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Wm. H. Fringle

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Wednesday April 15 1845

Left Hickory Grove this day  
with my family for Oregon and  
7 miles stopped for more com-  
pany

16<sup>th</sup> Thursday Absolom Faulkner  
and Jas Brown and their family  
joined us and we went ahead 17  
miles to J Wheelers Parted this  
day with Octavins having bid  
adieu to my other brothers and  
sisters the day before went along  
with teams and every thing doing  
to my satisfaction

17<sup>th</sup> Went this day 15 miles to  
had the aqua we gave him a champi-  
on hills the rest all well

18<sup>th</sup> All well made 18 miles and  
camp on Harrisons branch of  
all things in good order and agree-  
able.

Sunday April 19<sup>th</sup> Travel 12 miles

will pleased with teams and company 3 families from Georgia overtook us they left their homes on the 10<sup>th</sup> of March camped at the house of Mr. Schrock in Androvia county Grand Prairie on Harveys branch of Au Tave all well and teams first rate and every thing agreeable

19<sup>th</sup> Sunday went 12 miles and camped well pleased with teams and company

~~found~~ This day 3 families from Georgia overtook us on their way to Oregon they started 10<sup>th</sup> March from their homes camped in Androvia county at the house of Mr. Schrock in Grand Prairie

20<sup>th</sup> started in fine season and traveled in fine road generally good camped at the house of Mr. Schrock in Androvia county Grand Prairie on Harveys branch of Au Tave all well and teams first rate and every thing agreeable

21<sup>st</sup> The day went 18 miles over good roads generally well pleased with teams and company camped at the house of Mr. Schrock in Androvia county Grand Prairie on Harveys branch of Au Tave all well and teams first rate and every thing agreeable

22<sup>nd</sup> Traveled this day through <sup>1899</sup>

Huntsville county seat of  
Randolph travelled 13 miles  
and encamped near the  
line of Chariton detaine  
by Brown & Faulkner  
buying more stock roads  
good and all things in  
fine order 13

23<sup>rd</sup> Traveled 14 miles over  
fine farming country  
the land good but too  
many holes for health  
and camped two miles  
from Chariton river  
the roads good but travel  
=d slow 14

24<sup>th</sup> Camped at Chariton  
this morning found the  
bottom very muddy but  
difficult in getting through  
the river having a <sup>13</sup>

bottom but after days 16

passed through Keyserville  
the county seat of Cherokee  
county a location similar  
to Cottoville, on the Muscle  
Lock of Chariton count 14 miles  
and camped 14 miles from  
Brunswick 14

25<sup>th</sup> Traveled through Brunswick  
on Albion river near the  
junction of Grand river after  
of considerable business located  
on bottom land crops good  
more at crops for sale the  
average price of  $\frac{1}{2}$  2.50 for  
four teams and 5 head of  
stock traveled 13 miles and  
camped 11 miles from Chariton  
all in good health roads in  
good order over a rich country  
thinly settled but low and of  
indistinct appearance 16 13

26<sup>th</sup> Sunday left encampment

out in good season passed through savanna located on Wakarusa creek and crossed up Mop creek a branch of the Wakarusa running through Wakarusa prairie which is Missouri bottom and was the greatest curiosity we had met there being a mill about 2 miles from timber and propelled by a stream running through level prairie and not a stick of timber on its banks went 4 miles on the prairie and camped 2 miles from ~~the~~ pilot grove on the banks of Mop creek without any wood but drift we found on the prairie that was left by the flood of 1846 20 miles

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27<sup>th</sup> Last night had a thunder

storm and continues to rain this morning left camp in the rain the first we had since we started tried our <sup>new</sup> recruits but they stood it well went 16 miles and crossed crooked river and camped on wet ground rained all night in any country 16

28<sup>th</sup> Left our route by camp as soon as possible and made trail for Camden east & about noon good passed Camden in the evening and arrived at Manthano 2 hours having traveled 13 miles all well and travel in good order broke the teams of the first wagon I caught about a hundred yards from Browns house = 29<sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> they arrived at M. <sup>13</sup>

and put new tongues in both  
wagons and made 2 new yokes  
and employed ourselves out  
other arrangements for our trip  
May 2<sup>d</sup> left M Browns and  
went about 6 miles and en-  
camped in Mepauri bottom  
about one mile from the  
ferry

Sunday May 3<sup>d</sup> came to the  
ferry soon in morning and  
found the crossing slow occu-  
ied the day in getting our wag-  
gons across the day showery en-  
-camped at a vacant house on the  
side the bank

Completed ferrying our stock  
and went 3 miles and camped in  
Jackson county make short haul  
got my bacon this day for which  
I paid \$3.75 for hundred lbs  
of good all well no loss of people

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> got under head way  
for Blue Mill: went ahead with  
my wagons and commenced load-  
ing in my flour for which I pay  
\$2 for 5 fine + \$1.00 for fine the  
first accident happened this  
day but it has befallen us on our  
trip the wagon in which Mrs James  
Brown and family were was  
contaminated and Mr B table  
bent and one of the chucks  
slightly the over taking  
made by a drove of mules all  
much shortened for the night

