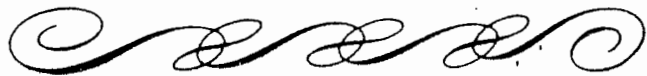


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Memorias
of a Gold
Miner
1850-1870

Author
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Here you Go Jim.
Hope you Enjoy as much
as I Have. Mike Han

Page month 1850

Memorandum Accounts

- Mon March 1 I left Courland I went
Tues 2 to the Big Plains
Tues 19 Left the Big Plains I went
to Sloops
19 in the evening left Sloops
for Hoberton
Wed 20 came in Hoberton I engaged
my Passage to California
\$150.00
Fri 22 Left Hoberton for Courland
Thu April 4 I left Courland for California
Fri 5 Left the Big Plains
Sat 6 Left Mr. Kemble's Store
Bags that day I weigh 66 mules
Sun 7 arrive in Hoberton
Mon 8 got a case from the U.S. Army
Thu 18 sent 3rd Blue Point to Courland

Days mostly

1850

Memorandum Occurrences

Fri April 26

Robertson, Waikato, anchored at 10. O. The wind from N. W. 4.

P. M. Tides left the vessel 5 P. M. blowing fresh upon the topsails and made all ready for the night, making all the necessary stowage to sail 7. About 10 P. M. sail.

Sat

27

at 6 A. M. gale increasing to a perfect hurricane blowing from W. S. W. to S. W. sounded the bell 7 found she had 4 feet water in the hold the passengers immediately volunteered to assist and with the crew manage to keep the buoy a float at noon the gale not abating the buoy on her beam ends the Captain ordered the main mast to be cut away and every thing on

Sat April 27

the deck to be thrown over board. In doing so a man threw a piece of a hen coop to windward it was blown back and broke the Captains nose at 3 P. M. the 8 sail was blown away together with the fore topmast stay. Much water was shipped at this time and a young passenger Mr Dean was nearly washed away, 1 horse, 1 sheep and 1 goat was drowned.

Sun

28

the weather much the same all day and night, and by way of interlude the sea kept breaking over us day & night.

Mon

29

Weather more moderate. The Captain called the passengers and with their advice and that of his officers ordered the ship to be lightened of part of her cargo about 1.0 P. M.

Days Month Memorandum Accounts 1850

Mon April 29 of various goods was thrown
overboard which used in
considerable —

Tues 30 joined considerably upon
the leak the other board
did to say

Wed May 1 the vessel pitching heavy
carried away the filler on

Thu 2 Ripped a temporary plug into

Fri 3 Ripped a space mainmast
for a jugment at 1 P.M.
The crew I was stopped the
2nd mate got a severe blow
on the eye with the
foresails shut

Sat 4 at 1 P.M. a sail in sight
standing E.S.E.

Sun 5 nothing particular had much
service in the Deck House

Mon 6 Fair wind saw a ~~mountain~~ land
this morning the foremast
7 running along the land

Tues

Days Month

Wed May 7 Light wind Two sails ahead
7 one at ten 11 A.M. spoke
the Brigantine Gluataman
from Sydney to Norfolk
Bay at 4 P.M. a Brigge passed
us supposing it to be the
Punneenud bound to Sydney

Wed 8 dead calm along land
lost much ground

Thurs 9 a Brigge in sight a British
Whaler

Fri 10 nothing particular

Sat 11 nothing particular

Sun 12 11 A.M. Dropped anchor in
Sydney Harbor

Fri 14 commence distorgering the
Wegian

Tues 21 Moggit was taken ill it was
an Inflammation of the
bowels and died on Sunday
the 24 a few minutes before
12 P.M.

Days Months Memorandum Accounts 1850

Sat May 25 Paid of Captain Capes three
dollars 75 cts

Mon 30 Sent a letter Mr Baynton
Hobart

Sat June 1 Paid of Captain Capes three
dollars 75 cts
Sydney have a fine Harbour
and safe anchorage the land
on the out side of the town
is sandy

Mon June 10 10 P.M. Left Sydney for New
Castle on board the Steamer
Whistle

Tues 11 5 A.M. Landed at New
Castle. This is a very sandy
point of land situated
at the mouth of the Flourish
River on one side of the sea
on the other

Fri 14 Sent a letter to Mr O'Donahoo

Mon 17 2 P.M. Towed Anchor in the
Bay of Sacramento at New

Days Months

Mon June 17 Castle Bound for San
Francisco California
Breeze light & fair

Tue 18 S.W. fair wind N & P.M.
Equally

Wed 19 Breeze light & favourable
Atmosphere Dark Breeze
strong & favourable up
to Sunday 24

Sun 22 Wind Veer'd to S.E. we made
great way to N.W.

