

The Journal of Benjamin Franklin Knowlton
December 1875–May 1880

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Introduction

For my thirty-eighth birthday, in August of 2000, my mother gave me a photocopy of a journal kept by Benjamin Franklin Knowlton, who was my great-great-grandfather. Grandpa Knowlton kept this journal quite faithfully, writing almost every day over a period of five years.

I noted, while glancing through the pages of the journal, that Grandpa's 19th century script, which would have been difficult to read in the original, was in danger of being lost should the journal be photocopied again. Even with a printed original, subsequent generations of photocopies always exhibit a certain degradation in quality. Because the contents of Grandpa's journal are so important to understanding who he was as an individual, and by extension important to understanding who we are as a family, I decided to transcribe the journal. The transcription is stored in a collection of electronic files, which can be used to create new, first-generation copies whenever a new copy is needed.

Editorial Additions and Conventions

As part of the transcription process, I have also engaged in some editing. As a general rule, I have avoided changing any of the spelling in the text of the journal, so that the reader can gain an appreciation both for the level of Grandpa's education (which appears to be relatively high), and for some of the idiosyncrasies of his writing. For example, Grandpa represents the expression "could have" with the interesting construction "could *of*."¹ Generally, I have also tried to maintain the same capitalization that Grandpa used.

I have, however, tried to normalize punctuation. Grandpa didn't, at least

¹See an example of this usage in the entry for Friday, 7 January 1876, on page 9.

as near as I can determine, see a great deal of use for marks such as periods, commas, or semi-colons. I have inserted punctuation where it seemed most appropriate, striving to maintain the tone of Grandpa's prose, but at the same time facilitate the reader's task.

In addition, I have indicated where words, or a sequence of letters within a word, are simply not decipherable in the text, or where words or letters are clearly required for meaning, or can be inferred from the context. In these cases, I have used the following conventions:

- Missing words are indicated by a 3-em dash (———).
- Missing letters are indicated by a 2-em dash (——).
- Words that have been inserted for clarity are set off by brackets ([]), as are words or letters that clearly fit the text, though they are not quite clearly decipherable.

Future of the Transcription

In this age of electronic information, revisions and corrections of texts can be very easily accomplished. The present version of this transcribed version of the journal should be considered version 1.0, a useable and relatively complete, as far as the text is concerned, representation of the original.

Nevertheless, there is much that can be added to the transcription that would enhance the reader's understanding of the circumstances of Grandpa Knowlton's life. In addition, there are, no doubt, a number of corrections that should be made as well, both in the text and in the index. Future versions of the transcription will include fuller notes and an improved index. Members of the family are encouraged to review the text of this transcription and compare it to their photocopies, and notify me of any items in need of correction that they may discover. I may be conacted by email at:

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December 1875–December 1876

December 1875

Wednesday December 1st 1875 Billey Johnston and I left home and drove to Grantsville . Weather cold.²

Thursday 2 We came to the ranch. Weather [pleasant].

Friday 3 Billey and I went to the canyon and got two loads of poles.

Saturday 4 I went to Antelope after potatoes. Got 25 bushels. It rained some while I was gone.

Sunday 5 Billey and I went to the Dell. I unloaded my potatoes and bought a quarter of venison from Indian Charley.

Monday 6 I covered up my potatoes and plowed some.

Tuesday 7 I plowed in the forenoon and put in wheat and grass seed in the afternoon.

Wednesday 8 I plowed in the forenoon and put in [some] wheat and grass seed in the afternoon.

Thursday 9 Plowed all day up by the house.

²Ezra Clark Knowlton suggests that “home” at this point was probably Quincy in Skull Valley, Tooele County, Utah. See Knowlton 1971, p. 72

Friday 10 Sowed wheat and timothy in the forenoon and plowed up potatoes for Billey in the afternoon.³

Saturday 11 Plowed up potatoes for Billey in the forenoon. Eddie was up in the morning to see if I wanted to write home which I did. I plowed some on the south side of the field and planted peach stones.

Sunday 12 Billey and I got breakfast and halled a load of clay to daub the house. Daubed the house some and went to the Ranch.

Monday 13 Took three loads of poles to the Muskrat. Very dark and fogey today. Left [Jimmey] at the Muskrat to daub the cabin.

Tuesday 14 Took down two more loads of poles and helped Jimmey finish daubing the cabin. Dark and fogey all day. Brigham came home; reports stock doing well.

Wednesday 15 Went to the canyon with two teams after poles. Dark and fogey all day. Went to bed at 9 o'clock. At 12 o'clock Tim Mathews with an express that Hattie was very sick with scarlet fever.⁴

Thursday 16 Brigham and I hitched up and started at 5 o'clock AM. Got to Grantsville at 9 o'clock. Fed the team some hay and went down to Mother Orr's for some oats for the horses and a little jin as we were very chilley. The old lady loand me an overcoat to wear in. We started on at half past ten; found a sack of wheat on the road. Brig found an owner for the wheat at the mill. We got to the station in good time. Remained there 3/4 of an hour. J.Q. and Abie were there. Got home all right; found all well except Hattie whom I found very sick. J.Q. and [Ephie]⁵ were ——— in the evening, also uncles Jos. F. and Jos. S.

³"Timothy" is a type of grass widely grown for hay.

⁴"Hattie" is his daughter Harriet Knowlton, born 23 November 1870.

⁵Most likely this Ephie is Benjamin's older brother, Ephraim, born 22 March 1827, in Cumminsville, Hamilton County, Ohio

Friday 17 Hattie was very fretful and delirious during the night. We gave her a bath at 6 o'clock this morning and she seems more comfortable. Jos. S. and Abraham were here, also Ma and [Mrs] H. Weather cold and frosty but not so bad as for several days. Hattie continues about the same. Uncle Joe says she is doing very well, has a little less fever than yesterday. Loaded Fredericksen up with 55 planks weighing 1155 lbs. Midnight Hattie seems less delirious ——— last night at the same hour. Fredericksen ——— out my plow and O alls for Brig and Charley ——— per for Charley and window glass. [Anges] and Honey Locust seed.

Saturday 18 Hattie has not as much fever by one degree. ———ning Sharlott Richards and uncle Abe were in. [J.Q.] and Ephie came and stayed all night. Heber came [in] [t]he evening and while here gave us some good [ad]vice on schooling ourselves to bear the crosses of life. ——— tried her pulse and temprature and found them [bo]th favorable. The latter is down now to $102\frac{1}{2}$. [Her] throat is still very bad. She is very restless and [her] breathing dificult. Hattie and Sarah ——— I went up to the Drug Store afer some Brandy [for] Hattie to take with her milk. She is very restless.

Sunday 19 Hattie had a very restless night, but after her bath she slept and rested nicely. Heber was ——— this morning and thinks she is doing well. ——— [te]mprature 103. J.Q. started for home this morning. ———[sa] was over. Jos. S. came about two o'clock. Rhoda ——— had a little rest. Frank has gone to the drug [st]ore after some medicine.⁶ I took up some ——— roots. Heber was here this evening and tried Hattie's pulse. They run very high ———. She is improving slowly. She was very restless through the night.

Monday 20 I sat up until 4 o'clock this morning. Rhoda got very little rest. I called Delia up and then went to bed and did not get up until eleven. Got up not feeling very well. Eat a fair breakfast and kept arround all day. Gathered up some garden seeds. Heber was here this morning; tried Hattie's pulse. They run very high. Her temprature 102. He thinks she is doing well.

Tuesday 21 I sat up until 4 o'clock and then called Delia and Rhoda and then I layed down and did not get up until ten. Jos. S. was here when I got

⁶Probably his son Benjamin Franklin Knowlton, born 11 September 1866.

up. Hattie's temprature is still 102. She has rested but little ———. This evening since having her bath she is having the best rest she has had since she was taken sick. Neither of the boys called this evening. Rhoda is lying down and getting some rest which she needs very much. I have done nothing to day except fixing up a medicine box. Jos. S. told us this morning that Willard would be down today to remain till after the hollidays.

Wednesday 22 I sat up till after 4 o'clock and went to bed and slept till 12 o'clock. Got up and eat my breakfast. Willard came down in the evening and stayed all night. Hattie has seemed ——— comfortable through the day and [to]night, altho her fever was higher today than yesterday. She rests tolerable. I have just eaten three onions for my cold and some rosted potatoes because I like them. Rhoda eat part of one small potatoe. She is used with care and anxiety together with loss of rest.

Thursday 23 I sat up last night till half past five, then went to bed and slept till twelve today. Rained this evening. Hattie seems to be getting along tolerable. I sent off my letter to renew for the Agriculturist. This evening I have writen for Atwoods country and suburban houses price post pa—— 1.50. I went up to town this evening for some medicine for Hattie. There is the finest display for the hollidays that I have ever seen in Salt Lake.

Friday 24 I sat up last night till five o'clock and then went to bed and slept till noon. Bro. [Aubon] was here to see me today.⁷ I went up to town to get Hattie a doll. Took a walk up and down the street to see the sights. Got a doll and came home. Hattie has seemed about the same today. She is very —— and her fever hangs on, but she seems to rest prety well. Gave Frank a dollar to buy what he pleased with. He got Hattie and Siddie $\frac{1}{2}$ —— each and Annie a circle comb. Mamey Jennings brought Rhoda a hairpin basket and me a Shaving case. Mrs. H. got Frank, Hattie, and Siddie a book each. Jos. S. and Aunt H. got them some candy and figs. This is a gloomy Christmas eve for us, but we feel that matters might be worse and we try to feel thankful that we are comfortable in every thing except that our little girl is too sick to notice any thing we do to please her, but we will try and

⁷This reference to "Bro. Aubon" probably refers to William Arbon who, according to the 1880 census was living with his wife Mary and son Frederick in Skull Valley at about this time; the name Aubon does not appear in the census.

appreciate the blessings vouchsafe unto us. It is raining tonight, quite brisk. I think I will drop a line to JQ. I wrote him in relation to tithing wheat owed by BFK and Co.

Saturday Dec 25 I went to bed last night at 3 o'clock and got up this morning at $\frac{1}{2}$ past nine. Mrs. H. sent Frank and Siddie a nice gun each, and some nuts for the children; also some little stockings to put their things in. Libbie gave Rhoda a book mark and Hattie gave her some —— Mrs. H. sent me a nice present: a collar button. Willard came this afternoon and brought Frank and Siddie each a whistle and Frank a watch and a handsome mug and a music for Hattie. She seems much better today. She begins to notice her presents and she eat a little toast and some bits of beef steak. Jos. F. was here this evening. He is apointed president of Davis County. ⁸ Heber was here this morning; told us to feed Hattie anything she felt like eating. The weather has been unsettled and gloomey for some time. The wind has been blowing tonight; seems trying to get up a storm.

Sunday 26 Around all day. Hattie getting along tolerably.

Monday 27 Same as above. Hattie improving.

Tuesday 28 Got up earlier this morning than usual after a fair night's rest. Have not done much today. Willard spent the most of the day with us. Neither of the Doctors were here today. Hattie improving, but has a hard cough and a very large lump on the side of her neck or throat. Saw Mrs. H. today for the first time since I came in.

Wednesday 29 Got up in tolerable time. Read the morning paper. Stormey in the afternoon. After dinner Willard and I hitched up his team and drove down to Wagstaffs to see about some trees. Turned cold while we were out and we got quite chillely. Stoped up town and I went to the post office, but got nothing. I then went to the 13th Ward co-op and got 1.00 worth of soap and then we went home. Willard was not feeling very well. He went home about half past eight.

⁸He is referring to the appointment of Joseph F. Smith, of the Quorum of Twelve Apostles, as the presiding officer over the wards in Davis County. see Leonard 1999, p. 157

Thursday 30 Jos. S. came this morning to see the children; said Willard was quite sick. Siddie was taken last night with scarlet fever. Hattie seems to improve slowly. The lump on her throat is still very large. Sent Frank down to George Nebekers to see about some coal. For the evening I went up town to get some medicine for the children and bought $\frac{1}{4}$ lb of eyelets to fix my books. Children and mother have been sleeping a little. Snowed last night and this forenoon. I think I will lye down.

Friday 31 Willard was taken down last night very much the same as the children. I went up town this evening and got 1.00 worth of coffee; candle moles 1.50; memorandum book 60 cents; pencils 10 cents; paid ——— at co-op 7.00; drew 10.00 cash and two in due bills on 13th Ward co-op. Got my hair cut and went home. Heber has been here and thinks Frank has the scarlet fever. It has just struck one and is fairly New Years and the centennial. George Nebeker sent me a load of coal today.

January 1876

January 1st 1876 We wish all mankind a happy new year. Mrs. H. sent over some [oy]sters, shampain and ice cream. Children seem to be getting along fairly. Willard is improving. Jos. S. was down to see the children. Aunt Ann Minerva and uncle Abe were in. It is not a day of rejoicing with us altho we do not wish to complain.

Sunday 2 Children seem to be doing tolerable. Willie's temprature is tolerable even at 104.⁹ Siddie's not quite so high.¹⁰ Hattie's throat is coming to a head. I think it will want opening tomorrow. Mrs. H. was over this forenoon. Jos. S. was down and bid us good bye. He is going up to Snake River. Willard and Aunt Annie start to Logan in the morning to remain until April.

Monday 3 Children to all appearance about the same except that their throats grow worse. It seems very difficult [for] them to swallow. We have to swa[u]b their throats. Siddie and Willie temprature about equal.

⁹Willie is William Knowlton, born 27 December 1874.

¹⁰Siddie is Sidney Knowlton, born 4 March 1873.

Tuesday 4 Willie began making strange noises, whether awake or sleeping about twelve o'clock last night. They both seem growing worse and towards evening Mother was preparing to put them in a bath. Auntie Johnston was holding Willie and Mother was just about to take Siddie up to give him his bath when she noticed that Willie was looking strange. She took him from Auntie into her own lap and we soon saw that he was dying. He died at ten minutes to six P.M. Hattie seemed a little better and the other two so much worse and our anxiety for them being so great we could scarcely give her the attention she required. Siddie's throat gets worse but he keeps up remarkable well. During the night he began making a strange noise in his throat, something the same as he did while sick last winter. We now be some more uneasy about him, and it was with the greatest difficulty he could swallow anything.

Wednesday 5 Siddie seems still worse; continues making [a] strange noise in his throat and his symptoms indicate that the disease is gaining on him. During the day we put him into several wet packs which always seemed to revive him but his breathing became so difficult that it was dreadful to hear and see him. During the morning Jos. F. administered to him and in the evening he anointed him all over and we all asked that he might be spared to us but it seemed it was not to be. He became worse through the evening and all night. In the evening Willard went up for Heber and they both came down. Heber examined his throat and found it very bad but thought if we could keep up his nourishment until the turn of the fever we might save him, but he spoke as tho he thought was the only chance. I then fixed him some fresh egg and milk and I held him while Heber tried to give him some, and we tried to get him to take some but it was no use; we could not do it. I have had the heart ache a great many times since the children were taken down; that child was the most heart rending of anything that ever fell to my lot. That poor dear child while suffering as he did while he could only speak in a whisper to plead with me not to give it to him; and the look he gave me I shall never forget. There was more expressed in that look than I can ever tell. It said as plain as words could of done to me that I was worrying him to no purpose, that our efforts were in vain. It said more to me. It said, "Papa you are holding me by your faith and unwillingness to give me up in my suffering, while it is of no use; I must go." The last words that he spoke that could be understood were Mama and Willie. They were two noble sweet

children, both healthy and strong, the most so of any of our children. Siddie suffered on until 6 o'clock on Thursday morning when he died. He used to call on me for what he wanted both times that he was sick, and I liked to attend on his little wants. Mother was more with Hattie and Willie, but he took more to me than any one of the other children ever had done. Oh, the days and nights of anxiety we have passed since Hattie was taken sick, how dark they seem. We thought when Willie died that that was all [we] could bear, but we were soon called upon to bear more. Small sorrows seem great until great ones come. We had lost two children before, but there was some years between their deaths.¹¹

Thursday 6 Willard went up and ordered Siddie's coffin. We concluded to bury them both together, but the graves of our other kindred were in such a shape we could not bury them side by side. They are buried one each by the side of their sisters that went before them. We have now laid away four sweet children all together, the oldest about three years old. We have had a long siege of it and the most intense anxiety. The cause of their deaths was scarlet fever of a malignant type. The disease was too powerful for them; they could not stand out against it, altho they were both healthy and strong except colds they had taken while we were worried over Hattie. Well we started to the grave yard a little after two o'clock. Got there in due time and after a prayer from Jos. F. we layed them to rest. We gave no notice of the funeral on account of the likelihood of the disease spreading. The procession was small, though it was atended by a goodly number of warm hearted friends. There were in attendance Jos. F. and wife, Mr. H. and children, Willard, Abe and Polly, Ephie Wm., and Tom Jennings. [Cariages] were sent by President Young, Mr. H. and Mr. Jennings, H.S. Eldredge, H.P. Kimball, and H.W. Lawrence.

Friday 7 After a tolerable fair night's rest, the first we have had for over three weeks, we got up at 9 o'clock, got breakfast, and Willard and I went down to see Geo. Bailey. Roads very mudey. Things look dark and desolate. My dear wife bears her deep trouble like a christian that she is. Hattie seems to improve but it is slow. I will here say that considering the nature of the

¹¹He is referring to his two daughters, Wilhelmina and Jennetta. Wilhelmina, who was born on 13 February 1865, died on 21 November of that same year; Jennetta, who was born on 12 October 1868, died on 11 March 1871.

disease that we have been battling with, that I could not of asked our friends to of done more than they have.

Saturday 8 Went up to town with Willard. Went to the Sexton's Office and paid him 32.00. Came downtown; met L.Q. Lee. He was not feeling very well. Met Willard and he and I went through the new co-op building.

Sunday 9 Stayed at home all day. Heber came down in the morning. Mr. and Mrs. H. came over and spent the evening.

Monday 10 Went up to town with Willard; bought five hundred pounds of flour from J.P. Freeze: 3.50 per sack. Also some wheat for the chickens 1.00. Garden seeds 3.50. Pipe stem 25 cents. Annie's shoes 30 cents. Ma and Mamie were in this morning. Willard started for home this evening. I called at the planing machine and asked them the price for planing flooring which was 7.50 per 1000 feet. I left 15.00 with G.H. Kowlden to buy me 100 lbs Lucerne seed. The weather has been quite pleasant yesterday and today. The ground is frozen quite hard. We have had one month of dark gloomy weather and this is an agreeable change.

Wednesday 12 Arround home all day. Went over to Mr. H. a few minutes; he was not feeling well. I asked him about the posts for the Muskrat; he said I could use them. Went up town in the evening, got one pound of Clo. Potash and got some shirting and juniper colt for Jimmey. Asked Eddie what the could furnish me my nails at. He said seven cents all round. Came home with Mrs. H.

Thursday 13 I wrote J.Q. in relation to the posts, also a horse to work in with Rob and the light wagon. Also wrote for my boys to come in. Wrote Brig on the same subject in case J.Q. was not there, and to have the boys bring my bedding and to have them bring grain to last them six days. In the afternoon layed out some lumber to dry. Mr. H. was over a little while. Mamie was visitin Hattie the most of the day and brought her a doll and dressed it very nice while here. Hattie, Libbie, and Annie were over in the evening.¹² Our Hattie seems [to be] gaining strength gradually. Frank is

¹²This is a different Hattie than his daughter.

feeling pretty well; runs out during the warm part of the day. The weather continues fine, cold and clear.

Friday 14 I worked arround home all day, asorting lumber. Heber was here this morning. Mr. H. was over in the afternoon and Mrs. H. came over in the evening. Cora and Siddie H. were here through the day playing with Frank and Hattie.

Saturday 15 Fixed up my lumber. Shelled some locust seed. Put some households together for Mrs. H., then went up town and got 1.00 worth of coffee, 25 cents each cheese and nutmegg. Went around by Chandlers and got six pounds of beef, then to the post office and got letters for Ephie and Delia. I inquired of Thos. Powell about Heber's children. He told me Heber was sick with sore throat.

Sunday 16 Arround home all day. Libbie was in two or three times during the day. Uncle Abe and Sarah were in during the evening.

Monday 17 At home through the forenoon. Thos. Rich, Will and Dick Smith came in. I got a load of lumber up to the planing mill. It snowed during the afternoon.

Tuesday 18 Went up town with my wife. I got some socks for the boys and some tobacco for my self and some beef and a letter———. Mrs. Coray was in at Heber's. He and the children seem much better. I intend writing to J.Q. and Charley Olsen this evening. It has been quite cold today.

Wednesday 19 At home all day. Richard Smith started out this morning a few minutes after seven o'clock. It has been cold all day. The boy brought us some meat and brought home the old saddle. I covered two [nose] pieces this afternoon. Annie H. brought over a squab for Hattie.

Thursday 20 Have been at home all day working at Hackamores and ————— Annie up a little. Ma was over this evening, also Libbie. Mr. H. was over this forenoon. Rhoda's not feeling well. Charley Rich was up for a short time. Wind from the south all day and tonight is very strong. Makes me fearful it will not be a good time for my teams to make the trip in.

Friday 21 It snowed ten inches last night and it is quite cold today. Bishop Smith was here today after the bundle found by Richd Smith. Thomas and Will came back from Kaysward today.¹³ I took my gun and went up on the hill to get a bird for Hattie but did not get one there, but when I got back I got three in the loft. Mother cleaned and cooked them, and Hattie cleaned all their bones.

Saturday 22 Went up to town and got some cloth for Charley, some underclothes. Saw Lee. He came in from Grantsville yesterday. Says there was but $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches of snow in Grantsville. I saw Geo. Chandler. He told me he would raise me some money this week. We took dinner at Mr. H. I saw A. Livingston; he agreed to send my lumber on Monday.

Sunday 23 We were over at Mr. Hooper's most of the day; took dinner there. Thos. and Mamie were there.

Monday 24 I went up town this morning; got some blueing and some [bolts] and screws. Came home and cut some wood. Livingston did not send my lumber. Geo. Nebeker sent me one ton of coal.

Tuesday 25 I was jobbing around home in the forenoon. Went up town in the afternoon. Went by the planing mill; they told me my lumber would be ready by 9 or 10 o'clock tomorrow. I bought 340 lbs nails, one pair of shoes for Annie, one doz. spools of thread. Got the balance of our cloth from the factory. Went to the co-op and got two thumb latches 35 cents, one lock 1.50, one tape line 75 cents. George Chandler was down with my meat and brought me a little cash.

Wednesday 26 Went up town with Mrs. H. Went to Prices, Grenings and up to Mamie's, and then home. Took wife up to Heber's, then hitched up the team and got my lumber from the planing mill. Heber is quite sick with sore throat and a severe cough. I went to hear Jos. F. lecture in the evening.

Thursday 27 Went up town at eleven o'clock. Went to squire Wellses and found A. Livingston and after waiting on him for three hours I got my

¹³"Kaysward" is today's Kaysville; see Leonard (1999, p. 179)

lumber, 466 feet. I then went to Heber's and got dinner. I then went onto the street and met with Ephie and got a ride home. While up town I went to G.H. Knowlden's to see about my lucerne seed. They had not got it.

Friday 28 I stayed at home all day. Put ——— Hearth and Home together. Rhoda was at Heber's all day. Delia was up at night and went to Chas. Decker's and came back and told us they had lost two children with scarlet fever.

Saturday 29 Went up town and saw Geo. Chandler. Went to the planing mill and to Armstrong and Bagleys to see about shingles and lath. Did not get them. Went to G.H. Knowlden's and got my lucerne seed, got ten pounds of beans, and came home. J.Q. ——— come in. Jimmey brought down our meat and my lucerne.

Sunday 30 At home all day.

Monday 31 Went up town and was George. He paid me fifty dollars in cash and fifty dollars on S.P. Teasel. I came home and hitched up and went and got eight thousand shingles 36.00, and 42 bunches of lath 25.00, and two window sash 5.50.

February 1876

Tuesday February 1 Was ar. home all day. Put up [sash] for carying. Ja[b]es Taylor was down to see if it was all right about Annie. Billey Johnston came up at dinner time. I loaded him up with lumber. Billey ——— started for Kaysville.

Wednesday 2 Billey started to [scull]. I went to Farmington to sow grap seed. Took 15 pounds of timothy seed and sowed on the south side of the piece. Came home at 20 minutes to three and found Billey had been back for repairs and left off 13 plank 256 feet. W. Roberts and Millie Coray came up; Charley and Jimmey got in in the evening.

Thursday 3 Loaded up the wagons and Charley and I went up town. I got an over coat and two vegetable dishes for Nettie. Teasdel charged me 21.50 for a coat that one of his clerks had offered me for eighteen dollars and fifty cents. I think the reason was that I had [an order] on him. I take no more stock in Sam Teasdel, altho I left a memorandum with him for some more things on the order. I called and told George C[h]andler how Teasdel had treated me, as I got the order from him. I shall look for some more imposition on [the] balance of the goods.

Friday 4 Started from home at half past eight and after pulling the teams hard all day arrived at E. T. about eight o'clock in the evening.

Saturday 5 Stayed last night at E. T. City. Started at $\frac{1}{2}$ past eight, came to Grantsville and nooned at Quince's two hours then came on beyond the T—y flat and camped about eleven o'clock.

Sunday 6 Started at 20 minutes to eight. Came to the Muskrat and nooned. I staped it to see how many poles it would take to finish the fence. We hitched up and started at 2 o'clock. Came on to the Dell, got ——— about eight in the evening. Had to leave one ——— and put two span on the other and then ——— to leave part of that load at the mouth of ——— Dell.

Monday 7 Charely started back to the city. I ——— down and got part of the load we left ———comenced daubing the house. Brig was up.

Tuesday 8 I went down to the Ranch and brou[ght] ——— a part of the load Billey brought out. Got ——— guns, chairs, Table and some other things. [Ca]me back in the evening; had to leave part of my load.

Wednesday 9 I put in the windows. Jim has been daubing all day. Will Smith came and ——— me a letter from my dear wife. Has been storming this evening; the result of a heavy south wind. Has been blowing forty-eight hours.

Thursday 10 Jim and I took up the floor in the forenoon and cleaned out the dirt from underneath. Put the floor down and had dinner in the afternoon. Jim daubed and I put in a door between the rooms. We got up this morning at three o'clock. I feel like retiring. The day has been —— pleasant.

