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| P-trader | V-Mormon |
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DIARY OF GEORGE N. TAYLOR
1853
April 14th Journal of A Trip Across the Plains in 1858 Commencing At Philae Iowa April the 14th 1853. Ending At Oregon City Clackamas Co O Ter Oct 12th 1853

The Train consisted of 18 Persons 14 Males 4 Females three Wagons 94 head of Cattle 4 Horses 2 mules Names of Persons $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}$ \& Mrs Chanson Mhos Cox John Stang George W Taylor Mrs Lamb Nary Anne Lamb Jacob Lamb John Lamb Jas Lamb Goerge Short Ira Reed Judson Palmer Mr. S. B. Perry Mrs Margarette Perry \& Viola Perry Daughter Nr \& Mrs Perry Nr Boots Mr Wm Renard Mr John Rained Joined the Train with one Wagon Left $\mathrm{L} r$ s $\mathrm{L}_{\text {abs and wert } A s \text { far as Chile }}{ }^{\text {d }}$ and Camped for the Eve ing Night quite Cool

April 15th Morning Clear This morning we Bade Farewell To our Friends and Started on our Long Journey for Orregon Crossed the Demoine River at Pittsburgh in Vanhuren Co five miles Below Phila ${ }^{\text {d }}$ om tie sa, e co. Crossed the Wagons and Stock Without Any Difficulty got Across the River About Two Oclk PM and went as far as Dr Elberts Here we Camped Night rather Cool for Comfort with the Appearince of Rain Distance 12 miles Peafowls Making A great Noise not very Pleasant for Us to hear As It was A Sign of Bad Weather from This Place Samuel I Taylor returned Home to Phila and Left $U_{s}$ to Pursue our Journey Alone

April 16th Left Dr Elberts and went to the four Comers roads rather muddy Here we Camped for the Night after Supper Some of the Neighbors Called at our Cp and we had Some Music On the Violin \& the Accordion \& Flute Weather favorable Somewhat Cloudy without Rain

April 17 Left the Four Corners in the Afternoon Went Seven miles and Carped Near the Town of Troy Troy is A Small neat Looking Town Day Clear and Pleasant We Camped At Mr Pews Distance Traveled Seven 7 miles in Course of the Day we captured Some Barnyard Pheasants which we Confiscated to Our own Use

April 18th Started from Troy in the Vorning fassed through Boomfield the County Seat of $D_{\text {avis }}$ County About Noon Bloomfield is A Small Town improving Pretty fast Situatec in A good Section of Country Comenced raining Arout 11 Oclk and Rained A Greater Portion of the Day \& Night

April 19th Traveled 17 mls and Camped At Iuckers in Apanoose County in the Evening two of the Horses ran off We followed them five or six miles and caught them Here grain was Scarce and we Could not get much to feed the Cattle in Course of the night A greater Portion of the Cattle ran off

April 20th in the morning we found most of the Cattle and Started on Our Journey two men went Back to get the Lost Cattle which the Train went on as far as Centreville, the County Seat of Apanoose Co three miles Before getting to Centroville We Crossed the Shariton River A Small Nuddy Stream Centerville is A Neat Looking Town With several Stores Situated in A good Section of ${ }^{\text {Country }}$

April 2lst Left Centerville traveled six or eight miles and Camped At A farm House raining and Blowing most of the Day Here they Bought Some Hay which they were too Dishonest to pay for which was the Cause of Mr Cranson Looseing a good Cow worth $\$ 25.00$ for the Small Amount of 4 or 6 Bits he Lost A good Cow worth $\$ 25.00$

April 22nd Left our 01d Encampment and went About 9 miles and Camped Near A Small Creek Here we got Corn for 75 ots per Bushel Appearance of Weather rather Lowering

April 23d Commenced Storming in the Night Continued raining until Noon Creek Very high on the fall Started at One Oclk P M Went 6 miles and Camped roads very Bad Cron 75 cts Per Bushei Nothing heard from the Lost Cow Weather Has A Dismal Appearance

April 24 Sunday Went 3 miles and Crossed Locust Creek Fent About 11 miles further Crossed the West Branch of Locust these Streams are Deep Muidy Streams Heary Timbered in Course of the Day we Pased through St Johns the County Seat of Putnam Co Mo The Town Presented rather A Dull Appearance roads Very Bad Appearance of Rain

April 25 traveled Some 16 mls out of Putnom Co into Mercer Co Wo. Nothing of Partioular Interest Took place in Course of the Day road Bad Feather fine And Clear Traveled hard and Camped in the Open Prairie

April 26 Went 9 I/2 miles where I Took A Chill and Stopped At the House of Robert Cambell Nr Cambell Lived three miles East of Princeton the County Seat of Mercer County the Train went two miles West of Princeton \& Camped at A Farm House Mr Cambell Was Strong Believer in the Spiritual Ranping He founded his Belief on the lith Chapter of Hebrews and the Last Chapter of Daniel Cambells were fine Clever folks and $u_{\text {sed me wel: }}$ :

April 27 Left Friend Cambells in the Morning Went 5 or 6 miles and Orertook the Train before I Overtook the Train I Passed Through Princeton the County Seat of Mercer Co To Day We Crossed the East Branch of Grand River This Stream is Ahout one hundred feet wide rather A muddy Looking Stream Here there is A good Bridge Across the River Shortly after Passing this River We Come to the Midcle Branch of Grande River When we got to the Niddle Branch of Grande River It was very high No Chance of Crossing toDay Train Stopped for the River to fall

April 28th Comenced raining in the Night in the Night we got our Bed Clothes very wet Caused By the Wa er running Under our tent River continues Raiseing Every thing Looks gloomy We Expect to Stay here to Day as the Chance for Crossing is Bad the River is ahout $11 / 2 \mathrm{mls}$ wide some of the Boys went out Funting Game Scarce

April 29th Again the Boys went to Try their Luck A Hunting They Succeoded in killing 11 Mushrats 1 Plover 2 Ducks and "ome Snakes Weather Clear and fine River falling fair Prospects for crossing Comenced Crossing the River About half Past three Ocik PM Succeeded in getting one Wagon and About half the Cattle Over Before Night We Camped on the Main Bank of the River on A Small Bank of Land Entirely Surrounded Water Brerything in Mud and Water Mr Palmer and Mr Ira Reed Come near getting Dromed By Swiming in Among the Cattle when they were in the Water the Cattle tried to Climb Over them in the Water Some of the Cattle we Suppose are Lost ferriage per wagon fifty cts

April soth This morning we found the Cattle that had not Crossed the River without much Diliculty we got over the River without Looseing any more But not without getting them Badly mired as the Banks are very mirey after Crossing we had to Double Team to Cross the River Bottom to A high Prairie the Cat+le we Supposed were Lost are not found here there is no regulartraveled Road the Prairie is Partly Covered with water ten miles to the next House Vie Carped 2 miles from the Ri-er the Rest of the Train went on Cranson Stopped to Look for Some of his Cattle We are in Harrison the Co Line is East of the Niddle Branch of Grande River width of River 100 ft May Ist Sunday Wind Blowing rather hard and quite Cool Boys who were to funt the Catt have returned Bringing with them Some good fish One would weigh 30 lbs the other 10 or 12 Ibs the Boys Sold their Chance the Caves for $\$ 4.50$ We Left our encampment went four miles and Camped for the Night May 2nd Traveled About Seventee Miles and Camped onsheriton Creek A Large deep Swift Stream in Course of the Day we Passed through Bethany the County Seat of Harrison County there is Some good Buildings in this Town fine Weather Where we Crossed this Creek there is A Small Mill for Grindine Corn May $3 \%$ Started at ten OcIk went out of Harrison Co into gentry Nothing of Particular Interest took Place in Course of the Day Weather fine roads muddy to Night we Stopped with Mr Summerville after Night We went to Hear His Daughter Alice Hannah Sumerville Perform on the Dulcimer She Performed Very well with some flattery Induced her to Perform for a Considerable Length of time She was quite A good Looking young Lady Between her good Music and good Looks I almost fell in Love with her

