

# Jethro Mitchell Swain



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Personal diary from 1901

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Notes taken from the front of his diary:

Memoranda of A. C. and J. M. Swain of San Francisco Cali. P.O. address La Union Eo Guerrero, Mexico for 1901.

J.M. Zagal

Don Zeffariano Guzmans - land lies between the Chutta & Nesha, along the coast and back for miles & miles.

164,210 Colt (Bisley model), 41 Caliber. No. 195,405, J. M. Swain's colt Bisley Model 41 caliber. Our rifle is an octagon barrel. Marlin Safety Model 1893 30-30 Caliber No. 177835. Special smokeless steel, fine sights, long range, magazine repeater, smokeless with steel bullets, lead points.

Notes: Dec. 13, 1900 Eng. Leandro Fernandez, Minister of Fomento. Takes the position occupied so long by Hon. Manuel Fernandez Leal of Minister of Fomento. Left Patzcuaro Dec. 4th, 1900 to visit Rocha mine and others.

Tuesday, Jan 1, 1901 Happy New Year, at W.O.B. Greens R.R. camp, Camp A. Mr. George Nolan and camp arrived this morning and moved in right below this outfit. Commenced work in the morning, plowing & scraping. Mr. & Mrs. Frank Blankenship called.

Wednesday, Jan 2, 1901 W.O.B. Green rec'd wire from J. M. Neeland saying, sent money to S. four days ago. Wrote S. Rocha regarding pack horse. Rafael had letter written to Trinidad Garcia. We made arrangements to stop money from J. M. Neeland when it reaches Zapotlan.

Thursday, Jan 3, 1901 Rec'd wire from Cramer saying Lyle coming tomorrow via Gah (?). (answered at once) OK, waiting. Cost of messenger 50 cts. Reading a novel, David Harmon.

Friday, Jan 4, 1901 Mrs. Alice Cecilia Swains birthday. @ W O B. Greens R.R. camp. PM, called on F. Blankenship & family. Bought pair overalls & some leather, 3.37. L.R. Routh came past and showed some iron samples, he wants money, very much or tools and partners.

Saturday, Jan 5, 1901 Started Rafael to Zapotlan for letters & telegrams. 11AM, Rafael came back to camp, nothing. W O.B. Green is suffering very severely from prickly heat and possibly more from some medicine which he applied. His harness maker made me two pistol scabbards today.

Sunday, Jan 6, 1901 Wrote Henry J. McKenzie in City Of Mexico. W.O.B. Green in bed all day. Alice & I went over to dinner at Frank Blankenships camp on his birthday, 43 years, had music & a nice visit.

Monday, Jan 7, 1901 Still no news from J.M.N. or W.O.B. Green is recovering slowly. George Nolan here regular, all ok. L. R. Routh & an iron mine owner & a California machinist @ dinner here today. Routh goes with them to the mine to assay.

Tuesday, Jan 8, 1901 Wrote Martin Cantrell Co., S.F., regarding Mill & Laffel wheel - Kendall Mill. Wrote J. M. Neeland regarding gun & ammunition from Guadalajara, Savage Winchester 30-30 caliber.

Wednesday, Jan 9, 1901 Visited the work along down the line, to George Nolan's camp, spent 1/2 hour in his tent, then back to Greens to dinner. I fined everything moving. 1:15PM, rec'd word from Mr. W. Posey Lyle @ Zapatlan, he arrived yesterday. We closed deal with Blankenships cousin, crushed and sampled some Roche ore to show Green & Nolan.

Thursday, Jan 10, 1901 Sent Rafael after Saleratus to Blankenships camp for a wash for Greens rash. PM, Blankenship & wife called & arranged with Nolan to bring out their cash to pay their help - Saturday.

Green is fast in bed today.

Friday, Jan 11, 1901 Bade W.O.B. Green & George Nolan farewell, rec'd 50.00 cash of Green. 5PM, off for Zapatlan, on the road just 2 1/2 hours. @ Hotel Central, found W. P. Lyle and a long letter from Cramer.

Saturday, Jan 12, 1901 Answered Cramers letter early, preparing to travel at once. Wrote Edna Cody Scott, salio regarding Kodak films sent. Wrote Cramer. Rec'd letter dated Jan. 9th, 1901 from Hotel Iturbide from J.M.N. saying write Mrs. N. for cash.

Sunday, Jan 13, 1901 Left Lyle in Zapatlan, coming on with his freight. We rode from Z @ 11AM to Tecalitlan by 5PM and stopped for tonight. Found a dentist and 2 miners & a boy here, all Americans.

Monday, Jan 14, 1901 Off Tecalitlan @ 7AM, climbed the big hill in two hours, rode to the Bee gums to breakfast 10:45, rested, eat & fed. Off @ 12, traveled 2 1/2 hours & tied up @ Goosachara. 3PM, horses ready to rest, as well as us, our hostess name was Maria Lopez. Our horses run off, went back to water at the river, but we got them before midnight.

Tuesday, Jan 15, 1901 Off @ 8AM & rode until 10:45 and stopped to dinner @ another Bee gum. Off @ 12 again & traveled to Jilotlan (Juchitlan) @ 2PM. Wrote to Cramer, Green & George Nolan. Rec'd letter from Cramer of Dec. 5th. Rode on and camped out this side @ Oquacatito. Sent Neeland letter to Green & Nolan.

Wednesday, Jan 16, 1901 Off @ 8AM, rode to San Francisco to breakfast, bought camp oyas. Rode on down to Rocha and camped for today. Arranged to pasture horses @ 15 cts per day, found our other house ok. Started in to establish our camp.

Thursday, Jan 17, 1901 Cutting poles @ daylight and packing poles to build shades. Ordered to take horses out of Portraro. 2PM, rode down the river hunting portraro. Too far, turned back, on meeting Jose M. Rocha. Emigdio Vizcarra called during my absence. Preparing to sample ore tomorrow at the mine. Doctored an alecram victim tonight.

Friday, Jan 18, 1901 Sent Rafael after supplies to Huichitila, turn our horses across river @ 2 cts per head. Rafael returned with corn & cigars. Sampling ore today, think it is salted, will find out later. Jose M. Rocha & Emigdio Vizcarra called on us tonight. Gave the mine thorough sampling all over today.

Saturday, Jan 19, 1901 Prospecting J. M. Rocha mine next to Arastra, find he has dug it all out, down to little veins. We are not happy tonight, but tired, sore and disgusted & hear nothing from Mrs. Mary Newton. Wrote Carlos W. Cramer in port. 1st San Francisco No.14 Mexico D.F. c/o Julio Neyer Sastreria Cosmopolita.

Sunday, Jan 20, 1901 Laying in camp, wash day. Had a regular wash up in camp, also caught some catfish. Finished letter to Cramer. J. M. Rocha spent evening in camp talking mines and mining.

Monday, Jan 21, 1901 Off up river Otatie (?) to prospect some veins above San Francisco in company with Rocha. We saw several that carry gold in paying quantity, but they are all too small for us. Mailed letter to Cramer @ San Francisco, it goes to Jilotlan tomorrow. Came in tired from S.F. in 45 minutes.

Tuesday, Jan 22, 1901 Queen Victoria died @ 6:45PM, age 82, reigned 63 years. Rocha offers to sell for \$1,000. Off with Rocha toward Coalcoman to see some other mines of his. Rode west over a very rough country. Left note for Lyle with Mrs. Rocha to come on down to Tepalcatepec. We learned of a lot of hidden idols cached above a big falls, a grand collection of various antiques, no doubt but we are not out for curios or antiques.

Wednesday, Jan 23, 1901 Off early & reached an antique vetta & mine @ 10AM. Found a splendid hill of ore 5 feet wide in place. Took samples across face of vein north & south in the old shaft. Ground samples & samples thorough with our crude facilities. Rocha says it will pay 1 adaring per carga. 5PM, started & rode into Tepalcatepec in 3 hours.

Thursday, Jan 24, 1901 Stopped last night in only mason in this place, a dirty den at best, found a fool proper today. Tonight he refuses to have corn shelled after night. Wrote A. R. Blankenship, W.O.B. Green & Nolan, Post Master @ Jilotlan. Left Tepalcatepec @ 1PM, rode to Los Dolores by 5PM & quit. Bought everything, food, feed.

Friday, Jan 25, 1901 Off @ 7AM, rode to Fomatar by 9:30AM. Turned out until evening, prefer night traveling in this hot country in fly time. Off @ 3PM, rode to San Juan & quit @ 9:30. Have a very lame horse. Wrote Mrs. Mary Newton today.

Saturday, Jan 26, 1901 Off from San Juan @ 9AM, rode into Patzingan @ 11:30, rested had dinner, bought turpentine & refina. Off @ 1:15PM, rode to Palmitas & on to Mofonera Rancho Cancito @ dark where we stopped for tonight. Horse very lame.

Sunday, Jan 27, 1901 Off for the river Tepalcatepec and crossed @ Cofradea, ate breakfast & rode to Sandoval for Sunday. Beautiful country for stock. Had to change carga onto the mule, our horse is awful lame in ankle joint in front. I loaded my new pistols, first time. Alice sold her pistol to Rafael for 8.00.

Monday, Jan 28, 1901 Left Sandoval @ 6AM, rode to Manifta @ 7:30, water here. Rode on to Rancho Viejo & on to Eloagre @ 11AM, stopped to eat & rest. No horse feed, halted until 1:15PM, rode to Wyave @ 4PM. Said to be only 2 days ride to Carisal at the mouth of Rio Balsas, strange if true. Fought pulgas all night, no sleep.

Tuesday, Jan 29, 1901 Off from Wyave @ 5:45AM, rode toward Buena Vista and on to Aparaha where we bought eggs and traveled on until 9:30 when nearly to Guarinche we made camp & breakfast. 11AM off again (missed our road) & turned back. Found ourselves @ 4PM @ Las Pardine, passed a blanket vein (copper & silver) opened by a Cali. miner who spent a lot of money, sunk 2 shafts 70 ft deep & gave it up, bad job.

Wednesday, Jan 30, 1901 Left @ 7:30, rode to Talokeyo by 9AM and on to Peterara @ 1:30PM. We rested 3 hours & fed our stock & rode on to La Garita. 5:30 crossed the ferry, Roy fell overboard and we fished him out, met friends Trinidad Garcia & family, moved on up home & slept in our own home once more.

Thursday, Jan 31, 1901 Arranging our house & resting our animals. Wrote note to Jesus Gomez, cash. Rafael had a long trip after the horses, fed them corn & salt and watered them from the poso grave. Later Alice & I visited Trinidad & family & spent the evening.

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Friday, Feb 1, 1901 A miner Claro by name tells us of some good mines 2 1/2 days away @ Carisal, we must see them. We are building a shade to swing our hammocks under. All ok tonight except covering with palappa.

Saturday, Feb 2, 1901 Brought our trunk from Trinidads, also our hammocks & parrots. Went onto the hill & opened a new vein while hunting the Chalcopyrite. Think it a good one and big.

Sunday, Feb 3, 1901 Rafael off cutting cane for shades. I ground 2 samples to mail to J. L. Phillips @ Inquran, one of lead silver, one of iron to be assayed @ Inquran. PM, @ 4 we started & rode to San Diego to Claros house in 2 hours where we stopped over night.

Monday, Feb 4, 1901 Left San Diego @ 5:30, rode to Buena Vista in 3 hours, breakfast here and off for La Union @ 10, arriving there @ 1:30PM. Found Cayatano Serrano & family well, found letters from William Bone & Max K. Stopping with Don Transito Lopes. Paid Juan for Trinidad cash 4.00.

Tuesday, Feb 5, 1901 Went to church last evening, then called on Felix H. Leyva. Called on Primatevo Gonzales, Agency Mining. Wrote Jesus Gomez for cash, wrote W.O.B. Green & George Nolan, Mrs. Mary H. Newton, Wm. M. Bone & Graciana, Max Koble & Fanny, Guanajuato. A good vein gray copper @ Pinsanduran. Called @ Office de Minarsa. Primatevo Gonzales, Agent Mine Office, La Union.

Wednesday, Feb 6, 1901 Learning all about the Delta of Balsas from Enrique Sablayrolles. Arranged to Bond 2 quartz mines to F.H. Leyva. 8PM, invited to attend the Wedding of the Prefecto of La Union, Viviano Zarate and his bride being the Post Masters daughter, age 23, we also stayed to supper, witnessed the dancing & came away.

Thursday, Feb 7, 1901 Mail day and we mailed box of samples to Mrs. Mary H. Newton @ Pasadena South, to A. R. Blankenship and Charles W. Cramer, Mexico City. Wired Cramer again, later to Hon. Manuel F. Leal former Fomento, Mexico City, now President of the Mint and another to A. R. Blankenship giving him directions how to come to see us @ La Garita.

Friday, Feb 8, 1901 Wrote to A.R. Blankenship in AM, wire from Cramer, son sick. Borrowed 25.00 on a pistol of George Rodriguez. Wrote to George Nolan on Orillia mine, 16 to 18 leagues on coast line X 4 leagues wide, all cotton, rice & cane & tobacco land for 56,000 mexican silver. Present occupant Salvador Luna. Hunting hidden treasure all night.

Saturday, Feb 9, 1901 Trying to have our horses shod. Hunting hidden treasures. Mapping Hda Orillia & the Delta, no mail today for us. Send tomorrow Transitos samples. No 1,2 and 3 via Postal package for assay to Mary Newton. Borrowed old pocket compass from post master, am promised letter from Prefecto tomorrow.

Sunday, Feb 10, 1901 Wired Mary Newton for Postal Order, 4.48. Wrote Mother Hayner, Alice & myself for information regarding the family. Commenced a letter to Prof. O.E. Swain. Expect a letter from Trefecto today to carry into Aurinda & Carisal country for introduction & safety among strangers. Cayetano & Felix H. & myself had long chat. Sosa returned from Aurinda. Answered Frank E. Sanders & Ed & Ellison.

Monday, Feb 11, 1901 Called on Felix Leyva, talking mines, tried to have horses re-shod for several days. Waiting telegrams today from Mary Newton, had line from Jesus Gomez. Off for Arvinda early. Tomorrow we hope via La Garita. Left Jesus Gomez business with Cayetano for collection, he wires me to Carisal Saturday next if any good news comes during my absence this week.