Friday 11 Jim finished daubing and went —— and got the balance of our freight. We —— finished the inside door and put up —— side door and worked on the chicken —— till dark. Wind from the south; has been bl[o]w[ing] since last night. Charely should of been here last night.

Saturday 12 Finished the chicken coop. Jim got breakfast ready at eleven o'clock. We got ready and started home at one o'clock. Came down to the deep spring where we met Billey and Charley. They were four days coming out. We went on to Grantsville. Got there at eight o'clock. Found all well except Nettie; she has the ——.

Sunday 13 Left Grantsville at eleven o'clock with —— wagon and after a hard days work got home at 20 minutes after eight. Found family prety well. Uncle Abes children both sick.

Monday 14 Got up late. Made arrangements to start Jimmey out. Went over to Uncle Abes. Children seem tolerable comfortable. Will Smith came in in the evening. Went up with Rhoda to see the children. Got a letter from G. Bailey that he could not go out. This was election day.

Tuesday 15 The boys got in last night about twelve o'clock. We greased the wagons and loaded Jimmey. We got him started about 3 o'clock. He took out Brock. I engaged Katz to go out and do my work. Went in the evening to see the children. I feel uneasy about Hattie. [Doremus,] Mrs. H. and Mamie were over this morning. Mrs. Ridges was here today.

Wednesday 16 Loaded Charley's wagon and Billey took us up town to do some trading. We went to Chandlers and got an order on T & C, then went to T——s and got a sack of sugar, then went to T & C and done our trading. Wife then went to Heber's and I went to the co-op to get some spring [stops]. Found the co-op closed. Then went to Jas. Freeze and got some things on

credit. Then went to Heber's for wife, got her and went home. Called in to see the children. Jos. F. and Sarah came in. We stayed a short time and went home. Sarah and Mrs. Ridges were at our house all day. Katz was over and —— he would take the morning train and would meet us at the mill. He told me he would charge me three dollars or three twenty-five per day.

Thursday 17 Got up early. Got Charley at 20 minutes after seven. We then got ready and started at twenty minutes to ten. Mr. and Mrs. H. and Ma were over to see us off. We came to black Rock and nooned, then came on. Did not find Katz at the mill. Came on to Grantsville at eight o'clock.

Friday 18 Billey went back after Katz. Charely and Jim started on later. We stoped at Nettie's all day. Vanderhoof and I took up the —amp and fixed it. Billey and Katz cam about four o'clock.

Satruday 19 Started about ten o'clock. Came to the Muskrat and nooned. Billey Katz and Frank walked on to the Dell. We came on the road; got there about five o'clock. Stormed some.

Sunday 20 Had a late breakfast. Putup some shelves. Started the clock and put it up and made some calculations about the house. Billey went to the Ranch. The boys went and brought up the load they left yesterday. Jim went to the Ranch this evening to stay all night and bring up some things in the morning. Jim went off without taking Rhoda's letter.

Monday 21 We got up at five o'clock, had breakfast at seven. After breakfast we mad[e] a work bench and then went to work at the house. Got up one log all round and put in three sleepers and leveled up. Brig & Jim came up with the team and we turned Dan and Flora out, also Frank, and began tearing down the stable. Also took down part of the [corall] for sleepers.

Tuesday 22 Worked on the house. Got in the rest of the sleepers: 28 in all.

Wednesday 23 Worked on the house. Got up about two logs high all round. Jim went down and loaded up where the boys lightened up.

Thursday 24 Worked at the house. Put in some of the frames. J.Q. called on his way to Grantsville.

Friday 25 Worked on the house. Got in the rest of the frames, got along very well with our work.

Saturday 26 It snowed last night and all the forenoon today; very disagreeable. Snowed 14 inches. We made some trails about the place.

Sunday 27 Brig and I went to the Ranch after some poles to finish the house. Took out 15 poles from the big corral; brought up 9 poles, our cellar door, 9 chickens. We had a very heavy load. One box of chickens fell off and the wheel ran over them, killing 2. Jim went hunting, got nothing.

Monday 28 Worked on the house. Jim went to the Ranch after the balance of the poles and got 2 sacks of grain and 40 pounds of hay. We caught a skunk last night; took him out and shot him.

Tuesday 29 Worked at the house; got the last log up. I was quite unwell; had high fever through the night. Brig went to the Ranch to get a beef.

March 1876

Wednesday 1 We put up the two end ceiling joists and sized the balance, cut out the rafters, and put our scaffolding. I feel much better today.

Thursday 2 We put up the ceiling joists and rafters. Wind from the south. Wind not so high in the evening. While putting up the rafters Brig came up with the beef.

Friday 3 Very strong wind from the south. Brig started to the city. We put on the sheeting and put up the gable ends; put down one floor board the length of the house.

Saturday 4 Got up late. Wind still strong from the south. Commenced snowing about half past eight. In the afternoon we put on two courses of shingles.

Sunday 5 Weather beautiful. We finished shingling the east side of the house and put up some of the cornice on the west side.

Monday 6 Put the shingles on the most of the west side. Jennie started home. My folks got uneasy about her and Charley. Went down to the mouth of the dell to overtake her but did not. At dark, Charley went down to the Ranch to see if she got home all right, which she did. We put up some strips and put down some flooring. Wind very heavy from the south.

Tuesday 7 Charley came up and brought our horses. We halled some clay and daubed inside of the logs on the wall to Keep the wind out. We put down some flooring and put up some strips. Wind very heavy from the south.

Wednesday 8 Snowing nearly all day. Put up strips and swept snow.

Thursday 9 Brig came home. Had to leave his load at the ——— spring. Brig brought letters from Uncles Abe and Willard full of bad news.

Friday 10 Charley went after brigs load. Left part at the mouth of the dell and some more in the field. It snowed heavey last night. G.Q. sent up a load of hay and four sacks of grain, a basket of apples, some butter and a ham. G.Q. was up on horseback in the forenoon. The boys worked up six horses.

Saturday 11 Charley halled up the lumber and shingles and we finished the roof. Jim went down and turned out. Dan Katz mad[e] some frames. Abe came up with my overcoat and brot some files to file G.Q.'s saws.

Sunday 12 Wind from the south, quite cold. Jim went down to get a rooster and a pick and took down G.Q.'s saws. I settled with Charley. We went hunting after dinner. Jim came home in the evening with the pick and a rooster.

Monday 13 Worked on the shed. It stormed in the afternoon. Got the posts all up and the manger. Also got the top on and a little hay up and put the horses and cow in.

Tuesday 14 Stormed a little last night and this morning, cleared up about ten, wind cold from the north. Put up the wagon covers to keep the wind out of the house.

Wednesday 15 Jim and Brig chinked. Charley help Katz. I commenced an out building. Got out the top and bottom and put on three sides. Weather cloudy most of the day. Jim took Queen out and shot her. We got up at 5 o'clock.

Thursday 16 Wind from the south. Thawed considerable in the afternoon. I shingled the out building, put down the floor and put up the riser for the seat.

Friday 17 Got out the seat for the out building; put it on; hung the door; wet the lath and fixed some chicken nests. Brig and Jim finished the chinking and daubed on the inside in the afternoon. Katz and Charley worked on the house. Weather warm; thawed fast all day.

Saturday 18 Stormed last night; rain and sleet. Wind blowing. Stormed a little most of the day. I fixed up the hens nests. Went over to the lime kiln to look for rock for the chimney. Katz hung some of the doors. Brig halled in small loads of wood to burn the lime with and three loads of clay.

Sunday 19 Katz made the partition doors and the closet doors and steps for the south front door. I helped him a little and made a bench. The boys went hunting and got nothing but a big hungry. The day has been very pleasant. Snow going fast.

Monday 20 Katz made bread board, adobe mold, towel roller, shelf. Put the windows in the gables and filed my saws and finished up and packed his tools ready to start home in the morning. Brig and I halled some rock in the forenoon. Brig went down to the Ranch after dinner. Jim worked at the daubing.

Tuesday 21 Brig started to the city with Katz and Delia, got off at half past nine. Katz charged me one hundred dollars for his work on the house. I gave him an order on Chandler for twenty dollars. I also gave Delia an order on Chandler for twenty dollars. Charley, Jim and I tore down the corall and Jim and I halled it up with Rob and Brock. We started on the corall and pig pen in the afternoon. It rained through the day considerable. It seems quite spring like.

Wednesday 22 Worked on the pig pen; Charley and Jim on the corall. In the evening I dug up a little piece for peas. Benny was up and brot a letter from Uncle Abe.

Thursday 23 I planted some peas, top onions, carrotts, letuce, cranberries, apple seed, Chinese [arborvita]; Charley and Jim on the corall. Tabey was here. After dinner, I took Tabey's horse and went over to the Salt Mountain and found a cow with a calf. Started to drive them home but they were bad. The calf left its mother and ran back. I had quite a time after it, but finally after getting unhorsed twice I finally caught it by the hind leg and kept my hold on it. I then took my gun strap and tied it to a cedar and left it there and came home and gave Tabey his horse and Jim and I went after the cow and calf on foot and just as we got to it it got loose and it and its mother with some other cattle ran over to the deep spring where we picked up Dan and after running them for some time we got them home and caught them.

Friday 24 It stormed a little last night and this morning. I put a wheel to the barrow and then hitched up the team and halled some fencing up for the boys and gathered up the chips around the house. Boys at work on the corall.

Saturday 25 We turned out our young cow. I halled out some manure and done a little plowing, then put in some peas, carrotts, onions, and beet and radish seed and then blocked up the out house. Boys at the corrall.

Sunday 26 At home all day. Charley & Jim went to the Muskrat. Brig and C Rich came late.

Monday 27 I took the four horses and Jim and went to the Ranch and got a load of hay. Charley and Brig put up buck fence. I engaged Hannah to come up day after tomorrow.

Tuesday 28 Charley and brig worked on the fence. Jim halled timber for them. I halled eight loads of sand and made eighteen adobies. In the evening I turned Frank, Dan, and Messenger out. C Rich got the ceiling all lathed and some on one side.

Wednesday 29 I went down to the Ranch and got 115 adobies and three sacks of salt and twenty apple trees, Ten wallnuts, six plums and three pear trees.

Thursday 30 Stormed all day. We set the lime kiln going. I mended and greased some harness. Very cold and disagreeable. All day wind from the north. About nine o'clock the wind raised still higher.

Friday 31 Wind heavey from the north; snow blowing. The blaze came out of the top of the kiln the most of the night. I dug out our adobies from two feet of snow and piled them up. Jim halled ten loads of wood to the kiln. Wind in the north all [day] and night.

April 1876

Saturday 1 Very pleasant. Boys kept at the lime kiln. C Rich and I put down the rock to receive the hearth stone and the chimney. Started the chimney.

Sunday 2 C Rich and I went to the Rancs and got the balance of the oats making twenty five and a half bushels. Got 24 lbs of beef and some grass seed. The boys burnt the lime until half past three. It was in full blast for eighty hours.

Monday 3 I took Charley and brig to the Muskrat and Brig and I sowed some grass seed. I then came by the Ranch and brought up a load of adobies. C Rich & Jim layed up what adobies came out of the Grainery: 317. I have

brought up two hundred from the Ranch. It rained and snowed a little in the evening.

Tuesday 4 I hauled up six loads of lime, 62 bushels. C Rich and Jim laded up the adobies I brought up yesterday, then Charley run off some lime. Frank and I planted a little corn. The day has been very pleasant.

Wednesday 5 I took down thirty bushels of lime for G.Q. and brought up 115 adobies. Mary found a little girl yesterday evening. Charley began the plastering. As I came home I saw Byron. Jim went down and got him.

Thursday 6 I hauled 4 loads of sand in the forenoon. J.Q. and Sandidge came up on their way to the City. Fredericksen and Benny came up; brought each one hundred adobies. After dinner I went to the the Ranch and took my family down. George Smith and John Shafer helped me to kill a beef.

Friday 7 I cut a lot of black willows to bring up. Cut down the beef and let G.Q. have on fore quarter; weighed one hundred and thirty two pounds. The other three quarters weighed 378 lbs. I came home and unloaded and went to the Muskrat; found the boys doing well. Came home and brought up eight bushels of lime which makes one hundred bushels I have taken out. Rich and Jim have been plastering. I left the family down at the Ranch. It rained a little this evening. The wind has blown from the south today.

Saturday 8 Got up at 5 o'clock. It soon began to snow. I hitched up and done some plowing. Planted some willows and locust seed, then went to the Muskrat and brought Charley and Brig up. Fredericksen was here today.

Sunday 9 I went to the Ranch after my family. Hannah went down to see her folks. Charley and Brig walked round by Spring Creek to the Ranch, and so on home.

Monday 10 I took Brig and Charley to the Muskrat and stayed there at work until dusk. Billey gave out coming home. We measured the fence, what it would be when done. It is 172 rods on the north and south sides, and the east end 47 rods and the west end 77 rods; 468 rods altogether.

Tuesday 11 I halled up a load of clay to plaster the chimney breasts, then Frank and I halled up eighteen bushels of lime from the kiln. Then we sat out the balance of the trees. It has been cold all day. Froze quite hard last night; wind in the south. Rich and Jim were plastering.

Wednesday 12 Frank and I planted some curant bushes and planted two quarts of honey locust seed. I halled up the balance of the lime and two loads of sand, then made up a batch of mortar for plastering the house. Rich and Jim finished the plastering and commenced the flue. Ephie and John were up this evening.

Thursday 13 Frank and I went down to the Ranch. Saw G.Q. Got 23 poles 645 feet and took them to the Muskrat. Halled two loads of poles and one load of posts round for the boys. Rydalche's children went by today.

Friday 14 Rich got through with the plastering and chimneys and white-washed the two south rooms. Ephie and George Smith were up and drove up some horses. Jim went out and got Dan and Frank.

Saturday 15 I went to the Muskrat with Rich and Jim. They went on to the city. I brought the box home after moving the poles arround into shape.

Sunday 16 Charley and Brig went to the Ranch after posts for the Muskrat. Wife and I cleaned the rubish out of the house and took out our potatoes.

Monday 17 I built a lot of chicken cages and daubed some on the foundation.

Tuesday 18 Put in the most of the day daubing the house. Wind from the north; quite cold in the evening.

Wednesday 19 I daubed the house.

Friday 21 Jim and I went down to the Ranch and got a load of hay and some fresh horses that G.Q. and the boys brought up. Put out the raspberries.

Saturday 22 Went to the Ranch and got two loads of poles for the Muskrat and brought up the boys.

Sunday 23 Charley and Brig went to the Ranch. Jim and I put in some potatoes. Fredericksen and family were up.

Monday 24 Put in the rest of the potatoes, some lucerne at the top of the south side of the spring, a little timothy seed, also Beet, Radish, Parsnip and carrots. Charley Empey was up after [Rep] and Colonel.

Tuesday 25 Planted some Honey locusts north of the creek, also walnuts and Hackberry. Wife planted marigolds, Onions, Radish, Beets, and Rut-tabaga. I then went hunting cows; got three cows and Frank's Jinney and colt. Had to leave my cows.

Wednesday 26 Got [Tom] to plowing and such a time as I had with him. I then went and got the cows. Frank's Jinney got away with the colt.

Thursday 27 I had a row with Tom and he left. I sowed lucerne on the old patch and Harrowed it in. Jim was up after provision. Frank went out and got up another cow. I plowed some on the north side of the spring. I then sowed a part of the old potatoe patch with wheat. Frank went to the Ranch this morning after a set of lines and got a piece of pork.

Friday 28 Frank & I went out and got the horses. I planted some black willows along the ditch bank. Fredericksen was here this afternoon. I sowed some more wheat and some lucerne.

Saturday 29 Harrowed in the rest of the wheat. It rained twice during the day. I plowed some.

Sunday 31 [really 30 April 1876] Went down to the Ranch. While there I saw J.S. Smith; he told me I had one hundred and ten head of sheep last shear day, besides the lambs. We brought up the young Jack, Hattie K and colt, young Greegs and colt.

May 1876

Monday 1st Charley & Jim went to the Muskrat; took down Hattie K, young Greggs & colt, Messenger and the young Jack. I layed of the wheat. Harrowed and layed off some near the house. Planted some Ruttabaga seed, some corn, Tomatoes and parsnip.

Tuesday 2 Wife & I planted some peas, Beans, Musk and water Mellons, and cucumbers. I sowed some wheat and harrowed it in north of the creek. Brig. Sandidge & George drove up some cows and horses. Wife planted eight rows of beans south of the house.

Wednesday 3 I sowed wheat and timothy on the lower piece. Jim came up.

Thursday 4 Jim & I went to the Muskrat and tried to plow but we failed in the attempt. Rained brisk.

Friday 5 We put in the two dams and came home. Wife put out tomatoe plants.

Saturday 6 Very cold last night; froze our tomatoe plants. Cold all day. I harrowed in the wheat and timothy seed I had previously sown; also sowed the balance of the piece to timothy, wheat, and lucerne. Charley and Jim commenced halling cedar for the fence. Turkey wants to set.

Sunday 7 At home. Jim went to the Ranch. Fredericksen and family were up, also Nellie, Jimmey & Tessey.

Monday 8 Harrowed and layed off the balance of the wheat and grass seed land. Sowed some more lucerne. Lee, Thomas and Frank came with a band of mares.

Tuesday 9 I went with Lee so far as the burnt spring, came back to the Muskrat; left Annie's colt in the field, also day's yearling. Thomas and George started with their beef; took —— steers.

Wednesday 10 Planted corn. Brig went to the Ranch.

Thursday 11 Finished planting corn and squash. R. Warburton and Ez Rowberry stayed last night.

Friday 12 Halled off the chips and halled out some manure. Brig came with two cows and [pickeyune]. Went back to the Ranch.

Saturday 13 Thos. Rich came last night after some beef. We hunted beef cattle.

Sunday 14 Hunted again till noon. It rained heavy. Thomas & Brig started; they took —— steers. Charley and Jim went to the Ranch after cows.

Monday 15 Had frost last night that Killed what squash we had up. I led the water round the two uper sides of the field. Frank & Jim went to the Ranch and got Jim's cows. I went down with JQ & the boys helped drive down the horses.

Tuesday 16 Charley, Frank & I went to the Ranch and got out my horses. Wind blowing strong from the south all day. In the evening turned into the north; quite cold.

Wednesday 17 Charley, Jim & I went to the Burnt Spring and got my cattle out of the herd. It showed all that forenoon.

Thursday 18 Charley & Jim worked on the fence. Frank & I went to the burnt spring and brought up the horses from the Muskrat.

Friday 19 Brin & Jim worked on the fence. Charley & I got things in shape for him to start to the city in the morning. Brig came back last night.

Saturday 20 Charley started to the city. Windy & cold.

Sunday 21 Brig & Jim went on the range. J. Ratcliffe, Ellen & Mary were up. We had a snow storm last night.

Monday 22 Bring & Jim worked on the fence. Frank & I went after the horses. I halled some timber to the boys.

Tuesday 23 Boys on the fence. I halled some timber.

Wednesday 24 Boys on the fence. Billy came out.

Thursday 25 Boys on the fence. Charley came out and brought Ned with him. Dicey made a row and broke the wagon tongue after the boys got inside the field.

Friday 26 Brig & I went over the valley hunting horses.

Saturday 27 Had a cold wind from the north; did not sleep much last night. Found twenty head [of] horses and came home.

Sunday 28 At home. Brig rode Stars. I altered three ——— and got up some cows.

Monday 29 Done some watering. George came up with a note from JQ. We went hunting horses. Brig went to Grantsville.

Tuesday 30 I intended going south with the boys but could not saddle horse until to late.

Wednesday 31 Brig & I went over the valley hunting horses. We went to the north pass and back by the [springs]; got about forty head of horses.

June 1876

June 1st Hunted horses most of the forenoon. Came down to the Ranch. After dinner the boys went across the valley. Got about fifty head of horses. I stayed at the Ranch all night.

Friday 2 At the Ranch. Got to work at the —— about noon. Got through at sundown. I got 14 head of horses. Brig & I brought them home in the evening.

Saturday 3 I took Frank with me and gathered horses — 63 head together besides those I brought from the —— . Brig went over the valley and got two colts.

Sunday 4 Went down to the Ranch in the afternoon with wife & children. Came home in the evening.

Monday 5 Brig wen over the valley with some of the Ranch boys. JQ & Ephie were up. We divided a little batch of horses. I got [s]orrel long legs and colt.

Tuesday 6 Ephie came up with Mamie and Low. Left them here and went home. Charley & Jim have been putting up fence for two days. We had a little rain this afternoon.

Wednesday 7 Jim & I went to the canyon and got a load of [poles].

Thursday 8 Arround home all day wattering.

Friday 9 Jim & I went to the Muskrat and fixed the fence.

[S]aturday 10 I went down to the Ranch. We divided Dunn, Billey, & Dexter —— them twenty five head. We had eleven others in making thirty six. I got young Bessa one grey mare not —— heavy with foal and one yearling. I traded long legs [and] a colt for a rone mare and colt. The boys h—— ——un at the fence all the week.

Sunday 11 At home all day; very quiet.

Monday 12 Brig started in after his sister. J.Q. and Ben Haywood were here.

Tuesday 13 Frank & I got up some cows and calves. We found a calf hurt so that it could not stand. I killed it and brought a part of it home.

Wednesday 14 Frank & I drove up some cattle from Muskrat and deep spring.

Thursday 15 I went down to the Ranch to see J.Q. He sayd he would come up after breakfast and see the cattle. We waited untill evening when Ephie & Ben Haywood came up and we branded a few head.

Friday 16 We finished branding what cattle we had up. The boys worked a little on the fence.

Saturday 17 The boys closed up the fence on the north side of the field. I tended the water and hoed in the garden.

Sunday 18 I got up at five o'clock and tended the water [all] day. Brig got back with his sister.

Monday 19 Watering and hoeing all day.

Tuesday 20 We went to the ranch and got two pigs.

Wednesday 21 Hoeing & watering all day. C. Brown came up after black horse.

Thursday 22 Brig & Frank went to the Ranch. I tended the water and hoed. Went to the Ranch in the evening; saw ———

Friday 23 J.Q. & Lee Phillip came up. Frank went down to the Ranch to help Brig up. They came back later but brought no stock. Brig got Pick. I went to the Muskrat in the evening and turned out 96 head of cattle.

Saturday 24 We all went and helped drive cattle from here to the Ranch. We brought back a few head of my cattle.

Sunday 25 Brig Rode John and got pretty well shook up. The Boys went to swim. Mamie & Jennie came up.

Monday 26 Brig went down to the Ranch. Nellie & Mama went home. We killed a yearling. Starr got away.

Tuesday 27 Charley & I cut up the beef before breakfast. Ned went for the horses but did not find them.

Wednesday 28 We Branded three cows & calves. Mr Lee came out, also Geo Mathews, Dock & August Ealison. We went down to the Ranch. J.Q. still off [range].

Thursday 29 Boys started the fence from the Grainiery south. Ned & I went to the Ranch; worked till we got the cattle seperated and then cut out a few of my cattle and brought them home.

Friday 30 Got up and regulated the water. Charley's time will be up today at noon. Ned & I went to the Ranch and brought a few head of my cattle.

July 1876

Saturday July 1 Frank & I plowed the garden and a part of the potatoes. Charley went to the Ranch.

Sunday 2 There was two men here hunting stock. We let them have some bread and milk. Brig and [Thirza] came up, also Mamie. [Thirza] has been down a week. Ned, Jim, Frank, & I went to the Muskrat to fix the fence. Led Dan down and worked him back. Lee started his stock last night. J.Q. started the beef stock this morning.

Monday 3 At home all day. Boys closed the fence at the old corral.

Tuesday 4 Wife, children & I went down to the Ranch and spent the day. Came home and made ice cream.

Wednesday 5 At home. Boys worked in the garden.

Thursday 6 Boys worked in the garden. Brig went ——.

Friday 7 Boys chopping cedar. Frank & Jim went to the Muskrat to see about the fence. Thirza —— greens.

Saturday 8 Ned, Jim, & I went to the canyon after poles. Brig cut Barley.

Sunday 9 We went down to the Muskrat and fixed up the fence.

Monday 10 Brig cut and Jim & Ned Raked barley. We went and got some [Servisberries]. We made war on a Rattle snake but did not get it.

Tuesday 11 Fixed the water and Killed the snake we were after last night. Brig quit me this morning.

Wednesday 12 —— worked on the Shed. Boays at the Barley. We went after berries in the evening.

Thursday 13 Boys finished cutting barley. I halled willows. Frank went down to the Ranch to take letters for Fred to take in but Fred had gone.

Friday 14 Boys halling barley. Wind from the south. Frank got up annie to go to the Muskrat with. We went, but found no cattle in the field. We brought home some cows and calvs. Charley Rich came out to look after his cattle and to get a cow.

Saturday 15 I went out and drove up a bend. Frank and I plowed south of the house. Boys halled up the barley.

Sunday 16 Ned Rode John and we drove up a band. The boys went to the Ranch.

Monday 17 Boys worked on the fence. Wife & Thirza went to the Ranch. I hoed and tended the water. Thirza stayed there and [Topsy] came up.

Tuesday 18 Boys cutting wheat on the lower piece. Frank & I plowed some in the garden.

Wednesday 19 We all got up early and went picking servis berries; got about a bushel. Came home, got dinner and the boys cut some wheat. Went to bed early in order to try and get up earlier mornings.

Thursday 20 Got up early. Ned went to cutting wheat and Jim & I to hoeing. After dinner I went to the Muskrat and drove the stock to the [slew]. Met Ephie; he told me they had a little girl down at their house.

Friday 21 Boys finished cutting the lower patch of winter wheat; halled it all up and we got a little rain.

Saturday 22 Hitched up the team for Jim & Delia to go to Grantsville, but it began to rain and it did rain and pour down. It washed and tore the country all up.

Sunday 23 Started Jim to Grantsville. It rained again in the afternoon heavy.

Monday 24 Ned & I fixed the ditch. Ellen, John & Dick, Brig & C Empey, Johnson, Topsey, Repey, Mrs. Aubon and lots of children came up. Jim came home in the evening.

Tuesday 25 I hunted up a team for the folks to go down to the Ranch with.

Wednesday 26 Frank & I plowed out the long rows of corn.

Thursday 27 Ned & Frank hunted all day for horses.

Friday 28 Jim & I went to the Ranch and got a load of hay.

Saturday 29 Boys cut grain. I went out after dinner to look for horses; did not see many. [Perk] gave out.