May 4th Went $81 / 2$ miles and Camped for the Night raining and Very Muddy -toDay I seen An Adder 6 It Long we Camped Near A House

May Eth Went to Gentryville and Crossed the West Branch of Grande Rivir got Over the River without Any Accedent after Crossing we went out Seven miles and Camped. on the Big Prairie this Prairie is 22 miles wihhout Any wood We found Some water
in ASlough the water was good Clar water Distance 14 miles
May 6th Left our encampment on the Large Prairie We Carped at the Edge of the
timber Corn 55 cts per Bushel Weather Lowering the next Prairie we Cross is 15 mls wide

May 7th ToDay we went 15 mls and Camped in 10 mls of St Josph the County Seat of Buchannan Co Mo here is fine sections of Country wo Camped in a fine Valley Cranson Bought himself A Horse A Pleasant Evening rather Roads much Better than Usual

May 8th Sunday moming Clear and Beautiful we are on A Large Prairie and have A view of several Miles Loft our Camp and Crossed Little Platte Went to River 102 there We Camped for the Day Cranson and Nyself went to St Joseph to make Arrangements to Cross the Missouri River at St Joseph This Last Nentioned Stream is 6 mls from St Joseph When we got to St Joseph we met our friends who Left $U_{s}$ on the Middle Branch of Grande River I was glad to See them and they Appeared Pleased to meet us Mrs Perry was in good Spirits She is A fine Woman and I Believe A Sincere friend to me after Nakeing arrangements to Cross the River we went Back to our Camp on one hundred and Two where we Camped for the Night

May 9th In the Morning we Drove our Cattle to Joseph got to St Joseph About 10 Ocik $\AA M$ Comenced ferrying Shortly after getting in the Town Had Every thing Across the River By 4 PM This Evening we Camped in the Indian Ter for the first Time our encampment this Evening was on the West Bapik of the Missouri Opposite St Joseph Mo This Town Does Considerable of Business at this Season of the year I think it is kept up By the Emigration at This time it is quite flourishing

May 10 in the forenoon the most of $U_{s}$ went Over to St Joseph to Trade for Such Things As we Needed on the Plains in the afternoon we went Out Six miles through What is Called the Missouri Bottom to the Edge of the Plains Here Was A Lot Indians they charged 25 cts $\mathbb{A}$ piece for Every wagon that Passes Through Their Ter Some of Our Company Paid Other of the Did Not They were Expert Marksmen With the Crossbow Fo Night we Put Our Cattle $A$ Coral after Night The train Organized the Train so as to proceed with Safety Those to Organized Were Mrs Lamb and her Hands Mr Rainerd Mr Boots

Mr John Rainey Mr Cranson \& Hands they entered a Compaot for mutual Safety and we will Notice how Long it Lasted this Etrening We Came Among the Kicapoo Indians Six mile: from St Joseph Mo in the morning Cur Cattle was safe somewhat Diferent from what we Expected

May Ilth Left Our encampment among the Kicapoos traveled About Twelve miles and Camped on A High Prairie grass rather scarce in Course of the Night the Indians were Prowling About the Camp Trying to Steal Chttle One of the Boys George Short Shot at an Indian But without effect However we had one man almost Scared to Death the Scare was worse than if they had killed him if they had killed he would not hove felt his misery as It was he felt It Plainly this unfortunate man was Mr Stephen B Perry

May 12th Went twelve miles and Camped near Some Indian Encampments on A Small Creek where there was a tool Bridge and Some Indian Huts they were friendly Indians and Used $U_{s}$ well There was Two Squaws at this Place which were very Pretty Mr Judson Palmer And Myself went to the Indian Camp to See thdir Girls they appeared glad to See Us to Day we Passed the Indian Agency at the Arency their is Several Houses A good Store and fine Farm Tonight we have to Guard our Cattle This was hte first nitht I had to Guard

May 13th Left our encampment traveled Ahout twenty miles and Camed on the Open Prairie in forming the Coral Cranson Broke His wagon Tongue Thos Cox \& John Stong went two miles to get Pole to make another nothing of Particular Interest happened in Course of the Day

May 14th Traveled About Seventeen miles and Camped on A high Prairie the general Sppearance of the Country Prairies High and Rolling interspersed with Belts of timber timber vather Soubby

May 15th Left our Hoampment and traveled some twelve or fifteen miles and Camped on the Nimehaw river found A good Camping Place with good water and Plenty of wood the

Bank of River opposite our Camp was Deep Steep This Kiver is Ahout four rods wide water Clear here It was Supposed was the Dangerous Part of the Country on Account of Indians To Night Mr Wilson Staid At Our Camp $M_{r}$ Boots and me were on guard to Day is Sunday One Month on Our Journey to Oregon

Kay 16th Left Our ncampment went one mile and Crossed the Nimehaw River where the road Crosses the river the Banks are Very Steep here was Several trains Cross Ing the River or About to Cross here Some of the Old Ladies waded the River they were afraid to tide in wagons after Crossing the River we went out two miles and Camped on the Prairie Here we had a fine View of the Country general Appearance of the Country High Mounds rolling Prairies Beautiful Valleys in the Distance was A Belt of Timber on the Nimehaw River Rocks A Coarse Granite Similar to the Independence Rock Here we thought our Cattle were Lost we Let them go out of Sight and did not find them for some time ${ }^{\mathrm{H}_{r}}$ Day and Wilson Caped $\mathrm{N}_{\text {ear }} \mathrm{U}_{\mathrm{B}}$

May 17th Left our Camping ground and went traveled 10 miles and Carped on $A$ Small Creek Plenty of water wood \& Grass in Erening we had A Light Shower of rain

May 18th Traveled About twenty miles and Camped near Big Blue River here our Cattle ran off and we had some Dificulty'finding them Did not get till Late in the Morning Here for the first time I seen the Ohio Train, they Camped About one mile Below us on Big Blue River

May 19th Fent to the ferry on Big Blue got ferried Over in a Short time after getting to the ferry ferriage three Dollars Per wagon there was $\mathbb{A}$ man Drowned In the River A Short time Before we got to the Riber after Crossing we went out Six miles and Camped on the Prairie Prairios high and rolling

May 20th Traveled About twenty three miles and Camped on A Small Creek Below our Camp on the Creek we found plenty of Grass the Ohio Train Camped Near $\mathrm{U}_{8}$ in Course of the night we ran $A$ wild Animal into $M r s$ Lamb Wagon $H_{0}$ was $A$ ferocious Animal However Herself and Daughter Mary Succeeded in Domesticating the forocious Beast
next morning he wis quite Docile vie named tre Beast Ira the Belored Son of Mrs Lemb Nirs Lamb About to Leave the Train Guarded to close Last nimht for Comfort

Nay 2lst $T \circ$ Day we traveled Some ten miles and Camped near A Slough Near our Camp there was A good Spring of water Grass rather Scarce in the Night there was A $n_{\text {ard }}$ rain the Ohio Train Camred near Us on the Slough in the Day Boots Broke His Wagon in A Bad mud Hole He repaired his wagon in A Short time and we moved forward This moming Lems Left Crsnson to travel with Wilson

May 22nd To Day Sunday we traveled 14 or 15 miles Over a Prairie Country Prairies high and rolling Grass rather Scarce Camped on Sandy Creek A Small and Almost Dry Croek with A few Willow Brush Growing on the Banks This is the lifidde Sardy