Mon 24 Wind little more favourable
with a little rain A.M.

Wed 26 Calming with a great deal
of rain saw a fine beach

Thurs 27 7 P.M. Sailed from New
Caledonia

Sat 29 In 20.0. M To 169.0. C

Sat 29 Landed away the fiddlers

Sun 30 seen a bird called the man
near the hills

Days Months Memorandum Accounts 1850

- Sun Jun 30 5 P.M. sight a small Island by the name of Hunters and passed it at 12 P.M.
- Sun 30 by the English, by the American Americans Saturday the 29
Time } Captain Tucker and Mrs Stone a Lady Passenger had some words and the Captain struck Mrs Stone 6-10ths with a rope 3 P.M. the same evening or early in the night Yeats pitched in to his Wife
- Wed July 3 Saw the 2nd Mate Mearns & Deans Bird Cage with a small dog in it overboard
- Thurs 4 the Captain gave all hands a good Dinner and a plenty of grog and Egg flip to drink
- Thurs 9 the Captain struck Mr Gardener 7 P.M. the Carpenter caught a porpoise
- Wed 10 4 P.M. spoke ship Herald

- Thurs July 10 from New Haven
- Sun 14 3 P.M. sight Land Sydney Island
- Sun 14 Crossed the Equator between 8-9 P.M.
- Thurs 18 the wind blew away the jib from the Sheet it was blowing fresh at the time
- Sat 20 the Captain put us on salt water to wash with
- Sun 21 we had a accident of rain
- Thurs 25 Wind favourable with strong squalls
- Thurs 25 setting up the M. T. R. back stay ^{up to the} the M. T. R. mast gave away
- Fri 26 set up the M. T. R. mast
- Sat 27 met the sea going South in La 19th of 40
- Thurs Night 1 Captain Tucker caught a Shark

Memorandum Account 1850

Thurs August 2^d Captain Tucker and the 2nd Mate had a few words and the 2nd Mate was sent before the Mast

Fri 3 caught some ship jacks

Sat 4 sighted a reef 3 P.M.

4 5 P.M. it sprung up a strong breeze from the E by S.

Mon 13 5 A.M. sail in sight the Flobeonorch an American Whaler from New Bedford 8 A.M. spoke to her the Captain came on board of us our Captain & passengers were on board of her during the day she had 9 bags of Potatoes of us some of her hands had got the scurvy

Wed 14 seen some large fish at day and jumping out of the water to a great height

14 seen something of a boat

1850

Wed August 15 lowered a boat and found it was a boat containing cloaths &c with a corpse in it suppose it to have been a China man by the things in the boat

Thu 16 seen a Whale

Fri 25 4 P.M. sail in sight

Mon 26 10 A.M. lowered a boat manned by passengers pulled to her & spoke her at 12 and found it to be the Valion from Auckland New Zealand 8 months out bound to San Francisco California 35 souls on board she was a schooner of 45 tons they had nothing but flour and a little Malaga wine on board, they had from us 2 barrels beef 1 pork 3 bags of biscuits 1 of sugar & 6 lbs tea beside tea sugar & spirits

Day was to Memorandum August 1850
 Mon August 26 given by the passengers 5 P.M.
 we saw them fighting on board
 the schooner, we sent of the
 boat & found it was the Capt
 & one of the passengers the
 Captain was much disliked
 by the passengers, but backed
 by the crew

Wed 28 6 A.M. a sail in sight 9
 A.M. lowered aboard manned by
 Passengers pulled to her spoke
 her at 10 A.M. it was the Panama
 a new Barque from Hobartson
 bound to San Francisco 78 Day
 weight, Captain Dawson
 Owners Burns & Whit Hobartson
 Passengers 3.

Thurs 29 6 A.M. a sail in sight between
 8 & 9 A.M. lowered aboard
 manned by Passengers & Sailors
 pulled to her between 9 & 10 A.M.
 it was the Augustin from

Captain McFarlin 850
 Thurs August 29 Hobartson bound to Francisco
 she left Hobartson 12 March
 Passengers 26 Callein Storage⁶⁰
 lost G. J. B. mast on her way
 she staid at Wahoo Island
 9 week

Fri 30 The Captain put the Passengers
 on 1 Quart of fresh water 70 day
 Sailors three pints 40 day

Tues Sept 3 7 A.M. a sail in sight it
 was American Brig

Thurs 5 saw a fair Bark

Sat 7 saw a fine Barque P.M.
 Sun 8 in the night sighted land
 America

Mon 9 at 2.5 minutes past 10 A.M.
 went Anchored in San
 Francisco Bay California