Sunday 30 Ned & Jim went to look for horses but did not find many. We went down and spent the afternoon with Fred's folks.

Monday 31 Ned went hunting horses; found Pick and Keno. Jim cut some grain. I worked in the garden. Cloudy all day.

August 1876

Tuesday August 1 Frank & I hunted throught the big ridges; found the Jack & [Laura]. Drove up the band. [Laura] was with, but did not get them in the corall.

Wednesday 2 I went out before breakfast and got Laura. After breakfast Frank & I drove off Keno & Dan. In the evening Thirza & I went for servis berries; got about 6 qts.

Thursday 3 Frank & I went across the valley hunting horses. Found young —— & Dolley which I had not seen before this spring. We drove them home again. Got home late; had a heavey day's ride.

Friday 4 Got up with a lame back. Frank & I got up Dan & Byron. We found Bettie's band after about a —— hunting.

Saturday 5 Thirza & I went and got the work horses. Came home & Frank & I went to the Muskrat. Drove Bettie's band down to the deep springs.

Sunday 6 Ned, Jim, Frank, & I hitched up Frank & George & went and got a bath before breakfast. It rained some during —— day. Jack came up and took Thirza out and lef her out.

Monday 7 We went to the Ranch to vote but the election so far as our precinct was concerned was a failure. Mary & Ellen gave us apples.

Tuesday 8 Frank & I done some plowing. The boys halled up the mixed grain in the afternoon. We gathered our crop of peas. It rained a little about noon. The wind blew hard in the evening.

Wednesday 9 I worked in the garden. Boys cut some grain. Cold as October.

Thursday 10 Jim hunted horses to hall hay but did not find them in time. I plowed the Pea and buckwheat patches. Ned cut wheat.

Friday 11 Jim & I went after hay. Got a small load. Windy. Ned got through cutting the lower patch of wheat.

Saturday 12 Jim went to hunt pick & Perk; was gone so long that Ned & I went for hay. Wind raised so high that we could only get on a small load. Jim cut a little wheat north of the creek.

Sunday 13 Brig came up to hunt his horses. We all went to the swimming hole in the afternoon. We went after berries. Ephie was up for —— to go down to divide some horses.

Monday 14 Frank & I went to the Ranch and J.Q. & I divided the balance of the horses. I got pine apples 2 yr old horse and one yearling horse. Boys cut wheat.

Tuesday 15 Frank & I went to the Muskrat and fixed the fence. Boys cutting wheat.

Wednesday 16 I went to hunt Byron and Hattie and Perk gave out. Jim went and Starr gave out. Frank got up George and dan, Frank & Pick. I kept up Frank and Dan. Boys cutting grain.

Thursday 17 I put in the turnips and lucerne. Boys cut grain.

Friday 18 Folks went down to the Ranch. I am watering the turnips and lucerne.

Saturday 19 I went hunting horses. Went by [summit] andchoke cherry, then up to the top of the mountain. Came around the heads of some of the canyons, then came down one of the canyons. It rained and hailed ———. Boys raked up the grain and began halling but the rain stoped them. I did not find what I wanted.

Sunday 20 We went with J.Q. & his folks on a picknick excursion up pole creek & choke cherry. Had a good time.

Monday 21 Boys went hunting horses, I to plowing. It has been threatening for a storm all day. Old ——— was here to dinner.

Tuesday 22 Ned went hunting horses, Jim & I to halling manure and wheat. We halled three loads of each. Ned did not find the horses.

Wednesday 23 Ned went through the Ridges; found nothing. Jim & I halled grain.

Thursday 24 Jim & I halled grain. Ned went up boxes and found Hattie & Byron. In the evening Jim & I went to the Ranch for hay.

Friday 25 We brought home a load of hay and went back for another. Jack & Dick had a row with the Indians.

Saturday 26 We came home rather late with our load on account of breaking our reach pole last night. In the evening we hitched up up Dean a young horse with Byron and went to the bathing Spring. Dean done nicely.

Dell Sunday 27 At home most of the day. Went after cherries in the evening.

Dell Monday 28 At home all day. Boys finished cutting wheat. Wind blowing heavey.

Dell Tuesday 29 Went to the Ranch after a jog of hay. Nettie, Ephie, & the children were up.

Dell Wednesday 30 ——— out the wheat & hay stacks. C. Olsen came. We killed a little beef.

Dell Thursday 31 Aug Went to the Muskrat and from there to the Ranch. Took J.Q. folks a quarter of beef. Came home and went to the Muskrat in the evening.

September 1876

Dell Friday Sep 1 Jim & I went to mowing. Sandridge came about eleven oclock. Worked until dinner time all right. After dinner the machine began its games and kept them up. Jim & I Raked what hay we had cut and cut some with the cythes. To men came and stayed with us.

Muskrat Saturday Sep 2 Sandridge went home. Jim rake what was cut and cut and cocked some more. Mrs. Aubon & Ike were there to dinner.

Dell Sunday Sep 3 Late in the forenoon we hitched up and went to Big Creek. We had a good time with Aubons, J.Q. and Palmers folks. Came home from the Ranch after dark.

Dell Monday Sep 4 Got up and still feel to much water mellon. The wind has been blowing all night and is still blowing. Waited for the wind to go down untill too late to go to the Muskrat. Put Jim to plowing; Ned & I hoed.

Dell Tuesday Sep 5 Jim & I went to the Muskrat and got two loads of hay. Got home late. Ned went hunting horses, got a small band.

Dell Wednesday Sep 6 We went to the Muskrat after hay. Wind blowing so hard we could not get but one load. Ned took the horses to the Muskrat. Met Ephie, Sandrige & Abe there.

Dell Thursday Sep 7 Went to the Muskrat and got two loads of hay. Got home at dusk.

Dell Friday Sep 8 Went to the Ranch after the pig and some wagon bows. Got them and the trip up Killed the pig.

Dell Saturday 9 Took the folks on and started. Went by the Ranch and took home the pig. Started for Grantsville. Met C. Empey who told us that Sandridge's mule had fallen with him and hurt him badly. We met J.Q. and Sandridge; found him pretty badly bruised up. We came on to Grantsville. Camped at Quincey's corral.

Grantsville Sunday Sep 10 Will Vanderhoof came with the news of Lauras sickness. Brig soon followed with the news of her death. We started C. Empey on to the City after things to dress her with. We came —— we met Charley on his way back at Jordan Bridge.¹⁴ We got in and went to uncle Abes.

Salt Lake City Monday Sep 11 At home most of the day. Took Mrs. Ma—— up the money —— lent her.

Salt Lake City Tuesday Sep 12 Rhoda went off on the excursion train to Cache Valley to see Heber & Willard. J.Q. came in with Laura's body for burial. We got things ready and buried her about $\frac{1}{2}$ past two o'clock.

Salt Lake City Sep 13 Wednesday I was up town with the team. I then got our cauliflower and put it in lime. I then started to Kaysville after our wool. Stayed all night just this side of the creek.

Kaysville Thursday Sep 14 Got up and went on to Smiths. Got breakfast and went through the garden and all about. Had a very agreeable time. Had dinner. J.S.S. gave me a nice little boar pig. I got four bushels of fall wheat from him, two bushels fo the Smith wheat which is good without much water, and two bushels of [colmer] wheat which is considered good producing wheat. Concluded to have Smith handle all the wool. I hitched up and came to Farmington and saw Aunt Nannie & Minerva, also Thos. Abbot. Stayed all night with the folks.

¹⁴The first bridge over the Jordan River, and the one to which BFK is likely referring, was found at (what today would be) 1300 West and North Temple Street.

Farmington Friday 15 Sep Got up; saw Thos. Abbott. Got breakfast and drove on to the City; came through [Sessions] settlement. I bought some cucumbers & cantelopes for seed. I met a heavy wind between [Sessions] & the City.

Salt Lake City Saturday 16 Sep Arround town all day.

Salt Lake City Sunday 17 Sep At Hoopers to dinner and at Josephs in the evening.

Salt Lake City Monday 18 Sep Went to Geo [Bigleys] and to the factory, and in the evening done our trading.

Salt Lake City Tuesday 19 Sep Went to —— to dinner, then went to Mamies and to Aunt Rhodas.

Salt Lake City Wed 20 Sep Started home. Came out this side of the mill.

Grantsville Thurs 21 Sep Started early from the mill and drove home.

Dell Friday 22 Sep I took care of some of the garden seeds. Folks taking care of the tomatoes & fruit.

Dell Saturday 23 Sep We planted peaches, plums, apricots, mulberries, crab apples, olanthus, & cherries. Jim plowed. Brig came up after Frenchman Ned went down and found the Satchell. I plowed furrowes through the old Lucerne patch.

Dell Sunday 24 Sep Ned, Frank, & I went to the Muskrat and got our things from there, and from there to Antelope and got Palmer's pig. Did not get home till late. I killed a badger.

Dell Monday 25 Sep Ned tried out the badger; he did not yeald much oil. I sowed fall wheat. Put the smith wheat on the lower end of the long strip, and the colmer on the uper and below the road. Jim is harrowing. I gathered a lot of see corn.

Dell Tuesday 26 Sep I sowed the balance of the colmer wheat. It finished the long strip up to the Road and a piece next the north Lucerne.

Dell Wednesday 27 Sep Started Jim to the City. Ned & I got some Rock for to set the wagon box on.

Dell Thursday 28 Sep Ned harrowed. I worked on the Grainery. We turned all the cows out but four.

Dell Friday 29 Sep I finished the grainery. Ned finished harrowing in the fall wheat.

Dell Sat 30 Sep Ned & I went down to the Ranch to help with the threshing. We helped brand calves untill after noon. Started the machine about noon and run till night.

October 1876

Dell Oct 1 Sunday Jime came Home. The boys are Thirza & the children went to the Ranch. I went to the Muskrat and brought home B—— band.

Dell Monday 2 Ned & I went to the Ranch to help thresh. Worked guy.

Dell Tuesday 3 Oct Ned & I went again to the threshing. Worked Polly. We finished up at the Ranch.

Wednesday 4 Dell Ned & Jim went on after the machine to Big Creek. I cleared up around the stack yard.

Dell Thursday 5 I cleaned up the old kitchen, the pig pen and the chicken coop. I done a little knotting.

Dell Friday 6 I done some painting. It is my first attempt.

Dell Saturday 7 Done some painting in the forenoon. The threshers came about noon. Sat the machine and done my threshing. We had fifty two bushels of wheat and thirty two bushels of Barley.

Dell Sunday 8 The machine men went home. We went to the bathing spring. Wife, children & I went to the Ranch; came back in the evening. Thos. and Sam Rich came and stayed all night.

Dell Monday 9 Oct Frank & I went with Thomas and Sam Rich over to big canyon and the Muskrat. Frank and I drove home a band of horses. Boys topped out the straw stack. It rained a little.

Home Tuesday 10 Oct We tied up six colts. I done some painting. Boys digging beets.

Home Wednesday 11 Oct I done some painting. Boys digging beets. Went to the Ranch in the evening.

Home Thursday 12 Oct Branded six colts. It rained during the morning. We dug and we halled roots.

Home Friday 13 Oct It rained some last night. We put in the day digging and [pitting] roots. We have got up 132 bushels of Ruttabgas, Turnips, Mang——, and beets and a few carotts.

Home Saturday 14 Oct Went to the Ranch and borrowed a wagon box and harness intending to go to the city in the morning; but getting a letter from uncle Abe that he wanted a team, so will have to stop and hunt one.

Home Sunday 15 Went to the Muskrat and Burnt Spring, then up Big Canyon. Frank was with me; we did not find what we were hunting. Ned went up on the big mountain and found ——.

Home Monday 16 Ned & I went to Jennings, found uncle Abe's bay colt and Madam's band. Got back to the Ranch late and stayed all night.

Home Tuesday 17 Came home. It rained last night. Billey Johnston came up; he & Ned went for wood after dinner. Frank, Jim, & I went to the Muskrat and took down some colts and brought up Messenger & D——.

Home Wednesday 18 Oct Painting; it rained most of the day.

Home Thursday 19 We started to the city about two oclock. Took twenty four bushels of wheat to mill. Camped at the [Timpey].

On the Road to mill Friday 20 Oct Stormed the most of last night and off an on all day. We went to Clinton's Point.

Clinton's Saturday 21st Got an early start and got into the city at two oclock. Got Button shod and the chains mended and done my running around.

Salt Lake Sunday 22 Getting things together and loading up. C. Rich was up and said he would come out.

Salt Lake Monday 23 Finished loading and started at two oclock. C. Rich came along. We came out this side of the mill, got our grist and camped.

On the Road from the City Tuesday 24 Came to the Muskrat.

Muskrat Wednesday 25 Came home before breakfast, unloaded our things and halled [a] load of sand.

At Home Thursday 26 Charley began plastering the kitchen. Jim went to Grantsville. Jos. [Aubon] came up and him & I went to look for some horses; did not find them. Came back and Joe stayed all night.

Home Friday 27 I hired Joe Aubon. He is to work five months for one horse the average of [seven——] named and an average four year old steer. Jim came home and brought the old lady and bushel of peaches. Charley still plastering.

Home Saturday 28 Oct Charley is whitewashing. Boys dug twenty four bushels of potatoes and halled a load of wood. Stormed prety heavey.

Home Sunday 29 All at home.

Home Monday 30 Charley finished whitewashing and ——.

Home Tuesday 31 Oct Done the foundation to [the] top of the ground. I went to the Ranch and brought up Hana.

November 1876

Home Wednesday Nov 1st Charley Rich went to the Ranch to begin plastering for J. Q. Mat came up and got fifteen bushels of lime. Joe & Ned went to the canyon to get out poles. I shod [Byr—] for them to use. I began the cupboard or something else.

Home Thursday 2 I ground up the plain bits and worked a little on my job. Jim at work on the house.

Home Friday 3 I worked some on my job. Jim finished his job on the house. After dinner, we went to the Muskrat and burned out the [horses] and colts.

Home Saturday 4 Wind from the south. [I] done some on my job; worked some on the road. We were blessed with a fine daughter at 2 oclock P.M. ¹⁵ Mother and child seem doing well. Jim went to the canyon after the boys; did not get home till late.

Home Sunday 5 Nov Jim took [the] old lady home. Joe went to big creek.

Home Monday 6 Joe & Ned dug potatoes. I worked [at my] job. The boys got up fifty three bushels of potatoes altogether. Jim came home.

¹⁵This child is Ida Knowlton who, according to Knowlton (1971), was the only child born at the Dell.

Home Tuesday 7 Jim took the boys to the canyon and brought home two poles. I finished my job and done some painting.

Home Wed 8 Jim halled sand & Rock. I began the cellar foundation.

Home Thurs 9 Jim went to the canyon. I layed rock. Jack & Tibo were here to get their horses [vented?]. Jim broke the reach and got stuck on the dugway.

Home Friday 10 Jim went to the Ranch and brought up Nettie. I layed Rock.

Home Saturday 11 Jim went to the canyon and brought the boys home, also a load of poles. Billey Gollier was here. I finished laying up rock. It rained and snowed.

Home Sunday 12 Cold and clear; froze quite hard last night. JQ & Ephie came up. Br—— up and took Thiza to the Ranch.. In the evening I took Nettie down and brought Thirza up. Saw Tim Mathews and Jim Larkins.

Home Monday 13 I —— Frank & Pick. Joe & Jim went to the canyon. Ned began daubing the house. Frank & I went out and found eleven cows & calvs. We also found Slaters men with about eighty head of their cattle in my field.

Home Tues 14 Nov Frank & I went down to lone Rock and hunted up to the Ranch; found eight cows and calvs. Ned still plastering; we met Mat and George at the Muskrat.

Home Wednesday 15 Frank & I took the boys up some provisions and then hunted up as far as Antelope and drove the cattle to the Ranch.

Home Thursday 16 Frank & I went down to go with J.Q. & Ephie south to meet the boys. Went to Hicken[an] and drove home. Brought up the Jenning's bull.

Home Friday 17 We gathered from the fifteen mile point to the Ranch. We opened our Ruttaboaga a bit and found they were spoiling; brought home a few horses from the Ranch.

Home Saturday 18 I went to the Ranch. Ned & Frank drove some cows to the Muskrat. Boys came from the canyon.

Home Sunday 19 Frank, Ned, Jim, & I went to the Ranch; worked all day.

Home Monday 20 Ned, Jim & I went to the Ranch and got out the balance of my cattle. Got 65 head branded and drove them all to the Muskrat.

Home Tuesday 21 We [all] went to the Ranch and helped to start off the cattle.

Home Wednesday 22 We built a beef gallows and got up the cattle from the Muskrat to brand the balance. We killed a beef cow.

Home Thursday 23 Branded the cattle and drove them to the Muskrat. Boys killed another cow. Children were up to Hattie's birthday party.

Home Friday 24 We went to the Muskrat and got the cattle and drove them over the valley; corralled them.

Over the valley Saturday 25 We drove our stock up the canyon and then went to [Redlam]. Found two steers and two cows and calvs. Met J.Q. and outfit there. ——— got hooked by a heifer.

Over the valley Sunday 26 Ned and Jim went to Redlam. Frank and I hunted on the creek.

Over the valley Monday 27 Boys went to the white sage. Frank & I went to Cocheran cove; we found two steers.

Over the valley Tuesday 28 We pulled some horse tails. Branded some colts, and drove our stock up the canyon and camped at the Ranch. Brought home Jensen's horse ———.

Home Wednesday 29 Came home. Boys took the cattle to the Muskrat. Phil Aubon was here. Ned rode ———.

Home Thursday 30 We all went to little pole canyon and got out some poles. Brig was up to see if Thirza wanted to go to the city. She intends going.

December 1876

Home Dec 1st Friday Ned & I went to the canyon. Saw Joe Woodmansee and another man hunting horses. The boys had plenty of bad luck today. They let Byron's [entrils] out and got Frank & the mule down with their heads in the creek and had to cut log chains to save them. We threw Byron down and got his entrils back and I am in hopes he will weather it through.

Home Saturday Dec 2 First fog. We went to the canyon and got out four cart-loads and left four more piled.

Home Sunday 3 Fog across the valley. Joe & I went to the Muskrat. Ned & Jim went over to Pole Creek after [Keno]. Our cattle had all got out of the field. Ned's horse fell with him and hurt his knee.

Home Monday 4 Joe, Jim & I went to the canyon. Jim rode [Minnie] for the first time. Joe stayed alone.

Home Tuesday 5 Jim & I went to the canyon and came home in the evening.

Home Wednesday 6 Jim & I went to the canyon.

Home Thursday 7 Jim, Ned & I went to the canyon. We cut a lot of pine timber. Joe tipped over. Jeff Rydalch was here to get to turn their stock in the Muskrat.

Home Friday 8 Jim & Ned were chopping cedar. I went around the salt mountain and then went over to see what was keeping Joe.

Home Saturday 9 Jim went up on the mountain to see some horses. Ned & I chopped some cedars. Joe halled poles.

Home Sunday 10 At home all day. Joe went home and Fill came back with him and stayed all night. Ned went to the Ranch and got our [mail].

Home Monday 11 Ned & I went hunting cattle down to the burnt spring; found but three steers. Jim cut cedars. Joe went for poles.

Home Tuesday 12 Joe went for poles. Jim hunting horses. We put out eight-eight grape cuttings, then Ned & I went to the Muskrat and found eight head of steers. Joe got our little boar and his father sent us some corn.

Home Wednesday 13 Ned, Jim & I started on a cattle hunt; went to Antelope, found John and Hattie.

White sage Thursday 14 We lost Frank and ———; hunted for them till after noon, then we crossed over to the white sage.

White sage Friday Dec 15 We went from the white Sage over near Sessions Spring. Camped under a cedar. Had a better camp than the two previous nights.

Redlam City 16 Hunted out through the low pass and back to our camp.

Redlam 17 Very foggy. We could not find our pack horse untill afternoon. Came over to 8 mile and got our stock, and came home in the evening. We lost John & ——— at our cedar camp. We were quite hungry when we got home as we were out and injured four meals. C. ——— came out.

Home Monday 18 Got ready to go to the city. Killed two ——.

Home Tuesday 19 Went to Grantsville. Charley, —— & I stayed at Lee's. He was not at home. Thomas —— out the hospitality in good shape.

Grantsville Wed 20 Went on to the city; found Howard and wife, also Nellie C——.

Salt Lake Thursday 21 Put my cattle in on tithing and donation as follows. J.Q. one on quorum, two on tithing. Wife two on tithing. Self one on quorum and four on tithing and two on temple donation. Went and saw Thirza and got our things from the store, also sold our hides. Fog quit.

Salt Lake City Friday 22 Loaded up and as it was storming hard we layed over.

Salt Lake Saturday 23 Got Ned started. I went up town and got some tea and $\frac{1}{2}$ bushel of apples. Came to Grantsville.

Grantsville Sunday 24 Came home, found family tolerable.

Home Monday 25 Had a very quiet pleasant day. Boys went hunting.

Home Tuesday 26 Joe & Ned halled wood and posts. Jim hunted horses.

Home Wed 27 It stormed all day. Joe got mad.

Home Thurs 28 Made roads through the snow and began our shed. Snowed most of the forenoon. Snow about ten inches deep.

Home Friday 29 and Saturday 30 Worked on shed.

Home Sunday 31 Nothing unusual.

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Home Monday January 1st 1877 We had a very quiet and nice time. We had a good dinner and made candy in the evening.

Home Tuesday Jan 2 Worked on the shed. Joe & Jim hollered a load of wood in the forenoon.

Home Wed 3 and Thursday 4 Worked on the shed.

Home Friday 5 Joe & Ned hollered a load of wood and some rock and gravel. Jim & I worked on the shed. I cut my ankle with the edge. Ephie and George were up.

Home Sat 6 Joe * Ned hollered some gravel and some manure and hollered the poles around for the corral. Jim & I worked on the shed. George was up with a note from my brother inviting us down to eat turkey. We intend going if the weather is fair and all are well.

Home Sunday 7 We started to the Ranch. Took two ducks for Ellen which which ducks got away. We did not grip ——— ——— we came near the Ranch when we turned back and came to the mouth of the dell without finding any ducks

Sunday 7 continued I turned the team around and sent the folks to the Ranch and I came back on foot to hunt for the ducks & found one and came on home went to the corral to catch Mary to ride to the Ranch when her

and May jumped out so that I had to go on foot-which I did. We eat the turkey and had a very agreeable time. We stayed all night.

Ranch Monday 8 I came home and brought Hana boys done some grubbing I went back in the evening and stayed all night with is Aunt Ellen. I —— a horse that I was going to break

Ranch Tuesday 9 We came home came home home Hattie has caught a heavy cold, boys at work on the corrall

Ranch Wed 10 Boys at the corrall —— arround. Brig brought up nettre and the children Lee Martin, Lee Phillips & August Edison were here.

Home Thursday 11 I made a ladder and put the timber into the shed boys at the corrall

Home Friday 12 I made a little bedstand for Hattie boys at the corrall

Home Sat 13 Boys cut and holled posts & done some framing.

Home Sunday 14 We finished reading little women. Brig came up and took ——ttie home. Joe & Ned went to buy cru——

Home Monday 15 Ned holled one load of posts one load of wood and one load of po——s. Boys at the corrall. I done some painting.

Tuesday 16 Joe & Jim on the corrall. Ned went for poles. I painted ma——de cold south wind last night and today.

Home Wed 17 Joe & Jim on the corrall. Ned went for poles got stuck on the cedar ——ill. I went and helped him up. I done some painting it snowed last night

Home Thursday 18 Stormed Ned went for poles and turned back and went and holled up two loads from the mouth of the dell Joe & Jim on the corrall I done some painting

Home Friday 19 Stormy all day Ned went for poles and as dark is ——
back Joe & Jim making posts for each pen I done some painting

Home Saturday 20 We killed pigs [rather] thin

Home Sunday 21 All a—— home all day billy was up

Home Monday 22 Ned & Jim went over the vally after beef & mended
[harnip] Joe hollod posts

Home Tuesday 23 I mended [harnip] Joe hollod posts

Home Wed 24 I oiled the [harnip] Joe hollod posts

Home Thurs 25 fixed up the [harnip] billy was up

Home Friday 26 Billy went to the Ranch I let him have ten dollars he is
to let me have twenty baskets of wheat - boy got back found a few horses
but no more good beef

Home Saturday 27 got up a little after five weather has been cold all the
week with a little for ——

Home Sunday 28 Boys went to big creek —— ——

Home Monday 29 we tore down the old grainery and I knifed one side of
one log. Ned went to the Ranch after the crop cut raw it burned warm and
snowed two of three hours

Home Tuesday 30 My birth day. I intend —— Jim to the city this
morning. [J Z] was and stayed to dinner did not do much

Home Wed 31 at work on the logs for the cellar

February 1877

Home Thurs Feb 1st Ned went on foot to hunt horses and found some and then went to hunt Button but did not find him. He went to the Ranch to tell Brig we would be ready to start hunting cattle on Saturday.

Home Friday 2 We finished the logs and took up the carpet and put it down again. I has been fogey in the valley for some days.

Saturday Feb 3 Joe & Ned went overthe valley with Brig & Fill. I went with them to the Ranch. I went to big creek to see the old folks and took dinner with them and came home.

Home Sunday 4 At home all day. Billey & Jim came in the evening.

Home Monday 5 I got up. Frank & George and Jim and I went and got two loads of poles.

Home Tuesday 6 Jim & I went down and got a part of the Muskrat house. We saw Mot & Charley going to Grantsville. We worked ——— from the Muskrat to the mouth of the dell. He done splendid.

Home Wednes 7 Feb Jim & I went to the Muskrat and got the balance of the house. Worked one four & one two horse team. Saw Fredericksen goingin with a load of posts. We came home & I cut up a pig.

Home Thursday 8 Jim & I went to the canyon after poles. Brought home the long pole.

Home Friday 9 Feb We done a little on the cellar.

Home Sund 11 Took wife & children to the Ranch. Met Brig bringing up the children. Also met Ned & Thirza coming up on horseback. Stayed at the Ranch but a short time. Met J.Q. as we came home.

Home Mond 12 Ned & Billey went to lost creek hunting horses. J.Q. was to come up but did not. George was up. Jim & I worked on the cellar.

Home Tues 13 We done some work on the cellar. J.Q. and family were up. Jim rode Sallie Perkins. Jim & Frank took our saddle horses to the Muskrat. Thirza went home with the folks from the Ranch.