Tuesday, Feb 12, 1901 Off for Balconias early @ 4AM. @ Buena Vista @ 7:15, @ San Diego to breakfast @ 10:15AM. Rested & fed, met our mozo here and @ 1:15PM off for La Garita, reaching home in two hours, to hear that birgwala (?) is in Trinidad family, don't believe it is true. Wrote O.E. to mail in Carisal next Sunday.

Wednesday, Feb 13, 1901 Preparing for Carisal & Awinda trip. Rafael off after a boy to stop with his wife during our coming Awinda & Carisal trip.

Thursday, Feb 14, 1901 Ready to travel, waiting Sr. Felix Sosa, Sr. Claro & their mozo. They arrived @ noon & we are off after dinner. Off @ 1PM, crossed the Balsas and rode to Peterara for tonight where we stopped overnight, as we are going into a wild unsettled country tomorrow and for the next week.

Friday, Feb 15, 1901 Off from Peterara @ 5AM, rode to water @ 8AM, breakfast and off at 10. Rode to Sousa @ 1PM, rested until 2PM, then on to Lipiates @ 4:30 and stopped for tonight. Passed over a rough country, full of mineral and immense veins of quartz of all colors, beautiful veins.

Saturday, Feb 16, 1901 Off @ 8AM to Ahwacoba @ 9:30, Los Colorathos @ 10:30, Sierra Verde @ 11 on the mountains at noon & moving as it is about to storm on us and we stopped for 15 minutes, covered our pack & on to our sorrow, as before reaching La Laha, we were wet through, stopped @ 2:30PM, wet and cold. Slept well, rained all night.

Sunday, Feb 17, 1901 Off @ 8AM, reached pueblo Carisal @ 10:45 for Almorsar. Rec'd wire from Union, answered ok. Saying Newton gone to Buffalo, consequently not answered yet. After dinner concluded best to stop here overnight. Circus in Carasal. Closed Prof. O.E. Swain short letter. Slept in house of Don Trinidad Morfin, nice old man.

Monday, Feb 18, 1901 Out of Carisal @ 8AM, rode to La Parite, stopped for coffee & breakfast, up up mountains into pines & oak, full of mineral, fine elevation. Left La Parite @ 10AM, rode to Los Posos @ 4:15, crossed the finest mining country we have seen yet, Los Posos. Stopped early because we have no choice. Saw many workings of the working of the Gachipenos or Antiques, no time to examine. Beautiful timber, Pacific view in sight under us.

Tuesday, Feb 19, 1901 Until 1PM we panned & prospected good find of gold, but all very fine is a fine locality. Plenty of grass, water & timber for mining, will examine this part later. 3PM, off for La Concepcion arrive @ 6PM. Have been passing along a high backbone of old veins & ancient excavations for 2 days. The longest body of sheep range I have ever seen in these parts clear of brush.

Wednesday, Feb 20, 1901 Met the Jefe de segunden pueblo Luis Cerda Concepcion last evening. Off @ 8AM, still on sheep range full of veins of quartz & slate of every color. 9:30 forks of trail, we turned off north went down an awful mountain into Rio Chuta @ 11:30AM, went down river and camped. Had lunch

& off panning.

Thursday, Feb 21, 1901 Off @ 8:30AM, rode over a fearful rough country full, full of veins of beautiful quartz mixed with iron and slate. We panned gold right from top sand, reached Courheyah @ 3PM, turned out for today, found many gwenas, had several millions on us, bathed & changed clothes for relief @ once. Many turns in our trail today that pace ants have to go round, can't make the turns without cramping.

Friday, Feb 22, 1901 Early, Florencia Saveya came following us for a row with Claro. @ 9 we left for the Navida mine of Don Felix, panned & sampled all along Arroya de Carreso, find gold anywhere in paying quantity for sluicing or rockers. Navida is a beautiful vein, 20 inches of ore in face, 10 tons fine ore on the dimp. Vein runs NE & SW almost vertical, good gauge, both walls slate, saw a 3 foot vein, same as Navida.

Saturday, Feb 23, 1901 Camped @ Sylvania Garibo & families, camp Arroya Lahadaro. Off @ 9:30, rode until 11:30, stopped to prospect & locate & survey an old mine, find gold anywhere, surveyed ten pertinencias and claim the first miners right to the flowing stream for mining. Moved away @ 3 and back at Cowhejah @ 5:30, camped for tonight, after a hard days work. Named the mine the Washington, located on Arroya Carreso, Eo Guerrero, Dist Monte de Oca.

Sunday, Feb 24, 1901 Found the Port of Pichilingillo (?), one day distant horseback. Off @ 9AM, @ 10 back onto Chukeappa, located 25 claims on Chukeappa, find paying ground everywhere we panned, followed it down to the ocean @ 2PM in camp. 1/4 venison & loin cost us 9 cts fresh. Found acres of dry washer diggings. #40, off for Rio Chuta down beach, forded river at beach, saw 3 Gartas, big ones & lots of wild mallards, tried my new 45 colt on big Garta, overshot. In camp @ 5PM, overnight.

Monday, Feb 25, 1901 At the house of Loure Vargas on Playa. Off @ 7:40, rode up the river one hour to find horse feed & breakfast, found fresh salmon over a foot long and ate our fill. Off @ 10:30 after a good feed. 1:15PM, located placers on Rio Chutla @ La Saba Atetano Agelaras house running in a south westerly course down stream 100 pertinencias. 3:40PM, reached camp @ Rio de Chucutian, found Don Felipe Sosa here building mohénaras.

Tuesday, Feb 26, 1901 Grinding and sampling before sunrise finding some beautiful rich prospects in everything. Sample mine seems to be in rotten granite at present its extent being very uncertain, will require timbering. We panned up river finding pay for sluices for 1/2 mile as far as we cared to pan & returned for dinner. PM, off down river prospecting, but it was too late to do much work. Located 25 pertinencias on the Baranca Oyos. I lost a 5.00 bill somewhere.

Wednesday, Feb 27, 1901 Left the Cuateinock mine @ 9AM @ the house of Pedro Esqueta @ La Concepcion @ 12:15PM, dined and rode to Las Lahas and camped opposite Los Posos, pine woods and quartz on all side, passed some old mines, in camp @ 5:30. Completed lines of placers on locations on Baranca del Oyos, 25 pertinencias in District Monte de Oco Eo Gro.

Thursday, Feb 28, 1901 Off @ 8AM, rode to Chickeurtcheteo by 10:15 on to Mulatto by 11:15 on to El Lenionceto by 1:15 where we rested until 2PM, thence on to La Purits, stopped 2 1/2 hours inquiring of the rich antique mine said to be close by. We got one sample from an indian on promise of returning it in 6 weeks. In Carisal @ 6:15, stopping in Corral of Don Jorge, rec'd wire from La Union, no news.

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Friday, Mar 1, 1901 Resting today in Carisal, horses very lame, all bare foot. Wiring Cayetano & Felix Leyva. Met Sr. Guadalupe miner, has 12 in vein, ground one oz., see results. Rec'd of Benjamin \$20.00 through kindness of Cayetano Serrano. Loaned Claro Medina \$3.00 cash, advanced Rafael Alberto 2.00 cash, and sent him home, off @ 4PM, rode to Margarita @ 6PM & camped.

Saturday, Mar 2, 1901 Last night in nice camp. Off @ 8 for Wyave, nice climate, cool. Over a fair trail, crossed 2 high ranges, lots of people all along this route. Plenty of corn & pasture. Stopped to rest and lunch. This country shows no mineral except indications of silver veins. A.C. taken sick @ noon & we tied up for today. She has dumb ague and is tired out, taking medicine.

Sunday, Mar 3, 1901 Alice is better today. Off @ 8:15, rode to & past Wyave. @ 12 stopped to lunch one hour & a quarter. Off @ 1:15, rode to El Vagre in 1:30 and on to Manilla @ 6:45, camped for tonight, our bill total \$1.10.

Monday, Mar 4, 1901 Off @ 7AM, rode to Sandoval & to Almurzo 8:30, off again @ 9:30, @ Oho de Augud @ 12, @ Los Ornos @ 12:15 where we stopped to rest as Mrs. A.C. is about to have a chill again & fever, sick as death 3 hours. 5:15 off again to Acatlan, the cattle ranch of Rosalia Vargas where we arrived 7:45PM, moonlight & a beautiful night to ride, found a grand pasture of beautiful cattle range.

Tuesday, Mar 5, 1901 Off @ 8:15, rode to Chile arrived @ 11:30, property of Antonio Sierra, viva Uruapan. Rested 1/2 hour thence to Colima Hacienda @ 3:45 and camped for today. Find a fine ranch putting wire fence in all directions, Camelo Valencia owner. We slept on a woven wire bed stead, hurrah.

Wednesday, Mar 6, 1901 Off @ 5:30 by moonlight, rode until 8:30 to breakfast @ El Antuls. Here they tan deerskins and sell a suit for 30.00 complete, while in Guerrero the same suit costs \$12.00. Off again @ 9:45, rode on into Tepalcatepec @ 12 noon and stopped. Bought oz of Calomel & bottle of Wine & box of hyesapills & she had a regular chill & fever during the PM, sick as death until night.

Thursday, Mar 7, 1901 Off @ 7:15, rode to old ruins of church, examined it 150x60 ft. walls 5 ft. thick, a vast ruin, rode on up the baranca to an indian friend of ours where we halted for today, 12:15. A.C. is failing fast, as she can't eat and won't take quinine, putting me to unnecessary worry and anxiety. Cooked a chicken for the broth for her, but she can't eat.

Friday, Mar 8, 1901 A.C. slept fairly well, taking her pills and Calomel. Shall have to stop until she can ride, fortunately among friends near Wichitella at the ranch of Patricio Magana. Feliciana Ruiz agreement for 30 days on copper operation. 2PM, A.C. shakes, but not so sick as two days ago, think the worst is past.

Saturday, Mar 9, 1901 Off @ 6:30, A. C. awful weak, but anxious to get out of this heat, rode into Jilotlan to breakfast, off again @ 10:30, rode to Sons @ 12 noon & quit for today. A.C. too faint to ride farther today. Don Rafael Romero gave us the best he had as usual. Found here an ear of corn 9 rows of kernels, 500 grains.

Sunday, Mar 10, 1901 @ Don Rafael Romero's ranch, off @ 7AM, rode to Goosachara to feed, stopping 1:30, off again @ 11:30, rode to Lowacate @ 1PM, Alice down again and can only ride part of a day. Eats nothing & has lost her strength entirely. We must slow or she will give up. Ate some chicken & rice & slept well, mouth awful sore.

Monday, Mar 11, 1901 Off @ 4:30, rode to Almurzo @ top of mountain east of Tecalitlan in 3 hours. Off again @ 9 toward Tecalitlan and on toward Zapatlan. @ 2PM in Tuxpan @ the Waldorf Astoria. Alice's choice of the city.

Tuesday, Mar 12, 1901 Off from Tuxpan 5AM, rode to G&N camp 7:30 near Zapotilte. Found all ok after an absence of two months tomorrow. Blankenship selling out. A.C. feeling much better & in a few days we shall make arrangements to return to Awinda. No news from Los Angeles. Wired tonight to Claro Bro. to come.

Wednesday, Mar 13, 1901 Green & I out on the grade all the morning. George Nolan up @ Blankenships. Met Ortiz Brennen, Gen'l Supt. for Hampson & Smith. W.O.B. & us talking business. We will join in a trip westward. George back to camp tonight from Blankenships.

Thursday, Mar 14, 1901 Collecting material for our return trip. PM, I am about to fall with fever & ague and am about sick tonight. Taking medicine.

Friday, Mar 15, 1901 W.O.B.G. off to Zapatlan with Claro after supplies for the trip. Alice & I in camp - grunting. Cash to Claro Medina \$3.50. Expecting a visit from Frank & Mrs. Blankenship & hope they come as promised. Blankenship & wife are here for tonight, ok. W.O.B. Green sent supplies and remains in Zapotlan. Tonight selling pinto mare & colt.

Saturday, Mar 16, 1901 Having our animals shod for the trip to the placiers once more. Making all arrangements in haste, hope to pull out next Monday. Alice putting new back in my vest. Having 6 picks, 6 shovels and 2 spades, 2 bars and saws, hammers, nails, axes, hammers, etc.

Sunday, Mar 17, 1901 Worked all day getting things ready for the trip west & south. W.O.B.G. and George Nolan off all day. A Mr. Nickerson, R.R. Contractor rolled into camp tonight. Claros folks arrived.

Monday, Mar 18, 1901 Cash to Claro Medina, \$10.00 for his bros. family to reach San Diego. Busy as bees

getting ready to travel tomorrow early. Mr. Hill let us have his 30-30 Marlin and 72 cartridges.

Tuesday, Mar 19, 1901 Off from camp @ 8:30 for the coast W.O.B.G., Mrs. S. & myself with 3 packs & 5 saddle animals. Made Gano de Venada, top of high mountain east of Tecalitlan @ 6:30. Failed to get corn tonight, cost for lunch, .40. Paid .75 to Claro people, regular allowance for the road.

Wednesday, Mar 20, 1901 Off @ 7AM, rode to La Laha to Almorsa @ 8:30, unloaded & fed corn, off again @ 11:45, rode to Sons Rafael Romaro's ranch, 5PM. Met a corpse on the trail, in charge of a Padre & gang of pall bearers. Some more good Mexicans. Find Green's aparahos are ruining his mules backs. Paid our Claro people 75 cts.

Thursday, Mar 21, 1901 Overhauling Greens aparahos. Off @ 9:30, rode into Jilotlan @ 11:30, overhauled our packs and off @ 12:30, rode to Vichetella @ 4PM, stopping with friends Patricio Magana for tonight.

Friday, Mar 22, 1901 Off from Wichitella @ 8:45, rode to Tepalcatepec @ 2PM. Bought pair of shoes & aul & shoe thread & the first watermelon this year. Off again @ 3 sharp, rode to El Tule @ 5:10 and stopped for tonight. A.C. About half sick, ague. Paid our people 75 cts.

