

# BELLE VUE SHEEP FARM POST JOURNALS

## 1861-62

### NEW YEARS DAY

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup>            Blowing fresh from the eastward tho a lovely day bright & clear.--  
Men enjoying a Holy Day.--

Wednesday 2<sup>d</sup>        Calm, cloudy & dull weather.--  
Lewis & Moore getting out rails to repair fencing.-- Angus out visiting sheep stations.--

Thursday 3<sup>d</sup>            Weather as yesterday.--  
Men as usual.--

Friday 4<sup>th</sup>             Weather unchanged.--  
Men as usual.--

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup>           Dull & cloudy day first snow fell, tho showery & very light, fell for about 10 minutes scarcely visible on the ground.--  
Men as usual.--

[*marginal note:*] SNOW

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>            Cold, but fine.--  
All quiet.--

Monday 7<sup>th</sup>            Weather cold & calm.--  
Lewis hauling firewood. Moore rep<sup>g</sup> fencing.--

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup>            Dull & cloudy, thawing fast.--  
Men as yesterday.--

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>        Dull, calm, cloudy day, heavy thaw.--  
Lewis & Moore variously employed.--

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>        Beautiful day fine & calm.--  
Lewis hauling firewood &c.-- Moore cleaning round premises.--

Friday 11<sup>th</sup>            Blowing fresh S:E: cold & showery.--  
Lewis & Moore cleaning out barn yard &c.--

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>        Blew a gale & a fearful showery night.-- To-day cloudy w<sup>h</sup> a strong westerly breeze.--  
Lewis & Moore hauling firewood & cleaning around premises &c.-

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>        Beautiful day calm & clear.--  
All quiet.--

Monday 14<sup>th</sup>        Cloudy w<sup>h</sup> heavy rain all day.-- not much wind.--  
Lewis w<sup>h</sup> Moore hauling stone &c to repair kitchen chimney.--  
Angus out visiting stations.-- Shepherds all w<sup>h</sup> their respective flocks.--

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup>        Beautiful day fine & clear w<sup>h</sup> a fresh westerly breeze.--  
Moore & Lewis cleaning barn yard.--

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>    Blowing a gale south, very chilly & a cloudy dull day.--  
Two men as yesterday.--

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>        Beautiful clear day w<sup>h</sup> a fresh southerly breeze.--  
Lewis & Moore cleaning barn yard.--

Friday 18<sup>th</sup>        A truly beautiful day, calm clear & frosty. ther: 37 this mor<sup>g</sup>  
at 8 am:--  
Men as usual.--

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup>        Weather unchanged.--  
Men as usual.--

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup>        Very cold w<sup>h</sup> a light sprinkling of SNOW.--  
All quiet.--

Monday 21<sup>st</sup>        Beautiful day, calm & clear.--  
Moore & Lewis variously employed.--

Tuesday 22<sup>d</sup>        Cloudy & dull but very cold.-- Another light sprinkle of  
SNOW this mor<sup>g</sup> early.--  
Lewis hauling firewood. Moore cleaning round premises.-- Angus  
driving some sheep out to other camp.--  
Re-engaged Aleck: M<sup>c</sup>Donald.--

Wednesday 23<sup>d</sup>    Dull & cloudy & cold.--  
Lewis hauling firewood.-- Moore & Aleck: variously employed.--  
"Anderson" arrived about 9:30 am:--

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Dull, rainy day w<sup>h</sup> a fresh breeze East.--  
All hands cleaning potatoes & the pit.--

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Fine day, mild w<sup>h</sup> a fresh S:E: breeze.--  
Lewis & Moore rep<sup>g</sup> fencing blown down by the gale last night.--

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day calm & clear.--  
Men variously employed.--

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Fine day, wind light from West.--  
All quiet.--

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Wind fresh from S:E:- cloudy w<sup>h</sup> drizzling rain.--  
Moore sick. Lewis making a road to haul out cedar rails. Aleck:  
variously employed.--

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day calm, warm & clear.--  
Moore sick.-- Lewis cleaning barn yard.--

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> Cloudy & dull.-- light S: air.--  
Men as yesterday.--  
I left --? --? & other camp.--

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> Wind chilly, light S:W:--

## FEBRUARY

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Weather dull & cloudy wind fresh S:E:--  
Returned from R: M: Camp this afternoon.-- Found Moore &  
Angus a little better.-- Lewis & Aleck:- cleaning out barn yard.--

Saturday 2<sup>d</sup> Beautiful day wind fresh South.--  
Left for Victoria.--

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> Cloudy & dull little or no wind.--  
Returned from Victoria in "Eliza Anderson" about 1 p:m:- found all  
well.--

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Blowing fresh S:E:- very chilly & cloudy. heavy rain during  
the night.--  
Lewis & Moore repairing fencing round meadow. Aleck: looking  
for a cow that has just calved.-- Angus still very unwell.--

- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day calm & clear.--  
My men much as yesterday.--
- Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> Cloudy w<sup>h</sup> every appearance rain all day.-- wind blowing  
fresh from S:E:- it blew a terrific gale during the night.--  
Mens employments as usual.--
- Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day clear & fine w<sup>h</sup> a fresh southerly breeze.--  
Schooner "Aurelia"<sup>1</sup> came in last eve<sup>s</sup> late from Vic:- w<sup>h</sup> prov<sup>s</sup> &c.  
for me-- All hands have been since daylight discharging her-- 10:30 a:m:.-  
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- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Cloudy w<sup>h</sup> a fresh southerly breeze.--  
Moore & Lewis at fencing.-- Aleck: attending cattle &c.-- Angus  
out visiting stations.-- Shepherds all w<sup>h</sup> their flocks.--
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Blowing fresh S:E:- cloudy & chilly.--  
Men finished carting down & loading "Carolina" w<sup>h</sup> wool about  
8:30 a:m:-- All safe-- Afternoon men as yesterday.--
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Weather much as yesterday.--  
Men /two/ at fencing.--  
"Eliza Anderson" arrived from Vic: about 11 a:m:
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day fine & clear.--  
Men at fencing.--
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day fine, calm warm & clear.--  
"Little Man" has run away. I am compelled to have Moore for the  
present in my kitchen.<sup>2</sup>-- Lewis cleaning both barn yards.-- Aleck  
attending to cattle.-- Angus out at sheep stations.--
- Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> Dull cloudy day.--  
Men as usual.--
- Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Weather much as yesterday.-- A light breeze from West.--
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Fine day rather chilly.-- Wind southerly.--

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<sup>1</sup> Schooner *Aurelia* has not been identified.

<sup>2</sup> Apparently there was a servant regularly assigned to kitchen duty; after Little Man's exit, Moore took over the position.

Lewis cleaning barn yards.-- Aleck: attending to cattle.-- Moore in my kitchen.-- Angus visiting stations. Shepherds all w<sup>h</sup> their flocks.--

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day calm & clear.--  
Lewis & Moore at fence[?] in big field the others as usual.--

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Cold raw day w<sup>h</sup> a little sprinkling of snow. Wind N:W:  
light.--  
Men as usual.--  
"Eliza Anderson" touched here en passant about 10 a.m.--

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> Beautiful day wind light N:W:  
Men all as usual.--

Friday 22<sup>d</sup> Blowing very fresh from S:E:- tremendous sea.-- cloudy &  
cold.--  
Lewis & Moore at fencing.-- Angus I sent out w<sup>h</sup> 62 culled  
gimmers to Royal Marine Camp.--

Saturday 23<sup>d</sup> Weather unchanged, very raw.--  
Men as yesterday. Angus serv<sup>g</sup> rations.--

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Wind continues to blow strong from S:E:-- chilly & cloudy.-  
All quiet.--

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Weather unchanged from yesterday.--  
Lewis & Moore rep<sup>g</sup> fencing & digging in the garden. Aleck:-  
attending cattle &c.-- Angus at sheep stations.--

[*in different hand*]<sup>3</sup>

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> Mr C. J. Griffin started for Victoria  
Wind from S:E: - E<sup>s</sup> & warm. Weather very good.

[*resume Griffin's hand*]

Saturday

## MARCH

Saturday 2<sup>d</sup> Beautiful day w<sup>h</sup> a light S:W: wind.--

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<sup>3</sup> The manuscript of the *Post Journal* is in a different hand for this entry. There is no text until Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> of July, when Griffin returned and resumed writing the entries.

I returned from Victoria about 6 p:m:- in the Schooner "Carolina" --  
found all well.--

Sunday 3<sup>d</sup>           Calm, clear beautiful day.--  
All quiet.--

Monday 4<sup>th</sup>           Weather much as yesterday.--  
Lewis & Aleck:- commenced ploughg in big field.-- Moore working  
in garden. Angus visiting stations &c.-- Shepherds all w<sup>h</sup> their flocks.--

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>           Weather unchanged.--  
Men as yesterday.--

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>       Blowing fresh from West.--  
Men all as usual.--  
R:C: "Jeff: Davis" came into Harbor last eveg w<sup>h</sup> Judge Fitzhugh<sup>4</sup>  
from Port Townsend.-

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>         Dull & cloudy w<sup>h</sup> occasional rain, wind fresh from S:E:--  
Men as usual.--

Friday 8<sup>th</sup>           Weather unchanged.--  
Men as usual.--

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>         Fine day, calm.--  
Men as usual, ploughing.-- Moore in garden. Angus serving  
rations & carrying out to shepherds.--

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>         Forenoon fine afternoon showery & blowing a gale -- one  
time from N:W:, then round to S:E: & finally due West. -- it  
blew terrificly[sic].--  
Rev: Cutter "Jeff Davis" left for Port Townsend.--

Monday 11<sup>th</sup>         Lovely day fine & warm w<sup>h</sup> a light westerly air.--  
Aleck: & Lewis ploughing in big field.-- Moore working in garden.  
Angus out at the stations.-- Shepherds all w<sup>h</sup> their flocks.--

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>        Beautiful day warm & clear.--  
All the men as yesterday.--

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<sup>4</sup> Whatcom County Judge Edmund Fitzhugh was one of the Sheriff Barnes' party who raided the Company's sheep in 1855; he was also manager of the Bellingham Bay Coal Company.

