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Friday 1<sup>st</sup>. About one o'clock this morning, I heard the fire engine outside, so I quickly dressed myself and went out, but it proved to be only a bon fire, on 9<sup>th</sup> and Webster st. I arose this morning, at quarter past six, and milked the cow. Today there was no school as it is May-day, and my grade ~~is~~ had a picnic to Berkeley but I did not go. After breakfast I went after mails. ~~at~~ This whole forenoon I helped uncle make an inclosure around some pampas grass, and then chop half a tree down, in the garden. This afternoon mother, Bella, Herman and I went to a <sup>microscopic</sup> picnic in Taskings Gardens in Alameda. We missed the one o'clock train so we went on the three o'clock train. I seen the turners play with big clubs, and then they jumped; one man jumped standing ~~at~~ 10 ft and 2 in. and another jumped running 16 ft. 11 in. and then I seen the people dance. We returned home on the five o'clock train. I also seen the hairless horse. Before supper I went to the bakery. After supper I went to the post office, and then again 8 o'clock. It was a pleasant day.



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Saturday - 2<sup>nd</sup>, I arose at a quarter before six, milked the cow, and then helped uncle sweep the yard before breakfast. After breakfast I went to the Grocery store. This whole forenoon uncle and I raked the garden, swept the walks, took up the heaps of rubbish, beat out the carpets. Before and after dinner I with Johnnie and Herman hoed all the grass off the side walk. Mother and father went over to the city today to see Mrs. Buncles start for Japan. Bella Williams was here this afternoon. After supper I went to the post office. I shall bathe tonight. It was a very warm day.

Sunday 3 - I arose at a quarter before after six, milked the cow, and then put on my Sunday clothes. This forenoon Bella, Nida Fleming, and I went to church to hear Mr. Hamilton preach; there were two young ladies baptised there today. Father gave me 25<sup>c</sup> to give in church but there was no collection taken up; they by making me \$3.60. This afternoon I stayed in the house and read. After supper I went to the post office, and then played with the dogs. This evening I wrote a letter to Frank in Portland. It was a very pleasant day. Thermometer standing 72° in the shade at noon.



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Monday 4 - I arose at six this morning, milked the cow, and then played with the dogs. This forenoon at school we had the explanation of examples in square root, and drawing; and this afternoon we had Analysis, and Physical Geography. I had to stay a quarter of an hour after school for a check. Before supper I went to the bakery. After supper I went to the post office. I studied Analysis this evening. It was a pleasant, and we had sun showers this morning, and before supper. Father gave me 50¢ this evening, for shining his and the children's boots last week, making me \$4.10

Tuesday 5 - I arose at a quarter before six, milked the cow, and then read. This afternoon forenoon, at school, we had Arithmetic; and this afternoon we had Analysis. I had to stay a quarter of an hour after school because I had a check. At recess I played tag. This afternoon I stayed in the yard. I went to the post office after supper, and had to go again soon after to take a package. We had straw berries for dinner, the first of the season. I studied Analysis this evening. It rained a good deal this forenoon.



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Wednesday 6 - I arose at six, this morning, milked the cow, and then read. After breakfast I went after the "Boys and girls' weekli". This forenoon at school, we had Arithmetic, Analysis and a lesson on colors. This afternoon, afternoon, after singing we Analysis the whole afternoon. After school I went to the Grocery store. After supper I went to the post office and library and then played with the dogs. I did my examples, and studied History this evening. It rained a good deal last night and this forenoon.

Thursday 7 - I arose after a good sleep, at a quarter before six, milked the cow, and then studied Analysis. After breakfast I went to the grocery store. This forenoon at school, we had Arithmetic, Music and writing in our copy books. At noon we played "black man". This afternoon, we had writing, studied Analysis, and then wrote 10 lines about Mr. Clellan. I had to stay a quarter of an hour after school for a check. After school I went up town after some tissue paper. Father sold his parlor rifle after school to Geo. Dille for \$11. After supper I went to the post office. I studied Analysis and History this evening. It was a very pleasant day. Joe Welham came today and will stay a couple of days.



