June 1891

Monday June 1st

Elmer & I have been working in the Lost Cabin Drift this afternoon & cutting timbers for it this forenoon. Mr West got a load of slabs at Sutterfields saw mill this forenoon & helped us timber this afternoon.

Tuesday June 2nd

Elmer & I put two shots in the Lost Cabin Tunnel today & took out about two feet of the face. the ore is getting richer every foot that we go in. Elmer has gone down to Mc. Manus after a piece of steel to make a drill of as our longest drills is not long enough to suit us. we have had plenty of rain lately & the creek has rose about six inches to day but it has went down now

Wednesday June 3rd

Father went to Twosprings today & Elmer stayed at home, so I had to work in the Lost Cabin drift alone. Mr West helped me to put in a shot this afternoon. Sidey paid Father $10 today & will pay him the rest some time through the week. I expected a letter from Hill City tonight but it did not come. Elmer got a letter from Fred Darlington this evening that was written in Wash at Iowa Falls

Thursday June 4th 1891 A.D.
1:35 in corn — Monument Hall 2 Ely

Elmer & I put two shots in the Lost Cabin Drift today. I took 3/0 on the J.B. Mt. today on Father's acct of 3½. There is a stranger here tonight to go through the cave. I took the stranger down to Divils Luck this morning

Friday June 5th

I started to 4 mile (with the visitor that we had last night who was from above Hull City) early this morning. I got to 4 mile at about noon & started over to the North Pole mine at about 2:00 o'clock I stayed with Fred Rudbel tonight

Saturday June 6th 1891

I got 10 lbs of © dynamite & a drill of Mose this morning. the drill was nearly 4 feet in lenght. I came home past Widsors saw Wm & J. B. Watt & left the dynamite & drill at the Lost Cabin lode. I got home at 5:00 Father was to town with J B cart today

Sunday June 7th

Joseph Dunmire was the only visitor that we had today.

Monday June 8th

Elmer & I have been working in the Lost Cabin Tunnel today
We expect Fred Russel & Albert Winalb down tomorrow

Tuesday June 9th

Elmer & I put in 9½ hours on the Last Cabin tunnel today, We expected Fred Rubsel down this evening but he did not come.

Wednesday June 10th

Elmer & I went 4 feet in the Last Cabin Tunnel today,
Wm. Hartman came down from 4 mile this evening.

Thursday June 11th

Will Hartman & Elmer went to Eagle Town today

Friday June 12th

Fred Russel & Albert Henault came down from the North Pole mine Today, We started in the core at 8:00 P.M. & returned

Saturday June 13th

We came out at 2:00 a.m. I went with Fred Rubsel over to the mine & he thought it was a good prospect, At about 5:00 P.M. at custer Photographer with 2 assistants came went in the cave at 5:30 P.M & took 13 pictures in the cave

Sunday June 14th

we got out at 2.00 P.M. 6 men came this morning and went in the cave We took in $2.00 today.

Monday June 15th

Frank Caldwell & I started for Crystal cave this morning & camped at Hill City tonight.

Tuesday June 16th

We got to McBride's safely this evening & camped there.

Wednesday June 17th

(C.C. 2. trips)

Fred McBride went up to the cave with us today. we got there a little after noon & took 2 trips in the cave today.

Thursday June 18th

(C.C. 3 trips)

We made 3 trips in the Crystal Cave today & left it at about 5 o'clock this evening. we camped on Elk creek near Jones, S. Dak.

Friday June 19th

We only got as far as McBride's today on account of the heavy rains

June 20th

Saturday

We got to Hill City to camp this evening

Sunday June 21st

We camped at Custer City this evening

Monday June 22nd

(Cyr Gt. R. 1 trip

We got home at about 2:30 P.M. safely I went in with Brookam & exposed 12 plates

Tuesday June 23rd

Crystal P. 1 trip

(Monument hill route 1 trip

I & Mr Brookam went to Crystal this forenoon & to monument this afternoon & all this evening We exposed 18 plates today

Wednesday June 24th

Mr Caldwell & I started for the bad lands today & got there at noon 18 miles

Thursday June 25th

We was to work in the gulch today near the

Friday June 26th

We got to prospecting this after noon & found a good lode a quarter of a mile north east of the western

Saturday June 27th

We got a good start this morning & got within 2 miles of Hot Springs tonight & camped

Sunday June 28th

We got home at 3.00 P.M. 1 trip for Lyt Timmerlees folk
We have had one load of visitors today.