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Dull cloudy but calm.--  
Men as usual.-- Powell left for Victoria.-- "Eliza Anderson"  
arrived about 11:30 a.m.--

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Fine w<sup>h</sup> a fresh westerly breeze.--  
Men as usual.--  
Left for English Camp.--

~~Saturday~~ Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day fine & clear.--  
Returned from English Camp.--

~~Sunday~~ Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day calm & warm.--  
All quiet.--

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> As yesterday.--

[begin different hand]<sup>5</sup>

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day clear & warm.--  
All quiet.--

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Eliza Anderson arrived from Bellingham bay & Tom the  
shepherd left for Little Mountain station with[?] all[?] --? & All  
quiet M<sup>E</sup>[?] Moore[?]  
[resume Griffin's hand]

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Dull & cloudy w<sup>h</sup> a fresh westerly breeze.--  
Angus, Aleck: & Lewis ploughing in field below my garden.--  
Moore sick.--

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> Beautiful day fine & clear.--  
Men as usual.--

Friday 22<sup>d</sup> Cloudy w<sup>h</sup> a fresh westerly breeze.  
All hands as yesterday.--

Saturday 23<sup>d</sup> Calm & cloudy w<sup>h</sup> heavy **SNOW** since daylight.--  
Men finished ploughing in potatoe field.--

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day light sunshine[?] calm, warm & clear. Snow  
nearly all gone.--

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<sup>5</sup> The manuscript of the *Post Journal* is in a different hand for this and the next day. After resuming to Griffin's hand, it continues until July 14<sup>th</sup>, when it changes again, possibly to the same hand as this (see footnote 9).

Monday 25<sup>th</sup>            Weather as yesterday.--  
                         All hands ploughing except Angus delivering sheep to Marines.--  
                         Moore creeping about.--

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>            Weather continues beautifully fine warm & clear.--  
                         Lewis sowing oats in big field. Aleck:- Loma & "Little Man"  
                         harrowing.-- Angus out stations

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>        Weather unchanged.--  
                         Men as yesterday.--  
                         "Eliza Anderson" arrived from Victoria forenoon.--

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>            Weather unchanged.--  
                         Men -- Lewis sowing, Aleck: harrowing.-- as usual.--

Friday 29<sup>th</sup>             Cloudy & dull w<sup>h</sup> a fresh S:E: wind.--  
                         Lewis on account of the wind unable to sow, he is repairing a cart.  
                         Aleck:- hauling firewood & cleaning barn yards.--

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>            Fine w<sup>h</sup> a fresh S:E: breeze.--  
                         Men as yesterday.--

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup>             Blowing a fresh gale S:E:--  
                         All quiet.--

#### APRIL

Monday 1<sup>st</sup>             Beautiful day warm, calm & clear.--  
                         Lewis & Aleck: sowing & harrowing.-- Angus looking for a  
                         missing cow.-- Moore in the garden.--

Tuesday 2<sup>d</sup>             Blowing a S:E: gale cold, dull & cloudy.--  
                         Aleck: hauling bark & cleaning barn yard w<sup>h</sup> Lewis.-- Moore in  
                         garden.-- "Eliza Anderson" came in from Bellg<sup>hm</sup> Bay about 4 p:m:--

Wednesday 3<sup>d</sup>         Beautiful day calm, warm & clear.--  
                         Men sowing & harrowing.--

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>            Weather as yesterday.--  
                         Aleck: rolling big field. Lewis sowing [*insert oats*] & harrowing in  
                         field below my garden.-- Moore as usual.--



Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day calm & clear.--  
Men as yesterday.--

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> Changeable w<sup>h</sup> heavy showers of rain.--  
Men as usual.--

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> Blowing fresh from S:E:- clear.--  
All quiet.--

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Blowing fresh S:W: heavy rain during the night, to-day  
cloudy & showery.--  
Lewis hauling firewood & rep<sup>s</sup> wheel barrow. Moore in the  
garden.-- Aleck:- hunting up cows & the other cattle.-- Angus out visiting  
the flocks.--

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> A beautiful day calm & clear.--  
Lewis sowing oats & harrowing. Aleck:- rolling big field.-- Moore  
in the garden.-- Angus out at Jn: Bulls.--

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> Weather unchanged.--  
All hands sowing potatoes /15 bus:-/ finished this eve<sup>g</sup>--  
"Eliza Anderson" arrived from Victoria.--

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Weather unchanged.--  
~~Men~~ Lewis rolling home field. Aleck: hunting up all his cows. I  
have ordered him to begin milking again.-- Moore in garden.-- Angus  
out at stations.--

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Dull & cloudy w<sup>h</sup> drizzling rain.  
Lewis rep<sup>s</sup> sheds, gates &c.-- Aleck:- cleaning out barn yard. The  
others as usual.--

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day calm & clear.--  
Men all as yesterday.-- Angus serving rations to shepherds &c.--

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Weather unchanged.--  
Men as yesterday.--

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day, warm & calm.--  
Lewis cleaning out barn yard. Aleck: hunting up cows. Moore in  
garden. Angus out at stations.--

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>      Weather very warm & calm.--  
                      Men as yesterday.--

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>    Warm, calm & clear.--  
                      Men as usual.--

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>      Beautiful weather, warm, calm & clear little or no wind.--  
                      Men variously employed.--

Friday 19<sup>th</sup>        Fine clear day w<sup>h</sup> a fresh westerly breeze.--  
                      Lewis making fences higher.-- Aleck:- out trying to find a young  
                      steer.-- Moore in garden.--

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>      Blowing fresh S:W:- chilly & overcast.--  
                      Killed a young steer for present rat<sup>n</sup> & for salting.--

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>        Weather cloudy & chilly.--