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Friday 8: - I arose this morning, ran around with the dogs, and then milked the cow. After breakfast I went down town and bought myself a nice cravat for 50¢ clear into me for 60. This forenoon at school, we studied before recess, and after recess we had Arithmetic; while the other grades were having examinations.

This afternoon we studied Analysis. At noon I played "black man." After school I beat out the carpets, and then went to the post office. I am going to begin to go to the dancing school this evening; so after supper I dressed myself in my Sunday clothes, and went to the Music Hall on 6<sup>th</sup> street, and paid for this month (\$2.00). Mr. Tunt showed us the steps, and then those who could get partners danced the waltz, schottish, quadrille, and lancers. I could not get a partner so I had to look on. I came home at 9 P.M. It was a very pleasant day.

Saturday 9: - I arose this morning, at a quarter past six, and milked the cow. This forenoon I and uncle raked the garden, swept the yards and walks, cleared the big lot, and then took up the piles. Joe Welham went back



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to Petaluma today. After dinner I went down to the depot to see if Josephine and Willie had arrived from Howards but they had not yet arrived. This afternoon I stayed in the house and yard. After supper I watered the lettuce and my little garden, and then I went to the library and read the papers.

It was a windy day. I will later tonight.  
 Sunday 10 - I arose this morning at six o'clock, milked the cow and then put on my Sunday clothes. After breakfast I went to the post office but it was not yet open, so I went again at nine o'clock. This forenoon I drew. This whole afternoon I stayed in the house. After supper I went to the post office. This evening I read "Rich and Humble". It was a very long, some day. It was a very pleasant day, though this afternoon it was windy.

Monday 11 - Willie and Josephine came back from Howards, late last night. I arose at six o'clock this morning, milked the cow and then played with the dogs. This forenoon at school we had to study Grammar before recess, and after ~~recess~~ recess we had Arithmetic. This afternoon we had drawing. After school I went to



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the post office. After supper I watered my little garden, and then I took a walk with William: up to twelfth street, and then down Broadway. It was a delightful day.

Tuesday 12 - I arose at half past five, this morning, and milked the cow for the last time, as uncle and Willie will take her back to Burdell's this morning, and bring the old cow back again. After breakfast I went to the butcher and post office. This whole forenoon we had an examination in Analysis for promotion; I think it was rather easy. This afternoon we studied Grammar and Spelling in our Physiology. After school I went to the Grocery store. After supper I went to the post office, and then ran around for exercise. It was a delightful day.

Wednesday 13 - I arose before six this morning, and ran around with the dogs. After breakfast I went to the post office and butcher, and then went after "the boys and girls weekly." This whole forenoon at school we picked out words for Spelling, and then Grammar. We had Mrs. Craven for a teacher today. This afternoon we had to copy some



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words off the black board for spelling, and then we had Grammar. After school I went to the post office and then stayed in the house. After supper I worked in my little garden and then went to the post office. I studied Grammar this evening. It was a pleasant day, though this forenoon was rather doubtful.

Thursday 14 - I arose at half past six, and fed the chickens. After breakfast I went to the butcher and post office. Before recess this forenoon we had an examination in Spelling for promotion; we had sixty words and it was pretty hard. After recess <sup>we had music</sup> ~~and~~ this afternoon we studied and recited Grammar. ~~and~~. After school as I had to stay in the house I borrowed "Frank Leslie Boys of America" of Morice Siebittel and read it until supper. After supper I cut off a chicken's head, went to the post office, and then went again at 8 o'clock. It was a pleasant day though this forenoon was doubtful. After school I went with father and got a new pair of boots.

Friday 15 - I arose at half past six this morning, and fed the chickens. After breakfast I went to the butcher and post office. This forenoon we had



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to study Physiology under Mrs. Meek, and this afternoon under Miss Ptancue. After school, I watered the whole garden. Uncle and Willie came back with the new cow this evening, and I had to milk her, she giving nearly a pailful.

This evening I and Bella went to the dancing school; mother Josephine and Hela Stemming went along. We went through the steps, and I did not dance the waltz and shottish but I danced the lancers with Bella. It closed at half past eight and will not meet again until the 1st Friday in June as the hall is engaged by another party. It was a pleasant day.

