

Jethro Mitchell Swain



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Personal diary from 1911

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1911

The following was found in the front of the diary:

La Jolla, San Diego Co, California.

Compliments of Bro. O.E.¹ to J.M. Swain.

Sunday, Jan 1, 1911 In La Jolla. I had to kill an old Californian, a polecat. Sent bill of lumber to San Diego Lumber Co. for building material. Sent photo cards to Tonopah officials Malley & Charlie. Engaged Holsen² to plow tomorrow.

Monday, Jan 2, 1911 Holsen's team all day plowing for us & I pulling weeds and fence posts & wire & home after dark with sack of flour, cost 90 cts. Owe Holsen for plowing, \$2.50. Helped carry washing to Bishop School³ tonight, accounting 6.85. Closing the old year. Pard⁴ working tonight on Virginia's⁵ corduroy suit making cost 10.00.

Tuesday, Jan 3, 1911 Alice's birthday. Wrote Tom Westfall & then went out to home place & pulled weeds & burned until 5PM & home to supper. Takes me 1/2 hour to go to our new home place from Iris Cottage.

Wednesday, Jan 4, 1911 Burning weeds & in hopes lumber comes tomorrow. Mr Genter⁶ called & took our contract away to take a copy there off, is perfectly satisfied with its wording & terms, so are we. Rec'd letter from A.N. Coe, its awful cold in Nevada at present he writes. Ans'd A.N. Coe.

Thursday, Jan 5, 1911 Lumber arrived, PM, unloaded car & hauled it all onto our ground and it kept us busy. Alice all day on napkins, finished them at 10PM.

Friday, Jan 6, 1911 Too lame to work. Rec'd chk from Miss ----? in San Diego for \$2.60. Sent pckg of San Diego papers to Mrs Frankie Saunders⁷, Red Bluff Cali. Wrote Mrs Gen'l Banning, Hill St, Los Angs.

Saturday, Jan 7, 1911 Too lame to work. Paid Holsen in full, \$4.50, plowing & hauling lumber. Mailed letter to O.E.S⁸, rec'd lumber bill from San Diego Lumber Co, have a Johnson Plaster on my back today and owe the drug store 50 cts. Alice is answering Mrs Jennie Schneider, 1147 Pearl St, Boulder, Colo who wrote in haste Dec 18th, 25 days ago, oh rats, and such is life, rats. Box office rent due, 35 cts.

Sunday, Jan 8, 1911 Still have lame back. Wrote San Diego Union office, paper carrier a lazy Mexican. PM, wife & I took stroll down toward the strand & back. Called on Mrs Rhodes & saw her garden, fruit & fowls. Lumber bill from the San Diego Lumber Co, calls for \$121.13.

Monday, Jan 9, 1911 Genter painting church. Wetzell & company moving hardware store today. Mr Cook called this morning to help tomorrow laying foundation at home. PM, started out home & rain came up and I stopped @ Bishop School corral & turned back & stopped @ school & got a load of linen for Mrs S. & came on home ahead of a good bog shower. Genter brought contract to us & wife signed it, I being absent at the time. Raining nice tonight.

¹ Jethro's brother, Orlando Ewing Swain, usually sent J.M. an annual diary.

² There are several spellings for what is probably the same person. Holston, Holsten and Holsen.

³ Alice Swain appears to have worked at Bishops School in La Jolla doing laundry, seamstressing, etc.

⁴ Pard is what J.M. usually calls his wife.

⁵ This is probably Virginia Scripps who is first mentioned in the Dec. 1910 diary.

⁶ Genter sold J.M. the acre of land in La Jolla at 736 Westbourne.

⁷ J.M.'s daughter Francine.

⁸ J.M.'s brother Orlando Swain.

Tuesday, Jan 10, 1911 Wrote office of Johnnie Co, Columbia Trust Bldg, Los Angs. Rained hard & steady all last night & still raining all this forenoon. (indoors all day) Wrote Mrs Genl Banning, hunting Mary Martin, Valdez, Alaska.

Wednesday, Jan 11, 1911 Commenced building PM & hired Mr Cook. Out to work & hired a Mr Cook to help me & he commenced in PM and put in half day @ \$4.00 per shift. I worked all round & tomorrow will lay the foundation down.

Thursday, Jan 12, 1911 Bought nails & went out to work in great shape with one of the hardware men. Found Cook at work & tonight have the foundation done & the floor 3/4 down. Will put up sides and rafters all tomorrow. Spent part of today in hunting up lines & corners, learned something, but not satisfied yet. Pard rec'd letter from Wash D.C. regarding patent. I had letter from Frankie Saunders & O.E.

Friday, Jan 13, 1911 2 1/2 days for Cook. Put up sides of house, ends & rafters all up & it looks good to me. Genter says surveyor will be here & set my corner stakes exact, before I set posts. Wife phoned for more flooring & doors & windows, promised to ship tomorrow. Having Mrs Dawes saw set and filed for her. Alice rec'd letter from Elma Swain @ Oakland @ 185 15th St., Hotel Del Mar. Rec'd letter from Mrs Banning with check enclosed interest on old Norris Acct.

Saturday, Jan 14, 1911 Cook & I on roof & find we are going to get caught with a rain storm. So I hastened in town & hired John L. Morgan to help get the roof on this PM and we got it by a scratch & still it rained just a little, but its all right tonight. I paid Cook \$5.00 and Morgan 2.00 and all is well. 9PM, Pard & I took her washing to Bishop School. Letter from Bro O.E.S. Raining tonight.

Sunday, Jan 15, 1911 Still raining. Answered Bro O.E. Swain and Pard answered Mrs Manning & we stayed indoors all day, pleased to know the roof was on our home.

Monday, Jan 16, 1911 Holsten's teamster took bal of flooring, doors & windows over to our new home and broke one of our window glasses which will cost to replace, 6.75. @ 12 I started to San Diego after our HHG⁹ in storage. Took those goods out of storage, cost 4.25, transfer cost to depot, 1.00. Get goods from Santa Fe tomorrow, transferred & shipped OK, cost 1.25.

Tuesday, Jan 17, 1911 Nothing doing at the home today, except a little I did alone. Mr Cook working at his home today, will be on hand about Thursday AM. Pipe line coming on in great shape, will be completed & water turned on inside this present week. Our warehouse freight is here tonight, but our freight from the Santa Fe is not in sight yet, will come tomorrow I believe on the noon train. Bill of doors & windows & 100 ft flooring came today.

Wednesday, Jan 18, 1911 Cook's lumber order arrived AM. Cook on casings PM, first household goods at home also load of manure from Holsten's barn. Ordered 3 joints earthen stove pipe from plumbers to come tomorrow. Bal of HHG tomorrow from Santa Fe Depot. Bird man, Eugene B. Ely flew and lit upon the deck of the U.S. Cruiser Pennsylvania in San Francisco Bay & flew off again & all OK in a Curtis Bi-plane.

Thursday, Jan 19, 1911 Cook on casing today, I on pipe fittings, sink etc all day.

Friday, Jan 20, 1911 Cook on casings. I digging post holes, water main in tonight & covered up, ready for meter connections. A.C. out to the new home this PM. Cook will finish tomorrow early.

Saturday, Jan 21, 1911 Into San Diego early, met Mr A.F. Hunt & found a true gentleman, he turned out my goods & we had them out on the 10AM train OK. Tea store on 6th St. between C and E streets get coffee 25 cts 4 lbs uncolored Japan one pound. Bought tickets 2 and came home with the goods. Holsten's delivery had them all in our house OK @ 5PM. Cook done & gone and the water co. has meter set ready for me to tie into & my pipe is on the ground tonight.

Sunday, Jan 22, 1911 Receipts to A.F. Hunt as per promise yesterday. Packed up & moved to Carmolita, our home in the PM, had supper & set up our bed OK. Left the Iris Cottage¹⁰ in good order & clean. Rec'd letters from O.E.. & sister Mertie Behme (in our new home). Bought eggs & milk from Mrs Dawes.

⁹ Household goods.

¹⁰ The Swains must have been renting this cottage which he writes later was a half hour walk to their new home "La Carmolita".

Monday, Jan 23, 1911 At home fixing up to stay. Busy as bees today, straightening up our new house, putting in shelving etc. 4PM, wife & I went in town and got a load of washing from the Bishop School. Did some ironing @ the Iris Cottage & came home, OK.

Tuesday, Jan 24, 1911 Building pantry. Working inside until 2PM, then went in town after drain pipe for sink, paid water man for meter, \$15.00. Cash & on acct 5.00 to Wetzell. Bought a set of smoothing irons & wringer & other things, see bill & came home content & its raining fine at bed time & OK.

Wednesday, Jan 25, 1911 Connected pipe up between meter & our house. Had to go down town for a 6 ft piece of pipe. Will complete the job tomorrow. PM, had a fine rain until 4PM. Wife lined front room & put down a matting carpet. Still unpacking our traps & camamitys until 9PM, to bed, engaged load of wood.

Thursday, Jan 26, 1911 Water in kitchen AM, OK. PM, off digging up old pipeline & Miss Perking and Mrs Thomas called on wife, first visit. I am going into the bee business some & may get stung. Was hauling some pipe & my driver balked, will haul more in the manana¹¹. Rec'd load of wood, 1.75 of Acton's wood.

Friday, Jan 27, 1911 Mr Rutherford here cross plowing 1/2 day & doing nice work. I changing sink & wife washing and I made a saw buck, brung some pipe from down at the R.R. Covering our line from the meter, spreading manure & then some are working like beavers to make home & garden as soon as possible.

Saturday, Jan 28, 1911 A gentle rain fell all night. Everything dripping wet, rained off & on all day. Alice is sick & still has ironed all day. I completed sink & drainage inside the house, put up table in corner & sawed wood. Setting in for a big rain, no plowing this day. Water quit 7PM, thunder & lightening, rain heavy.

Sunday, Jan 29, 1911 A pouring rain during the night. We bought 8 stands of bees today and made first payment, bal to be paid when we sell honey sufficient to pay full amount. Mrs Dawes called & had a first visit & 2 of her girls were here & are nice girls. Alice, working for Bishop School as usual while I worked on drain board. Paper carrier here but left us no paper. Water on again 4PM.

Monday, Jan 30, 1911 Pard still ironing & I was busy too & at 4PM I took a wheelbarrow load of clean clothes over to the Bishop School & went down to the post office, found a letter from Otto & he gives me the news of the Johnnie District straight & true.

Tuesday, Jan 31, 1911 Rec'd bal due on acct with Santa Fe R.R. on overpaid freight bill. Nasty wet day. Alice sewing at home, too wet to go outside. I put center table together all OK and completed the drain board to sink. Commenced letter to F.M. Otto's last.

Wednesday, Feb 1, 1911 Pard at the Bishop School all day. Alfalfa up & OK. I digging post holes. Put my necessary together, find a hole in the seat.

Thursday, Feb 2, 1911 Pard at Bishop School all day. I digging holes and setting posts all day, until rain drove me in @ 4PM. Man came to finish our plowing but I said no, wait until next week, too wet to suit me. Sent Otto's letter to P.O. this AM. Rec'd letter from Coe tonight, he don't seem to know anything as usual.

Friday, Feb 3, 1911 Raining hard all night. I went down town & sent San Diego Lumber Co. chk for 15.00 on acct. Bought coal oil & gasoline & sack of coal, owe 120 cts on gasoline. It rained most all day & I got home in a heavy shower. War in progress at Juarez, Americans ordered onto the American side & R.R. traffic closed into Mexico pro tem. Rained during the night.

Saturday, Feb 4, 1911 Rec'd statement from San Diego Lumber Co. Pard off to fit a dress on Breakers and it was perfect & she came home OK, delighted. Mr Robinson brung our sack of coal & was pleased with what he saw. Mr Genter called & says we are OK. It's too wet to set posts, so I am putting the shakes on the house. Have our first lamp in order tonight, have used candles for the past 2 weeks. Wrote Walt C. Jones tonight.

¹¹ Manana is Spanish for morning.

Sunday, Feb 5, 1911 Nice day. Pard working on a dress she expects to complete tomorrow. I was shingling on end of our house south & dug some post holes besides.

Monday, Feb 6, 1911 Lovely, day. Finished digging post holes tonight around the ranch outside. Wife dress making completes a dress tonight. Breakers. Rec'd receipt from San Diego Co. 15.00. Wrote Henry W. Peabody & Co, 22 State St, N.Y. for 3/4 in Domes of Silence for our patent rockers, sent 15 cts stamps.

Tuesday, Feb 7, 1911 A fine day again. I took Mrs Dr. Coyner a finished new dress & she gave chk for 12.75. I paid Rhode Bros 10.00 on pipe sink, etc on acct. F.A. Wetrell furnished us 7 rolls of 5 ft wire for garden fence @ cost 27.50. Tamping in posts until supper time.

Wednesday, Feb 8, 1911 Pard @ Bishop School, and she is sewing. Mr Burne & Alexander here measuring today. I took up Mrs. Dawes' line of pipe this side the R.R. up to her fence. Wrote Tom Westfall tonight for grapevines, 2 doz by exp.

Thursday, Feb 9, 1911 Pard @ Bishop School sewing today. I went to Mr Andrews & borrowed his stilson & wire fence stretcher. Came near having a fire there, gasoline. Came home, found my 5 rolls of wire here. Saw Rutherford, he comes tomorrow to plow. Took Mrs Dawes pipe all to pieces & have it in the alley tonight & all OK. Wife goes up town in the morning to fit a dress on somebody. Failed to get moneys due from Bishop School.

Friday, Feb 10, 1911 Off up town for bolts & steeples. Plowing this forenoon & hopes to finish tomorrow AM. I bought coal & alfalfa, 2 sks spuds, early rose & Burbank for planting outside fence. Bought hoe & rake & came home content. Sk flour cost \$1.80. Pard rec'd chk 38.84 back pay from Bishop School tonight from Jim.

Saturday, Feb 11, 1911 Done plowing @ noon. Alfalfa seed in OK, complete at noon. Pard & I put up north side wire fence, came on rain & we quit for today. Put 6 pounds alfalfa seed in a spot 40 x 163 1/2 feet, over-looked yesterday. Mrs Dawes has a man plowing & planting for her yesterday & today.

Sunday, Feb 12, 1911 Working like hell. Putting up wire fence when we both should be at confession & mass. Built a table to eat of after 3 weeks eating hand outs & no chairs in sight yet. To bed at 11PM, tired, well yes, but happy in our own den.

Monday, Feb 13, 1911 Completed wiring far as possible at the present time. Can go ahead now & plant garden in safety and comfort. I wrote C.C. Beauregard, Laws P.O., Inyo Co, Cali. Pard wrote, Mrs Annie Kirkwood, San Fran.