Home Wed 14 We worked on the cellar. Joe & Fill were here. Sallie got away from Jim. He caught here at the deep spring.

Home Thurs 15 We worked on the cellar; made a little better headway. Billey went to the Ranch and borrowed some plank for me.

Home Frid 16 We got the house up and the rafters on. It has been cold for two days.

Home 17 Feb We got the plank for the roof on the cellar and put on the clay.

Home Sun 18 Went to the Ranch.. Saw Thos Rich. Came back and began getting ready to go with Thos on a cattle hunt. Jim & Frank went to the Muskrat and got our saddle horses.

Mond 19 Jim & I started south, overtook the boys at Hickmon. Went on to Barlow; found a few cattle.

Barlow Creek Tues 20 Hunted Woodman—— & the bottoms to Jennings where we camped for the night.

Jennings Wed 21 Hunted the cove, white rock hills, and the bottoms to the black Knolls.

Black Knolls Thurs 22 Hunted on to 8 Mile.

8 Mile Frid 23 Hunted on to Sepious Road.

Redlam Sat 24 Moved on and hunted to the raged Knolls.

Raged Knolls Sun 25 Hunted a little in the pass. I came home. The boys were going round the mountain.

Monday 26 Fixed up the pack saddle. Ned hunted up some horses. Rained some. Billey plowed.

Home Tues 27 I saddled up and went over the mountain through the cove; found Spider & Bell. Drove them over the mountains. Found the boys down below Rydalches. It rained.

Rydalch 28 Wed Lee & Will came to our camp. We got up very early and drove our herd down to hastings road to Lees camp. Got a heavey herd together. Got sup[p]er and drove our stock up the canyon and camped down west of the low grass.

March 1877

Puddle Valley Thurs Mch 1st Gathered what stock we could and drove them down into puddle valley. Did not find all our saddle horses.

Puddle Valley Frid 2 Drove into puddle valley.

Puddle Valley Sat 3 Mch We rounded up and turned out the estray stock first and then turned out ——— and drove them over the pass. We then moved on the herd to grass mountain and garded them. Lee & Tom came to Grantsville.

Grass Mountain Sun 4 We moved down to the edge of the desert. Turned out the estray stock and rounded up and garded.

Desert Mond 5 Lee & Tom came this morning before day light. We looked the stock over and started them onto the Desert. Made a count. 1019 all together as follows: HC 591, JQ 273, Lee & Smith 155. Lee & I did not go across. It snowed.

Tuesday 6 Desert I am off rong on one day somewhere. I think it was spent in puddle valley.

Wed 7 Desert Came back to Grass Mountain. Camped early.

Grass Mountain Thurs 8 I came home. Jim and Joe camped at Redlam. It rained.

Home Frid 9 Ned went to meet the boys. They came home late, brought some cattle.

Home Sat 10 Ned & Jim killed a beef in the fore noon. After dinner we worked on the calf corall.

Home Sund 11 Took my wife and went to the [Ranch]. Got some young cedars as we came back. Two of our pigs died last night.

Home Mond 12 We cleared up a little & Jim & I halled manure. Ned put up some fence.

Home Tues 13 Jim, Frank, & I went over the valley & found seven cows and brot them home. Button gave out with me.

Home Wed 14 Ned & I filled up the post holes of the big corrall and cleared up the trash and branded some cattle.

Home Thurs 15 Frank & I went to the Muskrat and took down some cows. Found Glen and the bay colt and put them into the field. Joe Aubon came along while we were there and came home with us. We drove up some horses.

Home Frid 16 Joe & I hitched up team and drove over to big creek. Frank rode Joe's mule. I sold [Dad] G—— for one muley cow & calf and fifty bushels of wheat; twenty bushels down and the rest after harvest if paid in barley or oats to be of the same value as the wheat. The price of the horse was eighty five dollars. Came by the Ranch & saw J.Q. Ned hunted for Jims mare.

Home Saturday 17 Halled some manure. Sat out 6 plum trees. Plowed a little. JQ came up and we went out and drove up some horses. Ned hunted for Jim's mare.

Home Sunday 18 My folks went to big creek. I went to the burnt springs. Met J.Q. & Tom and helped them separate their cattle. Joe went home and brought up twenty bushels of wheat and two bushels of barley.

Home Monday 19 Joe started to ———. Ned, Jim, & I halled manure all day.

Home Tues 20 We planted early Rose potatoes, some mechanics, and a few peas, Radish, onion sets & seed carrots, parsnips, ground cherries, and set out for seed mangel, Rutabaga, turnips ———.

Home Wed 21 Got up late. Wind from the north. Ned & I grubed some brush and then plant[ed] some garden seeds on this side of the creek. Jim plowed.

Home Thurs 22 Ned & I fixed up the old cellar. Jim plowed.

Home Frid 23 Frank & I rode some. Ned grubed and covered some seeds. Jim plowed. Jensen came in the evening.

Home Sat 24 Jensen, Frank, & I hunted cattle; found what Jensen wanted and drove them home. Rydalch boys went home with a part of their stock. Saw Palmer at the Muskrat. The Sessions people came with their stock. Ned halled wood and Jim plowed.

Home Sund 25 I helped Jensen start his [cattle] & mules. I took his cattle on shares. I am ——— half the increase in kind & quality as ——— as may be. After his steers become two years [old] [he] is to pay me a herd bill of three dollars [per head] each year. I am to treat them as ——— my own. Jim went to big creek on ——— trade with Ike.

[Home] 26 Mond I sowed two bushels of [barley] and one bushel of wheat west of the house. Billey came in the evening, brought one Pear and one Peach tree, some asparagus, some [Pie] plant and some other little. I sat out the pear and peach trees and removed the small pear trees.

Home Tues 27 We grubed and plowed a piece for asparagus & Pie plant & horse Radish. T. Rich was here. We planted asparagus and the Doremus pie plant.

Home Wed 28 We took up and set out our pie plant and horse Radish. Also sat out the Goose berries, currants, & sage roots. Jim started on a horse hunt. Ned plowed on the ——.

Home Thurs 29 Ned plowed. I fixed up [the calf] pen. It rained during the night.

Home Frid 30 I commenced on the yard. —— Laura Martin, Geo Mathews & Sammie [Wooley] came and stayed all night. Ned plowed. Snowed [some].

Home Sat 31 Boys all went after breakfast. Ned plowed. I worked on the fence. Stormed.

April 1877

Home Sun April 1 Billey & I took a ride through the stock. Ned, Thirza, & Frank went to the Ranch.

Home Mond 2 I worked on the yard fence. Ned plowed. Stormey.

Home Tues 3 Ned & I worked on the fence.

Home Wed 4 Ned & I halled two loads of sand. Thos Rich came up. Frank & I went to the Ranch and helped separate horses. We brought home some horses. Saw LC Lee and D Rich at the Ranch.

Home Thurs 5 Frank, Jim, & I went to the Ranch and helped them all day and then brought the rest of our horses home.

Home Frid 6 We branded and altered our colts. Frank herded the band.

Home Sat 7 Sowed some Oats and Lucerne. It rained a little. We took up the ——— vines and put them out; had twenty one.

Home Sund 8 We worked & rode colts all day. Cold & disagreeable. Ned's horse fell on him; did not hurt him. Ephie & Brig were up.

Home Mond 9 Rode all our colts again. Ned's horse fell with him again. We began putting on picketts on the yard fence.

Home Tues 10 Planted some potatoes. Transplanted our Raspberries. Boys killed a beef. We rode all our colts. Ned's horse went tolerable. Sat out two Box elders.

Home Wed 11 I cut up and we salted our drying meat. Wind from the north, cold. Planted some potatoes. Jim & I worked on ———.

Home Thurs 12 Finished planting potatoes. Planted corn & sat out onions. Finished putting on pick[ets].

Home Friday 13 Went to Boxes and got 15 cotton wood and two fir trees and put them out.

Home Sat 14 All went over the valley after cows & calvs.

Home Sund 15 Wind comenced blowing from the south last night. Continues this mor[ning]. Looks like a storm. Turned the water on the Luc[erne].

Home Mond 16 Ned put up some fence. Jim hunted horses. I made a gate and some chicken boxes. Cold all day.

Home Tues 17 We gathered the cattle out of the ridges and drove them to the corall, seperated them and drove the Grantsville cattle to big canyon.

Home Wed 18 Billey, Frank, & I went south hunting cattle. Ned & Jim went to the point and drove back.

Home Thurs 19 Frank & Jim hunted up some beef cattle. Ned & I worked arround home. I went ——th. Ephie saw JQ on the ditch. Wind looks stormey.

Home Fri 20 Snowed last night. Still snowing. —— is one of the good things for the grass & grain.

[Home] Sat 21 All worked on the water ditch —— bring Boxes creek over.

Home Sund 22 At home all day. Ned & the girls went to the Ranch.

Home Mond 23 All worked on the ditch. Cold; stormed a little.

Home Tues 24 Jim went hunting horses on foot; did not find them. Ned then went and the two got up a band after dinner. Ned, Jim, Frank, and I went hunting cattle. Found some but not enough.

Home W 25 Boys went after horses to hunt —— with Ned & Jim went over the valley. Frank and I went to big canyon and I went to big creek.

Home T 26 Ned & I started with our beef cattle and went to Grantsville. Stayed at [mother's].

Home F 27 We went to Stocton & I went —— and back to camp.

Ophir Sat 28 Drove over to Stocton noon. Met Mike and sold him the cattle for 19.00 per head. We then [drove] them to Ophir, got our supper and came to Grantsville. Turned into Bro Mathews —— stock.

Grantsville Sun 29 We got a few things at the store. I then left the money with Rydalch to settle my taxes. We came home, gathered up some of our cattle as we came around. C Olsen came today.

Home M 30 Worked on the water ditch, got to the ridge between the springs.

May 1877

[At this point in the journal there is a large stain that obscures approximately a quarter of the top left-hand portion of the page. Only portions of May 1 through May 4 are visible.]

[**May 1**] ——— all on the ditch got ———

[**May 2**] ——— on the ditch got across the ———

[**May 3**] ——— on the ditch crossed ——— started down to the field.

[**May 4**] All worked on the ditch ——— the bank on the long hill.

Home Sat 5 Ned & Jim went hunting horses; found Rasband. I done some watering. Billey put in his Lucerne seed. After dinner, Ned & I went to the Muskrat and fixed the dams. Jim halled a load of wood. The boys found Dicey's filley dead.

Home Sund 6 Fredericksen sent up for Hannah. Jim & I went and got a team. The boys went down with Hannah and then went for a swim.

Mond 7 Home [Another stain in the upper right-hand corner of the page.]
I halled of some rock and then went to the Ranch. Took down fourteen lbs butter. Started up ——— to leave it. Ned started ———.

Home Tues 8 I run some [furrows] ——— Lucerne patch for the water ——— of wheat down with Lucerne ——— Man have one and a half ——— for two days very cold.

Home Wed 9 Very cold this morning. ——— on the buckwheat patch and below ——— Jim harrowed on the lower and buckwheat ——— and below the house. I tended the [water].

Home Thurs 10 We planted corn and some squash.

Home Frid 11 I finished planting corn and Billey & I went down and got the Roller.

Home Sat 12 I went up on the ditch and worked till eleven oclock without my breakfast. Came back & Frank went to hunt the horses but did not find them. I done some watering and fixed the pole to the flower tent. Planted the bulbs & runners.

[**May 13**] [Another large stain over the upper left-hand corner of the page.]
I went on the ditch in the ——— home ——— the rest of the day. Boys ——— [Antelope].

[**May 14**] ——— went up on the ditch. Saw ——— & Will.

———— **Tues 15** Ephie, Will, & Charley were up ——— horses. I done some watering.

———— **Wed 16** I worked on the cellar. Jim ——— some rolling. D. Rich was here to see [about] the Muskrat.

Home Thurs 17 I worked on the cellar. Frank & I went to the Ranch. Jim whitewashed. Everall came in the afternoon. It snowed.

Home Frid 18 Snowed the most of the day. I done a little work on the cellar.

Home Sat 19 I daubed the cellar. Everall went to the Ranch.

Home Sund 20 At home. Aubon and family came over; also Brig. Billey went down after Hannah. Thirza and the children went with him.

Home Mond 21 I worked on the cellar.

Home Tues 22 We worked on the cellar.

Home Wed 23 Worked on the cellar.

Home Thurs 24 Same as above.

Home Frid 25 Finished the cellar. Billey & Ned worked on the ditch.

Home Sat 26 I tended the water. Ned harrowed the potatoes. Jim went to the city. John Lyn came hunting his horses.

Home Sun 27 I tended the water on the fall wheat.

Home Mon 28 I tended the water. Ned worked on [the] ditch.

Home Tues 29 I tended the water. It began to rain. Ned fixed the ditch. We both got wet. In the evening JQ & WHH came up to stay all night.

Home Wed 30 JQ & WHH went to Grantsville early. It rained most of the day. I worked some on the grainery.

Home Thurs 31 Looks like rain. I worked on the grainery. Jim came home.

June 1877

Home Friday June 1 Boys gathered up horses. I planted some rutabaga seed and shod ——.

Home Sat 2 I shod Button. We went over to 8 mile. Sallie made us considerable trouble to day, jumping the corall at home and at 8 mile.

8 Mile Sund 3 We found Rusty and Annie. They have been gone nearly a year. Ned & Jim went to Redlam. Frank & I went up south west canyon. We gathered some stock and came over to Doremus and camped.

Doremus Mond 4 We went south to Hickmon. Gathered what stock we could find; found Pick & Starr. Came home.

Home Tues 5 Boys took our stock to the Muskrat. It rained a little last night.

Home Wed 6 We gathered the stock out of the ridges in the forenoon. After dinner, Frank & I took our stock to the Muskrat. Ned & Jim went through the by ridges.

Home Thurs 7 Sallie & Beney both got away. We leveled the cellar floor. It rained and hailed some.

Home Friday 8 We went to the Muskrat intending to start to canyon creek but John Rydalch came out to gather their stock so we came back and waited for them.

Home Sat 9 We plowed some of the garden and done some hoeing.

Home Sund 10 Wife & I went to big creek; found the people there holding meeting. Came by the Ranch. Saw John Rydalch.

Home Mond 11 We hunted through the ridges.

Home Tues 12 We went to the burnt spring with Johney. Helped them gather what stock we could find.

Home Wed 13 We made a start; went to Grantsville.

Grantsville Thurs 14 We moved to blackrock.

Black Rock Frid 15 We moved on to Jordan. I took Angus Cannons cows up, also one cow for John ——— and one cow for Lawson.

Salt Lake City Sat 16 Moved on to Mountain dell.

Mountain Dell Sund 17 Moved on over to Canyon Creek.

Canyon Creek Mon 18 Came back to the City.

Salt Lake Tues 19 Stayed in the City all day. Rich went back after his blanketts.

Wed 20 at Salt Lake Came to Grantsville. Stayed at Rydalches.

Grantsville 21 Came on home. T.G. Rich came with us to the Muskrat.

Home Frid 22 We went to Grantsville to attend conference.

Grantsville Sat 23 Went to meeting at Tooele. Went home with Wm Lee to dinner. Came to Grantsville in the evening.

Grantsville Sun 24 Went to meeting at Tooele. Went home with Wm Lee, met Bro Lyman there. Made acquaintance of Wm Lees family. Came to Grantsville in the evening.

Grantsville Mond 25 We attended town meeting at Grantsville. We have enjoyed these meetings very much all through. We met Brothers L. Snow and F.D. Richards at Rydalchs the last night we stayed there.

Home Tues 26 Looking around all day.

Home Wed 27 Billey, Ned, & I cut Lucerne. Jim put up.

Home Thurs 28 Billey & I cut. Ned & Jim put up.

Home Sat 30 We finished halling lucerne. I hoed some.

July 1877

Home July 1 Sun At home all day. Boys went for a bath. J.Q. & Lee were here in the evening to see if we would turn out and help them gather cattle which I purpose doing.

Home Mond 2 Ned, Jim, Frank & I gathered out of the Ridges and helped drive to the Ranch.

Home Tues 3 Jim, Frank, & I gathered stock and drove to the Muskrat. Very windy.

Home Wed 4 Jim is after Saddle Horses. He did not come in till two oclock. Frank & I saddled up and went to the deep spring. Met J.Q.K., loaned him my horse. He and Frank went to B—— canyon to meet Ephie. They came towards evening and had dinner. Jim went for wood. Billey was at the Ranch all day.

Home Thurs 5 Billey started to the city. I worked in the garden.

Home Friday 6 I worked in the Garden. Ned came back from the city.

Home Sat 7 Frank & I plowed the corn. Boys hoed.

Home Sund 8 Brig & Willwere up. Thirza went down with them.

Home Mond 9 I went up to the Ranch and got ton hundred of hay. Thirza came up.

Home Tues 10 Boys unleaded the hay. It did not top out the stack. We done some hoeing. Frank & I went to the Muskrat and fixed up the fence.

Home Wed 11 Boys hoed. Billey came home.

Home Thurs 12 We hoed & tended the water.

Home Friday 13 Boys hoed & tended the water. Billey & I took our pigs to the ranch. Brig gave me some turnip seed.

Home Sat 14 We hoed a little and then went for stakes. Worked B———. We halled two loads.

Sund 15 Home We went to the bathing spring; saw the Aubon boys. Brig, Annie Palmer and some of the children came up. I killed a large rattle snake.

Home Mond 16 I tended the water. Boys comenced cutting the wheat and cut some oats. Windy.

Home Tues 17 Finished cutting oats and halled them.

Home Wed 18 Ned plowed. I cut through the grain for the machine. I went to the Ranch & got our pig.

Home Thurs 19 Ned done some plowing; finished the piece. Henry came up late with the machine; Billey came to.

Home Friday 20 Finished cutting what wheat was ripe. Henry went home with the machine.

Home Sat 21 Boys finished binding the grain in the forenoon and we shocked it after dinner. Jim took Mary & Keno to the Ranch. We all went to the swimming hole.

Home Sund 22 I went up on the water ditch. After dinner, wife & I went to the Ranch.

Home Monday 23 Boys killed a beef. I tended the water. Jim hunted for Billey's horses; did not get.

Home Tues 24 We went up pole creek to get some snow and to shoot chickens. We got the snow all right but not much chickens. Aubon's folks were here and spent the day and evening. We had ice cream.

Home Wed 25 Cutting and binding grain. Billey is sick with sore throat.

Home Thurs 26 Cutting grain. Jim plowed. I went to the Ranch with beef.

Home Frid 27 We finished cutting the grain across the creek. Jim plowed. Ned bound. I sowed the turnip seed after Jim harrowed the piece.

Home Sat 28 We cut and put up the barley. Jim harrowed in the turnips. Billey & Henry went to Grantsville. Billey went to see if he could have any thing done for his throat.

Home Sund 29 At home all day. Ned and the girls went to the Ranch. Brig & Annie came up with them. Thirza went back with them.

Home Mond 30 I sent Jim to the Ranch to see what word Henry brought as to Billey's condition. Just as we were eating dinner, Henry came this way. He told us Billey was no better and had gone on to the city. I sowed some turnip seed and harrowed it in and plowed some to plant our Silver maple seed which Henry brought.

Home Tues 31 We cleaned up the stockyard and halled off some manure.

August 1877

Home Wed Aug 1 I got some land ready and planted some silver maple seed. Jim & Ned halled wheat.

Home Thurs 2 Windey. Boys halled wheat. I weeded and litered the sugar maples. Took our pig to the Ranch. Thirza came up with us.

Home Frid 3 Boys halled grain. I tended the water in the forenoon and helped with the grain in the afternoon.

Home Sat 4 We halled grain. I tended the water.

Home Sund 5 We went to the Ranch and to the Bathing Spring. I got the tickets for the election.

Home Mond 6 We went to the Ranch and I acted as judge of election.

Home Tues 7 Jim went to Grantsville with the election returns. Ned went to hunt a work horse to hall hay with. He got Bettie. I went and wedged up Billey's wagon and brought it home and put a reach in it.

Home Wed 8 Fixed our hay racks and went and got two loads of hay; estimated the two loads at eighteen hundred lbs. Jim came home. John Duffie brought my bugey home. Annie Palmer came with him.

Home Thurs 9 Boys went to the Ranch and got two loads of hay: twenty one hundred lbs. Wife & I budded 95 roses. Sent the folks 10 1/2 lbs of sugar and 14 lbs of salt. Sent Brig a plug of tobacco.

Home Frid 10 Ned & I went and got two loads of hay. Jim started home.

Home Sat 11 Ned & I went to the Ranch and got two loads of hay. Saw J.Q. I spoke to him about trading mefive acers of meadow. He said no. I expressed myself somewhat on Hoopers not letting me have some of the Ranch meadow. J.Q. told me they had sold their cattle.

Home Sund 12 All went to the bathing spring.

Home Mond 13 Ned & I halled hay from the Ranch.

Home Tues 14 We halled two loads of hay.

Home Wed 15 Halled two loads of hay.

Home Thurs 16 We finished haling hay. Ephie came out with word that we were all jumped. He brought out the cariage to take Ellen & I in. We started in at nine oclock, traveled all night, got in at eight oclock in the morning.

Salt Lake City Frid 17 Fixed up our land maters and got ready to go to Canyon Creek. I paid on the dell twenty dollars and on the Muskrat thirty eight dollars.

SL City Sat 18 Went out to Canyon Creek & back.

SL City Sund 19 In the City all day.

SLC Mond 20 Went outto Canyon Creek early. The balance of the party did not getout till late.

C Creek Tues 21 We gathered cattle and drove them down to the field above Henifer. Garded them.

C C Wed 22 We gathered and garded again.

Henifer Thurs 23 We got out cattle in shape and drove above hanging rock in Echo Canyon.

Echo Frid 24 We drove to Wasatch and camped with J. Gooch and Will Smith. Garded our stock.

Wasatch Sat 25 We drove to Evanston and delivered our cattle all right. Got our pay and and came back to Wasatch and camped with the boys. We broke our [reach]. I sold twent eight head, sixteen at thirty and the balance at twenty. Rydalch sold sixty eight head. Jennings sold one hundred and forty.

Wasatch Sunday 26 We came back to Canyon Creek & Johnney came on to the city; got in just at day light.

SL City Mond 27 I paid up my —— with —— and left three hundred dollars with for for safe keeping. I started home at three oclock in the afternoon and got home at one in the morning. Found my folks all well.

Home Tues 28 Frank & I went to the deep spring in the evening and got a few cows and calvs.

Home 29 Joe Aubon came over & Frank and I went with him over to pass canyon. We brought home a few cows & calvs. I traded Joe two mares for two oxen and two filleys.

Home Thurs 30 Frank & I went on the bottoms and drove up some cows & calvs.

Home Frid 31 We branded and turned out our cows and calvs. Joe came up to look for his yellow mare. Wife & I went to the Ranch and got our pig.

September 1877

Home Sat Sep 1 We got up earley intending to go picknicking up to boxes. Ellen and the children came up but the weather looked so bad that we gave up the trip and remained at home; had a fair time.

Home Sun 2 Brig came up after work horses. He took down Rob & Dean, Billie & Dan. He brought the word of the death of President Young.

Home Mond 3 We branded calvs & I halled a load of sand.

Home Tues 4 Jim, Frank, & I started south. Went to Barlow Creek.

Barlow Creek Wed 5 We went to [Woodmanses] and Jennings and back to big creek and stayed all night.

Big creek Thurs 6 Came on home. C. Olsen came out to day.

Home Friday 7 Branded a few calvs. Ned and I hitched up Loagey and worked him from the Ranch.

Home Sat 8 I worked on the bins for the grainery. Charley & Frank hunted stock. Ned & Jim put up a shed. The boys killed poison for beef.

Home Sun 9 We hitched up and went to the Ranch. Met Aubon coming up after his beef. I came up with Mary & the children. The boys went to the bathing spring. Aubon took one hind quarter for himself and one side for J.Q. I traded Dean & Repp for Crupp & Calf, Julia & calf, Brim & calf, and Little red & two year old steer and one hundred & twenty five dollars in work at \$30. pr month.

Home Mond 10 Worked on the Grainery a little and then went to the Ranch to see the sick children. Mattie and Mat's child. The thrashing machine came to the this evening.

Home Tues 11 Jim went to help on the machine. Charley, Ned, Frank & I gathered some steers for the boys to take to Grantsville to sell. J.Q. went out as far as the ridge. We got together fifteen head and Charley & Ned took them to Grantsville.

Home Wed 12 At home all day at work on the grainery. Jim came home late. Charley & Ned came back; did not sell the cattle.

Home Thurs 13 Ned & Jim went to help on the machine. Charley started home. I remained at home all day.

Home Frid 14 Wife went to the Ranch and brought up Ella Enipa. JQ & Nettie came with.

Home Sat 15 J.Q. came up in the morning and took to the end of the track. I fixed up the cow shed. Will Allen was up.

Home Sun 16 At home all day.

Home Mond 17 At home choreing around.

Home Tues 18 The machine came and threshed our wheat: 157 1/2 bushels.

Home Wed 19 Finished our threshing and the machine and men left. We had 19 bushels of barley and five bushels of Oats. Jim quit and went to hunt his horses. I sowed three bushels of wheat north of the creek & Ned harrowed it in.

Home Thurs 20 I threshed out some peas and the dirty wheat from the threshing floor. Ned harrowed. Jim went to sell some steers to J.Q.

Home Frid 21 I settled with Jim and turned him out brown Lee. He gives me his antelope calf to boot. I took his stock on these terms: half the increase; I treat his stock as I do my own as far as looking after and caring for them is concerned; but in case of their being driven off so that I do not find them I am not responsible. This is the agreement between Jim and I. It rained a little last night. I oiled our harness. C. Olsen came out. Joe Aubon came up to stay while we were away. Joe went back home as we did not need him. I went to the Ranch and got Dan & Pick.

Home Sat 22 We got ready and started to Canyon Creek but broke a wheel before I got out of the field. I then hitched onto Billey's wagon and went on to Grantsville.

Grantsville Sund 23 Layed over at Grantsville. Went over to Wm Rydalch's.

Grantsville Mond 24 Went back to the city. Got in late.

SL City Tues 25 Got up early and quareled with J.Q. Got ready and went on to Canyon Creek.

C Creek Wed 26 We gathered cattle and moved camp. Ike, Frank, Jennings, and Linforth came out.