Tues 10 I went on shore

Sat 14 4 P.M. left Francisco for
 Sacramento in the Steamer
 Fashion

Sun 15 in the evening landed
 Onsted Sat 14 I sold Captain Farber 11 bags
 of Flour 72 for \$35.00

Days Months Memorandum Accounts 1850

Sun Sept 15 at Sacramento we went up the
River Sacramento in the Dashon
then on other side the Valley
stretch away to a great distance
and along after the River the
land have the appearance
to be thick for the grass grows
high and strong & the timber
thick

Tue 17 P.M. Left for the mine

Wed 18 arrive at Norman Island on the
South fork of the American
River

Thu Sept 19 P.M. I commenced working in
the mine in California
at Norman Island

Fri Oct 1 the thermometer stood 110 degrees
in the shade

Mon Nov 18 the haze began to get dark
the wind began to blow strong
& a little fresh, heavy clouds
was passing the page ceased

Mon Nov 18 on the top of the Mountain
ranges

Tue 19 late on the evening or early
in the night it rained

Thu 21 in the night there was
three Wolves come to the
Wigwam

Sun 24 P.M. there ^{was} a buck & doe come
to the Wigwam

in the early part of December

there was some sharp frost
and towards the middle

rain from the South
and then ^{one frost} sign up to the 4 of

January 1851

Wed Dec 26 Christmas Day I was at a
stove the South &

North fork of the American
River I was not very well

Wed 1851 New Years Day

Sat Jan 4 rain on the 4th 5th & fine on
the 6th

Sun Feb 2 the weather have been

My Mother's Memorandum Account 1851

Wed Feb 2 very dry and fine this winter this
Sun is the dry winter since 1843,
the Buckle Buckles commenced
budging by the 2nd of this month,
and by the 10th I saw a flower
in full bloom it was abt
like the heartsease the frost
here is about as hard as it is
in Australia.

Sat 18 the company gave of work on
the north fork of the American
river and back up and went for the Blometh

Wed 19 Decide the Gold & broke up

Thu 21 arrive in Sacramento from the
north fork of the American r^{iv}

Mon 24 arrive in San Francisco

Wed 26 P.M. left for Trinidad on
the steamer Gen Warren

Sat Mar 1 arrive at Trinidad

Wed 5 left for the mine

Sun 17 arrive at Red Lake Bar on
the Blometh River it was a fine
day

Tues March 19

in the night it commenced
raining & it rained & snowed
greatly during the month,
I had a very bad cough & I
thought it would have killed
me; I saw more suffering than
I had ever seen, men
lying on the ground with only
a blanket hung up over
them to keep of the snow
& rain, I saw others lying on
a few sticks and the water
running under them, I saw
1 blanket around them &
an Old Coat hung up over
them to keep of the rain &
snow, the men was sick in
all directions, but none died,
while they wait there, they could
get no drinks for there was
none there, and I think it
a good thing there was not,
I had only \$6.50 at the time

My Month's Memorandum Accounts 1851

Thu June 19 Left Red Cap Bar on a Prospect
ing tour & traveled along the
Mountains between Pacific
Creek & the Tlamath River

The land through here is poor
Fri July 4 Crossed the ^{Seahorse} ~~Seahorse~~ Mountain
and went down at the head
waters of the Illinois River
there is a fine Valley nearly 30
miles long

Wed 9 went to Canon on Josephine Creek

Thu 13 went to Plaggs River

Mon Aug 8 Left Canon on Josephine Creek
for the Tlamath river

Fri 12 arrive on the Tlamath

Mon 15 Left for Soto's river farm at
the river I went up the Valley about
15 miles on the ~~western~~ western
side and down on the Eastern
from there to Shasta Valley
and back to Soto's farm then
to the head waters of the

Sacramento River and followed
the river down to Spring Creek
where I wintered on the 19 of

Sep 19
Sept 19 (Shasta County)
September 1851; I wintered
on the East side of the river
about 6 miles above Shasta
City until the 9th of Feb 1852
1852

Jan 1 it was snowing at this time

Mon Feb 2 left the log cabin on the
East side of the Sacramento
River for French Gulch
the 4 arrive on the opposite
Gulch

Mon March 1 sold the Brown horse for
\$8.00 ~~at~~ snowed
in the forenoon

I staid on French Gulch
I perfect until the 27
March

27 I left French Gulch & went
to Backlows or Deadwood gulch
in Trinity County and work in

Days Months Memorandum Accounts 1853

the mines there untill Wednesday
the 15 of Sept.