Monday 22<sup>d</sup>        Weather un[?] changeable.--  
                      Lewis repairing fencing &c.-- Aleck:- attending to cattle.-- Angus  
                      & shepherds as usual.--

Tuesday 23<sup>d</sup>        Cloudy & dull w<sup>h</sup> a chilly S:W: wind.--  
                      Men as yesterday.--  
                      U:S:S: "Massachusetts" arrived this mor<sup>g</sup> early.--

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>    Blowing a gale from West & S:W:- all last night & to-day.--  
                      Cloudy & cold.--  
                      Lewis repairing cart & fencing &c.-- Aleck:- attending cattle &  
                      assisting Lewis.-- Moore cleaning potatoes in cellars.-- Angus out at  
                      station & shipping sheep sold to Capt: Henniss[?]<sup>6</sup>--  
                      "Eliza Anderson" arrived from Victoria this afternoon.--

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>      Still continues blowing fresh from West.-- Cloudy & very  
                      chilly.--  
                      Mens employments unchanged.--

Friday 26<sup>th</sup>        Wind still continues strong S:E:-- Cloudy & dull.--  
                      Lewis & Moore variously employed. Aleck:- attending his cattle.--  
                      Angus out at stations.--

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<sup>6</sup> Captain Henniss has not been identified.

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> Wind round to S:W: & blowing very hard.--  
U:S:S: "Massachusetts" left yesterday for "Semiamoo" &c.--

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day.--  
All quiet.--

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Fine day light southerly air.--  
Aleck:- carting firewood, milking & attending to cows & calves.--  
Moore in garden & variously employed.-- Lewis discharged to-day.--  
Angus out at New Station castrating lambs.--

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day, wind light West[?].--  
Angus & Aleck:- parking out[?] the horses, cattle &c.-- they have  
been so scattered all winter that I wish to have an inventory taken.--

## MAY

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> Fine, warm, clear day, light N:West air.--  
Moore & Aleck: as usual.--  
Angus left for Victoria.--

Thursday 2<sup>d</sup> Beautiful day warm & calm.--  
Moore in the garden. Aleck: variously employed.--

Friday 3<sup>d</sup> Wind fresh from West w<sup>h</sup> heavy rain.--  
Moore & Aleck:- cleaning potatoes in pit.--

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> Weather much as yesterday.--

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day calm & clear.--  
All quiet.--

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Fine day w<sup>h</sup> a light westerly air.--  
Moore working in garden. Aleck:- at various jobs round barn,  
cattle &c.-- Shepherds all w<sup>h</sup> their respective flocks.--

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> Early this mor<sup>g</sup> very heavy rain but the day turned out fine  
& clear.--  
Angus returned from Victoria yesterday, he is out visiting the  
flocks.-- Aleck:- variously employed. Moore in garden.--

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day calm[?].--

Angus & Aleck: I sent out w<sup>h</sup> all our mares[?] about here to some quiet place in the interior of the Island.-- the government /U:S:/ mules[?] have killed two of our young foals[?].<sup>7</sup>--

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day, warm & calm.--  
Men usefully employed.--

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> Weather as yesterday.--  
Men as usual.--

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> Very warm & calm.--  
Aleck:- hauling firewood &c.-- Moore cleaning around Estblmt &c.--  
Paid "Jno. Bulls" wages up to date, one year & one month -- £12<sup>78</sup>.--

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Weather unchanged.--  
All quiet.--

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> Very warm & perfectly calm.--  
Angus out at sheep wash rep<sup>g</sup> parks, dams washing place &c.--  
Aleck:- & Moore usefully employed.-- Shepherds all w<sup>h</sup> their flocks.--

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Weather very warm & calm.--  
Men all as yesterday.--  
U:S:S: "Massachusetts" arrived late last eve<sup>g</sup> from somewhere up the Sound, & left again this mor<sup>g</sup> for Bellingham Bay.--  
"Eliza Anderson" arrived about 5 p:m:--

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> Weather warm & calm.--  
Men as on Monday.--  
U:S:S: "Massachusetts" anchored in Bay about 9 p:m:- from Bellingham Bay.--

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> Weather unchanged.--  
Aleck:- & Moore cross ploughing the turnip field.--

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Cloudy & dull, calm.--  
Two men as yesterday. Angus driving 44 sheep out to Marine Camp.--

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<sup>7</sup> Although this passage is difficult to decipher, it is clear that US Army livestock were intruding on former Belle Vue Sheep Farm pasturage and impacting the livestock.

Mr Cooper came in last eveg--

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day warm calm & clear.--  
Men as usual.--

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Weather as yesterday.--  
All quiet.--

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day calm & warm.--  
Angus sowing turnips. Aleck:- rolling d<sup>o</sup>.-- Moore in garden.--

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> Weather unchanged.--  
Men as yesterday.--

Wednesday 22<sup>d</sup> Weather unchanged .--  
All hands out washing wethers.

