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**D-022 4:5: Transcription of George Pierce Jr. Diary, 1895**

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Preliminary notes by transcriber:

At the end of this volume of the diary are additional entries in the "Memoranda" section (a brief general statement about the year and a record of horse shoeing) and in the "Cash Account" section (a shortened version of the main diary). On the verso of the final end page are a few notations.

Big flood, Jan 4th.

On 11 Feb Sue Pierce gave birth to girl before the doctor could get there. All went well, at birth, but baby died on the 16th.

Tues 1 Jan 1895

The battery did not work and we could not run the engine today -

Boys split wood -

Mrs. Pierce went to town for mail and got some Sal ammoniac for new battery - Made new battery in evening -

Wed 2 Jan 1895

Engine leaked so I could not run it. boys finished splitting wood and began digging trees from nursery. [A continuation of entry for 5 Jan is inserted here.]

Thurs 3 Jan 1895

Boys dug nursery trees -

It began raining toward night -

Fri 4 Jan 1895

Rained hard most of last night and at intervals all day -

The creek rose rapidly and came over its banks about 11 a.m. It continued to rise until about 3 p.m. It filled our cellar - stood 5 inches deep in our granary - 2 ft. in harvester house and tore away much of our fencing in the creek - It began falling about 4 p.m. and ceased to run over about 9 p.m. The Russell boys and Mallory Enos came in here about 7 p.m. - storm bound. Mallory staid over night - all had supper. Will & Frank took horses & rode to the north pasture then walked home -

Sat 5 Jan 1895

Boys pumped water out of cellar

finished late in evening -

Went to Davis - got salt, apples, cheese, lye, cabbage, etc. The bridges in this section are all gone - the large one at our north gate left and is now in La Rue's field. The Woodland train is ditched in Hunts field.

[In the space for Wed 2 Jan Pierce has this notation: "5th continued from next page." and he adds the following:

Railroad traffic is demoralized.

Dick Spark's house had some 2 feet of water in it - Curreys cellar is full

- his orchard and vineyard were flooded -

Montgomery's cellar full of water. Water ran out of northeast corner of field and broke LaRue's fence near corner. Much fencing is gone.

Sun 6 Jan 1895 [Inserted at the top of opposite page, standing before the entry for 1 Jan.]

Conrad & John went to Woodland to see about their acct. with Briggs vineyard Yen went to Davis-

Mon 7 Jan 1895

Conrad did not come home - sent for \$25.00 by John - who went to Davis today -

Went to Woodland - got tooth fixed, got 1/2 doz. halters, chain hair straps &c -

Tue 8 Jan 1895

Rained nearly all day -

John sacked barley in feed granary and helped me some to fix fence north of house -

Wed 9 Jan 1895

John and I fixed fence along slough bank south of house -

Thurs 10 Jan 1895

John overhauled grain in granary -

Conrad came back at noon -

Sue, Gardy and I went to Davis -

took 16# butter to B. F. L -

I went to Sacto on 11 a.m. train to attend U. C. Glee club and banquet at Steffin's - fine time.

Will Hampton was buried today.

Fri 11 Jan 1895

Jas. H. Budd was inaugurated governor today - was at the exercises -

Went to Davis on 3 p.m. train.

took dinner at Mother's - home about dark

Boys fixed fence-

Sat 12 Jan 1895

Boys fixed fence - Went to Davis with big wagon - Got lumber and posts -

Sun 13 Jan 1895 [Inserted.]

Sue- Gardy and I took walk down creek -

Rained last night -

Yen and boys went to town -

Mon 14 Jan 1895

Almost sick abed with cold -

- did not go out in forenoon -

Boys fixed fence south of Mother's barn in forenoon - In p.m. - I went with them and fixed fence at slough crossing on Winters road and at the culvert near LaRue's corner - that about finishes fence repairing after the overflow.

Tues 15 Jan 1895

Boys hauled dirt to vault and to build levee on slough bank in front of house -

Sue, Gardy and I went to Davis in spring wagon - got chiffonier from Comstock, sk salt, rolled oats & steak.

Sold lot of spring-hauled wheat to Ligget, 108 sks. @ \$1.00 each-

Set up battery for Mrs. McDonald -

The Sal ammoniac was not good - did not go -

Rained hard this evening - Have very bad cold -

Wed 16 Jan 1895

Rained at intervals all day - hard in p.m.

Boys worked in a.m. shoring up the dirt they had hauled for levee and hauled some dirt for front yard -

Not out at all today. feel badly -

Thurs 17 Jan 1895

Rained all day - No work outside-

Am better - helped Sue sew today -

Gardy is taking a cold similar to mine -

- bathed and thoroughly oiled him tonight -

Fri 18 Jan 1895

Rained at intervals -

Helped Sue

Sat 19 Jan 1895

Rained in forenoon -

Sue, Gardy and I went to Davis in p.m. Conrad walked in -

Took sack wheat to Mother & 7 rolls butter to B. F. L - 25c.

Sue got letter from Anna Murphy -

Sun 20 Jan 1895 [Inserted.]

Rained in afternoon and at night - Went to Davis for Anna and Kitty but they did not come -

Mon 21 Jan 1895

Rained steadily all day -

Helped Sue.

Tues 22 Jan 1895

Rained in showers in forenoon and steadily all afternoon -

The creek came up to within about three feet of bank -

Fixed fence to prevent overflow.

shelled corn.

Wed 23 Jan 1895

Nice day - Mrs P. washed -

In p.m. boys put posts on outside of fence in front of house.

Thurs 24 Jan 1895

Fixed bulkhead at end of lane near house and moved gate and fence at lower lane to slough bank in a.m. Boys moved the fence west of vineyard to about the middle of the field - in p.m.

Yen drew \$50 and went on spree for China New Year.



Sue, Gardy & I went to Davis in p.m. with Yen - to[ok] 20# butter to L - 30c.

Very strong north wind -

Fri 25 Jan 1895

North wind - Hard frost -

Boys hauled dirt for bulkheads in a.m. - dug nursery trees in p.m.

Tinkered- started engine and sawed a little wood -

Sat 26 Jan 1895

Hard frost - Nice day -

Boys dug trees - Turned mules and sheep into lower field -

Hay gone at sheep barn -

Rained a little last night -

Sun 27 Jan 1895 [Inserted.]

Very cold hard north wind -

Boys went to town -

Mon 28 Jan 1895

Boys are digging nursery trees -

Strong north wind -

Hard frost - cold all day -

Tues 29 Jan 1895

Heavy frost - Washed -

- Sue Gardy and I went to town in afternoon. Took Mother some new bacon -

Barney Mittleholtz came out to work -

Boys finished digging nursery trees and began digging holes in east orchard, where trees are missing -

finished just before night -

Wed 30 Jan 1895

Hard frost - John and I marked out land for new orchard -

Conrad and Barney dug holes where trees missed in old orchard -

- then we set trees - finished all but 9 trees of Neplus before noon about 90 trees -  
Conrad marked land in p.m. rest of us set trees in east orchard - did not finish

there are about 320 missing ones -

Thurs 31 Jan 1895

Boys began digging tree holes on new orchard land - dug 5 rows.

I finished setting out missing trees in east orchard in forenoon -

In p.m. Conrad helped set trees until boys finished digging then all set trees -  
Conrad hauled all the rest of trees to orchard -

Castrated two bulls - at noon -

Fri 1 Feb 1895

Boys dug 3 rows more of holes -

- then set out trees - finished setting out all the trees I have about 4 p.m.

- am short 113 Nonpareil trees -

Conrad began plowing at noon - other boys hitched up just at evening and made two  
rounds - had circus with one team - ground too wet - plows hard -

Sat 2 Feb 1895

Went to Davis - took 30 doz eggs - sent to S. F.

took 6 rolls butter @ 30c & 167 lbs bacon 9c to B. F. L - got steak butter cloth & cabbage -

Went to Godfreys and got 120 Nonpareil almond trees and about 30 assorted fruit trees - paid 6c each - home about 3.30 had John & Barney stop plowing and we finished setting out almond trees -

Sun 3 Feb 1895 [Inserted.]

Yen John & Barney went to town - Conrad has a sore hand -

Mon 4 Feb 1895

Two tramps staid here last night and left unceremoniously this a.m -

Beautiful day -

Began plowing land for family orchard -

Tues 5 Feb 1895

Went to Sacramento to attend a meeting of the executive committee of the U. C. Alumni at Miss Comstock's

- Out at 7 p.m-

Staid at Mother's - Sue and Gardy here -

Wed 6 Feb 1895

Mother went out home with us -

Began setting out family orchard -

Conrad broke tongue to his plow and hitched on to the harrow-

Thurs 7 Feb 1895

Fixed plow - put in new tongue

Conrad broke harrow doubletree and hitched on to plow at noon -

Finished setting out orchard & worked on harrow some -

Fri 8 Feb 1895

Killed turkey before breakfast -

Worked on harrow and tinkered at various things -

Sat 9 Feb 1895

Mother and all of us went to Davis

Al went with team and got Lime Sulphur gasolene(sic) and lumber -

I went to Woodland - Saw Hoppy

Got photos of G. and did other errands -

We expected Aunt Myra but she could not come and sent Miss McKinney

Went home in evening.

Sun 10 Feb 1895 [Inserted.]

Yen went to town -

Sue took long walk with Gardy - down to break in creek bank -

Mon 11 Feb 1895

Began sprinkling about 2 a.m. rained at intervals most of day -

At 2.50 a.m. my precious wife gave birth to a girl baby. Sent Conrad at 2.30 to Woodland for Dr. Martin. Baby was born 20 minutes later. Miss McKinney and I were here alone - Sue got along nicely. Dr. M. got here at 5.30 in a drenching rain- staid until about 8 -

Tues 12 Feb 1895

Conrad and I tinkered at harrows some in forenoon -

In p.m. Conrad, Gardy & I went to Davis. Rained while we were gone.

Wed 13 Feb 1895

Commenced work on creek break - in Mother's field.

Dr. M came about 10 a.m.

Sent order to Diggs for sewer pipe & barb wire -

Thurs 14 Feb 1895

Boys worked on creek break -

Went to town with Gardy - got sewer pipe and took it to Mother's - got bale of wire and sk rock salt -

Fri 15 Feb 1895

Fixed rack for hauling grape vines.

Went to see Graul about getting vines and found he was in Davis - went there to see him - home at noon - Boys took up fence around break and loaded wagons with brush from nursery -

Hauled brush from Graul's with two wagons in afternoon. Looks like rain -

Baby was [sentence incomplete.]

Sat 16 Feb 1895

Began sowing barley in morning

Baby was restless last night. About 8 a.m. Miss McKinney sent for me and I went for Dr. Martin. Drove Prince & Nelly to Woodland in 1 hr. & 5 min. stopped at Mrs. Greene's and had her go over. Back at 12 m. Sent Conrad at 12.40 with Mabel to W. for medicine & Dr. Lawhead. L came at 5.15

C. back at 2.10 - Went for Mother - she could not come -

Baby breathed her last at 5.35 p.m. Conrad went to 8 p.m. train and got Eva.

Sun 17 Feb 1895 [Inserted.]