Said by this day in age  
part of Mrs Brown completed  
making in our flour the weather  
is still showery the blue mill  
the fast water mills I have seen  
the state make flour that  
passes the Boston Market  
which please they after 2 weeks

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May 1846

7<sup>th</sup> Set sail for Independence 2

8 miles from our encampment at which place we arrived at 2 o'clock finished our outfit and encamped 4 miles beyond Independence all things in good order our teams doing well and not overloaded 12

8<sup>th</sup> This day the weather was fine the first for nearly a week went 12 miles to the blue and

encamped it being to high to go to another wayson camped at the encampment, a family of ~~perhaps~~ no injury to person or property, the country is very different from any I have ever seen it being prairie full of rolling or broken and some in places the soil good interspersed

with shrubs and patches of small timber 245/12

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May 9<sup>th</sup> This day the weather

fine crossed the blue soon in the morning went 16 miles over prairie that is rich and beautiful but no timber or water and encamped at the lone tree no wood but green willows such as are common on prairie branches made <sup>fine</sup> for cooking than we expected plenty of branch water 16

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> fine weather went about 9 miles and dined then left the Santor for north and traveled about six miles over beautiful prairie and found <sup>on</sup> fine branch of running water with its banks well wooded with oak walnut hickory and ash, timber generally scarce 15

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Traveled about 10 miles to the Wakarusa a fine stream of clear water between a creek and

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in size <sup>more</sup> ~~more~~ river with fine timber on

its banks, about half of the emi-  
gration missed the boat and  
crossed about 4 miles above the  
called about six miles in the  
evening and came into camp  
with the whole emigration  
in night divide into two par-  
ties our party organize with  
William H. H. for captain  
and B. Brown pilot for  
both parties the other party  
choose a Mr. Robinson from  
Illinois for captain our  
encampment to night on  
a high ridge of prairie 16

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> The day was some-  
what delayed some time to  
then travelled over prairie and on  
some prairie as last night 9

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Fine cool day  
travelled 20 miles to Kansas and 286

camped on prairie near its  
banks a shower in the evening  
and night cool saw Indians  
plenty about

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> The foremost com-  
pany crossed the Kansas and a  
part of the other myself of the moun-  
tain and encamped on the  
bank for the night

Today 15<sup>th</sup> the remainder of  
the company crossed the  
ferry which consists of  
two flat boats owned by  
a Shawnee Indian whose  
name is Fish went 4 miles  
and encamped

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> Fine day and  
a ~~good~~ <sup>good</sup> ~~good~~ <sup>good</sup> the most of the day  
in the evening crossed a creek  
with very steep banks had  
to double teams which delayed  
much time rode 16 miles 37 96



Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Our course this day

was on hills running parallel with the Kanzas, the morning cool soon ahead till after two o'clock it became very hot several oxen overcome with the heat, stopped about three hours on a branch at the edge of the Kanzas bottom, country still very fertile and fruitful some timber scarce, encamped this night near a cow village, Mr Brownard while on guard caught a one attempting to steal near stock, made by our necks 20

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> delayed this day a crossing creek & branches traveled about four miles over broken prairie and encamped on a handsome ground with some cottonwood & Elm 10

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Traveled over broken

prairie and made good progress, spruce some branches but generally on the high lands between Kanzas and the blue the land very generally good with plenty of rocks and springs, camped at the branch where alternate with water to their tanks on the 18<sup>th</sup> night 10 and Mr Brownard came up the first of our seeing them since Mr's was about ~~the night~~ <sup>an hour this night</sup> 18

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> finished a trail for Blue River the fore most of the prairie was black in time it crop found it was a good 20 waggon crop in the remainder detained by the water Thursday and Friday which was much to our advantage our teams were <sup>12</sup> not overburdened

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Saturday 23 even passed the ~~the~~

day in crossing the Blue mts  
by passing round our way  
by placing blocks between  
the trees and bolsters and  
went over dry camped  
on a beautiful spring  
and on the night bank of the  
river. I should soon in camp  
this <sup>night</sup> it brings an addition to  
the family of Baron Richard  
above, this is the most beautiful  
and convenient spot for  
a farm I have seen, and so far  
my best wonder this day was  
my <sup>27</sup> with us the captain and  
others taking the lead the  
map of Mr. Richardson and the  
direction being the course

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> travelled the way  
12 miles and camped in  
a handsome house

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found 8 of our own way  
waggons waiting to join us  
then went ahead my Kettle  
and Barnard with a compa-  
ny of hunters ten in number  
and four packhorses  
from Blinnis going they did  
not know but head way was  
the word 12

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Our course today  
was over the high lands between  
the blue + blue earth rivers  
about 3 o'clock the most  
violent hurricane ever took  
us I was experienced the wind  
blew from every point of com-  
pass with utmost violence but  
principally from south west  
and the <sup>rain</sup> fell in torrents its vio-  
lency was such as to blind a man  
and take his breath to face  
the storm it continued about

