

NEW YEARS DAY 1861

- Tuesday 1st Blowing fresh from the eastward tho a lovely day bright & clear.--
Men enjoying a Holy Day.--
- Wednesday 2^d Calm, cloudy & dull weather.--
Lewis & Moore getting out rails to repair fencing.-- Angus out
visiting sheep stations.--
- Thursday 3^d Weather as yesterday.--
Men as usual.--
- Friday 4th Weather unchanged.--
Men as usual.--
- Saturday 5th 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 6th Cold, but fine.--
All quiet.--
- Monday 7th Weather cold & calm.--
Lewis hauling firewood. Moore rep^g fencing.--
- Tuesday 8th Dull & cloudy, thawing fast.--
Men as yesterday.--
- Wednesday 9th Dull, calm, cloudy day, heavy thaw.--
Lewis & Moore variously employed.--
- Thursday 10th Beautiful day fine & calm.--
Lewis hauling firewood &c.-- Moore cleaning round premises.--
- Friday 11th Blowing fresh S:E: cold & showery.--
Lewis & Moore cleaning out barn yard &c.--
- Saturday 12th Blew a gale & a fearful showery night.-- To-day cloudy w^h a
strong westerly breeze.--
Lewis & Moore hauling firewood & cleaning around premises &c.-

Sunday 13th Beautiful day calm & clear.--
All quiet.--

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

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

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

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

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

Saturday 19th Weather unchanged.--
Men as usual.--

Sunday 20th Very cold w^h a light sprinkling of SNOW.--
All quiet.--

Monday 21st Beautiful day, calm & clear.--
Moore & Lewis variously employed.--

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

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

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

Friday 25th Fine day, mild w^h a fresh S:E: breeze.--

Lewis & Moore rep^g fencing blown down by the gale last night.--

Saturday 26th Beautiful day calm & clear.--
Men variously employed.--

Sunday 27th Fine day, wind light from West.--
All quiet.--

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

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

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

Thursday 31st Wind chilly, light S:W:--

FEBRUARY

Friday 1st 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^d Beautiful day wind fresh South.--
Left for Victoria.--

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

Thursday 7th 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 8th Beautiful day calm & clear.--
My men much as yesterday.--

Saturday 9th Cloudy w^h every appearance rain all day.-- wind blowing fresh from S:E:- it blew a terrific gale during the night.-- Mens employments as usual.--

Sunday 10th Beautiful day clear & fine w^h a fresh southerly breeze.-- Schooner "Aurelia"¹ came in last eve^s late from Vic:- w^h prov^s &c. for me-- All hands have been since daylight discharging her-- 10:30 a.m.:--
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Monday 11th Cloudy w^h a fresh southerly breeze.-- Moore & Lewis at fencing.-- Aleck: attending cattle &c.-- Angus out visiting stations.-- Shepherds all w^h their flocks.--

Tuesday 12th Blowing fresh S:E:- cloudy & chilly.-- Men finished carting down & loading "Carolina" w^h wool about 8:30 a.m.:-- All safe-- Afternoon men as yesterday.--

Wednesday 13th Weather much as yesterday.-- Men /two/ at fencing.-- "Eliza Anderson" arrived from Vic: about 11 a.m:

Thursday 14th Beautiful day fine & clear.-- Men at fencing.--

Friday 15th Beautiful day fine, calm warm & clear.-- "Little Man" has run away. I am compelled to have Moore for the present in my kitchen.²-- Lewis cleaning both barn yards.-- Aleck attending to cattle.-- Angus out at sheep stations.--

Saturday 16th Dull cloudy day.-- Men as usual.--

Sunday 17th Weather much as yesterday.-- A light breeze from West.--

Monday 18th Fine day rather chilly.-- Wind southerly.-- Lewis cleaning barn yards.-- Aleck: attending to cattle.-- Moore in my kitchen.-- Angus visiting stations. Shepherds all w^h their flocks.--

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

¹ Schooner Aurelia ??.