Conrad went to Woodland to See Bean.[?] Dr came

Undertaker came. Went to Davis - got Dick Jones to dig grave - Mr & Mrs. LaRue called -

Mon 18 Feb 1895

Held baby's funeral today at 10 a.m -



Sue unable to sit up - She held baby for a few moments and had coffin sit beside her bed while prayer was made by Rev. R. [name left blank]. She then looked on baby in her coffin and procession moved. Only Mrs. Greene's family, the LaRue's and Mr. Hampton were here as the doctor ordered as much quiet as possible for Sue. Eva went to Oakland at 3 p.m -

Boys sowed harrowed and plowed in p.m.

Tues 19 Feb 1895

Crossharrowing - Conrad plowed in p.m. - lost his watch in p.m.

- plowed garden and raspberry vines in a.m. Went to Davis in p.m. 7 rolls butter -

Paid Exp on coffin box 40c & Rent 50c drayage.

Got 10 trees of Godfrey & co - Garden seeds cabbage & egg case -

Tom Hext rode home with me -

Wed 20 Feb 1895

Set out trees - planted garden -

Sowed three rounds in afternoon

Finished plowing ground for winter sowing -

Barney hauled one load of brush from nursery and vineyard -

Thurs 21 Feb 1895

Finished sowing barley in a.m.

Finished cross harrowing at dark -

Began plowing with a two horse plow in east orchard -

Fri 22 Feb 1895

Rained hard most of night and at intervals all day -

Went to Davis with Gardy - in a.m.

Bought 10,000 sks more or less for crop @ 4.75

Finished sawing wood and put saw and engine under cover.

Sent case of eggs to San Francisco.

Sat 23 Feb 1895

Boys did not work -

I went to Mother's and put in sewer pipe, fixed windmill and commenced on cistern pump. Took 9 rolls butter of L. 25c.

Drew \$50.00 of B. F. L - for Miss May McKiney

Sun 24 Feb 1895 [Inserted.]

Yen and Barney went to Davis today. Sue came out to the dinner table for the first time -

She is doing well.

Mon 25 Feb 1895

Began plowing orchard (east side).

Have three gang plows going and I ran the two horse plow.

In forenoon had Beck & Daisy in p.m Job & Brune. Just at night a rheumatic attack struck me and I had to quit and ride home. Took hot bath and Yen put plaster on knee -

Tues 26 Feb 1895

Did not go out much today.

Have many rheumatic pains -

Sue stepped outside for first time.

Got sheep into old orchard to eat down field -

Miss McKinney and Gardner went to Davis with old Maj.

Wed 27 Feb 1895

Miss McKinney left on 3 p.m -

took her to Davis - paid \$55.00

Got man to plow in orchard

Large bay mule Jenny was taken sick today and was left in the field as she could not get to the house - Conrad and I went to see her when I got home - we gave her some soda. Ground 34 sks barley.

Sue walked to gate to see Miss McK. off.

Thurs 28 Feb 1895

Started new man on north side of old orchard. - plows well -

Boys finished new orchard about 4 p.m - Began in old -

Jenny mule died

Al plowed in orchard near house

Put brush into water gap, planted trees &c -

Heavy dew, later north wind -

Fri 1 Mar 1895

Set out missing trees in orchards -

Al plowed in orchard and for potatoes - and hauled beets.

Went to Davis in afternoon with colts.

Fixed Mother's pump - got 2 sks early rose potatoes of John Collins @ 90c per cwt -

Paid Chronicle sub. to date - got chops -

Mother sent some geraniums and an English Red Cap rooster out to Sue -

Sat 2 Mar 1895

Cut and planted potatoes. planted one row Cleveland's Alaska peas

- set out geraniums and black cap raspberries - Looks much like rain.

Boys are getting along nicely plowing -

The new man got through first furrow fine[?]

Bull got out this evening

Sun 3 Mar 1895

Strong north wind -

Yen walked to town -

Mon 4 Mar 1895

Nice day -

Went to town in forenoon - took Gardy -- 11 rolls of butter to B. F. L. 25c.

Got plow tongue, cabbage & veal -

Sold all the eggs I have to Ligget at 10c. - took 2 cases to fill -

Home at 1 p.m got 78 doz. eggs and went back to town. Mother put in 7 doz. Went to Godfrey's and got 10 Nonpareil almond trees.

Bismark broke gate at barn when I went to drive in -

Tues 5 Mar 1895

Set out missing trees. Sowed alfalfa in chicken yard -

Boys finished plowing orchard about 10 a.m. Set three of them to hauling brush and Conrad to plowing summerfallow -

Kate and Ella came and spent the day -

Goats got into LaRue's. Put sheep back into lower field -

Wed 6 Mar 1895

Finished hauling brush at noon -

Started two more teams to plowing summerfallow.

Got ready to grind barley and engine broke piston. Went to town and sent piston to Best - Sent man for load of lumber for State Bank fence

-got wire, nails & staples for State Bank fence. [The last three words were represented as ditto marks, since they appear directly below the same three words in the line above.]

Thurs 7 Mar 1895

Man got another load of lumber and posts -

Fixed sweet peas, marigolds &c -

Man got straw away from fence, fixed brush &c -

Another man came along and I hired him to help fix fence -

Fri 8 Mar 1895

Built Bank fence -

Sat 9 Mar 1895

Built Bank fence -

Some one came at 4 a.m. inquiring way to Winters

Sam Montgomery came for right of way across slough for public road at north gate

Sun 10 Mar 1895 [Inserted.]

Discharged one man - \$9.00

Went to Davis with Gardy, Yen John & Barney -

Mon 11 Mar 1895

Finished fence in east line



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Tues 12 Mar 1895

Began repairing fence between Mother's field and my own -

Boys nearly finished plowing strip running north along LaRue's line -

Went to Davis in pm with Gardy - took 15 rolls butter 20c and 30 doz. eggs 9c. - Mrs Brackin paid \$20.00 on engine. Mother came out home with us -

Got broken piston rod - Had Prince shod.

Wed 13 Mar 1895

Fixed engine and ground barley -

- about three loads.

Set 6 hens. Caught up roosters to send away -

Killed turkey for tomorrow's dinner -

Thurs 14 Mar 1895

Fixed Yolo's pen & worked in front yard -

Am not well today -

Took coop of roosters, 3 1/2 doz to Davis and shipped them to Christianson &co Sacramento.

Frost last night.

Fri 15 Mar 1895

Worked at odd jobs in forenoon -

Cut up hams in afternoon -

Mrs. LaRue & Morgan, Mrs Miner Maud and Allie Mrs Page & Mrs. Gallagher called this afternoon.

Had extra man haul manure out of sheep barn -

Finished fence in east line

-Bank and Mother's-

Very hard frost last night

Sat 16 Mar 1895

Went down into field before breakfast -

Went with Mother to Davis. Took 20# butter 10c

Drew \$60 of B. F. L - Paid Hampton's lumber bill - took lunch at Mother's-

Went to Woodland - Paid 2 installments of taxes \$216.

Paid Stephens Bean and Son \$30 - Got wire, iron, hose, tap, fish hooks &c -

Pierce has put in the word "Frost" in the margin of this entry.

Sun 17 Mar 1895 [Inserted.]

Yen went to town -

Mon 18 Mar 1895

Was fixing post digger in shop and was attacked by rheumatism-

Was confined to room all day -

Tues 19 Mar 1895

Am no better today

Conrad went to town for Eva -

She has a week of vacation.

Wed 20 Mar 1895

Had a very bad night - great pain in my bowels- Walked to shop then home and to bed - was very sick - got better toward night

It rained last night and boys did not work today -

Thurs 21 Mar 1895

Sat up about twenty minutes today

Rained all the afternoon.

Fri 22 Mar 1895

Got outside today just before noon

One man worked on fence

Boys did nothing in forenoon -

Barney helped tighten wire in afternoon - John & Conrad ground barley in p.m.

Sat 23 Mar 1895

Boys finished wire about 9 a.m. and then worked till night on levee in front of house -

Conrad harrowed in lower field and John harrowed in orchard - Al plowed or pretended to plow the vineyard -

I went to 11 a.m. train and met Miss Nettie Reibsam. Took 12 rolls butter @20c.

Sold Mrs McDonald a turkey 1.35 gave her eggs butter & jelly -

Sun 24 Mar 1895 [No entry.]

Mon 25 Mar 1895

Conrad harrowed ditto John -

Barney plowed in summerfallow

Fred helped about yards & vineyard

Set out tomato plants

Sheep shearers came - four of them.

Tues 26 Mar 1895

Put in some garden seeds.

Sheep shearers finished

John finished harrowing in new orchard -

Wed 27 Mar 1895

Rained last night and at intervals today

Boys all helped build and hang gates about corrals -

Finished grinding wheat and barley for feed -

Thurs 28 Mar 1895

Fred and I fixed gates about cow corral in forenoon -

In p.m. Fred worked on fence in lower field - I went to town - took 2 doz. chicks - shipped to Feiling Cressy &co

- got stuff for sheep dipping box -

Conrad is sick - other boys did not work - Rained hard showers.

Fri 29 Mar 1895

John & Barney built levee west of beehives - in forenoon and harrowed in afternoon -

Conrad is sick today - he mended sacks in afternoon and got plows in from field -

Sat 30 Mar 1895

John harrowed in orchard - Barney in field -

Conrad began replowing orchard-

Went Melvin's sale -

Got pepper plants and set them out-

Sun 31 Mar 1895 [Inserted.]

Barney drew \$10.00

Mon 1 Apr 1895

Marked pigs and turned them out on creek 21 sows 9 barrows -

Went to Woodland in cart with Prince and Nellie. It sprinkled a little while I was going -

Bought mule collar and Sulphur bellows[?] of Diggs and he gave me a buggy whip.  
Gave in assessment.

Took order for sickle bar of Geo. Stephens.

Had inquired for Mother's lots in [riland?]

Got listerine click [chick?] holder[?] &c.

Tues 2 Apr 1895

Fred and I fixed to dip sheep -

Barney finished harrowing the summerfallow that has been plowed but once. He plowed in orchard in afternoon.

Frost most almost every night.



Wed 3 Apr 1895

Got things ready and began dipping sheep about 9.30. Finished both sheep and goats at night. Al had his thumb hurt -

Sue and Gardy went to town for mail.

Thurs 4 Apr 1895

Got badly burned on hands yesterday with sheep dip -

Went with Sue & G. to Ladies' Aid society meeting at Mrs. Greene's - Had a pleasant time. Great game of football - ladies and gentlemen on lawn.

Planted corn, beans, watermellons canteloup &c -. Fred did plowing and plowed vineyard -

Boys finished, except Conrad plowing old orchard.

Fri 5 Apr 1895

Frost. Strong north wind -

Barney & John began plowing in new orchard -

Put wire across creek at Hext line -

Heifer had calf on creek- mules broke one of its hind legs -

Al foolishly dared the bull and got hooked quite badly for his pains -

Fred milked -

Sat 6 Apr 1895

Went to Sacto on 7.55 a.m. train. Al Smith went with me. Bought LaDow harrow sulphur coal groceries dry goods hat shoes cauliflower & egg plant &c -

Blair's Rheumatic pills - Had meeting of Executive Committee of U. C. Club -

Out at 8. Anna Murphy & brother had taken my horse. Had Prince shod -

Took 30 doz eggs & 15 rolls butter to B. F. L -

Sun 7 Apr 1895 [Inserted.]