45 minutes when it abated  
and every prairie branch we  
crossed went 12 miles and com-  
ped every thing in our waggons  
appeared wet went to bed to  
night in wet beds

Tuesday 26 examine our waggons  
and put out our clothing to  
dry find our provisions gen-  
erally dry and in good order  
and but little damage by the  
storm of fire day for the pur-  
pose spent the day in drying  
and repairs in the evening a  
company of 13 waggons with  
us. Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> left camp  
about 8 o'clock and about  
13 miles back way and camp  
on high prairie hauled and  
about half mile good good  
day showing, in sight of our  
company but at camp

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> made trail at 4<sup>25</sup>

8 o'clock and traveled about 30  
over broken country <sup>to</sup> passed a stream  
with a sandy bed the country  
more sandy in the evening more  
level than for some days crossed  
and camped on another stream  
stream from place of the  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> left camp at 9 1/2  
clock not finding trail to  
stream arrived at another  
stream at 11 o'clock and drive find  
the country appearing as the  
increasing arrive at the  
earth a bar at six and  
on all banks find the  
and over the low bottom  
is generally known as the  
Republican Fork traveled 15 miles  
the country all day and 5  
shades ~~of~~ complaints of bow  
complaints of bow

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> A fine day for an

hour and a half good trout were  
begin to find some outside and  
ill and after game the counts  
still good but more scattered  
than said than before good  
went but good quality of wood  
more local country the up land  
being but little above the river

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> A cold unpleasant  
sort morning and very cold  
warm in the evening cold and  
with low barometer with high  
wind from N.E. toward 10 am  
our course up the river  
all our tents over the hills  
lands but generally a little  
bottom

Monday June 1<sup>st</sup> continued our  
course up the river a cold day  
a good day shown in the  
rivers with high sharp wind

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June A fine

day for travel leave the  
river early in the day  
and shape our course for the  
Platte over ridges of level  
land of slight elevation  
travel 15 miles and camp  
without wood, Antelope seen  
in sight for two or three days  
the first one killed today 15<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> The weather disagree-  
ably cool started in fine season  
and came in sight of the  
hills of Platte in about 3 miles and  
on the borders of the bottom about  
ten o'clock this is the most roma-  
ntic view I have ever seen more  
or 16 miles and encamped by some  
willows on the banks the shore  
of Grand Island Mr Shelton for  
some Franklin had a daughter  
in this part from as well as

her throat occasioned by <sup>557</sup> 556

the scarlet fever before they left  
the state having lost another  
child since they left home which  
they buried in Jackson county

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> The weather still  
cold and disagreeable went ahead  
till 12 o'clock and made prepara-  
tion to bury Mr. Shelton's child  
which was done in a decent  
manner considering the circum-  
stances in an elevation in

the lower bottom made the  
bank of ground I saw, camped  
this night on the bank of the river  
which looks very majestic but in  
fact is nothing but a broad  
of sand with banks about 3 feet  
high which are full at high water  
and the sand dry in a day there  
there is now just water enough to  
cover the sand leaving them <sup>in sight</sup> <sub>558</sub>

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> The morning cold

but the day pleasant for tr-  
avelling and the route of the  
best order being level bottom  
and from mid. a Prairie Lake  
and returning to the north  
from where their horses were  
very packed with skins, under  
is and from them that about  
30 tons are a short distance  
ahead coming down the river  
and that we will find Buffalo  
to plenty in two days. There  
16 miles and camped with plen-  
ty of timber and hope plenty of  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> A fine pleasant  
day of a thick haze for  
Ithaca from Fort Laramie  
all loaded with furs and  
and they have about a foot of  
under and down flat clear <sub>20</sub>  
20 miles this day <sub>559</sub>

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Sunday June 7<sup>th</sup> A fine day

For travel the scenery of the country very similar <sup>since</sup> we come on the river altho there is enough of change to render it agreeable the breadth of the river the numerous islands, and the variety of shape in the sand hills all keep the mind relieved from sameness. Buffalo sign is now plenty and we see occasionally a dead one in the bottom but they ~~are~~ all on the high land plains beyond the sand hills at this season in the fall they come in the bottom for a while the appearance of the country is like an old field closely grazed. have seen some dog towns for the last few days made 17 miles, see buffalo chips for wood

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Monday 8<sup>th</sup> A good day and

cool the sand hills the most romantic of any day yet rising into high irregular peaks assembling majestic snow drift in form, camped near the junction of the two great rivers 22 miles

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> Another pleasant day and a great day for hunters vs Buffalo plenty two being killed and several wounded and prairie dogs and Antelope also plenty the appearance of the country different the sand hills disappearing on this side of the river and the high land <sup>is</sup> but slightly rolling and the elevation but little above the bottom made this day 18 miles 18  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> The weather fine for travelling but too cool for game