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

Wednesday 20th Cold raw day w^h a little sprinkling of snow. Wind N:W:
light.--

Men as usual.--

"Eliza Anderson" touched here en passant about 10 a:m:--

Thursday 21st Beautiful day wind light N:W:

Men all as usual.--

Friday 22^d Blowing very fresh from S:E:- tremendous sea.-- cloudy &
cold.--

Lewis & Moore at fencing.-- Angus I sent out w^h 62 culled
gimmers to Royal Marine Camp.--

Saturday 23^d Weather unchanged, very raw.--

Men as yesterday. Angus serv^g rations.--

Sunday 24th Wind continues to blow strong from S:E:-- chilly & cloudy.-

All quiet.--

Monday 25th Weather unchanged from yesterday.--

Lewis & Moore rep^g fencing & digging in the garden. Aleck:-
attending cattle &c.-- Angus at sheep stations.--

[*in different hand*]³

Tuesday 26th Mr C. J. Griffin started for Victoria

Wind from S:E: - E^s & warm. Weather very good.

[*resume Griffin's hand*]

Saturday

MARCH

Saturday 2^d Beautiful day w^h a light S:W: wind.--

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

Sunday 3^d Calm, clear beautiful day.--

All quiet.--

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

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

Tuesday 5th Weather unchanged.--
 Men as yesterday.--

Wednesday 6th Blowing fresh from West.--
 Men all as usual.--
 R:C: "Jeff: Davis" came into Harbor last eve^s w^h Judge Fitzhugh⁴
 from Port Townsend.-

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

Friday 8th Weather unchanged.--
 Men as usual.--

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

Sunday 10th 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 11th Lovely day fine & warm w^h a light westerly air.--
 Aleck: & Lewis ploughing in big field.-- Moore working in garden.
 Angus out at the stations.-- Shepherds all w^h their flocks.--

Tuesday 12th Beautiful day warm & clear.--
 All the men as yesterday.--

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

Thursday 14th Fine w^h a fresh westerly breeze.--

⁴ 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.

Men as usual.--
Left for English Camp.--

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

~~Sunday~~ Saturday 16th Beautiful day calm & warm.--
All quiet.--

Sunday 17th As yesterday.--

[*begin different hand*]⁵

Monday 18th Beautiful day clear & warm.--
All quiet.--

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

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

Thursday 21st Beautiful day fine & clear.--
Men as usual.--

Friday 22^d Cloudy w^h a fresh westerly breeze.
All hands as yesterday.--

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Friday 29th Cloudy & dull w^h 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 30th Fine w^h a fresh S:E: breeze.--
 Men as yesterday.--

Sunday 31st Blowing a fresh gale S:E:--
 All quiet.--

APRIL

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

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

Wednesday 3^d Beautiful day calm, warm & clear.--
 Men sowing & harrowing.--

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

Friday 5th Beautiful day calm & clear.--
 Men as yesterday.--

Saturday 6th Changeable w^h heavy showers of rain.--

Men as usual.--

Sunday 7th Blowing fresh from S:E:- clear.--
All quiet.--

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

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

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

Thursday 11th 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 12th Dull & cloudy w^h drizzling rain.
Lewis rep^g sheds, gates &c.-- Aleck:- cleaning out barn yard. The
others as usual.--

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

Sunday 14th Weather unchanged.--
Men as yesterday.--

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

Tuesday 16th Weather very warm & calm.--
Men as yesterday.--

Wednesday 17th Warm, calm & clear.--
Men as usual.--

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

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

Saturday 20th Blowing fresh S:W:- chilly & overcast.--
Killed a young steer for present ratⁿ & for salting.--

Sunday 21st Weather cloudy & chilly.--

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

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

Wednesday 24th 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[?]⁶--
"Eliza Anderson" arrived from Victoria this afternoon.--

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

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

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

Sunday 28th Beautiful day.--
All quiet.--

⁶ Captain Henniss ??.

