

Rayel Diary

Including references to several TERRELLS
in TEXAS during the Civil War Era.

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[NOTE: There are actually two diaries here. The first one is written on heavy paper, and the second one on very light paper. I have put the transcription in chronological order as best I can. All loose pages of the diary are in the front of the diary in plastic sleeves, so the correct chronology is not easy. The first fourteen pages are loose pages. The diary is not in great shape, but at least there is one. There are many pencil markings throughout the Diary that are not part of the diary. Anything in brackets [] are my notes, comments, or attempts to transcribe, and some brackets, to wit: "[^text]," with a ^^ before it means that there was a ^ and the text above the main line of writing.

I have also left the hard "fs" where he used it. Though transcription states to re-write this as "ss," I prefer to leave it exactly as he wrote it.

Also, in the diary, there are various pages of newspaper articles concerning home remedies, for the most part, which have been glued into the diary. Apparently Mr. Rayel used the diary as part scrapbook for his information. I only photographed one of these pages, but I did not transcribe any of those.

I hope you can use the diary. I know more about the weather of Kaufman County, Texas than I ever thought I would. James Terrell Rayel was an amateur weather reporter. Prior to the National Weather Service being created, the Smithsonian Institute collected weather data from volunteers around the country, and James was one of them.

I'm glad I have the chance to do this.

Val

{Editor's Note: The "fs" combinations have been changed to "ss" in this copy. Everyone used the long, Colonial "S" which looks like "f" in that era. The purpose of printed transcripts is to make the information readable. "Do" is abbreviation for ditto which means same as above. This is obviously a farmer's agricultural diary. Most entries refer to time, wind direction, wind speed, etc. However, there are a lot of references to persons and places mixed in. Some Civil War events are mentioned. This copy has been reformatted to 2 columns to conserve paper. *DFB*}

There is a receipt in the diary which states:
Received from Keneus Tex Oct 20th 1888
S.H. Rayel
Fifteen 47/100ths-----Dollars
To Bal a/c in full to date,
\$15 47/XX Melean & Daniel

[Diary - page 1 in box -not necessarily the first page
of the Diary "pg1.jpg"]

Monday 9th, 7 A.M. 5 Cloudy 9 AM 5
9 P.M.
Wind @ 7 AM. 3S 9 AM 3 S. 2 P.M. 3 S. 9 P.
[missing]
Tuesday 10th " 7 AM Cloudy 10 9 AM cloudy 10 "
Wind S. 2 S. W. 3 At ½ past 11 A.M. Changed
Suddenly to W. and blew stiff breez[missing]
Wednesday 11th 7 Am Clear 9 Do 2 Do. 9 Pm. "N. 2
N 2 N. 2 N. 1
Thursday 12 7 A.M. Cloudy 10 9 AM Cloudy 10 2 [

] Cloudy 5 9 P.M. 0 7 AM Wind S.E 2 9 AM S E 2;
2 PM S 1 South 1
Friday 13th 7 AM Cloudy 5 9.M.0. 2 P.M. 0 - 9
P[missing] 5 -“ S. 2 S. 2 2.1 S.1 Very Dry
weather, need rain, w[missing]
Saturday 14th 7 A.M. 5 9 AM 0 - 2 PM 0 9 PM
[missing] S 2 S1 S1 S1
Sunday 15th 7 A.M. 10 - 9 A.M. 8 2 PM 9 PM S.
E. 2 S. E. 2 S2 [missing]
Rained from 6 to 6 ½ AM At home @ 8 A.M.
looks like more rain the sun[missing] rather cloudy
and wind S. E. almost 4 miles pr [missing] cool and
damp.
Monday 16th 7 A.M. 0 9 A.M. 0 2 P.M. Do. 9
[missing] S2 S3 S 3 S[missing] Commenced
raining at 10 P.M. rained unti[missing] from N. W.
diffuse {profuse? (abundant)}lightning
[missing]day 17 7 A.M. 5 9 A.M. 5 2 P.M. 3 9
P[missing] S. 2 S[missing]

[Diary page 2 “pg2.jpg”]
[missing] day 19th 7 A.M. 10 9 A.M. 10 2 P.M.
[missing] S. E. 3 9 A.M. S. E. 3
Commenced raining @ 10 until 11 - commenced
[missing] [ined] [cross out: until] all night Heavy
thunder light breezes [missing]12. M. diffuse
Lightning from the West heavy [missing]
[missing]day 20th 7 A.M. 10 9 A.M. 5 2 P.M. 5 9
P.M. S. 2. S. 2. S. 2 S.1
[missing]turday 21st 7 A.M. 5 9 A.M. 5 2 P.M.
10 9 P.M. S. 2 S. 2 E.1 E. 2 Commenced raining
@ 5 P.M. rained all night
Sunday 22nd 7 A.M. 10 9 A.M. 5 2 P.M. 5 9 P.M.
5 S. 2 S. 2 S. E. 2 S. E. 1 zz lightening N. 2. S.
Monday 23rd 7 A.M. 10 9 A.M. 5 2 P.M. 5 9
P.M. 5 zig zag lightening from North to south.
Tuesday 7 A..M. 5 9 A.M. 5 2 P.M. 0 9 P.M. 0
N.W. 2 N.W. 2 North 2 N. 1
Wednesday 25 7 A.M. 5 9 A.M. 10 2 P.M. 5 9
P.M. 10 N. 2 N. 2 N. 2 N. 2
Thursday 26th 7 A.M. Clear 9 Same 2 & 9 Same
Wind S. 2. S. W. 2 S. W. 2 S.W.1
Friday 27 Same
Saturday 7 A.M. 0 9 a.m. Same 2 P.M. & Same
Wind S. 3 S. 3 S. 3 S. 2
[missing]nday 7 Clear 9 A.M. clear 2 P.M. 5 9
P.M. Wind S. 2 S2 S1
[missing] day 30th [missing] 9 [missing] 2 P.M.
N. [missing]

[Diary Page 3 “pg3.jpg”]
[missing] y 4th **March 1860**
[missing]al wind E.N.E. @ 7 A.M. & 9 A.M.
[missing]th 7. [a.m. above 7] 5 2 P.M. Clear Wind 2
S. E.
[missing] 7 - 5 - 2 “ ” “
[missing] 7 - 7 - 0 - 2P.M. 5. Wind S. 2
[missing] 8 - 7 A.M. 5 - 2 P.M. 9 P.M. clear S.
W. 3 - north 12 ms per hr N. 2 -
[missing] y 9 7 A.M. clear Wind N.1
[missing] 10 Same as yesterday
[missing] 11th clear wind N. 2
[missing] 12 Smoky, wind S. E. 1-
[missing] 13 “ ” “
[missing] 14 “ Same as yesterday [crossed out:
Wind rain commenced 4 A.M. & rain till 10 gentle
rain N.E. 1]
[missing]urs. 15 Rained Comm. @ 4 A.M. until 10
A.M. gentle - rain wind N.E. 1
[missing] 16 Clear all day wind N.1
[missing] 17 Clear Gentle S. E. wind 1.
[missing] day 18 “ ” “
[missing] rday 19 “ ” “
[missing] y 20 “ ” “
[missing]y 21 “ ” “
[missing] 22 7 cloudy 5 wind S. 3. 2 P.M. [missing]
wind same 9 [missing]
[missing] 23 7 Cloudy 10 9 A.M. 2 [missing] W. 2
9 P.M. wind [missing]
[missing - last line]

[Diary page 4 “pg4.jpg”]
Sunday 25th Clear all day wind N.W. 3
Monday 26 “ ” Wind N.W. 2 from sunset missing]
Tuesday 27th Clear All Day wind at N.W. 2
[missing]
Wednesday 28 “ ” “ ”
Thursday 29 “ ” “ ”
Friday 30 7 A.M. Clear - 9 A.M. do. 2 P.M. do.
[missing]
Sat 31 7 A.M. Cloudy 10 9 A.M. 5 - 2 P.M. Clear
[missing] “ S. W. 2 “ W 3 2 P.M. N.W. 3
Sunday 1st April 7 A.M. Clear 9 A.M. Clear 2 P.M.
C[missing] 7 Wind N.N.W. 2 9. N.W. 2 - 9 P.M.
N[missing]
Monday 2nd 7 A.M. wind N. clear 9 A.M. same 2 P
[missing] Gentle wind -2 -
Tuesday 3. 7 A.M. same as yesterday

Wednesday 4 7 A.M. clear 9 A.M. clear 2 P.M. & 9 P[missing] Wind South 2 “ ”
Thursday 5th 7 A.M. clear 9 A.M. same 2 P.M. & 9 [missing] S. 2 S3 S. 3
Friday 6 7 A.M. clear 9 A.M. do. 2 P.M. 5 cloudy
“ S. W. 2 S.W. 3 S.W. 3 W. 2
Saturday 7th 7 A.M. clear 9 A.M. clear 2 P.M. clear 9 [missing] “ S. 2 S. 2 S. 2 Went to Hunt cows found one at [missing]
Sunday 8th 7 A.M. cloudy 10 9 A.M. 5 2 P.M. clear [missing] 7 S. 3. S. 3 S. 3
[missing] 3 more C[missing] drove [missing]
[missing last of page]

[Diary page 5 “pg5.jpg”]
[missing] proving
[missing] 12th Weather fair & pleasant distance 24 miles home where I found all well - No one who has ever gone on a trip with a waggon over bad roads in bad weather can more appreciate the comfort of a home wife and children- be his abode ever so humble [missing] I cannot say that I had any bad luck - I lost none of my team, did not break my waggon but got all my loading delivered safely at the mill.
[“1859” is written over a missing area of the diary]
Friday 13 took my grain to **R.A. Terrells** mill
Weather fa[missing] & pleasant.
[missing] 14th Weather warm & Clear - at home
[missing] 15th Clear & warm but little breeze.
[missing] 16th Do. “ ” “ commenced ploughing corn.
[missing] 17th Cloudy & warm- a little rain - wind S. E.
[missing] 18th Cloudy & warm wind S. E. Some rain through night. Planted out some sweet potatoe slips
19th Sun rose clear & brilliant everything [green?] a cheerful aspect after a slight but refreshing shower. Clear all day. Set out sweet potatoes.
[missing] 20th very warm - Cloudy Sunset Some rain through the night accompanied with much thunder and lightning & heavy wind from the north which was of short duration.
Saturday 21st Morning Cloudy & Still with indications of more rain which is needed.
Sunday 22nd Clear and remarkably warm & Sultry. Went to K.
Monday 23 Clear & warm at Kaufman This

Evening District Court [faded and missing]

[Diary page 6 “pg6.jpg”]
[missing] far as **Terrells Mill** waited [faded - missing] who is not ready returned home to [faded - missing] shall try and get off this evening. [missing] Weather Cloudy Wind South - looks [missing] much like ran - [?] Started at 4 [missing] From **Terrells Mill** for *Collin County* to Co[missing] in Company with Mr. **George Watkins**.
Dis[missing] day 6 miles encamped on Small Creek 2 m[missing] **E Chisholms** - night clear - Mr. W. Lost 2 yoke [missing] {oxen} got away - borrowed 1 yoke of **E. Chisholm** -
[missing]ursday 5th Morning Cloudy and damp. Commenced raining about 5 p.m. rained all night got very wet - camped ½ mile beyond *Rockwall* - **Mr. W.** lost 3 oxen [crossed out: got old Steer of **Tho Butler** - camped 8 miles from *McKinney* [missing] distance 10 miles weather warm & sultry: end crossed out]
Friday 6th Warm & Sultry Weather - traveled about 10 miles [missing] [] of *McKinney* camped 8 miles from Sa[missing] Slept well & [erased].
Saturday 7th Arrived at Mr. **Charles Fox** 6 miles W. of [missing] From whom **Mr. W.** purchased 65 bushels [missing] @ 41 - weather warm & sultry - Cloudy su[missing]
Sunday 8th. Remained at **Mr. Fox** all day waiting [missing]
Mr. W. who lost another yoke cattle-[missing] find them- Wind changed suddenly [missing] At 4 A.M. and down came the rain a[missing] Some hail accompanied with thermo[missing] Lightning - Continued showery all day-
Monday 9th Cleared up quite pleasant over head [missing] In a miserable condition for waggons [missing] Sail here is all of the black waxy kind went to **Mrs. Murrays** where I purchased 20 Bushels wheat for myself & put 13 Bushels on my waggon for **Mr. W.** - Turned our faces homeward at 10 ‘clock p.m.- Distance 8 miles- camped 12 from [*Preston Ridge*?]
Tuesday 10th Clear but warm - made about 8 miles - over road for 5 Miles over the worst hog wallow prairie I ever saw. Camped near a **Mr. Spurgeons** [^ Wednesday 11th] Met Several waggons loaded with lumber [missing]y all had to double [faded] [faded] the big [faded] crossed [Butlers ?] [missing]

[diary page 7 "pg7.jpg"]

[missing]ather clear & warm in the morning -

[missing] Kaufman remained all night.

[missing] Excessively hot & sultry. Went to Mr.

[missing] ker in Company with **P.M. Moorhouse**.

Esqr.

[missing] cin[missing]ing - remained all night.

[missing]th Weather warmer than yesterday- To.

Prainsville

Returned to Kaufman. Heavy rain at K. which only extended E. to Cottonwood Creek.

[missing] 20 Weather same as yesterday - To **Mr.**

Andrews and **Noels** - to Sale of horses and Cattle

Saw a good many persons - home -

[missing]ay 21st At Home - Weather a little more

pleasant but still very warm. Rode over to **Mr.**

Noels [missing] n I saw several of my friends - also

met Mr. [missing] Prospects flattening -

[missing] 22nd Weather very warm in the forenoon

about 4 P.M. Heavy Clouds Commenced flying

before a Cool N.E. Wind which continued

through the night but no rain.

[missing]urday 23d More pleasant Some Clouds

with a pretty Stiff South wind. [Curled?] well

about 4 feet

[missing] day 24th Warm and Still dry Went to

Rockwall

[missing]onday 25th Do. Do. Remained at Rockwall

Tuesday 26th " " Went to Mr. **Sherwoods Taylors**.

Hedges, Rubble & Others Stayed all night at Mr.

Thos Butlers

Wednesday 27th Weather more pleasant To

Rockwall heard speech from Hon **A. B. Norton**

Candidate for Re-election to H. Rep of State of

Texas. Stayed at **Mr. Hannas**.

Thursday 28th " " Home. Weather Cloudy & Warm

[faded] N.E. Breeze

[missing] Do. Do. Do. [missing]

[Diary page 8 "pg8.jpg"]

Sunday 31st Cloud & Warm. Went to [Wm?]

[missing] night No rain at that pl[missing]

Monday 1st day of August. At Rock[missing] for

Governor Lieutenant Gov[missing] Congress from

1st Dist Representative [missing] District Court for

this (Kaufman) Coun[missing] **Sam Houston**

received 87 votes. **Russels** 76 for Rep[missing]

79 **Norton** 63 for Dist Clerk **Rayel** 74 **Ellis** 62

Ra[missing] at Rockwall but a Heavy rain at

Turners a[missing] this place a tolerable shower

attended with much [missing] and lightning. Came

to **Mr. Hannas** and remained al[missing]

rained a small shower at home

Tuesday 2nd Came home. Weather clear & pleasant

sh[missing] breeze

Wednesday 3d Cloudy & warm but no rain Save

So[missing] sprinkle. At Home

Thursday 4th. Hauled water 1 ½ miles an uphill

[missing] Cloudy in forenoon, Strong indications of rain which is much needed. At Kaufman.

Friday 5 Cloudy & Warm At Kaufman

Saturday 6 Do. Do. Returned home in the evening.

Sunday 7th. Very warm. At Home.

Monday 8th. Do. Do. Clear in forenoon with except

of a few flying clouds.

Tuesday 9th Clear & Warm.

Wednesday 10 " " Went to Kaufman

Thursday 11 " " " " " "

Friday 12 " " " Came Home.

Saturday 13 " " " At Home Weather Clear [faded &

missing] wind S. E. until 5 p.m. when spring

fresh from winds blew almost a hurricane

accompanied with thunder [faded] considerable rain

which did great good by cooling atmosphere and in

a measure [relicing?] the [] prairies which were

suffering for water. The [missing] and [] changed

again [missing] [missing]

[Diary page 9 "pg9.jpg"]

Monday 5th Cloudy Cool & Chilly Wind from

North [missing]

Tuesday 6th Cloudy but warmer than yesterday.

W.W. R. wrote deed from **John Fox** to **Turners**

[missing] returned home at 2 P.M.

Wednesday 7 Do. Went to Kaufman [**Edgreenth?**]

was examined before Justice [**Conish?**] on charges

for robbing the mail - acquitted but re-arrested for

stealing letter from the P.[faded]Give Good for

Deft. State by **D.W. [Broughton?]** trial lasted until

Friday morning - Defendant held over for

appearance at Federal Court in \$500.00

Thursday 8 Weather Warm & Cloudy at Kaufman

Friday 9 Do. D. Some rain through night.

Saturday 10 Weather Still very warm. Returned

home. Cloudy but no rain here - had good rain at

Kaufman

Sunday 11. Still warm & sultry - no rain - at home

Monday 12 - Very warm & Cloudy. At home. Everything in confusion - my wife gone to see her mother who is at the house of Mr. Lewis Newell - lying at the point of death - children all gone with her Fixing to remove to Kaufman - not well - have got the blues - I went to Bro. **W.W. Rayels** and there learned the melancholy fact that Mrs. **Temperance Newell** expired to day at 12 O Clock M.. Sad News - But it is the Divine Will of the giver of all good to take her to himself and we should not murmur at this decree
Tuesday 13th Very warm Loaded three [missing] [missing] proceeded about [missing]

[Diary page 10 "pg10.jpg"]
[missing] Morning Somewhat Cloudy - pleasant some breeze [missing] indications of more rain. No rain
[missing 5th] warm and dry.
[missing] 16th " " "
Wednesday 17th " Rain at 3 A.M. tolerable good shower - went to Kaufman
Thursday 18 Warm & Sultry At Kaufman
Friday 19 " " "
Saturday 20 " " "
Sunday 21 " " Home
Monday 22. Clouded up in Evening of yesterday and a small shower at 5 p.m. another small shower at Six A.M.
Tuesday 23 Warm and Sultry
Wednesday 24 " "
Thursday 25 Morning cool & pleasant - warm at mid day - To Kaufman
Friday 25 Do. Do. At. Kaufman
Saturday 27 Do. Do. " Till evening- home at 10 p.m.
Sunday 28th Warm and Sultry - Cloudy in N.E. at Sundown Clouds more singular aspect part of them being of a bright red with white streaks - more brilliant at 1 A.M. on Monday.
Monday 29th. Cloudy wind N.E. At sundown heavy Clouds in S. and S. W. vivid and constant lightning - No rain. Killed 2 prairie chickens.
Tuesday 30 Warm and Sultry - in the evening. Morning Cool.
Wednesday 31 Morning - Cool - wind N.E. Evening very hot & somewhat Sultry - Lightning in S. W. at sundown. At this writing 11 ½ p.m.

wind in N.E. Lightning from S. W. still continues with strong indications of rain - some sprinkling.
Thursday 1st September 18 o' 9 Morning cool and rather pleasant. Went to Kaufman.
Friday 2 Do. Do. At Kaufman
Saturday 3 Cloudy at 4 p.m. Heavy rain [missing] [missing]

[Diary page 11 "pg11.jpg"]
Wednesday 6th At home Weather Somewhat cloudy [missing] very warm in the morning Breeze N. [missing] Warm All day
Thursday 7th. Same as yesterday - very dry every thing Suffering for rain. Grass drying up - the creeks are dry - Save an occasional pool of water [missing] unbearable by the [wasting?] of Cattle, hogs & C.
Friday 8th Warm Still and Sultry at 7 A.M. "Not a [missing] is stirred"- Warm and Sultry the Whole [missing] went to Kaufman - got well Augur on[missing] returned arrived 8 P.M.
Saturday 9th Warmer if possible than yesterday - at ho[missing] broke my well augur consequently can [missing] nothing - the nights are tolerably pleasa[missing]
Sunday 10th More pleasant - Wind N.E. Somewhat C[missing] at 5 p.m. breeze stiffened & blew hard - [missing] night very cool - Clouds by occasional mo[missing] looks like winter.
Monday 11th Cloudy & rather pleasant - light shower of rain Bored for water having patched up an old augur for the purpose Slow work got down about 18 fe[missing] Slow work - no water.
Tuesday 12th Cloudy - some small showers - **Mrs. T** and **Miss V.** - visited us Commenced digging new well. Very warm in the afternoon.
Wednesday 13th. Still Cloudy & warm but no rain of consequence. Dug in new well
Thursday 14th Very warm weather Dug some in well.
Friday 15th Weather still Warm. " " " "
Saturday 16th Do. Do. Night cool & pleasant. got down about 15 feet with my well [faded and missing] little water. Hauled water about [faded and missing] [missing]

[Diary page 12 "pg12.jpg" and "pg12a.jpg"]
[missing] day 27th Clear & tolerably pleasant dug in well

[missing]sday 28th. Somewhat Cloudy & Cool in the morning Very Cloudy in Evening but a small sprinkle. Dug in well, we are down 27 feet in Joint Clay and have bored 13ft. With an auger which brings us into the heart of a bed of dark blue clay - What is commonly called black dirt.

[missing]sday 29th. Cloudy & warm in the morning. At 12 M. We had a good shower of rain. Sent **Mr. McKenzie** to town to get the well auger fixed. Still Cloudy indications of More Showers at 4 P.M. Another good shower at 5 ½ P.M. Did no work.

[missing]ursday 30 Somewhat Cloudy & warm

[missing]day 1st July Do. Do.

[missing]rday 2nd Do. Do.

Sunday 3 Do. Do.

Monday 4th Do. Started to Cedar Grove learning that there would be a celebration of the 83d anniversary of our national independence. Got within 3 miles of Said town and learned that the Dinner oration & C would be at that place whither I wended my way and on arriving found assembled about 200 people the Declaration of independent having been read and the oration delivered before my arrival. The ladies were at Dinner - Started home at 2 P.M. Rode home in sight of some fine showers of rain but did not get the benefit of any Save a very slight sprinkling [missing] [missing]sday 5th At home bored for water for [missing] [missing]

[Diary page 13 "pg13.jpg"]

[missing] arrived at Kaufman on the Same evening about [faded]

[missing]14th Returned to the place in the Country - hunted oxen all day after my arrival found none - In the Evening about 5 P.M. wife & children arrived - Remained all night - weather still warm & cloudy

Thursday 15th Weather very warm - wife & children came on to K. I remained behind to hunt oxen, In the Evening started for K. & found oxen about 1 ½ miles from town. Drove there on and delivered them to **Mr. [Land?]**

Friday 16 At home in Kaufman - weather still very warm fixed up Bed Steads & C. troublesome working

Saturday 17th Still at home weather still very warm

Sunday 18th Cloudy & warm in the morning. I [sic]

evening at 3 P.M. Norther sprung up - very cold and damp.

Monday 19. Still cold wind from the north blowing almost a hurricane - clear.

Tuesday 20 Still Cold - wind North - clear

Wednesday 21st Still Cool in Morning, Evening warmer

Thursday 22 Clear & Pleasant

Friday 23d Warmer Cloudy in Evening Small showers through night

Saturday 24th Cloudy & warm - lightning in the W & S. W. - indications of much rain

Sunday 25th Morning 10 O Clock Heavy Clouds in N.W. Low Heavy thunder - rained considerable showered - less wind than anticipated.

[Diary page 14 - no image of this page]

Monday 26th Cloudy & very warm and sul[missing] there came up a heavy rain from the [missing] [crossed out: Rained nearly all night.]

Tuesday 27th Warmer [^7 A.M.] and Sultry - at 5 ½ P.M. he[missing] from the South West accompanied with much thunder and lightning.

Wednesday 28th. Warm and Sultry [crossed out: in the forenoon]. AT 12 at night Another heavy rain from the S. W. accompanied with much thunder & lightning. (Forked)

Thursday 29th Warm, Cloudy & Drizzly - at 3 rained hard - some thunder & Lightning but no wind. Clouds from all points of the compass seemed to meet & commingle directly over our heads - Sunset Clear

Friday 30th Sunrise Clear & bright - very cool wind North at the rate of 12 miles per hour

[Crossed out: Saturday 30th Same as yesterday - a little more mild in the evening.]

Saturday 1st October. Sunrise Clear & beautiful Mild breeze Still north at Sunset more mild. North

Sunday 2nd Same as yesterday

Monday 3d Very Clear Wind S. E. - Very mild breeze.

Tuesday 4th " " " " " " " "

Wednesday 5 " " " S " " "

Thursday 6th Clear @ 7 A.M. very light breeze S

Friday 7th At 7 A.M. Clear 2 P.M. 5 - 9 P.M. 10

Wind S. E. 2 @ 7 A. 2 P.M. - 1 9 P.M. 2

Saturday 8th 7 A.M. 5 wind S. E. 2

[Diary page 15 - no image of this page]

[missing] 9th. At 7 A.M. 4 Cloudy 2 P.M. Clear 9 P.M. [faded] [missing] wind 7 " S. E. 2 " N. 2 " N. 1
 [missing] 10th a 7 A.M. Clear & Cool 2 P.M. Clear 9 P.M. Clear Col S. E. 2 " S. E. " 1 S. E. 1
 Weather calm & smoky Indian Summer.
 Tuesday 11th 7 A.M. Clear 2 P.M. Cloudy 8 9 P.M. S. E. 2 "" S. E. 2 "" S. E. 1 9 P.M.
 Wednesday 12th 7 A.M. 5 Cloudy 2 P.M. 8 9 P.M. Clear 7 "" S. E. 2 " S. E. 2 "" N.E. 2
 Thursday 13th 7 A.M. Cloudy 10 - 2 P.M. 5 cloudy 9 P.M. Clear E 1 S2 S. E. 2
 Friday 14 7 A.M. Cloudy 5 2 P.M. 5 9 [Crossed out: P.M. Rain] [crossed out: until 11] P.M. S. E. 2 S. E. 2
 Saturday 15th 7 A.M. Cloudy 5 2 P.M. 8 9 P.M. Rained until 11 P.M. 7 A.M. S. E. 2 " 2 P.M. E1 9 P.M. E 2
 Sunday 16th 7 A.M. Cloudy 10 Drizzly - 2 P.M. Clear 9 P.M. " E 3 S. E. 2 S. E. 2
 Monday 17th 7 A.M. 10 Cloudy and very warm 2 P.M. 10 Cloudy & very warm - 4 P.M. Heavy Rain Lasted until 5 1/2 p.m. 7 A.M. Wind S 4 - 2 P.M. S. W. 4 9 P.M. North 4 -
 Tuesday 18 7 A.M. 5 Cloudy- 2 P.M. Rain 2 hours Cloudy 10 North 2 N.E. - N.E. 3
 Wednesday 19 7 A.M. Cloudy 10 - 2 P.M. 10 E.1 E. 1 South 2
 Thursday 20 7 A.M. Clear 2 P.M. Clear 9 P.M. Do. 7 S.1 S. 1 S. 2
 Friday 21 7 Cloudy 2 P.M. Rain 2 hrs 9 P.M. Clear S S2 S2
 Saturday 22 7 Clear 2 P.M. Clear 9 P.M. Clear
 Sunday 23 7 Clear 2 P.M. Clear 9 P.M. 7 2 South 2 South

[Diary page 16 "pg16.jpg"]
 [faded] 14th Clear and fair all day wind [missing]
 [missing] 25 " " "
 Wednesday 26 7 " " 2P.M. Clear
 Thursday 27 7 " " 2" 9 P.M. S. 2 S. W. 2 N.12
 Friday 28 7 A.M. Clear 2 P.M. Do. 9 P.M. Do. N. 25 N. 25 N.4
 Saturday 29 7 A.M. Clear 2 P.M. Clear 9 P.M. Clear N. 3 N2 N. 2
 Sunday 30th 7 A.M. Clear 2 P.M. clear 9 P.M. S2 S2 S2
 Monday 31 Do. Do. Do.
 Tuesday 1st [Oct?] Do. Do. Do.

Wednesday, Thursday Friday Saturday and Sunday the 6th Weather Clear with gentle S. Breeze till 9 P.M. Strong S.W.; Breeze 1/2 Cloudy
 Thursday 10th Clear Wind South gentle Breeze
 Friday 11 7 A.M. 5 2 P.M. Clear 9 P.M. 10 Clear 7 S. E. Strong. Strong North very [faded]
 Saturday 12 7 A.M. Clear - strong North Wind continued throughout day - wind lulled at Sundown Very Cold & Freezing.
 Sunday 13 Clear and Cold wind North 3.
 Monday 14 Clear very hard south wind.
 Tuesday 15 Same
 Wednesday 16 Same
 Thursday 17 Cloudy Some rain wind S. E. Gentle
 Friday 18 " "
 Saturday 19 7 Cloudy 2 P.M. Clear 9 Clear S. E. 2 S. 2 S1
 Sunday 20 Clear very gentle S. Breeze

[this finishes the loose pages at front of diary.]

[There are several pages in an attached portion of the book that appear to relate to Kaufman county. Images that are not transcribed here are: pg17.jpg; pg17a.jpg which is filled mostly with math problems - division but appears in the same handwriting. At later point in the diary he talks about practicing math and maybe this was how; pg18.jpg is done like a probate book for the court with the name **Mis Jas T. Rayel** across the top of the page and then an accounting on the page; pg19.jpg this has **James T. Rayel** across the top, then some estate accounting type entries, but mostly it appears to have handwriting practice practicing writing the name "**James T. Rayel**"; pg20.jpg Kaufman County Estate Accounting info; pg21.jpg & pg21a.jpg - more handwriting practice - pg21a.jpg was across the bottom in pencil so I took a specific photograph of that portion of the page; pg22.jpg a deed for a **James Johnson** dated December 3, 1863; pg23.jpg more estate account entries; pg24.jpg more estate account entries; pg25.jpg and pg25a.jpg a few lines of estate account entries and then more math problems in division; pg26.jpg more practice of handwriting and math; pg27.jpg another **James Johnson** deed 21 December 1863; pg28.jpg account entries for **James Stock**]

some thunder and lightning

[Diary page 31 "pg31.jpg"]
Feb'y & March

Wed 27 7 A.M. Cloudy 10 2 P.M. 0 9 P.M.

10 0 0
N.W. 2 N.W. 2 N.W. 2
Sat. 9 2 0 0
N.W. 2 N.E.1 N.E.1

finished planting all but about 5 acres on the South Side of field. Weather very clear, beautiful and spring like

[Diary page 32 "pg32.jpg"]

March 1861

Sunday 10th 0 0 0
y N.E.1 S. E. 2 S. E. 1

This is a delightful morning, rather clear calm & serene

S. Wind 2 2 " S. 2 S. 3.
Drizzly
Thur. 28 7 A.M. 2. P.M. 7 0 9 P.M. 60

not a cloud dims the horizon. The lark and other birds are singing gaily and joyfully send forth their sweet notes - The grass & other vegetation springing like [magro?], and we fondly cherish the hope that the winter

Fri 1st March 1861
7 A.M. Cloudy 9 2 P.M. 7 9 P.M. 60
" " S.1 SE2 SE2

made for gone. Stayed at home - saw no stranger except 2 new from V. 60 70 68 Co. hunting horses. Jo Ray left yesterday evening

Latitude 32 1/2 Long. 19' W from Washington

Sat 27 7 A.M. Cloudy 0 9 8
S. E. 2 S. E. 3 S. E. 2
Sun 3. Wind hauled suddenly to N. at 4 a.m. some rain.

to return to day. "Anime Reverteudi" Jo. home
Mon 11 64 78 70 0 0
To kaukian S3 S3

Cloudy 10 8 3
Wind N. 3 N2 N1
Mon. 4 7 A.M. 0 0 0
N.1 NW.1 NW1

Stocked plough oxen not found - no ploughing done
Tues 12 2 0 2
54 64 56 3. S. 3. S. 2.

Worked on plough Stocks & [Harrow?]
Tues 5 0 0 0
N. 2 NE1 N2

Wed 13 10 9 9
42 66 56 2 N.E. 2 N.E.1
shower same frost 6 A.M. until 6 Diffuse lightning in N.W. occasional peals of heavy thunder -

Planted some corn.
Doct. J. DuBoise all night
Wed. 6 0 0 0
S. E. 2 S. E. 2 S. 2.

Clouds increased raining again at 9 A.M. until 11 A.M. A good shower. Set out Cedar tree.
Thur. 14 0 0 5
N2 NW1 2

To WWR got sweet & Irish potato seed planted Irish potatoes & bedded out sweet potatoes.
Thur 7 10 0 3
S. 3. S.4. S.W. 3

To mill 38 68 60 frost
3 [Lounist?] Z. Turner to Dine Hunting horses.
Fri. 15 0 2 0
S. 3 S. 3 S.1. 3.

Fri 8 Commenced raining at 6 M. Ending 1/4 past 6 good shower

Planted more corn. finished planting corn.
Sat. 16th 54 74 70 10 10
Some [^ showers of] rain through night N.W. 4
hail rain &

Date	Wind	Temp	Pressure	Barometer	Notes	Wind	Temp	Pressure	Barometer	Notes
					planted seed of Chinese sugar cane. To Kaufman Comm. Rain @ 7 P.M. 8 P.M. - diffuse Lightning S. E. S. W. & N.W.					& worked
Sun 17 9	9	6	38	40	34	S4	10	10	34	on tank - found no horses
Mon 18	N3	N3	N3	34	34	S4	10	10	34	At Kaufman's house - stayed at E. Chisholms
	N2	N2	N1	34	34	S4	10	10	34	WWR & John Lerney killed.
Tues 19	0	0	5	44	34	S4	10	10	34	Bailey Daugherty's & remained all night
	S.4	S.5	S2	44	34	S4	10	10	34	found filly
Wed 20	10	0	0	44	34	S4	10	10	34	found filly
	N. 3	N.4	N.1	44	34	S4	10	10	34	found filly
Thur 21	0	0	9	38	34	S4	10	10	34	W.H.W. All. night. [Suppose?] Planted cane seed.
	S. E. 3	S. 3	S. E. 5	38	34	S4	10	10	34	W.H.W. All. night. [Suppose?] Planted cane seed.
										[Diary page 33 "pg33.jpg"]
										March & April 1861
Frid 22 10	10	1				SE1	8	3		74 80
	S4	S4	S2	60		S2				Hunted
Sat. 23d	0	0	0	48		S2				Borrowed horse from Friend Noel.
	N3	N2	N1	48		S2				To Cedar Grove, Stayed at Mrs. Libbards -
Sun. 24	0	8	10	50		S2				Lightning in N.W.
	SE2	SE3	S2	50		S2				Worked in tank. Sowed Hungarian Grass seed.
Mon. 25	10	10	10	68		S2				Tues 2 30 8 home 3 P.M. 10 72
	S3	S3 showery	S4	68		S2				At home - horses and oxen both gone.
										Wed 3 10 9 64 86
										Mon. 25 10 10 10 68 68 72 S2 S4 SE3
										Hunted horses & oxen - Walked Self dizzy found neither horses nor oxen. Commenced raining a 12 night rained 1 hour very hard
										Thur 4 10 10 SE2 SE2 home 60
										from the west - Much Lightning in the S.W.W. at W. & N. Diffuse zig zag & forked - The creeks much swollen. I've gone hunt oxen all night.
Tues 26	5	0	0	62		SE1	10	10		3
	NW1	NW3	NE1	62		SE1	10	10		3
										Smith Allen & Sam. Ricco A.M. [crossed out: Went to Turner's Point & Home]
Wed 27	0	0	3	48		SE1	10	10		3
	NE []	S2	SE1	48		SE1	10	10		3
Thur 28	7	5	3	60		SE1	10	10		3
	SE2	SE3	SE4	60		SE1	10	10		3
										Hunted horses
										Helped Geo. Paschal to drive cows home in the evening.

Sunday 7th 0 3 66
 NW1 NW4
 The morning is clear & delightful. An unusually clear atmosphere
 Spring birds are carolling joyously their songs of the season.
 Mon 8 0 0 50 70
 NW2 NW4 NW1
 Hauled wood & water. Sowed Hungarian grass seed.
 Tues 9 0 0 48 80
 NW1 SE2 S10
 Camp & I Ricco a.m.
 Wed. 10 9
 SE3 NW3 NW1 64
 Kamp & self to Kaufman's & home a.m.
 Heavy wind through night & small shower []
 Thur 11 8 8 9 58
 NW2 NW2 NW2
 Turners Point I.R. & Self & home
 Fri 12 0 0 48
 NW3 NW2 S1
 Some frost
 Sat. 13 0 0 8 54
 SE1 SE2 SE1
 I Rico left for home at 2 P.M. Rain about 12 at night good shower lightning W & S at Sundown.
 Sunday 14 8 10 10 64
 E3 SE3 S2
 Commenced raining at 5 P.M. good Showers
 At Sundown much lightning (forked) in S. S. E. & E. - clouds flying -
 Mon. 15 10 0 50
 N4 N3
 have the pleasure of seeing him.
 Tues 16 0 0 54
 N.W.1 N.W. 2 N.W.1
 Went to J.E. Terrells
 Wed. 17 0 0 54
 SE2 S3 S1
 Went to Kaufman
 Thur. 18 0 0 60
 S2 S2 N3
 At Kaufman
 Fri 19 0 0 50
 N1 S2 S2
 Sat. 20 0 0 60
 S2 S3 S1
 Came home. Considerable excitement in Court Examination of N. J. Gibbs for the killing of James

Moore 64
 on last Saturday.
 [Diary page 35 "pg35.jpg"]
 April & May 1861
 Sun. 21 10 3 70
 66 S3 S4
 At home. All well thanks to the Great Giver of all good.
 Mon 22 10 9 7 66
 70 S. 3. S. 3. S. 3.
 Hauled Water at Turner's Point & home found Joseph Ray at Mrs. Norton's very dangerously ill having been attacked on
 Sunday [10] 21
 Tues 23 10 9 3 72
 S2 S3 NW4
 Cedar Grove & home
 Lightning & thunder in E. & N.E. @ 5 P.M. & Rainbows
 S. E. 58 Joseph Ray died yesterday much regretted
 Some frost all his
 acquaintances.
 Wed 24 9 8 9 48
 N.E. 2 S. E. 1 N.E. 2
 Thur 25 7 8 9 60
 76 74 S. 2. S. 2. S. 2 To Rico
 Fri 26 10 drizzling rain 10 10 62
 T. Prainville remained all night
 WWR & MIK a.m.
 Sat. 27 10 0 0 [Crosse
 68 60 NW. 3 NW2 NW1
 J.E. Terrells & Dan & Blowers remained all - very cool -
 Sun 28 0 0 5
 78 60 NW1 S2 2 on risin
 morning found considerable frost upon the fence - home by 12 M.
 Mon 29 76 9 9 [] 9 64
 S2 SE2 NE3
 Tues 30 8 7 50
 78 54 NE3 NE2
 Hauled
 much trouble
 May -64
 Wed 1 8 10 10 60 68
 78 70 N.E. 2 N2 NE1 Hauled
 Commenced raining very gently at 11 ½ A.M.
 Gentle
 Showers all through the night - Distant thunder in

S.W.					Mon. 13	9		10	N.W. comm.
Thurs 2	10	10	10	60	64	62			Raining at 2
	NE2	NE2	NE1				N3	N4	p.m. gentle

Set out sweet potatoes slips - transplanted beets.
Sowed more seed of Hungarian grass.