The country desolate after

by ~~the~~ water plenty and not  
good it is in standing pools  
and warm and had tasted the  
alkaline efflorescence freely  
intermixed with salt peter buff  
= also in sight almost constant  
travel 20 miles and camp near  
the hills which are still low, by  
some standing ponds of water  
warm and had tasted 20

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> <sup>the morning</sup> the day  
hot and sultry day but the  
wind raised from South east  
and rendered it very pleasant  
went in sight of the ford for  
dinner after dinner <sup>went</sup> to the ford  
and found ourselves the late ~~the~~  
and camped on the right bank a  
company of thirty three wagons  
from <sup>St Joseph</sup> on the other bank having with  
a well looking cattle <sup>135</sup>

strayed from them last thursday

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Crossed the river in the  
morning found the water in no  
place over our journey and  
seldom that deep the pulling  
hard through the sand, but  
double teams to our wagons  
the difficulty nothing compared  
to the appearance the distance  
with the angle we took being  
about one and a half miles true  
welled up the south fork to the  
place of leaving for the N fork  
it being 12 miles the day fine  
wind from South east 12

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> Our encampment last  
night was with the company that  
staid and via travel to day with  
them which <sup>was</sup> all the chance except  
= of this laying by there being no  
chance for water till we arrived  
at the mouth of Ash Hollow

the north fork, the road down  
 Ash creek is for some miles  
 up at the North fork at which  
 I found currants and choke  
 cherries plenty and a fine  
 view near the mouth of Ash  
 creek, and a cabin called Ash  
 Grove Hotel in use at the bar  
 we found the cards of all the  
 companies that had preceded  
 us which was quite a treat the  
 distance from <sup>one</sup> fork to another  
 15 miles, dry <sup>and dusty</sup> road, <sup>and</sup> very dry  
 Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> left Ash Grove  
 and proceeded up the river about  
 ten miles and camped early  
 day being warm the hills on the  
 fork are more rugged and rocky  
 than any we have seen 10  
 Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> this and yesterday  
 were very rainy, yesterday  
 in our passage crossed the

country poor and sandy  
 and has the appearance of being  
 found by the wind blowing out  
 the sand in basins some of  
 which are forty feet deep  
 camped on the river full of  
 Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> and by its descent 15  
 Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> this was  
 another warm day, proceeded  
 about 15 miles the sand not  
 so heavy for our teams as the  
 two last no other alteration  
 in the country camped at  
 at a fine spring, a thunder  
 storm after sunset  
 Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> The day pleasant  
 and cool visited Parkers Castle  
 the most beautiful location  
 on the meadows of a tributary  
 of Platte the castle having all  
 the appearance of a well  
 built of ancient date, some in



view of the chimney early in

the morning which was 20 or  
 distant divided our compa-  
 ny into 3 parties for the greater  
 convenience of travelling  
 proceeded ahead 20 miles and  
 camped on the river 20

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Sailed the chimney  
 in the fore part of the day  
 and the formation of the Bluffs  
 has a tendency to fill the  
 mind with awe and grandeur  
 as the chimney might pass  
 for one of the foundations in  
 St Louis were it blackened  
 by burning stone coal there  
 is a nearly bluff standing  
 near it that reminded me  
 of points that I have seen  
 of the capital at Washington  
 and 20 miles and camped near  
 Scotts bluff 792

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> Sailed the Scotts bluff

through a beautiful valley near  
 the head of which we found a  
 cold spring <sup>at which we</sup> took dinner  
 then drove on to Horse creek  
 and encamped & travelled  
 22 miles a fine show in the  
 evening

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>  
 drove ahead our making up  
 land and came again to the  
 Bluffs in about 30 miles and a  
 land was struck & encampment  
 took our morning and remained  
 in our position for a shower  
 the fall which was very heavy  
 ahead of us the ground the power  
 we have found made Thursday 15  
 Monday 2<sup>d</sup> came early in the  
 day on sight a large encampment  
 out of about 20 lodges they were  
 shing up and moving on to the  
 fort Laramie where we arrived 9

at about 4 o'clock and found  
 about 200 bodies of Loup. This  
 was a disagreeable day the wind  
 blowing a storm over the snow  
 filling the air which continued  
 to increase till mid night  
 when it abated camped en route  
 15 miles from the fort which was 15  
 miles from last encampment  
 Camped last night with  
 about 70 wagons this morning all united  
 in giving our Loup brethren a  
 feast with which the affair  
 highly pleased it was conducted  
 with considerable order and  
 regularity on their part smoked  
 the pipe of peace and a friendly  
 scrap from their chief and a pre-  
 sent of powder lead and tobacco  
 our part this done we went on  
 and about 10 miles and encamp-  
 ed on the river with five hundred

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> We deviated  
 the usual route on leaving the  
 fort which is over the high lands  
 between Seattle and Laramie fork  
 ours was up the Seattle traveled  
 about 4 miles and intersected  
 the old road at the spring which  
 is very bold and rather narrow  
 we now enter the black hills  
 rose from a valley onto high  
 rolling prairie went 6 miles from  
 the spring and encamped  
 on the bank of a clear mountain  
 stream grass tolerable 15  
 Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Our course up  
 the fore part of the day was up  
 the above and creek passed  
 large fine spring about 10 o'clock  
 and timber plenty on the coast con-  
 sisting of cottonwood, box, willow  
 choke cherry and ash and  
 the hills towards another creek of

camped at a small spring, then

last encampment 14

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> attained this morning, hunting cattle till 12 o'clock went to a good running creek to dinner met two companies returning from California with the country paper over the hardest pulling hill we have had on our route then some bunch of spring water and camped at a place 27<sup>th</sup> Travelled this day 12 miles over hilly & rocky road an axle tree broke on one of the waggon<sup>s</sup> which was replaced and ready for a start in the morning!

