
| We 16 | Some cold last Kt. get warm & pleasant  all day. I put the X cut say in order this  a.m. we were cutting blocks for fire wood  Some was shoving the snow off the the  log. after supper John got 4 hens of Sones  at 1 3/4 a piece I went to lintons & got a rooster,  John caught the pullit today all in the hen house  to Kt. I pd 1 1/2₵ for beef | |  | |
| Th 17 | Not so cod last Kt verry nice and warm today  we split 4 cors 20 ft wood a.m. p.m. John  halld to printing office. I & Somes shoveld  the snow off the remaining to of tree & chopd some  and split it. John got 1/2 tt venetian red at  1/4$ I churned again at noon & drepd the  butter to Kt. | |  | |
| Fr 18 | comensd early to rain & continued all day  I let some water & washed the parlor & dining  room floors this a.m. p.m. up town looking at  game of poker. HarversonBoys, Dean, Moore  & pud. I.C. Lewis sent & got about 4 lb butter.  I pd 1 1/2$ for beef, after supper I washed 2  pr socks. Then my self | |  | |
| Sat 19 | the weather changeahle clear I & Sones finished  sawing the log in the garden, the yellow heifer  had a calf out of time, we caught & miled her | |  | |
| Continued | March 59 |  |  | |
|  | John heapd some dung from before the barn  door. & halld 2 bales hay to Mrs Coffin at  4$ & halld 2 cords wood to Soms, the Plumas  Rangers has an election for officers. R.O.  Barnett Capt., Sawyer 1st Lt. | |  | |
| Su 20 | Clowdy some little sprinkleing of snow. I let  Lewis have 3 1/2 lb butter & Ashheina 3 1/2  to on yesterday, to day got 1 lb blk tea from  Ashheim at 1$ - we caught & had one calf to suck the yellow helfer in the barn | |  | |
| Mo 21 | Snowd 1/2 ft last Kt & has raind all day moderately  fast & cold & improving after kt. i’ve felt some  unwell from having to Ren cold. John pd 2 1/4$  for beef I Maston to repair the old matress is  to cost 1 1/2$ John pd. one 1$ for 6lb nails &  3/4$ for case | |  | |
| Tu 22 | the wind blow verry hard last Kt. The fence &  front gate was turned over & too otherplaces gap  were made in plank fence down towards wheelers,  & all the planks between Hundley. & I is down &  some square rail,, some little snow & sun shine,  I & John mended 3 gaps & he halld 2 cords to  Preacher & got 3$ & 3 on credit | |  | |
| We 23 | Some little snow fell. & sun shine, John halld  4 cords wood for Jones & Some helped me put  up the fence p.m. I & John painted the wagon. | |  | |
| Continued | March 59 |  |  | |
|  | I heapd up some manure in the lot  John got of oneal 21 lb nails 3 1/2$ & 1  gl gyrp 2 1/2$ the morning I made & bk  a loaf bred for chickens of brfast. |  |  | |
| Th 24 | pleasant weather John went to mill got some  Bran & chicken feed pd 4 1/2$. I & Somes  Split the reat of the tree, the Heifer dide  about noon, that lost her calf John halld  load wood for master | |  | |
| FR 25 | warm & plasant the snow is going off the  vally verry fast. I & Somes corded up  8 cords wood. woodward & Frink cut down  cut the pine tree in the S.E. corner of yard  on Saturday Hon was cutting off the limb I  made a block to pound beef on p.m I & John  clord up around under the house so that the  cat can not get under, 4 of Dueshes cows  lookd white face down & up agin on yesterday  I got 1/2$ for milk on yesterday | |  | |
| Sat 26 | we turnd the cattle on the pasture as there is  some naked sports the snow being melted I  & John was putting fence the division square  rail fence that runs to the river some of it was  down & the division between us & wheeler we fixed | |  | |
|  | Mar 59 |  |  | |
