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Saturday June 2. 1847. I did not sleep well last night; did not have enough cover etc. I was the first one up in the house. I took some axes and hatchets to the blacksmith to have sharpened or softened. Also had my boots mended. I hung around until about nine o'clock and then went to the station and got the things out. A pretty heavy cargo: 2 barrels of sugar, $\frac{1}{2}$ fanega salt, box of oranges, sack of flour, 2 arrobas galletas, a box etc. I met Dickerson and another man on the road. I trotted down hill and walked up hill. Arrived about 4 P.M. This evening Willie, B. Adolph, Johnnie and Herman went to drive some cattle off our land. We did not come back till dark. It was a cold day. South wind. They killed the big steer today, was quite fat. I rode my Calico. We got \$117 for our hides.

Sunday June 3. I milked after coffee. The rest of the forenoon I worked on my caboyada made the botanitas etc. Mother, Teacher and uncle went to look at the puerto, in the little wagon after dinner. After dinner Mr. Smithers came and made the paper out about the land. He pays us \$250 per year rent for five years. At the end of that time if he leaves we buy all improvements under \$3000. The girls went over to San Tomas this afternoon. Sting went to Watts to see if he could not find work but Smithers offered him work. Brown bought Sting's lame horse for \$12. I drove the horses to the corral with the saints this evening. It was a very pleasant day. North wind began blowing.

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Monday June 4 1877. I milked right after coffee. Las Rosas gave rodeo today, as they mark tomorrow. Willie, Paria, Adolph and Angel went. I worked in the vegetable garden the rest of the forenoon; I also helped Herman fill the duck pond which is now finished. After dinner they came with about a dozen animals from Las Rosas. They had trouble to lock them in, so I jumped on the fat red horse bare back, but he bucked me right off. In chasing a cow he also bucked me off. I afterwards drove the horses to the corral. We then marked the calves (3) of the cows from Las Rosas. I went in the corral on horse back and lassoed two of the calves by the horns; getting vagueans. We gave uncle la novillo for an old cow of his, and butchered it. I pulled up water with Herman this evening. It was a warm day; north wind blowing.

Tuesday, June 5 1877. I milked right after coffee. They had marcacion at Las Rosas. Willie and Paria went over there this morning to help drive in the cattle. After dinner I took Kims over there as he wanted to see Smithers. They had a great time marking one corral full. Willie staid until noon, then came home. I did not go inside to dinner (which took about 2 hours) but staid outside with Kims and had carne con enseras. After noon I also went in the corral to lasso; not more than 75 calves in that corral so I did not catch many. Kuld, Wish, and Smithers were in the corral. About 20 men on foot and 7 on horse back. I, Paria and Kims came home about 3 o'clock. Got a head ache today. I rode blue legs today. I afterwards dug

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sweet potatoes. I drove the horses to the corral with the rains of the black yegua trapalls. It was a pleasant day and looks as if it was going to rain. Mung can't get work until next week from Smithers.

Wednesday June 6 1877. I milked after coffee. Willie Johnnie, Paria and Adolph went over to Las Rosas to help them drive the cattle into the corral. It took them all forenoon, and they had a great deal of trouble. Willie staid there all day to see them mark. They marked altogether about 550 calves. I turned me off a seringue handle this forenoon and then worked in the vegetable garden. This afternoon I also worked in the vegetable garden. I and Herman pulled up water afterwards. At noon I bought up horse to ride. Mung and Adolph went down to the priests, and tried to fill the bilota. I drove up the horses this evening on the little rains. The day was quite warm; in fact hot at noon. Mung was down at Smithers new place this forenoon. Brown pulls up water for the cattle.

Thursday June 7 1877. I milked right after coffee. A poor horse died this morning and I and Johnnie bought two longas off him for four reales. I afterwards skinned it out against the water closet, and then took some hide of the belly. The rest of the forenoon I worked in the front garden and also a part of the afternoon. After dinner I turned me off a nice seringue handle of quebracho colorado. I drove up some horses this afternoon with Charles.

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unless. I afterwards rode my pinto pinto to drive up the other horses and go down to the cattle. He bucked very hard with me, and was hard to get on. Willie was down at the puerto and marked a cow that did not have our mark yet. It was a very pleasant day. Adolph is beginning to put a fence through the field where the alfalfa is to put the horses in.

Friday June 8 1847. I milked right after coffee. The rest of the forenoon and afternoon I worked in the front garden nursery, levelling it off, making it fine etc. I drove up some horses this afternoon with my alison. I and Willie went down to the cattle afterwards he riding the red redmou and I my pinto redmou. He is very manure to get on but goes splendidly. Kung went over to Monroe's this afternoon and found work to make a sheep corral etc. This afternoon he went over again taking Brown to help him lay it out. And this evening Brown came home very drunk. It was very foggy this forenoon. And this evening got very windy.