Fri 3	10	9	10	60	72	66			
	S2	S1	SE7						

Went to Chas Reese, Tates, WWR & home
Heavy Rain commenced 11 P.M. 1 hour much
Lightning & heavy thunder

[Diary page 36 "pg36.jpg"]

May 1861

Saturday 4 th	10	9	8						
	SE2	SE2	S2	66					

Went to Kaufman remained all night

Sunday 5	0	0							
	SE2	N1	N1						

Home at 3 P.M.

Monday 6	0	0	0						
	N3	N2	N1						

Tuesday 7
commenced ploughing out corn - got along slowly

Wed. 8	0	8	10	64	80	72	N2	NE2	N[6?] 60
	S2	SE2	SE1						

Thur 9 10	7		68	86	78				
	SE2	S3							

Fri. 10 9	0	9	70	90					
	SE2	S3	S2						

Clouds in West Lightning but too distant to hear the thunder.

Sat. 11	8	7	9	74					
	S3	S3	S3						

At 8 P.M. Lightning in W & NW Went to Turner's Point

much talk of raising an independent company for the frontiers - George has been complaining for several days - George Ricco Dr

Sunday 12	10	8	9						
	S3	S1	NW1	76					

I find George has the measles - They are out very thick upon his entire body. Went to Turner's point for the purpose

of procuring medicine for Geo. Was also at uncle R.A. Terrells

this morning - Saw Mr. Stewart & other gentlemen (?) Diffuse

Lightning in S. N. & S. W. TrainED [closed?] up.

Now at this writing it rains beautifully & gently & Ploughed corn until promises us a good season - good rain corn now about knee high looks vigorous &

To WWRomainsight

[crossed out: at R.A. Terrells Two of children sick 82th measles]

Tuesday 14	9	10							

Set out potato slips.

R.A. Terrills this morning 2 little girls sick with measles

Wed 15		NE 1 cloudy	10	10	NE1	62			

gently

Loaned I Houston Gun to hunt Runaway negroes.

92	80								
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[Diary page 37 "pg37.jpg"]

May 1861

Thurs 16	10	10							
		NE2	NE1	showery	60				

Saw E. [Horwencamp] Cand. For Dist Atty Went to Go. Paschalls & home

John D. Belew a.m.

Fri 17 70	8	7	9						
		NE2	NE1	NE1	66				

Went to Turners Point. Drilled on Horseback

Sat. 18	10	10							
		NE2	E1	comm.					

To rain at 1 p.m.

good & gentle rain

Went to Rob Rays & drove cow home a very fine animal.

Sun 19 10 8 0 62
SW2 SW2 SW1

Mon 20 8 6 76
S2 N2

R.A.T. took mare home plough Stopped planted some corn field peas. Very warm work corn look well but needs work

Tues 21 0 0 2 68
NE2 N1 NE1

Wed. 22 3 0 68
SE2 SE2
Hauled

water 2 times

Thur 23 8 9 2 68
S2 S2 SE1

ploughed with oxen - awkward business - planted corn field peas.

Fri 24 9 0 0 68
SE2 S3 SE1
planted

peas.

Sat. 25 2 0 0 74
SE2 S2 S1

Went to W.R. Camps

Sun 26 0 0 0 74
S2 S2 S1

Mon 27th 0 0 0 70
N1 SE2 SE1

Kaufman & home

Tues 28 10 8 3
S2 S2 S2 To Turners

Ike [Reece or Rico]

Wed. 29 10 7

[erased]

S2 S2 S2 Z.W. Moore & Ike

Thur 30 10 10 10
S2 E2 E2

commenced raining at 11 A.M. splendid rain continued to rain all night.

Fri 31 10 10 10
SE2 SE1 SE2 Sam Revere

showery in evening To Turners

[Diary page 38 "pg38.jpg"]

~~Sat. 1870~~
Sat. 1 10 7 0

80 76 SE2 SE2 S1
At home all day. Except to the mill.

Sun 2 9 8 3 76
S2 S1 S1

At home
Mon 3 10 8 8 76 90
SW1 SW2 SW1

com. Rain at 6 A.M. rained hard for 30' Thunder & lightning

Went to Turners Point - still trying to make

80mpan74- 11 [new or now] enrolled their names

Tuesday 4 0 Foggy 0 0 72
S1 S1 S1

Went to Cedar grove. Drilled got 5 or 6 new holes to our company. All night at Aunt Polly McCartys, Alex Lacy, ZWM Geo Hardin & John McCarty

Wedndy 5 0 4 3
86 74 S1 90 S2

Home @ 1 P.M. in Co. with Laura L. Moore, John McCarty, Alex Lacy, George Hardin to Dinner

86ur. 678 9 9 10
S3 S3

Commenced raining at 3 P.M. rained hard

86r about 803 hours. Much wind doing considerable damage by blowing down corn and the fences

Remained all night at Houston's A. Lacy A.M.

Fri 7 8 8 6
S2 S2 S2 Home

Sat 8 9 8 7

S2 S2 S2

Went to Turner's Point & drilled (^ & elected officers) Home

In Co. with Geo. Hardin - who remained with us until after din.

Sun 9 9 8 2
S3 S2 S1 To Eag

Z.W. Moore & Ike

[Diary page 39 "pg39.jpg"]

[NOTE: someone has practice handwriting like James Rayel on this page. I have tried to only transcribe his actual diary entries]

Mon 10th 8 6 4

Tues 11	S1 6	SE1 8	S2 4	84	Sat. 29 Home Frank & Wood Dr. Moore & Self hunted				
Wed 12	S1 0	E1 4	SE1	84	No game	2	hauled water		
Thur 13	S1 0	SE1 0		76	Daily				
Fri 14	S2 0	S2 0	S2 0	home	Mon 1 st Cloudy & Drizzly			8'	84
Sat 15	S2 0	S2 0	S2 0	GJ	Tues 2. Cloudy & Showery. Tom Hardin D. Went to Kaufman				
	S2	S2	S2		[comet] appeared at N 35 (underline little o) W largest have ever seen.				
					Wed 3 10	6			
						NE2	E2		84
			home		Went to Mr. Stewarts Stewart D. Moore & Self				
			at 8		went driving				
			p.m.		Killed no game. Deer very scarce remained until 2 P.M.				
Sun 16	0	0	0		Thursday 4	0	0	0	
Mon 17 th	S1 1	SE2 0	SE2 0	Home	Started W.P.R. saw Maj. Camp, Sam Reece, Tate and some others. - The glorious fourth not celebrated in the usual				
	S1	S1	S2		Friday 5 th	0	0	0	
of my ponies. Got to Rockwell - remained there all night.						S2	S2	S2	96
Tues 18	0	0	0		Went out to driving had 2 shots. No game				
	S1	S1	S2		Reached post at 5 A.M. Hauled water				
This day rode about 50 miles- hottish day yet Mer 98 at 2 P.M.					Sat. 6	3	0	0	
Weds. 19	0	0				S2	S2	S3	94
	S1	S2	S2		Sunday 7	0	0	0	
of my horses & started for home. Reached the house of Mr. Sanford 1 mile South of Farmersville - all night					Mond 8	0	0	0	
Thur. 20	0	0	0		reached home	S1	S2	S2	Kaufman
	S2	S3	S3		Met 4 companies Volunteers & drilled				
with ponies - which have been gone 3 months less 2 days.					Tues 9 2	3			
Fri. 21 0	2	0				S1	S1		Met C.I.
	S2	S3			from Canceled hunting. Taylor & wife				
Hungarian grass at 9 ½ A.M.					Nov 10	0	0		
Sat. 22 Finished cutting grass fair & warm.						S1	S1		Rain
Sun. 23 At home weather's fair & warm									Barbec
Mon. 24 Shucked grass									ue at
Tues 25 Shucked grass Warm & fair					Rob Rays [bank?]				
[Diary page 40 "pg40.jpg"]					[Diary page 41 "pg41.jpg"]				
June & July 1861					Thur 11	3	4	0	
Wed. 26 Finished shucking grass. To Kaufman						S1	S1	S2	
Good shower at 12 m.					Wm. Taylor left for home - hauled water				
Thur 27 At Kaufman - fair					Fri 12	10	8	9	
Fri 28 Home at night - fair						S1	S1	S3	hauled

Sat. 13	9	8	3	94	Sat 27	0	0	0	
	S2	S2	S1			S2	S1		96
Went to Kaufman & drilled - Home 9 At night.					Went to Kaufman & Home				
Sun 14	8	0	8		Sun 28	0			
	S2	S2	S3	94			98		
Mon 15	10	0				S1	JET [?] home yet		
	SE2	S2	S2	94	James still sick with fever all through night				
Tues 16	10	9			George also complaining -				
	SE3	S2		96	much sickness throughout the country.				
Went to R.A. Terrells then to D. Moores remained until					Mon 29	0	0		
after dinner. Some Small showers throughout the day -						S2	S2		98
Also to Moss Lane's & Roger Larves has just bored a					James appears some better at 8 a.m.. Judy Sick -				
well water 5 feet of the surface					Hauled water				
Wed 17	8	8	0		Tues 30	0	S1	S0	
	S2	S2	S2	94		S2		2	99
Thur 18	10	0	0		Wed. 31	[5]	3	4	
	S2	S2	S2	96		S.1.	S.1.	S.1.	99
Went to R.A. Terrell then to C.I. Terrell & self to J.E. Terrells					hauled water				
to dinner - Home in company with C.I. Terrell who remained					Fri 1 st August	0	3	9	
all night - sold [Hanan H.?)						S.1.	SW1	Gathered some	
Fri 19	10	8	8						
	S3	S2	SE2	96					
Sat. 20	0	0	0						
	SW2	S1	S2	94					
Sun 21 Same as yesterday - At home.									
Mon 22	8	0	0						
	N3	N2	N2						
Went to R.A. Terrells house at 10 a.m. very cool wind									
North									
Tues 23d	0	0	0						
	N2	N2	N3						
Wed 24 N.E. 2 James Sick					96	staked grass			
To R.A.T. - home - to Moses Larves got horse shod					Commenced raining at 4 P.M. from S. E. continued				
-					1 ½ hours - accompanied with hard wind, thunder & lightning				
Thu 25	0		0		A good rain which was much needed.				
	S2	S2	S2	9[sic]	Fri 2 nd	4	3	0	
James Still sick. Went to Kaufman - home						SE1	S1	SE2	
[Dairy page 42 "pg42.jpg"]					102				
July & August 1861					Sat. 3d	0	3	9	102
Fri 26	0	0				S2	S1	D.n. the	
	S2	S7	S2	96	toothache				
James still sick very high fever - At home					Sultry & very warm - indications of thunder showers -				

thermometer 98 at sunset, warm & sultry all through the night.

Sunday 3 4
S1 NW2 98

12 O.Clock [crossed out: A]M. mercury 104 - breeze sprung up from N. Now more pleasant - commenced raining and ½ past 12 M. rained ¾ hour - good showers.

[Diary page 43 "pg43.jpg"]
August
Monday 5 0 10
S2 S2 rain 1 p.m.
Went to Kaufman to Election Small shower at 1 P.M. at Kaufman - home at 8 P.M.
Saw J.E.T. R.A.T. & C.I.T.
Tues 6 0 3
S2 S2 94
Went to Mill - got new corn ground to W.W. Grays
Wed 7 4 0 0
S2 S2 S3 To Aunt Polly McCarty
To. W.D.D. & R.A. Terrells, Saw J.E.T. at Bobs Remained at J.H. McCarty's all night
Douglass borrowed George's Poney - cut timber in Lacy tract
Thur 8 0 2
S. 3. S. 2.
Fri 9 0 0 0
S3 S2 S2 100
Sat 10 0 0 0
S3 S2 S2 To Geo. Maschalls
and brot home a little Molasses
Sun 11 0 0 0
S3 S2 S2 100
Mon 12 0 4 9
S2 S1 S1 100
commenced raining at 7 P.M., rained 1 ½ hours - good rain & much needed. Went to R.A. Terrells saw J.E. Terrell who started to the war in Missouri.
Tues 13th 4 0 3
S1 S2 S2 98
Wed 14 0 0 0
NE2 NE2 NE2 98
Went to Kaufman - home in the Evening - Prairies on fire on East side at Kings fork. Went with C.I. Terrell Noel and others to put it out. Home at midnight.

Thus 0 3
NE3 NE2 85

[Diary page 44 "pg44.jpg"]
August
Friday 16 At Home Warm & Sultry 98
Sat. 17 Went to Kaufman remained all night
S0
SE
Sun 18 3 2 4 98
N2 N2 N2
Mon 19 10 10 10
S2 S2 S
commenced raining gently at 9 a.m. rained nearly all day and all night.
Tues 20 10 9 6
SE2 S2 SE2
rained till 10 from [crossed out:
hauled poles]
Wed. 21 10 9 6
Drizzly WindSE1 S2 N2 [crossed
To Aunt Polly McCarty
Thur 22 10 3
DrizzlyS2 98
Fri 23 10 3
S2 S2
Sat 24 10 8 0
Home at 5 P.M. S2 S1 SE2 98
Sun. 25 3 3 4
SW2 S2 SE2 96
Went to G. Watkins & T. Bozers & Mose Larves.
To Geo. Maschalls 10 8 6
SE2 S2 SE1 96
Went to R.A. Terrells - got waggon - hauled 485 boards from the mills - sold horse John to Martin Sheppard for \$100 note to go to the war in Mo. - Sent George to Kaufman.
Tues 27 10 0 0
SE1
Wed 28 10 0 0 98
Went to Kaufman remained all night
Capt. Hardins Co. off for the wars.
Thur 29th Home at Daylight - weather warm & sultry.
Fri 30 at Home Hauled water
Sat. 31 At Home

[Diary page 45 "pg45.jpg"]

Sept. 1861

Sun 1 At Home very warm & Sultry

Mon 2 Hauled poles for corn crib & camp Still warm.

Tues 3 Hauled poles. Still Warm Ther. 98

Wind S. E.

Wed 4th 0 0 0
S2 S1 S1 98

Went to Andrews [tank] to see company drill

Thu 5 0 S 0
SE1 2 S2 96

worked on camp Bob helped me

Fri 6 0 4 0
S2 S2 S2 96

Hauled water

Worked on the camp very hot in the bottom.

Sat 7th 0 0 0
S2 S1 S2 98

Still at work on camp.

Sun 8th 0 SE
SE2 2 92

At home [crossed at: worked on camp rested]

Mon 9 0 0
SE2 SE2 96

worked on camp

Tues 10 4 0 0
SE2 S1 S2 98

moved into Camp Mr. Lethe commenced moving to the house we have just left.

Wed 11th 3 0 0
S2 S2 S2 98

Thur 12 2 0 0
S2 S1 S2 98

Worked on corn crib.

Fri 13th 6 0 0
S2 S2 S2 98

Worked on corn crib - hauled water & part of load of corn

Sat. 14 4 0 94

& WWR - Dinner

[Diary page 46 "pg46.jpg"]

Sept 1861

Sun 15th 8 8 6
SE2 S2 S2 98

Mon 16th 9 5 0
SW2 SW2 SW2 98

Went to Camp ground Camp meeting - few persons in attendance

Tues 17 8 ----- 5
S2 SW2 98

Clouds are N.E. Thunder & Lightning

Took acknowledgment of deed from D. Moore to J.G. Moore -

Tom Hardin - D. Moore & Whiteford at our camp.

Wed 18 10 0 0
SW2 S1 S2 98

Finished gathering corn.

Thur 19 10 8 0
S2 S2 S2

Thunder & wind at 3 P.M. no rain.

Went to W.W. Rayels got branding iron made.

Friday 20 0 10
SE2 SE3

Rained a heavy rain - Went to Kaufman

Bought 2 horses from Thos. Hardin - Home at night

Sat. 21 10 6 0
N2 N2 N3

Went to Drill of Andrews Co at 2 P.M.

Sun 22 0 0 0
N2 NE2 NE2

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Sun 1 Decr.	N2	N2	N1	Mon 16	N2 0	N1 0	0
	0	0	0			N1	
	N2	N2	N1	hailed 500 brick from Turner's point			
Mon 2 0	0	4		Tue 17	0	3	6
	N3	N3	N2	Nothing	N1	NE1	NE1
Tues 3 [0]	0	0		Hauled rock to fill up hearth. Went to Z. Moores & got & [cut?]			
	N1	NE2	S2	saw. Killed a grouse.			
worked on chimney							
Wed 4 th	10	10		[Diary page 50 "pg50.jpg"]			
	SE2	SE3		Decr 1861			
Finished Chimney & worked on house.				18 th Wed	4	0	0
					SE1	SE2	SE2
[Diary page 49 "pg49.jpg"]				Delightful weather			
Dec 1861				Thur 19 th	0	0	0
Thursday 15 th	10	8	3		S2	S1	S1
	SE3	SE3	SE2	R. Simpson commenced brick chimney at 3 P.M.			
Fri 6	10	8	0	Fri 20	0	0	0
	SE2	SE3	SE1		SE2	SW1	SE2
Sat 7 commenced raining at 4 A.M. & rained until 10 A.M. A splendid rain which was very much needed as the creeks were dry and stock & wheat crops suffering from drought. Went to Kaufman & Home late at night				worked on chimney			
Sun 8	10	8	5	Sat 21 10	10	10	10
	SE2 drizzly	SE2	SE1		NW2	NW2	NW2
Mon 9 10	8	4		Worked some on Chimney			
	SE2	SE2	SE1	Sun 22	10	0	0
Fixed axle tree to waggon. Mrs. Woods negro [commenced?]					NW3	NW4	NW3
Tues 10	10	8	10	Mon 23	0	0	0
	SE2	SE2	NW2		NW2	NW2	NW2
Hauled load Brick from Turners point				Tues 24	0	0	0
Wed 11	10	0	0		SW3	SW2	SW4
	N3	N2	N1	at 3 to work again on chimney			
Thur 12	0	0	SE	Wed 25	0	8	0
	SE2	SE1	1		SW2	SW3	SW4
hauled 6 Bushels lime from Jasper Weaver.				Christmas at 5 A.M. [crossed out: wind hailed to N.W. & blew all day almost a hurricane - very cold]			
Fri 13	0	0	0	Worked some on chimney			
	SE2	SE2	SE1	Thur 26th	8	9	0
Went to James Eagans got 6 bush. Wheat 3 Barley and 4 quarter beef					NW3	NW4	NW2
Sat 14 4	0	0		Finished Chimney			
	SE2	SE1	SE1	Fri 27 th	0	0	9
Beautiful day.					NW2	NW2	N1
Sun 15	3	5		R. Simpson Returned from Turners Point Egg Nogg			
	NE2	NE2		Griffin & Bill Gray in Evening			
B. Moore & Wife D. M.M. & M. Lemon D.				Sat 28 0			
					SE2	clear & beautiful weather.	
						Hauled wood	
						[crossed out: To turners point]	To Turners point

Sun 29	0	0	0		N2	N2	NE2	To Turn
	SE1	SE1	home		Ack. D. T. from B. D. Norton [^& wife] to A.J.			
Mon 30	0	0	0		Ellis -			
	S2	S2	S2	To Kau	Friah7	10	10	10
Tue 31	0	0	0			NE2	SE2	S2
	S2	S2	S2	Home				Some small shower s
[Diary page 51 "pg51.jpg"]								
January 1862								
Wed 1 st	At Home Cloudy all day wind S. E. 2				through the night. Tho. Hardins.			
Thur 2	10	10	10					
	SE2	SE2	SE2	at home	[Diary page 52 "pg52.jpg"]			
Fri 3	10	7	0		January & February 1862			
	SE2	SE2	SE2	" "	Sat 18 th	10	10	8
Sat 4	10	8	5			SE2	S4	S3
	NW2	NW2	NW2	Heavy	Went to in	NW2	PTMA	Anthony Pools - found none
Marked & branded 3 calves.								
	Several head cattle mired down							
Sun 5	0	0	0		Sun 19	0	0	0
	NW3	NW3	NW2	Home		SW2	SW2	S1 Mer 80
Mon 6	0	0	0		Mon 20	10	10	5
	N2	N2	N2			NW3	NW3	NW3
George started to school					Tues 21	0	0	0
Went to Turners Point & WWR remained all night.						S2	SE2	SE2 To Kau
Tues 7	10	10	10		Wed 22	0	0	0
	NE2	E2	E2	some little rain		NW2	NW1	NW1
during night. WK camp with horses.					Thur 23	0	0	0
Wed 8	10	7	2			SW2	SW2	SW2 Home a
	SE2	S2	S1		night very unwell - severe pain in left side			
Thur 9	10	0	0		Exchanged saddles with John Loucy S.			
	SE2	S2	S2	A.[J or J	Hills	Strasger		
C.I.T. W. K. Camps & Griggs D. Camp brot more horses					Fri 24	0	0	0
						S2	S2	S2 at home
Went to Mill					Sat. 25	0	0	0
Fri 10	0	0	0			N2	N2	N2 To WW
	S3	S2	NW3					
Sat 11	10	5	0		Horse shod			
	SE2	S2	S2		Sun 26	10	8	5
Sun 12	0	0	0			SE2	SE2	SE2 Home
	S3	NW2	NW3	freezing	Mon 27	5	0	3 Mer 80
Mon 13	10	10	10			S2	S4	S4 Hunted
	NW4	NW3	NW3	Very cold				
Tues 14	10	8	3		Brown filly			
	NW2	SE2	SE3		Tues 28	10	8	10 some li
Last night the coldest night of the season - everything frozen up.						S2	NW2	NW3 during r
					Hunted horses - found none of mine			
Wed 15 th	0	0	0		Wed 29	10	10	10
	S2	S2	N2	Ellis	NW2some rain NW2			
Cold & raw weather								
Thur 16	0	0	0		Thur 30	10	10	10 Killed g

Fri 31	NW2 10 NE2 drizzly	NW2 10 NE2	NW2 and Duck 10 NE2	drizzly & cold Went to school house for George	3 NW10	8 NW3	0 NW2	
R. Simpson February 1862				Sat 8 Sun 9	0 NW2	0 NW2	0 NW2	To Geo
Sat 1	10 NE2	10 NE3	10 NE2	Mon 10	0 SW2	0 SW2	0 SW2	To WW
some rain at 1/4 past 3 P.M.				Tues 11	0	0	0	
Sun 2	10 NE2	10 N2	10 NE2	some rain	SW2	SW1	Delightful	
through the day								

[Diary page 53 "pg53.jpg"]

February 1862

Mon 3 10	10	10						
	NW2	NW2	NW2	got up yellow horse				
Tues 4 10	5	0						
	NW2	SE2	SE2	To Turners Point				
Wed 5	10 SE2 drizzly	10 SE2	10 SE1	At 11p.m. came				

up Storm of wind accompanied with rain - some hail
Thunder & lightning which lasted about 1/2 hour
Whilst raining the moon show forth in the west in an
open space between the clouds - creating what to me was the most beautiful sight I ever saw
A. Rain Bow by moonshine - The first rain bow I ever witnessed in the night - Consequently its beauty
was enhanced by this novelty of the phenomenon

Thur 6 9	10	10						
	NW3	NW2	NW2	some rain through				
the night				letter to Z Moore by				
Fri 7	10 NW2	10 NW2 cloudy &	10					

Lemmons shot at Narnly - no bones broken.

Wed 12	0	0	0					
	S3	S3	S2	To the r				
Thur 13d	0	3	4					
r	SW2	NW3	NW4	Lemmo				
Very cold & unpleasant weather								
Fri 14 z	9	9	9					
z	NW3	NW3	NW2	Hunted				
l	found none							
Sat 15 0	0	0	0					
	N2	N2	SE2	Went to				
to give in war tax								
Sun 16 N	0	0	2					
W	SE2	SE3	S3	To W. V				

Date	Wind	Temp	Wind	Temp	Notes	Wind	Temp	Wind	Temp	Notes
[Diary page 54 "pg54.jpg"] February & March 1862										
Mon 17	0 SE1	0 NW3	0 NW3	0 NW3	Hunted ox did not find them.					
Tues 18	10 NW3	10 NW3	10 NW3	10 NW3	Foggy morning all through the night which froze upon the house top and weeds & grass in the prairie. Cold & disagreeable					
Wed 19	10 NW2	10 NW2	10 NW2	10 NW2	Ice still on the weeds & grass					
Thur 20	3 N2	3 N2	3 N1	3 N1	Thawing					
Fri 21	10 NE1	Drizzly E1	10 E1	10 E1	Showers					
Sat 22	0 W3	0 NW3	3 S2	3 S2	Saw Z.W.M. just night traded horses with Dock Duncan An effort made to revive Kaufman blues men					
Sun 23	0 S2	0 S2	0 N4	0 N4						
Mon 24	0 N3	0 NE2	0 N2	0 N2						
Tues 25	0 SE2	0 SE2	0 SE2	0 SE2	from Kaufman got to Mr. Eagans					
Wed 26	0 N2	0 N2	0 NE1	0 NE1	remained all night					
Thur 27	0 NE2	0 SE2	0 SE2	0 SE2	Foggy Went to John [Beck or Buck] - for a load of corn					
Fri 28	0 S2	0 S3	0 S3	0 S3						
Sat 1	0 S2	0 S2	0 N4	0 N4	March Judge Burford made war speech - J.W. Moore & self home at 9 P.M.					
Sun 2	0	0	0	0						
Mon 3	0 SW2	0 SW2	0 SW2	0 SW2	Joel Boyds sold him horse Andy -					
Tues 4	0 S3	0 S3	0 S3	0 S3	[dairy page 55 "pg55.jpg"] March This day 4 years ago Lincoln took his seat as president of the United States Joel Boyd D.					
Wed 5	0 NW2	0 NW2	0 NW2	0 NW2	Weavers tried to get a horse - remained all night					
Thur 6	0 NW3	0 NW3	0 NW3	0 NW3	all night. Traded horses with Zack Moore					
Fri 7	0 NE2	0 NE2	0 NE1	0 NE1	Ice					
Sat 8	10 SE2	0 SE3	8 S4	8 S4	Went to					
Sun 9	10 S2	10 S4	10 S4	10 S4	& back to Eagans - all night from the army S2 slight showers					
Mon 10	0 NE2	0 NE1	0 NE1	0 NE1	Went to mill change to NW & bring back to heavy clouds surcharged with ran and electricity - Whilst I am writing it has commenced to rain; a few large drops falling slowly upon the roof - very light wind Started from S.W.					
Tues 11	0 S2	0 S2	0 S2	0 S2	Home @ William Douglass					
Wed 12	10 S2	8 S2	8 S2	8 S2	Went to					
Thur 13	10 S2	0 S3	10 NW4	10 NW4	Moved					
Fri 14	10	10	10	10	commenced raining 8 1/2 p.m. from N.W. attended with Kaufman crossed out: wind] thunder & lightning; rained nearly all night R.A.T. Arrived at house on way to Mo.					

	SE4	NW2	NW2	To Dallas	Red River Texas on the 8 th ; and found all
Wed 9					in good health & excellent spirits. The weather
Thur 10					excessively hot & dry - We remained at camp
Fri 11					Wright (named in honor of Capt. Travis G.
Sat 12		At Dallas			Wright[]]
Sun 13					until the 31 when we took up line of March for
Mon 14					Little Rock - While we remained at this camp
Tues 15					there were many little occurrences which if duly
Wed 16					and truly recorded might serve for (^the)
					amusement
[Diary page 58 "pg58.jpg"]					of any one who might chance to behold this
April & May 1862					attempt at what is called Journalizing
Thur 17 th	10	10	10		We will only mention one - In the immediate
	SE2	SE2	SE2	[] with	Jeff. F. B. of our camp were two plantations
Started home from Dallas					owned by <u>C</u> & <u>R</u> who were very mean and
rained hard					parsimonious people and who after heard to Say
nearly all day. Got to Mr. Hawthorns					that they would prefer having the Federals near
Rained hard nearly all night					them
Fri 19 Arrived at home with great difficulty					[crossed out: than] to us - Well the boys for revenge
after swimming several creeks the wind					upon the old
being North nearly all day suffered severely					Sinners would occasionally knock down a fat
with cold					hog - Skin him which done of course it would
Sat 19	10	10	0		have been wanton waste to have thrown away the
	N3	N3	N3	rained	meat - Consequently they were obliged to Eat it -
				hardly	Of course complaints (^to our Col) came thick &
all day					fast - And our
The Streams are all swollen - Higher than they					Col one of the best men in the world would [rant?]
have been for 10 years. Cleared up 9 P.M.					stamp his foot and vow that the offender should
Sun. 20	0	10	0		be pleased
	N3	N3	NW2	cold &	Started out to feed my horse and at some distance
Mon 21 st	0	5			from Camp Saw Col B & in close consultation
	N2	NW2			when on approaching nearer I found they
frost				Rode	were examining the carcass of 3 hogs which
				over to	
				J.E.	
Terrells					[Diary page 60 "pg60.jpg"]
Hunted cow - found none					(^had) been skinned and left upon the ground - the
May 5 th went to Dallas & engaged in 2 M ^[5 or 0]					offenders
office					not having time to get away their prey - The
Thence to Little Rock - the worst move I ever					owner came to the Col for pay & to the
made					Quartermaster
[NOTE: There is various handwriting practice on					but the Col. & Q.M. both informed him that they
this page, but I believe I transcribed on the diary					had
itself.]					nothing to do with provisions - that that was the
					business
[Diary page 59 "pg59.jpg"]					of the Commissary - who told the parties that he had
August 1862					not authorized any one to kill hogs or purchase
Tues 5 th Left home for the army - Burford's					provisions & should not pay a cent for them
Regiment - and					Of Course a great out cry was raised and strict
overtook the same encamped at old Jonesboro					Search made for the offenders but all to no purpose

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3^d.. Passed through to DeKalb Bowie Co where we found
Some of our Regt. Sick they were of the first
Battalion who
preceded us some days. The Citizens of this place
ought
to be remembered with gratitude by our Regt for
their
Kindness in nursing our sick soldiers left with them
One of whom died there - Camped 4 miles beyond
town.

4th. Passed Bass Regt. Met with Several friends
& acquaintances from Kaufman Co To wit J.W.
Johnson

Q.M. J. R. Johnson, Capt. Andrews, Lieut J
Chisholm & many
others, Camped at Myrtle Springs - 18 miles -
Forage plenty - Corn [1 or 4] \$ Bus Fodder 5⁰\$
Water Scant

weather still excessively warm & dry

5th To day Entered Arks Lafayette County
passed
through a Small village called Rondeau & camped 1
1/4

miles beyond - This day about 18 miles - We also
passed Lanes Regiment Today - Camped with the
19th

Regt. Tex infantry Col Waterhouse - many of this
Regt are here sick - about 280

6th Remained at Same camp

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Aug & Sept

7th Traveled 18 miles & camped near Dooley's
Ferry

On Red River Broke down 2 wagons -

8th Crossed Red made 3 miles beyond Ferry &
camped on high Ridge overgrown with tall oak
& pine - undergrowth - Sumack - Dogwood & C.
Here is one of the finest Springs I ever Saw. The
water boils up in several places & runs off in a bold
Stream large enough to turn a good grist mill -
9th 18 1/2 miles to old camp of the 1st Batt. Here
we found forage very scarce - water plenty but not
good

The Country over which we passed since crossing
Red River

is very hilly - Soil light - Growth Fine sweet gum

Red, post &

White Oak. There has been no rain here since May
last consequently crops are very poor. Camped at
[crossed out: Stories] Ripkins - 13 ms-

10th camped at Stories - Forage still very scarce
11th To day passed through Camden & camped 3
miles

beyond on the N. Bank of Ouachita - Immediately
around

Camden are some handsome & tasteful houses - the
residences of those who own farms on the River
The Town is rather poorly built. Here we came up
with 1st Batt.

12th Remained at Camp Davis as the above is called
for several days in which time I visited the Town
several times. I found the place dull & dirty and
Saw many who ought to have been in the Service
in place of Staying at home for the purpose
of Swindling

20th Left camp Davis for Little Rock & traveled
through the poorest Country the sun ever shown
upon.

[Diary page 62 "pg62.jpg"]

26th Passed through Little Rock - crossed Arkansas
River & camped on the opposite bank. Here we
remained until the 1st Oct. A description of Little
Rock

would be unnecessary as the place to too well
known

by all who have been so unfortunate as to have been
detained there any length time on business - or for
any other purpose - Pockets suffer depletion
More big bugs & less accommadation than any
town
in America

Oct 1. Marched 20 miles in the direction of White
River at a point opposite Clarendon & camped
near Brownsville Ark.

2nd Remained until 10 P.M. when orders came
for us to march We accordingly moved in direction
of Clarendon all night & all next day without
anything for ourselves or horses to eat - This march
was made by order of Lt. Col. - he being
temporarily

in Command - reached camp 5 miles from
Clarendon in edge of White River bottom.

3d Marching

4th Today Several other infantry regiments came

up - Rained hard all day - Many of the poor fellows are barefooted, & without tents - There are now at this point 13 Regiments - Ours being all the Cavalry Balance Infantry & Artillery - Several negroes are at work throwing up embankments & digging Rifle pits - This seems to be a poor place to fortify & not worth the pains - Here met Maj. Siclom Noble of Taylor's Regt. Jas. Hamilton Fitzhughs & Jas Stewart of the same. Here is a splendid farming country but sickly.

[Diary page 63 "pg63.jpg"]

8th To Night there is rejoicing in camp caused by the restoration of Col Burford to command who has been under arrest by order of Maj. Gen Hindman for no offense - Maj. Gen Hindman however had the taste & good sense to apologise for his course - in a very appropriate note to our Col. Whereupon the boys about 300 in muster (3 companies absent) gave the Col. a Serenade who upon being called for made his appearance and made us a neat and appropriate speech.

9th This morning all the troops are upon the march all save our Regt move to Austin Ark We move in the direction of Des Ark where we arrived at nightfall having had nothing to eat for ourselves or horses during the day Here I met with Uncle R.A.T. Q.M. Col. Parsons Regt. About 9 P.M. it commenced raining hard & continued all night - much to the discomfort of our Boys who had not time to stretch their tents and of course they had to endure it after having gone all day without food for themselves or horses - J.E.T. & Myself were fortunate enough to get into a house Here I was introduced to Several Cols. Majors, Q. M.s

besides other shoulder Strap gentry
This is decidedly the prettish town we have seen in Ark. of which more will be said after forming Some acquaintance in the place
10th Remained here all day. Rained hard all day

11th Still at Des Ark.
12th Crossed White River & camped on Surrounded hill - marched 8 miles -

[Diary page 64 "pg64.jpg"]

13th Moved 5 miles in vicinity of a small village Called cotton plant - 14th 15th 16th at same camp We are now in mounted Brigade Composed of 12th Regt Tex dragoons formerly Col. Parsons - 19th Col Burford & 21st Col Carter all Texians Nothing occurring of interest
21st This morning Col Burford with 400 men & Col Parsons with 600 Started on Scout in direction of Helena having had news that 1500 Federal men advancing by land to meet us. Capt. Kyser of 12th Regt left in command of Camp & Baggage Sick & Convalescent
22nd Remained at same camp - no news from Troops
23d The evening Col Parsons & men returned to camp no fight - Federal skedaddled - ["perhaps?" - is written in pencil - so may be something someone wrote in diary at a later date]
24th Moved to Cache River - 25 moved to the neighborhood of Cotton Plant Snowed until 12 M. I remained in the Village with Cap R.A. Terrell & Doct Pyle who had taken a house for quarters which we found quite comfortable.
26th Remained in same place still some snow on the ground - Last night a smart freeze -
27th, 28th, 29th, 30th & 31st Weather clear & pleasant
Nov 1st - 2d - 3d - 4th - & 5th clear & pleasant - moved to Camp 3 miles North of this place
6th. Still clear cool but rather pleasant. News came that 500 Feds within 25 miles
7th In evening - Considerable Stir in camp caused by the general movement of Col. Parsons whole Regt. in the direction of Helena. Letter from home which was very welcome

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8th Still in same camp - weather fine - nights clear

& frosty days clear sunny & very pleasant -
9th & 10th Do.

10th Moved up to Cotton plant with baggage trains
all the able troops on the move are - News of fight
between 60 men under Capt. R. E. Saunders camp
E.

19th Tex. Cav. & 600 Federals - Our troop charged
thence killing & wounding 13 or 14 but were
compelled

to fall back after the first fire before a greatly
superior force - The only casualty to our men
was one horse wounded in the shoulder & three
taken prisoners - who have been exchanged since
and came back to camp [NOTE: Then this appears
in pencil: this all proved false.]