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> the weather still cool in morning and evening and warm in middle of the day the country well watered with track 20 miles and camp in valley of the Salt at a spring

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> came to the 1<sup>st</sup> creek 9

From camp

about 10 miles after passing a stream

with fine grass water and timber went up the river 5 miles and camped on a mountain of this kind not far from mountain streams the road good 15

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> our route this day was up the river generally on the bottom traveled 12 miles and camped on the river the weather dry & roads very fine

Saturday July 1<sup>st</sup> the day was very fine considerable wind in the evening snow trapped at the ford where we arrived at noon they had been quite successful in catching

The morning had been very hot had not been trapped for 10 days

the miles and camped traveled July 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday July 13<sup>th</sup> left the 10<sup>th</sup> at 10 o'clock the mountain desert the first thing we have seen and that appeared

at a distance saw the 1<sup>st</sup> creek

The wind has very severe and...  
 the sand in clouds all day, traveled  
 15 miles to a hot sulphur spring and  
 encamped the great glass being but  
 cloudy grayed  
 Today I traveled 15 miles down at  
 a place of very similar mining as  
 2 of our cattle got around before we  
 around them they show no appearance  
 which I placed my feet on them  
 there was no snow resistance to  
 camped to night at a fine  
 bold spring, a buffalo killed after  
 camped  
 4<sup>th</sup> encamped about 5  
 miles above the last one at a  
 descending 18 miles down road  
 very sandy on the banks of the  
 we again discovered that  
 a large region than any part  
 there and yesterday morning  
 very pleasant for the season

5 & 6. ... by to recruit our team.  
 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday, our team over being  
 much better, we made south and  
 traveled about 12 miles and encamped  
 on the banks of sweet water, the boy  
 took a ranch on the mountains I  
 saw plenty of mountain sheep  
 8<sup>th</sup> Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Laid by  
 9<sup>th</sup> Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> traveled 14 miles  
 10<sup>th</sup> Friday 10<sup>th</sup> our route up the river general  
 ly on the banks passed a number of  
 of the mountains made 14 miles  
 11<sup>th</sup> Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> Left the river on our  
 left and traveled a course of  
 toward cooling springs 10 miles  
 above camp on the sweet water  
 and encamped  
 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> this morning at  
 about 10 a drought the boat which  
 obtained on Thursday may be for  
 the last two years but our  
 being treated with a little

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> Our route in the fore

part of the day was up the river  
 water very <sup>thin</sup> having the appearance  
 of a high altitude the wind over  
 mountains having been in sight  
 at times for several days of the  
 winter we ascended the high land  
 to the right of the river the high-  
 est ground we have been on and  
 about 17 miles and in our path  
 on a branch with first good 17  
 looked several fine species in the  
 night lands

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Our road this morning  
 was level and pretty good 12 miles  
 brought us to the last spring of pure  
 water where we made our trail for  
 from our road in the evening was equi-  
 tally good travelled six miles and camped  
 on a shallow water carrying north of the  
 road and better in level not and  
 wind very strong.

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> passed the divide

about two miles from camp to travel  
 twenty six miles over level country  
 without water or grass, had a  
 hard shower in the evening and a  
 light one yesterday and on Sunday 26  
 Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> travelled 15 miles to big  
 Sandy the weather cold and disagree-  
 -able

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Our route was down by camp  
 travelled 15 miles and camped on  
 its banks, wind lively water cool 15<sup>th</sup>

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> reached Green  
 in about 8 or 9 miles, stopped  
 at a good feed went down the  
 river about 7 miles and camped  
 on the right bank good good  
 Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Left Green river in the  
 evening and travelled 18 miles over high  
 broken and desert country to black  
 fork of Green river and camped at a  
 place of good grass 20<sup>th</sup> Land by 18

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> travelled 15 miles over

colleable road and camped on stream  
fork a clear stream 15

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Still travel up  
same fork went 18 miles to  
Salt bridge found good plants

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> left same fork  
and travel in a more north  
ealy direction went 8 miles  
and camped at a small stream  
of salt water 8

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> the morning good weather  
and travel 24 miles and find water  
and water on grass camped  
our course up the valley 24

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> find water and  
travel 24 miles and camp

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> of our course  
the new line of ground was  
found the road good  
at all travel 24 miles  
camp on mountains 26