Nay 23rd To Day we traveled 10 miles and Carped on the Last Sandy this Creek is three or four rods wide Clear water Sandy Bottom Flenty of Wood and Grass our Camp was at the East End of $A$ half Circle formed By the Creel we herded the Cattle in the Circle Today we jcined the Ohio train Comosed of Seven Femilies 10 Wagons thrce Sprin Carriages 177 Head Cattle 14 Horses Number of rersons in the Train About 40 Names of the heads of Families in the Chio Vr Earhart Wolford Wife two Sons and two Daughters liary Wolford Amelia Wolford Chas Wolford John Wolford John Wolford Wife one fon one Daughter Lewis Wolford and Elizabeth Wolford and Niss Elisabeth Adams his Niece Devolt Wolford Wife And one Son Olivermbord Kiss liartha Jane Shilling his wifes Sister Mr Knox and family Mr Steward and family Mr Cranston \& family Vr Hicks \& Family

May 24th Left our encampment and traveled About twenty and Camped in the Open Prairie we traveled most of the Day on the Bonks of Little Blue in Course of the Day we had A Dificulty with A Dutch train oweing to the trains Crowding on us however they Settled the matter without fighting in the nirht the Cattie Partly $S_{+}$ampeded

May 25th Rained in the morning we traveled About 10 miles and Camped on Little Blue

## River

May 26th Traveled Arout 10 miles and Camred on Iittle Blue River Rainy Weather

Slow Truveling
May 27 th Left our Encampment and traveled to the Second Small Creek Distance 16 miles Grass very good this Creek is within 25 miles of Platte River Roads Pad Prairie Broken water Scarce Fassed Wilsons train yesterday A Pleasant Eveaing

Nay 28th Saturday we traveled Abcut 15 miles and Comned on the Prairie about 3 miles from Platte Rirer to Day I was Bacr to Milsons to Milsons train to see Mr Judson Faluer who was Sick when I went Back he had A chill on him Ir George Short Had Been Sick but w.s getting Eetter

Nay 29th Left Our encampment on the Blues and went within one mile of New Fort kearney we Camped within the fort Boundaries they were going to make us move off their Land or fort Boundaries here we had one hell of A time Guarding our Cattle wadoing the Sloughs East of fort Keamey in the Platte Bottom

May 30th Went to Fort kearney the fort Contains A few fraim Houses or Barracks and A few mud Houses made out of Dobies there was About 50 Soldiers in the fort is in A Beautiful site with a view o? Several miles in Every Direction after Leavein the fort we traveled 18 miles and Camped on the Platte Rirer Bottom Grass tolerable good

N'ay 31st Traveled 6 or 7 miles and Co ned on the B nk of Platte River Grass Scarce Anrearence of A Stcrm

June lst went 15 miles and Carped on the Brank of Platte River Raining hard Grass rather Scarce

June 2nd went 15 miles and Camped on Platte River as Usual Platte River on the Rise Grass rather Scarce

June 3d Went About 15 miles and Camped $a$ bout one mile from the Sand bluffs to Day we Seen 4 Buffalo

June 4th Went 16 miles and Camped Near the river Grass good Tood $\delta$ water Plenty In Course of the day we Crossed three Streams of water the Largest was Creell

Nothing of Particular Interest took Place in Course of the Day
June 5 th Went 16 miles and Comped on the Prairie Grass good mater Plenty No mood roads Good

June 6th Vient Some 15 miles and Canped on the river in Course of the day we Seen Some Buffalo they Were on the North Side of Platte the Hunters killed One We were traveling on A High Eluff Bank of Platte river and had A fair View of the Friole Naneuver here mas A great many Buffalo Shulls Grass wood \& Water Scarce

Iune 7 th To Day we remained in Camp most of the day Attendinf to waining and Suning Provisions Cattle getting Lame Principal Disease was the Foot Evil in tie "i., ht it reined ard Cur tent wes enunered I Left cur tert sid went to Pap Fiolfords Here Crarson Degen to Show his Miclfisl: Principle end Shortiy he ect A Check to his Cowardly Actions

June 8th Fent Some 20 miles ard Csmed on the Bank of Plette Weather fine roads Good Nothing Perticuler Indterest Took Placo in Course of the Dey

June Sth Went 20 miles and Camped at he Upper Crossine of Flatte river the River vas rather deep for fording They had to reise their Magor Deos 12 inches then in Some Places the Weter ren into the megon Beds

June 20th Crossed Platte river arid Carned on Narth Side We Crossed the River Without any Accident not without Some herd Lavor wadeing in Plette River is very tiresome on Account of the Sandy Bottom a Swift Curent lre John bolford was much frifhtered in Crossing the river the wagon Come near floating Dom the River !riti Mrs Wolford her Deughter $:$ Niece liss Elisabetr fiems

June 1lth Wert from North Plette to South Platte Distsrice 23 miles the road from North Platte to South Plette is rat er rough elmost rountrinous we Struck South Platte at Ash Hollow here is A groci Spring vihere we got plenty of Cool water We want three miles further and Camped at rocly tower Today we Seen lirs $L_{\text {ginb }}$ G Short Iudson Palmer \&\& lr S B Perry Perry \& Palmer Come tc our Camp in the Evering Palmer remained

Over Wight with us Judson Palmer Has the Ague \& Looks Bad
June 12th Went twelve miles through Sand \& alkali in Course of the day We rilled one Antelope in Evening there was A Storm Camped on An Open Plain not far from

## Platte River

June 1Sth Went 18 miles and Camped Near the River Nusquetoes Very Bad in Evening We had $A$ hard rain

June 14th Went 16 miles \& Camped Opposite Solitary Tower \& Lone Tower distant Eight miles it does not look to Be more than one mile from the road it is Eight Hundred ft high from the road it dont Appear to be Over one Hundred it in heighth We camped A Short distance from Tower Creek

June 15th Went from Castle or Courthouse rock to Chimney distent 16 miles Chimey rock I Should think is Akout five hundred ft from the Base of the mound to the top of Rock When a person is on the rock they have A great View of the Surrounding Country Most of hte Ladies Belonging to the train went Up on the Chimney they were All well Pleased with the Sight

June 16th Went from Chimney Rock To Scotts Bluffs are A Beautiful and Picturesque Scene The Bluff resemble A Beautiful in Distance We Passed to the Left of Scotts in A gap in the hille To the Left of this road is Good Springe end Plenty of good Grass to the Left of our Camp was Several romantic Looking Bluffs one them I named Solamons Temple Here we got the Lousy Yanke who was Agraid of Indians he was A hard 01d Case About as hard as they make them Tonight I was on Guard Moon Light and Clar - June 17th Traveled 18 miles and Camed A Short distance from an Indian Town Here there was A great many Indians About our Encampment They were Rather nice Looking Indians In the Afternoon we Crossed Horse Creek this Creek is three or four rods wide water muddy near this Creek is the Cold Springs They are A Perfect Curiosity the water Bursts out of the Ground as thick as A mans Body June 18th Traveled Twenty miles and Camped four miles East of Fort Larime In

Front of our Camp there was high and rugged Bluffs Grass Soarce Springs Up the ravine To Camped About mile Below the Sprincs Close to the bluffs On those Bluffe there was A good Surply of Dry Ceder wood The Indians at this time were Surposed to Be troublesome

June 19tr: Went to Larime River near Fort Larime and Camped for the Day Tomorrow morning we Expect to Cross the River in the ferry Boat as the Bridge had washed away Previous to our Arrival At the River We drove the Cattle on the Bluffs Opposite The Fort to get grass Lambs are Camped here at this time today we Passed James Coxs Grave to the right of the road on A mound he Died in Spring of 1850 on his [way] to California Two Solitary Cottonwood trees Mark the Place of his Last Home and Calm