Tuesday, Feb 14, 1911 Commenced planting today, string beans, lettuce, onions, beets, carrots, radishes & some posts in 100 ft row. Mr & Mrs Haskell & the children called during the PM, were pleased with everything. San Diego voted 3 to 1 for Spreckles & the 50 year franchise, Hurrah for the Spreckles's.

Wednesday, Feb 15, 1911 Wife & I saw the fashions in dress. Bought some seed & strawberry plants and some Logan berries, rhubarb, peas & beans. Left San Diego @ 4PM, came home, ate supper and went over to Genters to spend an hour & to phone 71 in regard to a dress.

Thursday, Feb 16, 1911 At home, all day. I dug 100 holes 1 ft deep to set our brandy wine strawberries in tomorrow & planted 500 ft of corn. After Pard came home from Bishop School. Planted corn until dark & had to quit.

Friday, Feb 17, 1911 Cook called early, reported Holsten & a Mexican coming to move my house, I off to stop them until we get reedy & rode home with Mr Andrews. Bought 25 cts oranges of him & came home finished on corn planting & set out rhubarb roots & 98 brandy wine strawberries, will set Logan berries tomorrow. Unpacked gasoline stove PM and its all OK.

Saturday, Feb 18, 1911 Logan berries out, chrysanthemums out & sage & mint juleps. I met the R.R. man & shall try to buy some old ties from him for bracing fence corners. Took some work to the Bishop School to night, completed & came home OK. Preparing to plant in the morning again, peas, beans & onions.

Sunday, Feb 19, 1911 Planted 2,000,000 onions & done it wrong of course. First radishes up. Wife, working like a slave all day as usual, on a dress for someone. I worked all day, struck @ 5PM. Wife worked most

all night, but got the dress in form before she quit.

Monday, Feb 20, 1911 Throwing onions & beans & peas into the ground before sunrise, not me. Mrs Swain only requires 00 hours sleep in 24, its different with me. Pard off to the Breakers. before 9AM, back @ noon. I am on my knees at onions. Pard lined one room overhead this PM. Mr Pratt called PM & I planted cucumbers, then we called on Mrs Dawes & the girls & had a pleasant chat.

Tuesday, Feb 21, 1911 Beets up. Preparing to plant spuds, cutting early roses. Wife had visitors from Bishop School again today, sewing & fitting. I fighting hoar hound weeds, war of exterminator. Pratt tells me he bought a junior cultivator in San Diego yesterday & it cost him 8.00 and he wants me to join him in partnership in said machine, pay Apr 1st next. Phoned Mrs Coyner tonight, engaged @ Bishop School 2 days.

Wednesday, Feb 22, 1911 Washington's birthday, a legal holiday. Pard ironing all day, I preparing spuds & ground, altered my water system so can attach hose & squirt. Planted margareets, plenty in front yard. Pratt here @ 7AM & says cultivator comes today PM train and we pay for it Apr 1st & I said yes, OK.

Thursday, Feb 23, 1911 Preparing to plant spuds on west side outside fence. Later plated 8 rows, 200 ft long, early rose variety. Pard did a lot of washing today & helped me in planting spuds beside & is in bed OK @ 7:30.

Friday, Feb 24, 1911 Trying to rain AM. Lettuce up. AM, made a gate to open in lane, on north side to bring in pipe, bees & manure tomorrow. PM, went to Bishop School for Pard on business & on downtown to P.O. for stamps. Paid to Wetzell on acct 10.00. S.D.L. Co chk on acct. 20.00. Mr Wier rubbers 75 cts. Bought thread & coal, garden seed, matches, pitchfork & strap hinges & home, before dark.

Saturday, Feb 25, 1911 Cold & winds. Radishes up. Worked all day on shaking west side of our house, and am not done yet. Mrs Stephenson called first time with Mrs McAdams and stayed 1/2 hour. Wife lining & curtaining in the cocina La Carmolita today, too cold to do any gardening today & tonight, its quite windy & cold.

Sunday, Feb 26. 1911 Weather still cool. Completed west side & it looks good. Pard on new dress for Mrs Dr Coyner. It showered this evening. Rec'd receipt for 20.00 on acct with San Diego Lumber Co. Pard rec'd letter from Nane Hayner¹² @ Milan, Michigan. Am writing Miss Elma Swain tonight @ Alameda.

Monday, Feb 27, 1911 Raining this AM and still raining at noon & the earth is full of water & we are lining the kitchen overhead, too wet to do any outside work on this place, so we are snug inside. Our kitchen looks good, like a parlor tonight. The rain has ceased, but its cold & windy. No paper tonight & I have written the office regarding it.

Tuesday, Feb 28, 1911 Fine day. Peas up. Wife off early to Bishop School and busy all day. Too wet to do much, I went up town & got my 2 hand saws set & filed by Morgan. Called on Haskell's, came home via Genter's, cut 2 bunches of shakes & put on most one course when Pard came home and I quit for today.

Wednesday, Mar 1, 1911 Lovely day. Pard off to the Bishop School & I putting shakes on east side of Carmolita Casa today and written H.M.&S. @ San Fran for an oven door handle to be sent via U.S. Mail. Pard is after a heifer calf, hope she gets it, all she wants is Mrs Genter's consent.

Thursday, Mar 2, 1911 Pard @ Bishop School again all day sewing. I planting beans all day. Mr Robinson came with coal & oil late & I paid him 1.70. Phoned Coyner, will be there tomorrow @ 1:30PM.

Friday, Mar 3, 1911 Stayed indoors today. Corn up. Rained about all day & we busied ourselves inside fixing up shelving. Enjoying ourselves alone in our own new home, two being company while three is a crowd. The triple screw steamer Gale is due tomorrow from up coast in San Diego, will be a tri-weekly, will bring 1000 excursionists @ 4.00 round trip from S.F. No paper again tonight, second failure.

Saturday, Mar 4, 1911 A nice morning, but awful wet under foot. Wife off down town to see Mrs Coyner on business. I went and opened our main water gate, found it almost closed, thence went to the artists who

¹² Nane Hayner was a sister or mother of Alice Swain.

gave me a number of rooted black berry vines and a lot of salt bush twigs for a wind brake to plant on our west side, also a couple of climbing flowering vines, rooted. Mrs McAdams called. Pard & I set out our Salt Bushes, wind break on west side line & later she hung roller curtains.

Sunday, Mar 5, 1911 Choring indoors all day, building up shelving etc. Rec'd statement from San Diego Lumber. Wrote Supt State Bureau of information regarding the Gentleman Farmer, a monthly on small farming, gardening etc.

Monday, Mar. 6, 1911 A nice day. I first moved clothes lines outside the fence. Wife washing today, then put in rows of black berry roots, 6 ft apart, 180 ft long. PM, went after more rooted blacks but only found 15 all of which are in place, before quitting time & Pard went to Mrs Dawes and Mrs Dawes gave her 27 cabbage plants and 40 lettuce plants, fine variety of head lettuce. All is planted in fine shape tonight.

Tuesday, Mar 7, 1911 Showering. Working on chicken yard fence today & took washing to Bishop School, several pckgs. Wife indoors today & always doing something to the good of our home. Am running short of building material. Pard over at Mrs Dawes tonight after supper to help doctoring Mrs D.

Wednesday, Mar 8, 1911 Foggy & unsettled. One chicken yard fence, west line & later on gate in the alley, north side. Wife on fine dress for Mrs Coyner. Showering enough to make it poor work, doing anything outdoors. Stove door latch came from H.M.&S, 665 Sixth St., San Fran via mail, postage 11 cts. Mr Genter called to borrow post hole digger late PM.

Thursday, Mar 9, 1911 Showery and unsettled, nasty underfoot. Bought of Mr Bernard, Mission Valley Nursery: 2 orange, 4.00; 2 lemons, 4.00; 2 grapefruit, 4.00; 4 figs, 1.00; 2 pears, 50 cts; 2 English walnuts, 70 cts; 2 Crawford peaches, 50 cts; 2 jap plums, 50 cts; 2 shell almonds, 50 cts; 2 apple, 50 cts; 33 Logan berry, 1.50; 12 strawberries, 2.50; 2 roses, 50 cts.

Friday, Mar 10, 1911 A beautiful day. I was handling the manure fork until noon. @ Mrs Dawes in PM, took a pckg to the Breakers for Mrs Charlotte Coyner, bought a few necessities and home again @ 3PM. Pard working as usual on somebodies sewing.

Saturday, Mar 11, 1911 Pard off to B. School all day. I completed the gate in the alley, on north side & stapled most of the wire fence north, west and south sides & later took all Mrs Dawes pipe to pieces, single length. AM preparing to lay pipeline in our garden soon. Rec'd bill from San Fran Holbrook, Merrill & Stetson for oven door latch, 41 cts. I went to B. School to help Pard, but missed her, she had gone.

Sunday, Mar 12, 1911 Spring day, warming up. Pard sold Louisa Dawes some pillows, blankets & comfort cheap for cash 7.00. Wife & I took a look at our bees, then I went to pay friend Pratt for our 1/2 of the Junior Cultivator, 4.00 & I brought it up home & all the attachments & did some work with it to get accustomed to the use of it & its all OK in our sandy soil. Ans'd Wm A. Barrington @ Pioche, Nevada. I have a very lame instep.

Monday, Mar. 13, 1911 Pard off to the School again today, all day. I was on bee business Bent as its time my bees were at home. Spent this day on bees getting platform in shape & moving 8 swarms of bees from near the R.R. round house into our alfalfa patch where we expect to keep them for this seasons work. Paid 1.00 to boy for helping me move bees since dark.

Tuesday, Mar. 14, 1911 Pard @ B. School sewing. I running junior on peas & onions, bee man came & we put a honey box into one hive, took a frame from another and put it in empty hive to establish another swarm of stragglers who went back to old home, @ the round house this forenoon - by our management we make another strong swarm of bees. 8PM, Pard & I carried them home, to La Carmolita, have 9 swarms now.

Wednesday, Mar 15, 1911 Pard @ Bishop School, another nice day. My 9th swarm of bees went back to round house, so took the hive back & they are content, shall let them stay for the present. Today I paid for them all & the bees are ours, the property of A.C. & J.M.S. & no strings on them. Wife came home @ noon. Mrs Dawes has a son-in-law, Louise married yesterday in San Diego. I am working sling ling as the junior cultivator is working at Mr Pratts. We went to see Mrs & Mr Andrews this PM.

Thursday, Mar 16, 1911 Lovely spring day. Wife & I brought home some Mammoth Himalaya black berry sprouts, rooted OK, also several varieties of roses. Than I ran to Genter's to get my post hole digger for planting vines this morning, we are putting our berries in their place. Mr Robinson called to see how we

were getting along and seemed well pleased. PM, went in town & paid out 27.00 cash, to Robinson 8.35 in full, Newman 2.45, Rutherford 5.00, plumber 5.00, Wetzell & co 6.00 & oranges 20 cts and came home busted & satisfied with all the world.

Friday, Mar 17, 1911 Fruit trees arrive. Mr Bernard's teamster arrived @ noon with our bill of fruit vines, etc from the nursery, in Mission Valley. While Wetzell comes from town with oils, paints etc and some pipe fittings, valves etc, I cultivate corn until noon. PM, putting in pipeline in garden. Bought 10 lengths of Mrs Dawes today and have much of it placed before supper time. Wife rec'd letter from a Mrs Martin in Alaska tonight. She is having the time of her life sewing, farming & bossing me.

Saturday, Mar 18, 1911 Pard washing today. I digging holes for fruit. Rec'd 2.00 for orange tree from Mr Robinson of Fuel & Oil Co. PM, Pard & I planting trees until dark. Mr H. the grocer called late PM with ham, butter & soap. The artist called on us late, first call will return sure. Letter on business from Puddy Grimes, County Recorder, Tonopah, Nevada.

Sunday, Mar 19, 1911 Worked all day as usual. Put fig trees in chicken corral & 1/2 doz. grape vines in place. Pard busy as usual, went to Pratt's AM for a stop cock & got it. Found one of our own during PM and all is well. Eating our first radishes, home production. Closed letter to O.E.S. @ Alameda.

Monday, Mar 20, 1911 Wife dressmaking AM. I set out 12 guavas & 3 doz. Logan berries. PM, Pard setting 150 Brady wine strawberries. David H. Moffatt died in New York City last night, his remains go to Denver, Colorado for interment at once. Pard & I on strawberries until dark. Haskell's called to say are starting east Sat next, we hope they return. Pard painting tonight in kitchen.

Tuesday, Mar 21, 1911 Planting Burbank spuds today, put in one sack. Mr Andrews & a Mr Boell called early. Mrs Genter here first time, had nice visit & took home a bunch of radishes. A colored lady here and she took home some radishes. She is having a princess dress made, a nice one. Our planter jr is a bird. Our strawberries all in, 1.2 doz. palms yet to be set out permanently. Election day in town.

Wednesday, Mar 22, 1911 Pard off to sew @ Bishop School. I completed burbanks, completed strawberries, cultivated early until 3PM. Came in to rest and lunch and fell asleep, tired out. Brung 2 more lengths of Dawes pipe, total 204 ft. Completed planting early, rose spuds. Pard came home & is setting tomato plants. Rec'd letter from Bro O.E.

Thursday, Mar 23, 1911 Pard off sewing for Bishop School. Finished Logan berries. Wrote H.M.&S., San Fran. Henry W. Peabody, 22 State, St on domes of silence. PM, off up town for grub & pipe fittings etc. Posted my 2 letters, got lot of pipe fittings & met Pard @ 5:30 @ Mr. & Mrs Haskell's & ate supper there and got home @ 9PM.

Friday, Mar 24, 1911 Pard happy today, hoeing corn at home. Pard had wind pudding for breakfast & coffee, then lit into the corn field with her little hoe & hoed & hoed & hoed & was happy ever after. I worked on wire fence, set a gate post and took my regular siesta (nap) of 2 hours PM. Pard sold first radishes today. News is Porferio Diaz cabinet has resigned & Diaz must quit.

Saturday, Mar 25, 1911 Pard off to help the Haskell's depart for Omaha, Nebraska, spent the day and came home loaded. I put new gate in Mrs Dawes lame fence. Wheeled manure around rhubarb plants, cultivated beets & peas & onions until supper time. Am sorry to see the Haskell's go, but they may return next fall.

Sunday, Mar 26, 1911 Worked all day in Satan's garden. I overhauling pipeline, fixing it nearer right. Mrs McAdams and Miss Taylor called & Mrs Dawes here PM, she is quite poorly. Pard cultivated all she could & hoed the rest until she gave out & struck for a 8 hour day. I took over balance of Mrs Dawes pipe, a total of 25 joints averaging 17 ft each, owe her \$8.50.

