









Wednesday March 30 - Snow and rain. Got 2 loads of wood from top of first bench to camp. Smoked cigars. Geo. K cut Kern's hair in camp. No work in afternoon. Geo. K cut my hair and I cut his. Lots of steps.

Thursday March 31 - Snow. Made 2 trips to five mile cache. One load 550 pounds. One man working on trail in undershirt. Scott had dinner.

Friday April 1 - Snow - fair. April Fool's day well represented on trail. Fellows saw the steam sled. Made 2 trips to 5 mile cache. Saturday April 2 - Snow - fair. Made trip to five mile cache and trip to ten mile cache. Moved camp to ten mile cache. 10 miles from Sound. 3000 ft. above sea level. 2 dogs on trail gave out - taken home on sleds. Eat dinner at Looker's camp.

Sunday April 3 - High winds. Palm Sunday. Made one trip to five mile cache to camp. Broke trail both ways for load of wood in blinding snow storm.

Monday April 4 - High winds - snow and sunshine. Made 3 trips from camp to top of fourth bench in half of day. No work in morning. Wind storm at night. saw summit in the distance for the first time. Tuesday April 5 - Fair in AM. Blizzard in PM. Made one trip from 5 mile cache and laid up in PM.

Wednesday April 6 - Fine and windy in PM. Made one trip from top of third bench to camp and one trip from 5 mile cache to camp. Walked thirty miles.

Thursday April 7 - Fair and high winds. Made 2 trips from 5 mile cache to camp. Trail snowed in on way home.

Friday April 8 - Fair. Summer weather. Made 2 trips from 5 mile cache to camp. Fellows feeling a little out of sorts. Good Friday. NM BT (?) hoisted 500 lbs. to load G WK and myself.

Saturday April 9 - Fine in AM. Snow in afternoon. Made 2 trips from 5 mile cache and finished goods up to 4 bench. Got letters from home and Mrs. Abhrams. Looker moved up near us.

Sunday April 10 - Fine. Easter Sunday. Saw Bible in Looker's camp. On second weeks cooking. Got some goods up 4 bench. Had chocolate. Wrote a letter to send home.

Monday April 11 - Snow. Made first load to foot of summit in AM. No work in PM.

Tuesday April 12 - High winds. No work. Stayed in all day. Wrote to J.J. Kinsella and Mamie and Rosie.

Wednesday April 13 - Stormy. No work at all. Had dinner at Looker's camp.

Thursday April 14 - Stormy and snow. Makel trip for Looker from 5 mile cache to camp. One load to top of bench.

Friday April 15 - Wind and light snow in AM. Started up 4 bench in PM.

Saturday April 16 - Snow and winds in AM. No works in PM. Sent letters to Valdez by Jim Sheehan for J.J. Kinsella, mother, and Mamie. Doubled up to save wood with Looker camp - was then a week ahead of them. Frank Degnan cast adrift by the Young party from Wisconsin.

Sunday April 17 - Fine in AM. Snow in PM. Moved camp to foot of summit. Made two trips from 4 bench to summit. 5th camp 23 miles from Bay.

Monday April 18 - Fine. Made 2 trips from 4 bench to summit.

Tuesday April 19 - Fine. Made 2 trips from top of 4 bench to foot of summit. Valencia boat arrived. 40 soldiers here to survey route and see the feasible way of getting relief in to the Interior.

Wednesday April 20 - Fine. Made 2 trips from 4 bench to foot of summit. Rumors that trail is not the right one.

Thursday April 21 - Fine. Made 2 trips from 4 bench to foot of summit. 4 niggers in camp to date.

Friday April 22 - Fine. Went to top of summit and coasting down hill  $\frac{3}{4}$  of mile. Tackled up 2 tackles 2000 ft. in air.

Saturday April 23 - Fine. Zero in AM. Worked 1/2 of day and laid off in PM. High winds.

Sunday April 24 - Blizzard and high winds. Laid off all day. Played Pedro.

Monday April 25 - Fine in AM. Storm in PM. Tackled up 800 ft. up summit. No work in PM.

Tuesday April 26 - Fine in AM. Storm in PM. No work in PM. Tackled up summit 1100 ft.

Wednesday April 27 - Worst storm since we have been here. Blizzard. No work all day.

Thursday April 28 - Stormy. No work at all.

Friday April 29 - Snow. Laid in camp all day. Snowbound.

Saturday April 30 - Snow. Still snowing --- 105 hours continuous and still storm until 10PM and awful calamity struck camp in form of a snow slide burying a number of people alive. 2 known to be dead at 12PM. Brad took a tumble on snow shoes.

Sunday May 1 - Snow. Still snowing at 2AM. No sleep at all. Rescued Jas. Thiery, Jas. Steele, Anton Simonson. Jos. Fornier dead. Van Huson (?), L. Svenson, Alameda, Cal., P. Straub, S.F., Cal., c. Bonner, Jas. Peck, Chicago, Ill. Our tent the last one not to be covered.

Monday May 2 - snow. Another snow slide buried a number of people. Dug out three men of Brennan camp of Stamford, Conn. Our tent last one not to be covered. Swanson of Alameda, Cal. buried twice. Sun came out for the first time since Tuesday May 26. Moved our camp to top of summit for safety. A ridge in the distance looks dangerous. 6 camp 28 miles from (?).

Tuesday May 3 - Stormy and fine at times. Moved in PM to timber. Trail broken up. Packed up summit in AM. 7 camp 32 miles from Valdez.

Wednesday May 4 - Fine. Hauled a stick of wood to camp on summit and hauled 600 lbs. down again to camp.

Thursday May 5 - Fine. Made a trip from timber to summit and then to 4 bench for food. Distance 16 miles. Hauled blankets back to summit.

Friday May 6 - Fine. Made a trip to 4 bench from summit. Shoveled out cache buried 7 feet in the snow. Worked all night.

Saturday May 7 - Fine. Still working nights. Made 2 trips from 4 bench to summit. Finished hauling goods to bottom of summit.

Sunday May 8 - Stormy. Dug out our small rope and got goods ready for tackling.

Monday May 9 - Fine. Made 3 tackles up summit - 800 ft. each.

Tuesday May 10 - Stormy. Blizzard. Could not work at all.

Wednesday May 11 - Fine at times. Made 3 tackles up summit. Finished tackling. Goods all up. All are happy.

Thursday May 12 - stormy. Made a trip to foot of glacier and got caught in storm. Thought our time had come. Lost trail. Had to feel our way home.

Friday May 13 - Stormy on summit. Moved our camp to timber. Made last trip to timber from summit. Calling it Paradise.

Saturday May 14 - Light rain and snow. Made 1 trip from foot of glacier to timber.

Sunday May 15 - Fine. Got up at 2AM. Made one trip from foot of glacier to timber with last trip of goods. Trail is almost gone. Went in search of good timber for boats and pitched our tent for final cache until boats are ready.

Monday May 16 - Fine. Went to timber 1 mile from camp. Cut down 5 trees and 2 good ones for boat. Trimmed to get ready for whip sawing.

Tuesday May 17 - Fine. Started to whip saw. Not good success for first days work. A little hard work attached to it for non-experienced hands.

Wednesday May 18 - Fine. Changed location of pit for whip sawing. Had saw set and sharpened by Capt. Hughes of Conn.

Thursday May 19 - Fine. Started to whip saw. Sawed out one log. A good days work and success.

Friday May 20 - Fine. Got another log ready to saw. Lumber is running poor in this section. Changed under wear.

Saturday May 21 - Fine. Started to saw second log. Made it look pretty sick. By night one man shot a marten, the first game seen in this vicinity.

Sunday May 22 - Fine. Still sawing. Done a good days work on same log. Got a letter from home.

