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Black, Cruse Oct. 1915 to June, 1916

Oct. 6th
Gardiner to Mammoth Hot Spring and took oath of office. Returned to Gardiner. 10 miles.

Oct. 7
Hunted coyotes from Gardiner. Traveled 8 miles. Killed one coyote.

Oct. 8
Gardiner to Mammoth and return, hunting coyotes. Traveled 10 mi.

Oct 9
Gardiner to Tower falls miles 23 hunting coyotes

Oct 10
from Towr fall to buffalo ranch killed one coyote see one wolf black miles 15

Oct 11
from Buffalo ranch to cash creek and back to Buffalo ranch miles 12

Oct 12
from Buffalo ranch to mount norris and back killed one coyote 8 miles

Oct 13
from Buffalo farm on specimen rige set 12 trap miles 12 and returned to Buffalo Farm

Oct 14
from Buffalo farm hunted up rose creek set two traps returned to ranch travled miles 8

Oct 15
from Buffalo ranch on sped rig and took som baits and returned travled miles 6

Oct 16
from Buffalo ranch below lamar canyon up slou creek killed one coyote one elk killed by wolves two year old cow returned to ranch

Oct 17
From Buffalo ranch hunting coyotes shot one coyote traped one coyote miles 8 returned to ranch

Oct 18
from Buffalo ranch huntting coyotes traveled 15 miles and returned hunting coyotes

Oct 19
From buffalo ranch hunting coyotes traveled 8 miles and returned

Oct 20
from Buffalo ranch hunting coyotes and returned traveled miles 20

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Oct 21
from Buffal rach set 10 traps hunting coyotes traveled miles 10

Oct 22
From Buffalo ranch hunting coyotes returned traveled miles 12 miles

Oct 23
From Buffalo ranch traped one wolf femaile and returned

Oct. 24
From Buffalo ranch hunting coyotes went to Twinlakes stayed all night miles 7 one elk killed by wolves

Oct 25
from road camp to buffalo ranch hunting coyotes traveled miles 10 traped two coyotes both mailes

Oct 26
cleaning hides and set six traps traveled miles 4

Oct 27
From buffalo ranch to slew creek and camped hunting coyotes traveled miles 12

Oct 28
camp on slewcreek hunting coyotes killed one black wolf femaile traveled 15 miles

Oct 29
from camp on slew creek hunting coyotes killed one coyote maile traveled miles 10

Oct 30
came from camp on slewcreek. killed one black wolf maile hunting coyotes traveled 6 miles

Oct 31
From Buffalo Farm hunting coyotes killed two coyotes one maile & femaile traveled miles 4

Nov 1
From Buffalo ranch to slewcreek and returned hunting coyotes killed one coyotes femaile traveled miles 10

Nov 2
From Buffalo ranch hunting coyotes to mount norris returned miles 14

Nov 3
From Buffalo ranch hunting coyotes on specimenkrig and returned traveled miles 16 one calf elk killed by wolves

Nov 4
From buffalo ranch hunting coyotes on lamar brid and set six traps and one femaile coyote killed returned miles 8

Nov 5
from Buffalo ranch hunting coyotes on cash creek and returned traveled 12 miles

Nov 6
from Buffalo ranch hunting coyotes on secment ridg and returned traveled 14 miles

Nov 7
from buffalo ranch hunting coyotes to cash creek and returned miles 12

Nov 8
from buffalo ranch hunting coyotes to twinlakes returned miles 10

Nov 9
from buffalo ranch hunting coyotes killed one coyote female and returned miles 8 up sdabutte creek

Nov 10
from buffalo ranch hunting coyotes killed two coyotes one maile one femaile on specment ridg returned miles 16

Nov 11
cleaned hides and hunting coyotes miles 4

Nov 12
From Buffalo ranch hunting coyotes killed two coyotes traveled 15 miles returned

Nov 13
From Buffalo ranch hunting coyotes killed one coyote and returned traveled 15 miles

Nov 14
From Buffalo ranch hunting coyotes killed one coyote and returned traveled 12 miles

Nov 15
From Buffalo ranch hunting Coyotes killed two coyotes returned traveled miles 8

Nov 16
from Buffalo ranch hunting coyotes returned traveled miles 10

Nov 17
from buffalo ranch hunting coyotes and returned traveled miles 12 set one trap

Nov 18
from Buffalo ranch hunting coyoes and returned miles 6 one elk killed by wolves calf elk femaile

Nov 19
from Buffalo ranch hunting coyotes and returned traveled miles 15 and see three large heards of elk all look good some sine of scab on old bulls

Nov 20
from Buffalo ranch hunting coyotes and returned traveled miles 12

Nov 21
from Buffalo ranch hunting coyotes traveled miles 3

Nov 22
from buffalo ranch hunting coyotes killed one coyote traveled miles 10 and returned to ranch

Nov 23
hunting coyotes & wolves went to Gardiner miles 30

Nov 24
was in at Gardiner did not hunt

Nov 25
Thanksgiven

Nov 26
from Gardiner to Maoth hot spring hunting coyotes miles 10

Nov 27
From Gardiner hunting coyotes to Buffalo farm traveled miles 30

Nov 28
hunting coyotes traveled miles 4

Nov 29
hunting coyotes & wolves traveled to cash creek miles 12

Nov 30
on specement ridg hunting coyotes traveled miles 8 killed one female

Dec 1
hunting coyote & wolves killed one female slow creek traveled miles 14

Dec 2
hunting coyotes & wolves on specement ridg miles 8 traveled

Dec 3
hunting coyotes on cash creek killed one maile coyote one three year old bull elk dead miles 12

Dec 4
hunting coyotes one set of four traps miles 10

Dec 5
hunting coyotes & wolves on slow creek killed one maile coyote traveled 10 miles

Dec 6
hunting coyotes on mount norris found one cow elk killed Grey wolves turned loos out of trap one red fox one eagle loos out of trap see fifteen mountan sheep in good cond traveled miles 15

Dec 7
helped with the Buffalo heard

Dec 8
hunting coyotes & wolves to cash creek killed one female coyote traveled miles 10

Dec 9
hunting coyotes up rose creek traveled miles 10

Dec 10
hunting coyotes & made a set of four traps traveled miles 4

Dec 11
hunting mountan lions tracked all day four lions two larg tracks & two small tracks about one year olds traveled miles 14

Dec 12
hunting coyotes killed one coyote maile traveled miles 2

Dec 13
hunting coyote & wolves on slow creek killed one coyote maile traveled miles 15

Dec 14
Hunting coyotes killed one coyote maile traveled miles 4

Dec 15
hunting coyotes from Buffalo farm killed one coyote female on catch creek and returne traveled miles 14

Dec 16
hunting coyotes & wolves on speciment ridge killed one coyote female traveled miles 10

Dec 17
hunting coyote in the vicinity of Jackson grade traveled miles 12

Dec 18
hunting coyotes killed one male coyote traveled miles 8

Dec 19
hunting coyotes & wolves cash creek traveled miles 12

Dec 20
lay off

Dec 21
hunting coyotes traveled miles 5

Dec 22
hunting coyotes & wolves traveled miles 15

Dec 23
helped crate Buffalo in fornoon hunted in afternoon traveled miles 5

Dec 24
hunting coyotes & wolve traveled miles 5

Dec 25
was a holiday

Dec 26
hunting coyotes traveled miles 4

Dec 27
hunting coyotes & wolves traveled 6 miles

Dec 28
hunting coyotes & wolves on slow creek traveled miles 15

Dec 29
hunting coyotes traveled miles 8

Dec 30
hunting coyotes & wolves traveled 11 miles to tower valls

Dec 31
hunting coyotes on the way in to Matoh from tower falls traveled miles 23

Jan 1--1916
was at Gardiner to get snowshoes

Jan 2
came back to Gardiner traveled miles 22

Jan 3
came from Gardiner to blacktaile creek traveled 11 miles hunting coyotes

Jan 4
hunting with Stefens traveling miles 6

Jan 5
hunting at same place on Blacktaile deer creek traveled miles 12

Jan 6
hunting coyotes to tower falls traveled miles 15

Jan 7
hunting from tower falls to Buffalo farm traveled miles 20
see wolf tracks three diferent one

Jan 8
hunting coyotes & wolves on spec ridg traveled miles 10

Jan 9
hunting coyotes & wolves on catch creek killed one coyote female traveled miles 10

Jan 10
hunting coyotes & wolves traveled miles 12

Jan 11
hunting coyotes & wolves on rose creek traveled miles 8

Jan 12
hunting coyotes & wolves to lamar bridge traveled miles 5

Jan 13
hunting coyotes on mounten back of soda butte found one bull elk dead about eight years old eaten by coyotes could not tell what killed him traveled miles 8

Jan 14
hunting coyotes & wolves killed one coyote female on slow creek traveled miles 10

Jan 15
hunting coyotes & wolves traveled miles 5

Jan 16
hunting coyotes & wolves up rose creek traveled miles 4

Jan 17
hunting coyotes & wolves on secment ridg see wolf tracks one elk killed buy wolves about 8 years old cow 12 mi

Jan 18
hunting coyotes & wolves on Secment ridg folowed four wolves track about ten miles one cow elk killed buy wolves about five years old traveled miles 14

Jan 19
hunting Coyotes & wolves to cach creek traveled miles 10

Jan 20
hunting coyotes & wolves on spec ridge made a set of three traps traveled miles 8

Jan 21
hunting coyotes & wolves on spec ridg made a set of two traps killed one coyote female traveled miles 10

Jan 22
hunting coyotes & wolves betwen rose creek and slow creek on mountain traveled miles 10

Jan 23
Sunday

Jan 24
hunting coyotes & wolves on slow creek and camped one cow elk dead of old age one fawn deer killed buy coyotes traveled miles 10

Jan 25
hunting coyotes & wolves on slow creek Buffalo fork one deer killed buy lions about three year old female returned to Buffalo farm traveled miles 15

Jan 26
hunting coyotes & wolves killed one female coyotes turned one red fox loos traveled miles 5

Jan 27
hunting coyotes & wolves on slow creek stayed at snowshoe cabin killed one male coyote traveled miles 10

Jan 28
hunting coyotes & wolves from Slow creek cabin snow about two feet on level about two hundred elk fare cond. traveled miles 10

Jan 29
from cabon on on slow creek to Buffal farm hunting coyotes & wolves traveled miles 15

Jan 30 Sunday
made a set of three traps one old cow elk dead about 10 years old traveled miles 3

Jan 31
hunting coyotes & wolves on spec. ridg one old cow elk killed wolves one bull dead with scab traveled miles 12

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Burgess, F. October 14, 1898 to April 19, 1899 Archive Diary 7 #

Left Home on the 14 Oct. went up worm river to west boundry of Park One the 15 I followed sou boundry to Robisons river camped on the same, [Robinson Cr] saw signs of game and so I found a shirt jump where some body had camped. No Doubt Hunters. They were ab mile from park.

on the 16 I Broke camp and still went south signs of 4 moose--a number of Elks signs

[to Snake]

on the 17 I went from n ford on the road t ~~norris~~ river station. a li west of the Bitch river I saw 8 Elks 5 Bulls and 3 cows

18 left Snake river on from the pitch stone Pleauteau. but not make the summit snow was from 18 to hs deep and crusted it cut the Horses legs Caught in a snow wich drove us back 3 miles. I saw one lo track [buffalo] and one ~~track about~~ ning in the ~~L~~ d of L Lake [Lewis] track about 4 days we camped about (?)s south of Head of Betcheler river Pleauteau. [Bechler R]

on the 19--went to Betchelder river saw 2 year old Buffalo tracks to shoshone Lake
2 Elks tracks
Not take in the Summit Distrct on of snow. So went ~~no~~ on to Fire Hole River. On our way down to saw what I took to tracks of about 6B They [buffalo] had been made 6 or 7 days a go.

[Firehole]

20 left Camp on the fire for the Fountain. saw the Buffalos had been going along the river to the L(?) Star geyser.

[Mammoth] [Lone] [arrived] [ordered] --21st

left Fountain for Hot spg. when I a at Norris. I was or back to Snake stat by Lt. Cress--wit that had ration snow shoe stocks went from Norris [to] Lke.

[ration]

Out from Lake to (?) beyond Thumb with (?)on.
Arrived at Snake river.

[Proposition Creek]

Fixed up the packs to packed to P. C. Cabin Lake Cabin, Bartlet Boundary Ck Cabin. [Loon]

To P. C. Cabin [Proposition Creek]
To Bartlet cabin [and] Loone Lake. [outside bdry]
Boundry Creek Cabin back to B. C.
Scouted through F. R. river (?)os and squirrel C. A number of Elks. a lot of moose [Falls]

30 returned to S river station. [Snake]

31. went to Coulte it snowed all day signs of moose and

1st of Nov [?]
went from Coult Heart Lake. and of Lake. saw a n [number] of Elks in the H L ba 2 went to Lake and 3 came Home [2 & 3 of Nov]
[Heart Lake basin]

Mam Hot Spgs
No sermons Sunday 6th went from Springs to north boundry to see about some antilope wich were reported to have had crossed over the boundry.

corrections & notes by Mary Meagher, 1970

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I found the report to be unfounded. I saw a bout 2 Hundred of them about 1 1/2 miles south west from Garderner. I also saw were about 6 antilope had crossed the boundry but had returned in side of the Park.

November 7 1898
Left Mam Hot Spgs to go and look for the Buffalos. On Swan Lake flat I saw about 100 Elks.

8
went from Norris to Fountain--when I got about 5 miles North of Fountain on the old road I saw where there had been about 50 Elks going to the Madison Canyon--

9
I took I took Raenun (mer) from Fountain Station--and we went up the Nez Persie and Magpie Creeks. we saw a great deal of Elks tracks there must of have been at least (150) of of them we saw no signs of Buffalo. went in camp at snow shoe shack on Trout Creek. The snow is from 6 to 18 inches deep

10
left Trout Creek at 7 a. m. went south west to head of Nez Persie. Then north by east along Bace of Marys Hill over worm formation a distance of 3 miles I found two Buffalo tracks one Bull and cow. Saw a number of Elk tracks. Then I returned to Trout Creek arived at 12 hi. left Trout Creek for Lake station at 1 p. m on the way in Hayden valley, I saw where about (200) Elks had passed going north East.

11th
Left Lake Station for the Pelican Country crossed the Yellowstone river at the 4 mile post north of station. scouted up Pellican to Estrigant and up the Creek. Then returned to Cabin. On Pellican South of Sulpher Hill saw 5 Elks and a number of tracks

12
Left Cabin went up the west fork of Estringent Creek althrough worm formation. Then north of Sulpher Hill to head of Bluff Creek. Then back to north west of white Lake and Head of Sour Creek. Then to tarn [Fern] lakes East of white lake. Then north to Fern Lake. Crossed Broad Creek then went North East to Head of pellican and camped. There was but very little game in this part of the country saw a few Elk tracks and quite a number of lions tracks. The snow is about from 18 inches to 2 feet Deep No Buffalo and no grass for our Horses.

13
left camp at 8 A M went north west to head of shallow Creek Then cross to some worm formation on head of Deep Creek. Then to East fork of pellican. where I saw the tracks of ~~our~~ one Buffalo. I could not follow it on a count of a long band of Elks. No Doubt on their way to the Speciment ridges. I then crossed to Head of raven Creek. I tried to cross over the range to willow creek but could not. The snow being about 30 inches deep. went in Camp on raven Creek saw some Elk tracks

14
Went Down raven to mouth of Pellican then up pellican to where the East fork comes in mane streem. Then down and back to station on the Yellowstone Lake

15
left Lake Station for Mammoth Hot spgs The man I had with me went Home by way of Marys Hill. Near Crater Hill I saw a large band of Elks.

16
Left Norris at 9 a. m. on the way near Willow Park I saw 15 Elks going up Strate [straight] Creek. I did not see any signs of Poaching on my trip

November 21st 1898
Left Mam Hot spgs on a scouting trip to go where ever I can a horse back. Left Mam Spring at 9.30 am. Arrived at Norris at 3 pm. on swan Lake flat I saw 20 Elks and 2 coyotes.--I met 2 men from river side station on their way to the Post. I also met the Carpenters from Canyon at the 9 mile Post south of the Spg. at the Brick yard saw one Lion track it is begining to storm.

22
Left Norris for Canyon. Left Norris at 10 a. m. arrived at 2. P. m. No game signs of any kind today. It is snowing a little

23
left Canyon for Sour Creek. Crossed the river at what is called one miles crossing. Went East to Forest Springs. found old signs of Buffallos. and saw quite a band of Elks in the roaling Hills. Then went a little north of East some to worm formation at the head of Moss Creek. found some fresh Buffallo tracks going South followed them to some Hot Spring on one Brench of sour Creek. Then I went south west to head of Bog Creek. and down in sour creek where there is quite an oppening then I found where 4 Buffalos had beded the night before. from there I went to Cotton grass Creek about half way betweeen Cotton grass and sour Creek I saw 2 old Bulls one laying down they were very wild. and ran back twords sour crrk. I went in camp on Cotton grass at 5 pm in a bout 2 feet of snow. It has been snowing a little alday

24
left camp at 7 a. m. went south west to mud geyser and crossed the river and up to the Lake station. arrived at 3 P. M. This has been one of the most disagreable trips I have ever taken on acount of the Depth of the snow on the ground and fallen timber. and the trees are loaded with snow. so that when I passed under them I would get hole evelanchs of snow on my head and down my neck saw no signs of game today

25
left Lake station for Canyon at 9 a.m. I went by way of the Crater Hills at the Crater Hills I saw (100) Elks feedding on the Hills south of the Craters. Then I went back to the road. at the mouth of Alum Creek I saw (25) Elks laying down next to the river. arrived at Canyon 3 30

[slaughter house was on Panther Cr]

26
left Canyon for Mam Hot Spg. at half past nine between Canyon and Norris about 1/2 mile from station saw when a larg band of Elks had crossed the road going North East. No doubt the band I had seen at the Crater Hills on their way to Mount Washburn--from there to swan Lake flat I did not see any sign of game but on swan Lake flat I saw 4 or 5 Hundred Elks feedin on the hills south of the slutter [slaughter] House and at the 2 Mile Post there were a bout (40) Deer. seven of them Lying down about (50) feet from the road and they did not get up when we passed--I say we because Sargt Welsh and a privet from Lake station had overtaken me at the 2 mile post north of norris. 1 1/2 from Post we saw 7 Elks feeding (50) yards from the road they did not run arrived at the spgs at 6 30 p. m.

slaughter house on Panther

Left Mam Hot Spgs January 4-99 on a scouting trip to the Bufalo Country the first day went to Cristal Springs on Swan Lake flat saw a lot of Elk signs.

5th
Went to Norris then I met Corpl Ovnes and Private Wergman of D. troop of Cavalry who made the round trip with me.

6
Went to Canyon station. Saw no signs of Game. Tellaphoned to Capt Erwin to allow Private Gephant H" troop 4" Cavalry to make the trip with me.

7
Laid over at the station

8
went from Canyon to Lake station saw no signs of any gaime

9
went from Lake station to Cabin on Estringent Creek South of Sulpher Hills on Pellican Creek saw quite a number of Elk Track

10 [West ?]
went up East forks of Estringent to Head of Bluff Creek. Then to white Lake. I saw two Buffalos and a Great Many tracks. Then went to Tern Lakes on the East side of the lake saw four Buffalos Then we went to Fern Lake. Saw 3 Buffalos on the northwest End of Lake. we then went East to Head of Pallican Creek, down same back to Cabin on Estringent Creek.

11
went up middle Estringent. over White Lake to Head of Sour Creek. on this Creek I saw 15 Buffalos 12 old one and 3 calfs. ~~Followd~~ went down sour creek to Canyon station. Thus Far I saw No signs of Poaching

12
Laid over at station

13
went over Hayden valley to Marys Hill. Saw no sign of game.

14
went over formations on Marys Hill but could not find any signs of Buffalos. or any other kind of Game. Then went down Marys Hill to head of Nez Perze Creek where I saw quite a number of Elks tracks. There to Fountain Station. where I met Scout Morrison and Corp'l Carter of H", Troop 4" Cavalry--

15
Laid over at station

16
Left station for Home. saw no sign of Game went to Norris

17 [slaughter]
from Norris to Mam Hot Spgs on the Hills north of Slotter House saw quit a number of Elks. I saw no sign of any poaching being don. on this trip

on the 24 of February Scout Whiteaker and I Left Mam Hot Spg to go and get those soldier from Soda Butte who are to be discharged.
There is not very much snow between Yencys and Mam Hot Spgs. The Elks are all looking well. There are a great maney of them on this reange.
East of Yanceys up to Soda Butte the snow is about three feet deep. There are a great manny Elks and not looking as well as those west of Yanceys. No Doubt there will be quite a nomber of them that will die before spring.

24
I went to Yanceys

25
to Soda Buttes

26
back to Yanceys

27
Mam Hot Spgs.

March 6th 1899

I was ordered by Capt Erwin to go to snake river station with George Lorb to try and pen 2 Buffalos wish are wintring on snake river.--that is I can buy Hay for them

6
Left Mammoth Hot Springs for Norris.

7
went to Fountain

went to Upper Basin

9
went to Shoshone Basin
10
went to Snake river Station
11
Laid over
12
Laid over

13
I went to Look for aplace to build a Correl.

14
Seargt Loeb and I went to Jacksons Lake to buy Hay we found two parties who have hay but they would not sell any.

15
Laid over on acount of it snowing imposible to shoe.

16
went back to station

17
Laid over

18
I went to look for the Buffalos found them on snake rive one mile north of south boundry.

19
Laid over

20
went wood cutting logs to build correl. and to make a fance across the river. on trying to buald a fance across the rive I find the river is about 40 yards across the water from one to 2 feet deep. So give up the fance.

21
Snowed all day and night

22
Laid over still snowing

23
left station for Mamm Hot Springs. rain and snow.

24
from Lewis Cabin went to Thumb snow and rain

25
went to Lake station snowing

26
Laid over

28
Left Lake for Mamm Hot Spgs

29
arrived at Post at 530 pm. I did not see any signs of Poaching being done on this trip. The snow is about 6 feet deep on the pitchstoene it is about 12 feet

April 4 1899
I was ordered by Capt Whilden to go to the Buffalo Country.

4
went to Cristal Spgs

5
to Norris

6
to Canon

7
Laid over

8
went to Lake

9
went to Estringent Cabin

10
I looked for the Buffalos. Saw 20

11
went back to Lake.

12
snowing not able to shoe

13
still snowing and rain not able to shoe so laid over

14
went to Trout Creek one Buffalo on Crater Hill

15
went to Fountain 5 Buffalos on Central Plateau

16
it is snowing so I have to lay over

17
still snowing

18
started for Mamm Hot Spgs.