Monday June 29th

1 trip 2 more trips
We have taken in $15.75 today. Mr Titus of Hot Springs came here this
Mc Brides folk came up from the Springs
go today

Tuesday June 30

1 trip (2 trips)
I took 2 trips in the Sompsons Palace Rest today, One to the Fallen Flat & the other to the Photograph Gallery

Wednesday July 1st

W. Hartman & Elmer got a flag pole in the timber today

Thursday July 2nd

Father went to Hot Springs today but did not get back tonight

Friday July 3rd

str (1 trip

Mr Crookam & G.W. Lee came here this afternoon & 4 of us started in the cave tonight. We went to the Marble Quarry to explore. Mr Crookam let his boy down in Council Chamber by means of a rope. We discovered a large room to the northwest of the Chamber of Council that we called the College. From the College we found a passage leading to Monte Cristo's Palace. We also found a passage leading from the Chamber of Council to Mound Builders rest by way of the Tennis Court.

Saturday July 4th

Boat 1. trip

Str 1. trip

We got out from our explereing trip at 5:30 this morning, makeing an 11 hours trip the longest that I have taken this year. Mr Crookam & son, Mr Lee & I took a trip through Crystal palace this forenoon. The same four started in the cave this evening with the intention of going to Beacon Height but did not get quite there. When We got to the top of the climb near the Photograph gallery Mr Crookam & I went on an exploreing expedition which led to the discovery of "Silent Lake" by Mr. E. Crookam & the Lake Side Sceneries by me.

Sunday July 5th

Silent Lake 2 trips

I took two ladies & two Gentlemen to Silent Lake, the first crowd that ever went there. Their names are as follows:-

Alma Lampert,
Genevieve Patrick, Rapid
George S Benett, City
Geroge Lampert. S. D.

we made the trip in about 4½ hours.
Mr Crookam assisted me in making the trip

Mr. Crookam, Fred Mc Bride. & I went in the coven on an exploreing trip.
We discovred the "Diamond Mine" to the South of the Lake-Side Scenery.

Monday July 6th

we got out of the cove just as it was getting daylight. I got up & had beak-fast at noon Mr Hatbek, of partner of L. B. Faris, was here today with a crowd of ladies & gentlemen

Tuesday July 7th

Boss. Mc Bride was up from Hot Springs this forenoon, With Will Harlan's road cart. On being questioned, he said that Will had started for Montana and would leave the horse & cart with us. I wrote a letter to Miss Genevieve Patrick, at Rapid City, today, but I dont know whether I will get an answer or not as our aquaintance is so new. I came within a hair's breadth of getting bit by a rattlesnake today. I could not find her

Wenesday July 8th

1 trip

Father has been to Hot Springs today & did not get back tonight. I went to Castle Lake

Thursday July 9th

8 pr 1 trip

I went in the cove this evening with 2 gentlemen from near Fair-burn S.D.
Lydia Mc Bride & Mary came out from Hot Springs this afternoon.

Friday July 10th

8 pr 1 trip

I went in the cove this forenoon with two Celebrities gentlemen & explored to the South west of the Seeneries of avalon.

Saturday July 11th

8 pr 2 1 trip

I took a crowd of 9 to the Garden of Eden today with the assistance of one of the party.

Sunday July 12th

We have had a good crowd here today but not so good as yesterday. I went in the cove this morning for some parties that I supposed were lost but did not get for until I found them. Mr Crookam & two visitors got seperated from me last night near the Gardens of Eden. A. C. Mc Bride & I found Mr Crookam in the Rats Misery & the two visitors in Capital Hall. A. C. Recovered Paridise.

Monday July 13th

Grand View Branch S/R 1 Trip

A. C. McBride & I got in the Bad Lands, near the Recovered Paridise on an exploreing trip today. We found Grand View & the Snowy Arch & also a passage leading from Recovered Paradise to the Diamond Mine. Grand View is nearly above the Diamond mine. We returned V.D.A, Silent Lake & the Lake Side Scenery

Tuesday July 14th

Summer are B S/R 1 Trip

at about 8:00 the morning, two visitors came through from Hot springs. A.C McBride & I started in the cave with them at about 9:00 a.m. & came out at 4:15 P.M. We went V.D.A, the Gallery. Council Chamber & the Marble grotto. C. F. McBride came out from the springs with four visitors, two of which will stay with us until Saturday.