## Repose

June 20th Today I went to Fort Larime to Send Some Letters to my Friends in the States in the Fort there is three or four Pieces of a rtillery and firearms of various Sorts Poorly Situated to make A Vigorous defence Against the Indians Large numbers of Indians About the fort the Buildings are generally dobies the Site for the Fort Beautiful after Looking at the fort I returned to our Train after Crossing the Riber to Ft Larime we traveled out Six miles and Camped near Platte River Grass moderately good dust rather after Leaveing Larime Larime Peak to our Left Presenting a: dark Appearance to the Eye of the Weaty Traveler

June 21st We remained old camping Place Grass wood and water Plenty nothing of Particular note happened in Course of the day About as usual in all Aamping Grounds Sowwhat Monotonous

June 22nd To day the Ohio Train Left us for to look out for our selves After Parting with our old Friends we were Left Alone wind blowing Cold and raining Slightly In the afternoon we traveled About nine miles and Camped in the Bluffs Wood and water Plenty In the Long run we got Along Moderately well

June 23d To day we traveled twenty miles and Camped on A Small Creek Today I Seen
the first red Blufs They were rather $A$ find Looking Sight
June 24th Traveled ninoteen miles And Camped on the Bank of Platte River in Course of the day we Passed the Kenyon of Platte River this was the Nost Enchanting Scene I have Seen on the route the depth of the Kenyon where the River Passes through Black Hills I should think was Between two end three Thousand feet in depth oneSide of the Kenyon was Perpendicular the other in Some places was Slopeing So A Person Couls climb the Side of the Kenyon Thos Cox and myself went About one mile in the kenyon here we Scaled the Side of the kenyon and Come over the Top of the Bluff to our Train The sides of the kenyon were Composed of Red pock To night our horses ran off and the Musquetoes Amost devoured us Alive This kenyon was inhabited By Black Swallows in Great numbers

June 25th To day we traveled fourteen miles and Camped on Levonta Creek in course of the day we seen twelve Buffalow of Various $S_{\text {orts }}$ Cows and Calves they were rild Looking Cases

June 26th Left Lavonte Creek and Camped on Iappeele Creek distence nineteen miles here there was good grass and water water was Clear and Beutiful This Criek was mamed after A man Named Lapeele who died on this Creek Several years Ago the Cause of his death is supposed to be this $H_{e}$ was \& trapper in this Section of Country during A Severe rain and Snow Storm his fire died out And having no means of Starting fire he Perished with Cold or Sutch is Story Concerning him A few rods Below where the road Crosses horseshoe Creek there is A Perpendicular fall of About Eight feet the fall is in Shape of horse Shoe I suppose the Creek was named after these falls we Crossed this Creek on the 24th

June 27 th . To day we Lay By to rest the Cattle in Course of the day Thos Cox and me went out on Some of the high points of the Black Hills that were three or four miles from our Camp Lambs and Perrys Camped in Same Grove with us Lur Judson Palmer has the Ague and Look very bad In Course of the day My Friend Mrs Perry and me had a talk Conoerning our friends at Home

June 28th To day we traveled nineteen miles and Comped on deer Creek Grass Scarce wood Plenty ${ }_{\text {c }}$ Lamb Camped Close to $\mathrm{O}_{\mathrm{s}}$ with her tried Friend Ira Roed Judson Palmer us well This was the Last time I Soen J Palmer

June 29th Fent twelve miles and Camped near an Akali Swamp thic was A dangerous Place for Stook of 111 Sorts the Ground was covered with Soda and Saleratus

June 30th Went to the Upper orossing Platte River Godd gr:ss and water Wo Camped near the Bluffs in Course of the night our horses ran off we did not get them to night Ferriage Six dollars Per wagon horses fifty cts per hoad Cattle 12 1/2 cts per head

July lst In the morning we found the horses and Crossed the Bridge After Crossing the river we traveled Eight miles and Camped in the Bluffs in the Afternoon there was A Severe rain and hail Storn we had to do our Cooking with Sage Brush in the night the Wolves came near our Camp to mew A Caroas of A Dead Cow the Ohio Train camped near us

July 2nd Some of our Cattle were Missing I went forward in Search of the Cattle I went on as far as the Willow Springs and found the Cow in the Missionary Train I left the Cow I Left the Cow and went Back to Cransons wagon on Platte River In Course of the day Passed the rocky Avenue Poison Springs Today I traveled About fifty miles

July Sd I went Ahead to get the Cow that I Left with the Missionary train the yesterday In Course of the day I Passed the Poison Springs willow Springs Clarwater Crk Small Ck About Six miles from the willow springs this CreekiLalys[?] Close to the Left of the road Some ten miles further on I Crossed Sage Creek this is a Clear Stream of water Up this Creek there is good grass from here Inent to Sweetwater river two miles Eist of Independence Rock here I oamped with Ohio train to the right of the road there is A Lake Covered with Saleratus

July 4 In the morning I went to Independence rock distant two miles from our

Camp Ihis rock is Compose of Coarse Granite ${ }^{1} t$ is About one hundred and twenty ft high two Thousand ft Long About three hundred it wide the Ascent of the rock in Places 18 quite Easy in others it is amost Perpendicular in Places the rock is Covered with Names of Persons going to Orregon And Cal To day there was Celebration At Inde[pen]denoe rock there was \& Celebration of the fourth of July today I found the Cow two miles west of Inde rock in Chamberlain train to day I went to the devils gate rattlesnake Mountain this Evening I camped with the Ohio Train three miles East of the Devils gate In the Erening they drank Success to the fourth on A Soda Plain

July 5th To day Irent Back to Independence roak and Met Mr Cranston Mr Cranston got his Cow After Moeting Cranston I went to See the devils gate $H_{e r e}$ Sweet water Passes through A Point of the rocky mountains the depth of the Kenyon is from four to five hundred ft the Sides of the Kenyon are Perpendicular this is one of the greatest Curiosities on the route. Then $I$ was on the highest Points of the devils gate I had A fair View of Independence rock the rattlesnake mits And Several Spurs of the rocky mts And A Vast Extent of Beautiful Country

July 6th Went About fifteen miles over heavy Sandy roads In the Evening we Gamped near the noumain grass Scarce

July 7th Went Six or Seven miles and Camped at the first good Grass And Let the Cattle rest

July 8th Went Sixteen miles and Camped on the Banks of Sweet water Road heavy and Sandy Today we beheld for the first time the Snow Cagped rocky mountains far to the west They had the Apearance of White Clouds It was A majestic Sight to the Fye of the Curious We kept to the Left of Sweet water

July 9th Today we went from Sweet to Sweet water Auin Distance twenty miles In Course of the day we Passed \& pond where there was Plenty at the depth of Eight inches under the Surface of the Pond In the Pond where we got this Ice the Surface of the Pond to A Considerable depth with \& person Weight The Ece was not very wholesome

Thos Cox was Sick with Mountain Foter
July loth To day we traveled About twelve miles and Ceriped near rooky Bluffer roade very dusty Grass wood \& water Plenty Thid Evening we are Capped within twenty Sevep miles of the Summit of the rocky Mes Feather rather Cool

July lith Today we traveled About Seventeen miles and Cpt near willow Creek th in Course of the day we Passed Several Small Creeks and Some Small Lakes Roads dusty to day we Seen Snow Bence About ten feet in depth the Rocky Mountains are A Short distance to our right Covered with the Snow of many Summers and winters The $\mathrm{S}_{\text {now }}$ Banks we $S_{e}$ en were on Strawberry Creek

July 12th Today we traveled twenty one miles in Course of the day we Camped two miles from the Pacifio Springs to day we Passed through the South Pass of the rocky mountains The South Pass resembles A Large rolling Prairie The Pacific Spring are rather A Contimation of Swails This is the first water that we Seen that runs Into the Pacific Ocean here the water runs Westward today the roads were fine