19
arived at Mamm Hot Spgs. 11 am. I did not see any signs of Poaching on this trip

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Archive Diary #

Sept 5 1907
Distance Traveled by S. M. F. From Head qtr to Gar and back. 10 miles 10

6 Left Hdqr for the Gallatin Saw 2 Deer and 1 Elk Traveled 19

7 Saw no game Traveled miles 20

8 Mon. Traveled wes Boundery 8

9 went to Sportsmen Lake and fan Creek Saw one Elk and one Deer

10 Traveled no game 17 from fan creek to Gallatin

11 on north Boundery Saw Some Signs of Poachers Traveled 18

12Sent Corporel and -----Serene out

13 2 men after mail to Wilsons

14 Went up northline of the Park Saw 4 Elk and numerous Signs and traveled miles 16

16 North Boudry Traveled 15 Saw numeros Signs of Elk

17 Went up Bacon Rine Cr. Saw Seven Ducks Traveled miles 18

18 Went to Post office for Supplies Traveled miles 20

19 in camp

20 To Grayling Creek Saw one Elk 1 coyote 33 Ducks Traveled miles 28

21 North Corner of the Park Traveled miles 17
Saw 22 Elk

22 from Gallatin Ft Yellowstone miles 35

23 Traveled on north Boundry on the west miles 9

24 Back to Ft Yellowstone miles 9

25 From Ft to Gallatin 35 m

26 North Boundry miles 19 m
and saw 17 Elk

27 West Boundery to Greyling Creek and vicinity 25 m

28 went to Office Traveled miles 20

29 Stayed in camp Stormed all day

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30 Went to Fan Creek after 2 Sacks of Oats that the Pack Train left on account of sick mule Saw 14 Elk Traveled miles 34

Oct 1st 1907
Went to Greyling Creek and up Bacon Rind mils 27

2 Stayed in Camp Gal. very Stormy

3 North Boundery and Elk 9 miles 11

3 Went up Specimen Creek and found Cabbin with fresh signs of trappers with Rations and beding Had a very hard day mils 25

4 built a Stable

6 went to P. O. office miles 20

7 went up Specimen Burnt beding and rations found at Cabbin miles 30

8 West Boundery Saw 7 Elk miles 12

8 to Head qrters 35 mi saw 1 Elk 19 Deer

9 From Head qts to Gardiner and 4 miles on North Bou Travled 18 Saw 32 Deer 71 antelope

10 From Headqtr to station on Gallatin Saw 3 Grouse miles 35

11 Stayed in Camp

12 North Boundery Saw Signs of Poachers Traveled 14 in the Evening arrested 1 Deserter

13 Stayed in camp

14 Patroled on west Boundery Saw one Pheason miles 24

15 Halled wood and worked on Stable

Oct. 16, '07 North Boundery tore Down Trappers Cabbin and arrested one Trapper By The name of Jack Garnick got 4 Trapps and 2 Furs miles 25 Killed 1 Coyote

17 went to H. D. Q. with Prisoner Saw 11 Elk Deer 9 miles 35

18 Went From Ft. to Gardiner and back to Ft Saw 500 antelope 1 mountain sheep and 12 Deer miles 10

19 from Ft to Gallatin Station Saw 38 Elk 19 Deer Miles 35

20 Staied in camp

21 North Boundery Saw 2 Grouse miles 18

22 West Boundery miles 9

23 went a foot up Specimen miles 12

24 Stayed in camp and took a gun Winchester 30 X 30 from F. F. More

25 went to Post Office miles 20

26 went up Bacon Rind miles 18

27 rested Horses

28 North Boundery miles 20

29 West Boundery miles 14

30 Stayed in Camp Stormed most of the Day

31 From Gallatin Station to Ft Saw 200 Elk 1 Bear 4 White taled Deer 37 Black tale Deer Miles 35

Nov 1st 1907

From Head qts to Gardiner Saw Mountain Sheep 2 Antelope 150 Deer 19 miles 10

2 From Head qts Station on Gallatin Saw Elk 41 Deer 7 1 Bear miles 35

3 Stayed in camp

4 went to Grayling Creek on wes Boundery Miles 25

5 from there on west and Saw 7 Elk. Boundery to Riverside miles 20

6 from River Side to Gneiss Creek to Snow Sho Cabbin and on to Grayling Creek Miles 15

7 from Grayling Creek back to Station on Gallatin Elk 1 Grous 7 miles 25

8 Stayed in Camp to rest Horses

9 on north Boundery Deere 3 miles 18

10 bult fince to Protect Hay

11 up Bacon Rind and then South on west Boundery miles 25 mountan Sheep 4

12 up Specimen Creek to the oaled cabbins that we tore down but did not See any Signs of Poachers miles 25

13 Halled wood

14 on the north Bound on foot miles 16

15 on wes Boundery miles 12

the 16 went to post office miles 20

17 Stayed in Cam

18 North Boundery Deere 2 miles 16

19 Cut wood

21 wes Boundery up Sn [Snowslide Cr.] over Slide miles 15

21 North Boundery up Specimen Creek miles 14

22 wes wes Boundery as far as Grayling Creek and Saw 3 Elk Miles 28

23 Went to Post office Miles 20

24 Stayed in Camp to Rest?

25 up Bacon Rind and over the Trail down monument Creek Grouse 8 miles 24

26 on north Boundery miles 11

27 Stayed in Camp

28 Went to Cold Spring Ranch to Thanksgiving Dinner miles 30

29 Returned Home miles 30

30 Stayed in camp

DEc 1st

Walked 7 miles up Specmen

2 Walked 12 miles on west Boundery Saw 27 Elk

3 Stayed in camp

4 Went up to Fan Creek and return Saw 72 Elk 30 mi

5 Corp Henderson and Purcell left me In camp

6 Rode all day Traveled 30 Miles Between Specimen and Fern Creek [probably Fan] Saw a great no of Elk but could not count them correctly would Estmate 500 or more

7 the Creeks ar be comeing impassible from the fact that they are Gorged So bad In camp

8 Went to the P. O. office miles 20

9 went up monument Creek west of the Park and found that Section Entirely clear of Hunters miles 18

10 Sored Hay and Grein in Stable

11 Went up Specimen to the Main fork Saw 7 Elk miles 12

12 Went to P. O. office Miles 20

13 Cleaned up around Camp and choped wood

14 Crossed west Gallatin in front of Cabbin went up on West Side Saw the Elk in great droves 14 mi

15 fixed up around camp Stored everything in the very best Shape posible

16 left camp for Ft Yellow Stone and I do believe that there is 2000 Elk in Sight All in fine condition 20 mi

17 made 10 miles to Wilsons

18 Went to Halfway House Miles 22

19 Layed over from the fact that it was very cold

20 Went to Anceneys Ranch miles 34 Layed over to Rest

21 Went to Bozeman and from there to Livingston miles 50

22 Stayed in Livingston

23 From Livingston to Ft Yellowstone Saw 27 Deere 250 Antelope 3 mounten Sheep miles 59

24 From Ft Yellowstone to Livingston Saw 21 Deer and about 500 Antelope miles 59

absent

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April 1
patrol from Post to north boundery mounted, and returned 10 miles. game seen ~~ran~~ 125 deer 50 Elk 200 Antelope condition of game good birds seen 25 mallard duck

April (2)
Sno patrol

April (3)
patrol from Post the north boundary. mounted weast to Sepulchre moutain 15 miles and returned game seen 100 deer 75 Elk- 300 antelope condition of game good. birds 25 mallard ducks

April 4
patrol from Post the north boundary mounted weast to Reese Creek and returned 20 miles. game seen 150 deer 25 Elk 400 antelope condition of game good. birds seen 15 mallard ducks

April . 5 .
patrol from Post. the north boundary. mounted weast to Sepulchre mountain. and returned 15 miles. game seen 150 deer 500 Elk 400 Antelope. Condition of game good. birds seen 40 mallard ducks

April 6
Patrol from Post the north boundary. mounted weast to Reese Creek and returned 20 miles game seen 50 deer, 100 Elk, 250 antelope condition of game good birds seen 20 mallard ducks

April 7
Patrol from Post. on skis. the head waters of glen Creek and returned 15 miles. snow to deep for horse. no game seen

April 8
Patrol from Post the north boundary mounted weast to Reese Creek. and returned 20 miles game seen. 50 deer. 120 Elk. 250 Antelope condition of game good birds seen 20 mallard ducks

April 9
Patrol from Post the north boundary mounted. weast to Sepulchre mountain. and returned 15 miles. game seen. 80 deer. 200 Elk. 300 Antelope Condition of game good Birds seen. 10 mallard ducks

April 10
Patrol from Post. the East Gardiner and Mt. evers. mounted and returned 12 miles. game seen--100 deer 25 Elk Condition of game good

April 11
Patrol from Post. the north. boundary mounted. weast to Reese Creek and returned. 20 miles. game seen 150 deer 300 antelope condition of game good birds seen. 10 mallard ducks

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April 12
Patrol from Post. the north. boundary. mounted weast to Sepulchre mountain. and returned 15 miles. game seen 100 deer. 350 antelope 75 Elk. Condition of game good. birds seen 25 mallard ducks

April 13
Patrol from Post the north boundary mounted weast to Reese Creek. and returned. 20 miles. game seen 125 deer. 300 antelope 25 Elk. Condition of game good. birds seen 10 mallard ducks

April 14
Patrol from Post the East Gardiner. and Mt. evers mounted and returned 12 miles. game seen. 200 deer 40 Elk Condition of game good

April 15
No Patrol

April 16
Patrol from Post on skis to the head waters of the Gardiner River and returned 16 miles snow to deep for horse game seen. 125 deer 50 Elk Condition of game good

April 17
Patrol from Post the north boundary mounted. weast to Reese Creek. and returned 20 miles game seen. 200 deer 175 Elk 300 antelope condition of game good birds seen 10 mallard ducks

April 18
getting tools and material to repair fence on north boundary of the Park

April 19
repairing fence on north boundary. game seen. 150 deer 500 Elk 400 Antelope condition of game good

April 20
repairing fence on north boundary. game seen 100 deer. 300 Elk 200 antelope condition of game good. birds seen. 25 mallard ducks

April 21
repairing fence on north boundary. game seen 175 deer. 250 Elk 400 antelope condition of game good. birds seen. 15 mallard ducks

April 22
No Patrol

April 23
working around the Post

April 24
making signs and putting then up. on formation were it is not safe for people to walk

April 25
Patrol from Post. the north boundary. mounted weast. to Sepulchre mountain and returned 15 miles. game seen 150 deer. 300 Elk 200 Antelope. Condition of game good birds seen. 40 mallard ducks.

April 26
Patrol from Post. the north boundary mounted. weast to Reese Creek and returned 20 miles. game seen. 125 deer. 75 Elk. 200 antelope. Condition of game good birds seen. 15 mallard ducks

April 27
Patrol from Post. Mt. Ever. Yellowstone River. to Blacktail Deer Creek. mounted, and returned 19 miles. game seen 150 deer. 100 Elk. 200 antelope. 35 mountain Sheep. Condition of game good. birds seen 30 mallard ducks

April 28
Patrol from Post Gardianer River. Lava Creek. mounted. and returned 17 miles. game seen 200 deer. 75 Elk. Condition of game good. birds seen. 10 mallard ducks.

April 29
Patrol from Post to north boundary mounted. and returned 10 miles game seen 175 deer. 50 Elk. 150 antelope. Condition of game good

April 30
Patrol from Post. to Obisdian Creek. mounted and returned. 16 miles game seen. 125 deer. 100 Elk. Condition of game good

May 1
Patrol from Post the north boundary. mounted weast to Sepulcher mountain. and returned 15 miles. game seen. 150 deer. 500 Elk. 300 antelope Condition of game good birds 25 mallard ducks

May (2)
Patrol from Post, the north boundary mounted weast to Reese Creek. and returned. 20 miles game seen. 125 deer. 75 Elk. 100 antelope. Condition of game good. birds 10 mallard ducks

May (3)
Patrol from Post Gardiner River. Lava Creek mounted and returned 17 miles. game seen. 175 deer 300 Elk. 50 antelope condition of game good birds 20 mallard ducks

May (4)
Patrol from Post. Mt Ever. Yellowstone River. to Blacktail Deer Creek mounted and returned 19 miles game seen 125 deer 300 Elk. 100 Antelope 8 Mountain Sheep. Condition of game good. bird 30 mallard duck

May (5)
Patrol from Post the head waters of glen Creek Mounted. and returned 16 miles. game seen. 100 deer 12 Elk. Condition of game good birds 10 Grouse

May (6)
Patrol from Post to north boundary mounted and returned. 10 miles game seen. 125 deer 25 Elk 50 antelope Condition of game good. birds 4 mallard ducks

May (7)
Patrol from Post. the north boundary mounted weast to Sepulcher mountain and returned 15 miles. game seen 100 deer. 900 Elk 100 antelope condition of game good. birds 40 mallard ducks

May (8)
working around the Post

May (9)
Patrol from Post the Gardiner River mounted and returned. 16 miles game seen 125 deer 100 Elk Condition of game good

May (10)
repairing skis for snow shoe trip

May (11)
Patrrol from Post. to upper Basin station mounted. left upper Basin station. on skis to thumb station 68 miles

May (12)
Patrol from thumb station to Fort Yellowstone. Mounted 62 miles

May (13)
Patrol from Post to north boundary mounted and returned 10 miles. game seen 75 deer. 10 Elk. Condition of game good. birds 15 mallard ducks

May (14)
No Patrol

May (15)
No Patrol

May (16)
Patrol from Post. Glen Creek. Bunsen Peak to Gardiner River mounted and returned 15 miles Game seen. 150 deer. 75 Elk. Condition of game good

May (17)
working at the Post

May (18)
working at the Post

May (19)
working at the Post

May (20)
Patrol from Post. glen Creek. Reese Creek to north boundary. mounted and returned 23 miles game seen 100 deer. 300 Elk. 5 Beaver. Condition of game good. birds 10 Grouse. 15 mallard ducks

May 21
Patrol from Post. glen Creek. Gardiner River. Fawn Creek. mounted and returned 19 miles game seen 125 deer. 400 Elk. Condition of game good. birds 10 mallard ducks.

May 22
Patrol from Post Gardiner River to Obsidian Creek. mounted and returned 20 miles. game seen 75 deer. 100 Elk Condition of game good birds 25 Grouse

May (23)
Patrol from Post to the north boundary. mounted and returned 10 miles game seen 75 deer condition of game good

May 24
stocked Obsidian Creek with Fish 20 miles

May 25
stocked Gardiner River with Fish 16 miles

May 26
Patrol from Post. glen Creek. to the head of Reese Creek mounted and returned 17 miles. game seen 50 deer. 25 Elk. Condition of game good. birds 5 Grouse

May 27
Patrol from Post to the north boundary mounted and returned 10 miles game seen. 25 deer. 20 antelope condition of game good.

May 28
Patrol from Post to Fawn Creeek mounted and returned 18 miles game seen. 35 deer. 50 Elk. Condition of game good

May 29
Patrol from Post the north boundary mounted weast to Sepulcher mountain and returned 15 miles game seen 20 deer. 25 Elk. 30 antelope Condition of game good

May 30
Patrol from Post. the north boundary. mounted weast to Reese Creek and returned 20 miles. game seen. 15 deer . 6 Elk. Condition of game good

May 31
working at the Post

June 1
working at the Post

June 2
Patrol from Post Gardiner River. Indian Creek. Panther Creek. mounted and returned 20 miles. game seen 15 deer. 100 Elk. Condition of game good. birds 6 Grouse

June 3
Patrol from Post. to north boundary mounted and returned 10 miles game seen. 25 deer. 10 antelope. Condition of game good

June 4
Patrol from Post. to Fawn Creek. mounted and returned 19 miles game seen 20 deer. 75 Elk. Condition of game good. birds 10 Grouse

June 5
Patrol from Post glen Creek to the head of Reese Creek mounted and returned. 17 miles games seen. 5 deer. 25 Elk condition of game good birds 4 mallard duck. 6 Grouse

June 6
Patrol from Post the north boundary mounted weast to Sepulchre mountain and returned 15 miles game seen. 20 deer. 15 Elk 12 antelope. Condition of game good

June 7
Patrol from Post. to Norris Basin mounted 20 miles. game seen 15 deer. 30 Elk. Conditon of game good. birds 6 mallard duck. 4 Geese

June 8
Patrol from Norris Basin to Lake station mounted 27 miles. game seen 6 deer 50 Elk. Condition of game good. birds 30 mallard duck. 15 Geese

June 9
Patrol from. Lake station to thumb station mounted 15 miles. game seen. 8 deer. 20 Elk. Condition of game good birds 15 mallard duck 20 Geese

June 10
Patrol from thumb station to upper Basin station. mounted. 19 miles game seen. 15 Elk. condition of game good

June 11
Patrol from upper Basin station. to Norris station mounted. 29 miles. game seen. 40 Elk. Condition of game good.

June 12
Patrol from. Norris station to. Fort Yellowstone mounted. 20 miles game seen. 15 deer. 30 Elk. Condition of game good.

June 13
Working at the Post

June 14
Patrol from Post. glen Creek to the head of Reese Creek. mounted. and returned. 17 miles game seen. 10 deer. 15 Elk condition of game good

June 15
working at the Post

June 16
Patrol from Post. the north boundary mounted weast to Sepulchre mountain and returned 15 miles game seen. 6 deer 8 antelope. 6 Elk Condition of game good

June 17
Patrol from Post to north boundary mounted and returned 10 miles game seen 2 deer condition of game good

June 18
Patrol from Post. glen Creek to the head of Reese Creek. mounted and returned 17 miles game seen. 5 deer. 25 Elk. Condition of game good.

June 19
working at the Post

June 20.
Patrol from Post. the north boundary mounted weast to Sepulchre mountain. and returned 15 miles. game seen 4 deer. 7 Elk. Condition of game good

June 21
Patrol from Post. glen Creek to the head of Reese Creek mounted and returned 17 miles game seen 35 Elk condition of game good

June 22
Getting things ready for trip on weast boundary

June 23
Patrol from Post to Norris station. mounted 20 miles game seen 2 deer 3 Elk condition of game good.

June 24
Patrol from Norris station to Riverside station. mounted 23 miles game seen. 4 deer / 25 Elk Condition of game good

June 25
Patrol the weast boundary south mounted. 15 miles no game seen

June 26
had to leave weast boundary. falling timber and jackpines to thick. for saddle horses. and pack mules 16 miles

June 27
working back to weast boundary. mounted 16 miles Camped Rays Pass

June 28
storming to hard to travel

June 29
Patrol from Rays pass to Riverside station mounted 28 miles

June 30
Patrol from Riverside station. to Norris station. mounted 23 miles. game seen 2 deer. 30 Elk. Condition of game good

July 1
Patrol from Norris station to Fort Yellowstone mounted. 20 miles. game seen. 3 deer. 5 Elk. Condition of game good.

July 2
Patrol from Post to north boundary mounted. and returned 10 miles

July 3
working at the Post

July 4 [Lava]
Patrol from Post lave Creek. mounted and returned 12 miles

July 5
Patrol from Post glen Creek to the head of Reese Creek mounted and returned 17 miles. game seen 6 deer 10 Elk. Condition of game good

July 6
preparing for trip. to the north west boundary of the Park

July 7
Patrol from. Post. to Fan Creek. mounted 20 miles. game seen 6 Elk Condition of game good. birds 10 grouse

July 8
Patrol from. Fan Creek. the Gallatin River. to the north weast corner of the Park mounted. 20 miles. game seen 7 deer condition of game good

July 9
Patrol from Gallatin River to the Bighorn Pass. mounted. and returned to. Gallatin cabin. miles 18 game seen. 4 deer. Condition of game good.

July 10
Patrol from. Gallatin River. the west boundary. mounted to Gneiss Creek. 22 miles. game seen. 2 Elk. Condition of game good

July 11
Patrol from Gneiss Creek. to the head of Grayling Creek mounted and returned to Gneiss Creek. 18 miles game seen 4 Elk Condition of game good

July 12
Patrol from Gneiss Creek. to the head of Grayling Creek. mounted 10 miles game seen 15 Elk. Condition of game good

July 13
Patrol from Grayling Creek. Indian Creek. to the post. mounted 17 miles. game seen 4 Elk. Condition of game good

July 14
No Patrol

July 15
Patrol from Post Glen Creek. mounted and returned. 12 miles

July 16
working at the Post

July 17
working at the Post

July 18
working at the Post

July 19
working at the Post

July 20
working at the Post

on new corral for dogs

July 21
Patrol from Post Blacktail Deer Creek to Yellowstone River ford and camped 12 miles mounted

July 22
Patrol from Yellowstone River ford. to the post 12 miles. mounted

July 23
Patrol from Post to the north boundary mounted and returned 10 miles

July 24
working at the Post

July 25
preparing for trip to the southwest corner of the Park.

July 26
Patrol from Post to Obsidian Creek. 10 miles mounted.

July 27
Patrol from Obsidian Creek to Firehole river 30 miles. mounted

July 28
Patrol from Firehole River to Little Firehole Creek. 18 miles. mounted

July 29
Patrol the head waters of the little Firehole Creek. 17 miles mounted

July 30
Patrol from little Firehole Creek. to Summit Lake 8 miles mounted

July 31
Patrol from Summit Lake to Cascade Creek 18 miles. mounted game seen. 6 Elk. Condition of game good

August 1
Patrol from Cascade Creek. to Mountain Ash Creek. 20 miles. mounted

August 2
Patrol from Mountain ASh Creek. to Snake River 19 miles Mounted.

August 3
Patrol from Sanke River. to Coulter Creek. 12 miles. mounted. seen 7 Elk. Condition of game good

August 4
Patrol from Coulter Creek. to Fox Creek 18 miles. mounted seen 21 Elk Condition of game good

August 5
Patrol from Fox Creek to Thorofare Creek. 18 miles. mounted. seen 18 Elk. Condition of game good

August 6
Patrol from Thorofare Creek. to the South East corner of the Park. and returned to Thorofare Creek. 10 miles. mounted seen 2 Elk Condition of game good

August 7
Patrol from Thorofare Creek to Mountain Creek. 18 miles mounted. seen 2 Elk 1 Deer Condition of game good

August 8
Patrol from Mountain Creek to Middle Creek 27 miles mounted

August 9
Patrol from Middle Creek to Lamar River 25 miles. mounted seen 25 Elk. Condition of game good

August 10
Patrol from Lamar River to Cache Creek 18 miles. mounted seen. 6 Elk. Condition of game good

August 11
Patrol from Cache Creek to Tower Falls station 20 miles mounted seen 20 antelope condition of game good.

August 12
Patrol from Tower falls station. to the Post 20 miles mounted

August 13
No Patrol

August 14
Patrol from Post to the north boundary mounted. and returned 10 miles

August 15
working at the Post

August 16
Patrol from Post to Cold Spring. retruned to Obsidian Creek. and camped 20 miles mounted

August 17
Patroling the country around Obsidian Creek 10 miles mounted

August 18
Patrol from Obsidian Creek. to the Post 10 miles. mounted

August 19
No Patrol

August 20
working at the Post

August 21
Patrol from Post. the north boundary mounted. west to Sepulchre mountain and returned. 15 miles seen 10 antelope. Condition of game good

August 22
Patrol from to Obsidian Creek mounted. and returned 20 miles

August 23
Patrol from Post. to north boundary mounted and returned 10 miles

August 24
working around the Post

August 25
Patrol from Post. to Straight Creek. mounted and returned 20 miles. seen 4 deer condition of game good

August 26
Patrol from Post to north boundary mounted. and returned 10 miles

August 27
Patrol from Post Gardiner River. to Glen creek. mounted and returned 12 miles

August 28
working around the Post

August 29
Patrol from Post. to winter creek. and returned. 18 miles mounted

August 30
Patrol from Post Panther Creek. and returned. 18 miles mounted

August 31
Patrol from Post to the north boundary. and returned. 10 miles mounted.

September 1
Preparing for trip to the north boundary.

September 2
Patrol from Post to the Lamar River. mounted 25 miles.

September 3
Patrol Slough Creek. to north boundary mounted. 18 miles

September 4
Patrol the north boundary between Slough Creek. and Buffalo Creek. mounted 10 miles. seen 2 Elk

September 5
Patrol the north boundary between Slough Creek. and Buffalo Creek mounted 10 miles

September 6
Patrol the north boundary west. to Buffalo Plateau. mounted 16 miles

September 7
Patrol the north boundary and Hellroaring Creek. mounted. 16 miles

September 8
Patrol from Hellroaring Creek. to the head of Cottenwood Creek. mounted. 10 miles. game seen 25 Antelope

September 9
Patrol from Cottenwood Creek. to the Post mounted. 19 miles

September 10
Patrol from Post to the Canon station. mounted 31 miles

September 11
Patrol the country between Canon station and Mt. Washburne. looking for a Bear that was reported dangerous mounted 12 miles

September 12
Patroling the country. between Canon Station and Mt Washburne. looking for a Bear that was reported dangerous mounted. 10 miles

September 13
Patroling the country. between Canon station and Mt Washburne looking for Bear that was reported dangerous mounted 8 miles

September 14
Patroling the Country between Canon station and Mt Washburne looking for a Bear that was reported dangerous. mounted 6 miles.

September 15
returned to the Post did not find dangerous Bear. mounted 31 miles.

September 16
No Patrol

September 17
No Patrol Sick

September 18 to September 24
No Patrol sick

September 25
working at the Post

September 26
Patrol from Post. glen Creek to the head of Reese Creek mounted and returned 17 miles. game seen 2 deer. Condition of game good.

September 27
Patrol from Post. to Indian Creek mounted and returned 16 miles

September 28
Patrol from Post Gardiner River Lava Creek. mounted and returned 12 miles.

Sept. 29
To Bunsend Peak and Gardiner River & return. 14 miles

Sept 30
Post to Fawn Creek and back 16 miles

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October 1
Patrol from Post. to the head of Glen Creek and returned 17 miles game seen 2 deer. Condition of game good.

October 2
Patrol from Post. to Indian Creek. and returned. 16 miles. game seen 2 deer. Condition of game good.

October 3
Patrol from Post. Gardiner River. and returned 14 miles

October 4
Patrol from Post. Glen Creek. to Fawn Creek and returned. 18 miles game seen. 2 deer. Condition of game good.

October 5
Patrol from Post Bunsen Peak Gardiner River and returned 12 miles

October 6
Patrol from Post. to the north boundary and returned 10 miles game seen. 2 deer 25 Antlope Condition of game good.

October 7
Patrol from Post. to Blacktail Deer Creek. and returned 14 miles

October 8
Patrol from Post Glen Creek. Reese Creek. to the north boundary and returned 23 miles game seen. 5 deer. 20 Antlope. Condition of game good.

October 9
Patrol from Post Lava Creek. and returned. 12 miles

October 10
No Patrol

October 11
Patrol from Post. to Norris station. 20 miles game seen 10 deer. Condition of game good

October 12
Patrol from Norris station to Lake station. 27 miles game seen 4 deer. Condition of game good

October 13
Patrol from Lake station to thumb station 15 miles.

October 14
Patrol from thumb station to Snake River station 23 miles. game seen 6 Elk. Condition of game good

October 15
Patrol from Snake River station. Polecat Creek. and returned 10 miles. game seen. 10 Elk Condition of game good

October 16
Patrol from. Snake River station to Coulter Creeek. 12 miles. game seen.

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October 16
Patrol from snake River station. to Coulter Creek. 12 miles. game seen. 25 Elk. Condition of game good

October 17
Patrol from Coulter Creek. to Basin Creek and returned to Snake River station 23 miles. game seen 30 Elk. Condition of game good.

October 18
Patrol from Snake River station. to Coulter Creek and returned to station 24 miles. game seen. 20 Elk Condition of game good

October 19
Patrol from Snake River station to Mountain Ash Creek. and returned to station. 32 miles. game seen. 10 Elk Condition of game good.