Sue took Dan to Davis -

Mon 8 Apr 1895

Took Anna to 7.55 train

Fred took wool to town

419# wool 71# Mohair-

Drew \$20.00 of B. F. L -

Got freight from Sacto -

Painted buggy wheels -

Tues 9 Apr 1895

Went to Winters, Esparto, Madison and Woodland - got Nellie shod -

Tried to sell some machinery but failed. Got bucket of C & V[?] axle grease, soldering iron &c.

Wed 10 Apr 1895

Marked lambs 76 head 41 ewes 35 r.[?]

Worked on force pump in afternoon.

Boys finished plowing orchard about 10 a.m. In afternoon they went into lower field to reploting (sic) summerfallow -

Strong wind NE & E

Thurs 11 Apr 1895

Worked on pump - Helped Sue with chickens -

In afternoon Sue, Gardy and I went to Davis -

Fri 12 Apr 1895

Fixed pump - More chickens -

In p.m. took Al Schmidt's bedding and clothing to express office-

Saw Larke about getting tank and some pipe -

Sat 13 Apr 1895

Went at 6.30 to Cassells, Lillard's & Haye's on harvester and sheep business.

Sprinkled at intervals throughout day -

Fred and I went to Schmeisers and measured his land that I cut -

Sun 14 Apr 1895 [Inserted.]

Sue Gardy Yen and I went to Davis in buggy - Went to cemetery with flowers -

Mon 15 Apr 1895

Went to lower field

Harby came and got bull "Yolo" and one cow - gave \$1600 for bull.

Got up Ralph and Black Beauty -

Drove Beauty to Davis - settled for bull and must bill to time wagon began running[?]

Saw Larke about pipe and tank.

Tues 16 Apr 1895

Am not at all well.

Dug about trees some and found much root knot -

Wed 17 Apr 1895

Fred went to town with wagon

got pipe and lumber for tank frame - I went to Sacramento on 11 a.m. got pipe fixtures

Drew \$100 Paid Al Schmidt \$56.40

got gasolene(sic). Attended U. C. social at Bentley's

Sue and Gardy went to grandmother's to stay over night.

Thurs 18 Apr 1895

Went out on 7.25 train. Home at noon.

Boys finished plowing summerfallow at noon. Turned out stock, got in harrow & plows, cut thistle in pasture brought in load of wood and began work on orchard, boring knots and putting in bluestone-

Fri 19 Apr 1895

Took honey from hives - soldered pans &c.

- worked on trees.

In p.m. went to see Anderson Bros and Mr. Hammon about root knot -

They advise letting the trees alone -

Got letter from W. P. Harlow, Al Schmidt's attorney he wants damages for injury received by bull -

Sat 20 Apr 1895

Strong north wind. Conrad took wagon to town and brought out 5000 gal. tank bought of Larke- and tank of gasoline. Went to Woodland

Saw R. Clark about Al Smith affair.

Got lumber coal tar &c. Home about 4 p.m. Sue and I attended and euchre party at Dr. Bates'

Sun 21 Apr 1895 [Inserted.]

Went to cemetery -

Yen rode out with us -

Mon 22 Apr 1895

Dipped sheep second time

finished about 5 p.m. got up goats - Boys began digging ditch for water pipe in garden -

Tues 23 Apr 1895

Put in some pipe in morning

then went to Davis and got some pipe cut. Boys worked in orchard for a time. In p.m. put in pipe and began work on foundation for tank frame -

Took 30 doz. eggs to B. F. L. 10c.

Wed 24 Apr 1895

Dug ditch across island.

Put up tank frame and got tank in place -

Thurs 25 Apr 1895

Put in large pipe with its connections -

Went to town with Beauty - got pipe fittings. Finished all pipe connections from tank to house -

Fri 26 Apr 1895

Began clearing out channel for water pipe - found pipe broken in two - took it all up -

Went to town in evening and ordered new pipe for both suction and discharge

It sprinkled on my return from town.

Sat 27 Apr 1895

Rained considerable last night and at intervals today

Soldered oil cans and put in some pipe connections at tank and pump.



Sun 28 Apr 1895

Yen and Sue started for town - they let the colts out into the grain field and then came back. Mr & Mrs. G. H. Lorenz and George came out from Sacto. and left George for a visit Yen went to town at night

Mon 29 Apr 1895

Went to Davis early and got 2 1/2 & 3 in. pipe and some lumber for pump house -

George went with me -

Fixed Hoag's engine -

Tarred pipe

Tues 30 Apr 1895

Got pipe into creek and tarred new piece -

Sue went to Sacramento shopping and to get some dress making done

Drew 35.00 of D. O. Mills & Co. for her.

Wed 1 May 1895

Boys finished digging about trees in forenoon - In afternoon it rained and they did nothing-

Conrad and I worked in shop in afternoon - on pump in forenoon -

Gave G. Schmeiser an order for 57.00 on B. F. Ligget for balance due on amount overpaid on harvesting.

Thurs 2 May 1895

Worked on pump - got it to going just before dinner.

Went to town in p.m. with Gardner in cart with Beauty -

George walked to town and back.

Conrad dug trees in afternoon, other boys dug dead trees all day -

Fri 3 May 1895

Conrad began harrowing summerfallow second time in east field -

Had boys help fill up pipe ditches and finish up about engine house - dug trees in p.m.

Went to Davis in evening expecting to meet Prof Bradley but he did not come -

Sat 4 May 1895

George went home - Sue and Gardy took him to Davis -

Sun 5 May 1895 [Inserted.]

Sue, Gardy & Yen went to Davis. John & Barney to Woodland

Mon 6 May 1895

Started new "La Dow" harrow in east orchard -

John & Barney are digging up dead trees -

Fred and I put in gate post at hog barn and got up horses for mowing -

Took Sue and Gardy to Mother's.

They are to stay there tonight and go to Sacramento tomorrow.

Aunt Delia has gone to Woodland -

Tues 7 May 1895

Mrs. Greene called -

Conrad finished east orchard at noon.

Set him to mowing in afternoon -

- Cut 3 swaths around small lot east of house then began north of old orchard -

Boys dug trees until noon. John ran disk and Barney hauled trees in p.m.

Fred worked on Texas blackberries -

Killed a goat

Put young stock in east field.

Wed 8 May 1895

Mowed while Conrad had breakfast -

Went to Davisville for Sue and Gardy -

Barney got through hauling trees about 3 p.m. and then began making hay -

Thurs 9 May 1895

One of the strongest north winds ever experienced swept this section today - it began last night about midnight -

Mowed for Conrad at breakfast time - Barney cut up trees and ran weed cutter on morning glory -

Eli Hays's boy came looking for sheep for mutton.

Fri 10 May 1895

Mowed for Conrad in morning

Fixed rig for putting in hay - got hay carrier up -

Went to town in afternoon

North wind blew in forenoon -

only a moderate breeze however-

Gardner came down with a bad cold

Sat 11 May 1895

Put header bed on - Barney and I began bunching hay - our buncher did not work well and we brought it in and rebuilt it - went first rate.

Had John help finish bunching in p.m. and then dig water trenches. He finished big orchard before noon. Barney raked in p.m. Tried to irrigate but the water did not flow readily.

Sun 12 May 1895 [Inserted.]

Barney & Conrad each drew \$10.00

Mrs. Greene, Kate & Charley called -

Mon 13 May 1895

Conrad finished mowing volunteer

Pumped and irrigated yards and gardens -

Boys raked and bunched hay in p.m.

Conrad took Sue, Gardy and me to Mother's to stay over night -

Took 30 doz. eggs to B.F.L. 10c.

Got Hulme and Hart's order cashed \$26.60 and drew \$20. of B. F. L.

Tues 14 May 1895

Got off on 7.45 a.m. train for San Francisco. Sue and Gardy stopped at Oakland at Eva's boarding place 668-14th St. I, after locating others went to San Francisco - stopping at the Grand room 76. Shopped in p.m.

Attended meeting of class of '75. at Del Monico restaurant, Farrell above Stockton

Present: During Dan Cona Burchard Hinton Holman Gummer Robertson, Pierce.

Twenty years since graduation. 4 deaths.

Wed 15 May 1895

Went to Oakland on 8.30 boat -

Sue got ready at 11.15 to go shopping.

Got Gardy a suit of boys clothes, his first, and had his hair cut, first time, and started for Berkeley at 1.15 p.m.

Attended Commencement exercises - they were fine - dined at Eva's boarding house and then went to San Francisco - intending to go to banquet but was too late and did not go.

Thurs 16 May 1895

Went to Oakland on 9 a.m. boat

Sue, Gardy and I went to Hayward on the electric cars, back to San Leandro.

called at Bests, then to Oakland on steam cars, down Broadway on electric,

- had dinner at restaurant and got last car for train at 16th St.

Got to Davis at 8.20. Conrad met me with buggy - It is cold and wind blows hard from south.

Fri 17 May 1895

Boys began hauling hay -

Went to Davis in wagon. took 30 doz. eggs - got 2 sks spuds and sk salt-  
wanted a man to help haul hay but did not find any -

Sat 18 May 1895

Went to town early got a man and had him at work by 8.40 -

In afternoon mowed around wheat along road sides and between summerfallow barley  
and winter sowing thus finishing mowing for the season -

Got clamp put on buggy top.

Sun 19 May 1895 [Inserted.]

Yen and I went to town

Got overalls for Fred..

Strong south wind. Irrigated yards and garden -

Mon 20 May 1895

Had Fred wash and sand paper spring wagon ready to paint -

Went to Davis to see Ligget but he had gone to San Fran -



Got order from Tauzer for cylinder shaft and from Montgomery for large pulley and 100 ft chain -

Got fork tine welded-

Tue 21 May 1895

Painted wagon in forenoon -

Went to Davis in p.m. met at Mother's Mr & Mrs Knuden from Menomonee -

Got tire on cart set -

Wed 22 May 1895

Got out header to harvester -

Tinkered in forenoon -

Mrs [&] Dr. Martin and children came and took lunch -

Went to Davis - got fork tine fixed

-Got shoes 1/2 soled 1.00 crate of strawberries 90c. and copy of Illustrated History University of California 3.50 Drew 10.00 of

B. F. L -

took 30 doz. eggs - got 1/4 gal paint -

Thurs 23 May 1895

Painted wagon and cart -

Eli Haye's boy came for sheep -

[Written sideways in this space is the following note:] "Saturday evening 26th(sic) about 6 o'clock Mr. Charles Agee was shot and killed by John Marshall at Agee's home on the ranch - Marshall then tried to kill himself with a pocket knife"

Fri 24 May 1895

Boys finished putting hay in horse barn and began on cow barn about 9 a.m.

Went to Woodland - drove Beauty - to buggy - got her shod - got cloth for cover and lining to wagon -

paint belting cylinder teeth &c -

Home by way of Davis.

Ruggles paid me \$11.20 rebate on insurance of buildings. Sent \$150. to Equitable ins. co for annual premium.

Sat 25 May 1895

Painted cart and put top and lining on wagon - Boys finished filling cow barn at noon  
- stacked in p.m. in old orchard - Sprinkled a little and looks like rain.

Sun 26 May 1895 [Inserted.]