Saturday 16 - I arose at half past five this morning, and milked the cow as I did this evening. Before breakfast I and uncle swept the whole yard, and after breakfast I helped him rake the garden, sweep the walks, and take up the piles of dirt and then I beat out the carpets. This afternoon I drew a little and stayed in the house. After supper I played "shummy" with some little neighbors.



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Harvey Burdell with his mother had dinner with us today, and then took mother, Josephine, and Willie to a picnic in Brooklyn. I received a letter from Frank this evening in Portland; he says that he can sell his cavalry sword at \$4 a piece. It was a delightfully warm day; the thermometer standing  $77^{\circ}$  at noon. ~~Father thought~~ Father gave me  $10^{\circ}$  today, making <sup>me \$79</sup> Sunday 17. I arose at six o'clock, milked the cow as I did this evening, and then put on my Sunday clothes. After breakfast I wrote a note to Frank in Portland telling him to send me a cavalry sword. Father gave me  $50^{\circ}$  this morning for blackening boots last week, making me \$4.20. This forenoon I went to church with Bella, Josephine, Hela, Fleming, and Willie, to hear Mr. Hamilton preach. This afternoon I stayed in the house and read. Harvey Burdell came this afternoon, and after supper Willie and I rowed him, Josephine, and Johnnie and Herman around Lake Merritt until eight o'clock. It was very hard work. It was a pleasant day.



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Monday 17- I arose at six this morning, and milked the cow. This forenoon at school we had an examination in Physiology for promotion; we had sixteen questions, and it was pretty hard.

This whole afternoon we studied Grammar. I had to stay a quarter of an hour after school for a check. After school I went to the post office and then played shummy with the children. After supper I went to the library, and played checkers with Bromly and Howell. It was a very pleasant day.

Tuesday 19- I arose at half past six, and milked the cow, as I did this evening. This whole forenoon we had exercises in composition; and this afternoon we again had composition, and Grammar. After school I stayed in the yard. After supper I went to the post office, and at eight o'clock I took a walk down town. I wrote a letter to Charlie this evening to Clorisdale. It was a pleasant day, but a cold evening.



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Wednesday 20. - I arose at a quarter past six, and milked the cow. After breakfast I went after the "Boys and Girls weekly," and read it until school time. This forenoon, we had to write a composition for promotion, and I wrote on Columbus. I was at quarter past eleven, so I went home, until one o'clock. I nearly got expelled from school this morning: yesterday afternoon I put a piece of paper on Mrs. Craven's bustle, and she made a great fuss over it, but this morning I apologized to her. This whole afternoon we studied Grammar under Mrs. Craig. After supper I played with the dogs, and then went to the post-office. It was a pleasant day.

Thursday 21. - I arose at half past six, and milked the cow, as I did this evening. This forenoon, we had an oral music examination; we had to sing the psalm, and then read music. This afternoon we studied Grammar. I stayed half an hour after school for a check. After school I stayed in the house. After supper I went to the library and looked at the papers. Mother, Josephine, Willie, Bella with Harvey Bundel went to a straw berry part for our church. I played foot ball at school today. Mr. Parker came this evening. It was a pleasant day.



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Friday 22: - I arose at half past five, milked the cow, and then read. This whole forenoon we had an examination in Grammar for promotion; we had seventeen questions, and it was midling hard. I was finished at half past twelve, and then I came home for the rest of the day. This afternoon I went to the butcher, and then to the grocery store. This afternoon I stayed in the house. Father bought another little parlor rifle today (\$2) that will shoot longer cartridges. We got a horse today. After supper I ran around, and at 8 o'clock I went to the post office. Harvey Bundell took Josephine to a calico ball this evening. This forenoon it was pleasant, but this afternoon it drizzled.

Saturday 23: - Harvey Bundell stayed over night, and took Josephine out buggy riding, this afternoon. Before breakfast I helped uncle sweep clean the barn yard, and after breakfast rake the garden, sweep the walk and yard. I beat out the carpets, and before dinner I cleaned father's four barreled shot gun. We also shot with the parlor rifle. This



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afternoon I had my hair cut, and then I cleaned out the parlor rifle; but in doing so, the rag got stuck, so I had to take the gun to Sigbuttels shop, but as he didn't have time I tried again and got it out. After supper I ran around, and at 8 P.M. I went to the post office. It was a delightful day. Mother this afternoon said I might go to Howards in vacation.