11th 12th 13th & 14th Still at same camp

15th moved to the town of Des Arc - where
I remained until the 8th Dec having procured a
house for QM. Office -

This place is pleasantly situated upon the
South Bank of White River and contains I should
think in good times about 1500 inhabitants -
The houses are built of wood (Frame building)
and neatly painted - Lumber is abundant &
cheap as there are three Steam Mills in the Edge
of Town & in the Bottoms of White River are an
abundance of Cypress & other trees from which
lumber can be sawed - While River is navigable
far above this place & has at lowest stage 4 ½
feet water in the channel to Jackson port
above here - I found the people Intelligent
and hospitable - Taken altogether I think
this one of the pleasantest Towns I ever saw
[NOTE: this page had added in comments which I
did not transcribe except as stated]

[Diary page 66 "pg66.jpg"]

8th Decr Moved to Camp at a place called
Lake Bluff 15 miles below here on White River
whither the Brigade has been gone some 2 or
3 weeks - Where I remained nothing occurring
of interest - until 22d went to Des arc & got a
Discharge from the Service

23d Started for home in company with Doct
Pyle who had 60 days leave absence - to camp -

24th Took the Cars at Devalls Bluff for Little
Rock - arrived at Depot same evening opposite
Little Rock - Remained all night - Bill \$9

25th Christmas day - Crossed Arkansas

River after much delay & vexation at 3 P.M.
& passed 3 miles beyond L. Rock in direction of
Washington Arks - Bill \$7

26th Traveled about 33 miles over a horrible road
to Davenport - Fare good - moderate charge \$4

27th 34 miles to Smiths - Roads worse if possible

28 - 33 " to Antoine - Fare good - chgr \$5

29 35 " Washington " Very Bad " 8

30 35 " Hicks - Roads miserable - traveled 20
miles to Red River bottom - Bad fare \$4

31 35 miles to Stewards - Fare good \$4

Jan 1st 1863 - 37 miles to Stricklands - an excellent
house good fare for animals & selves \$2

2nd 30 miles to Coopers - fare poor 4 -

3d 32 " Springville - Today passed through
Quitman - very dull fare good \$4

4th 40 miles - Home - where to my great

Joy I found all well - after an absence
of exactly five months -

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5th At Home weather pleasant

6th 7th 8th 9th 10th pleasant weather

11th 12th 13th [crossed out: 14th & 15th] Do.

14th Commenced raining at 4 P.M. Rained all
night

15th Rained all day - until 5 P.M. Sleet & snow

16th Very Cold - Snow on the ground - mercury
stood at 16 - in morning -

Sat 17 Still very cold & unpleasant - though
the wind is S. E. - clear

Sun 18 Morning Cloudy & misty - 10 A.M. Raining
-

rained all day

Mon 19 - Cloudy & misty in morning in - Hal
Evans &

Ruf Majors stayed at Uncle Bobs on way
home - No prospect of Uncle Bob coming
home soon 9 P.M. & A.M. wind west very cold

Tues 20 Clear & pleasant overhead - much water on
the ground - went out shooting - killed none

yesterday went to J.W. Johnsons. Cold ride -
Wed 21 Cloudy with unpleasant S. winds - to
WWR

Thur 22 Cloudy Wind S. damp & Cold Drizzly in
Evening -

Went to hear Speech of Col W.H. Parsons in
Kaufman

at Night to Negro Minstrelsy performed. Some

rain through night
Fri 23 Wind N.W. Cleared up from N.W. in morning & cloudy at night - weather warmer Home
Sat 24 At home - Hunted - Cloudy in morning Clear
at 2 P.M. - 9 P.M. Cloudy & warm Mer 64
Sun 25 7 A.M. Raining - 9 A.M. Do. Very warm " [mer] 62
9 P.M. wind changed to N.W. 2 Rained gently all day and all night

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Jan & Feby /63
Mondy 26 January 1863 9 P.M. Raining Wind N.E. 3 -
There has been much rain & the ground is covered with water - Consequently the Streams are much swollen
2 P.M. Cessation of rain - Cloudy - wind 3 N.W. Mer 50 in doors
Tues 27 Clear wind N.W. Very thin ice. Went to J.W. J.s
Who just returned from the army -
Wed 28th 7 M. Clear wind NW2 2 P.M.. Rather pleasant wind
S. E. 2. This morning thin ice which thawed towards noon
Went to the mill & blksmith shop - Ground wet & cold -
Thur 29th Clear wind S. Hunted Oxen
Fri 30 Cloudy Wind S. E. Went to Grays mills 1 ½ miles beyond Kaufman - stayed at George Barnetts -
Sat 31 Cloudy & Drizzly - remained at mill - bought 6 goats from G. B. \$3 ea. Spent night with H.B. Gray
Sunday 1st February 1863 clear & warm
Foggy 9 A.M. wind changed to N. Clear & cool at 9 P.M. wind still north - home
Mon 2 Clear wind N.W..
Tues 3 Cloudy & Drizzly Some rain & Sleet through the night
Wed 4 Rainy & Sleety Wind N.E. through the day there has been rain Sleet & Snow
Thur 5 Clear Wind N.W. 3 Ice - - - Mer 30
Fri 6, 6 a.m. Clear Wind S. 3. 2 P.M. S4
Very unpleasant weather. To WWR & Home

Sat 7, 7 A.M. cloudy 6 wind S.W. 3 2 P.M. Do. 9 P.M. S2 Mercury 55
Sun 8 7 6 - S3 Mer 60

[Diary Page 69 "pg69.jpg"]

Feby 1863

Monday 9th Feby 1862 [sic] 7 A.M. 6 Wind SW3 2 P.M. 6 SW2 Mercury 96 2 P.M.

at home 9 P.M. wind N2 mercury 50

Tues 10th 7 a.m. 10 drizzly 2 p.m. 8 wind W

Wed 11 " 10 drizzly 2 p.m. 8 wind 3 9 P.M. 8 S
9 P.M. Lightning in NW S & SE

Some rain & hail through the night

Thur 12 7 a.m. 10 drizzly wind NE2 2 P.M. 10

Fri 13 7 a.m. 10 drizzly & Foggy SE 2, 2 P.M. SE

Sat 14 7 a.m. 10 W 2, 2 p.m. 8 NW 2 9 P.M. 10 N 2
Went hunting - no game - found cattle & hogs

Sun 15 7 a.m. 8 N 3 2 p.m. N 3 10 9 p.m. 10 NE4
Rained - showers through the night

Mon 16 7 a.m. 10 NE2 2 P.M. 10 raining [] N 2
gentle rain nearly all day

Tues 17 7 a.m. 10 raining 2 p.m. 10 wind E N2

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Wed 18 7 a.m. drizzly & foggy SE 2 2 P.M. 8 S 39

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Some rain through the night
Wed 25 7 a.m. 10 Thunder in West SE3
showery - 2 p.m. raining - rained
until 3 p.m. heavy S
showery during the night
Thur 26 7 A.M. 2 NW 2 2 P.M. 11 NW

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Much lightning & thunder in SW W & NW at 9 P.M.

Crossed the creek hunting found no game
Thur 19 7 a.m. 0 NW3 2 P.M. 0 NW2 9 P.M. NW20
Fri 20 7 a.m. 0 SE 2, 2 P.M. 0 SE 3 9 P.M. 10 E4

48 60 50
48 64 50

Some rain through the night
Sat 21 7 a.m. 8 S3 at 9 a.m. wind changed
2 p.m. 0 NW4
to W and cleared up - Thermometer 66 p

50 66 56
Fri 27 7 A.M. 6 2 P.M. 0 9 P.M. 10
N2 SE2 lightning in NW

P.M. NW4
High wind from NW nearly all night

And some rain in the evening & through the night
56 66 50

7 a.m. 2 p.m. 9 p.m.
Sun 22 8 N3 0 N2 0 N2

[Diary Page 70 "pg70.jpg"]
Sat 28 Feb 1863 7 A.M. 2 wind N2 9 0 M.

Mon 23 7 a.m. 2 p.m. 9 p.m.
0 S3 0 S2 0 S2

wind N2 very clear -
Sunday 48th March 1863 7
7 A.M. 0 S2 very clear Some Frost
2 p.m. S. W. 3 0 - 9 P.M. 0 SW1

Went to Kaufman Dull times in town - Bought School

Mon 27 A.M. N3 4 - 2 P.M. N2 [] 9 p.m. n 2 0
Mr. Bessett dismissed his school

Books. Doct Pyle started on return to the army.
Tues 24 7 a.m. 2 p.m. 9 p.m.
0 NE2 0 S2 10 SE

Went hunting with C. Hardin - drove for deer - no game
2

Tues 3 7 A M N3 2 P.M. NE3 9 P.M. N32
Went to Zack Moores

Wed 4 [] E2 8 SE2 4 SE C 2
George Paschal & Stevarts - trying to get school house builded for

Mr. Bissett 5
Thurs 5 10 SE2 SE3 10 SE3 10 60 72
Fri 6 10 SE3 10 SE3 6 NW 2 70 88

Shower at 3 P.M. Lightning & thunder - some hail
Went to P. Paschalls. G. Mellows & Moses Larves
to see about

school house - to be built at Grays springs

Sat 7 7 10 N.W. 2. S2.0. S2 4

To Dr. Gantts & bought logs for School House &
Mose Larves

Sun 8 3 S2 G2 2 a.m. wind changed

50 70 72

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Went to work on School house - no one came but
M. Larve M. Gray
& Self - High fever all night - with soreness at the
[roof or root] of the
tongue & side of the jaw - slept but little

Sat 14 S. 3.0. 7 S3. 6. S. 3. 10

Sun 15 S2 9 2 S. 3. 4 S. 2. 2 70

Mon 16 S1 0 Foggy N1. 6. S.1. 0.

Went to Joel B6yds to get corn. Of which there is
great Scarcity in the country \$4 per Bushel is freely
offered but no one will sell even for that

Tues 17 S-1-0 6very heavy dew 0S1 0S1

Wed 18 S1. 0. 2 S. W. 2 S. 2. 6.

Heavy dew

Work some on house

Thur 19 S. 2.9. Misty very heavy dew- S2 6 - S2

Have no milk yet cows - no calves - cloudy in the
west &

indications of rains - grass about 3 inches high but
scattering - Weeds are taking the place of grass here

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Hunted cows & hogs - found 2 sows with pigs -

Fri 20 20 S2 10 Very Dark morning S 2 . 3 - 3 S. 2

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Worked on School house

Thur 12 N2 0 Frost SW 2 0 SW 2 2

Raised school house - not yet covered

46 68 68

[Diary page 71 "pg71.jpg"]

Fri 13 SW 20 SW 2 0

SW 2 0

Went to Joel Boyd to borrow some corn & home.
 Sat 21 S2. 10. S. 24. 2 S1. 10
 A.J. Paschall & self hauled boards for school house.
 Sun 22 S3. 10. S. 2. 8. S. 2. 10
 Mon 23 S2. 10 S. 2.7 N4. 6.
 worked on school house Norther at 4 P.M. very cool
 Tues 24 0 N. 3. N.4. N.1
 Finished Covering school house
 Wed 25 0 S.1. 0 S-3- 0 S2
 Went to Jasper Weavers & drove cows home - been
 lost
 3 years
 Thur 26 8 S. W. 2 S.W. 3 - 9 - S. W.

Hauled rails to make cowpen & Garden - Back
 broke
 Fri 27 10 S4 8 SW4 9 SW 2

hauled rails
 Sat 28 10 SE1 10 N. 3 9 N.E.5
 Some rain through the day & night Went to
 Kaufman and
 Returned Sale Bill of Cattle Estrayed last year

[Diary page 72 "pg72.jpg"]
 March & April 1863
 Sunday 29 7 N4 0 N3 N3
 Considerable rain fell last night

Mon 30 0 N. 3. Frost N.W. 3. N.W.
 70 88 74 2.
 commenced moving home
 Tues 31 88 0 NW3 Frost NW3 NW1 Black p
 Finished moving - Mr. Bissett come. school
 Wed 1st April 0 S2 Frost 0 SW3 0 SW2
 42 56 50
 Hauled some
 42 70 70
 timber from Wilsons
 old camp

-kids -
 Thur 2 0 SW3 2 SW3 0 SW2
 made gate to cowpen .
 Fri 3 0 NE2 0 N2 0 N2
 Sat 4 0 NE3 Very Smoky 0 SE2
 Hunted cows found one with yearling calf
 Drove her to [Kanevur?] - Did not get her home
 Sun 5 8 NE2 Smoky 0 SW2 0 SW1
 This morning before sun up wolf came up to the
 house 5
 snapped cap - rifle would not fire - then shot at him
 with my double barrel - but by this time he had got
 off more than 100 yds.7- consequently did not
 kill him 4
 Mon 6 0 S2 Smoky 0 S2 Rained needed 0 S2
 Went to Brushy Creek & got up old mare & 2 colts
 George went Saturday but lost the horse he was
 riding & has
 not yet returned - heard of him to day at J.E.
 Terrells - 5
 Hope he will come to-morrow as we are somewhat
 uneasy
 about him. 7
 Tues 7 0 S2 Smoky 0 S2 2 S32
 George returned - minus horse & bridle reins
 shot at some deer but too far for my shot gun
 The sun set in a small cloud in the west. Hope
 it may rain - much needed. Hauled rails & water.
 Old Puss missing - all the horses gone -

[Diary page 73 "pg73.jpg"]
 April
 Wed 8th 0 S2 0 S2 0 S2
 Thur 9 6 S4 0 S4 3 S4
 Fri 10 10 S4 10 S4 10
 48 SW2
 Sat 11 10 SE29 NW 3 10 NE2

Some rain through the night - went to
 Kaufman - met W.B.D. & J.E.T. from the army
 Sun 12 10 E2 10E2 10E2
 rained nearly all night gently - sick
 Mon 13 10 E2 showery until 12
 3 W4 4 W 4 A good season
 Tues 14 10 NW2 Drizzly 3 NW4 2 NW

Went to Kaufman & got Barrels to haul water
 & home
 Wed 15 0 N1 very heavy dew NW 2
 Thur 16 0 S. 2. 0 S. E. 3
 made sled to haul water.
 Fri 17 0 S3 0 S. 3.
 made wagon tongue
 Sat 18 10 SE2 Drizzly 10 NW3
 Hauled water - young kids
 Sun 19 0 NW1 Very clear & pleasant 0 NW

Went to Turners Point saw Several old
 acquaintances
 Wrote deed from S.M. Norton to Z.G. Moore
 Mon 20 0 SE2 0 S3
 Tues 21 10 S. E. 1 Drizzly - At 8 wind

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 0 To the North 3
 Wed 22 N. 2. 8. S. 3. 6 Went to
 Kaufman
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 Thur 23 S. 3. 6. 4 S. 3. 0. SW3 S
 night - no rain but wind
 Fri 24 8 S2 6 6 S. 2 Went to
 mare - young colt & yearlings 2 hr old 1
 Sat 25 8 S2 0 S2 14 SW3 Some R
 & Hail - went to WWR
 Sun 26 60 88.8. 70 S2 4. S2 3
 62 90 70
 [Diary page 7490 pg 74. 76"]
 Monday 27th April/63 Much lightning in N
 N. 2.8. 76 74 64
 forward daylight
 Tues 29 0 N2 0 N1 3 N1
 Went to old man Shaws for corn - paid \$3 per
 Bushel [NOTE: There are more marks in pencil -
 which do not appear part of the diary]
 Wed 30 8 N2 6 6 N2 3 N2
 Got home at 9 P.M. with corn 8 Bushels
 Thursday 1 May 1863
 Clear & pleasant went to WWR Turners Point
 Hunted Cows - found none
 Fri 2d to W.F. Johns & Cedar Grove horse hunting
 found none - 9 P.M. 8
 Cloudy in West much
 lightning 6
 Some rain just before day accompanied with
 a great deal of lightning & thunder 6 A.
 Sat 3 6 A.M. good shower 9 A.M. commenced
 raining 60 hard storm of 76 wind, rain & Lightning
 & thunder from N.E. a good season -
 at Sundown constant & diffuse lightning S.W.
 Hunted hogs in the evening
 Sun 4 10 S. E. 1 Very warm & sultry tolerably clear
 Mon 5 7 S. E. 1 very warm & Sultry - went to Joel
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carried corn home & brot it back with me) Constant & diffuse zig zag & forked lightning in N. N.W. & W Rainbow at 9 P.M. a Novel Phenomena - Strong Norther came at 9 P.M. 3 Strawberries getting ripe. Tues 6 0 N.W. 3 0 NW3 Went to D. Moore marked

some pigs - McKirby all night Wed 7 0 NW ½ Mc Kirby & self to Turners Point got well auger made 0 N.W. 3 0 N.W. 2 Thur 8 0 NW. 2. 0 NW1 0 N.W. 1- Found 2 sows & pigs Fri 9 0 N.W. 1 0 S3 0 S2 Hunted for cows found none Sat 10 0 S. 2. 0 S3 0 S. 2. Dewberry's ripe. [Diary page 75 "pg75.jpg"] Sunday 11th M.9 S.O. 3. S.O. 3. 0 S 2 7 P.M. 74 Mon 12 0 SE 3 - 0 SE 3 3 S. E. 2 82 Went to Blksmith shop with well auger & went to JWJ & got handle made Bored for water - smoke settles to the ground Tues 13 6 S. E. 1 8 S. E. 3 10 S. E. 2 Some rain through the night - tolerably good season for setting cabbage plants - D. Moore & self marked some pigs - Wed 14 10 NW 2 8 NW 2 4 NW 2 Marked some pigs Thur 15 3 N.W. 2 0 NW 2 0 NW 2 68 Fri 16 3 NW 2 0 NW 2 0 NE 1 Went to Turners Point Sat 17 0 NE 1 0 E1 To Kaufman & home

Sun 18 0 NE 1 0 E1 4 4 E1 WWR to D. Mon 19 0 E1 SE2 SE2 84 Tues 20 0 SE 2 0 SE3 0 SE 2 Wheat getting ripe - some already harvested Wed 21 0 E. 3 6 SE 2 6S2 76 Went to W.F. Jones in Co with C. Hardin & C.I. Terrell e to hunt horses r found none Thur 22 9 E 3 .7 SE 2 10 Some showers Fri 23 10 E 2 90 E showery Heavy showers during the night Sat 24 10 SE 2 Went to Kaufman remained all night Nan came. Sun 25 8 SE 2 7 SE 2 Home Mon 26 7 SE 2 4 SE 2 To Turners point Tues 27 4 NE 1 0 NE 1 SE 2 90 Wed 28 5 SE 1 Drove up cow from Hudsons Fri 29 0 S 2 Nan returned to L. Newells' - To Z. Tinney Sat 30 0 S 2 To Cedar grove - at 2 A.M.(^1:00) storm of wind out of NW no rain 54 [Diary page 76 "pg76.jpg"] Sun 31 0 S1. 2. . 2 Remained at home 94 Mon 1st June 1862[sic] 0 SE 2. 0 SE 1 96 Tues 2 0 S. E. 3 4 .S. 3 3 N. 2. 94 Wed 3 0 S. 2. 4. S E. 3 N 2 94 Thur 4 2 S.E 3 0 S 2 3 S 4 94 Fri 5 4 SE 2 0 S 2 0 S3 96 Went to Turners point - Hunted cow found none Sat 6 8 S. E. 3 4 S 2 0 S 2 96 Sun 7 3 SE 3 0 S 3 0 S 3 94 Mon 8 5 S. E. 2. The grass drying up - Rain much needed There are some few clouds. With slight indications of rain - no wind - sprinkle - Dist. Court commenced Tues 9 10 S. E. 3 Very small showers 6 S. E. 2 3 N2 Went to Kaufman Court in session - very few in attendance - having mostly gone to the war. Wed 10 3 N2 No Rain Court still in session in the forenoon but to adjourn in the evening Col. Crockett addressed the people on the Tax laws Home - Court adjourned this evening -

Thur 11 2 N. 2. To Robt Rays for alligator - not a live one

but an iron one to get things out of the bored wells

Fri 12 0 N.E.1 80 94

Sat 13 0 N.E. 1 0 NE 2 94

Hauled water

Sun 14 0 NE 2 4 N.E. 2. 92

Mon 15 2 N. 2. 6. E. 2

Went to George Paschalls - He has worst of sore [eyed?]

Tues 16 0 N.E.1 Very dry - Rain very much needed 68 96

Wed 17 8 N.E.1. 6 E2

Hauled water

[Diary page 77 "pg77.jpg"]

June 1863

Thursday 18 No rain at 7 A.M.

0 N.E.1 3 S. E. 2 70 96 No Rain

Fri 19 6 N2 Some indications of rain 74 98

We have no late news from the army - At last accounts

Vicksburg was invested by a heavy force of Federals and a

battle had been fought and Feds worsted. Now we have

news of Grants Army occupying the country between

Yazoo & Black Rivers - one wing resting upon the Yazoo & the other upon Black Rivers

Sat 20 8 N. 2 Hauled water went to W.W.R. & Z. Turners - Sunset in cloud sheet lightning in W & N.W. - Wind N.E. at 12 to-night commenced raining - rained gently 3 hours - from appearances much rain has fallen S. W. of this place

10 NE. 3 Clouds flying and

Sun 21 indications of more rain (^ 2 P.M.) Very pleasant

4 N.E. 3 - Remained at home - read New Testament and

History of the U.S. James is sick with fever

Mon 22 3. E. 3. E. 3 .4.

Went to mill at [Spinters?] old mill

Tues 23 10 E. 3. James Still sick 9 A.M. Shower & 2 P.M.

Rained gently all night

Wed 24 10 S. E. Drizzly - S. E. 10 Showery - Clouds driving

North - appearances are in favor of much rain

Weather at Sunset dark & gloomy - showery through

the day

Thur 25 10 S. E. 4 10 S. W. 3 good shower at Kaufman to

which place I went to get Sowell's - 15 3/4 gds

Fri 26 9 S. 2. 8 E. 2. The rain seems to infuse new life into the vegetation which was drying up - but enough has not fallen to raise the creeks & fill up the holes -

Sat 27 3 SE 2 8 S 2 94

Hunted Cows - found none. At WWR Spinter Mill L. Newell & F. Thweatt & R. Rays

[Diary page 78 "pg78.jpg"]

Sun 28 June 9 S. W. 2 Flying Clouds 3 S 3

Thunder in

cloud in NW at Sunset - much lightning all night

Mon 29 8 SE 3 Still thunder in N.W. S. 3 0. S 3 6. 94

Tues 30 7 S 3 Hauled water from Creek 9 SE 3 10 SE3 at 8 P.M.

Wind changed suddenly to North about 4 - some rain -

at 1 A.M. Wednesday - Rained very hard for 1/2 hour and now we have sufficient rain to make corn fill up the pools & make the grass grow.

July 1st

Wed 1 10 S. E. 3 appearances are in favor of more rain

2 good showers - small showers in the night

Thur 2 10 SE 2 8 S 2

Fri 3 10 S 2 4 S2

Sat 4 7 S2 Went to Kaufman Candidates for Legislature spoke - There is an order to organize 688074 which is creating a great stir amongst the people.

Sun 5 8 S 2. Nan & Sally Newell arrived at my home

for the purpose of starting to school to Mr. B.

Mon 6 0 S 2. 0 S. 2. 98

~~688080~~ Dallas

Tues 7 0 S 2. 0 S. 2 103

To S. Haughts

Wed 8 0 S. 2. 3 S. 2 Home 98

Thur 9 70 S 2 81 S 2 98

Some rain South of this place - considerable lightning & thunder - rain is needed only to cool the atmosphere - we have plenty to make corn

& stock water. & the grass is now green & flourishing.
Fri 10 0 S 2. 0 S 2 98
Sat 11 6 W 1 100
3 N: at 5 P.M. wind change
to S. W. &
Then to N.W. & blew a gale. Thunder & Lightning
but no rain
Went to Kaufman & home

[Diary page 79 "pg79.jpg"]
Sun 12 July 1863. The air is full of smoke so dense
that you can scarcely see 100 yds - mercury 74 at 7
A.M.
Wind north - still smoky at 12 M. Singular weather
Mon 13 N. 2. Still smoky. Went to I. Houstons &
got wheat

70 80
Tues 14 0 N.1. Still smoky very cool morning - 68
We have various rumors, but nothing reliable in
regard to the siege
at Vicksburg - The eyes of the whole world are now
looking with
intense anxiety upon that place. Went to Robt
McKorkles
& got Bridle bib -
Wed 15 10 N. 2. At 10 A.M. wind changed to
N.W. Heavy
Shower of rain attended with much lightning and
thunder - To Moses Larves forgiveth my S. 68 80
Thur 16 10 N. 10 S. 2.
Fri 17 10 S 3 7 S. 2. W.B.T. & wife Hunted
horse
found none
Sat 18 9 S. 2. 7 S. E. Went to D. Moore C.
Stewarts
to buy horse - but did not purchase
in evening to Blksmith shop - much troubled
in getting horse to ride to the army -
Sun 19 3 S. 2. Went to Larves (Moses) traded him
Mare for horse to ride to Princeton Ark
for which town I start in the morning early
very clear & warm - thermometer 96 2 P.M.
Mon 20th O. S. 2. Very warm - To-morrow
morning I
start for Princeton Ark. Where we shall remain
for 1 month or more at the expiration of which
time shall expect to return home - The militia

are now enrolled and will in all probability be
called out ere long to meet the invaders -
There is much dissatisfaction amongst the people
& I fear will be trouble about the matter -
We now see no prospects of the war closing
& every man who is able to bear arms will be called
out - We have news of the fall of Vicksburg & may
expect the Federal in Tex soon.
[Diary page 80 "pg80.jpg"]
Tues 21 July 1863
Started for Princeton Ark. Met Capt. Harwood
at R. Rays from thence proceeded to McCartys
where Capt. H. was taken Sick & concluded to
return to Dallas until fully able to pursue the
Journey aforementioned - I returned home & found
all right - weather excessively warm Ther 104
degrees
Wed 22 Came home.
Thur 23 At home Cloudy 10 Weather somewhat
cooler
but still too warm for comfort recanted horse
trade with Moses Larve - we are yet in suspense
as to the fate of Vicksburg - many however believe
it
to have fallen others doubt - I have no doubt but
that the City is now in possession of the Federals
Fri 24 0 S. 2. 0 S 2. Went to W.F. Jones to hunt
horse
hunted all day & found none - staid at Foglemans
Sat 25 Do Do Do weather excessively warm -
hunted
Sun 26 0 S 2 N. 2. 6 Some cloud in S. 100
Mon. 27 10 N. 3. commenced raining at 7 A.M.
Continued
until 10 AM a good rain - Now 10 ½ A.M.
commenced
rain) raining again gently - no school to-day
rained ½ hour
Tues 28 10 N. Thunder in N.W. Small shower at 7
Cloudy all day. To Moses Larves.
Wed 29 10 S. 2 6 S. 3 O S 2
Thur 30 9 SE 2 D. Moore & self to W. Jones to hunt
mare
found none - rode all day & tired ourselves &
horses
Fri 31 10 SE 2 To R. Rays & drove home cow with
young calf - D. Moore & Self - Killed beef -
weather
warm & cloudy with wind S. 2. Cloudy 8

Sat 1 August 9 S. E. 2. Dr Duboise A.M.
Weather same as yesterday
Sun 2 7 S. 2. D. Moore & wife Miss Elliott & T.
Moore
Dinner - Pleasant company

[Diary page 81 "pg81.jpg" and "pg81a.jpg"]
1863

Mon 3d August 4 S. 2 Went to Kaufman to
Election considerable excitement on account of
news from Washington City & Grant & Johnsons
fight
accounts say that Washington is in our hands & that
Johnson defeated Grant who retreated to Vicksburg
from
thence took shipping up the river. The last needs
confirmation

[crossed out: but as to the capture of Washington,
there is little doubt]

Remained in Kaufman - all the above a dmd hoax

Tues 4 Home weather clear & excessively warm

Wed 5 To John Moores & R.A. Terrells - weather
same as yesterday

Thur 6 Sent George to John Moore for the purpose
of

trying to get a mule to ride to Princeton

Small shower at 3 P.M. did not get mule -

Fri 7 9 S. 3. 10 S. E. 2 Small shower here. At
Terrells

1 ½ AM E. had a good rain both yesterday and to-
day

Sat 8 7 S. E. 3 - 7 S. E. 3 Hunted mare & returned
tired

and disappointed having failed to find her

Sun 9 9 S. E. 3. The wind blew a gale nearly all
through
the night

Mon 10th Went horse hunting found none

Tues 11th Started in company with Capt. Harwood
for Princeton Ark where we arrived on the 20th
and remained until 29th From there to the
command where we arrived on 10th on 29th
started for home and arrived on the 3d
Oct

Sun At home very dry - rain much needed

Mon 6th At home still dry

Tues 7 Rained good shower at 7 A.M. contracted
for

80 Bushels corn from Mr. Dennis

[Crossed out: Mon 8: Cloudy 8 ½ went to Turners
Point & Dennis
contracted for]
Wed 8 Clear wind NW 2 ½ To Stewarts paid him
\$3 00 for mare

[Diary page 82 "pg82.jpg"]

October 1862 [sic]

Thursday 8th clear wind S. E. 2 Went to Dennis
for corn Remained a night.

Fri 9 Clear wind SE. 2. Home with load corn.

Sat 10 0 S. E. 2 Killed Kid

Sun 11 0 S. E. Went to Baptist preaching at
camp ground 3 baptised

Mon 12 0 S. E. Went to hunt old sorrel mare
Bought Boards of W. Wilson \$20

Tues 13 0 N. 2 ½ Saved nails out of Boards

Wed 14 0 N2 ½ Frost 0 N.1 hauled Boards

Thur 15 0 N2 0 got nails & hauled Boards

Fri 16 4 S. 3 0 S3 0 S4

Sat 17 0.S.W 2 0 NW 2 0 N 2

M. Larve C. Stewart & D. Moore went to T.
Kaufman attended M. Lodge Parson Andrew In
[illegible: page may have been wet at one time]

Sun 18 0 NW 2 Home 0NW 2 0 SE 2

Mon 19 0 SE 2 S 3 0 0 S. 2 1/2

Tues 20 8 S.W.E. Hauled Boards SW 4

Wed 21 NW 3 NW 2 N.W. 2 Larve & Self
cut wagon [illegible - page damaged]
price \$8

Thur 22 NW 2 Drizzly N.W. 3 10 N.W.4 Very cold
Some rain through the night but not enough
for Stock water which is now much needed the
Creeks are all perfectly dry.

Fri 23 8 NW 3 0 NW 3 Hauled crib logs

Sat 24 NW 2 0 Heavy frost Hauled logs & raised
corn crib - 0 N. 2. 0 N 2

Sun 25th 0 N.W. 3 Frost 0 N.W. 5 N. E. 2

Mon 26 0 N.E. 2 Hauled timbers for crib

Tue 27 N.E 2 9 7 N.E. 1 Hauled load corn from
Dennis

[Diary page 83 "pg83.jpg"]

October & Nov 1863

Wed 28 0 S. E. 2 hauled load corn from Dennis -

Thur 29 10 S. 3 7 S. E. 2 10 N.,W. 4 70 70 50
Some little rain & sleet through night

Fri 30 10 N.W. 4 0 N.W. 3 10 N.,W. 3 32

Killed Shoat

Sat 31 0 N.E. 3 0 N.E. 2 0 E 2 Hauled wood
& water
1st Sunday November 9 E. 3. Cold & unpleasant
a good rain much needed the creeks all dry
and have been since the last of July - We have
water from Grays spring
Mon 2 10 N.W. 1 8 N.W. 1 10 N.E.1 Drizzly
All night ---- To John Shaws & Kaufman
to hire negroes - stayed at J.W. Gardners all night
Tues 3d 10 N.W. 1 8 N.E. 1 10 N.W. 1 Home
Wed 4 10 S. 2. Drizzly 10 S. 2. Some showers -
Drizzly & Showery
all night - April weather - hauled corn
Thur 5 10 S. 2. 8 S. 2. 0 N.E 1 Fixed house
Fri 6 0 N.E. 1 Cool & Damp - nothing on fence 0
SE 2
very warm in the Evening Mercury 74
Sat 7 10 SE 2. O S. E. 2. 8 .S. E. 2 78 2 P.M.
Worked on lot fence - we are yet needing
rain very much there not having been a sufficien-
cy to make water stand in the pools which
are dry - Hauled water from Grays Springs
Sun 8 2 N.E. 3 O N.E. 2 NE2 58
Mrs N & Hardin on visit
Mon 9 8 N.E. 3. 0 NE2 0 NE. 2
Finished Lot fence & commenced yard fence
Tues 10 0 N.E. 2. 0 N.E. 2 0 N.E. 2 finished yard
fence
Wed 11 0 S. E. 2 0 SE 3 Hooped Barrel & hauled
wood
Hoop poles H &c. - S. 2.
Thur 12 0S. 2. 0 S. 3. O S. 3. Killed beef
Fri 13 0 S 3 SW2 0 NW2 84
Sat 14 0 N.W. 2

[Diary page 84 "pg84.jpg"]

November 1863

Sun 15 0 N 1 0 N 1 Pleasant 0 NE 2
Went to Kaufman with GBP WWG HBK
in wagon - George G.D. Frost
Mon 16 0 N 1 0 N1 Frost 0 NE 2 To Kfman
Hired negro girl from Capt. Cole at 15 \$ per month
& brot her to [recd?]
Tues 17 0 N E 2 frost S. E. 2 0 .S.E 2.
Worked on Loom
Wed 18 0 S. 2 0 S. 3. 9 .S2
To JW Johnsons saw C.I.T. got appt deputy [Eq]
offer worked on loom
some indications of rain - creeks all dry and cattle

are
perishing for want of water
Thur 19 0 S. E. 3 drizzly - 10 N.W. 3 Some rain 0
10 N.W. 3
Some little rain through the night but not enough to
make water for stock to drink the creeks still dry
Fri 20 8 NW. 2 Cold & unpleasant but not freezing
we need more rain for Stock water
Sat 21 O S. E. 2 Heavy frost - a little ice - To
Kaufman
Capt. Kiser & Company arrived at K
Sun 22 0 S. E. 2 0 SE 2 0 SE 2 at home
Mon 23 10 E. 3 - 10 E 2 ½ 10 NW 3 -
worked on loom
appearances greatly in favor of rain - yet needed
no rain
Tues 24 0 NW3 0 NW 2 0 NW2
Wed 25 0 NW 2 0 SW 2 S. E. 2
To Kaufman - Remained all night
Thur 26 0 S. E. 2 S. E. 2 at Kaufman had
Dinner to Kyser company 10 S. E. 2 Home
Fri 27 10 S. E. 1 Showery & warm The rain is
much needed & comes in good season
at 2 wind hauled to N.W. & cold rain
fell for 1 hour or more Freeze at night
[?] [David Devereauo?] Dinner

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Decr 1863

Sat 28 - 6 NW 3 0NW 3 0 NW 2
The coldest weather of the season water froze in
vessels to the bottom - thermometer down to 20
Sun 29 0 NW 2 4 NW 2 to Kaufman 0 N.W. 2
Frost
Mon 30 0 NW 3 Frost W 2 Went to Kaufman
Tues 1 December Frost 4 S. W. 2 0 .S. 2. 0. S. 2.
Nothing
Wed 2 0 S. 2. Frost Very pleasant 0 S. 2. Worked
on Loom
Thur 3d 9 S. E. 2 7 SE 2 Kate came worked
on loom
Fri 4 10 SE 2 8 SE 2 worked on loom
Sat 5 - some rain
Sun 5 0 SE 2 To Kaufman
Mon 7 1 0 SE 2 good rain
Tues 8 0 NW 2 to Barbecue at Turners Point
Wed 9 0 S. 2. Pleasant - home
Thur 10 9 SE 2 at home sick
Fri 11 10 SW. 2 At home - Kat went home

Sat 12 10 SE 1 “ ” Sick killed shoat
Sun 13 10 NW 3 0 NW 2 DM & Wife
Mon 14 0 SE 2 very pleasant
Tue 15 10 SE 2 10 SE 2
Wed 16 10 NW 4 Heavy rain about day lights
NW 4 NW 3
Thur 17 0 NW 3 Helped kill hogs for Mrs. Gray
0 NW 2 0 NW 2 Ice ½ in. thick
Fri 18 0 NW 2 Freezing 0 NW 2 0 NW 2
S 19 0 NW 1 0 NW 1 0 SE 1
S 20 0 SE 2 0 SE 2 6 SE 2
Mon 21 6 SW 2 Chilly 0 SW 2 0 SW 2
Tues 22 0 SE 2 0 SE 2 0 SE 2
Wed 23 10 SE 2 8 SE 2 8 SE 2
Thur 24 10 SE 2 0 SE 2 0 SE 2
Dr. I.W. Terrell here on way to [Pries]
[army?away?] have been driven off by a mob

[Diary page 86 “pg86.jpg”]

Decr & January 1863 & 1864

Fri 25 10 S. E. 2 10 S. E. 2 10 SW 2 Drizzly
Went to F.A. Waters to Egg Nogg - fine time
Sat 26 10 raining - heavy rain lasted until 9 A.M.
At 7 wind changed to N.W. Some rain through
the day - made shoes -
Sun 27 10 NW 3 Some ice 6 NW 2 0 NW 2
Mon 28 0 S. W. 2 Went to Kaufman 0 S. W. 2 0 S.
W. 2

Sworn into office Massive Dinner

Tues 29 0 S 2. 0 S 2 4 S. 2.

Wed 30 10 S. E. 2. Rain for ½ hour at 2 P.M.

Commenced raining at is now (½ past 3 P.M.)

Still raining wind N.E. we now have an
abundance of rain

Thur 31 10 NW Furious Snow Storm which lasted
nearly all day - wind still NW 4

Fri 1 January 1864 - First day of new year
which I hope may be spent more profitably than the
one just gone - yet I have great reason to be
thankful

for the many blessings bestowed upon me & mine -
my

family having enjoyed the greatest of blessings
good health - & if we have been stinted in the
luxuries

of life we have not in the necessaries - may we
improve

as we advance in age - Weather excessively cold

Thermometer at 0 degrees Fht but clear - too cold to

go

much out - hope may moderate in morning -
Just finished reading memoirs of Aaron Burr
which I find intensely interesting - & which disclose
some facts of which I have heretofore been
unapprised

and which to me are astonishing - continued
very cold wind SE at night

Sat 2 10 SE 2 10 SE 2 Went hunting Killed 2 deer
at one shot still cloudy & indications of rain
bit more moderate than yesterday Mer 22 at
7 A.M. no late news from the army last night
wrote to uncle R.A.T. but am at a loss where to
direct the letter some small showers through to
night which froze on the ground.

Sun 3 10 Misty & ground covered with sleet wind E
1

weather cold & chilly indications in favor of more
sleet

& worse weather - to be protracted indefinitely -
dull times

no war news mails irregular compensation so small
that no one is willing to take contracts for carrying
the

mails 2 .M. wind changed to NW.

Mon 4 0 NW 3 very cold Thermometer 10

Tues 5 5 NW 2 0 NW 2 found wild hogs

Wed 6 0 NW 3 Very cold thermometer 10

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Thur 7th January [missing]

0 NW Killed 1 hog still very cold

Ice 6 inches thick on [missing]

Fri 8th N.W. 2 Killed 5 wild hogs -

at night wind rose to 3 NW very cold

Sat 9 NW 1 very calm & clear killed 2 hogs

Sun 10 5 SE 2 8 SE 2 at Home

Mon 11 10 SE 2 SE 2 8 SE 2 Hunted
wild hogs - found none

Tues 12 10 SE 2 8 SE 2 8 NW 2

Wed 13 0 SE 2 0 SDE 2 to Kaufman D.