July 24 Robert Donald left dead wood
gulch for Tasmania

Wed Sep 15 the Company just made I had
up there was 4 of us my two partners
went to Australia they was Sailors

Fri 17 between 7 & 6 P.M. I left dead
Wood gulch for Francisco

Fri 17 7 P.M. arrive in Shasta City

Sat 18 6 A.M. left Shasta City for
Sacramento City the distance is
about 200 miles I went in the
stage

Sun 19 10 A.M. arrive in Sacramento
City I stop there 2 or 3 hours

Sun 19 then left for Francisco on board
the Steamer Commanche

Mon 20 3 P.M. arrive in S. Francisco
my Partners Engage there passage
in the Asa Pecker an American Barge
for Australia

Tue Aug 3 P.M. Omitted. Gov. Williams cabin was
robbed by the Indians they taken 25
Blankets 1 Rifle powder 1 Bullets 1 young dog on
dead wood

1853

Thurs Sep 23 I left S. Francisco for Sacramento

Fri 24 2 A.M. arrived in Sacramento

Fri 24 6 P.M. left Sacramento for Gold
Hill near Auburn

Tues 28 left Gold Hill for Sacramento
and arrive there the same day

Tues 28 I heard that the Asa pecker
had not sailed for Australia
But the Exchange sailed on 23

Fri 26

Thurs 30 5 A.M. left Sacramento for Sta
Francisco and arrive in Shasta between
27 & 3 A.M.

Sat 2 I left for the Trinity River

Sun 3 I went to Brown Bar of the river
4 weeks one day I did not like the
vigors the gold was to light

Fri 5 I left I went up to dead wood
gulch I tried to buy into a
mining claim but the men ask
too much and I left and went
to Indian Creek

Mon 18 we had the first rain this Autumn

Days Months Memorandum Accounts 1852

Wed Oct 20 I was on Indian Creek not very well it was a fine day

Fri 23 I went to Pedding's Creek & commenced mining

Wed 27 we had some more rain

Tues Nov 2 there was a large fire in Sacramento it burnt from Water Street to 11th Street

Wed 17 I and James Alexander bought into a mining claim at Pedding's Creek for \$50.00

Thurs 18 at noon at Indian Creek Smith & Biggs struck a ball of knife into Dickerson

Sun 28 at this time Flour is worth 65 lbs Bacon 55 Pork 45 Potatoes 23

Sun 28 a fire in Shasta City burnt the lower end

Dec 8 at this time Flour is worth \$1.25 lb at Weaver's three days afterwards it was 70 lb.

Days Months Memorandum Accounts 1852

Dec 11 I went to Weaver's and got 14 lb of Flour at full

23 in the evening I was returning from the Trinity mine and the snow was about 13 deep

23 Flour is worth \$1.25 lb 1853

Sun Jan 9 I bought at Indian Creek 20 lbs of Flour at \$1.00 lb

Wed 19 bought 15 lbs of Flour at 75¢ of Bacon at 85¢ of Beans at 65¢

I heard that Salt was sold at Yreka at \$16.00 yds

Tues Jan 14 in the evening at 4 o'clock a fire broke out in Shasta City & burnt the whole of the city with the whole of its goods in it in 45 minutes

July 1 I went to the Hay Fork and commenced putting up a house

Oct 20 I was at the Hay Fork

Nov 2 I left the Hay Fork I went to Conner Creek

1854

Days Mem. to Memorandum Accounts 1854
 Jan 1 a New Year Treat by C. Robbins
 15 Canon Creek Reed of Mr. Wilson
 \$67 in dust
 19 I commence mining at Canon
 Creek
 Mon Jan 24 I commence work under Falgout
 Bar

1855

Feb 12 Tuesday night Mrs Day was
 Confined of a Daughter Canon Creek
 Mar 4 I Bought a half share in a
 claim for \$225 in the garden
 Sat May 5 A.M. a dispute between Mr
 Hamilton and my self
 Wed 9 J. P. Wiewich shot himself
 dead insane
 July 29 Jacob Hogan left Canon Creek
 Oct 3 Tuesday night 10 P.M. Mr & Mrs
 Day had a falling out Mr Day
 whip Mrs Day
 Tue 16 W. A. M. W. Grant had his hand
 shattered to pieces by a blow
 it was cut off the 3rd finger \$20000

1855

Wed Oct 30 8 P.M. the West side of the
 street of Canon City was burnt
 Sat Dec 10 4 P.M. a fire in Newville
 Tue Jan 1 1856 I was mining at Canon Creek
 Sat 5 Feb Quinn was found dead
 in his cabin
 Sat March 20 I hurt my Leg
 the grain crop Illinois in the
 year of 1855
 Indian Corn Bush 180,000,000
 Wheat 20,000,000
 Oats Barley & Rye 50,000,000
 Total Bush 250,000,000
 Sat April 13 Thomas Collins was shot so that
 he died John Wise his partner
 did it
 Wed 16 Henry Potter was moved to
 Monaca
 Tue May 13 H. Potter and his wife had a
 falling out and parted
 Mon May 1 Committed myself in the morning
 there was ^{that} snow on the ground
 Committed Thursday morning