|  | up & some of the fence that runs length wise  we fixed though not all, we too dinner. John  halld load wood for Maston & too Bales hay to  Mrs. Coffin for 4$, I cleand up some about the yard | |  | |
| Su 27 | rained considerable last kt the sun shone out some  this a.m. – p.m. snowing at intervals, after doing up the cherris  I drepd up got a new pair of pants at 8 1/2$ & vest  at 4 1/2$ - & put in the evening up town with the  gentlemen | | | |
| Mo 28 | verry cold last kt & rather a cold windy day  I pd 1 3/4$ for neef. John halld wood for Maston  I cut some on the limbs of pine that was cut out of  yard p.m. I & Sones cus some oak. | |  | |
| Tu 29 | cold last kt ice froze in the kt chin bucket, clouded  up early & poud some most of the day. I & Somes  cut 3 cords pine, John halld load of poles for Titus  & 2 cords oak & 2 one to Hundley price 13$. John  John halld 2 spruce logs in to the lot for wood | |  | |
| We, 30 | cold last kt & today some snow, I & John cut up  were cutting wood out in the woods. Juhn cut up the  limbs off the tree in the yard. snow was inch deep  this morning & I pd 1 1/4$ for beef | |  | |
| Th 31 | cold last kt & today the wind from the north snowd  a verry little. I & Sones were cutting & John  helping logs today a long the (?) & against the | |  | |
|  | March 59 |  |  | |
|  | plank fence to hold up & keep the wagons off,  John halld all of Sones wood to his house out of garden,  we pd him 7$ for 4 hens this evening we, let  Ashhinn have 3 bales hay at 6$ & got 1 tb  candles of him & - | | | |
|  | April 59 |  |  | |
| Fr 1 | Verry cold last kt & to day with another wind  constantly blowing. John halld a load for Capt.  Flogger I what the saw and Iones & us were sawing &  splitting on a dry pine all day, I pd 1 1/2$ for 7 lb  chuck steak (stake), a dance to kt at the old court  house. | | | |
| Sat 2 | Verry cold last kt to day has been more pleasant,  last kt the party was broke up at 11 by John Bap  tearing down the am. flag, I john and Jones put up  8 cords wood & mended fence for Titus we smashed  in cutting tree down, John alld 1 load wood for  Titus at 1 1/2$, we are feeding 1 pair Black Oxen  at 4$ per week the snow on the north side Am House  till is 3 1/2ft deep in a ridge, slid off | |  | |
| Su 3 | not so cold last kt as has been verry pleasant to day  the first weve had for many a day, I put up some  fence of Hund --- a long the land to keep Due brs  cattle out. after dinner I blackt my Boots put on my  pants I vest then halld on my grey forked tall coat | |  | |
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|  | April 59 |  |  | |
|  | stick in hand I went up town & cut a stiff over  the Bob Tails.. I read a letter by Espreys from  wife of date 19 Ma & says she is anxious to come up,  I wrote an answer to it before I went to bed. | | | |
| Mo 4 | still getting warmer of kts & more so to day  I collected 8$ from John Bap & got an order on  Fairchilds for 25$ sent it out by Whiting cost 1$ to  collect. I sent 80$ by Cesprep cpst 1 1/2$ & the letter  to wife1/4$. John drove the speckled coe to lintons  to the Bull & left her there all day p.m. we fised  our petition fence & fised up the remainder of  Hundleys along the lain John went after but could  not find; the cow so after dark I went & found the  cow & bull & drove them home, John did the  milking this evening Jones gave 3$ for beef. | | | |
| Tu 5 | some cold & clowdy we have --- to a time milking  & only two cows, we cut & halld two loads of oak posts  intend to set them in the ground to hold up my  petition fence with Huntly & John John halld load  wood for Titus. Byers part is going on at the  Courthouse. | | | |