Sunday 24. - I arose before six this morning, milked the cow, and then put on my Sunday clothes. After breakfast I went to the post office. Willie, Bella, and I went to church this morning, to hear Mr. Hamilton preach. This afternoon I stayed in the home. After supper I went to the post office, and also played catch with Morris, Sigbuttell. I studied History this evening. It was a very pleasant day; the thermometer standing  $74^{\circ}$  at noon.

Monday 25. - I arose after six o'clock this morning, and milked the cow. After breakfast I went down town and bought a dime's worth of foolscap paper leaving me \$4.10. This whole forenoon we had an examination in History for promotion; we had 34 questions and it was pretty easy. This whole afternoon



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we had to study reading. Charley came home from Cloverdale today!

I stayed after school for a check.

After school I went to the post office, and then went with father and Charley to get a pair of pants. After supper I went to the post office.

After supper I set out a border for my garden, and also gave Morris some slips for a three minute glass. It was a pleasant day; the thermometer showing 70° at noon.

Tuesday 26: - I slept again in my room last night. I arose at six this morning and milked the cow, as I did this evening. This forenoon, at school we had an examination in German for promotion; we had 7 questions and I think I will be perfect. And then we had mental arithmetic. This afternoon we had mental Arithmetic and reading. I rehearsed my piece after school. After supper I went to the library and played checkers with Bromley; and then he showed me how to play chess until little before nine o'clock. It was a pleasant morning, but this afternoon it was windy and dusty.



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Wednesday 27 - I arose at six this morning, and milked the cow, as I did also this morning. After breakfast I went after the Boys and Girls Weekly, which I read until school-time. This whole forenoon we had an examination in Drawing for promotion; we had to draw a little design. This afternoon we had writing and mental Arithmetic. After school I stayed in the yard. After supper I went to the library and to a local option law meeting, where they had a music band, and some speeches; I stayed until half past nine. It was a dusty day.

Thursday 28. I arose at six this morning and milked the cow. This forenoon at school we had an examination in mental Arithmetic for promotion; we had ten questions and it was very easy. After that we had an examination in Music for promotion; we had ten questions and it was very easy. This afternoon we had Drawing and reading. After school I stayed in the yard. After supper I watered my little garden, and played with the dogs, and then went to the local option law meeting at the tent with uncle and Willie and came home at eleven o'clock, there was a lively time. It was a very pleasant day.



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Friday 29. - I arose at six, milked the cow, and then played with the dog.

This whole forenoon, and afternoon we had arithmetic, and Mr. Brod was out of the room most all day.

We also had singing a temperance song with the tune of John Brown.

I stayed after school, and drew until quarter to four. Father said we should probably go to South America in July.

After supper Charley and I took a walk down to the Webster street bridge.

After that I went to the temperance meeting in the tent; there were several speeches made until half past nine,

when the meeting adjourned to the 4<sup>th</sup> st. piazza, where there were several speeches made until half past ten.

Great enthusiasm prevailed. It was a hot day; thermometer at 2 P.M. 86°.

Saturday 30. - Today was the soldiers' decoration day, and the temperance meeting election. I arose at quarter past six, and milked the cow as I did this evening. This forenoon I helped uncle and Willie clean the barn yard, rake the garden, and sweep the yards and walks. At ten o'clock I went to the City Hall to see



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how the election was going on. After dinner I with Charlie and Charlie Hardy took an hours sail on lake Merritt. I paying 50¢ leaving me \$3.60. I also took a swim from the boat. After that I again went down town to see how the election proceeded. I gave Josephine 5¢ in payment of a bet I had made with her: that we should be gone from Oakland on the 1st of May, leaving me \$3.55. After supper Charley and I took a walk down town. It was a very hot day - thermometer standing 80° at 7 A.M. and 90° at noon. I bathed tonight. It was windy this forenoon, and a large branch of a Gum tree broke down. My nose bled four times today.