Monday 29th 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 30th 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 1st Fine, warm, clear day, light N:West air.--
 Moore & Aleck: as usual.--
 Angus left for Victoria.--

Thursday 2^d Beautiful day warm & calm.--
 Moore in the garden. Aleck: variously employed.--

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

Saturday 4th Weather much as yesterday.--

Sunday 5th Beautiful day calm & clear.--
 All quiet.--

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

Tuesday 7th Early this mor^g 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 8th Beautiful day calm[?].--

Angus & Aleck: I sent out w^h 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[?].⁷--

Thursday 9th Beautiful day, warm & calm.--
Men usefully employed.--

Friday 10th Weather as yesterday.--
Men as usual.--

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

Sunday 12th Weather unchanged.--
All quiet.--

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

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

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

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

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

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

Mr Cooper came in last eve--

Saturday 18th Beautiful day warm calm & clear.--
Men as usual.--

Sunday 19th Weather as yesterday.--
All quiet.--

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

Tuesday 21st Weather unchanged.--
Men as yesterday.--

Wednesday 22^d Weather unchanged .--
All hands out washing wethers.

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

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

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

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

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

JUNE

Saturday 1st Oppressively warm day, calm.--
Men, two, usefully employed.--

Sunday 2^d Not quite so warm as yesterday, fine calm & clear.--

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

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

Wednesday 5th Light rain wind gentle from West.--
 Shepherds shearing &c.--
 Mess^{rs} Hepburn & Fox⁸ arrived late last eve^g from Victoria, left to
 day for "Smith Isl^d".--

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

Friday 7th Warm calm & clear.--
 All hands washing sheep.--

Saturday 8th Very warm & calm.--

Sunday 9th Weather as yesterday.--

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

Tuesday 11th Weather warm w^h a light northerly air.--
 Mens employments as yesterday.--

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

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

Friday 14th Warm calm & no wind.--
 All hands washing sheep.--

⁸ These men--Hepburn and Fox— have not been identified.

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

Sunday 16th Warm calm & clear.--
All quiet.--

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

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

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

Thursday 20th Weather as yesterday.--
Mens employments unchanged.--

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

Saturday 22^d Nice cool day -- light showers of rain early this morn^g.
Men as usual.--

Sunday 23^d Weather unchanged.--
All quiet.--

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

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

Wednesday 26th Very warm & calm.--
Men as yesterday.--

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

Friday 28th Blowing fresh S:E:--
Men weeding.--

Saturday 29th Cloudy & dull.--
Men as usual.--

Sunday 30th Fine & warm little or no wind.--
All quiet.--

JULY

Monday 1st 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^h their flocks.--
Powell left for Victoria.--

Tuesday 2^d Warm & calm.--
Men as yesterday.--

Wednesday 3^d Warm & calm.--
Men as on Monday.--
Powell ret^d from Victoria.--

Thursday 4th Dull & cloudy.--
Gave the men a Holy day.--

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

Saturday 6th Calm, warm & clear.--
Men as yesterday.--

Sunday 7th Beautiful day, calm.--
All quiet.--

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

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

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

Thursday 11th Weather warm & clear.--
Men weeding turnips.--

Friday 12th Weather unchanged.--
Men weeding turnips.--

Saturday 13th Left at 9 a.m: for Victoria.--

*[The rest of the journal entries are in another hand.]*⁹

Sunday 14th Warm & clear -- All quiet.

Monday 15th Weather unchanged.--
Men weeding and thinning turnips.

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

Wednesday 17th Warm and clear. Men variously employed.

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

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

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

Sunday 21st Weather very warm. Went out to the English Camp. All
quiet.

⁹ 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 22nd 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 23rd Weather unchanged. "Eliza Anderson" arrived about 10 a.m. having on board a Company of U.S. Troops under command of Cap^t. English, for the relief of Pickett's Company here, ordered to Steilacoom.¹⁰ She left again for Victoria at 3 p.m. Angus weaning lambs. Alec and Moore finished turnips.