Monday, Mar 27, 1911 Started a henery today. Pard has 3 hens, each on shift tonight to be continued 21 days or no pay on 45 eggs. I put all pipe in place & struck for town to get valves, risers etc. Got em & home to supper, prepared to do. greet things AM.

Tuesday, Mar 28, 1911 Pard did washing & planted melons today. I went to artists & got a lot more berries. AM & PM went to Andrews & got a lot more berry routes & got them all home tonight, will set them tomorrow. Some rascal cut off our water again. So I had to go & open it up again. Bought another 1.00 onion sets. Set up risers on our pipeline early today & all OK tonight.

Wednesday, Mar 29, 1911 Very foggy morning & pipe walking off. We saw a length of 2 inch pipe go from the flat between Pratt's & the R.R. roundhouse thence south to a neighbors & concealed by pushing it under his shop, all witnessed from Carmolita by two. We have worked hard all day, setting berry vines & tonight have pckg by mail of grape vines from Modesto from Tom Westfall, also a letter from E.M. Yocum @ Johnnie, Nev.

Thursday, Mar. 30, 1911 Transplanting lettuce most all day. Sent chk to S.D.L. Co, 15.00 to be placed to our credit on lumber bill. Rec'd letter from Bro O.E, all OK, no news. Sent Tom Westfall stamps & letter, 18 cts enclosed to Modesto. The mammoth black berries setting black berries vines again this PM, will finish tomorrow. Will have them from closet north to corner thence west to corner thence south to center street in our acre.

Friday, Mar 31, 1911 Pard ironing today for Bishop School patrons. I completed mammoths & went to shooting bee martins for self protection, they are living off my bees, killed 4 and will keep killing until they quit coming. Pard paid Mrs Dawes 5.00 on acct. I go to the Bishop School on business this evening. Returning via Genters where I bought 15 eggs for a setting hens accommodations.

Saturday, Apr 1, 1911 Mist & showery today & nothing doing. Am sending Easter greetings to five kids in Tehama County. Pard sending some to Michigan. Pm, worked under cover, under the eaves an east side, finished shake work & continued around onto north side & worked until dark & so our house is being improved & completed at intervals. Pard has 5 hens setting now & is happy, I guess as she has all she can do & then some. We haven't rested a single Sunday this year yet.

Sunday, Apr 2, 1911 Bees swarming, first time, we settled them and they returned to their hives. Prepared another hive for they will try it again. Mr Pratt called, just home from San Diego, busted & full. Wife & I visited the strand, met Mr Curtis, old gent. Pratt paid for the planter jr as per agreement, all OK. He gave us some rhubarb & left a pawn ticket for us to redeem his 18.00 field glasses in San Diego. We spent an hour with Mrs Dawes tonight and the girls, she is better & Pard set her last hen tonight on 15 Genter eggs.

Monday, Apr 3, 1911 Resetting strawberries until noon. PM, cultivating & weeding. Mrs Stephenson & Rose B called & later Mrs Thomas & Miss Perkins called for a chat & next Mr Pratt came, begging me to go up town for some medicine for him which I did @ 5PM, got him medicine & hurried back to the ranch. Bought me a file & box of shells & a fork. Ordered ham, sugar & butter & bought tobacco & hurried home before dark.

Tuesday, Apr 4, 1911 First new spuds for dinner. Cultivated corn, beans & spuds outside fence south side after Genter & his friend called, he found us raising & resetting berries. PM, our ham came as also butter & sugar. Pard sent for some kidney pills, DeWitts, 50 cts a box. Pard irrigating vines & the dog stole our ham from off the kitchen table, our fault as we left the house open.

Wednesday, Apr 5, 1911 Gathered onions & radishes for Bishops School & delivered them. Paid water bill 1.00. Charlie Soules wife & kids called to see us and our new possessions & was agreeably surprised at what she saw, Rec'd Domes of Silence, think I am swindled.

Thursday, Apr 6, 1911 Raining & I was indoors all day. Reading the Open Shutters by Clara Louisa Bwinbam & its a good one. Wife, sewing on the colored lady dress.

Friday, Apr 7, 1911 Washing today. I was cultivating spuds this AM and at noon bees swarmed & we hived them OK. Before we ate dinner the Andrews little boy came for his wagon & stilson wrench and the wire stretchers & returned homeward OK. Pard & I weeding onions until supper time. We certainly have all we can do & then some, but its all OK, this is a ground hog case.

Saturday, Apr 8, 1911 Hived swarm bees & more went to swarm. Mrs McAdams called. Expect more swarming tomorrow. Pratt called hunting his pick, forgot I had it & wants to borrow a dollar to pay water bill next Monday, sure.

Sunday, Apr 9, 1911 Saved another swarm of bees today. Fixed up the two hives for an emergency. A.D. Pratt called & brought us samples of spineless cactus propagated at Gov't Station @ Chico. Wife helped hive

bees & has ironed all the PM for B. School.

Monday, Apr 10, 1911 Hived bees again today. Saved another dandy swarm. Took washing to Bishops today, lettuce also & wrote to San Diego Lumber Co. for lumber for bee hives & hen coop. Also, wrote to No. 736 3rd St., San Diego on business with Sang Gamamoto, Prof of Mikawaya. Mr & Mrs Genter called & spent the evening and the cat came also. Pard worked on dress for somebody until midnight.

Tuesday, Apr 11, 1911 Weeding onions until 3PM. Wife washing AM & ironing all PM. I changed a hive of bees this evening into another hive & its a tedious job, requiring patience. Laurie Dawes took my 2 letters to P.O. & brought us some stamps & envelopes. I planted remnants of last early roses inside the fence, say 2 doz hills.

Wednesday, Apr 12, 1911 Pard off to Mrs Genter's for today, I suppose dressmaking. I weeding onions & carrots & transforming my onions. Bought 2 doz oranges today for 30 cts on credit. No paper tonight from some reason.

Thursday, Apr 13, 1911 Hived another swarm today. Finished weeding onions, turned onto weeding beets late PM. Plumber & wife & sister called on me. 5 gal gasoline, 1.15. Wife, at Bishops School sewing all day. Rec'd letter & book on bees & bee keeping from Dadant & Sons, Hamilton Ill. Rec'd photos from O.E. Swain of his 2 houses in Alameda, No 876 was ours formerly.

Friday, Apr 14, 1911 Pard off @ Bishops again today, all day. I hived another swarm today, weeding & cultivating as usual. PM, no water yet in our pipes since AM. Later water came OK but too late to irrigate. My son, Henry's daughter Elizabeth died at home in Red Bluff today, heart failure. Commenced a letter to Frank M. Otto but failed to complete it tonight.

Saturday, Apr 15, 1911 Pard @ Bishops School again all day. I at home weeding, watching bees, made a temporary hive today. Bees will swarm again tomorrow sure. The Eng's wife called and got some radishes this evening. She is Mr Penoyer's oldest daughter. Completed letter to F.M. Otto today.

Sunday, Apr 16, 1911 Hived 2 swarms of bees this AM. Mr Pratt called & borrowed his pick. Wife gave him a mess of radishes and he went home content. Wrote E. Barnard for 25 Logan berry roots due us on purchase of 36 as they failed to start.

Monday, Apr 17, 1911 Hived another swarm of bees today. Mr Andrews & a stranger seeking an acre of good ground, was pleased with the outlook here and he will return soon. Wife & I certainly have all we can do now. Bought 100 lbs fine feed for chicks to be fed dry. Rutherford & Pard haying first we have seen here.

Tuesday, Apr 18, 1911 I went to Mr Genter's after 3 doz eggs to set. Borrowed his scythe & horse & wagon to haul my lumber from station for bee hives & henery, it came @ 11AM & I hauled it home. Wife hived a swarm herself today, beside she mowed alfalfa with Genter's scythe & I returned it with the wagon & horse & got the eggs & all OK. Sack of coal tonight.

Wednesday, Apr 19, 1911 Building bee hives all day. Pard has a brood of 30 chicks out & all right today. She has been in the irrigation business & finds Dawes hens destroying the new early, roses & so we have put up some fence to try & save them. Wife bought basket today from Chinaman.

Thursday, Apr 20, 1911 Giving our spuds a good hoeing & cleaning up until 2PM. Dinner & rest for 2 hours then opened up a bee hive, took out some honey & found & removed 4 queen cells & many drone cells & find thousands of drones fat & busy. Eating honey & idle. Must do something to get rid of them soon. Rec'd bill of lumber from S.D.L. Co, 18.78.

Friday, Apr 21, 1911 Hived another swarm early today in a new hive No 2. Building more hives & doing other work. Have Nos 3 & 4 brand new hives & intend building as long as I have material. Mrs Payne & her daughter called.

Saturday, Apr 22, 1911 Wife off early, sewing for Mrs Genter. I cultivated spuds complete today, the Burbank variety & weeded bunch beans & irrigated beans & Burbanks besides have two more bee hives almost complete & have done too much for one day.

Sunday, Apr 23, 1911 Alice & I both are drove to death with work enough for 4. Second bunch of chicks taken

off today, 46 total. Mr H the storekeeper called & we paid him 3.00 & he wants spuds @ 5 cts per pound tomorrow. Had letter from Myrtie, says Henrys daughter is dead in Red Bluff.

Monday, Apr 24, 1911 I went up town with new potatoes, sold them @ 6 cts per lb. Pard at home all day on dress making. I bought some cheese & nails & came home via Genters. Borrowed their scythe & cut some weeds & returned scythe & bought one doz eggs & home again, done for today. Alice had a postal from Annie Kirkwood tonight, saying a waste basket is en route to La Carmolita & its now here in P.O.

Tuesday, Apr 25, 1911 My birthday. Set out palms today. Pard washing. Her pigs came home today OK. I set out 50 tomato plants today, built pig trough & pen. Pards waste basket came in today & another hen is hatching and still there is more coming & a chink came to rent our garden.

Wednesday, Apr 26, 1911 Working @ bees & watering garden and building bee hives & made an ironing board & Pard took off more young chicks. A Mrs Hart called this PM & bought lettuce. A chink came to buy vegetables, he says money talks. Has a postal from Mrs McNett @ Searchlight.

Thursday, Apr 27, 1911 Working bees today, changed 3 hives of bees into new hives & hived one swarm into a new home in PM. Have one new hive. Idle tonight. Have taken up 20 lbs or more of new honey today. Pard trying her new ironing board & its OK.

Friday, Apr 28, 1911 Wife @ Bishop School & I hived another big swarm. I was busy at home with bees & pigs & hens & visitors. Mr H called & brung us our first strawberry in exchange, gave some onions & sold him some honey. Next Mrs Rutherford came after honey & lettuce, next Newman & the partial eclipse about 3PM. Later friend Robinson with oil & sack & I gave him 1.25 to redeem Pratt glasses tomorrow in San Diego tomorrow. Next, took honey to Mrs Genter, present from Mrs Swain. She overtook me there & we came home together & ate strawberries.

Saturday, Apr 29, 1911 Wife @ Bishop School. I am irrigating alfalfa. Friend A.D. Pratt called, he is dressed & drunk up. I am choring & building bee hives. Mr W. Lloyd Bowron, our new neighbor called to see me. A.D. Pratt called & got a head of lettuce, had changed clothes, but was full as a goose, poor unfortunate man. Have 10 new beehives completed tonight. Pard rec'd chk from Bishop School tonight on acct & is happy.

Sunday, Apr 30, 1911 Changed 2 swarms into good hives & took up a nice lot of good honey this forenoon. Andrews called & we sent his wife & family a nice dish of honey for their dinner this PM. We picked peas & pulled onions & beets to peddle out in town tomorrow.

Monday, May 1, 1911 Paid water bill, 2.40. Sent 15.40 to San Diego Lumber Co, c/o C.S. Dixon, Gen'l Manager on our lumber bill acct. Got Genter's horse & wagon & went peddling vegetables, spuds, onions, peas, lettuce & beets. Sold out clean & back to Genters @ 2:30PM. Brought washing from School. Wife is there sewing PM. I came on home to work. Friend Robinson's man came & took the ground feed away this PM, to be replaced by sack of middlings. Moved 2 hives inside. Paid milk & egg bill.

Tuesday, May 2, 1911 Picking peas early. Pard washing all day & finished tonight. I went to Anderson's place, borrowed his scythe & cut weeds until I got weary, came in, ate dinner, went out and changed another swarm of bees into a new hive till dark.

Wednesday, May 3, 1911 Irrigating berries today. Pard washing & ironing today. I also made my first super and put 24 small sqs in it & put it on a hive to be filled. Mr Robinson called & Mr Mitchell. Andrew's Indian came & bought honey. A Mexican called & a Chinaman. Tonight receipt from S.D.L. & Co, \$15.40 on acct.

Thursday, May 4, 1911 \$90.73 bal due S.D.L. & CO. per statement rendered in full to date. Irrigating, setting grape vines & working with bees. Pard ironing today. Mrs McAdams came at last from San Diego. Robbed a hive & got stung plenty on my wrist.

Friday, May 5, 1911 Shower during last night. Cloudy & cold west winds. Am doctoring bee stings. Pard ironing & done early. Paid for the pigs today, all but 50 cts. I picked some peas & mowed some weeds. Am to go to B School this PM with their laundry. Went with laundry to B School thence to see Robinson's wagon @ Rutherford's barn, thence to Mrs McCormicks after a single harness & then home by moon-

light.

Saturday, May 6, 1911 Pard sewing @ Genters. I mowed weeds & completed bee hive No 11. Irrigated & fed chickens, setting hens, pigs. Called on Mrs Dawes for an hour, had a social chat. Bought 5 gal of gasoline & sack middlings (exchanged) for former sack which did not satisfy.

Sunday, May 7, 1911 Picking peas & wax beans, beets, onions, lettuce & spuds for tomorrow sales, Pard off buggy riding with Mrs Dawes & brings washing from the Bishop School, I hope. Supper time, everything gathered except lettuce, that will be last. Pard crazy to buy Mrs Dawes mare & two buggies, harness etc and I am not in favor of going in debt.

Monday, May 8, 1911 Pard bought Dawes mare, buggy & harness. Off peddling vegetables early & sold \$5.75 worth of vegetables. Used the Dawes mare & outfit which wife has concluded to buy from Mrs Dawes, on installment plan of monthly payments. Hope its all right, but I should not have done as wife did. Scythe from Wetzell today, valve from Brodie, paid Newman grocery bill in full.