October 20
Patrol from Snake River station to Mountain Ash Creek. 16 miles. game seen 15 Elk. Condition of game good

October 21
Patrol from Mountain Ash Creek to Beckler River. and returned to Mountain Ash Creek 25 miles

October 22
Patrol from Mountain Ash Creek to Snake River station station 16 miles game seen 25 Elk condition of game good

October 23
Patrol from Snake River station to Polecat Creek. and returned to station 10 miles

October 24
Patrol from Snake River station to heart Lake. repairing and rashion cabin. for winter snowshoe trips 18 miles game seen. 25 Elk Condition of game good

October 25
Patrol from heart Lake to SnakeRiver station 18 miles

October 26
working at station

October 27
Patrol from Snake River station to Coulter Creek repearing and rashions Cabin for winter snowshoe trips 12 miles

October 28
Patrol froa Coulter Creek to Snake River station 12 miles

October 29
Patrol from Snake River station to Lewis River repearing and rashions cabin for winter snowshoe trips 10 miles

October 30
Patrol from Lewis River to Snake River station 10 miles

October 31
working at station

November 1
Patrol the South boundary west to Bechler River. repearing and rashion cabin for winter snowshoe trips. 25 miles. game seen 15 Elk Condition of game good

November 2
Patrol the south boundary from Bechler River. to Snake River station. 25 miles. game seen 10 Elk. Condition of game good.

November 3
Working at station

November 4
Patrol the South boundary East to Coulter Creek and returned to Snake River station. 24 miles

November 5
working at station

November 6
Patrol from Snake River station. to Heart Lake 18 miles. game seen 1 Elk. Condition of game good.

November 7
Patrol from Heart Lake to Snake River station 18 miles

November 8
working at station

November 9
Patrol from Snake River station the South boundary. to Mountain Ash Creek. 16 miles

November 10
Patrol from Mountian Ash Creek. to Bechler River 12 miles.

November 11
Patrol Bechler River Falls River. South boundary. to the West boundary 20 miles

November 12
Patrol from Bechler River South west Corner of the Park 20 miles. game seen 1 Elk.

November 13
Patrol from Bechler River Boundary Creek and returned to Bechler River 18 miles.

November 14

November 14
Patrol from Bechler River, South boundary, East to Snake River station, 25 miles, game seen 2 moose Condition of game good

November 15
At station

November 16
Patrol from Snake River station to Coulter Creek and returned to station 24 miles

November 17
Working at station

November 18
Patrol from Snake River station, Crawfish Creek, and returned to station 12 miles

November 19
Patrol from Snake River station, south boundary to Hering Lake and returned to station 17 miles

November 20
Patrol from Snake River station to Thumb station 23 miles.

November 21
Patrol from Thumb station to Canyon station 31 miles

November 22
Patrol from Canyon station to Fort Yellowstone 31 miles, game seen. 25 deer. Conditon of game good.

November 23
No Patrol

November 24
Patrol from Fort Yellowstone to Canyon station 31 miles

November 25
Patrol from Canyon station, to Thumb station 31 miles

November 26
Patrol from Thumb station, to Snake River station, 23 miles

Novermber 27
No Patrol.

November 28
No Patrol.

November. 29,
Patrol from Snake River station the south boundary to Polecat Creek. and returned to station. 10 miles

November 30
Patrol from Snake River station to Coulter. and returned to station. 24 miles.

December .1. 1906
Patrol from Snake River station to the head of Crawfish Creek. and returned to station. 10 miles.

December .2.
No Patrol.

December .3.
Patrol from Snake River station the south boundary to Hering Lake. and returned to station. 15 miles. game seen. 5 deer. Condition of game good.

December .4.
Patrol Snake River. Forest Creek. and returned to station. 18 miles. game seen. 8 deer. 3. Elk. Condition of game good.

December .5.
working at station.

December .6.
Patrol from Snake River station. Spirea Creek. and returned to station. 10 miles. game seen. 4 deer. 3 Moose. Condition of game good.

December .7.
Patrol from Snake River station. the boundary. to Polecat Creek. and returned to station. 10 miles.

Decmber .8
Patrol. Snake River. to Snake Hot Springs. and returned to station. 15 miles. game seen. 4 deer. 1 moose. Condition of game good.

December .9.
Patrol from Snake River station. to Lewis River Snowshoe Cabin. and returned to station. 20 miles

December .10.
working at station

December .11
Patrol from Snake River station. the south boundary. to Polecat Creek. and returned to station. 10 miles. game seen. 2 moose Condition of game good

December 12
working at station

December 13
Patrol. Snake River to Forest Creek. and returned to station. 10 miles. game seen 3 deer. Condition of game good.

December 14
Patrol from Snake River station to the head of Crawfish Creek and returned to station 12 miles. game seen 1. moose. Condition of game good.

December 15
Patrol from Snake River station. the South boundary. to Hering Lake and returned to station, 15 miles

December 16
At station

December 17
Patrol from Snake River station. Spirea Creek and returned to station 10 miles.

December 18
working at station.

December 19
No patrol. Snow to deep for horse and in no condition for skees.

December 20
at station. Snow to soft for skees.

December 21
at station. Snow to soft for skees.

December 22
at station snow to soft for skees.

December 23
at station. snow to soft for skees.

December 24
Patrol on skees from Snake River station. the south boundary. to Polecat Creek and returned to station. 10 miles.

December 25
at station

December 26
Patrol on skees from Snake River station. Crawfish Creek. and returned to station 12 miles

December 27
at station

December 28
Patrol on skees from Snake River station to Foret Creek and returned to station 10 miles.

December 29
at station

December 30
Patrol on skees Snake River to Snake Hot Springs and returned to station 15 miles

December 31
at station

1907
January 1 1907
Patrol from Snake River station to Lewis River snowshoe Cabin on skees 10 miles.

January 2
Patrol from Lewis River snowshoe Cabin to Thumb station on skees 13 miles

January 3
No Patrol at Thumb station

January 4
Patrol from Thumb station to Lewis River snowshoe Cabin on skees. 13 miles

January 5
No Patrol, at Lewis River snowshoe Cabin. Snow to soft for skees.

January 6
Patrol from Lewis River snowshoe Cabin 3 mile had to returned to cabin snow in no condition for skees breaking in three feet deep and a bad snow storm.

January 7
Patrol from Lewis River Snowshoe Cabin. to Snake River station on skees 10 miles.

January 8
At station snow to soft for skees.

January 9
at station snow to soft for skees.

January 10
at station. snow to soft for skees.

January 11
at station. snow soft for skees.

January 12
Patrol from Snake River station. the south boundary to Polecat Creek. and returned to station. 10 miles on skees

January 13
Patrol from Snake River station to Red Creek and returned to station 12 miles. on skees. game seen .3 deer 4 Elk 1 Moose Condition of game good.

January 14
Patrol from Snake River station. to the head of Crawfish Creek. and returned to station. 10 miles on skees. game seen 2 Moose 3 deer Beaver signs. Condition of game good.

January 15
working at station

January 16
Patrol from Snake River station. the South boundary to Hering Lake and returned to station. 15 miles on skees, game seen 1 Moose Condition of game good.

January 17
Patrol Snake River to Forest Creek and returned to station 10 miles on skees. game seen 2 deer Beaver signs. Condition of game good.

January 18
At station. a very bad snow storm.

January 19
Patrol from Snake River station the South boundary to Polecat Creek and returned to station 10 miles on skees.

January 20
Patrol from Snake River station to the head of Crawfish Creek and returned to station 10 miles on skees game seen 1 Moose Beaver signs

January 21
Patrol from Snake River station to Lewis River snowshoe Cabin and returned to station 20 miles on skees.

January 22
working at station

January 23
Patrol Snake River to Red Creek and returned to station 12 miles on skees game seen 4 Elk 3 deer condition of game good

January 24
working at station

January 25
Patrol from Snake River station the South Boundary to Polecat Creek and returned to station 10 miles on skees.

January 26
working at station

January 27
Patrol from Snake River station to Coulter Creek snowshoe Cabin 12 mile on skees. game seen 2 Elk 2 moose Conditions good

January 28
Patrol from Coulter Creek to Basin Creek and returned to Coulter Creek Cabin 10 miles on skees Beaver signs.

January 29
Patrol from Coulter Creek Cabin to the head of Harebell Creek and returned to Coulter Creek Cabin. 10 miles on skees game seen 1 Elk.

January 30
Patrol from Coulter Creek snowshoe Cabin to Snake River station. 12 miles on skees game seen 4 deer condition good

January 31
working at station

February 1 1907
Patrol from Snake River station to the head of Crawfish Creek and returned to station 10 miles on skees Beaver signs

February 2
Patrol Snake River to Snake Hot Springs and returned to station 12 miles on skees game seen 1 Moose Condition good

February 3
at station

February 4
Patrol from Snake River station the South boundary to Hering Lake and returned to station 15 miles on skees

February 5
At station

February 6
Patrol from Snake River station to the head of Spires Creek and returned to station 12 miles on skees seen Beaver signs.

February 7
At station

February 8
Patrol from Snake River station to Lewis River returned to station 18 miles on skees repairing telephon line

February 9
at station

February 10
at station

February 11
Patrol from Snake River station to Coulter Creek snowshoe 12 miles on skees. game seen 1 Moose 8 Elk

February 12
Patrol from Coulter Creek Cabin to the head of Harebell Creek and returned to Cabin. 10 miles on skees.

February 13
Patrol from Coulter Creek Cabin to Basin Creek and returned to Cabin 10 miles on skees.

February 14
Patrol from Coulter Creek Cabin to Big game Ridge and returned to Cabin 15 miles on skees.

February 15
At Coulter Creek snowshoe Cabin.

February 16
Patrol from Coulter Creek to Snake Hot Springs and returned to Coulter Creek Cabin 9 miles on skees

February 17
Patrol from Coulter Creek Cabin to Basin Creek and returned to Coulter Cabin 10 miles on skees.

February 18
Patrol from Coulter Creek Cabin to the head of Harebell Creek and returned to Coulter Creek Cabin 10 miles on skees. game seen 2 Elk.

February 19
Patrol from Coulter Creek to Snake River station 12 miles on skees game seen 8 Elk 1 Moose

February 20
Working at station.

February 21
working at station.

February 22
Patrol from Snake River station the South boundary to Polecat Creek and returned to station 10 miles on skees game seen 2 Moose.

February 23
Patrol from Snake River Station to the head of Crawfish Creek and returned station 10 miles on skees game seen 4 deer Beaver signs

February 24
at station

February 25
Patrol from Snake River station Spirea Creek and returned to station. 12 miles on skees game seen 1 Moose.

February 26
working at station

February 27
Patrol from Snake River station to Red Creek and returned to station. game seen 4 Elk. 12 mil skees

February 28
working at station

March 1 1907
Patrol from Snake River station to Thumb station 23 miles on skees.

March 2
at Thumb station

March 3
Patrol from Thumb station to Heart Lake snowshoe Cabin 16 miles on skees.

March 4
Patrol from Heart Lake Cabin Beaver Creek and returned to Heart Lake Cabin 11 miles on skees Beaver Signs.

March 5
Patrol from Heart Lake Cabin Heart River and returned to Heart Lake Cabin 15 miles on skees.

March 6
at Heart Lake Cabin snow in no condition for skees

March 7
Patrol from Heart Lake Cabin Surprise Creek and returned to Heart Lake Cabin 16 miles on skees Beaver signs.

March 8
Patrol from Heart Lake Cabin Outlet Creek and returned to Heart Lake Cabin 15 miles on skees Beaver signs.

March 9
at Heart Lake Cabin

March 10
Patrol from Heart Lake Cabin Basin Creek and returned to Heart Lake Cabin 17 miles on skees Beaver signs.

March 11
Patrol from Heart Lake Cabin to Lewis River Cabin 12 miles on skees

March 12
Patrol from Lewis River Cabin to Snake River station 10 miles on skees

March 13
at Snake River station

March 14
Patrol Snake River to Forest Creek and returned to station 12 miles on skees.

March 15
at Snake River station snow in on condition no condition for skees

March 16
Patrol from Snake River station Crawfish Creek and returned to station 10 miles on skees game seen 1 Moose Beaver signs.

March 17
at station.

March 18
at station snow in no condition for skees rain

March 19
at station snow in no condition for skees raining

March 20
at station snow in no condition for skees raining

March 21
Patrol from Sanke River station the South boundary to Polecat Creek and returned to station 10 miles on skees

March 22
Patrol from Snake River station Spirea Creek and returned to station 10 miles on skees game seen 1 Moose Beaver signs

March 23
Patrol Snake River to Snake Hot Springs and returned to station 12 miles on skees game seen 6 Elk 4 deer Beaver signs

March 24
at Snake River station

March 25
Patrol from Snake River the South boundary to Mountain Ash Creek snowshoe Cabin 16 miles on skees game seen 2 Moose Beaver signs

March 26
Patrol from Mountain Ash Creek Cabin Mountain Ash Creek and returned to Cabin 10 miles on skees game seen 1 Moose Beaver signs

March 27
at Mountain Ash Creek Cabin

March 28
Patrol from Cabin Mountain Ash Creek to Falls River and returned to Cabin 7 miles on skees Beaver signs.

March 29
at Mountain Ash Creek Cabin. Snow in no condition for skees

March 30
Patrol from Mountain Ash Creek Cabin Falls River and returned to Cabin 8 miles on skees Beaver signs.

March 31
Patrol from Mountain Ash Creek Cabin to Bechler River Cabin 12 miles on skees.

April 1 1907
Patrol from Bechler River Cabin Bechler River to Falls River and returned to Bechler River Cabin. 8 miles on skees game seen 15 Elk Beaver signs.

April 2
Patrol Bechler River north to Colonnade Falls and returned to Bechler Cabin 12 miles on skees. game seen 20 Elk 1 Moose Beaver signs

April 3
Patrol from Bechler River Cabin. Boundary Creek. and returned to Bechler Cabin. 14 miles on skees game seen 7 Elk Beaver signs

April 4
Patrol from Bechler River Cabin. to Southwest corner of the Park. and returned to Bechler Cabin. 12 miles on skees. game seen 1 Moose 2 Elk.

April 5
at Bechler River Cabin snow in no condition for skees.

April 6
at Bechler River Cabin snow in no condition for skees.

April 7
Patrol from Bechler River Falls River and returned to Bechler Cabin. 12 miles on skees. game seen 4 Elk Beaver signs.

April 8
Patrol from Bechler River Cabin to Lilypad Lake and returned Bechler Cabin. 5 miles on skees game seen 2 Elk.

April 9
Patrol from Bechler River Cabin the west Boundary and returned to Bechler Cabin. 16 miles on skees game seen 2 Elk Beaver signs

April 10
at Bechler River Cabin snow in no condition for skees.

April 11
Patrol Bechler River north to Canon and rturned to Bechler Cabin 7 miles on skees. game seen 10 Elk

April 12
Patrol from Bechler River Cabin. South Boundary Falls River Bechler River to Cabin. 16 miles on skees game seen 15 Elk Beaver signs

April 13
Patrol from Bechler River Cabin. Boundary Creek and returned to Bechler Cabin 10 miles on skees game seen 4 Elk Beaver signs

April 14
at Bechler River Cabin no Patrol.

April 15
Patrol Bechler River to Falls River. and returned to Bechler Cabin. 8 miles on skees game seen 8 Elk

April 16
at Bechler River Cabin snow in no condition for skees.

April 17
Patrol from Bechler River Cabin. Falls River and returned to Bechler Cabin 12 miles on skees. game seen 1 Moose 6 Elk Beaver signs

April 18
at Bechler River Cabin no Patrol

April 19
Patrol Bechler River north to Canon and returned to Bechler Cabin. 7 miles on skees. game seen 12 Elk 1 Black Bear Beaver signs

April 20
Patrol from Bechler River Cabin to Mountain Ash Creek Cabin 12 miles on skees game seen 6 Elk 1 Moose Beaver signs

April 21
Patrol from Mountain Ash Creek Cabin to Snake River station 16 miles on skees. game seen 1 Silver tip Bear Beaver signs.

April 22
At Snake River station no Patrol.

April 23
Patrol Snake River to Forest Creek. and returned to station. 10 miles on skees. game seen 2 Moose 6 Elk Beaver singns.

April 24
At Snack River station

April 25
Left for Jackson Hole. By orders of Major Pitcher to find out the condition of the game to Milligans Ranch. 12 miles on skees.

April 26
From Milligans Ranch to Maran P. O. 12 miles on skees.

April 27
From Maran P. O. to Cuninghams Ranch. 12 miles on skees.

April 28
Left Cuninghams Ranch and returned to Maran P. O. 12 miles on skees.

April 29
At Maran P. O.

April 30
from Maran P. O. to Milligans Ranch. 12 miles on skees

May 1 1907
From Milligans Ranch to Snake River station 12 miles on skees.

May 2
At Snake River station

May 3
Patrol from Snake River station the South boundary to Polecat Creek and returned to station 10 miles on skees game seen 3 Moose

May 4
Patrol from Snake River station to the head of Crawfish Creeek and returned to station 12 miles on skees. game seen 4 deer 2 Moose.

May 5
At Snake River station

May 6
Patrol Snake River. to Red Creek. and returned to station 12 miles on skees game seen 10 Elk 2 Moose.

May 7
Patrol Snake River to Coulter Creek Cabin 12 miles on skees. game seen 3 deer 8 Elk.

May 8
Patrol from Coulter Creek Cabin. Snake River to Basin Creek and returned to Coulter Creek Cabin 10 miles on skees Beaver signs.

May 9
Patrol from Coulter Creek Cabin to Snake River station 12 miles on skees game seen 8 Elk 2 moose.

May 10
Patrol from Snake River station to thumb station 23 miles on skees.

May 11
Patrol from thumb station to Lake station 15 miles on skees.

May 12
At Lake station Snow in no condition for skees

May 13
Patrol from Lake station to Canon station 15 miles on skees

May 14
Patrol from Canon station to Fort Yellowstone 31 miles on skees.

May 15
working at the Post

May 16
working at the Post

May 17
working at the Post

May 18
Patrol from Post to Blacktail Deer Creek 7 miles mounted with 28 head of Buffalo

May 19
Patrol from Blacktail Deer Creek. with 28 head of Buffalo to Rose Creek new pasture 24 miles mounted

May 20
Patrol from Rose Creek to Fort Yellowstone 31 miles mounted. game seen 50 Elk 100 antlope

May 21
working at the Post

May 22
Patrol from Post. Lava Creek. and returned. 16 miles Mounted game seen 10 deer 12 Elk Condition good.

May 23
Patrol from Post to Indian Creek. and returned 16 miles Mounted. game seen 15 deer 25 Elk Condition good.

May 24
Patrol from Post Gardiner River and returned 14 miles Mounted game seen 10 deer 25 Elk Condition good.

May 25
Patrol from Post to Panther Creek and returned 17 miles Mounted. game seen 15 deer 20 Elk Condition good.

May 26
No Patrol

May 27
Patrol from Post to the north boundary and returned 10 miles Mounted game seen 8 deer 35 Antlope Condition good.

May 28
Patrol from Post to the head of Glen Creek and retuned 17 miles Mounted game seen 10 deer 30 Elk Condition good.

May 29
working at the Post

May 30
No Patrol

May 31
Stocked Willow Creek with fish. game seen 5 Mountain Sheep 8 deer. Condition of game good. 24 miles. Mounted To Gardiner and return and Willow Creek and return

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(Unable to transcribe first two pages since Holt glued pictures to them.)

August 12th 1899. Left Post for J. S. Knowles' cabin on Creviss--via Gardiner and M. Catta Mill found every thing at cabin in good condition heavy rain in the evening distance 18 miles.

Aug. 13th. Left Knowles' cabin for Post took lower trail no signs of game.

September 15th. Left Post for 30 day trip to Barlow Forks of Snake River with two men Arrived at Norris in the evening saw two mountain sheep in Golden Gate stood on shelve rock 25 feet from road.

Sept. 16th. Left Norris and made Lake station in evening saw antilope on Hayden valley.

Sept. 17th S. Left Lake Station and arrived at Thumb.

Sept. 18th M. Left Thumb for Heart Lake saw several elk. Bulls whistling all around.

Sept. 19th T. Elks whistling kept us awake most of the night broke camp early. followed Basin creek to junction with Snake River followed Barlow forks of Snake River and camped closed to big game ridge myself and Jackson walked about six miles no signs of horses or men having been in here.

Sept. 20th W. Broke camp early and entered Canyon between Barlow Peak and Mt. Hancock and for 10 miles we toiled through a district nearly unpassable the walls of the canyon runs nearly perpindicular from 8000 to 9500 feet in several places we had to take the middle of the river but the stream being lined with small falls from 5 to 10 feet made this rather unpleseant one of the pack mules in trying to climb one of these falls fell backwards and remained on his back I rushed in and grabbed him by the halter and after a frantic struggle he at last regained his feet hair and large pieces of skin floated down stream. We went into camp on fox creek myself and Jackson climbed up game ridge we found him by a small lake about 100 ft across but could find neather blazes or any sign? of any kind Big Game ridge abounds with elk no signs of human beings having been in here.

Sept. 27th Tr. This morning we find the pack mules have left camp during the night searched all day their trail seems to wander around tomorrow myself and Jackson will go towards heart Lake.

Sept. 22d F. Myself and Jackson followed crooked creek about 3 miles cut across to cycle creek followed range as far as continental devide nobody has been in there no signs of the mules.

[Sickle]

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Sept. 23d Sat. Myself and Jackson followed up snake river to [Heart] Lake saw fresh signs of two buffalo. Deer and elk abounds in the open parks they are very tame which shows that they have not been molested. Fliegle reported finding bull elk 3/4 of mile on a stream above camp I went up and investigated he had not been shot must have been dead two or three week his horns being in the velvet he also had his tusks. Found track of mules leading back through canyon will start for heart lake tomorrow.

Sept. 24th Sun. Myself and [Sickle] Jackson left camp early this morning followed up crooked creek cut across to cycle creek then down grouse creek cut across devide and followed down outlet creek to Heart Lake went around on the right of lake found beaver colonies in abundance hard to estimate the number we are camped at Heart Lake cabin tonight elk and deer in abundance.

Sept. 25th M. Left Heart Lake and made Thumb found mules God bless them, saw about 20 elk.

Sept. 26th T. Left Thumb for Heart Lake arrived at lake at 3 oclock PM.

Sept. 27th W. Left Heart Lake early, worked around west and south side of lake arrived in camp at 4.30 broke camp at once and moved farther up into the mountain. am now camped on small opening well hid good grass and water.

Sept. 28th THR. Watched line on Big Game Ridge.

Sept. 29th F. Jackson and Fliegle went down to forks fishing caught 13 nice Lock Lever trout I remained in camp.

Sept. 30th S. Myself and Jackson went into timber reserve about 3 miles then climbed "Big Game Ridge immense drifts of snow are still ther saw several herds of elk saw 15 bull elk in one band. Bear track indicates a number of bear in this vicinity from our elevation we could see several miles into timber reserve but there were no signs of anyone being in there.

Oct 1st SUN. Had quite a lively snowstorm and very cold game is coming down from mountains looks like we will get considerable snow which will be hard on the stock without grain.

Oct. 2d M. Being satisfied that there is nobody on big game ridge I will brake camp and start for upper Yellowstone tomorrow.

Oct. 3d T. Broke camp this morning early very cold last night water froze 2 1/2 inches. We followed fox creek then cut across to mink creek then to Falcan creek about two miles south of line we found two saddle horses and one pack horse they had been abandoned in a hurry as they were standing untied the men thinking they were in the park had skipped out. As they had not violated the park rules I could not touch them am camped on upper Yellowstone tonight.

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Oct. 4th W. Myself and Jackson walked around Bridger Lake to trail north of Hawks rest found fresh horse tracks coming out of timber we saw a party of 2 men and two pack horses coming down towards line we hurried back to camp and moved horses into timber thinking they had crossed Yellowstone. I cut across to Thorofare and followed it up finding no trace we went up Yellowstone to cabin about 4 miles outside of park line here we found a camp but nobody at home they had taken cupboard out of cabin going home we met them about dusk. I warned them not to hunt so close to park not to hunt north of their camp which is 4 miles from line.

Oct. 5th Thu. Saw no sign of hunting party today they did not come north of their camp my self and Jackson walked across Thorofare creek and down Yellowstone saw no signs of any one being in there.

Oct. 6th F. Patroled country around Bridger Lake North of Hawks rest no sign of hunting party.

Oct. 7th Sat. Three moose, bull cow and calf passed close to camp from park into reserve I have seen their tracks here before, it seems to be their favorite stamping ground patroled line of both sides of valley.

Oct. 8th S. Myself and Jackson rode 4 miles up river then cut across to south east corner Buffalo passed within sight of camp scared horses and mules. Miserable weather snowing with cold wind about two inches of snow covers ground tonight will pull out for Big Game Ridge tomorrow.

Oct. 9th M. Broke camp early this morning still snowing and cold, followed up Falcon creek cut across devide to fox creek camped in old place at Big Game Ridge this snow storm has drove the elk across Snake River into the park.

Oct. 10th T. No hunting on Big Game Ridge. this snow has drove the game down mostly north, still snowing and cold.

Oct. 11th. W. Broke camp early this morning. followed up crooked creek cut across to Cycle creek then down grouse creek and across devide following outlet creek to Heart Lake and around south side of lake there is about six inches of snow, has snowed all day and is still snowing. Stock has suffered lately for want of grass, saw several herds of elk along trail Mt. Sheridan is literally covered with them, camped at cabin tonight.

Oct. 12th Th. Broke camp early this morning hard time to get across devide fierce snowstorm raged all day snow on devide about 14 inches deep camped at Thumb snowshoe cabin tonight.

Oct. 13th F. Left Thumb early this morning saw fresh signs of elk snowed some today hard traveling camped at Lake Station tonight.

