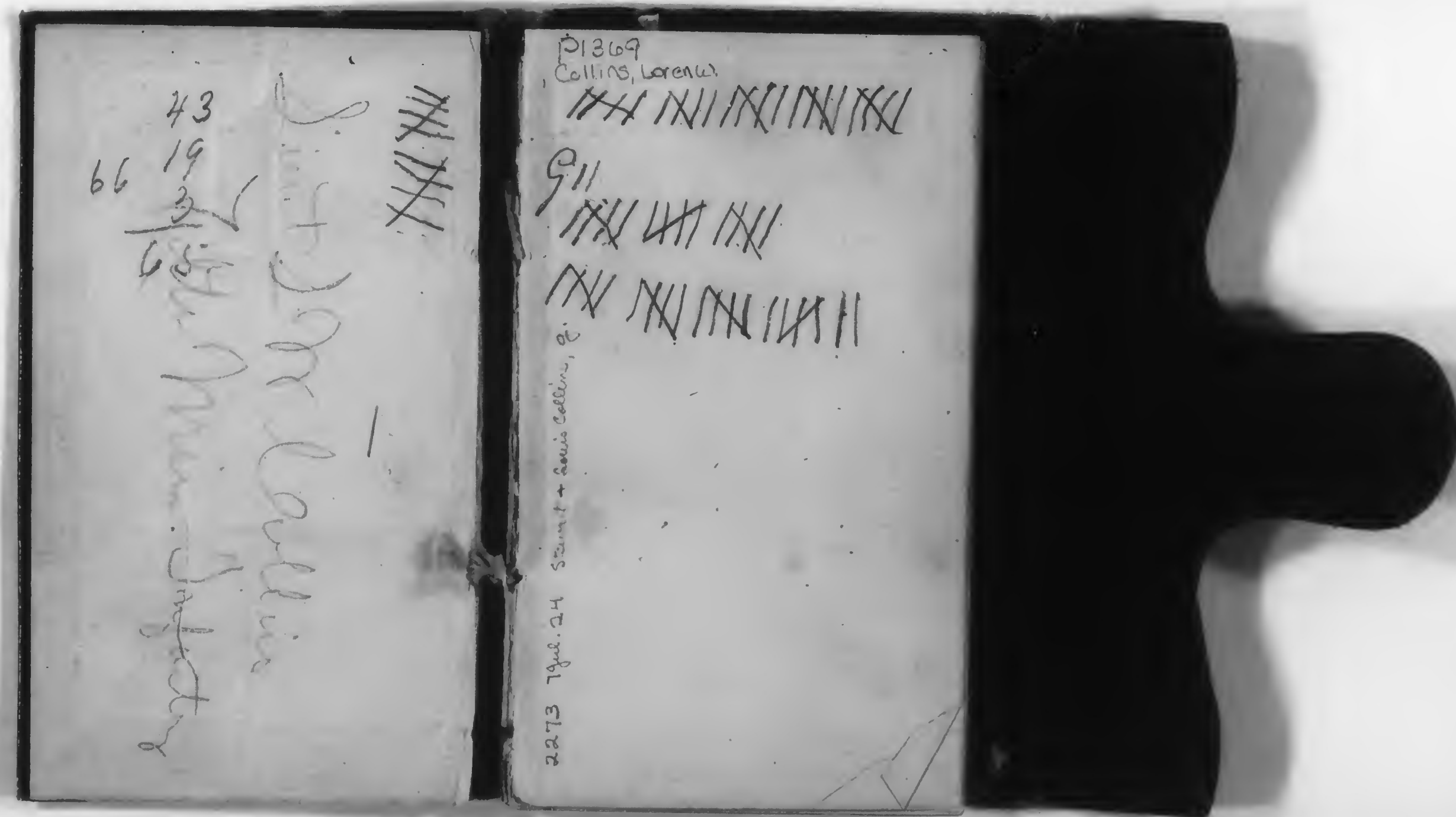
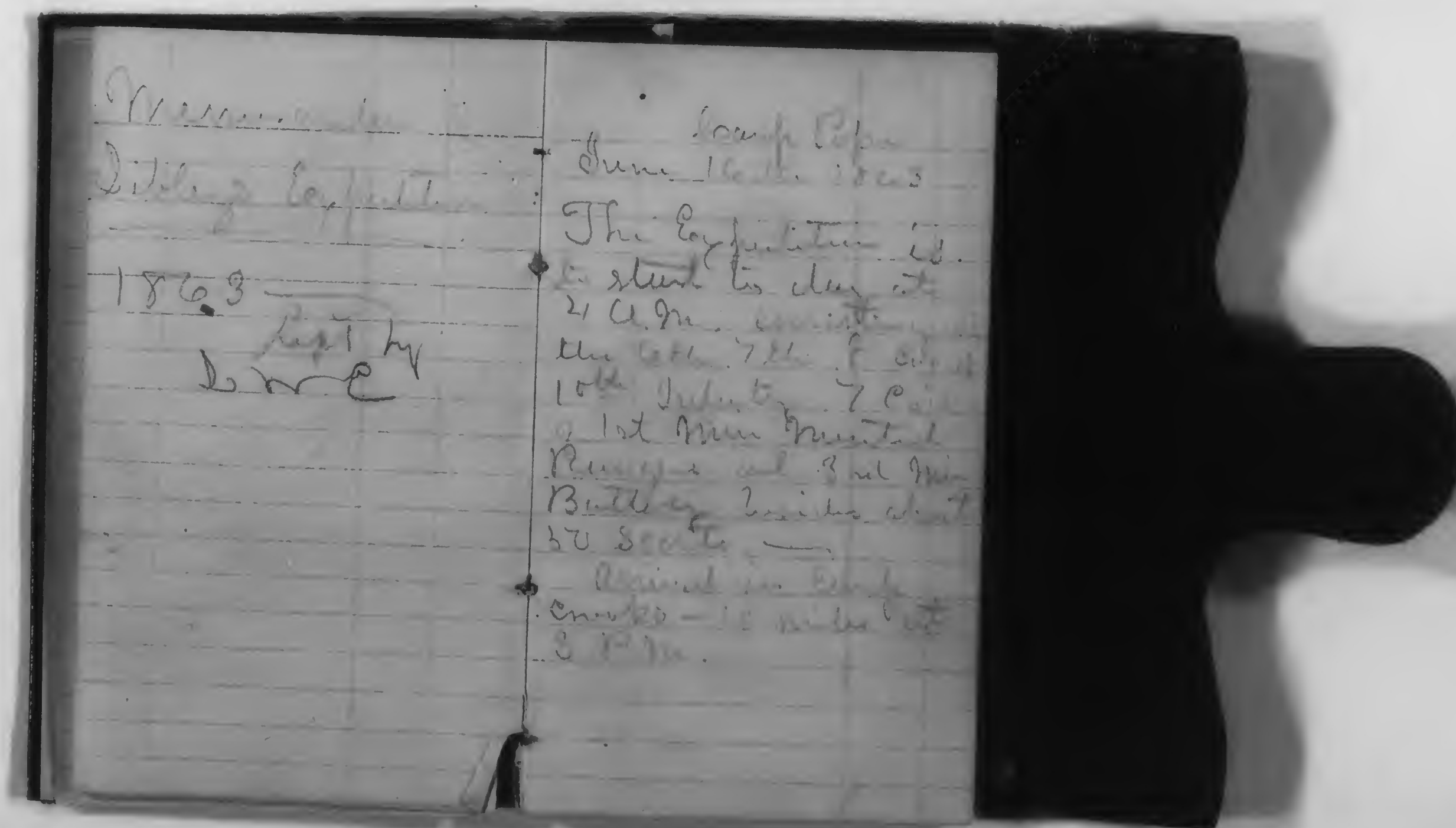




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Arrived June 17th 2 P.M. at camp 12 miles from camp This camp is near the old battle ground of Round Lake June 18th - 2 P.M. At Camp Mc Point 12 miles from Round Lake 15 miles from Yellow River Found some 19th century gunnery stores	Camp Mc Point Saturday June 20th Got into camp at 1 P.M. distance 18 miles - Situated 10 miles above old Camp Lake Sunday 21st Day in camp - much instruction at 1 P.M. at company -
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June 28th. Left Camp Ramsey on the River near a lake but without much distance about 17 miles. & have suffered in a way that has not been in the past. Copper worked in the morning with bushels from Ramsey 20 ft.	June 23d. Arrived at Cape Arrow near Sully's Point River, a fine stream about size of Vermilion distance 12 miles June 24th. At Camp Marshall on the Mescal River a small stream emptying into R. of St. Lawrence river its white sandy ground for camp the best the best of land over which we have passed for
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Two days had been
 poor rain with
 here and there a slight
 day caught fisher
 in abundance -
 several times the
 20th day 13 miles
 back to the river
 June 28th 1862
 arrived in camp
 situated on the river
 at 12 PM
 We are about half
 way up the river
 and distant back
 plenty of fish
 and
 a house in the
 Mr. Ranges shot a
 Buffalo of which we
 had a small piece
 A mail arrived in
 camp Monday this
 morning just as we
 had left the river
 yet until the day of
 Wednesday
 Western travelled
 his day about 12 miles
 over from land, but
 it is improving
 Camp No. 3
 June 28th
 Arrived in camp
 Friday 10 AM at

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4 P.M. In. m. l.
 below 1. From the
 source of the Red R.
 of the South and a
 other Minnesota was a
 small stream for many
 miles and in width
 15 miles.
 June 30
 started from Camp
 McLean at 10 A.M.
 and made the route
 over the river.
 Reached Sept
 last night and
 while within distance
 mentioned for
 the country.