Monday May 23 - Fine. Finished sawing log. Have enough for one boat and will build one first until we strike better timber.

Tuesday May 24 - Fine. Got lumber out of woods 1 mile from camp through snow and water knee deep. Almost as hard as whip sawing it out. Started to trim lumber for boat.

Wednesday May 25 - Fine in AM. Threatening rain in PM. Building boat. Washed 16 shirts and 8 pair drawers. Made the first washboard on trail.

Thursday May 26 - Fine. Still building boat.

Friday May 27 - High winds. Started to caulk boat. washed a few more clothes.

Saturday May 28 - High winds and slight rain. Washed some more. Finished boat and put her in the water. One man died at six mile camp with scurvy - first case on trail.

Sunday May 29 - Rain. Took 1500 lbs. down creek to six mile camp. Hard work getting boat back. 2 men of Keystone Co. Vail and Henning(?) of Pittsburg Pa. gave us help. Current of stream very stiff. Saw first saw mill selling boards 15 cents per running foot.

Monday May 30 - Fine. Made 2 trips to six mile camp. 2400. Decoration Day flags raised in camp. Christened boat Garden City.

Tuesday May 31 - Fine. Made 2 trips to 3 mile camp. Saw the first miner meeting. Young of Chicago and J. Bedlish (?) ---- of Cal. principals. All goods to three mile camp. ? miles from first?

Wednesday June 1 - Fine. Took camp from first timber to 6 and 1/2 mile camp. Townsend of Keystone party took pictures of camp and our boat. 40 miles from Valdez at camp.

Thursday June 2 - High winds. Made one. Food from three mile camp to 6 1/2 mile. Went to forest in PM for timber for our boat.

Friday June 3 - Fine. Made one trip to 8 mile camp to 6 mile camp. Went into woods looking for timber. Found 2 logs.

Saturday June 4 - Fine. Got pit ready and log in position. Saw first sail boat, named Oregon (?).

Sunday June 5 - Fine. Started to saw log for second boat.

Monday June 6 - Fine. Still sawing on log. Creek is getting very low.

Tuesday June 7 - Fine. Finished sawing log. Got another log ready for sawing. Visited deserted Indian village a little way from saw pit. Forest fire in the distance.

Wednesday June 8 - Fine. Still sawing on second log. Squirrels are here in abundance. Crossed over beaver dam - quite a large one.

Thursday June 9 - Fine. Still sawing on second log. Done a good days work.



Friday June 10 - Fine. Finished sawing log. Went along lake to find outlet to 8 mile camp. Saw trout in stream. Boat shrunk - will have to caulk over. Saw some flour floating down creek. Forest fires are becoming numerous.

Saturday June 11 - Fine. Mover camp to 8 mile camp, Mosquito Junction. Looker party passed us on way to lake. Went after lumber to woods. Christened lake Fire Lake and the river No-catch-Fish River. Forest fire very close to our lumber. Spread net for first time. One man went in skiff to catch our 9th camp - 42 miles from Valdez. Had dinner with Looker.

Sunday June 12 - Fine. Made one trip to 6 1/2-mile camp for load of goods. Building 2 boats. River is raising fast and running swift. Boats are turning over here every day. Navigation is becoming dangerous to outfits.

Monday June 13 - Fine. Made one trip from 6 1/2 mile finishing loads. Rescued E. Wimperman (?) who was swamped 2nd time. Had a very close call - he being the second in the same place.

Tuesday June 14 - Fine. Pulled in 8 more boats. Calling this Bad Luck Harbor. 3 men in the water. Ramsdell stopped for supper on way from lake and Copper River. Baked yeast bread - fair success for first time. Mosquitos are becoming an awful pest. Started to wear masks made of netting.

Wednesday June 15 - Fine. Building boat. Not so many wrecks today. Threatened rain and thunder. River is still raising making it difficult to find channel.

Thursday June 16 - Rain and fair. Done a little work on boat. saw one man in boat without any pants on. No wrecks today.

Friday June 17 - Fine. Went hunting. Twice nearly got up by mosquitos. Reports that gold was struck??? on Copper River and 5 more bodies taken from snow slide of May the 1st.

Saturday June 18 - Fine. Felt a little sick. Pain in side. Finished boat. No wrecks today at this point.

Sunday June 19 - Fine. No work. Water is running very swift today.

Monday June 20 - High winds. Got our 2 boats loaded and ready to start but delayed by high winds and swift water. One boat swamped here today. Took shifts watching boats.

Tuesday June 21 - Wind still blowing. Went prospecting and did not find anything.

Wednesday June 22 - Fine. Broke camp. Started for lake. Got wrecked, but saved all goods. Close call. Pitched tent on point 4 miles from lake. 10th camp 46 miles from Valdez.

Thursday June 23 - Fine. Storey stopped on way to summit. Patched boat and brought her to camp. Robinson party claim gold is in vicinity.

Friday June 24 - Fine in valley. Went prospecting to gulch 5 miles to the east of camp. Took 3 days grub. Rained on us in camp. Out. Saw first three claims on Kenyon creek and Stelina gulch, namely Tom Boy, Mamie and-----

Saturday June 25 - Fine in day. Still prospecting. Sunk a hole. No colors yet. Rained on us again at night.

Sunday June 26 - Fine. Staked out 4 claims of 20 acres each on both sides of Kenyon creek. Started back home. Got home at 7 PM. Tough time coming home through brush and thicket.

Monday June 27 - Fine. Stayed around camp all day. Storey came back from summit.

Tuesday June 28 - Fine. Storey and J.K--- went to look at our claims and to value them. Got goods ready to move on the morrow. Claims no good.

Wednesday June 29 - Fine. Left camp and started for lake. Came down river all right. Shipped water in lake. Put in for the night.

Thursday June 30 - Fine. Started again on lake. Came all the way. Made Amy's Rapids and camped. Piloted down by J. Gard of Lynn, Mass. 11<sup>th</sup> camp 75 miles from Valdez. Made our longest days journey of the trip. Eat first fish - salmon fine for a change.

Friday July 1 - Fine. Straightened out camp and laid up all day. Set tramble net. No fish first day.

Saturday July 2 - Fine. Caught 14 salmon. Started to build smoke house. Doing a good fish business.

Sunday July 3 - Fine. Built smoke house. Got some more fish done - 23.

Monday July 4 - Fine. 4th of July shot off in camp. Caught 20 salmon in one night. Largest catch. Learned to make good bread by Saunders of Lynn, Mass.

Tuesday July 5 - Fine in AM. Rain in PM. Sawed wood for the camp. Caught 30 salmon.

Wednesday July 6 - Fine. Nothing of note. Not a good day fishing.

Thursday July 7 - Fine. Salmon stopped running. Expect silver salmon up soon.

Friday July 8 - Fine. Got shaved and received letters from J.J. Kinsella, Mamie, Rose and Mother. John built cache.

Saturday July 9 - carried cache up to put in tent.

Sunday July 10 - Fine. Wrote to J.J. Kinsella, Mother, Mamie and Rose. Had photos taken by J.C. Conrath of Jefferson City, Mo.

Monday July 11 - Fine. Went to auction.

Tuesday July 12 - Rain. Stayed in camp.

Wednesday July 13 - Fine. Nearly shot the shoots. Geo. K. and J.

Thursday July 14 - Fine. Acted on committee in miner's meeting. Started for Copper River at 4PM. Geo. K shot a porcupine. Got held up by dogs. Had gun in dogs ear. J. Bradbury went along. J. Gard started for Valdez.

Friday July 15 - Fine. Arrived at Copper Center at 8 AM, covering 25 miles. 8 hours and 1/2. Saw Snyder and Poirotte (?). Saw first Copper River Indian shrewd traders. Saw Copper River in distance. Quite a town here at present date. Got a letter from G. Kern.