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Oct. 14th Sat. Left Lake Station early this morning snowed all day saw eight deer at Canyon and signs of elk snow about 14 inches deep on devide.

Oct. 15th S. Left Norris for Springs Arrived at Springs about 4 oclock Snowing heavy all day.

Oct. 16th M. Stayed in Post.

Oct. 17th T. Left Post for Slough creek and Hellroaring stopped at Yancey snowing found Leatherman at Yancy's delivered letter.

Oct. 18th W. Left Yancy for Soda Butte. Arrived ther at 3 oclock pm examined dead mule about half way between Yancy and Soda Butte he was partly devoured death seems to have been natural saw about one thousand elk.

Oct. 19th Th. Left Soda Butte for Sough creek saw about fifteen hundred elk camped at cabin tonight.

Oct. 20th F. Left cabin this morning and followed up Slough creek run on to Dick Randall camp about 300 yards south of Leathermans Bridge which is the park line north. there were nobody at home myself and Norlin followed trail which left about 1 1/2 mile down into park I therefore placed them under arrest they pleaded ignorance of the line.

Oct. 21st Sat. Left Slough creek with Randal's party and made Yancey.

Oct. 22d S. Left Yancey for Springs arrived at springs at 4 PM.

Oct 23d M. Remained in post and attended trial escorted party out.

24th T. Remained in post.

25th W. Left post for Soda Butte stopped at Yancey's.

Oct. 26th T. Left Yancey and arrived at Soda Butte at 4 PM enormous herds of elk were seen along the road between 3 and 4 thousand head.

27th F. Remained at Station awaiting return of Pvts Nichols and Lipton who are up at willow creek cabin. they returned about 3 PM.

28th Sat.

29th S. Left Station followed up Lamar river to Miller and up Miller to line camped about 1 mile outside of line snow over a foot deep.

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30th M. Examined line north of Saddle Mountain followed range about 2 miles south of line nobody in there no game seen.

Oct. 31st T. Broke camp and pulled back to Soda Butte station there is no game on Miller creek consequently there is no poaching.

Nov. 1st W. Remained at Station Corpl. taking inventory and fixing station. pack mule shorty broke corral fence and started for Post with all the mules and horses on Station.

Nov 2d T. Awaiting return of horses.

Nov 3d F. Awaiting the return of horses and mules.

Nov. 4th Sat. Examined beaver dams along Soda Butte creek. trout Lake and other small lake higher up I think about 500 beaver are to be found in the vicinity of Soda Butte Station.

Nov. 5th S. Left Soda Butte Station for Slough creek saw a herd of about 500 elk. saw 12 bull elk in front of cabin snowing and stormy.

Nov. 6th M. Myself and Lipton followed up Slough creek to park line a large herd of elk had been down in the bottom during the night no sign of horses or men.

Nov. 7 T. Myself Norlin and Lipton followed slough creek to park line found Leathermans cabin wich is very close to line camped on line.

Nov. 8th W. Myself and Lipton proceeded on foot through pass to upper end of Slough creek climbed mountains on both sides of creek nobody in there no signs of game.

Nov. 9th T. followed down slough creek to canyon saw about 15 elk Pvts Norlin and Lipton returned to Soda Butte for rations and grain snowing and raining all day.

Nov. 10th F. I cut across range between slough creek and Buffalo followed Buffalo up close to line saw herd of about 100 elk snow deep and hard traveling.

Nov. 11th Sat. Nobody having returned with rations I left for Soda Butte.

Nov. 12th S. remained at Station snow storm.

Nov. 13th M. Left Soda Butte for Slough saw about 500 elks.

Nov. 14th T. Left Slough creek for Hell roaring saw about 2500 elk between Slough creek and hellroaring camped tonight north of State line.

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Nov. 15th W. Myself and Corpl. Harris on foot climbed mountain to the right of camp seeing no signs of anybody we went down to cabin on Hell roaring from there we went North to line we found a herd of horses one having bell went over and examined them, climbing mountain to the left saw camp below us found McDonald in camp he had permit to go from crevasse to hunting grounds on Hell roaring and Slough creek the two men with him had gone north of line hunting herd.

Nov. 16th Th. Myself Corpl Harris and Lipton went up to McDonald's camp. ordered him to pull out and go further north which he did, could not prove that he had done any harm in park but he was crowding line to much.

Nov. 17th F. Broke camp at Hellroaring and proceeded to Knowle's cabin on crevasse saw no game.

Nov. 18th S. Left Knowle's cabin took lower trail arrived at post about 4 PM. no game did 20 miles.

Nov. 19th Sun. Remained in post.

Nov. 20th M. Had horse shoed.

Nov. 21st T. Left post for Canyon arrived at Norris about 5 considerable snow but roads good.

Nov. 22d W. Left Norris arrived at Canyon 3 PM snow about 2 1/2 ft on devide.

Nov. 23d Thu. Remained at Station to rest stock, 6 below zero.

Nov. 24th F. made an attempt to get into Buffalo country but were unable to cross Yellowstone the cold spell has froze river partly on both sides and the channel is full of large floes of drift ice.

Nov. 25th Sat. crossed Yellowstone and Sour creek cut due east and struck Bluff creek followed up Bluff creek about 8 miles and camped. snow between 2 and 3 feet deep.

Nov. 26th Sun. Struck due north and arrived at Sour creek near Springs being unable to go farther with horses we proceed on foot up to Ponuntpa Springs saw no fresh signs of Buffalo. found skeleton of calf.

Nov. 27th M. Were compelled to pull out today owing to snowstorm the snow at present being all we can pass through any addition would block us in arrived at Canyon 5 PM.

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Nov. 28th T. Left Canyon for Norris snowing and drifting.

Nov. 29th W. Left Norris for Springs hurry snowstorm.

Nov. 30 T. Remained in post.

Absent 35 days on visit in Wisconsin.

Jan. 4th 1900. Arrived in Post.

Jan. 5th. sent out to find mountain sheep found a band of 18 and about 250 antilope.

6th Jan. Remained in Post.

7th Jan. Left post for Riverside arrived at Norris 5 PM road very hard (elk been killed).

Jan. 8th. Left Norris and arrived at Fountain at 4 PM.

Jan. 9th. Left Fountain and arrived at Riverside at 3 PM.

Jan. 10th. Left Riverside for Gneiss creek.

Cabin Poachers. James Courtney
Silas McMinn
Lake Freemont Co. Id.
Assistants. Bert Conklin
Mt. Gallatin Co.
Oliver E. Johnson investigating

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Dec. 26th. Courtney-Whitman arrived.

Jan. 3d. they left for Lake.

Jan. 11th T. left cabin and ixamined elk carcass went to Kerzenmacher. ?

Jan. 12th F. Left Gneiss creek and went to Riverside Station snowing heavy.

Jan. 13th. Left Riverside and went to Norris.

Jan. 14th. Left Norris snowing heavy find it impossible for my horse to break through that snow for 20 miles. I let lineman take him back from 4 mile post and took his snowshoes to post.

Jan. 15th. Remained in post.

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Jan. 16th. patroled north line before daylight antilope were all inside park line and unmolested.

Jan. 17th. Scout Morrison and myself left Post on snowshoes bound for riverside shoeing being bad we camped at Crystal springs.

Jan. 18th. Left crystal springs for Norris arriving there at 2 PM shoeing heavy.

Jan. 19th. Took horses and rode to riverside.

Jan. 20th. Left Riverside Station and rode to Kerzenmacher heavy traveling.

Jan. 21st. Went down on Madison where bridge was being buildt interviewed K and returned to R Station.

Jan. 22d. left Station and went to Fountain.

Jan. 23d. Left fountain and went to Norris.

Jan. 24th. Took snowshoes from Norris and came to post shoeing hard.

Jan. 25th. Swore out warrant for James Courtney and Jay Whitman.

Jan. 26th. Scout Morrison and myself patroled north line at daybreak. saw 16 mountain sheep.

Jan. 27th. Patroled north line at daybreak north of Gardner antilopes back in foot hills saw about 15 elk near icehouse.

Jan. 28th. Remained in Post.

Jan. 29th. Scout Morrison and myself left post on snow-shoes stayed over night at Slaughter house cabin.

Jan. 30th. Left cabin at daybreak went to head waters of Reese creek, down Sepulchre creek to Glen creek and through snow pass to post.

Jan. 31st. Patroled north line.

Feb. 1st. Patroled north line.

Feb. 2d. Patroled north line.

Feb. 3d. Patroled north line.

Feb. 4th. Left Springs for Buffalo country.

Feb. 16th. Returned to Post.

Feb. 17th. Remained in Post.

Feb. 18th. Remained in Post.

Feb. 19th. To Sepulchre on snowshoes saw about 150 elk.

Feb. 20th. Rode up Reese creek past McMinn's ranch no signs of game north of Electric Peak.

Feb. 21st. Patroled north line.

Feb. 22d. Patroled north line.

Feb. 23d. Took trail across plateau on Mt. Everetts up Turky pen trail to carcass which I poisoned.

Feb. 24th. Patroled north line.

Feb. 25th. Patroled north line.

Feb. 26th. Left post for Gallatin valley stopped overnight at slaughter house cabin. Weather stormy in afternoon.

Feb. 27th. Left slaughter house cabin cut across upper Gardiner and through fawn pass snowing and bad weather.

Feb. 28th. Morrison and myself went across devide and down on Fawn Pass. no signs of anything in there some elk signs on Gallatin.

March 1st. Followed down Gallatin river close to line no signs of game.

March 7th. Left Post for Fountain 10 Am arrived at Norris 9 P.M.

March 8th. Laid over at Norris owing to severe snowstorm.

March 9th. Left Norris for Fountain snowshoeing very bad. Pvt. Kilburn Small and Hodgson returned to Post.

March 10th. Left Fountain for Riverside Hansen Corpl. Anderson and two men were over in Gullitin Valley expected back on the 12th.

March 11th. Waited for arrival of party.

March 12th. Corpl. Anderson and pvt. Steward arrived Hansen and Blank had gone to Grayling Post Office would not get to Riverside untill 13th Segt. Whalen not wanting to be absent from his station we returned to Fountain to await Hansen.

Holt, Peter August 12, 1899 to January 3, 1901

March 13th. Waiting at Fountain, weather very warm snow begining to melt from the bottom causing snowshoes to sink in to bottom.

March 14th. Waiting for Hansen.

March 15th. Hansen Anderson and Neist arrived.

March 16th. Left fountain for Norris.

March 17th. Left Norris for Post.

March 18th. Remained in Post.

March 19th. Remained in Post.

March 20th. Absent on snake river trip until April 6th.

April 7th. Attending trial untill April 13th.

April 20th. Left Springs for Soda Butte stopped overnight at Yancey weather warm.

April 21st. Left Yancey for Soda Butte found everything at Station all right pleseant weather.

April 22d S. Left Soda Butte for Slough creek find snow mostly gone and river high raining and dissagreeable saw two beaver.

April 23d M. Myself and Pvt Lipton followed up slough creek on foot found fresh signs where beaver had been at work no signs of anyone being in there about 100 elk are staying on flat near cabin rain in afternoon.

April 24th. Returned from Slough creek cabin about four inches of snow fell last night and still snowing today.

April 25th. Left Soda Butte station and went to Yancey saw about 2000 elk in good condition.

April 26th. Left Yancey for springs saw about 100 antilope.

Courtenay and Whitman left on Jan. 3 for Henrys Lake. passing his place Courtenay has a 45/90 win, a 415/90 empty shell found by one of elk. Whitman has a 30/30. Transportation arrived here with 380 horses, have lost about 10 leaving 370. Also that they did not return until about 9^{00}P.M. and that Whitman told him the next morning that Jim Courtnay did not come up to Johnson place where he [Whitman] stayed that night. [very probably the night Courtnay and Bert Conklin went into park to get elk as Conklin told Holte and myself that Whitman did not go with him after the meat.

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Dec. 26. Courtnay and Jay Whitman came from Henrys Lake to Oliver E. Johnson's place in Madison Basin.

Dec. 27. Ben Johnson and Kerzenmacher [Peter] hunting back of his ranch. Whereabouts of Whitman and Courtnay, not known, to us.

Dec. 28. The elk killed.

Dec. 29. Kerzenmacher and Jay Whitman hunting back of ranch Whitman told Kerzenmacher he killed one back of Johnson's on 28.

Dec. 26, 19. Came over from lake.

27th. Up back of Ben ~~Johnson~~ Kèzmankin's.

28. the killing.

29. Kez. J. Whitman hunting N of ranch.

30th. Johnson.

31. Jan. 1, 2, 3. Killed one up back of Johnson's on 28 pack out on 30 J Whitman has a 30.30. men left on Jan. 3.

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Kilpatrick, S. M. Oct. 1 to Dec. 15, 1915

Oct 1
Took oath--

Oct 2
Finished preparing for trip & Went to Terrace Mountain.

Oct 3
Left Terrace Mtn & came to Sportsman Lake Saw few Elk today.

Oct 4
Left Sportsman's Lake & came to Bacon Rind Creek about 15 mis--

Oct 5
Left Bacon Rind Creek camped between 37 & 38 mile posts.

Oct 6
Made a trip in this vicinity on foot down as far as 35 mile post going down.mostly on park line and coming back mostly out of park border looking for signs of hunters, location of game etc. Covered at least 10 miles. Saw 3 small bunches of elk one containing 5, one 2 & one 3 there were probably more--all outside the park boundary. Found a 7 point bull elk dead about 1000 feeet from camp was unable to tell how it met its death as it was badly torn up by coyotes. I killed a coyote in the afternoon of this date.

Oct 7
Went to Gallatin Soldier Station to get oats for mules and back about 15 or 16 miles

Friday Oct. 8
Made a trip on foot about a mile up from camp north then went South about 3 miles or more somtimes in park sometimes on boundary and sometimes across border. Saw three hunters travelling along park line and also 8 head of elk inside of park. Travelled about 8 or 9 miles in all.

9
Spent a good while in this vicinity today on foot mostly along park line and inside of park. Covered 6 or 7 miles in all.

Oct 10 Sunday
Scouted on foot along park line and inside mostly, as far north as 30 mile post and as far South as 25 mile post beside covering a good deal of ground inside of park lineoff of trail. Went 12 or 13 miles all told. I heard 2 shots in rapid succession which sounded as if they were near park line immediately went down to point where sounds came from but was unable to find any trace of hunters. This night two hunters came into our camp without any arms and said that they were lost, also that they had killed two elk outside of park and left there guns outside.

Oct 11
Followed the back track of the two men who were in our camp to a point about one and a half miles distant South where it struck the park line and from there led back north along the park line and left the park

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line there going into the park we were able to track them as there footprints in the snow were quite distinct. In a little parquet about 1/4 of a mile inside of the park line about opposite the 39 mile post we came upon the bodies of 2 dead elk one bull & one a cow. We also found the hunters guns cached under a log close by. We discovered this about 10 A. M. and laid in wait for the men to come to get their game & guess all day but the did not appear this date Saw 16 elk this date. 9 mi

Oct 12

We went to the spot where the elk were early the next morning and began to wait for the hunters to appear

At about 9 30 we saw them coming and met them and put them under arrest. They acknowledged in my presence that the game was theirs and also that the guns were theirs We immediately packed up and started for the Post reaching here about 8 45 pm Arrived at Headquarters same night about 9 00 PM. Saw a bull Elk on way in.

13

Went over to Judge Meldrum's office for preliminary hearing of poachers. Remained at Post this date

Oct 14

Went to Gardiner to get some supplies returning to Post afterwards

Friday Oct 15

Started again for West Boundary, went as far as Snoeshoe cabin on Fawn Pass about 12 miles out.

Saturday Oct 16 1915

Left Snowshoe cabin on Fawn Pass and came to original camp at point between 37 & 38 mile post about 18 mis

Sunday, Oct 17, 1915

Made a trip on foot along park boundary and came back to camp inside of park a distance of 7 or 8 miles. Saw between 25 and 30 in number ~ bunch of elk

Monday Oct 18 15

Left camp between 37 & 38 mile post and came to Grayling Cabin. About 10 miles--

Tuesday Oct 19 1915

Stayed at Grayling Cabin Made a short trip in this vicinity 4 miles

Wednesday Oct 20

Made a trip in this vicinity Mounted went down South as far as 27 1/2 mile post and back travelling in park and along line mostly made 10 or 11 miles all told.

Thursday Oct 21st

Went to Gallatin station for hay and oats returning same day about 30 miles--

Friday Oct 22 1915
Stayed around cabin this date--

Saturday Oct 23 1915
Made a trip in this vicinity about 7 miles north and returned Weather Fair 14 mi

Sunday Oct 24 1915
Made a trip in this vicinity on foot mostly along line went about 5 miles. Had snow during last night weather fair to day.

Monday Oct 25 1915
Made a trip South from Cabin and returned making quite a detour into park going and returning along park line went 10 to 12 miles in all--

Tuesday Oct 26 1915
Made a trip north from camp at Grayling Cabin and returned going 10 or 11 miles in all. Weather Fair

Wednesday Oct 27 1915
Moved from Grayling Cabin and made camp between 24 & 25 mile post on Madison River Came along line in park at times. Traveled 8 or 9 miles in all Weather Fair--

Thursday Oct 28 1915
Made a mounted trip to park line close along beside Madison River and north along park line to Gneiss Creek about 10 to 12 miles in all

Friday Oct 29 1915
Made a trip South along Park line as far as Yellowstone and back inside of Park about 14 or 15 miles--

Saturday Oct 30 1915
Made a trip to Riverside Soldiers Station to call up Mr. Lindsley in regard to Poachers trial coming up on 8th of November and returned to camp a distance of 10 or 12 miles--

Sunday Oct 31 1915
Went to Riverside Station to get oats for mules & returned to camp. Went over old Grayling road a distance of about 12 or 14 miles--

Monday Nov 1 1915
Moved camp from between 24 & 25 mile posts on Madison River to Gneiss Creek North riding along Park line in moving about 7 mis

Tuesday Nov 2 1915
Came from camp to Riverside station part of distance along park line and west in park over old Grayling road a distance of 11 or 12 mis

Wednesday Nov 13 1915
Left Riverside Station and came into Post over trail preparatory to going to Cheyenne on poachers trial Travelling about 35 miles this date--
Saw 3 head of Elk on way in.

Nov. 4
At Headquarters, making report for Oct.

Nov 5
At Headquarter, preparing for trip to Cheyenne, Wyo. as witness before Federal court

Nov 6
Left Headquarters for Cheyenne.

Nov 7 1915
On way to Cheyenne

Nov 8 1915
Arrived at Cheyenne

Nov 9-10-11
In Cheyenne

Nov 12 1915
Left Cheyenne this night for Park

Nov 13 1915
On way back to Park

Nov 14 1915
Arrived at Gardiner this morning and went to Post

Nov 15 1915
Stayed at post had horse shod and prepared to start for west boundary

Nov 16 1915
Left post and rode to Norris 20 miles.

Nov 17 1915
Left Norris and came to Riverside a distance of 23 miles Saw a Large bunch of Elk on mountains at Madison Junction

Nov 18 1915
Layed over at Riverside

Nov 19 1915
Left Riverside by old Grayling road went along Madison River to park line going from there north nearly to Gneiss Creek. My horse broke through ice at this point and cut himself pretty badly so I had to return to Riverside. I traveled 20 to 21 miles in all. Saw a bunch of 6 elk about 2 miles inside of Park on Grayling road--

Nov 20 1915
Stayed at Riverside Station

Nov 21, 1915
Left Riverside Station and came to camp on Gneiss Creek about 11 or 12 miles--Joined Scout Smith--

Nov 22 1915
Made a trip in this vicinity on foot in park and along park line. distance about 6 miles--Weather Fair--

Nov 23, 1915
Left Gneiss Creek & came to Riverside Sta about 30 to 36 ins of snow at Gneiss Creek

Nov 24 1915
Stayed at Riverside waiting orders--

Nov 25 1915
Left Riverside and came to Madison Junction about 9 1/2 miles in a heavy snow

Nov 26 1915
Came from Madison Junc. to Norris Station about 13 1/2 miles.

Nov 27, 1915
Left Norris Sta and came to Post; 20 miles. Saw a bull Elk on way

Nov 28 1915
Stayed at Post--

Nov 29, 1915
Prepared wagon to haul hay for deer & Sheep

Nov 30, 1915
Hauled Hay for Sheep and deer Traveled about 12 miles.

Dec. 1 1915
Left Post and went to Yellowstone Trans Co cabin about 8 miles Saw a Bull Elk

Dec 2 1915
Left Cabin and went to camp on Cottonwood Creek about 14 miles Saw about 4000 head of Elk on way out--and about 20 head of Deer

Dec 3 1915
Left Camp on Cottonwood Creek and came to post. About 22 miles Saw about 2000 head of elk

Dec 4 1915
Helped Haul Alfalfa Hay for Deer and Sheep Made about 12 miles Saw about 20 antelope 15 Mountain Sheep and 25 Deer--

Dec 5, 1915
Made a trip from Post through Snow Pass along Glen Creek by Electric Peak. Came upon foot prints of a hunter when within about 2 miles of

park line. Followed them up and came upon the carcass of a dead bull Elk within about 1 mile of park line. Both hind quarters of the elk were missing. We followed tracks leading from carcass of elk and came upon a man with a gun dragging one of the hind quarters of the elk by a hand strap. within about 1/2 mile of P Line He gave his name as John Gradovitch and his address Electric Montana. We arrested him and brought him into post, coming back by Electric and Gardiner--There was from 18 to 20 inches of snow in vicinity of elk and along trail which we took. Made about 20 miles.

Monday Dec 6 1915
At Judge Meldrum's office giving testimony in case of U. S. vs (John Grandovitch) case.

Tuesday Decr 7 1915
At Judge Meldrums office on continuation of Grandovitch case.

Wed Decr 8/15
Made a trip through Snow Pass and along South side of Electric Peak, saw 4 or 5 Hundred head of elk 1 deer went about 20 miles in all

Thursday Dec 9, 1915
Made a trip through Snow Pass along Sportsman Lake Trail turned up along east Side of Electric peak. Went down draw towards Electric. Took park line along Northern boundary and walked about 2 miles up on a bench Saw where an elk had been Killed probably 10 days ago and dragged out of park. Returned to park by road through Gardiner. Made about 22 miles all told. Saw about 10 head of elk

Friday Dec 10 1915
Made a trip through Gardiner and along park East of Gardiner for about 3 miles and returned Saw 11 Mountain Sheep one Bull Elk and 10 deer. Made about 16 miles.

Sat Decr 11 1915
Helped haul hay for deer, sheep & antelope. Made about 12 miles

Sunday Decr 12/15
At Headquarters

Monday Dec 13/15
Made a patrol through Gardiner and about 3 miles up northern boundary. Went 16 miles in all-- Saw 15 mountain sheep 20 antelope and 18 deer--

Tuesday Dec 14/15
Hauled Hay for game. Saw 13 sheep 8 antelope and 20 deer. Distance 10 miles--

Wed Dec 15/15
At headquarters making report and turning in equipment

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November 2nd 1900
Departed for Soda Butte Station arrived Soda Butte 9:15 P. M.

Nov 3rd
Scouted around the Country of Big Specimed returned to Soda Butte 6:30 P. M.

4th
At Soda Butte preparing for exstended Scouting trip N. E. Line

5th Departed with Sergt MayerCamped on Willow Creek Cabin Saw No Game nor Sign of any hunters.

6th
Camped on Mist Creek Saw Sign of a few Elk & Deer. No Sign of Hunters

7th
Campted on the Mouth of the little Lamar after Scouting All along the Line from Mist Creek.

8th
Camped on Miller Creek Near the line.

9th Returned to Soda Butte. Saw no Sign of Hunters but Signs of Lots of Game. Elk & Deer

Fossil Forest area?

10th Soda Butte made trip down to Big Speciment Saw two herds Elk of about a thousand in each Herd.

11th Departed with Prvts Prell & McCueir for Slough Creek Scouted up Slough Creek about 8 Miles Saw about 200 Elk

12th went to Hell Roaring Scouted up the Creek for about 6 miles. Saw no Game nor any Signs of any Hunters

13th Arrived at "Knowle's" late in the Evening.

14th Scouted up Crevice Creek and along the Line up to Oregon Pass.

15th Saw Smoke along the Yellowstone, went down on the lower trail found where fire had been but was extinguished followed the trail of one Man dismounted, going in the direction to Gardiner followed trail to the Line McKuen's Horse fell among the Boulders worked to release him over 3 hours Everytime we succeeded in lifting him up he reared and tumbled farther down each time, badly bruised and Cut up. finally he fell in to a deep hole bleeding from the mouth apparently from an internal wound on the left side, as the left shoulder seemd to be of no aid to him, but after releasing him this time, he made an other plunge among the Boulders and the right foreleg caught between two Rocks, and was broken below the Knee all effords to save him was now vanished and I shot him to release him out of missery saw no Game

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16th Left Knowles for Fort Yellowstone to Report to Com. Officer Caught four Horses above the Cabin and two more on "Blacktail" braught them six in. Saw about 300 Antellopes on the Blacktail

17th Remained at Ft. Yellowstone to get the Horses and Mule shod.

18th Left Ft Yellowstone for Knowles's at 11 oclock arrived late in the Eve. Saw about 20 white tail Deer. Snowed and stormed fearfully.

19th and 20th Scouted along the NW Line Saw no Game only Signs of Deer

21st Left Knowless for Slough Creek arrived late in the evening. Kept along near the line as much as possible Saw no singns of hunters. Seen about 100 Antelopes and 300 Elk. All in Good Condition

22nd Scouted up to the Line of Slough Creek. Saw about 500 Elk. all in Good Condition have seen no Sign of Hunters on this trip. All Game seen has been very tame even at the outside of the Line.

