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January

Saturday 1st Very rainy and sleety with the wind from the South West. The people were enjoying the New Year, which passed away quietly.

Sunday 2nd Keen frost over night & the harbour this morning coated over with ice. Weather serene & pleasant during the day. Snitlum & son left this morning, having been here since the 18th ult^o.

Monday 3rd Keen frost over night with a heavy fall of snow during the day. Wind blowing fresh from the North. People employed putting up the Bastion, covering drain in front of N^o.6, pit sawing & Minie cutting oak crooks for the Bastion roof, which we intend to have shingled at once. Trade, 1 land otter & 1 bearskin.

Tuesday 4th Keen frost still continues. Ice 6 in. thick in some places. Weather clear & pleasant. The people employed as yesterday. No trade.

Wednesday 5th Frosty weather still continues, with the wind from the Northward. 4 hands were to day roofing the Bastion, 5 hands carrying pieces out of the Ft. Yd, 3 making a pig sty, 4 pit sawing plank & the rest of the disposable hands with Indians digging trench behind the Ft. to drain the water from behind the houses.

Thursday 6th Fine pleasant weather with a light S. West wind and thaws. People employed as yest^r except 4 hands who were squaring posts ∞ inside of Granary, 4 shingling Bastion, 2 hands in the afternoon raising cogs for the Grist Mill. No trade.

Friday 7th Fine & mild with light variable winds. The snow is rapidly disappearing. People employed as yesterday. We have now got the required number of posts for the Granary & 53 cogs raised. Nothing done in the way of trade.

Saturday 8th Mild weather during the day but frose a little over night. 4 beavers & other small furs were traded to day from Kawitchins. Week's work as follows, the upper storey of the Bastion put up & shingled, 11 posts ∞ Granary & 5 logs ∞ saw 23ft long squared, 160ft of trench dug to drain the water from behind the men's houses, 105 cogs ∞ Grist Mill raised, 40 plank 23ft long 2in thick, 36 boards of 12 & 10ft sawn, the usual quantity of grain thrashed. 25 bags pease were taken down from the barn this afternoon.

Sunday 9th Gloomy & overcast with light variable winds. No occurrence worthy of notice.

Monday 10th Showery ~~wind~~ with a mod. breeze from the South East. 4 hands squaring logs for the saw, one of whom (Ebony) cut his foot & came home in the afternoon. 2 raising

cogs, 4 putting up gallery on front of the N. Bastion, 4 pit sawing & the Indians & other men employed as last week, draining the Ft. Yard. Friday also cut his thumb on Saturday & is now on sick list. 14 beavers & otter with other small furs were traded from Skatchets who arrived yest^y.

Tuesday 11th Overcast with a fresh breeze from the North^d. People employed as yesterday. We have finished thrashing last year's crop of pease which comes only to 298 bus. The Skatchets left this morning for their own place. The Silongut or small fish are now raked up by the Indians in the harbour.

Wednesday 12th Stormy with heavy showers of sleet & rain. Wind South East. I started with Lazard this morning by land towards Fisgard harbour in order to discover a road to the Mill Seat, but found none preferable to that by the water fall in Concordia arm which we will have to bridge over for that purpose. People employed shingling the N. Bastion which is now completed, & taking the bark off the S. Bastion & putting its upper storey plumb, covering drains, pit sawing &c.

Thursday 13th Snowing & raining all night which cont^d at intervals throughout the day. Wind S.E. People employed the same as yesterday, sq^e logs for saw, raising cogs, roofing S. Bastion &c. No trade worth noticing.

Friday 14th Blowing fresh from the S. East with frequent showers of rain and sleet. We have now got the required number of cogs raised for the Grist Mill. People employed as usual. Trade, 1 land otter & a few minks from the Songes. M^cPhail has been to day after the cattle on the plains & found none missing as yet, although the weather has been very severe for the last ten days.

Saturday 15th Mild weather with rain in the evening, wind South East. No trade. Week's work as follows, viz^t: the south Bastion put upright & shingled, 60 yds. of trench dug & covered, 200 fence poles cut taken home, 112 boards 1in 13ft long sawn, 37 logs ∞ saw 23ft long sq^d & 28 hauled out ∞ oxen, 200 cogs raised & carted home with sundry other duties about the Est^b & farm.

Sunday 16 Heavy rain without intermission all day. Wind S. East. No occurrence of any note.

Monday 17th Overcast with mild weather. Early this morning Mr. Nevin & myself started with 8 hands & as many Indians to cut the road to the Mill Seat, from the plains through the woods to the rapid in Concordia arm & to bridge that place. I returned in the evening after having marked the route through the woods. People about the Ft. employed squaring & getting ready the posts to support the Granary beams, sawing plank for that building, hauling out logs ∞ d^o. with oxen. Trade, 5 martens, 2 beavers & other small furs from Kawitchins. One of the cows was found to day at Clover point with a broken leg caused by some accident or other going through the wood. M^cPhail was ordered to slaughter her & bring the meat and hide home.

Tuesday 18th Fine and mild with light variable airs. The people employed as yesterday.

No trade

Wednesday 19th Alternately clear and cloudy with occasional showers of rain. I started this morning to mark out the route from the fall to the Mill Seat & returned in the evening after having marked out the road at which the people are to be employed tomorrow. The men employed as yesterday, squaring wood for the bridge, cutting out the road to the Mill Seat, pit sawing, putting up the inner posts of the Granary &c. About 5 pm the Brig *Mary Dare* made her appearance from Ouahu & Captain Scarborough landed in the evening & delivered letters & other papers from the agents there. Her cargo consists of molasses, salt & tea to be landed here.

Thursday 20th Beautiful weather with light variable airs. People employed as usual, several bbls. of salt has been discharged to day from the *Mary Dare*, which only came to anchor in the harbour about 11 a.m. from P^t. Ogdan where she lay at anchor last night.

Friday 21st Thick fog this morning, cleared up as the day advanced into a fine day. Had all the salt & molasses discharged to day from the *Mary Dare*. People employed as yesterday. No trade.

Saturday 22nd Overcast with slight drizzling rain. Every thing intended to be sent to Columbia River has been shipped to day on board of the *Mary Dare* with a skow load of stones for ballast. Week's work as follows: road cut through a belt of woods this side of the rapid, distance 2 miles, with 5 logs sq^d. & put across that place for a bridge for the road leading to the Mill Seat, 16 pillars placed under the Granary beams, the roof of the S.E. Bastion completed, the *Mary Dare* discharged & got ready for sea, about 20 bus. of grain thrashed & sundry other duties performed about the Store.

Sunday 23rd Fine & mild with light variable airs. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 24th Overcast with several showers of rain. Had a skow load of ballast shipped to day on board of the *Mary Dare*. People employed as last week as ∞ labor book. A few skins were traded to day from Kawitchins.

Tuesday 25th Overcast and showery with a fresh breeze from the South West. People employed bridging the fall in Concordia arm, cutting out a road to the Mill Seat & cutting out hatchways in N^o. 6. No trade. The *Mary Dare* is still in harbour but leaves tomorrow morning, weather permitting.

Wednesday 26 Raining almost all day, wind blowing fresh from the South East. Early this morning the *Mary Dare* left the harbour for Columbia River. We have now got 5 large logs across placed across the fall in Conc^{dia}-arm, at which 7 hands were employed for the last 8 days, the others employed as usual as ∞ labor book. No trade.

Thursday 27th Blowing a gale from the South West all night which continued all this forenoon with heavy rain without intermission all day. People employed as yesterday. The road to the Mill Seat is now cut out, with the exception of the bridge. No trade. Nor any other occurrence worth noticing.

Friday 28th Still blowing strong from the South West with frequent showers of heavy rain. The people employed as usual. No trade worthy of notice.

Saturday 29th Keen frost over night. Blowing strong from the S.S. West with some snow. The *Mary Dare* is still wind bound at the entrance of the harbour. No trade. Week's work as follows: 5 logs adjusted across the fall in Concor^a arm for a bridge, with materials prepared for its rail, hatchways cut in N^s. 6 & 5, 8 pieces 36 ft long 5 + 6in sq^d for ladders, 4 pieces 13ft long 12in sq. sq^d for store ladd^r, the road cut from the fall to the Mill Seat, 80 plank 12ft long sawn ∞ bridge flooring, 21 bus. wheat win^d & thrash^d.

Sunday 30th Blowing strong from the Eastward with weather generally overcast. Early this morning the *Mary Dare* left the entrance of the harbour with a fair wind & much about the same time the French Whaler ~~ma~~ *General Teste* Captain Morin made her appearance at Trial Island from the Gulf of Georgia & anchored in the offing about noon. Captain Morin landed in the afternoon & remained on shore for some time & afterwards returned to his ship. His trip to the Gulf had been unsuccessful. Got no whales.

Monday 31st Overcast with a light breeze from the Eastward. Early this morning Mr. Nevin with 8 hands left for the Mill Seat in Fisgard harbour provisioned for seven days to square the timbers for the Mill and to erect a house for the people there. 4 hands with six Indians were at the same time dispatched to the rapid bridge which is not as yet completed. About 8 AM Captain Morin of the *General Teste* landed, of whom we bought 180 gns. sperm oil at 80 ^{cts} ∞ gn. for which we gave 53 1/2 bbls. potatoes and 1054 lbs fresh meat. He left a mem^m with us of supplies req^d by him on his return in the autumn together with a list of the principal articles generally wanted by whalers on the NW Coast- Mess^r Gallihot et Frere, Havre, France are the owners of the *General Teste*.

February

Tuesday 1st Blowing strong from the South West during last night, which continued for sometime this forenoon. Weather overcast portending rain. Minie employed putting up a new grind stone here, the other having been sent to Fisgard harbour. Gagnon & Trudelle making ladders for Nos, 5 & 6. 3 hands with 8 Indⁿ finishing off the bridge & the rest as yesterday. The *General Teste* is still in the offing waiting favourable weather to leave the Straits.

Wednesday 2nd Weather generally clear with a strong breeze from the South West. Paid a visit to day to the party employed at Fisgard harbour & found every thing going on as well as could be expected & they are to begin tomorrow morning to clear away a place for the foundatⁿ of a dwelling house. The bridge across Concor^a arm is now completed. I rode across it this morning on horse back. Trade, 1 bearskin & few other trifles. The French Whaler is still riding at anchor at Point Ogden.

Thursday 3rd Overcast with a fresh breeze from the South. People employed as usual. Nothing done in the way of trade except a few mats. Ebony with 10 engaged Indians are

employed clearing land on the other side of James Bay for spring crops.

Friday 4 Beautiful weather with light winds from the Southward and Eastward. No trade worth mentioning. People employed the same. Bought 10 gns. sperm oil from Captain Morin for 200ft of pine in boards. The *General Teste* left this afternoon for Cape Flattery. One of the cows calved yesterday, being the first this year.

Saturday 5th Weather mild & overcast with a shower of rain. People at their usual employments. Week's work as follows: hatchways cut in Nos. 5 & 6, ladders made ∞ d^a, 50 boards 12in sawn, 2 sills 60ft long 18 in sq^{re} sq^d at Fisgard harbour with the foundation of a house prepared there, rails put on the bridge in Concordia arm, 33 bus. wheat thrash^d & fan^d & a portion of new land cleared by Indians. Late in the evening some Sinahomish Indians arrived from Nisqually & brought letters from that place and Vancouver importing that the mission above Walla Walla was destroyed by Indians of that part, Dr. Whitman & wife with several others having been murd^d by the natives. The measles are very prevalent about Vanc^t & Nisqually.

Sunday 6 Mild weather with some rain in the evening.

Monday 7th Weather overcast with occasional showers of rain. People employed as last week, except Lecuyers who began ploughing for the first time this year. Andrew Jackson, an American, & a Mason by trade, deserted from the whale ship *General Teste* & made his appearance here after her departure. We had him employed to day repairing the stone buttresses under the Granary. Several ducks & cod fish were traded to day from Sanetch & Kawitchin, with 10 gall. oil. Minie making spikes for the oak knees we are placing in Nos. 5 & 6 to support the beams & posts of those buildings. Early this morning the Sinahomish Indians who arrived from Nisqually on Saturday evening left for that place, who brought letters back for Vanc^t and Nisqually.

Tuesday 8th Overcast with drizzling rain all day, wind variable. People employed as usual, grooving plank ∞ Sale Shop partitions, pit sawing, placing oak knees to posts and beams of N^{os}. 5 & 6. w{ith} 8 hands @ Fisgard harbour, Lecuyers ploughing, Ebony with 10 Indians clearing land, Louis Satakarata with 6 Indians thrashing grain.

Wednesday 9th Weather generally cloudy with a few showers of rain. Wind strong from the South West. People employed the same. Two Frenchmen, deserters from the *General Teste*, made their appearance this morning, having left the ship at P^t. Sⁿ Juan & travelled across the country. We will of course have to keep them here & give {small deletion} them some employment until an opportunity offers of sending them away. No trade worth mentioning.

Thursday 10th Generally overcast with a strong Easterly breeze in the evening. Paid a visit to day to the mill party & sent the two French men (deserters) to work there. The sills of the house with its sleepers are laid & some of the filling up pieces cut. The Ft. party employed as usual, planing boards ∞ partition of Sale Shop, clearing land, ploughing, thrashing &c. No trade.

Friday 11th Weather generally clear with a strong breeze from the South West in the

evening. Operations going on as yesterday. Nothing remarkable.

Saturday 12th Mild weather. No trade, the principal results of the week's work as follows: 60 boards 10ft long & 10 plank of 23ft long sawn. 80 boards 10ft long plan^d & groved ∞ Sale Shop partition & said partition put up, 27 bus. wheat thrash^d & win^d, sills, sleepers & posts of Mill House laid & put up, with sundry other duties ab^t the Estab^t.

Sunday 13th Overcast with a light Easterly breeze. No occurrence of any note.

Monday 14th Alternatively clear & cloudy with light winds from the Southward & Eastward. Indians employed rafting logs ∞ garden fence & thrashing wheat, the people of the Estab^t employed as last week as ∞ labor book planing boards ∞ lining Sale Shop & sawing. One of our horses has been found dead by the Indians about Mt. Douglas an old plough horse which having been worn out last year by hard labor was not expected to have stood out the winter. Late in the evening 4 Cape Flattery canoes arrived & landed at the Songes' village. M^cPhail brought in a cow with a calf to day being the second this year. Some Indians left here this morning for Langley, by way of Kawitchin, by whom letters were forwarded to Mr. Yale.

Tuesday 15th Overcast with a strong breeze from the Eastward. 13 beaver & otter, 5 martens, 20 raccoons & other small furs were traded from Whotlumies and Kawitchins. The Cape Flatteries who arrived yesterday brought nothing for trade. The people empl^d as yesterday.

Wednesday 16 Fine mild weather. Wind Easterly. M^cPhail brought in another cow with a calf to day being the third this year. 5 martens were traded from Cape Flatteries. They have got some beavers which they will not dispose of at the present tariff.

Thursday 17th Had a shower of hail last night with a strong breeze from the South West. Fine clear weather throughout the day. Some herrings & wild fowl were traded from the Songes. We began this morning shingling Store N^o. 4 with small shingles, before its present covering not being found light. {transcribed as written} Keave with oxen hauling up logs ∞ garden fence. Lemon manuring & putting earth round the apple trees in the orchard. Paid a visit to the party employed at the Mill Seat & found them busy putting up the dwelling house.

Friday 18th Had a little frost over night. Weather serene and pleasant all day. Wind light from the Eastward. People employed as yesterday & George Dixon painting the doors and windows of House N^o. 3. No trade. The Cape Flatteries left this {place} about noon.