Sunday 31 - News received that the against license won the election yesterday, and last night there was a great ringing of bells. I arose at six, milked the cow as I did this evening, and then put on my Sunday clothes. After breakfast I went to the post office. With Josephine and Willie went to church this forenoon to hear Mr. Hamilton preach. Father gave me 50¢ for blackening boots last week making me \$4.05. After dinner Mr. Parker, who came this forenoon, Charley, and I and another boy went took a walk to



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Sake Merritt, and while there I found a fine little turtle, which I brought home. After that we played croquet with Frank Rodolph. After supper I went to the post office, and after that seeing a tame canary flying in the yard, Willie and I chased it unsuccessfully half an hour. It was such a windy day, that the remaining branch of the gum tree broke down.



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Monday 1. - I got up quarter past six, and milked the cow. I helped to saw a gum tree down in the garden before school. The whole day at school we had Arithmetic. I stayed after school until 5 o'clock to draw on the black board. After supper I went to the library and also seen them at the tent shoot off rockets in honor of the Temperance victory. It was a pleasant day, though this forenoon was doubtful.

Tuesday 2. - I arose at six, milked the cow, and then played with Caesar. After breakfast I chopped wood and made butter. We had an examination in Arithmetic for promotion at school; we had 18 questions and it was hard. I was finished at one o'clock and then came home. This afternoon I helped Willie put up a trapeze in the barn yard, and then exercised on it. At three o'clock I went back to school but soon came back again. After supper I practised on the trapeze. It was a pleasant: the thermometer showing  $68^{\circ}$  at noon.

Wednesday 3. - Yesterday I over exerted myself on trapeze, ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> strained my heart, and today I could hardly run, or take a large breath. I arose at a quarter before six, this morning, and milked the



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cow. After breakfast I went after the Boys and Girls Weekly, and read it until school time. This forenoon at school I finished my copy book, and then drew on the black board. This afternoon we drew on the black board, had reading, and then Mr. Campbell examined us in Reading for promotion; he made us each read something in our reading books. After school I stayed in the yard. After supper I went to the library, and at eight o'clock I went to the post office. It was a pleasant day.

Thursday 4. - I arose after six, <sup>relocated</sup> milked the cow, and then exercised on the trappeze. The whole day I drew on the black-board (rose ornament). All the grades but ours, had their exhibitions today. After school I stayed in the yard. After supper I went to the library, and looked at the papers. At eight o'clock I went to the post office. It was a windy day.

Friday 5. - I arose at six this morning, after a sleepless night, and milked the cow. Today was the last day of school. This forenoon I did not do any thing particularly: I drew on the



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Blackboard, and washed my inkwell out, etc. I also took flowers to school, and put on my Sunday clothes. This afternoon we had our exhibition. At one o'clock Mr. Brodt read our promotions: I am promoted into the junior class. We all went into the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade room, leaving the other room for the visitors. We had declamations, songs, and dialogues. We were finished at four o'clock, and after bidding Mr. Brodt good bye, I came home. This evening Bella and I went to the dancing school; I danced the lancers and waltz quadrilles, and I waltzed with a boy. We came home quarter past nine. It was a pleasant day.

Saturday 6. - I arose this morning at six o'clock, milked the cow, and then helped clean the barn yard. This forenoon I helped rake the garden, sweep the walks, and take up the piles. Before dinner I beat out the carpets. Mr. and Mrs. Tausmond of Timber Cove came this morning and will stay over night. This afternoon I practised playing chess and on the trapeze. At eight o'clock this evening I went to the post office and also heard that Brooklyn went in



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 favor of 'Local Option'. It was a  
 pleasant, though this evening it was  
 drizzling. I will bathe tonight.  
 Sunday 7: - I arose at half past five o'clock  
 this morning, milked the cow, and  
 then put on my Sunday clothes. Mr.  
 and Mrs. Tinsmond went away this  
 morning. I went with Josephine and  
 Willie to church to hear Mr. Hamilton  
 preach this morning. This afternoon  
 I took a good sleep on the sofa. After  
 supper Uncle, Willie, and I took a walk  
 way out Webster street, and back by  
 Telegraph Avenue. Mr. Husemeyer and  
 Ross Brown's son came this evening. It  
 was a pleasant day.