Saturday, Mar 23, 1901 Bought a mule, Aparaho complete for \$37.50, branded & vented on left thigh & buttock. Left El Tule @ 9:40, rode to Colonio in 3 hours, right on to Baranca Prietta arriving @ 3PM. Lost our people today. They going off on wrong track. Stopped (overnight).

Sunday, Mar 24, 1901 Sent Claro back to hunt up our lost people, advanced him cash 2.00. Off @ 7:45, rode forward past Narranha toward Tipewahe until 9:45, stopped for almuerzo, off @ 10:45, rode on to Tipewahe @ 5PM & stopped. Bathed our animals wounds which are painful to look at. Paid our people 75 cts.

Monday, Mar 25, 1901 Left Tipewahe @ 12, rode to Aguilla. 3PM rode on down Rio Legarall to El Puebla @ 6PM & camped. Casimiro Ruiz Aguilillo, merchant. Claro brought the lost people in line all ok today @ noon. Our people .75 cts tonight. He bought 3 pounds of tobacco leaf for them and 4 for ourselves. We bought 2 suahdaros for our aparahos.

Tuesday, Mar 26, 1901 Off @ 7:30 down the Rio Legarall until 10:15 when we stopped & cooked our breakfast, W.O.B.G. hungrier than a wolf. I bought a deerskin from Claro, tanned for .50. Our people cash .75 cts. PM, crossed the Chapula and on to La Salinas and on to El Portal @ 9PM, over a tough trail, our train just behind our people failing to reach us tonight. Saw 3 deer, failed to get any of them.

Wednesday' Mar 27, 1901 Resting this AM. @ El Portal & waiting for our people to catch up, animals backs fearful. Our people came up to us @ 4PM, very concerned, so we stay here again tonight. Our people .75 cts. Claros bros. 5.00 advanced.

Thursday, Mar 28, 1901 Off @ 7:15, rode until 9:15 and camped @ Almorsa, sent Claro back after my pistol to El Portal, our people are with us, but @ noon we pass them on the river. Took a cut off @ Tototan for Regina Nueva @ 6:15. Hell of a trail. To our people .75 cts cash.

Friday, Mar 29, 1901 Off from Regina Nueva @ 9:15, rode to Awinda over a most awful trail, arriving @ 3PM, @ the house of Saferino Guzman, find him a fine old gentleman. We are invited to stop over night & conclude to do so. Our people 75 cts cash. He gave us liberty to cut & saw lumber all we may require free of charge & prospect everywhere.

Saturday, Mar 30, 1901 Left our friend Saferino Guzman @ noon, our people having overtaken us and rode into Baranca Unda in 5 hours where we camped for today to prospect. I took over 20 colors the first pan in Awinda. Gave Florencia Carthanas 5.00 to buy goods & matatlie for us.

Sunday, Mar 31, 1901 W.O.B. Green out after a venison steak early. We are prospecting with pans in AM. Off @ 10AM up stream @ 2PM, reached the cabin of George, an American who mined here over a year ago, we occupied his cabin and found some gold, very good for today & Green off fishing with pin hook. Our people are with us all content, shall stay here for a few days perhaps.

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Monday, Apr 1, 1901 Sent Claro out after corn with 3 animals, sent boy with 2 burros after corn too. W.O.B. Green killed a fine buck. Claro returned with change 6.00. He bought 4 1/2 fanaga corn, some cal 50 & soap 1.50, salt 12 1/2, his expenses on road 1.50. He paid out 14.50 cash.

Tuesday, Apr 2, 1901 I took trip up the trail to look at the surrounding country and get a better idea of our surroundings. Mr. Green & mozo off hunting deer. Later all hands panning. Boy with burros & Roy back with boy all loaded with corn & lime & soap & salt, a stranger in with corn to sell tonight.

Wednesday, Apr 3, 1901 A.C. bought strangers corn @ 4.00. Claro not back yet. Green sent two men to cut pine timber, left fat boy to chore work, first days work for us since we arrived here. Claro back with corn. Prudence & Florence chopping timber. Boy clearing tail race for sluices.

Thursday, Apr 4, 1901 All 3 peons on the timber today. Scaffolding logs to saw tomorrow. I lost today hunting deer. W.O.B.G. waiting to see us do some sluicing in boxes.

Friday, Apr 5, 1901 All hands tried to saw the green pine logs, but the pitch was too much for them, so it is given up until they dry out. Tried an old log near by our camp, all working today. W.O.B. Green starts back to R.R. tomorrow in order to send in stock of goods & laborers at once.

Saturday, Apr 6, 1901 Green & Jesus off for Zapotilte @ 8:30 with 3 animals & 20.00 cash. I am to go to Carisal in two weeks to wire Green @ Zapatlan on business. G. took dust sulfurets & quartz for samples & assays in Mexico. We find the black mule full of maggots and using Calomel & turpentine on them. Our 3 people sawing lumber today. Due our 3 peons for labor this week 7.00 total.

Sunday, Apr 7, 1901 Peons off up Baranca after grub. Claro off after venison with rifle early & returned @ noon with a fine venison, fresh venison for all in camp. Peons return with fresh pork & lard.

Monday, Apr 8, 1901 All hands sawing sluice lumber out of a wild plumb tree. Peons as well learn to whip saw here as any place else or get out. Broke the key in saw late this evening, fixed it up. Having a time with the black mule, found her belly full of maggots, both sides, going to Awinda tomorrow.

Tuesday, Apr 9, 1901 Claro & I off for Awinda @ 7:30, @ Awinda @ 11:15, bought what we could and started back @ 5PM. Francisco Vaca gave us a feed of corn for our animals dinners. Came homeward until 8:30 when we camped until 4AM.

Wednesday, Apr 10, 1901 The moon came up @ 4AM, up and off for home where we arrive @ 6AM, found all ok in our camp. Packing up, intending to move @ once down near the coast. Expect to start tomorrow, overhauling packing outfit.

Thursday, Apr 11, 1901 Off early with every animal loaded for Cowhejah where we arrived after dark, all worn out. Left the burros somewhere behind, they will have to make a night of it without water. We tried to hire someone or two to take water to them & failed. I shot a big wild turkey after sun set on the trail.

Friday, Apr 12, 1901 6 burros arrived @ 9 this morning, all famished for water, the 3 peons fared the same. We got them a good breakfast & started them back at once to bring on the families tomorrow. We were panning early & late, but find water only in pools where two months earlier there were two good sluice heads.

Saturday, Apr 13, 1901 Off @ 7:30 for Checheapa and spent most all day panning & looking over the grounds. We brought back a fine fat venison, Claro shot it. Our families arrived all ok @ 5PM. Felipe Sosa & mozo with us overnight. For work due our people tonight, 9.00. Bought two otatie beds for .75.

Sunday, Apr 14, 1901 All hands resting and eating venison, our people bought another venison .50. Don Claro off on our chespa mule saddle and bridle for home after being with us two months today. Let Claro Medina have \$30.00 cash making 37.50 advanced to him beside 15.00 to Prudence Rodriguez for which Claro stands responsible. All arranged to begin work early tomorrow putting up our dwellings for business.

Monday, Apr 15, 1901 All hands @ work by 6AM, clearing brush etc, burning etc & sinking poso, prospecting well. PM, contracted for first shanty, 4 varas by 6, advanced cash 1.25 to bind bargain with Pablo, commences work tomorrow.

Tuesday, Apr 16, 1901 Struck a fine vein of water in our shaft, pure & cool. Moved into permanent camp grounds today, arranging beds & everything in shape. First shanty being cut out of the woods today.

Wednesday, Apr 17, 1901 All hands busy again today fixing up quarters. Find we must wall in our shaft to keep

stock out, intend using it for a permanent well for the camp. First timber for house here in PM.

Thursday, Apr 18, 1901 Timbers coming in ok. AM, Alecran picked a hottentot. Music in our camp - medicine saved the youngster as usual. PM, sent Florence with burros to Calpita for corn & rice & beans & salt & panache with cash 30.00 and 6 burros in train. Bought from a stranger 5 melons from the Playa, high & foul.

Friday, Apr 19, 1901 Prudencia chopping pamfilo & Florence off after supplies. Alice & I prospecting & hunting, saw four deer, killed one and came home satisfied with everything. Pablo the contractor cutting palappa to cover first house, he wants panache tonight.

Saturday, Apr 20, 1901 Still getting building material in shape. Pamfilo & Florence still out after supplies, expect them in tomorrow with 6 burros. Writing to Green & Nolan on items of interest. Loaned Marine cash 3.00 & quarterones of corn. He goes to Awinda early tomorrow after a sawyer for us for work.

Sunday, Apr 21, 1901 All hands resting. We, Alice & I looking over the surroundings with a view to improvements later. Florence Saveya brought us a cow & young calf to milk @ 1.00 per month. Our train of burros should be in tomorrow.

Monday, Apr 22, 1901 Pablo bringing in palappa. Prudence cutting timbers for another big house. Burro train still absent after supplies to the coast. Writing Bro. O.E.S., Alameda Cali.

Tuesday, Apr 23, 1901 Alice & I packed a deer into camp on a pole, we killed it up the river from ambush when they come to water. Peons cutting house timbers. Pack train in @ 6PM with cargos, corn 4 1/2 fanaga corn, cost 9.00. Six almuths of beans 2.25, one aroba of salt .50, one burro & saddle hired 1.25, feed for burro train en route 1.00.

Wednesday, Apr 24, 1901 Florencia & I off for Carisal @ 9:30, @ 1:45 struck the Awinda trail to Carisal, left it @ forks, took lower trail & found ourselves @ Sons on the Chutla @ 5:30. Tired, hungry and mad, camped for today, bought pastures for .10 cts, fed corn of our own.

Thursday, Apr 25, 1901 @ camp of Merca Mora, off @ 7:30 from La Saba over same old trail we first went in over. Alice, Claro, Rafael & I from Concepcion onto the Chutla, back to Concepcion today @ 11:30, rested, fed & had dinner & off again @ 2PM with Senor Mora. @ Chickaweteo @ 7:30 tonight. My birthday, age 58 years.

Friday, Apr 26, 1901 Off @ 9:15 for Carisal, reached Carisal @ 1:30PM. Invited to stop with Senor Merca Mora & stopped of course, why not. Found note from Green at P.O. @ 3PM, wired Cayetano for news, answered nothing. Wired Green & Nolan, @ Zapotlan for news. Rec'd wire from Rafael Alberto in spanish, will answer later. Merca Mora is the cattle man of the Chutla river country.

Saturday, Apr 27, 1901 @ telegraph office @ 8AM waiting reply from Green. 4:30PM getting hot, no wire from anybody, so in desperation I wired Cayetano .80 cts worth. Met a young tel. operator named Fernando Bravo en rout to Coalcoman, line down between here and Coalcoman, man hunting the interruption. Prudence stopped worked for us (ACS)

Sunday, Apr 28, 1901 9:30 still waiting, find the defect in the line today, right here in town, fixing it all the afternoon. (hope to hear something soon) Expenses near 2.00 per day and we have no time to waste.

Monday, Apr 29, 1901 Florencia answered Don Claros wire. Rec'd wire from Don Claros & Rafael asking me to help Juan Sanchez. Met Posey W. Lyle just here from Mex., tells me Charles Cramer is dead, he is with Sandefer & Co. Waited until 5PM, wired George N. to answer why am I not answered.

Tuesday, Apr 30, 1901 Mail comes today. Still without one word from N. or Green. Hope a letter today, may explain. \$10.00 due Florencia on April work tonight. 7PM, mail here, nothing for me. Wired Green in Mexico City tonight, don't see why can get no answer from Zapatlan. Overlooking my letters before posting, wrote to Mother tonight.

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Wednesday, May 1, 1901 Mailed letters to mother, to Green & Nolan, to O. E. Swain, beginning to feel as

though we were soup by somebody again. Met a Mexican miner named Gorgonia @ his house in Carrizal, has many mines, some fine supplies of copper.

Thursday, May 2, 1901 Waiting, expect G. & N. are down the line preparing to move their camp nearer to Tuxpan. Rustling here for cash. Wired Sr. Hill, Zapotilte, where is Green or Nolan, answer. Not a word from anyone yet.

Friday, May 3, 1901 Waiting still on Green & Nolan. Expenses for 3 animals, myself and mozo average 2.25 per day. Wrote Mary H. Newton and Arthur & Perry @ Taxco.

Saturday, May 4, 1901 Left Carrizal @ 4PM, @ Chickaweteo @ 8:30PM. Corn & food cost us .75. Horses turned out to hunt grass. This is a natural fruit country.

Sunday, May 5, 1901 Independence Day. Off @ 8AM for Conception & camp, @ Conception @ 2PM, stopped for dinner & rest our selves & animals, off again @ 4:30. Don Blass Harra wanted us to stop, but we pulled on to E1 ----, arriving at 8PM. Tired & red hot, tied up for tonight with Senor.

Monday, May 6, 1901 Off for Cowkega @ 8AM, @ Chuckapa @ 12, at camp @ 2:30PM, all ok. Found contractor Pablo's job done. A.C. Swain had stopped Prudencia & Pamfils killing time @ our expense, good job. They are a pair of dead beats.

Tuesday, May 7, 1901 Paid Pablo for first new shack, 6.00. Posting up the accounts of Prudencia, boy Pamfilo & Florencia. Fencing in our shack today to keep stock from eating it up. Threatening a shower.

Wednesday, May 8, 1901 Florencia working alone, Prudencia & family off tomorrow for San Diego Guerrero. Alice sewing with hand machine on 3 pair of new pants for me. Wrote Trinidad Garcia @ La Garita. To forward Rafael & family & our things. Wrote Don Jorge Valesquez to have Merca Mora forward my mail here via mozo.

Thursday, May 9, 1901 Florencia & I on walls of new shack. Prudencia getting ready to move to San Diego to Don Claros. Settled in full with Prudencia, 3.38. Balancing accounts, paid Pampilo order on Don Claro, 7.81. Wrote W.R. Blankenship, Hotel Guardiola, Rafael Alberto, sent order for all our mail, La Union & Carrizal.

Friday, May 10, 1901 Prudencia Rodriguez & Pampilo & family off for Don Claros via Carrizal. Gave Pampilo order for 7.81 to Don Claro, we being short of cash in hand. Florencia goes along to show them direct route to E1 Sabos trail.