Camp Cook
 July 1st
 Arrived Green 14 miles
 at 1 P.M. Plant of
 water found along
 the route but no
 lumber to be seen
 except a few trees at
 the Green. Some new
 camp. The water
 all here there is feeling
 quite unwell. All
 the people here.
 Grasshoppers are
 getting abundant.

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Camp Parker
 July 2nd
 Mule 10 miles at
 12 1/2 hr. Good work
 in general near
 St. Louis. Taken fine
 fish. The 1st of June
 in the pond.
 Camp Parker
 July 3rd
 10 miles. A night
 day.
 Several men gone
 out from the camp.
 Water from the
 at the place 12 miles
 from Camp Parker
 and to the river.

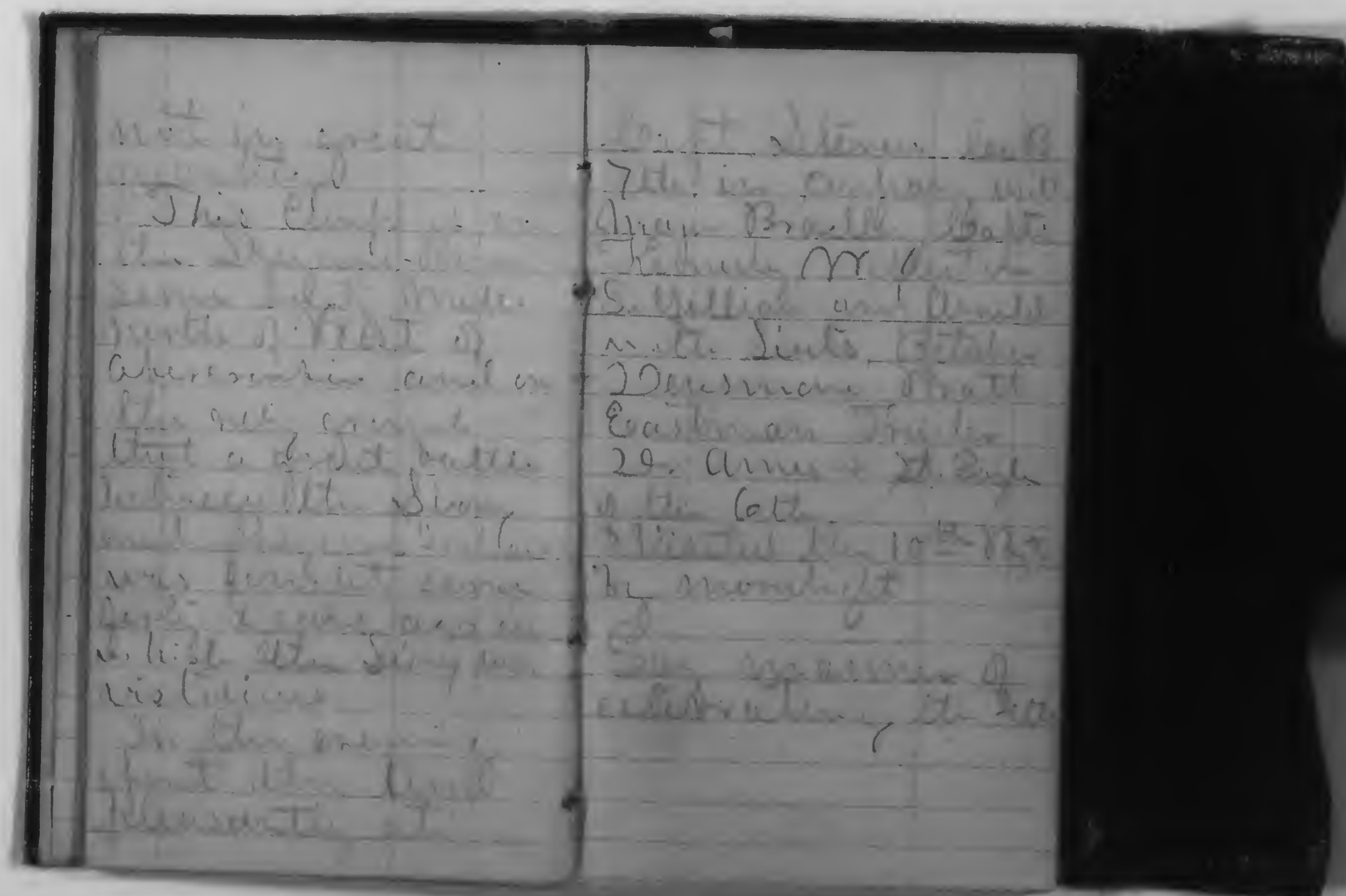
To find the 5 miles
 back. Poor camping
 ground here - but
 water and no work
 Grasshoppers in
 great quantities
 from the river.

July 4th
 Arrived at camp
 about 12 miles
 after a march of 12
 miles. The river
 much better here.
 The water is for some
 at this place. It
 is a very clear
 and much better.

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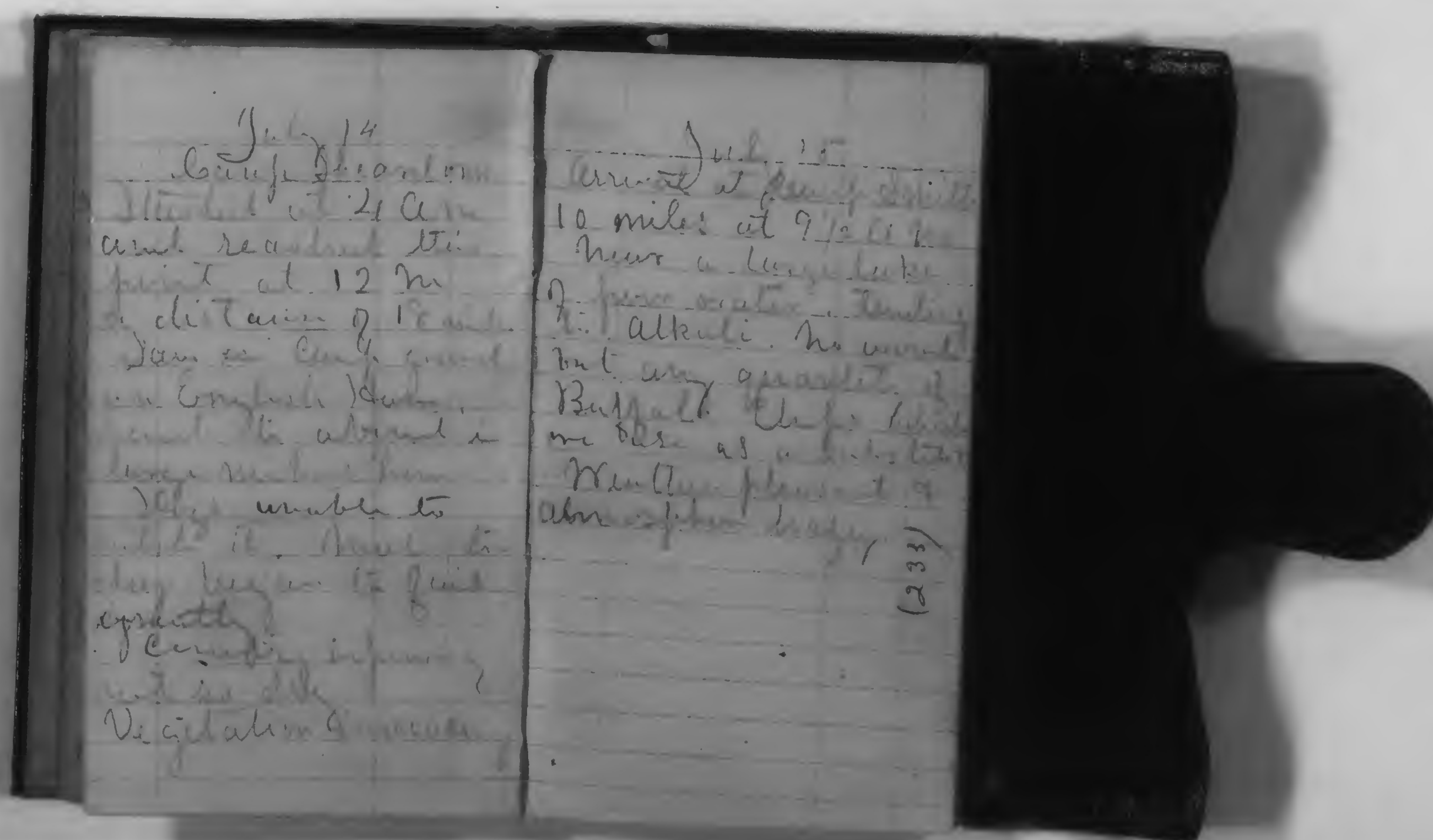
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July 14
Camp Hancock
Started at 2 AM
and reached the
point at 12 M
Distance 7 PM
Dance Camp ground
on English Lake
about the above
distance from
July unable to
walk it. Had to
stop before to find
exactly
Country improving
and so the
Vegetation improving