Monday 8: - I arose this morning at quarter  
 past six, milked the cow, and then  
 practised on the trapeze. This forenoon  
 I turned the grind stone for Willie to  
 sharpen an ax, and sawed wood. This  
 afternoon I drew a little, and practised  
 on the trapeze. After supper I tried to  
 hang on my heels on the trapeze, but  
 I fell down. At eight o'clock I went  
 to the post office. Before supper,  
 I went to the bakery and made 5¢  
 making me \$4.10. It was a pleasant  
 day; thermometer showing 73° at noon.



Scholars in L. G. S. 1<sup>st</sup> grade. W 3-4.

Boys.

1. Arthur Mathews. A. Anthony.

Perley Hook.

Charles Mastick.

George Dille.

Thomas Sommersville.<sup>5</sup>

Leonard Fisher.

Samuel Burchard

Eugene Howell.

John Kingland

Alfred Benitz.

Edward Hall.

Joseph Menthew

Chas. Rosenberg.

Henry Walker.

Robert Moskman.

Edward Hogan.

Martin Beel.<sup>7</sup>

Francis Weston.

Willie Rabe.

Daniel Burchard.<sup>2</sup>

Dean Samuel Bear

Willie Wells.<sup>7</sup>

Van Holsten.<sup>3</sup>

James Amos.<sup>4</sup>



Guls. Scholars in L. L. C. 1<sup>st</sup> grade, 1873-74.

Minnie Hardy. Edith Briggs.<sup>13</sup>

Annie Jenkins.<sup>7</sup> Mary Allen.<sup>12</sup>

Nellie McCartha. Sulu Weider.

Gertrude Cambell. Stella Olmsted.

Helen Aldrich. Emma ~~Allen~~<sup>19</sup>

Florence Eastland.<sup>5</sup> Ella Bradway

Olyga Keith.<sup>4</sup>

Minnie Cothead.<sup>2</sup>

Sela Cameron.<sup>6</sup>

Mary Cambell.<sup>9</sup>

Floy Wymarr.

Olla Bradway.<sup>4</sup>

Lydia Amos.<sup>10</sup>

Mary Sullivan.<sup>8</sup>

Flora Hoag.

Lottie Lambert.<sup>11</sup>

Alice Howell.

Theresa Rosenberg.

Mary Johnson.

Quincy Redstone.

Pattie Head.<sup>3</sup>



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 Tuesday 9. - I had to take some powder this morning. I arose at quarter past six o'clock, and milked the cow. This forenoon I piled up some wood, and read. This afternoon I took a sleep on the sofa, and read. This evening I a drunk lady took a sleep under our hedges, and when aroused took out a pipe and began to smoke, but at last went away. After supper I watered my little garden, and at eight o'clock I went after the "Boys and Girls Weekly", and read it until bed-time. It was a delightful day.

Wednesday 10. - We had to take some more powder this morning. I arose before six, milked the cow, and then washed off our freshly painted buggy. This forenoon I helped to manure the garden, and chased butterflies. I also fixed a little box, to pin the butterflies up in. This afternoon Charley and I took a ride down to the point in the cars (free). We saw some men dig an artesian well, which was over 350 feet deep, and then wandered among the machine shops, and saw mill. At three o'clock we walked to Market street, and then got into the cars. This evening we played croquet with Kela Hemming. It was a warm day, the thermometer showing 82° at



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Friday 12:— I arose this morning before six, milked the cow, and then read. This forenoon I fixed a butterfly box, got a leaf collection, and milked the house. The rest of the family drove out to fruit vale, and brought up back cherries. This afternoon I exercised on the trapeze, etc. After dinner I bought a powder flask (50¢) for cousin Charley, and a two bladed knife for myself (75¢) and a large one bladed one for cousin Theodor (75¢) leaving me \$2.10. This evening Bella, Hella, Flumming,



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and myself went to the dancing-school. I waltzed with another boy, and looked at the rest of the dances, after we had the primary steps. After I came home (9:15) I blackened boots for Charley, he giving me a large burning glass in return. It was a delightful day.

Saturday 13. - I got up at six o'clock this morning, and cleaned the farm yard before breakfast. Today I start for Howards.

After breakfast I packed my valise, and they helped to rake the garden, sweep the walks, and to take up the piles. Before dinner I took a bath, and dressed myself. Before I started father gave me \$2.50 making me \$14.60.