Saturday 19th Mild and overcast with light winds from the South and Eastward. No trade worth mentioning. The principal results of this week's work are as follows: viz^t: the posts & wallpieces of the Mill House placed, 100 boards of 1in 10ft long sawn, one side of the roof of N^o. 4 roofed with small shingles. About 6 acres of land ploughed & 20 bus. of wheat thrashed & winn^d.

Sunday 20th Raining heavily during last night. Cloudy throughout the day with occasional showers of rain. 2 cows with their calves were taken in to day by M^cPhail, being the fourth & fifth this year. In the afternoon a canoe of Fraser's River Indians arrived & brought

letters from Mr. Yale for this place & Vancouver.

Monday 21st Alternately clear and cloudy with occasional showers of rain. Wind light from the W.N.W. People employed as ∞ labor book @ the Mill Seat. Shingling N^o. 4, pit sawing, making garden fence, ploughing, clearing land, in search of cattle & thrashing grain. Another cow with a calf was taken in to day, the sixth this year.

Tuesday 22nd Little frost overnight. Weather beautifully clear all day with light airs from the North^d. This morning the Ft. Langley Indians left, by whom a letter was sent to Mr. Yale. 2 more cows with calves were taken in to day, being the seventh & eighth this year. Mr. J. M^cKay with two Indians were sent this morning to survey the plain between Mounts Tolmie and Douglas. Trade, 3 raccoons and 2 minks.

Wednesday 23rd Some frost over night. Fine clear weather throughout the day. People empl^d as usual. Some martens & bearskins were traded from Soke Indians. ~~Early this~~

Thursday 24th Frosty nights still continue. Weather beautifully clear all day. People employed the same as usual. Mr. M^cKay with two Indian lads were to day surveying the plain between Mounts Tolmie & Douglas. Dupuis & Lecuyers ploughing in Ogden field.

Friday 25th Keen frost over night. ~~wind~~ Fine clear weather all day with light variable airs. People employed as ∞ labor book: roofing N^o. 4, rafting & carrying fence poles, ploughing & making fences & thrashing grain. No trade of any consequence.

Saturday 26th Keen frost during last night. Weather generally clear all day with a fresh breeze from the South West. Nothing done in the way of trade. Week's work as follows: rafters sq^d & put up with battens on the Mill House, two sides & the end of the roof of N^o. 4 shingled, log fence put round the garden, 10 acres of land ploughed, 50 plank 23 ft long 2in thick sawn ∞ Granary flooring, 30 bus. wheat thrash^d and win^d & a portion of land cleared with sundry other minor jobs performed about the Establishment.

Sunday 27th Mild weather with a fresh breeze from the South^d & Westward. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 28th Fine pleasant weather with light changeable airs. The people resumed their occupations of last week. No trade worth noting. All our stock of shingling nails having been used roofing N^o. 4. Minie was to day employed cutting some of hoop iron to complete the roof of that building.

Tuesday 29th Fine clear weather till noon when it became cloudy with a little rain in the evening. Paid a visit to the mill party to day & found them squaring the timbers for that building, the dwelling house having been finished on Saturday so far as we can at present get on with it. Had an excursion over the country through which the Mill Stream passes in hopes of finding some large prairies in that direction fit for cultivation, ~~but~~ and found nothing but barriers of rocks with swamps in all directions. The Mill Stream takes its rise in some lake between the head of Fisg^d harb^t & the Sanetch Bay. Trade to day: 3 beavers & some other trifles from Skatchets.

March

Wednesday 1st Overcast with snow, wind blowing fresh from the N. East. Completed the shingling of N^o. 4, Keave clearing land with oxen, three other men planing boards ∞ lining of Sale Shop & the rest employed as usual. No trade except some fresh fish which were served out to the men as rations. Another cow calved yesterday making the ninth this year.

Thursday 2nd Overcast with heavy rain in the evening. People employed the same. M^cPhail brought another cow with calf in the evening, being the tenth this year. No trade worth mentioning.

Friday 3rd Cloudy all day with a fresh breeze from the Eastward. 3 more cows with calves were taken in to day, being the thirteenth this year. 6 martens & a few raccoons were traded from Kawitchins.

Saturday 4th Generally clear with light variable airs. People employed as usual. The result of this week's work is as follows: the roof of N^o. 4 completed, the Sale Shop lined, 40 plank 23ft long sawn, 10 acres of land ploughed & a portion of land cleared, 20 bus. grain thrash^d & win^d, all the timbers sq^d ∞ Grist Mill, being as follows: eight days work of 9 hands, 4 sills, 11 beams, 9 posts, 5 belts & 3 wallplates being, in all, 1287 2/3 solid feet, a q^{tr} of stones collected ∞ dwelling house chimney at the Mill & sundry other jobs performed about the Establishment. No trade worth noting.

Sunday 5th Fine clear weather during the forenoon. Rain in the evening. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 6th Heavy rain over night with a strong breeze from the South West, which continued all day with occasional showers. Mill Party emp^d as last week: Gagnon, Minie and Trudelle fitting up the Sale Shop, Lemon assorting garden seeds. Keave clearing land with oxen, Ebony d^o. with the engaged Indians & the rest employed as usual. Captain Cole one of the mill men on the sick list. Trade, 1 beaver & a few other small furs.

Tuesday 7th Overcast with slight drizzling rain, wind light from the South^d and Eastward. Operations in hand going on as yesterday. Captain Cole one of the mill party came this evening to the Ft. very ill with a pain in the back. The American cow lately received from Nisqually calved to day & another cow with a calf was taken in to day by M^cPhail which now make fifteen calves this year. We have got a party of Indian women picking our potatoes which are growing in the cellar. No trade of any kind. Some raddish, cress & pease were sown to day in the garden.

Wednesday 8th Overcast with light air from the South^d and Westward. Heavy rain in the evening. People employed as yesterday. No trade.

Thursday 9th Raining heavily all night & throughout this day, with mod. winds from the South^d & Eastward. 2 cows with calves were taken in to day, making now 17 in all. No trade

except 1 deer.

Friday 10th Weather generally clear with a gale of wind from the South West. People emp^d as usual. 1 cow with a calf was taken in to day which now makes 18 daily milked. No trade.

Saturday 11th Alternately clear and cloudy with a light westerly wind. People employed same as yesterday. No trade. M^cPhail has now got 19 cows with calves, which are daily milked. Week's work as follows viz^t: 12 beams, 15 belts, 1 wallplate & 11 posts squared for the mill, 35 plank 23ft long, 24 plank 15ft long sawn, 26 bus. wheat thrashed & win^d, the Sale Shop lined with 1in. boards & 40 plank of its upperflooring tongued and grooved with a counter made therein. Cassimir Gardipie {Garipie} arrived this evening from Langley in order to bring his wife back with him. He brought a letter from Mr. Yale which conveys favorable news upon the whole.

Sunday 12th Keen frost over night. Beautiful weather through^t the day with light airs from the North^d. Cassimir Garipie left this evening for Langley by whom a letter was sent to Mr. Yale.

Monday 13th Beautiful weather with light variable airs. People employed ∞ labor book, fitting up the Sale Shop, ploughing, harrowing, thrashing & attending cattle. Nothing done in the way of trade. The measles are beginning to appear among the Songes. Jeealthuc's the chief's youngest child is laid up with that complaint. {Finlayson likely intended to indicate that "Chief Jeealthuc's youngest child is laid up with that complaint"}

Tuesday 14th Mild weather & cloudy. People employed as usual. Paid a visit to the mill party & found them all well & getting on with the work as usual. No trade worth noticing.

Wednesday 15th Generally overcast with a fresh breeze from the South West. Operations going on as yesterday. M^cPhail has now got an Indian lad to assist him in milking the cows. Two cows with calves were taken in to day making now 21 daily milked. 2 land otters & a few other furs were traded to day from Sokes.

Thursday 16th Blowing fresh from the South west with clear weather. People at their usual occupations. Some of the Natives have got the measles, but of a mild type. No trade.

Friday 17th Occasionally overcast with variable winds. Dispatched five of our engaged Indians this morning to Nisqually with letters sent here for Vanc^t sometime ago by Mr. Yale. I sent a letter to the Board of Manag^t by the same conveyance, acquainting them with our proceedings since I last wrote on the 25th Jan'y. Two more cows with calves were taken in to day by M^cPhail which make 23 in all now daily milked. All the timber for the Grist Mill is now sq^d except the rafters.

Saturday 18 Beautiful weather with light variable winds. No trade worth noticing. Caught some wild oxen this evening for the purpose of hauling out the mill timbers. The week's work is as follows: 20 sleepers, 12 beams, 5 rafters, 6 belts, 3 posts sq^d ∞ Grist Mill, 30 plank 2in. 23ft long squared & sawn, 20 bus. grain thrashed, a portion of new land cleared, 30 acres of

land ploughed & shelves put up in the Equipment Shop & sundry other duties perform^d about the Establishment.

Sunday 19th Fine pleasant weather with a fresh breeze from the Southward & Westward. Several canoes arrived this evening from Ft. Langley but brought no letters from that Post.

Monday 20th Occasionally overcast with a fresh breeze from the South West. Minie & Dupuis left with 10 oxen to haul out the mill timbers at the seat in Fisgard harbor. 10 martens were traded from Kawitchins. M^cPhail has now got 28 milch cows with their calves. Lazard & Peltier have been taken from the Mill Party for Dupuis & Minie. The former was repairing carts with Trudelle & the latter with Ebony & Coté repairing fences. The rest employed as last week. No intelligence of the English vessel.

Tuesday 21st Blowing a perfect hurricane last night from the South East. More moderate through^t the day from the same quarter with snow in the evening. Paid a visit to the mill party & found them busy hauling out the timbers & squaring the rafters. Trade, 2 martens & other trifles from Sokes.

Wednesday 22nd Blowing strong still from the Eastw^d. Operations as follows viz^t: fitting up Sale Shop, rep^s fences, enlarging Dupuis Dairy, plough^g, clearing land, thrashing grain &c No trade. The n^o. of milch cows is now 31, three having been taken in in course of to day & yesterday.

Thursday 23rd Beautiful weather with a fresh breeze from the North^d. People empl^d the same. Two cows with calves taken in by M^cPhail. No trade.

Friday 24th Fine clear weather with a fresh breeze from the South West. Had keen hoar frost overnight. Some of the Songes are laid up with the measles to whom I have given some of the med^c prescribed by the Doctor. About 10 AM the Indians whom I dispatched this day week to Nisqually returned having brought letters from that place up to the 20th inst. and from Vanc^t to the 29th Dec^f. The measles are still prevalent at these places. Our operations progressed as yesterday. M^cPhail has now got 35 milch cows, two more having been taken in to day. An arrow was found stuck in the ear of one of one of the calves done, no doubt by some malicious Kawitchin or other distant tribes. The injury is however of no consequence it not being mortal.

Saturday 25th Overcast with a fresh breeze from the South West. No trade worth mentioning. Operations of this week, sum up nearly as follows: 46 rafters sq^d ∞ Grist Mill, all the timbers for that building hauled out of woods, 10 acres land ploughed, Dupuis' Dairy taken down, rebuilt & enlarged, 30 bus. wheat thrashed & winn^d a portion of land cleared & the fences repaired, with sundry other duties performed about the Estab^l. 16 plank & 10 boards 23ft long sawn & shelves made for & put in Sale Shop with three carts repaired. All the mill gang were called to the Estab^l this afternoon, except 4 hands who remain there for the purpose of taking out the rafters.

Sunday 26th Fine clear weather with a strong breeze from the South West. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 27 Weather generally clear with a strong breeze from the South West. 4 hands still employed at the Mill Seat carrying out the rafters, Minie sowing pease in Ogden's fields being the first this season, 8 men & 2 Indians with a team of horses & oxen ploughing & harrowing, 6 hands squaring logs for the saw & the others employed as last week as ∞ labor book. Little or nothing done in the way of trade. Had four wild oxen taken on for the plough & harrow, which we had some difficulty in managing. Dupuis has to day resumed his duty as dairyman.

Tuesday 28th Wind blowing fresh from the Northward with thick fleecy clouds passing from that quarter. People employed as usual. The four hands who were employed at the Mill yesterday, returned to day, having hauled out the rafters. 18 bus. pease were sown to day & yest^y & partly harrowed. 3 cows with their calves were taken in to day by the dairymen making now in all 38 milch cows. No trade of any consequence.

Wednesday 29th Beautiful weather with light breezes from the Northward and Eastward. 7 hands were to day cutting & squaring wood for cattle stands, others plough^g, harrowing & c as ∞ labor book. 9 bus. pease were sown to day but not as yet harrowed. The dairy men have now got 41 cows, three having been brought in to day. No trade worth noting.

Thursday 30th Keen hoarfrost overnight. Overcast all day & blowing strong from the S.S. West. People employed as yest^y. Snitlum arrived in the afternoon & traded some few furs. We have now got 43 milch cows, two having been found to day. We have now got 30 1/2 bus. pease sown & harrow^d in Ogden's fields.

Friday 31st Alternately clear and cloudy with a strong breeze from the South West, attended with occasional showers of rain. People employed much the same as usual. 3 milk cows have been taken in to day which took three men this afternoon securing them, they being so wild & unmanageable. 13 beaver and otter were traded to day from Snitlum.

April

Saturday 1st April Generally clear & blowing a gale from the South West. No occurrence of any note. The principal results of the week's works are as follows: 3 window frames made & glazed ∞ Sale Shop, 26 logs ∞ saw squared & hauled out of woods, 30 acres of field ∞ pease sown & harrowed, 6 acres of new land ploughed twice, timbers squared & cut ∞ cattle stands, 2 pig styes made, shelves made & put up in Dupuis' Dairy, 66 bus. oats thrashed & winnowed, a portion of land cleared & about 30 boards 10ft long 1in sawn with as many of 2in, 150 cogs ∞ Saw Mill raised, partition put round the office chimney & a stove put therein, 2 bushels potatoes planted in the garden, 2 barrels of fine salt made by Dixon ∞ the salting butter, 46 rafters ∞ Grist Mill hauled out of woods by four hands.

Sunday 2nd Blowing strong from the South West with weather generally clear. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 3rd Overcast with a mod. breeze from the South East. People employed principally as last week (in labor book). Very little doing now in the way of trade. The dairymen have got 48 milch cows. We have to day had 8 wild oxen yoked for the purpose of allowing the old oxen to recruit. A canoe of Sinahomish arrived this evening & brought nothing for trade. They gave a woful account of the death amongst that tribe from measles & dysentery. One of our Indian's wives has had the measles & is now convalescent.

Tuesday 4 Raining all day, wind E.S East, light. People employed as usual: ploughing, hauling out pieces ∞ cattle stalls, making & repairing ox yokes & wheels, filling up the foundation spaces of Granary & squaring pieces ∞ d^o, pit sawing &c. No trade worth noticing. M^cPhail & Dupuis were out to day but brought in no cows.

Wednesday 5th Raining for the greater part of the day. Wind light and variable. People employed as yest^y. About 7 AM Mr. Fenton, a millwright, accomp^d by Beauchamp, a blacksmith, & our interpreter Thomas Ouantany {Ouamtany} arrived from Nisqually & brought advise from Vanc^f up to the 21 ult^o & and from Nisqually to the 30th. News upon the whole favourable. The measles are not so prevalent as they have been at those places. Intelligence had been received at Vanc^f from the S^h Islands by an American vessel of the safe arrival of the B^{qu} *Vancouver* at that place from England & may now be daily expected here. Beaver is to be hereafter purchased at the rate of 3 for blks 2 1/2 pts. ea with other goods to be raised in price for the same article in proportion. 13 bus. oats were sown to day & partly harrowed.