Saturday July 16 - Rain. Went to Copper River for 1st time. Up river 1 and 1/2 miles.

Sunday July 17 - Fine. Stayed in camp all day. Starting home at 7:40 PM.

Monday July 18 - Fine. Arrived home at 5:30 AM. Got held up by dogs. They had a close call. Came near getting shot.

Tuesday July 19 - Fine. Stayed in camp. Caught salmon weighing 32 lbs., largest caught up to date.

Wednesday July 20 - Rain and fine at times. Mail here.

Thursday July 21 - Fine and rain. Started to visit Bradbury at foot of lake. Frank and I went into lake in a wrestling match. Stayed all night.

Friday July 22 - Rain and fine. Started home - distance 5 miles. Covered it in 122 minutes.

Saturday July 23 - Rain and fine. Are catching no fish at present.

Sunday July 24 - Rain and fine. Built bedsteads for camp. No cook. Got shaved.

Monday July 25 - Fine. Stayed around camp.

Tuesday July 26 - Fine and rain. Kern went to head of lake with J. Morris of Wyoming.

Wednesday July 27 - Fine. Gard got back from Valdez. Note OK.

Thursday July 28 - Fine. Nothing of note. Kern got back from lake.

Friday July 29 - Fine. Scott and Landess stopped on their way back to the states.

Saturday July 30 - Rain and fine. Auctioneer sold out J. Gard of Lynn, Mass.

Sunday July 31 - Fine. Had first church at Amy's Rapids. One man done up by a bear - nearly done up.

Monday August 1 - Rain and fine. Started out to prospect. Landed 5 miles at head of lake. Put up for night. Rowed 20 miles. Gard left for home. Birds walked on our heads.

Tuesday August 2 - Fine. Laid up for high winds. Camped at head of lake over night.

Wednesday August 3 - Rain and fine. Started to cross divide. Got over at 6 o'clock. Camped out over night. No game. Rained on us all night. Had a good bath. 60 miles.

Thursday August 4 - Fine. Still prospecting. No colors in first hole. Found moose horns - quite large - 4 feet across.

Friday August 5 - Fine. Still prospecting. Dug a trench and got a good color. Getting a little colder every day. Found earlier prospector's grub.

Saturday August 6 - Fine. Still digging trench. No colors today.

Sunday August 7 - Stopped digging trench. Saw Munroe's and McCarthy claims - land claims.

Monday August 8 - Fine. Started home. Got to foot of lake at 9 PM. Stayed in Jeffrey and Wiseman of Mo. tent.

Tuesday August 9 - Fine. Got home at 2 PM. Saw Alison of Mason, Ill.(?) Changed underwear.

Wednesday August 10 - Fine. Stayed in camp. Had first fowl for dinner. Election on other side of camp. caught salmon weighing 38 lbs. Geo. went to foot of lake.

Thursday August 11 - Fine. Stayed in camp.

Friday August 12 - Fine. Fell in creek off of turning pole.

Saturday August 13 - Fine. George came home from the lake. Went to foot of lake with Ed Allison of Mason, Ill. Kern cut his head doing to giant swing and fell in creek.

Sunday August 14 - Fine. Went to Cox's Landing with Allison of Masons.

Monday August 15 - Fine. George started to go hunting at foot of lake. Allison goes home.

Tuesday August 16 - Fine. Stayed around camp.

Wednesday August 17 - Fine. Allison came again. John went to lake at noon with Saunders.

Thursday August 18 - Fine. Allison goes to lake again. Saunders comes home again.

Friday August 19 - Fine. Nothing of note. Capt. Abercrombie went through camp. Had hair cut.

Saturday August 20 - Fine. Stayed in camp.

Sunday August 21 - Fine. W.L. Cook stopped on way home. Allison came.

Monday August 22 - Fine. Went to lake and returned same day with Cook and Allison. Left watch to be fixed.

Tuesday August 23 - Fine. Cook went home. Allison and Tabot (?) came.

Wednesday August 24 - Fine and rain. Got around camp.

Thursday August 25 - Fine and rain. Allison and John K. went to Copper Center.

Friday August 26 - Fine. Went to lake and back in 3 hours - distance 10 miles. Got watch at jeweler's.

Saturday August 27 - Fine. Stayed in camp. John came home again.

Sunday August 28 - Fine. Stayed in camp. Moore stopped on way home.

Monday August 29 - Fine. Stayed in camp.

Tuesday August 30 - Fine. Saw Jas. Daley and Leonard of Brownsville, Minn.

Wednesday August 31 - Fine. Judge at shooting contest.

Thursday Sept. 1 - Fine. Kern and John went to lake. Kern came home.

Friday Sept. 2 - Fine. Stayed around camp. Saw northern lights - a great sight.

Saturday Sept. 3 - Fine. Kern started for Copper Center with Wyoming boys.

Sunday Sept. 4 - Fine. Walked 10 miles for exercise to Cox's Landing.

Monday Sept. 5 - Fine. Helped Storey to build cabin. Kern got back from Copper Center.

Tuesday Sept. 6 - Fine. Saw 2 Indians. Helping on Storey's cabin. Saw 3 ?? Klutshwin.

Wednesday Sept. 7 - Fine and rain at night. Cut down logs for Storey's cabin. Danced at dance with Indian boys.

Thursday Sept. 8 - Fine. Still building cabin.

Friday Sept. 9 - Fine. George and John came home again.

Saturday Sept. 10 - Fine. Went to lake with Ed. Finrock. Shot at shooting match. Slept at Looker tent and eat at Hunter's tent.

Sunday Sept. 11 - Fine. Came home from lake.

Monday Sept. 12 - Fine. Nothing of note.

Tuesday Sept. 13 - Fine and rain. Got some wood.

Wednesday Sept. 14 - Fine and rain. George K. shot the shoots with Bill Orr and Fleming. Got our packs ready for another gold excitement – to leave tomorrow.

Thursday Sept. 15 - Fine. Left Amy's Rapids at 7 AM with ten men. Covered 20 miles. 25 men in this camp are flocking like bees.

Friday Sept. 16 - Rain and snow. Still traveling. Had a snow storm in divide. Got to Manker Creek and covered about 12 miles.

Saturday Sept. 17 - Fine. Got to Tonsina Lake and crossed on rafts. Got to Bear Creek and found all claims staked. Recorder elected named McCormack. Covered about 8 miles. Too late to get a claim. Gathered 2 quarts of currants. Berries abundant in the section. Quartz Creek, Bear Creek and Miner's Creek.

Sunday Sept. 18 - Fine and threatening snow. Built a hut out of spruce boughs. John K. and Frank Owens came over.

Monday Sept. 19 - Fine. Came back to Tonsina Lake and crossed. Left Kern all our grub to stay 20 days. Met Looker on way.

Tuesday Sept. 20 - Fine. Started from Tonsina Lake and got about 12 miles toward home with Lake View boys.

Wednesday Sept. 21 - Fine. Started for home. Weather gets a little cold here. Froze about five in one night. Got home at 5:30 PM. Covered about 23 miles.

Thursday Sept. 22 - Rain. Stayed around camp. Got letter from home and Rose.

Friday Sept. 23 - Fine. Nothing of note.

Saturday Sept. 24 - Fine. Stayed in camp. John K. says he is going home. Wrote to J.J.K., Rose and mother. Went to a house warming.

Sunday Sept. 25 - Fine. Nothing of note.

Monday Sept. 26 - Fine. Divided clothes. John gets ready for home journey.

Tuesday Sept. 27 - Fine. Wyoming boys sold out. Went to foot of lake and back for watch. No watch - making 40 miles traveled for same.