Sprinkled John drew \$5.00

Sue came up to Davis last night and Mrs. Ligget brought her out today -

Gardner got away from her at 16th St. Depot in Oakland and went to the Mole [?] on  
the Berkeley train and back again -

Mon 27 May 1895

Started Barney & Charley to fixing grade on creek but it soon began raining and they  
quit until noon - finished it and then began digging up and [word missing] almond  
trees - John began running disc harrow at noon. Conrad worked in shop -

Sue Gardner and I went to Davis in p.m. Fred and Conrad fixed wire across creek at  
east end -

Tues 28 May 1895

Boys finished hauling hay - 4 loads put it in horse barn -

We went to Mr. Agee's funeral at Dixon - very large attendance -

Returned by Davis

Was very tired -

Wed 29 May 1895

Almost sick abed this forenoon -

Conrad went to Davis with four horses for some lumber and 5000 sacks- got Dick shod 2 shoes.

Worked on harvester in afternoon -

Killed sheep - very fat -

Boys finished digging up trees in almond orchard got 1023.

Thurs 30 May 1895

Charley cut brush.

Went to Davis - 30 doz eggs 10c.

Met friend of Lee Lockwood who wants to hire out -

Man from Geo. Tauzer's came and engaged the job of sack-sewing on harvester - is to come on Sunday -

Gnats troublesome

Fri 31 May 1895

Strong north wind

Went to Sacramento on 11.15 train

- out on 2.30 Yen went with me -

Deposited \$300 on note and drew \$100 at D. O. Mill's. Paid Mother \$20 deposited 60 at B. F. L.'s - Got cylinder belt 7.25

Jumper pants, dry goods, music for G &c -

Was asked to be third party to arbitrate the John & Burl Cecil

difficulty - Gnats very bad the John & Burl Cecil difficulty - Gnats very bad

Sat 1 June 1895

They gave me a nine inch belt instead of 8 yesterday and Sue took it back to exchange - she drew \$16

Tinkered on harvester - got it out at noon and set it together in the lane- Gnats fearfully bad - Lee's friend came -

Sun 2 June 1895 [inserted.]

Geo. Arnold came last night -

Yen walked to town -

Chas Patteen[?] drew 5.00

Mon 3 June 1895

Finished hauling brush - took off header bed -

Started harvester - got once around north field before noon.

- Machinery runs well - grain is green in streaks -

Started Geo. Arnold hauling to pile.

Took off shaft to cleaner fan and babbitted the boxes -

Tues 4 June 1895

Broke cap 132 when putting it on.

- fixed it temporarily -

Gardy and I went to town in cart. got extras-

Killed sheep 56#

Wed 5 June 1895

Too green to harvest and we laid up - Quite strong north wind - John finished running disc harrow - Conrad and Barney ground barley - Moved crusher out to engine -

Sue Gardy and I went to town in evening took 30 doz eggs 10 1/2c.

Thurs 6 June 1895

Strong north wind

Boys ground barley 182 sks -

John finished cultivating -

Sue Gardy and I went to Davis - Sue & G attended Sorosis at Mrs. Bates.

Manie [Seems to be nickname for "Marion". See entries for 13 Oct 1895 and 21 Oct 1895.] Galt came on 8 oclock train.

Fri 7 June 1895

Very strong north wind -

Conrad tinkered about shop -

rest of boys did nothing -

One of the worst winds ever experienced -

Sat 8 June 1895

Strong north wind. Conrad worked in shop in forenoon. Went to town with me in afternoon. 30 doz eggs

- got Manie's trunk, 1/2 doz roosters of Mrs. Ligget - Shoes & pants for John.

Sun 9 June 1895 [Inserted.]

Windy in forenoon.

All went to church. Rev. Gibson of San Fran preached. New Choreman came -

Mon 10 June 1895

Began harvesting again - got about two thirds as much grain as before.

Fred the choreman left -



Intended to put my sack tender to hauling grain today and have George Taylor tend and sew sacks as he wanted to, but when he had an opportunity to do so he did not want to.

Tues 11 June 1895

Went to Davis and got Chas Cunningham to haul grain - Started in p.m.

- hauled 50 sacks to culvert on road

- 69 to town average 116 1/4.

Took 1050 sacks back to town to B. F. L -

Got wagon tire on spring wagon set.

Wed 12 June 1895

Helped haul out load & extra

Went to town and got Dan Doolan to sew sacks. Taylor is getting too smart.

Stopped at Miner's and figured on his grain - offered to cut it for \$1.40 per acre

Boys finished north field and got into middle one and made one round before dinner.

Thurs 13 June 1895

At machine in forenoon -

Hauled last barley out of west field

Mr & Mrs. Miner called. Miner gave me the job of cutting his grain at \$1.40 per acre

Fri 14 June 1895

Went to Davis in morning to get screen oil split keys [?] etc.

Could get no oil and so went to Woodland in p.m. -

took 30 doz. eggs to B.F.L -

Sat 15 June 1895

Irrigated in a.m.

Helped haul barley in afternoon -

Sun 16 June 1895 [Inserted.]

Sue and Yen went to Davisville.

Worked on harvester.

Mon 17 June 1895

Harvester main clutch did not work - made half a round and then pulled into shop -

- Started after dinner and went about 5 rods when chaner[?] shaft broke.

Went to Davis and telephoned for 1 1/4 hours for Best then telegraphed for extras.

Barney hauled load of barley in p.m.

Tues 18 June 1895

Barney hauled barley in forenoon -

Got old fan shaft of Montgomery and started about 2.30. Went one round when guide wheel broke.

Conrad took me to town - found that my shaft ordered had been carried by to Sacto and returned at 3 p.m.

Took 7.20 overland train for Oakland - stayed at Galindo Hotel

Wed 19 June 1895

Left on 6.55 a.m. electric car for San Leandro - they had no extra guide wheel and had to make one. Men worked bravely.

- Got off on 3:15 train - home on 4 p.m.

Sue went to Sacto today. out at 8 -

Gardy & Mamie [definitely looks like an "m" in name here.] stayed at Mothers.

Conrad came down with wagon -

Thurs 20 June 1895

Got machine together and it ran all right until just at night when check screen broke -

Fixed fence about north field

- ran engine in afternoon.

Ben True subpoenaed me to appear at court in Sacramento at 10 a.m. tomorrow as witness in railroad case Morris vs. S. P.

Fri 21 June 1895

Went to Sacto on 7.12 train

testified as to volume of water and rapidity of rise of overflow last winter.

Got filter[?] wire cloth, solder &c

Out on 7.10 -

Sat 22 June 1895

Tinkered Killed a sheep

Sue went to town in evening and got Anna Murphy and Eva - Eva coming on train behind hand.

Sun 23 June 1895 [Inserted.]

Very warm.

In evening drove to town with Anna and Eva - the got to Sacto.

Mon 24 June 1895

Tinkered about place -

Boys finished cutting the summerfallow barley about 2 p.m. and began on the winter sowing -

Tues 25 June 1895

Went to Eli Hayes' place and engaged about 300 sacks of wheat for seed - then went to Woodland - got some extras

Wed 26 June 1895

Went to Davis in a.m. for extras - got back to find the harvester stopped on account of a poor belt - went back to Davis and got belt out from Sacto on 3.30 train.

Thurs 27 June 1895

Began hauling barley from winter sowing -

Fri 28 June 1895

Boys finished cutting barley at noon. Began on wheat in east orchard lot after dinner

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Ran engine and irrigated yards -

One yearling mule colt is quite lame -

Sat 29 June 1895

Blacksmithed and got things ready for boys to move to Mr Miner's -

They finished about 4 p.m. and then hauled about 250 sacks seed barley home -  
Conrad & I worked on machine -

Sue, Manie & Gardy went to Davis to Reading room ice cream party.

Sun 30 June 1895

Yen & Sue went to church.

Mr. Cameron's last day. Gave 10.00 to church.

Mon 1 July 1895

Boys started early to Mr. Miner's with the harvester. Barney ran into gate at Mother's field and broke straw dump off -

Cut small field of barley then went into wheat - barley good - wheat light.

Went to Davis for extras.

Manie went to Davis -

Tues 2 July 1895

Hauled barley with Charley this forenoon - feed - to granary about 270 sacks -

Went to Davis in p.m. took wheat sacks back to Ligget

23 bales and 16 sacks 1166 Sacks

Was at the harvester - it is running nicely - the wheat is light and weedy -

Wed 3 July 1895

Ran engine - Covered watermelons

emptied gasoline tank -

Manie went to Davis - took 3 rolls butter and some things for Mother

Went to Machine & Davis in p.m.

- then to Eli Hayes' place to see about seed wheat -

Cloudy - Very cool south wind.

Drew \$10.00 of B. F. L.

Thurs 4 July 1895

Mr. Miner's team came for ground barley and got 50 sks.

Sue, Gardy, Mamie [seems to be spelled with "m" here.] & I went to Woodland to attend the 4th of July exercises.

It began to sprinkle about 10.45 and did so at intervals all the afternoon - We went to the baseball game in afternoon - It sprinkled most of the time while on the way home.

Fri 5 July 1895

Worked about home in forenoon.

Went to harvester & Davis in p.m.

Got bamboo whip stock -



Finished hauling barley

- have 3299 sks in Davis.

Sat 6 July 1895

Began hauling wheat -

Went to Eli Hayes' place for seed wheat - Hauled 182 to pile - hauled 64 home -

Sun 7 July 1895 [Inserted.]

Yen walked to town -

Mon 8 July 1895

Went to town with spring wagon.

took 17 doz corn 10c 30 doz eggs 13c and 5 sx wheat. got lye -

Came back by harvester.

Ran engine and irrigated yard -

Tues 9 July 1895

Tom Hext called and got some corn.

Went to harvester - they broke the feeder on the weeds in barley - had grain draped out at noon -

Ordered by telegraph a draper from San Leandro -

Got Neats foot oil lampblack 12 feeder sticks 12 end links 24 #45 links and box of flat heads -

Liggets iron warehouse fell from its underpinning - my grain is in it.

Wed 10 July 1895

Went to machine early - found them in very weedy barley and staid with them until night

Got some extras of B. F. L No 20 - draper sticks and tacks - My grain carrier came.

Mr. & Mrs Huntington spent the afternoon here.

Gave note to G W McNear for \$533 -

secured by barley in warehouse.

Thurs 11 July 1895

Went to Miner's early - staid until middle of afternoon -

Manie went to morning train and met J. M. Whited who has come to visit her.

Chas. Cunningham finished hauling and I settled with him.

Yen drew \$50 - and took a vacation.

Sue took boys to town.

Guy brought grain draper from town.

Fri 12 July 1895

Left early for Miner's -

Manie took Whited to 3 p.m. train.

got home at 6 p.m. took "stinky"[?] ["stumpy"?]

Put in new grain draper this forenoon.

Telegraphed to Nettie Riebsam about a vacancy in Davisville school.

Sat 13 July 1895

Worked at harvester. telegraphed again to Nettie Riebsam and she came on 3 oclock train - took her to see Geo Tuft and Mrs. Grieve[?] -

Sun 14 July 1895 [Inserted.]

took Nettie to see Mr. Armstrong.

Mon 15 July 1895

Went to Fairfield to attend a meeting of the Solano Board of Supervisors. They had under discussion of the advisability of building a bridge across Putah Creek and the opening of a road across the Currey ranch. There was a large attendance and an enthusiastic meeting.

Tues 16 July 1895

Went to Woodland to see the Supervisors but they had adjourned

Mamie [seems to be spelled with "m" here] went with me

Came back by way of Davisville

Boys finished up barley in Mr. Miner's field just at night and got into wheat field -

Wed 17 July 1895

Went to see supervisor Griffin and Mr. Sparks -

They began fixing the road for gravel hauling across the creek on the Currey side -

Thurs 18 July 1895

Went to town - Started a petition for a road and bridge

Fri 19 July 1895

Went to Mr. Hext's Mrs. Greene's Oestes &c then to harvester - then to Davis.