| WE 6 | We fised in the pen a mainger & trought to feed the  calvs and put them out of the Barn then cleand out the  Barn the weather is verry pleasant p.m. we were  putting up the plank petition fence between us &  Huntly this a.m. p.m. we fised up the hay ladder | | | |
|  | April 59 |  |  | |
|  | John halld load hay for Masto I went to work on the  fence again. | | | |
| Fr 8 | it was raining verry hard this morning &  continued till noon p.m. John halld 1 load for Titus  & 2 for Maston. I mended an ox beau & dug up the  plant bed. I pd 1 3/4$ for beef. I churnd to kt | | | |
| St 9 | Cloudy with som rain at intervals. we cleand out  the pea sticks off the gardin p.m. I sold 10 lb butter  to asheim at 3/4$ per lb. & 300 lbs hay 6$ Jones got  60 lbs. potatoes at 6 cts. I sewd Cabbage & lettuce  seed. John halld, load wood for Matons snowing  after kt. | | | |
| Su 10 | Snowd considerable lat kt & has continued all day.  we werelate in getting out chores done I did some  repairs on an old stand. then I prepard & took a cold  bath & washed out three pair socks. dinner over i  went up town. late snowing & blistering. We have  a letter for wife from her niece in Ky of dat. 16th  Ferby. Considerable news & snowing fast after dark.  Well it lookd verry mutch like old winter again, the  vally all coverd with snow & cold at that. John halld  toad wood for Titus then a short log & 3 poles. I pd for  beef 1$ & did some other little tricks i got from Whiting  24$ ON Lewis Act for wood, I gave Sones 7 1/2 out of it | | | |
|  | April 59 |  |  | |
| Su 10 continued | to his shear, I gave Chambers 4$ to pay a witnys  fee if it is demanded by Joe Kelly, the district  Judge has arrived so says rumor I hewd out a  piece for a wood bed rail & some cro[ pieces, I took  out 27 eggs out of the hen house | | | |
| Tu 12 | Clowdy & cold this morning but the rest warm &  pleasant. John halld load wood for Hogan 5$  and halld load wood for Foulger. The preacher  gave me 6$ on act & 7$ left unpd i worked at the wood  rack John helpd some i churned late this morning. | | | |
| We 13 | A little cool of mornings warm & pleasant today  John fixed the wagon and halld dung from the barn  I was about the courthouse this a.m. – p.m. I was  supenied as a witnep for to morrow the sheriff gave  me $4 back as the witnep Kelly, would not take it  John pd 1 1/4$ for beff.. | | | |
| Th 14 | I attended court all day with out giving my testimony  John was halling manure in garden | | | |
| Fr 15 | I & John were halling dung in the garden, I pd 1$ for  beef | | | |
| Sat 16 | I & John were halling dung all day. I churned at noon,  yesterday p.m. I sakd & burnd the Bark limbs & trash  from a dead tree that was cut down in garden  I bought 5 hens of Sam Stinson for 10$ cash brot them | | | |
|  | April 59 |  |  | |
| Sat 16 continued | home tokt & got Bullards shang hie and put him in  the hen house also | | | |
| Su 17 | After Morning Cheurs I put in the rest of the day  turning the water so as not to have it overflow the  yard & garden i did not put on clean cloths | | | |
| Mo 18 | John halld wood for Foulger & took Mrs Coffin  300 lb hay 6$ i set out the onion sets & sowd 2  kinds reddish seed & rkd & burnd some leaves &  trash. i pd 1$ for beef & went to oneils p2 2 3/4$ for  1 gl melasses & 1 1/2 lb sugar | | | |
| Tu 19 | we were halling dung | | | |
| We 20 | i pd 1$ for beef we were halling dung & i did some raking | | | |