July 13th Fent About twenty miles And Camped on Little Sandy we found no water in Course of the day Grass Scarce today we Passed the first road that Leads to California it turns to the Left about five miles Before we Come to Little Sandy July 14th Went from Little Sandy three miles west of Big Sandy Big Sandy is A nice Looking Stream some four rods wide it forms the East Boundary of the desert Weather warm roads dusty now we are on the desert Between Big Sandy and Green River

July 15th Went About Sixteen miles and Cmped Atout one mile from Big Sandy Grase Scarce roads dusty Cranston In rather A bad humor dark of the moon Dog Days at hand July 16th Today we went from Big Sandy to Green river distant Sixteen miles Sand deep And hard Pulling on the Cattle dust very Bad to day I suffered Considerable for water In many Instances we Could not See the Loose Cattle or tem Today I Loft Cranston And waited for hicks In the Ohio Train

July 17th Today the Ehio train Come up they got In About noon After Crossing the

River we went out four miles and Capped Grass moderately good today Cranston was In A terrible Putt But did not hurt Any Person

J 1 ly 18th Went eight or ten miles And Camped on A Small Creek grase good roads rough

July 19th Today we went four or five miles and Camped near A Small Spring Today Mrs John Wolford was very Sick Hick Fin Knox A dutchman And myself Guarded the Cattle and [h] horses at the foot of A Mountain Some tree or four miles from camp In the night we had fears pf An Attact from Some Indians Today Miss $K$ Come out in flying Colors for A Beit I aught to have humored the Joke for Sport was on hands

July 20th Today we went to hams fork of Green River distant twenty mls here we had A good Camping Place Plenty Indians About the Camp water good And clear Plenty of grass the Indians Killed A Buffalo near our Camp Tim got tight in Course of the night

July 2lst To day we Crossed the mountains from hams fork of Green river to Bear River dietant twenty five miles to day we Passed over the roughest \& Stepest roads I ve Seen on the route on those 性s there was Snow Banks In Course of the day we Fassed the Quaking Ash Grove Balsom of Fir Grove These are fine Groves of fir and quaking Asp Timber This is the first Fir Timber Ive Seen Good grass at our famping Ground on Bear River To night I am on guard the dutchman got mad and Left Earhard Wolford July 22nd To day we Lay By and let the Cattle rest for the Grass is Excellent today we Amuse our Selves By hunting And Laying Around the Camp

July 23rd Went fifteen miles And Camped on Bear River Grass moderately good roads rough Weather Warm In the Evening there was A $S_{t}$ orm

July 24th Went two miles And Camped for Sunday yesterday we Crossed Thomas fork of Bear River on A Bridge By going Up into the hills Some two mils you Can ford the Crle But the Road is very bad to day we Crossed over the slough on $A$ Bridge fertiage per Fagon one dollar today most of the Boys and Girls are A fishing After trout in the River

July 25 th Fant fifteen miles and Camped on Salee Creek Grass good nights Cold days hot

July 26th Went twenty miles and Camped on Bear River Grass Wood \& Water Plenty When the Last Mentioned Articles are on hmds we get Along harmoniously

Nuly 27 th Went twenty Seven miles and Camped near the forks of the roads one Leading to California By the way of Salt Lake the Other to Orregon to night we made A dry Camp in Course of the day we Passed the Soda Springs and Steam Boat Springs they are Great Curiosities the Steamboat Spring resembles \& Steam Boat Scaping the water makes A good drink

July 28th Went twelve miles and Capped on A Small creek Grass Very good

July 29th Crossed the Snake River mountain And Camped at the first Spring West of tr Mts here was the Best Spring I ever Seen In my Life In this Section of Country there is fine Springs this Spring is to the Left of the road first after you Come over the Mn grass Scarce

July 30th Went Sixteen miles and Camped on A Small Grass good wood rather Scarce
July 3lst Went to Snake River and Camped on the River Bluff water good But dificult to get grass good in the river Bottom $\begin{aligned} \text { gusquatoes Very Bad There was A train Close }\end{aligned}$ to Us It was from Indiana It Belonged to Mr Sunderland of Ind

Aug Ist Went Seventeen miles and Camped Roads dusty
Aug 2nd went Seventeen miles and Camped on A small Creek near the River this Creek was full of Petrified Ialls or dams that had Been Composed of wood And had Changed to Stone here there was Plenty of dry grass In Course of the day we Passed the American Palls in Snake River here Snake River About Sixty feet in About two hundred It is A fine Sceno here I $S_{8}$ on the water Bursting out of the Ground in Iarge quantities

Aug 3d Nent iffteen miles and Camped grass tolerable good No water
Aug sth Tent twelve miles and Camped on raft River grass good roads dusty Snowy Mts In Sight

Aug 5th Went from rart river to Muddy Creek distant twenty one miles Grass Plenty Roads Dusty Weather Hot in Extreme

Aug 6th went from Muddy Dreek to Goose Creek distant fifteen miles this is $A$ deep Kuddy $S_{t}$ ream formed of Small deep Streams here we had Plenty of Grass and wood

Aug 7th Sunday we traveled from Goose Creek to Snake River distant fourteen miles grass Scarce roads rough and dusty hot weather here we put in our Sabbaths in hard traveling over dusty roads

Aug 8th Went to rock Creek and Camped near the foot of the Mountain Grass wod and water in Abundance

Aug 9th Went from rock Creek to rockstone Creek distant twelve miles Grass good roads rough And rocky Also very dusty

Aug loth Went twenty miles and Camped on the Plain without water for the Stock and A Short Allowance for our Selves roads Bad Nights Cold

Aug IIth In the morning I went forward to See how far we had to go before we Come to water At noon thei train got to Snake River where they Could water the Stock the Cattle $\mathrm{A}^{\text {I most }}$ gave out before they got to water the descent to Snake was dificult the banks were over one thousand feet in heighth from rockstone Creek to this Place Snake River runs most of thedistance in A Perpendicular Kenyon one thousand feet in depeti here there is no chance of getting water for Stock the distance without water is thirty miles To night we Comped on Snake river two mls Above Psalmon Creek No grass worth Mention today I rode All day hunting Camping ground And found no grass today I seen Some Beautiful in Some of the Creek on the North Side of water here we are on A barren waste

Aug l2th Went to Salmon falls Against noon in the Afternoon we Crossed the River on A ferry Boat in Crosing the river Mr E Folford Lost one horse by drowning after Crossing the river we went out three miles and Camped on Clar water Creek here there was Some good grass Above Salmon Falls on the North Side of the River there is some

Perpendicular water falls of ver one thousand fest in heighty the Most Beautiful A Person Could Imagine At Samon Falls the fall is About twenty ft fall in 300 Ids

Aug l3th Went from our Camp five miles and $C^{A}$ mped Lower down on the Same Creak the distance is over high Lands Covered with deep sand we descended A Steep hill and Camped near A Spring grass Excellent general Appearance of the Country Covered with Sand and Sage Brush Inhabited with Frogs Iizards and Indians

Aug l4th Went twenty miles And Camped on hot Spring Creek today we traveled fifteen miles without water we Started on this Stretch without knowing how far it was to water Across this Stretch there is heavy Sand and Steep hills hard on Cattle \& horses In the moraing we Crossed Kenyon Creek this Creek falls into A deep Kenyon A few rods below where the road Crosses the Creek the ford is very rocky water Swift ford Somewhat dificult the rocks Ahout this Creek were In the form of all Sorts of Basins Somewhat In the shape of $A$ honey Comb Kenyon Creek five miles from Clar Creek on Leaveing Clear Creek we Come up A Steep hill