Sat 20 July 1895

Had a meeting of Supervisors Cusselman[?] and Griffin with a committee of five from Solano country to talk up bridge matters. Had an enthusiastic meeting and a favorable report. The boys finished harvesting and got home by sundown.

Sun 21 July 1895 [Inserted.]

Conrad and two others left -

Sue Yen and Gardy went to town -

Mon 22 July 1895

Went with two teams for barley to Ligget's ranch near tule -

got 125 sacks weighing 13955.

Went to Sacramento on 11 a.m. train

Bought suit of clothes for \$10.00

Drew \$380. of D. O. Mills - Left \$150. Liggets - rest for boys.

Tues 23 July 1895

John cut morning glory -

Barney went for wood to Freeman's

Got some signers to my bridge petition - bought clothes wringer box peaches & Veronica water.

Wed 24 July 1895

John cut morning glory -

Barney took wood to Mother -

Put on headerbed in afternoon -

took wire out of hay field and hauled straw to cover seed wheat.

Manie went to Sacramento - to meet Nettie but missed her.

Thurs 25 July 1895

Barney hauled straw and filled shed for bedding -

Jon cut weeds -

Manie drove to town in afternoon.

Fri 26 July 1895

Barney hauled straw into Mother's barn

John cut weeds -

Sue and I went to Davis and took Maud Hampton home -

Sat 27 July 1895

Sue left at 5.20 for Davis to meet Eva - but did not see her -

Gardy and I went to Davis - took 30 doz eggs 13c - things to Mother -

got 200# sugar -

John & Barney each drew \$40 and went to Davis at night - are going to San Fran tomorrow.

Sun 28 July 1895

Yen & Sue went to town -

Mon 29 July 1895

Sue, Gardy and I went to Sacramento - shopped and attended circus -

Manie stayed at Mother's

Tues 30 July 1895

Got circular saw out and fixed for sawing wood -

Wed 31 July 1895

Sawed wood -

Mr. Wilson foreman for bridge builders came and engaged board for men while at work  
-

Went to town - got meat cucumbers &c

Saw Mrs B's engine -



Thurs 1 Aug 1895

Sawed wood in forenoon

Mr Wilson, Mornet[?] and another man came to dinner -

Sue, Gardy, Manie and I went to Mr. Swingles for a call had a very pleasant time.

took 30 doz eggs to Davis -- 13c.

Fri 2 Aug 1895

Sawed wood in forenoon -

Cloudy - hot and disagreeable -

Went out to the new bridge at Hext's crossing

Sat 3 Aug 1895

Went to Davis early -

Saw Mr. Miner. he paid me \$200 was full[?] and dissatisfied so did not settle with him -

Anna Murphy came out on evening train.

Wright got 9 head sheep --

Sun 4 Aug 1895 [No entry.]

Mon 5 Aug 1895

John & Barney hauled straw

Bob Armstrong and Miner came

Tue 6 Aug 1895

Went to Woodland early -

Presented petition for road and bridge on Dixon line - Sparks et al had in strong remonstrance[?]

Submitted our petitions without argument -

the Board decided to do nothing about the bridge for one year.

Wed 7 Aug 1895

Went to Woodland on 11 a.m. train.

Went before Board of Supervisors and had them reconsider their action on bridge.  
They decided to notify the Solano Board that they would meet them on next Tuesday -

Sue and Gardy staid at Mother's.

Thurs 8 Aug 1895

Went to Dixon - Saw Dixon people about bridge matters.

They say they are solid for the Currey site.

Gardy and I drove out to Hext bridge and brought in Mr. Wilson -

Fri 9 Aug 1895

Mowed sun-flower in slough in Mother's field -

Manie came home from Pauline Schmeiser's - stayed to lunch - and went back again.

Sat 10 Aug 1895

Finished mowing sunflowers in east fields at noon -

Went to Davis in afternoon --

Sun 11 Aug 1895 [Inserted.]

Yen walked to town -

Mon 12 Aug 1895

Am not at all well -

Went to Woodland on 11 a.m. train to see when Supervisors would meet the Solano board -

They had no definite understanding but telephoned a meeting tomorrow.

Telephoned to McKern[?] at Dixon to be certain to have all his board there.

drew \$806.20 on 1389(8) sks barley -

Tues 13 Aug 1895

Went to Davis to attend meeting of the two boards - all were there but three or four of the Yolo board refused to act with the Solano board so meeting was done - Sparks and Miner came near having a fight -

One man who was working on the bridge went away -

Sent draft for \$806.20 to D. O. Mills & Co -

Got 4 boxes peaches of John Anderson.

Wed 14 Aug 1895

Marks & Lineaur [probably "Lindauer", cf. spelling in entry for 15 Oct.] of San Francisco came and bought eight head of horses for \$280 -

Clara, Fannie, Mack, Bismark, Ralph, Mable, the Miner mare, and a bay mare -

Billy took Mack, Bismark, and Fanny to town. Sue, Gardy, and I went to town. Got pay for horses. Paid Larke \$125 - Liggett \$100 - got lye & bolts.

Thurs 15 Aug 1895

The Seventh anniversary of our wedding.

Seven years of happiness with enough days of sorrow to make the happy ones all the brighter -

Sue had an elegant diner and we dressed in those of our wedding garments we had at hand -

Went to town in p.m. took 60 doz. pickled eggs - dinner to grandma.

got 150# peaches of John Anderson -

Finished hauling straw into sheep barn -

Fri 16 Aug 1895

Went to Mr. Miner's early - settled with him for harvesting - his bill was \$575 414  
acres @ 1.40 \$579.60 -

I called it 575.

Deposited \$175 draft with D. O. Mills and had my note cancelled -

Paid for Yolo Mail to May 1896

Boys finished hauling hay into barn and began again on straw at Mother's barn -

Sun 18 Aug 1895 [Inserted.]

All went to church -

Mr. Eggleston began preaching at Davis -

Mon 19 Aug 1895

Sue and Mother went to Sacto on a shopping tour - 7.12 and 3 trains

Began bluestoning wheat

Pumped for irrigating -

Picked and peeled pears for canning.

Tues 20 Aug 1895

Went to Judge Currey's orchard to engage peaches for canning and to Milt Gates to look at a bull.

Sawed wood and fixed for cleaning barley in afternoon -

Boys finished bluestoning wheat -

Wed 21 Aug 1895 [No entry.]

Thurs 22 Aug 1895

Went to Judge Currey's and got 130# peaches.

Mr. Wilson finished the bridge (Hext) and left -

Discharged Barney at noon and took him to Davis -

Fri 23 Aug 1895

Went to Davis at 6.a.m. got king bolt and turn table fixed on wagon -

Went to Glide's place and bought two bucks -

Very warm.

Sat 24 Aug 1895

Manie and I went to Woodland on train to have some dentist work - Very warm.

Paid Joe Gallagher's bill -

Sun 25 Aug 1895 [No entry.]

Mon 26 Aug 1895

Billy and I went to Mr. Gate's and got a yearling bull - paid \$25.00

Went to Davis in cart - took some things to Mother - Went to Oak shade and LaRue orchards - to see almonds handled -

Got ready for Bartlett trip -

Tues 27 Aug 1895

Left home at 7.35 a.m. for Bartlett [ ed. Bartlett Springs up north of Clear Lake.]



- took lunch and Mr. Robinsons at Yankville

Reached Arbuckle about 6 p.m.

Staid at Arbuckle hotel -

The day was a cool one and the wind was such that we got but very little dust

\$4.00 [Inserted just above date.]

Wed 28 Aug 1895

A wind ["north" inserted above] came up about 4 a.m. and blew very hard for a while -  
But died away -

It sprinkled at intervals throughout the day

Took lunch about 1 1/2 miles east of the Mountain House -

Reached Leesville about 4.30 p.m.

The day was very cool - too cool in the forenoon - We had no dust-

Left Arbuck[l]e at about 7.30 [ed. must have been in a.m.]

\$3.71

Thurs 29 Aug 1895

Very cool- sun did not shine out at all -

Left Leesville a 7.40 - lunched at Allen's[?] Springs at 11 p.m.

Reached Bartlett about 3 p.m.

Took cottage No. 3.

Fri 30 Aug 1895

Moved from No. 3. to Bellview cottage

Went to dance in the evening.

Bellview Nos. 91 92 & 93 -

Sat 31 Aug 1895

Was not at all well today

Went to dance a while but had to go home.

Subscribed for The Examiner com [commenced] 30

Sun 1 Sept 1895 [Inserted.]

Spent evening at hotel

Mon 2 Sept 1895

Went to dancing class and played ten pins in forenoon

Played croquet - Marion, Miss Suooks[?] and The "Professor"

Tues 3 Sept 1895

Wrote letters home and to Best and Diggs -

Wed 4 Sept 1895

Eight left on the stages and eight came - some people came, with an old lady came and went into No. 6.

Thurs 5 Sept 1895

Played croquet, ten pins and lawn tennis.

Mrs. Ligget came at 3 p.m. and took cottage No.5.

No 6 people moved to No. 7. and another lot moved into No. 6 -

Fri 6 Sept 1895

Mr. Epperson and the Beckers left this morning- also Mrs. Alexander and the teachers from Upper Lake, Mis Sleeper[?] &

Sat 7 Sept 1895

A dull day - quite warm in midday - The musicians left on Lakeport stage this morning and seventeen on Site's. Had bath - spent evening at hotel - cards Mrs. Mahan, Mrs Howard Sue and I -

Sun 8 Sept 1895 [Inserted.]

Pleasant day. dull -

Mon 9 Sept 1895

Sue washed - large washing -

borrowed tub and board of Mrs Cusha[?]

Croquet tennis and ten pins-

North wind and cloudy -

Sprinkled and rained toward night -

Mr. Foster of Stanislaus Co - left

Two ladies and a gentleman came tonight.

Tues 10 Sept 1895

Rained all night.

Sprinkled at intervals and at night rained quite hard.

All spent the evening at the hotel

Wed 11 Sept 1895

Rained all night and at intervals throughout the day -

Dick Brown and Arthur Huston came -

Spent the evening at the hotel playing graboose -

Thurs 12 Sept 1895

Rained at intervals

Stupid day - not very well -

Sue, Mrs Ligget, Gardy went to gas spring -

Spent evening at hotel

G. D. Stephens sent check for \$44.55 for Best extras

Fri 13 Sept 1895

Mr P and Mrs L Gardy et als(sic) went to gas tunel[?]

They had a potato picking race today at hotel. 100 potatoes a yard apart - to be picked up in an hour - There were five left at the end of the hour -

Spent evening at hotel -

Mr. Watson was out late hunting and camp became alarmed for his safety

When he came in. Killed two deer

letter from Mother.

Sat 14 Sept 1895

Hard frost - People in No. 7 killed a deer -

Henry Linton killed a deer on ridge toward Soap creek. Hitched up and drove over for it, but Mr. Gutwald had come along and taken it in his wagon.

We all went bathing in Soap creek -

Sun 15 Sept 1895 [No entry.]

Mon 16 Sept 1895

Beautiful day -

Played croquet and lawn tennis.