Saturday June 9 1847. I milked after coffee. The rest of the forenoon I worked in the front garden nursery. Mother and Willie went to Sharff's this afternoon about leasing the land to Smith. They did not come back till late. I helped to stretch the wire on the cross fence this afternoon with Adolph and the black pinto. Kung worked at Monroe's new place this afternoon. I drove together the horses this evening with the pinto guide of the overs yegua toquilla. It was a very cold disagreeable day; the sun not coming out at all.

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June 10 1877. Sunday. Lina and I milked after coffee. This forenoon we domared potrancas. I rode one, a varosa; it bucked hard but I kept on. Adolph and Lariana rode another. I and Adolph were making me a revengue this forenoon, but in taking the hair skin off the tail it got torn, so we let it go. Nicholson stopped in going to Canada Gomez and took dinner. He brought two ducks, and has his ankle out of joint. This afternoon the little paimo got loose in the field and I caught him, and just put the lasso round his nose and jumped on him, but he run away with me, and I threw myself off, and he fell over me and hurt me very much. I fixed my stirrup straps this afternoon. Brown went to the station and brought out the mail. Adolph took Nuns on his horse up to Monroes new place. He seems to be very afraid to sleep there alone. I drove together the horses this evening on the little paimo. They were scattered and I did not find a lot. It began raining lightly this evening. It was very cold and cloudy today.

Monday June 11. I milked after coffee. We killed the two hogs this forenoon. Marcho y Hombres. There are now left one sow and five young ones (4 boys and one sow). I and the peon pulled up water for the geese this forenoon. Did not do much this afternoon (rainish) + help pull corn for the cross prices. We are going to send a native to friends to pay the tax with Dickinson, Neild and Daniels. Our tax is \$120. Willie and Neild went to Las Lyras

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this afternoon. I drove together the horses this evening on the little bays. It rained some last night and today it was very disagreeable & cold and rainy. It looks as if it was going to rain some more.

Tuesday June 12, I milked after coffee. It was pretty cold this morning. The rest of this forenoon I dug finished the front garden nursery. The rest of this forenoon I. After dinner I dug sweet potatoes and potatoes. I helped pull wire afterwards. I drove together the horses this evening on the fat red horse. It was a disagreeable day. Las Turbias had some cows in the corral that they are taking to Canada Gomez to butcher.

Wednesday June 13, I milked after coffee. Only milked seven cows, one overs negra (miles), overs negra, varosa overa, aguel, bays horn down, two reddish of Bay and got a large and small bucket of milk. The rest of the forenoon I worked in the garden. This afternoon I mother and Elisa planted 8 rows of orange orange, one of mas-ama, clover, 20 cherry trees and a bed of bird seed in the front garden nursery. I brought up some horses for Willie and Johnnie with Charles' mule; he bucked a little with me. I drove all the horses afterwards into the corral. The dogs killed a skunk this morning under the bebrida by the calves. Las Turbias are here with some cattle and are going to part out tomorrow. It was very cloudy or misty today and the sun did not come out.

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Thursday June 14. After coffee I milked. The rest of the forenoon I helped stretch wire around the alfalfa, churn butter, etc. This afternoon I and Willie planted about 120 pepper trees by the fence around the alfalfa. They did not drive up the horses today so I got on the white baiders, and drove up some to ride. I afterwards drove up the horses on the fat red horse. I had a sort of head ache all day, in fact I have been feeling bad since the fall on Sunday. The sun did not come out today was cloudy and misty, and this evening it began drizzling.

Friday June 15. Today I am eighteen years of age. I milked after coffee. It rained some this forenoon, also last night. Brown and Adolph ground maize today. I tried to take the skin off a tail this forenoon but it tore. I made myself an awl this afternoon. Sold some potatoes to La Victoria today. Mamma gave me a pocket knife and a small gold piece this afternoon but I gave it back again. I drove the horses to the corral this evening in 'blue legs'; they were pretty far. It was a disagreeable drizzly day; sun hardly coming out.

Saturday June 16. Willie went into Canada Gomez today, and brought back mail this morning. I milked after coffee. Corral is getting muddy. I helped grind maize afterwards. The puestros pear came this forenoon and said that a large calf got broke in the corral in the

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night; So Brown and Adolph went down with the wagon and brought half of it up. I also went down on the little painted gordo. After dinner I dug sweet potatoes. Lina got a letter that her mother is sick and she should come home. I drove all the horses into the corral this evening on the same horse. It rained lightly last night. It was a cloudy disagreeable day. Jimmy came this evening from Mourer's place he made the corral in 6 days gaining \$56 profit. Martin Pereira has died in Rosario.