Thur 14 0 NW 2 0 NW 1 0 NW 2

At home all day nothing done

Fri 15 0 S. E. 2 Very pleasant

Sat 16 0 S. E. 3 Moses Larve & self started to
Sabine

to hunt wild hogs & found none

Sun 17 10 Drizzly & cold Moses Killed Turkey

Mon 18 0 NW 2 Moses Killed Shoat. Tues & Wed

hunted hogs
Thur 21 Started home having found no hogs
Fri 22 10 S. 2. Foggy 0 S2 0 S2 70
Sat 23 10 S2 foggy 8 S 2 killed wild cat.
Sun 24 0 foggy S 2 To K. very pleasant
Mon 25 0 S2 Fog 0 S 2 Killed shoat
Tues 26 0 S 2 Fog OS2 Hunted hogs
Wed 27 0 S. 2 0 S2 0.S. 2. 70
Thur 28 10 SE 2 8 S 2 6 S 2 70
Fri 29 10 S.E 2 Drizzly 4 P.M. 6 N2 (80) 12M
Commenced smoke house
Sat 30 10 N. 2. 11 a.m. shower showery through
night
Sun 31 10 SE rain until 12 M. 0 NW 2 1/2 0 NW 2
Mon 1st Feby 1864 O.S. E. 2 0 SE 2 0 SE 2
Building Smoke house
Tues 2 0 NW 3 NW 2 NW 2
Wed 3 0 SE 2 S 2 0 S2
Building S. House without help
Thur 4 0 SE 2 0 S 2 SE 2
Fri 5 0 S3 0 S 2 0 S 2
Broke garden
Sat 6 0 NW 4 NW 3 NW 2 Kaufman
The Balance of Militia enrolled - saw Gen [Kard?]
James W. Hayet

[Diary page 88 "pg88.jpg"]

[] 7 NW 2 0 NW 2 Wind lulled at 3 p.m
Very pleasant - all along wife gone to Mrs. A's
Children gone too some one way & some another
Mon 8 0 S 2 OS2 OS2
ploughed
Tues 9 Same Wed 10 Do. Thur 11 SE 2 SE 2
worked on smoke house
Fri 12 8 NW 2 0 NW 2 0 NW
Killed wild hog
Sat 13 9 SE 2 6 SE 22 Hunted hogs 10 SE
small showers during the night
Sun 14 10 SE 1 small shower at day break Rained
gently
nearly all day & all night 3 children sick
Mon 15 10 S. 2 Foggy 8 NW 2 5 NW 2 70
Tues 16 NW 3 1/2 Sudden change in weather 32
from 70 yesterday at 2 p.m.
Wed 17 10 N.E. 3 10 NW 3 10 NW 2 26
Thur 18 10 NW 3 8 NW 2 0 NW 2 26
Fri 19 0 SE 2 8 SE 2 9 SE 2 Sick
Sat 20 0 S. E. 2 Last night had chill Do.
Sun 21 0 S 2 pleasant weather Do. 46 70

Mon 22 0 S 2 Pleasant 0 S 2 (Sick) 76
Tues 23 0 S 2 very pleasant & springlike 0 82 OS2
Wed 24 0 S2 4 S 2 56 76
Thur 25 0 S 2 OS2 OS2 80
Fri 26 OS3 OS3 OS3 80
Sat 27 9 S4 9S4 10S2
Sun 28 10 NW 3 Dark & Drizzly all day 40 50 48
Mon 29 10 NW 2 everything covered with sleet 28
40 42
Tues 1 March 9 NW 2 0 NW 2 0 NW 2 40 54 50
Sleet melted away rapidly & left very little
Wed 2 0 NW 1 very pleasant OS2 OS2 50 70
Thur 3 9 S3 chilly - To JN Gardners Bot wheel 2S3
Fri 4 8S3 chilly 10 A.M. norther 2 P.M. ONW3
Sat 5 OS2 OS2
Killed wild goon & cut Bee [games?] & Bee tree &
hired
Bees
Sun 6 OS2 DM & wife & Mr. Bissett Dined
Mon 7 9S2 To Kaufman 0 N2 N. 2.
Tues 8 8S2 Planted a little corn 74
10 SE3 commenced raining at 10 p.m.
Good rain

[NOTE: There are one or two pages missing
between these two. It appears they have been cut
out. But there is no break between dates]

[Diary page 89 "pg89.jpg"]

Wed Mar 9 - 10 S. W. 3 4 W 3 4 W 4
Thur 10 8 W4 0 W 4 48 - 56 Bee Hive house
Fri 11 0 W2 0 SE 3 43 64 Mer 66
Sat 12 8 NW 3 0 NW 3 Mer 54 NW2
Sun 13 0 N 2 0 N 2 5 NW 2 56 70
Mon 14 9 NW 3 0 NW 3 0 NW 3 66
Tues 15 0 NW 4 0 NW 3 0 NW 2 66
Wed 16 0 NW 2 Ice NW 3 NW 2 30 3 To R.A.T.
Thur 17 0 SE 2 Ice SE 4 SE 2 30 68
Fri 18 0 SE 2 smoky 0 SE 2 0 SE 2 76
Sat 19 0 N 2 " 0 N2 0 N3 78 To Kaufman Lodge
[met?]
Sun 20 8 NE 3 10 NE 4 10 NE 3
Mon 21 10 NE 3 4 NE 3 8 NE 2 46
Tues 22 0 NE 2 Frost 0 NE 2 0 NE 2 To WWRs
Wed 23 0 NE 2 " 0 NE 2 8 E 2
Thur 24 10 E 3 Rain commenced at 4 A.M.
continued till 10 A.M.
At 3 P.M. wind changed to W. hard storm Wind &

rain 1 hour
 rained again at night for 1 hour - a good season
 Fri 25 10 W 3 9 W 3 8 W 3 46
 Sat 26 0 SE 3 0 SE 3 0 SE 2 70
 Sun 27 0 S3 7 S 4 8S4 76 G.R.
 Parschall &
 wrote petition
 for him

Mon 28 0 W 3 Smoky 0 NW 4 0 NW 3 50 68
 Tues 29 0 NW 4 0 NW 4 0 NW 2 48
 Wed 30 0 SE 2 0 SE3 0 SE 3
 Thur 31 0 NW 3 0 NW 4 Tried to lay off ground to
 plant corn
 Wind blew hard that I could not keep the plough in
 the ground - This is the last day of the [wildest?]
 month I ever experienced - NW 4 NW 3 60
 Fri 1 April 0 NW 2 0 NW 2 NW 2 40
 Sat 2 0 SE 2 0 SE 4 0 SE 4 Planted some corn in
 the waldrip field rain much needed
 Sun 3 3S3 ONW4 very [] [] 64
 Rain much needed corn which has 72
 been planted 3 or 4 weeks not come up well - I
 planted
 some yesterday - The season so far very
 unfavorable
 grass about 2 ½ or 3 inches high & then at that
 3 P.M. very smoky so much so that can scarcely see
 1/4 mile
 I wonder what Surcharged the atmosphere? NW 5
 blew a
 gale during the night
 Mon 4 0 NW 4 42

[Diary page 90 -these pages are attached to the
 diary even though it is back to 1861. These are the
 last pages of the first diary. Apparently he used the
 back pages of the diary to keep track of work he had
 done and what he charged for it.]
 1861
 April 14 Took acknowledgment of A.J. Parschall &
 wife to
 Deed to Susannah Rainer. 2.00
 May 3 Took Acknowledgment of Isaac Houston to
 deed to J.C.G. Reece .50
 May 3 Acknt. of J.C.G. Reece & Wife to Isaac
 Houston 2.00

May 30 Acknow of R. E. Thomas to Rachael
 Thomas .50

June 7 Acknt of R.A. Terrell & wife to deed to 2.00
 A.J. Paschall for Land
 May 5 Acknt of R. I. Jones to deed to A. Lacy for
 land
 in Hunt County 50
 Sept 17 Acknt of deed from D. Moore to J.G.
 Moore
 24 Do. “ ” from W. D. Elliott & wife to C.M. Burns
 & F.A. Waters Notary fee 2.00
 Riding 50 miles 3.00
 Nov 7 Do. From F. M. Norton & wife to Wm J.
 Moneys to land 2.00
 Waters pays fees
 [missing] 5 Do from R.A. Terrell to W.W. Gray

“ ” “ ” To Moses Larve “ ” 50
 “ ” “ ” George Watkins “ 50

Nov 15 Do. from Aaron Norton to John Dennis for
 land
 in Hunt & Kaufman Counties paid \$3
 Also from A. Norton to A.N. Weaver
 to Land in Kaufman County 2.00

[Diary page 91 “pg91.jpg”]
 1861 George Watkins deed to A.J. Ellis 50
 Decr 5th
 Do. Do. “ ” Thos Crittenden 50
 1862
 Jan 16 Acknowlt of M. J. Wooten wife of B. D.
 Wooten to deed of
 Trust (^to A.J. Ellis) on land Homestead for Amt of

5
 Dry Measure . 16 dr 1
 0 ox
 2 galls 1 peck 0 16 oz 1
 lb
 4 pecks 1 bushel 14 lbs
 2 1 []
 1 bushel 1 sack 28 1 gr
 8 " 1 quarter 0 4 grs 1 [c?]
 4 [] 1 chaldron 20 [] 1
 []

10 [] 1 Last

Wind Measure
 2 pints 1 quart
 4 qts 1 gallon

Paper
 24 sheets 1 [gr?]
 20 gms 1
 [Rec?]
 [?] & B [?
 right side of
 page missing a
 portion]
 2 pts 1 gal
 4 qts 1 gal
 9 galls 1 frs
 2 ? 1 K[?] 1
 13 B[?] [?]
 2 Bbls [?]
 3 [?]

10 galls. 1 anchon

42 " 1 Turet
 63 " 1 Hhd
 2 hhd 1 pipe
 2 pipes 1 Tun

[This is the end of the first diary]

[The second diary was out of order when I viewed it, but I have placed it in chronological order here.]

[Diary page 93 "pg93.jpg"]

April 1864
 Friday 1st 0 NW2 0 NW2 0 NW2 40 - -
 Saturday 2 0 SE2 0 SE4 0 SE 4
 Planted some corn - very dry - rain needed
 Sunday 3 3 SE 3 0 NW4 0 NW5 60-70-50
 corn planted - not come up well - too dry
 cold & windy - Last night wind blew
 violently all night - very smoky
 Mon 4 - 0 NW4 0 NW3 0 NW3 40 - 68
 Tues 5 3 NE2 0 SE2 0 SE 2 42 74
 Wed 6 3 SE3 finished planting corn in field
 Appearances in favor of rain 3S2 0S2 78
 Thursday 7 9 S2 9SE2 small shower 5N2 64 80
 Rebroke land in garden
 Friday 8 3 NW3 0 NW3 4NW3 Mrs. Garnder

[NOTE: The rest of this page contains pencil division and multiplication problems. At one point later in the diary, James T. Rayel will mention practicing these.]

[Diary page 92 "pg92.jpg"]

[NOTE: This page is a handwritten page of Weights & Measures for example, the top of the page states:]

Weight & Measures

Land Measure

9 Sqr Feet 1 sqr yard

30 1/4 yard 1 poles

40 poles 1 rood

4 roods 1 vece

435.60 Sq. Feet in 1 aced

40 - [crossed out 10890) yds in 1 acres

scrimpler 1 []

Solid Measure

ounce

1728 inches 1 solid foot

27 feet 1 yard

Try
 might
 24
 [gallon
 s?] 1 []
 30 [?]
 1 oz.
 12 ozs
 1 lb.

Apotho
 caries
 20 yrs
 1
 [scimpl
 er]
 3
 8 dos 1
 12 oz 1
 pound
 [Avoir
 Dufois
 ?]

Cold & dry - replanted corn in garden
Saturday 9 7 NW4 0NW3 0NW1 50 66
Sunday 10 0 NW1 0SE 2 SE 2
Frost To WWR
Monday 11 - SE2 3 SE 3 Small shower of
Rain & hail at 5 P.M. To R McCorkles
Tuesday 12 3 NW3 0N2 0N2
Wed 13 3SE3 9 NE4 10 W 3
Hunted old sorrel mare
Thur 14 9 NW3 3 NW3 48
Great stir about Enrolling Militia - Reign of Terror
men are being dragged from their homes by officers
& armed men. The Militia called out - all between
the
age of 18 & 50 are to come into the field and to
leave families unprovided for - The prospects for
crops very unpromising - corn has been planted &
[?] planted & is just coming up - Wheat about
10 inches high - [Jointing?] - Weather cold & dry
and no
prospect of rain - Everything wears a gloomy look,
Fri 15 0 NW3 4 NW3 NW2
Frost to [Raines?] Houstons & WWRs
Sat 16 0SE3 0SE2 0NE2
Front to Kaufman Smoke settles to the ground
Sunday 17 0SE3 0SE3 94
Mr. and Mrs. Alexander & children. Came news of
Battle
[] near Shreveport - says - We lost 800 & Federals
captured 2 Batalion Second Morgans Co & Mar
[worn away]

[Diary page 94 "pg94.jpg"]

[worn away]

The Confederate Congress has passed an act
declaring
all males between ages of 17 & 50 in the Service -
[P?]
& physicians over 30 yrs old & 7 yrs practice
exempt
No other exemptions save those made by the
President
Great dissatisfaction exists amongst the people as
there
are none left to make bread for women & children
save those owning 15 negroes - who are also
exempt
Which will place the entire control of the produce
of the Country in the hands of the rich

I suppose the poor may beg bread
or starve - there are in consigned many desertsions
Monday 18th 0 N3 0N3 0N1
Hunted Bay Mare To J.W. Johnsons
Tues 19 - 0SE2 0S2 0S1 Hunted mare
Wed 20 10 NW3 sprinkle - at 8 wind changed
to SE4 all vegetation suffering for rain
wind very high but still hope it may rain
[] clouds all pass away -
Coudy all day high - south winds no rain
To R.L. Storalls & Kaufman
remained [a night CC Nash?]
Thurs 21 10 S2 10 S4 10 S4
Home - Dr. Pyle & C.C. Nash came far as Moses
[Larve?]
Small sprinkle through night
Fri 22 10 SE3 10 SE3 10 SW3
small sprinkle at 8 A.M.
Rain commenced at 7 & rained nearly all night
much thunder & lightning & considerable wind
from NW
Sat 23 10 NW4 10 NW4 4 NW2 60
[? ? lots?] as got all day
Sun 24 0NW2 0S3 0S2 DM & [Co?]
my corn just coming up
Mon 25 0S2 0S2 0S2
Went to Burford's took Acknt. Bill Sale
Tues 26 7S3 0S3 6S3
Got up old pass filly & colts - Mrs. Raines
Wed 27 10 S3 9S3 6S2
Bought Mrs. Raines place - for horses & [gun?]
Mrs. Raines started home
Thur 28 9S3 7S2 6SE2
Went to W.T. Jones & Got up [br?s?]
And colt [] several small showers during
the night
Fri 29 10E2 10S2 10S2

[Diary Page 95 "pg95.jpg"]

[] April 10 SE2 corn just coming
up but looks badly cold & backward spring
N3 cold norther Thermometer 62
Sun 1 May 0N3 Mer 40 N20
Light Frost At home
Mon 2 0N3 0N3 0N2
Frost. Hunted Bonnie mare that had got loose
WK Camp all night
Tues 3 0N3 4SE3 6SE2
Remained at home all day

Wed 4 3SE3 0SE4 4SE4
To Turners Point - paid war tax - Dn the tax
& Dn the makers
Thur 5 6SE3 0SE3 S30
Fri 6 10SE3 6SE3 9SE 3
To Kaufman - staid at Frenchs D.K. [Why?]
Sat 7 10SE2 8SE3 8SE2
Home at night - agreed with French to go
to Vanzandt & collect war tax
Sun 8 10SE3 10SE3 10SE3 small
sprinkle of rain - To J H Mc Carty & home
Mon 9 10SE3 small shower 10SE2
Rain from 5 till 6 p.m. good shower
8 1/2 to 9 Heavy shower - lightning & thunder
Tues 10th 0W3 Started to Vanzandt Co
to collect war tax
11 12 13 14 15 16 17 in Vanzandt County
18th home 19th Do. 20 to Vanzandt - hot weather
21 22 23 24 25 26
26th home warm sultry weather
27th Small showers - good shower in morning
accompanied with much lightning & heavy
thunder Good rain at 5 P.M - Cloudy
& cool The harvesting of wheat commenced
corn about half [dog?] high
another good rain

[Diary Page 96 "pg96.jpg"]

Sat
28th May Cloud 0 SE2 SE2 Went to YW
Allens bought Reel George remained at M.
Hamiltons
Sun 29 9 SE2 Everything growing finely - very [?]
and indications of more rain
Mon 30 6SE2 4 SE2 3 SE2 JH [W?]
For the first time in a great while
Tues 31 - 4 SE2 6 SE2 - 4 P.M. rained 1 1/2 hours
splendid Rain George not yet returned at 5 1/2 P.M.
Hope he will return in the morning with Loom
Wed 1st Jun 1864 10SE2
We have rain at night for a while more will interfere
with the Wheat harvest which has commenced
will probably injure wheat has been cut
George returned with loom & reel & brought us
Sad intelligence that Mr. Allen was killed by
one Wheatley - Showery all day - W.W. Gray &
self
Killed yearling - rained through the night
Thur 2d 10 rained at 7 A.M. wind changed to

the W very dark & cloudy thunder in North
showery all day & all night - too much wet weather
Fri 3d 10SE2 cloudy & drizzly - very warm - Mer
80
To Cav Hardins P. William Hardins wheat out &
[sh?ked]
and fears are entertained that wheat will be injured
Sat 4 8SE2 To John H. McCartys - thence to
W. Gillards all night - very warm & sultry weather
Sun 5th 8SE2 Started to Jordans Saline for the
purpose of collecting the war tax - got to Mills
saw Capt. EV Butler & got 10 men for purpose
of arresting one Wheatly for killing Mr. Allen
returned to Mrs. Allens - horse escaped with saddle
on - remained all night - much excitement about
the killing of Mr. Allen
Mon 6 - 9 - started home a foot - got lost & found
my horse - some rain - got slightly wet [torn off]
& [] 3 p.m. raining - wheat injured by rain
rained gently through the night - George gone for
Colt
Tues 7 - 10 Drizzly - rained slowly nearly all day
To D. Moses & Moses Larves rained Slowly 2
hours
At home - no rain during night

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Wed 8th June 1864 S2 10 sprinkling ran at 10 A.M.
And indications of much more rain - Heavy thunder
in West To D Moses RAT mill - Larves & home
heard from Bay mare been gone 3 months
Hard storm of wind & rain from the West at 2 P.M.
Cloudy & cool wind south 2 - nearly dark & George
not yet returned from Dennis whither he went for
corn on Monday last - nothing done for rain
Hope the rain is over for the present - Geo Returned
without corn - Rained some in night
Thur 9 - 10S-2 Some rain in the night
started for Jordans Saline To Wells [?]
Fri 10 To Saline over high waters- swam creek
Sat 11 At Saline Sun 12 Do rained hard Mon 12
Tues 13th left Saline for Canton arrived at Sundown
remained all night - Wed 14th Saw Mrs. E & B
old acquaintances - Home -
Thur 16th - 0SE2 2 SW2 4 SW2 Go
Fri 17th 0SW2 0S2 0S2 At home
Sat 18 0 SW 3 To Kaufman to G. Barnettts all
night - same
Sun 19 - to Dr. Pyles & home [D?nk]

Mon 20 0 SE2 4 SE2 Therm 100 at 10 till 3 p.m.
Tues 21 0SE2 SE2 7 M 80 -
Wed 22 0 SE2 10 SE2 at Kaufman
Mr. Belews
Thur 23d 0S2 10SE2 Rained at Kaufman
Fri 24 0SE2 to Cap Murphys for mare got [away?]
rained at 1 P.M. Remained all night at Capt. M-S
Sat 25 0S3E2 found mare stayed at Capt. Murphys
Sun 26th 0SE2 came home - no rain but the
[missing]eather excessively warm brought mare
home
[missing] is very [La?e]

[Diary page 98 "pg98.jpg"]

June & July 1864

Mon 29th June 0 SE2 10 SE3 small shower

Tues 28th 0 SE2 6SE2 0SE3

Wed 29 " 0SE2 0SE2 0SW2

Killed beef - made Rope at Stewarts

Thur 30 0SE2 SW2 to RA Terrells

who is at home on his way to the [Coast?] where

Parsons Brigade is ordered - very warm

Fri 1st July 1864 0SW2 very warm

Sat 2d 0SW2 1SW2 0SW2 Mer 94

Sun 3d 0SE2 0S2 0S2 94

John McCarty & Zack

Mon 4 0S2 0S2 0S2

Tues 5 0S2 0S2 0S2

Wed 6 0S2 to Kaufman - very dry
and very warm weather at Mr. Belews
candidates are plenty - Ivine for C J

no opponent - Rayel & Tuggle for clk
D.C. Hindman & Barnes for C.C. [Wils missing]

& Jones for Shfss Tate & Tapp for
assessor - Kyser for Surveyor

Thur 7 0S2 0S2 0S2 House

No news from Richmond which we
suppose besieged by Grants army

Fri 8 0S2 0S2 0S2

Sat 9 0S2 0S2 0S2

West to Barbecue at Jones Springs Saw
several candidates electioneering with the
people - considerable stir - Home

Sun 10 3S3 0S3 0S2

MK [Grove?] & wife spent the day pleasantly -
after

dark Mr. J. Bozet and other gentlemen arrived

Mon 11th 0S2 0S2 0S2 98

Dr. [Gault] borrowed a dog

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Tues 12 July 1864 To Kaufman

0S2 0S2 0S2

Wed 13 0S2 0S2 0S2

To WWR - Very Dry & warm

Rain much needed as without it corn
crops will be short

Thur 14 0S2 Hauled forks & poles
to make shed - 0S2 0S2

Fri 15 0S3 0S2 0S2

Worked on Shed to house

Sat 16 0S2 0S2 0S2

Finished shed & brot home 21 Bushels
wheat from Wm Hankins - [west?] of the
Rainer field - Tired & hot Term 100

Sun 17 0S2 0S2 0S2 100

Mon 18 0S2 0S2 0S2 100

To Rockwall

Tues 19 0S2 1S2 0S2

To JW Terrells

Wed 20 0S2 0S3 home

Thur 21 0S2 0S2 0S2 R. Riper

& Self tested our Electioning - wen to
settlements on [brushy] Buffalo to Trinidad

Weather excessively hot small shower of rain
at Trinidad on Saturday morning but

no rain here - corn here burning up - There
will be a very short crop

Sunday 24th 0NE2 0NE2 0NE2

Home - nights cool & pleasant about the
middle of the day warm

Mon 25 0NE2 Coop & pleasant Smoky

Tues 26 0NE2 0SE2 0SE2 Do.

To next electioning

Wed 27 0SE2 0SE2 To J H McCarthys

Saw JW Moon

Thur 28 0SE 2

[Diary Page 100 "pg100.jpg"]

Fri 29th July 1864 August

4 SE2 10SE2 Showery

To Dinner at Turner's Point

Mr. Brasett came for a [too much bleeding through
from other side to read]

Sat 30 4SE2 10 NE2 Showers

To Larves Mill & Stewarts

Sun 31 109 SE2 shower To JM Johnson

Turners point & Castleberrys remained

til 2 A.M. at M Heavy Rains - arrived at the
Town of Rockwall at daylight [crossed out:
remained
until 5 P.M. To Thos Raines]
Mon 1 August
4SE2 arrived at Rockwall at
daylight remained at the election
10 P.M. to Thos Raines remained all night.
Tues 2 0SE2 Home at 12 M. 4S2 94
Wed 3 0S2 0S2 0S2 98
Thur 4 0S2 0S2 0S2 80 100
Fri 4 0S2 6S2 4S2
To Turners Point to collect war tax
Sat 6 3N2 9S2 Rained a good
Rain at G. Pashalls but none here
Sun 7 - 4. SE2 0S2 T. GRPs
Mon 8 9 SE2 10S2 Rained at Allens
but none here - went to Cedar Grove & got
Seal to Deeds from Ransom Norton & wife to Thos
Raines & seal to Deeds to Castleberry from RJ Ro
[missing]
& wife spent the night pleasantly with [?]
Gibband
Tues 9 7 0SE2 832 Heavy cloud & w [missing]
thunder & lightning down sabine - no rain
here - got home 1 ½ hours by sun

[Diary page 101 "pg101.jpg"]
Wed 10 4SE2 10NW2 sprinkle
Thur 11 10S2 Rain Thunder & lightning
gentle rain To Geo Paschalls & mill
and Moses Larves - This the day for counting
votes & opening election returns - Rained at
night gently -
Fri 12 10 raining gently wind SW2
Rained till 12 M. 10S2 10S2
WK Camp A.M.
Sat 13 10S2 To Turners Point - rained
at Raines but no rain here - remained
at TP to meeting of Lodge -
Sun 14 8S2 Home at 2 PM. very hot
Mon 15 7S2 4S2 4S2
To MK Larves to run out line of Survey &
to hunt Bay mare
Tues 16 0S2 8 SW2 8SE2 Mer 100
To WWR
Wed 17 10SE raining gently - Small rain
Thur 18 - 10 Drizzly Js Alex moving back
to E. Trimble place - very warm & cloudy

very little rain to day -
9NW3 0NW4
Fri 19 10 NW3 Mer 74 90
Found Kate Mare & brot her home
NW2 NW2
Sat 20 SE1 Foggy N2 0N2 80
Judith sick - went for Doct Moss to give her
physic
Sun 21 0 NE2 Judith still sick - high fever
all night 0 SE2
Mon 22 0SE2 Judith better 0SE2 Uncle Jo
got moved over
Tues 23 0SE2 moved corn crib SE2
Nights very cool & damp heavy dews
S3 - S2
Wed 24 0S2 there is still [] [] []
[missing] anks but muddy very warm
[missing]ommenced gathering corn in Waldrip
[missing]ield

[Diary page 102 "pg102.jpg"]
Thur 25 August 1864 & Sept
0S2 0S2 very dry & hot finished gathering
corn in Waldrips fields - about 20 Bushels
to my Share Mer 95
Fri 26th 0S1 0S2 0S2 104
Rufus Hamilton
Sat 27th 0S2 0S2 0S2 106
To Mrs. Allen's who sent for me to aid her in
settling businss portion with JC Weaver - very hot
at night lightning in N.E. rains is much needed
there being very little stock water on the prairies
George & James at Mr. Hamiltons
Sun 28 0S4 3SW2 7 A.M. 80 107
At 4 winds changed to NE & blew up clouds
but no rain - Thermometer fell from 107 to
80 Lightning in SE diffuse
Mon 29th 0S2 0S2 78 - 96
Tues 30 0S2 0S2 0S2 102
Wed 31 0S2 0S2 0S2 102
Brown mare got away - followed her to
Ced[missing]
but did not get her
Thur 1st September At home all day
0SW2 0SE2 0SE2 Ther 80 - 104
Hot & dry we need rain very badly
Fri 2 0SE 0S2 0S2 78 - 100
To Cav Hardins
Sat 3 2S2 0S2 4S2 78 - 100

New Moon

Sun 4 0S3 0S2 0S2 80 100

Uncle Jo Alexs wife & children all day & []

To Geo Paschals

Mon 5 3S3 water nearly all gone in creeks

7SW3 shot at [fa?rs] misfed it 100

Tues 6 6S4 Went hunting saw 3 deer but g[missing]
no shot 8S4 9S4 98

Wed 7 10N2 commenced at day light to [missing]
from North rained about 40 minutes

a good season - rained gently [?]

[Diary page 103 "pg103.jpg"]

Thur 8th September 1864 9S2 - 80

Fri 9 - 0S2 4S2 0S2 - 100

To Mr. Hamiltons - very hot & sultry weather

Sat 10 4SE 0N2 0N2

To Turners point to meeting of M L Evan Milo 1

Sun 11 0S2 0S3 RJ Raines J Packman

&WWR to arrange detail papers

Mon 12 0S2 Wrote to Jim C McCory Eagers

about bringing Suit against late Shff [Snow?]

Another order to the E. C. which causes quite a
flutter among Conscriptis who are trying all

means to keep out Some applying for

details and some are for the frontiers and

others are trying for exemptions - ourself is

of the latter Class

Tues 13 - 0S2 0SE2 0SE2

Hauled load corn from Raricco field

Wed 14 - 9 SE2 Appearances in favor

of rain which is dreadfully needed

Hauled 2 [^loads] corn from Rainer field

Thur 15 10 NE2 Small sprinkle of

rain no rain - worked on wagon

Fri 16 6N2 Finished wagon wheel

We need rain very badly - Hope it may

rain - No rain

Sat 17 0S2 0S2 to Kaufman - Do

dull low down place -

Sun 18 0N2 Wife & Self to WWR 0N2 0N2

Mon 19 0N2 quite cool Thermometer 60 - 90

Tues 20 - NE2 WW Gray, Uncle Jo & I

Killed beef 5 SE2 very warm 90

we now have warm days & cool nights

Atlanta has fallen

[Diary page 104 "pg104.jpg"]

Wed 21 Sept 1864 0S2 0S3 0S2 90

Went to mill & JW Johnsons - Uncle [missing]

WB Taylor

Thur 22 4S2 at 8 a.m. [] hazy []

and cool 11 am nearly clear some [Cus?]

In South - made pen for [marking?] pigs &

& hauled load rails from Raricco house

wind south - Mr. E. Lux & Aunt Patsy

Remained till 1 next day

Fri 23 - 2S3 2S3 2S2

Hunted for Luxs mares did not find her

marked 4 pigs

Sat 24 3N3 - NE2 Mr. John Wilson

brot [Brenton?] papers for a detail

Sun 25 - 2SE3 We are of needing rain - all

the creeks & holes (save the tanks) are dry and

stock suffering for water & We have news

that Atlanta Georgia has fallen and that we

have lost 7000 men killed and four times that

number wounded - If this news be true we []

fear for Richmond the fall of which is but a

question of time. We also have news of the

fall of Mobile and Petersburg and great

fears are entertained for [^the (people of) Richmond

Mon 26th 4SE2 Went to Kaufman and got

the [En?] Officers approval to WW Rayels

application for Detail and mailed the

same paying postage. Very high wind all night.

Thur 27 10 sky overcast high wind from SE

pulled hog out of mire worked on hole in

branch for a pool - sent George to [Cenele Kir?]

For wool. He did not see Kit D. Moore

to Hunt Hogs - At night lightning in E - N & W &

[missing]

Wed 29 9NE1 foggy in W & N -

Sky overcast indications of rain - Lo[missing]

send it plentifully - & in big drops -

No rain - lightning in N & SW No rain

finished work on pool - [Son Davids?]

[Diary page 105 "pg105.jpg"]

Thursday September & October 1864

9 Thunder We are in hope for rain - [crossed out:

Last day of soft]

sky overcast all day - Wind NE very cool

To WW Rayels engaged some plank & to

I. Houstons - [planed encart?]

Friday [crossed out 1st day of October 1864]

30th September 10 NW2 small shower

during the night - thunder & lightning in W & NE

hard storm of wind - Thunder & lightning and a little rain from SW first & changed to NW & blew furiously for 1 ½ hours.
Saturday 1st day of October 1864
10 NW3 Masked & made shorts -
went to Mill & got corn ground - Now at 12 M.
sky overcast wind NW3 commenced making pool on branch - clear Sunset
Sun 2d 0NW2 foggy - very cool 7 AM 65
0SE2 New Moon - Cloud in NW at
Sunset lightning in NW & W - diffused -
Remained at home all day - Norther blew up during the night -
Geese & cranes going South.
Mon 3d - 210N4 To WW Rayels - very cold worked on pool [dam?] = cold NW wind
Tues 4th 2NW2 0NW2 Ther 57 - 80
To Geo Paschals & Mill Cranes & other wild fowl migrating south
Wed 5 0S3 - 0SE3 - 0SE2 - 80-
dug up rock - very dry weather
Thur 6 0SE2 Hauled rock for hearth -90 -
dug spring in Kings fork - clear & warm in mid day
Sent George for wool to Terrells did not return
Fri 7 0SE2 Cool nights & warm days -
Finished digging Spring in creek bottom
0N3 - dry cool weather
Sat 8 0N3 0N3 Sent George to
[missing]s Hamiltons for Tobacco - Hunted [?]
[missing] for water found none the 2 holes
[missing] creek caving in & do not afford enough

[Diary page 106 "pg106.jpg"]
Sun 9th Oct 0SE3 Ther 44 78
very clear & very dry - Rain very much
nee[missing]
1SE2 Got grapes of which there is a gre[missing]
abundance on the creeks - JC Geiger
visit - Fed Shoat - very shy - Ther at 2 P.M.
8[missing]
Mon 10 0SE3 Dug in creek NW of home
for water - water is becoming very scarce
none for stock save in Grays spring and in
the pool near Johnson 0SE2 SE2
Frost in the low grounds
Tues 11 - Foggy Worked on house
0SE2 0SE2 - Dry - dry - dry -
Dug hole in creek - no water
Wed 12 0SE2 4SE2 3NE2

cut down tree to make trough - 90 -
Thur 13 3NE2 9 NE2 - 90 -
Killed yearling Beef - saw CIT -
Fri 14 - 9SE2 9SE2 4SE2
One Parson Brooks spent the night
We had prayer The old fellow smoked
and asked questions till late bed time
small sprinkle through the night
Sat 15 10 NW3 - Parson B. took leave
much to the joy of all - I found him
out to be a dad old abolitionist
clear cool & dry - cloudy & cool -
Sun 16 2N3 4 NE2 44-
6 NE2 Gathered grapes -
Mon 17 10 NE2 10 NE2 10 NE2
Hauled rails & wood - No rain cool raw weather
Tues 18 9 NW2 NW2 NW2
Hauled rails
Wed 19 10 NE2 10 NE2 10 NW2
To JW Johnsons - Watkins Larves
Thur 20 10 N2 0NW3
put up lot Fence NW3 [illegible]

[Diary page 107 "pg107.jpg"]
Oct - 1864 - Now
Fri 21 Oct 0 NW3 -42-
[missing] clouds through last night - same for [?]
Hauled wood & made axe [helva?] put up
Lem[missing]
clear and dry
Sat 22 0NW1 To M. Larves ground Axe - 40-
Cool and dry NW2 NW2
Sun 23 4SW2 3SW3 4SE2 -42-
Mon 24 8S2 To Mr. Watkins to see about beef
being
driven off 7S2 4S2
Tues 25 9SW2 7SW2 3SW2
Some thunder & lightning in S & SE in the
night - sprinkled - but did not rain
Wed 26 9SW2 at 9 AM wind changed
to W-3- very pleasant but dry. To JW J
hauled wood - persimmons ripening
0W3 0W2
Thur 27th 0W2 smoky - 0S2 0S2
Uncle Lux came remained all night with us
Fri 28 0SW2 Uncle Lux & I Hunted [^thru?] 4 for
horses all day found none of ours - returned
home tired - weather pleasant - some clouds
in West.