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Heavy thunder storm last night w<sup>h</sup> lightning, occasionally, &  
rain.-- To-day cloudy & dull.--  
Angus w<sup>h</sup> John Bull & Nahourie[?] commenced shearing rams &  
wethers.-- Aleck:- hauling firewood & harrowing, drilling in carrot patch  
behind the Mens Houses.-- Moore in garden.--

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Blowing fresh from S:E: -- fine.--  
Shepherds finished rams & wethers.-- The other men usefully  
employed.--

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> Dull day w<sup>h</sup> a light rain Westerly air.--  
Angus tying up wool &c.--

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> Weather dull & calm.--  
Men variously employed.--  
U:S:S: "Massachusetts" left for Steilacoom this morn<sup>g</sup>.--

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> Beautiful day, fine warm & clear.--  
All hands washing sheep.--

## JUNE

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> Oppressively warm day, calm.--  
Men, two, usefully employed.--

Sunday 2<sup>d</sup> Not quite so warm as yesterday, fine calm & clear.--

Monday 3<sup>d</sup> Weather as yesterday.--  
 Angus & John Bull shearing.-- Aleck:- attending cattle, cleaning  
 barn yard &c.-- Moore in the garden.--

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Rain during the night, to-day cool & cloudy.--  
 Men as usual.--

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> Light rain wind gentle from West.--  
 Shepherds shearing &c.--  
 Mess<sup>rs</sup> Hepburn & Fox<sup>8</sup> arrived late last eve<sup>g</sup> from Victoria, left to  
 day for "Smith Isl<sup>d</sup>".--

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Blowing fresh S:E: cloudy dull & chilly day.--  
 Shepherds tying up wool.-- Others as usual.--

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Warm calm & clear.--  
 All hands washing sheep.--

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> Very warm & calm.--

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Weather as yesterday.--

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Fine, warm & calm.--  
 Shepherds shearing Toms[?] flock. Aleck:- & Moore usefully  
 employed.-

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Weather warm w<sup>h</sup> a light northerly air.--  
 Mens employments as yesterday.--

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Oppressively warm & calm.--  
 "Eliza Anderson" arrived between 12 & 1 p:m:- last night -- M<sup>r</sup>  
 Hepburn returned in her.--

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Weather much as yesterday.--  
 Men as usual.--  
 Rev: Cut: "Jeff: Davis" left the Bay for Port Townsend.--

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Warm calm & no wind.--  
 All hands washing sheep.--

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<sup>8</sup> These men--Hepburn and Fox— have not been identified.

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>      Weather unchanged.--  
Aleck: carting firewood &c.-- Moore weeding.--  
Powell left this morn<sup>g</sup>[?] for Victoria.--

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>      Warm calm & clear.--  
All quiet.--

Monday 17<sup>th</sup>      Heavy rain in morn<sup>g</sup> but the day turned out fine.--  
Shepherds com<sup>d</sup> shearing John Bulls flock. Moore in garden.  
Aleck: looking after some cattle.--

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>      Fine clear day wind fresh S:W:--  
Men as yesterday.--

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>    Very warm no wind.--  
Shepherds shearing John Bulls flock.-- Aleck & Moore w<sup>h</sup> 2 Ind<sup>s</sup>  
weeding turnips small field beyond my big one.--

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>      Weather as yesterday.--  
Mens employments unchanged.--

Friday 21<sup>st</sup>      Heavy rain during the night & this morn<sup>g</sup>-- day dull &  
cloudy.--  
Men as usual.-- Shepherds finished shearing.--

Saturday 22<sup>d</sup>      Nice cool day -- light showers of rain early this morn<sup>g</sup>.  
Men as usual.--

Sunday 23<sup>d</sup>      Weather unchanged.--  
All quiet.--

Monday 24<sup>th</sup>      Beautiful day, wind light S:E:--  
Angus started to the Marine Camp w<sup>h</sup> 40 wethers.-- Shepherds all  
w<sup>h</sup> their flocks.-- Aleck: & Moore weeding turnips & carrots.--

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>      Very warm & calm.--  
Aleck: & Moore weeding.--  
Powell left for Victoria.--

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>    Very warm & calm.--  
Men as yesterday.--

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> Warm & calm.--  
Men as usual.-- Powell ret.[?].

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Blowing fresh S:E:--  
Men weeding.--

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Cloudy & dull.--  
Men as usual.--

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> Fine & warm little or no wind.--  
All quiet.--

## JULY

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Warm & calm.--  
Moore, Aleck: & Nahourie weeding & hoeing potatoes, the latter is here temporarily until the lambs are weaned. Angus visiting stations &c.-  
- Shepherds all w<sup>h</sup> their flocks.--  
Powell left for Victoria.--

Tuesday 2<sup>d</sup> Warm & calm.--  
Men as yesterday.--

Wednesday 3<sup>d</sup> Warm & calm.--  
Men as on Monday.--  
Powell ret<sup>d</sup> from Victoria.--

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Dull & cloudy.--  
Gave the men a Holy day.--

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Wind fresh S:E:- cloudy.--  
Men weeding & hoeing potatoes.--

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> Calm, warm & clear.--  
Men as yesterday.--

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> Beautiful day, calm.--  
All quiet.--

[*in margins*: Monday 8<sup>th</sup>] All hands at the potatoes.--  
Electioneering among the settlers for officer in the County &c.--



Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>            Oppressively hot, not a breath of air.--  
Men at the potatoes.--

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>      Weather very warm.--  
Men as yesterday.--  
"Eliza Anderson" arrived about 9 a.m.--

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>        Weather warm & clear.--  
Men weeding turnips.--

Friday 12<sup>th</sup>            Weather unchanged.--  
Men weeding turnips.--

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>        Left at 9 a.m: for Victoria.--

*[The rest of the journal entries are in another hand.]*<sup>9</sup>

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>            Warm & clear -- All quiet.