Retired early -

Tues 17 Sept 1895

Pleasant day - played tennis in afternoon -

Sue and Marion did light washing-

Spent evening at hotel -

Henry Linton killed a deer

Wed 18 Sept 1895

Fixed croquet grounds and played in forenoon -

Went to barbecue at noon near Newtown. Had fine spread but it began raining before we had finished eating.

Mrs. McMurty and Robt Taylor left  
" " was from Sutter co. " from Oakland -

Thurs 19 Sept 1895

Mr. & Mrs Preston L. Lykins of Sacto left this a.m. also Mamie Carroll -

Rolled ten pins this a.m.

Potato race this afternoon. The stableman George tried to pick up 100 potatoes a yard apart in 50 minutes but failed. There were three potatoes left -

Ed E. Leake came -

Fri 20 Sept 1895

Fixed croquet ground and played with Mr & Mrs. McCollough and Miss Carroll-

Played three games ten pins with Ed Linke -

Cloudy

Sat 21 Sept 1895

Played lawn tennis Warner, Leake & Pacheco -



Talked gasoline launch to Mr. Upham -

Spent evening at hotel -

Man in No. 7 shot a deer -

Sun 22 Sept 1895 [Inserted.]

Henry Linton shot two deer

Last night we nearly had a cyclone -

We feared our house would be blown away

Mon 23 Sept 1895

Mrs. Liggett sent us a fore quarter of venison

Tues 24 Sept 1895

Got up a 3.30 and went hunting with Mr. Watson - Had a hard trip - He killed one deer.

Sent a hind quarter of venison to Mother

Wed 25 Sept 1895

Rolled ten pins in forenoon -

Went to Soap creek with Sue, Marion Mrs. Ligget, Argyle and Miss Farmer.

All but Miss Farmer went bathing

They tried to swim. Had improvised bathing suits -

Thurs 26 Sept 1895

The watchman called us at 4 a.m.

Loaded up and left Bartlett at 7.10 a.m. Went by the Epperson grade - had a hot box  
- short delay -

Did not stop for lunch until we reached the creek about a mile below the Mountain  
House at about 3.30

Drove to Arbuckle which we reached about 8.15 p.m.

Mrs. Dr. Gale, Mrs. Ligget's friend called -

The Liggets left the Springs this morning -

Fri 27 Sept 1895

Left Arbuckle about 7.20. Saw West's traction and gas engines - near Arbuckle

Met Everett Gallup - Went down through Hungry Hollow, Capay, Esparto and Madison. Got some grapes of Mr. Mossbacher.

Reached home about 7.45 p.m.

Found boys all well and things all right.

It was a very warn day. No dust.

Sat 28 Sept 1895

All pretty tired today. Put things to rights and looked about place -

Things look first rate -

Sue Gardy and I drove about fields toward evening -

Sun 29 Sept 1895 [Inserted.]

All went to church and to Mother's -

Mon 30 Sept 1895

Went to Woodland - got tooth fixed - Settled with Dr. Lawhead \$10.00 and with T. H. Cate \$19.00 for sheep shearing.

Went to see Pinto engine -

B. F. Ligget of Davis was closed up by the sheriff - Fred Wilger and Mat[?] Clancey attached \$9000 & \$6000. Lindley & co have about \$12000. John Clarke 2400. John Wanur[?] 2100. Geo. Hoag 600. Plant 120. John Rowan 1200 Best Mfg Co. 130 &c. Barney Mooney had his leg broken at Mrs. Greene's today.

Tues 1 Oct 1895

Put mercurial ointment on my sheep to prevent scab -

Manie went to town in p.m.

Wed 2 Oct 1895

Quite strong north wind -

Went to Davis. Worked on Mrs. McDonald's gas engine

-got it going all right

Mother is suffering from rheumatism quite badly

Kate & Ella came home from Portland where they have been since June -

Thurs 3 Oct 1895

The north wind blew a gale -

Helped Sue clean house -

Fri 4 Oct 1895

Billy and I sharped harrow teeth and fixed harrow -

John brought up disc harrow at night.

Went to town in evening - took Manie who is going to Knight's Landing to visit Nellie -

Sue and I called Mrs. Ligget's

Sat 5 Oct 1895

Started harrow in east field.

Fixed the windmill that was wrecked during the gale -

Sue, Gardy and I went to Mrs. Greene's

staid until 8 p.m.

Sun 6 Oct 1895 [Inserted.]

Sue G and I went to church - took Yen -

Called on Ben Ligget.

Mon 7 Oct 1895

Went to Sacramento on 7.12 train.

Bought 51 gals 74 degree [degree sign] gasoline 17c ointment extract Hazelin[?] &c.

Saw C. H. Bentley about U. C. Club -

Got sack spuds of Anderson

Tues 8 Oct 1895

Fixed windmill that had been torn to pieces by storm.

Went with Sue and Gardy to Mrs. Greenes to see the girls who have just returned from Portland

Mrs. G. has purchased a fine bedroom set for Ella -

Yen drew \$20 -

Wed 9 Oct 1895

Sharpened harrow teeth in a.m. and caught turkeys to take to market -

J. H. Harby came and bought four steers for \$100 - got a bull from Curreys -

Took 18 turkies (sic) to Davis - shipped to Sawyer & Haight 417 First St -

Yen left for San Francisco -

Got cans of mustard and cayune(sic) pepper.

Thurs 10 Oct 1895

Fixed harrow in a.m.

Sacked wool in afternoon.

The north wind blew quite strong for a while this a.m.

Fri 11 Oct 1895

Went to town early with Prince & Larney

took the wool 4 bags 1432# and 1 bag mohair 47#

Took 9 rolls butter to Tuft & Saler 27c

Shipped wool to Hulme & Hart 10 Davis St.

-got tank gasoline - 200# sugar \$9.80 cabbage, cucumbers & pepper -

-got sugar salt heart &c for Mother -

Ran engine and filled tank

The Schmeiser girls called and stayed to tea -

Sat 12 Oct 1895

Painted kitchen roof - fixed wagon to saw with - found it with a broken reach - Went to town in afternoon and got a new reach, a lantern and some crackers and washing at Mrs. McD's -

she owed me \$2.90 yet on acct -

Sun 13 Oct 1895 [Inserted.]

All went to church -

Staid to dinner at Mother's

John went to Sacramento.



Mon 14 Oct 1895

John Zarnke found a job hauling sand in Sacramento and quit today at noon

Went to town in forenoon and hired Ed Donnenwith

Took John to town in afternoon

Drew \$100 of Wright & Harby and gave John together with \$42 on D. O. Mills 50c in coin - Billy hauled a little seed wheat to Mother's barn.

Looks like rain

Tues 15 Oct 1895

Wind blew last night from S. E.

Sprinkled a little this morning

Harby came and got 10 sheep -

Marks and Lindauer came and took three more horses that they bought some time ago- One mare was cut with barb wire.

Billy took them down in p.m.

Sue and I went to Mother's. Billy & I took down broken limbs in front of house

Rained while going home - Killed a sheep.

Wed 16 Oct 1895

Finished harrowing summerfallow ground first time about 9 a.m.

Began work in last orchard with disc harrow -

Thurs 17 Oct 1895

Went to Mr. Hext's and Tauzer's.

Tinkered about place.

Fri 18 Oct 1895

Began sowing wheat on the summerfallow ground. Sowed the sixty-five acre piece northeast of Mother's barn - [Clearly Pierce's mother still owned one of the barns on the ranch.]

Mr. Geo D. Fiske called -

M. Whited came to visit Marion -

he came out in a livery rig -

Sue went to town with buggy -

Tried to burn stubble in orchard field

Sat 19 Oct 1895

Ed Donnenwith went to town "on buines[?]"

A dutchman drove the team today.

Burned stubble in field north of new orchard -

Billy drew \$20.00 and went to Sacto -

Sun 20 Oct 1895 [Inserted.]

Thunderstorm & rain.

Mon 21 Oct 1895

Started second harrow on summerfallow -

Sowed 40 acres piece in north west corner of Mother's field

Manie [must be the nickname for Marion] took Whited, Yen and the two chinese children to the 3 oclock train.

Mr. Currey came and brought three pineapple plants.

Tue 22 Oct 1895

Began sowing at barn -

Went to town in evening and got Yen who came on the 8 p.m. train

Wed 23 Oct 1895

Sowed down to the gate in middle of field

Thurs 24 Oct 1895

Helped wash in forenoon

Sowed in afternoon - finished at south end and began in N. E. cor.

Henry Linton shot a man at Volcano in Amador county -

Fri 25 Oct 1895

Finished sowing summerfallow -

Went to Davis in p.m. with S G -

Got turkey coop 240# sack salt

Sack spuds onions, cheese &c of Geo. Hoag who has just started a store near post office -

Nettie Reibsam came out home with us -

Sat 26 Oct 1895

Henry, the dutchman got hurt and quit - Went to Miller vineyard for grapes - to Hexts and back by slough looking for ducks - found none.

Kate & Ella called this p.m.

Sun 27 Oct 1895

Sue, Gardy and I went to church -

Mon 28 Oct 1895

Billy took me to the 7.12 a.m. train. Went to Oakland thence to San Leandro. Paid Best \$12.25 balance due -

Went to San Francisco on 5.30 train

Staid at Grand Hotel 203.

Got Hanson[?] medicine

Tues 29 Oct 1895

Saw Manager of Pacific Gas Engine and made arrangements to sell marine engines -

Went home on 4 p.m. train

Billy met me at Davis -

Wed 30 Oct 1895

Was very tired today.

Nettie Marden came for a visit today

Thurs 31 Oct 1895

Went to Davis- took 6 rolls butter -

- sold to Hoag & Clark @ 35c.

got beans sweet spuds sago cabbage &c

Put up Mother's stove - went to Mrs. McDonald's and Hoag's engines.

Mr & Mrs. John Anderson called -

Mr. George H. Swingle died today.

Fri 1 Nov 1895

Sowed island to barley and began sowing in orchard -

Ed finished work on hay ground and island

Sue and I went to Mr. Swingle's

Sold my barley to Geo W. McNeal through B. F. Ligget for 60c

Sat 2 Nov 1895

Sowed small lot about barn and had it harrowed in -

Sowed barley in orchard -

At 12 M. left for Mr. Swingle's funeral. Sue and I went - Manie and Gardy stayed at Mother's -

Very windy - looks like rain -

Sun 3 Nov 1895 [Inserted.]

Rained- Yen rode Maje [his spelling this time.] to town and was almost run over and half scared to death twice.

Mon 4 Nov 1895

Helped Sue wash - shot two ducks. Went to Morty Curreys to see Mr. Goodwin in forenoon.

Sue went with me.

Went to Davis with Sue in p.m. Got order for \$500. on G. M. McNear from B. F. Ligget and sent it to D. O. Mills - We went to cemetery with flowers.

Tues 5 Nov 1895

Got up early expecting to sow barley in orchard but it rained and I did not sow- Got stock into barns. Got big trough out of creek and down to Mother's barn.

Blacksmithed in p.m.

It rained in showers in forenoon and quite steadily most of afternoon.

Ed Donnenwith drew \$10.00 and went to town - order on Wright & Harby-

Wed 6 Nov 1895

Sue, Manie, Gard and I went to Sacramento on the 11 a.m. train.

Got draft \$443.10 from Ligget - remainder due on barley - deposited it at D. O. Mills  
Drew \$100. gave Sue \$30 -

Shopped &c. Staid over night at Geo. Lorenz's - had pleasant evening.