Thursday 6th Blowing strong from the S. West with frequent showers of rain. Had a trip to the Mill Seat with Mr. Fenton prior to making arrang^{is} for commenc^e the Saw Mill. Mr. F. speaks favorably of the waterfall. Operations going on as usual: Beauchamp employed rep^e iron works for Nisqually & Thomas attending men & Indians in the field.

Friday 7th Alternately clear and cloudy with frequent heavy showers of hail & blowing strong from the South West. 20 bus. pease were to day sown and partly harrowed, 3 hands making stands ∞ cows, 2 making a dray & the others as usual. The measles are now spreading fast at this place, four of our Sand^h Islanders are laid up with them as are some of the women ~~all~~ & many of the Indians across. We could not dispatch a party to the Mill Seat to day owing to the high winds.

Saturday 8th Fine pleasant weather, but very cold with a strong South Westerly wind. Early this morning the Nisqually Indians left & brought a letter for Dr. Tolmie. 2 boats with 8 hands provisioned for a week were at same time sent over to the Mill Seat where we intend to commence erecting a Saw Mill on Monday. The results of the week's work are as follows: 1 sill 100ft long with wallplate mortised & placed for cattle stands, 4 sills & wallplates & 20 logs hauled out with oxen, a pr cart wheels made, 30 plank 23ft long 2in thick sawn, a dray made, 2 sills & wallplates ∞ Smithy sq^d, 12 bus. oats harrowed, 16 acres of land cross ploughed, sown with pease & harrowed, 55 1/2 bus. pease are now sown & harrowed, being all we intend to sow this spring, sundry iron work was done by Minie & other jobs performed about the Estab^t by other disposable hands. Jack Kaau, Friday, Ebony & Captⁿ Cole are laid up with the measles, as are three of the women & a boy. A considerable number of the Songes in the camp are also laid up with the same complaint. Medicines as prescribed by Dr. Tolmie were given them. Jeealthuc

the Songes Chief having got well over the measles, is now very ill with the dysentery, being the only case we have seen of it here.

Sunday 9th Fine clear weather with a light breeze from the North, some frost overnight. About 8AM the Bth *Vancouver* anchored at Pt. Ogden, being from England via the Sandwich Islands. Captain Mott delivered the London packet here at 9 AM when we set about taking a copy of the NW invoice & bill of lading. Every thing ~~having~~ being ready at 11 PM for a start to Nisqually. Francois Coté with a canoe, manned by seven Indians then left with the packet, being conveyed by Mr. Nevin in one of the ship's boats man^d by five of our hands to Pt. Wilson. The tide & wind would not admit of the *Vanc^t* entering the harbour to day. ~~The~~

Monday 10th Blowing full from the South West this afternoon. Weather generally clear. Mr. Fenton started this morning for the Mill Seat, having Minie & two Islanders employed with him there. The few hands we have got about the Estab^t were employed much the same as last week. Okaia, Jack, Ebony, Friday & Captⁿ Cole are laid up with the measles, the latter appears to have the dysentery. The *Vancouver* is still lying at anchor outside, consequently we could not receive any packages from her to day. Several Skatchets & Kawitchins traded a few trifles in provisions & furs, the former had some beavers, which they would not dispose of at the tariff recently established. 26 bus. oats were sown to day & partly harrowed.

Tuesday 11th Fine clear & pleasant weather with light variable winds. People employed same as yest^y. About 11AM the *Vanc^t* ent^d the harbour. 15 bus. oats were sown & partly harrowed. Some trifles were traded from Kawitchins. Okaia one of the mill men came over to day sick in a canoe.

Wednesday 12th Fine pleasant weather with light variable airs. 138 packages of dry goods with several casks of molasses were discharged to day from the *Vanc^t* at which almost all our disposable hands were employed. Early this morning Mr. Nevin with the men who left with him on the 9th returned, four of whom were sent to the Mill Seat. 9 bus. oats were sown & harrowed to day. 5 of our men are still sick with the measles & the women of the Estab^t are daily becoming ill by the same complaint. Jeealthuc the Songes Chief who had been troubled with dysentery after having recov^d from the measles, is now I am happy to say getting better.

Thursday 13th Beautiful weather with little or no wind. Had upwards of a hundred packages landed from the *Vanc^t* the cargo being mix^d with that for the Columbia, the packages cannot be got so readily as could be wished. In hoisting up to day at the wharf, Beauchamp our blacksmith got his hand between the block & the rope, which completely cut off the tip of one of his fingers. He will be disabled from working for some time in consequence. 3 cows with calves were taken in to day, 3 ploughs were under way ploughing the potatoe field. Being short of hands for hoisting up the bales, in consequence of so many being sick, I had two oxen yoked to the fall, which work well in hoisting. Late in the evening a canoe arrived from Langley & brought a letter from Mr. Yale importing that the measles are prevalent at his place.

Friday 14th Very fine weather & warm. About 11 AM the *Beaver* arrived from the North & landed some few furs here as ∞ Sunday a/c Book. Measles appears to have carried off many during winter to the North. People employed discharging the *Vanc^t*, ploughing &c. Five men on

the sick list. Several packages have been got ready this afternoon for Nisqually, where the Steamer is bound as soon as ready.

Saturday 15th Fine & warm with light variable airs. People employed principally about the Fort shipping & receiving cargo. We have the same n^o. as yesterday on the sick list. Every thing we had ready for Nisqually having been shipped on board the *Beaver* & that vessel being wooded she started for Nisqually about noon. Letters & documents for Vanc^t & Nisqually were delivered to Captain Dodd. The principal results of the week's work are as follows: the Smithy taken down to be enlarged & the new sills mortised, 3 acres of potatoe field ploughed, 26 bus. oats sown & harrowed, 300 packages discharged from the *Vancouver*, & with some work done at the Saw Mill Seat & sundry other duties performed about the Estab^t. We have now got 64 cows with their calves in but we are short of milk dishes.

Sunday 16th Fine pleasant weather with a strong breeze from the South West. Late in the evening the Brig *Mary Dare* arrived & anchored at P. Ogden when Captain Scarborough landed & delivered letters & other documents from Ft. Vanc^t.

Monday 17th Fine weather still continues, with light variable airs. Two more of our men Kahela & Bole are laid up with the measles. Seven men being at the Mill leaves us at present badly off for hands to discharge the vessels. Several skow loads of sundries were landed to day from both principally by the assistance of the Natives.

Tuesday 18th Fine pleasant weather with light variable airs. No packages were received to day from the *Vanc^t* as they were busy on board taking in ballast & stowing. 4 cows with calves were taken in to day by the dairymen. Minie arrived in the evening from the Mill & brought Tai with him sick with the measles. Keave is so ill there with the same complaint that he could not come. The latter poor man lost a child having died this forenoon. Gagnon's wife, who had been very ill for the last month departed this life this morning, being the first one on our obituary, Keave's child the second. Gagnon's wife's principal complaint was an abortion, that with the measles at the same time caused the poor woman's death. Several of the women & children of the Estab^t are now ill with that prevailing epidemic, together with ten of our Sandth Islanders. We have now got hardly a man to discharge or ship cargo. Several packages for Langley were to day shipped on board of the *Mary Dare*.

Wednesday 19th Fine weather still continues. About 9 AM the *Beaver* arrived from Nisqually & brought a cargo of shingles with salt & fresh beef. Several packages for Ft. Langley were shipped to day on board of the *Mary Dare*. They are still employed on board the B^{qu} shipping ballast & turning over the cargo. Consequently we got nothing from them to day. All our ~~people~~ Islanders still confined to the house with sickness. Several of the women & children were laid up in course of the day. This afternoon Gagnon's wife with Keave's child were ~~confined~~ consigned to the tomb.

Thursday 20th Fine weather still continues. We received several packages to day from the *Vanc^t* but not sufficient as yet to complete the Outfits of the Interior. Operations going on as yesterday as well as our means will permit.

Friday 21st Very warm weather. The NW packages are coming on shore daily one by one. Having received almost all we want to complete the interior's Out^s late this evening, we began pack^g the packages for those places & finished about midnight. The *Mary Dare* is now nearly ready for sea. 14 hands now on the sick list & we have scarcely a hand to do any thing about the place. A few of our men with Indians are employed ploughing land for potatoes.

Saturday 22nd Occasionally overcast but mild. About 5 AM the Brig *Mary Dare* towed by the Steamer left for Ft. Langley, the remainder of her cargo for that place having been shipped on board her at 4 o'clock & the despatches for Mr. Yale deliv^d to Captain Scarborough. The principal result of this week's work consists of about 300 packages of goods having been landed from the *Vanc^e* & about 10 acres of land ploughed. Nothing more of any consequence done. Two more of the mill men are now laid up, leaving only Minie, Provelle & Kanome to work w^{ith} Mr. Fenton. M^cPhail is also laid up & Peltier has now to attend the Dairy in his stead. George Dixon who had been here since last Dec^r joined the *Mary Dare* this morning.

Sunday 23rd Fine pleasant weather. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 24th Rain over night, which continued for sometime this forenoon. Fine clear weather in the afternoon. The people employed as last week. All our Sandwich Islanders (twelve) are now laid up with the measles. We got 6 hhds of sugar this evening from the *Vanc^e* one of which had been breached & two thirds of its contents taken out. No trade.

Tuesday 25th Beautiful weather with light variable airs. All the men & Indians we could muster were to day employed preparing the potatoe field. A woman & child died to day in the Songes camp with the measles. Some of the inmates of the Fort are a^t very ill with the same complaint, especially our Sandwich Islanders. No trade worth noticing. The last N^{os}. of the NW packages were received this evening from the *Vancouver*.

Wednesday 26th Fine weather still continues. Some private packages for the gentlemen in New Caledonia were landed to day from the *Vanc^e*. 12 bus. potatoes were planted yesterday and 75 bushels planted to day. Four cows with calves were taken in to day, making now in all 73 milch cows. M^cPhail is now laid up with the measles and Peltier is now acting in his stead. No trade worth mentioning. The measles do not appear to be abating for the Indians in the camp are being daily laid up with them. One of the casks of sugar landed from the vessel yesterday is 921^{oz} short of the invoiced quantity & what remains is scarcely worth using being damaged with the salt water.

Thursday 27th Weather still continues fine. All the hands we can muster here were planting potatoes. The people on sick list appear to do as well as can be expected. Documents & letters were written to day for Columbia River & handed in the evening to Captain Mott. He is therefore now ready to leave this {place} for that place.

Friday 28th Had a little rain over night. Beautiful weather throughout the day with a stiff breeze from South West. The *Vanc^e* is still in the harbour waiting for a favorable chance to proceed to sea. About noon Coté arrived from Nisqually having letters from Vanc^r to the 18th and Nisqually 24th ins^t. Charles Deroche & Bates accompanied Coté from Vanc^r who are to

remain at this place. Montgomery one of the Nisqually men also came on with the party for the purpose of castrating our stud horses. Keave & Bahia are beginning to recover from the measles.

Saturday 29th Fine weather as yesterday. The *Vanc^e* still remaining @ anchor this side of Shoal point. Operations as usual, the result of the week's work is as follows: dung carted out for, & 150 bus. potatoes planted & covered with the plough. Mill operations not as yet ascertained, Mr. Fenton not having as yet arrived. No trade. About 4 pm the *Beaver* arrived from Langley with the Brig *Mary Dare* in tow & brought letters from that place with some pork for Depot & empty beef barrels for Nisqually. Jack & Ebony are getting better. Served out rice to the sick people instead of their usual allowance.

Sunday 30th Blowing fresh from the South West with clear weather. Nothing remarkable.

May

Monday 1st May Weather same as yesterday. Early this morning the Steamer towed the *Vanc^e* out of the harbour & left her this side of Rocky point. Garipie & Harvey who came by the *Mary Dare* from Ft. Langley were this morning sent to the Mill with Bates provisioned for the week. Jack & Ebony resumed duty this morning but the other Islanders are still very poorly. M^cPhail is getting better, Mr. M^cKay is also very ill with the measles having got ill three days ago. The people employed discharging the *Mary Dare* & carting dung for the potatoes. Had the horses & 3 bulls castrated to day by Montgomery.

Tuesday 2nd Occasionally overcast with a few light showers of rain. Wind blowing fresh from the South West. People employed as usual. Some Tlalum & Sina-homish arrived in course of the day from whom we traded 8 beaver for 1 gun with a few other small furs. 300 plank were discharged to day from the *Mary Dare* Owing to the sickness amongst the Indians we can scarcely get a single man of them to help us in discharging cargo. Montgomery with Gabriel & the Nisqually Indians were castrating the bulls to day, having given every information he can on that point to our people & having gelded all the horses old enough for the operation, he will leave to morrow morning to Nisqually, weather permitting.

Wednesday 3rd Occasionally overcast with light variable winds. Had the timber discharged from the *Mary Dare* in course of the day. People employed at that & their usual occupations. A woman & child died last night in the Songes' camp. Early this morning Montgomery with the Nisqually Indians left for that place. A few sundries for Nisqually O^t 48 were sent by them ∞ order of Dr. Tolmie. Had all the dressed deerskins we have on hand with the hayquois packed up this afternoon to be forwarded to Ft. Vancouver by the Brig *Mary Dare*. M^cPhail is getting better, so is Mr. M^cKay, but the Islanders are still very ill.

Thursday 4th Blowing fresh from the South West with weather generally clear. Operations going on as yesterday. Captain Scarborough has been ballasting at Shoal point. Trade, 2 martens, 20 minks & 2 dressed deerskins.

Friday 5th Fine weather still continues. People employed planting potatoes. Kahela,

Friday, Bole, Tai, Kanome, Captain Cole & Kealoha on the sick list. The *Mary Dare* & Steamer are still in harbour, the one ballasting & the other taking in wood. Trade, 5 martens, 15 minks from Sanetch. Some timothy seed was sown this afternoon in the field behind the barn on the other side of the swamp.

Saturday 6th Blowing strong from the Southward & Eastward with weather generally clear. The people employed as yesterday. The result of the week's labor is as follows: about 150 bus. potatoes planted & dung carted out ∞ d^o., the sills & posts of the Saw Mill mortised. Trade to day, 3 beaver with 6 deer. Two oxen were slaughtered ∞ use of the Steam Vessel and *Mary Dare*.

Sunday 7th Blowing fresh from the South West with clear pleasant weather. Nothing remarkable except that the Songes had been removing their camp to Canal de Arro where they generally fish. A packet for Vanc^t has been deliv^d to Captain Scarborough & all the letters & papers for the Coast delivered to Captain Dodd this evening. The *Mary Dare* & Steamer therefore leave the harbour to morrow morning, the former is to be towed by the latter some distance towards Rocky point.

Monday 8th Clear pleasant weather with light variable airs. About 3 this morning the *Beaver* & *Mary Dare* left the harbour. Had a skow load of oak pieces sent over to day for the Mill in charge of Mr. Nevin. Cole, Friday, & Kanome & Kealoha having got over the measles performed light jobs about the Estab^t. Kahela & John Bole are very ill with the dysentery. Kahoorie also resumed duty to day. Had Lecuyer ploughing to day in the garden & Lemon preparing beds for onions being the first time we were enabled to do so since the measles have spread amongst our people. Were busy to day in the Store packing up the Stikine Outfit which is now nearly completed.

Tuesday 9th Very warm weather with light winds from the Northward and Westward. About 3 this morning poor Kahela departed this life, his complaint having been the chronic dysentery. Late this evening his remains were consigned to the tomb. M^cPhail is again on the sick list & Peltier now acts in his stead. People employed as usual in labor book. Nothing now in the way of furs or provisions coming in for trade. Several pieces bark were traded to day for baize.