23rd Departed for Soda Butte. Saw about 8000 Elk en route along the Lamar River and in 4 herds, the General Condition appeared good some very "Scabby" Bulls among them great Many Calves in all the heards. After returning to Soda Butte found that Serg't Meyers had gone to report to Com. Officer that I was lost with the two Soldiers in my Charge, Pvt's McKuen and Penell.

24th Rested our selves and Horses. the Horses especilly was very tired after a very hard trip

25th Went down on big Speciment to find four horses which was said to be there found None. Saw about 2000 Elk.

26th Made a trip to Springs to report about private matter

27th Returned to Station late in Eve

28-29-30- Stayed at Station made a few Short trips about the Country. Saw a great Many Elk. Some of the Bulls begin to be "Scabby" Saw one Bull that was lame but Could not find out the Matter, too dark in Eve

December 1900

1st Stormed fearfully. Could go no where, snowed and stormed the intire day

2nd Called in to Ft Yellowstone by order of Captain Goode

3rd Stayed over at Ft Yellowstone

4th Left at 7 am for Soda Butte with Morrison stayed at Yanceys untill we gained our information we wanted, Morrison Returning to Springs. I arrive at Soda Butte 7 15 PM Saw 4 large Mountain Shepe on Road & great many Elk

5th Snowed & Stormed last evening and today, too much snow for taking out Horses found my horse to be under "The weather" a large Lump over his Kidneys Cannot put Saddle on him for long time

6th Made a trip on Skies for to learn the Boys how to use them.

7th Went on skies to near to Yanceys. Saw a large Bunch of Elk. Private Prell accompanied me saw two Horses but Could not Catch them.

8th Stayed at Station nearly all day

9th Lieut Amus arrived with Sergt. Mayhoe to take charge of station placed Sergt Mayers under arrest for sellingGrain and for breacking other Park Rules & Regulations. Returned to Yanceys myself & Prvt Prell as Guards over Mayers

10th Arrived at Springs with the Prisoner 1:30 PM stayed up all night. Mayers made several threats to kill me. Slept with his Clothes & Boots on watching every Moment for oppertunity to escape apparnently

11th Left Springs 12 noon for Soda Butte arrived 8:30 PM

12th Made a trip to Cache Creek Saw about 2000 Elk

13th Went to [Slough Cr] (someone else wrote this) the Rud Prarie" → Round Prairie probably M. H. to see if any Hunting was going on by Cooke People Saw about 600 Elk.

14th Stayed at Station to repair my Skies.

15th Started on trip to NELine but order came for me to report to Com. Officer For instruction returned to Station to prepare for the Journeys Saw about 800 Elk Weather Cold & Stormy

16th Left Soda Butte for Ft. Yellowstone as pr order of Capt Goode

17th Ft Yellowstone
18th " "
19th " "

20th Went out to find Mountain Sheep. Saw 9 below Eagle's Nest

20th at Ft Yellowsstone
21st " " "

22nd Departed for a Scouting trip to Knowles Cabin Pvt. Prell accompany Horse back and one Pack Mule Saw 19 Bull Elk an "Blacktail" fair Condition Also saw tracks of about 5 or 6 Mountain Lions at the foot of Mt. Everet

23rd Scouted over the Line. Saw No Game or Signs of any. Nor Signs of any Hunters or Poachers found Pst feed for our Horses much snow

24th Left Knowle's for Yancey's to seal up all his fire arms sealed
1 Revolver 38 Cal U S army 1894
1 30-30 Winchester take down
1 30-40 "
1 10 Gauge shot Gun
1 22 Marlin Rifle
Departed for Ft. Yellowstone arrived late in the night. Very Cold & Stormy Saw about 8000 Elk drove tem back from Blacktail to Oxbow.

25th at Ft Yellowstone

26th went up to drive the large Bunch Elk further back on the Oxbow Morrison and 8 Soldiers

27th at Ft Yellowstone

28th Departed for Soda Butte station [Sergt Mayer taken to St. Paul

29th Went down on Speciment to look at a large bunch of Elk found about 3000 same in not very good Condition Saw 2 Lame Cow Elk and one "Scabby" Bull. didnt kill them

30th & 31st Made trip to North Line. Saw about 1000 Elk and some Deer Signs No signs of Hunters first long trip made on skies this winter weather very Cold 36 below Zero Saw the same 2 cows Cripples and killed them

-1901 over-

January 1st 1901 Stayed at Station

2nd 3rd and 4th Made trips in different direction about Soda Butte as far as near to Yancey Saw about 4000 Elk Weather very stormy

5th Went up along to Cache Creek took Sick and was Compelled to return to Station

6 & 7th Sick in Bed and very weak Coughed and Sore about my Lungs

8th 9th 10th & 11th Still Sick and weak. Stormy Snow too soft to use Skies

12th Started on Skies to Slough Creek Pvt Long accompanied Still Stormy and Snow very Soft did not arrive at the Cabin before 7 15 P.M. very tierd and wet

13th Scouted up to the Line Saw some tracks of Elk bleeding but no Signs of any Pouchers an their tracks returned to Camp with intention of taking up Chase following day

14th Followed the bleeding Elk and found them to be very "Scabby" and bleeding from the sores Caused by their Scabby Condition. Killed them both

15th Found about 20 Calves snowed in up in Mountain above Slough Creek in a very weak and Starving Condition. drove them down to the lower Country to a large Bunch of Elk of about 600

16th Weather too Stormy for traveling. Made a few trips up along the Line, found nothing of any importance. Saw about 200 Elk

17th Strated for Hell-Roaring Country in the Morning Saw about 800 Elk in all our travel today

18th Went up to the Line and drove back a large Bunch of Elk of about 250 all Cowes and Calves. drove them far down on the flat where they Could Secure good feed their Condition very good

19th Went down on Hellroaring Creek below the Yellowstone to see if any one had Come up from the lower Country. found Nothing to indicate that anyone had been there Saw about 20 Elk today all Bulls fair Condition

20th Returned to Slough Creek Cabin on the way Prvt. Long broke one of his skies.

21st Had to lay over here at Slough Creek to repaire Longs ski so as to be able to go on to the Station tomorrow there is a Band of about 150-175 Elk on this flat today All Cowes and Calves in good condition

22nd Returned to Station

22nd By order of Com officer went to Ft Yellowstone for instructions Made it to Yanceys only today mounted

23rd Arrived at Ft. Yellowstone from Yanceys about 5 oclock P. M. Saw 87 Deer at the Gardiner forks.

24th Reported to Capt Goode for instruction

25th Went to Reese Creek Mounted found no Game in that Vicinity no any Sign of Pouchers

26th Went from Ft. Yellowstone to Knowles Mounted Pvts. Weston Vogal, Dell, Barnes and Shawles 5 Pack Mules went accross the Blacktail Made the trip in 8 hours. Saw about 200 Elk and 27 Deer on top of Blacktail Hill. Very stormy and Cold.

27th Showed Weston along the Yellowstone where people Come up the River to fish and Sneak up in the Park. Saw 6 Mountain Lion tracks.

28th Showed Weston and Dell the Park Line above Knowles also the Pass where peaple Come through to kill Game. Saw tracks of I think about 5 Mount Lion tracks also about 400 Elk on Dry Gulch Saw white tail Deer bit by M. Lion had to kill it, to put it out of miscery

29th Left Knowles's for Fort Yellowstone Saw about 75 Elk on Blacktail. Very stormy

30th Reported to Capt Goode.

31st Left for Soda Butte early in the morning with intention of going through but my Horse ran away from me on Blacktail took me 3 hours to Catch him arrived at Yanceys late in the Evening

February

1st Arrived at Soda Butte Saw about 50 Elk and 3 Deer on Lamar flat Weather Clear & Cold

2nd Stayed at Station to repair my Snow Shoes

3rd Pvt. Long had Toe frozen Could not start out on trip, made a trip toward Northline saw about 20 Elk

4th Left Station with Privat Long Camped on Cache Creek. Saw about 30 Elk Weather Stormy

5 Left Cache Creek Came accross the country to Willow Creek Cabin Saw No Game. Weather Stormy

6th Made trip from Cabin to Little Lamar Saw no Game. Signs of about 4 Mountain Lions Weather Clear Seen no Signs of any kind of Game

7th returned from Willow Creek Cabin to Station Saw about 50 Elk weather Stormy

8th Stayed at Station to repair our Snow Shoes Sergt Meyhew informed me that it was reported that 29 Elk was killed some place about Hell Roaring or in vicinity of Jardine did not know just where nor if they were killed in the Park or outside. Said he made report to Com. Officer of Same. Wrote Com officer.

9th Started out with Pvt. Long to make thorough investigation of them ElkSaid to have been Killed Noone knows where they were killed Packed about 80# of Rations on our backs arrived at Slough Creek in the Evening Saw about 20 Elk in fair Condition weather Clear and Cold brake cap on my Snow Shoe.

10th Stayed over at Slough Creek to repair my ski made a short trip up the Creek. Saw about 150 Elk good Con. Weather Clear and Cold

11th Made a trip up to the Line. Saw about 20 Elk Saw no Sign of any Hunters, inside nor outside of the Park. Game outside appear tame, not disturbed weather Clear and Cold

12th Started on for Hell Roaring Saw about 25 or 30 Elk on Slough Creek. No Sign of any Hunters found Privates Weston and Vagel from Knowles Cabin up in Hell Rooring Cabin they report of seeing no Sign of Hunters Weather Clear and Cold

13th Departed for Knowles's Seen no Elk Signs of 2 Mountain Lions weather Clar & warm

14th Departed with Pvt. Weston up to the Line to find out about the 29 Elk reported Killed Saw no Signs of Elk nor any Hunters found no indication to show that there had been any one in that part of the Country hence report is not true that any Elk had been killed. Saw Mount Lion Weston shot & missed him weather warm & Snow

15th Departed for Ft Yellowstone to report to Com. Officer [Lt. CB Drake Capt Goode being absent. Weather Stormy

16th Reported to Com. Officer Made request for Rations to Hell Roorg Cabin and got about 30 Rations.

17th Departed--mtd--with Pvt. Long with 2 Pack Mules for Hell Rooring Cabin Loaded with our Rations Weather stormy Saw no Game

18th From Hell Roaring to Ft. Yellowstone Saw Mt Lion Signs and about 60 Elk.

19th 20th & 21st prepaered for trip with Scout Morison and detachment of Soldiers--[Pvt Long also] to go to Yellowstone at mouth of Blacktail Creek to put Bridge over the Yellowstone River at that point

22nd Started from Springs 8:30 am arrived at Yellowstone 2:30 8 Packmules I & Long used skies.

23-24-25 26 worked on Bridge

27th went along with Scout Morrison to post to get some more Rope Blocks etc carried them on skies.

28th Arrived at Yellowstone.

March 1901

1 Pvt Long and my self working on Bridge

2- Long went to Post for more supplies

3- Long Returned

4- Back working on Bridge.

5 went with Morrison to Post to get some Bolts, augers etc. Made trip on skies.

6--Returned from Post

7-8-9 and 10th Completed the Bridge

11th Left "Blacktail Bridge" Returned to Hell Roaring with Pvt Long Saw 12 sheep 14 whitetail Deer and about 200 Elk Condition fair weather Stormy.

12th Stayed at Cabin Made a trip west on the line to look for Pouchers Saw none or any signs Weather stormy, warm. Saw about 75 Elk all in fairly good Condition

13th Left Hell Roaring Cabin for Slough Creek weather warm--bad ski-ing--Saw about 20 Elk in fairly good Condition

14th Stayed over at Slough Creek with "Snowbline" eyes left in the night for Station

15th Arrived at station in morning

16th Stayed at Station to repair skies and get our eyes in good Condition

17th Made trip to Yancey's

18th & 19th Made trip North of Yanceys to inspect Beaver Dams etc. found them in good Condition, and saw fresh Signs of Beaver all along the Creek.

20th Went from Yanceys to Hell Roaring Saw about 100 Elk Weather warm.

21st Made trip down to Yellowstone to see if anyone had come up from below. found no Signs of anyone Saw about 150 Elk and Six Deer Weather warm

22nd Made trip up on Hell Roaring Creek above the Line Saw 2 Elk weather warm.

23rd Made trip up on Buffalo Platau Saw no Game weather warm

24th Made an other trip down to Yellowstone Saw about 1000 Elk fair Condition. Weather warm

25th Made an other trip up to the Line saw 150 Elk Condition good weather warm and stormey

26th Stayed at Cabin, too stormy to use skies

27th Left for Slough Creek Saw about 1500 Elk Weather warm

28th Made trip East of Cabin to the Line Saw no Game weather warm

29th Made trip NW of Cabin saw about 800 Elk 6 Deer Condition fair weather Clear

30th Returned to Station Saw about 200 Elk Con. fair

31st Stayed at station

April 1901.

1st By order of Com Officer left station to report to him with Pvt. McKuen arrived at Post late Saw about 1200 Elk.

2nd Reported to Capt. then to Judge Meldrum.

3rd at Post

4th went to Station Pvts McCuen, Vogel & Woods, Pvt Long to be releaved and Vogel to take his place. Woods return with Long arrived at Yanceys 4 45/ PM Saw 14 Elk weather stormy

5th Arrived at Station Saw about 250 Elk on Specimen weather Stormy

6th Stayed at station, and

7th also being Snowblin

8th Pvt Prell & myself went over on Soda Butte Creek to try and find a pce of "Beaver hide" said to be in the ice. found none

9th Left Station with Pvts. Prell & McCuen for Slough Creek on skees Saw 600 Elk weather warm. trip made on skies

10th Stayed at Slough Creek to rest up the Boys. weather very warm

11th Went to Hell Roaring Saw about 400 Elk and 12 Deer [Blacktail weather warm.

12th Went to Knowle's Met Pvt Weston Coming up to look for M. Lions saw 18 white tail Deer and about 800 Elk weather warm

13th Left Knowles's for Ft Yellowstone Pvt. Norton accompanying us Saw 11 white tail Deer & 8 B. tail and about 250 Elk weather warm

14th Reported important Biz to Capt Goode. Stayed at Fort Yellowstone

15th Departed for Knowles's with McCuen & Norton Pvt. Prell stayed over by order of Com Officer saw 7 Elk 6 B. T. Deer weather very Cold & Stormy

16th Stayed at Knowles's went down to the Gardiner Trail on the Yellowstone weather clear & cold

17th Left Knowles's with Pvt. McCuen for Hell Roaring saw 18 W. T. & 22 B. T. Deer and about 1200 Elk weather warm

18th Went up to the Line East of the Creek, saw about 200 Elk Con. poor weather clear & warm

19th Went up on East Side of Creek, Saw about 500 Elk Con. poor weather clear & warm

20th Went down on the Yellowstone. Saw about 200 Elk & 7 B. T and 3 W. T. Deer. Weather Clear & warm

21st Departed for Slough Creek. Saw about 3500 Elk 6 B. T Deer Condition fair Weather warm.

22nd Scouted from Cabin up to line. Saw about 300 Elk weather warm

23rd Scouted west of Cabin about 6 miles saw about 600 Elk 2 B. T. Deer weather warm

24th went from Slough Cr to Station saw 18 Elk weather warm

25th 26th & 27. at station made some short trips about the Station. Can not travel and also made order to go in to Report to Com Officer.

28th Went from Station to Ft Yellowstone Pvt's McCuen & Vogel accompanied me. Saw about 3000 Elk in all

29th at Ft. Yellowstone

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Jan 1 - 1907
Put out traps for Coyotes in the Vicinity of Sps Dist 5 miles game Seen 170 deer 200 Elk

Jan 2 - 1907
Patrol north to gardiner and found were 1 deer was Killed and return to Post Dist--10 miles Game Seen 500 antelope 600 Elk 35 Mt Sheep 100 deer

Jan 3
Patrol north to gardiner looking for the Partys that Killed the deer and return to Post--dist--10 miles

Jan 4
Patrol north to Gardiner Station and Stop for the night--game Seen 500 antelope 1000 Elk 25 deer 12 Mt Sheep Dist--5 miles

Jan 5
Patrol Return to Post--Dist--5 miles game Seen 40 mt Sheep 125 Deer 100 Elk

Jan 6
Patrol north to Jardine and return to post Dist 20 miles Game seen 500 antelope 100 Deer 62 Mt Sheep 1200 Elk

Jan 7
Patrol East to Lava Creek and return to Post Dist 16 Miles game Seen 600 Elk 200 deer

Jan 8
Patrol north to Gardiner and return to Post--dist--10 miles Game Seen 61 Mt Sheep 125 deer 800 Elk

Jan 9
Feeding Mt Sheep Dist 6 miles Game Seen 45 mt Sheep 100 Deer 500 Elk 50 Ducks

Jan 10
Patrol north to Gardiner and return to Post--dist--10 miles Game Seen 700 antelope

Jan 11
Patrol in the Vicinity of Sps Dist--8 miles game Seen 50 deer

Jan 12
Patrol north to Reese Creek and return to Post--dist 20 miles game Seen 1,000 antelope 800 Elk 200 deer 23 Mt Sheep

Jan 13
no Patrol

Jan 14
Feeding the Mountain Sheep, Dist 6 miles Game Seen 125 deer 13 Mt Sheep 300 Elk 200 antelope

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Jan
Patrol north to gardiner and return to Post Dist 12 miles Game Seen 200 antelope 53 Mountain Sheep 600 Elk 250 Deer

Jan 16
Patrol north to red mountains and return to Post--Dist--20 miles Game Seen 36 mountain Sheep 50 Elk 150 antelope 75 deer

Jan 17
Patrol north East to Crevasse mountain and camp dist--14 miles Game Seen 400 antelope 100 deer 10 mountain Sheep

Jan 18
return from Crevasse Mountain to Post--dist--14 miles Games Seen 600 Elk 150 deer

Jan 19
Feeding the Mountain Sheep and deer dist 6 miles game Seen 150 deer 50 Mountain Sheep 200 Elk

Jan 20
No Patrol

Jan 21
Patrol north to gardiner and Return to Post dist 14 miles Game Seen 2000 Elk 200 deer 500 antelope 3 Mountain Sheep

Jan 22
Helping to arrest the Party that Kill the mountain Sheep on Nov 6 1906 Dist 14 miles

Jan 23
return to Post from Crevasse Mountain Dist 14 miles Game Seen 1000 Elk 500 antelope 200 deer 5 mountain Sheep

Jan 24
Patrol in the Vicinity of Sps Dist 12 miles game Seen 150 deer 700 Elk

Jan 25
Patrol north along the Park line and return to Post Dist 18 miles game Seen 700 antelope 1000 Elk 20 Mountain Sheep 230 deer

Jan 26
Patrol in the Vicinity of Sps Dist 12 miles game Seen 700 Elk 100 deer

the English and American Miles contains 1760 yards

Measurement of land

16 1/2 feet	1 rod
320 rods	1 mile
66 feet	1 chain
80 chains	1 mile
10 rods x 16 rods	1 acre

Jan 27
Patrol East to Lava Creek and to Post Dist 20 miles game Seen 800 Elk 50 deer

Jan 28
Patrol north to Park line then west to reese creek and return to Post Game Seen 500 antelope 1800 Elk 34 mountain Sheep 200 deer 20 mi

Jan 29
went to Livingstone as a Mountana witness on the case of Killing the mountain Sheep Dist 60 miles by rail & wagon

Jan 30
at livingstone Parties who killed sheep held by Liv. Court for trial at M. H. S.

Jan 31
return to Post--dist--60 miles by rail & wagon.

Feb 1
at Springs

Feb 2
Hauling Hay for Mountain Sheep Dist 6 miles game Seen 200 deer 30 Mountain Sheep 600 Elk

Feb 3
at MHS

Feb 4
Patrol north west to Park line and return to Post--Dist 16 miles game seen 1500 Elk 300 deer 40 Mountain Sheep 500 antelope Found a deer with it leg Brok & killed it

Feb 5
Patrol East to Yellowstone River and return to Post Game Seen 2000 Elk 100 Deer 10 mountain Sheep Dist 24 Miles

Feb 6
Hauling Hay for the mountain Sheep Dist 6 miles game Seen 25 Mountain Sheep 200 deer 500 Elk

Feb 7
Patrol East to Blacktail Creek and return to Post--Dist 16 Miles Game Seen 150 deer 75 Elk 3 Mountain Sheep

Feb 8
Patrol in the Vicinity of Sps Game Seen 200 deer 800 Elk Dist 8 miles

Feb 9
Patrol northwest to reese Creek and return to Post Dist 20 miles Game Seen 50 antelope 1100 Elk 5 Mt Sheep

Feb 10
remain at Sps

Feb 11
Patrol northEast to Cottonwood creek and return to Post dist 30 miles Game Seen 3000 Elk 150 deer 3 mountain Sheep

Feb 12
Patrol northwest along Park Line and return to Post Game Seen 800 antelope 1,000 Elk 250 deer dist 16 mi

F 13
Patrol Northwest to reese creek and return to Post Dist 20 miles Game Seen 1500 Elk 900 antelope 300 deer

Feb 14
Patrol north west to reese creek and return to Post Dist 20 miles Game Seen 2000 Elk 800 antelope 50 Deer

Feb 15
Patrol East Lava creek and return to Post Dist 16 mil Game Seen 700 Elk 200 deer

Feb 16
Patrol north east to red Mt and return to Post dist 20 mile Game Seen 1500 Elk 150 deer 40 Mountain Sheep 500 antelope

Feb 17
Patrol in the Vicinity of Sps Dist 9 miles Game Seen 300 Deer 200 Elk

Feb 18
Patrol north to Yellowstone River and return to Post Dist 16 miles game Seen 25 Mountain Sheep 150 deer 700 Elk 200 antelope

Feb 19
Patrol in the Vicinity H S P game Seen 200 deer 50 Elk Dist 10 miles

Feb 20
Patrol northwest to reese creek and return to Post--dist 20 Miles game Seen 2500 Elk 900 antelope 150 deer

Feb 21
Patrol East to lava creek and return to Post--dist 16 miles game Seen 100 deer 300 Elk 22 Mountain Sheep

Feb 22
at M H S

Feb 23
Patrol north to gardiner and return to Post dist 10 miles Game Seen 300 antelope 50 deer 5 Mountain Sheep 30 Elk

Feb 24
at MHS

Feb 25
Patrol East to Blacktail creek and return to Post then East to tower Fall Station Dist 38 miles game Seen 2000 Elk

Feb 26
At Tower Falls Station investigating the killing of a Elk

Feb 27
arrested Dan Daily For Killing a Elk and Brougt to Post Dist 20 miles

Feb 28
at Post the condition of the deer Bad

March 1
Patrol north to gardiner and return to Post dist 10 miles game Seen 200 antelope 25 deer 30 Elk

March 2
Patrol in the VicinitySprings Daily at court game Seen 50 deer 30 Elk dist 6 miles

March 3
Patrol East Blacktail and return to Post Dist 16 miles

March 4
Patrol north reese creek and return to Post Dist 20 miles Game Seen 1200 Elk 600 antelope 200 deer 34 mountain sheep

March 5
Patrol in the Vicinity M Hot Springs Dist 9 miles game Seen 100 deer 50 Elk Found 2 Deers kill by coytoe

March 6
Patrol East to cottonwood creek and return to Post Dist 35 miles game Seen 2000 Elk 250 deer

March 7
Patrol in the Vicinity M Hot Spring Dist 11 miles trap 1 red Fox game 150 deer 500 Elk Saw 125 Bull Elk Found a deer Killed By coyotes

March 8
Patrol north East to Mouth Crevasse creek and return to Post Dist 28 miles Game Seen 1200 Elk 75 deer

March 9
Patrol in the Vicinity M H Springs Dist 8 Miles Game Seen 150 deer 200 Elk 20 Mountain Sheep

March 10
at Post

March 11
Patrol north Yellowstone river thence East Backtail creek thence Back to Post Dist 26 miles Game Seen 27 Mountain Sheep 1600 Elk 500 antelope 150 deer found 1 deer killd by coyote

March 12
at Post

March 13
Patrol in the Vicinity M Hot Springs Dist 12 miles Game Seen 150 Deer 50 Elk

March 14
at Post

March 15
Patrol North to reese creek and return to Post Dist 20 Miles Game Seen 200 antelope 75 deer 300 Elk

March 16
Patrol East to crevasse creek and return to Post Dist 30 miles Game Seen 1500 Elk 75 deer

March 17
Patrol in the Vicinity M Hot Springs Dist 10 miles Game Seen 200 Elk 50 deer

March 18
at Post rain

March 19
at Post No Patrol raining

March 20
Patrol East to Hellroaring creek and camp Dist 20 Miles Game Seen 4000 Elk 10 deer

March 21
Patrol west along the Yellowstone river to mouth of the gardiner river thece to Post dist 30 Miles Game Seen 1000 Elk 100 deer 50 antelope

March 22
at Post

March 23
Patrol in the Vicinity M Hot Springs Dist 10 Miles Game Seen 150 deer

March 24
at Post Snowing

March 25
Patrol northwest to Park line and return to Post Dist 16 miles game Seen 100 deer 200 Elk 800 antelope

March 26
Patrol north to gardiner and return to Post Dist 10 miles Game Seen 500 Elk 27 Mountain Sheep 200 antelope 75 deer found 1 antelope kill by coyotes

March 27
Hauling Hay for the Mountain Sheep and deer to feed on Dist 6 Miles game Seen 100 Deer 20 Mountain Sheep