July 15
Arrived at Camp Hancock
10 miles at 9 PM
Near a large lake
of pure water. Standing
in alkali. No wood
but very good
Buffalo. The lake
we saw as a lake
Went to plant
atmosphere dry
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July 16 -
 Marched 16 miles
 across the Upper
 River. It is a great
 trail by light trail
 of the Confederates to
 the 83 miles from J.F.
 Abernethy. Some
 where that he crossed
 the river, says the
 14th inst.
 that several fighting
 charges to the bottom of
 mountain and on hill
 one train captured
 after in 1 by light trail
 camp. Marching
 through land and
 staying for some miles in
 upper part of River.
 Camp. Commenced on the
 large lake of the
 tendencies.
 Camp. 20 miles
 In July 17, 1863
 In Camp on a small
 lake. 16 miles
 into J.F. River
 moved. Some water
 obtained by digging
 canals and digging
 and staying

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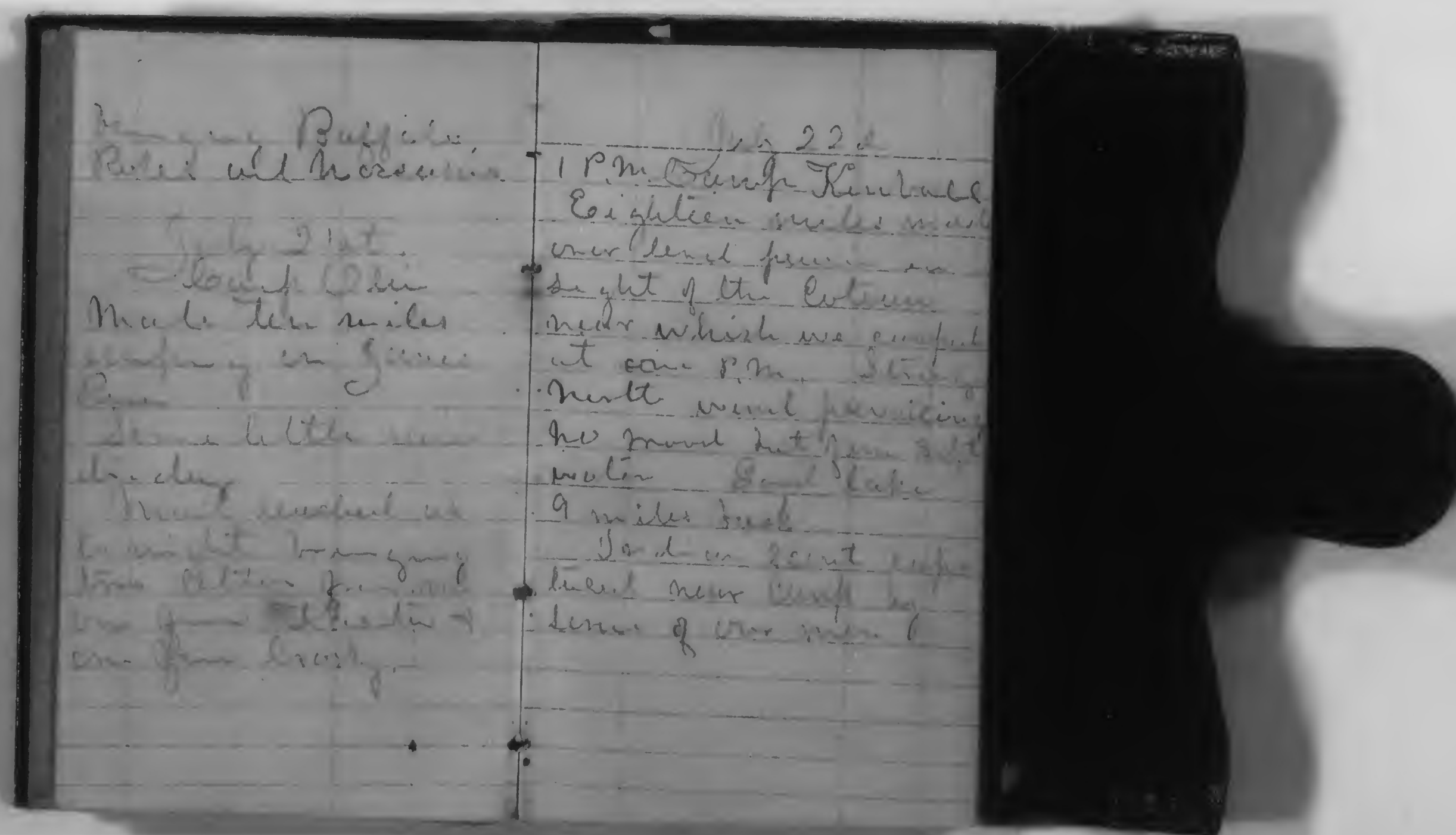
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Camp Althea
 July 19. Sunday
 Arrived here yesterday
 at 10 AM in the mill
 in falling rain storm
 The weather is better
 2 miles from 2 miles
 arrived by 10 miles
 distance 10 miles
 Here we are in the
 several miles from
 Co. and two miles
 from the fort
 The distance from
 from the fort
 20 miles a day
 until we reach
 the fort

Never yet reached
 of summer of 1862
 24th July
 great joy in camp
 6. Fort
 20th July
 Distance 20 miles
 nearly West over
 smooth plain
 The weather is
 water
 Camp of Red River
 10 miles from
 10 miles from
 in camp in night
 10 miles from
 until a period

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Camp Grant
 M. J. 23
 March 20 miles
 nearly south
 the mountain
 no water for 12
 miles. Camped
 near a large lake
 on the south
 side of the
 lake. The water
 was very low
 and the fish
 were scarce.

Camp M. J. 24
 3 P. M. July 24
 One yesterday left
 Camp Grant and after
 march a 15 miles a
 mile was reached for
 rest at a lake. The
 water was very low
 and the fish were
 scarce. The water
 was very low and
 the fish were scarce.

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under some brush to
 build a camp and
 afterward Indians
 could be seen all
 around the hills.
 While on the march
 a small party of white
 men had been riding
 with Indians on a
 hill in plain sight
 of Camp where fight
 out and the Indians
 were quickly killed
 and horses of some
 were shot down.
 Next were displayed
 as skins and the
 skins of the horses.

From hill to hill for
 ten or fifteen miles. A
 hunt was made for
 a few minutes and
 the chase then
 resumed. But the
 Phil with two Bat-
 talions of Cavalry and
 a section of Artillery
 went forward and
 drove the Indians
 down the hill and
 then it was a
 long almost 1000
 yards where the
 miles are covered
 with robes and
 cooking utensils.

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fourth dried meat
 but which killed
 and disoriented in
 the heavy evening
 crosses with rain
 at the County
 station where we
 stopped for our camp
 supposed to be about
 15 miles across
 the river after which
 terribly fatigued and
 we were out
 The night was
 particularly difficult
 as we lost Dr. Nelson
 St. Paul of the
 Cavalry who was
 hunting Buffalo with
 Sen. Birdskute and his
 Private. Brackett
 was wounded and is
 supposed to be dead
 This morning at about
 ten o'clock we started
 on our march. Ten miles
 to the river
 The Cavalry division
 to have been ordered
 to follow us but
 the Indians. Most of
 our men, myself included
 were in that stream &
 suffered greatly from
 cold. Nothing was
 there.