| Th 21 | we finishd halling manure at noon for the present in  the garden. i allso did some raking i sold 2 doz eggs  to Titus & 1/2 doz to small on tick & a pitcher Butter  milk 1/2$ cash, to Foulger 3 1/2lb butter 2 3/4$ to  woodward butter 1/2$ John halld load wood for  Maston & got 8$ on act, this P.M. & I was at work  on the wood rack, i recvd a letter from wife of date  iiyh Sptl & 16th i wrote an answer to it late at kt | | | |
| Fr 22 | i sold haydon 1/2 gl milk at 1/2$ per gallon not pd.  John halld the rails from arounf the old straw pile,  to fence off a calf lot back of town, i finished the wood  rack, Maston fixd my plow i chrnd. P.M. Hundley | | | |
|  | April 59 |  |  | |
| Fr 22 continued | borrowd my Rifle, i sold Bullard 2 lb butter &  1 doz eggs for 2 1/2$ in advace i pd 1$ for beef  stake. I started a letter to wife & 24$ cost 1 1/4$.  i bought a pair od balances for 3$ | | | |
| Sat 23 | Some cold & clowdy with a verry little spitting of  snow I scattered some manure, John was ploughing for the  Mastin This, A.M. P.M. he in our garden. I was  putting some rail fence back of town | | | |
| Su 24 | snowd a little last kt. we put the calves in a lot back  of town, the little tricks all do me up i washed & drepd  up & went in town the rest of day | | | |
| Mo 25 | i scattering manure & John ploughing, i pd 1 1/4$  for beff, i got 1$ for mild | | | |
| Tu 26 | John ploughing I & in man Scattering dung a while  then stakd the calf lots fixed the barn lot fence. p.m.  we put up some petition of Hundleys John still ploughing | | | |
| We 27 | John making row to plant patotoes in, i & Imnan  cutting potatoes p.m., we planted what we had cut i pd  1 1/4$ fir beef & got 1 lb candles of Ashuheim | | | |
| Th 28 | we continued to cut & plant potatoes all day, i got some  tea from Asheim 1/2$ | | | |
| Fr 29 | John halld 3 loads wood this A.M. i & inman finishd  planting potatoes A.M. i pd 1 1/2$ for beef, p.m. we all then  cleand a round the hay prgs & put up 3 bales | | | |
|  | April & May of 59 |  |  | |
| Sat 30 | some clowdy, John & inman bald hay. i churnd &  painted 3 old Bucketts. P.M. John halld 2 cords oak wood to  Foulger 7 they dug some post holes along the petition  fence of mine & Hendleys I went to oneils pd 3$ for  4 lb sugar & 1 lb bk tea. i let the Preacher have 2 lb  butter on yesterday at 1 1/2$ on credit | | | |
|  | May |  |  | |
| Su 1 | Some clowdy with a little fine rain preaching as usual  in the courthouse | | | |
| Mo 2 | raind all kt last & today. John halld load wood for  Maston & turnd out the oxen. i did several small jobs  & shund, i pd 1$ for mending my big boots & 1 1/2$  fer beef John pd 3/4$ for dog beef i left Bulard 2 lb  butter on credit | | | |
| Tu 3 | raind some last kt & little today John halld a stove to  Foulgers & had to attend as a Juror. i & inman  cleand the dung out of stable & pild it up from the  North side of barn, we did some ploughing & laying  off in garden, the boys set some posts on our & Hundleys  fence, i planted squash & pea-sead i got 1/2$ for milk  & butter | | | |
| We 4 | The Boys put up the fence between us & Hundley  finish di went over to indian vally eith Overton, we  arivd about noon took, dinner & then supper at Taylors,  overton got up his oxen, i slepd at Hindleys ranch | | | |
|  | May 59 |  |  | |
| Th 5 | we Breakfasted at 6 Overton pd the bills, we started  for the Am Vally & driving the oxen arrivd before  noon & put the oxen on my ranch we got 20 $ of Truit  & 13 1/2$ of Lewis i Borrowed 35$ of Asheim & pd  Overton 100$, the Boys Bald Hay, John halld load wood  for Maston i churnd late this evening i heard wife is at the buckeye | | | |
| Fr 6 | I wsa at work in the garden late in P.M. wife got home  accompayned by Mr Kates I gave him 2 1/2$ to bare  his expenses to kt & … the old cat had a kit last kt | | | |