Sunday June 17. Lina took Lina into Canada going today; she would not go with Brown or Adolph. I milked after coffee. Afterward dressed myself, greased my boots, shot my revolver off and then cleaned it. Afternoon I laid on my bed. I drove the horses to the corral this evening on my alisau. Las Chilcas locked their cattle in our corral this evening on the road to Rosario and I helped them. They had to leave one. We locked the horses into the field where the volunteer barbers comes out. There was at Sharffe and Tomas today. It was a very pleasant forenoon but the afternoon was cold and cloudy. Willie was at Las Rosas this afternoon. I had a head ache this afternoon.

Monday June 18. After coffee I milked. The horses got very full today in the field last night. Willie Adolph and the capataz had rodeo at Stepfels today and parted out two novellas but in bringing them home they got mixed with Soas cattle, so had to leave them. One novella hooked but the horse behind. I dug

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potatoes, and dug out parais trees back of the back yard to plant acacia trees in their place. This afternoon I brought up the horses, and then we (Willie, I, Adolph and Maria) went to rodeo at Sosas. I rode the ^{little} paints. Parted out three animals. Got back by 4 o'clock. The horses got in the field by themselves this afternoon. I tried to bring out Josephines and Hermann's horses with Adolph and after a great deal of trouble got them into the corral, when Hermann's horse crawled under the fence, I chased after him a long while but could not get him in. It was a very cold morning, but the afternoon was warm.

June 19 Tuesday. I milked afternoon coffee. The rest of the forenoon and a part of the afternoon I helped dig over the ditch with uncle Brown and Max. I bought a good lasso for \$3.50 at noon from a native, longer than lasso. Willie bought a coyote for \$12. Willie, Papata and Adolph parted out at Sharffe's pucote this morning; brought a novillo and a cow with fresh calf. I am going to tame the cow. I drove up the horses this evening on the little bay and locked them in the field. I afterwards rode my paint redhorse down to the cattle; had trouble to get on him. It was a foggy morning and a cloudy day.

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Wednesday June 20. After coffee I milked. Afterwards I fixed my broken stirrup, dug out some paraisso trees back of the back yard, etc. This afternoon I and Adolph parted out at Sharff. We saddled after before dinner, and started right after dinner. I rode 'blue legs'. We rode in two gallops. When we got there the peons just went to drive the cattle to the rodeo. Sharff and Nordenholz were very friendly. Going to have a look made for walde per fondo. We parted out a big black cow, and a young toro of ucles. The cow was very wild and run right off. We had a good deal of trouble with the toro and 'blue legs' peached splendidly. They had to bring him over with lasso all the way. I brought the wild cow home and then went back to help them in the cañada. They had to bring him up, as a walk; I came home and got beer but it did not help any. Got home by dark. Willie and Larana helped to bring him up, late. Kemura came out today. They led the two new stallions out on foot. It was a beautiful day; a little windy (N.E.).

Thursday June 21. I milked after coffee. Afterwards I dug potatoes and then helped fix the ditch. That toro we brought yesterday from Sharff yesterday did in the corral today; was heated. I helped take skin off after dinner. Afterwards I helped mother plant the acacia trees back of the back yard. I drove together the horses this evening on Charles' subj. He bucked with me. I afterwards rode my redman, and drove down to the cattle; he was pretty tame. Las Turbias have some cattle locked in; on the way to

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Gauada Gomez. The sun did not come out today was cloudy and coldish.

Friday June 22. I milked after coffee. We went up to Las Castaños today to part out. After milking we started: Tania, May, Adolph and I went. I rode the fat mala cara. We went slowly and arrived there just in time for breakfast. Clark and Nicholson were at home. After dinner the peons went to part out at the Churpico, two leagues up north. They brought two cows and a calf, which they locked in Fregarthus corral overnight. I spent the afternoon around the place. Put my horse in the pasture in the afternoon but in the evening gave him dry alfa with the other horses. He would not drink the water nor eat the alfa. Had breakfast at 12, tea at 4, dinner at 4, and coffee at 8. I slept in Mrs. Fregarthus bed room. They gave the peons meat. It was a cloudy foggy day.

Saturday June 23. I did not sleep very well last night. I was up early and read a while in my room, before the peons were stirring. And then we had coffee. It was foggy this morning so we did not have coffee rode till pretty late. Clark and Nicholson both went to the rodeo. Nicholson has a bad leg, so he can't ride well. We parted out 3 cows with calves and two vaquillones. We had to leave one cow and calf back because the calf had the pest and could not travel. Could not do much with my horse because he acted mean. The calves all had Fregarthus mark, as he gave us.