Monday travel down same

10 miles and camp good and  
inflows plenty for fire 10

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Met this day a village  
of Shoshone Indians <sup>600</sup> a travelling  
up the river, took dinner on same  
fork, found plenty of yellow  
plants nearly ripe, travel miles 15

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> travel 10 miles and  
camp to small stream on <sup>fork</sup> the river

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> Taped over 12 miles of  
mountain that shuts in the  
and camp above on the river 12

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> travel 12 miles of good  
road and camp at a fine spring  
with good grass for horses 12

Saturday August 1<sup>st</sup> travel through  
a gap in the mountains and  
good road and camp the mountains  
in 6 miles from camp we set  
out on Tuesday travel 16 miles  
and camp 12 miles from town of August 1<sup>st</sup>

Sunday August 2<sup>d</sup> Travel 2 1/2 miles

to the Soda Springs and camp to enjoy the novelties of the plain which are many and interesting

Monday 3<sup>d</sup> Made an early start from the springs intending to go to the Fortney but was stopped by an awful calamity in 22 miles Mr. Coffman was scorge about 6 years old fell from the wagon and the wheels run over his head killing him instantly the remaining day cold fire in burning down all the place where we were

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Left our camp and camped at the volcanic rock and camped at Fortney 18 miles

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> Sailed up the river to its head and passed through the mountains it crossed branch of the river and camp traveled 17 miles

Thursday August 6<sup>th</sup> Our travel to

day down the branch on which we camped last night 12 miles and camp 4 miles from Fort Hall

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Passed the fort and camped four miles below on station and the fort located on a rich fertile field well watered with springs and creeks and some scattering timber

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> Traveled 14 miles and camped at good lands the road good camp at some springs on the edge of Snake river bottom

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Passed the American Falls about 20 miles from camp and some interesting springs 20 miles above. Traveled to camp 16 miles of bad road and camped on the river bank with indigenous vegetation  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> At Mt. Applegate  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> At Mt. Applegate  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> At Mt. Applegate  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> At Mt. Applegate  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> At Mt. Applegate  
Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> At Mt. Applegate  
Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> At Mt. Applegate  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> At Mt. Applegate  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> At Mt. Applegate  
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> At Mt. Applegate  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> At Mt. Applegate  
Friday 21<sup>th</sup> At Mt. Applegate  
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Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> At Mt. Applegate  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> At Mt. Applegate  
Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> At Mt. Applegate  
Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> At Mt. Applegate

Monday August 10<sup>th</sup> Went 18 miles

to the issue on Raft River & took our  
morning at this place the Oregon and  
California road fork we took  
the California road intending  
to follow it about 300 miles and  
then to take the new overland route  
went up the river for 8 miles  
and camped

14

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Traveled over a  
low ridge to save a bend in  
the creek and camped on the  
creek 10 miles from camp and  
2 miles in the evening and camped 12

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Went out the issue  
to the gap where the road crosses the  
mountain to get on and camped  
at the head of the stream

14

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Crossed a low ridge  
with ascent of a bunch and camped  
by a spring that was about  
1/2 mile rocky bank 1/2 mile

Tuesday August 14<sup>th</sup> Travelled to day

16 miles some part of the way had  
road through gorges of Snake  
river mountains and camped at a  
spring in a narrow gap of the  
mountain with holes ahead of  
various shapes and forms

16

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> Traveled 10 miles over  
broken ground and road rough to  
Lack and dived and went up the  
bank 8 miles in the evening on  
good road camped on the creek

15

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Traveled to the head of the  
creek and camped at the center of the

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Camped over a low ridge  
to broken ridges to the head of the  
Shawnee Valley 12 miles went down  
the valley 6 miles and camped by a  
spring lower spring that was in the  
bank bottom fattening little wells of  
various depths the road good with  
exception of some rocks

15-06



Tuesday August 18<sup>th</sup> traveled 14 miles

20 miles in hot spring valley and by the branch of a hot spring that runs into camp and then runs south

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> - In our morning 8 miles from our last night camp at the hot spring valley, and we arrived at the first spring of the valley and camped

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> traveled 14 miles down valley in good road and camped in the hot water spring

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> traveled 14 miles down valley in good road and camped

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> traveled 14 miles down valley in good road and camped

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> traveled 14 miles down valley in good road and camped

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> traveled 14 miles down valley in good road and camped

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> traveled 14 miles down valley in good road and camped

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> 13 miles down valley 13

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> 14 - Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> 15 - 29

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> travel 17 miles 17

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> 16 miles 16

Tuesday left camp 15 miles 15

Wednesday left 15 miles 15

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> 16 miles 16

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> - 2 sand points 12

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> arrived at the spring when the Oregon road leaves the valley

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> the over road 14 1/2

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> immediately to west of spring miles with two hot springs on the south side

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> at the first spring at four o'clock in the evening 15

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> we gave our teams what water we could get and started for the south

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> we arrived at four in the morning and the spring water then 19