Tuesday, May 9, 1911 Fighting @ Juarez, Tijuana taken. Working as usual & hived another swarm in No 11 this AM. Pard washing & ironing all day. Big fighting today @ Ciudad Juarez between Federals under Gen'l Juan Navarro & the insurrectors are Madero's command & then there is a gag of American outlaws digging in for plunder, all ought to be shot first & court martialled after they are dead. I made another bee hive, No 12 tonight. Letter from Tom Westfall.

Wednesday, May 10, 1911 Peddling today, sold out & home to dinner. Had a bell given me by Fred Wetzell am to get some old pipe from Holsten, I think in a day or two. Wetzell is to get me a screen door from San Diego, pronto. Navarro surrendered @ noon.

Thursday, May 11, 1911 Juarez fell to Madero. Hived another swarm in No 12, new hive. Took two broods of chickens out today and overhauled our hogs. Made beeswax, strained honey, irrigated, planted more Onions and dug spuds, picked beans, mowed weeds & raised hell all day as usual. Wetzell bought the new screen door but forgot the hinges.

Friday, May 12, 1911 Wife & I out together PM on business. Making bee hives & choring all round. Wife preparing to go in town this PM. Bought 2 new shirts, pair corduroy pants. Came home & gathered vegetables for peddling tomorrow.

Saturday, May 13, 1911 Peddling vegetables today, did fairly well. Wife @ Bishop School today. I out peddling, did some business in that line. Bought honey crates, 30 @ 2 cts each @ Newman's. Bought bread @ bakery. Mr Wetzell brought a screen door & fixtures to us & I sold him veg, 25 cts.

Sunday, May 14, 1911 Cold windy day. I delivered honey to two places, cash @ first place & Mrs R was out, so left her honey with Mrs Hart. Thence to Holsten's where I bought four lengths of old 2 1/2 in pipe, also some old lumber, all to be delivered tomorrow. Home @ noon, wife writing up Virginia Scripps acct. Wrote, O.E.S.

Monday, May 15, 1911 I at home irrigating, hunted & found lost pocket chain, worked in garden and PM took lot of honey from a hive, lost my pipe & Holsten arrived with 4 lengths of pipe & some timber for us to place beehives upon and I went to B School @ 5PM with buggy & brought Pard home & a load of washing etc. Must take more honey tomorrow from bees as hives is full.

Tuesday, May 16, 1911 Washing day. I went to Andrews after mare, came home did chores, took out honey, cleaned one hive complete, got 40 lbs, sells @ 20 cts readily. Miss Perkins called later, Mr Hier called & got some honey, 6 lbs. Have 15 boxes 2 lbs each of honey to carry out & sell tomorrow along with a variety of vegetables.

Wednesday, May 17, 1911 Selling first honey. Off peddling honey & a few vegetables & sold all our honey easy @ 20 cts per pound. Made a present of one 2 pound pkg to Mr & Mrs Holsten, the exp man. Pard hived swarm of bees alone, today, calls it No 25. Sold a pkg of honey to Wetzell.

Thursday, May 18, 1911 I completed foundation for second or front row of bee hives, then put in rest of today picking string beans for tomorrow's sale. Mr Pratt brought his pick over to me this AM and we sold him some spuds @ 4 cts per lb & some honey & Newman's man wished to give us 20 cts per pound for our entire honey crop for this season, so he says, but we said nix.

Friday, May 19, 1911 Off peddling @ 7:30AM, cleaned out and home again @ noon. Bought our first bucket for 40 cts, water bucket, galvanized, good one. Irrigating berry vines, then went to Bishops School with load of laundry. Home again & after dark put a lot of bee hives onto foundation, iron pipe there to remain permanent, up off the ground and above the alfalfa OK.

Saturday, May 20, 1911 Took more laundry to B School. Took some fallen comb out of new hive and going into San Diego after some bee hive supplies in the PM & back tonight. Engaged turkey eggs. Off to San Diego on PM train, bought seed of Nearpass, 1.25, bee hive separators 75 cts, tobacco 75 cts, R.R. fare 50 cts. Home from the city @ 12 midnight.

Sunday, May 21, 1911 Working with bees & picking beans for market and built another hive and then some. A Jap hero from the Bishop School visiting this PM. Pard picked 60 pounds beans today alone & tonight is nearly dead, overwork will kill her yet and its useless to advise her.

Monday, May 22, 1911 Off peddling today, wax beans mostly & wife at home about sick with heavy cold. Paid out cash 2.55, boiler, 1.00, gasoline, 1.10, berries & cheese, 45 cts. Where is the bakery horse gone to?

Tuesday, May 23, 1911 Completed a super & put it on hive No ???. Wife sewing on B. School pupils clothing & irrigating some. I made second super & will place it tomorrow. Phoned S.D.L. Co this noon for 200 ft redwood 1 1/4 x 10 in x 12 ft for bee hives. To Tribune tonight. Commenced digging for our new privy¹³ as its time we have one soon.

Wednesday, May 24, 1911 I am sick all day & last night with an epizootic. Lumber came today for bee hive supers, I managed to get it cut in two & home from south La Jolla station. Pard ironing as usual for school. Mare dead lame tonight in right fore leg, snake bite we think, applied ammonia freely & tied her up.

Thursday, May 25, 1911 Mare swollen badly clear up to her breast, bathing with ammonia and later packing with mud & coal oil. Wife done ironing for Bishops School for the present, too much home work to attend to at present. I am busy making supers for our bees to fill up & must go to B. School with last laundry PM.

Friday, May 26, 1911 Mrs Dawes mare still quite swollen up near the body, but we did all we could & she has not shown any sign of sickness or refused to eat or drink. Miss McBride called first time today. We gathered a load to peddle tomorrow & I went to Genters & got Dick's horse to use in the morning to peddle. Friend Andrews here twice today, rec'd bill from S.D.L. Co tonight all OK.

Saturday, May 27, 1911 Off peddling vegetables, had to use Dick's horse today, but the mare is out of danger of death from the rattlesnake bite. I bought bread & beef, nails & turkey eggs today, paid 1.00 to Acton's man, on old wood acct.

Sunday, May 28, 1911 Worked all day, built four supers for our bee hives. Mr Pratt called early, Mr. Curtis of the Strand called later and then friend Genter came & a Chinaman from Andrews garden. Wife irrigating berries & cucumbers. We may have someone to help garden in a short time. Mrs Dawes & daughter off early to see here sister 16 miles off. Her girls came home tonight without Ma.

Monday, May 29, 1911 Put 5 supers on as may now hives & there are more to be supered at the earliest moment. I can get them made, it must be done or we shall lose money. PM, gathering a load to peddle tomorrow. Pratt returned the junior, his ground too hard & dry I imagine & I went and borrowed old Dick for tomorrows work. Building chicken yard gate this evening.

Tuesday, May 30, 1911 Memorial Day. I out early peddling vegetables, only took in a total of \$4.45, a poor day for business, home before 2 PM & we have a balance of vegs on hand, will keep until Fridays sale. PM, took Dick home & Genter came home with me to get my pipe wrench to use. Putting in his new line for his Chinaman's garden. Later, Mr Andrews called, he wants sweet potato ground from us. Guess Mrs Dawes came home tonight, no paper tonight.

Wednesday, May 31, 1911 Doctoring lame horse & she is improving fine. Wiring up chicken yard & completed gate tonight. Pard went to B School for cash, rec'd \$49.22, a very good payday, but not complete, how-

¹³ Outhouse.

ever its all OK. Miss Ellen Scripps has bought an acre west of us & intends to make a truck garden I imagine, will wait & see.

Thursday, Jun 1, 1911 Drove mares in town & paid bills. Paid fuel & oil Co in full, 9.10, water co. in full, 4.45, San Diego Lumber. Co on acct 25.00. Came home satisfied. Bought butter, staples & nails, find mare can go tomorrow on peddling trip. Bought sack wheat & sack coal & paid for it on delivery.

Friday, Jun 2, 1911 Peddling day, off early & did well & home @ 4PM. Bought fresh beef & salt pork, barley, bread & Japan tea. Rec'd 1 doz zinc separators for bee hives through kindness of Wetzell Bros. Mr Penoyer in charge of Depot Store again. Wife at home attending to business & feeding chicks & pigs. I cleaned up a fair cash business today.

Saturday, Jun 3, 1911 On supers all day & robbing bees. Alice ironing all day. I took out four frames of honey & left four, guess I got over 20 lbs. Rec'd postal @ noon from Judge J.B.P. & ans'd at once, come out here. Rec'd OK letter from S.D. Lumber Co 25.00, rec'd OK. I took laundry to the Bishop School & back via Genters & brought pipe wrench home.

Sunday, Jun 4, 1911 Attended High Mass of course - when. Idle as usual, making supers for bee hives, nothing on this ranch requires immediate and constant attention equal to the demands of those busy bees in honey time & I am way behind in my attentions to them. This evening friend Reuben Daynes came & helped us to move 5 stands of bees in onto B street & now they must have supers on each hive at once or they will be swarming as they are full up with honey.

Monday, Jun 5, 1911 Cold, foggy morning, doctoring lame mare, soon to be OK again. We are doing chores as ever, working in honey, etc early. Put 5 supers on 5 hives, moved in onto B St today. Still short on supers. PM, gathering vegetables for peddling tomorrow. Set another hen tonight. Putting up honey to-night in 2 lb cartons for sale tomorrow.

Tuesday, Jun 6, 1911 Off peddling early. Mrs Holsten, Exp man's wife dr to 2 lbs honey, 40 cts. Bought cheese & butter, potato fork & bread, bottle cider vinegar, 1.90. Days sale \$8.35.

Wednesday, Jun 7, 1911 Took Pard to work at Bishop School in buggy & I went on into town, took check to Wetzell Bros, bought a broom & carrot seed of Newman & Co, came home, 10:30 paid out 70 cts cash. Pard home early from Bishop School this PM, guess she has quit that job for good. Rec'd statement from the S.D.L. Co's super and we still owe about 75.00 on our acct.

Thursday, Jun 8, 1911 All day building supers. Pard at home resting & glad to be done at Bishop School. Mr Robinson here today & later sent us gasoline 5 gal, cost 1.10 paid. Wrote Sears Roebuck for a incubator, right off by freight.

Friday, Jun 9, 1911 Pard finishing @ the Bishops School today, I hope. @ noon she phoned me to bring 7 lbs of string beans, new crop to the school by 2PM, so I hustled around gathered 8 lbs & delivered them before 2PM, all for 1.00. Bee Bills wife had a girl baby this morning @ 4AM & he came here after Pard to come & take care of her for a couple weeks, but she could not leave home & me.

Saturday, Jun 10, 1911 Pard back to the school again today, hoping to be done tonight. I working with bees & @ 3PM went to Bishops School, picked up Pard & went up town for bread & axle grease & shot gun shells. Brought home a Carmolita bush & its 3 yrs old or more, and its in bloom. I do hope it lives & think it will.

Sunday, Jun 11, 1911 Framed gate & hung it. Cut two circles in one redwood board, seat for new water closet, completed foundation. Had grand vegetables dinner today, ate enough to kill a horse expect just such dinners regular all the rest of our natural lives, had everything but fish.

Monday, Jun 12, 1911 Went to see an incubator down @ the dairy farm. I took 36 lbs of honey out of one super this PM @ 20 cts equals 7.25 & tomorrow will peddle honey & vegetables galore. Have string beans, spuds, cucumbers, summer squash & onions, beets & carrots.

Tuesday, Jun 13, 1911 Peddling day, out most all day, did rather poorly, sold 13 cartons of honey.

Wednesday, Jun 14, 1911 Repairing water joints & put another hydrant west of house. PM, building sides in sections water closet, have one side made & ready to set up & another under way. Bro Jake's letter returned from San Diego uncalled for.

Thursday, Jun 15, 1911 I took laundry to B School, went in town for butter & berries and home to work on leaking pipe joints, later on water closet. Have it up 3 sides, complete seats in & ready for floor and door tomorrow. Pard went to B School collecting, she is done there, has quit she says. She had a letter tonight from her friend Jennie Souls.

Friday, Jun 16, 1911 Water closet complete except hanging door, wire up new gate & fence on east side. Gathered vegetables for tomorrow peddling, all ready to load in the morning & Pard has Kit's new dress almost done.

Saturday, Jun 17, 1911 Out peddling early, found the town full of peddlers as usual. I sold over 5.00 & came home satisfied. Alice finishing a dress forger Kit Dawes. Sold Bishops School cook vegetables 1.00. After supper we drove up town to buy some tea & coffee, came home via Chas Souls & found a new boy baby there, one week old tonight. We got a few pepper plants & came on home.

Sunday, Jun 18, 1911 Resting all day by working as usual. Mr Penoyer called, got some green corn & other vegetables. Caught a gopher in trap today. Gathered vegetables for tomorrow peddling.

Monday, Jun 19, 1911 Peddling & home early. Took 50 lbs spuds to Hier & peddled out the balance.

Tuesday, Jun 20, 1911 Changing all our pipelines today & expect to get better results from new system. Will use more hydrants & shorter hose & we can get better results.

Wednesday, Jun 21, 1911 In town early after pipe fittings. Hope to complete the job today, if possible. Got what fittings was wanted & came home & went to it & @ 5PM completed it to our satisfaction. A teacher @ B School, a Miss Taylor dodged a bill of 1.66 due Mrs Swain for laundry & Mrs Stevenson owes her 1.75 on laundry work, cheap set all around. Bought a hoe of Wetzell's, Brodie & wife here after supper.

Thursday, Jun 22, 1911 Out peddling, spent the day peddling & PM gathering beans of the white wax string beans, gathered a lot of them to dry and use for seed. Brodie here PM with dress goods from S.D. to be made up by Pard. Morsby & his gang of outlaws whipped out of Mexico today, so he ran across the line & surrendered.

Friday, Jun 23, 1911 I drove up town for Mrs Rohde, brung her here & later took her to S. La Jolla where, she took train to S.D. Pard is sewing for her all day, making cloak.

Saturday, Jun 24, 1911 Peddling day, out early & did well, sold 6.25 and home @ 3 & brought some vegetables home. Paid Wier 2.50 on acct for clothes. Bought bread & butter & bottle Ayers Cathartics, 25 cts. Wrote Bro O.E.S. today, Alameda.

Sunday, Jun 25, 1911 Working all AM. @ 2PM wife & I rode up town together in the Dawes buggy, went & saw people bathing, turned around & drove out to Andrews place & spent a hour chatting, thence to Mrs Dawes where Pard picked Mrs D up & sent me home while the two went off driving. So I opened the alley fence at west end for the public again & came home to find Pard just returned. Here turkeys are all out, 9 & looking OK, every egg hatched & all is well.

Monday, Jun 26, 1911 Plowed some and went in town for wagon. Found a cultivator & got it home. PM, took a fine lot of honey from one hive and got some 1 pound cartons to put honey in for tomorrow sales. Taxes for 1911 paid. Paid our taxes to friend Genter, he to pay it for us when he goes in San Diego, saving us that much time, trouble & expense, amount \$6.05.