Aug 15th Today we Lay by to let the teans rest In the night hiciss and fnow Lost An Indian Pony it was Supposed to be Stolen by the Indians as they were In the Vicinity We Spent most of the day in hunting for the Pony the Search useless Weather Very hot the water In this Creek Is kept up by hot It is Poisonous to Stock hundreds of dead Cattle in the Creek we Camped up the Cceek one mile from where the road Strikes the Creek here we done wrong for dow the Creek three miles there is good Springs of Clar water and Plenty of good grass So muthh for the want of knowledge

Aug 16th Went from hot water Creek to Carson Creak distant Sixteen miles roads Frough and dusty grass Moderately good this is the third Creek from Snake River

Aug lith To day we went fifteen miles and Camped on the Plain without water In Course of the day we ascended A steep Mountain after Comeing up this hill we Cross A Creek we went on Some Distance further and made A dry Camp today Mr Knor Left our train to the right of our Camp there is A high Mountain Covered with

Snow Close to our Camp there is A high rocky Mn
Aug 18th Went ten miles And Camped on Grave Creek grass wood and water good In Course of the day we Crossed two or three small Streams of water here there was ten grave close to the road One of them was John Saddier of Vanburen Co Iowa he was an old Acquaintance of mine in Iowa he Started to Orregon In fifty two this rocky Point of A Mountain is the only Monument to his memory

Aug 19th To[day] we went 15 miles and Camped on the Plain 4 miles from water In course of the day we Passed the Boiling springs the Springs form A Circle of About four rods in diameter the water is Boiline hot one man Mr Bele got his hand Scalded

Aug 20th Went ten miles and Camped on A Small run water water Scarce In course of the day we crossed Charlottes fork water good And Clar In the Evening there was near A hundred wagons Camped near us Bunch grass good Mr Sunderland Camped Close to us Cattle dieing In great numbers

Aug 2lst Went Sixteen [miles] and Camped on A small Creek grass good water Scarce In Course of the day we Crossed white horse Creek In Course of the day Crossed White horse Creek roads dusty

Aug 22nd Went fifteen miles to Boise River Grass good water Clar roads dusty And very mountainous here there is the finest Grass I ever Seen on the Emigrants continue Comeing in until Midnight we Gusrded the Cattle on the north Side of Boise River

Aug 23d Went fifteen miles and Camped on the River in the Best of Grass here we Expect to Lay by for two days Leslies train is with grass Six or Eight ft high here we are Laying Around the Camp heiping Johny

Aug 24th To day we are Laying About the Camp or watching the Cattle so they will not Stray Away and get Lost Several trains are Camped near us among thom are Mr Miller of $I l l$ he has A fine Looking daughter Miss Charity Miller

Aug 25th Today we are Laying by to let the Cattle reoruit In course of the day they tried fishing It Proved \& Poor Peroentage the fish are rather Sharp to be Caught by every one that Comes Along

Aug 26th Went ten miles and Camped on the Bank of the River Situation for our Camp fine as Could be wished Roads very dusty hard on the Cattle took A disease that killed them in A few minutes

Aug 27th Went 10 miles and Camped three miles East of the Crossing of Boise River grass good roads dusty We Can See the Spurs of the Blue Nountains to our Left on the South Side of the Snake

Aug 28th Went three miles and Crossed Boise River Ford very good after crossing we went twelve miles further and Camped grass good

Aug 29th Went Eight miles to fort Boise we Crossed the River in A ferry Boat kept for to Cross Emigrants Price Per wagon five dolls. Fort Boise is Composed of $A$ few doby houses Mostly Inhabited by Indians our Cattle \& horses Swum over the River In the Evening there was A Couple Married Mr Wm Knor to Miss Agness Minford Ohio for A Bridal Bed in the Sand

Aug 30th Went from Snake river to Malheur distant twenty miles without water roads dusty day very hot got through without the Loss of Stock here is where the new road turns off from the Old Emigrant road going Into the Lower Part of Willammet Valley the new route Crosses the Blue vn In A pass And Crosses the Cascades Into the Upper Part of the Wi Ilammet Valley

Aug 3lst Went fifteen miles and Camped without grass good day for traveling quite 0001 roads very good

Sept lst Went Seventeen miles and Camred on Burnt River grass very good today Wo had our Last view of Snake river that delightful Stream that may [made?] a heary heart It disappeared in A Mighty kenyon in the Mountains that Lay between the road and Clarks River

Sopt 2nd Went nine miles and Camped on Burnt grass in A kenyon to the ripht of our Camp hard to got to In Course of the day we Crossed Burnt River Six times roads rough and Crooked Also very Brushy Cattle dificult to drive for the Brush We are Surround By Mountains on all Sides Brandys Camp
sopt 3d I day we Crossed the river four times here we Leave the river for ten miles this Evening we Camped on $\triangle$ Smell Crooked run we Crossed this rum Eleven times in three mis at our Camp there was good In the Evening there was five men at our Without Provision three of them were of Dimacks train from Ill he Lost his teans on the South Side of Snake $R$ Scenery in this Section of the Country Beartiful The mountains are Covered with fine timber

Sept 4th Went fifteen miles and Canped on A Small Branch of Burnt River In Course of the Day we Passed Fruits Trading Station on Burnt river here I Seen Frank Crook To day we are Passing through A good Section of Country

Sept 5th Went five miles and Camped on A Small run grass very good Water for Stock Our Cemp is Surround by high hills these hills are Covered with Bunch grass of the best quality from the top of these hills I Could See the Blue Nm at the head of Powder River they Look Blue

Sept 6th Went from A Branch of Burnt Rivez to A Branch of Powder River distant twenty two miles in this dist $_{\mathrm{a}}$ nce there was no water Most of this distance was Covered with heavy Sands road hilly and in Some Places Mountainous Bofore we Come to the Slough of Powder River we took to the Left and Camped on A Small Branch of Powder River to the Left of our Camp was the Blue Mountains Covered with fine timber here the grass was fine water good

Sept 7th Went fifteen miles and Campod on the third Branch of Powder River grass good wa ter Clear and good Here the Indians had Potatoes and fish to Sell here we got Some fine Irout This Section of Country is the finest Ire Seen on the route Land rolling and Covered with the finest of Grabs with numerous Streams of water forming the three main Branches of Powder River

Sept 8th Went ten miles and comped in A Valley four miles from the Grande ronde We Camped near A Small Spring this is A fine Little valley Inhabited by the Indians In Course of the day we Crossed the ridge Between Powder River and the grand ronde where we Come down Into this Valley there is a Poplar Grove

Sept 9th Went four miles to the top of the mountain Orerlooking the Grand ronde Went three miles further and we were at the Bottom of the mountain In the grand Went Eight miles to where the road Leves the ronde and Camped near A Spring and Creek here we had good Grass for the Stock On the mountain Overlooking the grand ronde is one of the finest Scenes I ever beheld In my Life The Grand rond Valley is About Sixteen $m$ ls wide by About thirty Long Surounded by high $\mathbb{N a n}$ on All Sides the Valley is Covered with fine grass running on this grass are Large droves of the finest Looking horse Owned by the Kiuse and Nesperse Indians They are good traders They Come here to Gather Camice for Winter use In this Valley are Numerous Streams of water the Largest is grand ronde river

Sept loth I O day we Layed by to Lett the Cattle rest In Course of the day there was A great many Indians About the camp were Busytrading for Guns Clotheing Blankets and Sutch Like Articles our Cattle Are dying Oocasionally

Sept 11 Fent ten miles over Mountains and rocky roads and Camped on grand ronde River here grass was Scarce wood and dead Cattle In Large quantities

Sept 12th Went twelve miles and made A dry Camp nine miles from Grand rond River you Come up A very Steep hill where there is Logs to keop the wagons from upsetting -after you get up this hill you Come Into An Open Glade of timher to the Left of this Opening in the ravine you will find water Standing in Pools In A dry run the Same you Cross at the Steep hill Very Little grass In this Part of the Mountain