After dinner I and Willie, who is to go with me to the Petaluma boat, went to the depot, and I bought a "Boys of America" to read on the steamer. We then took the cars and steamer (15) for San Francisco, and on arriving there went on the Petaluma boat.

Before going on the boat I bought two oranges for (10¢). I staid on the boat until it reached Bonahus, and then took the cars for Santa Rosa (Passage from San Francisco to Santa Rosa costing \$2.00). On arriving at Santa Rosa, I took the



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stage for Sebastopol (1/2) where I am to stay over night at Wilson's hotel. I had a good supper before I went into my room to go to bed. I had a very severe headache this forenoon but it left me on the steamer. It was very hot on the steamer.

Sunday 14. - I arose this morning at half past four, thinking the stage was to go off soon. At half past five we had breakfast. Board and lodging cost \$1.50. I then took the stage for Freestone. After waiting for about two hours there, Charlie Howard came with the wagon <sup>and</sup> took me to the farm about four miles distant. They were all glad to see me. After having dinner, we fixed my net on a pole, and fished a snake out of the creek. We then went, by way of the creek, to the mill pond with Willie Morgan, and then had a glorious body swim. The water was very warm. After coming home I went with Charlie and drove some logs out of old Grundy's pasture. After supper I and Charlie and Theodore went hunting at Stanford's place, but could not see anything. It was a very hot day, and



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am very tired.

Monday 15. - Today is my 15<sup>th</sup> birthday. I arose at half past five this morning, and went hunting on the hill behind the house, at Stanford's old place, but could not see anything. This forenoon I and Theodore hived bees and also, a part of the afternoon, and then I sawed and split wood. After supper I milked a cow, etc. It was a warm day, with a foggy morning, and a cold evening.

Tuesday 16. - I arose at a quarter to six, and helped Charlie take the cows (3) to the pasture. After breakfast I helped Theodore drive the bull to the pasture. I then chopped wood, and dropped beans (7 to a hole) for Theodore. This afternoon I and Theodore raked mesquite grass at Stanford's old place, and way in front of the house. After supper I milked a cow, and then went hunting with Charlie at Stanford's old place, but could not kill any thing. All the children have bad colds at present. It was a rather windy day, with a foggy morning.

Wednesday 17. - I arose this morning before six o'clock, and helped Theodore take the cows to the pasture. This whole



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forenoon I and Theodore chopped pine rails into fire wood. This afternoon I and Theodore and Mr. Howard raked mesquit grass way in front of the house until three o'clock, and then I went with Theodore after the calves way back of the house, and then before supper Mr. Howard slaughtered one of them. Before supper I brought the cows home from the pasture, and then after supper I milked one of them.

After supper we had some fun with a little wagon. It was a hot day with a cold morning.

Thursday W - I arose before six o'clock this morning, and took a long walk back of Stanfords old place with Charlie before breakfast. This forenoon I seen Mr. Howard cut up the calf, and then I and Theodore hunted up the hogs in old Grundy's pasture, which we did after a good deal of running.

After dinner I caught some butterflies, and then Theodore and I raked some hay, on the side hill, and then we took a ride to Stanfords place and sacked some



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wood. Before supper we cocked some hay  
way in front of the house. After supper  
we carried some hay from the field,  
and then we greased Mr. Howard's  
the wagon. It was a hot day, with  
a cold evening.

Friday 19 - This forenoon I and Theodore  
traded hay and mesquit grass near  
Stanford's old place. While going there  
we caught two nearly full grown blue  
jays, but when we came home we  
drowned them. This afternoon I and  
Theodore, and Amelia and Clara  
succeeded corn on the hill way up back  
of the house, (leaving two stalks).

After supper I and Charlie carried  
hay from the field. It was a pleasant  
day.

Saturday 20. - I arose this morning before  
six o'clock and stayed in the house  
until breakfast, as it was rather cold  
to go out. The whole day we hoed  
corn on the hill back of the house.  
After supper I and Charlie carried  
hay from the field. This evening  
we played the card games of "Old  
maid," and "Who." It fatigued my feet  
before going to bed. It was a very hot  
day, with a cold morning.