March 28
Patrol north to Yellowstone river and return to Post Dist 20 Miles Game Seen 33 mountain Sheep 500 Elk 125 deer

March 29
Patrol East to blacktail creek and return to Post dist 16 miles Game Seen 300 Elk 70 deer

March 30
Patrol north to gardiner and return to post Dist 10 miles Game Seen 20 Mountain Sheep 200 antelope 400 Elk 125 deer

March 31
at Post

April 1
Patrol East to Yellowstone river and return to Post Dist 24 Miles game Seen 600 Elk 75 deer

April 2
Patrol in the Vicinity of Mammoth Hot Springs Dist 7 miles game Seen 100 deer B 200 Elk 60 white tail deer

April 3
Patrol East to Yellowstone river and return to Post Dist 26 miles game Seen 800 Elk 80 deer 2 Mountain Sheep

April 4
at Post

April 5
Patrol East to Blacktail Creek and return to Post dist 16 Miles game Seen 400 Elk 75 deer

April 6
Patrol northwest 8 miles and return to Post Dist 16 Miles game Seen 300 antelope 150 deer 500 Elk

April 7
at Post

April 8
Patrol north to gardiner and return to Post Dist 10 Miles game Seen 150 antelope 75 deer

April 9
Patrol in the Vicinity of Mammoth Hot Springs dist 10 Miles game Seen 175 deer 300 Elk

April 10
Patrol East to Yellowstone river and return to Post Dist 24 Miles game Seen 600 Elk 100 deer 5 Mont Sheep

April 11
Patrol north East to red Mountain and return to Post Dist 26 Miles Game Seen 500 antelope 51 Moutain Sheep 200 deer 800 Elk

April 12
Patrol East to hellroaring creek and return to Post dist 32 miles game Seen 500 Elk 200 antelope 160 Blacktail deer 15 white tail deer 5 Mt S

April 13
Patrol north to Gardiner and return to Post dist 10 miles game Seen 200 antelope 75 deer 61 Moutian Sheep 400 Elk

April 14
at post

April 15
trying to captured 3 old antelope on till April 26 with out Success

April 27
Patrol East to rose creek and return to Yellowstone River dist 44 miles

April 28
Return from Yellowstone river to Post dist 20 miles

April 29
Patrol in the Vicinity M H S dist 10 miles

April 30
working on the Buffalo fence at M H S

May 1st
Patrol North to Gardiner and return to Post Dist 10 miles game Seen 30 antelope 18 Deer

May 2
Patrol in the Vicinity of M H S Dist 10 miles game Seen 50 deer

May 3
working on the Buffalo Fence at rose creek until May 17

May 18 to May 20
working with the Buffalo

May 21
Patrol in the Vicinity M H S Dist 9 miles

May 22
Patrol South to willow creek and return to Post Dist 16 miles

May 23
at Post--rain

May 24
Patrol in the Vicinity M h S game Seen 200 Elk 20 deer Dist 10 Miles

May 25
Patrol north west to Park line and return to Post Dist 16 Miles game Seen 10 Mountain Sheep 30 antelope 14 deer

May 26
Patrol East to lava creek and return to Post Dist 16 miles

May 27
Patrol north east to red Mt and return to Post Dist 20 miles game Seen 32 Mt Sheep 50 Elk 10 deer

May 28
Patrol East to Yellowstone river and return to Post Dist 24 Miles game Seen 16 antelope 75 Elk 14 deer

May 29
Patrol northwest along Park line and return to Post Dist 18 Miles Game Seen 15 deer 25 antelope

May 30
at Post

May 31
Patrol South to gibbon Fall & staid at Roadcamp ~~lain~~ Killed 1 Black bear dangerous Dist 29 Miles

June 1
Patrol up the Gibbon river 14 Miles and return to Norris Station and Stop for the night Dist 19 miles

June 2
Patrol north to M H S Dist 20 miles

June 3
Patrol north to gardiner and return to Post dist 10 miles game Seen 20 deer 12 antelope Killed 6 coyot

June 4
Patrol East to Yellowstone river and return to Post Dist 24 Miles game Seen 12 antelope rain

June 5
at Post rain

June 6
Patrol north East to red Mt and return to Post Dist 22 Miles game Seen 15 deer

June 7
Patrol north to gardiner and return to Post Dist 10 miles

June 8
Patrol north to Gardiner and return to Post dist 10 Miles

June 9
Patrol north to Gardiner and Return to Post dist 10 miles

June 10
Helping to Drive 2 cows to tower fall Station Stop for the night Dist 20 mile

June 11
Return to Post dist 20 miles

June 12
Sent to gardiner to received lumber for rose creek buffalo Station dist 10 Miles

June 13
Patrol in the Vicinity M H S Dist 12 Miles

June 14
Patrol Northwest along Park Fence and return to Post Dist 18 Miles Game Seen 10 antelope 5 deer

June 15
Patrol South to willow creek and return to Post Dist 14 Miles Game Seen 25 Elk 10 deer

June 16
Hunting for coyots in the Vicinity M H S Dist 12 miles

June 17
Hunting for coyots in the Vicinity Yellowstone river and Black creek Dist 20 Miles game Seen 12 antelope

June 18
Patrol East to Red Mountain and to Post Dist 24 Miles game Seen 50 Elk 15 antelope

June 19
Patrol in the Vicinity M H Sp Dist 10 miles

June 20
Patrol west to Fawn creek and return to Post Dist 16 miles Game Seen 200 Elk Killed 4 coyotes

June 21
Patrol north west along Park Line and return to Post Dist 16 Miles game Seen 12 antelope 5 deer 20 Elk

June 22
at Post raining all day

June 23
Patrol west along Park line 10 miles and return to post dist 20 miles game Seen 10 antelope

June 24
Patrol East to rose creek and Stop for the night dist 32 Miles Game Seen 25 antelope 40 Elk

June 25
return to Post Dist 32 Miles Game Seen 200 antelope 300 Elk 12 Deer

June 26
Patrol in the Vicinity Mammoth Spr. Dist 8 miles game Seen 11 deer

June 27
Patrol South to Panther Creek and return to Post Dist 22 Miles Game Seen 500 Elk 10 deer

June 28
Puting up Signs Boards along the road Dist 14 miles/23 at up B Young [Sept. ?] told me about ~~this Kleen~~ whisky been brought in Park by Some one 23/ [refers back to 23rd]

June 29
Patrol in the Vicinity of Mammoth Springs Dist 10 miles

June 30
Patrol northwest to Park line and return Post Dist 16 Miles Game Seen 15 antelope 5 deer

July 1
Patrol South to Willow creek and return to Post Dist 20 Miles Game Seen 700 Elk 20 deer

July 2
Patrol South to Norris Station and camp Dist 20 miles

July
Patrol west to west line of Park Dist 36 Miles camp

July 4
Patrol South East to Uper Basin 34 miles

July 5
Patrol north to Mammoth Hot Spring Dist 49 Miles

July 6
at Post

July 7
Patrol South to norris Basin and Stop for the night Dist 20

July 8
Patrol South to Upper B Station Stop for the night Dist 30 miles

July 9
Patrol in the Vicinity upper Basin Dist 8 miles

July 10
Patrol from upper north to Mammoth Hot Springs Dist 49 miles

July 11
at Post

July 12
Patrol North to Park line and return to Post Dist 16 miles

July 13
Patrol East to lava creek and return Post thence north to Gardiner and return to Post Dist 20 miles game Seen 5 ante

July 14
Patrol North to Gardiner and Return to Post Dist 10 Miles Hay today for the first time

July 15
Patrol in the Vicinity of Springs Dist 14 miles

July 16
Patrol west to Fan Creek Pass and return to gardiner river and camp Dist 15 miles

17
Patrol South to Norris and Camp Dist 14 miles

July 18
at Norris

July 19
Patrol west riverside Station Dist 29 miles

20
Patrol South along Park Line to Big Spring and camp Dist 25 miles

July 21
Patrol South to warm river and Camp Dist 30 miles

July 22
Patrol South East to South west corner of Park and camp Dist 30 miles

July 23
Patrol East to Snake river Station and camp Dist 30 miles

July 24
Patrol north to yellowstone lake and camp Dist 23 miles

July 25
Patrol north to outlet of lake and killed a Silver tip Bear and return to thumb of yellowstone Lake Dist 32 Miles

July 26
Patrol North to Yellowstone canyon Dist 31 miles

July 27
Patrol north to tower fall Dist 20 miles

July 28
Patrol north west to Mammoth Hot Springs Dist 20 Miles

July 29
at Post

July 30
Patrol in the Vicinity Mammoth Hot Springs Dist 8 miles

July 31
Patrol South to wilow creek and return to Post Dist 14 M

Aug 1
Patrol in the Vicinity Hot Springs Dist 10 Miles

Aug 2
Patrol north to gardiner and return to Post 10 miles game Seen 14 antelope

Aug 3
at Post

Aug 4
Patrol East to Slough Creek and camp Dist 28 miles

Aug 5
Patrol north up Slough Creek and camp Dist 22 miles

Aug 6
Patrol East to Stillwater then down Stillwater Creek Dist 30 Miles Camp

Aug 7
Patrol East to Fishtail creek and camp Dist 22 Miles

Aug 8
Patrol South East to west Rosebud lake creek Dist 19 Miles

Aug 9
Patrol East to Big Rosebud Lake and back to west rose bud creek and Camp Dist 35 Miles

Aug 10
Patrol north East to Fishtail Post office and Back west 15 miles to Fishtail creek Dist 30 miles

Aug 11
Patrol west up the west Fork Stillwater and camp Dist 15 miles

Aug 12
Patrol west to west Boulder river and camp Dist 24 Miles

Aug 13
Patrol west to Livingston Dist 20 miles camp

Aug 14
Patrol South to Fridley and camp Dist 20 Miles

Aug 15
Patrol South to tom Miner creek and camp Dist 17 miles

Aug 16
Patrol South to Mamm Hot Springs Dist 23 Miles

Aug 17
at Post

Aug 18
Patrol in the Vicinity H Springs Dist 10 Miles

Aug 19
Patrol north to Park line and return to Post Dist 16 Miles

Aug 20
Patrol East to lava creek and return to Post Dist 12 Miles

Aug 21
Patrol Southwest to Gallatin lake and return to Post Dist 25 miles
game Seen 26 Elk

Aug 22
Patrol in the Vicinity M H S Dist 12 Miles

Aug 23
Patrol South to Willow Creek and return to Post Dist 14 miles

Aug 24
Patrol East 10 Miles and return Post Dist 20 miles game Seen 10 antep

Aug 25
Patrol north to gardiner and return Post Dist 10 miles game Seen 20
antelope

Aug 26
Patrol north to reese creek and to Post Dist 20 miles

Aug 27
Patrol South to Gardiner River and return to Post Dist 16 Miles

Aug 28
Patrol to Panther creek and return to Post Dist 20 Miles

Aug 29
Patrol north gardiner and return to Post Dist 10

Aug 30
Patrol Southwest to Electric Peak and return to Post Dist 20 miles

Aug 31
at Post

September 1
Patrol in the Vicinity of Mammoth Hot Springs Dist 14 miles

Sept 2
Patrol north to gardiner Dist 5 miles to work on Hay corral at gardiner

Sept 3
working on the Hay Corral at Gardiner for the game

Sept 4
at Headquarter

Sept 5
working on the Hay Corral at gardiner Dist 5 miles

S 6
working on the Hay Corral at gardiner and return to Headquarters 5 mi

Sept 7
Patrol west to reese creek and the Vicinity of Electric Peak and return to Headquarters Dist 25 Miles

Sept 8
Patrol in Vicinity Mammoth Spring Dist 5 Miles

Sept 9
Patrol South to Canon and camp Dist 32 miles

Sept 10
Patrol South East to Lake Station and camp Dist 16 miles

Sept 11
Patrol in the Vicinity of yellowstone Lake and Killed 1 Silver tip Bear with can on it foot Dist 10 Miles

Sept 12
Patrol northwest to Mammoth Hot Springs Dist 50 Miles Killed coyote

Sept 13
Patrol north to gardiner and return to headquarters Game Seen 20 antelope 15 mi

Sept 14
at Headquarters

Sept 15
Patrol South to Wilow Creek and return to Headquarters Dist 14 Miles

Sept 16
Patrol East to Cotton wood Creek and camp Dist 16 Miles

Sept 17
Patrol East to Buffalo Plateau and camp Dist 15 miles Game Seen 12 antelope

Sept 18
Patrol East along the Park line to Slough and camp Dist 18 Miles Game Seen 150 Elk

Sept 19
Patrol East to Pebble creek and camp dist 20 miles

Sept 20
Patrol South to Soda Butte Creek Station and camp Dist 20 Miles

Sept 21
Patrol South East to willow creek and camp Dist 20 miles Game Seen 20 Elk

Sept 22
Patrol South East to Park line and camp Dist 20 miles

Sept 23
Patrol north along the Park line to lamar river and camp Dist 16 miles Game Seen 100 Elk

Sept 24
Patrol north along the Park Line to Miller creek and camp dist 18 miles game Seen 200 Elk

Sept 25
Patrol north to South cache creek and camp Dist 20 miles Game Seen 500 Elk

Sept 26
Patrol north to cache creek and camp Dist 14 miles Game Seen 700 Elk

Sept 27
Patrol in the Vicinity of Cache Creek dist 18 Miles Game Seen Elk 800

Sept 28
Patrol west to Soda Butte creek Station and camp Dist 20 miles game seen 500 elk

Sept 29
west to Slough creek and camp Dist 14 miles

Sept 30
Patrol in the Vicinity of Slough creek Dist 12 Miles game Seen 50 Elk

October 1
Patrol north to Park line Dist 14 and camp Game Seen 75 Elk

Oct 2
Patrol west to Mammoth Hot Springs Dist 35 Kill 1 coyote game Seen 80 antelope 5 beer 25 Elk

at Headquarter Oct 3

Oct 4
Patrol North to gardiner and return to Headquarters Dist 10 miles game Seen 50 Antelope 12 Deer

Oct 5
at Headquarters

Oct 6
Patrol East lava creek and return to Headquarter Dist 10 miles.

Oct 7
Patrol north to gardiner and west Reese creek and Back by the way of Glen Creek Dist 38 miles
s

Oct 8
Patrol west to Electric Peak and return to Headquarters game Seen 60 Elk Dist 25 miles

Oct 9
at Headquarters

Oct 10
Patrol in the Vicinity M H S and north to gardiner and return to headquarters dist 20 miles Game Seen 202 antelope 7 white tale Deer and 20 Blacktail deer

Oct 11
at headquart

Oct 12 13 14
Helping to Drive the Buffalos From Mammoth Hot Springs to rose creek and return to Headquarters Dist 64 miles

Oct 15
at Springs

Oct 16 to 21
working on the Park fince

Oct 22
at Springs

Oct 23
Patrol west to reese creek and return to headquarters dist 24 miles game Seen 40 Deer 10 Elk

Oct 24
Patrol west to Electric and Return to headquarters Dist 25 miles game Seen 10 Deer

Oct 25
Patrol north East north line on crevass creek and then west to gardiner and Back to headquarters Dist 30 miles game seen 800 antelope

Oct 26
Patrol west to reese creek and return to headquar- Dist 24 Miles game Seen 500 Elk 80 Deer

Oct 27
at headq

Oct 28 29
at Gardiner working for the Antelope

Oct 30
Patrol west to Gallatin river and return to headqu Dist 30 miles game Seen 300 Elk 85 Deer

Oct 31
Patrol west to Gallatin river and camp Dist 17 Miles

November 1
Patrol north down the Gallatin River camp Dist 19 Miles

Nov 2
Return to Mammoth Hot Springs Dist 35 miles Game Seen 1,000 Elk 40 Deer

Nov 3
Patrol west to Reese creek and return headquarters By the way of Gardiner Dist 25 ml

Nov 4
Patrol East to North line and camp Dist 15 miles game Seen 10 Deer

Nov 5
Return to Mammoth Hot Spring Dist 15 miles

Nov 6
Patrol north to gardiner and return to headquarter Dist 10 miles game Seen 400 antelope 30 Deer

Nov 7
at Headquarters

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Nov 8
Patrol west to Electric Peak and return to headquarters Dist 25 miles Game Seen 200 Elk 15 Deer

Nov 9
Patrol west to Electric and return to headquarter Dist 25 miles Game Seen 500 Elk 12 Deer

Nov 10
at headquarters

Nov 11
Patrol west to Electric Peak and return to headquarters Dist 30 miles Game Seen 500 Elk

Nov 12
Patrol west to head waters of the Gardiner river and return to Headquarters Dist 25 miles Game Seen 1000 Elk

Nov 13
Patrol west to Electric Peak and return to headquarters 25 Miles Game Seen 400 Elk

Nov 14
Patrol west to reese Creek and return to headquarters Dist 26 Miles game Seen 30 Deer 300 Elk

Nov 15
Patrol west to Electric Peak then down reese creek to Park line then East to gardiner then South to headquarters Dist 30 Miles game Seen 900 Elk

Nov 16
Patrol west to Electric Peak and return to headquarters Dist 25 Miles game Seen 500 Elk 50 Deer

Nov 17
at headquarters

Nov 18
Patrol west to Electric Peak and return to headquarter Dist 25 miles

Nov 19
at headquarters

Nov 20
Patrol west to Electric Peak and arrest Joe Steurkly for hunting in the Park and return to headquarters Dist 25 miles game Seen 700 Elk 30 Deer

Nov 21
at Headquarters

Nov 22
Patrol North to Gardiner and Return to headquarters Game Seen 100 antelope 30 Deer Dist 10 miles

Nov 23
Patrol west to reese creek and the Vicinity of Electric Peak then East along the Park line to gardiner and South to headquarters Dist 25 Miles Game Seen 800 Elk 100 antelope 25 Deer 10 Mt Sheep

Nov 24
at headquarters

Nov 25
Patrol north East to cravess Mountain and camp Dist 15 miles Game Seen 500 Elk 10 Deer

Nov 26
Patrol in the Vicinity of Cravesse mountain Dist 10 miles

Nov 27
Return to headquarters Dist 15 miles Game Seen 300 Elk 15 Deer 100 antelope

Nov 28
at headquarters

Nov 29
Patrol north East to Creavesse Mount and camp Dist 15 Miles Game Seen 500 Elk 18 Deer

Nov 30
Return to headquarters Dist 15 Miles Game Seen 700 Elk 40 Deer

December 1
at Headquarters

December 2
Patrol west to Electric Peak and East along Park line to Gardiner and South to headq Dist 30 miles Game Seen 100 Elk 30 Deer Saw 10 Mt Sheep near Electric Peak

December 3
at head quarters

December 4
Patrol west to Electric Peak and down reese creek to line of Park thence South east to headquarters Dist 25 miles Game Seen 600 Elk 20 deer 700 antelope

Dec 5
at headquarters

Dec 6
Patrol north East to red Mont and return to headquarters Dist 20 Miles Game Seen 500 Elk 20 Deer 14 Mount Sheep 300 antelope

Dec 7
Patrol northeast to Crevasse mt and camp Dist 15 miles

Dec 8
Patrol west along the Park line 5 miles and return camp Dist 10 miles

Dec 9
Patrol east along the Park Line 6 miles and return to camp Dist 12 miles

Dec 10
Patrol west along the Park line 5 miles and return to camp Dist 10 miles

Dec 11
Patrol East along Park line 6 miles and return to Camp Dist 12 Miles

Dec 12
Patrol west along Park line 5 miles and return to camp Dist 10 miles

Dec 13
Patrol East 6 miles and return to camp Dist 12 Miles

Dec 14
Patrol west to gardiner thence South to headquarters Dist 15 Miles

Dec 15
at headquarters

Dec 16
Patrol in the Vicinity Mammoth Hot Springs Dist 10 miles Game Seen 150 Deer

Dec 17
Put out traps to Trap coyote Dist 10 miles Game Seen 50 Elk 75 Deer

Dec 18
hunting coyote Dist 10 miles Game Seen 200 Deer 300 Elk

Dec 19
Patrol East Yellowstone River and return to headquarters Kill 1 coyote Game Seen 47 Mt Sheep (18 Rams) 100 Deer 700 Elk 200 antelope Dist 16 miles

Dec 20
Patrol west reese creek and return to headquarters Kill 1 coyote Dist 20 miles Game Seen 300 antelope 12 Elk 40 Deer

Dec 21
Patrol East lava creek then west to gardiner and return to Headquarters Dist 20 Miles Game Seen 1000 Elk 150 Deer Kill 1 coyote

Dec 22
Patrol north to Yellowstone river thence South to headquarters Dist 20 miles game Seen 500 antelope 47 Mt Sheep 21 whitetail deer Kill 1 cow Elk that was Sick near the gardiner road

Dec 23
Patrol in the Vicinity of Mammoth Hot Springs Dist 10 Miles Game Seen 125 Deer 25 Elk

Dec 24
hunting coyote in the vicinity Mammoth hot Springs Dist 2 Miles Game Seen 100 Deer 50 Elk

Dec 25
at headquarters

Dec 26
Kill 1 coyote Patrol north East to Red Mt and return to headquarters Dist 20 miles Game 700 antelope 100 Deer 42 Mt Sheep [Kill 1 coyote] probably double entry

Dec 27
Patrol north East to crevasse Mt and camp Dist 15 miles Kill 1 coyote game Seen 500 antelope 25 Deer

Dec 28
Patrol Southwest to headquarters Dist 15 miles Kill 1 coyote Game Seen 12 Mt Sheep 40 Deer

Dec 29
Patrol north to gardiner river and return to headquarters Dist 8 Miles my trapps Stold by someone

Dec 30
Patrol around mt Evers and return to headquarters Dist 15 Miles game Seen 150 Deer 17 Mt Sheep 500 Elk

Dec 31
Hdqs

Jan 1 1908
Patrol East to East Gardiner Falls and return to headquarters Dist 8 Miles Game Seen 50 deer

Jan 2
Patrol north to red mt and return to headquarters Dist 15 Miles game Seen 700 Elk

Jan 3
Patrol north East to Yellowstone river and return to headquarters Dist 15 miles game Seen 500 antelope 31 Mt Sheep 1000 Elk 50 Deer

Jan 4
Patrol East to Lava creek and return to headquarters Dist 10 miles

Jan 5
Patrol in the Vicinity Mammoth Hot Springs Kill 1 coyote Dist 10 miles

Jan 6
Patrol north to Park Line and return to headquarters Dist 16 Miles game Seen 150 Deer

Jan k
Patrol East Backtail Creek and return to headquarters Dist 16 Miles game Seen 75 Deer 1 Mt Sheep

Jan 8
Patrol north East to Yellowstone River and return to head quarters Dist 26 Miles game Seen 1400 Elk

Jan 9
at head quarters

Jan 10
Patrol north East to Yellowstone river and return to headquarters Dist 30 Miles Game Seen 800 Elk 50 Deer

Jan 11
Patrol in the Vicinity of M H S Dist 8 Miles game Seen 150 deer

Jan 12
Patrol in the Vicinity M H S Dist 10 Miles Game Seen 170 Deer 100 Elk

Jan 13
Hunting Mountain Lion around Mt Everts Dist traveled 35 Miles Game Seen 1500 Elk 200 Deer 20 Mt Sheep 500 antelope

Jan 14
Hunting Mountain Lions vic Mt Ev Kill 1 Mountain Lion Game Seen 100 Deer 600 Elk 32 Mt Sheep 600 antelope Dist traveled 30 miles

Jan 15
at head quarters

Jan 16
Patrl north to gardiner and to Headquarters Dist Traveled 10 Miles Game Seen 200 Elk 150 Deer 10 Mountain Sheep 300 antelope

Jan 17
Hunting for Mountain Lions vic Mt Everts Dist Traveled 25 miles Game Seen 400 Elk 175 Deer 14 Mountain Sheep 300 antelope

Jan 18
Patrol in the Vicinity of M H S Dist 10 Miles Game Seen 150 Deer

19
at headquarters

20
Feeding Mountain Sheep Game Seen 25 Mt Sheep 70 Deer 600 Elk Dist traveled 10 Miles

21
Patrol west to reese creek hunting For Mountain lion and return to headquarters Dist 30 Miles

22
Patrol in the Vicinity M h S Dist 10 miles Game Seen 1000 Elk 200 deer

23
Patrol north East to Yellowstone river thence East little Blacktail Creek and return to headquarters Dist 30 miles game Seen 1500 Elk 16 Mt Sheep 25 deer

24
Patrol East to lava creek and return to headquarters Dist 25 Miles Game Seen 500 Elk

25
at headquarters

26
Patrol north to gardiner and return to headquarters Dist 10 Miles game Seen 60 deer

27
Patrol north East to Yellowstone River and return to headqus Dist 20 Miles game Seen 1,000 Elk 20 Mountain Sheep 150 Deer 500 antelope

28
remain at headquarters

29
hunting coyote Dist 10 Miles Game Seen 300 Elk 70 deer

30
Feeding the Mountain Sheep Dist 10 Miles game Seen 30 Mt Sheep 70 deer 100 Elk

31
Patrol North East to Yellowstone river and return to head quarters Dist 20 Miles game Seen 27 Mt Sheep 150 deer 500 Elk Kill 1 coyote

Feb 1 1908

Patrol in the Vicinity Mammoth hot Springs Dist 10 Miles Kill 1 Coyote game Seen 200 Deer 100 Elk

Feb 2
Feeding the Mountain Sheep and looking after coyote trapps Dist 10 Miles Game Seen 200 Elk 100 deer

3
Patrol north to gardiner thence East to lava creek and return to headqus Dist 20 Miles game Seen 160 Deer 500 Elk

4
Patrol north to yellowstone river and return to head quarters Dist 15 Miles game Seen 400 Elk

Feb 5
Patrol along the gardine river and return to headquarters Dist 12 Miles game Seen 500 Elk 200 deer 30 Mountain Sheep

6
Patrol East to lave creek and return to head quarters Dist 12 Miles game Seen 300 Elk 250 deer 5 Mountian Sheep

7
Patrol North to Yellowstone river and return to headquarters Dist 15 Miles Game Seen 500 Elk 400 antelope 20 Mountian Sheep

8
Patrol East to lava creek and return to headquarters Killd coyote 16 mi.

Feb 9
Patrol East to blacktail creek and return to headquarters Dist 17 Miles game Seen 700 Elk 150 deer

10
Patrol north to gardiner and return to headquarters Dist 10 Miles game Seen 500 antelope 200 deer 1,000 elk 21 Mountian Sheep

11
Patrol East to blacktail Creek and return to head quarters Dist 18 Miles game Seen 1200 Elk 125 deer

12
Patrol north yellowstone river and return to head quarters 15 Miles

Feb 13
Patrol East to lava creek and return to head quarters Dist 16 Miles Game Seen 200 Elk 200 deer Kill 1 coyote

14
Patrol north East to red Mt and return to headquarters Dist 20 Miles game Seen 1500 Elk 300 antelope 100 deer 25 Mt Sheep

15
Patrol in the Vicinity M H S Dist 12 Miles Kill 1 Coyote

16
Patrol East to lave creek and return to head quarters Dist 16 Miles Kill 1 coyote game Seen 400 Elk

17
Patrol in the Vicinity M H S Dist 12 Miles Game Seen 500 Elk 300 deer 20 Mt Sheep

18
at headquarters

19
Patrol East to lava creek and return to head quarters Dist 16 Miles Game Seen 500 Elk 150 deer Kill 1 coyote

20
Patrol East to Blacktail creek and return to headquarters Dist 19 miles Game Seen 500 Elk 50 deer Kill 1 coyote

21
Patrol north to gardiner thence East to lava creek and return to headquarters Dist 20 Miles Game Seen 500 Elk 200 deer 23 mt Sheep

Feb 22
at headquarters

23
Patrol along the gardiner Dist 12 Miles Kill 1 coyote

24
Cuting Fence Posts

25
takeing down fence

26
taking down fence at Mammoth Hot Springs

27
Taking down fence

28
Feeding the Mt Sheep and looking after coyote traps Dist 12 Miles Game Seen 300 deer 25 Mt Sheep

Feb 29
at headquarters

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Morrison, James November 24, 1897 to July 12, 1898 Archive Diary #21

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May 5th. Left Post with Sergt. Will and went to Crystal Springs where we met Sergt. Welch and Pvts Rompre and Bubel from Lake station, and Pvts Hoff Cummings and Green from the Fountain, all going to the Post. Snow on Swan Lake flat is about 1 1/2 ft. deep and from 7 mi. post to Crystal Springs about 3 1/2 ft. deep Snowed about 15 minutes on way out. Temp. warm. Distance 11 mi.