Wednesday 10th Calm weather with heat very oppressive. Operations in hand going on as usual. About 3 o'clock this morning Garipie's wife departed this life & her remains were this evening carried to the tomb. Another Songes woman also died last night. We have yet got six hands on the sick list, M^cPhail is a little better than he was yesterday & Mr. Wm. M^cNeill is doing well. We have been busy making up the Ft. Simpson Ou^t to day which we have nearly completed.

Thursday 11th Weather generally clear & blowing a gale in the evening from the South West. People employed the same, were employed in the Store to day packing up the *Beaver's* Out^t. No trade. Sick list as yesterday.

Friday 12th Blowing strong over night from the South West. Weather clear & warm in

course of the day. People employed as yesterday. We have now got the Stikine, Ft. Simpson & *Beaver* Outfits ready for shipment. Bahia & Keave two of the mill party are again on the sick list. No trade worth noticing.

Saturday 13th Fine warm weather with light variable airs. People employed as usual. The principal work of the week is as follows: Outfits of Ft. Simpson, Steamer *Beaver*, and Stikine packed up, marked & numbered, 100 bus. potatoes planted, making now in all planted 441 bus., the sills & 4 posts of Saw Mill laid & placed & sundry other jobs done about the place. No trade. Paid a visit to the Mill Seat to day & found every thing there going on as well as can be expected.

Sunday 14th Serene and beautiful weather with light variable airs. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 15th Very warm weather. People employed carting dung & planting potatoes. Ouamtany, Gagnon, Ebony & twelve Indians were this morning sent over to assist Mr. Fenton in hauling out & putting up the heaviest pieces of the Saw Mill. Lazard, Bole, Tai, Kealoha, Kanome & Beauchamp on the sick list. Some fresh venison & other trifles were traded from Kawitchins & Whotlumies.

Tuesday 16th Blowing strong from the Westward with fine clear weather. We have now finished planting our potatoes, the seed planted came to 520 bushels. A few trifles were traded to day from Whotlumies. We are now packing up the remainder of the Outfits of Ft. Langley & Nisqually. Sick list as on Monday.

Wednesday 17 Blowing fresh from the South West with clear weather. Planted some onions & Indian corn in the garden. The carters employed carting dung ∞ barley field. Lazard, Tai, Kanome, Bole & Beauchamp still on the sick list.

Thursday 18th Occasionally overcast with a cold piercing wind from the South West. People employed as usual. No trade worth noticing. We had some goods taken in to day to the servants' Equipment Shop. Four cows with calves were taken in from the plains. M^cPhail is now doing duty having recovered from his late illness.

Friday 19th Raining almost all day with a strong breeze from the South West. A few hands were to day employed getting wallpieces ready for the forge, it being too wet for mason work. The mill party have been provisioned to day for next week. Have had all the dry goods required for the Sale Shop taken in to it this evening. No trade of any kind.

Saturday 20th Had some heavy rain overnight & slight drizzling rain throughout the day. People employed at various jobs, about the Establishment. Week's work as follows: dung carted for barley field & the same field (4 acres) ploughed, about 1/2 acre of land ploughed & planted with Indian corn, 30 pieces carried from the Granary for Blacksmith's Shop & about 30 nails made ∞ d^o., the sec^d sills & posts of Saw Mill put up with the rafters & these pieces hauled out of the woods & several jobs performed about the Ft. Sick list as follows Lazard, Beauchamp, Tai, Bole, Kanome, Kealoha & Friday the Islanders have got the dysentery. Beauchamp a sore hand, & Lazard troubled with pains in the side. M^cPhail, Dupuis, Peltier & Keave with two Indians @

the Dairy, the Indⁿ whom we had there previously are sick.

Sunday 20 21st Alternately clear and cloudy with a little rain. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 21 22nd Generally clear with warm weather. People employed ∞ labor book, building the Smithy, carting, sowing & harrowing barley, dispatched the skow this morning to the Mill with Thomas & all the Indians we could muster, loaded with shingles, boards & plank & oak cogs for the Saw Mill. Sent two private packages addressed to J. Lee Lewis, Esq^t & Paul Traders, Esq^t received here fm England on to Langley this morning with several letters for Mr. Yale & the gentlemen of the interior, by some Sanetch Indians bound thither.

Tuesday 22 23rd Overcast with rain in course of the day. People employed as usual as ∞ labor book. We are now employed in the Sale Shop packing up the Langley Servants' Orders. No trade of any kind. Three men are still on the sick list, one of whom (Tai) is dangerously ill with the dysentery. We have now got all the seed we intend to sow this spring in the ground, the barley being the last, was sown yest^y evening ab^t 6 bus.

Wednesday 23 24th Overcast with heavy rain in course of the day. Operations going on as yesterday: Beauchamp, the blacksmith lately come from Vanc^t behaved himself very insolently on several occasions since his arrival here & this morning on my having ordered him to be careful of our 1 in. boards in filling up the forge & use slabs in some places in stead, which would answer the purpose equally well he told me he would do no such thing & on my having repeated the orders still persisted in his refusal to obey & made use of very aggravating language, which ~~I told him~~ brought forth an observation from me to the effect that he would have done better by remaining at Vanc^t after which he left declaring that he would proceed by canoe to Nisqually - he is yet in the vicinity. Were busy to day packing up the Nisqually orders. Tai is very ill with the dysentery. Friday, Bole, Kealoha, Kanome, Cole are unfit for much outdoor work. Ebony one of the mill gang is also on the sick list & has been since Sunday. No trade.

W Thursday 24 25th Fine pleasant weather with light variable airs. People employed at various jobs about the Estab^t & putting up the forge. Beauchamp is still about the Estab^t doing nothing. Some of the Indians are very ill with the dysentery & I fear the small pox is making its appearance amongst them, a woman having every appearance of having that complaint being in the camp. Thomas arrived in the evening from the Mill for provisions & says every thing progresses well there.

Friday 25 26th Overcast with slight drizzling rain. Operations in hand going on as yesterday. About 11AM. Tai departed this life after a severe illness of several weeks with the dysentery, he is the second man on our obituary within the Ft. since the measles appeared here. Several pieces of bark and other trifles were traded to day from Skatchets.

Saturday 26 27th Fine pleasant weather with a fresh breeze from the South West. Their orders were served out to our people in course of this day & were allowed the day for themselves. This morning the remains of Tai were consigned to the tomb & all the men at the Ft. attended the funeral. The principal results of the week's work are as follows: the upper story of the Saw Mill put up & that building nearly shingled with some wood cleared away from behind

it for a bridge for the logs & for the water cistern. A skow load of lumber sent from here to the Mill & sundry other jobs performed about the Estab^t. The wallplates put up in the Smithy & the wallpieces of that building put up. Beauchamp having abandoned his resolution of proceeding to Nisqually without orders resumed duty yesterday morning.

Sunday 28th Fine pleasant weather with a strong breeze from the Northward.

Monday 29th Fine weather still continues but overcast during the afternoon. People employed as ∞ labor book about the Estab^t, erecting the forge chimney, putting up rafters on that building & raising oak crooks for the roof of N^o. 3 which we intend to shingle the first favorable opportunity.

Tuesday 30th Overcast with heavy rain in the afternoon. People employed as yesterday. Some Skatchets arrived in course of the day and traded a few furs principally for baize.

Wednesday 31st Alternately clear and cloudy with a strong breeze from the South West. People employed preparing materials for roofing the Blacksmith's Shop and Store N^o. 3. Paid a visit to day to the mill party & found them busy clearing away trees & other rubbish from the mill, laying the foundation of the water wheel & preparing the shaft & cogs of d^o. No trade. We have now got through with the packing of the Outfits of Fts. Simpson, Stikine, Langley and Nisqually & the ~~the~~ Servants' Orders of these latter posts.

June

Thursday 1st June Fine pleasant weather with a light breeze from the South West. People employed as follows: Beauchamp & Bates in the forge repairing ploughs, Deroche making a cart, Lazard, Gabriel, Trudelle roofing Blacksmith's Shop, Gagnon repairing wood work of ploughs, Keave & Friday raising oak knees ∞ roof of N^o. 3, Jack and Kanome sawing & the rest as usual. Bole on the sick list with the dysentery. No trade.

Friday 2nd Blowing strong from the South West with clear weather. People employed as yesterday. No trade worth mentioning. The Natives have not as yet recovered from the complaints attending the measles, some being dying off daily. Bole is still laid up with the dysentery.

Saturday 3rd Fine warm weather with a light breeze from the South^d and Eastward. The week's work is as follows: the Blacksmith's Shop nearly roofed, 1 cart made by Deroche, a quantity of stones blasted & carted in to the Ft. ∞ powder magazine, sundry iron work made & repaired by Beauchamp, assisted by Bates, the mill party were principally employed laying the foundation ∞ water wheel & clearing away rubbish from the Mill, 2 spars ∞ B^{qu} Cowlitz sq^d at the Mill & hauled out. Bole still on the sick list. 20 oak knees raised to the roof of 3.

Sunday 4th Raining for some time over night, fine pleasant weather throughout the day. Nothing remark^{able}.

Monday 5th Fine clear weather during the forenoon & rain in the evening. People employed as last week: the Smithy is now roofed & the {sic} Beauchamp fairly underway in it assisted by Bates.

Tuesday 6th Raining heavily during last night, fine pleasant weather throughout the day. Lazard, Gabriel, Trudelle and Deroche were to day employed adjusting the shingles on House N^o. 3, they having shrunk very much & got loose for the last three years, the other buildings roofed with large shingles will have to undergo the same repairs. Minie came over from the Mill this evening with his wife who is very dangerously ill with the prevailing complaint here after the measles, an inflammation of the lungs.

Wednesday 7th Overcast with occasional showers. People employed as yesterday. About 10 AM Minie's wife departed this life, after a long illness. About Noon Messrs. Sangster & Mott arrived from Vanc^t via Nisqually & brought the disastrous news of the total loss of the Barque *Vancouver*, on the Columbia bar on the 7th of last month. Mr. Sangster with a crew of seven seamen & Mr. Mott are to refit the *Cadboro* for the transport service to & from Fts. Langley & Nisqually. We had an ox slaughtered this evening ∞ use of the seamen.

Thursday 8th Fine pleasant weather with light variable airs. People employed the same. The remains of Minie's wife were this morn^g consig^d to the tomb. The Nisqually Indians who arrived with Mr. Sangster returned this mor^g.

Friday 9th Overcast with occasional showers. People employed repairing the roofs of the big houses, pit sawing &c as ∞ labor book. Some oil and other trifles were traded to day from Sanetch. The *Cadboro* crew are putting up the rigging & caulking the vessel.

Saturday 10th Fine pleasant weather with a fresh breeze from the South West. The result of the week's work as follows: House N^o. 3 reshingled & House N^o. 4 reshingled behind, 72 boards 12ft long sawn, several loads of stones carted ∞ powder magazine & sundry other jobs performed about the Estab^t. The dwelling house at the Mill removed to another site, the former site having been too near the Saw Mill. Trade of no consequence, not worthy of notice. This morning sent some letters to Mr. Yale by a canoe bound for Langley.

Sunday 11th Beautiful weather with large fleecy clouds passing Northwards. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 12th Serene and beautiful with light variable airs. People employed reshingling House N^o. 4 and Store N^o. 3, the latter is to be roofed with small shingles. Beauchamp making some iron work for the Saw Mill & 6in. covering nails ∞ dwelling house there. A few Kawitchins arrived in course of the day but brought nothing for trade except a few cockles & cod fish. Our oil trade is far short of last year's, owing to the sickness amongst the Natives.

Tuesday 13th Fine pleasant weather & blowing strong from the South West. People employed shingling N^o. 3 & clearing & hoeing potatoes. No trade.

Wednesday 14th Generally overcast with some rain in the afternoon. People employed as yesterday except Lecuyer who was hoeing potatoes with the plough. 15 martens and a land otter were traded from some Kawitchins. Beauchamp still employed making ironworks for the Saw Mill.

Thursday 15th Overcast with some rain. Early this morning Mr. C{hief} T{rader} Anderson with a party of 20 men arrived from Ft. Langley, two of whom are to remain at this place and six are to proceed to Vancouver by the *Cadboro*. Late in the evening the Rev^d M. Veyret attached to Archbishop Blanchet's Mission arrived from Nisqually & brought a letter from Dr. Tolmie. People employed as usual. The *Cadboro*, having been refitted has been this evening taken along side the Steamer's Wharf & is now ready to receive cargo Captain Sangster & crew have removed from here on board, they having been lodged in the Ft. since their arrival.

Friday 16th Raining almost all day with light variable airs. People employed as yesterday. Several packages with 300 bus. salt were shipped to day on board the *Cadboro*.

Saturday 17th Raining all night with occasional showers during the day. Week's work as follows: House N^o. 3 reshingled & Store N^o. 3 shingled with small shingles, the cargo for Nisqually shipped on board the *Cadboro*, 50 boards of 1 in. 11ft long sawn, the Dairy gravelled, the half of the potatoe field hoed & sundry iron works made in the forge. 5 beaver traded to day from the Whotlumies.

Sunday 18th Blowing strong from the South West with clear pleasant weather. ~~M~~ The Rev^d Mon^s. Veyret read prayers to the people at which all attended & in the evening was teaching the Natives. Some Sokes & Tlalums arrived in course of the day. ~~No trade~~

Monday 19th Beautiful weather with light variable airs. Louis Dubeau & Henri Dechamp have been this morning taken on the Ft. Victoria Estab^t, the latter went to the Mill with Mr. Fenton & the former is now employed ploughing with oxen in Ogden's fields, which we began this morning. The others employed principally as last week. No trade. About 9 AM Mr. C{hief} T{rader} Anderson left this {place} for Langley, previous to his departure one of his men deserted & is not as yet found.

Tuesday 20th Fine pleasant weather with light variable airs. Early this morning the *Cadboro* Captain Sangster left for Nisqually. Letters for Vanc^t & that place were sent by her. All the Vanc^t men who came from Langley with Mr. Anderson went as passengers by the *Cadboro*. Antoine Gagnon also from this place, went as passenger with two of his children whom he wishes to leave at the Wallamette for education.

Wednesday 21st Fine pleasant weather with light variable airs. People employed as yesterday except two men who were employed making hay for the first time this season. Being informed by the Rev^d M^r. Veyret that tomorrow is a great and fast day with the Catholics, it must of course be ~~set apart~~ kept as such by our people.

Thursday 22 Fine weather as yesterday. This being a fast day, no work was performed. The men attended mass in the priest's house. Several Skatchets arrived in course of the day & traded a few skins.

Friday 23rd Clear pleasant weather & blowing strong from the Westward. 4 hands were to day employed making hay & the rest as usual. Little or nothing done in the way of trade. The Rev^d Mons^r Veyret handed me this evening a document shewing the numbers of days usually kept as fast days by Catholics for the purpose of letting us know that our people should not work on those days.

Saturday 24th Weather clear and pleasant as yest^r. A few martens & bear skins were traded from Skatchets. The week's work as follows: a quantity of hay mowed, the roof of N^o. 3 completed, & part of House N^o. 1 shingled with 36 in. shingles, the half of the potatoe field hoed & weeded, 4 acres of new land ploughed & sundry ironworks made ∞ Farm & Mill, 2 ploughs rep^d with 1 cart. Operations at the Mill not correctly ascertained but are as well as usual.

Sunday 25th Beautiful weather with light variable airs. Nothing remarkable. The deserter from the New Caledonia Brigade has not as yet made his appearance & is supposed to have been concealed by the seamen on board the *Cadboro* & gone to Nisqually.