Saturday, May 11, 1901 Cutting poles, cleaning up & greasing saddles against dampness and rain & fog. PM, cleaning our well & sinking a little deeper. Out of lard, none to be had, waiting for Green & Nolan's return or replies to my telegrams & letters. Feeling that valuable time is being lost & sawyers not here yet.

Sunday, May 12, 1901 Florencia, Juana & Sylvaria off early to visit the ocean, will be back tomorrow. Wrote letter to post master @ Carrizal asking that he send my mail, etc here by bearer. A girl came from Concepcion on foot to work for Alice @ 3.00 per month. PM, gave order to Florencia Saveya for his mozo to get our mail, etc at Carrizal.

Monday, May 13, 1901 Keeping camp alone today, Alice sewing on shirts and made a blouse for Florencia. I am at a loss what to do until I get some news from Green & Nolan or orders. Florencia & family not here yet @ dark.

Tuesday, May 14, 1901 Off after some venison early. Home again PM. Saw one several times, but never got a shot at him. Found Florencia & the boy got home from the Playa @ noon, had a fine trip. Alice finished 2 shirts for me today, (linen) & sent machine home to Mrs. Flo. Saveya's house. Robert Bodemann Jr. arrived.

Wednesday, May 15, 1901 Robert Bodemann Jr. off for Rio Chitla, says his chums name is Charles Smith, says come & visit them soon. Florence at work again today on house. Called him to carry my deer into camp. I went out for a deer, shot one through the heart, it on the dead run distant 60 yards to 75, had it in camp before 11AM.

Thursday, May 16, 1901 Tried to get another venison, failed to see one. Florencia working on shack alone. Today's mail from Carrizal due this PM. If nothing comes from Nolan & Green this winds up all our affairs and we will pull along if possible, relying on our resources alone. Alas man's ingratitude to man. Peon returned from Carrizal @ 6PM, sans cartas telegrams, nothing, costing us 2.00 cash adios Co.

Friday, May 17, 1901 Rec'd letter via peon from Jorge Valesquez saying no word letter or telegram from Nolan or Green, they are up a stump. Wrote H. Leyva regarding our agreement on the Balcony Mine & our desire to return said mine according to agreement made & agreed to in June 1900 @ La Union. Cleaning & sinking well.

Saturday, May 18, 1901 A.C. & myself off for Rio Chutla via the Playa @ 7:45AM and at the beach @ 11:30 where we rested. Met Don Saferino Guzman alone on the Checheapa, he is aging very fast. We left him after a hand shake, rode on down to Boca de Chutla and up the river to the house of Senor Lauro Vargas where we stopped for tonight. Florencia stopped work for us.

Sunday, May 19, 1901 Off from Don Laura Vargas house @ 9AM, rode up river until we found Mr. Smith & Robert Bodemann's camp by 11:30, where we stopped & ate some dinner & rested & chatted until 3PM. We started to El Sabo where we arrived @ 7PM. Where we had supper & atole in quantity to suit Atelan Aguilarro. Stopped overnight with the family.

Monday, May 20, 1901 Off again looking over the placiers as we want to open up these diggings this fall. Find gold in every pan in paying quantity for sluicing, find falls sufficient for a power plant below El Saba. Later rode back to our house @ -----, Found Rafael Alberto in camp with our La Union mail, accumulating since 11th Feb over three months. Letters from O.E.S., M. J. Burgess, Mary Newton, Mrs. Cramer, W. Scott & Wm. E. Fry.

Tuesday, May 21, 1901 Resting today, reading our letters etc. Don Guzman spent the afternoon with us and later Sr. Saferino Farreas arrived and took an invoice of our goods. Wrote Don Jorge Valegues to state our want of money on said articles for 30,60 or 90 days. Wrote Mother E.A. Hayner & fam., wrote M. Burgess regarding Petatlan placiers.

Wednesday, May 22, 1901 Senor Saferino Farreas off for boca de Chuchappa. Florencia, Rafael & we folks eat chicken dinner. Writing most of all day today. Don Saferino Guzman here early for a toddy & hot cup of coffee. 12 leagues N.W. of Zapotlan, robbers den @ San Gabriel, buried treasure there by the thousands of ounces, a fact of record in Mexico City. Whole treasure trains captured.

Thursday, May 23, 1901 Shall let Rafael Alberto have our strawberry roan horse, Roy, for his trip to Augua Blanco and return, he has a paper I gave him to what effect & to protect my horse, saddle, bridle & machete. Find today that our Florencia Carthanas knows all about the robbers den in arroya del plomo, has been in the den sight seeing.

Friday, May 24, 1901 Sold one dollars worth of corn for cash. Preparing to move out as we are out of money, busted. Find Florencia Carthanas worked 25 days in April, 12.50, 15 days in May =7.50, 20.00 due, has drawn 10.65 to date, balance due him 9.35 in full to this date. Later paid in full. Sunday rec'd note from Robert Bodemann Jr. saying company busted. Bodemann & Smith tramps out.

Saturday, May 25, 1901 Tried AM to find some fresh venison. A.C. preparing to travel tomorrow. A.C. snap shooting with her Kodak today about our camp. Selling a few cents worth of whatever we can sell for cash. Paid Florencios Saveya for use of cow a month 1.00.

Sunday, May 26, 1901 Trying to collect some money from Marine Casting 3.00 and Pancho Barraha .78. Balance due Florencia Carthanas on settlement, 5.00. Gave Florencia recommendation. Stored tools & camp equipment with Ronualdo Barraha across the creek from our house, saws, tools, nails 80 lbs, flour, beans, coffee, sugar.

Monday, May 27, 1901 Up early hoping to get out to El Sabo early today, but one of our mules got in a wild band and we may not be able to get her back for a week. Our patience has become very elastic, consequently we can afford to wait the return of the damd mule. See it is folly to kick at a Mexican mule.

Tuesday, May 28, 1901 Waiting the return of our men & animals & waiting for Bodemann Jr. & Sr. Lauro Vargas to arrive as per agreement via letter to us. A.C. and I went for venison @ 4PM, back @ 5:30 with

a fine fat doe. Our men still after mule.

Wednesday, May 29, 1901 @ noon our men got back, tired to death, followed our mule and a wild mare two days & two nights & trailed them until they came in onto the Joajilla again. PM, everybody & his friend tried to catch the d--d mule or separate it from the mare, still running them @ sundown. 8PM, caught the damd mule after 3 days run, cost 25.00 hired help, horseflesh and expenses.

Thursday, May 30, 1901 Robert Bodemann Jr. arrived to dinner, we arranged to leave our outfit with him until our return. He gave us a letter to Billy Griffith eng. on interoceanic road to Jalapa for one hundred dollars. Also letter to Don Jorge Valesquez in case I don't return, he pays a bill of 55.00 now due him for supplies. Gave him possession of everything and took receipt for same valued @ 200.00, preparing to start early tomorrow.

Friday, May 31, 1901 Left our new house for civilization @ 8AM 3 horses & 3 mules, rode to El Saba by 2PM, on the Chulla river where we stop for today, it being too far to try to reach Concepcion today. Our stock is all in fair condition to take us out to the R.R. about 12 days away as we ride. Senora Atelan Aguilarro struck by an allecran, we cured her.

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Saturday, Jun 1, 1901 Off @ 8AM, climbed out of Concepcion for dinner with Don Blass, later rode on up to Los Posos Antigua where we halted for the night.

Sunday, Jun 2, 1901 Off from Los Posos @ 8AM, rode along until noon, stopped 2 hours and put 4 shoes on our horses. 5PM, in Carrizal Eo Michoacan. Rafael Alberto traded his Remington for a burro tonight.

Monday, Jun 3, 1901 Mailed letter to Mother and to M.J. Burgess, Eng. Wm. Griffith, Jalapa Mexico and Felix H. Leyva. Paid Ben for 2 arrobas sugar 7.00, gave note to Jorge Valesquez for 55.00 to be paid by Robert Bodemann. Rode away @ 9:45, rode until 5PM & camped at our old shack.

Tuesday, Jun 4, 1901 Off from Mosquito (well named) @ 7:15, rode into Santa Lana @ 11:15 and found all our acquaintance in good health. Rested until 1:30, off again for Sons. 4PM, @ Sons where we bought feed & rode on into big baranca of Peterara & by 5:30PM were in camp for tonight all ok. No feed, but shelled corn.

Wednesday, Jun 5, 1901 Off at 7AM, rode to Peterara @ 10AM, where we bought corn for today. On down to ferry & across eventually at La Garita @ 12:30 very windy & dusty. Found Rafael's lady & family all fat.

Thursday, Jun 6, 1901 Horses without grass or pasture or corn. Juan Levorio gone to see if he can purchase my Marlin Safety for cash & Rafael Alberto acct. Don Florencia & Salvaria come from San Diego to see us @ La Garita and we paid him in full with our individual money etc 10.00. PM, Florencia & Rafael went & took out a sample from the Balconia, to take out to civilization.

Friday, Jun 7, 1901 Waiting Juan Levorio return from Los Guyos. Packing our traps until we return here. @ noon Juan Levorio returns, sent a boy after Trinidad, says he will be here soon. PM, Don Trinidad came, was broke as usual. Left mattress for Leyva and 2 boxes for Cayetano, to Garita with Juan. 4PM we crossed Rio Balsas ferry, paid ferriage 1.00 with an empty bottle. Stayed @ Peterara overnight. Rained splendid.

Saturday, Jun 8, 1901 Don Trinidad overtook us and rode with us all day. We rested 3 hours at Pinsanduran, rode on 3 hours to Nopales @ 6PM for tonight. The owner, Don Theodore Florez absent, wife did the honors and we fared al la Mexican tom bien.

Sunday, Jun 9, 1901 Off @ 7AM alone, Don Trinidad bidding us a fond farewell and headed for Los Goyos on to ----- to the home of Don Alehondro Cavrera, where we had breakfast @ 10AM with him. Alices saddle horse sick. We started out again @ 4PM, ferried the Marquess and rode up river & off up the big branch until dark & camped without water, food, or fire alone.

Monday, Jun 10, 1901 Left Turicathy camp very early as the Turicathys bit me in many places & I slept but little. Rode to Sinaugwa for feed & breakfast @ 10AM. Off again rode out to Camino Real, to La Union by 11 and on up to Oropeo & tied up to cool off, hotter than hell. Late pm, rode on to Oropeo where we stopped in good quarters & feed.

Tuesday, Jun 11, 1901 Off at 7, rode up near Coyuca by 10AM, camped & had breakfast, off again @ 11:30 reached Coyuca & on up into high palm range to summit @ 1PM, down, down through black volcanic sand until we reached water & feed & food at La Playa. Found a foul gang of La drones in the place we were warned here that we best stand guard, we did all night.

Wednesday, Jun 12, 1901 Never undressed nor unrolled bedding last night, stood guard, were called on twice, found ready & were unmolested, music, drinking & dancing all night. Off for Arrio @ 8:45 near Rancho Nueva, met Stephenson who tells us he has the titles complete to the Balcony Mine located one kilometer. In Arrio @ 6PM @ Refino Mason.

Thursday, Jun 13, 1901 Left Arrio @ 10, rode until noon & rested until 4, rode on into the fruit belt & stopped for today. Met Mr. Harriman the miner of Morelia about noon today, says his copper mines are ok.

Friday, Jun 14, 1901 Off @ 7, rode to Patzcuaro @ 12. Put up @ Hotel Concordia as usual, room 15 @ 75 cts per diem. Ate a salmon & black berry dinner. Found 3 old Dec. 1900 letters @ Hotel waiting our return.

Saturday, Jun 15, 1901 Fed 3 liters miece 1/2 aroba de paha. Preparing to change our packs to R.R.. Living high, second floor Concordia Hotel. Wired Max for twenty cash. Met hide buyer on street. Listed box of goods, shipped to El Paso. Tonight I found friend F. H. Harberd, agent for Cali Powder Co. who we met here a year ago. Wrote Max K. and Robert Bodemann Jr., M. J. Burgess, Mrs. Wm. Bone & Cayetano S.

Sunday, Jun 16, 1901 Overhauling our cargas, preparing to travel light. A.C. let F. H. Harbard have her Colt Pistol for 25.00 cash.

Monday, Jun 17, 1901 Shipped trunk to Guanajuato, care of Max Koble via express, weighs 100 kilos. Shipped case of goods to El Paso, 61 kilos by freight. Paid Concordia Hotel the last time, total 7.89. Rode out of the place @ 12 midday, rode until 4:30 & stopped at Pillon, very dry country, water scarce, everything indicates rain. So we stopped very early today as we are on another road west of our former route.

Tuesday, Jun 18, 1901 Off from Pillon @ 7AM, the road is an old paved military road running almost due west from Morelia, very scarce of water all the way to Morelia, stopped @ noon @ big springs west of town one league for dinner & rest. Off again @ 3PM and rode on out N.E. of town to Morelia @ 4:30 on to Hacienda San Jose @ 6:30 where we stop for tonight with Gargino Burgas Jesus.

Wednesday, Jun 19, 1901 Off @ 8AM, rode to Cuitzeo crossing the causeway, dry today, where we arrive 1:30 to feed & dinner, off again @ 4PM, rode to San Jose the Fabrica where we arrived @ 7PM, stopped for tonight.

Thursday, Jun 20, 1901 Off @ 7AM, rode to San Francisco for breakfast & coffee. Thence on around the Lagoon & up to Maralana by 1PM where we stop & feed, thence on again, @ 4:45PM over the divide & down into Valle de Santiago where we stopped @ 6PM @ a mason.

Friday, Jun 21, 1901 Off for Salamanca @ 7:30, there @ 11:30, stopped & fed until 2:30PM, then off again rode in onto Irapuato & Guanajuato road & stopped @ 7PM for tonight. With a daughter of the Viega family of Irapuato who owns the Burro Hacienda, later her brother came from Irapuato where he had gone on horseback.

Saturday, Jun 22, 1901 Off @ 7:30, rode to Puente Ceya @ 12:30, stopped for dinner & to horse feed. Off @ 2:30 and reached friend Kobles @ 5:30PM, found Max & Fannie ok, with a room prepared for us & we put our animals in a new stable handy by @ 10 cts per diem & water free. Shall rest until Monday & then attend to business. Paid 1.00 change for horse feed.