Sat Wind S3 [Flying?] clouds - Ther 56-
Uncle Lux started home - S2 N2
Sun N2 ON2 ON2
Got persimmons
Mon 9 NE2 7E2 10E3
Made 2 falloes for wagon & put on tire
To M Larves shop-
Tuesday 1st day of November
10 E2 commenced to rain at 8 A.M.
A good rain but not yet is such to
make stock water plentiful - 10NW2
drizzly - started to GR Paschals but
rain detained me from going further
then M K Larves - drizzly at night
g[missing] nd NW rained all through to night
[missing] nd very wet & muddy

[Diary page 108 "pg108.jpg"]

Wed 2nd November 1864

10 NW3 - much water needed very [missing]
children are all barefooted - and no [missing]
to make shoes nor no shoes to be had
so much for civil war - 10 NW3 Clear h[missing]
all night very unpleasant Ther 46

Thur 3 10 NW4 Ther -40-

We have not yet rain enough - clear & cool
at night

Fri 4 0NW2 0NW2 0NW2 -40-

To Paschalls & Hudsons bought Tobacco
white frost

Sat 5 0SE2 - White frost -38-

0S3 0S4 Wind blew furiously all night

To Moses Larves

Sun 6 0SW1- 3SE2 - 50 74 -

Gathered persimmons and pecans -
weather very pleasant more rain needed -
mast beginning to fall from spotted oak

There is also much black [ilk] [mast?] and
some oak manna or oak wheat

Mon 7 10 S2 10 S2 10 S2 No Rain

To Kaufman T. Derhse & court - present and
presiding Hon JW Ferris - attorney - Busford
Rushing Bradshaw & Dillon - Whisky appeared
to be tolerably plenty from the odor pervading
some of the houses in town and the
vociferousness of some gentlemen of the
long [robe?] - Reilly got out the 1st No of
the Kaufman Enquirer - the [Democrat?]
Resuscitated - house late at night -

Tues 8 10 S2 10NW2 10 NW4

Some sleet through the night -

To RAT & the mill

Wed 9 - 10NW3 0N2 0N2

To Kaufman & home

Thur 10 0NW Heavy Frost went [missing]

Mr. John Gordhries to buy whea[missing]

[Diary page 109 "page 109.jpg"]

Fri 11 N2 - 0N2 0N2 White frost

To Mrs. M Reynolds - Messrs Malones &
Barretts to purchase wheat for CIT

made engagements for 60 odd Bushels to her
paid for in [ol] remained all night Barretts

Sat 12 0S2 White frost - 0S1 - the middle
of the day and evening very warm - home

very much fatigued - Sent George to

see CIT & carry home money - George

returned with note CIT & 220 in confed from

Warehouse for services as E.O. - warm night -84-

Sun 13th 0S2 - Weather clear & pleasant Ther 46-
76-

George R. Paschall & Bennison - went persimmon
hunting - very pleasant weather

Mon 14 -4S3 - 9S3 - 0SW4 -

To McKorkles - W. Jones - Wascos & McCartys -
home 8 PM Cold -

Tues 15 - 10NE3 10NE3 10SE3

Made shoes for children

Wed 16 10SE3 - 7.S3. 3-10SE2-

Some small sprinkle through the night

made shoes GR Paschal & Mack Farmer

Thur 17 10 SE2. finished 3 pr shoes &
some showers - at 2 PM wind changed to NW3

rained nearly all night - slowly - cool &
wet to C. Hardins where government Beeves

are being branded Finished childrens shoes

Fri 18th 10W2 10NW2 Drizzly - 10NW2

Sat 19 10NW3- 0NS3- 7NW2 - Ther 40

To Cave Hardins - assisted M. Larves to kill Beef
very damp and unpleasant

Sun 20 - 2 NW1 very heavy frost & thin ice Ther 32
now at 8 AM nearly clear & very still

2 P.M. N.W. 2 4NW4 gathered persimmons

Sat 21 0NW4 Ice ½ in thick -

[missing] to Geo Paschalls & mill

[missing] clear & cold

[Diary page 110 "pg110.jpg"]

Tues 22 Nov 1864 -0NW3 Ther 20
Very clear & very cold - sent \$20 by Boy
George to buy potatoes from Dr. Johnson
got no potatoes - still very cool -
Wed 23d 0SW3 0SW3 To. J.H. McCarthys
went deer hunting - saw 1 but did not kill
Remained all night - [?] more [?] to
carried [?] for [?] to Friend McCarthys - home
Thur 24 10SE 10SE- 8S3 Very warm
Rainbow in N.E. just before sunset - warm
Fri 25 10SE3 - 10SE2 Drizzly
We need more rain - 10SE3 10SE2 74
Shot beef & got away
Sat 26 10SE3 Drizzly - 10SE3 S10 2
Went horse hunting with W W Gray found
none - at Sundown very still - calm
wind worsening during the night to 40 [?]
shot beef again & got away
Sun 27th 10SE- 8SE
The wind has blown constantly all day from
the south land - very blustery - wind blew
hard all night from the South.
Mon 28 - 10S4 Flying Clouds - Ther 70-84-
To J.W. Johnson - D Moore Mill Larves & Home
Tues 29 - 10S2 10S2 8SW -84-
To Mill & home
Wed 30 - 10SE2 10SW2 -80-
To JW Johnsons - WDD arrived last night
from Richmond - wrote to Hon JH. Reays
& Doct Starr P.O.D.
Thur 1 December 10S2 10S2 To Kaufman
copied shffs Brand - news papers contain
premature revelations of Legislation
Fri 2 0S2 10S2 3SW2
Small shower of rain - heard of the days
of Capt. Graham EO of Vanzandt & who
w[missing]
shot while changing camp of [bush?]
Home in Co with C. Moore

[Diary page 111 "pg111.jpg"]
Sat 3d December 1864 0NW3 0NW2
Very clear & pretty weather D Moore & Self
marked & branded calves
Sun 4 0SE2 Big white frost Therm - 30-
0S2 0S2 To Turners Point [crossed out: Traded
Isaac]
Houstons [crossed out: 1 mare] for 2 & colts
Mon 5- 9N2 cold & chilly - Thermometer 30

To Isaac Houston & [crossed out: drove mare
home]
8S2 8S2 Fed hogs - Traded mare for 2
mares & colts
Tues 16 10N2 cool & chilly Ther 30
Drove mare & colt home from Houstons
Wed 7.10NW4. Furious Norther 9NW4
8NS4 remained in doors all day -
Thur 8 10NW3 1NE3 10NE3
Cold & Chilly - killed shoat - indications of rain
or snow Ther at 7 am 28
Some ice - Remained at home all day -
Fri 9 NW2 0SW2 0SW2 To Turners
Point to assist collect war tax - home
Sat 10 0SE3 0SE3 0NW4 smoky
to Geo Paschalls & Moss
Sun 11 3NW4 3NW4 Ther 18-
very cold ice 2 in thick -
Mon 12 -0SW3 - 0SW2 -NW20
To C. Hardins - mare got away-
Tues 13 - 8SE4 8SE4 To Houston
on hunt of mare -
Wed 14 0S2 0SW Traded charley
To Bennison for mule Hunted mare
Thur 15 0S1 0S2 9S2
To Moss Hunted mare - shower at 7 ½
very warm at noon Ther 74-
Fri 16 7S2 6S2 7S2
To Kaufmann [crossed out: illegible]
Hunted horses

[Diary page 112 "pg112.jpg"]
December 1864
Sat 17 5S2 5S2 10S2
To Kaufman - Genl [Eunvellwarch?]
Some showers through the night -
Sun 18 10 Drizzly To RA Terrell
Cloudy & Drizzly all day. RAT Jr is
in from the army - Rained nearly all day
Mon 19 - 10NW4 Rainy - cold & unpleasant
Thermometer down to 40 10NW4 36
Tues 20 - 10NW3 Drizzly all day - some
little snow - which melted as fast as it
fell
Wed 21 - 0NW3 - ground frozen Ther 26
0NW3 NW2 col & unpleasant
Thurs 22 0NW 0N3 0N2 26
Hunted horses -
Fri 23 7SE3 3 SE2 4 SE2 26

rain during night
Sat 24 10E2 raining gently Drizzly all day -
Sun 25 10SW4 - 0W3 Christmas which is likely to prove a dull one to me & mine
Mon 26 0S3 0S3 - Kaufman
Very dull place - remained all night at M L Franks - hospitably entertained
Tues 27 4NE 0S3 0N2
Installation of officers for Ensuing Masonic year Home -
Wed 28 6 NW2 0NW3 0NW2
Thur 29 6 SE3 0SE3 0S2
Frost - very chilly - Kill small Be[missing] put out bait for wolves - They are very numerous
Fri 30 - 0SW4 0NW0 0NW4

[Diary page 113 "pg113.jpg"]
Sat 31 Decr 1864
0NW3 0NW3 Had a visit from an old schoolmaster - Ed Terrell from Missouri - our Souvenirs [remark] and we had a pleasant time -
Sun Jun 1 1865 New Year
0SE3 Pleasant weather presenting a marked contrast to the weather this day 1 year ago - To RA Terrell where I met several Missouri acquaintances from Pries army
Mon 2nd 0SE2 4S2 very pleasant
To college mound traded mule for corn & tobacco to Mr. Hunt where remained all night -
Tues 3d 4NW2 Home 0NW2 0NW2
Wed 4 0NW2 0S2 0S2 pleasant
To Mr. Hunts for load corn -
Thur 5 10S2 6S2 Hunted wild hogs - found 1 but killed none - 10NW4 -
Fri 6 - 0NW3 0NW2 0NW2
Hunted Hogs - found none of mine
Sat 7 -SE3 Heavy frost killed hog & Beef 0S2 7S4
Sun 8 10S3 10SE2 10N2 Commenced raining at 8 PM Heavy thunder and wind lightning - rained all night - wind rose to 4
Mon 9th 10 N4 raining - all day - cold
Ther 28

Tues 10 0NW3 - 0NW2 0NW2
Wed 11 0NW2 0NW2 0NW2
killed wild hog - too poor to eat
[missing]sons Hollan & [?] am
[Diary page 114 "pg114.jpg"]
Thur 12 Jany 1865
0SE2 0SE2 0SE2 cool & Damp
To Mr. Hunts for corn & tobacco
Fri 13 4S3 8S2 8S2 to WW Grays
Larves & Mill - nothing done - no news & all together a gloomy day
Sat 14 10NE 9 N2 9NE2
To Turners point No News - Ther 36
Sun 15 9SE2 10SE2 10SE2 Ther 42
Mrs. Kanouse & husband & Mr. K. Larve
Mon 16 0NW3 -0NW2 - Ther 32
To Mill & Kanous & Home Mrs. Tom Henderson
Tues 17 0NW1 Heavy frost NW2 0NW2
To JW Johnsons D. Moores Larves & home
Wed 18 N2 NW2 Hunted beef
Thur 19 0NW2 To Sale at Vanderpools
Bought yoke oxen & tub \$31 0SE2
Fri 20 10SE2 8SE2 7SE2
Sat 21 10 W2 10NW3 10NW4
Col & chilly weather
Sun 22 - 10 NW4 10NW4 10NW4 [?]
Mon 23d 0NW4 0NW4 8NW3
Showery all day Ther 16 -
Tues 24 0N2 0NW3 NW2 Ther 14
Wed 25 4W2 6W2 3W2 " 18
Went hunting suffered with cold -
Thur 26 6N2 4N2 N2 Ter 20
Fri 27 8N2 8NE2 9NE2
Sat 28 - 6NE2 8NE2 NE2
To Kaufman - vacancy the District Clerks office - applied for it stayed at JD Belews

[Diary page 115 "pg115.jpg"]
Sun 29 Jany 1865
8NE2 8NE2 10NE2 Home
very cold & unpleasant riding
Mon 30 10NE2 raining Ther 36-
Slow drizzling rain all day -
Tues 31 - 10 weather same as yesterday Ther 40
Wed 1 February 10 raining NE1 Ther 54 at

7 AM Rain - rain -rain - rained all day
 Thur 2 = 10 Rainy till 8 A.M. wind changed
 Ther 52
 To south - rain cleared - clear sunset 12 M. Ther 72
 - 72
 Fri 3 - 0S2 Foggy 0S2 Ther 52
 To Mr. Hunt got side sole leather 76
 74
 Sat 4 10N3 10NE4 Drizzly Ther 48
 48
 48
 commenced raining at Sundown and
 rained hard nearly all night accompanied
 with heavy thunder & vivid lightning -
 Sun 5 - 10 - 10NE4 Drizzly 38
 40
 36
 High waters - The creeks higher than in 4 years
 rain & sleet nearly all day wind NE3-
 Mon 6 - 10N3 - some snow & rain Ther 36
 and sleet - at 7 A.M. Wind SE - 1- 42
 38
 Tues 7 - 0NW2 8NW4 0NW4 32
 Hunted Beef - found none fit to kill 50
 Wed 8 0NW1 - 0NW3 - NW2 30
 Put tobacco in press 50
 40
 Thur 9 - 0NE1 0NE2 28
 To mill - M. Larves shop 58
 52
 Fri 10 - 0SW3 0SW2 0SW 32
 To I. Hudsons - Mill & Home 66
 50
 Sat 11 0SW2 W2 NW2 40
 Sold I Hudson Table & desk for meat 66
 Killed hog 50
 Sun 12 0NW2 0N2 9NE2 34
 WWR came & took Dinner 72
 64

[Diary page 116 "pg116.jpg"]
 Mon 13 February 1865
 10SE2 Rained nearly all night and

showery all day - Creeks overflowed
 within the past two weeks we have had
 a great quantity of rain Ther 6[missing]
 The wind still E - sand indications of
 6[missi
 ng]
 more & more rain
 5[missi
 ng]
 Tues 14 10SW3 - 6SE3 6SE2 56
 Some rain through the night 60
 To I Alexanders - very unpleasant 54
 Wed 15 8W2 4NW2 3SW2 54
 Hunted hogs with I. Houston 62
 Put tobacco to press 58
 Thur 16 3SW3 0SW2 0SW4 46
 64
 48
 To JW Johnsons - wrote deed & took
 acknowledgment
 from Susan Agnes Johnson to John G. Worth
 for Homestead Conditions \$4000
 Friend Jasper WJ presented me with 5 grs
 paper very [augplable?] these war times
 To Cave Hardins
 Fri 17 0NW4 0N3 0SE2 46
 62
 To Eugenes & homes 58
 Sat 18 0S3 0S2 0S2 48
 To Sowell & got hats for Self & boys 66
 60
 The crossings on Bushy Creek wretchedly
 bad - Home Jo Alex & Wife till bed time
 Sun 19 5SE2 4SE2 10SE4 50
 Very windy 72
 64
 Mon 20 10SE3 10SE4 SE5 60
 70
 Very blustering - some indications of rain
 - wind blew all night with great violence
 Tues 21 10N2 raining 10NSE2 50
 Some rain through the day - sold [missing]
 all night
 Wed 22 10NE2 10NE2 10NE2
 5[missi

work on saddle [hice?]	ng]	Frost	
		Home at night	
		Tues 28 th 7NW2 0N2 Frost 4 SW3	
	5[missi	To JW Johnsons remained till Dinner	
	ng]	Saw JMB Bill & Jesse J. and CI Terrell	
Rained nearly all night -		The weather cleared up some to day but	
		is now cloudy again and promises	
[Diary page 117 "pg117.jpg"]		more rain - of which we have already	
Thur 23 February 1865	Ther	had a great abundance	
	52		
10NE2 10NE2 10NE2	52	[Diary page 118 "pg118.jpg"]	
		Wed 1 st March 1865	
52		10SE2 10SW2 Drizzly	
Fri 24 0NE2 10NE3 10 NW4	48	Traded horses with Dunk Laves	
Very heavy rain in the Evening much lightning	44	and got the worst of the bargain	
Thunder and some hail - and now		as usual	
at 8 PM still raining wind N		Thur 2 10S1 N2 Showery & chilly	50
To Mill & got 33 # flour & 15# meat from		To WW Grays to horse missing	50
T. Hudson - the creeks all overflowed		remained nearly all night	50
Sat 25 - 6SW4 9W4 7W2 ½	Ther 42	Fri 3 - 10 N2 raining some rain and	44
Grass about 2 or 3 inches high -	46	a good shower of small hail	
This day has been cool windy & unpleasant - we		Cave Hardin came by & halted 1/2 hour out	
		bf the rain - Kings fork swimming	60
		wind changed to NW4	56
		Dolly Ann sick	52
		Sat 4 8NW2 Thin ice 6SW2	
		4	3[missi
		2	ng]
hopes of fair weather as we have had rain in great		5SW2 To Mill & got little shorts	
abundance. The grass has taken a pretty & early			
start			5[missi
and if not [?] by the cold weather will in one week			ng]
be more sufficient to sustain life - As yet not many		Dolly Ann & Baby both sick - weather very	
cattle have died - Soldier from Burford old Regt			
stopped to warm - He belongs to Capt. Thomas			4[missi
Company			ng]
Sun 26 - 7N3 some frost N3 8N3		46promising - Feel gloomy & low spirited	
Rumors of Emancipation bill having passed by		damn the country - Dolly Ann had the	
Confed Congress & that England and France		ear ache all night & the Babe very sick	
will acknowledge our independence - I for		Sun 5 th 7S2 Frost Shot Dog 10S2	
one have no faith in the latter - but believe the		Weather damp & chilly - there is a considerable	
Bill for Emancipation will pass if it has not		amount of sickness around us and several	
already been done - Weather cool damp and		deaths have occurred from pneumonia - viz	
unpleasant		one of RI Jones daughters - Joseph Alexander	
Mon 27 4 NW3 Cold & unpleasant Went		Mrs. Gwinn - Long rainy spells here in the	
to Kaufman - vacancy in Dist Clerks office		winter season all productive of pneumonia	
by resignation of Tuggle - application		and of Bilious Complaints in summer	
for appointment by my friends		Mon 6 0S2 0S4 0S3	

Jo Rushing spent the night with use
very warm & pleasant
Tues 7 10S3 4S2 4NW4
Rushing & self hunted for runaway mule

6[missing]
worked on mud bridge at Kings fork
Wed 8 10N2 Drizzly all day
at night changed to NW S & blew
hard all night - some sleet

[Diary page 119 "pg119.jpg"]
Thur 9 March 1865
NW4
[missing] sleet on the ground which is [?]
[missing] little at 11 AM the wind very cold
[missing]nd the change sudden
Fri 10 0SE2 0SW2
Sold place to Cave Hardin & hunted
mule & exchanged horses with negro
Sat 11 0SE2 0S4 0S4
To Kaufman with Hays & Griffin
& home at night late
Sun 12 0S4 0S4 8SR
John H. McCarty called to see us

70
Mon 13 10S3 10S4 10S4
Cloudy & drizzly all day

64
Tues 14 10S3 10W3 10NE2
At 3 PM Hail as large as hen eggs -which laid
upon the ground until Saturday - Creeks over
flowed their banks The storm was only 1
mile in width and made a clean sweep of
grass & every other vegetation wherever it grew
To McFarlands on way to buy wheat
Wed 15 10NW3 10NW4 8NW2
To Barretts during the night cleared off
and froze -
Thur 16 - 0NW2 very clear & pleasant
To Puckers at Claypoles old mill in Dallas
County
Fri 17 0S3 0S3 8S2 Very
pleasant at night to Baskins near Ra[faded]
Sat 18 8S4 0S3 9S2
[smudged] to John Thompsons - yesterday

70 To Milread & 6 ms worth buying
66 wheat for self & JT
66
8[missing]ary page 120 "pg120.jpg"]

March
Sun 19 March 1865 6[missi
9SE3 10SE2 Home tired 7[missi

56
Mon 20 - 10 - raining 10S3 4W3 64
Rained nearly all night - rolled tobacco
Some rain through the day 6[missi
Ther 20 C.I. Terrell came over This morning the
creeks were overflowed - sent George
to get horses - George returned without horses
Tues 21 0NW4 0NW3 3NW2 44

Ther 26
66
The spring so far cold wet & backward Very
Ther 34 few of the people have planted corn The
Reserve crops have been ordered to the cows
which will interfere with forming arrangements
seems more than nonsense to order the old
men away from homes at this season, now when
they are more needed at home to plant crops
than at any other time and when the men
mustered can be of no service having no
guns, no ammuniton and worse than all no
discipline - found horses

Wed 22 7S2 Worked on Wagon head 48
4S2 6S2 Cave & Tom Hardin & 72
Eagan hunted hogs & Horses 66
Thur 23 0S2 0S2 0S2 50
To M. Larves & D. Moore News of the Reserve 82
Corps having been ordered home 78
Fri 24 4NE3 0NE2 0NE2 44
To RI Jones & JH McCarty 65

64
Sat 25 6SE3 4SE2 9SE2 6[missi
Sun 20 10SE3 10SE At 2 PM Rain

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	n	Thur 6 6NW4 4NW3 8NW3	40
	g	Very cloudy and disagreeable weather - horse gone	60
]	To CJ Hardins & Wm Hardins horse hunting	
From W & NW Rained nearly all day	60	CI Terrell & Rd Terrell came	
Mon 27 4N2 10SE2 8S2	5[missi	Fig] 7 8N. 3 4NE4 4NE2	40
To Jas Eagans & sold pony for corn	7[missi	George & [?] gone all day trying to find horses	64
& wheat - Roads bad & creeks high	6[missi	[?] I tried but could not sunset	56
W. Vanderpool		CI Terrell came To RA Terrells	
Tues 28 10NE2 10E2 10E2	40		
considerable rain throughout day & night		[Diary page 122 "pg122.jpg"]	
RB Bissette spent night with us [faded]		April 1865	
early his Bro John Bissette came		Sat 8 th April 1865	
		10NE raining gently Been trying for [?]	
[Diary page 121 "pg121.jpg"]		To make trip to Collin County for wheat but	
Wed 29 March & Apl 1865		it impracticable to start on account of weather	
10 NW2. 10NW3 10 NW4	60	Hope to will clear up [?] - got horse	
Hauled PO [Branssom] from Jas Eagons	60	rained nearly all day wind NE3	50
Cold at night	54		
Tues 30 9NW4 0NW4 0NW22	46	46	
Went to Eaglenest for Bolarnio of corn	66	Sun 9 10N3 Cold & chilly weather	44
		7NE - 2W3-	66
62			
Fri 31 0N2 0S2 0S2	50	60	
Traded horses with Mr. Owens	70	Mon 10 10NE-3-10E2 10W3	
		[?] hunted - To the Theatt Prairie to assist	
66		Sally Newells [amos] [Sabine] hunting [ind?]	
Sat 1 April 3.S2. 4S2 6S2	54	Pony mares	
To Kaufman & have bond as Dist Clerk	80	Tues 11 - 10S4 - 9SW3 - 10SW2 found no	
by appointment from Judge Ferris - horse gave	76	horses - returned home - tired & horse is now	
out & left him at CJ Hardins		rode broken down - Heavy shower of rain -	
Sun 2 10SE3 Sprinkling rain S4	58	Wed 12 - 10N.4 - Rain from N.E. which promises	56
George went to Theatt prairie to hunt mares [?]	74	continue all day - cool wet & very unpleasant -	
yesterday & has ont yet returned - no rain to [?]		Rained nearly all day	70
J C Miffin & J W Hayes on way to kaufman		Thur 12 0S2 0S2 8NE2 sprinkle at	
sold W W Gray 2 ½# tobacco for \$5 in green back		night - Started to Collin Co for wheat reached	
Very blustering weather paying back to March		Mr. Castleberry's camped	
What She borrowed		Fri 13 10 Heavy shower in morning - Drizzly all	
Mon 3- 0S2 0S3 4S2	58	day - Traded over black [a?] which stuck to	
To Kaufman had bond approved for	84	wagon tires and made tracting heavy & slow	
performance of duty as clerk District Court	78	Reached Milewood - was tired & hungry and my	
Stayf at Sheriff [Watsons or Nelsons]		oxen almost fagged out	
Tues 4 6S2 6S2 S.4-	70	Sat 15 3NW2 0NW2 0NW2 today reached	
Issued [venise?] for Jasons	74	Mr. D M Simpsons 4 [mrs?] north from Milewood	
		Loaded in 15 Bushels wheat & returned to the	
70		neighborhood fo Milewood -	
Wed 5 - 10S3 10S3 10SW3	60	Sun 16 - 4SE2 6SE2 6SE2 Heavy [?]	
Showery - at Sundown heavy rain in west could	74	Drive to Mr. Castleberrys and camped for the night	
hear the roar of rain or hail	70	Mon 17 - 7SE2 To T.C. Griffins for Breakfast	
[?] out land for Geo Hardin & JP Andrews		cloudy all day - Home at 11 A.M. lightning	

Sundown in W NW & N		by Sun 70	
Tues 18 - Showery	64		
	70	66	
	64	Mon 1 st May 0NW2 3S2 0S2	50
Wed 19 10 S3 103 10S3	60	Brot M Farmer mare home	80
Wind blew almost a hurricane - through[missing]			76
the night - To Geo Owings & got young S[faded & missing]		Tues 2 0S2 0S2 0S2 To Thweatt Prairie	60
for which had traded.		for Spanish mare George to hunt Bay Indian	80
		Mare - remained at Mr. J. Hortons	74
[Diary page 123 "pg123.jpg"]		Wed 3d 0S2 0S3 0S2	60
Thur 20 Apl 1865	76	[faded] Spanish mare but did not get her	78
S3 -Showery - 10NW3 10 NW4	68	[missing] of Thweatt prairie	78
	60	[Diary page 124 "pg124.jpg"]	
Fri 21 10NW4 0NW3 0NW2	46	Thur 4 th May 1865 8S3 Misty flying	
To Kaufman made up Criminal Docket -		Indications of dry weather - George did not	
Man hung Thursday night at K for horse stealing		return last night 0SW3 0SW3	
came to Geo Owings stayed all night		Fri 5 7SW4 4SW4 6SW3	
Sat 22 0NW2 frost N2 N2		Some rain through the night	
Home - George Owings all night		George not yet returned	76
Sun 23 0N2 0N2 - light frost		Sat 6 10 NW3 9N3 9N2	68
George Owings took horse home		Rained a good shower for setting out plants	74
Mon 24 0S2 0S2 0S2	50	George Returned without the mare	
To WT Jones & got brown mare	76	To day had visit from the Madam Lind says in	
	70	search	
Tues 25 0S3 0S3		of Spectacles I found belonging to her and I had	
Brown mare got away George & Self went for her	74	given them to Mrs. Owens	
but returned without her		Sun 7 10 NW2 Rain slow gentle showers	56
Wed 26 10SE2 Showery all day Rained	60	Rained nearly all day	
To Theatt prairie & mare horses nearly half	78	Mon 8 10SE2 8SE2 8SE2	
the day but did not get them on hunt To WWR	76	To Kaufman to attend District court sent home	
all night		horse - Judge arrived late in the evening	
Thur 27 10 SE2 10SE2 10SE2	204 68	Tues 9 6SE2 4SE2 0SE2	
	Mean	Court commenced at 10 AM	
	68	Wed 10 SE2 10NW3 0NW3 cool	
Brot horse roan mare & colt		weather fires almost indispensable	
Fri 28 10 SE2 4SE2 3 SE2		State Dve Kit Coken up but 1 trial [read?] poorly	
To Cave Hardins to receive mule -		acquitted - Public meeting Resolutions	
Sat 29 8SE2 4SE2 3SE2		To sustain authorities in [War? faded]	
To Jones & brot brown mare & drove up bay mare		[crossed out] Thur 8 10NW3 0NW2 0NW2	
& put		Mean 66	
them in CJ Hardins pasture - George Started to		Got through with business of the Court	
John McCarty's with mule - while mare a colt		Fri 12 0SE2 0SE2 A [?] Beautiful	
Sun 30 10E2 Thunder in N & NW 0NW3	70	Weather Started home late in the Evening	
George not yet returned - George returned 1/2 hour		met George - with horse	
		Sat 13 0SE2 4SE2 6SE2	Mean 70
		Sent George and Jim to return horse I borrowed	
		of Mr. JD Belevs also sent [gum?] to Mr. B.	
		George & Jim returned at night. Brot paper	
		no news & pr shoes for myself	

Sun 14 10SE3 8SE2	64	Got up wild male from Bachelor Creek	70
7[missing]		86	
6[missing]		Tues 23 7S3 2S2 3S2	70
Mon 15 10SE2 8SE2 Showers 8SE2		To John McCartys & got mule	90
To Mill D. Moores & Shop & hunted		84	
	Me[mi	Wed 24 - 4S3 4S2 4S2	70
mare of L. Murphy -	ssing]	D. Moore & wife To day at 12 M arrived RM	
Tues 16 10SE2 8SE3 6SE2		Williams	
Got up L. Murphy mare		and [nephew?] Dick Taylor - Williams is an old	
Diffuse lightning in West N W		mission	
		friend & relative whom I have not had the pleasure	
[Diary page 125 "pg125.jpg"]		of	
Wed 17 th May 1865	74	seeing in 21 years - I am [] overjoyed	
8SE3 4SE2 4SE2	80	Thur 25 7SE2 8N2 4S2	70
Mary & Self to D Moore to warp cloth	80	To day William Taylor & Self to WWR	86
Drove up L. Murphy mare & put her in herd		Killed Beef	98
Peace rumors current hope for peace soon		Fri 26 0N2 0N2 0N2	66
Thur 18 8SE2 0SE2 4SE2	70	To Blcksmith shop and got [B?] Williams horses	
To Cedar Creek and got Brown mare and	90		
To Rushings [?] & brot their horse	80		
Fri 19 9S3 4S4 4S3	70		
Herded mares - George went to Kaufman Geo			
		S	
		WWR came by with Williams & Taylor [?]	74
		[faded line: To ? ? ? at ?]	
		Sat 27 0N2 0N2 0N2	60
		To R.A. Terrells who has returned from Army	80
		y	
		76	
		[Diary Page 126 "pg126.jpg"]	
		Sun 28 May 1865 0N2	
[faded] [?] in Kaufman [Steaming?] time in town		[?] Bob Williams and Company [?] to	
Whiskey		WWR & I Parkinson came	
[faded] [plenty?] and as a consequence plenty of		Mon 29 - 0N2 0S2 0SW2	
drunkiness		2 Soldiers to Dinner Soldiers discharged	
Sat 20 9S4 0S4 3S4	70	and coming by [?]	
70		Tues 30 - 0S2 0S2	6[missi
82		To E W Crunchs for mule that escapes on	90
Sun 21 6S3 0S3 4S2	70	Sunday met many soldiers coming home	
To Thweatt prairie & drove home Spanish Mare	86	Tom Hardin moving home	
after much hard running which made our horses	80	Wed 31 - 0SE2 0SE2 0SE2	6[missi
flow & sweat terribly		To Kaufman Dispatched to Robt M Milligans	8[missi
Mon 22 3SE2 0SE2 4SE2	70	who is in Chambers Creek near Corsiana	
		Thur 1 st day of June	6[missi
		0S2 4S2 0S2 Wheat ripe	9[missi

Issac Read & Isaac Houston came	8[missing]	17 8SE4 7SE2 4SE3	76
Fri 2 0S2 0SE2 0SE2	6[missing]	Sunday lightning in the W. N.W. & North -	92
Tp Mill & got meal - [Repls?] harvesting wheat	8[missing]		
		86	
8[missing]		Sun 18 Commenced raining from N.W. very heavy	
Sat 3 0SE2 0SE3 0SE2	64		
		86	
		80	
Sun 4 th - 0SE2 [crossed out: Read testament]	70		
		90	
		[missing] ttended heavy thunder & wind lasted 1	
		86	
Mon 5 0SE2 0SE2 0SE2 Mer	80		
Tues 6 0SE2 0S2 0S2			
Wed 7 4SE2 8SW2 7SE2	80		
Thur 8 4SE2 8SW2 7SE2	80		
Fri 9 Do Do Do			
Sat 10 7SE2 7SW2 Sprinkle 10SE2	74	[missing]he branches all running an abundance of	
made Bridle - RI Jones			
Sun 11 - 10SW2 good shower 10SE2			
	8		
	[
	m		
	i		
	s	[missing] NW2 - Lonesome no one came up to 2PM	
	s	I Houston came	
	i	Mon 19 7N2 3W2 3NE2	
	n	[missing] I Houstons & traded Broad for another	
	g	[missing] ax - \$5 to boot	
]	Tues 20 0NE2 0SE2 0SE2	
		To W.W. Grays all day - Mrs. Killiam & Mrs. Lux	
Mon 12 10SE2 8SE2 4SE2			
Tues 13 10SE2 8SE2 4SE2			
To Lindsays & got Bay Indian mare			
yearling & back to Tom Raines all night			
[Diary page 127 "pg127.jpg"]			
Wed 14 June 1865			
10NE2 splendid rain - home -	84		
Thur 15 - 10SE3 4SE2 5SE2	86		
To Hortons mill & took oxen to George		80	
who let them get away - got corn and		Wed 21 - 0SE2 very heavy [dews?] 0SE2 0SE2	
wheat ground -& home	84	Longest day of the year Summer Sol.	91
Blew hard all night			
Fri 16 9SE4 4SE2 4SE4	84		
Killed conscript beef		86	
		Thur 22 0SE2 traded the Raines horse and	

mule for Bay stud		Don 10 3.SW2. 6. SW. 2 7SW1	80
86		Thunder in SE & SW at Sunset & Diffuse lightning	98
Fri 23 4S2 6S2 5S2		To T Hardins & took material to make shoes	94
Oxen gone		Tues 11 7.SW2. 8SW2 4 SW2	80
86		98	
Sat 24 - 3S2 7N2 6N2	68	94	
86		Wed 12 6S2 4S2 6SW2	80
80		To day had high fever & head ache which lasted	98
Sun 25 0N2 0N2 4N2		all night. Mob whipped negro [?] Dirk Bennison	94
80		Thur 13 - 6N2 4N2 4N2	88
80		Mat Morris to dinner - he is gathering [?]	94
Mon 26 0N2 3SE2 3SE2		Read Plutarch	90
90		Fri 14 4N2 7SE2 7SE2	80
86		70 90	
Tues 27 0SE2 4SE3 4SE3		88	
Wed 28 10SE3 10SW3 10SE2		Sat 15 - 6N2 8SE2 6S2	
good rain at ½ past 11 am		Much lightning through the night - no rain	
Thur 29 10 SE2 Rained gently nearly all day		[D]missing]	
[Diary page 128 "pg128.jpg"]		Reads Plutarch	
Fri 30 June 10NW2 10NW2 8NW2		[D]missing]	
Sat 1 st July 8NW2 4SE2 0S2		Reads Plutarch	
Went fishing and caught little cat fish and		5[missing]	
George finished plaiting stake rope		6[missing]	
Sun 2 0SE2 0SE2 0SE2	76	5[missing]	
90		Mon 17 8SW2 7SW2 4SE2	
86		To Alexanders - Read Plutarch	
Mon 3 0SE2 4SW3 3SE2	70	[Diary Page 129 "pg129.jpg"]	
9[missing]		Tues 18 July 3S2 9SW3 4SW2	80
84		92	
Tues 4 0SE2 4SW3 3SE2		84	
Wed 5 0SE2 3SW2 3SE2		Wed 19 8SW3 10SW3 4SW2	87
Thur 6 - 0S2 4S2 6S2	82	92	
Fri 7 4SE2 6SE2 4SE2		96	
Read Plutarch		Sun 20 10S3 10SW3 4SW2	80
Sat 8 - 4SE2 4SW3 3SE2	86	94	
Red Plutarch		Mean 8[missing]	
		96	
		Mon 21 6S2 10SW2 Small shower 4SW2	80
		8[missing]	
		9[missing] leave Hardins - he has just returned from	

		[missing] [?] [sp?s] by Porter & Broughtons [missing] Mary [Owens?] & children present n [Diary page 130 "pg130.jpg"] Thur 2 nd August 1865 4S2 6S2 To R A Terrells - W D Daugherty has moved up from Houston where he has be[missing] [smudged] as Post QM for the so called confederate States of America - Uncle Bob presented me with some writing paper & envelopes - very acceptable - weather warm Fri 3 4S2 3S2 2S2 Warm	
[missing] brings news of fighting in Mexico between [Frcate?] [missing]d NS troup Sat 22 6SE2 4S2 4S2	76		8[missi ng]
86			
80		Sat 4 7SE2 10SW2 good shower 9S2 8[missing] Sun 5 4S2 8S2 7S2 Very warm	
Sun 23 3SW3 2SW2 4SW [missing] I Houstons & got 5 Bus wheat 86	76	Mon 6 6S2 9S2 8S2 To Hortons mill excessively warm - broke wagon tongu[missing] Tues 7. 4S2 Sent George back to Horton mill for grinding - Killed beef very warm George returned with meal	80 Mean 86
80	76		
Mon 24 2SW2 4SW2 2SE2		Wed 8 0S2 0S2 0S2 very warm Thur 9 - 0S2 0S2 0S2 Hunted horses To R. I. Jones & Mr. Moodys -	Mean 8
98			
92		Fri 10 0S2 0S2 0S2 Found horses To J. Parkinsons - played drafts - very warm	86
Tues 25 2SW2 4SW2 2S2	98	Sat 11 0S1 0S2 0S2	Mean 86 80
96			
90			
Wed 26 0S2 2S2 2S2	Mean 82	100	
Thur 27 2S2 6S2 8S2 Moved to Rainer house	78	Sun 12 0S2 0S2 0S2 Mon 13 Do. Do. Do. Do.	
Fri 28 8S2 9S2 To Cave Hardins drove horses home & drove cows home	70	Tues 14 Do Do To Farmers & Geo Paschals Do. Mr. Boydtons came to paschals Wed 15 Do. " " "	
Sat 29 8N2 10N2 9N2		To Grenville Hunt Co with GR Paschall [faded missing] BT Boydtons - arranged business with H. Hart Chf Justice & came out 4 miles & spent part of the night	
Sun 30 11 Drizzly small Shower in the morning			
Mon 31 0 10SE2 small shower traded horses with E.L. Piper & Jo Alexander and Saddles with Jas Piper			
Tues 1 9S3 7S2 6S2 [missing] alden came for mule [missing] d 1 August To Kaufman to		[Diary page 131 "page 131.jpg"] Thur 16 July 1865 0S2 0S2 0S2 88 Arrived at home about 1 p.m. - At night to	

J W Gardners met there Mr. Ashley going to Austin
by whom we sent applications for County [offices?]
Remained at GR Paschals
Fri 17 0S2 0S2 0S2 At home
Sat 18 0S2 0S2 0S2
To Kaufman's in Co with GR Paschal and
returned to Jas W. Gardners spent the night
Sun 19 0S2 0S2 0S2 Home

98

94

Mon 20 0SE2 8SE2

100

Indications of rain Waldrip pools drying up
Water becoming scarce - We learn to day that
Kyser had [?] the appointment of Chf Justice
of Hindemand for county Clerk of Kaufman County
George Paschall - Bill Gray & [smudged] Waters &
Griffin &

Mat Elliot

Tues 21 7NE2 4 NE2 Geo Paschal
came This morning the negro woman Tennessee
was shot by Mr. Rob Couets in the door of
George Paschals house

Wed 23 4SE2 2SE2 4SE2

To Kaufman & qualified as Clerk Dist Court

90

Thur 24 6 NE2 4NE2

92

90

Fri 25 = 7 N.E. 2

William Anthony came hunting oxen

94

88

Sat 26 2SE2 8SE2 2SE2

Mr. S. Franks to dinner

88

George came Brot Bay pony mare

Sun 27 2SE2

George R. Paschal came to see me on business
of importance - I agreed to go and see H. [smudged] 86
To H. Moodys

Mon 28th

James County [Pocahorets?] Randolph Co Clerk
George Paschal & I to H. Ms & home at 10 P.M.
84

~~Diary~~ page 132 "pg132.jpg"]

Tues 29 August 1865 & September

0SE1 R. I. Jones & J W Dunford

~~78~~ night

Wed 30 2SE3 - 9NE3 - 9NE2

Mary went to Tates Peter Adam Smith
came to see me

Thur 30 10 Rained good shower before

~~78~~y - 10N2 Oxen gone 4SE2

9[missing]

9[missing]

Fri 31st

4SE2 - 3 SE2 2SE2

Peter A. Smith again

8[missing]

~~Sat~~ 1st day of September

~~96~~E. 2 0S2

90

82

~~Son~~ 2 0S2 4S3 2S2

~~9W~~ Dunford remained with us nearly all day

90

~~Mon~~ 3 - 8 SE2 8SE2 6SE2

To R. I. Jones with J Alexander to look
for cedar timber

Tuesday 4 - 10 - SE2 - 4 SE2 2SE2

Indications in favor of rain - No Rain

76

90

Wed 5 2SE2 6SE2 2SE3

George to Eagans & got 16 Bus Wheat

96

76 90

~~Thur~~ 6 - 2SE2 - 4S2 2S2

72

94

74 88

~~Fri~~ 7 9SE2 - 10S2 Good shower

started to mill with Jo Alexanders & wagon
& 1 yoke oxen 16 Bus wheat got to [Br?]