Days on the Memorandum Accounts 1856
 Wed July 8 Peter Dolan shot himself
 dead through the head through
 the influence of Whiskey and
 Wed 23 a man had ten ounces of
 stolen from his cabin between
 Guin Gulch & Read Gulch
 Thurs 24 a man working on Ragida's Bar
 had his leg broken by a stone
 falling from the bank
 Tues Sep 2 Mr Day took the Peter down
 with a plane and struck out
 several of his teeth
 Sat 6 Jas McFall was tried at Jackson
 under a false accusation for trying
 to commit a Rape on Olive Day
 a little girl and was discharge
 Mon 27 I went up a prospecting to paper
 Gulch I was gone 1 week
 Mon Oct 30 I was on Canon Creek we had
 a little corn at this time
 Sun Dec 14 The Snow at this time is
 three feet ¹⁰ deep

No Person ought to come secur-
 ity for a matter or to be entangled
 in the affairs of another and
 that the interested parties alone
 those who expected to find their
 profit in the transaction
 should bear the bad consequences
 as well as enjoy the good ones, of
 their own dealings.

Look on every woman with distrust
 on every stranger with suspicion
 recollect the myriad of dangers to
 which youth, in our grown up
 or cast upon the world is
 exposed, all that can excite the
 fancy and the passions will be
 lavishly presented. Vice and
 villainy are masked under the most
 flattering appearances, knowing
 assumes the garb of fashion, and
 such influence, and far more per-
 dence and self control than false

Days with Memoranda Accounts 1856

commonly to the lot of the young
is required to protect them
from the dangers and besetting
allurements of the world;

Sat Dec 20 I Bought out Henry Potter
for \$16.00 38 on Canon Creek

Mon Feb 2 at Chelly I took possession
at this time I had 95 lbs 13 1/2 50

Thurs Jan 1 1857
I was living on Canon Creek
it was a clear day & no snow

Fri Feb 2 the snow at the time in part
lay on the East Fork of Canon Creek

Wed March 4 a Chinaman was killed at
Mountain Springs near Canon Creek

Thurs Feb 14 at 50 p.m. I received a
Letter from Mr. Bryant
Australia it was a very wet
day dated July 24 1856

Mon April 13 sent a letter to Australia to Mr
Bryant

Friday 14 9 at Mr. Mc Fisher's Express

Days with Memoranda Accounts 1857

went out for the first time

Apr April 20 Dr. John Martin Deacons Golden and
broken Coffer but nothing
taken a Golden seal was

Friday 24 3.0 p.m. the first mail was
Thursday 30 Joseph Conrad left Canon Creek
for the Eastern States

29 Committed Mr. a letter from H
Lyon Australia

Friday May 15 Buck Fisher left Canon Creek for
the Atlantic States

1856 Sunday July 27 Connected Buck Fisher was
seen having copulation with a male
by H. D. Bennett on Canon Creek

Friday May 28 Mr. Day got the papers of his
relation to her

Sat 30 Joseph M. Gillberry was
married to Mr. Patterson

Tuesday June 30 C. B. R. Post a letter from Mr. J
Mottler Australia

Thursday July 1 Dr. John George Sloughback
was killed on the South side of

Day's Memoirs Memorandum November 1857
 The East fork of Canon Creek by John
 May 24th Dr. H. Hamilton left Home
 for Scotland
 Friday Aug 28 John Mitch. Sellers & George Cabb
 left Canon Creek for the Atlantic
 States they past my house & said
 Sat Aug 12 W. A. M. Colonel Sedgwick at the
 mouth of Canon Creek
 Tue Oct 15 Dr. Bechler & Haskell left for
 the States
 Wed Nov 7 Mrs Day was married to Sherrin
 Guinn
 Thu 13 Christina Crouse John and J
 Reed & J. McFall & J. Hochman
 left Canon Creek for the States
 Mon Dec 14th The Agitation against May Tricker
 concerning the milk commore
 Tue 15th J. P. May Tricker went by my
 house for the Hay Stack and
 Wed 16 Return on Wednesday 4 P.M.
 Sat 19 Mr Guinn was confine of a daughter
 at Canon Creek