Sunday, Jun 23, 1901 Resting and reading today. Max is writing to J.W. Higginbottom the mining expert of San Fran. regarding the Guadalupe copper mines near Huetamo in Michoacan.

Monday, Jun 24, 1901 Everybody @ the Fiesta @ La Presta. I bought horse feed for today. Went to express office, paid on trunk, \$5.75. Wrote to M.J. Burgess, City. Called on McDonald @ Hacienda de San Francisco to have him try my saddle horse, he took him to try.

Tuesday, Jun 25, 1901 Down in town to see Mr. Judd & later got ten from Max. Met Winfield Scott & Edna

& we all went home together on street car. Had our trunk up from Express Office. Scott & wife rooming @ McDonald's. Wrote Furber about pump and Wm. Griffith, Jalapa, cash.

Wednesday, Jun 26, 1901 Trying to sell something. Edna and Alice building hats. McDonald sent my horse home. Met Mr. Bradley @ Furnaces office this PM, says Mr. Aubry is convalescent @ Siloa Hospital.

Thursday, Jun 27, 1901 Trying to sell horses today. Must raise money to send to Trinidad Garcia @ La Union Eo Guerrero. Bought 1.50 corn, 50 lbs. Wrote to post master @ Patzcuaro for mail and Alice wrote to mother today.

Friday, Jun 28, 1901 Still hunting money, trying to sell horses, saddles or fire arms. Called @ the Sanitarium to see our old friend Alex Aubry & Rea, found him in bed very weak, has rheumatism, says he feels some better. Wrote Mary H. Newton, S. Pasadena L.A. California.

Saturday, Jun 29, 1901 McElhany & family back from the States @ Bryant families, occupying the Juan Parkman home. Stayed indoors with a lame toe all day reading the papers. Showered a little today. Saw J.M. Neeland and Ben F. Davis arrival in Mexico City in Herald. Wrote Neeland tonight.

Sunday, Jun 30, 1901 At home @ Max Kobles all day. Mr. J. F. Smith of Kalispell, Montana & his father in law Mr. Morrill called to have a chat. They, with Bradley are sinking a shaft, on a mine near Santa Rojas, La Liberated. (Santa Rosa Mining Co.) 1st rain during the night.

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Monday, Jul 1, 1901 Trying to do business with George McElhany. L. Judd off to Colorado Springs this PM. Rained like hades PM, about 5 to 6PM. Max writing J.W. Higginbottom @ S.F. California on mines etc. Dark & cloudy tonight.

Tuesday, Jul 2, 1901 Took Alices shoes to repair. Mrs. W. C. Morrill & F. Smith here trying to rent the house of Max & wife for 6 months. Wife & I trying to raise cash on something. Helping Max to pipe the house. Our animals costing daily 1.25. Max gave us today on account 5.00.

Wednesday, Jul 3, 1901 Called on Aubry, is better. Met young Mr. Adams there, nice fellow. Failed to meet J. F. Smith or W. C. Morrill. Another 5.00 from Max, total 20.00. Bought horse feed, corn 1.44.

Thursday, Jul 4, 1901 Spent this fourth in Guanajuato and last fourth in La Union, Guerrero. Year before in Denver Colorado, year before in Petatlan Guerrero, year before that in Irapuato, Guanajuato. Drank coniac with Dentists, Busey and Hyslop in style. Spent the PM by the bedside of Aubry & he is improving. Met Ernesto Garcia this evening.

Friday, Jul 5, 1901 Wrote Winfield Scott, Trinidad, Guanajuato. regarding pumping plant, mule etc. Tried everybody to sell my horses but failed complete. Mr. & Mrs. Jansen's baby died, to be buried tomorrow.

Saturday, Jul 6, 1901 Went to see Geo. W. M. and Bryan and Dwight Furness, met Morrill W. C. Rec'd answer from C.K. Furber, Guanajuato, rec'd answer from Uruapan telegraph office. Mrs. Augustine Joranson went home.

Sunday, Jul 7, 1901 Down to Marfiel to see Reese. Cash of Max, change 2.00. Rec'd photos from Scott. Visited Hacienda de Pastita in PM, it was completed in Aug. 1808, operating before the Revolution of Hidalgo.

Monday, Jul 8, 1901 Wrote post master @ Mexico City to forward an advertised letter to this place. Wife & I & Smith & Morrill went to the Fiesta de la Pressa. PM, house hunting. Smith Morrill & us about to go to house keeping together, will see tomorrow. Paid stable bill in full to tomorrow.

Tuesday, Jul 9, 1901 Alice wrote her mother and also Mrs. Mary H. Newton, and I wrote O. E. Swain, Alameda regarding Hydraulic mines. Brian & McElhany off to Mexico City. Agreed to let Max K. & Higginbottom in equal with us on our big Bonanza vein below Nopales, if they come up to our demands with capital.

Wednesday, Jul 10, 1901 Wrote Arthur - Tasco regarding placers in Guerrero. Wrote long letter to Frankie Sanders. PM, talking house renting to Mr. Morrill & Smith. Expect to start to Irapuato soon. Rec'd another letter from Thurber. Mr. Adams & bride here from N.Y. Rec'd cash of Max 3.00.

Thursday, Jul 11, 1901 Off early for Irapuato with our 3 horses & 2 mules, in Irapuato @ 4PM, horses in mason, fed corn & paha 1.05. Met Mr. Durst & Warner & Furber & Henry Del Moral. It rained fearful for one hour after my arrival. Mr. Morrill handed me 3.00.

Friday, Jul 12, 1901 Arranged for our stock with Don Nicolas del Moral & Enrique for 3 months or more. Paid my bills & came away. Brands on left thigh only sorrel horse, - brown horse, - roan horse, - black mule, - bay mule, left thigh. Tried to sell pump for 250.00 Mexican. Fare to Silao home.

Saturday, Jul 13, 1901 Rec'd advertised letter from Mexico City office, it was from our Mother, date 2nd May. House hunting with Morrill today, dined with him & Smith and Adams at restaurant.

Sunday, Jul 14, 1901 Put on my Denver suit for luck. Wrote again to Mrs. Wm. Griffith. Wrote my only sister Mertie H. Behm. Wife & I called on Aubry & found Bradley there also.

Monday, Jul 15, 1901 Off down town with Max Koble, called on a Mr. Brown who is in charge of plantation & stock down south of Vera Cruz on coast. Talking of old Gov. Alvarez who threatened Diaz to ring the bell. Left my silver watch to be oiled as it has been idle over two years. Hunting house with Morrill & Smith. Spent sometime with Aubry & Rea, he is far from well.

Tuesday, Jul 16, 1901 Alice & I looking for a house in company with Morrill & Mr. Smith. Came home to dinner & stayed. Fannie wants to sell Alice some ground. The Adams brothers off in PM for Leon to purchase saddles. Hear that McDonald has struck Bonanza in some mine, he is prospecting on his individual account.

Wednesday, Jul 17, 1901 Off down town visiting G.W. McElhany and Smith, Morrill & a Mr. Brown. Sprinkling rain in PM. Adams brothers expected home from Leon tonight with new saddles. Expert E.R. Spalding due here from S.F. from J.W. Higginbottom.

Thursday, Jul 18, 1901 Wife & I with Smith & Morrill house hunting. Met Mr. E.A. Durst in town today, has business with Governor. Cash of Max on account, 2.00. Walter Adams trying to buy a horse. I tried one for him, no good. Found & secured a house today up near the Governors @ Pressa. Wrote Scott & Furber today.

Friday, Jul 19, 1901 Down town to see Durst & he had gone @ 2:30 this morning. PM, took list of articles necessary to begin housekeeping. Max Koble desires me to make some denouncements. Alice wrote S.L. Morris, Denver. Wrote Emmett L. Wemple, San Francisco for bottle rheumatism cure via express.

Saturday, Jul 20, 1901 Down town buying dishes & chairs, mozo packing. J.F. Smith paid rent in advance, 13.00 plus on water 4.00. PM, up @ new quarters watering the plants with J.F. Smith.

Sunday, Jul 21, 1901 Helping J.F. Smith, bought springs. Alice & W.C Morrill hunting cooking outfit, food etc forenoon, for housekeeping. 3PM, Alice & I moving our effects up to new abode, cost 1.25 @ Pressa, No 36, Ciai de San Juan Dios @ 6PM. We ate first meal there tonight. Mr. Hyslop struck by lightening up on the high peak at the monument and cross, dazed for one hour or more.

Monday, Jul 22, 1901 Rec'd 4.00 for sundries of Mr. Morrill last evening. Moving out from Koble's, occupying new house, unpacking. Smith & Morrill out prospecting @ their mines near El Cubo. Flynn died @ El Cubo last night. Max off to meet Spalding @ Toluca. Rec'd letter from O.E.S. on business.

Tuesday, Jul 23, 1901 Wrote O.E.S. this forenoon. Choreing around the house, unpacking everything and sewing machine too. Creada, Caterina commenced work today.

Wednesday, Jul 24, 1901 Down town after butter & fry pan & charcoal. M. Charcoal arrived 2 burro loads from Furness Co. Our landlady has water in as per agreement today. Smith & M. away tomorrow @ 7AM. Creada run away this PM, late.

Thursday, Jul 25, 1901 S. & M. off early as intended. Wrote Gen'l Freight Agent, El Paso, Texas to reship box of goods to us here in Guanajuato.

Friday, Jul 26, 1901 J.F. Smith & I carpentering PM. Built double bed stead and a wash stand. A.C. building wool mattress for our new bedstead double. Raining splendid tonight.

Saturday, Jul 27, 1901 Poured down all night, first good rain here. Called @ Fannies, hunting a creada. Rec'd cash 1.00 of Max making 30.00 PM, made 2 tables and 2 clothes presses out of 2 dry goods boxes. Hung the big mirror, getting everything in order to receive company. A new girl, Modesta came to work for us today.

Sunday, Jul 28, 1901 Market day, M. Morrill & creada to market & back before dinner. PM, rec'd long newsy letter from Bro. O.E.S. and letter from C.K. Furber, Irapuato.

Monday, Jul 29, 1901 Layed around the house all day, about sick with bad cold, fixed up my saddles, packs etc on a pole.

Tuesday, Jul 30, 1901 Off down town hunting for flat irons, found nothing cheaper than 1.00 each. Came home, bought nothing. Met a machinist from Manzanillo, give the management there a hard name, they robbed him.

Wednesday, Jul 31, 1901 Bought 2 flat irons @ 2.00. Aubry is much better. One of the flat irons is mine. Fannie & Max Koble called on us late this evening. Wrote J. M. Erozo, Hotel Iturbide, inquiring for M. J. Burgess, also wrote Robert Bodemann Jr. via Awinda.

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Thursday, Aug 1, 1901 Alice & I called on Fannie Koble & bought some peaches. Alice & Fannie are going to see if they can get an option on Los Posos mines belonging to Frank Parkman's widow. John Parkman quite sick. Aubry slowly recovering. Alice making a new bed tick for Mr. J. Smith tonight.

Friday, Aug 2, 1901 Off down town with Morrill, found a letter & prescription for rheumatism from Emmett L. Wemple for Aubry. Morrill found taxes due on some mines of his & Smith's & Bradley's to the amount of near 80.00 Mexican. Smith rec'd 2 photos of their store etc. in Kalispell Montana.

Saturday, Aug 3, 1901 George McElhaney's office furniture getting in shape, it looks fine. I ate dinner with Aubry. Rea came in from the Libertad on horseback. Paid for half soleing shoes 1.25. Alice wrote F.A. Cody tonight. S.& M. bought a carpet for 2.50. Codys add 7 & 9 Ashland Blvd, west side in front of Union Square.

Sunday, Aug 4, 1901 Mrs. Smith & I went marketing with the girl to carry the basket. Alice rec'd letter from Edna Cody Scott. Our creada quit and went home tonight. We paid her in full for 8 days work .63 cts. I wrote F.A. Cody regarding the Cardonis and wrote Mr. Bronson regarding placiers in Pachuca Eo Hidalgo.

Monday, Aug 5, 1901 Morrill off to the San Doming to put in a shot or two, to open up some rich ore for some peon to steal. Smith & we stayed at home. A.C. hiring another creada, old in sin who agrees to do it all for 3.00 per month, & steal everything in sight, no doubt. Smith rec'd wire from Boston saying Stock sold @ 4.00 gold.

Tuesday, Aug 6, 1901 S.M. & I off down town, met Cartwright on the street, he is located in Leon. Saw the great fraud Bivens in town in company with expert Brown. Also met a McDonald, said to be a brother of the Super @ Hacienda de San Francisco, Parkman's families. Wrote Friend Ansterhaus in Mexico City regarding M. J. Burgess and the Petatlan placiers.

Wednesday, Aug 7, 1901 Rec'd Mexican Herald today, first time in a week. PM, Smith & I went to town to visit, called on McElhaney & Bryan, later on Moss and later came on home.

Thursday, Aug 8, 1901 Wrote Ansterhaus to purchase if possible for----or less & wire me particulars regular & to move at once in the matter. Mr. Smith & I went down town PM & bought another aroba of sugar. Great robbery @ Port Costa, 1200 lbs gold, value \$180,000.00. Had a nice shower this evening late.

Friday, Aug 9, 1901 Rec'd & answered letter to O.E.S. of 3rd ult (?) Rec'd from J.M. Erozo saying M.J.B. here, Supt. Hotel Iturbide. Called on Fannie & Max Koble, took them glass of jelly. Mailed letter to O.E.S

Saturday, Aug 10, 1901 Warner brought his bride home. John J. Davidson, Supt. Victoria Mine. Walter Adams here to dinner. Down town PM to Aubry's. Called on Juan Parkman PM.

Sunday, Aug 11, 1901 Down in town marketing, back to McElhaneys & Bryan's office, met Davidson, boss @ Victoria. Henry McKenzie dropped in & later we went to the Union & met his wife & had dinner. Then we came home & spent the evening & it rained & rained & they took a car to town.

Monday, Aug 12, 1901 Mrs. McKenzie, Alice & I went over to Koble's to find rooms & board for them with Max and Fannie. Henry McK. went early to visit the Victoria Mine with Bryan. PM, met McKenzie & he came home with me, got his wife & we all went to Kobles to supper and board & I came home in a rain storm.