Monday 26th Beautiful weather with light variable winds. Men employed as ∞ labor book making hay, ploughing &c. Four of our men with several women are confined to the house with the influenza which appeared here a few days ago. No trade. The Rev^d Mons^r Veyret left this morn^g w for Kawitchin & is to return in a few days hence.

Tuesday 27th Very warm weather. People employed as usual. Lemon, Keave & Jack on the sick list with the influenza, which is now very prevalent here. Nothing now doing in the way of trade. Had the Victoria & Steamer's furs dusted & aired in course of the day.

Wednesday 28th Dry & warm. People employed the same. No trade. Okaia, Baker & Jack are confined to the house with the influenza. The Rev^d Mons^r Veyret returned this morning from his Kawitchin trip.

Thursday 29th Weather still continues fine & warm. The Rev^d Mons^r Veyret having ordered all Catholics to keep this as a fast day was kept accordingly & no work was performed. No strange arrivals & consequently no trade. The same numbers of men as yest^r on the sick list.

Friday 30th Heat very oppressive. The people employed as on Wednesday, except Harvey who was to day repairing one of the skows. The *Cadboro's* jolly boat is now repaired by him & is ready for Captain Sangster for the Langley trip. Many of the Natives are now ill with the influenza, consequently we get nothing from them in the provision line.

July

Saturday 1st July Blowing fresh from the South East but the weather still continues very warm. The mill men having been at work last holiday, were allowed the forenoon to prevent dis{s}atisfaction. The week's work does not show much, the people being principally employed making hay & rep^s ploughs & carts, the 1/3 of the roof of House N^o. 1 shingled w{ith} 36in. shingles & battens sawn ∞ d^o. No trade worth mentioning. The operations @ the Mill going on

as usual.

Sunday 2nd Fine & warm with a light breeze from the South West. Early this morning the *Cadboro* arrived from Nisqually with a cargo of beef & other sundries.

Monday 3rd Fine weather still continues. Men employed carting in hay & discharging the *Cadboro* whose cargo is now nearly discharged. The beef from Nisqually appears to be somewhat tainted so that we must have it repickled before it is fit for shipping. No trade. Few strange Indians now visit the Establish^t.

Tuesday 4th Blowing strong from the South West with fine clear weather. The people employed carting in hay, loading the *Cadboro* with salt for Langley, mowing hay & ploughing &c. Trade, 2 beavers, 1 bear skin & other trifles from Kawitchins. One of the Indian lads whom we had working here died this evening with the influenza & some of our Sand^h Islanders are laid up with the same complaint. Dupuis reported this evening that he had found one of this year's foals dead on the plains.

Wednesday 5th Fine pleasant weather with light variable airs. People employed as yesterday. The remainder of the Nisqually O^t with the Servants' Orders of that post has been shipped to day on board of the *Cadboro*.

Thursday 6th Weather same as yesterday. Some Skatchets arrived to day & traded a few beavers, lynxes & other small furs. The *Cadboro* was being caulked to day at which we had Harvey employed for the last three days. She sails for Langley to morrow morn^g weather perm^g.

Friday 7th Beautiful weather with light variable airs. Early this morning the *Cadboro* left for Ft. Langley but the weather being calm is still anchored in the offing. People employed as usual, ploughing in Ogden's field, making & carting in hay. No trade worth noticing.

Saturday 8th Blowing strong from the South West all day with clear weather. Had some thunder & light^g in course of last night. The week {sic} operations are as follows, 6 acres of new land ploughed, a quantity of hay mowed & carted in, several ploughs which got broke rep^d, House N^o. 1 shingled with 36in. shingles & battens sawn ∞ d^o., part of the potatoe field hoed, skow caulked & pitched. Beauchamp, Jack, Okaia, Bahia, Cote Minie, Friday have been on the sick list with the influenza for the greater part of the week. Operations at the Mill Seat as well as might be expected, Jackson's Chimney in the Mill House having fallen down. Trade unworthy of notice. The *Cadboro* is out of sight, on the way to Langley.

Sunday 9th Fine warm weather with light airs. M^cPhail when in search of the cows this afternoon found two Indians carrying away the carcass of an animal belonging to us which they had shot. On his approach they abandoned the meat & ran into the woods so that he could not catch them or ascertain to what tribe they belonged. Beauchamp, Lazard, Lemon, Peltier & St. Gre were to day married by the preast.

Monday 10th Very dry weather. People employed as last week see labor book. We have not as yet found out the person who killed one of the cows yest^y but is supposed to be a Sanetch.

Snitlum traded 1 beaver, several lynxes, minks, raccoons & other furs. No intelligence as yet of the *Cowlitz*.

Tuesday 11th Blowing fresh from the South West with fine pleasant weather. Early this morning some [few] Cape Flattery Indians arrived & brought little or nothing for trade, their object being apparently to learn the present tariff for furs & oil. Sent four hands to day to mow hay for winter stock at the Mill & went over the prairies in that direction myself for the purpose. Some of our cattle are missing on the plains & are supposed to have been shot by the Natives for food as the animal was which was found on Sunday. M^ePhail is now alone as dairyman assisted by four Indian lads and we have got Dupuis at work ploughing. The quantity of butter made by Dupuis since last March amounts to 12kegs & 112ozs.

Wednesday 12th Sultry weather with light changeable airs. We have now got in the greater part of our hay at this place at housing which we had three carts employed. Two large canoes of Tlalums arrived this evening & brought but little for trade. Sent the skow loaded with plank and other materials ∞ use of the Mill over to Fisgard harbour this morning and has not as yet returned.

Thursday 13th Overcast with several heavy showers of rain accompanied with thunder. People employed as usual. Including the hay men, there are now 14 hands employed @ the Mill. Several gallons of oil & other sundries were traded to day from Tlalums. Beauchamp employed making iron bands & gudgeons for the Saw Mill which he is obliged to make of old iron, there being no other of this size req^d here.

Friday 14th Weather beautifully clear with light variable airs. Operations in hand going on as yesterday. Had one hand employed to day making houses of accommodation for the men & another making a stable for the horses. Okaia is still on the sick list. Rations for 14 hands now employed at the Mill were sent over to day. The Tlalums who arrived a few days ago left this morning for their village. No trade. The *Cowlitz* has not as yet made her appearance & we are now anxiously looking out for her as we had intelligence of her being in the Columbia early last month. The Rev^d Mon^t Veyret is still here & appears to be rather unsuccessful in making the Songes attend his lectures; they appear to be impressed with the idea that he brought sickness amongst them, the influenza, with which some have died having unfortunately broke out amongst them on his arrival here.

Saturday 15th Clear weather with the heat very oppressive. The result of our operations here this week is as follows: 16 acres of new land ploughed, the hay carted in, the Nisqually beef repickled, part of the potatoe field hoed, fences rep^d, 40 battens sawn ∞ Saw Mill House, a skow load of lumber sent thither, 15 ploughshares made & sundry other ironwork for the Saw Mill.

Sunday 16th Very warm weather. Ouamtany in trying to tame down one of the mares for work, she unfortunately reared up on her hind legs & fell down backwards on the hard ground & got her skull fractured & consequently never rose again. Mon^t Veyret has married eight of our Canadians to ~~their~~ Indian women.

Monday 17th The weather still continues vey dry. The people employed as ∞ labor

book, plough^g, repairing fences &c. The cattle got into ~~our~~ Ogden's fields last night & destroyed a large portion of our oats. We are now under the necessity of keeping watch over them at night. The fires are now beginning to spread over the country but are as yet at a distance from the Estab^l. Some few furs were traded to day from Tlalums who arrived this morning.

Tuesday 18th Dry weather still continues. People employed as usual. Okaia and Jack still on the sick list. Had the furs dusted & aired to day. In the afternoon. Snitlum with some Skatchets arriv^d & brought a few furs with some deer for trade.

Wednesday 19th Weather same as yesterday. Some Kawitchs {sic} arrived in course of the day and traded a few deer & other trifles. The Rev^d Mon^s Veyret left to day for Whitby's Island where he intends to remain for some time, previous to his departure he had married Dupuis, Minie, Coté, Bates & Dubeau & Louis Satakarata, these men were allowed this forenoon for that purpose.

Thursday 20th Very dry weather & hazy owing to the fires that now run in various directions through the woods & prairies. No trade & work going on as usual. Set a bait of strychnine this evening for the wolves which prowl about the place every night, last night they had severely mutilated two of our young pigs.

Friday 21st Blowing strong from the South West with fine clear weather. Some of our young pigs have been carried off from the Dairy last night by the wolves. One of the bates laid down last night was taken away by some of them. I had a chase after one of them this afternoon with M^cPhail but could not succeed in our object, having run into the thick bush. In reprimanding Louis Dubeau this afternoon for laziness and inattention to his work ~~that man~~ I was threatened by that man to be severely handled, upon which I caught hold of him and laid him down at my feet. In the scuffle I got my shirt torn & mouth bled but sustained no serious injury. Not however from want of exertion on his part who did his best to get the upper hand. Dubeau did not improve as a good steady civil workman by his trip to Vanc^t - he appears to be leagued with Bates, Beauchamp & C^o. those who have lately joined us from that quarter, who make a boast of being unruly & insolent. Work going on as yest^y. Two men are employed digging a well in the hollow ground to the north of the Est^b & have not as yet come to water.

Saturday 22 Still continues to blow from the South West. A well dug 12ft, a stable made for the horses, a pair of cart wheels made, part of the potatoe field hoed, some iron work made by the blacksmith as ∞ that a/c, 30 bus. wheat winnow^d, 12 acres of new land ploughed & a few battens ∞ fur box sawn are the principal operations here this week. A qty. of hay made @ the Mill & some carted in to that place for winter stock. No trade. The bates laid down last night for the wolves disappeared.

Sunday 23rd Fine pleasant weather. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 24th Very warm & hazy with light variable winds. People employed as ∞ labor book, roofing stable, digging well & emptying the water out of the Ft. well which we began this morning in hopes of getting a sufficient quantity in it to supply the Establishment. Four ploughs underway in Ogden fields & two hands mowing hay, a small portion of the 1st wheat field was

mowed down on Saturday being ripe & the first this season. About 7 PM the B^{qu} *Cowlitz* from Columbia River made her appearance in the offing & fired two guns which were answ^d.

Tuesday 25th Very hazy with little or no wind. The ship which anchored in the offing last night, instead of being the *Cowlitz*, proved to be H.M.S. *Constance*, Captain Courtenay from Callas via the Sand^h Islands. She brought European news up to the 1st April of unusual moment, a Republican form of gov^t having been estab^d in France, the King of that country having been obliged to take refuge in England &c. Some fresh provisions were this ev^g sent on board the *Constance* pursuant to a reqⁿ from Mr. Thorne the purser who accompanied Captain Courtenay on shore this forenoon. No trade. People employed as usual. The Ft. well has been emptied this evening but the water in the bottom tho very clear has a bad taste, arising, no doubt from the wood. It does not taste {of} salt as was at first supposed.

Wednesday 26th Very sultry weather & remarkably hazy. People employed as yest^y. Some of H. Majesty's officers called upon us to day. I went over to Esquimalt in the afternoon & dined with Captⁿ Courtenay who speaks very highly of that harbour. 2 young oxen were slaugh^d ∞ use of the crew.

Thursday 27th Sultry weather as yest^y with scarcely a breath of wind & very hazy. Captain Courtenay & some of his officers landed this forenoon & had a ride over the country. Two more animals were slaugh^d this evening for the ship's company. We have ent^d into an arrangement with Mr. Thorne the purser to have 480 lbs of fresh beef daily ready for sending on board, which will do away with many of our cows & working cattle. Four men were employed to day craddling the wheat which is now sufficiently ripe.

Friday 28th Weather remarkably hazy & no wind. 5 hands craddling wheat & the others employed as usual. We began this evening using the water in the Ft. well. Its only defect is a light taste from the clay, but notwithstanding, the cattle drink it & {it} will answer well for washing. The water in the well dug in the gully on the N. side of the Ft. appears excellent. We shall therefore dig it deeper in order to have a more abundant supply than at present. In the afternoon Cape Flattery Jack arrived with two canoes & we traded 150 gals. oil from him. He has got a few sea otters which we have not as yet traded. Upwards of 500 lbs fresh beef were sent this morning on board the *Constance*.

Saturday 29th Weather very smoky & hazy as yesterday & very sultry. Some more oil and a few furs were traded to day from Cape Flattery Indians. Week's work as follows viz: about 10 acres of new land ploughed, the water emptied out of the Ft. well, a well 16ft deep dug about 100 yds north of the Estab^t in the gully which is not as yet completed, 10 acres of wheat mowed, some hay made & carted in, 3 craddles made, 12 axes steeled & other iron work rep^d by Beauchamp. Operations at the Saw Mill going on as usual. The machinery of the Mill is now made & placed, but cannot go until the rainy season sets in, there being no water at present.

Sunday 30th Fog very dense with scarcely a breath of wind. No occurrence of any note except that a communication from Mr. Samuel Cunard to the Secretary of the Admiralty ~~was~~ regarding the propriety of keeping the coal mine on Vanc^t Island for the British Gov^t was handed me by Captain Courtenay.

Monday 31st Foggy weather still continues with a fresh breeze of wind in the evening from the S.E. People employed as usual as ∞ labor book. Early this morning dispatched six of our Indians to Nisqually with the packet received by the *Constance*. Some few articles were traded from various tribes of Indians who now visit the Estab^t. Previous to the departure of the Cape Flattery Indians on Saturday, we received 4 large sea otters & 1 small one with 10 land otters and other small furs from them.

August

Tuesday 1st August. Partially overcast with a light breeze from the Southward & Eastward. Some of the officers of the *Constance* were to day on shore riding. All hands were employed harvesting. No trade worth noticing.

Wednesday 2nd Weather still continues very hazy. Having mowed down all the wheat that appears ripe, we had the men straight edging plank ∞ flooring of Granary. 3 head of cattle & 2 pigs were slaugh^d to day ∞ use of the *Constance*. Captain Courtenay & three of his officers were on shore at dinner & had a ride on the plains. No trade.

Thursday 3rd Calm & hazy & very sultry weather. No trade. People emp^d as usual. Our interp^t on the request of Captⁿ Courtenay was sent on board the *Constance*.

Friday 4th Very thick fog all day, which cleared up towards evening. People employed harvesting & we are this evening housing the wheat that is dry. No trade of any consequence.

Saturday 5 Blowing strong from the South West, which partially cleared away the smoke and fog which prevailed for the last fortnight. The operations of the week as follows: 20 acres of wheat mowed & partly housed, 6 acres of land ploughed, 100 plank ∞ flooring of Granary straightedged with the axe, a couple of harrows made by Lazard & sundry other ~~small~~ minor jobs performed about the Establishment. Some fresh beef & pork was sent to day on board the *Constance*.

Sunday 6th Still blowing fresh from the South West. Tsawetsoot a Skatchet Chief arrived to day with some furs for trade & brought a note from Captain Sangster ~~wh~~ dated the 4th who was then at M^cLaughlin's Island on his way from Langley.

Monday 7th Blowing fresh from the South West, with the weather partially overcast. All hands were to day employed mowing wheat & carting it in. No trade worth noticing. One of our calves was killed this evening at the cowhouse by accident. Tsawetsoot who arrived yesterday with a bundle of furs, left this morning for Langley, expecting to find a better price there for his skins than here.

Tuesday 8th Mild & hazy & very sultry. Operations going on as yesterday. About 2 P.M. the *Cadboro* arrived fm Ft. Langley with a cargo of furs & other sundries & brought a packet of letters & papers from that place dated 17th ult^o. No trade.