Wednesday Sept. 28 - Fine. Started for Copper Center and got 22 miles. Camped out. Fellows are all broke up. No supper.

Thursday Sept. 29 - Fine. No breakfast until arrived at Copper Center at 8 AM. Got boat ready for cold footed gold hunters - 7 in number. Slept with Bietzel at Center. Kern got home.

Friday Sept. 30 - Fine. Missed boys. Boat got away before I was there. Left for Rapids at 9 AM. Got at Rapids at 5 PM - cover 25 miles in less than 7 hours actual walking time. Had a piece of bear venison.

Saturday Oct. 1 - Fine. Picked out place for cabin. Cut 12 logs for same.

Sunday Oct. 2 - Fine. Cut 28 logs. Put 20 up - a good days work. Got ready for trip to Tonsina River with Kern and Owens.

Monday Oct. 3 - Fine. Started for Tonsina Lake. Got to Sand Hills. Covered 15 miles. Camped.

Tuesday Oct. 4 - Fine. Left Sand Hills. Got to Lake Tonsina at 6 PM. Camped. Cover 17 miles.

Wednesday Oct. 5 - Fine. Started home from Tonsina Lake. Got to Sand Hill at 5 PM. Covered 17 miles.

Thursday Oct. 6 - Fine. Left Sand Hills at 9 AM. Got to Amy's Rapids at 12 PM. Covered 15 miles in 5 hours.

Friday Oct. 7 - Fine. Worked on cabin.

Saturday Oct. 8 - Fine. Got roof near on. Birthday - 19 years old.

Sunday Oct. 9 - Fine. Finished poles for roof. 2 B (below zero)

Monday Oct. 10 - Fine. Put moss on roof. Cook came. 2 B

Tuesday Oct. 11 - Fine. Shot the shoots with empty boat for 2 miles to cabin. Tore boat up for floor. 2 B

Wednesday Oct. 12 - Fine. Shot the shoots again with 2nd boat. Cook goes home?? 2B

Thursday Oct. 13 - Fine. Still building. Cook goes home. 3 B

Friday Oct. 14 - Fine. Finished floor and bunks in cabin. 10 B

Saturday Oct. 15 - Fine but cloudy - threatened snow. 15 B

Sunday Oct. 16 - Snow. Snowed about 2 inches deep and still snowing. Finished cabin. Will move in tomorrow. 10 A

Monday Oct. 17 - Snow. Snow 4 in. deep. Moved in to cabin. Slept first night in cabin. 10 A

Tuesday Oct. 18 - Fair and cloudy. Fixed up interior of cabin. Had Siwash Jake for visitor. Geo. K. went to auction sale.

Wednesday Oct. 19 - Fair. Made 2 trips to rapids, packing down goods. Traded 30-30 rifle for 45-70 for big game. 20 A

Thursday Oct. 20 - Fine. Went to Rapids auction sale. Had dinner at Brad's tent.

Friday Oct. 21 - Fine. Had Mrs. and Mr. Burr for dinner - also Brad.

Saturday Oct. 22 - Fine. Made table for cabin. Went to Rapids for load. Packed 110 lbs.

Sunday Oct. 23 - Fine. Baked yeast bread.

Monday Oct. 24 - Fine. Made 1 trip to rapids. Got some leather for moccasins.

Tuesday Oct. 25 - Fine. Saw Frank Brifogle at St. L., Mo. He stayed all night. 10 B

Wednesday Oct. 26 - Fine. Kern comes home. Looker came down here to build cabin.

Thursday Oct. 27 - Fair. Helped Mr. Burr to build cabin. Baked bread.

Friday Oct. 28 - Fine. Still helping Burr at cabin.

Saturday Oct. 29 - Fine. Still at cabin. Had a dance in camp - 100 men and 5 ladies present.

Sunday Oct. 30 - Fine. Packed 300 lbs. from rapids to cabin.

Monday Oct. 31 - Fine. Packed from rapids. Got a letter from Mamie. Plate is broken goods. Had dinner at Hank's. Mail is here.

Tuesday Nov. 1 - Fine. Went to rapids for load to camp.

Wednesday Nov. 2 - Fine. Went to Rapids for load to camp.

Thursday Nov. 3 - Fine. Hauled down 1 sleigh.

Friday Nov. 4 - Fine. Brought down one sleigh from rapids. Started boy of flour.

Saturday Nov. 5 - Fine. Made two trips from rapids to camp.

Sunday Nov. 6 - Fine. Finished goods from rapids.

Monday Nov. 7 - Fine. Started to make moccasins for winter use. 6 B

Tuesday Nov. 8 - Fine. Went to Rapids. Still working on moccasins. River is getting very low and is freezing anchor ice at the rate of 2 in. a night. Zero.

Wednesday Nov. 9 - Fine. Reports that they are sledding from Cox's Landing 3 miles below cabin. 10 B

Thursday Nov. 10 - Snow all day. Went to rapids for exercise.

Friday Nov. 11 - Fine. Nothing of note.

Saturday Nov. 12 - Fine. Put half sole on shoes.

Sunday Nov. 13 - Fine. Bietzel and Mort came to visit.

Monday Nov. 14 - Fine. Baked the best bread since our arrival.



Tuesday Nov. 15 - Snow and stormy. Kern roasted coffee. 20 A

Wednesday Nov. 16 - Fine. High winds. Started getting George ready to go to Tanana River country. 10 A

Thursday Nov. 17 - Clear and high winds. Fixing sleighs up for use. Expect to leave here in a about a week. New moon sets here today – 3 days ahead of scheduled time. 2 A

Friday Nov. 18 - Fine. Cut wood - getting poles in our friends hauling sleighs. Got toes a little frosted. One woman run away with a Dr. Dinsmore - Mrs. Dowling by name. 8 B

Saturday Nov. 19 - Fine. Clear. River is nearly froze over. Kern went to see about stove near lake. One man got the scurvy - is in bad shape. Work today. 22 B

Sunday Nov. 20 - Fine. Went to Rapids. Had dinner at Hank's. Geo. Bought dog called Toby from the Wyoming boys. 30 B

Monday Nov. 21 - Fine. Had a meetiiing to elect recorder for our claims on Tonsina. Mr. Daniel Kain elected unanimously. 31 B

Tuesday Nov. 22 - Fine. Went to Grayling Creek. River is frozen over from lake to a mile from camp. Reported that it was 40 below zero last night.

Wednesday Nov. 23 - Fine. Started to sleigh on Klutina River. But ice is over flooded and had to turn back. Followed a moose trail - no moose. 33B

Thursday Nov. 24 - Snow. Zero. Banked up cabin. Kidneys are a little out of sorts. Thanksgiving Day. No game. Prize fight in town tonight. Weather moderated a great deal. Prize 100 lbs. flour at contest.

Friday Nov. 25 - Fine. 5 above. Cleared a space to prevent fire from burning cabin in our absence. Went to Rapids. River is running over.

Saturday Nov. 26 - Cloudy and clear. 5 above. Made a 2 trips to clay bank. Ice on river was pretty fair.

Sunday Nov. 27 - Fair. 20 below. Went to Rapids. Got some tobacco. Had dinner.

Monday Nov. 28 - Fine. 25 below. Made a trip to Bull Rapids. Expect to leave cabin tomorrow. Had to stop on account of overflows.

Tuesday Nov. 29 - 20 below. Left cabin. Got within a mile of Moose camp. Put up tent. River is still overflown.

Wednesday Nov. 30 - Fine. 25 below. Went to investigate great northern trail to Tazlina River - it seems feasible. River is still bad.