C Creek Thurs 27 Hunted cattle and drove together.

C Creek Frid 28 Gathered up again.

C Creek Sat 29 Got out early. Gathered and came to Mountain Dell.

Dell Sund 30 Came on to this side of Jordan.

October 1877

Jordan Oct 1 Mond Cut out and sold our beef. I sold 16 head at 17.00, one bull for twenty. Came on to black rock. John went back to the Dell to look for two of their horses. Did not find them.

Black Rock Tues 2 Drove on to Grantsville.

Grantsville Wed 3 Branded some calvs. Seperated the calvs from the cows and drove arround the point. I traded a horse for a heifer. I came home. Ned & Frank camped at the Muskrat.

Home Thurs 4 Went back and met the boys at the point. We drove the cattle to the burnt Springs. Came home.

Home Friday 5 Ned & I hunted horses. Ned went to Grantsville.

Home Sat 6 I went to Aubon's and got my wheat.

Home Sund 7 I hunted horses all day. Billey came out.

Home Mond 8 Charley & I hunted horses. Charley went up boxes and along the top of the mountain to pass canyon. He found Ned. I went over the valey with Brig.

Home Tues 9 Billey & I started to the city. Went to Grantsville. Stayed at Lees.

Grantsville Wed 10 Went on to the city. Took a grist to mill.

SL City Thurs 11 Got my wagon fixed and horses shod.

Salt LC 12 I went and got a load of salt. It rained on me.

SLC Sat 13 Got my things home and went to Farmington. It rained hard last night.

Farmington Sun 14 Remained at Farmington and attended meeting. Had much good instruction from O Pratt, F.D. Richards and others. Came to the city in the evening with JFS and Sarah. Stayed all night with them.

SLC Mond 15 Started home. Came to Grantsville.

Grantsville Tues 16 Took breakfast with Bro Rydalch. I met Bro Lymon there. They intend coming out next Monday. I came home.

Home Wed 17 Wife & I went to the Ranch, Big Creek, & Antelope. Saw all the people.

Home Thurs 18 At home. Ned & Rich came.

Home Frid 19 Boys gathered calvs. Charley halled a load of wood. I worked a little on the field gate.

Home Sat 20 Made the gate and sat the posts. Nellie & Jennie were up.

Ho Sun 21 Finished hanging the gate. All at home.

Ho Mon 22 Charley went to the Ranch and got one quarter of beef. Left a quarter there for Aubons. They weighed one hundred and fifty two and one hundred and fifty three pounds. We went down and pitched one tent for baptising. Bros Lymon, Hunter, and came while we were there. Bro L Came home with me and the others went to the Ranch. We had a very agreeable evening with Bro L.

Home Tues 23 Got up earley. Got ready for meeting. Went down to meeting. Had good instruction from the Brethren who spoke. After the forenoon meeting we went down to the bathing spring and thirty five of us were baptised. Went back to meeting in the afternoon. We talked and in the afternoon we were confirmed. Came home late and found James Worthington here.

Home Wed 24 Rained a little earley this morning. Boys hunted through the Ridges and up Barnnes Canyon. Found a few calvs. Worthington came back and stayed all night.

Home Thurs 25 Boys went to the Muskrat with Worthington & Rich who were going to Grantsville, then came back. Got three calvs.

Home Frid 26 We branded a few calvs and drove them to the Muskrat. Ned plowed up some potatoes.

Home Sat 27 We plowed up some potatoes. Frank went to the & George came up with him. Cold and Gloomey all day.

Home Sund 28 Comenced snowing early this morning with a good prospect of keeping it up. Ned went to the canyon with provisions for the boys.

Home Mond 29 Frank & I went south as far as lost creek. Came back to Big Creek and stoped and took dinner with Sister Aubon. Lost a part of our cattle while we were stoped. Snow fell yesterday and last night; eight inches here and two inches in the valley.

Home Tues 30 Frank & I went to the Muskrat and from there we hunted cattle up the bottoms. It rained and snowed.

Home Wed 31 I plowed. Ned cleaned up the corn.

November 1877

Home Thurs Nov 1 Ned & I killed a beef and plowed up some potatoes.

Home Frid 2 We took down our beef and then finished plowing up our potatoes. We got all together twenty five bushels.

Home Sat 3 Ned & I went to the Canyon after the boys. Rained on us coming home. We all got wet.

Home Sun 4 Went to meeting. J.Q., James Palmer, W. Aubon & I occupied the time. Felt well.

Home Mond 5 Planted out our blackberries and Grapes from Lopham & Anthonys. We pulled some beets. The boys harrowed and picked up the potatoes and got a load of wood.

Home Tues 6 Raining this morning. We worked on the stable.

Home Wed 7 We topped the beets & I got them up 55 bushels. Charley & Ned worked on the shed in the afternoon. Frank went and got Glen Junior.

Home Thursday 8 We all worked on the piece of new land clearing off brush and putting it into wheat.

Home Frid 9 Frank & I drove our calvs from the Muskrat over the valley. Charley & Ned worked on the shed. Billey put in a little rye.

Home Sat 10 Ned & Frank went with me to Grantsville and drove over three steers which I traded to Rathall & Rich for lumber. We stayed all night at Lees.

Grantsville Sun 11 I went on to the city. Stayed all night at J.F. Smith's. Ned & Frank went to hunt horses.

SLC Mond 12 I went and saw John Reeding about the trees. He told me he would have them ready by noon. I then went to Wagstaff's and engaged a load of trees.

SLC Tues 13 I done some shoping and then went to get the trees but Reeding had not got them dug so I went to Wagstaff's and got them to dig my trees.

SLC Wed 14 I went to Wagstaff's and got my trees. Came down to Mother's and loaded up and started for home. Came to Grantsville late.

Grantsville Thurs 15 John Rich & I measured out my lumber and I cameon home. Saw Bro Rydalch as I came past.

Home Frid 16 Charley & went to Grantsville after lumber. I sat out a few trees.

Home Sat 17 I sat out trees. Boys came home late.

Home Sund 18 Wife & I went to meeting. Had a very good time.

Home Mond 19 I planted trees. Ned went to Grantsville after lumber. Billey went to work on the meeting house, Charley to the canyon after the things.

Home Tues 20 Charley halled dirt for the shed. I planted trees. Ned came home.

Home Wed 21 I planted trees. Charley halled dirt.

Home Thurs 22 I planted trees. Boys halled dirt.

Home Frid 23 Frank & I went hunting beef cattle. Found some cows and calvs and Jenson's steer.

Home Sat 24 Ned & I hunted cattle for beef. Ned went on the bottoms and I went to Antelope and traded with Jimmey Palmer. I traded him pinto for three yearlings and three calvs. Got one of the yearlings and the three calvs. I am to have the other yearlings as soon as found. If the heifer is not found, he gives me fifteen days work instead of her.

Home Sund 25 Ned, Thirza and I went to meeting. Had a very good meeting. J. Rydalch and T. Tennant came and stayed all night.

Home Mond 26 John, Frank, & I went to big creek and branded some calvs for dad and two cows and one calf of mine. ¹⁶ Came by the Ranch and marked my Palmer calvs and turned them out. Came home and wife told me Brig had quit.

Home Tues 27 Charley came and wanted to settle his [a/c] with me in stock. Ned started to the city with a load of beef to bring out a load of trees. Charley and Billey made a wagon tongue. John Rydalch went to the burnt spring. I went hunting horses over by derbys. Indians left today.

Home Wed 28 Charley, Billey, & I went to Doremus to plow. We tried the big plow and thought we could work . I came home late.

Home Thurs 29 I went to the Ranch and done a little blacksmithing. Went over to the field. We could not plow on account of the frost.

Home Frid 30 Charley quit. He is to turn me out two cows on the balance of the horse trade: one large rone and one baby cow if they turn up. If they don't, he is to turn me out something as good.

December 1877

Home Sat Dec 1 Brig & Charley went hunting horses. Ned came back. I grubed some brush.

Home Sudaay Dec 2 Ned & I went to meeting. We had rather a poor house.

Home Mond 3 Went to hunt Romey & Bandit. Stormed. Billey started to the city. I went to the Ranch to get Fredericksen to take a note and some money to Billey to get me some shingles.

¹⁶“Dad” in this sentence does not refer to BFK’s father, Sidney Algernon Knowlton, for he died on 20 April 1863.

Home Tues 4 Ned, Frank, & I went to the Ranch, they to hunt, and I to do a little smithing.

Home Wed 5 Frank & I went to the Burnt springs to meet the Rydalch boys. They did not come. Weather has been quite cold for some days. To day very fine. We took Dinner with Mayor Gorkinski.

Home Thurs 6 Ned & I branded two calvs & killed a beef. Weather very fine.

Home Frid 7 Ned & I hitched up the blacks and drove them a little piece. We then cut down the beef and caried it in. I took Frank & Prince off after dinner. I went round by the Ranch. Brig, Charley & Thirza came up. I went to the Burnt Spring and saw John Rydalch and took super with him.

Home Sat 8 I went to the Muskrat and we seperated the cattle and drove to the Ranch. I came home in the evening.

Home Sund 9 Lovely morning. Went to meeting. Had a good time. Ned went with Johney to drive off the cattle.

Home Mond 10 I worked on the meeting house putting on shingles. Ned came back.

Home Tues 11 Ned & I worked on the meeting house putting on shingles. We got out of nails, otherwise we would of finished the roof. Thirza went down with us. Coming back one of our horses threw up on us and we had to leave our wagon in the wash. Ned drove the team up and Thirza and I walked up.

Home Wed 12 Ned & I worked on the meeting house. Finished the shingling. Hana went down with us and stayed all night. We took down 86 lbs of beef [HQ] to Bro Fredericksen. We had a litter of ten pigs come. Billey came back from the City.

Home Thurs 13 Billey, Ned, & I worked on the meeting house.

Home Frid 14 We all worked on the meeting house. We got the sleepers down and cut out one log for the south windows. ¹⁷

Home Sat 15 Ned & I worked on the meeting house.

Home Sun 16 Wife & I went to meeting. Bro Jos Lawson from Ogden met with us. We had a good time. Lawson came home with use. Brig & Charley came home.

Home Mond 17 I halled some clay, sand, & Gravel. Brig & Charley killed a beef. Ned halled wood.

Home Tues 18 Ned & I went to the Ranch. I worked on the meeting house. Ned harrowed. Jos Lawson went home. Brig & Charley went over the valley.

Home Wed 19 I went to Antelope after Bro Palmer. He and Annie stoped at the Ranch. Ned worked on the meeting house. Billey went down to plow for me.

Home Thurs 20 Bro Palmer & I tore down the chimney & put it up again. Ned whitewashed the middle room.

Home Friday 21 I took Jas Palmer home and was there to dinner. He fixed my plow and two for J.Q.K. Ned whitewashed the south room. Billey came home this morning. Froze so hard he could not plow.

Home Sat 22 I went to the deep spring. Saw Wm Rydalch. I then went up in the hills and over as far as Spring Creek and drove home some horses. Ned, Billey, & Thirza went to the theatre.

Home Sun 23 Wife & I went to meeting. J.Q., Jas P & W Aubon and I ocupied the time.

¹⁷A “sleeper” is “a horizontal timber that rests on, or just above, the ground.” One type of sleeper is a “joist beam that rests on the first floor sills and supports the floor of a log cabin or timber frame building. . . .”; see Bucher 1996, s.v. “sleeper.”

Home Mond 24 Frank & I went up to after material to make a brush drag. Ned went down to work on the meeting house.

Home Tues 25 Brig & Charley came to spend Christmas with us. We had a very pleasant time until evening when Thirza & Hanna made themselves disagreeable for a while. It snowed most of the day. Ned came up to dinner.

Home Wed 26 Brig & Charley went home. Ned went to work on the meeting house. It is still snowing. I put up two posts to make me a shop.

Home Thurs 27 I worked on the shop. Billey went to the Ranch and brought up some of my things.

Home Frid 28 I worked on the shop. Billey cut posts. It was verry cold last night.

Home Sat 29 I worked someon the shop. Billey cut posts. I halled a load of wood and came home.

Home Sund 30 We went to meeting. Had a very good time.

Home Mond 31 Ned halled a load of wood. I finished my wood rack. We hitched up bismark & Plum for the first time. They done nicely.

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January 1878

Home Tues Jan 1878 We all went to [Quinneys] and spent the day with all the people in this part of the valley. There were fifty eight persons at dinner including the children. We had indeed a splendid time. Weather cold. Frank killed four ducks.

Home Wed 2 Ned halled manure. I worked at odd jobs.

Home Thurs 3 Ned & I halled one load of sand, one load of clay, and the adobies. Weather cold. I layed up the adobies on the inside of the chicken coop.

Home Frid 4 I worked on the shed. Ned halled a load of wood. Weather very cold.

Home Sat 5 I worked a little on the shed. Got the east end done. Ned halled one load of wood and then went to the Ranch after a little butter. Cold.

Home Sunday 6 Weather cold and clear.

Home Monday 7 Brothers F. M. Lyman, Rydalch, & Rich came. We sat up untill twelve; spent a very evening. Still very cold.

Home Tues 8 We all went to meeting. There were present all three Bretheren that stayed with us and Bishop Hunter of Grantsville, J. W. Cooley, and [Saml] Wooley. They all spoke giving us much good instruction. We had a good time. There were two deacons apointed: W. Johnston and Isaac Aubon.

Ranch Wed 9 All went home and wife & I done likewise.

Home Thursday 10 Ned & I worked on the shed. We sided up the north side, all except the door.

Home Frid 11 Wife, children & I went down to [Netties] and stayed all night.

Ranch Saturday 12 I worked on the D—— house. We stayed all night again.

Ranch Sund 13 Stayed till after meeting and then came home.

Home Mond 14 All at home sick. Ned & I killed a beef.

Home Tues 15 All better. I went down to D——. Met Brig coming up after beef. Got him to take down a quarter for Bro. Aubon. Brig's was one hundred (111 lbs) and Aubon's one hundred and ten pounds (110 lbs). Aubon daubed on the house today.

Home Wed 16 Wife fixed up the canvass for the [cealing] of the D—— house. Ned went hunting. Billey found him at Burnt Springs. Bill came home. I chored arround home all day. Weather moderated; wind from the south in the evening. Billey told me I could have the trade.

Home Thursd 17 Wind still from the south; looks stormy. It began to rain about eight oclock and rained easy most of the day. Ned & I went down to our house and put up the joice for the ceiling and done some other jobs and came home. Bro. Aubon was there on the job. It is snowing in the evening.

Home Frid 18 Ned & I went down to work on the house. I stayed all night with J.Q. Ned came home to haul some wood.

Ranch Sat 19 I worked on the house. Bro. Aubon through. Billey came down and rode up with me.

Home Sund 20 We had a rough night. Wife, Baby Hattie & I all coughing at once. We remained at home not feeling well. Boys & Thirza went to meeting.

Home Mond 21 I took down the old grainery box and we put on a wagon to take down to Doremus for a bed room. Ned helped wash. Billey got his posts together to start in. I went out and drove up some horses.

Home Tues 22 Billey started in with some posts. Ned & I worked on our other house. The Grantsville people came out on a surprise.

Home Wed 23 Ned & I worked on our house. We worked two colts.

Home Thursd 24 Ned & I worked on our house. We brought up the bugey in the evening.

Home Frid 25 I went down to the Ranch with the team and bugey intending to go to Grantsville. Stayed all day. J.Q. invited me to ride over with him, which I concluded to do the next morning. I stayed all night.

Ranch Sat 26 We got started about six o'clock. Met Geo. Noble coming out. Got to Grantsville in time for the afternoon meeting which we attended. Jos. F. & John Henry Smith spoke well on priesthood, the word of wisdom and kindred subjects.

Grantsville Sund 27 Attended meeting in the fore and afternoon. Had some good instruction from Jos. F. and John Henry. Time mostly occupied by them.

Grantsville Monday 28 We stayed to the Nauvoo party; had a good time.

Grantsville Tues 29 We came home. J.Q. hired Jessie Stephensen. I walked from the deep springs ——— found my family tolerable well. Eat my supper and went to bed as I was quite tired.

Home Wed 30 I was sick all night—something like cholery morvius. Wife & I took a ride, then Thirza and I went to the Ranch and back.

Home Thurs 31 Ned, Thirza & I went to the Ranch. We saw Geo. Noble & C. Olsen. Ned stoped down. Thirza and I came back.

February 1878

Home Frid Feb 1 I went down and back; took Ned some provisions.

Home Sat 2 We moved down to Doremus. Wife stayed at the Ranch.

Home at Doremus Feb 3 Sunday We organized a Sunday school. Bro. Thos Williams was here and put us in running order. We also held meeting.

Doremus Mond 4 Wife began teaching school. Ned & I fixed the spring.

Dore Tues 5 At work arround home. Went to the Ranch in the evening. I settled with J.Q. and halled a load of wood.

Dore Wed 6 Worked around the place. J.Q., Thos Williams & Brig were down.

Dore Thursday 7 Ned went to the Dell after roots and grain. I worked here.

Dore Frid 8 I went to the canyon after poles and then grubed some. Ned grubed all day. C. Olsen Brought out some oats for bro. Rydalch; he brought the girls home.

Dore Sat 9 Ned & Billey Grubed brush. Frank, George & I halled [of] brush. Our folks came down in the evening.

Dore Sunday 10 Held Sunday school & meeting. Had a good time.

Dore Mond 11 I went to the Dell; brought down wheat, Beets and some of our things. Ned & Billey grubed brush.

Dore Tues 12 I went up to the shop and J.Q. ——— sharpened my grubing hoe & matock. I came back and we all grubed brush.

Dore Wed 13 It stormed in the forenoon. I went to Aubons in the afternoon and got his pig. Came back and halled a load of brush for the shed. Thirza went to the Ranch and as I learned next day told the folks I ordered her off which was quite a mistake.

Dore Thurs 14 Boys halled hay, I halled brush for the shed. My folks came home all half sick with colds.

Dore Frid 15 We grubed brush. In the evening ——— hitched up and struck out a land.

Dore Sat 16 Ned & I plowed. Billey grubed brush. Wind from the south.

Dore Sund 17 Held Sunday school & meeting. Had our usual good time.

Dore Mond 18 I went to the Dell and got some workhorses. Billey & Ned grubed brush.

Dore Tues 19 It stormed most of the day. We plowed three rounds. Billey grubed a little.

Dore Wed 20 Ned & I went to the Dell and got some wheat & potatoes.

Dore Thurs 21 Stormy. Took the folks to school. Found L.C. Lee & B.B. Heywood there. I stayed there untill school was out and came home and we hitched up and broke our plow handle.

Dore Frid 22 I went hunting a beef steer. Went up the bottoms; found one but is quite thin.

Dore Sat 23 Billey & I killed a beef. Ned went for wood.

Dore Sund 24 We had out Sunday school and meeting. J.Q. & Lee came back from the south.

Dore Mon 25 J.Q., Lee, Benny, & Dock went south hunting stock. Ned went to the burnt spring.

Dore Tues 26 J.Q., L.Q., B.B., B.H., J. Larkins & Dock went south hunting stock. Billey & I plowed. Ned went and got Bluey.

Wed 27 Ned & Billey plowed. I burnt brush. It stormed.

Dor Thurs 28 Boys halled hay. I worked [hulda] and Daisy

March 1878

Dor Fri March 1 We run the brush harrow. We worked our colts.

Dor Sat 2 I grubed brush. Billey polowed. Ned harrowed brush.

Dor Sund 3 We held school & meeting.

Dor Mond 4 I went to Antelope and the Dell; had a flair up with my team which broke my wagon tongue. Got home late.

Dor Tues 5 I hitched up and harrowed. Danseys sheep herd came along. The herder wanted me to go and pull their wagon out of the mud, which I did and had a nasty time. Billey plowed; Ned grubed.

Dor Wed 6 Brig came and sowed for us. I [harrowed]. Ned plowed. Billey grubed brush. W. Rydalch came along and spoke to me about trading sheep for a span of horses.

Dor Thurs 7 Stormed last night. I killed a mutton. Ned plowed. Billey Grubed brush. In the afternoon Billey & I harrowed with Rob and Daisy. Billey Rydalch came back and I traded him George & [Bay Jimmey] for seventy five good average lambs. They are to be marked to me this spring and are to remain with their mothers until next fass when I am either to receive them or let Billey Rydalch have them on shares. It is well understood that the lambs are to be well after [altering] and are to beequal as near as may be as regard sex. Billey is to take George now and Jimmey when he comes up.

Dore Friday 8 I harrowed with Frank & Daisy. Ned plowed and Billey grubed brush. I recomenced using tobacco after leaving [it] off for six months.

Dore Sat 9 I harrowed in the forenoon and Ned & Billey harrowed in the afternoon and I burned brush.

Dore Sund 10 We held Sunday School & meeting.

Dore Mond 11 I went to the Dell. Boys worked in field.

Dore Tues 12 I sowed wheat with the [ceder]. Ned harrowed.

Dore Wed 13 J.Q. & I went up to see what work was needed on the ditches. Ned harrowed. Billey plowed some.

Dore Thurs 14 Our work horses ran off last night. I hunted for them nearly all day. Ned and Billey went to help on the Ditch.

Dore Friday 15 Ned & Billey went on the ditch. I halled some hay and plowed, harrowed and layed off the west piece.

Dor Sat 16 Ned went to the Dell. Billey put in some grain. I went on the ditch.

Dore Sun 17 We held our Sunday School. Bros. Rydalch & Wooley came over to hold meeting. We had much good instruction. The bretheren are to return home this evening.

Dor Mond 18 Spent the day working on the ditch and fixing fence. Ned harrowed & plowed. Billey plowed.

Dor Tues 19 I finished sowing wheat and oats. Billey went upon the ditch after the tools. Ned harrowed. I layed off some.

Dor Wed 20 Billey & I plowed ditches in the forenoon, then Billey layed off and Ned & I cleaned out the water ditch. Ida has been sick since last Saturday afternoon.

Dor Thurs 21 Billey finished laying off the grain and I done some work on the ditch and then loaded up two loads of our things and came home.

Home Dell Friday 22 I went down and brought up wife and babies. Boys killed the pig and cleaned up a little.

Home Sat 23 Boys halled manure. I chored arround and forked in some manure in the asparagus bed.

Home Sun 24 I hunted horses, made whips, etc, getting ready to go with J.Q.K. gathering horses. When I had got ready he sent me word he would not start till Wednesday. It rained in the evening. Boys & girls went to the Ranch.

Home Mond 25 Billey dug some holes for trees and then forked in manure in the asparagus bed. I done some grubing. Ned halled a load of wood and then went to the Ranch and got sixteen mulberry trees. I felt worse.

Home Tuesday 26 Billey & I sat out the trees. Ned halled manure. I felt very badly in the afternoon and evening. Frank went to the Ranch and J.Q. came up with him to see me. Frank got up the saddle horses for a start, but J.Q. told me he could not go tomorrow.

Home Wed 27 John Rydalch came this morning and I fixed up Ned & Frank to go with him hunting cattle. Billey halled out some manure in the forenoon and I stuck out some mullberry cuttings in the afternoon we plowed a little and planted three rows of strawberry plants. I felt better this afternoon.

Home Thurs 28 Finished planting what strawberries we had here. Billey and the folks put in some garden. I did not feel as well today.

Home Friday 29 Stormey. I only feel tolerable today. Billey & I fixed the ditch and I stuck out some willow cuttings.

Home Sat 30 Billey stuck out a lot of willow cuttings and done some spading in the garden. I feel rather [slim].

Home Sunday 31 Billey and the girls went to the Ranch. Wife, Hattie and I remained at home. I only feel tolerable.

April 1878

Home April 1 Mond Billey went for a load of wood. I am trying to feel a little better today.

Home Tues 2 Wife & I went to the Ranch. Billey halled manure. J.Q. and the boys had come with the horses. Brig & Charley came up and brought Hattie K.

Home Wed 3 Billey & I went to the Ranch and got our horses.

Home Thurs 4 John and Tom went home after helping us to handle our little batch of horses. Ned and Frank went to the Ranch and got some horses. J.Q. and his boys were up hunting horses.

Home Frid 5 Frank & I picked some hair and built three ropes. We altered some colts. Ned harrowed. I sowed some Lucerne seed. Billey halled manure. Jessie & Chandlers Boy were up hunting horses. I went out and hunted a horse for Chandler; let him have Grey prince.

Home Sat 6 I sowed Lucerne seed. Ned harrowed it in. Billey halled manure. I done a little work in the flour Garden. Charley & I went down to see the Sessions cattle.

Home Sund 7 Wife, Thirza, Hattie & I went to the Ranch to attend sunday school but found the folks had all gone for a picknick. We then went for a ride to the Muskrat.

Home Monday 8 Verry cold. We plowed in the garden. I sowed some Lucerne seed in the morning; Ned harrowed it in. Billey halled manure. I went up to Boxes to see about the water.

Home [Tuesday] 9 We went up and got Boxes creek out onto the bench. Verry cold.

Home Wed 10 We put in some garden seeds. Billey halled manure.

Home Thurs 11 Worked in the garden. Billey halled ———

Home Frid 12 I sowed Lucerne seed. Ned harrowed. Billey halled manure. Charley came up last night for us to go down. Thirza was sick.

Home Sat 13 I sowed Lucerne seed. Ned harrowed. Billey halled manure. It stormed in the afternoon. T. Booth's party came hunting stock.

Home Sund 14 Snowed last night; about two inches. Stormed some during the day. Ned went down after the mail and took Jimmey down for Thirza to ride up but found her too weak to ride on horseback. He then went with the bugey and got her.

Home Mond 15 Snowed last night about four inches last night. Snowed considerable during the day. In the afternoon Billey and I scraped up manure. Ned mended harness[es]. Booths party stayed over.

Home Tues 16 Partially clear; stormed a little. Last night quite cold; this morning cleared up. Boys halled manure. I fixed the manger.

Home Wed 17 Ned halled a load of wood. Billey dug some postholes for the calf corrall. Booth left.

Home Thurs 18 We put up the fence on the uper side of the calf corrall.

Home Frid 19 Ned harrowed and layed off the grain. Billey halled manure. Frank & I got up the potatoes and cut a lot for planting.

Home Sat 20 Stormey. Ned finished laying off the grain and some lucerne land. Wind from the south heavey.

Home Sund 21 Went to Sunday school and meeting.

Home Mond 22 We got up horses to go south to connect with the Grantsville boys on a cattle hunt. T. Rydalch came to let us know . . .