Monday 15<sup>th</sup>            Weather unchanged.--  
Men weeding and thinning turnips.

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>         Pleasant breeze.  
Men engaged cleaning barn yard &c.  
Returned from Victoria per "Massachusetts".

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>      Warm and clear. Men variously employed.

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>        Very warm. Men employed repairing fence for shipping  
sheep at the Old Fishery Park.

Friday 19<sup>th</sup>            Weather unchanged. Alec and Moore weeding and thinning  
turnips behind Mens' houses.

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>         Warm and cloudy. Angus serving out rations. Alec and  
Moore at the turnips.

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>            Weather very warm. Went out to the English Camp. All  
quiet.

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<sup>9</sup> At this point, the manuscript is in another hand. The identity of the author remains a mystery; whoever it was took on the 'voice' (i.e., first person narrative) of Griffin.

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Light variable airs with a slight shower of rain. Angus assisted by John Bull and "Tom" weaning lambs. Alec and Moore at the turnips.

Returned from the English Camp.

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Weather unchanged. "Eliza Anderson" arrived about 10 a.m. having on board a Company of U.S. Troops under command of Cap<sup>t</sup>. English, for the relief of Pickett's Company here, ordered to Steilacoom.<sup>10</sup> She left again for Victoria at 3 p.m. Angus weaning lambs. Alec and Moore finished turnips.

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> Fine weather. Alec and Moore weeding main walk in garden. "Eliza Anderson" arrived about 10 p.m. and left again soon after. Cap<sup>t</sup> Pickett's Company embarked on board U.S.S. "Massachusetts" at 8 p.m.

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Weather unchanged. Men as yesterday.

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Wind N. W. light air. Angus out visiting shepherds. Alec and Moore weeding walk below garden.

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> Fresh N.W. breeze. Angus serving out rations. Alec and Moore as yesterday.

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Warm and clear. All quiet.

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Fresh breeze S.E. Angus & John Bull with sheep. Alec and Moore in garden.

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> Wind N.W. Men as yesterday.

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> Fine weather. "Eliza Anderson" arrived about 10 a.m. Dr Tolmie came in her and left again for Port Townsend.

## AUGUST

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> Calm and clear. Angus visiting shepherds. Alec. and Moore variously employed.

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<sup>10</sup> Captain Tom English of Company H, Ninth Infantry, with two officers and 49 men, relieved Pickett at American Camp; the latter went on to join the Confederacy.

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>                      Weather unchanged. Men as yesterday.  
Powell left for Victoria at 8 a.m.

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup>                    Light wind N.W.  
Angus serving out rations. Moore in garden. Powell returned from  
Victoria.

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>                      Fine weather. All quiet.

Monday 5<sup>th</sup>                      Thunder storm last night. Heavy rain: To-day showery.  
Moore in garden. Alec. looking after sheep on home prairie.

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>                    Fine weather. Angus out visiting shepherds. Moore in  
garden. Alec. with his sheep.

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>                U.S.S. "Massachusetts" arrived here about 7 a.m. "Eliza  
Anderson" en route for ports in the Sound at 9 a.m. Powell left for  
Victoria. Men as yesterday.

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>                    Very warm. Men variously employed.

Friday 9<sup>th</sup>                      Light N.W. air. Angus out visiting shepherds.

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup>                 Wind S.E. Mr. Powell arrived from Victoria. Alec. with his  
sheep. Angus serving out rations.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>                    Fine day. All quiet.

Monday 12<sup>th</sup>                    "Otter" arrived about 10 a.m. She took 500 sheep away to  
Victoria. Dr. Tolmie on board.

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>                    Angus out visiting shepherds. Alec. with his flock. Moore  
attending to horses &c. C[?]. McKay & Co<sup>11</sup> comm<sup>d</sup> harvest.

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>                Alec. hauling firewood. Angus out at stations. Moore  
variously employed.

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>                 Fresh breeze from S.W. Mens' occupations unchanged.

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<sup>11</sup> It is not clear to whom this McKay 'and Company' is referring. John Hunter McKay, an American, appears in the late 1850s and early 1860 documents as a farmer on the island.

Friday 16<sup>th</sup>                    Fine weather. Angus visiting shepherds. Alec. looking after sheep.

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>                Angus serving out rations. Alec. and Moore usefully employed. Mr. Sparshott R.M.L.I.<sup>12</sup> arrived from Victoria.

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>                 Very warm. All quiet.

Monday 19<sup>th</sup>                Very hot. Moore in garden. Alec. variously employed. Left in the evening for the R.M. Camp.

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>               Still very hot. Angus killing for rations (half). Alec. hauling firewood. Moore in garden. Returned from R.M. Camp.

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>            Weather unchanged. Angus visiting shepherds. Moore and Alec. usefully employed. "Eliza Anderson" arrived.

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup>              Still hot. Men's occupations unchanged.

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>                 Angus killing for rations. Heavy thunderstorm.

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>               Angus serving out rations. Alec. hauling firewood.

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>                Very hot. All quiet.

Monday 26<sup>th</sup>                Cloudy and warm. Angus driving sheep to Royal Marine Camp. Moore in garden. Alec. assisting to stack oats in large field.

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>               Light variable airs. Men variously employed.

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>            Cloudy. All hands employed making fence round oat stack in large field. "Eliza Anderson" arrived.

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>              Fine and clear. Angus visiting shepherds. Moore in garden. Nahouree hauling firewood.