1857
 Friday Dec 26 Christmas it was a beautiful
 day I was living at Canon Creek
 on Canon Creek Trinity County
 California
 Tues Jan 5 J. P. Taylor & J. D. Beach com
 to my house and said that
 J. M. Fisher had shot J. B.
 Minette at the Hay Stack
 Henry Hendry was here
 at the time
 J. M. Fisher went along
 about 20 minutes before for
 Canon City
 Friday 29 J. F. Bull left Canon City
 for the States he left my
 house 3 1/2 P.M.
 Tues May 25 Mr. W. Galloway was captured and
 Sat June 5 J. P. May Tricker the last money
 due on the House & Barn and
 in full of all proceeds the whole
 amount for the place J. P. May
 & Tricker was \$1133.33

Days Month Memorandum Accounts 1858

Sat July 8 P.M. Brock Fisher past my house with his wife, from the States, on his way home to Canon City

Mon Oct 11 M^{rs} Whitt left Canon Creek the same day Henry Fisher left

Wed 6 5 o'clock M^{rs} Egare seen on horse Trinity River

1859

Mon Jan 24 Late in the night or early Tuesday morning there was a shock of an Earthquake on Canon Creek Trinity County California

Tues July 5, 10 o'clock a fire in Heaven's Trinity County California

Thurs Aug 18, 2 P.M. Robert Stupper & Clara, also, Frenchy was married in my house at Canon Creek Trinity County California

Wed Sept 1, 1 o'clock M^{rs} Phillips house at the mouth of Canon Creek was burnt, & she & 3 children & one man save nothing but three night clothes & hat they had on Trinity County California

Days Month Memorandum Accounts 1861

Friday Sept 25 4 o'clock P.M. M^{rs} Whitt left by my house on Canon Creek, Trinity County Cal, on her way to the Eastern States

Tues Nov 8 M^{rs} Phillips also Jane Burns died at Mill Train Canon Creek Trinity County Cal

Thurs ¹⁸⁶¹ Sep 6 1861 my house was rob on Canon Creek Trinity Co California of money about \$14.00 & clothing about \$30.00

Frid Dec 6, 1860 there was about \$350.00 taken from the deasek Sunday June 6, 1861 I had \$60.00 taken from the counter

Sun Aug 25, least by Calahan & Co contained 10⁰⁰ gold dust \$175.00

Sun Oct 20, was my birth day I was forty three years old I was living at my place on Canon Creek Trinity Co California United States America

Day 11 The Mercurian Record
Tue Oct 29. I Recd 1861 a letter from my
Mother the first that I had
in twenty two years she live
in England & I in California

Wed Dec 17. Michel Scanlan left Lima Peru
on his way to Australia he staid
at my house all night & left
on the 18th at 7³⁰ A.M.

1865
Friday April 17. I was thrown from my mule
& hurt my shoulder

Wednesday January 2nd 1866
about 4^{1/2} o'clock in the
evening I was at work
in the shop a Chinaman
come and that he wanted
some sugar I went to the
store to get it & as I
was I was in the act
of stooping down behind
the counter to get it
struck a knife into my
Right side I tried to
murder me.

Saturday Jan 12 56 I quit mining
Dec 20 and bought a place of
H. Potter for \$1000 & the
ships in the Harbor for
\$12 in all, situated on Horn
Creek Trinity Co California.
I live there for ten years
two months & six days.

I took possession of the
property Dec 22 1856 Monday
& left on a Friday March
the first 1867 I live there
longer than I live at any
place before.

Wednesday Dec 25
I am at Joseph Giltway
on Trinity River

Monday 1868
Sep 28 I left Joseph Giltway
at 8³⁰ A.M. Trinity River

Sun 28 Mr Giltway left
me at Weaverdale at
3^{1/4} P.M. against the
last house California
Trinity County Ore

As I cast my eyes around
 me, objects once familiar a
 rose every moment upon
 my sight, I turned back
 to scenes of past enjoyment
 which could never occur a
 gain, Ah! no; I had already
 for outnumbered the ^{men} ~~men~~
 allotted to man, I had traveled
 along a troublesome journey,
 but the goal, I felt persuasion
 was near. Already I saw the
 grave - already I was tottering
 upon its brink.
 When I reviewed my past
 life, oh! how full of misery
 it seemed - a long overclouded
 day with one single gleam
 of sunshine - an arid waste
 with a solitary flower growing
 in the midst - a painful
 & protracted dream, relieved
 only by a partial & momentary
 glimpses of heaven!

up

A way with these reminiscences,
 which are only idle
 & useless. I will dwell upon
 them no longer. I have
 pondered upon them at times
 with an intensity that has
 bewildered me. I will wish to
 me to distraction.