Tuesday, Jun 27, 1911 Peddling day and out until 2PM & made grub easy enough & then some. Bought 60 cts meat, washing day with Pard. Friend Pratt up from the ranch after spuds & a pick. I went down to get some shite lead & got it & overhauled a leaking joint. Largest steamer the Olympic 882 ft long, a world beater.

Wednesday, Jun 28, 1911 Building hen house, working all day on new hen house, 11 x 22 and am short of material. Holliday here to see about Dawes mare eating his hay, he wants me to pay him 5.00, would take

vegetables he said.

Thursday, Jun 29, 1911 Working in garden & irrigating, gathering bayo beans. Late PM in town for sugar & coffee & butter & bread. Came home via Genters to see about eggs. A man & wife, strangers come & bought honey after supper.

Friday, Jun 30, 1911 Wife completing cloak for Mrs Rohde. I went to milk ranch & brung home a petaluma incubator complete on trial before buying it. Using Genters wagon also, rec'd bill of lumber from S.D.L. Co @ S. La Jolla station which I hauled home on Genters wagon & all done @ 3PM. Later, gathering vegetables to peddle tomorrow & cut rafters for new hen house.

Saturday, Jul 1, 1911 Peddling day, sales 6,60. Out early & home late, did fair trade & sold out. Paid P.O. Box rent for 3 ensuing months. Later took clock in town & sent it to San Diego on 7PM train c/o Louise Holsen to be delivered to owner. Mrs Dawes sister here, came this PM.

Sunday, Jul 2, 1911 Pard off before 7AM to pick up Mrs Genter & go 9 miles to buy 20 dozen eggs for incubator & returns this PM. I went to bed, slept until noon, got up & fed pigs & chickens, at lunch and am so dizzy can hardly walk. 5PM, Pard returned, has 20 doz eggs & a 35 cent rooster, white leghorn & she brought some nice Logan berries for supper. A Genter girl called late. Hop Lee called today.

Monday, Jul 3, 1911 Payday. Sent S.D.L. Co 16.10, Paid water bill 4.15, stamps 25 cts, vinegar & jug 65 cts, nails 10 cts, salt 35 cts. I am working on hen house. Pard has the incubator fired up and filled with 216 eggs tonight before supper time. We will see how it is done & may learn something regarding the incubator business.

Tuesday, Jul 4, 1911 Worked all day, have roof on hen house tonight & closed in all round. Have one door hung & will complete it now in a hurry. Everybody seams to be celebrating. A coyote took our hippopotami and we lost a turkey & a chicken.

Wednesday, Jul 5, 1911 Working on wire fence, have it all in order, this means chickens yard fence complete. Gathering veks to peddle tomorrow. I went up town & got oranges, milk & baking powder, bread & tea. Cleaning up peas to thresh & beans. Took Mrs Dawes to the train, she is off to Sate Ana for change of climate, Kit went with her mother, Ruby left at home alone.

Thursday, Jul 6, 1911 Peddling day, \$4.70. Bought 2 pair hinges, 40 cts, bread 25 cts.

Friday, Jul 7, 1911 Plowing garden for more planting. Took 30 lbs honey out of one super this PM. Rec'd acct from S.D.L. Co, we still owe them a balance of 67.14 which is all right. Rec'd statement from E. Bernard, Mission Valley Nursery, R.D. No.2, Box 156, balance \$21.30.

Saturday, Jul 8, 1911 Peddling today, 5.85. Out in good season & home @ 3:30PM. Bought groceries, meat & had mare shod behind, paid out total 3.25. Pard planted 3 rows of peas, all complete and should be up in one week, wait & see. Rec'd postal from Bro O.E. from the Grand Canyon of the Colorado, he is doing the grand & is flying high.

Sunday, Jul 9, 1911 Resting, up @ 9 to breakfast. We completed our lounge & put it in place & its all OK & a great comfort, when we want to rest. The incubator works like a charm, we think. A lady called tonight & bought honey & eggs. Pard is fixing a skirt for Ruby Dawes tonight & intends to complete it.

Monday, Jul 10, 1911 Making garden, harrowing & leveling, manuring etc for our fall crops. Went to Genters & got his drag and used it of course. News boys came with our paper tonight for the first time.

Tuesday, Jul 11, 1911 We put in 3 rows of white wax beans and a row of beets & carrots, five fine rows complete. Mr Holliday here again & we settled in full to date. Holston's little Jake called as he passed. Mr H the Greek prof called, loaned him some bee literature to read up on bees. Mr Harris the carpenter called first time & was pleased with what he saw of our new home.

Wednesday, Jul 12, 1911 Plowing & harrowing in new ground today. Will soon have another patch of vegetables on the way to market. Gathering veks to peddle tomorrow. 3 girls here after eggs & got em. All ready to pull out in the morning & have honey again to sweeten the kids.

Thursday, Jul 13, 1911 Peddling, \$4.75, off early & home @ 3:30PM. Bought cheese, bread & butter, sold out except cucs & onions, did very well, I think.

Friday, Jul 14, 1911 Preparing ground and planting fall garden. It showered AM & I went down to Pratt's ranch after my pick, he came up & visited for an hour or more & wife collected & wheeled in a lot of manure from Mrs Dawes barn yard. We caught another mole in one of our traps in the cucumbers, this cleans up that family complete. They are a torment & hard to clean out.

Saturday, Jul 15, 1911 Wife sick all night & resting today. We worked too long & steady yesterday at gardening, lost sleep all night. Today, are on the shelf & serves us just right. I cleaned a few beans & gathered some more today, but don't feel good, have worked constantly & all the time this entire year & every day is too much for us two crows & at our age of life.

Sunday, Jul 16, 1911 Off buggy riding, drove out NW past the park & on over to Sorrento & Hill P.O., met Mr Baker of McK farm, fine blooded horses. Trying to find a nice Jersey heifer for sale & home by 3PM. We had a chance to buy some leghorn pullets @ 1.00 each, but did not have the "kon kay", to spare.

Monday, Jul 17, 1911 To Sorrento for leghorns early & home @ 11AM. Have quite a band of high grade leghorns at last, paid \$13.25 cash. Up to grocery for groceries & home to dinner @ 12:15, paid cash 1.55. First ripe tomato today @ La Carmolita. Ruby Dawes moved her bed into town to sleep at her sister. Pard had letter from Jen in Boulder & her sister Emma Markham in Lansing, Mich.

Tuesday, Jul 18, 1911 Peddling today, found business no good, everybody going into San Diego for next four days to see the carnival & celebration parade etc. I came home at noon disgusted as everybody is going or gone, so I stay home & work in garden.

Wednesday, Jul 19, 1911 Carpentering, building a 6 nest laying shack for our hens, (new style) and movable outside the regular chicken house. I think its all OK. Friend Robinson came & brung us a sack barley rolled, cost 1.35. Bought first ice tonight, 10 cts.

Thursday, Jul 20, 1911 Completed laying house & 2 hens deposited there. Moved some of Mrs Dawes coops home and am preparing runways, our incubator, hatch. Our garden is growing fine & will soon be in the producing class again. Everybody gone to San Diego on a lark.

Friday, Jul 21, 1911 First Bull Run battle in 1861. Having a thunder storm & quite a shower of rain. Ruby Dawes off to San Diego, leaving us to feed & care for chickens & cow today. Will be home before morning. We planted garden today, after 5PM I went up town & got bread, butter, milk & lemons cost 1.45 cash & home again right off. Moved pig pen tonight & the towns people are all in San Diego, but us 2 old crows, too poor & too busy to go anywhere just now.

Saturday, Jul 22, 1911 Gardening today & Pard dyed my old corduroys a seal brown & later a big swarm of bees came out of the old yellow hive on A street. So I put them late tonight up on B street with the new arrivals, this springs crop making 20 colonies in our bee garden.

Sunday, Jul 23, 1911 10:15AM, first chick hatched from Petaluma incubator. Incubator center of attraction at our place today. Noon, wife & I off to get more chickens from Mr Maker @ McKinney farm, got some & found our lost hammer & came home. Lots of eggs in the incubator tonight, will be different in 24 hours.

Monday, Jul 24, 1911 Watching chicks coming in incubator, building 3 brooders & runways and then some. Nothing to be done here, only about 20 hours out of every 24. A lady called from Denver soliciting for the blind. Then a colored dame came looking for a dress.

Tuesday, Jul 25, 1911 Working at various things today, places for incubator chicks, runways, brooders etc, all takes time & nails. Pard is in her glory with the incubator business. Took about 25 lbs honey, beautiful clear honey, clean & A-No 1. 5:30PM in town after cartons, bread, butter & crackers, paid out 1.05. Pard put up 12 cartons tonight for sale tomorrow.

Wednesday, Jul 26, 1911 Peddling today, 4.20. Took in the Strand & peddled all day. Credited 10 cts at the Green Dragon, jap cook. Have 5 lbs honey in jar for Mr Pratt of the ranch, cash value 1.00.

Thursday, Jul 27, 1911 Busy as bees, cleaning up, sacking onions & beans. It sprinkled today early, but failed to rain much here. Between chickens & pigs, mare & garden guess there is a plenty, for two to do. Paid Ruby Dawes another months pay on acct today. Caught 10 chickens to return to Baker tomorrow.

Friday, Jul 28, 1911 Off to Sorrento Station to change chicks with Baker @ 11AM, changed & I bought 22 eggs for 45 cts, also bought 72 eggs from the park people & home past the bakery, cost 25 cts. Pard wrote 3 letters, one to Mrs Bannin, E.M. Yocum and J.M. All gone to mail tonight. I building partition fence gate this PM.

Saturday, Jul 29, 1911 Working at home, incubator fired again & running smooth. Partitioning chicken yard, have gate OK, new water trough & another door complete for hen house in place. Pard has letter from a Mrs C.E. Locke @ El Cajon, ans'd her by phone, she is due here tomorrow via auto. In town @ 11AM, got chick feed & corn meal, coffee, fruit & meat, also 30 cts corn beef & home to dinner on time & saved the ranch for Pratt, as it was all on fire. 153 eggs in incubator tonight.

Sunday, Jul 30, 1911 Visitors arrive, Mrs C.E. Locke and son Howard arrive in his auto from their home in El Cajon @ 1:30. Had dinner & a nice chat. I took a ride in his auto down to Pratt's & he went on homeward & left his mother with us for a little visit. Pratt called for his honey & I borrowed 3 pieces of 2x4 from him & later went to the bakery for fresh bread.

Monday, Jul 31, 1911 Working as usual. Very foggy this morning & we are very busy. Mrs C.E. Locke is with us. We put up an outside bedroom today all OK I went in town & ordered sack corn, sk wheat & gasoline & coal oil from Robinson.

Tuesday, Aug 1, 1911 Peddled in AM, home to dinner. Paid water bill, 3.70. Fixing up about chicken yard and hen house. Late PM, drove up to store for tea & some fruit & directly home again to supper. Mrs R.R. Cons paid 50 cts, Mrs Lear owes 65 cts. Our friend Mrs Locke is feeling better tonight & is doing fine. High winds this AM.

Wednesday, Aug 2, 1911 Working in hen house, have all about completed tonight. Mrs Locke is OK. Mr Robinson called & later sent us sack cracked corn in exchange for sack whole corn. Went to P.O. & returned direct, brought bread from bakery.

Thursday, Aug 3, 1911 Taking out honey, on tomatoes this PM. I went to the ranch and got some burned laths¹⁴ to hold up tomatoes. Mrs came & helped open bee hives & got stung a time or two. Have a fine lot of honey to sell tomorrow along with vegetables. Mrs Locke had a letter from Mr L in Frisco this PM. Rec'd kind letter from Mr Dixon, S.D.L. Co and its all right, bal 67.14 in full.

Friday, Aug 4, 1911 Peddling today, found all the peddlers in town & some strangers, outside ranchers. Sold out very well & left several peddlers still trying to unload. I brought home a bunch of lath from Mr Holmes' back yard, must have them to keep my tomatoes off the ground or they will rot. Mrs Locke is all OK.

Saturday, Aug 5, 1911 Trussing up tomatoes today & find we have may fine tomatoes. Bought hams of Fowler, 16 lbs @ 17 cts, 2.72, San Diego peddler. Went in town, bought fruit & bread and hominy. Cook called & went.

Sunday, Aug 6, 1911 Choring all day, arranging tomatoes to best advantage for sun & air. We put a nut in a vessel of water today to see if we can sprout it, its one of the hard shell oil producing variety of the coriel. Cook's cows ate our beans & destroyed most of them. Ruby's cow got into the barn today & she and all the chickens had a feast of wheat & barley for a couple of hours or more before we took in the situation, then I put a stop to it quick.

Monday, Aug 7, 1911 In town to P.O. & drug store, also grocery store and Wetzell's where I found a box suitable for door stop & came home before dinner. Owe Hier 70 cts cash. Wheeling in manure to set more strawberry vines very soon. Lloyd Byron called & stayed a hour or more, he returned our post hole digger.

¹⁴ Lath: strips of wood use to make lattices.

Tuesday, Aug 8, 1911 Went up town for mail & medicines for Mrs Locke & failed to get anything but bread & tea. Getting ready to peddle tomorrow.

Wednesday, Aug 9, 1911 Waited at drug store for some medicine for Mrs Locke, home directly after noon. Bought butter & spuds, cantaloupes, 80 cts.

Thursday, Aug 10, 1911 Working always on pipe AM, repairing PM. Went to P.O, mailed a letter to Howard Locke for his Mrs, thence to the Florence Howard home after a big crate, thence to Holston's overhauling some old pipe and via bakery & home to supper, put in a full shift. Sack rolled barley tonight.

Friday, Aug 11, 1911 Wheeling manure onto strawberry ground. Howard Locke run in from El Cajon, here in 2 hours, he reports all OK @ Hillsdale, 34 miles. Ruby Dawes says her mother will be home soon.

Saturday, Aug 12, 1911 Mrs Dawes returned from Santa Ana. I setting lettuce AM & strawberries PM. Mrs D & daughter walked home from south La Jolla station.

Sunday, Aug 13, 1911 Setting strawberries & completed center row this AM. PM, Mr & Mrs Holliday called for an hour or more then wife & Mrs Locke went for a buggy ride up town and all around & home again. I was busy feeding the pigs & ditching water to the end of the row of fig trees in chicken yard. I called on Mrs Dawes this evening for an hour or less. She is feeling better she says.

Monday, Aug 14, 1911 Gathering onions and collecting vegetables for peddling tomorrow. Went up town for mail & bought an oven for gasoline stove, costing 1.75 at Wetzell's. Wife working in chicken house & every place else, always working & then some.