Friday 30<sup>th</sup>                Dull and cloudy. Angus killing sheep for rations. Alec. Nahouree and Moore threshing in barn. Day turned out very wet.

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<sup>12</sup> Lieutenant Sparshott, Royal Marine Light Infantry, was Bazalgette's second lieutenant at English Camp. He had served in China and India prior to volunteering for service at Vancouver Island. Along with Bazalgette, he departed the island for England in 1867, but died en route at the age of 33.

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> Warm and clear. Angus serving out rations. Alec. and Moore in garden. Nahouree cleaning yard &c.

## SEPTEMBER

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Warm & clear. All quiet.

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> Angus visiting flocks. Nahouree and Alec. weeding turnips. Moore in garden.

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Alec. and Nahouree in turnips. Moore in garden.

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Angus killing sheep for half rations. Nahouree hauling firewood. Alec. & Moore variously employed.

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Light breeze S.W. Men as yesterday.

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Nahouree repairing bridge at Jno. Bulls. Alec. cleaning Barn-Yard. Angus killing.

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Angus serving out rations. Alec. and Moore variously employed.

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Warm and clear. All quiet.

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Men variously employed. Left for the Royal Marine Camp.

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> Angus killing for half-ration. Nahouree employed on bridges. Moore cleaning yard &c.

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Returned from Marine Camp. Angus visiting shepherds. Alec. hauling firewood.

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Fine weather. Men variously employed.

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Angus killing. Nahouree herding Ben's sheep. Alec. and Moore variously employed.

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Angus serving out rations. Alec. filling troughs &c.

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Fresh breeze N.W. All quiet.

Monday 16<sup>th</sup>            Heavy showers. Men variously employed.

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>           Chilly. Angus killing for half ration. Alec. filling troughs  
&c. Nahouree hauling firewood.

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>       Fine. Men variously employed.

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>          Cool wind. Alec. and Nahouree hauling oats into Barn from  
stack in Large Field.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup>            Fine. Angus killing for rations. Alec. and Nahouree carting  
in oats. Moore employed about Mr. Griffin's House.

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>          Warm and clear. Angus serving out rations. Rest of the men  
as yesterday.

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup>            Fresh breeze S.W. All quiet.

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>            Fine. All hands carting in oats.

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>           Sharp N.W. wind. Finished hauling oats. Left for British  
Camp.

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>       Fine weather. Nahouree, Alec. and Moore repairing garden  
fence.

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>          Overcast. Alec., Nahouree and Moore clearing garden.  
Blowing fresh at night.

Friday 27<sup>th</sup>            Fine. Angus killing for rations. Alec., Nahouree and Moore  
in garden. Returned from British Camp.

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>          Angus serving out rations. Alec. Nahouree and Moore  
variously employed.

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup>            Fine. Wind S.W. All quiet.

Monday 30<sup>th</sup>            Squally and wet. Alec. Nahouree and Moore clearing out  
garden. Angus left for Victoria.

OCTOBER

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Cold, clear weather. Alec. visiting sheep stations. Nahouree and Moore in garden.

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Fine S.W. breeze. Capt. Bazalgette and Lieut. Spanchott[?] R.M.L.I. arrived in their boat from Victoria. Left for British Camp.

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> Fresh breeze S.W. Alec. Nahouree and Moore in garden. Angus returned from Victoria.

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Fine weather. Nahouree hauling firewood. Alec. and Moore in garden.

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> Angus serving out rations. Moore cleaning up yard and Fowls' House.

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> Heavy rain. All quiet.

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> Chilly. Men variously employed. Returned from British Camp.

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> Fine. Alec. and Nahouree cleaning out Wood Shed.

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> Dull and chilly. Men's occupations unchanged.

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> Fine weather. Nahouree working in garden.

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> Foggy morning but afterwards fine. Nahouree cleaning garden. Alec. repairing pickets of fence.

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> Angus serving out rations. Men variously employed.

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Fine. All quiet.

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Nahouree hauling potatoes . Others usefully employed. Showers during night.

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> Nahouree hauling firewood. Steamer "Enterprise" arrived at noon.

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> Alec. and Nahouree threshing.

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Dull. Men as yesterday.

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Alec. and Nahouree cleaning out Drains round Outhouses.

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> Angus serving out rations. Men hauling gravel.

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Sharp frost. All quiet.

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> Frost early this morning. Alec. and Nahouree cutting drain, and making a bridge over the same.

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Fine. All hands repairing fence round field. "Enterprise" arrived 12 noon.

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Wet. Nahouree hauling firewood.

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Fine. All hands making a wider bridge over drain.

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Alec. and Nahouree cutting drains.

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> Rain. Angus serving out rations. Other men variously employed.

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Gale fresh S.W. All quiet.

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Wind moderate. Alec. cleaning out Barn-Yard. Moore cleaning Fowls' House, repairing fence round potatoe-pit &c. Left for British Camp.

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> Angus killing for half rations. Strong wind S.W. "Enterprise" arrived about noon.

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> Blowing fresh. Alec. hauling firewood. Moore finished fence round Root-House.

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> Dull and stormy. Returned from British Camp.

Friday --

## NOVEMBER

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Stormy C.[?] L.[?] Angus killing for rations. "Enterprise" arrived in the afternoon.



Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> Cold and wet. Angus serving out rations. Nahouree hauling bark.