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> we traveled 14 miles 14

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> we traveled 14 miles 14

of the 7<sup>th</sup>

1864

then started the last stage of the  
 desert our stock weak and looking  
 badly getting very little water and not  
 being able to eat arrived at black <sup>rock</sup> Mt  
 in the evening left 2 steers belong-  
 ing to Collins on the road they were  
 too weak to come in several others  
 nearly getting through. Found a large  
 hot spring and plenty of fresh water  
 grass. This desert is perfectly sterile  
 producing nothing but grass, cactus  
 and sage, and some of it perfectly  
 barren and the ground very salt  
 the road good and level and generally  
 firm, the horizon and dark looking rock  
 Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of days  
 Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of days  
 then got camp with a few animals  
 and some of them very hot and  
 cold in 10 yards of a hot well  
 country barren with low hills  
 of hills continued by the

September

1894

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of  
 heavy pulling wood and camped  
 at a grassy flat with plenty of  
 water but bad for drinking 20  
 Friday 11<sup>th</sup> Moved up the flat and  
 camped our teams being badly jaded  
 and the desert country still continuing  
 Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> Our first summer was  
 rocky bad road with steep hills to go  
 down into a canyon with a flat  
 into another beautiful grassy plain  
 with plenty of springs, good food 12  
 Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of days  
 Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of days  
 Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of days  
 Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of days  
 Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of days  
 Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of days  
 Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of days  
 Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of days  
 Monday 21<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of days  
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 Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of days  
 Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of days  
 Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of days  
 Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of days  
 Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of days  
 Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> Laid up for a couple of days

1941

Tuesday Sept 15<sup>th</sup> In first 4

miles through an arid rocky  
 and bad throat of the day travel  
 was good but nooling camp at a  
 spring at top of a hill little grass  
 Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> travel today 10 miles  
 was slightly better but heavy pull  
 the country improving in appearance  
 the water must be the grass in the plain  
 and small signs and grass in the  
 camp at some springs at night  
 some quantity of grass but day was  
 Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Crossed our camp for  
 a ridge to another spring most  
 of the evening quite cool

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Left out of the mountain  
 a good road into a plain and  
 at a warm spring 14 miles  
 Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Travel one of miles  
 that with an arrow can't come  
 to the company a shot one  
 and a shot one

1985

Today was 10 miles of desert and

2 of fine rich soil our camp was  
 at a pretty mountain stream  
 with plenty of fine timber this is  
 very pleasant after traveling along  
 through desert country

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Crossed over a mountain  
 the ascent about 2 miles and quite  
 steep travel 9 miles and camp in a  
 beautiful plain surrounded by  
 pine and cedar excellent feed for our stock

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> Travel today 8 miles  
 principally through large soft pine  
 timber and camp on the Goose Lake  
 Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Travel 14 miles out  
 of the lake and good

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Our road today was  
 a mix of pine and aspen and  
 timber with fine cedar camp  
 at some holes of water at the head  
 of a creek grass good the country  
 is very pleasant

Thursday Sept 24<sup>th</sup> Travel to day 8

Went down pool creek road to ...

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Traveled 14 miles of rocky road and very rocky camp at good spring 14

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> Traveled 14 miles of rocky road but generally level, but little timber or to day, good camp 8

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> We are now in the range of mountains of which the ... make a fine and level weather fine 9

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> our route for 9 or 10 miles on a rocky ridge the balance of the day travel over bottom and quite extensive make 22 miles 22

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> overtook the foremost company last night which makes a company 50 men strong found some cattle ... this morning ... they were ... Indians Sunday ...

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> Traveled all our cattle but 10 head that the Indians ... getting off vint which 12 miles and camped on the ... Lake crossed the ...

... on a singular rock which makes a good shallow ford the men generally swimming and good except one steep point which was bad 12

Thursday October 1<sup>st</sup> Made 12 miles on the east of the lake and camp on a creek that enters the lake road good 12

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Still croaking ... of the lake make 8 miles and camp at a fine bold spring but not cold 8

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> Make our last camp on the lake travel 12 miles and cross ... the outlet of the ... river and good 12

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Crossed the ... river for miles from camp at a very rocky ford and cross a ridge for 2 miles and camp at the river 9

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Crossed a spur of the ... mountain and camp without water ... and the ... 10

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Travelled 10 miles to a tolerable camp road fair

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> Cross another spur of the mountain and camp at a high flat good grass and water road tolerable except a steep hill to go down our teams very well

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> Rest our teams and improve the road

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Travel 10 miles of tolerable road and camp on the bank of a branch of Rouge river timber very heavy and pine and the land good but very rough and broken between this and Flameth river

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> Employed all day in making 3 miles the search was unfruitful found a tolerable route at last

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> The valley opens and we saw many pretty sections

now to me make 10 miles and camp at a considerable sized creek the road we have had for several days very good high mountains around

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Travel 15 miles of very pretty Mountain country and camp in a fine prairie without water

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Move about 10 miles to a spring and spend the day to explore ahead the road not being marked

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> Travel 12 miles of good road and camp on Rouge river about 1/2 mile from stream about fifty yards but shut in by mountains

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Move down the river 10 miles and camp plenty of Indians about but none come near took some cattle then 10