Thurs 7 Nov 1895

Had some talk with bank folk -

Went out on 3 p.m. train.

Sue & Manie went went[repeated] to Mrs. Hampton's to Ladie's aid society. Home at 6 p.m.

It looks like rain again.

Fri 8 Nov 1895

Sowed barley all day in east orchard -

Sue went to town in afternoon and got Nettie

Sat 9 Nov 1895

Went to Woodland- Paid 1st installment of taxes \$215.21 mine \$141.44 Mother's \$73.77

and Mother's city tax \$30.00

2nd installment is 116.48 & 66.49

Got leather, rivets, snaps, iron and knife.

Sun 10 Nov 1895 [Inserted.]

All went to town. Billy drew 2.00 Ed 1.00

Mon 11 Nov 1895

Went to Sacramento. Settled with Yen - paid him \$460. He sent \$100 more to San Francisco.

Got baskets for Mother -

Out at 3 oclock.

Gardy is four years old today and Sue had a birthday cake for him -

Tues 12 Nov 1895

Left at 9.15 for Collinsville to see Mr. Upham about gasoline launch business. It rained about noon. Reached Mr. Upham's about 4.15 p.m. he was not at home. Staid at Mr. U's over night. E. I Upham.

Wed 13 Nov 1895

Mr. Emington showed me their vegetable gardens, alfalfa &c.

Left at 10.25 for Siusun. Met Mr. E. I. Upham near Siusun.

Got lunch and horse feed at Siusun

Left at 3 p.m. Vacaville 4.30 home 7.45

Brought some potatoes and peanuts home as curiosities

Thurs 14 Nov 1895

Helped Sue clean kitchen

Ed is pruning orchard

Fri 15 Nov 1895

Set tramp to work hauling manure into garden.

North wind blew strong

Manie went to Sacramento - drove Prince -

Billy painted and worked about house.

Sat 16 Nov 1895

Went to Davis. Liggets store was sold at auction, or at least the goods in it were. Mr. Reith bid it in for Lindley it is supposed for \$5400.

Sun 17 Nov 1895 [Inserted.]

Sue went to town and brought home Mr Gilmore & Eva -

Mon 18 Nov 1895

Manie took Eva to ["to" repeated] the 10.55 train

Billy and I washed -

Sue, Manie and I went to a social at Mr Eccleston's home about 12 p.m.

Tues 19 Nov 1895

Manie took Mr. Gilmore to the 10.55 train. He is going to see the boy wizard in Sacramento.

Wed 20 Nov 1895

Went to Davis with Gardy- got our hair cut.

Took inventory of Best's extras at Ligget's

Mrs W. S.[?] Wright died, aged 31 years.

She leaves 7 or 8 small children.

Got valseline 25c for Ed.

Thurs 21 Nov 1895

Strong South wind -

Manie took Mr. Gilmore to the 10.55 Sacto train again -

Ed is hauling brush with the Missourian

Manie got Ed's washing 30c and left more.

The wind changed to north about 10 a.m. and blew a gale all the afternoon. It was quite cold

Fri 22 Nov 1895

Very strong north wind all night and today.

Sue and I went to the funeral of Mrs. W. S. Wright - The wind blew fearfully and was very cold

Miner's buggy was backed into ours and one of our shafts ran into his top. Dave Pugh was behind us and ran his wagon pole through our back curtain.

took 4 rolls butter to Hoag 35c.

Sat 23 Nov 1895

Sawed wood. Boys finished hauling brush from large orchard -

North wind

Mr. Gilmore went to Sacramento.

Sun 24 Nov 1895 [Inserted.]

Nice day. Sue and I went to church. Billy drew \$5.00 at Mother's

Marion and I drove over to Mr. Currey's - to see him about the new railroad C. O. & I. that it is proposed to have about 4 miles west of us.

Mon 25 Nov 1895

Ed began pruning east orchard -

Sawed wood. John helped and hauled -

Molded 8 rolls butter -

Killed and picked 4 turkies (sic) for Thanksgiving.

The hydrants froze this morning

Tues 26 Nov 1895

Went to Sacto on 11 a.m. took turkies (sic) to Mr. Eccleston, Mr. Franklin and Mrs. Lorenz. Bought spring mattress, sack coal pineapple cocoanut, currycomb &c. Drew \$20 of D. O. Mills

Took 4 rolls butter to Hoag 40c got tobacco 50c Horseradish 15 cranberries 25 cabbage and matches 15

John is putting wood in shed -

Twas very cold this morning -

Wed 27 Nov 1895

Rained considerable last night -

Ed and I went to town with spring wagon in p.m. Ed drew 1.00.

Got shoes for John. Spring bed and sack of coal.

Mother sold her lots 15 & 17 block 13 Pacific Grove.

Thurs 28 Nov 1895

All went to Davis to Thanksgiving exercises. Mr. Eccleston preached a fine sermon at Methodist church.

Took our dinner down and ate at Mother's Mr. & Mrs. Andy Martin dined with us-

It sprinkled a little

Fri 29 Nov 1895

Rained considerable last night

Discharged John for extreme laziness.

Ed washed and oiled harness -

Marion went to town - took 3 rolls butter got 40c at Hoag's. Prince ran away from her at north gate as she was closing it. Billy took him back for Manie. Nothing was broken.

Blacksmithed.

Sat 30 Nov 1895

Looks like rain- sprinkled a little.

Boys hauled gravel for walks -

Took up drain pipe for bath tub.

Blacksmithed and soldered

Sun 1 Dec 1895 [Inserted.]

Manie and I went to church

Prof Langdon of San Anselmo preached



Mon 2 Dec 1895

Ed and I ground barley today -  
put engine out on creek.

Tues 3 Dec 1895

Ground barley until about 4 p.m.

Ed went once around hayfield with plow - it is too dry to plow -

Sue, Manie, and I went to Mrs J. W. Anderson's to a euchre party. It was very foggy and cold - got home about 2.30 a.m. -

Took 3 rolls butter to Hoag -

The roof of boys house got on fire.

Wed 4 Dec 1895

Worked butter 10# Salted mutton soldered bucket, went to Davis

-got shovels and soap and Ligget bill -

I owed Ligget \$15.00

Got shovel and spuds for Mother -

Fixed Hoag's engine -

Intended to go to Woodland to ask for a rebate on overpaid taxes but by telephone I found out that the Board of Supervisors had adjourned.

Thurs 5 Dec 1895

Sprinkled a little at intervals during the forenoon. It was foggy all day -

We hauled the barley grinder back into the granary -

Ed washed harness in afternoon

Tinkered in shop -

Fixed roof on boys house - burnt district.

Fri 6 Dec 1895

Went to Davis- took 5 rolls butter 40c

- got spuds, candles soda macaroni (sic) of H.

- fish & bannanans (sic). Bought 3 Plymouth rock roosters of Tufts

Fixed Mrs. McDonald's engine and then went to Hoags and "set" it -

Home at 6 p.m.

Ed worked on harness -

Sat 7 Dec 1895

Ed finished oiling harness -

Fixed harness and blacksmithed

Wind was north. Ed drew \$5.00 and said he was going to Davis until tomorrow.

Soldered bath tub. Sue cleaned house -

Sun 8 Dec 1895 [Inserted.]

Went to town got Anna Murphy and Kittie Chandler who are coming for a visit.

Billy drew \$40.00 and went to Sacramento.

Mon 9 Dec 1895

Went to Sacto on 7.12 train with Anna Murphy -

Drew \$50 of D. O. Mills

Got 12 sx spuds, 57 gals pearl oil 17c, banannas (sic), oranges, pineapples, cheese, crackers, coffee, two prizes for card party &c - out at 3 p.m.

Foggy

Tues 10 Dec 1895

Helped Sue get ready for her party which had been intended for a surprise to me as this is my birthday.

the day was foggy a little so at night -

There were 21 guests and we had a pleasant evening at cards and charades - broke up about 2 a.m.

We had a fine supper -

Nettie Marden stayed over night

Wed 11 Dec 1895

Very foggy - Started Ed to plowing north of orchard-

Went to Davis in p.m.

took Kittie Chandler to train

Sue with me - got tank oil keg nails. Returned things borrowed of Mrs. LaRue.

Thurs 12 Dec 1895

Fixed plows - Got up team for another plow -

Quite foggy -

Mrs. G. K. Tuft came out on her wheel -

Fri 13 Dec 1895

Sue and I left on 3.30 p.m. train for Sacramento to attend the U. C. Club meeting at Howard Stillman's. My term as President expired. Seymour was elected for next term.

We stopped at Western room 17.

Bough[t] a set of dies and a tap.

The surveyors running the preliminary line for the California, Oregon & Idaho railroad camped across the creek and are running a line through our place between Mother and [word?]

Sat 14 Dec 1895

Mother and Nettie went to Sacto on 7 a.m.

Got pair of pants. Went to Woodland on 10.30. - got "silver & gold" book - put in claim for overpaid taxes.

Attended Yolo Co. Sugar Beet Association meeting.

train was late and did not get to Davis until 7.55.

Sun 15 Dec 1895 [Inserted.]

Rained last night and some today

Saw Hoags engine. Manie and Gardy came down yesterday and all staid at Mothers

We intended going to Knights Landing.

Mon 16 Dec 1895

Went to town and got another man. Hard frost last night -

Butchered eight hogs in the afternoon.

It sprinkled while we were butchering

Buffalo, a young mare that has been sick for some time died today.

Tues 17 Dec 1895

Started two teams plowing in field north of orchard -

Went to town and took Mother and On Lee some meat -

Nice night for meat

Wed 18 Dec 1895

Cut up meat -

Ed choked a mule to death at noon -

Good night for meat -

Thurs 19 Dec 1895

Rained hard last night

Salted meat and made sausage -

Ground 85# sausage mix [?] and stuffed it in about 3 1/2 hours -

Gardner fell down the cellar stairs but did not get hurt -

McMillan boys came for subscription to Xmas tree at Fairfield 50c.

Fri 20 Dec 1895

Finished up the odds and ends of butchering

Ed pruned in afternoon

Manie went to town - took meat and sausage to Mother -

Sat 21 Dec 1895

Ed & Wm had spat. Ed drew all his money and went to Sacramento.

Wm plowed windmill lot, garden and place for peas - sowed peas and barley - Billy looked for sow and pigs - found Henley had the sow and that she died - one at Hexts - one lost.

Sun 20 Dec 1895 [No entry.]

Mon 21 Dec 1895

Went to Davis early - took 5 rolls butter to Hoag 40c. Got Henry Luddington to drive team. Started him at plowing with eight animals and the two gang plows -

Looks much like rain and sprinkled a little this p.m.



Tues 24 Dec 1895

Strong north wind

Fixed plows, harness &c -

Gardy has a bad cold and could not get to the Christmas tree.

Wed 25 Dec 1895

Began sowing about 9 a.m.

Started Henry at harrowing -

Boys finished plowing field north of old orchard at noon - and in p.m. went down into Mother's field to plow for barley -

Sue, Gardy & Manie drove to town for the mail

Gardy is better.

Thurs 26 Dec 1895

Set Ed to harrowing with big harrow and ten animals -

Finished sowing wheat for season -

Billy got up hogs -

Fri 27 Dec 1895

Marked 8 pigs 5 sows 3 boars -

Boys finished harrowing about 11 a.m.