Tuesday, Aug 15, 1911 Peddling this AM. A San Diego boy hurt today by diving off a springboard, struck bottom or a rock with his head, seriously hurt & hurried to San Diego for medical assistance. I paid Hier on acct 1.50 & am nearly square. Bought bread & butter, 60 cts. PM, Mr & Mrs Baker in from his Mc-Kinley horse farm, called on us. Wetzell to pay us 20 cts for veggies. Was changing clothes line posts this PM & later went up town & back after supper.

Wednesday, Aug 16, 1911 In town after mail and got some stuff for bean posts & wire all of Wm Holston and back home to dinner. PM, putting posts & wires in place for beans. 2 young ladies Lockes called this PM. Pard setting lettuce PM.

Thursday, Aug 17, 1911 Working in garden, wiring for Kentucky Wonders. 5:30PM, up town after twine, coffee, fruit & mail, got 2 letters for Mrs Locke from him in San Fran. Eggs 40 cts per dozen in La Jolla. Mrs & Mr Holliday called this evening.

Friday, Aug 18, 1911 Stringing up string beans, gathering vegetables for tomorrows sales. Cleaned up one hive of honey from super. 5:30 in town after mail, groceries & etc. Bought butter, rice, tea & soap on credit. Arranged with Wetzell for a roll of Union Lock 6 ft wire for cross fence.

Saturday, Aug 19, 1911 Peddling honey, did very well today, total sales 7.50. Paid Hier 1.20 grocery bill. Came via Genters to get some shotgun shells, got none.

Sunday, Aug 20, 1911 Resting today for a wonder. Howard Locke came near noon, had dinner and took his mother homeward after a nice visit, 21 days.

Monday, Aug 21, 1911 AM, up town after roll of Union Lock wire & 5 yds x one yard fine mesh, also box of shotgun shells. Paid Robinson 15.00 on acct and 15.00 to S.D.L. Co.

Tuesday, Aug 22, 1911 Peddling lettuce, tomatoes & honey AM. PM digging post holes for cross fence. Brought home new digger handle, cost 50 cts & 45 lbs alfalfa & bread as usual. Evening wife & I up town in buggy to see Charlie Souls and family.

Wednesday, Aug 23, 1911 Borrowed some posts, old things of Jim's. Tonight have posts in, gate made & hung and wire strung, ready for stretching tomorrow & stapling. Must go to borrow the stretchers tomorrow. Rec'd 50 cts for the broken handle on post hole digger from Lloyd Byron.

Thursday, Aug 24, 1911 Borrowed Andrews stretcher & have the fence in fine shape & took the tools home all OK. PM, went for mail & have postal from Elma. Alice had letter from her Bro Will, he has the

blues, lost his crops, hail storm. Bought sugar & spuds, 1.25.

Friday, Aug 25, 1911 Building feed box and then on new gate and gathering for tomorrows peddling as usual. Wife commences to stuff young chickens to see the results in 2 months. Mr Holliday came for his 2 swarms of bees and I put him off until next week.

Saturday, Aug 26, 1911 Peddling today, 3.25. Sold dozen eggs for 40 cts, entire sale lettuce, tomatoes, onions, beets & string beans & carrots, occasionally on honey days our sales are doubled this amount and more. Bought butter, 40 cts of Hamilton's store, was hunting a meat barrel & found one.

Sunday, Aug 27, 1911 Chas Souls, wife & family called on us today. Pard cleaning house & I digging onions for amusement and had a chicken dinner, all our own. @ noon visitors arrived & bought a chicken and paid vegetable bill, 1.65 & went home happy @ 4PM. Mr Holliday came & rec'd 2 hives of bees tonight & our deal is closed. We got an incubator, No 33088, capacity 216 eggs, also marked 61 & all OK. Petaluma Patent.

Monday, Aug 28, 1911 Chk to S.D.L. Co today, 15.00. Pard paid another 5.00 to Mrs Dawes for use of mare this month of August. Broke one leg off my glasses last evening & cant see to do much until I replace them. Went up town to find some others & failed. Picked wax beans in PM. Pard took Mrs Dawes & went driving and calling all PM.

Tuesday, Aug 29, 1911 Peddling beans & lettuce, sales \$5.05. First sale of wax beans off second crop @ 10 cts. Sold lettuce to Schroder for his pet quails @ Green Dragon Camp. Paid Mr Hier 1.25 cash, bananas 25 cts, cheese 25 cts. Bought 25 ft rubber hose of Wetzell Bros @ 3.00. Bought bread 25 cts.

Wednesday, Aug 30, 1911 Idle almost today, am not feeling like work today, grunty. Pard & I rode up town to the White house & back. She had business with the lady of the house. I bought two boxes of berries 15 cts, came home ate berries & cream & put in PM on more fence and chicken house extension.

Thursday, Aug 31, 1911 Working at home. Wife on suit for Mrs Wier. I on chicken yard & house. After 6PM took suit complete to Mrs Wier @ White house, thence via P.O. & directly home via bakery for bread.

Friday, Sep 1, 1911 Doing various things, gathering vegetables for peddling tomorrow, wax beans, tomatoes and opened a new bee hive, full of honey, fine quality. The mare lost picket pin today, somehow came home & into the yard after alfalfa.

Saturday, Sep 2, 1911 Peddling today, 4.90. Sold string beans & honey. Paid water bill, 4.30, groceries 1.00, sack barley 1.40, 2 pair hinges 35 cts, black smith 1.20, bread 25 cts. Paid out \$8.50, cash on hand 1.90 to-night. Came within 6 inches of a smash up when Hamilton's runaway missed me and broke Bones buggy and their own, all to smash.

Sunday, Sep 3, 1911 Swung a gate. Pard irrigating AM. Had a pea dinner, took a buggy ride in PM, down to the Holliday Dairy, to find them gone. Came home via Mr Wier's to see his home & hens, everything nice & we came on home to take care of our own chickens & pigs. Guess we are as well off as could be expected for the present.

Monday, Sep 4, 1911 Idle as usual. Setting out onions, digging onions & cleaning onions. Late PM up town to P.O. and home via bakery.

Tuesday, Sep 5, 1911 Peddling AM, \$.50, out with beans, onions, tomatoes & honey.

Wednesday, Sep 6, 1911 Off to city with cash, \$6.25 to see about materials for our vines support. Bought several articles & home again to supper. Bought 2 fan sprays, mouse trap, 2 iron heel taps for my shoes. Stopped off on train @ Pacific Beach to visit Penoyer & Michels store. Bought 1 pound tobacco & came on to La Jolla.

Thursday, Sep 7, 1911 Dead all day, idle both of us, off center. Went up town, bought steak, 30 cts, butter 40 cts, Rub No More Washing Powder, 25 cts. Pard has letter from E.M. Yocum, Johnnie¹⁵, Nevada. We

¹⁵ Johnnie, Nev is now a ghost town located north of Pahrump in southern Nevada.

are ordering lumber from S.D.L. Co. for more improvements, constantly.

Friday, Sep 8, 1911 Peddled in AM, 3.10. Pard put out a awful big washing today. Experimenting with "Rub No More" wash powder.

Saturday, Sep 9, 1911 At home all day working with Pard. Manuring bean ground, preparing to plant more White Wax Beans. PM, late, killed 3 young roosters and took them & delivered them after dark, one to four EEEE's, one to Dr, left it in the office, one to sea urchin.

Sunday, Sep 10, 1911 Butchering pigs. Went up town, saw Chas Souls, he comes @ 2PM to help butcher pigs. Bought Bayrum & Glycerin, box Carters Liver Pills, 25 cts & home to dinner. Souls & family came on time, we butchered, had a melon or two and later had supper and they went home, content. We did nice work & the pigs are OK.

Monday, Sep 11, 1911 Peddling pork today. Paid 15 cts for tub for meat. Paid 1.00 for eggs to Wier girls and 40 cts to Mrs Olson, eggs. Louise Holston & Kit called for some fresh pork tonight. Pard fired up our incubator & loaded it with 60 of our eggs & 43 Olson & Wier eggs & such is life.

Tuesday, Sep 12, 1911 Peddling beans & tomatoes & did small business. Bought sack wheat & sack barley, cost cash 4.05. Our bill of lumber is at the station for us we believe. PM, cleaning hen houses & preparing to build more.

Wednesday, Sep 13, 1911 AM, hauling lumber from station, stakes, redwood 2x2 in x 4 ft for berry trellis. Later, answered O.E. letter posted it & bought stamps, envelopes, 14 for 30 cts. Came home begun on staking Logan Berries, later, Holston team in with load of long lumber for us & all is OK. Lumber bill due with statement soon.

Thursday, Sep 14, 1911 Working always on hen house & perches & door. Pard in strawberries & everything also. Charlie Holston & wife off to town with 13 hogs to market. Mrs Dawes sold calf & bought load of hay today. I went up town for tea, coffee, flour & gasoline tonight & Andrews has an auto.

Friday, Sep 15, 1911 Peddling tomatoes & beans, home to dinner, 1.60. Sold out clean & easy. Mr Mitchell in town & I bought 4 melons for 10 cts. Wife setting strawberries, filling the vacant spots & has 3 full rows at last, all OK, growing beautiful. PM, on hen house. Rec'd lumber bill from S.D.L, \$30.94.

Saturday, Sep 16, 1911 Home all day. Working all day on hen house & trellis for berries. Mr Bernard called this PM, the Nursery man of the Mission Valley.

Sunday, Sep 17, 1911 Worked all day staking & railing berries. Pard in strawberries & everything else all day as usual, has her strawberries in grand shape now. Pard wrote Jennie, her Boulder friend on laundry business, please ans quick.

Monday, Sep 18, 1911 Mrs Dawes opens acct for vegetables with us. Drove up town early for nails. Took Mrs Dawes along for an airing. Worked on trellis work all day nearly. Will make grand showing when completed. Gathering vegetables this evening to peddle tomorrow morning.

Tuesday, Sep 19, 1911 Peddling AM, beans, tomatoes, beets, carrots. Charlie Souls has trouble, wife gone in town to see about it today. Owe for sack corn to Robinson & Co. Mrs Holston due 20 cts 8 lbs tomatoes.

Wednesday, Sep 20, 1911 Up town after pipe, bought salt. Have letter from Bro O.E.S. Brung home pipe & wire. Paid Wier cash 1.30. Howard paid me on pork 1.35 & we are square. Wife putting in another row of strawberries & will complete them tomorrow if possible. I am on trellis work for vines also. We cut a 23 lb melon tonight, was a dandy.

Thursday, Sep 21, 1911 Off to city after glasses & to see the Great Circus, Ringling Bros, street parade, 2 miles long & saw it, @ great good circus. Bought pair spectacles @ 10 cts store good enough for me. Bought red turnip beet seed & short medium carrot. Dinner 15 cts, circus 50 cts elsewhere, supper 10 cts, moving picture & vaudeville 10 cts. R.R. fare 50 cts. Home on 11PM, midnight found Pard OK & asleep.

Friday, Sep 22, 1911 At home all day staking & trellising Himalaya berry vines. Find we have a few grand big ripe Lawton black berries & more coming on soon, in fact our vines & berry bushes have made a grand

growth up to date, but we lost some on account of their not starting after being set out, however we can now fill in the vacant spots with shoots of our own production from now on & keep all our rows full of good strong home production.

Saturday, Sep 23, 1911 Peddling AM, bought nails 25 cts, carnation milk 25 cts. PM, staking our Mammoth black berries. Heard today that the old gang of teachers are all here to take up their old places in the Bishop School.

Sunday, Sep 24, 1911 Shot a squirrel for luck, fed him to chicks, toughest hide on him I ever saw. PM, Pard & I drove down to Bishop School, she to visit old teachers & friends while I went off up to P.O. & back & then we drove up to the Bath house & back home @ 5:30PM & I did some driving stakes among the berries until called to supper.

Monday, Sep 25, 1911 At home in vines until 3PM. Up town took melon to Charlie. Bought bread, butter, cheese & macaroni & a sack of barley, total cost 2.30. Back via Bishop School where I found some pckgs for Pard & thence home again.

Tuesday, Sep 26, 1911 Peddling today, AM, \$4.50.

Wednesday, Sep 27, 1911 Still on trellis work & run out of materials this PM, rails. Am short of rails, still have plenty of posts. Paid Mrs Dawes on acct cash 5.00.

Thursday, Sep 28, 1911 Sprinkling rain, first time. Gathering vegs to peddle today. Too showery & changed our mind & quit for today. Wife ironing today, sold dressed chicken 1.00, 10 lbs onions 50 cts.

Friday, Sep 29, 1911 Staking Lawton berries, pulling weeds & gathering beans & honey for tomorrow. Opened a full hive, took the super off & took what honey we wanted, returned the super in place OK & did not kill any bees in great luck.

Saturday, Sep 30, 1911 Showering again. Took pck to B School. Went up town & sold some lettuce. A letter from Jen Schneider in Boulder & came home in the rain before noon. Bought a roll of butter. Went to Bishop School @ 5PM for laundry. Mailed some 5 letters. Settled with Wier, cash 2.50. Mrs Wier still due vegetables. Rec'd Wetzell's bill \$28.90 up to Oct 1st, hardware. Great R.R. strike on today, 10,000 on Herriman line walk out.

Sunday, Oct 1, 1911 In vines all day. Pard irrigating & doing everything to put berries in good shape for fruit. Had melon dinner, stewed our first rhubarb off this place, home raised & it is grand. Mr Barron & Genter called this PM and took a look at everything, says we are OK, doing splendid etc, guess that right. Wrote Bro Jake @ Carbondale, Colo tonight.

Monday, Oct 2, 1911 Off peddling & sold out. Peddled & peddled all day. PM, got chk from Robinson 15.00 & sent it to S.D.L. Co's superintendent @ San Diego by mail. Rear Admiral Winfield Scott Schley dropped dead in New York City near the Berkeley Theater on 44th St.

Tuesday, Oct 3, 1911 Up town after pipe @ Wm Holston's, got it & some wire & a box & came home. Ordered can of gasoline & paid for it. Working in garden some, plowing with Junior, pulling weeds and spreading manure. Pard ironing, chicks coming grand.

Wednesday, Oct 4, 1911 Working at home today, always find plenty work. Jim of the B School barn came & borrowed sledge this evening. I am gathering truck to peddle tomorrow. Bought 1 doz lemons, 10 cts.

Thursday, Oct 5, 1911 Out peddling early, 4.00. Had poor luck this time however will try again. The facts are there are few people in the town except regular townies who patronize the chinks from preference to white man. Bought sk barley, 1.50. Took nice melon to Holston, a present from us.