Tuesday 1868
 Sep 29 I left Weaverville
 at 7 A.M. I bid
 dinner break good bye
 29 got in to Shasta Co.
 at 1 P.M.
 29 got to Shasta City
 at 5 1/2 P.M.
 Wed 30 left Shasta 2 P.M.
 Thurs Oct 1 got to Lowell to
 Belfast
 Thurs 1 had dinner at Sacramento
 1 10 P.M. were at Francisco
 Mon 5 left Francisco for New
 York at 11 A.M. from
 Missou St. Hart

Oct 1868

- Friday 9 Pass the Marguilla lights
Sun 11 Drop anchor at
Manzanillo at 4 P.M.
11 Whip'd anchor at 9 P.M.
Sun 14 Pass Tabago at 7³⁰ P.M.
Sun 18 Drop anchor at
Panama at ^{2.5 m} 4 P.M.
Mon 19 Left Panama at 7 A.M.
for Aspenwall arrive
at 10⁵ A.M.
Left Aspenwall at
2⁵ P.M. for N. York
Tuesday 20 I was 217 miles out from
Aspenwall for N. York
& England. I was well
it was my birthday
50 years old, it was
a fine day
Wed 21 6 A.M. & great son
converge
Thur 22 Sailed Cuba 10¹⁵ A.M.
Pass the Light House at
4¹⁵ P.M. on our Leeward

Oct 1868

- Fri 23 Sailed a long Forks
situated on our Starboard
from 6 A.M. to 8 A.M.
Fri 23 6 P.M. a strong head
wind arose & in the
early part of the night
very heavy rain the
wind lasted until during
night the 25th from
N.E. & then veered to
N.W.
The Dew & Damps
gave out on the N.
side of Cuba, all down
on the W. side of
American Dye out from
Francisco to the N. side
of Cuba the Dew &
Damps is very heavy
Wed 27 6:45 A.M. P.M. Lighted
Abasco de House
27 8 P.M. Dropped the L. House

1868
 Wed 28 Come to the Wharf
 47 S. York at 9 a.m.
 Thu 29 Left the Jersey Wharf
 America at Jersey at 3 P.M.
 Sat 29 Pilot left at 4:30 P.M.
 fine & clear
 30 fine & clear
 31 do do a Head Wind
 Sun Nov 1 fine & cold. Wind S.W. & C.
 2 Steamers in sight
 Mon 3 Blowing fresh P.M.
 sighted a Truck she was
 abandon. Capt. J. W.M.
 P.M. no name a very
 commance to blow hard
 a head wind to Thursday
 night the S.W. wind was
 a little to the South
 Tues 6 a Rough Sea & Windy
 Rain
 Tues 10 sighted the Land Ireland
 the Bull Cow & calf
 at 1 P.M. perhaps it at 3 P.M.

1868
 Tues Nov 10 5 P.M. I met the House
 10 5:30 P.M. I saw Cape Clear
 Papet at 10:40 P.M.
 Wed 11 3:15 P.M. I saw the
 Head Light House
 This was the first
 time for 29 years that
 I saw my native Land
 Thurs 12 9 A.M. Landed at
 Prince's Dock Liverpool
 England This was the
 first time that I
 Tread on British Soil
 for 29 years
 Thurs 13 I saw Sister at the
 King Arms Hotel John
 Lane at 9:30 P.M.
 I did not know her
 in the After noon
 I saw Mother I did not
 know her

Thurs Nov

1868

19

I went to Birmingham
as I went along the track
I saw the land in Lancashire
is wet & poor, in stepping
it appears a little better
towards Birmingham
it was Bellerstall
from Wolverhampton
to Birmingham it had
the appearance by the
chimneys to be a mass
of Potterys bales min &
Brick making, as
the saying is there
is a thousand & one
chimneys

Frid Nov 20

at 10 AM I took the
Car at Lime St Station
Liverpool for Elgin
Scotland, round about
Elgin the land is good
especially along the bottom
where the old hills is

Nov

1868

They told me the land
on the bottom was let for
£4 & as high as £8, per
acre, but from 14 to 18
miles out from the city
it is worth only 10
pounds per acre about
Naseby the land is good
the scenery in Scotland
is beautiful & grand, I am
not able express the
Scots like their country
& that they have had
ment written, the altitude
the mountains with snow,
beaches, small lakes, rolling
hills, rivulets, glens, dale
brown, peat, fertile
valley all give a beauty to
the scenery & as a type to
this country, I should
like to live there in
summer, the hills to

1868
 Fri Dec 25 Christmas I had
 dinner with Mother at
 Caswell St Smithdown
 Lane Liverpool England
 it was the first time
 in 31 years it was a good
 dinner but Mother &
 I parted about half past
 six P.M. not on the best
 terms I am sorry to
 write such but it was so
 It was a dull day &
 a little wet in the
 evening