May 6th. Left Crystal Springs and went to cabin at Mt. Holmes, where the snow is 10 ft. deep and very hard. Temp warm. Clear Distance about 10 miles.

May 7th. Went over to head of Grayling Cr. which is not open. No signs of any game or beaver. Snow is going on south side of the hills. Temp warm. Clear Distance about 15 Mi.

May 8th. Started for Riverside station across head of Duck Cr (which is open) to Cougar Cr. reaching station at 1:30 P. M. Snow is going very fast, had to walk about 5 miles. Left our shoes at mouth of Madison canon. Sergt. Root from Fountain arrived here mounted at 2:30 P. Temp. warm, Clear. Distance 18 miles.

May 9th. Stoped over to-day. Rained la night about 3 hours quite hard and did not freeze any, and snow is going very fast Sergt. Bernstein is going to take us to Norris mounted if possible. Temp. warm, cloudy.

May 10th. Went to Fountain Station mounted. About 2 ft of snow for 1 1/2 miles. Temp warm, clear.

May 11th. Came to Norris mounted, no snow untill we reached Gibbon Falls, at which place there is a landslide into the road, some very large rocks, which will have to be broken before they are moved. From Falls to Norris, there is about 1 1/2 ft. average between Elk Park and Gibbon Medows about 3 ft. Temp. mild rained all day.

May 12th. Left Norris on snowshoes and came to springs. Walked about 6 miles. Snow is deepest at Crystal springs. Swan Lake flat is covered with water. Temp mild, clear.

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Morrison, James February 27, 1898 to November 28, 1898 Archive Diary #22

Feb. 27th 1898. Left Post with Deputy Game warden Koouw of Mont. to show him game killed by Frank Bezere in Mont. went to Brundage's place on Eagle Cr. then to where elk were killed near Forsyth's place on north slope of Eagle Mt. thence down trail cr. to Yellowstone R. to Basset's place on same, and from there back to Post on east side of River to Gardiner. Saw about 25 deer and about 450 antelope. weather clear. Temperature mild. Distance 30 miles.

Feb. 28th 1898. Left Post went to Gardiner, thence up to Forsyth's place with Game warden of Mont. back to Gardiner, and up to Post. Saw 6 deer about 300 antelope weather clear. Temperature mild. Distance 16 miles.

March 1st 1898. Stayed at Post. Weather, clear. Temperature mild.

March 2nd 1898. Left Post for Livingston Mont. on trial of Frank Bezere.

March 3rd 1898. Returned from Livingston Bezere held on bond of $250./100 for trial in District Court of Park Co. Weather, clear, Temperature, mild.

March 4 1898. Stayed at Post. Weather, clear. Temperature, mild.

March 5th. Left Post with Pvt Weston of "H" Troop followed road toward Gardiner as far as bridge thence up on North slope of Mt. Everts over to Turkey pen Trail down it to ford on Gardiner and then up to Post. Saw 14 Mt. Sheep about 150 antelope 12 deer blacktail and about 300 elk. Distance traveled about 12 miles weather, clear. Temperature, mild.

March 6th. Left Post with Pvt. Weston and 2 packs for Yellowstone R. at mouth of Blacktail deer Cr. Made camp there in which we left the two packs went to Knowle's place on Crevesse Cr. where we were to meet Sergt. Wall and to ascertain where "Horse theif Scotty" was, while waiting I went up Crevasse Cr. to see if anyone had gone up it. No one had, late in evening Sergt. Wall arrived and had seen Brundage himself and Scotty's horses satisfying me that Scotty was thereabouts Saw on Yellowstone River between ford and Knowle's Place 8 blacktail and 12 white-tail deer and 14 elk on Mt. above Knowle's Sergt. Wall came to our camp about 9. p.m. after having a hard time coming across Crevasse Mt. Distance traveled 10 miles. weather, clear. Temperature mild.

March 7th. Sergt. Wall Pvt. Weston and myself left camp to go up Yellowstone River. went above Cottonwood Cr. and returned to camp Saw on or near the river 150 elk 7 blacktail and 23 whitetail deer. Distance traveled 12 miles. Weather, cloudy. Temperature, mild.

March 8th. Returned to Post from camp on Yellowstone River. Saw about 85 elk 7 deer, blacktail, on Blacktail Deer Cr. and 9 whitetail deer on east fork of Gardiner. Distance traveled 10 miles. Weather, cloudy. Temperature, mild. About 3 in. of snow between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m.

March 15. Left Post with Sergt Welch and 4 men, 1 six mule team and tobaggon to establish station in Klamer's slaughter house near Swan Lake Reached the cabin about 1 oc p.m. could not get nearer than 150 yds to it with team so had to carry the provisions down hill on snowshoes finishing about 4 oc PM Saw about 50 elk on Glem Cr. Weather clear Temperature, cold Distance traveled 6 m.

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March 16. Left cabin for Norris with Sergt. Welch and the 4 men pulling tobaggon with about 75 lb provisions for men there, stopped at Crystal Springs for lunch arrived at Norris about 3 oc Weather, clear. Temperature, cold Distance traveled 18 m.

March 17. Layed over. Weather, cloudy, snow Temperature mild.

March 18. Left Norris with tobaggon loaded with Sergt. Welch Pvt. Holt and Hemstead & blankets and clothing for Station at Swan Lake. On account of sticky snow stayed over night at Crystal Springs Weather, clear. Temperature, mild Distance traveled 9 m.

March 19. Left Crystal Springs for Swan Lake Station arriving there about 3 oc. I left for the Post about 6 30 that eveing, weather cloudy and very severe storm. Temperature, cold. Distance 15 m.

March 20. Stayed at Post weather very stormy temperature cold.

March 21. Left Post for Swan Lake Station arriving there about 3 oc weather, very stormy Temperature cold Distance traveled 6 m.

March 22. Pvt. Holt and myself went up the Gardiner to above the mouth of Fawn Cr. examing the Gardiner for beaver sign, the river was not open so saw no signs of beaver working. Saw 36 cow elk weather, clear. Temperature, mild. Distance 11 miles.

March 23rd. On account of a blizzard made no patrol. Weather, storm. Temperature cold.

March 24. Sergt. Welch Pvt Holt Scout Morrison went from station on Swan Lake flat west to bluffs on Quadrant Mt. thence south along it to Panther Cr. from there tepee on Indian creek examining the beaver dams and houses on the two named creeks. There were no signs of beaver working yet, neither of creeks were open. Returned to station, by going down Indian Cr. and up the Gardiner River, also looked for beaver signs on Gardiner, saw none, it not being open. Saw 26 elk on Gardiner, near mouth of Panther Cr. Shoeing good weather, stormy. Temperature cold. Distance traveled 18 m.

March 25. Left station on Swan Lake flat for Post saw about 50 elk at Golden Gate Weather, stormy. Temperature mild, Distance, 6 miles.

No glass in Boundary Cr cabin Also none in Loon lake.
" Gravel Cr.
" Atlantic Cr.

August 26. 7 miles. Left the Post to meet McKenzie to build snowshoe cabins. Pvt. Habarkan accomped me. McK did not arrive at Indian Cr. today weather clear & warm.

Aug. 27. Moved up Indian Cr. about a mile to get better grasing Taking the lumber and all the outfit that the wagon up to camp. McK's outfit arrived at our camp about 4 oc Camping there. Weather cloudy and rain.

Aug. 28. The outfits moved camp to where the cabin was to be build on winter cr. arriving here at about 3 oc Made camp and selected site for cabin. Saw 3 grizzley bear had killed and elk and were eating it. Pvt Burdette & Farris Brady with Mr. Dale met us on the head of the south fork of Indian Cr. to change horse's with one of McK's weather, clear & warm. 9 miles.

Aug. 29. McK. Habarkan and myself returning to camp on Indian Cr. to get some of the cargo we could not carry, and to blase trail to mouth of S. fork of Indian Cr. Marked end of trail by cuting down a tree on a small ridge west of mouth of S. fk. of Indian Cr. We returned to camp this P.M. arriving there at 6 30. The remainder of the outfit worked on cabin weather cloudy rained all day. 18 miles.

Aug. 30. Habarkan and myself left camp blasing trail to head of Maple Cr. returning to camp at ~~No.~~ [LN] All worked on cabin in P.M. weather cloudy & rain. Saw and old grizly bear and 3 cubs on divide between winter and Maple Cr. and about 250 elk.

Aug. 31. Harbarkan & myself blased trail down Maple Cr. to within about 1½ mile of mouth of Duck Cr. returning to camp about 2 oc. Saw 1 bull elk and 3 cows with calfs. The cabin is finished, tonight. Weather cloudy & rained about an hour, this a.m.

Sept. 1. Broke camp, the cabin being done. Across to Gneiss Cr. blasing trail down Maple Cr. camping up the creek--Gneiss-- about 1½ miles from Sandy Butte where cabin is to be built weather clear & warm.

Sept. 2. All worked Bannock on cabin except Harbarkan and myself who blased trail to Riverside. Staying there all night saw signs of 3 horses and one mule going up Gneiss Cr. to ~~Barnock~~ Pass which proved to be Sergt. Holman Corpl. Norvel and Pvt Burdette, to two first going to Springs. Burdette returning to Riverside weather cold & rain. 12 miles.

Sept. 3. Returned to camp at cabin, one man from Station came with us and then to Peter's place down Gneiss Cr. to get vouchers signed for hay put up by Peter and to know where cabin is weather cold & rain. 12 miles.

Sept. 4. All worked on cabin except Habarkan who went to Fountain to take telegrams to Capt. Erwin and A. E. Burns, he is to wait untill we arrive there at which time he will join us again. The horse furnished me, which belongs to C. B. Scott got injuried in some way so we had to shoot him last night, I think he got his hind feet over hobbles, his hip was dislocated, and he could not stand. The cabin is finished and we move toward Fountain tomorrow.

Sept. 5. Left Sandy Butte cabin going by blased trail, to road, from Riverside to Fountain which comes in 3 m. from Riverside thence toward Fountain camping between 9 and 10 m. from above while fishing in Madison R. this P.M. Saw many signs of otter, caught a fish which weighed 5 lb and 12 oz cross between a Mykiss and Rainbow. Weather cold and snowed about ½ hr. this A.M. 14 miles.

Sept. 6. Went to Fountain by road where we got the bellmare and 1 more pack mule which were much needed as we received 100 rations at Upper Basin and lumber for 2 cabins which is a load for 2 packs. Habarkan joined us there. weather clear & mild. 10 miles.

Sept. 7. Left Fountain for Lone Star Geyser picking up the rations and lumber at Upper Basin also a saddle horse Scott furnished in place of one killed at Sandy Butte. Camped at Lone Star weather clear & mild. 13 miles.

Sept. 8. Left camp at Lone Star and went to Shoshone Geyser at which place we build a cabin. We followed Fouble's blased trail to where it crossed Lt. Craighill's road survey then took it to the basin making about 9 m. weather clear & mild. 9 miles.

Sept. 9. All worked on cabin except Habarkan who went fishing, he caught 90 eastern brook trout same as is in Willow Cr. There are a great many signs of elk in around the Basin. Weather clear & mild.

Sept. 10. All worked on cabin and finished it tonight. Go to Summit Lake tomorrow. Weather clear & mild.

Sept. 11. Left camp in Shoshone Geyser Basin going between head of Bechler and Madison Lake thence N.W to Summit Lake, saw tracks (fresh) of buffalo on Madison plateaur and saw 5 or 6 elk on divide between Shoshone and Madison Lakes. Weather clear & mild. 20 miles.

Sept. 12. Habarkan and myself left Summit Lake for west boun struck Lt Bromwell survey west from Shoshone Lake followed it west ~~to~~ a short distance thence N. then west to line of P about 2 m. N of Monument camping there. Fouble has blased a trail west across Madison Plateau saw signs of of one bull buffalo about 6 M. from W. Bound. considerable elk sign on head of boundary Cr. Others worked on cabin. Weather clear and mild. 12 miles.

Sept. 13. Left camp on west boundary to return to Summit Lake. About 3 M. east of bound. near a little spring saw where 5 buffalo had bedded overnight, probably 2 bull a yearling and 2 cows. When got to camp found Rhodes and outfit to join us. Cabin is finished go toward Boundary Cr to repair cabins tomorrow weather clear & mild. 12 miles.

Sept. 14. Went to Boundary Cr arriving there about 1 oc After looking over old cabin we condluded that it would be as well to build a new one, the old one was to small and not high enough got the walls almost up this P.M. 2 men have been here from Snake River Station I think signs of 2 cavalry horses and 1 mule around the old cabin, about 2 days old. Several signs of elk on the creek. Weather cloudy & mild. 16 miles.

Sept. 15. All worked on cabin except McK. Habarkan and myself who blased trail in A.M. down creek toward old cabin in Falls River Medows. We returned to camp about noon and in P.M. worked on cabin it is finished. We go toward Barlett cabin continuing blasing where we left off. Weather cloudy & mild.

Sept. 16. Left Boundary Cr. cabin and came to Barlett cabin in Falls River Medows arriving here about noon, repaired the cabin in P.M. except putting in the door and window cupboard which we had no lumber for will get it at Snake R. Station. We go to Proposition Cr. to build new cabin there while building it 2 or 3 of outfit will get lumber from station. Weather clear & mild. A few signs of elk in the medows. 14 miles.

Sept. 17 on next page.

Sept. 18. Mackenzie and myself left the camp at Proposition Cr for Snake River Station to get lumber for 3 cabins in S.W. corner, all the others in outfit working on cabin Found Burgess at station just returning from trip over Madison and Pitchstone plateau. The wagon arrived this eveing with the lumber. Weather clear & warm. 18 miles.

Sept. 17. Left Bartlett cabin after repairing it cross the Bechler R at the ford and taking old Falls R. road to Proposition Cr commenced on the cabin this P.M. Saw several signs of moose on Mountain Ash and Proposition Cr. Also many signs of elk and deer on both of these Crs. Weather clear & warm. 6 miles.

Sept. 19th. Mackenzie, Sergt. Loeb & myself left S. R. Station for Falls River taking lumber for 3 cabins when we reached Pro. Cr found that the crew had gone to to Bechler R after finishing cabin there to build foot bridge across it. Went on to the camp and found the bridge built. Weather clear & warm. 22 miles.

Sept. 20. Left ford on Beckler R. going S.E. to Loon Lake where we started 2 new cabin concluding that the old cabins were know too well and it was no more worke to build a new one Saw signs of persons mounted all over this country. But no signs of any killing There are about 3 or 4 familys of beaver in Loon Lake a great many trees cut down by them all around the lake Also many signs of elk and deer. Weather clear & mild. 8 miles.

Sept. 21. All worked on cabin except Sergt Loeb & myself who went down to Boone Cr. thence to old cabins on Squirrel Cr. Medows then to camp. Signs of elk & deer all over this country. We returned about noon, and the cabin was finished this P.M. Start for Snake R. Station tomorrow weather clear & mild. 10 miles.

Sept. 22. Left Loon lake for S. R. Station going on to Falls R up it to where old road strikes it where we built a foot bridge across the river thence to S. R. Station by road. found that rations and lumber had not arrived from Springs. Saw 1 blacktail deer on Fall river and about 20 elk also on Falls R. weather cloudy a little rain in P.M.

Sept. 23. Stayed at Snake R. waiting for rations and lumber. Weather clear & mild. 25 miles.

Sept. 24. Rations came this P.M. but no lumber came, we have lumber for 1 cabin, and start for Gravel Peak in morning. Forbet's crew go to Coulter Cr. in morning. Weather clear and mild.

Sept. 25. Left Station for Gravel Peak by way of Pelican lake and Pacific Cr. camp on Pelican lake. A very large fire can be seen from here, it is in Jackson Hole Forbet's crew left this a.m. for Coulter Cr. Weather clear & mild. 18 miles.

Sept. 26. Left camp on Pelican lake going up Pacific Cr to mouth of Mink Cr. camping on Pacific Cr. about 1 mile above mouth of Mink Cr where we will build a cabin. Weather clear & mild. Saw about 60 elk. 13 miles.

Sept. 27. Habarkan and myself, left camp going south to near Ennis Lake, where we killed a bull elk (yearling spike) which we brought to camp. Saw about 25 elk in Timber Reseve very few outside of the Reserve. All the crew worked on cabin. Weather cloudy & rainy. 9 miles.

Sept. 28. All worked on cabin and finished it tonight commenced to snow in the eveing at 10 oc there was about 2 in. when we turned in.

Sept. 29. Left camp on Pacific Cr. going up it to Two Ocean Pass thence down Atlantic Cr. to old Crawford cabin which is to be repaired Saw about 35 elk in Two Ocean Pass There was about 3 in. of snow this A.M. and it has snowed about 1 in. today. cleared off this eveing. 11 miles.

Sept. 30. All worked on cabin and finished it Had no hinges for cupboard and no glass. Weather cloudy & a little snow. A great deal of beavar sign on the Yellowstone R. also many elk sign.

Oct. 1st. Left Crawford cabin going to Bridger Lake, thence across Thoroughfare Cr. thence down Upper Yellowstone R. to Trapper's Cr where we will repair a cabin as soon as we get the lumber which is at the monument on S. E. arm of the Lake. This cabin is in the best condition of any of the cabins we have repaired It has snowed all day about 6 in. Saw about 75 elk 10 bulls much sign of beaver in Mt. Cr. and Trappers Cr. 20 miles.

Oct. 2. All worked repairing cabin, finished except tining cupboard. There was 16 in of snow in a.m. and 2 ft in p.m. still snowing.

Oct. 3. Left Trappers Cr for Signal Rt. going to monument on E. E. Arm to get lumber and Zinck for Trapper's Cr cabin. It was not there. Continued out toward Signal Pt. We are to build a new cabin and at which place the boat is to leave lumber. Camped about 1 mi N. of Columbine Cr. on account of deep snow. It has snowed all day. There is about 2 3/12 ft on Upper Yellowstone and 1 ft. here. Very poor feed for stock Saw 31 elk on Lake Shore. 12 miles.

Oct. 4th. Left camp at Columbine Cr. and came to Signal Pt. where the boat landed the lumber in the P.M. We build a new cabin here saw 12 elk on Signal Pt. It has been cloudy all day snowing a little. About 2 in. Will be here about 2 days. 6 miles.

Oct. 5th. All the crew worked on cabin except Few Jep Eyck who quit, and myself I went with the boat to S. E. arm, saw signs of a bear at the monument there, I returned about n. and worked on cabin. Weather clear and cold.

Oct. 6. Worked on the cabin and finished except the bunk and put in the wood. Weather cloudy & cold.

Oct. 7th. Put the wood and finished bunk in cabin and then packed up and came to mouth of Turbid Cr. where we met Forbet's outfit. The boat came over with lumber for Pelican Cr. and E. Fork cabins Mackenzie left on the boat going to Springs. Saw 3 pine martin on Clear Cr. and a fresh lynx sign on cub Cr. Weather clear & mild. 8 miles.

Oct. 8th. Left camp at mouth of Turbid Cr. going up the creek to Turbid Lake thence across Pelican Cr. to mouth of Astringent Cr. where we started on a new cabin at N. Will finish it tomorrow night Saw about 300 elk around Turbid Lake and about 75 on Pelican Cr. It has been clear and warm the snow has gone mostly. The old cabin is about ½ mile from here, about 1 mile north of mouth of the creek. 6 miles.

Oct. 9. Habarkan and myself went up Astringent Cr. thence over to Pelican Cr and back by the old cabin and got the dishes and quilts to the next cabin. All the rest of crew worked on cabin and finished it. Saw about 35 elk. It has snowed all day but cleared off this p.m. 6 miles.

Oct. 10. Left camp on Astringent going up Pelican Cr to mouth of Raven Cr. thence up it to devide between Raven and Mist Cr. thence down Mist Cr to Lamar R. and down it to mouth of Willow Cr where we built a new cabin. This trail is blased at the mouth of Mist Cr. someone has blased a trail down Lamar R for about 1 mile lately. I think it is the Soda Butte men, then camped near the mouth of Mist Cr. There is a great deal of beaver sign on Raven Cr. and also on Mist Cr also on Lamar R. They are increasing on all these streams. Saw fresh trail of 2 buffalo at head of Willow Cr. they came down Mist Cr. to the mouth and then up Lamar R. evidently a cow and a yearling from the tracks Saw 23 elk on Raven Cr. also several signs of lynx on Mist Cr. 21 miles.

Oct. 11. Commenced work on new cabin. It is about ½ m. below mouth of Willow Cr on E side of Lamar River. Cloudy & cold also rain in P.M.

Oct. 12th. Finished cabin about noon. Packed up and went down Lamar R. to old game-keeper's cabin near Soda Butte Saw about 75 elk at mouth of Flint Cr. 12 miles. The beaver on Lamar R. at mouth of Timothy Cr are building a new house. This dam is the largest there is in the Park. Whittaker and Pvt. Price came to our camp at Gamekeeper's cabin. It has snowed and been cloudy all day.

Oct. 13th. We came down Lamar R. to Cedar Ford, camping there. In P.M. Rhodes, Forbet, Davis, Habarkan, and myself went to Yanceys to get rations and lumber for cabins on Slough and Hellroaring Crs. The wagon arrived from the Post about 15 minuets after we did I received orders to come to Post. Weather clear & mild. 10 miles.

Oct. 14th. Came to Post. Saw about 300 elk and about 200 antelope. Cloudy and mild. 20 miles.

Nov. 21. Left the Post with Corpl. Holt, going down Blacktail deer Cr to Yellowstone R. crossing it at the ford thence up it to Knowle's place on Crevasse Cr. Arriving there about 9 30 p.m. Saw about 75 elk and 32 blacktail deer on blacktail deer Cr. also 9 coyotes. Weather clear and cold. Distance about 14 mi.

Nov. 22. Left Knowle's scouting up Dry Gulch and Crevasse Cr. No signs of anyone being in this country lately. Returned to Knowle's in evening. Saw 2 bull elk on Crevasse Cr. Weather cloudy and a little snow. Distance 8 miles.

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Nov. 23rd. Left Knowle's going up the Yellowstone R. to Hellroaring Cr cabin. No one has been on this trail since the hunting party came in. Saw about 150 elk on the ridge east of Hellroaring Cr. and a great many signs of whitetail deer on the north side of the River coming up weather cloudy a a little snow. Distance 14 miles.