Wednesday 9th Very hazy weather & no wind. People emp^d disch^g *Cadboro* & binding & mowing grain. 15 beaver & land otters were traded to day from Skatchets with some fresh salmⁿ.

Thursday 10th Weather very sultry & foggy with large fires in various directions in the vicinity. People employed mowing, binding and carting in wheat. About 4 PM a ship anchored in the offing, which proved to be the H.M. Brigantine *Pandora*, Captain Wood. Captain Wood & the Dr. landed at 5 o'clock & delivered me a letter from Mr. Douglas dated Honolulu 11th June importing that he was to proceed direct from thence to the Columbia River.

Friday 11th Weather, same as yesterday. People employed as yesterday, mow^g & carting in wheat. Had several of the officers of the *Constance* & *Pandora* on shore to day at dinner & were provided with horses to ride about the plains. No trade in furs.

Saturday 12th Mild weather & still very hazy. People employed as usual. The results of the week's work as follows: 30 acres of wheat mowed & partly housed, two cart wheels repaired & sundry other jobs performed about the Estab^l, the slide with rollers for hauling up logs for the Saw Mill erected. No trade worth noticing.

Sunday 13th Foggy weather as usual. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 14th Weather same as yesterday & not a light air from the South^d. About 4 PM the B^{qu} *Cowlitz* anchored off Esquimalt having left Vanc^f on the 13th ult^o. Late in the evening as Lieut. Wood of the *Pandora* intends proceeding to Nisqually, I wrote a letter to the Board of Manag^t by him acquainting them of the arrival of the *Cowlitz*. The *Cadboro* also left the morn^g for the same place.

Tuesday 15 Very mild weather & foggy as usual. The B^{qu} *Cowlitz* has been towed into this harbour this evening & saluted us with 7 guns & was answered by the same number. The *Cadboro* being in the offing unable to proceed with the thick fog is now to receive sundries for Nisqually received by the *Cowlitz*. Lieut. Wood left for Nisqually early this morning & brought the despatches for Vanc^f with him, consisting of some documents from Langley & our own depot transactions during the summer with an inv^y of the goods remaining in Depot. Late in the evening a large party of Cape Flattery Indians arrived & brought a considerable quantity of oil for trade.

Wednesday 16th Generally overcast but the smoke is now gradually clearing away. People employed disch^g the *Cowlitz* & mowing wheat. In consequence of the crew of the *Cowlitz* having refused the biscuit sent on board & for them, I had this morning acquainted Captain Courtenay with the circumstance who sent his 1st Lieut. Mr. Heathcote, who pronounced the biscuit excellent after which it was accepted by the crew but the salt beef & pease is rather of an inferior quality & Mr. Heathcote said he would refer the matter to Captain Courtenay. Late in the evening Mr. John Ross arrived from Nisqually & brought letters from Vanc^f up to the 8th inst. one of which is for Cap^t. Court^y which was immediately sent on board the *Constance*.

Thursday 17th Blowing mod^e from the South West, with the weather somewhat smoky. Captain Courtenay came on shore here about noon & shortly afterwards went on board of the *Cowlitz*, where he had all the crew questioned about their complaints. The result was that although he was of {the} opinion that their complaint was groundless, for the sake of inducing them to continue peaceably on board, he ordered fine biscuit or flour to be issued out to them.

Captain Courtenay brought a printed notice on shore, shewing his having taken possession of the coal district on this Island for the British Crown which he is to leave here for the Company to erect as early as possible in order to keep away all foreign intruders.

We were to day busy sending the Coast Outfits on board of the *Cowlitz*.

Friday 18th Blowing strong all day from the S.W. with the weather generally clear. Were to day also employed shipping property on board of the *Cowlitz* & mowing our oats. No trade worth noticing. On account of the absence of J. Ross I could not dispatch the packet for Nisqually & Vanc^e to day.

Saturday 19th Foggy weather still continues, with & blowing hard from the S.W. Week's operations as follows: about 30 acres of wheat & oats mowed, some pease cut, the *Cowlitz* disch^d & the most of the goods for the Coast shipped on board of her. Owing to the demand made upon us for various articles from the ships of war our usual routine of duty is more or less interrupted. Some few bushels of potatoes were traded this evening from Sokes. Early this morning J. Ross left with the Nisqually party & brought despatches for that place & Vanc^e.

Sunday 20th Fine warm weather but still very hazy. No occurrence of any note.

Monday 21st Weather still continues hazy. People emp^d as last week, loading the *Cowlitz* & mowing the oats. Every package for the north is now on board the *Cowlitz* & that vessel is now ready for sea.

Tuesday 22nd Weather alternately clear and cloudy with heavy showers of rain. People employed as yesterday, mowing the oats & plucking up the pease. This morning the B^{qu} *Cowlitz* was warped out of the harbour & is still in the offing unable to proceed from want of wind.

Wednesday 23rd Heavy rain over night & blowing strong from the South West all day. People employed mowing down the oats, making a potatoe cellar under Store N^o. 5. The rain of last night & yesterday wetted our grain which we had previously bound up for housing & had it undone to day for drying. 3 head of cattle were slaughtered to day ∞ use of the *Constance* making now 33 in all. 250 gns. oil & two sea otters were traded to day from the Maccas who arrived last night.

Thursday 24th Fine clear weather with light variable airs. The B^{qu} *Cowlitz* weighed anchor from the entrance of the harbour this morning and got as far as Rocky point. Some sea otters were traded to day from the Cape Flattery Indians. Late in the evening Snitlum with a war party of Skatchets and Tlalums arrived & made some warlike demonstrations by firing several rounds of blank cartridge, which the C{ape} Flattery ret^d. Captain Courtenay on hearing the firing & seeing so many Indians paddling towards the Ft. ~~got his four boats~~ supposed something serious had happened & very considerably came over with four armed boats from the ship.

Finding only some Cape Flatteries haranguing to the Tlalums in front of the Ft., ordered a salute of 7 guns to be fired from the boats which was done & answ^d by us from the Bastions. All hands including some thirty or so of Marines came on shore all armed & promenaded round the Ft. yard. After which the Captain with the four boats returned to the ship. The quarrel between the Cape Flatteries and Tlalums is not as yet settled but we must endeavour to do so before they leave. Almost all our men and eng^d Indians were binding & housing the wheat. The wheat & oats are now mowed down in all our fields.

Friday 25 Beautiful weather with little or no wind. Early this morning the Cape Flatteries left this {place} & was {sic} convoyed by one of the *Constance's* boats. They traded 9 lar{ge} & small sea otters & brought two away which they would not dispose of without duffle which we have not got. Almost all hands employed carting & binding grain.

Saturday 26th Blowing fresh from the S. West in the afternoon, weather generally clear. Operations of the week as follows: the wheat in Ogden's field bound up carted & housed, a portion of the pease cut & half of the field of oats mowed down & sundry other operations performed about the Estab^t, all our wheat stth is now housed but the oats & pease still remain on the field.

Sunday 27th Fine pleasant weather with light winds from the South^d & Westward & a little rain in the afterⁿ. Late in the evening Lieu^t. Wood of the *Pand^a* ret^d from Nisqually & brought a letter from Dr. Tolmie of yest^r's date.

Monday 28th Blowing fresh from the South West with heavy rain in the forenoon. Late last night Captⁿ. Wood of the *Pandora* arrived from Nisqually and brought advices from Nisqually to the 26th. No word as yet of the arrival of the *Mary Dare* in the Columbia River. People employed cutting the pease, repairing carts & wheels and making a potatoe cellar under Store N^o. 5.

Tuesday 29th Fine clear weather but rained considerably over night. About 8 AM Captain Courtenay at the head of 250 Sailors & Marines came on shore for the purpose of exercising them & were all day performing various evolutions in the Ft. yd and in the fields behind. The ship's band were at their head & the march through the Ft. to the field behind was truly grand. Little or no work was performed, our people having solicited & obtained permission to enjoy the novel spectacle. Some potatoes were traded from the Sokes & other Indians in course of the day. Early this morning the *Pandora* left for "Cormorant Bay".

Wednesday 30th Had thick fog this morning, afterwards cleared away into a fine pleasant day. People employed cutting down & carting in pease. 6 beavers & otters were traded to day from Whotlumies and Skatchets & some potatoes from the Songes. Lieut. Wainwright of the *Constance* with the launch came on shore this afternoon & brought off 16 tons of the coals lying here belonging to Gov^t.

Thursday 31st Blowing fresh from the South West with a few showers of heavy rain. Early this morning the *Cadboro* arrived from Nisqually with a cargo of wool, furs and other sundries. 20 sheep with potatoes, fowls &c were received by the *Cadboro* for H.M.S. *Constance*

which were sent to that ship this forenoon. People employed carting in pease & oats and cutting down pease. No trade except a few potatoes.

September

Friday 1st Sept^f Beautiful weather with light variable airs. Had the *Cadboro's* cargo discharged in course of the day, which turned out correct as ∞ bill of lading. Several loads of oats were carted in to day. Captain Courtenay landed this afternoon & informed us that as he has now given up all hopes of seeing Mr. Douglas he intends to leave this place Monday morning & feels rather disappointed at not receiving the information he wanted from the Board of Manag^t.

Saturday 2nd Weather beautifully clear with light variable airs. The results of this week's operations are as follows: the pease field (20 acres) cut down & part of the pease housed, all the oats bound into sheaves & nearly carted in, six spaces of potatoe cellar under N^o. 5 filled up & sundry other operations performed about the Estab^t. Some potatoes were purchased to day from the Natives. A lot of potatoes with some few barrels of salmon were sold to day to the purser of the *Cormorant Constance*. That ship is to leave this Monday morning. We therefore received payment to day in dollars for all the different articles we supplied her.

Sunday 3rd Fine pleasant weather with light variable winds. Having been invited to dine with the gunroom officers of the *Constance* I attended on board @ 3oclock. Had an interview with Captain Courtenay who delivered me a letter to Mr. Douglas address on "H. Majesty's Service".

Monday 4th Fine pleasant weather with a fresh breeze from the South West. Early this morning H. Majesty's Ship *Constance* left Esquimalt. The people employed making potatoe cellar under N^o. 5, carting oats, squaring pieces & making hay.

Tuesday 5th Had some rain this morning, afterwards cleared up into a fine day. Early this morning the *Cadboro* left for Ft. Langley & was soon out of sight before a fresh South Westerly breeze. We were this afternoon carting in our pease which is at length dry. Traded a few gns oil from Kawitchins.

Wednesday 6th Fine & warm with light changeable airs. H.M.S. *Pandora* which had been lying in Cormorant Bay for the last week came round to day. Dined in the evening on board with Lieut. Wood & brought a canoe with Ind^{ns} & provisions for three days along with me as I intend to morrow morning to make an excursion up the country in order to see ~~th~~ whether it is anyways possible to increase the Mill Stream by a tributary which now gives but little water. The last part of our pease were housed this evening.

Thursday 7th Fine pleasant weather as yesterday with little wind. Early this morning started on my excursion up the country above Esquimalt; found a lake which I had some hopes previously of connecting with the Mill Stream but now find it impossible, the lake being much lower than the stream & the distance too great, followed up the course of the stream to its source & found that it drains the country beyond the first two ranges of hills, beyond the Mill, passes through the most rugged & forbidding country imaginable, takes its rise in a lake about 6 miles

N.W. of the bottom of Fisg^d harbour. I ascended one of the most remarkable & highest hills in that vicinity along with Mr. Fenton who accompanied me & had a splendid view of the surrounding country. Took the bearings of the most prominent points. Immediately below this hill, which lies about 3 of 4 miles N.W. of the Mill or Esquimault, we found an arm of the sea which extends to a distance of about 10 miles from the sea @ the Sanetch Village. Encamped in the evening, ~~much~~ rather fatigued with our days travels in the bottom of the valley near the source of the Mill Stream. Operations going on at the Ft. were: carting hay, plough^g, planing & grooving plank ∞ Granary flooring. Bates, Beauchamp & Deroche, Cole & Lecuyers on the sick list. The *Pandora* left this {place} at 11 AM. Beat & dried the Ft. furs to day.

Friday 8th Fine pleasant weather with a light shower of rain in the afternoon, wind light & variable. Operations going on as yesterday. Traded some furs from Skatchets & some fresh salmon from the Songes. Early this morning we started from our encamp^t near the source of the Mill Stream & followed it down for some distance. Finding no probability of increasing it by means of joining another stream to it, we struck across the valley behind the mill mountains until we came to the borders of a large lake from which we concluded the streams of waters that empty themselves within the Esquimault lagoon had their source. It is therefore our intention to stop one of the outlets from the lake & collect the whole body of waters that runs from it into one channel viz that which empties itself nearer the entrance of the lagoon. A mill erected there may therefore be made to work every day throughout the year. My object in ~~joining at present~~ having gone this week to explore the country behind the Mill was as follows viz: the Saw Mill being completed & no water to work it at present, the stream having dwindled down to a very small rivulet & no prospect of a sufficient supply of waters until the rainy season sets in. Seeing the impropriety of commencing to build another mill (Grist Mill) on it (as ∞ orders from the Board of Manag^t who cannot be aware of the present scanty supply of waters ~~that was in the Saw Mill stream~~) Mr. Fenton & the men working with him having been out of employment & supposing that I stood liable to censure by ordering them to commence the Grist Mill on the same stream ~~as proved which~~ I came to the determination of trying to ascertain what the resources of the neighbouring country were capable of & the result is shown in the entry of yesterday & to day. I left orders with Fenton before I left him last night to proceed early next morning with three men to ascertain correctly the easiest & most expeditious way of stopping up one of the outlets. The result of his observations shall be entered in to morrow's entry.

Saturday 9th Heavy rain this forenoon, wind fresh from the South East. Our week's operations as follows: the remainder of the pease & oats carted in & housed, a q^{ty} of hay cut & partly carted in, some plank ∞ flooring of Granary straightedged & groved, potatoe cellar under N^o. 5 completed & sundry other operations about the Estab^t. No trade except a few salmon. We were enabled this afternoon to issue out potatoes as rations to the people being the first this season. Mr. Fenton arrived from the Mill in the afternoon & brought rather an unfavourable report of the streams within the lagoon @ Esquimault. He followed them up from the sea & found that they took their rise from the bank about two miles within the woods & not from the lake as we concluded. Another excursion must be made there in order to ascertain correctly where the outlets from the lake terminate.

Sunday 10th Raining very heavy over night, which continued during the forenoon. Blowing strong from the Eastward. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 11th Overcast for a part of the day, cleared up in the evening. People employed ploughing, harrow^s land for fall wheat, planing and groving plank ∞ Granary floorings, carting & housing hay &c. Started early this morning to examine the outlets from the lake @ Esquimalt. Followed one of them down until it expanded into a large swamp below, so that it does not continue all the way down to the lagoon. Having now been unsuccessful in my attempts to find a more suitable site for the Grist Mill than that on the Saw Mill Stream, I gave orders this evening to Mr. Fenton to begin building it there. Late in the evening I reached the Ft. & found on my arrival letters from Vanc^f & Nisqually brought by Sinahomish Indians announc^s the safe arrival of Mr. Douglas @ Ft. Vanc^f from Ouaho. Trade a few salmon & other trifles.

Tuesday 12th Beautiful clear weather with light variable winds. Wrote an answer to the letters received yest^y & the Indians are now ready to leave to morrow morn^s. Sent 4 hands to the assistance of Mr. Fenton to build the Grist Mill. People employed here as usual. Some Kawitchins arrived in course of the day from whom was traded a few furs, oil & other trifles.