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Camp Bender
 July 6 Sunday
 To day we marched
 at 8 AM following
 in the trail and
 at 12 M. having
 arrived at our place
 a business night
 before last. Scouts
 reported large number
 of the enemy near
 the mouth of the
 river and we were
 sent forward at
 3 P.M. a small party
 made a dash in
 front of our teams
 but were repulsed
 by Crows in good

went forward and
 part of the 6th
 deployed as skirmishers
 at 3 P.M. the 2nd also
 deployed supported by
 the 1st and 3rd. The
 night was dark
 the 1st and 3rd
 withdrew and the
 2nd and the 6th
 were killed and
 a section of Artillery
 sent forward at
 3 P.M. a small party
 made a dash in
 front of our teams
 but were repulsed
 by Crows in good

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style. Cavalry brought in four scalps but a scout two. One man mostly wounded belonging to Co. D of Rangers. Tompkins captured one evidently belonging to a primi- tive man. Tompkins made camp at night. Man taken over to Rangers and checked but never died.	Camp Schumacher Camp Schumacher July 27 Marched 65 miles on the trail of the bad man. A few days have been very wet with much rain. Camp made at night. July 28 Camp Schumacher On a small stream and to be left. Rain of good water with a little wind. The sun came out. At night. This morning the train was attacked.
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Camp Slaughter
 July 30th 1862
 To-day a detachment
 under Col. Crook, con-
 sisting of 3 Co's of Inf.
 from the 1st Co.
 of Cavalry and some
 pieces of Artillery were
 sent down into the canon
 to find the bodies of
 Sgt. Brewer and Private
 M. Miller of Co. H. 6th
 Regt. and to destroy the
 property left by the
 Indians in their flight
 across the Missouri.
 Sgt. Brewer was found
 dead lying on his back
 horse also killed. He
 had evidently lost the
 trail and fell into an
 ambush. Near his
 dead horse he had his
 revolver with the skin
 of his gun taken off.
 Everything taken from
 him was sent and some
 of his effects were
 destroyed. Private
 M. Miller was found
 dead, his horse
 also killed. A great number of
 mules were destroyed
 estimated at one
 hundred.

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July 31st 1862
 Today we arrived in
 camp and at the camp
 at the house of
 Mr. Brown. We found
 He was buried with
 his bones with
 Grant's left
 Wilson + Butler of Range
 Apple & Hackett of
 the 1st and Capt.
 McCallie and myself
 of the 7th and 2nd
 Co. of the 1st
 The game was at the
 angle of the plateau
 from the junction
 of Apple & McCallie
 River and the Missouri
 made the East end
 West and all bones
 discovered by digging
 a rifle pit near it
 showing the skeleton
 went over it
 At night after
 being asleep the dog
 was killed and with
 other things and placed
 in position to be shot
 next morning with
 much effort but
 "as the dog was
 shot it died in a
 partly successful

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Marshall a soldier
 the camp and then
 was severely injured
 in the fight. One of
 the 1st. Only the
 smoke killed. Though
 the fire was not
 but the cattle started
 but were soon got
 in good again.

Camp Benton
 July 1, 1862
 10 miles from
 your house to
 Camp Benton.

The following day at
 an old fort. This far
 I had my collection
 that the distance to
 the Missouri River
 by our route is 424
 miles, and 30
 miles by a crossing
 the river after the
 Big Hills. The
 distance marked, 424
 miles.

Camp Banks
 Sunday, July 2, 1862
 Marched 18 miles
 paralleling the river and distant
 from our former camp.

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about five miles
 Camped in a small
 creek lake. The ground
 the night
 Very clear day
 Camp Henry
 Aug 13
 15 miles over rough
 stormy ground
 Camped near a
 white sulfur spring
 found some good
 places
 This morning Clark
 a scout, etc. saw
 that several George

Shawnee from near
 last fall and now
 also with the
 now at the
 of his death and
 of the people and
 was buried at
 Camp Banks. He
 was a full blooded
 Sioux Indian
 Camp Miller
 Aug 14
 15 miles to day over
 very poor ground
 The ground was so
 poor at Camp Miller

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Five miles back from
 Dan and have got
 found it since the
 camped between the
 two lakes.

Camp Sigell
 Aug. 12
 Squid out yesterday
 a Millstone and at
 10 AM received a
 mail and the news
 of the return of Brewster
 to Utah.

Marched 17 miles to
 day leaving our old
 trail to the left and

camped near a poor
 lake but good grass.

Camp Hall
 Aug. 13
 My Birthday and I
 celebrated it by buying
 a gun for Son.

Marched 14 miles and
 struck our old trail at
 our camping ground
 which is on a grass
 lake about 10 miles
 from James River.
 On ground to night
 a little rain.

Three horses & some
 square brought on as
 before to night.

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Camp Baxter Aug 18. 1863 12 miles to day on new ground leaving our old track on the right, crossing the James River at 10 miles below our former place found the new camp in sight of all the	left camp on white hill at the shape of Lattle. Came down the valley captured by a detachment of men sent from the camp at 2 miles below the new camp. Men apparently had been 19 years of age.
Camp Utah Aug 19 Arrived here 23 miles from Baxter. It is 8 miles at 4 o'clock. Found everything as usual.	Camp Arrow Bent Aug 19 Saw a deer yesterday and today saw a 17 miles to our old trail. Camped near the lake.

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Camp Siskiyou Aug 12 1862 16 miles to day went to the river at Siskiyou cross the river place that we crossed at on our previous trip Camp Siskiyou near the river water and heavily crossed. A good place for a camp the water is good and the land is good	Camp Arnold Aug 14 1862 13 miles to day went to the river at Siskiyou cross the river place that we crossed at on our previous trip Camp Arnold near the river water and heavily crossed. A good place for a camp the water is good and the land is good
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Camp Edgerton Aug 26th 24 miles to-day crossing the Rhyons at 7 AM a heavy snow storm was felt by all horses and horses at 11 miles Camp Menkett Aug 27th 15 miles to-day across and camping at 11 miles Marched The country was white and heavy frost to-day so many dead horses were seen in snow - covered	Went back for miles back. Camp Phelps Aug 28th Soft to-day in the morning for miles and Marched 10 miles Camp White Aug 29th Marched 15 to miles to-day across the Old Trail and camped at Old house in Pine land people with some horses
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Camp Sullivan Aug 27th 13 miles from the River crossing with little wood The Indians the old Red River trail and camp near some Indian of the river Capt. Hewitt Aug 28th Marched 13 miles over a fine prairie country with plenty of wood and water Crossed and camped on the Pierre Dr. River	River where in the evening we were visited by Capt. Mac Leary and Asst. Surgeon Schenck The Asst. Surg. who are stationed at the Pierre Dr. River post distinct from the one on our camp Camp O'Connor Aug 29th 13 miles from camp of the day Elder S. S. on the Pierre Dr. River Landed on the river
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Camp Sunday 30th inst In the forenoon left Tucker and myself rode out some seven miles in search of Plains and in hopes of shooting some game with which this country abounds. Found a section but marked Jan 12th N. Range 210. Camp Jan Aug 1st 1861 16 miles over rough ground with some bad water. Dried	after arriving at camp Camp Beaver Sept 1st 16 1/2 miles to day some fine hunting found some water and game. Camp near a river. Water called Mott. Splendid camp in ground One made by night and found it empty
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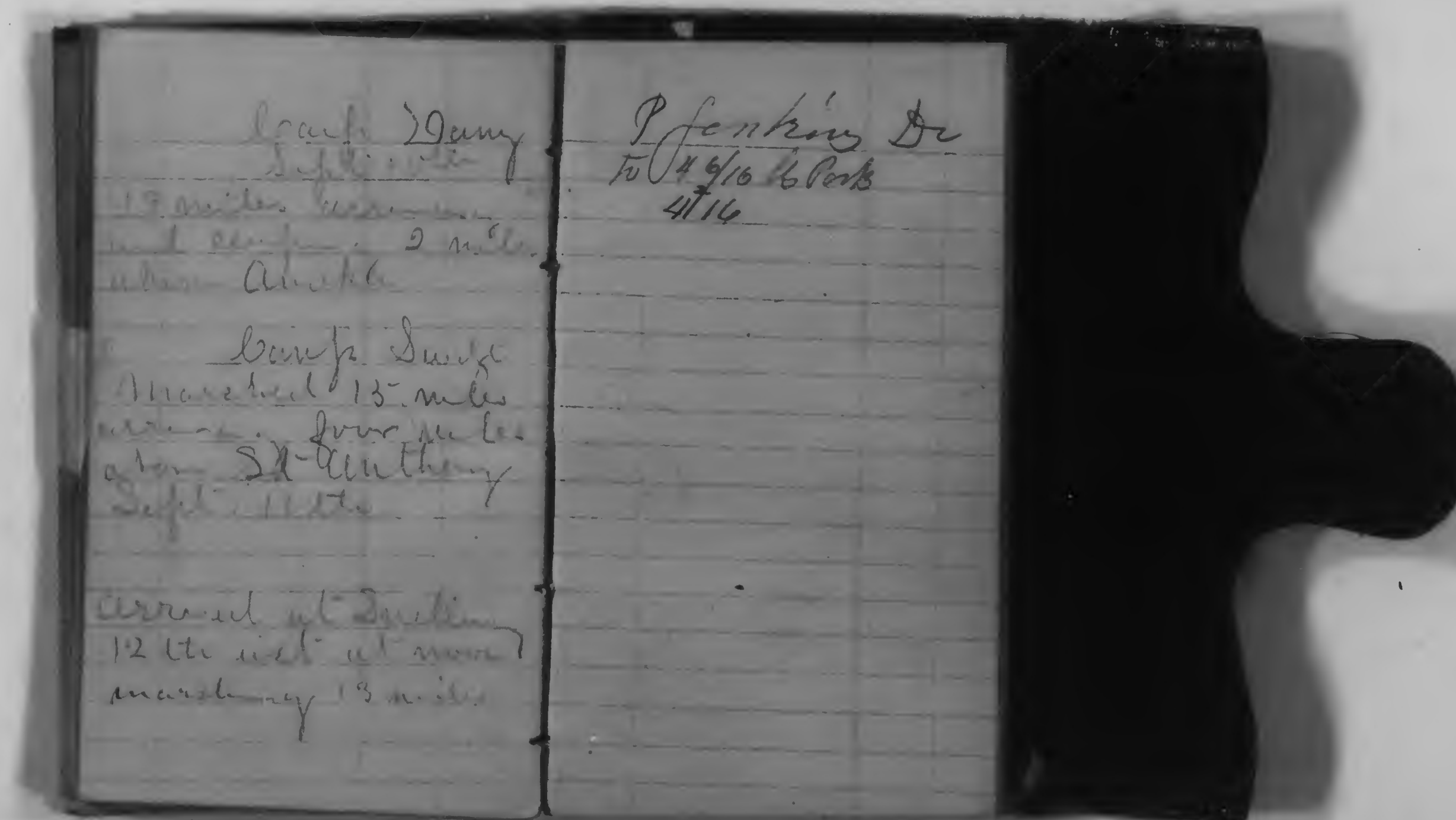
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<i>Reuben Longf. Hilder</i> <i>Sept 2d</i> <i>19 miles</i> <i>Wilson Longf. Hilder</i> <i>Sept 4th</i> <i>15 miles</i> <i>from St. Cloud</i> <i>to the river</i> <i>Longf. Hilder</i> <i>Sept 5th</i> <i>at Richmond 13 miles</i> <i>from the river</i> <i>including</i>	<i>Longf. Taylor</i> <i>Sept 7th</i> <i>19 miles from Rich-</i> <i>mond. 1st Sept. 8</i> <i>and 3 miles distant</i> <i>from St. Cloud</i> <i>Sept 8.</i> <i>Longf. Hilder</i> <i>Sept 9th</i> <i>10 miles</i> <i>from St. Cloud</i> <i>Sept 9th</i> <i>at Richmond 12 miles</i> <i>from the river</i> <i>including</i>
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Nelson
 To hauling what
 to sleds by
 42 bushels 6.30
 3/4 Sumpson 4.90
 Throwing 15.0
 13/4 bag out 2.60
 20 Sling Mup
 23 hach 1.40
 Wading 75
 Mowing 500
 100 10