Friday, Oct 6, 1911 Rec'd today, in acct with S.D.L. Co, receipt for 15.00 on acct, also statement bal due 68.08. PM, Pard & I off to the Bishop School, laundry, thence to P.O. sending to Montgomery Ward Chicago an order postal goods 2.50. Paid water bill, 4.85. Officers from city called and tool a bunch of toppers into city, fine & jail for some of them, sure.

Saturday, Oct 7, 1911 At home all day feathering south end of house. Completed south end. Heeled pair ladies shoes, worked in garden & all around home today.

Sunday, Oct 8, 1911 At home weeding until 3PM when we took a buggy ride out to Howards on the hill, back by P.O. & Bishops School, thence down to artists where we got some ----? & on home by 5PM to feed & house the chickens. After supper went to bakery for bread & came by Genter's & home by 7:30PM.

Monday, Oct 9, 1911 Peddling AM, did poor business today, 2.25. Bought milk & sugar & came home blue. @ 4:30 Pard & I drove up to Mrs Holidays & Pard is to make a suit for her daughter right off. Came home-ward past Mrs Wier's, she was out & on past Bishops School. I returned borrowed glasses to the old lady tonight. Sack corn & wheat rec'd from Robinson, OK.

Tuesday, Oct 10, 1911 Up town early, paid Robinson on acct 5.00. Bought 1/2 gal vinegar, 20 cts. Planted K.W. string beans on garden side of alfalfa patch. PM, wife went to city @ 1:10 & returned early. She got some patterns while I fixed some ground & planted some K.W. beans OK & all is well with us.

Wednesday, Oct 11, 1911 In garden all day & busy. Preparing ground for winter crops. The La Jolla Dairy are measuring ground alongside us, east side & we think they are about to lease or perhaps purchase it from Byrne & Scripps Co. Sold a melon today for 10 cts first & last for the season. Mr Olson, wife & girls called out driving in new buggy. Wife working on new suite for Mrs Holliday's daughter.

Thursday, Oct 12, 1911 Have very lame back. Mrs Holidays daughter came to La Carmolita to try on her new suit, fits to a charm & I took her home in the buggy. Was irrigating today while up town bought tea & butter @ Wier's & came home. Fixed up Dawes fence to keep mare out of their corral. Wrote Chas Brown, Red Bluff for information etc on real estate on Cottonwood. No paper tonight.

Friday, Oct 13, 1911 Home all day and fooling awful old, lame back, caught cold. Pard grunting to, lame back too much work. She will finish the suit early tomorrow. Staking Lawton berries again part of today.

Saturday, Oct 14, 1911 Took new suit to Holliday's, came home working in berries. Met man, Mr Corcoran whom bought the ground between Genter & Andrews, 5 acres. Went up town late for mail, also to buy some hay. Came home via bakery for bread, got 6 loafs. Letter from Beauregards @ Laws P.O., Inyo Co, Cali. Mailed letters to Chas B @ Red Bluff and to J.Q. Stone, Salem, Utah.

Sunday, Oct 15, 1911 AM, took laundry to Bishops School, 3 pckg, left it in book keepers office, went on to Wisteria with some more, found Miss L.C. Howes & Miss Alice Andrews who paid me 2.50 on last weeks acct. Home via Holston's & brought box & wire & piece of pipe then took Pratt's lumber home.

Monday, Oct 16, 1911 Peddling again & done well, 4.00. Did well considering that the tourists are all gone. Pard at home with chickens & strawberry patch and all is doing splendid. Found my lost basket. Presented my bill for vegetables to the book keeper, Warfield, he will see it settled soon. Bought sack barley, 1.50. Brung another length of my pipe home from Holston's.

Tuesday, Oct 17, 1911 Home all day in berries. Mr Corcoran & son here, his buildings are building. Friend Pratt has sold his ranch to Miss Ellen Scripps, so we are told last night. After supper, Pard & I drove up town to see some of her lady friends, had a nice visit and lunch @ Charlie Souls. Bought tobacco, 50 cts. Pard rec'd pckg from Montgomery Wards, Chicago & some dressmaking from Mrs Wier & others & home @ 7PM.

Wednesday, Oct 18, 1911 Went up town to P.O. & rec'd letter from Wm Webb of Ocean Beach regarding a meeting next Sunday. Shall write him come. Bought butter, bread & some sweet cakes 65 cts. Went up to Florence Villa & took Mr Howard home with me to La Carmolita. Found Mrs Morse, had come from San Diego to spend the day, had dinner & I took Mr Howard home & bought first bale of hay, 175 pounds of Robinson, paid 1.00 & owe 75 cts on hay. Pard went to station with Mrs Morse & she started off for home pleased.

Thursday, Oct 19, 1911 Mailed answer to Wm Webb, Ocean Beach. Sold onions to bakery, 50 cts. Home via Bishops School & worked in berries. Should go peddling in the AM.

Friday, Oct 20, 1911 Building roosting house for the youngsters.

Saturday, Oct 21, 1911 Peddling today, \$3.40. Peddling poorly today, but got my share. Paid Robinson bal on

hay, bought 10 cts nails, bread 25 cts. After supper wife & I drove up town to Mrs Wier's, thence to Mrs Souls, went to P.O. & off home.

Sunday, Oct 22, 1911 Wm Webb arrived from Ocean Beach & chatted on Mexico, 3 hours. Went with him to station. Met Mr Corcoran's wife & son there, going home to San Diego. Met Mrs Snider there says Mrs Cook is quite sick. We have 6 turkeys now. Counted flock, 86 pullet yard, 16 roosters, 10 old hens.

Monday, Oct 23, 1911 Grunting today, but I went through our bees. Pard is grunting too. PM, went up town & bought 2 pair hinges & Pard went to Mrs Wier's & also to Bishops School & I collected my veg bill. Wife on Womens Exchange & thinks of sewing some there later on.

Tuesday, Oct 24, 1911 Home all day. Put roof on new roosting coop & roosts in it. First incubator hatch 3 months old yesterday. Shot gophers in alfalfa. Wife off to San Diego @ noon to see a doctor, certainly needs one. She home by 6PM.

Wednesday, Oct 25, 1911 Hen coop completed. 2PM, went up town ordered corn, wheat, barley & gasoline. Brung Mrs Wier & baby girl out home and later returned them to the White House, their home. I bought tea, 30 cts, powdered borax 25 cts. Friends Olsens have fourth daughter.

Thursday, Oct 26, 1911 Irrigating & gathering veggies to peddle tomorrow. Wife on dress & coat for Mrs Wier today. Robinson's man come with sack wheat & gasoline as per agreement. Wife & I put turkeys in with old hens tonight in hen house. Have all the 3 month old in their new quarters. The Artist¹⁶ came over to bring us some guavas & ate supper with us & we gave her a lantern & she started home OK.

Friday, Oct 27, 1911 The boys are starting on their Dairy today, clearing the brush and burning same, plowing also. Pard on new suit for Mrs Wier, almost complete. We drove up to P.O. after dark and got 6 loaves of bread & home again, OK.

Saturday, Oct 28, 1911 Peddling today, 2.40. Nobody in La Jolla, all gone to see the fleet in San Diego harbor. Mrs Olsen & baby girl doing fine, was there today.

Sunday, Oct 29, 1911 Building laying coop, 8 nests. PM, went over near caves & got some oil cloth, returned via Souls for my tomato box & they sent Pard bottle catsup.

Monday, Oct 30, 1911 Pard & I up town on business. Paid Robinson's new man on feed, 6.00. Pard went to Exchange on business, bought bread & came home. Pard an Mrs Wier's coat & has it done. I worked in vines & Pard planted four rows of beets tonight.

Tuesday, Oct 31, 1911 Wife & I up to Mrs Wier's with her second suit done thence to Womens Exchange where wife stopped. I went to Holston's thence to Brown Bear & on home. Paid 25 cts for chair bottom & have one good chair. Planting beets in PM.

Wednesday, Nov 1, 1911 Took Pard up town early to Womens Exchange & came home alone with sack barley. Hoeing beans. My auto busted on the road home & I was pulled out of trouble by the Rannells Bros, 2 good men.

Thursday, Nov. 2. 1911 At home alone. Pard took here machine to the Exchange today & thinks will have all the sewing she can do. I gathered tomatoes to peddle tomorrow & cleaned up a super of honey. Bought cartons, 20 cts. Borrowed Ginters wagon to haul machine up town & returned an alligator wrench to Wetzell. Pard thinks its OK at the Exchange & we hope it may prove true. Hay out, 175 lbs, lasted 15 days, OK.

Friday, Nov 3, 1911 Wife in town all day sewing. I peddled most all day, took 10 lbs tomatoes to Wier @ 30 cts. Paid black smith for bolt in single tree.

Saturday, Nov 4, 1911 Took Pard up town to her work, came home to irrigate today @ noon called to hive a swam of pure stations by a Mrs Rutherford & I hooked up took a hive & hived em OK. Went in town bought sole leather & paper of tacks. Bought fruit & butter, brought Pard home then went to Andrews

¹⁶ It's unknown who the Artist is, but this person is mentioned occasionally.

with some honey, present & bought 145 lb bale of hay, 90 cts, hauled it home OK & all is well.

Sunday, Nov 5, 1911 Great news, Mr Genter here before I was out of bed on behalf of the Scripps. They offer us \$2,000 cash for our Carmolita Garden, but Pard told Genter it was no inducement as we had better offers & turned them down, guess Genter was surprised. After supper I drove up town & got my bees. OK, they are in the Apiary now & all right. Bought bread paid 50 cts @ bakery.

Monday, Nov 6, 1911 Peddling tomatoes, carrots and onions, radishes & honey, sales today awful, 1.90. Rec'd statement from S.D.L. Co for acct up to Nov. 1st. We planted sugar beets & onions & lettuce as well as one Bermuda onions. Our news boy failed to come through again tonight.

Tuesday, Nov 7, 1911 I at home working, took Pard in town early & came home to work & @ 4:30PM went up town after Pard & home again. Pard rec'd letter from Allie & photos enclosed. I mudded our chimney. Howard Locke married, so we learned, on Sat 18th by mail.

Wednesday, Nov 8, 1911 Took Pard up town and I came home, stopped @ Lola Souls & got a glass of catsup, present. Came home & went at bees until noon, thence into berries. 4:30PM, up town after Pard. Rec'd letter from O.E, all are OK he tells me. We bought doughnuts & bread & came home satisfied with everything. Pard had letter from Nane, her rich sister today.

Thursday, Nov 9, 1911 Took Pard up town & back home via Andrews where I got some news of Mrs A on berries & berry cultivation & came on home to irrigate & work on north end of our house, feathering up to a finish. I run short of nails & quit for today & went to berry trellising until 5PM, drove up town after Pard and met her coming home.

Friday, Nov 10, 1911 Took Pard in town as usual, ordered four sacks feed @ Robinson's for poultry, came home to irrigate alfalfa & do chores. Plenty to be done. Gathered 2 lbs wax beans & delivered to Mrs Dawes. Four sacks of grain came in tonight & I sent it all back, prices too high for us. Went to Mrs Dawes and borrowed 10 qts wheat.

Saturday, Nov 11, 1911 Took Pard up town & came home & took 10AM train to Pacific Beach & bought sack wheat 1.50, sack rolled barley 1.65, paid for it and came home, grain due here tonight via wagon by Mr A.M. Loury & it came through all OK tonight. Home to find Pard already here, later, Mr Hyer came after onions & a melon.

Sunday, Nov 12, 1911 Wrote Louis F. Scribners of Pasadena for berry book. Wrote Carbo Steel Post Co, 2116 Violet St, Los Angeles for catalog. Went to P.O. with mail. Genter called this evening in the interest of Miss Ellen Scripps. Wife & I went to the bakery for hot bread after 6PM.

Monday, Nov 13, 1911 Took wife to Exchange & came home to work on north gable & its most done tonight, all OK. @ 5PM go with buggy every evening after Pard. She rec'd bundle of Family Story Papers from N.Y. City.

Tuesday, Nov 14, 1911 Pard off up town. Election today, women voting on Harbor Bonds, (bully for the old hens, let em vote) Bought sack flour, milk and sugar, tea & coffee, 3.85 due Wier & came home to work.

Wednesday, Nov. 15, 1911 Peddling today, 2.20 & home @ 3:30PM. Find Pard gone to S.D. on business, back this evening. Found Rannels & team plowing & it looks good to see improvements. Bought stamped envelopes & postal cards for 25 cts. Pard home on time & sold some strained honey to an Alaskan man.

Thursday, Nov 16, 1911 Up town with wife to the exchange. Bought powder of Wier. Paid on acct to Wier 3.00. Rec'd letter from E.M. Yocum @ Johnnie, Nevada on business, mining, also from L.F. Scribner, the berry man of Pasadena.

Friday, Nov 17, 1911 Up town to Exchange with Pard & dummy. I came home & sawed a barrel in two for rhubarb plants. Irrigated strawberries, cut corn fodder, fed 2 big beets to poultry and mare at noon and staked black berries until 4:30, fed all the fowls, hitched up and after Pard & she came in through the garden in time to save me a run up town after her and all is OK with us.

Saturday, Nov 18, 1911 Up town, onions to Wier. Letter from Howard Locke, wedded last 7th of Nov. Bought butter, cheese & apples of Wier & beef from butcher. Home working berries, wheeling manure from Dawes corral. Mr Bowles passed & we talked berries.

Sunday, Nov 19, 1911 Both home all day. Working in Satan's vineyard. The Alaskan came for his chicken, dressed cost him 1.35. We working about all day in berries, vines & irrigating. An old couple in a nice rig, horse & buggy called & evidently newcomers. Later, the physician's wife & mother & daughter called & had a look over our place. They are Colorado Springs people quartered at the Green Dragon, here on a health hunt & nice people. Were well pleased with all they saw.

Monday, Nov 20, 1911 Took wife up to Exchange. Sent pckg to Montgomery Wards, brung Andrews out home & borrowed his pruning shears. Am overhauling Guava trees & adding fertilizer to all. Have them all OK. Later gathering dry beans & pulling weeds until night. Wife walked home tonight.

Tuesday, Nov 21, 1911 Both home today, first fall strawberries ripe. Cleaning hen coops & various other works. Andrews called & took a look at berries. Shall have fine crop of late strawberries, sure. Wrote A.M. Loury for chicken feed today. Took 5 lb chicken to Wier for 1.40 cash. Wm Holston sold me a part of a bale of hay, 25 cts. Paid Robinson 55 cts due him for corn.