Home Tues 23 T. Rydalch , Frank, & I started. Went to the Ranch. J.Q. & Jim went with us. We went to Jennings; found the boys there.

Jennings Wed 24 We hunted the range south and east of Jennings.

Jennings Thurs 25 We hunted east and north to Hickmon. Rounded up at Jennings and seperated.

Jennings Frid 26 We drove to the Ranch and hunted both sides and down the valley.

Home Sat 27 Separated the cattle and drove ours and the Grantsville cattle to the Muskrat.

Home Sund 28 We went across the valley. Some of the boys went over the mountain in two places. We gathered to 8 Mile; turned everything up the southwest trail.

8 Mile Mond 29 We gathered and drove to the Ranch. I came home.

Home Sund [Tuesday] 30 Separated and took the Grantsville stock and ours to the Muskrat. John, Frank, & I straitened up our cows and calvs and turned them over the valley.

May 1878

Home May 1 Wed We went on after the herd and separated. Frank & I came home. John and the Boys stayed at Muskrat.

Home Thursday May 2 Ned took down some grub to the boys. We gathered horses.

Home Friday 3 We gathered horses. Ned took a band to Muskrat.

Home Sat 4 Ned took one band of mares and three stallions to Muskrat. We turned out the balance.

Home Sund 5 Ned gathered up the band at Muskrat. Frank & I hunted cattle.

Home Mond 6 Storming this morning. Boys killed a beef. Frank & I took some cattle to Muskrat. John came back. Walt Mathews and party came along while we were there. John told me he and Willie found the fence on fire at the burnt spring when they came there.

Home Tues 7 Getting ready to start. Went to the big ridge; seperated the cattle and camped.

Big Ridge Wed 8 We moved on to Grantsville.

Grantsville Thurs 9 We layed over; branded a few calvs. The boys went out hunting cattle.

Grantsville Fri 10 We drove to Black Rock. Two head of my cattle gave out.

Black Rock Sat 11 We drove to Jordan and camped.¹⁸ Frank & I went up in town; took two cows. I got a few things.

SLC Sund 12 We moved on to Mountain Dell.

Mountain Dell Mond 13 We moved on to C. Creek.¹⁹ I shot and broke a deer's leg.

Tues C. Creek 14 We came back to the City.

Salt Lake Wed 15 I bought a mower & Reaper, Champion droper and a Gales Hay Rake; paid for the two 190.00 dollars. Done some trading.

Salt Lake 16 Thurs Looking stormey. C. Evans came down to see if he could come out with us. We started and came to the mill. It stormed hard while crossing Jordan flat.

Mill Frid 17 We came on to Rydalchs and stoped to dinner. Came on home. Got home at twenty minutes to two. It rained on us considerable. It was a rough trip on us especially on Frank.

Home Sat 18 Got up late and walked arround most of the day. Late in the afternoon we began the porch.

¹⁸Probably the Jordan River.

¹⁹Probably City Creek.

Home Sund 19 We went down and held Sunday School.

Home Mond 20 We worked on the porch. Frank went to the Ranch to see if J.Q. had got back.

Home Tues 21 Charley went to the Ranch to see J.Q. We worked on the porch and such a time as we did have we got every thing wrong. Charley came back in the evening and set us to rights.

Home Wed 22 We worked on the porch. Got on the roof in the afternoon. Charley & I went to the ranch and he got him a team.

Home Thurs 23 We went to the mill. I took a little grist.

Mill Frid 24 I started back. Charley went on to the City. I bought two bushels of potatoes and got a tooth filled.

Home Sat 25 I worked in the garden a little and then we seperated a lot of cattle that the boys had got up.

Home Sund 26 Billey worked on the water ditch. Ned and Rich went south with some cattle. Billey, Frank & I took some cattle up into boxes.

Home Mond 27 Boys hunted horses. I worked in the garden.

Home Tues 28 We went over the valley. We gathered what cattle there were on the bottom and took them over.

8 Mile Wed 29 We hunted cattle and marked calvs.

8 Mile Thurs 30 Ned and Frank went to [redham]. Rich and I marked what calvs we could find on the creek, then we all came home. J.Q. and the folks were up here.

Home Frid 31 Rich and I went to Hickmon. Boys worked on the ditch.

June 1878

Home Sat June 1 T. Rydalch and August came this morning. They and Rich went home . It rained a little. C. Olsen was here. Boys worked on the ditch. I worked arround home; planted a few squashes.

Home Sund 2 I took a ride after a team after a team to go to Sunday school with. Did not find them untill to late to go. We hitched up and went to the Ranch. I turned the water on the grain in the Doremus field.

Home Mond 3 I went down to look after the water. Boys on the Boxes ditch.

Home Tues 4 I tended the water at Doremus. Boys on the Boxes ditch.

Home Wed 5 I went down and regulated the water. Ned went after a mutton. J.Q. & family were up on a visit. We had a good time.

Home Thurs 6 Went down and camped with the water.

Doremus Frid 7 Tended the water and went home in the evening.

Home Sat 8 I stayed at home to fix the wagon box. Billey went down to tend the water.

Home Sun 9 At home. Took wife for a ride in the evening. Charley took the girls out.

Home Mond 10 Children started to school. Wife went with them. I tried to work on the wagon Box but concluded I was sick. Billey tending the water.

Home Tues 11 Sick at home. Ned done a little plowing.

Home Wed 12 I felt considerable better. Done a little hoeing. Ned planted some beans and peas. Billey came home.

Home Thurs 13 Got up early; feel tolerable. Boys going to Redlam to help fix the tanks.

Home Frid 14 Boys at work in the garden. I am feeling a little better.

Home Sat 15 Boys hoeing in the garden.

Home Sund 16 Boys went bathing. Charley & Brig were up. Charley & Thurza went for a ride. It rained.

Home Mond 17 My neck got stiff last night and is very lame and sore this morning. Boys at work in the garden.

Home Tues 18 Boys at work in the garden. My neck continues very bad.

Home Wednesday 19 Boys went to the ranch and got a sheep. When they came home they told me Big Jim had driven a lot of cattle to the Muskrat. I worked on the pig pen.

Home Thurs 20 We went to the Muskrat and [fixed] the water and started the cattle to [Barnnes] Canyon. But Ted horse gave out and we had to leave them.

Home Fri 21 Boys went and drove the cattle up Barnnes Canyon. I fixed up the little plow. My neck is still very bad. Boys killed the mutton.

Home Sat 22 Billey tended the water. I worked in the garden. Ned whitewashed. My neck very bad.

I discontinued my journal on account of my sickness until I got pretty well behind, so much so that I could not get it in shape when I got better and then I was behind with other work so that I let it rest for several months up to the first of Jan 1879 during which time I was at home nearly all the time. We were busy with the crops, the water, the cattle and horses. We moved our cattle back from Canyon Creek in Oct, but we were too late. We found it quite cold and disagreeable. We marked and weaned our calvs and turned

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them off. We took our beef steers over the mountain and the boys herded them.

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January 1879

Jan 1 In Grantsville at W.C. Rydalch's. We fed our beef steers and straightened up our cattle. John and I went down to Uncle John W. Cooleys. He and I got on a trade or at least had some talk on the subject, but could not get together on the matter. I had new years dinner and a pleasant time with the Rydalches.

Thurs 2 I helped to start the beef cattle to the city. Came back and had dinner. Rich came with me to the Timpey. I brought the cattle arround the point and left them. I drove the horses on old pine. Apple gave out soon after leaving the cattle. I met two strangers on the Timpey flat. I also met Geo Mathews and two other boys at the point. Came home soon after dark. Found my family in fair health. Ida is better. She has been down with sore throat.

Home Frid 3 I went down to the point to get the cattle and mare I left yesterday; did not find them. Met J.Q. & Tim going to Grantsville. My horse got very tired. Ted halled a load of hay. Frank went down but there was no school. Ben went over the mountain.

Home Sat 4 We cleaned up a little arround home. Ted & I unloaded one load of hay. Weather very fine. Bro. Rydalch came in the evening and brought Aunt Sarah and the babies. I went down to the Deep Spring and met Joseph, Bros Lymon, Hunter and John Rich.

Home Sund 5 We went to meeting; had a splendid time. Bros. Rydalch and Joseph spoke in the forenoon, also Rich. Rydalch and Rich went home

after dinner. We held meeting. Bro Lymon & Hunter spoke; also had a few remarks from Jos. F.

Home Mond 6 Jos and Aunt Sarah started home. I went with them to the Deep Spring, met the other Bugey there at 11 o'clock. Boys went after Kay, had —— to tip over. Stormed in the afternoon.

Home Tues 7 Stormey and very disagreeable. Wind from the north, cold. We did not do much.

Home Wed 8 Boys went after their load of hay. I finished reading Key to Theology. Wind from the south.

Home Thurs 9 Ted and I went down and got the hay. The boys left yesterday. Beney went on the mountain hunting horses; did not find them. Snowed last night and all day to day. I went out and got [Romey] and met Beney.

Home Fri 10 Boys went to the Ranch and got a load of hay, brought Pick up. They told us J.Q. was going south with ——-. I worked around home a little.

Home Saturday 11 Wind from the south. Boys halled two loads of wood. I finished the brush harrow. The snow is about six inches deep.

Home Sun 12 Ted, Frank and I went to meeting. J.Q. & occupied each a short time. Weather cloudy.

Home Monday 13 Boys halled manure. Fog in the valley this morning; pleasant up here. [Larkins] came and stayed.

Home Tues 14 Larkins stayed over with us. He helped me rest through the day. Boys halled manure.

Home Wed 15 Boys halled out the balance of the manure. Jimmey went to the Ranch. I made some nose pieces. Weather fair.

Home Thurs 16 I braided my reins and made some nosepieces. Boys picked over some beans. Benney is sick with sore throat. Weather stormey.

Home Frid 17 Ted & Ike skined an —— that died down in the little wash and cut some wood. I made some nosepieces and fixed the hair spinner. Wind from the south; very cold.

Home Sat 18 Jimmey —— came out. Boys —— the canyon and got two loads of poles and took them to the Muskrat. I rode a little in the afternoon.

Home Sund 19 Hanna, Frank, and I went to meeting. We held Sunday school and meeting. C. Hanson came out.

Monday 20 Home Wife & I went to the Ranch. Came home in the afternoon. Ted bored posts. Ben picked some hair.

Home Tues 21 Charley & Ted cut posts. I went over to Spring Creek after a poor cow of Uncle Abe's. I found her but concluded not to bring her home. Took dinner with Dick. My horse fell with me and got me under him and I had quite a time to get from under him.

Home Wed 22 I am not feeling very well. Ted and Ben rode one colt each. We made some [filladores].

Home Thurs 23 Boys rode three colts each and we worked —— and wealthy. South wind; snow gowing off fast. I feel a little better.

Home Fri 24 Boys rode four colts. We got up some horses. I did not feel quite so well. Wind from the south; snow nearly all gone.

Home Sat 25 Charley and Ted killed Charley's pig. Wind from the south; getting dry underfoot. I don't feel very well; we all have colds.

Home Sund 26 I did not feel well enough to go to Sunday School. Ted and Ben went to the Ranch.

Home Mond 27 Boys halled a load of wood. Stormey.

Home Tues 28 Stormey all the forenoon. We went over to [Pass] Creek and through the ridges we met Ephie & [Jessie]. All hands sick with colds.

Home Wed 29 Children sick. Ted mended harness. Ben & Frank made some ropes. Charley went to the Ranch. Stormey.

Home Thurs 30 Children some better. This is my forty first birth day. The folks celebrated it with a turkey. Stormey.

Home Frid 31 Fogey this morning. Children rather better. Fogey and dark. Benney is sick this forenoon. Ted & I went to the Ranch in the forenoon. The boys both rode colts in the afternoon. Ike came home.

February 1879

Home Sat Feb 1 Boys halled wood. Ike and I hunted horses in the forenoon. Ike cut wood in the afternoon. I killed a skunk and cleaned out the chicken coop. Weather fogey.

Home Sund 2 We boys and Hanna went to the Ranch. Held sunday school and came home. Worked ——— and Fanney.

Mond 3 In the morning I tended the babies. Wife made the boys mittens. Charley went to the Ranch. We went to the Muskrat. The boys rode two colts down and two others back to the Muskrat. We met Jos Aubon who went with us back to the Muskrat where we met Wm Rydalch . They both came home with us. Weather cold and somewhat fogey.

Home Tues 4 William went on to his sheep herd, Jos went home. The boys rode three colts before dinner. Very cold today. After dinner we went over to see one of my mares that slid down the mountain and killed herself. Cold.

Home Wed 5 We went up through the ridges in the forenoon. We found Billey. Billey came out this evening. The boys rod their colts. Ted rode [Julietta].

Home Thurs 6 We all went to the Ranch. The boys all rode colts. Saw J.Q. He and his boys were riding colts. We caught two colts down there and brought them home. Charley came up.

Home Frid 7 Charley went to town. Billey went to Doremus. Joe Aubon came over. We went to Lost Creek. Joe went home. One of the colts we caught yesterday killed herself last night. Benney rode Dominick.

Home Sat 8 Ted and Ben halled wood. Ike and I grubed brush in the forenoon. I mad a sinch in the afternoon. Wind from the south. ——— Preacher got away this evening.

Home Sund 9 Wife, Frank, Hattie and I went to Sunday School and meeting; had a very good time.

Home Mond 10 Ted, Ike, Benney & I went to 8 mile; found one colt we wanted.

Home Tues 11 We went through the cove and south west canyon to Rydalch's. Found Laura and one colt.

Rydalch Spring Wed 12 We hunted down to Quinces's Spring. Found Mixen and Balley. Camped at J.Q.'s spring.

J.Q.'s Spring Thurs 13 Came and to Hasting's Pass. Crossed over the Mountain to 8 mile. Found two or three colts.

8 Mile Frid 14 The boys wen to the [Raged nolls]. I brought home what horses we had and the pack. Came by the Ranch and saw J.Q. and L.C. Lee. Left J.Q.'s colts. Came home. The boys did not find anything.

Home Sat 15 We tied up several colts in the forenoon. In the afternoon the boys worked and rode five head. It stormed considerable in the forenoon.

Home Sund 16 Snowed last night. We went to meeting; found Bishop Roberry and J. R. ——— there. We had a very good meeting, both in the forenoon and afternoon. Came home. Charley and Thurza came in the evening.

Home Mond 17 Ike and ——— grubed some brush. Ted and [Ben] halled a load of hay from the Ranch. Cloudy, south wind. Charley went to Doremus. John and Jimmey came.

Home Tues 18 Ted and Ben halled a load of hay. Joe Aubon came up and brought Madam. I ——— her then we went to Lost Creek and got a band of horses. Came to Big Creek. Joe and Ike stoped at home. I came on with the band home. J.Q. sent me word that Frank had been rowing with George and that Frank was in the habit of running over the children; some of the story however I do not believe. John and Jimmey went on over to camp.

Home Wed 19 Wife & I went to the Ranch to see about the trouble between Frank and George. We found there had been more said consarning the matter than was necessary. Boys grubed some brush. I run the brush drag some this afternoon. Very pleasant.

Home Thurs 20 Boys halled hay. I cleaned out the pig pen and cut straw for a rope.

Home Fri 21 Boys went after hay. I scraped my straws and worked in the garden a little. We had one of our colts get dow last night and I think she will pass in her chicks.

Home Sat 22 Ted went and got the balance of the first cut of hay. Ben and I halled out some manure our filling dirt.

Home Sund 23 We went down to Sunday school; had a good time. Aubon and Palmer came with their families and we concluded to hold meeting, but in so doing I think we made a mistake as Palmer got up and heaped an amount of abuse on every body and on Aubon in particular. He compared him to a nasty stinking Kyphate, to a shark, to a long nosed gar fish, to a catfish and many other like animals. He did not call anyone by name however, but all present knew his drift. He desired in the beginning of his remarks the faith and confidence of the congregation and desired an interest in their prayers that he might be led to speak such things as might be in accordance with the will of the Lord. Well the upshot of the matter was that if he had any good spirit, in my judgement the majority of our leading elders do not possess any thing like it. He maintained stoutly that Jimmey is entirely innocent and that his family are the worst abused beings that could be imagined.

Home Mond 24 The boys halled out a little manure and then put in a little garden seed. I gaged my straws and braided my lariat.

Home Tues 25 Ted went out to hunt Laura but did not find her. Ben and I burnt some brush. Billey came up. The boys rode two colts each. Ida has been quite sick today. There were two men here this evening; coralled some horses.

Home Wed 26 Boys rode all their colts and returned them out. We got up some horses. We rode down to the Muskrat, drove off some stray horses. I ——— better today.

Home Thurs 27 We halled of some large stones and I began a harrow. The boys halled manure after dinner. Billey grubed brush. Looks stormy. Heber is quite sick today with a bad cold. Ida is some better today.

Home Frida 28 Children seem some better. I finished my harrow and braided a rope. Billey grubed brush. Ted & Ben halled wood. Weather cold, heavy south wind last night. Frank told us when he came home from school that Sid Coray was at the Ranch. Billey told us today that Palmer was very bitter towards me.

March 1879

Home Sat March 1 Ted & Ben halled manure. I got out some rocks in the forenoon and worked in the garden in the afternoon. Billey grubed brush. The children seem a little better. Weather fair.

Home Sun 2 Went meeting and sunday school. Took dinner with J.Q. Sidney Coray came home with me. Ike came up. Had a very pleasant meeting.

Home Mond 3 Ted & Ben halled manure. Billey grubed. Ike dug trench for fencing the pasture. I worked in the Garden. Sidney went to the Ranch.

Home Tues 4 Ted & I halled three loads of sand for the garden. Billey grubed some brush. Ike dug trech. Boys halled some manure in the afternoon. I worked in the garden and sowed some grape seed.

Home Wed 5 Ted & I put up a little fence. Ike dug trench. Billey grubed brush. Ben halled manure. Johnny Rydalch was here, also T. Polten & sons, Tommey Morgan and two boys & Geo. Mathews and another man. Ted went out hunting horses a little while. South wind for several days.

Home Thurs 6 Ted halled a little timber for the pasture fence, then began plowing and broke the plow. Ben halled manure. Ike dug trench. Billey grubed. I hunted horses. R. Fairchilds and son came hunting horses. Wind very heavey from the south.

Home Frid 7 We went dow to the point and turned our cattle back this way and marked for calvs. Saw Ephie & Jess going to Grantsville. Also saw Fairchilds and Cummings at the Muskrat.

Home Sat 8 Snowed a little this morning. Has been a little squally today. We halled timber for the pasture. Charley came up this evening and told us Palmer had been down to big creek abusing Aubon again.

Home Sund 9 Wife and the two babies stayed at home.²⁰ The balance of us went to meeting and sunday school. We had a very agreeable time. J.Q., Sidney, and Bro Aubon ocupied the time at meeting. Wind from South.

Home Mond 10 I hunted horses all day. Boys halled Timber. Billey Grubed brush.

Home Tues 11 Ted and I drove some outside horses up boxes Canyon before breakfast. We then cut a blood wart off of Pegries leg. The boys then went after timber. I burned brush. Billey grubed brush.

Home Wed 12 I planted some grapes and some hackberries along the pasture fence; also sat out some willows. Boys halled timber for the pasture. Billey grubed brush.

Home Thurs 13 I cleaned off some rubish in the garden and fixed up the ditches in the yard. Boys halled timber. Billey grubed brush. John Rydalch came up with Frank and they brought up Dicey and ——— Redlam.

Home Frid 14 John went over the mountain. We worked on the pasture fence. Hattie is quite sick.

Home Sat 15 We worked on the fence. Aunt Nettie and Miss Ruth and the children came up with Ephie. Hattie seems about the same.

Home Sund 16 The boys and I and Thurza went to meeting. We had a very good time. Charley and Alma came up with us. J.Q. gave me a few trees. Found Sidney Coray sick with inflamitory Rhumatism. Hattie seems a little better this evening.

Home Mond 17 Ted & Ike got out some rock. Ben and I helped them some and halled some fencing from arround the pasture. Billey grubed.

²⁰He is probably referring to Ida Knowlton, born 4 November 1876, and Heber John Knowlton, born 20 September 1878.

Home Tues 18 Ike Tamped around the pasture fence. Ben done some spading in the garden. Ted and I Took up some potatoes. Billey grubed. T. Ridalch came.

Home Wed 19 Stormed a little. We cut up a lot of potatoes and planted a few. Billey grubed. Ben spaded in the garden. Tom went home. Children quite unwell with colds.

Home Thurs 20 We planted potatoes. Billey grubed brush. I went over to Big Creek after dinner. Stormed a little today. Bro. Aubon told me Wm. Lee was goint to try and settle the Palmer dificulty. Some of the Sessions men were here.

Home Frid 21 I planted a few trees and some currants and sat out some willow cuttings. Ted plowed, harrowed and layed off some land for planting roots. Billey & Benney grubed brush. Ike piled up brush. The children all seem better.

Home Sat 22 Boys planted beet and Ruttabaga seed. I worked in the garden. Billey & Benney grubed brush.

Home Sund 23 Boys, Hanna and I went to meeting. We held sunday school. J.Q. called on Bros Aubon, Fredericksen, and I to assist him in administering to Sidney Coray.

Home Mond 24 Ted & Ike halled wood. Benney & I went hunting horses in the forenoon and to 8 Mile in the afternoon. Billey grubed brush. We met Ephie, Jess and J[oe] Heywood at 8 Mile and we brought home quite a large band of horses.

Home Tues 25 Charley went to town. Ted & Ike halled bush. Billey grubed. Ben & I went to the Ranch and then came home. After dinner we hunted horses.

Home Wed 26 Ted & Ike halled brush. Ben & I went over the valley hunting horses. Billey grubed brush. Jeff and Jim came out to begin moving stock.

Home Thurs 27 Stormed a little last night. Jeff, Jim, and Benney went over the valley today. Fairchilds and young McK—— were hunting horses. Fairchilds and others came hunting horses.

Home Frid 28 Ted & I hitched up Senate and went to the Ranch and I got 60 lbs of Lucerne seed. Billey got ready to go to the City. Ike worked with the Strawberries. I sowed seed and Ted harrowed it in the afternoon.

Home Sat 29 Ted harrowed. Billey went to the city. Ike worked at the Strawberries. I sowed some Lucerne seed. Joe Heywood & Bro Fredericksen were here.

Home Sund 30 Wife, children & I went to Sunday school and meeting. Bishop Rowberry and Wm Lee spoke well to the school. J.Q. came home just as we were eating dinner. The Bishop and Wm Lee occupied the time at meeting; both spoke well and gave us much good instruction. J.Q. mad[e] a few remarks before the close of the meeting. They appointed two oclock tomorrow for the hearing of Palmer and Aubons trouble.

Home Mond 31 We got out some potatoes for Bishop Rowberry and Wm Lee. I watered the trees. We went to the Ranch and attended the meeting on the Palmer & Aubon trouble. Bishop Rowberry, Wm Lee & J.Q. and myself heard the case and the matter was settled amicably I think and it did not ammount to much outside of a misunderstanding.

April 1879

Home Tues April 1 Ted harrowed. Ike worked at the Strawberries. I sowed some Rye and Lucerne and then went and helped gather horses. Tom Rydalch came up to let us know they were ready to begin gathering Cattle.

Home Wed 2 Boys went out in the morning hunting saddle horses. I sowed some Lucerne seed, then it rained nicely for about three hours. After dinner the boys went to the Ranch after some of our horses.

Home Thursday 3 Sandidge came up after my wife to go down to see Netties babie, it being quite sick. We went to the Ranch and from there to lost creek hunting cattle. Met Tim there and turned back. Netties babey is considerable better. Ted & I came home and drove up some of our horses.

Home Friday 4 Ted & I went to the Ranch and we all went to 8 mile and drove over a lot of cattle to this side.

8 Mile Saturday 5 Gathered from 8 mile and Redlam and came over to the Ranch; camped there.

Ranch Sund 6 I took breakfast with J.Q., W.H. Lee and Picket and Morgan were there. Lee wanted to buy a pair of Horses. I came home and gathered the band and sold him Frank and Billey for Two hundred and Twenty Five dollars—\$225.00 payable in six months; if not paid then to draw ten per cent interest per annum.

Home Mond 7 Wind from the south; looks strong. Intend starting with the cattle. Went to the Timpey flat and camped for the night.

Timpey Tues 8 Started the cattle earley and drove to Grantsville to breakfast which we got at two oclock, that is those of use that were with the last herd.

Grants Wed 9 Seperated cattle all day in the field.

Grantsville Thurs 10 Worked with the cattle all day. I traded Scribner a yearling for his rope.

Grantsville Frid 11 Started the cattle and went to the nine mile drive.

9 Mile Sat 12 We drove on to black rock.

Black rock Sund 13 Layed over.

B Rock Mond 14 John went in on the train; we layed over.

B Rock Tues 15 John came out on the train. We layed over. Frank & I went to the City and got some horses shod.

S L City Wed 16 We came out to the herd and we drove to the Six mile ridge Brighton.

Brighton Thurs 17 We drove up into emigration.

Emigration Frid 18 Drove into the dell.

Dell Sat 19 Drove out to Canyon creek.

C Creek Sun 20 I got up early and went and got the horses. Tom cooked my breakfast and I started and came down C Creek throuth Weber canyon to Kaysville. Stormed on me nearly all day; heavy rain and snow. Got to J.S. Smith's about two oclock.

Kaysville Mond 21 Stormey in the morning. I rode over to Farmington and stayed some time then rode on to the City.

S.L. City Tues 22 Went up town and found the boys. We then started out and came to Grantsville.

Grantsville Wed 23 I came home with the wagon. The boys came over north willow. Found the folks in tolerable health.

Home Thurs 24 Boys worked on the ditch. Frank & I hunted horses.

Home Frid 25 I hunted horses. Ted went to Grantsville. Billey & Ike went on the spring ditch.

Home Sat 26 Frank & I hunted horses. Billey & Ike worked on the ditch. Ted came home.

Home Sund 27 Wife, children & I went to Sunday school and meeting. Had a good time. C. Olsen was up today.

Home Monday 28 I shod some saddle horses. Ted hoed the strawberries. Jiff came out.

Home Tues 29 Jiff went over the mountain after their horses. We got ready and went as far as Antelope. Jiff met us there. Will and —— came to see us.