Tuesday, Aug 13, 1901 Raining steady. Rec'd letter from R.R. Agt, El Paso regarding box of clothing from Patzcuaro. Rec'd letter from Mary H. Newton, South Pasadena, Aug 8th, 01. Smith sent for his family to come. I stayed in doors today all day. Alice paid off her creada @ noon, 90 cts and told her to vamoose.

Wednesday, Aug 14, 1901 Called on Don Juan Parkman, he promises something soon, called on Mr. & Mrs. McKenzie @ Kobles. J. T. Morrill, 139 Blackstone St., Boston.

Thursday, Aug 15, 1901 Off down town to meet Don Juan P. Find J. T. Judd & brother Leo have returned from Colorado Springs last night.

Friday, Aug 16, 1901 Down to see Juan again, he did not succeed, so far in anything. Must wait his pleasure I suppose. Saw the Judd's today. Alex Aubry came to dinner & Rea & we took in the Pressa in PM.

Saturday, Aug 17, 1901 Off down town AM, saw Aubry on the street. Alice visiting Mrs. Fellippe Parkman this PM. Mr. & Mrs. McKenzie here playing cards this evening.

Sunday, Aug 18, 1901 Mr. Morrill off to examine a cropping on horseback with an old Mexican. Wrote Frankie Sanders, Red Bluff. Mr. Bradley & A. Aubry here. Called on Don Juan Parkman and found nix. Jacinto came home with me. Bought another carpet in PM for Smiths bed room, 2.50. A new cook engaged.

Monday, Aug 19, 1901 A.C. fired the old cook, she was a regular thief, paid her .50 and a new one begins work. PM, went to Silao for Aubry to see price of baths @ Augua Buenos by the week or month.

Tuesday, Aug 20, 1901 Off on horseback to Augua Buenos, engaged quarters for Alex Aubry's contract for room & bath per week, \$5.00. Back @ 4:30, reported to Aubry & he will start tomorrow to take the treatment for a month. I charged him nothing for my troubles.

Wednesday, Aug 21, 1901 A.C. and I went to Koble's, visited McKenzie & arranged to go to La Libertad tomorrow on horseback. Saw Alex, Aubry & Rea, off to Augua Buenos for a month. Engaged horses to go to La Libertad with Henry McKenzie & wife.

Thursday, Aug 22, 1901 Off @ 8:30 for La Libertad & Santa Rosa up the Baranca, arrived @ La Libertad @ 12 sharp, later visited La Conda & started home @ 4PM. We all got wet as rats coming home.

Friday, Aug 23, 1901 Henry McKenzie & myself off on horseback to take a look over the country Santa Ana & surrounding. We located the Vetta Madre in our minds & the Victoria is strictly on it.

Saturday, Aug 24, 1901 Stayed indoors all day, sick with a cold & taking medicine. Rec'd & answered letter from O.E.S., Henry McKenzie & wife here during the PM & went to Mrs. Elton Warners to supper.

Sunday, Aug 25, 1901 Half sick & at home all day. Alice wrote the Adams Bros., Santa Rosa. Mr. & Mrs. McKenzie called and we had a card party, 6 handed.

Monday, Aug 26. 1901 Morrill & McKenzie off early to look at some mining claims. Smith & I down town & back AM. Alice off to consult the Parkman sisters regarding stocks of which Alice C. has the promised handling soon. McKenzie home with Morrill to supper with us here.

Tuesday, Aug 27, 1901 Smith, Morrill, McKenzie, Judd & company off on horseback hunting mines. Called @ Koble to take Fannies new waists to her, she promises us to handle her mining stock, 5000 shares.

Wednesday, Aug 28, 1901 Juan Parkman & H. McKenzie off to La Playa mines today early. Mrs McK. came in & spent the PM with us. All hands back to supper and I took their horses to the stable for they were

tired after supper.

Thursday, Aug 29, 1901 We repaired some chairs at home. Saw McKenzie down town. Alice called on Mrs. Busey, borrowed two novels. Alice called on McElhaney & Bryan and borrowed two novels. We called on the Kobles and found Fannie not very well. Mrs. McKenzie @ home alone, very windy at our house. Letter from Walter Adams.

Friday, Aug 30, 1901 Down town early, met the Jansen family. Borrowed 5 books of Mrs. Jansen and came home before noon. Rec'd letter & photos from my daughter, Frankie Sanders. Trying to buy Victoria Stock, 1400 shares of Prof. Luis Soine @ .35 cts, he decides tomorrow @ 3PM. Mr. & Mrs. Henry J. McKenzie spent the evening here playing cards.

Saturday, Aug 31, 1901 H.J. McKenzie & wife off to Mex. Failed to buy stock in Victoria today as per engagement. Rec'd letter from Mother Hayner today, folks all well there up to date of letter Aug 26. Walter Adams called PM.

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Sunday, Sep 1, 1901 Wrote Mother & H.J. McK.

Monday, Sep 2, 1901 All hands off marketing, saw Jansen starting to his mines. Saw Bradley & Adams Bros. on street. Rec'd note from Walter Adams. Wrote T.J. Woodside, Customs Agent, Juarez Eo Chihuahua Mexico. Fearful thunder storm tonight.

Tuesday, Sep 3, 1901 Down town, bought bath tub & back before dinner, seen Walter A., invites us to come out to La Libertad & see Baker & make some arrangement to visit our placiers in Oct. next. Moved Mr. Morrill's bed & belongings into his little room this PM.

Wednesday, Sep 4, 1901 Wrote W.R. Duley, Mayor of Little Rock Arkansas, c/o J.M. Parker of Victoria Co., Guanajuato. Mr. Morrill & Smith off to Silao to meet the family coming. Sent Sundays Herald to Alonzo Swain. Answered Frankie E. Sanders latest.

Thursday, Sep 5, 1901 Off down to P.O. after mail. Smith & M at Silao today. Met Alex Aubry @ Busey's & he came home with me & stayed until PM, where I went home with him. A.C. went to visit Fannie Koble & we both came home @ 5:30PM. 9PM, Mr. & Mrs. Smith & 2 youngsters & Mr. Morrill arrived from Silao.

Friday, Sep 6, 1901 Good big family of us together, since Mrs. Smith & the youngsters are here. A mining man here to dinner, Mr. Perring of Pasadena. Arrangements are made tonight for Mr. Perring to go tomorrow to see S. and Morrill's mine @ La Playa.

Saturday, Sep 7, 1901 McKinley's assassination @ City of Buffalo yesterday, reported in Guanajuato before breakfast this morning. Later heard he was shot twice, but may recover. Leon Czolgosz, anarchist, a Pole born in Detroit Mich. Perring off to Mexico City on tonight's train. Smith's trunks arrived tonight.

Sunday, Sep 8, 1901 Rec'd first authentic report of the attempt to kill President McKinley @ Buffalo Exposition by an anarchist. They all should be exterminated, root and branch off this earth. Find in paper of yesterday that he was shot twice, once in breast & once in stomach. Breast wound trifling. Mrs. Smith's trunk keys arrived from Juarez custom house.

Monday, Sep 9, 1901 Run against a Mormon today. News regarding the President in today's paper, President resting easy, Doctors hopeful will locate stomach shot with a X-ray. Today hoping to locate bullet and remove it. Work of a damnd anarchist. Born in Detroit, Michigan of Polish parentage.

Tuesday, Sep 10, 1901 Met John M. Wiley with Jansen on the street this morning. George McElhaney & family off to U.S. via R.R. today. Rec'd letter from O.E.S. of Sept. 3rd & letter from freight Agent, El Paso, Tex.

Wednesday, Sep 11, 1901 Answered O.E.S. letter of yesterday. Alice & I called on Alex Aubry this morning. Met Harpa Mandolin, agent for W.E. Colton who wants to go prospecting.

Thursday, Sep 12, 1901 Down town with 3 books to Mrs. Jansen, back home, found Alex Aubry & Rea at our house to dinner. PM, down town with Aubry & bought extract of Sello de Oro for 25 cts & home in the

rain. Bradley writes Alex tonight to let A.C. have the house and everything & take possession now.

Friday, Sep 13, 1901 Down town to kill time, had a chicken dinner with Aubry & Rea. Our President is failing badly.

Saturday, Sep 14, 1901 Adam's Bros. here to dinner, report death of President McKinley and wife, a telegraph report. Alice let Adams have 22 adarons of gold dust on which he paid her 20.00 mexican, balance to come later. PM, we bought 3 meters pants good for 12.00, are having a suit made for 9.00 by a tailor & puerta ceta.

Sunday, Sep 15, 1901 Mr. & Mrs. Smith and Morrill to church and to market and home @ noon. Particulars of McKinley's death arrive in Saturdays papers today from Mexico City. Buffalo, Sept 14th, 2:15AM, the President of dead, official. Rec'd letters from Mertie and Mary H. Newton.

Monday, Sep 16, 1901 Showerey. Mexico's Independence Day, music, Military Parade & fireworks. Usual festivity cut short on account of McKinley's assassination & death. Letters to Mrs. J.C. Newton and Mrs. J.H. Behm. We got wet seeing the fireworks in the rain tonight.

Tuesday, Sep 17, 1901 Had our proposition type written and sent it this PM to Mrs. J.C. Newton, to be returned by Oct. 15. 4.00 of Busey today, her mother back from-----.

Wednesday, Sep 18, 1901 Noon wrote recommendation for Jacinto Rodriguez to Davidson, Supt. Victoria. PM, @ Mrs. Bryan's, borrowed 10 novels to be returned soon. Called @ my tailors, suit most done.

Thursday, Sep 19, 1901 Morrill & S. off on horseback again, going to see some mine again. Orins circus in town. Spent today with Aubry.

Friday, Sep 20, 1901 Down town news gathering. Met Koble who wishes me to go see a peons prospect tomorrow over near Nial Mill on Cuba. Paid for new suit \$21.00 cash. Andrew S. Aubry, P.O. Midland, Midland Co., Mich. Alice rec'd letter from Mother.

Saturday, Sep 21, 1901 Smith off with Busey to see Busey's mine. Work @ Serrano closed down. Mr. Walter C. Adams, Mrs. Anna Regina Adams, Lawrence Adams all of New York City.

Sunday, Sep 22, 1901 Down town as usual looking for business. PM, met Adams bros. Found some peon miners who offered me an interest with them, want to denounce in my name. Rec'd reply from Mayor W.R. Duley, Little Rock Ark.

Monday, Sep 23, 1901 Ponposa & I did the marketing for 2.85. Smith off with Adams Bros. to Santa Rona. Mr. Morrill resting @ home. We rec'd letter from Mrs. J.C. Newton from Los Angeles, dated Sept 8th, 4:30PM. Bro. O.E.S. is 54 today. Andy Aubry & Rea & Bradley are off @ 2AM tomorrow for Chicago. We get bedstead & rockers.

Tuesday, Sep 24, 1901 Down town after springs & rocker. Cost 25 cts to get them home by Ezekiel's Bro. of (J.T. Judd mozo) Smith off again with Busey, looking at Busey's mines. Bradley, Aubry & Rea off for Chicago.

Wednesday, Sep 25, 1901 Showers. In the house all day, grunting. Smith & wife off on horseback to visit the La Playa mines. Morrill here reading. They, S. & wife got in @ 6PM, wet, wet, wet and tired. The landlady called to inspect leaks in the roof & have them repaired, she said. Morrill loaned me some Doans Ointment for piles tonight.

Thursday, Sep 26, 1901 The Gov. of Guanajuato took his seat again today for another four years, reelected. I called @ Sister Fannies and had dinner, later brought our lamp home through the rain. Grand Inaugural Ball @ the club rooms tonight.

Friday, Sep 27, 1901 Down town until noon today, met Don Obregon Gonzales and other distinguished Officials of Guanajuato who are here attending the inauguration of the Governor. Everybody was at the Ball but us, though invited we stayed home.

Saturday, Sep 28, 1901 Alice writes to Walter Adams regarding gold dust. (tired of his motions) Rec'd letter from O.E.S. of Sept. 23rd. Super McDonald of Serrano back from New York City.

Sunday, Sep 29, 1901 Rec'd another letter from Mrs. J. C. Newton under date of 24th Sept., saying she had our latest letter & proposition, she makes me sad. W. J. Bevel, agent for Mechan Bros., Monterey Foundry, Eo Nueva Leon, Mexico. 986 miles from Silao to El Paso Texas via R.R.

Monday, Sep 30, 1901 Off to visit the Sam Prospero & Victoria mines in company with Mr. W. J. Bevel, agent for La Estrella Monterey Foundry & Manufacture Co, Meehan Bros. Found Supt. Davidson, took dinner at his house and came back to town on McDonald's black horse. Serrano Mill on a trial run today, experimenting.

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Tuesday, Oct 1, 1901 Posted Mrs. Swains letter to Mrs. Newton. Down town PM, met Jacinto Rodriguez with samples of Estano (tin) from up in the Sierra de Paharo, his grandpa goes tomorrow to bring us samples of the rock for assaying. PM, sent ore to Monterey to have it analyzed correctly and carefully through. W.J. Bevel.

Wednesday, Oct 2, 1901 J.F. Smith off to his mines early @ La Playa. I went to market, spent 5.56 out of 6.00. Sent groceries home via Pomposa & @ noon I rode home alone with Gov. Obregon Gonzales in his special car. Juliano Rodriguez & Jacinto R. here talking. Rec'd letter from Jules & Mertie B.

Thursday, Oct 3, 1901 I stayed indoors all day and in bed until noon. Smith off to his mines. Morrill thinking of moving to United States very soon unless his cancer can be cured here, hopeless case. Max Koble called today on Morrill. A.C. off down town @ 3PM and she is almost sick with rheumatism inflammatory.

Friday, Oct 4, 1901 Down to Bank to see Mr. Wilson. Rec'd postal from Marfiel about Box in Juarez, household goods. Wrote T.G. Woodside, hold it. Smith's out at the mines. Chas. W. Morrill preparing to go to Waco, Texas tomorrow. Mr. & Mrs. Elton Warner here visiting & stayed to supper. Wilson wired wife in London, (funds for-warded, come, cost 2.25 per word.)