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Cross Rouge river about 4 miles from last camp found good camp on the right bank

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Travel 8 miles road good and a good camp which is not common the country is mostly burnt

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October Now some bad road  
 that takes till after dark to get into 6  
 Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Now one mile to a camp  
 having more last night and spent the  
 day carrying Mr Crowley's daughter  
 and yesterday evening aged about 14 years  
 Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> Our route continued over  
 - of Mountain with steep falls and  
 thick timber and uneven ground make  
 Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> The time is over this talk  
 = way 20<sup>th</sup> We were obliged in making  
 5 miles to the foot of the Mosquito  
 mountain and working the road thro  
 ugh the gap which is nearly imper  
 - sible stand through on Monday  
 morning and reached the opposite  
 plain on Tuesday night after some  
 of hardships break down and being  
 constantly wet and laboring hard  
 and very little to eat the provisions  
 being exhausted <sup>in the whole</sup> we eat our  
 - we got through the  
 season commenced the

after we started through the  
 mountain and continued up till  
 the 1<sup>st</sup> of November which was a  
 partially fair day. The distance  
 through 16 miles then a great  
 lot of property and suffering, as  
 we altogether on the trail on a wagon.  
 Sunday November 2<sup>nd</sup> move 3 miles  
 find our oxen very stiff and  
 from a cold and our oxen  
 narrow 2<sup>nd</sup> No rain today but  
 partially cloudy make 5 miles  
 Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Clear in the morning - rain  
 had precaution in morning to  
 make 7 miles but as we gave a bad  
 provision to the other side of the  
 Mountains 7 or 8 miles distance  
 Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Make 4 miles and  
 cross a steep hill over a very weak  
 new grass is no support very rainy  
 Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> 3 miles to clear  
 any them and the oxen

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Go to the Ungava river

6 miles to the upper ford find no chance to cross the river to high

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Go to the lower ford and commence crossing in canoes get all over but the waygons <sup>nothin</sup> 5

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Cross the waygons and go 1 mile had nothing to eat yesterday for supper, a beef killed in camp and we got the flour sack and upper part of the bread which done us till Monday for breakfast again all day 7 1

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> eat the last of our trip start with heavy hearts meet some Indians and get six muskoxen a great relief to our minds go one mile farther and meet Octavus with half bushel of peas a forty pounds of flour which gives us joy no rain to day the buffed slays us for money

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> Travel 5 miles and cross Elk creek and cannot in fight satisfied a rainy cold day 5

11<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> lay by to repair shoes and lay in a stock of meat get 3 deer and a salmon from the Indians and our teams much improved & ourselves rested

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> A fine day but cool travel 6 miles of hills and camp on the head of a town bury Mrs Bounas who died the day before wife of J. B. Bounas 6

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Travel 4 miles find a good camp and stay 1 day for the benefit of teams road muddy & heavy 4

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> make horses to the foot of the Callifoor mountains

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> Go over one ridge of the mountain and make 3 miles 3

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Climb another ridge with our teams and make 2 miles 2

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November Move forward

to the top of the mountain on gently rising ground and camp with the fore most waggon 4 miles from last camp & erected a fire at this camp 4

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Make a wide headway and camp near yesterday and today 2

Sunday 22<sup>d</sup> Help finish the road and complete the passage of the mountain & camp 2 miles from the foot in the Willkaimitt valley my waggon and one other the first that entered the valley all engaged health & well pleased <sup>with</sup> the appearance of the country headway 4 miles 5

23<sup>d</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> Rest and feed our teams and move one mile and make arrangements for a small party

Wednesday November 25<sup>th</sup> Travel on the valley 6 miles and pass over some spurs of the mountain and camp on the Willkaimitt over the narrowest valley Levin, Behold all charms the prospect and think they will be well paid for their suffering

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> A very cold rainy day went 3 miles and camp this way to the next, lost a steer by the cold

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Traveled 6 miles 6  
Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Traveled 4 miles and make a halt near aham distant to make a location 4

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Commenced making a canoe for the purpose of going to settle near for supplies with company with Robert Barre, John & Isaac Lobo and continue our work until Thursday 3<sup>d</sup> December 1<sup>st</sup> start ahead for our home back & go down the river to the canoe



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I arrived at Longhorn <sup>by</sup> ~~but~~  
 on the 4<sup>th</sup> found it swimming  
 undisturbed until Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> in  
 making a corner and sleeping in  
 the evening and then brown in  
 company with some others con-  
 sisting back with fresh horses, to bring  
 in those behind. I returned with  
 them and was from this to the  
 twenty fifth of the month get-  
 ting my family to Saline; the  
 weather all the time rainy and  
 swells of water to road changed  
 afternoon, wagon and cattle at the  
 forks of the river.

I would conclude this journal  
 by saying that I was well pleased  
 with the society and location of  
 Saline was kindly received and  
 such indulgence granted <sup>on</sup> as I desired  
 but our living is poor and we are  
 -hungry but bread and meat and  
 any other scarce and we are <sup>labor to give</sup> ~~in~~

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