Wenesday July 15th

Drawing room S/R 2 Trips

C F McBride started with for us this Morning. 8 of the Cave outfit were here today. Elmer went to Grand View with three visitors & was gone the most of the day

wenesday evening
40,00 - 8 9,85

Thursday July 16th

M.H.R. 2 this

C. F. Mc Bride & worked out the small room between the room & the brides Chamber today. We made 8 s. rock out of the Evans outfit today

Thursday evening. Assets

$45.85 — $10.30

Friday July 17th

11.30 S.A.B. S per 1 trip

C. F. Mc Bride & I worked near the Bride's Chambers this forenoon. at 1:30 P.M. R. M. Morcott, William Ranger & I started on an exploring trip in the Summer Avenue Branch of the Sampson's Palace Route. We found good rooms leading from the S 35- Marble Quarry. Evans 5.35-

Extra traffic 3.00

[redacted] 5 4—20— 10.65-

Saturday July 18th

Saturday " "

We opened the passage near the mill today with 5 shots but will need more on Monday

Evan's 4.75

$6.75

Suits up to date $6.50

Sunday July 19th
Colorado

Fred & I went to the Chamber of Horrors this forenoon & got a load of specimens
Outside traffic..... 2.00

Monday July 20th 1891

10 of the Hot Springs Co's outfit was sent from the Springs today
Evan's..... $4.00
Outside traffic..... $3.00
Monday's sum $7.00

Tuesday July 21st-91
Garden of Eden 1 trip

No stage today from the springs
Cash asset..... $1.00
Elmer, (Matt & Fred) have gone in the cave with two strangers from the Engineer Colorado
[redacted] State of Nebraska. I was about to start in the cave when Father & Mc Bride's Folks came from the Springs

Wednesday July 22nd
1 trip

Mc Bride Folks & Mary started for Dansby Park this morning.
Fred & I put in a shot at the other end of Snow Ball room this forenoon
Evan's 4.25 — 25 — 1.00
Outside traffic..... 6.80
10.25 Spec. 25

Thursday July 23rd

Discovery of the Tabernacle by E Calacombe

C.E. Holmes, C.T. McBride & D went on an exploring trip this afternoon & evening. We discovered the largest room that has been found yet in the cave - Tabernacle

Evans 2.75	2.50
Spencer	3.85
Clark	5.07
Thursday	11.80
	37.35

Friday July 24th

Fred & I opened the passage at the other end of Snow Ball Room today. Fred quit work for us tonight for the present.

Cave	4.00
Specimens	3.25
Friday evening	44.60
	7.25
	6.85

Saturday July 25th

Fred & I went to Hot Springs last night. I came out alone this morning & got home at 3.00 P.m. Evans has stopped the free Stage

Cave	4.00

Sunday July 26th

Tabernacle 1 trip

We got $3.25 out of a crowd of prospectors this forenoon. As I was about to post my book this evening (at about 9:00 o'clock) I heard a sound that was some like heavy wind, but I soon found that it was waters.

It surprised me because there had not been 5 minutes rain during the evening. As soon as I found that it was coming down the gulch from the spring, and that there was about three feet of it, I lost no time in getting on higher grounds because I expected there would be a great deal more water come down the main gulch shortly. I got me a seat and waited for it but it did not come. In about 20 minutes I could cross the gulch (the water having subsided). I then went up to meet what I supposed to be the main volume of water. After going up the gulch about a quarter of a mile, I could hear the roar of water distinctly but after waiting an hour and a half for it, and finding that the roar got no nearer me than when I first heard it, I came home & went to bed.

Monday July 27th

Coal	$ 00
Specimens	1 20

I went over to the Lost Cabin Mines visiting this afternoon. I went up the main gulch this morning to see where the water went to, that I heard last night and found that the bottom of the gulch in a certain place was like a sieve therefore the water went through it.

Tuesday July 28th

We have had no visitors today. Father went to Hot Springs this morning.

Wednesday July 29th

Father came from Hot Springs this evening.

Core ---------- 5.00
5.00

Thursday July 30th

Core ---------- 7.50
Specimens ---------- 1.10
8.60

Friday July 31st

Core ---------- 2.00
Specimens ---------- 1.25
3.25

~~Profits for Week ---------- $25.70 3.80~~

~~Saturday~~ August 1st

Core ---------- 2.00
Assets for week ending Aug 1st
27.30 ---------- 3.80
Assets for the Months ~~of~~ July
$177.60 Specimens 35.55

August

Sunday August 2nd

Core ---------- $2.00 .10

Monday August 3rd

Assets $3.00

Tuesday August 4th

$2.00

Wednesday August 5th

No visitors

Thursday August 6th

Just one year since the S.P.R. was discovered
There was a man with two ladies here from
the Springs today. We got the promise of two or three

Friday August 7th

Coin 4.00

Saturday August 8th

Four of Wests folks were here today
I went to Castle Garden with Mr & Mrs
J. E. West.

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September

6th Sunday $25.00+