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

Thursday 25th Weather unchanged. Men as yesterday.

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

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

Sunday 28th Warm and clear. All quiet.

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

Tuesday 30th Wind N.W. Men as yesterday.

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

AUGUST

Thursday 1st Calm and clear. Angus visiting shepherds. Alec. and Moore variously employed.

¹⁰ 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 2nd Weather unchanged. Men as yesterday.
Powell left for Victoria at 8 a.m.

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

Sunday 4th Fine weather. All quiet.

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

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

Wednesday 7th 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 8th Very warm. Men variously employed.

Friday 9th Light N.W. air. Angus out visiting shepherds.

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

Sunday 11th Fine day. All quiet.

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

Tuesday 13th Angus out visiting shepherds. Alec. with his flock. Moore
attending to horses &c. C[?]. McKay & Co¹¹ comm^d harvest.

Wednesday 14th Alec. hauling firewood. Angus out at stations. Moore
variously employed.

Thursday 15th Fresh breeze from S.W. Mens' occupations unchanged.

¹¹ 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 16th Fine weather. Angus visiting shepherds. Alec. looking after sheep.

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

Sunday 18th Very warm. All quiet.

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

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

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

Thursday 22nd Still hot. Men's occupations unchanged.

Friday 23rd Angus killing for rations. Heavy thunderstorm.

Saturday 24th Angus serving out rations. Alec. hauling firewood.

Sunday 25th Very hot. All quiet.

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

Tuesday 27th Light variable airs. Men variously employed.

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

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

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

¹² 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 31st Warm and clear. Angus serving out rations. Alec. and Moore in garden. Nahouree cleaning yard &c.

SEPTEMBER

Sunday 1st Warm & clear. All quiet.

Monday 2nd Angus visiting flocks. Nahouree and Alec. weeding turnips. Moore in garden.

Tuesday 3rd Alec. and Nahouree in turnips. Moore in garden.

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

Thursday 5th Light breeze S.W. Men as yesterday.

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

Saturday 7th Angus serving out rations. Alec. and Moore variously employed.

Sunday 8th Warm and clear. All quiet.

Monday 9th Men variously employed. Left for the Royal Marine Camp.

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

Wednesday 11th Returned from Marine Camp. Angus visiting shepherds. Alec. hauling firewood.

Thursday 12th Fine weather. Men variously employed.

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

Saturday 14th Angus serving out rations. Alec. filling troughs &c.

Sunday 15th Fresh breeze N.W. All quiet.

Monday 16th Heavy showers. Men variously employed.

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

Wednesday 18th Fine. Men variously employed.

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

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

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

Sunday 22nd Fresh breeze S.W. All quiet.

Monday 23rd Fine. All hands carting in oats.

Tuesday 24th Sharp N.W. wind. Finished hauling oats. Left for British
Camp.

Wednesday 25th Fine weather. Nahouree, Alec. and Moore repairing garden
fence.

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

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

Saturday 28th Angus serving out rations. Alec. Nahouree and Moore
variously employed.

Sunday 29th Fine. Wind S.W. All quiet.

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

OCTOBER

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

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

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

Friday 4th Fine weather. Nahouree hauling firewood. Alec. and Moore in garden.

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

Sunday 6th Heavy rain. All quiet.

Monday 7th Chilly. Men variously employed. Returned from British Camp.

Tuesday 8th Fine. Alec. and Nahouree cleaning out Wood Shed.

Wednesday 9th Dull and chilly. Men's occupations unchanged.

Thursday 10th Fine weather. Nahouree working in garden.

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

Saturday 12th Angus serving out rations. Men variously employed.

Sunday 13th Fine. All quiet.

Monday 14th Nahouree hauling potatoes . Others usefully employed. Showers during night.

Tuesday 15th Nahouree hauling firewood. Steamer "Enterprise" arrived at noon.

Wednesday 16th Alec. and Nahouree threshing.

Thursday 17th Dull. Men as yesterday.

Friday 18th Alec. and Nahouree cleaning out Drains round Outhouses.