Thursday Dec. 1 - Fine. 20 below. Moved goods to Moose camp. Will start to pack on the morrow. Slept in deserted cabin - a good refrigerator. Had a boarder. Medley

Friday Dec. 2 - Fine. Packed nearly all goods up to top of Moose camp - about 800 foot incline. Will move tomorrow to Moses Rock.

Saturday Dec. 3 - Fine. Got all goods to Moses Rock and expect to start for Tazlina River in morning. Camped here.

Sunday Dec. 4 - Fine. Made one trip to Tazlina River - 9 1/2 miles. Came home in dark - hard traveling.

Monday Dec. 5 - Fine. High winds. Zero. Made a trip to Tazlina River. To move in to Looker's cabin tomorrow, weather permitting. Saw Spirit Mountain, a live volcano, smoking for the first time.

Tuesday Dec. 6 - Snow and rain. Broke trail from Klutena River to Looker's Cabin 1/2 mile north of Tazlina river on Copper river. Snow is about 1 foot deep. Had a tough time getting here. Left Stickwan's domain.

Wednesday Dec. 7 - Fine. Zero. Went to Tazlina for one load to cabin and dried out our clothes which are wet from the previous days outing. Saw Indian shack with bathroom attachment - a unique construction. Are now in Wanaglia (?) domain - the grounds of the massacre of early days.

Thursday Dec. 8 - Fine. 10 below. Got all goods from the south side of Tazlina river to cabin.

Friday Dec. 9 - Fine. Kern and Geo. made a load up Copper river about 3 miles. Across Copper river from camp lies Liebigstag's domain.

Saturday Dec. 10 - Snow and fair. Got all goods 3 miles up from Tazlina river. Had to stop on Copper river. Pitched tent. Had fritters for dinner made by Kern out of citric acid.

Sunday Dec. 11 - Snow. Zero. Made a load about?? from camp. Had to stop on account of overflows.

Monday Dec. 12 - Fair. 10 above. Went to Copper Center to see about mail. People claim glacier is impassable. Bought tobacco - 125 per lb. Stopped with Jas. Hamilton. Ice gorge on Copper river is a grand sight - 15 ft. high in some places.

Tuesday Dec. 13 - Fine. 10above. Came home again. Expect to leave here tomorrow if ice is good.

Wednesday Dec. 14 - Fair. 15 above. Got all goods up Copper river about 4 or 5 miles. Camped on an island.

Thursday Dec. 15 - Fair. 15 above. Had Siwash Charley for guest. Quite a character. Speaks fair English. Made a load up about 1 1/2 miles.

Friday Dec. 16 - Fine. 13 above. Got all goods up Copper river about 2 miles from camp. Are by reports 2 miles from Gulkana river. Camped on an island.

Saturday Dec. 17 - Fine. 10 above. Made one trip about 5 or 6 miles up Copper river in water, some places pretty deep. Fell in drink nearly to waist.

Sunday Dec. 18 - Fine. 6 above. Broke camp and got about 1 mile. Had to camp in wash out in clay bank. Water is deep in all overflows.

Monday Dec. 19 - Fine. 8 above. Got about 7 or 8 miles from wash out. Are now 3 miles from Gakona River.

Tuesday Dec. 20 - Fine. 10 Below. Went to Gulkana river for balance of goods and took same to 3 miles north of Gakona river.

Wednesday Dec. 21 - Fine. Snow. 2 above. Got camp up 3 miles north of Gakona River. Indians are becoming numerous in this section. Some are here from 40 Mile and Tanana rivers. Got hurt today being thrown from wagon.

Thursday Dec. 22 - Snow and winds. 10 above. Made one trip about 3 miles north of Sanford river. Shortest day - daylight at 8AM and dark at 3PM.

Friday Dec. 23 - Fine. 22 below. Made one trip and got all goods up 3 miles north of Sanford river. It moderates today from zero to 22 below and back again to zero.

Saturday Dec. 24 - Fine. Zero. Got all goods up 6 miles above Sanford river and expect to start back to Klutena River on the morrow, weather permitting - 65 distance. Christmas eve reports that Indians are looting caches up Copper river.

Sunday Dec. 25 - High winds and fair. 20 above. Left George Karstens 6 miles north of Sanford river and started back to Amy's Rapids 75 miles distant. Made 10 miles first day, it being Christmas. Passed Siwash burying grounds. siwash stole our towel and soap.

Monday Dec. 26 - Fine. Left 3 miles north of Gakona and got about 3 miles north of Gulkana and broke through ice. Got 2 toes frozen and 4 blisters bottom of feet. Stopped with Jos. Messer of Los Angeles, Cal. And Andrew Cooper of Blakely, Wash. Had a Christmas dinner - out of sight. Had first moose meat. Pain is bad for the time being.

Tuesday Dec. 27 - Fine and slight snow. 5 below. Left Messer's cabin and got to Looker camp for dinner. Covered about 10 miles. Feet are pretty sore, making it difficult for me to travel.

Wednesday Dec. 28 - Fine. 54 below. Left 7 miles above Tazlina river and got to Stanley cabin at Copper Center. It drops to 54 below zero and it is pretty cold - but dry.

Thursday Dec. 29 - Fine. 42 below. Stayed in Copper Center all day and made bargain to sell some provisions. Expect to start back to cabin on Klutena River if weather permits. Saw Dr. Quick and he examined feet and opened same.

Friday Dec. 30 - Fine. 60 below. Started back to cabin and got there at 6 PM. Was 9 hours on way. 45 below zero is all right if there is no wind. Cabin is all shrunk and is pretty cold.

Saturday Dec. 31 - Fine. 30 below. Kern went to Rapids. New Year's Eve. Harrington came over and stopped for supper.

Sunday January 1, 1899 - Fine. 40 below. Dance at Appolla Hall. Went to Rapids and stayed at Hanks for dinner and slept out. Kirk and Beans(?). had supper at Kerns.

Monday January 2 - Came home again. Carley, Mort and Forbes at dinner. Opened toe again.

Tuesday January 3 - 40 below. Kern went to Manhattan Boy's at foot of lake and stayed all night. One of the boys is dead and one not expected to live at Valdez.

Wednesday January 4 - Kern came home. Have got another cabin at Grayling Creek and will move up there soon.

Thursday January 5 - Nothing of note.

Friday January 6 - Went to lake and saw Watson boys. Stayed at Storey's over night.

Saturday January 7 - came home again to cabin. Ganz (?) came to visit - a Cook Inlet pioneer.

Sunday January 8 - Century Club dance. Young of Loyal Party came up to see us.

Monday January 9 - Got ready to move to Grayling Creek.

Tuesday January 10 - High winds. Harry Sogn and Henry of Manhattan Boys came and stopped over night.

Wednesday January 11 - Fine and snow. Jim Stark came down from Rapids and stopped for dinner. Baked and sawed wood. Sawing is getting a few more men up to date.

Thursday January 12 - Fine. Went to Rapids. Stayed with Jim Stark.

Friday January 13 - Fine. Came home again to cabin.

Saturday January 14 - Fine. 20 below. Glasser and companion of Manhattan came up and visited. Sawed some wood. Feet are getting better.

Sunday January 15 - Fine. High winds. 40 below. Century Club dance. Harry Sogn and Henry of New York Boys stopped on their way back from Copper Center. Kern goes to Lake to visit.

Monday January 16 - Fine. 40 below. Chopped some wood. Had a Grand Haven boy for visitor. Kern is still away.

Tuesday January 17 - Fine. Kern comes home.

Wednesday January 18 - Fine. Chas. Peabody came to visit.

Thursday January 19 - Fine. 10 above. Peabody goes home.

Friday January 20 - Fine. 10 above. Made one load to Grayling Creek.

Saturday January 21 - Made one load to Grayling Creek. Had dinner at Hanks.

Sunday January 22 - Made one load to Grayling Creek. Kern made 2 trips.