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Allen H. Allen	4	Haldron brought
Allen 36, Al. water	36	sheep
Oak Grove	14	Giles & Dinnick
Dorden O.	25	123 sheep
also	25	Watts sheep
		Watts 4
		Tuller 14
		30 May Watts left
		14 sheep
	14	
	17	
	9	
	4	
	374	238
	47	6

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Balding Fern	7
Scotch Pine	2
Blue Spruce	3
Aspen Larch	10
Juniper Tree	8
Juniper	6
Clematis	9
Honey Suckle	4
Meadow Spurge	5
Sorbus	1

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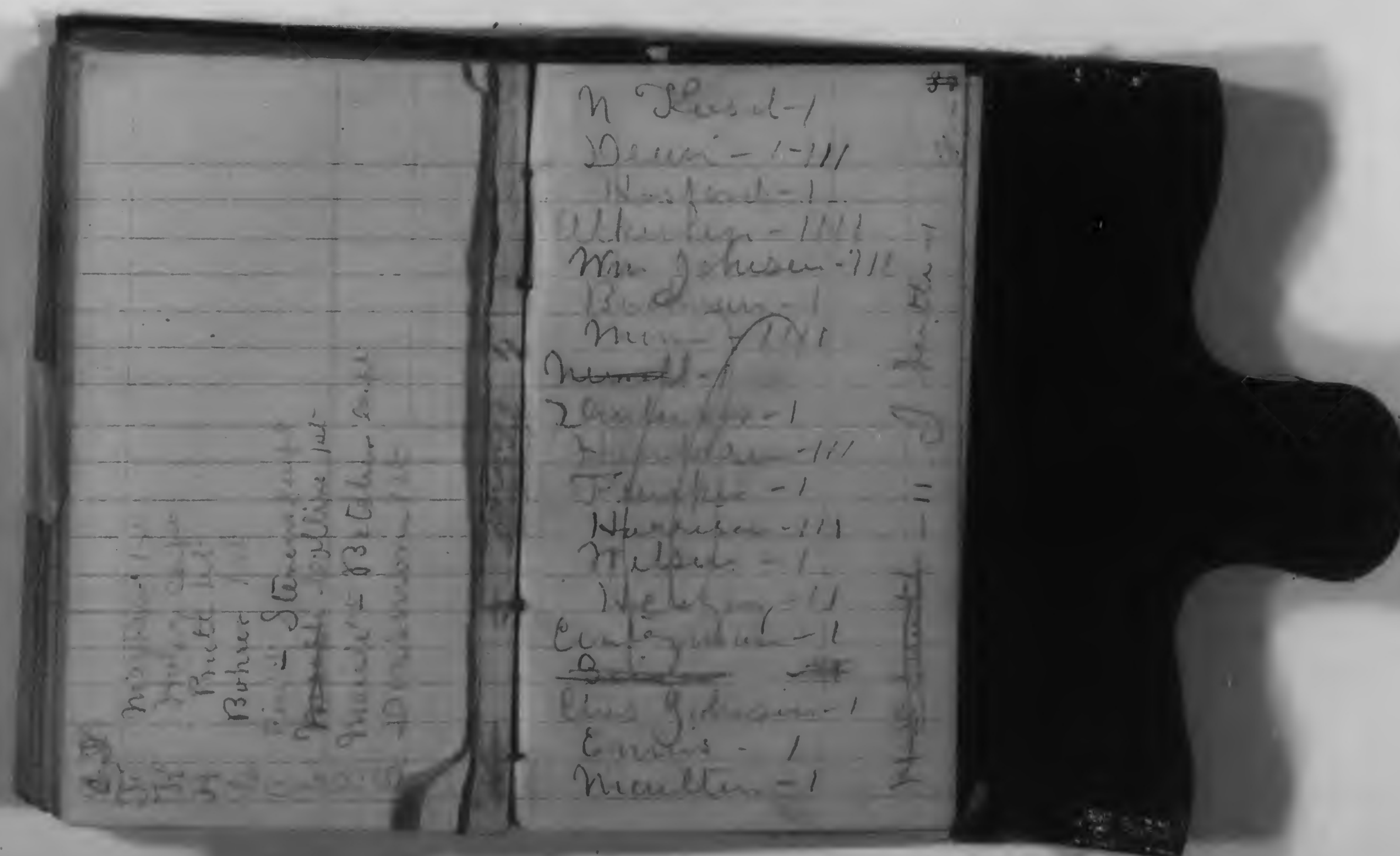
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Lotion	
2 oz oil Spike	10 yds. Shuting for felp
2 " olive oil	at Millers, 25 pr yd
2 " Gum Camphor	3 or 4 Linn. Thor. Chyp
2 " Spts Turpentine	Therap & Linn
1 " oil Cedar	Saltatus, Colpin
1 " Argemone	Tech - Dr. Apple
1/2 " Gum Myrrh	Per. Lys -
1 " Black Wax	High. Myg
1 pt alcohol	See Bot