1869

Friday April 1st I arrived in
 Barmouth & Barmouth
 some distance it was a fine day I
 went from Liverpool I had not been
 in a month for 29 years all the
 houses did look smaller than
 when I left I saw James & John
 Allen of Barmouth that day I
 did not make my self known before Monday
 I went to the house again & I saw Mother on
 Tuesday 4th he did not know me I did not

1869
 Tuesday April 4th made my self known & went to
 see 4th millionaires
 Wed 5th pop through to Barmouth saw Mr
 5th Dyer
 Thu 6th went to Merediths Park to see
 Mrs Harding I saw them this
 was in Wilton
 Sat 8th return to Liverpool
 Tuesday June 8th left Liverpool at 10 o'clock on the
 Wed 9th 9 AM left at 7 PM arrived at Glasgow at
 10 PM
 Thu 11th left Glasgow for Perth left Perth arrived
 at Aberdeen on the
 10th
 11th at 9 PM
 Sat 12th left Aberdeen at 1 o'clock for Kirkwall
 arrived at Kirkwall at 7 AM left at
 11 AM for Westray arrived there in
 the afternoon saw Mrs James
 & the daughter Cynne of Allen &
 Robt Lloyd
 Mon 14th went to Papa Westray it was a
 fine day
 Tues 15th went to Collland Castle the
 walls on the bottom is 6 ft thick
 went to Souphred

1869

Sat June 19 went to Beck the northernmost point of Westray, there is no timber or trees grow on these islands there is 32 of these islands inhabited at Beck, I should think the rocks stand fifty feet above the sea, in rough weather & high seas it breaks over & sweeps along the beach & left stones & carry the back throw them up I should think forty feet high some of the Stone I think would weigh 5 tons weight one hundred feet above the sea, Charlieb, or as the Scots call it the Gar, I never grow in these islands it was a fine day for the Outing, the sun in mid summer set about 2^{1/2} after noon at night I rise about 2^{1/2} AM there is no night. Birds the cross-crows have grey bodies & bellies, house-sparrows, wild-pigeons, Ravens, Heralds, snipe, Lapwing, skylark, gutter snipe, & more fowl, I went to the fitty hills a fine day in morning

Sun 20th
Mon 21

Tue 22
Wed 23

Thurs 24
Fri 25

Sat 26
Sun 27

Mon 28
Tue 29

Wed 30
Thurs 31

Fri 1st
Sat 2nd

1869

left Westray went to Kirkwall, I have a fine bath-tub it was built in it is all the St Magnus the fish is plentiful & good,
left Westray for Kirkwall
went to the Medford Hotel, I saw the Beck house
at 6 AM left Kirkwall for Aberdeen
left Aberdeen at 1^{1/2} PM for Granton 3 miles from Edinburgh, came at Granton at 9³⁰ AM.
went to Edinburgh, in the afternoon went to Holywood Palace I saw Mary Queen of Scots apartments, I was in her Bed room dressing room, supper room, Audience room, I was in Lord Dornays room at the Edinburgh Museum of Antiquity I sold a slab of stone or a copy of it, that was found at

at 10 26 steps from the ground to the 1000

1869

Thurs July 1st left Glasgow for Greenock
 left Greenock for L. park
 I saw more bandy leg children
 in Glasgow than any other town
 or village that I ever saw they
 bend out at the knee
 Wed Aug 4 went to Birmingham of Henbury
 Tuesday 5 at the old Bull Briton Somersetshire
 Mon 16 went to Keymouth in Dorsetshire
 Tues 17 Went to Shepton Mallet I had not
 been there before for 30 years
 Thu 19 at Wimborne Place I lost my purse
 with about 8 shillings & gold & a small
 piece of gold in it
 Mon 23 went to Bournemouth
 Tues 24 to Bristol & Newport/Mannineth
 Wed 25 to Swansea
 Thu 26 to Gloucester
 Sat 28 left Birmingham for L. park
 Wed Oct 20 I was at Liverpool England & was
 well, it was a fair money I went in
 the evening brother was craft with
 come in the morning, I gave me some
 nutt & a shirt piece & mother gave
 me one

1869

Sun Aug 28 arrived at Whitechapel
 Covered with mud died aged
 Sat Oct 23 The Earl of Derby died aged 70
 years was buried on Friday the
 28th at St Andrew's Church it was
 a private funeral & mourning coach
 I was at the funeral & went into the
 vault & handled the coffin
 Mon Aug 31 1870
 4 at 9:50 AM I left London
 for Somersetshire England
 this is the last time that
 I saw Mother she was 81
 years & six months old
 Tues 73 left Liverpool for California
 11 days & 19 hours to N.Y.
 Sat Sep 24 came at Sacramento

To Cambridge
 at Greenock
 1869
 To Greenock
 at Greenock
 1869