Saturday, Oct 5, 1901 C.W. Morrill starts to Texas today. Gave his daughter, Wilda Smith a Power of Attorney to run his business. Wrote again to Robert Bodemann Jr. c/o Mecca Mora, Carrizal Eo Michoacan, please forward to Saujilla in the lands of Leffarima Guzman. 3PM, C.W. Morrill off for Texas. Wrote P.M., Bisbee Ariz.

Sunday, Oct 6, 1901 Down town AM, found nothing, saw Engineer Brown & Davidson. Bought 98 cts worth for the kitchen. PM, A.C. and I went to Kobles on business, must see Eng. Luis Silva & try to get option on his mine.

Monday, Oct 7, 1901 Artists of Rock Island R.R. in Guanajuato taking views, street scenes, Theater Juarez everything. This PM friend Morrill should reach Waco Texas. A.C. writing to her mother.

Tuesday, Oct 8, 1901 Down to P.O., arrange to have M. & Smiths mail brought up to our house hereafter. PM, Alice went to Warners & I took Mrs. Bryan's books home & she loaned me some magazines. We ate supper @ Warrens and came home @ 9:30PM.

Wednesday, Oct 9, 1901 At home down on my back, piles very troublesome again. Alice rec'd call from Mrs. Jensen & after dinner they started to see Mrs. Warner who sent note saying she was feeling very poorly. Supper time and very dark. Alice still absent from home. She stayed @ Mrs. Warners tonight.

Thursday, Oct 10, 1901 J.F. Smith off to his mines. I took four samples to have assayed @ Ignacio Lozanos. Came home via Union Garden. Saw Mr. & Mrs. Baker arrive @ Union Hotel from their mine. Mrs S. rec'd first letter from her father, C.W. Morrill @ San Antonio Tex. Late PM, walked up to upper Pressa & home to supper.

Friday, Oct 11, 1901 Down town to see Eluerbengoto (?), later to see Don Obregon Gonzalez. Concluded to go to Celaya to interview the Gonzalez Bros. regarding the Perragrina Mine. 3:30PM, took train for Celaya, arriving @ 8PM @ Hotel Guadalupe, room 22 for tonight. Fought mesquites all night, slept late.

Saturday, Oct 12, 1901 Called on Eusebio Gonzales @ 9AM, regarding their mines in Guanajuato, find everything favorable, have letter to their General Manager Sr. D. Jesus Fernandez, Guanajuato. Found Ross & Baird running new Soda Works in Celaya. Home @ 9:30 tonight. Cost of trip \$6.75.

Sunday, Oct 13, 1901 Down town until noon, McElhany just back from Colorado Springs with Parker and others. Castilla de Granadetas where 300 Spanish Grandes were slaughtered after one of Hidalgo's followers. J.F. Smith & wife went to see the bull fight, we stayed home with children.

Monday, Oct 14, 1901 Down town early, called @ office of Sr. D. Jesus Fernandez, not in. Alice rec'd 10.00 on acct with Adams. Making 30,00 to date. PM, submitted my letter to Fernandez in presence of friend William Moore & commence taking date @ 9AM tomorrow morning.

Tuesday, Oct 15, 1901 Went to Hacienda, found books, maps, data for everything requisite & will be able to get everything in shape soon. Found 300 mules, 50 arrastras, 3 Chilean mills, everything in fine shape & to be shown to the Perragrina & all over and through it tomorrow, accompanied by Engineer Wm. Moore as interpreter & typewriter.

Wednesday, Oct 16, 1901 Off @ 7AM with Wm. Moore to visit the Perragrina group of mines. Took in the entire workings, top to bottom and machinery as well, are to have inventory, maps, plans etc. as soon as they can be prepared. Rec'd fine treatment as well. As fine saddle animals & mozo, home @ 6:30, tired but satisfied.

Thursday, Oct 17, 1901 Almost idle today. I am feeling quite miserable. Perragrina Office closed AM. PM, Super Fernandez out @ Tahoe mine, returned late. Mrs. Smith & Swain visiting this PM. Calling @ Bryan's & Warners & later to supper @ Mrs. Jansen's room. Friend Wm. Moore in trouble regarding a check from Tyler Texas Bank.

Friday, Oct 18, 1901 Off early with Mr. Wm. Moore & mozo to visit the Tahoe del Dolores. The Supt. Leonado Morado, inspected everything on top and inside the engine room. Had a splendid dinner. Came back via El Cubo & in town @ Co's. office @ 5PM. Rec'd 5.00 of friend Warner & handed it to Wm. C. Moore.

Saturday, Oct 19, 1901 Moore & I in the Co's Office in Guanajuato, putting our report in typewriting. Shall be at it for a part of the coming week, we expect. PM, Moore typewriting all PM. Has two d-d old & poor machines gratis.

Sunday, Oct 20, 1901 Down town to continue our work on our report on the Perragrina & Tahoe Delores mines. Failed to find typewriter and gave up working today. Met J. H. Weigert of Colorado Springs, Mining Expert.

Monday, Oct 21, 1901 Down to Office of Perragrina & Tahoe, still typewriting on reports. Webb of Irapuato in town. Wrote business letter tonight to Eusebio Gonzales, Celaya Guanajuato. 3 months today since we moved in with Smith's & Morrill's @ 36 Calle San Juan De Dios, Guanajuato.

Tuesday, Oct 22, 1901 Wm. Moore typewriting report. Sent typewritten letter to Mr. Eusebio Gonzales, Celaya. Sent letter to Mrs. Baker, La Libertad today for A.C.

Wednesday, Oct 23, 1901 Down town to Office of Perragrina Co. Rec'd inventory from both mines and surfaces of both mines (am waiting for underground tracings of all workings). Met a Mr. J. H. Weigert of Colorado Springs and a Mr. Sam C. Morrison. Having reports translated @ Furness'es of Ores Exported to Smelter Co.

Thursday, Oct 24, 1901 Down to photographers, left 2 rolls of films to be developed. Met V. D. Fredricks, agent for the Mexico Mine & Smelter Supply Co. Visited the Hacienda de Salgado. Samuel Parkman, General Supt. tried to get ground plan of it. Area 100 meters x 75 approximately. 80 arrastras & 3 Chile Mills, 300 mules grinding 30 tons ore every 24 hours.

Friday, Oct 25, 1901 Off @ 8AM in company with W. L. Moore to visit Perragrina Mine on business, met Enrique Martinez, Supt. Started back @ 12, home @ 1:45PM. Down town PM, called on Gov. o. Gonzales.

Saturday, Oct 26, 1901 Rec'd statement from Dwight Furness Co. on ores from Perragrina & Tahoe mines. Called on Max for 6.00 on account. Missed the train this PM for Marfiel.

Sunday, Oct 27, 1901 Preparing to go to Celaya this PM. Met Fuller the Montana Engineer. 3:20PM, who goes to City to find chum, off on time with Wiltsen and Brown & Davidson a Red Bluff boy. All had

supper @ Irapuato, @ Celaya on time, roomed with Wolters @ Central Hotel.

Monday, Oct 28, 1901 Called on Sr. Eusebio Gonzalez, found him in good humor and he showed me maps, plans etc of his mines drawn in 1898. Met Sr. Gonzales @ 2:30PM and we did our business quick. He gave me everything I asked for. Off for Guanajuato @ 4:45PM, satisfied. Found dead freight near Chicos. Cost of trip to Celaya, \$10.00.

Tuesday, Oct 29, 1901 Wrote postal to Dr. Wm. Hughes, Tepec. Presented letter to F. from Eusebio G. Called on Gov. Obregon Gonzales about an option on his mines @ Taho. Arranging for option on east extension on Perragrina mine tomorrow.

Wednesday, Oct 30, 1901 Tried to get letter off to Jim Peck in today's mail. Arranged option for six months on P. extension today. Dined with Wm. Moore today. PM, examined new work now being put in by McDonald. McKinley's murderer went up today. Furness & Co commence tearing down old Vizcacia corner tomorrow.

Thursday, Oct 31, 1901 Down to see Lawyer, Roble who says no one to his knowledge ever had option on the Eusebio Gonzales property before and that he is their Attorney. Davidson back from City & very busy. Got letter off to Jim Peck, Colorado Springs, hope to go see Ramon Gomez mine near Acambaro next week. Wrote Hayden Stone & Co, Boston.

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Friday, Nov 1, 1901 All Saints Day. Down town to P.O., mailed letter to Hayden Stone & Co, 87 Milk St, Boston. PM, met Sam C. Morrison of Colorado Springs who has bonded El Carmen & Loreto. Lunched with Moore today, he wants to see the Perragrina tomorrow. Sam C. M. wants to visit Perragrina. Moore & I called on Jesus Fernandez, he advises us to wait until Monday.

Saturday, Nov 2, 1901 Met Sam C. Morrison, he wants to see the Perragrina & Taho del Dolores. Gave him until Dec. 2nd to consider my offer. Sent note to J.A. Robinson & E. Wells care of J. J. Davidson, Supt., who also wishes to see my mines later as he thinks he might make a deal. S.C.M. goes to Colorado on tonight's train. Wrote O.E. tonight.

Sunday, Nov 3, 1901 Down town after shoes for A.C.S. Rec'd letter from O.E.S. today early. Sent one to him on Guanajuato & mining. Option on Perragrina extension, I refused on present terms. PM, Alice went to visit Fannie Kobles and came home after dark. Alice to handle Fannies stock as it is promised to her very soon. I spent PM in bed at home.

Monday, Nov 4, 1901 Down town to meet J. J. Davidson, failed to see him, arranged to go to Taho Dolores mine tomorrow early. Hope to get plan of underground works tomorrow. Getting papers ready to send to Sam C. Morrison to Colorado Springs, got out Taho papers today. Ramon Gomez goes to his find near Acambaro tomorrow after samples. Rec'd answer from R. M. Bird, El Oro saying Foster is in London, wait.

Tuesday, Nov 5, 1901 Off for El Taho @ 9AM. Smith went with us, there @ 11AM. Took six months option on Guadalupe de Eaglas. Rained all day, came home late. Failed to see underground today. Had splendid dinner at Taho. Depth of shafts @ Taho Delores mines, E. shaft 60, pump shaft 180, W. shaft 180 meters. Wrote O.E. for Fannie regarding olives. 8PM, rec'd letter, come to Victoria.

Wednesday, Nov 6, 1901 8AM, hired horse, 1.00, went to Victoria, met friends Robinson & A. Wells and came home @ 2:30PM. Left 2 samples assay with Moss from Guadalupe de Egletta mine.

Thursday, Nov 7, 1901 Smith, Moore & I off to see the Taho Delores mine today and we went through sufficient of the workings to get a fair idea of its dimensions, there is plenty of ore in the mine, already to bring out on top, 1,000 tons or more. The regular shipments aggregates 100 ton per week. Had option rewritten by Leonardo M. on his letter

Friday, Nov 8, 1901 Off down town to find Jesus Fernandez. Saw old woman down on street, mule had run her down, tried to help her up and another loaded mule run me down, bloodied my nose and soiled my clothes. Came home and stayed in all day repairing my fizz.

Saturday, Nov 9, 1901 A.C. & I down to Post Office. Rec'd answer from Frank G. Peck. Took in the Bradley house & fixtures. Showed Peck letter to J.J. Davidson. Called @ McDonald's with Peter Mausaw. Pomposa paid off and sent home. Sent Mexican Herald to O.E.S.

Sunday, Nov 10, 1901 Off down town to see Pete Manson & Davidson. Going to Bull fight. Ate dinner @ San Antonio with Moore & Manson and a Mrs. Hummel of Los Angeles Cali. Arranged with Pete to meet him early tomorrow at the bank. Eukre party tonight.

Monday, Nov 11, 1901 Alice & I preparing to move into the Aubry, Bradley house tomorrow, No. 5 Calle de Portraro. Rec'd cash 200.00 from Peter Manson. Sr. Don Jesus Fernandez promises maps if complete tomorrow. Paid old german Jeweler account 2.00.

Tuesday, Nov 12, 1901 Mailed first letter to A. S. Aubry, 309 Rush St, Chicago, to his mothers. Moving costs us cargadores 2.00. Took list of everything in the Aubry and Bradley house. J.A. Robinson & E. Wells called & spent the evenings.

Wednesday, Nov 13, 1901 Wrote Senor Eusebio Gonzalez, am tired waiting for plans. Paid Warner 15.00. Carried samples of Ramon Gomez to be assayed, six samples, paid 5.22 coal, oil & flour. Spent PM @ home while Alice went hunting Criada. Jesus Fernandez promised plans tomorrow. Went for samples.

Thursday, Nov 14, 1901 Rec'd answer from Enrique C. Creel and from Hayden & Stone & Co. Plans due tomorrow, sure. Wired Eusebio Gonzales according J.W. Robinson, E. Wells and Wm. Moore. A.C.S. and --- going to Tahoe tomorrow.

Friday, Nov 15, 1901 Off with a gang to visit the mines of Leonardo Morado near Tahoe. Visited and dined with Morado, visited his mine in PM. Met L. Judd early in town, he is interested in our business. Home @ 6PM. Found answer in my house from Eusebio Gonzales.

Saturday, Nov 16, 1901 Down town to hunt my plans, they are promised early tomorrow. Mrs. Smith called first time. 8:30PM, Lou Judd off to Mexico, says J. T. Judd should be in here about the 20th. Edwardo came to work, commences tomorrow @ 2.50.

Sunday, Nov 17, 1901 Down town after cuffs & collars. Robinson & Wells off with Smith to see Smith's mines @ La Playa. Friend Hyslop in town again today. PM, wrote long letter to Frank C. Osborne, Pittsburgh Penn., regarding Guanajuato mines, etc. Hear Reese's sow is killed on R.R. @ Guadalajara.

Monday, Nov 18, 1901 Paid Busey 4.00 and rec'd plans of underground workings of Perragrina & Tahoe Dolores from Jesus Fernandez. Mailed Osborn's letter to Pittsburgh. Bought aroba of sugar 2.75, coal 3.00. Joined Mexican Club @ Guanajuato. Rec'd letters from O.E.S. about olives and Mother and family.