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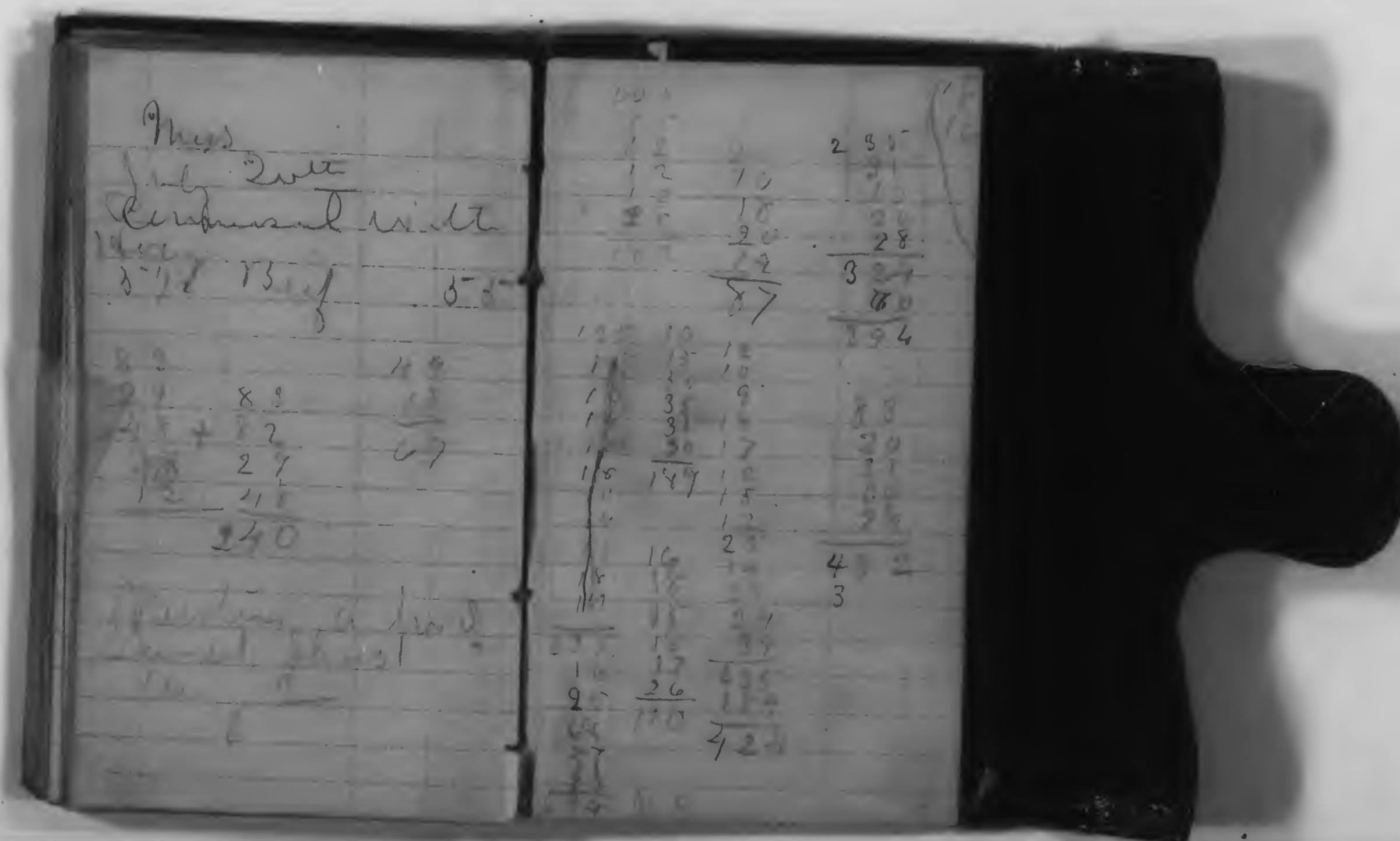
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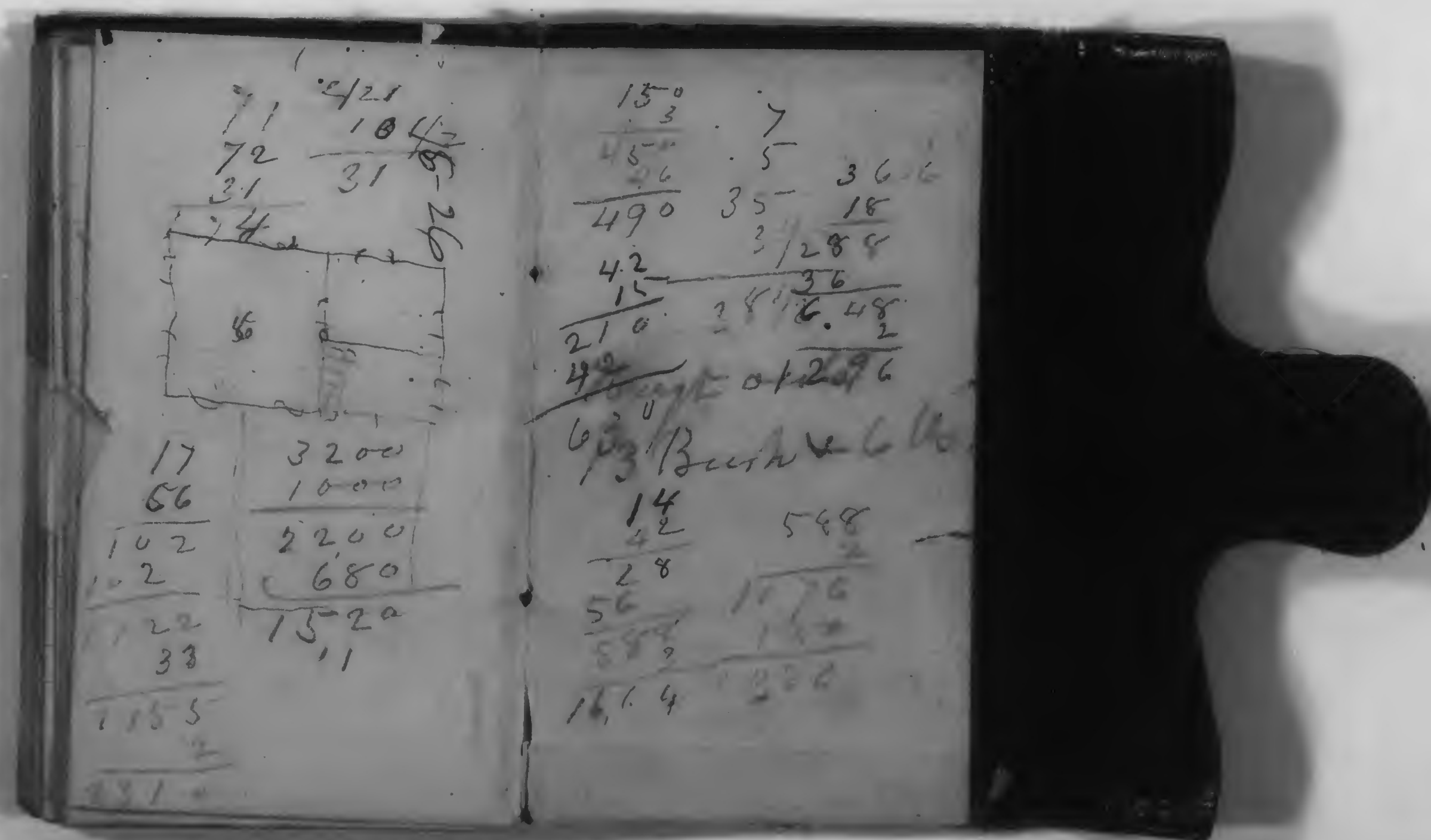
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14 Camp Sheariton " "

ShearPown. (letter not clear)

19 Lake Jessie was named by Fremont for his future wife, Jessie Benton.

21 Camp Ohi should read Olin.

22 Cottin should read Coteau.

Aug 1 Camp Bryton should read Braden.

19 Gen Macy " " Marcy.

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for his future wife, Jessie Martin.
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22. Cottin should read Cotton.
Nap 1. Camp Bryton should read Bryden.
13. Ben Mac, " " Mary.

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Lieut L W Collins
7th Min. Infantry ¹

Memorandum of Sibleys Expedition 1863

Kept by L[oren] W[arren] C[ollins]

Camp Pope June 16th 1863 The Expedition is to start to day at 4 A.M. consisting of the 6th, 7th, 8 Cos of 10th Infantry, 7 Co's of 1st Min^[t] Mounted Rangers and 3rd Min^[t] Battery besides about 50 Scouts.

Arrived in Camp Crooks -- 10 miles at 3 P.M.

Arrived June 17th 2 P.M. at Camp Miller 12 miles from Crooks.

This Camp is near the old battle ground of Wood Lake

June 18th -- 4 P M At Camp Baker only 9 miles. very hard tramp owing to delay in crossing Yellow Medicine River

Laid over the 19th to fix Commissary Stores

Camp McPhail Saturday June 20th Got into Camp at 4 P.M. distance 18 miles.

Situated four miles above old Camp Release

Sunday 21st. Lay in Camp -- had inspection at 4 P M of Company.

June 22nd. At Camp Ramsey out on the Plains near a Lake but without Wood. distance made 17 miles & men suffered a good deal for lack of water on the route.

Coffee cooked in the morning with barrels from Commissary Dept.

June 23d. Arrived at Camp Averill near Yellow Earth River, a fine stream about size of Vermillion distance 12 miles

June 24th At Camp Marshal on the Whetstone River a small

¹ This signature is found on one of the covers of the little book.

stream emptying into Big Stone Lake near its outlet. Splendid ground for Camp though the tract of land over which we have passed for two days has been poor prairie with here and there a slough

Boys caught pickerel in abundance -- one weighed twelve lbs.
Distance 15 miles

Camp Jennison June 25th, 1863 Arrived in Camp situated on Swan Lake at 12 M.