Sept 18th Went ten miles and Camped on A Branch of rende River Plenty of Grass to the right of the Road in The Timber Tater In A Branch to the Left of the road In A run nights rather Cool for Comfort Weather rather Cool A greater Portion of the

Sept 24th Went twenty miles and Camped at the foot of the Blue $\mu$ res roads very the descent of the mountain is Steep but not Sideling In the Evening there was Plenty of Indians About the Camp In the Evening It rained Considerable grass very good Mountain Scenery sinne the Brow of the Blue Mountain is Beautiful giveing A View of A vast range of country

Sept 25th Went fifteen miles and Carped at the foot of the Bluffs Bunch grass good In Course of the day we Crossed the Umatilla River we Camped two miles West of the Umatila Close to the Bluff

Sept 16th Nent 17 Seventeen miles Across the Bluffs after Crossing the Bluffs we went two miles and Camped on A Slough General Apperance of the Country Mountainous Timber Principally Cottomwood five miles to the Indian Agency on the Umatilla River Tomorrow we Expect to See A house onve more Feather Cool disagreeable traveling

Sept 17th Went five miles to the Indien Agency here we Crossed the Umatill Riv The Indian Agents house is A neat one and half Story Building 18 By 28 ft Painted White this house is the first Ive Seen Since we Iarime At the Indian Agency I got the Number Persons Wagons Horses \& Nules Cattle that had Passed the Agency until the 17th Sept 1853

| Number of Persons | 5789 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Wagons | 1729 |
| Horses and mules | 1721 |
| Cattle | 15296 |

After Leaveing the Agency we went to Butter Creek distant ten miles here there was Plenty of good grass and water Indians About the Camp in Large numbers grass Bunch grass

Sept 28th In the forenoon we Lay by In the aftermoon we went out Eight miles and made A dry Camp grass Very good After Leaveing the Creek the Surface of the Country fiscends rentily Here we Come in View of Mt Hood due West of $U_{B}$ and to the North of

Int Hood we Could See 怆 Sthvien Both these Points Fere covered Fith Snow they are fine Looking Kountains 24 Hood runs up quite Sharp towards the Top While Sthellen is of an Oral Shape tonight my Bed as usual was on the Sand out of doors

Sept 19th Went Sixteen miles and Camped on A high rolling Plain we Made A dry Camp In course of the day we Passed the well Springs here we got Plenty of water for Cooking and for the Stock All this time we were traveling over A high Section of Country Fe Could See Severall Snowy Peaks of Mountains at one View

Sept 20th Fent Eleven Miles to willow Crodk here there was Plenty of water and had Been Plenty of grass But It had been Eaten off After Leaveing Willow Creek we went nine miles and Camped in Cedar hollow In the Evening one of the wagons upset with three persons in the Wagon no Person Badiy Injured Somewhat Frightened Nbt Wolford Lost one tooth In the Fall One young Lady Concluded She was killed But after walking About for A while She concluded She was Kistaken It was All A Fright Appearance of the Country high and rolling

Sept 21 Went over A high hill Into rocky hollow you travel up this hollow nine miles to A Small Spring here you Can get Small quantities of water for to drink By going down this hollow Some three miles you Come To John days River the road is very good we Crossed the hills to John Days River distent five miles the road is Steep and dusty we took the rifht hand road at the Little Spring I Suppose from report the Left hand road is much the Best At the time we did not know this At the time WE Camped near where the road Leaves John Days River three miles from where you first Strike the River here I Seen Mr Knox and his Family Miss Angeline was As Pleasant as usual Mr Smiths trainwas Camped there

Sept 22nd In Course of the day the train got to the top of the hill and concluded to remein until morning and take an Early Start for the Casoade range of Mountains whitch are in fair View Mr hicks Concluded to remain at John Days river And Let his Cattle becruit I went on with the Ohio Train

Sept 23d Went thirteen miles And Camped at A Spring to the Left of the here was plenty of water for Camp use and for the Stock on top of hiss at John Days River we took the Left hand road Leaveing the dalls to our right distance to the Colombia River twenty three miles without water After Leaveing John Dayc River we went nine miles over rolling Land Into A ravine Fent four miles up this ravine to the Spring and Camped Grass good Yountain grass of good quality

Sept 24th Started at noon and went Eight miles to the Last Spring In this ravine fere we Camped good grass and water this Evening Mr Foodson Jeffers and John Monroe of Yamhili County $O$ T Camped with us they Cone out to meet Mr John Jeffers who is on the Plains Back of us They did not meet John Jeffers

Sept 25th To day we Started with the Intention of going to deshutes River distent twenty miles after traveling Some distance we took A Pack trail to the right of the main route after traveling Seventeen miles we Camped in $A$ deep ravine $1 / 4$ th of $A$ mile to the Left of our Camp there is A good Spring here we got water for Cooking and for the Stock Today there was five Snow Covered Mountain Peaks In view kt Hood 钟 St Hellen $\mathcal{N}$ ( Jefferson Mit Ranier Mit McIaughlin to day we traveled over A high rollin Country with A fair View of the Cascad range

Sept 26th Went Down A Steep hill to deshutes River this is one of the Steepest hills Ive Seen on the route It was on the Pack trail to the right of the wagon road Itwas Steep Sideling and rocky After Crossing Deshutes River we have A Long Steep hill to go up distance to the top of this hill is About one mile the Cattle Swim the River Above the ferry the Fagons were taken over the River In A ferry Boat ferriage Per wagon three dolls we got Over the River Safly Several Indians About the River Meeks trail Crosees the River A Short distance Above the ferry Such hill no one would Imagine without they had Seen Mountains after Crossing the River we went out three miles to A Spring And Comped good grass And water Ferriage for horses \$150 Footmen \$100 Cattle 15 cts

Sept 27th Fent ten miles to Indian Creek and Camped at the foot of the hill here the Road from the $D_{a l l}$ Intersects this road Gress Moderate good here their is Some Steep hills on All Sides Some four miles Below our Camp on Indian Creek there is A Perpendicular fallof About 75 ft

Sopt 28th Went nine miles And comped on three mile Creek three mile from Indian Creek we Crossed A Small Clear Creek of good water At our Present Camp there is Plenty of Grass Wood \& Water here there Was Several trains waiting to Start In the Mountain

Sept 29th Today we are Laying by to Let our Cattle rest Before we Commence the Mountain Mr Dimocks train wasjClose By us To day they Started Into the in The Bla482r Girls 629249 hlqds ls 5851 [This is some kind of a code] With Th eer dreesses Up to the knees One of them was the handsomest female Ive Seen on the road from the States to the Cascade Nountains To Night is rather Cold for Comfort In the in

Sept 30th Wen 12 miles to deshutes hill And Camped on the Brow of this Hill grass Scarce Three miles from three mile Creek you Come to Barlows gate Here is A Small Stream and A Narrow Valley Six miles further over $\boldsymbol{t}$ ough roads you Come to $A$ Small Stream one mile further you Come to Another Stream two miles further you Come to Deshutes hill here is one of the Steepest hills in the Cascade Mountains At the top of this hill we Camp we are Surrounded on All Sides with tall Timber Varying In heighth from 150 ft to 250 ft In heighth Timber Yellow Red \& White Fir And Pine Some Oak

Oct ist In the morning we went down the $D_{0}$ shutes hill which wes rather dificult - to go down after going down the hill we Crossed Deshutes Creek five times In course of 7 or 8 miles here we encountered heavy Sands for Some distance After this we went up A Small Creek for Some distance Crossing It Several times In course of the Afternoon here we was In fair View lit Hood near this Sandy Part of the Road we Passed Fort depposite There the first migrants who first crossed those Mountains deposited Sutch Articles As they did not need on the Trip