Sat 8 - 7SE2 to Parkers mill - got
no grinding started thence to [Fetzling?]
mill in Collin Co 20 miles farther
camped on the prairie

[Diary page 133 "pg133.jpg"]

Sun 9th Sept 1865

Lost oxen - found them about 4 miles
off where they had gone in search of water
got to the mill - warm weather

Mon 10th Got grinding & started home at

12 M. got about 2 miles Butlers Bridge

Camped for the night tired and hungry -

Nothing to eat -

Tues 11 - got home - traveled about 25 miles

Wed 12 2S2 6S2 4S2 at home

Beard came in morning - & Wm and Henry

Moody in Evening

Thur 13 - 9N. 3 - Rained nearly all day

74

Thos Hardin & wife staid all day

90

84

Fri 14 10SE2 9SE2 more rain

74

To George Paschals -

90

84

Sat 15. 6SE2 4SE2 4SE2

To Daughertys in Co with George and Dan
Paschal initiated in order of R.O.F.

Remained all night at Baily Daugherty
ate fish - of which the had great abundance

Sun 16 - 2SE2 4SE2 10SE2

much thunder & lightning but little rain

here - Creeks running & water plenty

Mon 17. 3N2 6NE2 2N2

Initiated J. Alexander HB Kanouse

[missing] Perntertoro - A.J. Paschal & Br

[missing] Gray

Tues 18 0NE2 cool

[Diary page 134 "pg134a.jpg" & pg134b.jpg"]

No reflecting man who has the good [missing]
at heart can look with indiff[missing]

attitude of affairs while those who wer[missing]

owners and our peace offices - who

consi[missing]ed wh[missing]

called the bone and sinew of the country and

irrepe[missing]

done by cupidity and avarice - wink at the [onsire?]

of

murder - A change must be wrought - the

pulp[missing]

[^ & the press] Should both be at work and their
influence ire[missing]

counteracting lawlessness will be irresistable

a[missing]

sure - We want officers who are new with mind

well cultivated & balanced ready for a life

strug[missing]

with ignorance & error. Men of high

intellect[missing]

& moral worth influenced by considerations

[crossed out: by

considerations] of national as well as individual

interest; of a less sordid nature; who while

seeking the advancement of their private

fortresses are not unmindful of the

obligatio[missing]

they owe their country - nor of the

"manifes[missing]

destiny" of the Anglo Saxon race

Wed 19th - 0S2 3S3 To Kaufman

Several took the oath of Amnesty

made 2\$

Thur 20 4S2 3S2 3S2

To Kaufman & home -

Fri 21 8S2 - 9S2 Sprinkle

lightning at Sundown in S & W

Sat 22 10 S2 6W2 7NE2

Good rain about daylight & then

at 7 A.M. D. Moore

Sun 23d = 10 N2 8SE2

70

Mon 24 - same yesterday to Kaufman

Tues 25 at Kaufman

Wed 26 " Home

[Diary page 135 "pg135.jpg"]

[missing] Sepr - Cloudy & cool

[missing] Heavy Rain at 3 P.M.

This morning John Williams son of

Robt M. Williams arrived from Missouri

Sat 29th 6N2 To Kaufman in

Co with WWR Same Reese & W. Monroe

Sun 30- Home

Mon 1 October 1865

0N2 - 0SE2 0SE2

To Weavers & moodys -

Tues 2 0SE2 0S2 3S2

Hunted horses - oxen gone too found
neither
Wed 3 - 0SE2 Hunted horses at the
Anthony pools & George hunting oxen
Thur 4 0SE2 0SE2 0S2
Beard [?ed] house
Fri 5 0 Same as yesterday
Hunted horses
Sat 6 To Kaufman -
very sore hands -
Sun 7 at house sick
George found horses
Mon 8 - Weather cool & cloudy
Tues 9 - Same as yesterday
Wed 10 Do Do Do Good ra[missing]
Thur 11 [?] to Daugherty saul[missing]
with John T. Williams to get a [missing]
Fri 12 0NW2 0NW2
Sat 14 0NW2 0N2

[Diary page 136 "pg136.jpg"]
Sun 15 Oct 1865
0N2 0N2 0N2
Mon 16 6SE2 4SE3 7SE2
To Jas Eagans & brot home 6 ½ Bus corn & 2 wh
very damp & unpleasant.
Tues 17 10 SE2 Some rain - 10 NW2 8NW
[crossed out: some frost in]
Wed 18 0NW3 0NW3 2NW2
Some frost in low grounds
Thur 19 0SE2 frost very light [crossed out: frost]
John had hard ague yesterday at 10 AM and again
at 8 AM this morning -
Fri 20 0SE2 0S2 0E2
Hunted hogs -
Sat 21 - 0S2 0S2 0S2 Hunted hogs -
Sun 22 0SE2 John Williams and self to
Bal[missing]
Daughertys John commences school tomorrow
Mon 23 0S2 To Kaufman 0S2 0E2
Tues 24 8SE2 Some Showers of rain - 9S2 9S2
To Kaufman - made up State Docket
Wed 25 10SE2 considerable rain
Thur 26 - 10 NE2 Heavy rain
Fri 27 4 NW3 0NW3 0NW2
Sat 28 0N2 0N2 3NE2
Frost
Sun 29 10 NE2 rained all day
Mon 30 10N2 N2 4N2 -

Tues 31 - 8SE2 8SE3 - 4SE2
To Kaufman John Williams Came

[Diary Page 137 "pg137.jpg"]
Wed 1st November 1865
4N3 6N3 6N3
John Williams Killed 2 Turkeys
and a hare - Traded horses with Amos Richardson
Thur 2 8N3 -
John started back to East fork
Oxen gone
Fri 3 0N2 0N2 0N2
Sat - 4- Rained
Sun 5 To Kaufman
Mon 6 District Court commenced Judge
RW Scott presiding
Tues 7 Wed 8 Thur 9 - Fri 10 - Sat 11 court
adjourned
full weeks session - the grand Jury returned about
[missing] indictments - they have done well
The new judge gave satisfaction
Sun 12 At home cloudy weather
Mon 13 - Cloudy & cool - To move the old
ho[faded]
home to new place of residence
Tues 14 10S2 8S2. 3S2 hauled house
Wed 15 10S2 8S2 3S2 finished hauling house
Thur 16 10S2 8S2 3S2 made Axe helves
Fri 17 10W2 rained nearly all day went to [faded]
[missing] but rain interfered & had to quit - left
Geo[faded]
[missing] Jim at Eagans - rode home - very wet &
cl[missing]
rained nearly all night wind N & NE
Sat 18 10NE 6N3 4N3
Cool & chilly weather

[Diary page 138 "pg138.jpg" and "pg138a.jpg"]
[NOTE: This page follows attached to page 137;
however, it clearly has the only 1867 date in the
entire diary. I don't know what happened here.]
Sun 19 November 186[?]
0N2 Frost 0NE2
To WH Beards who had finished my wagon wheel
Mon 20 - Frost worked on Cabin
Tues 21 - 0S2 0S2 0S2 Do. Do.
Wed 22 Do. Do.
Thur 23 Do. Hauled boards
Fri 24 Do. Worked on Cabin

Sat 25 Warm & clear Do. Do.
 Sun 26 ON3 Smoky ON3 Smokey .50
 Mon 27 ON2 do. Do.
 worked on Cabin
 Tues 28 OS2 OS2 Do. Do. finished covering cabin
 Wed 29 OS4 - Heavy frost OS3 worked on chimney
 Thur 30 4NW 3 ½
 Saturday 4th May 1867[?] 10 10 10 SE3 SE3 SE3
 Broke ground & planted corn & peas in garden
 commenced raining at 9 P.M rained all night
 Saturday 5 10 10 10 N3 N3
 [faded] Levi Hardin hunted
 old red [faded] [faded]
 Mon 6 - ON2 ON2 ON2
 Had horses altered - spotted Black & Brown
 Tues 7 3SE2 2SE2 OS
 H. Moody & Jes Jones
 Wed 8 10 SE2 10SE3 10S2
 [Diary page 139 "pg139.jpg"]
 Thur 9 10S32 10S2 8SE2
 Fri 10 8SE3 3S2
 Sat 11 8 10 10 S2 S3 S2
 Rained - sold Butter for \$1
 Sun 12 10 10 10 SE2 SE2 SE2
 Mon 13 10 10 10 rained heavily S62 NW3 SE
 Tues 14 0SE2 OS2 6SE2 George returned
 from mill with ½ Bushel meal for which we paid
 \$1 specie Corn very scarce and high - and many
 people doing without bread - George started for
 some horses we have in Thweatt prairie
 Wed 15 4
 Sent James to town to sell butter.

[Loose between these pages is a newspaper article
 death of Gen. Thom J. Rusk]

[Diary page 140 - loose page but belongs to second
 diary "pg140.jpg"]
 Jany 1st 1866 Monday
 10 N 3 - 3 N 3 - 0 N3
 Worked on shed room and wagon Bed
 John Bisset came & spent 3 hours
 Tues 2d 0 S 3 - OS2 ON3
 Worked on School house
 Wed 3 O N 3 - O N 3 - ON2 worked on house
 Thur 4 O N. 2. O N. 2. O N2 Do. Do.
 Fri 5 O S 2 O S 2 O S 2 Pleasant
 worked on shed room
 Sat 6 O S3 Frost O S 3 O S2

To Kaufman heard Gen Norton Speak
 there were also present other candidates
 for the convention - to wit Messrs Portec,
 Roberts - Lewis and Tannehill
 Sun 7 = 10 S 2 Foggy - 10 Drizzly all day
 To-morrow Election for members to the state
 convention
 Mon 8th 10 rained slowly all day
 To Kaufman to the Election for Delegates
 to State Convention - the weather was very
 unpropitious consequently few turned out
 Tues 9 - 10 SE 2 9 SE 2 10 SE 2 at home
 Wed 10 - 10 SE 2 Raw & chilly 10 SE 2 10 SE
 [missing]
 To WW Rayels - all night
 Thur 11 S 2 10 S 2 8S2 To [crossed out: WWR]
 mill
 rained nearly all day
 Fri 12 [crossed out :6E2 To Houstons mill rained
 (missing)]
 OS2 OS2 3S2 home
 all brot election returns from Turners point
 Sat 13 8 SE2 To Kaufman
 8 SE 2 8 SE 2 Chilly

[Diary page 141 - loose page "pg 141.jpg"]
 Sunday 14th January 1866
 10 N.E 2. 8 W. 2.6 W2
 Mon 15 - 6 N3 - 4 N 3. 0 N2.
 To Hortons - all night - Thin ice
 Tues 16 - 0 N3 - 0 W 2 0 SE 2.
 Wed 17 - 0 SE 3 - 0 S2 R S2
 Got 4 Bushels meal ground at mill
 bot apples 1 4 [\$?] Dozen
 Thur - 18 - O SE 3 - O SE 3 - 8 SE 3
 at home
 Fri 19 - 8 SE. 4 9 SE 4 - 10 NW Ther 70
 wind very high - blustering weather -
 Bot more apples - for 4[\$?] dozen
 Storm of wind & hail from NW
 Sat. 20 3 NW 3 - 0 NW 3 - O NW 2
 Cold & freezing weather -
 Sun 21 - 0 3 NW. 3 SE 3- 4 SE 3 -
 Mon - 22 O SE 3 - 3 SE 3 - 6 SE 3 -
 Tues 23 - 4 SE 3 - 6 SE 3 0 NW 3 - to Kaufman
 Baby sick with flu -
 Wed 24 - 0 NW 3 - 0 NW 3 - NW 2
 Thur 25 - 0 W 1 0 SE 2 0 S 2 very clear &
 Beautiful weather

Sowed cabbages & tobacco Seed -
To JW Gardners - Babe some better -
Fri 26 0 NW2 0 NW3 0 N2.
To C W Crouchs and got compass to lay out road
Very dry weather - rain is needed - CWC [tigh?]
Sat 27 - 0 N 2 0- N3 0 N2
Worked on school house - got rafters & lathing
on - Brown - Gardner - F. Cedums - Jas Nelson
Bucks Jas Eagan JW & Self all worked.

[Diary page 142 - attached page to second half of
book "pg142.jpg"]

Sun January 28th 1866
OS2 OS2 OS2 To J.W. Gardners
Body lice
Mon 29th OS2 OS2 OS2 To Kaufman
probate court in Session - much business
Tues 30th 4 N 3 - 8 N 3 8 N 3
Worked on school house - got it nearly covered
Jas Gardner James Brown James Eagan
Jas Fleetwood & self worked
Wed 31 O S 3 O S 2 OS 2
to Kaufman & delivered to at J. Gardners
resignation of Crouchs and application
of self for Justice peace
Thur 1st February 1866
OS2 Heavy front OS2 OS2 OS2
Jack Scott came & staid 1 hour also
McFarmer to whom I delivered states
warrants for men who hiring Lane & Collins
Sent George to Kaufman
Fri 2 OS2 ON3 OW3
Cleaned out well - very dry weather but [missing]
very cold
Sat 3 OW3 3N3 10 NE 2
Hauled wood and 10 Dozen Oats from
Capt. C.W. Crouchs
Sun 4 - 10 NE 2 10 NE 2 10 NE 2
Some little sleet
Mon 5 10 NE 3 - 10 NE 2 6 NE 2
Some sleet very raw & chilly
Hooped barrel
Tues 6 - 8 NE 2 6 NW 2 0 NW 2
hauled timber for chimney from bottom

[Diary page 143 "pg143.jpg"]
[missing] wed 7 February 1866
NW 3 ONW 2 ONW 2 ONW2
Made ladder

Thur 8 O NW 2 ONE 2 O SE 2
Worked on timbers for chimney
Fri 9 OSE 3 OSE 3 OSE 3
Put up chimney - hard days work for all
Sat 10 - 9 SE 3 - 9SE 3 9 NW 3
To Kaufman - acknowledged deed from me to
[missing] M. Farmer - brought back bond from
[missing] M. H. Chisholm to George Reece - wrote
up
[missing] tray papers for A.H. Henry WH Henry and
S. P.
Jones for Stray horses & oxen
Sun 11 - 10 NW 3 - 10 NW 3 - 10 NW 2
At home feel quite unwell - caused by yesterdays
imprudence - hope I may do better in future
God give me strength to keep in the right Track
Mon 12 - 6 SE 2 7 SE 2 4 SE 2
Started children to school to Mrs. Huddleson
Spaded up ground for garden - hard work
Mr. N McGaffy brought petition to issue upon
Tues 13 - 10 SE 3 drizzly 8 SE 2- 4 SE 2
Spaded ground for garden - children at school
Wed 14 10 NW 4 ONW 4 ONW 4
Thurs 15 ON 2 ON 2 ON2
Fri 16 8 SE 3 - 10 SE 2 10 SE 2
Drizzly To Kaufman - Bought boots
walked home

[Diary page 144 "pg144.jpg"]
Sat 17th February 1866
10 SE 2 10 SE 2 10 NE 3
Cold & drizzly to Kaufman
& returned to Capt. Crouchs where
spent part of the night
Sun 18 10 NW 3 10 NW 3 10 NW
At home all day
Mon 19 O W 2 ON2 ON2
Beautiful & calm. Spaded ground
for garden
Tues 20 OS E 2 OS2 OS2
Split out timbers for garden fence
Deputised Neal McGaffy Dist Clk
Wed 21 OS2 OS2 OS2 Cut timber
Thur 22 OS2 10 S2 10 S2
got timber for garden fence
Fri 23 - 10 NW3 10 NW2 6 NW 3
Wife sick Sat up all night
Sat 24 ONW 4 O NW 4 ONW
child born at daylight very nervous

feel badly - Thin ice - very light freeze
Shot beef but did not got it
Sun 25th OSE 2 Thin ice - hoar frost - OSE2)SE1
At homre all day
Mon 26 OS2 OS2 O S2 frost T C.W. Cro[missing]
sent to town & got bottle schnapps - got garden
Se[missing]
from Capt. Crouch - Aunt Polly Eagan came - a
Miss Margaret Crouch both brot things for
wife - kind neighbors - made some picket [missing]
garden
[Diary page 145 “pg145.jpg” & “pg145a.jpg”]
[missing] 27th February 1866
10 SE 2 4 SE 2 3 SE 2
Emily freed woman came to work for us - Mrs.
Gardner on visit - I cut & marked out timbers
for fencing -
Wed 28th 8 SE 3 Blustering weather 8 S 3 9 S 2
made pickets for fence - very tired J.W. Johnson
came - sold him oxen for \$57 ½ [crossed out: Emily
went home]
wrote deed from Matilda Larve to W.C. Ledford
Thur 1st March 9S 3 - 9 S 3 - 9 S 3
made pickets for fencing - very tired - Emily went
home
Sent George to town for tobacco
Wild geese going north
Fri 2nd 9 S 3 Made soap - 10 S 2 10 S 1 Sultry
got timber for fencing - cabbage seed coming up -
made bed for English peas
Sat 3 10 S 2 9 S 2 8 S 2 planted English peas
Sent George to Mill - Jim to Town & got newspaper
J.W. Gardner came in the evening & spent 1 hour
Sun 4 10 SE 2 10 SE 2 gentle rain until about
midnight - JW Gardner came & spent 2 hours
Mon 5 11 SE 2 8 SE 2 5 SE 2 Cut timbers
for fencing To Pat Smith & C. J. Hardins
Geo to Mill
Tues 6 10 SE 2 8 S 2 4 S2
cut timber for fencing shed
Wed 7 10 S 2 8 S 2 6 N2
Split out 70 pickets for fencing and sawed the
lumber
Sun 8 10 SE 2 7 S 2 4 S 2
made pickets - Jas Piper to trade for hose
Mon 9 4 S 2 5 S 2 4 S 2
To Kaufman

[Diary page 146 “pg146.jpg”]

Saturday 10 March 1866
9 SE 3 - 8 SE 2 10 SE 2 Sprinkle
To Browns, Burton P. Smith, Cav Hardins
to try & sell mare no sale - to Kaufman
and sold her for \$25 \$10 down which 10 I
spent 6 of for provisions - very hard times
Sun 11 - 10 S 3 9 S 2 11 SE 2
Is a great push about garden fence and
[cab] lots
Mon 12 10 N2 N3 N2 Rained nearly all day
made some pickets
Tues 13 - 10 N 3 Rained nearly all night and
until 12 M. Creeks up and the whole face of the
Country covered with water - 8 NW 2 6 NE 2
made some pickets
Wed 14 - 10 Misty - 10 NW 2 8 NW 2
made fence
Thur 15 10 NW 3 - 10 NW 2 - O NW 2
Made cowpen fence - Freedman Charles helped
me.
Fri 16 0 N3 - heavy frost - 3 W 3 3 N2
Worked on fence - got up two cows
Sat 17 O S 2 O S 2 O S 2
Heavy frost & very thin ice - made gate for cow pen
Sent George to town - for meal nails tobacco
sent letter to “Star” J.G. Moore J. D. Belew &
Parker
Sun 18 6 S 3 6 S 3 8 S 3
J. D. Belew & Jas Gardner
Mon 19 10 S 3 - 8 S 3 - 10 S 3
Cut timber for polings
Tues 20 - 10 S 3 - 10 S 3 - 4 SW
Hauled timber & put up fence - Peter Smith
& CJ Hardin

[Diary page 147 “pg147.jpg”]
Wednesday 21st March 1866
O N2 ON. 2 ON 2 put up garden fence
Thur 22 10 SE 2 Some showers - light
made fence
Fri 23 - O SE 2 O S 2 O S2 put up fence
sent bond from J.M.. H. Chisholm to George
W. Reece to John Ricicly Amos Richardson
made fence Miss C & Miss E
Sat 24 O SE 2 O S 2 8 S 2 Some showers
through the night - grass 2 ½ inches high
trees putting out rapidly - set up pickets for
fence - a heavy days work -
Sun 25th 10 S 2 9 S 2 9 S 2 to Kaufman

Got Irish potatoes from Osborn - small shower
Mon 26 O N 2 O N 2 O N 2
Put up fence Planted Irish Potatoes
Tues 27 4 N.E. 2. 6 NE 2 4 NE 2
Heavy Thunder & forked lightning in SW N
made fence
Wed 28 10 NE 3 6 N3 4 N2
Put timber for more palings
Set Same - Woodman & McDaniel & Fieldman to
hire
Thur 29 - O N2 O N2
Finished garden fence - Bless God
Fri 30 6 S 3 6 S 3 4 S 3
hung gate to garden & fixed cow pen
To-night witnessed the interesting phenomenon of
an
eclipse of the moon
Sat 31 8 S 3 O S 3 No work to-day
Sent George to Kaufman - George returned with the
Texas Star
[missing]d enough to rest 2 days
[missing]ent Turkey hunting by moonshine - saw
none

[Diary page 148 "pg148.jpg" and "Pg 148a.jpg"]
Sunday 1st day of April 1866
10 [faded] 3 - Easter Sunday - Passed in comm &
more
of the Resurrection of our Blessed Saviour
Mon 2 20 S 3 88 S 2 [] 6 S 2
To Kaufman - Bot goods of Osborn in payment
from
[Boliand] Bond Parker owes me on [mare?]- \$15
Tues 3d 10 s 3 10 s 2 To Mill - Rained all evening
& all night - spent the night with Mr. William
Giviand
very pleasantly - Rained all night -
Wed 4th - 10 NW 3 - 10 N W. 3 - 10 N W 3
Did not rain but disagreeably cold - got home by
heading creeks & traveling 3 ms to get 1 -
Thur 5 To W. 2 Sent Geo to mill to get what I failed
to bring with me - Creek above fordable Geo got
home
with grinding - cold & unpleasant - ther 40
Fri 6 - 10 N 3 - 10 N 3 - 10 N 2 rain -
Black Geo - commenced making rails in evening
considerable rain through the night
Sat 7 - 10 N 3 - 8 N 3 Hunted plover of which a
few

scattering ones are left upon the prairies - (^killed 7)
Prairies covered with
water in low places
Sun 8 O S E 2 frost - OS 2 - O S2
To WH. Beards - all night.
Mon 9 - 1 S 2 6 S 2 9 S 2 To Turners point try
to sell mule - spent the night at WW Rayels
rained nearly all night
Tues 10 10 E 2 Rained till 8 A.M. Hunted horse
found none to A.J. Paschals all night
very heavy dews

[Diary page 149 "pg149.jpg"]
[] 21st March 1866
Wed 11th April 1866
10 S 3 - 8 S 2 4 S 2 Hunted horses - found
part - spent night at W.W. Grays - Sold mules to
F.A. Waters for \$50 in bread stuff at mill
Thur 12 10 S 3 0 S 2 8 S 1
Hunted horses half the day did not find them
Home
Fri 13 - 10 S 1 - 10 S 2 shower 10 SW 2
Sent George to mill - did not return to-day
Sat 14 10 S 2. 10 S 1. Very sultry
George paschal called by on way to Kaufman -
James got his left arm dislocated at elbow joint
I set it - much swollen.
Sun 15 10 SE 2 6 SE 2 3 S 2
Jas Eagan Sen. spent 2 hours with us.
Mon 16 0 S 2 4 S 2 3 S 2 to Woodmans & got
some of the horses - drove them to Geo Paschals &
spent
the night very pleasantly
Tues 17 - 10 S 2 drove horses home 10 S 2 - 10 S 2
Rained nearly all day. Creeks swimming
Rained none through the night
Wed 18 10 N.E. 2 - Rained all day -
Creeks all overflowed.
Thur 19 - 10 S 2 Rain.
Fri 20 - O S 2 O S 2 3 S 2
To Kaufman & qualified as magistrative []
C. W. Crouch resigned
Sat 21 6 SE 2 3 S 2 4 S 2
To Kaufman met Bill Hall J. Sam Daugherty
G.D. [H or K]
Sun 22 8 NW 3 - O NW 2 O NW 2
To Church W.K. Wilson preached
Mon 23d O S2 O S2 OS 2.
Wm Sanders spent the night with us.

[Diary page 150 "page150.jpg"]

Tues 24 OS2. OS2 OS2

To mill [crossed out: & drove home (spot) cow & young calf]

Spent the night at W.H. Beards

Wed 25th O S2 OS 2 O S 2 Drove home (Spot) cow & calf

Thur 26th O S 3 O S 3 OS 2 Sent George to mill for meal

got 1 bus.--

Fri 27 - OS 2 OS 2 3 S 2 To Kaufman - walked

Sat 28 O S 2 O S 2 6 S 2 To N.L. meeting at James

Moodys old house - spent the night Jesse Jones

Heavy thunder in N.W. - no rain

Sun 29th day [crossed out: of May] 6 SE 3 6 S 2 8 S 2

Drove home part of my horses - white mare has a colt.

Old father Reece spent the night with us -

Heavy thunder in NW & N & much lightning.

Mon 30 8 SE 3 6 SW 2 Mr. Reece & self to Kaufman

& home by 2 P.M.

Tues 1 Day of May 8 S 3 - 6 N 2 9 N 2

To Kaufman & got 2 hound puppies from L.T. Nsh

Some little rain through the night.

Wed 2 10 NE 3 - showery - 9 NE 2 9 NE 2

sent Geo to Mill - did not return - cool & cloudy

Thur 3 - 10 NE 3 - 10 SE 2 10 SE 2 to Kaufman

To Tolerwoods & got heifer George left there some rain

Fri 4 4 S 2 O S 2 6 S 2

Sat 5 6 SE 2 8 S 2 10 Heavy rain lasted til 10 P.M.

To Kaufman & disposed of business on Justices Dock

Sun 6 10 E 1 - 10 SE 2 1- S 2

Mon 7 - 10 S 2 10 S 2 10 S 2

Storms from NW To Kaufman to Dist Court

Tues 8 - poured down rain all day

more rain than I ever saw fell in 1 day.

[Diary page 151 "page151.jpg"]

Wed 9th May 1866

10 N -2 10 N2 - 10 N 2

Thur 10 10 NW 2. 4 NW 2 3 NW 2

Judge did not arrive till to-day

Fri 11 0 N 2 0 N 2 0 N 3

Court in session

Sat 12 0 SE 2 0 SE 2 4 SE 2

To home late in evening court adjourned to - Monday morning

Sun 13 - 8 N 3 6 N 3 4 N 3

At home all day

Mon 14 6 SE 2 8 SE 2 6 SE 2

At Kaufman to Court - Candidates plenty

Tues 15 - 10 Rained heavily for 1 hour - cloudy all day

some little civil business disposed of court gets along

slowly with all but Electioneering business - That is Very well attended to

Wed 16 - 4 SE 2 0 SE 2 0 SE 2

Mr. Jerry Nash tried for murder and acquitted

Thur 17 - O SE 2 O SE 2 O SE 2

Mr. H.K. Collentine tried & acquitted for Killing Dunn

Fri 18 - O S 2 O S 2 O S 2

Thos Woodhouse tried & acquitted for killing negro

Sat 19 - OS 2 O S 2 O S 2 Court adjourned late in the evening

Sun 20 - heavy rain 6 N2 O N 2

Mon 21 OS2 To Kaufman & made out jury certificate

[Diary page 152 "page152.jpg"]

Tues 22d - May 1866 - O S 2 4 S 2

To Kaufman - County Court in Session

Wed 23 - ASE 10 - SE 10 SE 10 rained heavily all night - To day to old place and drove home some cows

Thur 24 10 S 2 10 S 2 10 S 2

Creeks overflowed and out in bottom prairies

Harvest on hand and some have cut nearly there entire crop - which will be greatly injured if not entirely spoiled -

Fri 25 10 S 2 6 S 2 4 S 2

Sat 26 10 S 2 4 S 2 3 S 2

To Kaufman - Bought corn of Douglas for \$4. 28

Sun 27 O S 1 O S 1 O S 1 Ther 90 all day

To Singing & preaching at new school house

Mon 28 10 S 2 10 N 3 10 N 3 very cool

To Wm Beards hunted cow but did not find her

Tues 29 - 8 NE 3 - 8 N 3 8 N 3

At home Recd of WR Brown \$1 for Estraying horses

Wed 30 4 S 2 8 S 2 10 S 2

gentle showers all through the night
To Eagans saw Father Peters.
Thur 31 - 10 S 1 Shower 10 S 1 10 S 2
To Debate - Question is war productive of more evil
than
[incomprinance?] decided in favor of negative
Fri 1st day of June 8 S 2 6 S 2 4 S 2 Met Tho
Wood
and saw Torbut - Tom spent the night with us -
To Kaufman
Sat 2 6 N 2 4 N 2 4 N 2
To Kaufman Recd \$1 from Cowen for estrays and
C.H.
[Hittsow? Hillsow?] owes me \$1 for estrays
Sun 3 - 3 SE 2 4 SE 2 O S 2 Sunday sch[missing]
Mon 4 4 S 3 3 N 3 3 N 3 To Crouch
Mr. Bob Bissett came home with me and
spent the night - Wood & Bill Sande[missing]

[Diary page 153 "pg153.jpg"]
Tues 5th June 1866 4 NE 2 3 NE 2 4 NE 2
To Thweatt prairie in Co with D.W. & Bill Sanders
drove 2 mares & 4 colts to I Houston's where I
spent
the night
Wed 6 8 NE 2 6 NE 2 wedding at Fleetwoods
George Went
home with my 2 mares & 4 colts
Thur 7 7 - SE 3 - 8 SE 3
To Browns & Gardners - arranged Estray papers for
Z Moore
Fri 8 - 8 S 3 3 S 2 3 S 1
Started to-day on Electioneering tours - To Becks &
others
Spent the nights with G.W. Mitchell -
Sat 9 - same as yesterday - To Esqr Austins near
Cedar grove
Sun 10 9 SE 3 7 S 2 4 S 2
To Mr. Wm Moodys
Mon 11 - 9 S 3 6 S 2 Home at 12 M
Tues 12 9 S 3 9 S 3 7 S 2
Wed 13 8 S 2 7 S 2 3 S 2 to Mr. Reeces all Night
Thur 14 10 N 2 Shower from North - 4 S 2 Heavy
storm of
Wind & Rain from North to Wm [Mournes]
Fri 15 0 N 2 0 N 2 0 N 2 To Rockwall and
To James Treats all night
Sat 16 0 N 3 - 0 N 3 - 0 N 3 Started home to T.
L. Woods -

Sun 17 - 0 N 3 - 0 N 2 0 SE 2 Home - drive up
horses -
Mon 18 - 3 S 2 0 S 2 0 S 2 To Bob McCorklin
A.M.
Tues 19 - O S 2 O S 2 O S 2 To Cedar grove
candidates
for judge & Dist atty spoke Saw Gen A. R. Norton
[missing] 20 O S 3 O S 2 O S 2 To Kaufman bought
[missing]
[missing] 21 0 SE 2 0 SE 2 0 SE 2 To J.B.
Daughertys
[missing]ectioneering town
[illegible]

[Diary page 154 "pg154.jpg" and "pg154a.jpg"]
Fri 22d June 1866 8 S 2 O S 2 O S 2
To Sheltmans & Others - spent night at B.
Daugherty
Sat 23 O S 3 O S 2 0 S 2 To Kaufman
and home
Sun 24 6 S 2 O S 2 O S 3 At home all day
George & Jim to Sunday school
Mon 25 O S 2 O S 2 O S 2 To Kaufman to the
general election for governor and all states and
county officers - small Pox in Kaufman
Tues 26 3 SE 2 6 S 2 8 S 2
T.C. Griffin spent night with us - TO C.W. Crouch
[crossed out: Good showers at 5 a.m. at home all
day]
Wed 27 10 N good showers at 5 A.M. 7 N 3 - 4 N
Remained at home all day - pleasant
Thur 28 ON. 3. O N 2 O N 2 To Kaufman
Fri 29th O SE 2 O SE 2 O SE 2 To Kaufman
W. D. Douglass presented me hat -
Sat 30 - th - O S 3 - O S 2 O S 3 at home
Sun 1st July O S 2 O S 2 3 S 2
Sand Hill Cranes flew over this morning
Mon 2 O S 2 3 S 2 7 NE 2
To Kaufman bot side Bacon from Lacy & vinegar
from
Douglas - George took Mrs. Gibbs man home and
got 4[\$?] fo[missing]
his trouble - small pay that - 2 cases small pox in
town
[crossed out: To Woodmans & Beards old red in
town to work on mill]
Tues 3 - 3 N 1 N 2 N 1
Planted Irish potatoes - hot as blazes -
To Woodmans & Beards - old red in Town - found

cow but
could not drive her
Wed 4 3N1 3NE1 4 SE2
Planted Irish potatoes

[Diary page 155 "pg155.jpg" and "pg155a.jpg"]

Mon 5 July 1866

SE 2 O SE 2 S 2 To Kaufman

[missing] 6 5 SE 2 8 SE 2 4 S 2 At Home

[missing] W. Kanouse to Dinner

[missing] 7 10 S3 10 S 2 8 S 2

[missing] 8 10 commenced raining gently from NE
at 3 A.M.

[missing]d now about 7 still raining gently rained til
about 9 A.M.

Splendid rain

Mon 9th 10 SE 2 Some small showers - cloudy all
day

[missing] Kaufman

Tues 10th 10 SE 2 10SE 2 showery

Wed 11th 5 SE 2 6 NE 2 To Capt. Crouchs

Thur 12th 8 NE 2 7 NE 2 4 SE 2

[missing]ri 13 3 SE 2 4 SE 2 3 S 2

[missing] Woodmans & got young horse which he
has been

trying to break - To mill & drove Mrs. Kaounouses
cow home - Got a little flour & home

Sat 14 3 NE 2

planted some butter - beans - & snap beans

W. Eagan brot us some beef - Very acceptable
got Bus meal from the mill

Sun 15 9 S 2 10 S 2 sprinkle 9 S 2

Mon 16 10 showery all day sowed turnips a few

George traded horses with a freedman

Tues 17 10 S 2 8 S 2 4 S 2

Very warm weather - to [R. or D.] S. Wilsons -
George

& Jim to AH Henrys & got vaccinated -

traded To B. Bryan Gray stud for mare & colt

[missing] gave cow to boot

Wed 18 4 S 2 hoed out cabbage

Thur 19 0 S 2 6 S 2 4 S 2

[missing] 20 3 S 2 9 S 2 4 S 2

[Diary page 156 "pg156.jpg" and "pg156a.jpg"]

[missing] 21 July 1866 To Capt. Crouch

[missing] S2 O S 2 O S 2

Sun 22 6 S 2 0 S 2 0 S 2 To Crouch

wife had 2 chills & high fever

Mon 23 - O S 2 O S 2 O S 2

To Kaufman Gave Moorhouse [deputation?] &
order for Records of District Clerk also for
Justices Docket in possession of Mr. Hoffar

Tues 24 O S 2 O S 2 O S 2 At home

Wed 25 O S2 O S 2 O S 2 Sent George &
Jim to RS Wilsons & had them re vaccinated

Thur 26 O S2 O S 2 O S 2 therm 92

very warm & dry weather

Fri 27 O S 2 4 S 2 3 S 2 therm 98

George started to Sabine to get Bay Mares
and 2 colts -w rote letter to GW Paschal Austin
for George R. Paschal

Sat 28 O S 2 Therm 100

Uncle James Eagan sent us qr mutton

Robt Ray & R. Norton came & Mr. Manville in
search of horses estrayed by W.R. Brown

Sun 29 - 3 N 2 6 S 2 Ther 100

Musk melons getting ripe

Read Old Testament George not yet returned

Mon 30 - 3 N1 10 N 3 Storm of wind from
north a little rain -

Gathered corn field peas - much thunder &
lightning

Tues 31 3 N 2 4 NE 2 3 NE 2

Wed 1st August 4 N.E. 1 - 3 N2 4 NW 2

Bargained wagon to W.C. Ledford for 800 # flour

George came home & brot mares & colts

Thur 2 9 NE 2 8 N2 6 NE 3

To W.C. Ledfords & got 112 # flour - sprinkled
rain - made an effort to exchange horse
with Ledford but no go.

[diary page 157 "pg157.jpg"]

Friday 3rd day August 1866 [missing]

NE 2 O N2 O NE

Read letter from R. E. William of [missing]

Sat 4th O SE 2 O S 2 O S 2 To Kaufman

Bought Sundry articles from W. D. Douglas

Sun 5 O S 2 O S 2 O S 2 Read old testament

Mon 6 O S 2 To Kaufman & got (^100 #) salt at
Douglas

Home by 12 M - read old Testament

Tues 7 O S 2 O S 2 To Kaufman with J.W. Gardner
in

his wagon - brot home 2 old Barrels & Piece of Box

[crossed out: Wed 8th] Mr. R.T. Raines Mr. Patton
and Mr.