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their mark along to counter mark them. We did not have much trouble on the road. Arrived home about three o'clock, and had something to eat. We afterwards marked the calves (3) I passed on horse back. I drove the horses into the field with a picasita of the yegua picasso tropello. It was quite a foggy dark day.

Sunday June 24. I milked after coffee. Sking is here. Mourse does not want to pay him for his work so he took Brown along the day to interpret for him, but with out any good. Lariana went to Gaitada Gomez and brought Lina back today. This afternoon I fixed my periodos. Skelgman with Maas were here this afternoon. We went out to Capar toros this afternoon. Willie Adolpht and I. I broke my lasso in the beginning between the yappa and lasso; so I could not lasso any more. They caught up. I nearly lost my hat. I rode the fat sand. It Brown, Lariana) and Adolph went to the baile at Pastros place this evening. It was a very foggy forenoon, and the sun did not shine today. We sent May off today.

Monday June 25. I milked after coffee. The rest of the forenoon I dug holes to plant uacacia trees in the monte back of the house; by removing every other paraiso tree along the pond and lane. And after dinner mother and I transplanted them. The workmen are fixing the ditch yet. This afternoon, I drove the horses to the corral with my alisan. I afterwards rode my potro sand to drive up some others; which I got.

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on him, he just gave one jump; he went very well though. Willie captured two this evening. It was a gloomy day; foggy; the sun but coming out once. It is not cold however.

Tuesday June 26. I milked after coffee. The rest of the forenoon I took out every other parais tree in the lane to the brick pile to plant pepper trees there, and afterwards dug a mess of patatas and potatoes. After dinner I brought up some horses. I then helped mother plant pepper trees in the holes I made in the morning. This afternoon we (Willie, Pama, Angel, Larcia and I) captured two in the camp. I rode the little bays and had the thick lasso with brass ring. The lasso was so heavy that we only caught 3 of 20. I also lost my stirrup. Angel broke one leg novillo (caught by mistake) and we butchered him this evening. When I came home there were trying to pull up water with the old overs, as he would not go, I got on him, and after a lot of trouble pulled up water with him. It was a cloudy day and the sun did not come out.

Wednesday June 27. I milked after coffee. The rest of the forenoon I spaded ground to plant orange seed by the vegetable garden along the fence. Willie went to Gasaria after dinner. He comes back Saturday and gets lumber to make helida and supplies. Maas was here this afternoon. Larcia

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sent a wagon for manure this afternoon. And we gave him three sacks of manure and one of potatoes for nothing. I drove the horses to the field this evening with Charlie's rule; he was quite wild and tried to buck me off. It was a very cold forenoon but the day was pleasant. Just a year that father died.

Thursday June 28. I milked after coffee. The new cow is quite tame, and gives her milk. The rest of the forenoon I spaded ground along the fence of the vegetable garden to plant orange ranges, and helped mend the ditch. I had a head ache all day.

Uncle and Adolph went down to the well to help Brown fix the horse power this afternoon. So I went down to the puesto and took a muelle down to the well to help them, on the pains, pacer. Maas came this afternoon and stays over night. I drove the horse into the field this evening on the same horse. It was a wonderful day, cold. We lent one of our wagons this evening to Memmis.

Friday June 29. There was a heavy frost this morning and was quite cold. I milked after coffee. Afterwards I churned butter, dug sweet potatoes etc. Adolph finished my talard this forenoon. I and Adolph fixed the fence this afternoon by the gate of the new potrero that the horses had broken down. I drove the horses into the field this evening on blue-legs, I ride with out stirrups now, as I had broken one. It was a very pleasant warm day. Maas went back to Phaff this afternoon.

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Saturday June 30. Willie came last night 10 o'clock from Rosario. Early before sun rise it was very clear but afterwards a dark cloud came up, and a heavy fog prevailed all day. I milked after coffee. The rest of the forenoon I dug potatoes and potatoes and helped fix the ditch. Also after dinner I worked in the ditch. Many of the Californian colonists are going back to the States. Willie seen Moores Mounds etc, in Rosario. I drove the horses to the corral this evening with the fat mala cara. He is very fat in the mouth. I afterwards helped Herman lock in the calves. Had a great deal of trouble with them. Going to leave the horses out tonight.

Sunday July 1. It drizzled some last night, and this morning it was foggy. I milked after coffee. I did not do much today but read a book named the "Bride of Lammermoor". I took a good washing and bath this forenoon. I drove the horses to the corral this evening with the little parrots. It was a disagreeable day, cold, cloudy and foggy.

Monday July 2. Adolph went to Patada Gomez with the ox wagon to bring out the goods Willie bought in Rosario. I milked after coffee in a drizzling fog. The rest of the forenoon and a part of the afternoon I made pins for the chain of the pump which we are now fixing up. I brought up a horse for Johannel this afternoon and then drove up the rest of the horses with