| Sat 7 | I was at work in garden sewing seeds. wife is verry  fatiegued from her mule Ride over the snow. | | | |
| Su 8 | we washed all over last kt. S.S. Root gave me 25$  for hay last kt i gave Ashheim the 35$ I had borrowd | | | |
| Mo 9 | John moovd Somes to the Mot House no 3,, i let  Somes have 200 lb potatoes at 10$ - Inman cutting on  tree in garden i was putting in time & went up to  betsy town but could not get credit for anything i  got, tea sugar & apples at oneals, on tick 3$ & salt 6$ | | | |
| Tu 10 | John got home today i got 100 lb flour from Ashheim  on credit at 8$ Inman washd the plastering of our room  to get the smoke off.. i was in garden | | | |
| We 11 | John halld load wood for Maston & then him & Inman  were sawing board black, i gave an indian 1$ to scrub the  house, i got box soap 3 3/4$, i got 3$ for butter | | | |
|  | May 59 |  |  | |
| Th 12 | the boys sawing off logs i watering garden P.M. we  rolld blocks down hill & dick to help us Mrs. Inman  helpd wife to wash yesterday & to day. the Preacher  pd me 8 1/2$ all he owd except Ranching | | | |
| Fr 13 | i made a mall. the boys are sawing blocks. i sold 2  lbs butter 1 1/2$, we rolld the blocks down the hill &  split 5 moore vlocks & got some pitch Mrs. Inman  was eroning to day 7 to kt out house wife pd the  Butcher 6 3/4$ for the past week all up (?) | | | |
| Sat 14 | i & inman finishd splitting blocks by the middle P.M.  & cut some oak for an axceltree, John halld load wood  3 cords for the preacher 9$, the halld the bolts for  boards | | | |
| Su 15 | there seems to be an improvement in numbers | | | |
| Mo 16 | John halling in bolts & finished inman Riving boards  i at work in garden later P.M. i & John cut & halld in  a stick to make a screw i pd for bee 2$ & gave Inman 1/2$ that  makes 1 1/2$ | | | |
| Tu 17 | John cut & halld in 2 sticks of timber for the Rup Inman  to help split boards i at work at the screw | | | |
| We 18 | i & John turnd the stick for the screw inman making  boards -- | | | |
| Th 19. | i made the screw John stacking up boards inman still  making bords | | | |
|  | May 59 |  |  | |
| F.r 20. | i & John making the nut & John stacking up boards. inman  roving boards | | | |
| Sat 21 | Frougler pd me 7 1/2$ for milk, John went up to the  mountain house to get money but got none. i did some  work on the nut Inamn riving Boards, and we set a  post of oak for the lane gate | | | |
| Su 22 | cloedy & some windy about noon after some rain  continued after dark we turnd the calvs in the field  next the river, i got 10$ of Sherwin for hay. on (? last | | | |
| Mo 23 | i & John at work at the press Inman making boards. | | | |
| Tu 24 | We were doing the same | | | |
| We 25 | i & John did dome work out the press. P.M. we went  the Myress sale. John bought a cow at $56 1/2$, Inman  was at the sale no work done the P.M. I got 9$ of  Sherwin & 20$ of Truit John got some money of Tytus  & I got 2$ for eggs \* 1$ of Bullard and for 4$ of Mrs Coffin | | | |
| Th 26 | i & John at work on the hay prep & Inman making  shingles. | | | |
| Fr 27 | i & John at work on the press Insman shaving shingles,  Ive not been well all week but continued to work this  evening felt quite unwell in deed | | | |
| Sat 28 | i did not get yp till near noon & to take some medicine  John got of Dr cate | | | |
|  | April 20th 1858 |  | |  |
|  | Cash pd By J H Haun for grub  and tools.. per willow ranch diggins |  | |  |
|  |  |  | |  |
| to | Maston fer steeling 3 picks | $4.50 | |  |
| X to | Do for nail claw | 2.00’ | |  |
| 90 to | 137 tb flour 10cts | 13.70 | |  |
| 1/2 to | 130 tb potatoes 6” | 7.80 | |  |