Monday January 23 - Moved to Ganot (?) Stover's cabin 1 mile south of Grayling Creek.

Tuesday January 24 - Kern goes for last load to old cabin.

Wednesday January 25 - Went visiting all around foot of lake.

Thursday January 26 - Stopped walk. Nothing of note.

Friday January 27 - Had a touch of rheumatism in arm joint.

Saturday January 28 - went to Rapids and saw Storey. He is looking bad.

Sunday January 29 - Nothing of note.

Monday January 30 - Mail in here. First since Oct. 31.

Tuesday January 31 - 10 below. Received mail from mother and Rose. Went to Rapids.

Wednesday February 1 - 10 below. Nothing of note.

Thursday February 2 - Kern made 2 loads up Grayling Creek 2 1/2 miles.

Friday February 3 - Made 2 loads up Grayling Creek to cabins. Expect to leave this place Monday, weather permitting.

Saturday February 4 - Made 2 loads up Grayling Creek. Finish my -- all goods up -- camp outfit. Wrote 2 letters to mother and Rose.

Sunday February 5 - Went to Rapids and religious services from Boy and Beatty about??? Storey has the scurvy.

Monday February 6 - Moved camp 7 miles up Grayling Creek from Klutena. Trail in tough. Breaking through and??

Tuesday February 7 - Snow today making it miserable to work. Made 3 trips to tent 10 miles from Amy's Rapids.

Wednesday February 8 - Fine. Made 2 trips to tent. Trail is good today.

Thursday February 9 - Snow. Made 2 trips finishing goods. Trail is fair. People are begin ??? of start for Sand hill country.

Friday February 10 - Fine. Made 2 trips to point 4 miles further up Grayling Creek.

Saturday February 11 - Made 2 trips up to cache.

Sunday February 12 - Made 2 trips to cache. Finishing gear to Moose Camp on the morrow, weather permitting.

Monday February 13 - Moved camp to Sand hills or Moose Camp, 15 miles from Amy's Rapids and 2 miles ahead of cache. A big wind today.

Tuesday February 14 - Fine. 16 below. Made 3 trips to camp. Brown of Arizona froze his toes a little - fell in creek.

Wednesday February 15 - Fine. 18 below. Made 3 trips to camp. Report is that Bronson froze to death in an attempt to reach Port Valdez by a new route near 3 bench 6 miles from timber. Johnson got in alive and that is all. Finished goods to camp.

Thursday February 16 - Fine. 34 below. Made 2 trips from Sand hills. Weather is getting pretty cool.

Friday February 17 - Snow and high winds. 10 below. Made one trip. Laid up in afternoon.

Saturday February 18 - Snow and blizzard. Laid up all day.

Sunday February 19 - Blizzard still on. 35 below. No work.

Monday February 20 - Fine. 45 below. Made one trip to cache. Feet are beginning to bother me again - are very sensitive to the cold.

Tuesday February 21 - Made one load to cache. Laid up in PM. Johnson passed through here today on way for mail.

Wednesday February 22 - Moved camp 8 miles from Sand hills. The first good day in a week. 18 miles from Amy's Rapids.

Thursday February 23 - Fine. Made 3 trips to camp. Northern lights are showing tonight. Sugar gives out today. Getting down to bed-rock.

Friday February 24 - 20 below. Made 2 trips to camp, finishing goods. Also trip to 2nd lake over divide.

Saturday February 25 - Made 2 trips to 2nd lake.

Sunday February 26 - High winds and pretty cold. Made 2 trips to cache. Finish goods. Will move on the morrow, weather permitting.

Monday February 27 - Moved camp to Manker Creek camp on discovery claim. Had dinner at Jim Manker's. Trail is awful tough. 23 1/2 miles from Amy's Rapids.

Tuesday February 28 - High winds. No work today.

Wednesday March 1 - Fine. Made 2 trips from summit down to camp.

Thursday March 2 - Fine. Made 2 trips to camp - finishing goods to here.

Friday March 3 - (No entry)

Saturday March 4 - Made 2 trips to Tonsina Lake.

Sunday March 5 - Fine. Make 1 trip to lake - finishing goods to same place.

Monday March 6 - Fine. Moved camp across Tonsina Lake and up Quartz Creek to beginning of canyon. 29 miles from Amy's Rapids.

Tuesday March 7 - High winds. Made 3 trips to camp.

Wednesday March 8 - Fine. Made 2 trips to camp - finishing goods. Also one trip up to Bear Creek. 1 hole sunk here 35 feet and no bed-rock yet.

Thursday March 9 - Fine. Made 3 trips up Bear Creek

Friday March 10 - Fine and slight snow. 10 below. Made 2 trips to Bear Creek, finishing goods to this point.

Saturday March 11 - Snow. Moved camp 2 miles beyond Bear Creek. Camped near Miner's Creek. 33 miles from Amy's Rapids.

Sunday March 12 - Fine. Made 4 trips to camp. Reported that Baker and Leonard are dead at Copper Center.

Monday March 13 - Fine. Made one trip to camp. Finished goods and laid in wood for our stay here until goods are near summit.

Tuesday March 14 - High winds. Made one trip 4 miles toward summit.

Wednesday March 15 - High winds. Laid up in AM. Made one trip. Breaking trail every load. Snow beginning to pack.

Thursday March 16 - High winds. Laid up following report that Logan seven froze to death on glacier. (?)

Friday March 17 - Snow and fine. Made 2 trips to cache.

Saturday March 18 - Fine. Made one trip to cache, finishing goods. A second mob starts for the south fork - Sheeney Ike in the lead.

Sunday March 19 - Fine. Moved camp to timber on??? river side. 42 miles from Amy's Rapids.

Monday March 20 - Fine. Went to cache and made 2 trips to summit and made a trip the camp. This hill is awful steep.

Tuesday March 21 - Fine. High winds. Went to cache. Made 2 trips, finishing goods to summit. Also 2nd load to camp.

Wednesday March 22 - Fine. High winds. Went to summit and finished goods to camp. Made one trip to river. This is the steepest hill we have come in contact with.

Thursday March 23 - Fine in valley. Made 2 trips down hill, finishing goods.

Friday March 24 - Fine. Moved camp to valley 1 mile below Boulder Creek. Are still leading the crowd. 47 miles from Amy's Rapids.

Saturday March 25 - Snow. Made 2 trips from cache to camp. Oatmeal gone.

Sunday March 26 - Easter Sunday. Fine. Made 2 trips to camp, finishing goods. Condensed milk gives out today. Hard lines.

Monday March 27 - Fine. Made 2 trips??? from camp. Reported Walker is dead. First man?????

Tuesday March 28 - Fine. Made 2 trips to cache, finishing goods to same.

Wednesday March 29 - Moved camp to s. Fork. 55 miles from A.R.

Thursday March 30 - Fine. Made 2 trips from cache to camp.

Friday March 31 - High winds. Made 2 trips to camp, finishing goods. Trail is getting very soft under the fury of south winds.

Saturday April - Fine and snow. Made 2 trips 5 miles from camp. Wolverine trail mistaken for bear.

Sunday April 2 - Snow. Made 2 trips to cache, finishing goods.

Monday April 3 - Fine and fair. Moved camp to company claim. Will build permanent camp here. Trail going up river. Bill Misel (?) came up to visit.

Tuesday April 4 - Fair. Got all goods to camp. Started to build foundation for tent.

Wednesday April 5 - Fine. First clear day since our arrival in South Fork. Still building on permanent quarters.

Thursday April 6 - Fine. Jack Seaman and Burt McDowell came up to stake company claim.

Friday April 7 - Fine. Still working on summer residence. Got floor nearly done. Snow is going fast.