We are about half way up B Stone Lake and distant two miles
Plenty of fish and frogs

A man in Co L M Rangers shot a Buffalo, of which we had a small piece

A mail arrived in Camp Marshal this morning just as we started the last we get until by way of Abercrombie

Distance travelled to-day about 12 miles over poor land, but it is improving

Camp McLaren June 28th Arrived here on Friday 26th at 4 P.M. Two miles below L Traverse the source of the Red River of the North and on the Minnesota now a small stream perhaps one yard in width 15 miles

June 30. Started from Camp McLaren this A M and made ten miles over poor prairie

Was taken sick last night and rode entire distance

Mustered for pay after camping

Camp Cook July 1st Arrived here 14 miles at 1 P M
Plenty of Water ponds along the route but no timber to be seen except a few trees at one point. None near camp. Walked

entire distance though feeling quite unwell. All poor prairie land.

Grasshoppers are getting abundant

Camp Parker July 2d. Made 10 miles at 12 1/2 M. Good camping ground near Skunk Lake. fine fish. plenty of ponds in the road

Camp Buel July 3d. 18 miles. very hot day.

Several men gave out from exhaustion

Water poor and at one place 10 miles from Camp Parker said to be poisonous

A fine lake 5 miles back. Poor camping ground here -- bad water and no wood

Grasshoppers in great quantities

Poor Prairie Land

July 4th Arrived in Camp Hayes at 12 M after a march of 10 miles The rain which had been threatening for several days made its appearance during our march though not in great quantity

This Camp is on the Sheyenne River some Sixty Miles North of West of Abercrombie and on the very ground that a great battle between the Sioux and Sheyenne Indians was fought some forty years ago in which the Sioux were victorious

In the evening spent the time pleasantly at Capt Stevens Co B 7th in company with Major Bradley, Capts Kennedy, Williston Gilfillian and Arnold with Lieuts. Betcher Densmore Pratt Eastman Trader Dr Ames & Lt. Gayle of the 6th.

Visited the 10th Regt by moonlight

Gay - manner of celebrating the 4th

July 8th Received our first mail from Abercrombie to day
 July 11th 2 P M Arrived at Camp Wharton -- fourteen miles
 from Hayes. On the Sheyenne River which flows through a fine
 valley, good grass & some wood

Evidence of close proximity of Indian Scouts has been
 discovered to day.

Remain over Sabbath 12th inst.

July 13. Camp Weiser Laid over yesterday (Sunday) at
 Wharton Our Co. on guard at night, and it was cold outside
 of tents

Reveille at 2 1/2 A M Arrived at this Camp between
 several fine Lakes at 10 A.M. Distance eleven miles over
 prairie and near the Sheyenne

July 14 Camp Sheardown Started at 4 A. M and reached
 this point at 12 M a distance of 18 miles Saw on Camp ground
 an English Hare, said to abound in large numbers here

Dogs unable to catch it. Mules to-day began to fail
 greatly

Country improving not so dry.

Vegetation increasing

July 15 Arrived at Camp Smith 10 miles at 9 1/2 A M
 Near a large lake of poor water, tending to Alkali. No
 wood but any quantity of Buffalo Chips which we use as a sub-
 stitute

Weather pleasant & atmosphere hazy.

July 16 Marched 16 miles crossing the Sheyenne River at
 a point said by Capt Fisk of 1862 Expedition to be 83 miles from
 Ft. Abercrombie. Same place that he crossed one year ago the
 14th inst.

Had several exciting chases to day between Mounted men and
 Elk One Fawn captured alive and brought into Camp Wind heavy
 Rough land and stony for four miles on either side of River
 Camp Corning on a large lake of Alkali tendencies.

Camp D Pope July 17, 1863 In Camp on a small lake, 15 miles
 at 12 M. No wood. Good water obtained by digging

Country very rough and stony

Camp Atcheson July 19. Sunday. Arrived here yesterday at
 10 A M in the midst of a pelting rain storm

On a beautiful lake 2 miles from L Jessie named so by
Niccollet

Distance 10 miles

Here we are to leave several men from each Co. and two
 full Co's from each Regt, while the balance push forward at the
 rate of 20 miles a day until Indians are overtaken

News just reached us of surrender of Vicksburg on 4th
 July, causing great joy in Camp

C. Forbes 20th July Distance 20 miles nearly West over
 smooth Prairie

No wood & poor water

Camp of Red River half breeds within two miles Came in
 Camp to night some two hundred mounted on ponies bringing
 Buffalo Robes and Moccasins

July 21st. Camp Olin Made ten miles camping on James
 River

Some little rain to-day

Mail reached us to night bringing two letters for me one
 from Kuster and one from Crosby.

July 22d 1 P.M. Camp Kimball Eighteen miles made over level prairie in sight of the Coteau near which we camped at one P.M. Strong north wind prevailing No wood but fine soft water Good lake 9 miles back

Indian Scout captured near Camp by some of our men

Camp Grant July 23 Marched 20 miles nearly South over the Coteau No water for 12 miles Camped near a large lake of poor water

Sulphur Springs

Country rough and very stony

Camp Whitney 3 P.M. July 25th On yesterday left Camp Grant and after marching 15 miles a halt was ordered for rest at a lake While halting Scouts reported the presence of a large body of Indians and of their Camp in close proximity Our Regt being in lead was ordered to keep well to the front prepared to deploy as skirmishers

Proper disposition was made but soon an order was made to pitch camp and entrench Indians could be seen all around on hills.

While entrenching a small party of whites that had been talking with Indians on a hill in plain sight of Camp were fired at and Dr Weiser of the Cavalry killed and Stevens a Scout wounded Our Regt was deployed as skirmishers and drove the enemy from hill to hill for four or five miles. A halt was made for a few minutes and the chase then resumed. Col McPhail with two Battalions of Cavalry and a Section of Artillery went forward and drove them for a long distance compelling them to drop everything almost We pushed ahead ten

miles over road strewn with robes furs cooking utensils & partly dried meat At dusk halted and bivouaced on the plain covering ourselves with robes

At ten the Cavalry returned when we started for our Camp supposed to be distant 15 miles Arrived soon after daylight terribly fatigued and worn out

The fight was practically a defeat as we lost Dr Weiser Lt Freeman of the Cavalry who was hunting Buffalo with Geo Brackett and two Privates. Brackett was wounded and is supposed to be dead

This morning at eleven tents were struck and we marched five miles to this point

The Cavalry claim to have done good service while pursuing the Indians Most of our men, myself included were in shirt sleeves & suffered greatly from cold hunger and thirst

Camp Pfender July 26, Sunday To day we marched at 5 A M following in the trail and at 12 M having arrived at our place of bivouac, night before last Scouts reported large numbers of the enemy near us

Precaution was taken and we advanced slowly to a Lake only a short distance when Indians showed themselves on the hill tops Cavalry went forward supporting part of the 6th deployed as skirmishers

Co B of the 7th also deployed supported by the balance of the right wing Scouts then reported the withdrawal of the foe and the Infantry were withdrawn and a section of Artillery sent forward About 3 P.M. a small party made a dash on some of our

teams but were repulsed by Cavalry in good style. Cavalry brought in five scalps and a scout two. One man mortally wounded belonging to Co L of Rangers Two ponies captured one evidently belonging to a prominent man.

Distance made to day 12 miles

Man belonging to Rangers wounded has since died

Camp Schonneman July 27 Marched 20 miles on the trail of the Indians. A few scouts have been seen on the hills watching our movements Camp on a small lake.

July 28 Camp Stees On a small stream, said to be Apple River of good water with a little wood, the first seen since leaving Atcheson. This morning our train was attacked as we left camp and a brisk skirmish followed in which our Regt participated deployed as skirmishers Several Indians were killed with no loss to ourselves

About noon our scouts captured an Indian by running him down on the Plain. He claims to be a Teton and is a very young man

To night as we were going into Camp the Cavalry guarding the rear of our train killed an Indian and captured his pony. On guard

Distance 18 miles

Camp Slaughter July 29. One mile from the Missouri River.

As we approached the body of wood and underbrush skirting the River it became apparent that the enemy had made a crossing as great numbers could be seen on the bluffs opposite

Sixth Regt skirmished through and rushed the banks but were fired upon by Indians concealed in the willows across the

river.