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Sunday 21. I arose at six o'clock this morning, after a very uneasy night and wrote a letter to Joseph. A thunder and lightened last night. This forenoon and Charlie on horse back took some currants to Stanfords in Colmar valley; from there we rode to Smith's mill and back again. This afternoon and Charlie and Theodore went down to Gifford's mill pond, and went in bathing, but, as the water was too cold, we came out, and played in the mill and on the logs.

Before supper, and Theodore while going after the cows found a black berry patch, and eat a good many. After supper, and Charlie went after hay in the field. It was a cold day, with occasional warmth.

Monday 22. I raked and pitched hay into mounds all forenoon, back of Stanfords old place, and also this afternoon I caught another nearly full grown blue jay today but on tying it to a stake in the garden this evening it died. After supper, and



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Charley went after the logs in old Grumbly's pasture, but could not find them. It was a pleasant afternoon but this forenoon it was cold.

Tuesday 23:— This forenoon I helped Mr. Howard trim some logs to make a bridge, and this afternoon I helped him saw up some boards for the same purpose, until about three o'clock, when I raked hay, while Mr. Howard cocked it, back of Stanford's old place. After supper I and Charley got some hay from the field. It was a pleasant day. Howard's farm consists of 321 acres, but as it is mostly woodland only a small portion of it can be cultivated.

Wednesday 24:— This forenoon and Mr. Howard wagoned some lumber up to Stanford's old place to make a bridge. This afternoon I and Mr. Howard raked hay back of Stanford's old place. After supper Charley and I carried hay from the field before the house. Howard's children go to school this week, but next week they have none. I put on my overalls and over-shirt today.



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Thursday 25 - This forenoon I and Mr. Howard finished making the bridge back of Stanford's old place, and leveled a road near the same place. This afternoon I took a walk down the creek and there took a sleep on a log, and then went on the hill and eat black berries. After supper I shot a young hare on the hill side near the house. After supper I and Charlie carried hay, from the field near the house. It was a very warm day.

Friday 26 - This forenoon I followed the creek up to Stanford's old place, and there eat a good many goose berries. At noon I dressed myself, and then with uncle Bill and Lizzie rode over to the school-house in the wagon, about three miles distant. We heard the scholars read and spell until three o'clock. After having a short recess they spoke, and sang, etc. The exercises were very pleasant. I walked home with the boys, leaving the girls ride. It was a very pleasant day. After supper I eat a few big goose berries from the garden.



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Saturday 27 This forenoon I and Theodore and Amelia and Clara, hoed and succored corn, near Stanford's old place, and this afternoon I and Theodore did it all alone. After supper I chopped wood in the canyon back of the house.

It was a half disagreeable day. Sunday 28: I arose at six o'clock this morning, and chopped wood before breakfast. This forenoon I and Charlie and Theodore went black berrying: we went down, through the brush, to Meekers mill and there we rode on the mill car, and then we took the ride for home without finding any black berries. At eleven o'clock Charlie and I went after black berries; we found some on the hill, and then we went and picked a bucket full of goose berries at Stanford's old place, and then we found more black berries near there. After dinner Charley and I and Theodore went down to the mill pond and had a good long swim, and we all got a little sunburnt. I then wrote a letter to Josephine. We all went to see a panorama at Freestone this evening; we all rode in the wagon after supper to Freestone. I



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received a letter from Josephine while there, and she tells me that Father has sold out for \$10,000. Hurrah! Off for South America end of July. After waiting until eight o'clock the show commenced; it was not worth much; it had pictures of the Modoc war, Trained-Prussians, and other scenes. It was out at ten o'clock, and we arrived home at twelve. The boys having to walk a part of the way. It was a very hot day.

Monday 29. This whole forenoon and afternoon I and Theodore hoed and weeded corn, while Charley cultivated, back of Stanford's old place. This forenoon Mr. Howard killed a rattlesnake, and I got eight rattles from it. We rode home in the hay wagon this evening. It was a dreadful hot day.

Tuesday 30. This forenoon I and Theodore finished hoeing and weeding corn up at Stanford's old place. This afternoon we raked hay, way up in the field, back of Stanford's old place. It was a very hot day, and I got very tired.