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> Very stormy and wet. All quiet.

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> Bad weather. Nahouree hauling firewood. Alec. threshing.

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> Cloudy. Alec. cleaning up turnips. Nahouree hauling firewood. "Enterprise" arrived about 1 p.m.

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> Stormy. Alec. and Nahouree hauling turnips.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Cold and wet. Men as yesterday.

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Angus killing for rations. Alec. and Nahouree hauling firewood. "Enterprise" arrived 5 p.m.

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> Cold and stormy. Angus serving out rations. Nahouree serving out rations.

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> Showery. All quiet.

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Fresh breeze S.E. Alec. and Nahouree hauling turnips.

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Wind N.E. Cold. "Enterprise" arrived about noon.

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Angus killing for half rations. Alec. & Nahouree clearing turnip-field.

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Cold. Alec. and Nahouree cleaning out Barn-Yard.

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Fine. Fresh breeze S.W. P. M. S. S. C<sup>os</sup> --? "Pacific"<sup>13</sup> arrived about 10 a.m. with artillery to relieve Capt<sup>n</sup> English Company here. Left for Steilacoom to embark[?] more troops about 4 p.m.

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> Angus serving out rations. Capt<sup>n</sup> English's Company left about 1/2 past 10 p.m.

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Shower of snow. All quiet.

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Very cold wind S.W. Alec. hunting cattle.

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<sup>13</sup> Records of this ship, the Pacific Mail Steam Ship Company's *Pacific*, have not been found.

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Cold. "Enterprise" arrived about 2 p.m. left immediately. Nahouree hauling firewood.

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Alec. cutting drains to carry off rain-water from pig-styes. Left for British Camp.

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> Heavy wind S.W. Angus and men killing beef for salting down. Returned from British Camp.

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Nahouree hauling firewood. "Enterprise" arrived about noon. Rough & wet.

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Angus serving out rations.

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Cold wind. All quiet.

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Rainy. Nahouree hauling firewood.

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> Stiff breeze N.W. "Enterprise" arrived about 1 p.m.

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> Unsettled weather. Nahouree hauling firewood. Alec. working about the establishment.

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Blowing fresh. Nahouree repairing fence round Large Field.

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Weather moderated. Nahouree hauling firewood. Rest employed about Establishment.

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> Calm. Angus serving out rations. Left for British Camp.

## DECEMBER

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Snow last night but cleared away this morning. All quiet.

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> Fine and clear. Heavy rain during the night. Nahouree and Alec. repairing fence round field. Returned from British Camp.

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Tempestuous. Nahouree hauling firewood. Alec. variously.

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Calm. All hands hauling gravel for road leading to Establishment.

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>           Blowing fresh. Nahouree hauling firewood.

Friday 6<sup>th</sup>            More moderate. All hands repairing pickets round garden,  
blown down last night.

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>         Fine but cold. Angus serving out rations. "Enterprise"  
arrived about 10 a.m.

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup>           Calm and wet. All quiet.

Monday 9<sup>th</sup>          Fresh wind S.W. Nahouree hauling firewood. Alec. hunting  
for a calf.

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>        Tempestuous weather. Nahouree hauling firewood. Alec.  
attending to horses &c.

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>    Weather unchanged. "Enterprise" arrived about noon.

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>      Wind and rain unabated. Nahouree hauling firewood and  
cleaning Fowl's House and Yard. Alec. attending to horses, cattle &c.

Friday 13<sup>th</sup>         Dull and cloudy. Angus killing for rations. "Enterprise"  
arrived about 3 p.m. Left for British Camp.

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>       Heavy wind. Angus serving out rations. Men variously  
employed.

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>         Calm and cloudy. All quiet.

Monday 16<sup>th</sup>         Fine. Nahouree hauling firewood. Returned from British  
Camp.

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>        Variable winds. "Enterprise" arrived about 3 a.m. Men  
variously employed.

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>    Fine weather. Alec. & Nahouree repairing fences.

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>      Fine. Sharp frost. All hands employed repairing fences  
blown down by late gales.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup>         Frost. "Enterprise" arrived early. Men killing beef for  
rations. Left for British Camp.

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Angus serving out rations. Men variously employed.  
Returned from British Camp.

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> Snow -- All quiet.

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Very cold. Alec. looking after and feeding stock.

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> Cold and clear. Wind N.E. "Enterprise" arrived early this morning. Men variously employed.

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day -- All quiet.

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Frost and clear. Nahouree hauling firewood. Alec. variously employed.

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Very cold but fine. Angus killing for rations. Men as yesterday.

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Very cold S.E. wind. Angus serving out rations. Alec. attending to cattle &c..

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Cold. All quiet.

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Fine & clear. Nahouree hauling firewood. Alec. feeding and attending to stock.

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> Very severe black frost. Men variously employed.

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JANUARY

- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup>      New Year's Day. All quiet. "Enterprise" 6 a.m.
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>      Fine and frosty. Nahouree hauling firewood. Alec. looking  
after stock.
- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>      Weather unchanged. Angus killing for rations. Nahouree  
repairing ox-cart injured by bad roads. "Enterprise" arrived about 6 a.m.
- Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>      Very fine. Angus serving out rations. Nahouree and Alec.  
variously employed.
- Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> <sup>14</sup>

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<sup>14</sup> The *Post Journal* ends abruptly at this point, when Griffin left for Victoria.