Oct 2nd Last night We Chained the Cattle to trees as there was no chance to get grass. To day went to the third Creek hest of Sumit hill here we Camped Godd grass one half mile Below us on the Creek In A Prairie this Prairie Is Said to Be A Portion of the Summit Prairie It was very Swampy And Bad on Cattle to right of the road 1/2 miles after Crossing this Creek there is grass of A Coarse quality

Oct 3d Went Seven or Eight miles and Camped the first hill West of the Sumit In Course of the day we Passed over Some very Bad roads We Crossed one Pole Bridge 300 yds Long Another 150 yds in Length roads Crooked Muddy And full of Stumps To day we Lost 6 head of Cattle Tome In one hell of An uproar Curseing Tom Paine and Orregon

Oct 4th Last night we guarded the Cattle all night Started At day Light to go to A Small Prairie to the Left of the road After getting to this Prairie we Lay by the Remainder of the day grass In the Prairie Very good here we Cut grass to take with us from this Place here lit Hood was In fair View to the right of road

Oct 5th To day we went to Zigzag Comeing down the Laurel hill Is Considerable As Dsual we had no grass for the Cattle we Cut Browse for the Stock this was hard Liveing for Cattle on this trip

Oot 6th Went about Six miles and Camped near A trading Post here we got Some Grass for our Cattle In the night there was Several Persons from the valley About the Camp Oct 7th Went 12 miles and Camped at The foot of the Backbone of the Cascade Mountain the Backbone Is the most dificult hill to Descend In A wet time that there is in the Mountain wo got down In Safety $A s$ the hill went dry We got down Without dificulty

Oct 8th To day I went Back on the Back bone of the mountain to get an ox we had Left yesterday I did not find the ox After Returning to the foot of the Backbone I met Vr Devolt Wolford Mr Million Bronay We got our dinners At A trading Post Beat the Traders Shooting And went on to the train Which had Stopped at the third Large
hill from Sandy we Waded Sandy raining hard At the time the train Stopped In mud and mire turned the Cattle out In the Brush

Oct 9th Seven miles to fosters Hill Very Bad Wet And Slippery we took Part of the Things out of the Wagons and Carried then Up the hill then By hitching nine yoke of Cattle to A Wagon we got up the hill Arived At Fosters About three Oclk in the Afternoon Thus we are About through With A long And tiresome Journey of Alrost S的x months Thankful that we got Into the Va ley In good health taking All things into Consideration had A Pleasant Trip

Oct loth To day I Left the Ohio Train At Mr Foster And I Started for Orregon City In Company of Nr Devolt Wolford On the Road from Fosters to Orregon City We Stopped At rather A hard Looking Log Cabin to get Some dinner When We Stepped Inside of the house to Our Surprise we found A neatly frunished Room A Pretty Foman and fat Pretty Babe Here we got A good Dinner and went to Orregon City Orregon City is A Town of Considerable Business.next In Importance Portland the first $I[n]$ trade

Oct llth To day I remained In Orregon City waiting for A Boat to go to dayton In Famhill Co In Course of the day I was through the City Taking Items of the Odity of the Oregonians Spanish Spurs Iash rope and Indian horse the regular Uniform of an Oregonian

Oct 12th To day I start for dayton In Yamhill Co got to Dayton Late In the Evening I Come Up the River On the Steamer Yenhill To Shampoeg from thence I walked to Dayton General Arearance of the Country Mountainous and hilly Interspersed with Falleys I Stila At Dayton Dec the 25th 1854

Dec 27th 1854 This Evening I am at dayton as Usual To Night I was At my Old Friends on Palmers Corner of $\mathrm{f}[0]$ urth And fifth Streets one door Above the Emporium Raining Considable At Times River on the rise.
[Note in pencil, evidently written at some later time] Old Friends Refered to Jas B. Jacobs \& His kind Femily will long be remembered by me as they seem to me as parents of the best His Fomly consisted of the following members, Richard, Cyrus, Samuel, Simon Girls Mrs Stockele Marian Levine Twins Cinderelle Frances Harriett Germans from Lancaster Penn At the Request of Gen Palmer, myself \& Geo W Marpole $[?]$ volunteered for the yacima War in the Evening I went to Nr . N. Martin met Jno Kartin \& Niss Nancy on their route to Dayton The Whole country excited about the Indien Naj Haller Driven our of the yacima country

Saturday Oct 13th 1855 Volunteered to go to the Indian war in Yacima Country A. J. Hembree Enrolling Officer time during the Fiar or until Honorably Discharged from the Service at the time $I V_{\text {oluntered }} I$ was Working for $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{r}}$ Steward Hanna near Dayton in Yamhill Co 0 T

Oct 14th I went to Lafayette to Buy me A Saddle and rigging and make other necessary preparations for starting into the Indian Country Purchased A Sadde \& rigging from Mr Furgerson and Various other Articles at Dayton in Course of the day I got my Saddle blankets and Arms and Nost all Articles that was necessary for the trip in the evening I returned to Mr Martins My temporary Home for the time Being [In pencil, Eliza ${ }_{\text {artin }}$ Fast Friend]

Oct 15th Monday To day I was Busy most of the day Getting Clotheing and other things ready for the trip Jno Martin went to Lafayette to Get My Sadde returned Late in the evening I went to Dayton to Settle with Some Persons and See Some of my Friends in that Place \& Vicinity before returning I was At the House Gen Palmer Mr Jacobs lir Devidson And Mr Holdridge returned to Mr Martins at 11 OcIk at Night rather tired

Oct 16 th Got up early to make A Start for the Seat of War made Some Arrangements Before Breadfeast in respects to my Effect whitch I left in the Care of Mr N Martin After Breadfeast BedeAdieu to my Friends ard Started for Lafayette where the Company was to lieet organize and elect their Officers A J Hembree wer Elected Capt of the Comp \& Jno Hebler 1 Lieut Thm Fright 2nd Lieut J Chance Campbell lst Sergeant Wash Ewing 2 serg The Compt at this time No near One hund[red] men Well mounted At 2 Oclk We Left Our Acquaintances at Lafayette and Went as far as Harrises on the Tauliton River here we got good fare for Our Horses But Very Poor for ourselves Spoult[Spoiled] Neat Bread and Water for Our Surper in the Morning We got \& Very Good Breadfeast

Oct 17th 1855 This morning Te Saddled up our Horses and Started for Portland Where We were to Be Kustered into Teritorial Service We Arrived At Portland About 2 oclk PM andCrossed the Willammet river and Camped on the East Bank Opposite the City of Portland nothing of note Occurred in Course of the day We all got Safe Then we come into Town we fired A Salute Otherwise things Went off Cooly and Without Mutch Excitement

Oct 18th To day we were Paraded on Horso Back after Parade Our Horses and out fit was Appraised Ny Horse and Outfit :was Appr. at $\$ 382$ dollars after the Apprs got through their Business We were Nustered into the Teritorial Service By the Adjutant Gen of the Ser Mr Barmum and received By the Governor George L Curry we received the name of COEOMV

Oct 19th 1855 Today most of the time we were Loafering About Camp or Trading A Little in the City in Course of the day the Compt from Polk Co arrived in Portland They were A fine Looking Co under the Command of Capt Armstrong David Cosper was In the Compt

Oct 20 th We Still remain in Camp near Portland Although we had Order to Leave within 48 hours from the time we were Mustered into the Teritorial
(Oct 20th contd)
Service in course of theDay I had my Likeness $T_{a} k e n$ and Sent It to Mr Martins in Yamhill Co I got A Very good Likeness Considering It was A Vory dark Day Oweing to the Darkness of the Day It was rather Light or Dim