Wednesday 13th Weather beautifully serene with light variable airs. Operations going on as yesterday. Early this morning the Sinahomish Indians left for Nisqually & brought back letters for that place & Vanc^f. About 9 1/2 PM (last night) the moon became totally eclipsed which continued so to about midnight. 15 gns. oil & some fresh salmon were traded from Kawitchins.

Thursday 14th Beautiful weather as yesterday with light airs from the Northward & Westward. People employed ploughing, carting in hay, groving plank ∞ Granary &c, Harvey with two hands making a skow. Examined the stream at the head of Camosun arm to day & found the waters in it not sufficient to drive a Grist Mill. We must therefore do what we can of the Saw Mill Stream in Fisgard harbour. Traded a lot of salmon to day which we are salting for winter stock. Had the Nisqually furs aired and dusted in course of the day. M^cPhail shot an elk this evening which appeared amongst the cattle for the last two days.

Friday 15th Fine weather still continues. People employed the same. Had the Langley and Nez Perce furs beat & aired to day, many of the latter are much damaged by vermin. Some salmon were traded to day from Kawitchin which we salted.

Saturday 16th Fine pleasant weather. Had 10 acres of land ploughed this week, 6 loads of hay carted home & housed, several plank ∞ Granary flooring groved, several barrels of salmon salted, Langley, Nez Perce, Nisqually & Victoria furs beat & aired, some plank prepared for the new skow &c. As we are now building the Grist Mill, the force there will have to be increased to ten men which will leave us & others short of hands for the work we have to do here.

Sunday 17th Fine weather as yesterday. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 18th Weather same as yesterday. Sent Keave & Garipy {Garipie} to the Mill this morning to assist in building the Grist Mill. Commenced this morning taking up our potatoes & got 280 bushels of them housed. Also began packing the furs for England. Had a lot

of them out to day before the sun. 4 ploughs were to day ploughing land for fall wheat and another ploughing up the potatoes. 8 oxen with their gear complete were sent to the Mill to haul out the heavy pieces.

Tuesday 19th Beautiful weather with light variable airs. People employed as yesterday. Had 25 bales of the New Caledonia furs packed to day for England & other furs dusted and aired. We also took up & housed 482 bushels of potatoes.

Wednesday 20th Fine weather till 4 PM when it became overcast with a strong South West Wind. Had 19 bales of furs packed to day for England and 504 bushels of potatoes taken up & housed. Some few furs & salmon were traded from Tlalums with 15 gns of oil. Ploughing going on as yesterday.

Thursday 21st Overcast with little or no wind. People employed as yesterday. It being overcast & the air rather damp we could not make any packs but had the bales already made pressed and cross lashed. 350 bushels of potatoes were taken up in course of the day. Intelligence was received to day by the Songes, that one of their men ~~with~~ was shot and 6 women & children taken prisoners or captives by Tsoughelum, the celebrated Kawitchin freebooter.

Friday 22nd Overcast with heavy rain in the evening. Made little or no progress to day with the furs owing to the cloudy weather. 150 bushels of potatoes were taken up. No trade worth noticing.

Saturday 23rd Raining heavily over night with some thunder & lightning, overcast & foggy throughout the day. The week's work as follows: 15 acres of land ploughed & harrowed, plank ∞ bottom of skow planed & fitted, 56 bales of furs packed & pressed for England, 1841 bushels of potatoes taken up & housed including to day's work. Owing to the drought of last summer the potatoes we are now taking up which are in the driest part of the field yield but a poor crop. 460 brick made & both herths in the big house laid with them a sett of funnels ∞ stove made by the blacksmith with sundry other iron works repaired. 10 hands employed at the Grist Mill during the week.

Sunday 24th Beautiful weather with light variable airs. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 25th Cloudy till 10AM when it cleared up into a fine clear day. Were busy at our last week's occupations, packing furs for Eng^d, lifting potatoes 216 bus. of which taken up to day, ploughing & harrow^s &c. A canoe arrived in the evening from Langley & reported the *Cadboro* being a few days ago becalmed off Fraser's River on her way North.

Tuesday 26th Beautiful clear weather with thick fog in the morning. The people employed as yesterday. 300 bushels of potatoes taken up & housed. Had several bales of furs made up for England & the New Caledonia & Colville martens & foxes taken out of the puncheons and aired which were found with a considerable quantity of mould in them. 3 canoes of Cape Flattery Indians arrived this afternoon & brought about 60 gns oil & a few sea otters. The latter are not as yet traded.

Wednesday 27th Fine weather still continues. Had some puncheons containing foxes, martens & sea otters packed to day for England. People employed about the furs, lifting potatoes, 204 bushels of which were taken up & housed to day, ploughing & making a new skow. Early this morning 5 large canoes of the Songes well armed started for Kawitchin for the purpose of revenging what Tsoughelum had done to their party a few days ago. 1 large & 2 small sea otters were traded from the Cape Flattery party who left this afternoon.

Thursday 28th Weather beautifully clear as yesterday and very favourable for our operation of packing & airing the furs for shipm^t to England at which we were employed to day. 162 bus. potatoes were taken up & housed. 60 gns oil were traded from the Tlalums.

Friday 29th Alternately clear & cloudy with a little rain this afternoon. People employed as yest^y. We have had all the furs on hand here now packed & pressed for England & we have finished taking up the potatoes this afternoon which amounts in all including to day's work to 2774 bus.

Saturday 30th Weather cloudy with light variable winds. The week's operations as follows: 700 bus. potatoes taken up & housed, 12 acres of land ploughed, all the furs on hand ∞ O^t '48 packed & pressed for England & sundry other operations about the place performed. In the afternoon the *Cadboro* arrived from Langley with a cargo of salmon. Mr. Peers came as passenger being on his way from the interior to see Mr. Douglas.

October

Sunday 1st October Fine pleasant weather with a fresh breeze from the South West. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 2nd Had some hoar frost over night, clear pleasant weather throughout the day. Had the *Cadboro* disch^d & is now ready to leave for Nisqually. Sent two extra men this morning to the Mill. People employed about the place plough^g, thrash^g grain for seed &c. No trade.

Tuesday 3rd Fine pleasant weather with a fresh breeze from the North. Early this morning the *Cadboro* left for Nisqually & brought letters for that place and Vanc^t. Mr. Peers went on to Nisqually as passenger by her. We had the east side otters beat & aired to day. People employed plough^g &c as yesterday. Thomas with 8 Indians was sent this morning to the Mill to assist Fenton in placing the sills of the Grist Mill.

Wednesday 4th Beautiful weather. People employed the same, finish^d airing & dust^g the east side otters. Paid a visit to the mill party & found every thing going on well. No trade worth mentioning.

Thursday 5th Overcast with a few drops of rain. A few raccoons, rats & minks with some oil & dried salmon were traded to day from Tlalums. Operations the same except two sawyers who are sawing battens ∞ fur box, Harvey & his ass^t. raising oak knees for the buildings & Louis Satakarata with three Indians thrash^g grain for seed. Napoleon Dease, who came as passenger ∞ *Cadboro* from Langley was put in our Estab^t yest^y & is now assisting Gagnon making bed steads & eh tables.

Friday 6th Fine pleasant weather with a light breeze from the Northward. People employed much the same as usual. Had a gang of 3 men & some Indians beating the hides. No trade worth noticing.

Saturday 7th Beautiful weather with light variable winds. The week's operations as follows: 20 acres of land plough^d, the hides beat & aired, the wool bales repaired & some articles of furniture made ∞ house N^o 3. In the forenoon 11 canoes of Cape Flattery Indians arrived & brought 7 sea otters & 100 gns. of oil for trade. 14 hands & all our Indian lads were this week employed at the Mill.

Sunday 8th Weather serene & beautiful & with light airs from the North^d & Westw^d. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 9th Fine warm weather with thick fog in the morning. 7 sea otters were traded from the Cape Flattery Indians to day, 2 land otters & some other furs from Kawitchins and Tlalums. People employed much the same as last week.

Tuesday 10th Smoky & dry weather with light airs. People employed at their usual occupations. No trade worth noticing. We are now busy preparing our annual accounts the inv^{ty} to be taken on the 20th of this month.

Wednesday 11th Foggy & close weather, same yesterday. People employed ploughing & harrowing. We began this morning to sow the first of our fall wheat. Lazard putting oak knees to the beams of the big house. Harvey with 3 assistants making new skow. About 1pm the *Beaver* made her appearance from the North with Mr. C {hief} F {actor} Work as passenger. Intelligence from that quarter is upon the whole favorable.

Thursday 12th Alternately foggy and clear with light variable winds, had a few drops of rain in the afternoon. People employed cutting wood for the Steamer, discharging coals from d^o, sowing wheat & harrowing. 24 bus. of fall wheat are now sown, being to day & yest^y's work. An ox has this evening been slaughtered, for the Steamer's crew. Some furs were landed this afternoon being her trade from Ft. Simpson Southwards.

Friday 13th Generally overcast with heavy rain in the evening & a strong North Westerly wind. People employed much the same as yesterday, cutting wood for the Steamer &c. 90 gns. oil & a few small furs were traded from Kawhⁿ. 12 bus. wheat were sown & harrowed to day.

Saturday 14th Raining for the greater part of the night, weather beautifully clear throughout the day. Week's work as follows: 24 acres of land sown with wheat and harrowed, the skow planked on the sides & partly pitched & caulked, 22 cords wood cut ∞ Steamer & sundry other work about the Estab^t done. 11 hands @ the Mill. About 7 AM the *Beaver* left for Nisqually to tow the *Cadboro* to this place, Mr. C {hief} F {actor} Douglas being expected. No trade worth mentioning. 6 bus. wheat were sown & harrowed this forenoon.

Sunday 15th Weather beautifully clear with light variable winds. Nothing remarkable

transpired.

Monday 16th Keen frost over night succeeded by a fine pleasant day, wind light from the Northward. People employed much the same as last week viz^t: ploughing, harrow^g, making new skow & beating the Steamer's furs. Nothing done in the way of trade.

Tuesday 17 Had some frost over night, fine clear weather throughout the day. People employed as yesterday. Cape Flattery Jack with two canoes arrived this evening & brought some sea otters & a few gns. oil for trade. Were employed to day taking the inventory of the goods rem^s on hand for trade at the place, pursuant to orders from the B^d of Manag^t to have our a/cs closed on the 20th inst.

Wednesday 18 Fine pleasant weather but partially overcast. People employed as usual, plough^s &c. 2 sea otters were traded from the Cape Flatteries who arrived yesterday.

Thursday 19th Overcast with rain in the evening. Operations in hand same as yesterday. The new skow is now finished. 12 bus. of wheat & 1 bus. timothy sown & harrowed to day, 4 large logs were squared for hauling up. The *Mary Dare* here for repairs. No trade worth noticing.

Friday 20th Overcast with occasional heavy showers of rain. People employed the same. 13 1/2 bus. wheat sown & 1 bus. timothy seed. We are now busy closing our a/cs for the year. No word of the *Mary Dare* which is now considerably beyond her time from Col^a River.

Saturday 21st Alternately clear and cloudy with some few light showers of rain. People employed much the same as yesterday. 5 1/2 bus. wheat & 1/2 bus. timothy were sown and harrowed in course of the day. The result of the week's work as follows: 15 acres of land ploughed & harrowed, part of Ogden's fields cleared & made ready for seed, the skow finished off & launched, about 20 of the fur box plank straight edged & a few groved ∞ flooring of Granary, the men's houses plastered for the winter & sundry other minor jobs performed about the Establishment by the men & Indians.

Sunday 22nd Overcast with some heavy showers of rain, wind blowing strong from the Eastward. About 8 AM the Steam Vessel arrived from Nisqually having C{hief} Factors Douglas & Work as passengers with Captain Mott, Messrs. Peers & Charles and eight men. No other occurrence transpired worthy of notice.

Monday 23rd Raining heavily all night, weather generally cloudy throughout the day with occasional showers of rain. Sent 4 men & 10 Indians with our interpreter to the Mill this morning, to raise the beams & posts of the Grist Mill. 12 bus. of wheat were sown to day in Ogden's fields. Had one of our steers slaughtered to day ∞ use of the Establishment.

Tuesday 24th Mild weather with a light breeze from the South East. People employed as yesterday. 9 bus. wheat were sown & harrow^d. Mr. Douglas and I paid a visit to the mill party to day & found matters getting on well there. All the men who arrived with Mr. Douglas were set to work here this morning except two Sand^h Islanders who are sick.

Wednesday 25th Fine pleasant weather with a light breeze from the Northward. About 8 AM the *Beaver* left this {place} for Fort Langley, having Messrs. Douglas and Work, Captain Mott, Messrs Peers & Charles as passengers. 5 of the men who arrived with Mr. Douglas also left for Langley. 12 bus. wheat were sown to day in Ogden's fields. We had all the furs we have got [those] in store aired & beat to day, preparatory to a final packing for England. Napoleon Dease who had deserted from the N{ew} Caledonia Brigade has this morning been punished as he deserved.

Thursday 26th Had thick fog this morning succeeded by a few light showers of rain. People employed as usual. 12 bus. wheat were sown & harrowed in course of the day. We are now preparing materials for heaving down the *Mary Dare* for repairs.

Friday 27th Raining almost all day with a strong breeze from the Eastward. Operations in hand going on as yesterday. 12 bushels of wheat were sown & harrowed, two hands were squaring posts and beams for the fur box.

Saturday 28th Blowing strong from the South East with heavy rain over night, fine pleasant weather throughout the day. The principal results of the week's work are as follows: 30 acres of land sown & harrowed, 100 plank ∞ fur box straight edged, the Langley salmon barrels coopered & partly pickled, about 10 bus. wheat thrashed & sundry iron work made by the blacksmith. 6 bus. wheat were sown & harrow^d to day being the last of our fall wheat making in all this autumn 124 bus. No trade.

Sunday 29th Had some frost over night, fine pleasant weather in course of the day. Some of the people who were out on the plains to day caught one of the Indians who had been slaughtering our cattle for some time back, whom we secured for the night with hand cuffs.

Monday 30th Keen frost over night, weather overcast throughout the day with rain in the evening. At 8 Am I had the Indian who was apprehended yest^y seized up to one of the trees in the yard & gave him 3 doz. lashes. Kept him within the stockade until the afternoon & then let him go. People employed principally as last week per labor book. No trade.

Tuesday 31st Slight drizzling rain all day with the wind light from the N.E. Dupuis employed opening drills in the wheat fields. The two ox drivers after having hauled out the wood required at present for the *Mary Dare* and fur box let go their oxen to recruit for a while on the plains & they themselves were employed for the rest of the day opening drains in the fields behind. The others employed much the same as yesterday. A few trifles were traded to day from Songes. To morrow being All Saints' Day we had an ox killed & taken in to be served out as servants' extra allowance & they are to keep the day as a holiday according to custom.

November

Wednesday 1st November. Fine pleasant weather with a strong breeze from the South West. This being All Saints' it was observed as a holiday according to custom.

Thursday 2nd Fine pleasant weather with a light breeze from the South West. People employed as usual except 4 hands who were packing and pressing furs. Late in the evening the

Beaver arrived from Langley with the *Cadboro* in tow. The latter vessel has 317 bbls. salt salmon & 50 half barrels on board for depot, also 40 firkins [of] butter & 2 packs furs.

Friday 3rd Overcast with little or no wind. The salmon & other sundries have been discharged to day from on board the *Cadboro*. People employed at various occupations as ∞ labor book.

Saturday 4th Fine pleasant weather with a fresh breeze from the Westward. People employed as ∞ labor book, shipping and discharging cargo, preparing materials for heaving down the *Mary Dare*. The principal results of this week are as follows: about 15 bus. oats thrashed, furrows opened in the wheat fields, 41 plank groved & straightedged ∞ Granary flooring, 10 bales of furs packed & pressed for England & various other operations performed about the Estab^t.