Elijah Trimble wrote deed for Trimble

got letter from Gen N.B. Norton
Wed 8 O S 2 O S 2 O S 2
Wrote letters to N.B. Norton Read old testament
Ther 100
Thur 9 O S 2 O S 2 O S 2
To Kaurouses - with W.G. Farmer for peaches got a
Bushel Ther 100
Fri 10 O S 2 O S 2 O S 2 100
Jack Gray & H. C. McDougald came
Sat 11 - OS 2 OS2 OS2 100
D.W. Landers & wife spent the night with us
To Kaufman
Sun 12 OS 2 OS 2 O S 2 Read Bible
on the stool of repentance for yesterday
doings D.W. Sanders Left for home
Mon 13 - O S 2 3 S 2 2 S 2 Ther 100
At home all day - Gathered [mustang?] grapes
read Bible
Tues 14 O S 2 O S 2 O S 2
George to mill for meal Read Bible
Wed 15 3 S 2 6 S 2 7 S 2
George came home at night
Thur 16 10 S 2 8 S 2 10 S 2
rained a good shower at Sundown

[Diary page 158 "pg158.jpg" - 158i.jpg"]
This is all newspaper clippings for home remedies -
see photos

[Diary pages 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164 165, 166
This is all newspaper clippings for home remedies
and stories, morals, etc I did not photograph this]

[Diary page 167 "pg167.jpg" - partial page most of
the page is worn off]
[missing]gust 1866
[missing] 8 NE 2 6[missing]
[missing] Traded horses
[missing]Ledford
[missing] NE 2 2 NE 2 3 N2
[missing] to towns & got newspaper
missing] 19 4 N 2 6 NE 2 5 NE 3
[missing]mained at home & read bible
Bot pistol from Negro John Shaw
[missing 20] 16 NE 2 10 NE 2 Rain -
[missing] McKorkles - to Jess L.. Jones all night
[missing] 1 NE 2 to Cedar Grove Rained
[missing] day - spent night at Wm Moody

Wed 22 10 NE 2 Rained all day
To Jess Jones all night
Thur 23 10 NE 2 Rained all day
Remained at Jesse Jones all night
Fri 24 10 NE 2 10 NE 2 10 NE 4
Rained nearly all night - home
Jim Woodman spent night with us
Sat 25th 10 E 2 Rained all day
Woodman & Self tried to get to Kaufman
[missing] the creeks all up - they are nearly
as high as they have been t his season
[missing] 26 10 NE 2 10 NE 2 10 NE[missing]
of rain & wind from NW at 1 P.M.
[missing] 1 hour very hard - creeks all over
[missing]
[missing] 10 WW2 10 WW 2 122 2
[missing] James Woodman [missing]

[Diary Page 168 "pg168.jpg"]
28 August 1866
10 NW2 10 NW 2 3 N[missing]
Killed 2 year old Beef
Sent George to Ledfords & Gr[missing]
Wed 29 - O S 2. OS2. OS2
Broke up ground to sow turnip seed
sowed turnip see
Thur 30 OS 3 3S2 OS2
Black boy Dick commenced making [missing]
George went to hunt horses - Big [?] si[missing]
George did not return to day
Fri 31 - 8 S 3 10 S 2 7 S 2
Sat 1st Sept 0 S 2 0 S 2 [missing]
Sun 2 0 S 2 OS 2 OS2
Mon 3 OS2 OS2 OS2
To Kaufman
Tues 4 O S2 O S 2 3 S 2
Wed 5 10 S2 10 S2 10 NW 3
storm of wind & rain from N [missing]
Rained heavy creeks up
George to Bryans & got horse [missing]
place of gray mare Drove [missing]
to [French?]
Thur 6 10 S 2 10 S 2 10 S2
Some rain through the day [missing]
shower during the night
Fri 7 8 N.W. 2 7 NW 2 [missing]
D. Richardson to breakfast
Sat 8 8 NE 2 To Kaufman 20 SW 2
[missing] 9 10 SE 2 Some Rain to Kau[missing]

[missing] 10 10 WW 2 Rained all d[missing]

[Diary page 169 "pg169.jpg" and "pg169a.jpg"]

[NOTE: much of this page is gone]

Oct 1866

[probably the 4th] [missing] N2 ONE2 3 NE2

worked on saddle wife sick

Fri 5 3 NE2 ONE2 3N2

worked on saddle

Sat 6 8 NE2 O NE2 4N3 [missing]

unreadable

[missing] 8 NE2 4 NE2 [missing]

[missing] ggy morning

[missing] NE2 NE2 ON2

[missing] Sick - George sick - worked [missing]

[missing] 2 ON2 ON2 to Kauf[missing]

[missing] ? wife still [missing]

[missing] y Sick

Wed 10 Foggy N1- 0 NE2 OW[missing]

[missing] Hudson & got mule I bot from h[missing]

[missing] 11th Foggy in the bottoms O NE 2

[missing] tion willow & Co to make medicine

[missing] had fever to-day

21th To 7SE2 8SE2 0 SE2

[hand in way] pill

Sat 13 Foggy OS2 OS

To Kaufman Sold Mule to W. D. Douglas

for 150 in [aps?] They killed 2 negroes to [?]

at Kaufman

Sun 14 8 SE2 6 SE2 [illegible]

Kaufmen met [crossed out - too blurry to see what it was.]

Mon 15th 6SE2 7SE2 10 SE2

Kaufman to Election votes for Eppe[missing]

[missing] Congress (C. S.) no opposition to

Bro[missing]

[Diary page 170 "pg170.jpg" much of this page is missing]

Tues 16th Oct. 1866

6 NE 2 3 NE 2 4 NE 2

[missing] d 17 2 NE 2 O NE 2 6 SE 2

[missing] old place and drove home the [missing]

[missing] we had [missing]

[missing] 18 9 S E 10 SE 19 SW 2

[missing] ed young Steers down [missing]

[missing] y back [missing]

[missing] menced raining about 6 P.M. [missing]

[missing] gh the night heavy showers [missing]

[missing] 9th 10 SE 2 showery 10 SE 2 1

[missing] 20 10 - 10 - 10 SE 2 S3 3 [missing]

[missing] in com- 6 P.M. 6 ½ P.M. wife &

[missing] all night - my back keeps b[missing]

[missing] 21 10 0 0

[missing] n from 3 to 5 a.m.

Mon 22 O N. 3 - N. 3. N. 2 [?]

To Kaufman - settled with Douglas

Tues 23 0 0 0 N3 N2 N[missing]

Wed 24th 10 10 NE 3 SE2 SE2

To Kaufman Settled with estate of W.T. SNOW

but did not [settle?]

Thur 25 10 10 10 SE 2 SE 2 SE 2

Drizzly Dolly & Bug had chill & fever

Fri 26th 10 8 6 SE 2 SE 2 SE 2

Sat 27th 10 10 10 SE 2 SE 2 SE 2 80

Sun 28 10 10 10 SE 3 SE 3 NW 3

Sent George to Hudsons to hire girl

commenced raining at 6 P.M. till 7 P.M. Thunder & Lightning

[missing] 29 - 6- 0 0 - 3 - N 3 N 3

[missing] did not return last night

[missing] Returned to day [missing]

[Diary Page 171 "pg171.jpg" and "pg171a.jpg"]

1866 & Nov.

Went to Paschalls to hire girl from

[missing] high fever & severe head ache all

my

[missing] Wife, Jim, Dolly, Bug & Babe all

sick

George brought girl Mary Paschal, Wilson

and Tom Hardin

Wed Oct 31 Oct - O N 3 - O N 2 O N 2

Fever all night

Thur 1 N ov- O O O SE2 SE2

To Kaufman Dolly Quite sick - I had [missing]

last night

Fri 2d 0 0 0 S. E. S2 S2

Killed 3 ducks

Sat 3d 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

Got letter from A B N

Sun 4th 000 S2 S2 S2

John Williams Came

Mon 5th 0 0 0 S3 S2 S2 Distr Co[missing]

Commenced to Kaufman

Tues 6th 0 0 0 S3 S2 S2 To Kaufman

Disappointed in not meeting Gen Nort[missing]

Wed 7 8 7 6 SE 3 SE[missing]

Thur 8th 10 10 10 SE 2 S 2 [missing]
Commenced raining at 6 P.M. [missing]
To Kaufman Douglas recd some goods
Fri 9th 10 10 10 NE 2 NE [missing]
Rained all day all night Creeks all o [missing]
[missing most of rest of page]

[Dairy page 172 "pg172.jpg"]
[missing] nday 12 November 1866
9 - 10 SE3 SE 3 SE3 [missing]
To Ledfords got [?] of him
[missing] 13 10 - 8 -7 SW1 SW2 SW2
[missing] 14 8.7.6. S2 SE S2
[missing] 15 0 0 0 Frost N3 N2 N2
[missing] Court adjourned this morning
[missing] 0 0 0 S2 S3 S2
[missing] B. Norton spent the night with us he [?]
[missing] ppointment of [?] [?] & clerk of Court
[missing] his [Count?]
[missing] 17 0 0 7 S3 S3 SE3
[missing] d Revenue laws
[missing] 18 10 0 4 S3 S3 S3
[missing] ng Clouds forms
[missing] 19 6 4 3 N2 N2 N2
[missing] pt [?]
[missing] 0 3 3 N2 N2 N2
A.J. Burton mare & 2 yearling for [?]
[missing]

[Diary page 173 "pg173.jpg"]
[faded pencil at top of page]
January 1st Wednesday 1868
SE3 SE3 SE3 1 - 2 - 1 -
Worked on house & chimney hard all day
chimney got a fire - At the Jesse Pope house
J B Daughterty to K. Sent him for [shot?]
Sore hands
Thur 2nd S3 SW3 NW2 1 - 0 - 1 -
Hauled Boards & corn from Larkin home
went fishing - caught none - George to
hunt his horse A.J. [Sewill or Serrill] died this
morning
Fr 3 2. 2. 2. SE2 W3 NW1-
worked on house Old man Sewell died
this morning - beautiful weather
Sat 4th 4 SE 2 SE 2 SE 2 - 0 - 0 -
Went fishing Caught 2 channel cat

wife & Jim went to bring home bee hive
some clouds at sunset
Sun 5th SE 3 SE 3 NW 4 10 10 10
Mon 6 NW 3 NW3 NW3 Snow & Sleet
Tues 7 NW3 NS3 NS3 More sleet
very cold
Wed 8 NW3 NW3 NW3 10 10 10
Thur 9 Do. Killed Duck [illegible - faded]
Fri 10 Do.
[illegible - faded]

[Diary page 174 "pg174.jpg"]
January 1868
Sat 11 N2 N2 N2 O 6 - 8
Hauled wood - killed 2 ducks
Still cold Thawed some at 12 M. but freezing at
sundown - Ice on lake ½ inch thick - but not
entirely frozen over
Sun 12th 10 10 10 N2 N2 N2 To B. Daughertys
cold & disagreeable
Mon 13th 10. 9. 8. NE2 NE2 NE2
Sick
Tues 14 Do. Do. Do. Do. Do.
Wed 15 Do. Do.
Thur 16 Do. Do.
Fri 17 Do. Do.
Sat 18 9. 8.8. SE2 SE 2 SE2
Still cold - went fishing - would not bite
There has been ice every night through the week
very unpleasant weather.
Sun 19th 10 10 10 SE2 SE2 SE2
Some rain To B. Daughertys got ink
Weather very disagreeable & chilly J Hess a chill
Louis Daughertys wife very sick - puipeeror fever
Mon 20 10 8 0 N3 N3 N3
Tues 21 0 0 3 SE2 SE2 SE2
Wed 22 10 10 0 rained nearly all day E.
To Wm Moodys wet muddy & tiresome driving
Spent night at Moodys
Thur 23 3 - 2 - 0 W2 W2 W2
To Cedar Grove where saw friend Geiger
[missing] back to Wm Moodys
[missing] 24 003 SE2 SE2 SE2
Home in Co with H.[Z. or G.] Moody

[Diary page 175 "pg175.jpg"]
Sat 25th 4 SE 7 9 SE 3 10 S 2 Jany Feby 1868
Sun 26 NW3 NW3 NW3 10 8 6
Mon 27 4 4 3 N3 N2 N2

commenced school B. Daugherty 5 school
 JB Daugherty 2 Columbus Lewis 1
 Tues 28 - 6 4 2 NW3 NW3 NW4
 B. Daugherty 5 GR Daugherty 2 John Pike
 one @ Lewis 1 very cold Henry Moody spent night
 Wed 29 0 0 0 NW4 NW3 NW2
 No School coldest day of the season
 H. Moody left for home
 Thur 30 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 School
 cold weather
 Fri 31 0 0 0 NW2 N2 N2
 Kept School Ice ½ inch thick - morning
 Sat 1st February - 3 - 6 - 10 SE 2 SE2 SE2
 Hauled wood
 Sun 2 0 0 0 NW2 NW2 NW2
 Mon 3 - 9 NW 2 9 NW 2 10 NE 2
 Commenced snowing at 12 M & continued
 till snow to the depth of 3 inches
 Tues 4th 10 8 9 N2 N2 N2
 snow melted away - some fairer
 Wed 5th Foggy 0 0 0 S2 S2 S1
 quite unwell with slow fever
 Thur 6 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 wife sick
 school ½ day - Aunt Sally, Mrs. Bachus
 G A D's & J BD's wives
 Fri 7 4SE3 6SE2 8SE2
 Sat 8 8 9 10 SE 3 SE3 SE3

 [Diary page 176 "pg176.jpg"]
 February 1868
 Sun 9 10 10 9 NW3 NS3 NS3
 Very cold & disagreeable
 Mon 10 10 10 10 sleet very cold
 No school NW3 NW3 NW2
 Tues 11 10 9 0 N2 N2 N2
 Wed 12 0 0 0 N2 S2 S2 Hauled wood
 killed 4 squirrels
 Thur 13 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 very pleasant
 went fishing - caught none - got bites
 Burnt plant beds
 Fri 14 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2
 Caught 1 Buffalo fish fine weather
 Sat 15 2 0 3 N2 S2 S2
 Caught 1 Buffalo & [crossed out: cat fish
 killed 2 squirrels] good weather
 Sun 16 0 0 0 N2 S2 S2 fine weather
 caught 4 Buffalo & 7 cat fish killed 2 squirrels
 and 1 opossum Delightful weather.
 Mon 17 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Kept school

Fine weather
 Tues 18 0 0 0 S1 S2 S2
 Wed 19 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2
 Thur 20 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2
 Fri 21 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2
 Kept school 5 days
 Sat 22 0 0 3 S2 S3 S3
 Went fishing caught Buffalo 2 feet
 [neighie?] 9 ½ [?]
 Sun 23 10 10 10 S2 S2 S2
 Rained gently from 3 P.M. till 9 P.M.
 Caught 30 perch & 1 eel 30
 45

 [Diary page 177 "pg177.jpg"]
 February & March 1868
 Mon 24 10 10 10 Some rain SE2 S2 S2 45
 Taught School
 Tues 25 10 10 8 NW3 NW2 little rain
 Dismissed school
 Wed 26 0 0 0 NW3 NW2 NW2
 Thur 27 0 0 0 SE2 SE2 SE2
 James and Self went fishing caught 50 fish
 perch - white perch [twist & reel?] 50
 Fri 28 0 6 10 SE2 SE2 SE2
 Sat 29 10 10 10 SE3 SE3 SE3
 Went fishing - caught five channel perch
 & 1 trout 20
 Sun 1st March
 10 8 0 W3 W4 W3
 Very blustering & disagreeable
 Mon 2 0 0 0 NW3 N2 N2
 Tues 3 0 0 0 S3 S3 S3
 Went fishing caught 30 30
 Wed 4 8 10 10 S3 S3 S3
 Caught 20 fish 20
 Thur 5 8 9 9 S3 S3 S2
 made fence
 Fri 6th 10 10 10 S3 S4 NW 4
 went fishing- caught 25 perch 25
 commenced raining at 4 P.M. rained
 nearly all night
 Sat 7th 9 6 4 S2 S2 S2
 caught 40 fish - 1 trout rest perch 40
 Sun 8 10 10 NE2 NE2
 Commenced raining at 12 M.
 rained all day 230
 11
 [Diary page 178 "pg178.jpg"]

March 1868

Mon 9 Rained hard all day & night

Tues 10 Rained till 12 M

Wed 11 10 0 0 SE2 SE2 SE2

Creeks all overflowed up to highest mark

Thur 12 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

Fri 13 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

Sat 14 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

Sun 15 8 9 10 S3 S3 S3

Mon 16 10 10 10 S3 S3 W3 storm of
wind rain & hail from W. at 4 P.M.

Tues 17 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2

clear & cool

Wed 18 0 0 0 SE2 SE2 SE2

went to Renshaw School home to Justice
court

Thur 19 0 0 0 SE2 SE2 N3

Sick Went fishing caught none

Lake too high

Fri 20 0 0 0 NW2 NW2 NW2

Sat 21 10 8 0 S2 S2 S2

Caught 6 fish - - 6

Sun 22 10 8 0 S2 S3 S2

Caught 12 fish 12

Mon 23 10 8 6 S2 S3 S2

Hauled rails from bottom

Tues 24 10 10 10 S3 S3 S3

made fence

Wed 25 10 8 N2 N3 N2

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Thur 26 Mar 1868

0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 made fence

Hauled Rails & poles

Fri 27 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 made fence

Hauled rails & poles

Sat 28 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2

made fence - went fishing in the

evening caught 5

Sun 29 0 0 0 N2 NN2 N2 6

Mon 30 0 0 0 N2 N2 SE2

Child Born - named him Sam Houston
worked on fence

Tues 31 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

Went fishing caught 15

Wed 1st April 10 10 10 SE3 SE3 SE2

Killed beef some rain

rained through the night

Thur 2 10 10 10 NE2 NE2 NE2

Drizzly & [] [] all day

Thur 4 9 7 0 N2 N2 N1

very pleasant caught fish 6

[Hagging?] - Sam Peel & Self fished

Sat 5 0 0 4 SE2 S2 SE2

Went fishing - Lake too high - met

Dr. Stroud Squire Daugherty & several
others Shower during the night

Sun 6 8 10 S2

Rain

Mon 7 10 made fence

Gap All [?]

Mostly clear weather

Mon 8 10 10 10 Rain

Commenced ploughing

Tues 9 0 0 0 WW NW2 NW2

broke ground

[Diary page 180 "pg180.jpg"]

Wednesday 14 April 1868

O O O N2 N2 N2 ploughed

Thur 15 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 pleasant
ploughed

Fri 16 10 0 0 N2 N2 N2

Hauled rails from Lake field

Sat 17 8 0 3 Went to see patrons of
the school

caught 4 fish 4

Sun 18 10 10 SE2 N2 NW3

got up 2 cows

Mon 19 2 7 3 NW3 NW3 NW2

Cool weather - Commenced school 11 [show?].

Tues 20 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 School

Wed 22 0 0 0 SE2 SE2 SE2 School

Thur 23rd 9 7 4 SE2 SE2 SE2 Warm

No School Killed beef

Fri 24 10 9 8 S2 S2 S2

Jo Hess & Self Killed Beef Fished 3

Sat 25 Rained all day & nearly all
night - cold & disagreeable Wind NW

Sun 26 - 10 10 10 rain NW3 N2 N2

Very cool & disagreeable wrote to A. B. Norton

Mon 27 - 10 10 8 NE2 NE2 NE2

rain. Gave my school up to Mr. Dumas

Fri 28 0 0 0 NW2 N2 SE2

Wed 29 0 0 0 SE2 S2 S2

Broke prairie

Thur 30 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Broke prairie

[Diary page 181 "pg181.jpg"]

Friday 1st of May 1868

10 10 10 drizzly all day SE2

Henry Moody spent the night

Sat 2 10 10 10 S3 S2 S2

Heavy thunder during night but clouds [?]

AM No rain 1 caught [dum]

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Sun 3 10 10 10 S2 S2 S2

Shower Mat Morris came

Monday 4 10 10 10 S2 S2 S2 Heavy rain

To J.B. Daugherty

Tues 5 10 10 S2 S2 S2

Rain - Jim started to school

Wed 6 9 0 0 NW3 NW2 NW2

Went to Mrs. Peels

Thur 7 10 9 8 NW3 N3 NW2

Foggy - some frost

Fri 8 4 0 2 N2 N2 N2 Jim School

Sat 9 8 3 4 SE2 S2 S2

Sun 10 - 10 10 SE3 SE2 NW3

Storm of wind & rain from NW at Sundown

Blew part of the house top & fence down

High waters

Mon 11 - 10 10 10 NW3 NW3 NW3

cool & cloudy - Nelson Daugherty came

Tues 12 10 0 0 N3 N3 N2

To Nelson & Sam Daughertys met old

friend parson Wm. Daugherty - To Hess &

Howards -

Wed 13 - 0 0 0 NW2 NW2 W3

Thur 14 10 8 7 SE2 S2 S2

To Wm Moodys with wagon for corn

Tired

[Diary page 182 "pg182.jpg"]

- May - 1868

Fri 15

Got corn & started home - to W.W. Grays
where we remained all night

6 - 0 6- S2 S2 S2

much thunder & lightning in the W.

Shower during the night

Sat 16 - 10 10 6 S2 S2 S2

Wagon came apart in Brushy bottom

got home - tired - oxen tired

Sun 17 - 10 8 9 S2 S2 S2

lightning in S.W.

Mon 18 - 10 8 8 SE2 S2 S2

To Brush horse hunting

found 4 year old steer Killed

Tues 19 10 10 8 S3 S2 S2

Wed 20 10 9 6 S3 S2 S2

To McDonalds - got horses & drove them
home. Rain

Thur 21 - 10 10 8 S2 S2 S2

Fri 22 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

To Turners point - Killians all night

Sat 23d 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

To W.W. Rayels & Back to Killians
all night

Sun 24 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

To W.K. Camps all night

[Diary page 183 "pg183.jpg"]

Mon 25th May - June 1868

To Terrells Mill & Milwood in search of
George - & back to camps - all night

S2 S2 S2 9 6 6 Small Shower 285

Tues 26th 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 home

after a fruitless search - no tidings -

Wed 27 10 9 8 S2 S2 S2

Thur 28 10 8 7 Small shower evening

To a Ball at Lew Daughertys - where
much whisky was imbibed by the

natives - all went merrily -

Fri 29 10 8 6 S2 S2 S2

Sick headache

Sat 30 10 8 6 S2 S2 S2

Hunted cattle - found none

fished caught none

Sun 31 - 10 8 8 SE 2 SE2

To B. Daughertys & S. W. Daughertys - boys
marking & rebranding a large amt of
cattle

Mon 1st 10 6 0 S3 S2 S2

To Chambers mill for meal

Tues 2 10 4 0 S3 S2 S2

Went fishing - caught 16

Wed 3 10 4 0 S3 S3 S3

Fished caught 7

Thur 4 10 3 6 S3 S3 S2

Doct Shroud & Self fished caught 20

Fri 5 10 - 3 S3 S2 S2

went fishing caught 20

[W ?] Camp spent night with us fish 35

[Diary page 184 - no jpg image]

June 1868

Saturday 6 10 0 4 S2 N2 N1 357
Lightning in W. W.K. Camp spent the
night with use went fishing caught 6

Sunday 7 8 9 S2 S2

W.K. Camp left for home

Mon 8 - 7 6 0 S2 S2 S2

Went over E fork cattle hunting in Co with
Daugherty boys

Tues 9 - 7 60 S2 S2 S2 cow hunted

Wed 10 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 home from cow
hunt - found none

Thur 11 0 0 3 S2 S2 S2 cow hunted
found 4 head

Fri 12 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

Sat 13 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2
fished caught 4

Sun 14 0 0 3 S2 S2 SE2

To Sam Daughertys

Mon 15 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

Tues 16 Do. Do. Do.

Wed 17 Do. Do. Do.

Thur 18 Do. Do. Do.

Fri 19 Do. Very warm hunted cows

Sat 20 Do. To Kaufman - Camped
on cottonwood near wolf dam

[faded] were serenaded during the night
[frayed]

[Diary page 185 - no jpg image]

June & July 1868

Sun 21 3 6 8 Camped near JM. Norton
Some of our cattle escaped during the
night - re captured one steer

Mon 22 - 10 9 8 showery cattle hunted
camped at W.J. Stubbs where we received
good treatment

Tues 23d 10 9 8 Good shower - camped
at Mr. Garretts & W. Peters

Wed 24 10 7 6 home with 40 odd
head cattle -

Thur 25 7 4 3 at home suffering
with ringing in wear & sore throat

Fri 26 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

Sick head ache

Sat 27 - 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 very warm
branded 2 heifers - went to E. fork and
assisted B. Daugherty in Cropping the

sheep -

Sun 28th - 0 0 3 S2 S2 S2

To the lake - Mr. W. [Moon or Wren] sick - but
started home
in the evening

Mon 29 - 6 8 S2 S2

Drove up cow in 1-1 brand

Tues 30 6 7 3 S2 S2 S2

went to cow hunt - drove up 3 old cows off
the home stock.

Wed 1 3 2 home from cow hunt

Thur 2nd 2 6 3 S2 S2 S2

went fishing caught 20

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July - 1868

Fri 3 6 4 3 S2 S2 S2 387

Killed beef

Sat 4 3 10 S2 S2 S2

Went fishing caught 20

Sun 5 6 6 10 heavy rain fished 15

Mon 6 0 0 0 [crossed out: crow hunt camped at
Terrell old

place] S2 S2 S2 very warm weather

To Hanglet Store

Tues 7 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Home with cattle
cow hunted camped at Terrells old place

Wed 8 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 very warm

Home with cattle

Thur 9 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 branded cattle

Fri 10 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 fished 20

Sat 11 - 3 8 6 Good shower in Evening attended
with much lightning & thunder - fished 12

Jim went to Mill

Sun 12 - 3. 6. 6. S2 S2 S2 small shower

Mon 13 0 4 6 6 S2 S2 S2 To Kaufman
and to A.J. Becks horse hunting

Tues 14 4 3 3 S2 S2 S2 found spotted
pony & Sam Murphy's horses and
brot mine home.

Wed 15 - 5. 7. 6 S2 S2 S2

Weather excessively warm.

Thur 16 10 8 0 SE2 SE2

Very warm - small showers

Fri 17 8 7 10 S2 S1 S2 very hot

H. Moody - came at 12 M. we fished caught 6

Sat 18 3 . 10. 10 S1. S2 N2. To Kaufman to stock
meeting

payed Squire Hindman \$4 to record mark, & brand []

[] the sheriff was [] today in attempt to arrest [] Jackson Parker Brooks they escaped Henry now in Kaufman - much liquor was consumed 460

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Sun 19 3 - 8 7 S2 S2 S2 fished caught 5

Mrs. Peel & Mrs. Hagerty paid us a visit. We spent the day

very agreeably - weather very warm showery in the vicinity

Mon 20 - 3 10 Rain S2

Jim went to Mill Fished caught 15

Tues 21 - 4 8 3 S2 S2 S2 Showery fished caught 15

Wed 22 4. 3. 6. SE2 SE2 SE2

Thur 23d 6.8.4. SE2 SE2 SE2 Shower

Fri 24 - 6 10 10 Heavy rain at 2 P.M. Fished caught 15

Sat 25 7.6.4. SE2 SE2 SE2 Evening comfortable pleasant

Hauled wood - fished caught 6

Wrote subscription for school house to be built - Dumas met us at Lake and accompanied us home - Though there is some little sickness around we are yet in tolerable health

Sun 26th 7.8.6. SE2 SE2 SE2 fished 13

Mon 27th 3.8. 2. SE2 SE2 SE2

To Baly Daugherty - helped kill Beef

Tues 28 - 0 3 3 SE2 weather still very warm - some sickness in neighborhood

at L. Daughertys & McIntyres

B. Daugherty left for Shreveport with drove [horses or beeves?]

Wed 29 0 6 3 E2 E2 SE2 fished 15

Thur 30 0 0 0 SE2 SE2 SE2 fished 12

Fri 31 0 0 0 SE2 SE2 fished 30 more pleasant

Sat 1 August - 0 0 0 SE2 SE2 SE2 breezy & pleasant

To Mrs. Backers - traded Jim Bachus 1 cow & calf

Sun 2 - 3 6. 10. S2 S2 SE2 To Sam Haughts

made J. Bauchus bill sale to cow

Heavy storm of wind & rain from north midnight

Mon 3 4. 10. 9. NE2 NE2 NE2

rain from N.E.

Tues 4. 4. 3.6 E2 SE2 SE2

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Wed 5th August 1868 SE2 SE2

3.6. Some rain

Thur 6 - 0 some rain -

Fri 7 0 3 6 SE2 SE2

Sat 8 3 10 3 SE N2 SE2

Sun 9 3 0 0 S2 S2 S2 very warm

Mon 10 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Do.

Tues 11 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 "

Killed beef

Wed 12 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

James Sick

Thur 13 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

To Haughts store Jas still sick very sick

Fri 14 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

Jas still sick

Sat 15 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

Sun 16 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

James still very sick sent & got medicine from Dr. Stroud

Mon 17 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

Jas Peel & Rosco Love staid all night

Tues 18 10 9 9

Rain & wind from N. James Better

Wed 19 - 3 10 5. SE2 SE2 SE2

bought goods from B. Daugherty Rain

Thur 20 4.9.6. SE2 SE2 SE2

Fri 21 0 3 0 S2 S2 S2

Sat 22 Wife sick weather as yesterday

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Sun August 2 1868

23 - 0 3 0 S2 S2 S2

Killed beef Jo Hess came

Mon 24 - 0 3 2 S2 S2 S2

wife sick

Tues 25 0 6 3 S2 S2 S2

last Wednesday Dumas Stabbed Haggerty

Wed 26 3. 8. 3. S2 S2 S2

W. Ostein came to sell cattle

Thur 27 3.9. 3. S2 S2 S2

wife still sick

Fri 28 - 3 3 S2 S2 S2

wife still sick
Children washing
Sat 29 - S2 S2 S2 3 4 6 -
Sun 30 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2
Mon 31 - 10 9 8 Shower S2 S2 S2
Arbitration with Jesse Shaw
Tues 1st Sept 10 Shower Rain 1 mile Single dark
Bay Horse entered by Roscoe Love
"Mare " Jim Peal
Sond horse " Jim Pike
Gray Do. " Lew Daugherty
Roan [] " Joe Hess
All went off quietly
Love beat the race very handsomely winning about
\$40
Wed 2 4. 3. 2. S2 S2 S2 killed beef
Thur 3 Hauled wood 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2
Fri 4 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 To Mrs. Saunders
& got 1 Bus. Corn
Sat 5 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 [crossed out: Jim went to mill]
[Viars?] went to mill
Sun 6 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2

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Mon 7th S. Winds
Jim went to Mill
Tues 8 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Baly Daugherty Left
for Shreveport with Cattle - went with him
as far as Andrews old place where planned
staid at Geo Paschals
Wed 9 0 0 0 S2 S2 S3 heavy rain during the
night to home -
Thur 10 10 9 8 Thunder & lightning in N.
Fri 11 10 9 10 much lightning & heavy
thunder in NW 7 W - rain wind Northward
Mrs. Saunders Hightowers Geo & John B.
Daughertys
Sat 12 10 SE 3 - OS3
Exchanged Saddles with Benj Brooks Jim
Rain
Sun 3 10 6 7 S2 S3 S2
Mon 4 10 S2 S2 S2
Jim to mill no grinding
Tues 15 N3 N3 N3 10 5 3
Wed 16 0 8 0 killed beef
Thur 12 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2
Fri 18 0 6 3 S2 S2 S2
To JB Daughertys
Sat 19th 10 3. 3. S2 S2 S2

Hauled corn from Mrs. Saunders - made bridle
for Ben Brooks -
Sun 20. 8 2 S2 S2 S2
Mon 21 0 8 10 Shower in evening went
to [Laugino?] to see about wagon
went to see about wagon
Jim to mill - no grinding
Tues 22 2 10 10 S N. Some rain
Jim to mill got meal

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Sept 1868
Wed 23d 10 10 10 N.W. 2 N.W. 2 N.W. 2.
Rained slowly nearly all day - To Mr. Bakers
Thur 24 10 10 10 N.W. 2 N.W. 2 N.W. 2
Drizzly went fishing caught 10
Fri 25 10 8 0 S2 N2 N2
Sat 26 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 To J B Ds
Sun 27 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Jo Hess & self went
& got hind wheels of my wagon & brot to
Squire potters -
Mon 28 - 0 0 0 s2 s2 s2
[Crossed out: Jo Hess & self put on wagon tires]
To Haughts for medicine
Tues 29 - 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Got Wagon
To Jo Hess
Wed 30 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 put on wagon
tires
Thur 1st Oct got wagon home
10 10 8
Fri 2d 0 0 0 N.W2 NW2 N.W. 2
To B. Daughertys
Sat 3 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2
Sun 4 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2
To John Stewart
Mon 5 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 To Mrs Peels -
Tues 6 - 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 To Slap foot
ran horse races 11 of us - B. Daughertys
wagon came from Shreveport
Wed 7 0 0 0 S2 NW3 NW3
To Mrs. Peels
Thur 8 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 to Mrs. Peels
Fri 9 0 0 0 N2 S2 S2 to Peels with
John Haggerty
Frost

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Oct 1868
Sat 10 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 560

Went fishing 4
 Sun 11 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 To Mrs. Peels -
 Haggerty killed beef
 Mon 12 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Hooped wagon
 wheels & put on tire
 Tues 13 0 9 8 3 S2 S2 S2 Heavy rain
 during the latter part of the night
 Jim got Coffee from Mrs. Peels - got saddle tree
 from D. Luce
 Wed 14 - 0 10 8 3 N2 N2 2N 0
 To Haughts Store & Montgomerys & got shoes
 put on horse - spent \$5 - 2 at Haughts -
 2 to Jo Hess & 1 to David Luce
 Thur 15 0 3.9.6. S. 2. S. 2. S. E. 2.
 Fri 16 10 7 10 Rained at 2 P.M.
 To Jo Hess - helped them to put on Vickers
 wagon tires - Rained during the night -
 Jim rode spotted pony
 Sat 17. 10. 10. 10. N.E. 2. N.E. 2. N.E. 2
 Drizzly & gloomy weather - at home all day
 no one but Vickers came
 Sun 18 10 10 10 S. E. 2 S. E. 2 S. E. 2
 Some little rain
 Mon 19 10 10 10 SE2 SE2 SE2
 ground ax & got [saw] [helve] made
 Tues 20 - 10 10 10 SE2 SE2 NW3
 Wed 21 - 10 10 0 NW2 N2 N2
 moved smoke house -
 Thur 22 0 0 0 N2 N2 NE2
 Finished roof on Smoke house
 To Jo Hess & got nails
 Fri 23 - 0 0 0 SE2 SE2 SE2
 To Haughts to get nails
 Sat 24 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2
 very pleasant weather made up
 cover & went fish caught

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 Oct 25th Nov 1868
 Sunday 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 571
 Mon 26 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2
 Hauled timber to repair house
 Tues 27 0 3 0 S2 S2 S2 = worked on house
 Jo Hess came - To Geo Daughertys
 Wed 28 0 4 0 S2 S2 S2 Went to hunt
 Timber to Lake
 Thur 29. 3.6. 3. S2. S2. S2. Hauled wood
 & heart timbers to fix smoke house

Jo Hess came worked on smoke house
 Fri 30 10 9 8 S2 S2 N.W. 3
 Worked on smoke house & hunted
 timber for boards
 Sat 31 3 0 0 N3 N3 N2
 Went hunting Killed 1 wild goose
 Sun 1st Nov 0 0 0 N1 N2 N1
 Killed 4 wild ducks - wife to B. Daughertys
 Jo. Hess J.B.D. Lew D & John Gilliam
 Frost
 Mon 2d 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Frost
 Cut down Board tree
 Tues 3 6. 3.8. S2 SE2 N2
 Sawed off cut of Board Tree had much
 trouble to get a saw & when gotten very
 inferior it tired Jim & Me nearly down
 Bolted the timber - met Carrollon and
 McGowen hunting wagon timber
 Wed 4 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 very pleasant
 [Crossed out: hauled board] [] [] timber house -
 saw E. Killian
 mob searched his house for one Moody and
 [crossed out: last night] Dr. Snow shot said Moody
 and
 on last Saturday inflicted slight wound
 Sat mob composed of the following persons
 H.J. Snow D.W. Snow, N.G. Paschal
 Chas Douglas & Philip Cole
 [NOTE: Where it said "last night" is crossed out is
 written "in the night"]
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 Nov 1868 571
 Thur 5 very pleasant weather
 000 N2 N2 N2 To Hagerty & got his
 oxen & to Geo Daughtertys & got wagon &
 hauled home brought timber to S. Killians
 who has just returned from a visit to the
 Chickasaw nation - he reports scarcity of
 almost all necessaries of life in consequence
 of short crops corn from 1 1/4\$ pr bushel
 and all other products of the soil in
 proportion 000 N2 N2 N2
 Fri 6 0 0 0 S2 SE3 SE1 to [Bondaries] and got beef
 to Mrs. Hurds for food Jim to mill, mill broken
 get no work done for want of a few timbers
 all day for [f?] & got broken one just at Sunset
 Sat 7 10 10 10 S3 S3 S3
 Rived Boards

Sun 8 10 0 3 S3 S3 S2 to Mrs. Peels
Mon 9 10 5 3 10 NW3 10 NW3
slight freeze made Boards
Tues 10 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 heavy frost
Wed 11 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 got cut timber
for rafters & hauled up
Thur 12 0 0 0 N2 S2 S2
got out timbers for lathing
Fri 13 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Hauled up lathing
& house log
Sat 14 10 S2 8 S2 6 S2 went to lake and
fished with Jim Barnett caught - 1 Buffalo
Sun 15 10 10 10 S3 S3 NS4
Storm of wind & rain from S2
to B. Daughertys heavy rain
Mon 16 10 10 10 NW3 NW3 NW2
very cold at home
Tues 17 - 0 0 0 NW2 NW2
Hauled logs

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Wed 18 Nov 1868
Sawed rafters - to Haughts for nails
000 N2 N2 N2
Thur 19 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2
assisted S.C. Turner & JB Daughterty
in partition of land belonging to the
Estate of A. Renshaw
Fri 20 0 0 0 NW2 NW2 NW2
To appraise & inventory the property belonging
to Estate of H. K. Halburtine -
Sat 21 9 NE2 6 NE2 9 N.E. 2
Hauled logs & tried to raise house but did
not get help enough - John Haggerty
Jo Hess & John Gill came some women
Came also
Sun 22 10.10.10 SE2 SE2 SE2
Drizzly - To Haughts bought Jim hat
Mon 23 10 10 10 SE2 SE2 SE2
Crizzly - hauled wood - chilly weather
to G.W. Daughtertys for sow & pigs - did not get
her
Tues 24 - 10.10.10 SE2 SE2 SE3
Cloudy - Drizzly & chilly -
Wed 25 10.0. NW2 NSW2 NW2
Killed Beef & hewed house log
Thur 26 0 0 0 NW2 NW2 NW2 Beautiful
weather - To J. D. Hess - saw Mr. Severt &
told the gentleman his pedigree

G.W. sent us ½ hog
Fri 27 3.0.0. N2 N2 N2 Rained house
higher & put on part of the roof
Sat 26 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 worked on roof
Jo Hess helped me
Sun 29 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 worked on house
Mon 30 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 worked on house
The weather is very pleasant

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Tue 1st December 1868
0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 worked on house
Wed 2 0 0 0 SE2 SE2 SE2
Brot sow & pigs home
Thur 3- 10 10 10 N3 N3 N3
got out chimney pieces - some rain
Fri 4 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2
got up rock from Lake field
Sat 5 . 8 0 6 SE3 SE3 SE3
Worked on chimney
Sun 6 10 10 10 Rained from North
N3 N3 N3
Mon 7 - 10 6 0 N4 N3 N3
got nothing done weather very rough
Tues 8 - 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 worked
on chimney
Wed 9 10 8 10 NE2 N2 N2
finished chimney to house today
some scattering snow flake in the
morning - Jim went to mill
got no grinding
Thur 10 - 8 7 10 NW3 NW3 NW
very cold & windy - Ice 1 inch thick
Fri 11 - 0 0 0 NW2 NW2 NW2
still very cold Ice all day freezing
Geo Daugherty sent ½ shoat
Sat. 12 8.4.8. NE2 NE2 NE2
very chilly & disagreeable weather
James to Haughts to buy salt & nails
& Tobacco

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Sun 13 December 1868
10 10 10 NE2 NE2 NE2
Snow fell to the depth of 1 ½ inches
Mon 14 0 0 0 N.W. 2 NW2 NW2
got up rock in Lake field
[crossed out: Jim To Peels] Ice 1 inch
Tues 15 - 8.7.6. NE2 NE2 NE2

Jim to Peels -
Wed 16 - 0 0 0 N. 2. N. 2. N. 2.
Jim to Peels - I hauled load rock
Pleasant Weather
Thur 17 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 very pleasant weather
Got up rock in lake field - sent Jim
in evening to B. Daughertys & got plug of
Tobacco - Jim out coon hunting (8 P.M.)
Fri 18 0 0 0 NW3 NW3 NW2
Jim to Peels - worked on Chimney
Sat 19 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 Hauled Rock
from lakefield
Sun 20 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 very cold
Mon 21 - cold finished fire place &
hearth
Tues 22 8.7.6. SE 2 SE2 SE2
Wed 23 0 0 0 NE2 NE2 NE2 cold
to Lew Daughertys Killed hog.
Thur 24 0 0 0 NE2 NE2 NE2 very cold
Hauled wood
Fri Christmas 4 8 4 SE 2 SE3 SE2
very blustering & chilly weather
made Egg Nog - J. Haggerty & wife - Jesse
Shaw J. Hess John Gill & Jo Herd to dinner

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December 1868

Sat 26 3.6. 3. SE2 NW2 N2 Fish 571
To Sam Haughts & bot 2 pr shoes and
wash tub - Killed beef
Got 16 ½ # salt from Jo Hess -
Sun 27. 3.8. SE2 SE2
J. D. Hess drunk - came with J.B. Daugherty
Mon 28 10 8 10 SE2 SE2 SE2
suffering with Rheumatism in shoulder
Tues 29 10 10 10 E2 E2 E2 Drizzled
rain all day - rained pretty hard all night
Wed 30 10 10 10 N2 NE2 NE2 Rained
all day - We have been unable to do anything
for 3 days on account of bad weather
smoked the pipe inveterately for last 3 days -
Thur 31 10 10 10 NW2 NW2 NW2
Drizzly - hauled wood - very unpleasant
Fri 1st January 1869 New Year
10 10 10 NE2 NE2 NW2 cloudy
Cold & chilly - "The year (1868) has gone
And with it many a glorious throng
of happy dreams - sold 2 yr old filly to
David Luce for 50 bus. Corn - also sold

him razor & strap & brush for \$2 25/100
specie - Hunted up colts. Killed
1 prairie chicken. Sold Jolen
Gill pr stimss leather - hunted deer
found none-
Sat 2 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2
Jas Bauers D. Luce & self to mill
beautiful weather - got no grinding
drank some very bad whisky which
made your humble servt very sick

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Sun 3d January 1868 [sic]

0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 very pleasant weather
Mon 4 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 To Mill - got
2 Bushels meal - got home about 3 oclock
A.M. the night was cool but clear
some thin ice

Tues 5 0 0 0 N1 N1 N1 very beautiful
weather - did nothing - the trip to mill
having rendered me unfit for work on
account of loss of sleep

Wed 6 0 0 2 S2 S3 S2 Blustering
marked & branded calves & marked sow
and pigs to D. Luce & ground axe

Thur 7 10 10 10 commenced raining
at 9 A.M. & now (9 P.M.) Still raining
Hauled 2 wagon loads of wood -
rained all day

Fri 18 10 8 3 NW3 NW3 NW2

Sat 19 10 10 10 NE2 NE2 NE2 marked calf

Sun 10 8 0 0 NW2 NW2 N2

B. Daugherty started with beef herd to Shreveport

Mon 11 0 0 0 SE3 SE3 SE2 burnt brush
fence

Tues 12 0 0 0 SE2 SE2 SE2 killed beef

Wed 13 10 10 10 SE2 Drizzly SE2 SE2

Cut up beef - some rain during the night

Thur 14 10 8 0 SE2 SE2 NW2

Fri 15 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Hauled wood

Sat 16 8.9.7. S2 S2 S2 To B. Daughertys

Sun 17 10 8 3 NW2 NW2 NW2

To D. Luce - caught wild pig in bottom
bought wild hog claim from D. Luce

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Mon 18 January 1868 [sic]

0 0 0 N2 N2 N2

Hunted wild hogs found & fed them

Tues 19 10 10 10 SE2 SE2 SE2
Drizzly. Found hogs & got them near home
but they got scared & went to the bottom
G.W.D. and Bob Buckley hauled wood
one styling himself the owner of the Nail league of
land

Wed 20 10 10 10 NE2 NE2 NE2
Drizzly and rainy during the morning
& considerable rain during the night
caught wild shoat & put him in the pen

Thur 21 10 10 10 SE2 SE2 SE2
caught another sow & shoat & put
them in the pen Jim to mill & got 1 ½
Bus. Meal - old man Pike to dinner

Fri 22 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 got up wild
Barrows in pen & got 2 for Jas Daugherty

Sat 23 - 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 got up sow
& barrow of Jas Daughertys

Sun - 24 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2

Mon 25 - 10 10 8 SE2 SE2 SE2

Hunted hogs - got pig in pen

Tues 26 10 10 8 SE2 SE2 SE2

Shower in morning - caught shoat of
Milly Howards & put in pen.