Antelope Wed 30 We hunted up by Hickman, Barlow and Woodmansen to Jennings and camped with Mathews party.

May 1879

Jennings Thurs May 1 The boys came down the valley to Hackman. Tom R, Billey, Hunter & Frank and I came by white Rock and through the cave. I met & Frank met the party at Hickman. We came on home in the evening the party went to the Ranch.

Home Frid 2 I went to the Ranch. Boys went to 8 mile and Redlam and gathered the stock and some of the boys brought the stock home. The balance stayed at 8 mile. Wind from the north west, very cold. I kept camp and got sup[p]er. Will and —— went home.

Ranch Sat 3 Tom and I went south and got a few cattle. Boys came back from 8 mile. I came home.

Home Sund 4 Frank & I hunted horses all day. Boys gathered horses out of the Dell ridges to the Muskrat.

Home Mond 5 Frank, Billey & I took our horses to the Muskrat and overtook the boys. We moved on to the Timpey.

Timpey Tues 6 We moved on to Grantsville and seperated cattle till night; worked hard.

Grantsville Wed 7 Finished seperating cattle and started the cattle then Bro & Sister Rydalch and Sister Hunter started and came home. Found our folks all tolerable well. Charley killed a beef for the Indians.

Home Thurs 8 We got up early and went to Hickman and met with Bro Lymon and party and held meeting in the evening. Had a splendid time. A part of the party returned from Hickman to St. Johns. We came home.

Home Frid 9 I —— going to Grantsville today with Bro Lymon's party. Went to Grantsville, then I went out to hunt horses but did not find them.

Grantsville Sat 10 We all hunted cattle in the hills; seperated what we found.

Grantsville Sund 11 Went to meeting. Bro Lymon gave the people a little account of the financial condition of the county. I went home with Bro Cooley. Stayed all night. Lorenzo Young was there.

Grantsville Mond 12 We hunted cattle on the bottoms and seperated what we found.

Grantsville Tues 13 I hunted horses and the boys hunted cattle. I did not find the horses. Rode hard all day. My horse fell and gave me a shaking up. Bro Smith stoped at Rydalches.

Grantsville Wed 14 Started the cattle and went to the nine mile drive. Saw Smiths folks as they went in.

Nine Mile Thurs 15 We moved on to black rock and gathered up our cattle and herded them.

Black Rock Frid 16 Moved on to the six mile ridge.

Six Mile Ridge Sat 17 Moved on to the Reservation. Made the acquaintance of Gov Emery Jr.

Reservation Sund 18 Moved on to Mountain Dell. Left a few of poor cattle in the Dell.

Mountain Dell Mond 19 Moved on to Canyon Creek. Corralled a few old cows to ——— also some calvs to brand.

C Creek Tues 20 Gathered up a few old cows and spayed what we had on the day before.

C Creek Wed 21 Gathered up a few old cows. Will White came out after beef. We hunted beef in the evening and corralled what we found.

C Creek Thurs 22 We gathered up some beef and seperated what Will wanted and Will White and J[imney] Lawson came in. I traded horses with Jimmey.

C Creek Frid 23 We came in with the cattle. I came on and sold seven head that we brought along to Will White at twenty five dollars a head. I sold of mine 4 steers at 25.00 and three cows at 20.00. We all got plenty of ———.

Salt Lake City Sat 24 We got off late and went to Kaysville and put up with Bro Smith.

Kaysville Sund 25 We drove on to Corrinne. I stayed with L.C. Lee. John & his father put up with Faust.

Corrinne Mond 26 We drove on to Duch—— Ranch on blue creek. Stoped with High Barnes. Lee stayed with us.

Blue Creek Tues 27 We moved on over to Curlew; went by August's place and from there to ——— at the sink of Curlew.

[Honts] Ranch Wed 28 Returned to Corinne and turned in with Lee. Saw Bro & Sister Smith at the sheep camp on the Malad.

Corinne Thurs 29 Came to Kaysville in company with J.S. Smith. Stayed all night with him.

Kaysville Frid 30 Decoration day stayed till after dinner and then came to Salt Lake. I put up at Doremuses.

S.L. City Sat 31 Started at half past one for Grantsville. Got there just before sun set and I came on home. Found the folks in tolerable health.

June 1879

Home Sweet home June 1 Went to Sunday School. J.Q. folks all well.

Home Mond 2 Find grasshoppers very thick and things looking very bad; prospects for a crop very poor; every thing looks dark.

Home Tues 3 Got out the mower & Hay rake and put them together to cut the lucerne. Went hunting for horses to get a team, found Daisy and came home and hitched up and cut a little Lucerne.

Home Wed 4 Raked and cut Lucerne. Boys hoed potatoes.

Home Thurs 5 I raked a while and then cut some. Boys halled. I killed a rattle snake.

Home Friday 6 Heavey wind from the south. I finished cutting lucerne. Boys halled in the forenoon. After dinner we went to the deep spring and turned the water and burned the grass. Charley & Thirza came up in the evening. It began to rain and continued till one o'clock.

Home Sat 7 Boys halled one load of hay and we concluded it was too wet. Rained a little through the forenoon.

Home Sund 8 Went down and held Suday school and Meeting. Bishop Rowberry and all the neighborhood were there; all the substantial men of the place spoke a little.

Home Mond 9 Hay to wet to hall. Boys cut wood.

Home Tues 10 Boys hoed in the garden in the forenoon; worked with the hay in the after noon.

Home Wed 11 Finished halling lucerne and the boys halled a load of hay from the Ranch. I hoed some in the garden.

Home Thurs 12 Boys halled a load of hay from the Ranch. Ike went out after dinner and got some horses.

Home Frid 13 Ted went for a load of hay. Ike & I went hunting cattle and horses. We drove home a few cattle. Billey came out; he has been gone 18 days.

Home Sat 14 Ted, Frank, and I went to the Burnt Spring and Muskrat and straightened up our cattle a little. J.A. Thorne was here this morning hunting a mule. Ike went over the mountain hunting Nellie; did not find her.

Home Sund 15 Went down and held Sunday school. Ike went home. Mamie went down and came up again. Jimmey Prescott came in the evening.

Home Mond 16 Ted and Jimmey went over the valley hunting horses. Billey and I plowed out some corn. I greased my saddle. Cold this morning.

Home Tues 17 Billey hoed corn. I tended the water. Phil & Ike came up. Ted & Jim came home. Ike told me he would go with us.

Home Wed 18 Jim & I hunted horses; found all we wanted. Ted got things ready for a start. Fill & Ike were up and we worked Ike's colt. Intend starting to Canyon Creek tomorrow.

Home June 19 Wife, children and I left home and came to Grantsville; put up with Bro Rydalch

Grantsville Fri 20 We came on to the city, found the folks all well. Rydaldch's boys were not ready to come with us.

SLC Sat 21 Spent the day with the folks. Ike came back to Grantsville to change wagons.

SLC Sund 22 I went to meeting.

SL City Monday 23 Jim, Ted & I came out to C[anyon] Creek.

C Creek Tues 24 Rode among the cattle; gathered up some beef.

C Creek Wed 25 Tom, Ben & I took in 19 head of [beevs] and one cow; sold our beef to White & Sons for \$17.00 per head. Met John and the boys.

SL City Thurs 26 Went to Canyon Creek and over to Hennifer.²¹ Saw Spencer the cattle man. He agreed to come over to the creek Sunday evening or Monday morning and trade with us.

C Creek Frid 27 We gathered in the outside cattle. Ben came out in the evening.

C Creek Sat 28 We gathered our cattle. Ike Jennings and Kimball came down from the park. Hen Winchester came and furnished trout for dinner.

C Creek Sund 29 We gathered cattle. Spencer and the Hennifer butcher came in the evening.

C Creek Mond 30 We held our cattle and hunted again today and then cut out one hundred and fifty steers and drove over the summit.

July 1879

Echo Canyon July 1 Tues We drove from Hennifer to Castle Rock; nooned at the saw mill.

²¹Today's Henefer.

Echo 2 Wed Nooned down near Yellow Creek; drove to Evanston, turned over our cattle to L. W. Spencer. Settled with him and went down to the Rail Road (I bought me a saddle, \$38.00) and looked around a little and then came over to the head of Echo and stoped at the Coalville Coop Ranch. There was in the sale 19 head of my steers, two of —— one of Uncle Abe's and five of C. Rich's and one of Ted's. We got twenty three dollars a head for them.

Echo Thurs 3 We came down the canyon and nooned at the saw mill. Came on to our camp. John & Jim stayed at Hennifer.

C Creek Wed 4²² Came to the city to see the folks. Found Aunt Sarah's baby very sick.

SLC Thurs 5 Around town a little. Went and saw Mr. Hooper; asked him about the stock J. Q. lost on the —— . He told me he lost eighty five out of one hundred and twenty six. I came out to Canyon Creek. Boys gathered up to day.

C Creek Frid 6 Seperated and drove below devils gate. I went and hunted. Tom got back to camp a midnight.

Porterville Sat 7 Drove down to Peterson Station and camped. I stood night herd.

Peterson Station Sund 8 Came down through Weber Canyon. Nooned at the mouth of the canyon. Came on camped near Ogden.

Ogden Mond 9 Drove through Ogden and nooned near Seth Painter's. Came on near Willard.

Willard Tues 10 Drove above Willard and nooned. Drove on to Corinne. Camped in the bend by the Rail Road Bridge. John Smith told me Aunt Sarah had lost her baby.

²²The dates continue in sequence, but the day is off. This entry should be *Friday* rather than *Wednesday*, July 4. This continues until July 13 where Grandpa picks up on the error and corrects his entries.

Corinne Wed 11 Drove to point look out and nooned. Foxley came out for me to go back and see Denchinaw. I went back and traded with him for young Victor. I gave him 25 head of steers; in the lot were six head of Uncle Abe's. The boys drove out and made a dry camp. I stayed all night with Denchinaw.

Corinne Thurs 12 I overtook the boys at blind springs and we drove over the summit and nooned. After dinner we took a count on our stock; we tallied 1114 head. There were of mine 389. We drove to the head of blue creek.

Blue Creek Sund 13 We gathered our cattle and John Cheeney came and received the Denchenaw steers as per agreement. We drove them down and branded and vented them.

Blue Creek Mond 14 Marked a few calvs and came to Corinne.

Corinne Tues 15 Got my horse and we came to the mouth of Weber and camped.

Uinta Wed 16 We came to Salt Lake; met John Riches cattle at Center-ville. While we were nooning, saw a J K K steer in the herd.

S L City Thurs 17 Got ready to start home, intending to start next day but did not get ready.

Salt Lake City Frid 18 I have lost track somewhere of two days as I did not get into the city until Wednesday. Got ready and it began to rain so we concluded not to start. Bro Lyman stayd with Jos last night.

Salt Lake City Sat 19 Started home with wife and children. Came in the cars to lake point. We came to Grantsville; put up at Bro Rydalches.

Grantsville Sund 20 Came home. Benney drove out the horses.

Home Mond 21 Benney hunted horses. I unloaded and looked around a little.

Home Tues 22 Ben hunted horses. Frank and I took the horses to the Muskrat. Billey and I worked the fence.

Home Wed 23 Ben hunted horses. Billey & I on the fence. Tommey Morgan came and stayed all night.

Home Thurs 24 Billey & Ben went to the Ranch and spent the day. I did not do much.

Home Frid 25 Benney started to C Creek. Billey & I got out the machine and rake to get up the Lucerne. I cut Lucerne.

Home Sat 26 I raked the Lucerne and got ready to go to Grantsville.

Sund 27 I got up earley and went to Grantsville and attended meeting. Had a good time. The time in the forenoon was ocupied W^m Lee ———
— Lundberg and Saml Wooley. In the afternoon, Lundberg, Naisbit, and Lyman spoke well. I got two sacks of Barley and came home.

Home Monday 28 I took the folks and went to the Ranch to see J.Q. about the election. Came home and fixed the washing machine. Billey & Frank halled a load of hay.

Home Tues 29 I cut the balance of the Lucerne. Billey & Frank halled hay. Went to the Ranch.

Ranch Wed 30 Got up early, got ready to go to Grantsville. Started about eight oclock. Went to Grantsville. Attended to our business and started home at dark. Got to J.Q. at one oclock.

Ranch Thurs 31 Loaded up a load of hay and came home and unloaded it.

August 1879

Home Frid Aug 1 Billey & I went to the Ranch and got two loads of hay. Hudson came up.

Home Sat 2 Billey & I halled two loads of hay. Hudson & Frank hunted horses.

Home Sund 3 Hudson and I hunted horses. Rode all day. Not much luck.

Home Mond 4 Went to the Ranch and held election. There were 9 votes cast.

Home Tues 5 Got ready and started to Tooele with the Election returns. Went over near the warm Springs and camped.

Grantsville 6 Drove to Tooele and delivered the Ballot box and bought five hundred feet of Lumber and came back to the warm springs and camped.

On the road Thurs 7 Started and a quarter to Six and came home. Found family well. Frank went to the Muskrat and got the mares up. Billey went in.

Home Frid 8 Frank and I branded the most of our colts: 27 head. George & Siddie were up this evening.

Home Sat 9 Frank brought up the band and took them back. Benney came home.

Home Sund 10 We went to the Ranch and held Sunday school. Called on Charley & Thirza.

Home Mond 11 I settled with Benney. We went to the Muskrat and got up the band and brought up a few cows and calvs. I let Benney have four cows and calvs. Charly and Thurza were up this evening. Charly went back.

Home Tues 12 I fixed up the stable a little. Frank took the Band to the Muskrat. Ben went hunting horses. Windy; looks a little like rain.

Home Wed 13 I hoed in the Garden. Frank brought up the band. We put them in the pasture.

Home Thurs 14 We halled up our Grain or at least the straw. The blue birds have taken most of the Grain. We stacked it for the pigs. I think if it was threshed out clean there would be about seven bushels.

Home Frid 15 I fixed up the wagon and halled a load of wood. Brig & Charly were up in the evening and took Thurza home.

Home Sat 16 I tended the water and hoed in the garden. Ike was here this after noon. Frank has been sick for two days.

Home Sund 17 We all went to the Ranch and held Sunday school. I received a letter from my mother. She wrote that Aunt Kimball was not expected to live; also got a letter and check from J.S. Smith stating that I had 167 head of sheep. My check for the wood was for 98.00.

Home Mond 18 Frank got up the band and he and I took them back and we found bluey & L—— with young calvs but did not get them home.

Home Tues 19 Frank & I went after the cows. We got them and [Amie]. We also brought up a few calvs and branded them. Have branded seven steer calvs.

Home Wed 20 Ike & I went over to Redlam and camped.

Redlam Thurs 21 We went up to the summit and found our horses & some cattle. Drove down to the spring and packed up and came to 8 mile and go dinner. Then we came on home. Saw Benney Heywood at the Ranch.

Home Frid 22 We pulled some hair and made some ropes. After dinner Ike went hunting his mare. Frank & I went to the Muskrat and got up our mares.

Home Sat 23 We pulled some tails and Frank took the mares to the Muskrat. Ike & I hitched up his horse after dinner. Ike went home. Frank and I made some ropes.

Home Sund 24 We went to the Ranch and held Sunday school. Learned that J.Q. was off——.

Home Mond 25 Frank & I worked arround the springs to get more water. After dinner we went up to Boxes and fixed the ditch.

Home Tues 26 Frank got up to brand. I worked arround the springs to get more water. After dinner we went up to Boxes and fixed the ditch.

Home Wed 27 Heavey wind from the south. Did not do much. Halled a load of sand. Charley was here in the evening.

Home Thurs 28 Frank & I halled off chips and —— manure. Cool to day.

Home Frid 29 Frank & I halled a load of wood. I met with an incident in trying to pull down a dry tree. I broke off a dry limb and cut a hole in my head.

Home Sat 30 Frank & I halled a load of wood.

Home Sund 31 We went to the Ranch and held Sunday school. Hanah stoped down with her aunt.

September 1879

Home Mond Sep 1 Choreing arround Home.

Home Tues 2 Got ready to start to the city.

Home Wednes 3 Started for salt Lake. Drove as far as the mill. Camped for the night.

Mill Thurs 4 Drove on to City. Left my colts at [Keslers]. Went and saw Johny White. He paid me the balance due me.

Salt Lake Frid 5 Went up town. Saw L.C. Lee. He and I were together untill after dinner. I done my trading after dinner; bought me a plow and some Barbwire.

Salt Lake Sat 6 Got my things together and loaded up and came out to Keslers.

Keslers Sund 7 Got my breakfast and came on Home. Found family all tolerable well.

Home Mond 8 Unloaded and chored arround a little. Frank got up the band and —— then out again. At night we made a raid on the flies with the powder.

Home Tues 9 Frank took off brock and liney again. I picked some beans. Wind from the south. Charley & Thurza went to Sandy.

Home Wed 10 Frank took Brock & liney to the Deep Spring. I cut Lucerne the third time.

Home Thurs 11 I raked the Lucerne. Frank cut corn. This is Franks 13th Birthday.²³ A little frost last night.

Home Frid 12 Frank & I halled a load of Lucerne. Ike came up about noon and he and I halled Lucerne in the after noon.

Home Sat 13 Ike & I finished the Lucerne halling and started one plow. Charley came in the evening.

Home Sund 14 We all went to the Ranch and held sunday school.

²³This entry suggests that Frank is BFK's son, also named Benjamin Franklin Knowlton, who was born 11 September 1866 in Salt Lake City, Utah (see Knowlton (1971, 76)).

Home Mond 15 Ike & I plowed with two teams. Plowed the strip below the road. Charley halled posts.

Home Tues 16 Ike & I plowed. Charley halled posts. Rich & Jean were here to day.

Home Wed 17 Ike & I plowed and Ike halled up some cornfodder. Charley finished halling posts.

Home Thurs 18 I worked on the gate. Ike halled up some fodder and went to the muskrat and got a load of posts. Charley sat posts. Jean Wooley was here.

Home Frid 19 I worked on the gate. Ike went home. J.Q. & Mary were up.²⁴ John Rydalch and Samey Wooley were up. Charley sat posts.

Sat 20 Home I went over to Big Creek to get Bro Aubon to get us some coffee & tea. Came back and bolted on poles.

Home Sund 21 We all went to the Ranch and held sunday school. Young Gollier came over from big creek. I told Ike to tell his father that I would give a cent and a half a pound for a thousand lbs of oats. Charley set posts.

Home Mond 22 I strung out what poles we had and went and got a load of poles. Frank got up some saddle horses. Charley set posts. Fred came over this morning after the money for the Oats. I paid him fifteen dollars.

Home Tues 23 I put up poles on the fence. Charley sat posts. Frank got up the band to wean colts. Ike came up this evening.

²⁴This is probably BFK's brother, John Quincy Knowlton, and his wife, Mary Newton Knowlton.

Home Wed 24 Ike & I went to Grantsville and from there to Tooele and got one of my horses out of the estray pound; paid seven dollars and seventy cents on him.²⁵ Came back to Grantsville; got back late. Folks gone to bed. I slept in the straw stack.

Grantsville Thurs 25 Got our cattle out of the pasture and drove to the Burnt Spring. Left them and came home. Sid Coray came over with us.

Home Frid 26 Ike & Frank gathered calvs and drove home to wean. Charley & I worked on the fence; got the poles up and stretched one wire across the field. Broke the wire twice.

Home Sat 27 Charley & I finished puting up the wire as far as it went; did not have quite enough to finish the job. We made a gate after dinner and put it up. Ike & Frank gathered calvs.

Home Sunday 28 Frank & Ike drove off the cows. We went to the Ranch to hold sunday school but found Mamie quite sick and concluded we would not have school. Ike went home. I settled with Charley; paid him fifteen dollars for the job. He also went home.

Home Mond 29 Frank & I toped out our stacks. Done a little work on the shed and brandeda fiew calvs. George was up and told us Mamie was rather better.

Home Mond 30 Frank & I branded the calvs. I cleaned out the stable and as it had not been cleaned out for a long time it proved to be quite a job.

October 1879

Home Wend Oct 1 I intend taking of the calvs and colts. Frank & I took away 34 calvs and 8 colts to 8 mile; brought back Dungen and vick & Mandy.

²⁵I'm not sure what an "estray pound" is but maybe we can guess. An *estray* is an animal that has strayed. Perhaps when these animals were found, they were impounded; then the owner was required to pay a fine to retrieve them.

Billey came out.

Home Thurs 2 Billey & I got ready to go after Salt. Could not get our water barrell to hold so we concluded not to go till morning. I plowed a little.

Home Frid 3 Billey & I went after salt. Got our loads out and camped on the lakeshore.

Salt Beds Sat 4 We got a good start and came home. Got home a little after sun set.

Home Sund 5 Billey & I unloaded the salt. I am not feeling very well. Billein, Frank & H—— went to the Ranch, the rest of us [s]tayed at home and had a nice mess of peaches and cream of our own production. Frank Brought me a letter from Ben B. Groom asking information on cattle.

Home Mond 6 Frank & I went hunting cattle and horses down to the Burnt Spring and up the bottoms. Billey plowed up a few potatoes.

Home Tues 7 Frank & I went South hunting cattle & horses as far as Lost Creek. Billey worked at home. Charley & Brig came up with our share of the potatoes. Stormey and fogey all day; first wet we have had for a long time.

Home Wed 8 Frank & I took our calvs and colts over to 8 Mile.

Home Thurs 9 Fixed up the b—— posts [s]o the stockyard worked. —— halled out a load of manure. Had two colts dye last night.

Home Frid 10 Frank & I made some filladores and a sinch. Billey halled manure.

Home Sat 11 Frank went hunting horses; found Billey [Burass] and [Esquama] and one cow and calf. Billey halled a load of wood. I chored arround getting ready to start.

Home Sund 12 We all went to the Ranch and held Sunday School. Wind blowing hard from the South.

Home Mond 13 Ike, Frank, & I left home and came to Grantsville.

Grantsville Tues 14 Came on to Salt Lake & got in late.

Salt Lake Wed 15 Stormey all day. Layed over; got our things ready.

Salt Lake Thurs 16 Moved on to Farmington.

Farmington Frid 17 Hitched up and drove to North Ogden. Stayed at Seth Painter's.

North Ogden Sat 18 Moved on to [Kynta Point].

[Kynta Point] Sund 19 Moved on to Blue Creek.

Blue Creek Mond 20 Boys took off the calvs and Tom and I fixed the corral.

Blue Creek Tues 21 We all gathered calvs.

B.C. Wed 22 Gathered calvs.

B.C. Thurs 23 Gathered calvs.

B.C. Frid 24 Boys took the calvs to Salt Wells. Ted and I began the dug out.

B.C. Sat 25 Boys halled Cedar. John & I worked on the dugout. We were down at [Denchmans].

Blue C 26 Sund John went home. Tom & I worked on the dugout. August Barnes & Kelley were up at our dugout. Boys halled cedar.

B.C. Mond 27 Tom & I worked on the dugout. Boys halled cedar. Frank and —— halled bush. —— came back. [Lawn] Stodard came by with his head ——.

B.C. Tues 28 —— went to Salt Wells. Boys to work on the dugout. Frank & I went to Mendon; put up with Will. Longstroth.

Mendon 29 Wed I got my ear biten off with a young horse. Will. Langstroth & I went to Smithfield and Logan. Willard & Frank went to Logan.

Mendon 30 Willard Will and I went round looking at the country.

Mendon Frid 31 Frank and I started for camp; came out to point look out.

November 1879

Point lookout Sat Nov 1 We moved on to Blue Creek.

Blue Creek Sund 2 Drove over to our dugout and unloaded and started home. Came down to Dutch Henrys Ranch.

Henrys Ranch 3 We came on to Corinne; did not find the sheep. Saw Ephie and Will and Joe Smith.

Corinne Tues 4 Drove up to Calls fort and left Frank and Ted and I went over to Mendon.

Mendon Wed 5 Traded horses to Willard for two hundred and twenty five bushels of wheat and thirty hundred lbs of oats. Put up eight sacks of wheat and four sacks of oats and came over to our camp. Found the boys all right.

Calls Fort Thurs 6 We hitched up and drove to Seth Painters. Joe Aubon came to our camp at noon and traveled with us. We passed our sheep at the point of the mountain.

North Ogden Frid 7 Jack & I went to Ogden and telegraphed Smith about the sheep. Remained at Ogden all day waiting an answer but got none.

North Ogden Sat 8 Stormey. Will came about eleven oclock. After the storm we got out our sheep and came overto Riverdale. I bought a [buck] for 10.00. We got [452] sheep out of the ———. We put my buck in the ———.

River Dale Sund 9 I started with the sheep as soon as I got up. Came over the sand ridge and waited for the boys. After a long time Frank came up and I went back to meet the team. Met them and got my breakfast about three oclock. After dinner I went back to the sheep and Frank & I drove on to Farmington and camped about 8 oclock. Ted came up and told us the team had given out and they were obliged to camp. Ted and I played [freezeout] with the sheep.

Farmington Mond 10 I went back to Smith after our bucks. Came on to camp. Joe helped me out with the bucks. Will came over to our camp with some things for Aunt Ellen. We drove on to Centerville.

Centerville Tues 11 Ted & I hunted cattle on Farmington bottoms and then we came on to Salt Lake.

Salt Lake Wed 12 Went up town and done a little trading and came on to the Six Mile Ridge. Met John and Jimmey. We all camped together.

Six Mile Ridge Thurs 13 Did not get our horses until about noon. I came on, found the roads very bad. Came to Grantsville; put up at Saml [Wooleys].

Grantsville Frid 14 After breakfast I came on home. Found my family tolerable well and glad to see me.

Home Sat 15 Wife & I went to big creek and got three sacks of Oats.

Home Sund 16 I went and met the boys at the 15 mile point. We drove home. J.Q. came up with us at the Deep Spring and helped up [up into] the North of the Dell.

Home Mond 17 Mixed some Salve for the sheep and dressed 97 head. Billey & H—— went in.

Home Tues 18 J.Q. Ephie & Nettie came up. We dressed a few sheep and began our sheep wagon.

Home Wed 19 We finished our sheep wagon.

Home Thurs 20 Frank drove the sheep to the Ranch. Ted & I drove the colts and calvs down. Frank & I came home.

Home Frid 21 I took the sheep wagon to the Ranch and brought home a load of straw. Fogey in the valley.

Home Sat 22 I went to the Ranch and hired Joe Aubon at \$ 25.00 per month in horses. I reserved my stallions and fifteen head of mares. Told him I would sell him from the balance at prices varying from forty to one hundred and twenty five dollars per head. Very fogey every where.