Saturday April 8 - Snow. Misel and Harrington moved up. Reports Brown is still on the river.

Sunday April 9 - Fine. Got quarters nearly done. Expect to move in on the morrow. Had our first beaver meal. First impression not very favorable.

Monday April 10 - Fine. Moved to permanent camp. ?????? came up to stake claims on gulch.



Tuesday April 11 - Fine. Built cache and put goods in same. ??? built cache near out tent and gave us some more beaver.

Wednesday April 12 - Fine. Tucker made first load here today.

Thursday April 13 - Fine. Brown and Tucker moved up. Started to dig hole on claim. Are trying to reach Rim Rock.

Friday April 14 - Fine. Still digging. Getting lots of colors in loose gravel and wash.

Saturday April 15 - Fine. Jack Hannon and Dan Graney came up and say we are not digging in a very favorable place. Will abandon hole and start in another locality soon. Johnson makes another attempt to reach Valdez via South Fork.

Sunday April 16 - Fine. Kern goes on exploring trip to gravel pit on summit.

Monday April 17 - Fine. Started to dig second hole and gave it up – too many boulders in the way.

Tuesday April 18 - Fine. John Sweeny deputized recorder arrives and stops with us.

Wednesday April 19 - Fine. Miner's meeting overthrew attempt to form a new district by the Boodlers. Chas. Swanson arrives.

Thursday April 20 - Fine. Restaked my claim. Reported that Boodlers are very sore indeed against old district.

Friday April 21 - Snow and rain. Snow is going fast. Kern falls in drink on snow shoes. Kid Drace moves up to enlarge town.

Saturday April 22 - Rain. Snow is awful soft. One cannot snow shoe. Canyon from here up is all open. Travelling is impossible.

Sunday April 23 - Snow and fine. Baked. Harrington moved to his quarters.

Monday April 24 - Fine. Kern starts to dig a hole on Branch Creek on Co. claim.

Tuesday April 25 - Fine. Started to dig and water drove us out. "Made a good well."

Wednesday April 26 - Fine. Sweeney attempts to go home at 3:30 AM. Came back sick. Could not travel at all.

Thursday April 27 - Snow and cloudy. Nothing of note.

Friday April 28 - Fine and snow. Sweeney is here yet and is not feeling good.

Saturday April 29 - Fine. Dan Graney came up with last month's mail. Chas. Johnson got in with late mail. Received letters from Mamie, Rose, Mother and J.J. Kinsella. Johnson is the first man to get here via the south fork - reports that the geographical survey is in. Sweeney gets away.

Sunday April 30 - Fine. Nothing of note.

Monday May 1 - Fine. Started to whip saw for sluices. Wrote --

Tuesday May 2 - (no entry)

Wednesday May 3 - Fine. Sawed one tree yesterday getting? boards and sawed another today getting? boards. Will saw one more and then build sluices. Sawed 180 running feet in 5 hours.

Thursday May 4 - Fine. Got another tree in position and planked same for bottom boards.

Friday May 5 - Snow all day. No work - too wet.

Saturday May 6 - Snow. Sawed 78 feet lumber from all logs. Will try and build sluices first of week. Sawed the above in 3 hours. Heavy snow in PM.

Sunday May 7 - Snow. Started to snow in AM, continuing all day - is about 12 inches deep and still snowing. Baked B.C.U.

Monday May 8 - Fair. Brought lumber down to camp from saw pit. Started to grade creek for level place for sluice boxes.

Tuesday May 9 - Fine. Snow. Finished dam and grade on creek.

Wednesday May 10 - Fine. Squared lumber - bottom and side boards. Drace goes looking for bear.

Thursday May 11 - Fine. Whipped sawed riffles and braces. Boodler, Moore comes through camp and say Major Rosebrook has the scurvy but is improving at present time.

Friday May 12 - Fine. Kid Drace returns from bear hunt - no bear. Finished sluice boxes. Government scout goes through here today.

Saturday May 13 - Snow and rain. Brought boxes to creek and set them in position. Will have to dam the river and raise water 3 feet to reach boxes.

Sunday May 14 - Fine. Still building dam. Raised it about 1 1/2 feet.

Monday May 15 - Fine. Got water through sluices. A dam hold proposition. Saw bear on mountain and shot twice - no bear.

Tuesday May 16 - Fine. Started to trail. Snow too deep. Dorsey and Owens came up on way to Valdez.

Wednesday May 17 - Fine. Johnson and party came enroute Valdez. Cleaned up sluices - lots of colors. 4 hours sluicing.

Thursday May 18 - Fine. Bill Misel gets back from Valdez. Started to hydraulic bar. Gave us one Irish potato and 4 onions - first in 4 months.

Friday May 19 - Fine. Still at bank. Not much headway.

Saturday May 20 - Fine. 10 men from Valdez stopped at Co. City - Dan Kain, Brown, McClellan, Bates, Hamlin, McCormack, Fitch, Leverose, Amy, and Senders. Brought us some onions and sugar and butter.

Sunday May 21 - Fine. Boys all left at 2 AM. Built bridge across river.

Monday May 22 - Fine. Put sluice boxes in another locality. Will not clean up for a couple of days.

Tuesday May 23 - Rain. Sluicing all day. Handled a great deal of dirt today.

Wednesday May 24 - Rain and cloudy. Cleaned up sluices and have estimated gold at 20? in clean up.

Thursday May 25 - Rain and fine at times. Fixed bridge a little. Did not sluice today.

Friday May 26 - Fine. Started to sluice again. Reached rim rock and did not get a color on same.

Saturday May 27 - Fine. Are getting a great deal of fine colors in sluicing. Leverose goes back to his camp.

Sunday May 28 - Fine. Tried to retort our mercury. No go at all. Mail is here. Got some newspapers.

Monday May 29 - Still sluicing.

Tuesday May 30 - Fine. Bradbury came up with Levil and Herd {?}

Wednesday May 31 - ?lines and Brad went home. Still sluicing.

Thursday June 1 - Fine. Tucker and Finch go on prospecting trip. Still at work. water is giving out at sluices.

Friday June 2 - Snow and fine. Cleaned up today - did not get a great deal. Water also gives out in sluicing boxes.

Saturday June 3 - Fine. Nothing of note.

Sunday June 4 - Fine. Amy and McClellan came up on way to divide.

Monday June 5 - Fine. Went bear hunting and killed one. Had brains and liver for supper - a relishing dish. Bridge goes out today.

Tuesday June 6 - Fine. Had a pot roast of bear meat. Chas. Peobody and 4 men came through enroute to Valdez. Kid Drace kills bear.

Wednesday June 7 - Fine. 15 men goes through camp enroute to Valdez.

Thursday June 8 - Look for eclipse of sun at 3 PM. Bears are getting numerous. One showed up today - making 4 in same place.

Friday June 9 - Fine. Started for Valdez with heavy packs - the hardest trip on record. Cover 16 miles to summit of Lowe River. Made Leverose camp at 8:30 - 15 1/2 hours on way.

Saturday June 10 - Fine. Kern's knee gives out. Reached government camp.

Sunday June 11 - (no entry)

Monday June 12 - Started to see town in AM. Blank. Blank. Got newspapers.  
Excelsior

Tuesday June 13 - Still are seeing town. Got some more newspapers.

Wednesday June 14 - Fine. Still in newspaper business.

Thursday June 15 - Rain. Left Valdez at 3 AM for camp. Got to government camp at 5 PM.

Friday June 16 - Fine. Went to Leverose camp for breakfast. Got to Amy camp for supper. Have two sick men. Took Gorman in tow - a hard time. I met Treadway wandering on trail nearly starved.

Saturday June 17 - Fine. Arrived home at 2PM with 2 cripples. Hogan reported Teikhel City is burned out.