Wed 27 0 0 6 SE2 SE2 SE2

caught another shoat & put
in pen - sent to Jas Daugherty and
borrowed rifle - more eclipse (partial)

Thur 28 10 10 10 SE2 SE2 SE4 rained several
showers during the day accompanied with
lightning & thunder Hunted for wild hogs
& found none

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Fri 29th January & Feby 1869

8.7.0. N.W.4. N2 N2

got firewood

Sat 30 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 pleasant

Hunted for wild hogs

Sun 31 0 0 10 SE2 SE3 SE3 showery
during the night

Mon 1st Feby 10.9.10 N3 NW2 NW2

heavy rain - Lightning & thunder at 6 A.M.
very wet & disagreeable - much water on the
ground - very cold

Tues 2. 4. 3. 3. N2 N2 N2 very wet and
unpleasant

Wed 3. 8.0.7. S. E. 2 SE2 SE2 To Wm Gibbs

Thur 4 8 0 9 SE2 SE2 SE2 Hauled wood

Fri 5 7.4. 3. SE2 SE2 SE2 Jim to mill
got 1 ½ Bus. Meal - Hunted hogs - found but one
which got in the pen.

Sat 6. 9.10.10 S2 S2 S2 Hauled wood

Mr. Watkins around with school [arbille?]
agreed to send 2 scholars -

Sun 7 10 10 10 SE1 SE1 SE1 Drizzly -

Vickers Lew & Jim Baucus - letter from Pyle

Mon 8 - 10 8.4. N2 N2 N2 - To Sam

Daughertys - sent letters to Norton & Morris at
Kaufman by J.R. Daugherty

Tues 9 - 10.8.6. N2 N2 N2 Mrs. Howard
came & we paid her 2 bushels meal for pigs
cut poles & made rails - pleasant

Wed. 10. 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 To Soreys & got
tobacco District court commenced at Kauf.

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Thur 11th Feby 9. 2. 3. S2 S2 S2 1869

Jim to Mill & got 2 ½ Bushels meal -
moved fences - pleasant & springlike

Fri 12 8.10 10 SE2 SE2 SE2 some small
showers through the day - cut poles for
fencing - Jas Bauens came to buy my

improvements on the Nail league

Sat 13 - 10.9.7. S2. S2. SW2. Hauled woods
the weather springlike - ground covered with water

The grass beginning to assume its natural green
out of corn - feeding horses & hogs upon meal -

The cattle as a general thing are looking well -
much better than they did this time last year

Sun 14 8.9.6. N.W. 2 N.W. 2 N. S. 2 Cool weather

Mr. J. D. Hess died - Hess away from Home.

Mon 15 8.8.10 N. 2 NE2 SE1

Mr. Vickers & self hauled poles and rails
from fencing - Took down corn crib for the
purpose of removing it to new lot -

District Court commenced its spring time
at Kaufman last Monday - Judge

A. R. Norton presiding

Tuesday 16th 8.7.5. SE2 SE3 SE2

Moved & put up crib logs - Mr. Vickers
hauled them for me laid fence [worms?] for
new lot. - Bought cart from John Hagerty

for which am to pay a cow & calf

Wed 17 - 6. 3. 3 N.W. 3 N2 N2

Working on lot - sent Jim for spade to dig holes for
gate posts - hung lot gate - Mis Baucus and

Martha Walker came - wife gone to Vickers

Thur 18 9. 3. 3. S2 S3 S2 made lot fence
to Lew Daughertys - Letter from C.I. Terrell
Sheriff K. CO. Washing day

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February & March 1869

Fri 19th 9 10 10 S3 SE3 SE2

Moved hogs to new pen - put up fence and
cut poles - drizzly in morning
drowsy & dull feelings -

Sat 20 10. 3. 3. SE3 SE2 SE1 to [crossed out: To
Mrs]

To Mrs. Peels - but little work done

Sun 21 10.6.0. NW3 NW3 NW4

Severe Norther sudden change from
mild to cool weather - some sleet during
night - out of fire wood

Mon 22 10.8.10 NW3 NW3 NW4

very cold ice ½ think wind blew with great
violence until about midnight

Killed beef & hauled some wood

Tues 23 - 0 0 0 W2 NW2 NW2

Ice 1 ½ inches thickness - severe weather

Wed 24 0 0 0 NW2 NW2 NW2 got wood
cut poles Ice

Thur 25 3.0.6. SE3 SE3 SE2 to Mill
with Vickers & got 2 ½ Bus. Meal each
Ice

Fri 26 0 0 0 NW2 NW2 NW2

made rails & cut poles - wife to Wm Gibbs
to get rose bushes - Collards & onions
a little ice

Sat 27 6.10. 3. N2 N2 N2 made fence

some little ice. Hauled wood

Sun 28 3.7. 2. N2 N2 N2

Ice - Colder than yesterday morning - hoar frost

Monday 1st 10.10.6 SE2 SE2 SE2

Worked on fence & cleared up brush.

Tues 2d 10.6.4. SE2 SE3 SE3

made fence - To JB Daughertys

Wed 3 10.6.9. SE2 NW3 NW3

Worked on fence & burned plants beds
T. G.W. Daughertys & got corn 100 ear

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March 1869

Thursday 4th 10.6.8. NW2 NW2 NW2

made fence burned brush & sowed cabbage seed
Ice

Fri 5 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 made rails

Ice - James of Kaufman for coffee & letter
to Mat Morris - burned brush

got letter from H.E. Killian

Sat 6 0.0. 3. NE2 NE2 SE2

Made fence -s owed tobacco seed

Sun 7.- 10.10.10 SE2 SE2 SE2 D. Luce to dinner
wrote to Revd. Wm. Daugherty at Sam Daughertys-
Got

100 of ears corn from G.W.D small showers during
night

Mon 8 10.10 10 NE2 NE3 NW2

Commenced raining from NE about 10 A.M. &
continued until 8 P.M. wind changed to N.W.

Rained heavily all night - drowned 1 pig

Jim went to J.D. Hess & got saw &

[drawing/driving?] knife

Tues 9 10 10 10 NW NW2 NW2 raining

at 11 A.M. rained all day - out of firewood

Wed 10 10.10.10. NW2 NW2 NW2

no rain of consequence but very cloudy

& chilly - To D. Lucas & made rake

Thur 11 - 10 10 9 N.W. 2 N.W. 2 NW2

Got wood & made fence

Jim to Williams & got tobacco \$1

Fri 12 6.0.0. SE2 SE2 SE2 made fence

To J.B. Daughertys

Sat 13 - 8.0.0. SE2 SE2 SE2 hauled rails

& poles for fencing - pleasant

Dinah a calf

Sun 14 8. 3.10 SE3 SE2 NW4

Sudden change from almost summer

heat to the cold of winter - out of corn

Mon 15 10. 2. 2. N3 N3 N2

Thin ice - very cold 1 hog died this morning -

the sudden change from warm to freezing

makes it sensibly felt to D. Lucas

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Tues 16 March 1869

0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 got nails from

lake house

Wed 17 0 0 6 SE2 SE2 SE2 got nails

Thur 18 10.10.10 SE2 SE2 SE2 Drizzly

& rainy all day

Fri 19 10 0 0 W2 W2 N2 Cleared

up - made gate. Jim to Mill

Sat 20 0 0 0 NE2 NE2 SE2

put up gate & went fishing - none

wouldn't bit - made house rake & block
Sun 21 9. 3.6. SE2 N.W. 3 N.E. 2
Grass about 2 ½ or 3 inches high - putting up very
fast - the weather pleasant but for the wind
Have not yet broken any ground - few
persons around here have planted corn
There has been much cold weather during
the month. Spring is rather backwards
The elms, black haw & few other kinds of
trees are putting forth leaves
[Crossed out: To Sam Daughertys to borrow
plough]

Mon 22 9. 3. 3. N2 NE2 NE2
To Sam Daughertys to borrow plough
planted onions & bedded out ½ bus. Sweet potatoes
Grubbed up brush - very tired at night -
Tues 23 - 6. 3.7 NE3 NE3 NE2
Grubbed - wife sick - no ground broken - and
matters very untowardly generally
Mr. Robt Watkins came to see about school
to commence next Monday -
Wed 24th 7.8.10 NE2 NE2 NE2
heavy rain from NE attended with thunder and
lightning commenced at 3 ½ p.m. & rained all
night - Went to lake to fish in Evening where
found Messrs Geo. Jo & Jim [Barrett or Barnett] -
Geo
home with us & spent the night

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March & April 1869
Thur 25 - 10.8. 3. NW2 NW2 NW2
Geo [Barrett/Barnett?] & Co Went home
Fri 26 0 0 0 W2 W2
pleasant - went fishing - would not bite
Sat. 27 - 10 0 10 N2 N2 N2 went fishing
Jim to Mill - Rained shower at 6 A.M.
Sun 28 10 4.0 SE SE2 SE2
Mon 29 10 0 0 SE2 SE2 S2
Tues 30 - 10 6 0 SE3 SE3 N2
To Jo Hess & Mark Vollentines &
got peach trees & Set out
Jim to Kaufman
Wed 31 - 10 8 9 SE3 S3 SW3
Storms of wind & some little rain at
about midnight To B. Daughertys &
Jo Hess
Thur 1st 8 0 0 NW3 NW3
Jim went to Kaufman for plough

and got it.
Fri 2 8 0 0 N2 N2 N2
stocked plough - J.B.D. came
Sat 3 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 frost
To Sam Daughertys & got promise of oxen
fishing in evening
Sun 4 0 0 0 N2 NE2 S2
Mon 5 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 Commenced
breaking ground - broke plough - which
delayed us ½ day
Tues 6 0 0 0 SE2 SE2 SE2 ploughed
Wed 7 0 0 0 SE2 SE2 SE2 ploughed

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April 1869
Thur 8 10 0 0 S3 S3 3
Ploughed
Fri 9 0 0 0 S3 S3 S3 ploughed
Sat 10 10 8 3 S3 S2 NW3 Commenced
Laying off & got about ½ the ground planted
shower at 2 P.M. - fished 20
Sun 11 10 6. 3. N3 N2 N2
Very cool, windy & disagreeable
Mon 12 0 0 0 N3 N3 N2 finished
planting corn - dry, cool & windy - ground
hard & dry
Tues 13 0 0 0 N. 2. N2 SE2
Thin ice & hoar frost - The freeze killed
Beans & other plants - did not kill
English peas, mustard & lettuce
Baited place for Buffalo - fished caught 15
Wed 14 0 10 10 SE3 SE3 SE2
Jim went to Kaufman to mill
Drizzly and rainy all evening and all
night - got ink tacks & comb (from Kaufman
Loaned plough to David Daugherty
Thur 15 10 10 10 SE2 SE3 SE3
Showery through night Drizzly - all day
Rain came exactly at the right time for us as
our corn is planted not yet up
Hunted Colts - found none -
Fri 16 10. 10. SE2 SE2 SE2
Some showers during night -
Sat 17 10 10 10 SE3 SE3 SE3 fished 5
W.B. Taylor & wife & children came
Jim to Kaufman & bought goods from Tapp
Sun 18 10.9.7. SE3 SE3 SE2
Mon. 19 10 8 0 SE3 SE2 NW3
Taylor & self fished 25

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April 1869

Tues 20 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2 pleasant 53

Taylor & self fished 21

Jim to Mill - no grinding

Wed 21 8 6 6 SE3 SE3 SE2

W.B. Taylor & family left for home - Jim to Mill & got ½ Bus. meal -

Thur 22 10 9 10 SE2 S2 SE2 fished 7

Fri 23 10.10.10 SE2 SE2 SE2 Rained
nearly all day. fished. Much thunder 2

Sat 24. 10.10 10 NE2 NE3 SE3 Rained
all day and nearly all night - accompanied
with much Lightning & thunder

Sun 25 10 .8.0. SW3 NW3 NW2
creeks overflowed - lake out of banks & rising
rapidly -

Mon 26 0 . 2.8 NW2 N2 SE2 Jim to Mill
& no grinding - borrowed meal from Vickers
old whitey had a colt at 8 ½ A.M. - ground
very wet - did nothing but work out a few
Lessons in [Emersons?] arithmetic - Lake still very
high & rising in the morning - our corn is just
coming up - will have little more than half
a stand - grass is very fine about 6 inches
high and thick upon the ground -
prospect for more rain very fair -

Tues 27th 10 10 10 SE2 SE4 SE2

Very cloudy warm & sultry - high waters & fair
prospect for more Rain

Wed 28 10 10 10 E2 E2 SE2 Rained
nearly all day & all night -

Thur 29 10 10 10 SE2 SE2 W2 some
showers through the day Lightning in S NW & NE

Fri 30 10 10 3 N.W. 3 NW3 NW2

Corrected Mr. Alf Howard for cursing my wife
& got abused for it by Mrs. B. Daugherty

[Diary page 209 "pg209.jpg"]

May 1869

Saturday 1st 2.0.0. N.W3 NW3 NW3

At home all day - wife got abused by Mrs.
B. Daugherty

Sun 2d 0.0.0. N.W. 2 NW2 NW2

To Sam & Nelson Daughertys - saw J.B.D. and
asked about son Goerge

Mon 3 - 0 0 0 N12 N2 N2 replanted corn

Jim went to Mill - no grinding

Tues 4 0 0 4 SE2 SE3 SE2 replanted corn

Jim to Kaufman & mill no goods & no
grinding - letter from C.I.T. & Mat Morris

Wed 5 9 0 0 SE3 SE3 SE2

Jim to mill again - got 1 Bush. Meal only
replanted & hoed corn.

Thur 6 0 0 4 S2 S1 N1 Warm & sultry

Hoed corn & made potato hills & got up cow

Thundered heavily in NE at 4 P.M. no rain here
gave note to grocer for \$37.00 which I owed Ryle

Fri 7 - 6 7 8 NE2 NE2 SE2

Got up colts made up potato hills - set potato
slips

Sat 8 4. 3.0. SE2 SE2 SE2 hunted cows

fished in the evening caught but 2 - got cow of
Bro W.W.R. from D. Daugherty. Rain is much
needed the ground being very much baked by the
late heavy rains and the tope crusted over

Sun 9 4 0 6 SE1 SE2 SE2

Mon 10 10 10 10 SE2 SE3 SE2 showery
all day - hunted cows - found none we wanted
set potato slips

Tues 11 10 8.6. SE2 NW2 NW2

Rain - showery nearly all day Set out potato
slips.

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May 1869

Wed 12th 0 0 0 NW3 NW4 NW2

John Hagerty & Self fish caught 12 - 100

Thur 13th 0 0 0 NW2 NW2 NW2

Hunted horse

Fri 14th 0 0 0 NW2 NW2 NW2

ploughed corn - Uncle C.I.T. spent the
night with us.

Sat 15 0 3. 6. SW2 SW2 SW2

To Haughts Store - fished - 13

bought comb - fish hooks tobacco & C.

Sun 16 10 10 10 SE2 SE2 NW2 Drizzly

Mon 17 10 10 6 NE2 NE2 N2

some showers - Walter still came gave him orders
to Mrs. Cleveland for cow broke potato
ground set out potato plants & tobacco and
cabbage plants - To Nelson Daughertys &
got [brand mark] cow & yearling.

Tues 18 0.0.0. N2 N2 N2

Started in C with J.R. Daugherty & 10 others
to hunt cattle crossed the E fork and
camped near Johns - found a few head

but let some of them escape to the brush
Wed 19 0 0 4 N2 N2 N2 Drove what
cattle we had to Haughts pasture there
left them - & camped near Haughts Store

Thur 20 10.8.9. SE2 SE2 SE2

Hunted up some more cattle but lost them
All hands on a general bender - consequently
nothing done. Sole C2 Steer to Golden
for 10\$ in goods - home with a splendid
head ache - Sold Roan calf to Grace
for my note for \$38 due \$10 specie -
Fri 21 10.6.9. NE2 NE2 NE2
At home all day - nothing done
very warm in the evening - strong
indications of rain

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May 1869

Sat 22d 10 8 6 NE2 NE2 NE3

Sun 23d 0.0.0 N2 N2 N2 very pleasant
To Jas Daughertys Saw old friend Revd Wm
Daugherty

[crossed out: dewberrys] Dew berries are ripe &
plenty

Mon 24 10.8.7. SE2 SE2 S2 Misty in
the morning - over the E. fork in Co with
Sam Daugherty & others to hunt cattle
found yearling - sold him & steer to Golden
for \$13 in goods

Tues 25th 10.8.7. S2 S2 S2 hunted cattle
penned at Bennetts

Wed 26th 10.8.7. Drove cattle to Haughts
pasture & crossed the E. Fork water over
the bottom & bridge 3 feet deep -

Thur 27th 10.6.3. SE2 NW3 SE2

John T. Williams came & informed us that
his father & family were in Dallas &
that my father & sister had stopped at
Rockwall & would be here in a
short time.

Fri 28th 10.7.6. SE2 SE2 SE2

Misty - To Kaufman where I learned that
Father was at Bro WWR

Sat 29th 10.8.8. SE2 SE2 SE2

To WWR missed father who came here -
saw sister Mary

Sun 30 10 10 10 SE2 SE2 NW3 rained
nearly all day in the evening we had the
hardest rain I ever saw fell

Mon 31 10.8.8. SE2 SE2 SE2 Started home
by way of Dallas road in order to head
Big Brushy & got to W.K. Camps when
I spent the night very pleasantly

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June 1869

Tues 1st 10.8.6. SE2 SE2 SE2

home where to my great joy met father &
found all well

Wed 2d 6.7. 10 SE2 NE2 NE2

Some thunder showers in the vicinity during
the evening. To Sam & Nelson Daughertys
& drove home 3 cows & calves
& found more of fathers that had escaped
with rope

Thur 3 8 8 7 SE2 S2 S2

Road down to the lake which we found too full
to fish - To James Daughertys

Fri 4 3 8. 10. SE2 SE3 SE2

Parson Wm & David Daugherty visited us whom
introduced to my father

Sat 5. 3.8.6. S2 S2 S2

at home until 9 A.M. & to Hagertys &
Brooks

Sun 6 10. 3.4. S2 S2 S2

John Hagerty & wife spent the day with
us

Mon 7 10.0. 3. S2 S2 S2 ploughed
corn which is about waist high

Tues 8 8.9.6. SE3 SE2 SE2

ploughed corn part of the day the
gnats are very annoying to the horses
& keep them up nearly all day

Wed 9 10 6 3 SE2 SE2 SE2 ploughed

Thur 10 10 3 2 SE2 S2 S2 father & self to
Bro WWR in wagon - the wind, flies, mosquitoes
& heat of the weather made the trip tiresome

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June

Fri 11 8.10.10. S2 SW2 S2 started home
with father & sister in wagon caught in rain
at Big Brushy - bottom & got rather wet

Sat 12 10 8 4 SE2 S2 S2 To John Lewis
with wagon - John Lewis & self killed beef

Sun 13 10.8.6. S3 S2 S2

At home all day

Mon 14 Do. Do.

Tues 15 Do. Do. To Kaufman & spent night at J.W. Gardners home hunting
 Wed 16 Do. Do. Found horse near college mound to Home via Kaufman
 Thur 17 Do. Do. Fished caught 15
 Fri 18 Do. Do. Fished 14
 met Mr. Barnett & Co. & Jas Eagan also at Lake
 Sat 19 Do. Do. Father & self fished & got dunked by the turning of canoe - caught 15
 Sun 20 10 8 8 SE2 SE2 SE2
 at home all day
 Mon 21 10.8. 0 S2 S2 S2 Heavy shower at 3 P.M. to Sam Daughertys - hunted beef found none
 Tues 22 10. 10. 6. S2 S2 S2 Showery
 Wed 23 10 8 6 S2 S2 S2
 Thur 24 10 6 3 S2 S2 S2
 Fri 25 10.6. 2 Shower in Evening.

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 Sat 26 - 8.6. 3 S2 S2 S2
 Killed beef
 Sun 27 10 10 2 shower in Evening
 To David Daughertys - Jack Daugherty sick
 Mon 28 8 4 2 S2 S2 S2
 Started on cow hunt found yearling
 Tues 29 8. 3.10 S. 2. S. 2 SW3 to J.D.T.
 Wm Caslands - Rained - shower
 Wed 30 10.7.6. S2 S2 S2 cow hunted
 Let cattle get away - John Saunders sold cow
 Thur 1st July 10. 3. S2 S2 S2 Camped
 [crossed out: at hackberry - let all the cattle get]
 got home without cattle
 Fri 2d 10. 3.0. S3 S3 S2 fished 25
 Sat 3d 10.9.10 S2 S2 S2
 Commenced raining steadily & slowly at 2 A.M. from
 N.E. - To Nelson & Sam Daughertys borrowed \$5 specie
 from them - to John Hagertys -
 Sun 4 10 10 10 E1 E1 W2
 Raining slowly & steadily at 7 A.M. continued until 12 M
 corn is shooting
 Mon 5 10 10 10 SE2 raining - rained all day
 creeks up

Tues 6 10 10 10 rained gently all day
 wed 7 10 10 10 Drizzly all day
 To Bridge the E. Fork now within its banks.
 Thus 8 3.0.0. S2 S2 S2 Started to White
 Rock Mill in Co with J. Hagerty - found the E. Fork
 bottom very bad - stalled 3 times during the day
 camped near Mr. McDaniels near [Sayeno?] - our
 horses & selves very tired
 Fri 9 0 0 0 SE2 S2 S2 To Dallas Saw
 Mr. Robt M Williams & family - they are nearly
 all sick - camped at White rock Mills -
 Mosquitoes bit us & fleas crawled over us

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July 1869
 Sat 10 8 0 0 S3 S3 S3 bought 6 bus meal
 at 65 (Cents) Bus. & started for home - started at
 White
 Rock Creek - got Mr. Landreth to pull us up
 with oxen - got home at 4 P.M. our horses nearly
 fagged out - exchanged guns with Mr. McDaniel

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 Sun 11 6.S. 3 0 0 0 S3 S2
 Mon 12 6S3 S2 S2 0000 Jim to JWW Gibbs
 fished - got quarter beef from D. Daugherty 6
 Mosquitoes swarming at sundown
 Tues 13 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Currelli in morning
 Father & Jim to Bro WWR fished 6
 Wed 14 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Do Do. 7
 Jim came home
 Thur 15 Do. Do. Do. 15
 Fri 16 Do. Do. 25
 Sat 17 Do. Do.fished 10
 Sun 18 do. Do. Do. At home all day
 read -
 Mon 19 9 9 10 SE2 NE2 SE2
 Some rain not far off - small sprinkles here
 wife & sister to Elbert Williams & left me home
 with a noisy set of children to take care of
 had chill & fever at night - rained from 2 A.M.
 till 10 A.M. next day - good rain
 Tues 20 10 10 10 SE2 SE2 SE2
 very gloomy & rainy until 10 A.M.
 Wed 21 10.8.6. SE2 SE2 NE2 fished9
 had hard fever -endured great pain & misery
 Thur 22 4. 2. 2. S2 S2 S2 At home
 Fri 23 2.9.0. S2 S2 S2 another very high
 fever suffered excruciating torture in the back &

loins
Sat 24 0 0 3 S2 S2 S2
Sun 25 0 9 4 S2 S2 SE2
another very severe attack

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July 1869

Mon 26 10.9.8. SE2 S2 S2 Small Shower to
Kaufman
very much fatigued from ride 312

Tues 27th Weather same as yesterday
took 3 doses quinine - had fever at night

Wed 28 10 10 10 Rained from 6 a.m. till 9 a.m.

Thur 29 10 10 8 S2 S2 S2 Left off taking
quinine - missed fever - thank God - father came
from Brothers 11

Fri 30 10 10 7 NE2 SE2 SE2

Sat 31 10 8 3 NE2 NE1 NE1 To Vollentines
place & got half ripe peaches - very warm & sultry
Sun 1st Aug 3.8. 3 NE2 SE2 SE2
father started to Dallas alone - he will have a warm
ride

Mon 2d 0 0 2 S. 2. S. 2. S. 2. very warm

Tues 3d 6 2 2 S2 S2 S2 To J. D. Hess
met father returning from Dallas

Wed 4 4. 3. 2. S2 S2 S2 rode round the
Lake. bottom muddy from recent rains

Thur 5 3.0. 2. S2 S2 S2 very warm

Fri 6 0 2 2 S1 S1 S1 father started to
Bro WWRs I went to Kaufman very warm
Thermometer 100 degree [fpp?] in shade - spent the
night with M. A. Morris

Sat 7 3.6. 3. S1 S1 S1 excessively warm
Ther 100 - Sun partially eclipsed. Home in the
evening.

Sun 8 60 0 SE1 S2 S2

Mon 9 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 To Kaufman
District court Commenced Judge
Norton presiding

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August 1869

Tues 10th 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Dist Court in Session
Not a very full attendance of the bar -
we noticed - J.C. Robinson, J.C. Rushing J.J.

[Good?] in
attendance - Col. Crockett was expected -

Wed 11 -0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Rode home last night
after supper - to day rode over to Bridge on the

E. fork

Thur 12 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 At home all day

Fri 13 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 rode over to woods bridge &
met J.B. Daugherty coming out turned back
Killed calf

Sat 14 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 To the Bridge & Mrs. Hurds
& got Peaches

Sun 15 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Ben Brooks & Buck
River & wife came

Mon 16 10 8 7 S2 S2 S2

Tues 17 Do. Do. Do. Sister Mary to Bro
Williams Jim went with her
To Bridge

Wed 18 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Jim home

Thur 19 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 wife sick

Fri 20 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Do.

Jack Daugherty & self to Bridge
& fished

Sat 21 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 children sick
WK. Camp spent night

Sun 22 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 wife sick

Mon 23 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Judith sick

Tues 24 0 0 0 S1 S1 S2 very warm
Sam very sick

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August/Sept 1869

Wed 25th 0 0 0 S1 S1 S1

wife sick and [sets?] & all sick but Jim
& Molly W.K. Camp spent the night

Thur 26 0 0 0 S1 S1 S1 All sick but
Jim & Molly

Fri 27 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 same as yesterday

Sat 28 0 0 0 S2 S2 S1 all yet sick

Sun 29 0 0 0 S2 S3 S2 Father returned
all better except wife

Mon 30 8 0 6 S2 S3 S2

wife still sick but some better

Tues 31 6.8. 3. S3 S3 S2 pleasant

Father started for Dallas wife better

Wed 1st Sept 7 3 2 S2 S2 S1

Little Molly very sick all night

Thur 2 9 6 E2 SE2 SE2

Fri 3 6. 3. 2. S2 S2 S2

children still sick & wife

Sat 4 8. 3. 2. S2 S2 S2 children sick

Sun 5 9.6. 3. S2 S2 S2 father returned
from Dallas

Mon 6 10 10 10 S2 NW3 rained NW2

very cool to Kaufman father to WWR
Tues 7 0 0 0 NW3 NW3 NW2 cool
& pleasant
Wed 8 0 0 0 NW2 NW2 NW2
to Bridge & [Breden's?] with J. D. Haught
[Diary page 219 "pg219a.jpg" and "pg219b.jpg"]
Sept 1869
Thurs 9
0 0 0 NW2 NW2 NW1 pleasant
J. D. S Hess & self to mill found White Rock mill
broken - also mill in Dallas same - went
to mill 1 mile below Dallas & camped - got our
grinding - met in Dallas Capt. A. Harwood
J.C. McCay & G.W. Baird old acquaintances
Fri 10 0 0 0 SE2 S2 S2 Got home from
mill weather tolerably pleasant
Sat 11 9 9 7 SE2 Sam sick and
Little Molly not well
Sun 12 10 10 10 SE3 SE3 NW4
To Kaufman - commenced raining at 3
P.M. rained from S. E. until 5 P.M. Mr. Wallace
& self took shelter in Chambers Mill until
rain slacked - home a little after night fall
at 7 P.M. wind hauled to NW and blew
a gale accompanied with rains lightning
& thunder - rained nearly all night
Mon 13 10 0 0 NW4
To-day was set apart for the commencement
of the division of the Nail League of land
but the weather being unpropitious and
surveyor failing to appear cannot begin
the work
Tues 14 0 0 0 NW2 NW2 NW3
Wed 15 0 0 0 SE2 SE2 S2
Thur 16 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2
Fri 17 10 10 10 Do. Rain
Sat 18 10 3 6 To Kaufman

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Sept
Sun 19 10 10 8 S2 S2 S2
Mon 20 10 10 10 rain nearly all
night. Commenced surveying Nail League
Tues 21 10 10 6 S2 S2 S2 very warm
& showery ran off about 300 acres
Wed 22 10 8 0 ran off 500 acres
of Nail league very warm
Thur 23 8 7 0 S2 S2 S2
did no work today for want of

chain carriers. [Turner?] went home
Fri 24 0 0 0 S2 S2 N2
at home
Sat 25 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2
Sun 26 0 0 0 N2 N2 N2
[Tunnis?] returned to our home
Mon 27 0 0 0 N2 S2 S2
re-convened surveying
Tues 28 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 surveyed
Wed 29 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 surveyed
Thur 30 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 surveyed
Fri 1st October 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 Finished
Sat 2d cloudy - no rain
to Kaufman
Sun 3d - at home pleasant weather
Mon 4 do. Do. Do.
Tues 5 do. Do. Do.

[Diary page 221 "pg221.jpg"]
1869

Fri 15 Oct
Jo Hess & self to Dallas at
the races Lowerys little sorrel
won 2 straight heats - home
Sat 16 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 at home
Sun 17 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 home
till 9 A.M. started to Dallas and
camped at White Rock - I had
chill & fever all night
Mon 18 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 to Dallas
& camped at Carding Machine
tried to sell spotted pony to Circus
Jo Hess & Jim went to Circus
Annual Fair convened at Dallas
Martha Williams Died
Tues 19 10 10 10 NE2 NE2 NE2
Very disagreeable weather home
another chill
Wed 20 10 10 10 SE2 SE2 SE2
Father returned from Dallas
Thur 21 10 10 10 SE2 SE2 SE2
Some showers during the night
To W.E. Aikens & Vickars -
Fri 22 9 10 10 10 SE2 NW3 NW3
Father started to Bro. Williams - turned very cool
Sat 23d 10 0 0 NW3 NW2 N2 To lake
[West?] Johnson getting out seed of Osage Orange
very cool - Molly had a chill in the morning
Sun 24 10 8 10 NE2 NE2 NE2 cool & chilly

W.K. Camp came
Mon 25 10 10 10 NE3 NE2 NE2 James & I
To Rockwall & To W.K. Camps - left Jim to pick
out cotton
Tues 25 10 10 10 SE 2SE2 SE2 home by
the way of Turners point

[Diary page 222 "pg222a.jpg" and "pg222b.jpg"]
Oct 1869
Wed 27 10 10 6 SE2 SE2 SE2 to Sam
Daughertys got up Colts & mare
Thur 28 10 9 6 SE2 S2 S2 father started to
Dallas - Killed Beef Hauled Boards & wood
Tom Peel came to buy me out
Fri 29 6 3 0 E2 SE2 SE2
To Tom Peels to look at horses
Sat 30 0. 9. N2 NE2
Hunted pecans -
Feby 1870
1 0 0 0 SE SE3 S2 fished 13
2 10 6-10 SE3 SW3 NE4
3 10 10 10 N32 NE2 NE2
4 10 8 10 E2 E2 NE2
5 10 ? Sam ? NE2 NE2 10 10
6 10 10 10 SE2 NW2 NW21
7 10 9 0 NW2 NW2 NW2
8 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 [pencil /faded??]
9 0 0 0 S2 S2 [pencil /faded]
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[Diary page 223 "page 223.jpg"]
[page written in pencil/faded]
Feby & March 1870
[All pencil]
23 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2 [faded]
24 0 0 0 S2 S2 S2
25 00 S2 SE3 S3
To [?] request made by Daughtertys []
26 0 0 0 W3 NW2 NW2 to B. Daughtertys
27 0 0 0 NW1 NW1 NW1 wrote [List goods?]
Mon 28 0 0 0 SE1 SE2 S2 To [Dora] [Pulse] []
[] sign certificates & to B. Daughtertys []
[] John Moore
Tues 1st day of March 1870 000 S2 S2 S2
Hauled [] []
Wed 2 10 10 10 []
[]
Wed 3d 10 0 SE3 SE3
[]

Thur 4 []
[Diary page 224 "pg224.jpg", "pg224a.jpg" and
"224b.jpg"]
March
Sat 12 NW2 NW2 NW2
Sun 13 0 0 9 SE2 S2 SE3 shower for []
[] [] [] rain to do good - to Kaufman
Mon 14 0 0 0 NW4 NW3 NW3 []
[]
Tues 15 0 0 0 Ice [] NW3 NW3 NW2
Tues 16 0 0 0 NW3 NW3 NW3
Ice
Thur 17 0 0 0 at NW2 NW2 N2 3
Fri 18 8 2 3 SE3 SE3 SE3 [f?] 10
Sat 19 10 10 10 S3 S3 S3 []
[] to []
Sun 20 10 SE2 9 NS3 7 N2 N2
Mon 21 10.8. 3. SE3 SE2 SE2 to Kaufman
father returned from Dallas
T.C. Griffin came [crossed out: fished 10]
Tues 22. 10 8.7. SE2 SE2 SE2 father Self &
Griffin fished - wrote to Allen for Griffin 10
Wed 23 8.7.6. SE2 SE2 SE2 Barnett & Co.
Came fishing - fished 3
Thur 24 7. 0. 6. S2 S3 S2 Barnett & Co
found Bee tree & cut but had very little
honey - small showers during night