All plowed in afternoon in east field -

Billy and I picked up flood wood in east field, burned weeds and fixed fence in north field -

Sat 28 Dec 1895

Very strong north wind -

Worked in shop -

Sun 29 Dec 1895 [Inserted.]

Mr. Geo. North and son of Winters called - Mr. Henry Goodwin came with a box of navel oranges -

Charley Greene came to invite Marion to a dance - Soon went to Davis - as did Billy.

Mon 30 Dec 1895

Marion went to Woodland -

Paid Rural Press subscription \$3.05 - Mrs. Mastin came and collect \$5.00 of Ed H. Donnewith.

Ed got 2 plugs tobacco & washing. Wm 2 plugs tobacco - Boys finished one land in east field - got up sows - one had pigs -

tinkered in shop

Tues 31 Dec 1895

Sowed first land plowed in east field - and started Henry harrowing -

Sue took her father to Sacramento on his way home -

Gardy went with her -

Mother came out with Sue for visit -

4 more sows had pigs last night -

Memoranda [p.1]

This year began by giving us the heaviest flood we ever had.

The creek ran over about two feet deep in our yard.

Our little girl was born on Feb 11 and died on the 16th.

Heavy north winds blew our grain out so that the yield was only about one half a crop. Prices were very low.

We spent a month at Bartlett.

All the old hands left the ranch.

Conrad went to Canada

John " " Sacramento

Yen " " China.

Gardner had a bad cold and could not get to Christmas tree

Memoranda [p. 6] (pp. 2-5 left blank.)

Horse shoeing

Mch 12                  Prince shod                                  2 Shoes.

Apr. 6                  "                  "    2                  "

May 29                  Dick                  "    2                  "

Cash Account [p. 1]

January

3 & 4 Rained -

4                          Most disastrous overflow of creek even known - cellar full of water.

8                          Rained

12                          "

15                          "                  in evening -

16

17                          "

18           "

19           "

20           "

21           "

22           " Creek high -

24           High north wind

25           "           "

27           "           "

26           Light rain at night

"           Hay gives out at sheep barn -  
stock in field for first time in about two months -

28           North wind Heavy frost

29           Dug holes for missing trees in East orchard  
Frost [indicated by ditto sign.]

" Set trees in east orchard  
 " " " 320  
 " " old orchard 90  
 31 " " in new orchard -

Cash Account [p. 2]

February

2 Began winter plowing for barley  
 3 Finished putting out almond orchard.  
 " Sold butter, eggs and bacon -  
 9 Miss McKinney came -  
 11 & 12 Rained-  
 11 Baby girl born at 2.55 a.m.  
 16 " " died 5.35 p.m.  
 " Sowed barley -

- 18           Baby buried at Davisville Cemetery -
- 21           Finished sowing winter grain -
- 22           Rained.
- 24           Sue out to Sunday dinner for first time since sickness
- 26           Sue outside for first time
- 27           "     walked to first gate and about yard -  
          Miss May McKinney left -
- 25           Began plowing orchard -  
          weeds are quite high
- "           rheumatic attack
- 28           Jenny mule died -  
  
          Have sheep in orchard.
- 22           Bought sacks for my crop at 4 3/4c.
- 27           Sent Home Pierce some roots of Texas blackberry -



Cash Account [p. 3]

March

- 2 Planted potatoes.
- 3 North wind.
- 4 Sold Ligget 78 doz. eggs @10c.
- 5 Finished plowing orchard - first time.
- " Commenced " summerfallow -
- 11 Finished Bank fence.
- 12 Mother came for visit -
- 16 Paid 2nd installment of taxes.
- 18 was taken sick -
- 19 Sick Rained - Eva came.
- 20 "
- 21 " Rained -

- 22 Outside first time.
- 23 Nettie Riebsam came -
- 25 Sheep shearers came -
- 26 Sprinkled
- 27 Rained -

Cash Account [p. 4]

April

- 1 Sprinkled. Went to Woodland -
- 2 Finished harrowing summerfallow -
- 1 Marked pigs 30 head -
- 3 Dipped sheep -
- 4 Attended Aid Society at Mrs. Greene's.
- 5 Frost almost every night -
- " Al, the choreman got hooked by the bull -

- 6 Bought La Dow harrow sulphur coal groceries &c  
in Sacto -  
Anna Murphy and Dan came.
- 8 Shipped wool 419# mohair 71#
- 9 Took trip to Winters Esparto & Woodland -
- 10 Marked lambs 76 head. 40 ewes 35 r.
- 13 Trip to Cassells, Lillard's & Hayes -
- 17 Went to Sacramento to U. C. social.
- 18 Finished reploting summer fallow -
- " Began work on root knot -
- 19 Rec'd letter from W. P. Harlow, Al Schmidt's  
attorney asking for damages for injury -
- 20 R. C. Clark answered Harlow's letter.
- " Attended Dr. Bate's euchre party -
- 28 George Lorenz came for a visit.

27 Rained last night and at intervals throughout day -

Cash Account [p. 5]

May

1 Rained at intervals in forenoon -  
hard in afternoon.

2 Got pump on creek to going.

3 Finished work on pump -

4 George Lorenz went home -

6 Cultivating and digging up trees in orchard -

7 Began haying.

9 Frightful north wind - much damage done -- Railway  
washed out -

14 Went to San Francisco - Sue & Gardy too.  
Attended meeting and reunion of class of '75.

15 Attended Commencement -

- 16 Went to Haywards(sic) and San Leandro.
- 17 Began hauling hay.
- 18 Finished mowing.
- 22 Mrs. Dr. Martin & children called -  
Received history of University of California.
- 23 Sold 10 sheep @ \$2 to Hayes-
- 24 Received rebate \$11.20 on insurance.
- 26 Rained - a hard shower -
- " Mr. Agee was shot and killed by John Marshall.
- " Sue and Gardy came up from Oakland - staid at  
Mother's
- 27 Rained hard in forenoon -
- 28 Mr. Agee buried - attended funeral -
- " Finished hauling hay -

Cash Account [p. 6]

June

- 3 Began harvesting -
- 5 Laid up " - too green -
- 6 Hard north wind
- 7 Harder " " terrific
- 6 Manie Galt came -
- " Sue attended Sorosis at Mrs. Bate's.
- 10 Began again to harvest -
- 11 Began hauling barley to town -  
The first load of grain for this season to go into Davis  
average 116 1/4.
- 12 Dan Doolan came to sew sacks -  
Figured on Miner's grain
- 17 Harvester broke down
- 18 Guide wheel of harvester broke -

Went to Oakland -

19 " " San Leandro - & home.

20 Started up harvester.

21 Went to Sacto as witness on RR case.

28 Finished cutting barley at noon.

29 " " wheat -

Cash Account [p. 7]

July

1 Went to Mr. Miner's with harvester.

4 Went to Woodland

Rained -

6 Hauled seed wheat from Eli Haye's.

Am threshing very weedy grain at Miner's

10 Finished hauling grain.

10 Yen left for vacation.

J. M. Wited came -

15 Attended meeting of Board of Supervisors at Fairfield,  
Solano County. They discussed the project of opening a road through the  
Currey place and building a bridge across Putah Creek.

20 Had meeting at Davisville to discuss the bridge  
question. Report favorable.

Finished harvesting at Mr. Miner's.

Put harvester in shed -

21 Conrad Schaab left - goes to Canada.

22 Hauled seed barley from Liggets

" " wood for Mother.

25 Began hauling straw.

27 John & Barney left for week's vacation

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August

1 Mr. J. H. Wilson & two helpers began work on Hext  
bridge and board here - [see brief accounting of



charges for boarding at Pierce's on verso of blank end  
of this volume.]

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- 6                   Went before board of supervisors with a petition for a  
road and bridge at our place -
- 7                   The board decided against us yesterday and I went  
back again today and they agreed to come next week -
- 12                  Went to definitely fix day of meeting -
- 13                  The Boards of Supervisors of Yolo & Solano met at  
Davis - Yolo men got mad and quit so nothing was done -
- 14                  Sold eight horses for \$280 - to Marks and Lineaur  
[probably "Lindauer", see Cash Accounts [p.10] at end, entry for Oct 14th] -  
San Fran -
- 15                  Wedding Anniversary -
- "                   Finished hauling straw to sheep barn.
- 16                  Settled with Miner for harvesting.
- "                   Mr. Swingle paid his bill -
- 18                  Mr. Eggleston began preaching at Davis -

- 19 Sue went to Sacto.
- 17 finished hauling straw
- 19 Began bluestoning wheat -

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Cash Account [p. 10]

October

- 1 Put ointment on sheep -
- 3 North wind a gale -
- 4 Manie went to Knight's Landing -
- 5 Started harrow on summerfallow.  
Called at Mrs. Greene's -
- 7 Went to Sacto - gasoline, U. C. Club &c.
- 9 Sold 4 steers to Harby for \$100 -  
shipped 18 turkies (sic) to Sawyer & Haight.

- 11 Shipped wool 1432# & mohair 47.  
Schmeiser girls called -
- 14 John Zarnke quit -
- 15 Marks and Lindauer took 3 horses -
- " Rained -
- 16 Finished preparing summerfallow -
- 18 Began sowing
- 20 Rained and Thundered
- 25 Finished sowing summerfallow.  
Nettie Riebsam came -
- 26 Kate & Ella called -
- 28 Went to San Leandro & San Fran.
- 29 " home -

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November

- 1 Mr. Geo. H. Swingle died  
Sowed island to barley
- 2 Went to Mr. Swingle's funeral -
- 1 Sold my barley to B.F.L. @ 60c.
- 3 Rained -
- 5 Rained
- 6 All went to Sacramento -
- 8 Sowed barley in orchard -
- 9 Paid taxes.
- 10 Yen left -
- 11 Gardy is 4 years old today -
- 12 Went to Collinsville
- 15 Strong north wind -

- 16 Goods in Ligget store sold to Reith for \$5400.
- 17 Mr. Gilmore and Eva came -
- 20 Mrs. W. T. Wright died.
- 21 Strong south wind turned to a strong north one
- 22 Strong north wind
- 25 Hydrants froze
- 26 Went to Sacto.
- 24 Kate & Ella came on bicycles.
- 26 Rained -
- 28 Thanksgiving Sprinkled - night rained.
- 27 Mother sold her Pacific Grove lots.
- 29 Rained last night -  
Prince ran away from Marion.

30 Sprinkled 29th Mrs. R. Gude died.

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December

3 All attended euchre party at Mr & Mrs John  
Anderson's.

4 Fixed Hoag's engine.

5 Sprinkled -

6 Fixed Mrs. McDonald's engine.

4 Foggy

8, 9, 10, 11, 12 "

10 Sue had a surprise party for me on this my forty fifth  
birthday.

13 California Oregon & Idaho railroad surveyers are at  
work here running preliminary lines.

" U. C. club meeting a H. Stillmans 1315 23rd St.  
Sacramento.

14            Attended Sugar Beet meeting at Woodland

16            Butchered - Buffalo mare died.

18            Ed killed a mule

19            Gardy fell down cellar stairs.

21            Ed settled to date and went to Sacto.

23            Sprinkled

24            Gardy has bad cold.

25            Began sowing wheat

26            Finished "        "

27            "        harrowing.  
Plowing in east field -

28            Very strong north wind.

31            Began sowing barley  
Five sows had pigs.