A retreat finally ordered to a point on Apple River nearly four miles below and a Camp selected

After dark guns were fired and rockets sent out to attract the attention of Lt Beaver A D C and a man of Co K. 6th who are not in Camp and supposed to be lost

A midnight fire and alarm of the pickets brought out at 1 P M the whole force under arms After lying on the guard line for some time our Regt. except our Co. were sent to Camp Our Co deployed and laid down on the guard line remaining there until morning

Distance 15 miles

Camp Slaughter July 30th 1863 To-day a detachment under Col. Crooks consisting of 3 Co's of Inf. from each Regt. 1 Co. of Cavalry and one Section of Artillery were sent down into the woods to find the bodies of Lt. Beaver and Private N Miller of Co K. 6th Regt and to destroy the property left by the Indians in their flight across the Missouri

Lt Beaver was found dead lying near his horse also killed He had evidently lost the trail and fell into an ambush Was not scalped but had his whiskers with the skin of his face taken off

Everything taken of from himself and horse except his shirt & drawers. Miller was found near him entirely naked

A great number of wagons were destroyed estimated at one hundred

July 31st 1863 To-day we remain in Camp and at ten oclock A M the funeral of Lt Beaver took place

He was buried with Masonic honors with Capt Grant 6th,

Wilson & Rubles of Rangers Ambler & Hackett of the 10th and Capt
Williston and myself of the 7th with Q M Carver of the 6th P^AB^[earers]

The grave was at the angle of the plateau of prairie at the junction of Apple or Washtey River and the Missouri made due East and West and all trace obliterated by digging a rifle pit near it throwing the embankment over it

At night after being asleep the Regt was called out with the others and placed in position to repel a night attack which was expected but "failed to connect" except that a small party mounted, poured a volley into the camp and were vigorously replied to by the left wing of the 10th Only one mule killed though the firing caused the beef cattle to stampede but were soon got in corral again

Camp Brayten August 1, 1863 10 miles in our journey home to-day

Camped near Apple River, poor water.

Have followed almost our old route thus far.

Find by calculation that the distance to the Missouri from Pope by our route is 424 miles, adding 30 made by us in chasing the enemy after the Big Hills fight makes distance marched, 454 miles

Camp Banks Sunday Aug 2, 1863 Marched 18 miles Parallel to and distant from our former trail about two miles

Camped on a small rush lake On guard to-night

Very warm day

Camp Kennedy Aug 3. 15 miles over rough stony prairie

Camped near an Alkali Lake but found some good springs

This morning Chaska a scout, the man that saved George

Spenser from massacre last fall and was also with Lt Freeman at the time of his death, died of Apoplexy and was buried at Camp Banks He was a full blooded Sioux Indian

Camp Williston Aug. 4. 18 miles to-day over very fair prairie

We struck our old trail at Camp Sibley five miles back from here and have followed it since Are camped between two fine lakes

Camp Gilfillan Aug 6. Laid over yesterday at Williston and at 10 A M received a mail and the news of the return of Brackett to Atcheson

Marched 17 miles to-day leaving our old trail to the left and camped near a poor lake but good grass

Camp Hall Aug 7 My Birthday, and I celebrated ^{it} by buying a pony for Louis

Marched 14 miles and struck our old trail at our camping ground which is on a fine lake about ten miles from James River

On guard to-night A little rainy

Three Indians & Seven Squaws brought in as prisoners to-night

Camp Carter Aug 8. 1863 12 miles to day on new ground leaving our old track off to the right, crossing the James River some five miles below our former ford

Are now camped in sight of old trail

Camp Atcheson Aug 10th Arrived here 23 miles from Carter this P M at 4 oclock Found everything as we left except an addition in the shape of Little Crows son who was captured by a detachment of men sent from this Camp up to Devils Lake

He is a young man apparently not over 19 years of age

Camp Burt Aug 12th Laid over yesterday and to-day marched 17 miles on our old trail Camped near a fine Lake

Camp Sibley Aug 13th 16 miles to-day fording the Sheyenne at Fisk's crossing, the same place that we crossed at on our upward trip

Camped 3 miles from the river, poor water and scarcity of grass A good camping ground on this side of and near the river

Camp Arnold Aug 14th 13 miles to-day following nearly in Fisks old trail towards the Fort

Very good lake water Mail arrived this evening

Camp Stevens Aug. 15th 12 miles over level prairie camping near a small lake Poor water but good grass

Camp Ambler Aug 18th 1863 Laid over Sunday 16th inst. at Stevens and on yesterday marched 17 miles to this Camp which is on a fine stream called Maple River Fine level prairie and wood We here find an abundance of Cherries and Plums

Lay over to-day in order to make a long march to-morrow

Yesterday was one of our most severe days on men and mules, it being very hot and no water to be found from Camp to Camp

Camp Chase Aug 19th On Sheyenne River at one of Fisks crossings

Made 17 miles to-day over a perfectly level & beautiful prairie rich in vegetation

On our arrival in camp found Brig Gen Marcy Major Camp and Capt Carling here from Abercrombie

A mail also arrived in the afternoon.

Camp Edgerton Aug 20th 4 miles to-day crossing the Sheyenne

At 7 A M a review of our Brigade was held by Col. Marcy concluding at 11 oclock

Camp Hackett Aug 21st 16 miles to day arriving and camping near Ft Abercrombie

The country over which we have passed to-day is very level prairie with fine grass Crossed Wild Rice Creek four miles back.

Camp Phelps Aug. 25th Left Ft Abercrombie this morning for Snelling and marched ten miles

Camp White Aug 26th Marched 18 1/2 miles to-day crossing the Otter Tail and camping at Old Crossing

Fine level prairie with some timber

Camp Sullivan Aug 27th 15 miles to-day over a fine Prairie country with little wood

We follow the old Red River trail and camp near some large lakes of fine water

Camp Heath Aug 28th Marched 15 miles over a fine prairie country with plenty of wood and water

Crossed and camped on the Pomme Du Terre River where in the evening we were visited by Capt McCarty and Asst. Surgeon Thurston of the 8th Regt who are stationed at the Pomme Du Terre post distant some 8 miles from our Camp

Camp O Connor Aug 29th 13 miles to-day camping near Elk Lake, a fine large body of water

Laid over at this camp Sunday 30th inst

In the forenoon Adjt Baden and myself rode out some seven miles in search of Plums and in hopes of shooting some game with which this country abounds

Found a section post marked Town 128 W N of Range 40.

Camp Jones Aug 31st. 1863 16 miles over a rough prairie with wood and water. Muster after arriving in Camp

Camp Beaver Sept 1st 16 1/2 miles to-day over fine rolling prairie with wood and water

Camped near a town-site called Westport Splendid camping ground

On guard at night and found it chilly

Ruble Camp Near Sauk Centre Marched Sept 2d 15 miles

Wilson Camp Sept 4th Marched 18 miles on South side of Sauk River

Camp Austin Sept 5th At Richmond 15 miles Lay over to-morrow Sunday

Camp Taylor Sept 7th 19 miles from Richmond. In sight of and 3 miles distant from St Cloud

Sept 8. Camp Daniels Crossed the Mississippi to day and marched 10 miles

Camp Anderson Sept 9 Marched 22 miles camping at Big Lake

[?] Camp Davy Sept 10th 19 miles arriving and camping 2 miles above Anoka

Camp Swift Marched 15 miles arriving four miles above St Anthony Sept. 11th

Arrived at Snelling 12th inst at noon marching 13 miles

P Jenkins D^r

to 4 6/16 lbs Pork

4 16

Nelson D^r

to hauling wheat to

42 bushels 6.30

3 1/4 Days work

Thrsing 1.50 4 90

1 3/4 Day work

Plowing 2 60

Herding sheep

23 heads 1 40

Sheering sheep 75

sheep 10

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Allen H Att

Allen H. Atwater

Oak Grove

Wis

June

4 Muldron brought 36 sheep

14 Giles & Dumel

25 123 sheep

25 Watts sheep 57

Smith 42

Fuller 14

30 May Watts left 16 sheep

Barbary Fir	No	7
Scotch Pine		2
		3
Europe Lurch		8
Jumper		6
Clemetes		9
Honey Suckle		4
Cornus		1

Liniment

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 2 " olive oil
 2 " Gum Camphor
 2 " Spt Turpentine
 1 " oil Cedar
 1 "
 1/2 " Gum Mysh
 1 " Hartshorn
 1 Pt alchohol

10 yds for at Nillson, 25 pr yd

3 or 4 Linen Hkerchifs

& Tea

Salratus, Coffee

Fish -- Dr Apples

Oysters --

Tea Pot

F Mayhern 1st
 K Houg Capt
 H Pratt 1st
 C Bohrer 1st
 A Rice 1st -- Stevens Capt
 E Collins 1st
 B Marsh 1st -- Betcher Capt
 G Densmore 1st

N Kasel -- 1

Hostford -- 1

Atkinsen-- 1111

Wm Johnsen -- 111

Buchman-- 1

Newell -- 1

Hendersen -- 111

Harrison -- 111

Wilson -- 1

Countryman -- 1

Chas Johnson -- 1

Moulton -- 1

Mess

July 20th

5 1/2 Beef 55

a pr of Shoes

Aug 2

The undersigned line Off of your Regt have just learned with sincere regret that 2d Asst Surgeon Ames has tendered his resignation and respectfully urge that the same be disapproved by you In making this request we state that it is the universal feeling of both off. & men that since the dis & departure of Dr Finch[?] that ^{the} presence of Dr A is indispensable

Nillson Cr

By threshing

185 bushels

wheat

Dr to three 1/4

days work thrshing at

\$1.50 pr Day -- 4.90

Dr to 1 3/4 Days

work plowing 1.25

pr Day 2.36