| X to | 1 for plain | 2.50 | |  |
| X to | 1 Drawing knife | 2.50 | |  |
| X to | 1 hand saw 1 square | 3.00 | |  |
| X to | 1 hatchette | 1.00 | |  |
| to | 3 chopping axes | 3.00 | |  |
| X to | 2 small hoes | 1.50 | |  |
| to | 1 froe & 2 shovels | 4.00 | |  |
| X to | 1 sledge hammer | 3.00 | |  |
| X to | 1 water bucket & c. | 3.00 | |  |
| to | Bread butter & Meat | 5.00 | |  |
| X to | Bill at point Aprl 28 rst | $10.50 | |  |
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| to | Bread butter & Meat | 5.00 | |  |
| X to | Bill at point Aprl 28 rst | $10.50 | |  |
| to | Packing from vally |  | |  |
| aprl 58 to | 7 lb bacon shoulder | 2.10 | |  |
| to | beef. butter & Melasses | 7.50 | |  |
| may to | wheston & cande stick | 1.00 | |  |
| Th 6 to | butter sugar & Melasses | 7.50 | |  |
| Mo 3 by | buff by Mc $2.00 |  | |  |
| “ “ td | Dr ti cash 4.00 |  | |  |
| Th 6 to | cash pd hose & pipe | 20.00 | |  |
| “ “ to | “ “ Canvass | 26.00 | |  |
| “ “ to | “ thread palm bees was, needles | 1.00 | |  |
| Fr 7 to | “ “ Beef & pepper X | 3.62 | |  |
| “ | Haun to cash 82.37 |  | |  |
|  | Mc br by cash 18.00 |  | |  |
|  | Mc De to 3 pair Blankets x | 12.00 | |  |
| sat 8 | Mc “ to cash $6.00 x |  | |  |
| su 9 | “ dr to Grey pants 3.00 x |  | |  |
| Fr14 | Mc or to Cash $20.00 x |  | |  |
| sat15 | by 100tbs flour - 10.00 |  | |  |
| 15 | “ 115 “ potatoes - 6.90 |  | |  |
| su 16 to | cash from Dust 59.37 |  | |  |
| su “ to | cash from dust for Mc & I | 28.00 | |  |
| sun 16 to | cash pd for balance bill | $14.75 | |  |
| “ 16 to | cash pd Fox for Bill Mc nana | 7.00 | |  |
| “ “ | “ “ “ “ Sharpning picks | 2.00 | |  |
| sat 15 | by work done by Bill Mc 5 1/2 days |  | |  |
| sat 22 | by do “ “ “ “ 5 do |  | |  |
| sat 22 | Md nearly to cash | $2.50 | |  |
| mo 24 | Compy or for rope | 3.00 | |  |
| mo 24 | Sake to pants | 3.00 | |  |
| Tu 25 | Bill to cash | 5.00 | |  |
| “ “ | Haun to cash for dust | 48.37 | |  |
| “ “ | Haun br by Grub Bill | 36.99 | |  |
| “ “ | Do tr “ 2 bottles Brandy | 1.50 | |  |
| Th 27 | Haun br “ pointing & sharp picks | 6.00 | |  |
| su 30 | Haun Dr gold dust | $23.62 | |  |
| June Tu 1 | McNeaty Dr to Cash | 10.00 | |  |
| Th 10 | Haun by grub Bill. Fox | 21.00 | |  |
| Th 10 | Haun De to Cash on dust. | 122.50 | |  |
| su 13 | Jordon Dr to cash | 31.00 | |  |
| sat 19 | Haun Dr to Cash on dust | $48.00 | |  |
| sat 19 | Mack Dr to cash | 28.00 | |  |
|  | June 58 |  | |  |
| Th 24 | Haun or to cash on dust | 111.00 | |  |
| “ 24 | Do by cash pd Fox | $18.50 | |  |
| “ 24 | Dr “ “ pd Cunningham | 3.00 | |  |
| 55 | - bill of costs to M Ville | $ 11.25 | |  |
| Dec. 1 | freight on truns to Do | 103.00 | |  |
|  | money sent off | 354.50 | |  |
|  | Gum Goods | 22.00 | |  |
| Do | --- Boots & coat for Dave | 14.00 | |  |
|  | Stage fair to R. Creek | 40.00 | |  |
|  | Freight on 3 trunks to R.C. | 30.00 | |  |
|  | tavern bill at M Ville | 10.00 | |  |
|  | tobacco & fiddle strings | 1.25 | |  |
|  | bill at Peoria House | 4.00 | |  |
|  | Bill at New York house | 20.00 | |  |
|  | Do at Gibson ville | 6.00 | |  |
|  | Do at onion vally | 2.00 | |  |
| De 20 | Do at Gibson ville | 3.00 | |  |
| De 21 | cash to Dave | 1.50 | |  |
| De 22 | cash pd to send three letter | .75 | |  |
| De 22 | tavern bill at Rabbit Creek | 62.00 | |  |
| De 23 | at the Mountain Spring house | 10.00 | |  |
| De 23 | at Gibson ville | 6.00 | |  |
| De 24 | at Do | 12.00 | |  |
| De 25 | at Do | 15.00 | |  |
|  | and whiskey | 1.00 | |  |
| De 26 | at onion vally | 18.00 | |  |
| De 27 | at Nelson point | 18.00 | |  |
|  |  | $765.25 | |  |