Sunday June 18 - Fine. Rested today. Will start for Valdez tomorrow.

Monday June 19 - Foggy. Left for Valdez and got lost in swamp. Kern wanders off and is lost. Got to Leverose camp at 8:30 over Caribou Canyon.

Tuesday June 20 - Foggy. Left Leverose cabin for Valdez. Kern is still unseen. Got to government camp. Kern shows up at supper time.

Wednesday June 21 - Left government cabin and got to Valdez at 3 and went to Beatty cabin to batch.

Thursday June 22 - Fine. Stayed around town. Town is quiet.

Friday June 23 - Ran. Steamer Newport comes to Valdez. Got our boys ready and departed for Orca.

Saturday June 24 - Fine. Arrived Orca and saw cannery - great sight. Steamers Dora and Geo. ??? arrived. All millionaires.

Sunday June 25 - Fine. Steamer Wildcat (?) arrives with 11,300 salmon - a large catch.

Monday June 26 - Foggy. Still in Orca. Intense monotony until night stag party. Newspapers.

Tuesday June 27 - Fine. Went to Eyak. Saw cannery. Lake Eyak 3 1/2 miles from Orca. Steamer Elder arrives from Valdez. Saw Indian village. Steamer Excelsior arrives and we left Orca. Steamer??? arrives.

Wednesday June 28 - Foggy. Left Orca. Got to Nutchek - an isolated spot. Indian village. Got some newspapers aboard.

Thursday June 29 - Rain at sea. Got to Yakutat. Left for Juneau. Rough time at sea.

Friday June 30 - Foggy. Got to Juneau at PM. Went to hotel. saw the town

Saturday July 1 - Fine. Outfitted all new. Got job on steamer Excelsior Coal party. Cleaned boilers - a dirty job. First impression not very good.

Sunday July 2 - Fine. Worked all day double time. This job is a cooker. One fireman steals a cat - another a dog.

Monday July 3 - Fine. Left Juneau at 5:30 enroute for Sitka, capital of Alaska. Stood watch on boat - 6 on, 6 off.

Tuesday July 4 - Fine. Got to Sitka at 11:30 AM. saw Indian canoe race, a great sight. Pitched a game of baseball against siwash team. Shut them out of safe hits. Newspapers are coming frequent.

Wednesday July 5 - Fine. Turned in all day. Still in Sitka.

Thursday July 6 - Fine. Still in Sitka.

Friday July 7 - Fine. Left Sitka at 11:30 for trip to westward.

Saturday July 8 - Arrived Yakutat Bay at 9:30. Left at 11:30. 222 miles from Sitka.

Sunday July 9 - Fine. Arrived Nutchek at 9:15 AM. Left for Orca at 9:30 AM. Arrived Orca at 1:20.

Monday July 10 - Fine. Left Orca at 3:25 AM for Saldovia. Got there at 4:30 PM.

Tuesday July 11 - Rain. Foggy at sea. Got to Homer and left for Kodiak.

Wednesday July 12 - Left Kodiak for Karluk.

Thursday July 13 - Fine and fair. Got to Karluk and left at 8.

Friday July 14 - Fair. Got to Chignik at 2 AM. Left at 4 AM for Unga Island. Got to Unga Island at 5:45.

Saturday July 15 - Left Unga at 3:45. Got to Sand Point at 5 AM. Put up for fog. Had fracas with sailor.

Sunday July 16 - Fine. Got to Unalaska and went to Dutch Harbor for coal and water.

Monday July 17 - Fine. Left Dutch Harbor for Bristol Bay at 4:20 PM.

Tuesday July 18 - Fair at sea.

Wednesday July 19 - Cloudy. Anchored off Nushkaya Bay in shallow water.

Thursday July 20 - Fine. Left Nushagak a 6:45 for homeward trip. Got sky pilot on board.

Friday July 21 - Fine at sea.

Saturday July 22 - Rough at sea.

Sunday July 23 - Arrived at Sand Point and Unga. Left Unga.

Monday July 24 - Fine at sea.

Tuesday July 25 - Arrived Chignik and got to Karluk and Kodiak.

Wednesday July 26 - Left Kodiak and got to Homer and Saldovia Bay.

Thursday July 27 - Fine. Got to Tyonek and Ladds Landing and left at 2 PM. Got the Ft. Kenai.

Friday July 28 - Fine at sea. Enroute for Orea station.

Saturday July 29 - Fine at Yakutat. Captain upsets canoes in harbor.

Sunday July 30 - Fine left for Juneau.

Monday July 31 - Fine. Arrived Juneau at 10 PM. Fracas???

Tuesday August 1 - Fine at Juneau. Quit job at boat. Union men are becoming dangerous.

Wednesday August 2 - Fine. Sold goods to Teddy Davis on boat. Met Allison of Mich. and left for Seattle, Wash.

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The remainder of the diary tells briefly of several months in the Seattle area doing various odd jobs and periodically seeing Kern, Allison and several of the other argonauts. Entries gradually peter out - last one on November 18, 1899.

Inventory of goods on Nov. 7, 1898

600lbs.-WW flour; 800lbs.-Gold Dust flour; 550lbs.-beans; 150lbs.-corn meal; 75lbs.-coffee; 150lbs.-rice; 50lbs.-split peas; 150lbs.-dried apples; 150lbs.-dried apricots; 100lbs.-salt; 150lbs.-leaf lard; 400lbs.-bacon; 40lbs.-baking powder; 60lbs.-onions; 20lbs.-corn beef; 100lbs.-potatos; 20lbs.-Japan tea; 40cans evaporated milk; 2cans matches; Jeans veg. soup; Jeans ginger; 4 cans mustard; 8lbs.-pepper; 4 bottles vinegar; 2 boxes of candles; 2 boxes of soap.

### Siwash Jargon

man=keek; woman=sikar; child=shankar; dog=sklekay; small salmon=sluckay; large salmon=sukuchay; moose=tenazgy; caribou=kormar; sheep=tebay; goat=sbay; wolf=tekant; wolk=nukleksy; lynx=nooteay; martin=chooga; rabbit=gak; marmot=chiliss; smooth ground=nent; mountains=trollar; wood=chitz; ice=din; lake=bin; water=do; river=na; sun=niar; food=tecchin; house=koonak; sweat house=sayzell; geese=dalkak; today=titagan; tomorrow=minta; I=se; you=nin; a long time=siyoo; a short distance=cutlesta; good=wallay; bad=katahood; large=traykeha; small=tulchone; plenty=kaelan; hot=tebay; tired=tazla; hungry=deshane; to go=hoona; to come=ahiny; to sleep=nastala; how many=dona keelana; Mt. Wrangell=keunchilly; one=sukkai; two=nawaky; three=tagy; four=dinky; five=ahtagunny; six=kistan; seven=konsany; eight=klahinky; nine=gutlakwala; ten=sahzun.

### First Aid Instructions

Laudanum - use external for pains - to relieve.

Tincture of Iodine - for sprains and rheumatism.

Sweet Spirits Nitre - acts on kidneys - dose= 1 teaspoonful.

Vaseline - internally, 1 teaspoonful for cough and sore throat.

Glycerine - internally for cough, 1/2 teaspoonful; externally like oil.

Iodaform - a little on fresh wounds.

Carbolic Acid - 30 drops to a pint of boiled water for washing wounds. To draw boil use cotton and glycerine - keep moist with glycerine. Use hot water applications for injuries of joints - also sprains.

### For Tempering Picks

Heat to a cherry red. Use 1 pint of salt. 1/2 ounce liquid ammonia. 1/2 ounce pd alum. 1/2 ounce Borax. 2 1/2 ounces saltpetre. Mix above in 3 gallons of soft water.

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