Saturday 19th Angus serving out rations. Men hauling gravel.

Sunday 20th Sharp frost. All quiet.

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

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

Wednesday 23rd Wet. Nahouree hauling firewood.

Thursday 24th Fine. All hands making a wider bridge over drain.

Friday 25th Alec. and Nahouree cutting drains.

Saturday 26th Rain. Angus serving out rations. Other men variously employed.

Sunday 27th Gale fresh S.W. All quiet.

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

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

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

Thursday 31st Dull and stormy. Returned from British Camp.

Friday --

NOVEMBER

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

Saturday 2nd Cold and wet. Angus serving out rations. Nahouree hauling bark.

Sunday 3rd Very stormy and wet. All quiet.

Monday 4th Bad weather. Nahouree hauling firewood. Alec. threshing.

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

Wednesday 6th Stormy. Alec. and Nahouree hauling turnips.

Thursday 7th Cold and wet. Men as yesterday.

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

Saturday 9th Cold and stormy. Angus serving out rations. Nahouree serving out rations.

Sunday 10th Showery. All quiet.

Monday 11th Fresh breeze S.E. Alec. and Nahouree hauling turnips.

Tuesday 12th Wind N.E. Cold. "Enterprise" arrived about noon.

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

Thursday 14th Cold. Alec. and Nahouree cleaning out Barn-Yard.

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

Saturday 16th Angus serving out rations. Captⁿ English's Company left about 1/2 past 10 p.m.

Sunday 17th Shower of snow. All quiet.

Monday 18th Very cold wind S.W. Alec. hunting cattle.

¹³ Records of this ship, PMSS Company's Pacific, have not been found.

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

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

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

Friday 22nd Nahouree hauling firewood. "Enterprise" arrived about noon. Rough & wet.

Saturday 23rd Angus serving out rations.

Sunday 24th Cold wind. All quiet.

Monday 25th Rainy. Nahouree hauling firewood.

Tuesday 26th Stiff breeze N.W. "Enterprise" arrived about 1 p.m.

Wednesday 27th Unsettled weather. Nahouree hauling firewood. Alec. working about the establishment.

Thursday 28th Blowing fresh. Nahouree repairing fence round Large Field.

Friday 29th Weather moderated. Nahouree hauling firewood. Rest employed about Establishment.

Saturday 30th Calm. Angus serving out rations. Left for British Camp.

DECEMBER

Sunday 1st Snow last night but cleared away this morning. All quiet.

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

Tuesday 3rd Tempestuous. Nahouree hauling firewood. Alec. variously.

Wednesday 4th Calm. All hands hauling gravel for road leading to Establishment.

Thursday 5th Blowing fresh. Nahouree hauling firewood.

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

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

Sunday 8th Calm and wet. All quiet.

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

Tuesday 10th Tempestuous weather. Nahouree hauling firewood. Alec.
attending to horses &c.

Wednesday 11th Weather unchanged. "Enterprise" arrived about noon.

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

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

Saturday 14th Heavy wind. Angus serving out rations. Men variously
employed.

Sunday 15th Calm and cloudy. All quiet.

Monday 16th Fine. Nahouree hauling firewood. Returned from British
Camp.

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

Wednesday 18th Fine weather. Alec. & Nahouree repairing fences.

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

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

Saturday 21st Angus serving out rations. Men variously employed.
Returned from British Camp.

Sunday 22nd Snow -- All quiet.

Monday 23rd Very cold. Alec. looking after and feeding stock.

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

Wednesday 25th Christmas Day -- All quiet.

Thursday 26th Frost and clear. Nahouree hauling firewood. Alec. variously employed.

Friday 27th Very cold but fine. Angus killing for rations. Men as yesterday.

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

Sunday 29th Cold. All quiet.

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

Tuesday 31st Very severe black frost. Men variously employed.

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JANUARY

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

¹⁴ The Post Journal ends abruptly at this point, when Griffin left for Victoria.