Sunday 5 Fine pleasant weather with a light breeze from the Westward. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 6th Generally overcast with a fresh S-Westerly wind. People about the Estab^t principally employed making up a few packages of goods to be forw^d ∞ Steamer to Nisqually for Vanc^t Depot.

Tuesday 7th Generally overcast with a fresh breeze from the South West. Early this morning the Steamer left for Nisqually with the *Cadboro* in tow. Jackson who had been employed here since February last took his passage on board of the *Cadboro* for Nisqually. People employed at various jobs about the Establishment. 10 men with Fenton at the Saw Mill. Mr. Douglas and I had a ride over the plains to day in order to look out for a proper situation for a farm & saw many of the cattle about Mt. Tolmie. No trade worth noticing.

Wednesday 8th Beautiful weather for the season with light variable winds. Some oil & a few other trifles were traded in course of to day & yesterday from Kawitchins. Were driving in the wild cattle to day into Ogden's fields, but will have to discontinue doing so until we get rain as no water as yet lodges on the low ground.

Thursday 9th Raining almost all day with the wind blowing fresh from the ~~Northward~~ Southward & Eastward. People employed as usual as ∞ labor book. Some few trifles were traded to day from the Songes and Tlalums. M^cPhail & Dupuis were driving in the cattle into Ogden's fields in order to tame them.

Friday 10th Blowing strong from the South West during last night which veered this morning to the South East with rain. Early this morning the *Mary Dare* arrived at the entrance of the harbour from Columbia River & was unable to enter to day by the strong head wind. She got out side the Col^a Bar last Monday & was 5 weeks detained in Baker's Bay. People employed at various jobs as ∞ labor book. 5 of our men principally those who lately arrived from Vanc^t are laid up with the fever & ague.

Saturday 11th Alternately clear and cloudy with a strong breeze from the Southward and Eastward. The results of this week's work are as follows: 40 plank ∞ Granary flooring groved, the orchard apple trees manured, 400 yds of log fencing put up at Ogden's fields, two ring bolts put in the rock at the Salt Store for heaving down the *Mary Dare* & sundry other operations performed about the Estab^t. The *Mary Dare* has this morning been taken in to the inner harbour. No trade worth mentioning. 5 men on the sick list with the fever & ague

Sunday 12th Overcast & weather very chilly with the wind from the Eastward. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 13 Overcast with slight drizzly rain at intervals, wind Easterly. People emp^d as ∞ labor book, cutting wood ∞ Steamer, caulking *Mary Dare* & discharging her cargo. 33 gns. oil traded to day from Kawitchins with some fish from the same tribe & others. Had the Snake Country furs landed to day & unpacked. Slaughtered an ox ∞ use of the *Mary Dare* & Ft.

Tuesday 14th Overcast & mild weather. People employed as ∞ labor book, packing & dusting furs, disch^s cargo. In consequence of some alterations being made in the machinery of the Saw Mill three more hands were this morning sent to assist & a skow load of oak lumber for that purpose. Some few gns. oil & other trifles were traded from Kawitchins.

Wednesday 15th Mild weather as yesterday. Operations in hand going on as yesterday. Nothing Traded. Two ships were this morning reported in the offing, which proved to be the B^{qu} *Cowlitz* from Sitka and a Brig called the *Belfast* for coals.

Thursday 16th Had a little frost over night & fine mild weather throughout the day. Men principally employed cutting wood ∞ Steamer, discharging cargo & pressing furs. About 11Am the *Beaver* arrived from Nisqually with the *Cadboro* in tow. Afterwards the Steamer towed the B^{qu} *Cowlitz* into harbour & the Brig *Belfast* is still in the offing. Captain Stout who is to command the Steamer that is to run between Panama & Oregon arrived from Nisqually by the *Beaver*. Messrs Stewart & Breadmore ~~with~~ with the {illegible} equip. arrived accompanied by 20 men.

Friday 17th Fair weather during the forenoon ~~with~~ and heavy rain in the evening. Had all the furs from the Coast discharged to day from the *Cowlitz* & sundry other packages from Sitka. About 700 bus. salt were disch^d to day from the *Mary Dare*. The Brig *Belfast* has this morning been towed into harbour by the Steamer so that we have now got 5 vessels riding at anchor in the inner harbour.

Saturday 18th Blowing fresh from the Eastward. People employed as usual. The remainder of the salt has been discharged to day from the *Mary Dare*. Our farming & other operations about the Estab^t have been much interrupted during the week with jobs about the shipping. Goods to the am^t of 125 dollars have been sold to day from the Sale Shop. Part was paid in gold dust taken at \$14 ∞ oz.

Sunday 19th Wind blowing fresh from the North^d & kept dry all day. Read prayers at

which some of the ship's officers attended.

Monday 20th Blowing a gale last night from the Eastward & continued blowing fresh all day. Had all the Stikine furs unpacked & dusted & some of the Ft. Simpson bales opened preparatory to a final packing for England. Some fresh salmon were traded to day from Tlalums.

Tuesday 21st Raining almost all day with a strong breeze from the South East. People employed as yest^v discharging & shipping cargo, packing furs &c. No trade in furs. 12 oz gold dust & two doubloons & several silver dollars were bought from the crew of the *Belfast*.

Wednesday 22nd Showery with a strong breeze from the South West. Employed as yesterday. Shipped sundries on board of the *Belfast* to day consigned to G.T. Allan, California.

Thursday 23rd Raining without interruption all night which continued so all day, wind light from the Eastward. Goods to the amount of \$70 were sold to day for cash. Did little or nothing in the way of packing furs owing to the humidity of the weather. The *Cadboro's* cargo from Nisqually has been discharged in course of the day.

Friday 24th Mild weather. Were employed to day packing the Coast furs. The Indians who came to day for the mill rations brought a line from Mr. Fenton reporting that he got the Saw Mill at length under way. Shipped some provisions & cargo today on board the Brig *Belfast*.

Saturday 25th Blowing fresh from the South West in course of the day with rain in the afternoon. The operations in hand during the week were as follows: packing & pressing furs, discharging & landing cargo from the ships, making log fence round Ogden's fields, thrashing oats &c. Our usual routine of operations are now much interrupted & will continue so until the homeward bound ship sails. The fur box will be finished in a few days hence @ which 9 of our men are employed. The *Belfast* with Capt. Stout left the harbour this morning towed by the Steamer to Rocky point.

Sunday 26th Raining all day, wind strong from the S.E. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 27th Raining during the day with frequent showers throughout the day. Men employed pressing the furs, shipping salt on board the *Beaver* & draining the fields, &c. No trade.

Tuesday 28th Fair weather for a part of the forenoon but set in rain in the evening with a gale of wind fm S.E. Had several puncheons of small furs pressed & packed for En^s. People principally employed about the shipping. No trade. Early this morning the *Beaver* left for Nisqually but returned in the evening being unable to proceed with the high wind. This evening Mr. M^cKay has been re engaged for three years & last Saturday, Bole passed on engagement for two. Several of our Islanders intend to leave by the homeward ship.

Wednesday 29th Overcast but kept dry all day. Early this morning the *Beaver* left again for Nisqually. We have now completed the packing of the furs now to be shipped for England &

all hands were so employed & shipping stores on board of the *Cowlitz*.

Thursday 30th Overcast & threatening but kept dry all day, though it rained heavily over night, wind blowing strong from the South West. We had all the furs, deer & seal skins with 12 bales of the wool to day shipped on board of the *Cowlitz*. Some of the Saw Mill gearing got deranged in course of last night. Which ~~detained~~ stopped it for this day.

December

Friday 1st Decr Overcast with slight drizzling rain in course of the forenoon, wind S. East. We had the wool & hides shipped this evening on board of the *Cowlitz* all safe & dry & also a few skow loads of shingles. People employed principally shipping cargo on board the *Mary Dare* & *Cowlitz*. About 3pm ~~an~~ some Nisqually Indians arrived & brought a packet {of} letters from Dr. Tolmie.

Saturday 2nd Blowing fresh from the South West. The result of this week's work as regards farming & other improvements at this place is unimportant. All our men having been employed about the shipping. All her stores for the homeward voyage were to day shipped on board of the *Cowlitz*. No trade except a few skins from the Skatchets, who arriv^d yesterday.

Sunday 3rd Had a heavy fall of snow on this morning, afterwards cleared up with the wind light from the North East. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 4th Keen frost over night with a heavy fall of snow in course of the day, wind North East. All the hides & horns for exportation were shipped on board of the *Cowlitz* & some lumber shipped on board of the *Mary Dare*. All hands were employed shipping cargo & performing other operations about the Estab^l.

Tuesday 5th Frosty weather still continues, wind northerly. About 2 inches of snow now on the ground. People employed much the same as yesterday. About 11Am the *Beaver* arrived from Nisqually & brought a load of cattle & sows for this place & some provisions for the B^{qu} *Cowlitz*.

Wednesday 6th Weather overcast in the evening & set in to snow at night, wind still from the North^d and Eastward. Supplied the seamen homeward bound with supplies from the Sale Shop. People employed as yesterday about the shipping, cutting wood ∞ Steamer &c. The B^{qu} *Cowlitz* is now ready for sea, the seamen having this evening signed their accounts & the packet for London closed.

Thursday 7th Very rainy & sleety this morning but cleared up into a fine day about 10 Am when the B^{qu} *Cowlitz* ~~towe~~ left for London via the Sand^h Islands, towed towards Rocky point by the *Beaver*. Some furs & oil were traded to day from the Whotlumies. The two Songes chiefs were each made a present of a capot a blanket & a shirt.

Friday 8th Overcast with the wind from the N. East & snow over night. People employed

loading the *Mary Dare* with lumber & making up some bales for Vancouver.

Saturday 9th Fine clear weather with some frost over night. People employed the same as usual. We have not much to show this week in the way of work about the place except getting the *Cowlitz* and *Mary Dare* ready for sea & having cut several cords of wood for the Steamer.

Sunday 10th Overcast with wind from the North East. Nothing remarkable.

Monday 11th Blowing a gale of wind from the South East, accompanied with heavy rain which continued almost all day. Several packages of sundries were shipped to day on board the *Beaver* for Vancouver & Nisqually. Almost all our hands were this morning sent to the Mill to assist in making ready the potatoe cellar & other work there.

Tuesday 12th Beautiful weather with light variable winds. Had some frost over night. About 9AM the Steamer being ready to leave, Messrs Douglas & Work embarked & the *Mary Dare* having been taken along side for towing out started, the Messrs Douglas & Work for Nisqually & the Brig bound for the Sand^h Islands was left by the Steamer @ Rocky point. We had 2000 of the east side otters packed to day for Sitka. 11 beavers & otters were traded to day from some Whotlumies. Fenton with 5 of his men arrived in the afternoon with the mill crank which unfortunately broke this morning. We have however got another to replace it.

Wednesday 13th Had some frost over night. Weather overcast during the day, wind light from the Eastward. Finished packing all the land otters on hand here for Sitka, which am^l. to 4079 including those from the east side, they are however not as yet press^d. People employed about the Stores & Indians with Thomas tying up the loose bundles of shingles.

Thursday 14th Blowing a gale from the S.E. over night, showery with sleet all day. We have now got all the land otters press^d & ready for shipment. 5 hands on the sick list. No trade worth mentioning.

Friday 15th Cold weather with some snow, wind North E. People employed cutting wood for Steamer. Nothing remarkable.

Saturday 16th Blowing fresh from the South West & very cold with frost. People employed cutting wood for the Steamer. The result of this week's work as follows: the east side & west side otters packed and press^d for Sitka & 10 cords wood cut ∞ Steamer. The most of our force were employed at the Mill during this week. No trade.

Sunday 17th Keen frost over night with some snow in course of the day. Wind blowing fresh from the N.E.

Monday 18th Keen frost still continues & snowing all day. Wind Northerly & very cold. People principally employed cutting wood for the Steamer & the carpenters preparing material for building a boat. No trade. Six of our men are now on the sick list with influenza & also several of the women.

Tuesday 19th Very keen frost over night which continued very intense all day. Wind blowing strong from the Northward. People employed cutting & carting in wood ∞ use of the Estab^l & attending the sick. No trade worth noticing. The complaint which we have now got in the Fort appears to be spreading amongst the Indians.

Wednesday 20th Severe frost still continues & the harbour is now coated over with ice. Wind blowing fresh from the Northward. People employed much the same as yesterday. Several of them are now laid up with the influenza which I fear will spread & prove as severe in this quarter as last year. No trade. Three of our pigs having littered this evening had them housed in the pig sty. M^ePhail found a cow with a young calf to day & others earlier than last year.

Thursday 21st Snowing all day night & for some time in course of the day. Wind still from the Northward but the weather is much milder than yesterday. Harvey, is with an assistant, raising oak knees & Gagnon & Lazard arranging the flooring in the men's houses and the others much the same as yesterday. No trade.

Friday 22nd Wind veered to the North East this forenoon with a heavy fall of snow. People employed as usual, carting wood & attending the sick. No trade. Slaughtered an ox & a pig to day which the people are to have on the approaching holidays.

Saturday 23 Had a heavy fall of snow in course of last night. Mild weather throughout the day. This week does not show much labor in the farming line performed, it having been mostly occup^d in cutting firewood. No trade. Killed another animal to day for our people & the *Cadboro's* crew.

Sunday 24th Blowing strong from the South West with occasional showers of sleet and rain. About noon the *Beaver* arrived from Nisqually, Mr. C{hief} F{actor} Work passenger.

Monday 25th Had some frost over night. Weather alternately clear & cloudy during the day. This being Xmas it was kept accordingly & the following rations above what they usually receive were served out to the people viz^t: 1pt molasses, 1/2 pt rum, 6 lb fresh beef, 4 lb fresh pork & 1 lb flour. The day passed away quietly enough except that I received a severe cut on the left hand in attempting to get a knife from Thomas the interpreter, who took hold of it with the intention of stabbing some of the men in a drunken row. No other occurrence worthy of notice.

Tuesday 26th The weather is now getting much warmer & the snow is gradually disappearing. The people employed discharging lumber from the Steam Vessel. No trade.

Wednesday 27th Blowing strong from the South West with occasional showers. The people employed shipping cargo & stores on board the *Beaver*. All the land otters for Sitka were safely shipped this forenoon. 12 men on the sick list with the prevailing complaint of oppression of the chest, headache &c.

Thursday 28 Overcast & mild weather. Our people were all this day shipping wood on

board the *Beaver*. Late in the evening two of the mill men arrived with the saw considerably bent. Some of the iron work binding it having given way, which will stop it for several days.

Friday 29th Blowing fresh from the South West with occasional showers of rain. Our men employed to day shipping firewood on board of the *Beaver* & forging a new crank for the Saw Mill. The Indians are now busy with their annual ceremonies & bring little or nothing for trade.

Saturday 30th Weather overcast with a light breeze from the Eastward. The crank for the Saw Mill had been forged yesterday with much trouble & the blacksmith is to day employed making a new fixture for the mill saw to replace the broken one. The principal work performed this week was the cutting wood for & shipping wood on board the *Beaver*. The people were allowed the same extra rations for the coming New Year as they were allowed last Saturday for Christmas. 12 of our men have been on the sick list this week. Lazard with an assistant had the frame of a new winn^s machine put up in course of the week. Trade at present entirely a dead letter. The *Beaver* is now ready to leave North^d but will now remain until after the New Year.

Sunday 31st Weather generally clear and frosty with a fresh breeze from the Northward. Nothing remark^{le}.

