Saturday April 25th 1891

2:30 in cave (Sampsons Route 1 trip)

After breakfast this morning Father got the horse ready to Hot Springs. At about 8 o'clock this morning I went out on the the hills in search of stones as usual, at 8:30 P.M. Johnie Rower, Mr Reeves, and two Dead-wood gentlemen came in from the North. I went down to the barn to show them where to put their horses & when we got down to barn we found Father & Mr Gorden of Beaver Valley there. At 9:30 P.M. the few visitors started in the cave & went the Main part of the Sampson's Palace Route

Sunday april 26th 1891

5:00 in cave (2:30 in cave) (Sampson's Palace Route)

At 10:00 a.m. I started in the cave with Underhill & 5 other gentlemen from Hot Springs. We went the Geode Hall Branch & got to the first room this side of Geode Hall. We got out at 3:00 P.M.
I and the cover outfit get out at 2:30 a.m.

Monday april 27th 1891

I went over to J. C. Wests this morning to do some staking of (mineral), we got several stakes put up this forenoon & Elmer came over to help us this afternoon. George Mac Manus was over about noon to see how we was getting along & to hunt up his oxen also. We got a commencement of 9 claims staked & all showing good mineral, we got home after dark