Home Sund 23 Got ready to go to the Ranch but as it was Hatties I concluded to stay at home. Hattie got dinner and we had a very pleasant time. Fogey.

Home Mond 24 Hitched up and went to the Ranch. Saw J.Q. & Ephie. I took J.Q. sheep on shares, half the wool and increase. I stand half of the [loss]. We moved the sheep. Camped out beyond the Slaw.

Cochran Road Tues 25 Very fogey. Moved on to the cove. Camped at the mouth of Rydalches Canyon.

C. Cove Wed 26 We counted the sheep, 464 head, then I came home. Very disagreeable, very cold in the evening.

Home Thurs 27 Frank and I skinned a calf and cleaned out the cow shed. Pleasant. I put out some [Strychnia]. Got up Flow and Feeney.

Home Frid 28 Cut a little wood and filed the buck saw. Mr. Hobbs came in the evening. He brought over two of uncle Abes horses. Left them up Boxes Canyon.

Home Sat 29 Hobbs started home. I went and overtook him and we went to the Ranch and to Big creek.

Home Sund 30 Hobbs went home. Charley came up after [tedies] saddle.

December 1879

Home Mond Dec 1 I saddled up and went over the valley hunting horses. Found a few horses and drove a band up to camp and caught Bismark. Stayed with the boys. C. Hanson stayed with us.

Cove Tues 2 Charley & I went over to the white Sage. Charley found Frenchman and Daisy, Ruth and May. I found and marked one of my calvs at Hickman; also found a few of my colts and drove them down. Moved the sheep to Doremus. I came home.

Home Wed 3 I went to the Ranch and got my wagon and a little Straw. Charley and I turned the water so that it wold run on the Doremus place. It stormed.

Home Thurs 4 Boys came up with the sheep. [Bob] Brown came over to see if I would let him have the sheep. He offered to take them and keep the old stock good and give me two and a half lbs of wool and two lambs to every five yews. I offered to let him have them if he would give me two and a half lambs to every five yews or in other words five lambs to every ten yews.

Home Frid 5 Bob and I went to Grantsville. I went home with him to sup[p]er and then he took me up to Burtons to lodge. We went over to [Jiffs] wed[d]ing party. Sat and looked on until it dismissed. They had a good time. Saw J.Q. at the party.

Grantsville Sat 6 Bob and I got Quinces sheep out of [Nigreens] flock. They were one hundred and five head short on Quinces sheep that they could give no account of Quinces loss. Was 19 more than the loss on the whole herd, his and theirs together. After we got the sheep out, I went to Tooele and settled my tax: \$ 82.02. Came back to Grantsville. Got 189 J.Q. sheep.

Grantsville Sund 7 Jessie & I drove the sheep arround to the Muskrat. Frank and Ted met us there with the wagon.

Muskrat Mond 8 We started early and came to the Deep springs and got my sheep out of Wm Rydalchs flock; 75 head. Came home and marked the J.Q. sheep that we brought from Grantsville. We marked the Rydalch sheep as we got them out.

Home Tues 9 We dressed a lot of sheep.

Home Wed 10 We dressed sheep. Lost the [cotswool Buck].

Home Thurs 11 Ted dressed sheep. I went to Big creek and got my oats cold.

Home Frid 12 I started to the City at noon. Went to Keslers.

Keslers Sat 13 Went on to the City. Got my things and bought a wagon on time; am to pay one hundred and twenty five dollars on the first of June.

S L City Sund 14 Came to the mill. Found the roads out to the point very bad.

Mill Mond 15 Took breakfast with Thos Lee. Came on to Grantsville, took dinner with Jimmey Larkins. Came out to the warm Springs. Stop[p]ed with a sheep herd. I bought three lambs.

Warm Springs Tues 16 Came on home. Bought another lamb of the boys I got the others from; gave them —— and a pocket knife. Came out past way with the Smith boys and Benny Heywood.

Home Wed 17 I dressed sheep. Ted helped wash. Frank hunted sheep. J.Q. & Sandridge came down by here with their loads of wood.

Home Thurs 18 Ted and I salved sheep.

Home Friday 19 I mixed up a lot of salve. Ted doctored sheep. Frank hunted sheep.

Home Sat 20 I halled a load of of sand. Ted & Frank salved sheep. I daubed up the south end of the house. Billey came up. Verry windey yesterday and today. I got a letter from uncle Willard.²⁶

Home Sund 21 Snowed about six inches last night. Billey left. Joe lost seven sheep yesterday. Ted & I hunted for them today; found three.

Home Mond 22 Snowed a little last night. Ted whitewashed. I hunted sheep; no luck.

Home Tues 23 Snowed again last night. Ted & I cleaned up the old house and commenced on the harness. Snowing this evening.

Home Wed 24 Ted & I worked at the harness all day.

Home Thurs 25 Billey & I cleaned harness. Ted herded the sheep. Joe went home. We had a very quiet Christmas.

²⁶Who is this Willard? Certainly not his father-in-law, because he calls him “uncle.”

Home Frid 26 Ted halled a load of wood. I hunted sheep. Tracked one from big canyon to the Ranch. Did not get him.

Home Sat 27 Hunted sheep; found two above the Ranch. Billey Rydalch came and stayed all night.

Home Sund 28 Billey & Ralph went this morning. It snowed about four inches last night. Snowed all day. Wife and I went to the Ranch. Got a sheep.

Mond 29 Ted Frank & I salved sheep.

Home Tues 30 Ted Frank and I salved sheep. There were three men here with a team; they had lost the road.

Home Wed 31 Moved the sheep. Frank & I dressed thirty one sheep. Ted halled wood.

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Home Thurs Jan 1 I went hunting sheep. Ted halled wood. I met a sheep man hunting sheep.

Home Frid 2 Ted halled wood. Frank and I cleared the snow from arround the doors.

Home Sat 3 We went to camp and dressed sheep and moved camp.

Home Sund 4 We went to the Ranch and held Sunday school; had a good time.

Home Mond 5 Wife & I went to Doremuses and the Ranch. Ted and Frank went down and dressed sheep.

Home Tues 6 Ted, Frank, and I went to the Ranch. We killed two b—
——. Let J.Q. have two hind quarters weight 200 lbs. Bp Rowberry one fore quarter weighing 117. Fredericksen & Brig one quarter. —— left one quarter for some men at the Ranch weight 131 lbs.

Home Wed 7 Ted & Frank went down to the camp and dressed sheep. I stayed at home, helped with the washing. Ran the machine. Heber was quite sick.

Home Thurs 8 Ted halled a load of wood. Frank and I were arround home. Heber was a little better.

Home Frid 9 Ted and I killed our last pig. C. Hansen came up. I engaged him to run the Dell Farm this season. I also sold Charley the mule for seventy five dollars. He is to give me his note at 10 per cent per annum.

Home Sat 10 Snowed this forenoon; about five inches here. We have had a south wind for about four days and nights. The old snow which was about fourteen inches deep was nearly all gone in the valley. Charley came up to get the mule but we did not find it.

Home Sund 11 All went to sunday school except wife, Ida, and Heber. Heber was quite unwell. After school, we teachers had a little meeting. We resolved to make our visits in the future.

Home Monday 12 Brig & I went on our first teachers trip. Were well received jenerally. Went all round. Enjoyed our visit among the people.

Home Tues 13 Ted and Frank went to the sheep camp. Frank brought up a load of straw. Heber was some better.

Home Wed 14 Nearly all sick with bad colds. Charley & Ben were up; told me [Jos] was out some sheep.

Home Thurs 15 Ted went and got a load of hay and counted the sheep; found there was twenty five out. Frank hunted sheep.

Home Frid 16 Ted halled a load of hay. Frank went to hunt sheep; came home sick. The most [of] us are feeling better today.

Home Sat 17 Ted and I hunted sheep but did not find any. I saw Brig at the cedars.

Home Sund 18 We went to the Ranch and held sunday school and meeting. Had a good time.

Home Mond 19 Ted halled a load of wood. I run the watter around a little on the dry lucerne patches.

Home Tues 20 Ted halled wood. I did not do much. We have all been under the weather for about a week with bad colds.

Home Wed 21 We went to the sheep camp. Ted went hunting sheep. I moved the sheep wagon and Joe and I salved a few sheep.

Home Thurs 22 Ted halled a load of wood. Frank and I took the water through the little pasture and worked on boxes ditch a little. Ted cut his foot.

Home Frid 23 I went up on the ditch.

Home Sat 24 I went to Big Creek and borrowed twenty five bushels of wheat of Bro Aubon and we agreed to go to ——.

Home Sund 25 Bro Aubon and I went to Grantsville to meeting. Bro Lymon was talking when we got there. In the afternoon Folsom B. Young and Musser spoke. In the evening we attended the young mens and young ladies improvement. I took dinner at Alma Habs in company with Bps Burrage of St. Johns, Bp Tuttle of Tooele and H. Gowans, Probate Judge of Tooele Co. Stayed all night with Samey Wooley in company with Jordan of St. Johns.

Grantsville Mond 26 I got Vick shod and we came home. Found the folks in tolerable health.

Home Tues 27 I went down and Joe and I counted the sheep and dressed a few. Saw JQ and Will and Jos Smith. Took dinner with Brig.

Home Wed 28 Frank & I went to the Ranch and dressed sheep. We took out thirty five head of poor sheep and left them with JQ to feed.

Home Thurs 29 I went to Grantsville. Stayed all night with Geo Matthews.

Grantsville Frid 30 I went to mill and got my grist and went to Tooele and put up with WH Lee.

Tooele City Sat 31 I came home. Got home 7 oclock.

February 1880

Home Sund Feb 1 We went to the Ranch and held sunday school and meeting. Had a very agreeable time.

Home Mond 2 Frank and I went to campe and dressed sheep. We lost three sheep last night. Saw JQ and talked with him on the subject of letting out the sheep. Saw Will & Jos Smith.

Home Tues 3 Getting ready my load of posts. Sent Ted to hunt Bob Brown.

Home Wed 4 Got my load ready. Ted came back; did not find Bob.

Home Thurs 5 I went to Grantsville with my load of posts. There were seven loads of posts as follows: JQ two loads, Aubon one load, Frederickson one load, Brig & Charley one load each, and my load. Brig, Charley, and I put up at the Church [barn].

Grantsville Frid 6 I came out to Samey Wooleys to breakfast. Came on home considerably under the weather to oil and turpentine.

Home Sat 7 At home not feeling very well.

Home Sund 8 Took an emitic. Tim Matthews and Jo Smith came up to see me. Tim wanted to buy my cattle for LC Lunt; did not bargain with him.

Home Mond 9 All the folks were quite unwell. I sat around the house all day.

Home Tues 10 All sick. I read at home.

Home Wed 11 Boys went to the Ranch after a load of hay. I snowed nearly all day; fell 9 inches deep. Charley was ———. Got my wagon. I wrote Abe and Lee.

Home Thurs 12 Ted shoveled trails. I sat in the house and read.

Home Frid 13 I sat in the house and read. Ted cleaned out the old cellar.

Home Sat 14 Ted worked in the old house. R Brown came to see me about the sheep.

Home Sund 15 Rober and I went to see the sheep. Took dinner with Bp Rowberry.

Home Mond 16 We went to the sheep camp and moved them to the Ranch and tallied the flock and came home. Children better.

Home Tues 17 Rob and I went to the Ranch and we tallied the sheep that were in the pasture and turned them over to Brown. There were six hundred and ninety two.

Home Wed 18 I went down to our sheep. They were at the deep spring. I went down and overtook Etheringtons herd. Looked them through a little. Bought five head of sheep of them. Got three head of them and brought home. Also bought sheep from Smith and St——.

Home Thurs 19 I read and stayed at home.

Home Frid 20 Sat in the house and read.

Home Sat 21 Same as above.

Home Sund 22 Went to the Ranch and had sunday school. Charley & Thurza came.

Home Mond 23 Charley & Ted worked on the old house. I halled sand. Stormed.

Home Tues 24 Charley & Ted worked on the old house. I fixed up a little in the stable.

Home Wed 25 Charley went to the Ranch after his hay. Ted halled a little wood. Joe came home, left the wagon at the Muskrat. Ted went down and brought it up. I read and easiyed about.

Home Thurs 26 Same as above.

Home Frid 27 I read some.

Home Sat 28 I read. Ted halled wood.

Home Sund 29 Went to the Ranch and held sunday school. JQ was there. Met Brig as we came home.

March 1880

Home Mond Mch 1 I halled sand. Ted helped with the washing. Charley —— . It began thawing fast today. I rehurt my back.

Home Tues 2 I layed around with a lamy back. It thawed again today. We have had a long tedious winter. Joe was up today after the cive.

Home Wed 3 JQ and Siddie were up. We figure —— the sheep business. I sold JQ the Doremus place. He is to give me his note for six hundred dollars at ten per cent per annum interest.

Home Thursday 4 I layed arround. Snowed last night; five inches.

Home Frid 5 Pleasant today. I sat Ted up a notch this morning for his carelessness. He halled wood from the Billey field. Charley took 6 of my sheep to the Ranch. I wrote Willards will.

Home Sat 6 Ted went to the Ranch after hay. I trimed a few trees. Thawing fast today; without wind.

Home Sund 7 We all went to the Ranch and held sunday school. This is the first time we have all been down since the first sunday in January. We eat dinner with Nettie. I got a letter from Ike. Came home and in the evening Ike came home. Reported that there had been six or seven hundred head of cattle died on the Blue creek and promintory range. He had only seen ten head of mine dead. Brig and Billey were up to see Charley and Thurza and brought up [his] wife.

Home Mond 8 Ike went home. Ted and I piled some manure and cleaned up a little. We turned Daisy out. Feed is very scarce with every bodey this spring.

Home Tues 9 [Ted] and I halled manure.

Home Wed 10 Ted & I halled manure. We halled ——— hay arround to unload it in the stable. Charley took of Daisey ——— his team ——— to me quite queer. He seems to have no aim in life except to set and look at his wife, and I begin to think he would do little else if someone would furnish him the necessaries of life; but I must not set myself up for a judge.

Home Thurs 11 Ted and I moved our little hay into the stable. Hobbs came out after a horse.

Home Frid 12 Ted cut wood. Hobbs went home. Very cold north wind. Stormed a little.

Home Sat 13 Sat by the fire nearly all day. Quite cold with north wind. Ted cut wood. I talked to Charley a little about slow moves. He talks all right. Time will tell on his actions. He is going to get out some posts for me such as are in the new fence; are to be six cent seach. He is going to haul me some wood after grass comes. He is to haul me good by loads of good solid wood at one dollar and twenty five cents a load.

Home Sund 14 Frank and I went to the Ranch. We held sunday school. We have had three days of very cold weather. We took dinner with JQ.

Home Mond 15 Ted oiled up our saddles and halled down some wood. I have read the papers a little.

Home Tues 16 Ted halled down some wood and halled off some chips. Ike & Fill came in the afternoon with a band of horses.

Home Wed 17 Ted & Ike & Fill went hunting horses. Joe came up and I let him have sorrell Celia. He is to pay me eight dollars in poles if I conclude to build a corall on blue creek. If I don't he is to give me a week's work some time when I need him and the trade squares up our —— for Jos herding sheep ——.

Home Thurs 18 Frankand I halled manure.

Home Frid 19 Frank and I halled leaf mold.

Home Sat 20 Frank and I halled leaf mold.

Home sund 21 We stayed at home. Jimmey Larkins came up to see me about my cattle. I offered to sell him all my cattle, counting yearlings, at fifteen dollars per head and put in six saddle horses and mares. He is to let me know as soon as he makes a trip to the city. He went on home.

Home Mond 22 Frank and I halled manure and chips. Boys came home with about forty head of horses. I heard that our stock were doing poorly at Blue creek. I got a letter from [Geo] Steed.

Home Tues 23 Ted and I took off [on] our horses in the forenoon. Ted run the washes in the afternoon and I drove some of our young stallions over to S——.

Home Wed 24 Frank and I sat out some trees and dug a little ditch along the barb fence. Ted worked on the washer.

Home Thurs 25 Ted worked on the ditch. Frank and I grubed brush. Charley plowed.

Home Frid 26 Ted worked on the ditch. Got the water down. Stormed last night; about 4 inches snow.

Home Sat 27 Choreing around home.

Home Sund 28 At home all day. Ted went to the Ranch.

Home Mond 29 Ted and Frank hunted horses. I grubed brush. Charley plowed.

Home Tues 30 I went to Tooele after trees. Did not find Hobbs at home.

Tooele City Wed 31 Went to William Lee's to breakfast, then went digging trees. Got a few trees up before Hobbs came. We then got up the balance of my load and after dinner I drove down to Grantsville. Stayed with Sammey Wooley.

April 1880

Grantsville April 1 I harnessed up and got breakfast and it commenced raining and rained most of the day. I stayed and went to the concert.

Grantsville Frid 2 Came home. [Swanta] Nelson overtook me on the Timpey flat and rode with me to the deep spring. Fell in with Jessie at the burnt spring. I gave him the mail. Came home. Folks tolerable. Stormed a little; very windy.

Home Sat 3 Trimed up the trees and [peeled] them in. Ted went to the Ranch and got a little hay. Billey & Ike were here in the evening. We put out twenty two trees. Stormed a little in the afternoon.

Home Sund 4 At home. Ted and Ben went fishing.

Home Mond 5 Frank & I put out trees. Ted & Ben went hunting cows and horses.

Home Tues 6 Charley & Joe halled manure. Frank & I worked in the garden. I worked very hard. Charley, Thurza & Joe were here to dinner. We had our turkey.

Home Wed 7 Frank & I made some water ditch. Charley & Joe halled manure.

Home Thurs 8 I went to the Ranch and got a little hay and my sacks and two baskets of potatoes. JQ turned me out a mare instead of case nife. Charley & Joe got up some rock in the forenoon.

Home Frid 9 Frank and I put in some garden seeds. Charley & Joe finished halling manure. Ted and Ben came home in the evening.

Home Sat 10 Ted and Frank hunted horses in the forenoon and then Ted & Ben went hunting cows and horses over the mountain. Charley & Joe put in some garden seeds. I plowed.

Home Sund 11 We all went to the Ranch to have meeting but did not. We were at Quince's to dinner.

Home Mond 12 Frank & I hunted horses. Charley planted potatoes.

Home Tues 13 Frank & I hunted horses. Charley & Joe plowed a little. It snowed the most of the day. Boys came home in the evening; found eleven sheep, lost their horses and cattle in the storm.

Home Wed 14 Ted & Ben went hunting horses. Charley put in potatoes down in the hollow. I chored around home. Frank took the sheep to the Ranch.

Home Thurs 15 Charley went after wood. I shod Bis & Bell and got things in shape to start. Boys got back with the horses they went to hunt.

Home Frid 16 Got up early. Wind blowing hard from the south. We gave up starting for a while and it cleared up a little and we got ready and started. Went as far as the deep springs. The wind changed and it began to snow. We came back home. I shod whalebone. It stormed all the afternoon.

Home Sat 17 Stormey. Charley went to Grantsville. I grubed some willows.

Home Sund 18 Ted & Frank & I went up on the ditch and got down a big stream. We worked all day. Stormed.

Home Mond 19 Got up intending to start to Cache Valley. Ted went to hunt the horses but did not find them til to late to start. Ted and I plowed a little in the afternoon. Charley came back.

Home Tues 20 Frank & I started to Cache Valley. Went to Grantsville and got some hay from Sammey Wooley and drove on to Tooele. Stopped with Mr Hobbs. Very windy night.

Tooele Wed 21 Went to the City. Took the car—— rags to Mrs. Winegar. Bought one hundred pounds of hay from Maridith 1.25.

Salt Lake Thurs 22 Stormey. Layed over all day. Stormed tolerable heavey.

Salt Lake Frid 23 Drove to Farmington. Went and saw Burk. He went with me and showed me the place. I offered him Thirty six hundred dollars in cash, Cattle, and horses for his farm and one Thousand dollars in cattle and horses for his town place. Also offered to turn out one wagon on the place. I offered to turn out a fair average of my cattle including yearlings and upwards at fifteen dollars per head and for an average of my mares in ——band at sixty dollars per head. I showed him Bell and Daisy and told him they would cost him one hundred and twenty five dollars each. Stayed all night at Burk's farm. Bought hay of Burk 1.00.

Farmington Sat 24 Drove to River Dalle and nooned. Drove on to Willard. Stayed all night. Bought eggs at one cent each.

Willard Sund 25 Drove to Dewey and nooned with Wm Hawkins. Drove on to Mendon. Found the folks well. Stayed with Uncle Steve. Paid Mark Byler 750 per hundred for poor hay.

Mendon Mond 26 Uncle Willard & I loaded up a grist of fifty one bushels and a half of wheat and took it mill. Came back and put some balm gillead cuttings.

Mendon Tues 27 We put up my sacks full of Oats and I went to mill and got my grist.

Mendon Wed 28 Frank & I started home. Came out to Uncle Steve's. ——— proposed to hitch on to my tam and pull me up and Uncle Willard proposed to hitch up his team and take a part of Frank's load, which they did and came with us to the coop Dairy and we took dinner together and then they returned home and we came on to Calls Fort and stoped for the night. We stoped just by Chet Loveland's.

Calls Fort Thurs 29 Came to three mile creek and nooned. Came on to North Ogden. Camped by Green Taylor's.

North Ogden April 30 I got some cuttings of the Broad leafed cottonwood from Green Taylor. We came to Riverdall and nooned. I got some more cuttings of the broad leafed cottonwood. Came on to Kays Creek & fed and drove to Farmington.

May 1880

Farmington May 1 Took breakfast with Pen Burk. After breakfast Pen went over after his father. He came over and looked at Bismark and the wagon and talked with me about the prices and kind of mares and accepted of my proposition. I then went to work and put in some potatoes, corn, and onions and put out my cottonwood cuttings and then we went to the theatre.

Farmington Sund May 2 Hitched up and unloaded a part of our loads in the grainery and came to the city. Went to Mr [Hoopers] to dinner. Concluded to raise the money I offered Burk on the trade and go back and secure the trade, which conclusion I put in force.

Salt Lake Mond 3 Went over to Uncle Abe's and he concluded to go up with me. I ate breakfast with Uncle Abe and we took train and went to Farmington. I went and saw Burk and talked the matter over with him and we went to work and fixed up the papers as far as we could until Jos Barton had to go home.

Farmington Tues 4 Burk and I went to the train and met Barton and we got our work through in good shape. I came down on the evening train.

Salt Lake Wed 5 We got ready and started. Came out this side of the mill. Wind cold; rained some.

Mill Thurs 6 Came to Sml Wooley's to breakfast. Came on home; found all well.

Home Frid 7 I took Aubon's flour and bran and ——— home.

Home Sat 8 Charley & Ted went over the valley. I went to Hickman. None of us accomplished much.

Home Sund 9 Charley & I went to Hickman and got the horses I was after the day before. Ted gathered out of the ridges. Brig & Billey were up. Burt's boys came in the evening.

Home Mond 10 We got out Burk's horses and agreed upon the prices and turned out my [band] and I took Burk's receipt for seventeen hundred dollars for mares, stallion & wagons and harness. I gave him a bill of sale on the stock and I think everything is satisfactory. At least Burk tells me he feels satisfied. Charley & Ted went over the mountain hunting horses.

Home Tues 11 I helped the Burk boys with their horses as far as the Muskrat. Met Benney Hegwood at the deep springs. He went on with the boys. I came back through the Ridges hunting horses. Did not find any of the missing horses. Went and brought Hanna home in the evening.

Home Wed 12 Gathered things together. Frank hunted horses. Ted & Charley got home late.

Home Thurs 13 Ted went up south hunting horses. Frank hunted horses in the Ridges. Ted found Ruth & May and Cap. Fredericksen was here. I received a letter from JS Moffat asking prices of cattle. I wrote him I would sell at fifteen dollars counting yearlings and upwards.

Home Frid 14 Worked some of our team horses. JQ & Jo Smith were up. It snowed a little. Ted & Charley went over the valley hunting Messenger.

Home Sat 15 I went to the Ranch and JQ & I went to 8 mile hunting hors[es] and cows. Bob Hudson and Bish Mathews came over. We drove three cows home. We met two of the Sessions boys at 8 mile. Geo Mathews and party were at the Ranch. The children were up.

Home Sund 16 Beautiful morning. Boys did not get home last night. Mary and Ellen were up.

Home Mond 17 Boys got home; found the horses we wanted. We loaded up the wagons and the boys came to the Muskrat. We went to the Ranch. JQ and Nettie were up.

Ranch Tues 18 We came to Grantsville. Stopped with Sammey Wooley. Boys came to the nine mile drive. JQ Knowlton came with us. We stopped at the Muskrat and measured the fence and I sold it to JQK for \$344.00.

Grantsville Wed 19 Came on to the city. I caught two lambs; had a big time catching them. We stopped at Jos F's (Pres. Smiths)

Salt Lake Thurs 20 I went up town. Bought a set of harness and got a few things. We came on to Farmington and took pos——. Folks stoped at Aunt Nannies.

Farmington Frid 21 We unloaded our things and plowed a little. Ted whitewashed.

Farmington Sat 22 Billey started back to Scull. Ted started to blue creek. I plowed a little.

Home Sund 23 I went to meeting in the afternoon. Heard a very interesting discourse from Bro Woodruff. Jos F, [Junius] Wells and Wm B——ton came over with us and stayed a few minutes.

Home Mond 24 Fixed the dams to turn some water on the lower land.

Home Tues 25 Went with Morgan Henman and got some lumber to make a privy. HJ Richards was up to see us.

Home Wed 26 Plowed and put in a little garden stuff. East winds in the [afternoon].

Home Thurs 27 Planted garden.

Home Frid 28 Got the privy home and plowed a little.

Home Sat 29 Plowed and put in the s—— lot to potatoes.

Home Sunday 31 ²⁷ Went to conference at east Bountiful. Had a very good meeting. Got a letter from —— Moffat.

²⁷While BFK records the date as the 31 May, Sunday was actually 30 May in 1880.

[**Note**] I have a [young] sorrell mare on the Grantsville side, also a young horse between a bay and a big strip in face. If you can get them brought up for a reasonable price I would like to get them as I go out or return from Scull. I expect to start abt Wednesday ——— week. Will be out about 3 or 4 weeks.

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