Wednesday, Nov 22, 1911 Wife up town early & I home alone. Mail in, nix, home via Wm Holston's after wire, met Mr Woodworth & he engaged finest gobbler we have for Thanksgiving dinner, he to pay back water bill today, for us & takes turkey on acct, balance later. Came home, planted beets. Gathering vegs to peddle tomorrow. Wife & I home @ 6PM, supper over we killed & cleaned 2 roosters, to deliver tomorrow morning early.

Thursday, Nov 23, 1911 Out early & sold out, \$3.15. Pard has letter from Lansing from sister Emma Markham.

Friday, Nov. 24, 1911 Took wife up to Exchange as usual. I bought paint brush, 20 cts, sk wheat, 2.50, shells & grit for hens, 50 cts, hay for mare 25 cts, tobacco 50 cts. Working on barbed wire around west side fence, feeding chickens etc. Went after Pard @ 5PM. Rec'd ans from the Steel Post Co & acknowledged same by following mail.

Saturday, Nov 25, 1911 At home today. Working as usual & first egg arrived from a White Leghorn pure blood Baker pullet & its a big one. Went in town after supper for sack of bran & red pepper, it cost me cash 1.60. Thence to P.O. posted letter to Steel Post Co, Los Angs. Rec'd letter from E.M. Yocum & the Beauregards, will ans both tomorrow. Had a painter painting doors & chairs today & will continue tomorrow.

Sunday, Nov 26, 1911 Put in a full day today. Mrs Ware & Mrs called this forenoon & the Alaskan came later, then Mr Wier & the girls came & took a survey of our La Carmolita & berries etc. Then came Bowman & wife in their buggy & their 2 children after honey & they got it & drove homeward OK while we completed the day half soling 2 pair of shoes besides writing to the Beauregards at Laws P.O, Inyo Co, Cali & also to E.M.Y. at Johnnie and so we put in today.

Monday, Nov 27, 1911 Went to P.O, Pard to Exchange again today, sewing. Came home after buying butter & soap, came via Wm Holston's where he gave me several old worn shovels, there I met Mr Woodworth who gave me my water co.'s receipt for \$7.05, delinquent 70 cts, total \$7.75. Went up town @ 5PM for Pard. Woodworth called for his 2 turkeys, took them to Pacific Beach to weigh.

Tuesday, Nov 28, 1911 Very windy. Pard up town to her sewing. I met Woodworth & receipt for weight of turkeys from Penoyer, all OK. PM, gathering tomatoes when Pard walked into camp & she gathered carrots & onions. Our newcomers, Mrs Smith and Anderson & Mr De Bow called & bought some tomatoes and walked on homeward as it was quite cold & windy.

Wednesday, Nov 29, 1911 Delivered chickens & sold some vegetables & bought bread, cranberries & sweet potatoes & came home with a letter from Sister & Jules¹⁷, also paper for Pard. A man & wife (I suppose) in an auto called and wishes to buy this place. He will call again I think as he seems gone on this particular spot. Pard baking pumpkin pies & cranberry sauce for tomorrow at home. Killed turkey & rooster tonight & cleaned them.

Thursday, Nov 30, 1911 Thanksgiving Day and we enjoyed it is great shape. We sold a turkey hot from the oven cooked to a charm for 4.50 cash. We ate chicken, sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, cheese, pumpkin pie, beets, carrots & fresh ripe strawberries, pickle beets, honey, bread & sugar, tea, cream, were all sat-

¹⁷ Jethro's sister Myrtella and her husband Jules Behme.

isfied.

Friday, Dec 1, 1911 At home changing pipeline. Took Pard up town and came home direct to work on pipe after I bought a valve & tee and nipple for cash, 75 cts, medicine for cat 15 cts. Tonight Robinson sent us sk corn & gasoline, 3.85.

Saturday, Dec 2, 1911 Took Pard up town early, got 18 ft 3/4 pipe from the plumber, came home via Robinson's, paid him bill \$3.85. Rec'd letter from E.M. Yocum. Am piping again today & Mr De came & helped me with irrigation & strawberries & I paid him in vegetables & took him home as I went up town after Pard. Rec'd another circular from American Steel Post Co, Los Angs.

Sunday, Dec 3, 1911 Working all day as busy as beavers. Irrigating & cultivating berries & vines all day an endless job. For a wonder we were all day alone in our glory. PM, went to Pratt's ranch and got the cultivator & plows, brung it home & used it until called to supper. Wrote A.J. Jones tonight regarding Del Oro Mine.

Monday, Dec 4, 1911 Paid water co. \$4.40 this morning. Took Pard up town. Mailed letter to A.J.J. Paid 20 cts for shovel & came home, bought 3/4 stop cock & nipple, bought stamped envelopes 25 cts and Pratt is still drunk. Came home, did some pipe fitting & thence to the berries. Mr Alaska called & then Mr Debo came & we worked in berries until 4:30 when I fed the poultry their suppers and hitched up the mare and was off up town after Pard as usual, home via bakery & bread 25 cts. Pard wrote S.D.L. Co. tonight.

Tuesday, Dec 5, 1911 Pard up town early. I bought seed potatoes American Wonders, 1.50 & came home to work. Plowed 4 rows for spuds and watered them partly. Bo came & he and I worked strawberries until 4:30, hooked up & drove up town after Pard & home late. Cutting spuds tonight to plant tomorrow. @ Los Angeles today McNamara Bros sentenced J.B. for life, San Quentin, John J 15 years San Quentin, should have been hanged by Judge Walter Bordwell.

Wednesday, Dec 6, 1911 Pard & I up town on time, nothing doing. We called on a Mr Post & thence back to the Exchange where we helped Mrs Ware to put up some wood work & fixed her change till & came home to dinner. Mr Baldozar called & it was showering, but it quit & he went into the strawberries re-setting, etc for a couple hours & then went for home. Pard & I planted spuds until quitting time & it looks like a storm.

Thursday, Dec 7, 1911 Finished spuds then went to strawberries & put in the day in gathering vegs to peddle tomorrow AM. Shall have tomatoes, onions, carrots, eggs, Hubbard squash & 5 cartons of honey. The sale of which will replenish our groceries.

Friday, Dec 8, 1911 Peddling today, 2.80. Bought sack wheat, 140 lbs 2.65, sugar & butter 1.45, tea, coffee, bread 85 cts, cash \$4.30. 65 cts bal on wheat unpaid. Rec'd statement of Wier up to Dec 1st, owe him \$10.83. Pard stayed home today. Rec'd pkg for here from Montgomery Ward via mail & short note from S.D.L. Co. Baldozar planted lettuce & radishes here today in our old hot bed.

Saturday, Dec 9, 1911 Took Pard up town, came home trimming guavas & making improvements on ironing board & jobbing in the garden, feeding chickens etc, etc all day & @ 4:30 went up town & brought Pard home to supper as usual. Mr Baldozar here today. I set out the guava cuttings to see if they will take & grow. Pard knitting slippers tonight again for sale @ Exchange.

Sunday, Dec 10, 1911 I at home all day. 2PM, Pard went out for a drive & took Mrs Ware¹⁸ with her to Bird Rock & return. Pard came home @ 4:30 & in time to feed poultry. I worked on new front gate & trying to catch a gopher all day. Friend Mickels (Alaska) called this evening.

Monday, Dec 11, 1911 Out before sunrise, took Pard up town early. Rec'd letters from Jones Bros @ Johnnie, came home with some 3/4 pipe for repairs & some staples for front gate. Fixed pipe connection & went to work later on hanging gate. Mickels & a Mr. Austin came from the Strand for eggs & tomatoes & got some. Went in town after my Pard & paid bal of wheat to Robinson, 65 cts & come home, satisfied for today.

¹⁸ The names Ware and Wier may be the same.

Tuesday, Dec 12, 1911 Took Pard up town and she fooled me by sending me to see some old friends, Haskells. Came home with cheese & rolled oats & 3 C dry milk, costing me 65 cts total. Working on gate and have it complete. Baldozar here PM, helped finish gate & went home happy. 1153 Pleasant St, Boulder, Colo. Wife has letter from Mr R.E. Arnett on business.

Wednesday, Dec 13, 1911 Up town as usual with Pard, came home & cultivated a little in beets & lettuce. Found ground most too hard. PM, completed wiring top of fence all around outside & stapled with Baldozar's help. Brought wife home @ 5:30PM.

Thursday, Dec 14, 1911 Cooking beans today. Wife up to shop early. Found mail in box from Mrs Locke, San Diego & The Outlook, 287 Fourth Ave, New York. Fixed up lounge and did other chores. Wrote for dough today. PM, choring on gate & mud balls chicks feet. Answered Outlook. Down town @ 5PM, met Mr Haskell & wife & kids first time since return. Something wrong with beef chops & sausage tonight.

Friday, Dec 15, 1911 Took Pard up town, came home to chore, working to get ground ready to plant beets. Pulled up wax beans & spading the ground. Mr Baldozar called & bought 10 cts carrots & sugar beets. Everybody wants honey. Letter from Tom Westfall from defender, Amador Co, he is crazy to go to Alaska again in March next.

Saturday, Dec 16, 1911 Choring as usual all day, alone. Pard up town early & I came straight home via Robinson's where I bought some beet seed to plant tomorrow. Answered Westfall today, advise him to stay home with his mother & sister. Pard has collected 18.00 up to date this month & spent it all of course on feed & grub.

Sunday, Dec 17, 1911 Wind roaring & tide roaring all night. We are at home & let her blow & roar. It tried to rain this morning, sprinkled just a little.

Monday, Dec 18, 1911 Robbing bees today of 30 lbs of honey. Took Pard to work and came right home via Corcoran's. Went to Strand after garbage, got some & came home to prepare for taking out honey & Baldozar came and we went through one hive & took out 30 lbs of clean honey & he went home. I hooked up @ 4:30 & went for Pard & we came home happy. Posted letter to Jones Bros. Gave Baldozar carton of honey for helping me.

Tuesday, Dec 19, 1911 Pard up town, sold 5 cartons of honey & bought cartons, 25 for 30 cts. Cheese 30 cts & home again. Irrigating & gathering vegs to peddle tomorrow. I planted & filled in more beets where birds ate the seed.

Wednesday, Dec 20, 1911 Peddling today, sales \$4.35. Pard up town & I peddled. Chicken delivered & not paid for, did well enough. Mr Corcoran's carpenter owes 30 cts. Had quite a shower in AM, home @ 3:30PM to eat.

Thursday, Dec 21, 1911 Took Pard to town & back home in time for 10AM motor & off to San Diego to have my shoe fixed, cost me 15 cts. Bought onion & beets, 1.50, pants 1.50, a hat 1.00, lunch & R.R. ticket 60 cts & home again @ 3PM. Answered O.E. by postal card & tried to find John D. Spreckles & Toliver's Balloon is bursted.

Friday, Dec 22, 1911 Took Pard to town, found letters from Bro O.E. & presents, also letter from Frank M. Otto & took a man to see the post property & registered a pckg to Mrs Kirkwood in S.F. Bought lime & came home. Ans'd Otto's letter at once. I killed & dressed a turkey & 3 roosters in two hours & took a live turkey to Charlie Souls & wife. Bought beef steak & brought her home & we worked on poultry for an hour & Jim brung a pckg for Mrs Ben to be reopened.

Saturday, Dec 23, 1911 Took Pard up town & delivered turkey to Clark, thence to Parsons, thence to Rogers, thence last chicken out near Green Dragon & last eggs to Acton, due 25 cts. Met Woodworth, paid him 2.25 thence to Robinson's for feed, got sack wheat, sk barley & on home. Chored around home. PM, milked Ruby's cow tonight, gathered garbage & bought a broom & home.

Sunday, Dec 24, 1911 Wife & I at home all day, in the evening visited at Mrs Dawes for an hour, come home killed & dressed 2 roosters & went to bed. Pard is doing some fine job for Mrs Benthems, the Super of the Bishop School to be complete tomorrow. PS, Mrs Benthem's work completed & goes home to her @ Bishops School early in the morning, and it went.

Monday, Dec 25, 1911 Xmass in La Jolla. I took a chicken up town early & came home with mail, then both wife & I went up town by invitation to Xmass dinner with Mrs Ware & Miss Comstock at the Womens Exchange and we had a grand dinner & later went walking. Rec'd letters today from my sister @ Chico & wifes sister @ Lansing, also from E.M.Y, Johnnie Nevada, also a present to wife from Mrs Kirkwood, S.F. & home about 6PM.

Tuesday, Dec 26, 1911 Pard @ home all day overhauling hen coops. I went up town to Robinson's, paid for wheat, barley & poison, 4.90 & paid 75 cts for coal oil. Came home & helped her all day. Alaska Mikels was here a short time & off home. We went through all coops today, cleaning them good. Had a full day, will put in & to good advantage.

Wednesday, Dec 27, 1911 Pard & I up town, saw Mrs Haskell & she is not feeling well today. Bought shells for gun, 60 cts, bought beef 50 cts, paid Robinson 75 cts a bal due on last settlement and came home at noon. Mr Mikels here today and bought strained honey. Water Co commenced to string main from the boulevard up past our place today, guess we will have some water. Killing birds & irrigating berries. Spuds sprouting.

Thursday, Dec 28, 1911 Pard stayed home as its showering early. I went for mail & got into a heavy rain & got wet. Rec'd postal from Tom Westfall, bought milk & came home. Hay came later, paid part owe a balance 90 cts. Cloudy & threatening rain any minute @ 7PM. Later I put Cocopah in Mrs Dawes stable for the night as she will be sheltered from the rain & cold winds if it continues strong which it did.

Friday, Dec 29, 1911 Wet, wet, wet. Rained most all night last night wetting everything thoroughly. Wife & I went up town about 10AM and I found a swarm of bees @ Mrs Atkinson's on her fence, later took hive & went to get them, but concluded to wait until tomorrow. Cleaned up 33 lbs of clean honey from the last hive we opened.

Saturday, Dec 30, 1911 Peddling honey today, brought in cash 3.75, came home tired out. Wife & I up town after supper, bought butter, rolled oats, tea, coffee.

Sunday, Dec 31, 1911 Visiting Holliday down at the Dairy by the Long Beach to get our incubators legs. Home to chicken dinner & a party came & bought a chicken for 75 cts & such is life. Good bye old year.

END OF ENTRIES FOR 1911

The following entries were found in the back of the 1911 diary:

La Carmolita garden contains inside its fence 44,145 square ft or 585 square feet, more than a acre.
Bought from Genter & wife about Jan 1st 1911 by J.M. & A.C. Swain for \$1200 dollars interest @ \$72.00 per annum until paid for, to be paid for in two years.
Hazard Gould Co, Hardware Co, San Diego, Cali.
S.M. Wilcox, Claremont Cali.
With Prof C.C. Stearns in La Jolla Sept 19th 1911

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