Tuesday, Nov 19, 1901 Down town in time to meet the Engineers, had a grand time @ the Club. Visited the Theater, all lit up. At 8:30PM we went to the Club, Reception, had lunch @ club & came home.

Wednesday, Nov 20, 1901 Down town to meet F.H. Husted of Chihuahua, a miner. Visited the New Palace in AM. PM, Chas. P. Manson, Jethro M. Swain & Ramon Gomez filed denouncements on Cero del Tegre, Acambaro, costing us 14.00 mexican cash.

Thursday, Nov 21, 1901 Went out to find Husted. To Pastita next to see Corning. Waited until noon for him. PM, down to Furness to have Moss translate letter from Tepec la Purissimo Mine.

Friday, Nov 22, 1901 Down to see Furness on business. Put off going to Acambaro until next week with C.P. Manson. Wrote Mrs. Edna F. for A.C.S. who is busy on habit for Mrs. Jensen of Copenhagen mine.

Saturday, Nov 23, 1901 Wrote Pneumatic Cyanide Co, 306 Boston Bldg., Denver for circular. Chas. P. Manson here to dinner. See D. Furness, am to have option on him on mine and tunnel for six months. Maps, plans, titles, etc.

Sunday, Nov 24, 1901 Down to Club to chat with one of the El Cubo Company. They want in on the Perragrina & Tahoe Dolores with us. Am to meet them tomorrow @ 10AM. Alice & I visited Fannie & Max. Later Wells Robinson & Moore came & we played cards until 9. Max K. called while we were playing seven up.

Monday, Nov 25, 1901 Rec'd letter from O.E.S., opals ok. Robinson & Wells off to see a mine near La Luce of George Bryant's. 10AM, called @ W.M. Co. Office, call tomorrow same time. Wrote J. S. Carnage, W.P. Oil, Silao on Hacienda Orilla deal from Fellippe Torrez, an option on a mine tomorrow, sure.

Tuesday, Nov 26, 1901 Judd & Ellis arrived. Talking business with Cockrill & Reeves regarding Perragrina & Taho Delores. Judd, Cummings & I dined @ the Cosina. Wrote Governor of Colima on business. Spent evening @ John F. Smiths.

Wednesday, Nov 27, 1901 Rec'd & answered letter from Hayden Stone & Co. Mr. Baker & daughter @ lunch. Wrote Martin Poe & Geo. West, I am waiting on Fellippe Torrez option on La Union mine & tunnel. Wrote Scotts @ Ocotlan, Jalisco. Max & Fannie called tonight. Fanny has her stock, 1200 shares.

Thursday, Nov 28, 1901 Rec'd answer from Robert Bodemann Jr. & Albert Schmidt. Went to Thanksgiving Sermon in little church around the corner. Waited all pm at Furness for Fellippe Torrez to come with option. Spent evening with Warner & family.

Friday, Nov 29, 1901 Arranging to go to Tegra this PM with Manson & Ramon Gomez. Fellippe Torris waits until Monday, great. Alice to see F.K. all coming ok. Consultation cost 5.00. Off via R.R. for Celaya, fare 3.40. @ Celaya @ 8:30PM, room @ Central Hotel.

Saturday, Nov 30, 1901 Up @ 5:30, off @ 6:40 to Acambaro @ 9AM, \$.30. Off @ 9:30 Andancotim, arrived @ 11 and set off on foot for Giaminco. Mozo carrying out luggage for .38. Arriving @ 2PM in sight of our Denouncements. Stopping with a R.R. brakeman keeping a little store.

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Sunday, Dec 1, 1901 Off early on horseback, 3 of us with 2 hired peons & dinner in a basket. Climbing over rough baranca all day prospecting. Returned to the house & store of Gabino A. Paniagua. Back to camp @ 6PM, worn out.

Monday, Dec 2, 1901 Off early, duck hunting and back @ 11AM minus a duck. Engaged transportation back to the R.R. station. PM, off for Station Andocotin. Paid Hotel 4.00, horse hire, 1.75. Train to Acambaro @ 6PM.

Tuesday, Dec 3, 1901 4:30, took train to Celaya, fare 3.40, @ Celaya @ AM. Street car fare to hotel .18. 3 breakfasts 1.25, 3 dinners 1.25. AM, called on Eusebio Gonzalez, had long talk, gives us till Jan 31st & longer if prospects are favorable. Off to Irapuato PM, @ Hotel Union.

Wednesday, Dec 4, 1901 Found everybody out of town, telephoned Peranges this morning, learned that the animals are all ok, am trying to sell them and the pump (for cash) all day. Street car fare .12. Breakfast @ hotel Vargas and dinner. Fare to Cantadore R.R. .85. @ Silao @ 9PM, very late.

Thursday, Dec 5, 1901 Found B. F. Bradley in our den this morning, just home from Boston. Found Jacobi anxious to have me know that Morrison Expert is en route here. Answer from Martin Poe & George West in just 8 days from Autlan. Called on Jesus Fernandez for saddle horses for Saturday next. Friend William Hyslop called.

Friday, Dec 6, 1901 Rec'd papers of Fellippe Torrez, option on La Constance. Mr. Egtert Smit arrived AM. Sent Torrez papers back for alteration. Paid for our 8 assays, 2.00 cash. Conners & Parker back from Colorado Springs via R.R. Mike McDonald & Corning off Minas Preatas. After supper we went to see Fannie & home again @ 8:30PM.

Saturday, Dec 7, 1901 Still waiting Fellippe Torrez motion, has agreed to alter option to our liking. Wrote Martin Poe asking for copper properties. Max Koble up to something. Mr. & Mrs. Warner & Miss. Balfour called & we played ewcer tonight. Wrote Mrs. Hattie Campbell, Dunsmuir.

Sunday, Dec 8, 1901 Off early to see John Parkman, later went to market, 3.00. PM, Alice & I called on Chas. P. Manson and got some novels to read. For supper, ice cream. Later went to the Club and met Jacobi and Egtert Smit and others.

Monday, Dec 9, 1901 Rec'd letter from Hayden & Stone on stocks. Rec'd letter from La Purissimo, Tepec. Having Purissimo papers all translated and typewritten by A. Warner of Furness & Co. Wrote Enrique del Moral regarding sale of our animals. On Purissimo Mine, Tepec, wrote L.H. Taylor, 1508 Philadelphia.

Tuesday, Dec 10, 1901 Called on John Parkman & showed him last stock reports, 4 7/8 on Dec 3rd in Boston.

Max Koble and Bradley selling Mexico to Colorado Springs people. Wrote Torrez, Irapuato regarding sale of animals.

Wednesday, Dec 11, 1901 Down town for news. My work not complete yet by friend Warner. Option on La Union not yet delivered, expected any hour. B.F. Bradley hunting records on Perragrina & Dolores output past years. Our option off & we were fooled on Fellippe Torrez.

Thursday, Dec 12, 1901 Guadalupe Fiesta, nothing doing today. Bradley writing report on our Perragrina & Taho de Dolores. Warner still preparing our papers of La Purissimo. Wrote F.G. Woodside, Juarez, custom agent.

Friday, Dec 13, 1901 Had A.C.'s glasses mended. Bakers & Adams in town preparing to make a Stock Co. of the La Libertad. Met a Salt Lake man today, a Mr. Wm. H. Bond, a mill man. Inquireing for Evans & Keller. Wrote Merca Garcia Perfecto.

Saturday, Dec 14, 1901 Bradley & I hunting up data on Perragrina output. Visited Salgado Hacienda. Took notes, ores worked per day. Rec'd La Purissimo papers, translated into English. A violinist here. Mr. Wm. H. Bond spent evening at our house.

Sunday, Dec 15, 1901 Wrote Jose Luis Herrera, Tepec regarding La Purissimo mine. Went marketing AM. Called on Mrs. Smith & family @ Pressa this PM. Wrote David Keith, Esq., Salt Lake City, Utah regarding Perragrina & Taho mines.

Monday, Dec 16, 1901 3 assays cost me .75. Wrote Don F. Santa Cruz, Colima regarding Magdalene \$275,000 mexican. Santa Anita sold today to Parker & Co. Sent two Bros. after samples. Kodak film cost 1.60. Preparing to go to P. with Bradley. A.C. rec'd 25.00 on account of Julian Rodriguez.

Tuesday, Dec 17, 1901 Off early with Bradley to see the Perragrina, met A. R. Baker as per agreement, went through the mine taking measurements etc. Dined elegant with Enrique Martinez. We secured samples from----- Also samples from the mine. Took 12 snapshots kodak. 2 bros. bring in 3 nice samples.

Wednesday, Dec 18, 1901 Off @ 8AM for Taho Dolores, met Enrique Martinez, Engineer & General Manager for both mines, found Supt. Leonardo M. all ok and we took data of amount of tons extracted also values of same. Gathered valuable data, all we could think of value. Took various camera views. Had dinner & off for home @ 3PM, reaching home @ 5PM with 7 sacks of samples.

Thursday, Dec 19, 1901 Bradley mixed quartered and prepared dump samples before breakfast & sent them to assayers. I took my Kodak for completion. Wrote agreement with 2 Bros. about prospects with 20.00 cash. @ 3:30PM off for Irapuato to sell horses, mules and H.P. pump. @ Hotel Vargas tonight.

Friday, Dec 20, 1901 Out of luck as usual, no one at home, must do best I can. Failed to deal with del Moral. Wired him to send animals into Irapuato at once. B.F.B. arrived from Guanajuato, asks me to go to Delaya next time. Roomed in Hotel Vargas, to be up for 1:30AM train. Police to call us. Sent note to Webb by mozo, 10cts.

Saturday, Dec 21, 1901 Off to Celaya @ 2:30AM, in @ 4:30, room @ Hotel Central & beds cost 1.50. Called on Augustine Gonzales in company with Ben F. Bradley and rec'd all the data we asked for, complete. 4:40PM, took train for Irapuato & B.F.B. went on to Guanajuato, find our stock will be here tomorrow from the ranch. Spend evening with C. Webb.

Sunday, Dec 22, 1901 Roomed @ Hotel Vargas last night. Learned that animals can't get in here today, but hope they can come tomorrow. Ate dinner with Webb & family. (Dr Colin Wedd, English) Wrote A.C.S. this evening. Bought Herald & train. Still @ Hotel Vargas.

Monday, Dec 23, 1901 Having pump cleaned of some as I must sell it for something. Horses due to come at noon. Visited Enrique del Moral, tried to sell pump to him, no go. Later sold it for 50.00. Horses came @ 6:30PM, dark. Horses poorer with sore backs than when we turned them out. Mules vary poor. Again overnight @ Hotel Vargas.

Tuesday, Dec 24, 1901 Trying my very best to sell the 3 horses, are dead poor. The 2 mules in good order, best offer for everything 115.00. Sold to Margarita Arenas, mason, Irapuato. Off for Guanajuato @ 6:30, @ home @ 8:15, found everybody ok. Visiting churches until after midnight with Smith's.

Wednesday, Dec 25, 1901 Wrote Mother E.A. Hayner, ate Christmas turkey with B.F.B. PM, out visiting @ Pressa. Wrote greetings to Prof. O. E. Swain. Fanny Koble & Max called in PM.

Thursday, Dec 26, 1901 Down town after a box for espajo. Got it all ready to use at last. B. F. Bradley getting assays out. Our prospectus still not ready. Our kodak pictures a failure.

Friday, Dec 27, 1901 Down to Furness & Co. to get the value of 22 adarma, pure gold. Manuel Espanoza says it is 59.29 mexican. Lou Judd in town from Mexico City. Young Miss Baker in town from La Libertad. Mr. & Mrs. Smith visited La Libertad mine. Wrote letter of introduction for Ben Bradley to Martin Poe, Autlan Eo Jalisco.

Saturday, Dec 28, 1901 Waiting for Bradley's report. Packing up to go to U.S. to place the Perragrina & Taho & Sarinda. Shopped No.1 and No.2 listed boxes of household goods, off to Marfiel en route to El Paso Tex via Central R.R. freight. Mrs. A.C. Swain visiting @ Kobles. Later we called on Mrs. Warner & family, came home after dark.

Sunday, Dec 29, 1901 At last our reports are complete and we shall soon be on the R.R. for the United States once more. Sam C. Morrison arrived from Colorado. We told Jacobi today all previous arrangements off by limitation. 4:30PM, myself and Bradley called on Mr. Morrison @ Hotel San Antonio, he is very anxious to renew negations. E.E. Rittenhouse are English???

Monday, Dec 30, 1901 Met Adams and they refuse to do anything until later. Left account with Bradley. Met Sam C. Morrison & wife from Colorado Springs, also E. E. Rittenhouse. Took up papers from Jacobi and Morrison. Paid for tickets & freight & excess baggage to El Paso, Texas, 101.26.

Tuesday, Dec 31, 1901 Up and Off @ 3AM and B.F.B. asleep @ Silao on time, white frost. Off @ 5:30 to Angwa @ 9:30 to breakfast. Off @ 10:10, Zacatecas @ 1:30 & @ Calara @ 2:30 to dinner. @ 5:50 we had an accident, cost us a loss of 3 hours. @ 9:40 reached our supper station by changing engines.

NOTE: End of daily entries for 1901. Remaining entries are note found in back of diary.

Dose, a tablet may be taken every 15 minutes without harm until relieved for Neuralgia. Magnesium Phosphoricum 6X, Luyties Homoespathic Pharm. St. Louis Mo.

A.R. Blankenship, Zapotlan or Sayula. Sello de oro.

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T.W. Austerfeld, North American Beef Co., 22 Independencia St., Mexico City., The hyde buyer, W.W. Norris's boss.

Mr. J.M. Eroso, Supt. & General Manager, Hotel Iturbide, Mexico City.

Mt. McKinley in Alaska, 20,464 feet high, highest in North America

J.G. Pritchard, Post Master, Bisbee, Arizona

P.L. Foster, General Manager, El Oro Mining & Railway Co., El Oro, Estada de Mexico

Wm. Hughs, dentist from Tepec

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2 days from Colima via Chinequella to Los Mojos to cabeza de el baranca Chackalappa Eo Michoacan. Dry red clay good for 25 cents to the pan--say 12 1/2 cents good for dry washer. 5 to 10 yrs.

J.M. Neeland, Pomery House, Guadalajara Eo Gla

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