Nov. 24. Left cabin going up Hellroaring Cr. to mouth of Horse Cr and back to cabin. Saw 15 bull elk on the hills east side Hellroaring Cr. Woody & Yancey's horses are in this section about 40 of them weather clear. Distance 12 miles.

Nov. 25th. Left cabin going over to Slough Cr. on the first Cr east of Hellroaring Cr. we saw a band of about 300 cow and calfs. Between this cr and Slough Cr. we saw about 500, of which 35 were large bulls. Just before we got to Slough Cr we saw a band of about 1800 cow & calfs in all about 2600. I think this a very modest estimate of the different bands of elk seen by us today. Weather clear. Distance 18 miles.

Nov. 26th. Left Slough Cr. cabin going over to Lamar R. thence up it to Soda Butte no signs of anyone having been in this country lately Saw a band of cows and calfs of about 3000 on the hills north of Lamar River. They had spent the night on Jackson's Meadows. Weather clear and cold. Distance 16 miles.

Nov. 27. Left Soda Butte for the Post. Stopped at Yanceys over night. Saw about 4500 elk between today could also see the large band across the river that we saw yesterday. There were in sight between 7000 & 8000 elk at one time. Weather cloudy cold. Distance 16 miles.

Nov. 28. Left Yancey's and came to the Post. Saw about 150 elk of which 15 were large bulls. Weather cloudy & cold. Distance 20 miles.

Jan. 4, 1899.
Left the Post with Corpl. Carter, Scout Burgess and Pvt. Gebharte, and went to Crystal Spring Cabin. Saw 2 bands of Elk, one on Swan Lake flat of about 50 and one of about 35 at 6 mi. post.
Snowshoeing very bad. Weather cloudy and snow Distance 11 1/4 miles.

Jan. 5.
The party left cabin going to Norris, where we met Corpl. Ornes and Pvt. Wigman from the Canon.
Snowshoeing bad. Weather cloudy and snow.
Distance 8 3/4 miles

Jan 6th
Burgess, Corpl. Ornes, Pvt. Wigman and Pvt. Gebharte left Norris for Canon. Carter and myself left for the Fountain. We met Axel, and Pvt. McDonald about 2 1/2 miles the other side of Canon Creek. Shoeing very hard. Weather clear and cold. Distance 20 miles.

Jan. 7th
Stopover at Fountain. In the P. M. Sergt. Bernstein Pvt. Young and Kelsey came from Riverside Station Weather, clear, and cold

Jan. 8th
Sergt. Bernstein Corpl. Carter, Pvt. Young, Kelsey and myself left the Fountain for Riverside Station going over the old road. Saw signs of about 8 elk about 4 miles from the Fountain. Weather clear and warm
Distance 14 miles

Jan. 9th
Stoped over at Riverside Weather snowed all day.

Jan. 10th
Sergt. Bernstein Corpl. Carter, Pvt. Kelsey and myself left Station, going to Sandy Butte Cabin. Saw signs of one elk on Maple Cr. Weather snow. Distance 15 miles

Jan. 11th
All left the cabin, Carter and Kelsey going west to Grayling P. O. Sergt. Bernstein and myself scouting all the country around Sandy Butte Saw the signs of the same one bull elk as seen yesterday. All returned to cabin at night Weather. Very stormy about 3 in snow
Distance 16 miles

Jan. 12th
Left cabin and went to Riverside Saw signs of a beaver going down Maple Cr on the ice. Weather cloudy with snow.
Distance 14 miles.

Jan. 13th
Left Riverside with Corpl. Carter for Fountain. Met Corpl Rost with 2 of his men on Sage brush flat. Weather Stormy. Distance 14 miles

Jan. 14th
Layed over at Station. Burgess Corpl. Ornes Pvts Wigman and Gebharte came from Trout Cr Cabin. Very stormy and snow.

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Jan. 15th
Sayed at station. Burgess Corpl. Ornes, Pvt. Wigman and myself went up old road to bridge then to mouth of Sentinel Cr. Stormy and snow. Distance 5 miles

Jan. 16th
Scout Burgess, Corpls Root, Ornes, Carter, and Pvts. Wigman, Jones, Green, Gebharte, and myself left Fountain for Norris where we met Sergt. Loeb with two men going to his station from the Springs. Sergt. Loeb has been sick at Norris one day. Shoeing very hard, weather Stormy and snow all day. Distance 17 miles

Jan. 17th
Scout Burgess, Corpl Root and Carter, and Pvts. Jones Green, Gebharte, and myself Norris for Springs. Shoeing poor Weather warm and snow. Distance 20 miles.

Feb. 15, 1899
Left the Post with Corpl Will went to Crystal Springs. Shoeing hard. Warm & snow Distance 11 miles

Feb. 16.
Same to Norris. Shoeing hard warm & snow. Distance 9 miles

Feb. 17.
Came to Canon, met two men from station 3 1/2 miles from station. Shoeing hard warm and snow
Distance 11 miles

Feb. 18.
Came to Lake. Met 3 men from station. Shoeing very hard stuck all the way. Temp 56 above
Distance 17 miles

Feb. 19
Layed over at Lake today on account of Snow and being warm Temp. at 8 oc 45 above.

Feb. 20
Came to Thumb. Shoeing good. Cloudy & snow
Distance 18 miles

Feb. 21
Came to Lewis Cabin. Shoeing good. Cbudy and snow
Distance 14 miles

Feb. 22
Arrived at Snake River Station. Shoeing vary bad. Cloudy with snow. Snow esp. in which you 1/2 ft. Distance 13 miles

Feb. 23.
Stayed over. Sergt Welch. Pvts. Romprey, Poie came from Lake Station today. Snowed all day.

Feb. 24
Stayed over. Snowing all day

Feb. 25.
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March 2nd
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Aug. 25th
Stayed at Fountain

Aug. 26
Party left Fountain going to Bear Parks. Saw signs of one bull buffalo on trail coming from Summit Lake about 14 miles

Aug. 27
Party came to Summit Lake today. getting there about noon Found the cabin in bad condition, quilts and mattresses wet so stay there untill next morning drying them About 8 miles.

Aug. 28
Party split Holt and Wilson going south east toward Snake river station, Beaverson and myself going southwest to head of Boundary Cr. Saw signs of 6 Buffalo going east about 7 miles S. W. of Summit Lake. There is no signs of any one being in here this summer Saw about 40 elk north east of Buffalo Lake. About 16 miles.

Aug. 29th
Came to Falls River Basin passing the cabin on Boundary Creek. Saw fresh signs of 2 moose about 3 miles W of cabin. No one has been to cabin since I was there last winter. About 15 miles.

August 30th
Came to mouth of Boundary Cr. Saw 4 mares and one hores about 4 miles W of Bartlett Cabin 2 of the mares branded Y on left shoulder. Have been in this vicinity some time, probably 3 week. Made a circuit of the country and found they had come south from Island Park. Distance about 15 miles

Aug 31st
Went up to try and catch the horses did not suceed as they were very wild. About 10 miles.

Sept. 1st
Stayed in camp. Found a moose skin about 200 yds north of of where the road crosses Boundary Cr. I think it has been killed about 10 days. There has been three wagons in here from toward St. Anthony. Somebody in this party evidently killed it as it was near their camp.

Sept. 2.
Went up to Ouzel Falls where we found the carcass of the moose. While up there two men from Marysville came up there with a wagon. They said that fishing was their object I think it was as they had no guns and plenty of fish poles. One of them told me that a party of 3 wagon had gone down the St. Anthony road about 10 day ago. About 15 miles.

Sept. 3
Made a circuit around the Basin and saw the 5 horses again No signs of anyone in basin except the 2 men fishing About 12 miles

Sept. 4th
Broke camp going down Fall River and across to Loon Lake thence up Proposition Cr to cabin Someone from station at Snake River has been here about 2 days ago. About 17 miles

Sept. 5th
Did not move camp but went up to Mt. Ash Cr. Numerous signs of Moose on this creek. About 8 miles.

Sept. 6th
Came to Snake River station where we met Holt and Wilson who came from Upper Yellowstone. A great many elk on Glade Creek. About 18 miles

Sept. 7th
Two parties came to Sheridan's Roost by road to Lewis Lake and by Sheridan trail from there. About 25 miles.

Sept. 8th
Came to DeLacy Cr and camped. The beaver are increasing in this cr. There are about 35 dams and 9 houses from the mouth up about 2 miles. There are no fish in this stream although there were a great many 2 years ago. It was stocked in Nov. 1895 with Eastern brook trout. A great many very large fish can be seen in Shoshone Lake. I believe there are some that weigh 20 to 25 lbs. I could not get them to take a fly. About 12 miles

Sept. 9th
Came to Lower Basin today through Norris Pass and by the Upper Basin.

Sept. 10th
Came to Post stopping at Norris about 4 hours.

Sept. 15th
Party consisting of Scout Holt Pvts. Fleagle Louders, Heeagerman and myself left Post going to Norris. Holt and myself going to Canon, to investigate a robbery there. No evidence of who committed the robbery About 31 miles.

Sept. 16th
Souders and Heagerman went to Fountain by road. I going over Mary's Mt. Holt with Fleagle going to Lake. About 30 miles.

Sept. 17th
Came to Bear Parks Saw about 50 Elk on W. Park. Stormy and cold About 12 miles.

Sept. 18th
Came to Summit Lake about 10 miles.

Sept. 19th
Came to Falls River Basin Camping near Ouzel Falls No signs of anyone in basin. About 22 miles.

Sept. 20th
Made a round of basin. No one here or have been since I was here last. About 16 miles.

Sept 21st
Souders & Heagerman stayed in Camp. I went up Bechler R. Saw signs fresh of a bull moose. About 7 miles.

Sept 22nd
Moved west to boundary at head of Robison Cr. The horses I saw on last trip went out this way, going towards Island Park. About 12 miles.

Sept. 23rd
Followed horse trail about 4 miles, thence S to Robison Cr. and back to Camp. Heard shooting west on head of Warm River and saw a large fire about 5 miles out side of Park near where road comes through Porcupine Pass Probably started by party hunting at head of Warm R. About 16 miles.

Sept. 24th
Stayed in camp.

Sept 25th
Came to mouth of Boundary Cr. No one has been through About 15 miles.

Sept. 26th
Two wagons went through towards Snake River Station They fished a short time and went on to Mt. Ash Creek.

Sept. 27th
Came over to Loon Lake. Someone has taken some of the outfit out of cabin 1 shovel. 1 mattress cover. 1 Frying pan. 1 Quilt This cabin is about 1 mil out of Park. About 15 miles.

Sept. 28th
Went west to boundary. No one in here. Shooting South of here on Boone Cr. A great many elk in this country. About 10 miles

Sept. 29th
Went east along south line No one has crossed the line Still shooting South. About 8 miles

Sept. 30th
Came over to Mt. Ash Cr. Saw a bull and cow moose near mouth of Mt. Ash Cr. About 8 miles.

Oct 1st
Souders and myself went to Snake River station. Sent a report to Supt. and shod my horse. About 18 miles.

Oct. 2nd
Returned to camp. Corp1 Bowl accompanied us as far as Grassy Lake. Large band of elk in Glade Cr. Meadows About 18 miles.

Oct. 3rd
Heagerman went to Falls River meadows. No one has come in the Park here. 12 miles for H.

Oct. 4th
Mover over to Grassy Lake on South line. Corpl. Bowe came over per arrangment. in P. M. Rust with him. About 8 miles.

Oct 5th
Corpl Bowe and myself went hunting south killing a spike bull in A. M. Corpl returning to station in P. M. He taking all the meat we could no use.

Oct. 6th
Came over to Fall river, fire out west of Park. No one in basin. About 17 miles.

Oct. 7th
Came to Snake river station About 22 miles.

Oct 8th
Stayed at station, snowed most of day. Corpl Bowe gone to Fountain.

Oct. 9th
Went to head of Falls river Rust going with us A very large bull moose passed about 100 yds of camp the evning, largest shovels I ever saw. About 12 miles. Snow.

Oct. 10th
Came to head of Bechler. Snow about 8 in in depth. Snowing all day. Saw 18 elk on head of Moose Cr. About 20 miles.

Oct 11th
Came to Summit Lake. Snowed all day about 18 in here. about 16 miles.

Oct 12th
Went to Fountain. still snowing Elk all going down from plateau. About 20 miles

Oct 13th
Came to Post with Smith of Fountain station. Souders and Heagerman stopping at Norris with packs. They coming today Oct 14th.

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Smith, Charles J. Oct 1, 1915 to Dec. 15, 1915

Oct 1st 1915
Getting ready for trip to west Boundary

Oct 2 1915
Started for West Boundary Headquarters to Terrace Mountain 5 miles

Oct 3 1915
Survy Terrace Mountain to Sportsmans Lake about 12 miles. Saw a small Bunch of Elk.

Oct 4 Monday
Fiar--Squally Sportsman Lake to Bacon Rind Creek. 15 miles

Oct 5 Tuesday
C mp about 1/2 mile inside Park between 38 & 37 mile post. Came about 5 miles. Have seen no signs of hunters yet. Fair

Oct 6 Wednesday Fair
On foot in this vicinity South mostly inside 3 1/2 mis thence north outside Park mostly. Saw no sign of hunters. Saw 5 cow elk in one bunch then two other small bunches one big bull. There is a dead 7 point bull near our camp. Possibly was woulded and came this far to fall. nearly all destroyed by coyotes. Covered 10 miles in all.

Oct 7 Thursday Fair
To Gallatin Station and return. Got oats for mules Distance travelled about 16 mi.

Oct 8 Friday Fair
On foot in this vicinity. Saw 8 Elk also 3 hunters. Covered about 9 miles.

Oct 9 Saturday Cloudy
On foot in this vicinity 6 or 7 miles mostly on hills.

Oct 10 Sunday Snow hard
Thouroughly scouted this region as far south as the 35 mile post also north as far as 39 mile post. Some of time on Park line but mostly inside as was good weather for hunters to come in. Saw quite a lot of Elk trails. About 10 o clock heard two shots sounded very near Park line near B. Rind Cr. Trail. went there but was no tracks crossing the line. There are some traces of hunters up this far but not very many.

Oct 11 Monday fair
Last night two hunters stumbled to our camp had no guns so did not hold them. Their names are Wilbur Davenport Three Forks Mont--A E Barnes Three Forks Mont. This morning I followed their back tracks. They had never been out side the park since killing two elk about northeast 39 mile post about a quarter of mile inside. Found their guns cached here a dead bull and a cow. Waited there all day for their return but they did not come Went back to camp after dark.

Oct 12 Fair Tuesday
Went to the dead Elks bright and early. About 9.30 these two men came after the meat and guns. I recognized them as the two men who were at our camp last night at once put them under arrest and started for

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Headquarters as soon as possible. Arrived there about 9.00 P. M. Distance 25 miles or more

Oct 13 Wednesday Fair
Swore out warrant for Barnes & Davenport. Plead guilty

Oct 14 Thursday Rain
Headquarters to Gardiner and return. Took down fishing notices on the Gardiner R. 10 miles

Oct 15 Friday Fair
Headquarters to cabin on Fawn Pass. About 12 miles. Saw 6 Elk many tracks

Oct 16 Sat. Fair
Fawn Pass to West Boundary opp. 38 mile post Dist 12 or 13 miles

Oct 17 Sunday Fair
On foot in this vicinity. Dist covered 6 or 8 miles Saw about 3 Elk

Oct 18 Monday Fair
To Grayling Cabin Dist 10 M.

Oct 19 Tuesday Fair
Grayling Creek north to beyond 36 mile post and return. Distance 12 Saw two elk.

Oct 20 Wednesday Fair
South to below Maple Creek via Campanula Creek and return via Park line. Dist Bet. 10 & 12 miles no game two hunters

Oct 21 Thursday Fair
To Gallatin Station and Ret. after forage Dist about 30 miles

Oct 22 Friday Fair
North to 37 mile post and Ret via Park line Dist 15 mi

Oct 23 Saturday Fair
In vicinity of Grayling Creek all day. Killpatrick went after strayed stock.

Oct 24 Sunday Fair Snow
On Grayling ridge. Saw no tracks of hunters or Elk. Saw soldier from Riverside. He reported no hunters along Park line north of Madison river. Went 5 or 6 miles.

Oct 25 Monday Fair
South to some distance below Maple Creek via Campanula Creek. Ret. by Park line. There are about ten Elk on the flat between Gneiss and Maple Creeks. Saw one cougar track. 10 or more mis.

Oct 26 Tuesday. Fair
North to beyond 36 M Post Met soldier from Gallatin. Ret to Grayling Cabin. About 10 m no hunters in here now.

Oct 27 Wednesday Fair - Cloudy
Grayling Cabin to Madison R. Camp about one mile inside Park opposite 24 mile post. Dist 8 M

Oct 28 Thursday Fair
Madison R. north to Gniess creek and return Watching ducks & geese in river from high bluffs morning & evening Dist. about 10 or 12 miles.

Oct 29 Friday Fair
Madison R. To Yellowstone via Park line and return via Stage Co. Barns. Dist 13 M [West Yellowstone]

Oct 30 Saturday Cloudy
Madison R. To Gniess Creek and return via Park line mostly. Dist 10 or 12 M Kpatrick went to Soldier Station to find out about going to Cheyenne.

Oct 31 Sunday Cloudy
To Riverside Station and return. Dist 12 miles

Notes for Month of Oct 1915

The month of Oct clozes with no snow anywhere except in continuous shade and on tops of highest mts. The weather has been good. Only a very few cloudy or stormy days. Have shot no coyotes though have seen possibly between eight and a dozen.

For some reason there is not half as many Geese and ducks in the river as was the case a year ago.

There are not near the Elk anywhere between Madison R and Gallatin as there were a year ago. That may be explained by the fact that there has been no heavy snow storms.

It is very pleasing to note the increase of moose say between Grayling creek and the Madison R. I should say conservatively there is at least two or three times as many as there were last year. This increase of course is not all natural but some of it must come from other parts of the Park.

Most of the hunting on Park line has been done between 33 and 40 mile posts also between 25 and 29 mile posts. South of the Madison is not much hunted except for wild foul in river marshes and bear along Park line also trapping for bears. I saw a silver tip in trap out side Park on the 29th about a mile from Yellowstone. [West Yellowstone]

About the middle of the month Messrs Kivell and Charlesworth were camped in Grayling Cabin on special permit. That cabin is now occupied by another party also on permit. There are more or less strayed cattle along Gallatin and Madison R valleys I suppose Cunninghams. also there are about twenty horses range between Gniess and Grayling Creeks. There was a Moose wounded South of the Madison R. about the middle of the month. He went way around by Y. W. horse camp and died back of sandy butte near Campanula creek. Seargeant Higgonbotham is working on the case trying to find out who killed it.

Nov 1st Monday Fair-cloudy
Moved camp to Gniess Creek 6 mi

Nov 2nd Tuesday Fair
Gneiss Creek to a mile or so inside along Madison via Park line return about one half mile inside Saw a small bunch of Elk on way over and

returning saw a young bull moose the first one I have seen to be sure of though there are quite an amount of their tracks. Killpatrick started for Post. Distance 10 or 12 miles.

Nov 3 Wednesday Cloudy
Gneiss Creek to opposite 38 mile post. Dist about 12 or 13 miles. Saw about 20 Elk this evening also hard fight between two Bulls.

Nov 4 Thursday Fair
On foot in this vicinity north and south. Dist 6 or more mi.

Nov 5th Friday Fair
South to about 34 mile P return along Park line to about a mile north of camp then return to camp. Distance covered about 10 or m m

Nov 6 Saturday Fair
On foot in this locality mostly on look out South covered about 5 miles

Nov 7 Sunday Snow
Very hard driving snow all day. Stayed in camp and vicinity.

Nov 8 Monday Snow
Scouted this region carefully today. No traces of hunters and not many of game. Dist about 5 miles

Nov 9 Tuesday Snow
Packed up in raging Snow storm started for Gniess creek stopped at Grayling Cabin 10 mi

Nov 10 Wednesday Fair
Grayling Cabin to three forths of mile inside Park on Gniess Creek Saw tracks of two hunters a few Elk. Dist 4 or 5 Miles

Nov 11 Thursday Snow [West Y]
Gniess Creek South to Yellowstone and return
Distance about 20 miles.

Nov 12 Friday Snow
Another snowy blowy day. Worked Grayling ridge thouroughly from Campanula Creek return via Park line 6 or 7 miles distance. Last night heard quite a disturbance among the geese that stay in the Creek near Park line Went out there to night but nothing came of it. There are some hunters just below here.

Nov. 13 Saturday Fair
South from camp to Madison R. inside Ret. via Park line. Dist 10 M. As I don't want to carry the idea that I make a new trail from camp too Park line every day will explain my method. If going south leave camp and go inside as far as Maple creek then go into creek and so hit Park line without making any tracks or continue south to the Soldiers Trail from the Station then back on Park line to Gniess Creek up it a hundred yds. or so and in that way back to camp without making trail into Park line coming or going

Nov 14 Sunday Snow
Gniess Creek north to Grayling Cabin via Campanula Creek. Ret via Park line. Dist between 8 & 10 miles.

Nov 15 Monday Clouds Snow
Gniess Creek south to the Madison R. return via Park line. Dist. about 10 miles

Nov 16 Tuesday. Snow
Worked Grayling Ridge from Campanula Creek. Counted 50 Elk on Grayling Ridge there is probably 75 or 100. The snow is getting pretty deep. Dist about 8 miles

Nov 17 Wednesday. Snow
South to Madison R. return via Park line. Dist about 10 M.

Nov 18 Thursday Fair
Worked Grayling ridge. There is a big bunch of elk on it. Then south to Maple Creek and return to Gniess Creek Dist. 10 miles or more.

Nov 19 Friday Cloudy
South nearly to Madison river Ret. along Park line to Gniess Creek Dist 9 miles

Nov 20 Saturday Fair
Worked Grayling Ridge Someone got in here on horse back yesterday while I was over South Think I will let that direction go for a few days and work Grayling Ridge entirely. That's where all the game is. Dist about 8 m.

Nov 21 Sunday Snow
Worked Grayling Ridge. All OK Went south to Maple Creek Ret inside Park. Soon after Kilpatrick came. This evening heard a shot towards Park line went there and followed a man on horse back to Park line he made a short circuit inside Park evidently saw my trail and shot off his gun to be funny. He may try it again. Went about 10 or 12 miles to day.

Nov 22 Monday Fair
Worked Grayling Ridge also went south to Maple Creek Saw nothing of much interest. Went about 10 miles or more.

Nov 23 Tuesday Cloudy
Worked on foot in the vicinity of where that person came in day before yesterday. Everything O. K. Covered 4 or 5 miles Killpatrick left

Nov 24 Wednesday Snow
Snowing hard. Started for the Cabin on Grayling but came back as did not want to get snow bound there with the mule here. went about 6 miles. Snow is about 2 ft deep.

Nov 25 Thursday Snow
Went to Grayling Cabin. There has been one Elk killed out of that bunch that has been living on Sandy Butte. Well outside the Park however. Snowing steady. Went about 10 miles

Nov 26 Friday Fair
South nearly to Madison river. Return via Park line to Gniess creek. Dist 9 or 10 miles

Nov 27 Saturday Fair
Worked part of Grayling Ridge and south as far as Maple Creek. Everything O. K. Dist covered about 8 miles

Nov 28 Sunday Fair
Gniess Creek to Riverside Station. Dist about 12 miles.

Nov 29 Monday Snow
Lay over at Riverside Station to let horse rest.

Nov 30 Tuesday Fair
Riverside Station to Grayling Cabin. Seargt. Higginbotham went with me Dist 16 mi.

Notes for November 1915

November ends with 3 feet of snow above 33 mile post and 2 1/2 in Madison valley. It is an impossibility to stay out any longer as the stock cannot rustle the grass any more. The only thing to do is work from Riverside station to Grayling Cabin carrying forage enough to last two or three days on each trip in this way I can watch the line nearly as well as though camped out

There was quite a bunch of Elk in here about the middle of the month maybe 200 in all but they have drifted over on the Gallatin except a few scattering ones. only one of this whole bunch got outside far enough to get shot so far as I can tell.

Dec 1 Wednesday Fair
Grayling Cabin South to Gniess Creek and return to cabin. Must go back to station to morrow as there is no forage here except oats and no chance to get more. Dist travelled 6 or 7 miles

Dec 2 Thursday Fair
Grayling Cabin to Riverside station. Dist 16 miles. I have found out who came into Park on the 19 of Nov. It was one of Cunninghams cow punchers in search of cattle. Saw 8 or 10 Elk on Gniess Creek and many moose tracks on the flat.

Dec 3 Friday Fair
Lay over at Riverside Station Horse and mule are nearly played out. There is quite a lot of hunting along the Park line but they don't show any indications of coming into Park.

Dec 4 Saturday Sleet
Riverside Station down river on south side of river nearly to Park line. There is only one horse at Riverside so Seargeant Higginbotham sent two men to Grayling Cabin on his and my horse. 12 mi.

Dec 5 Sunday Wet snow
at Riverside Station.

Dec 6 Monday Sleet
Riverside Station to Yellowstone north for a short distance return along river bank. 10 miles

Dec 17 Tuesday Fair
Riverside station to Grayling Cabin. 16 miles cannot stay here more than one day as have nothing but oats for horse.

Dec 8 Wednesday Fair
Grayling Cabin north via old hunters trail up Teepe Creek hit Park between 33 & 34 mile post. snow 3 ft. deep here. Return via Park line. Dist 8 or 9 hard miles

Dec. 9 Thursday Squally
Grayling Cabin to Riverside station. Dist 16 miles

Dec 10 Friday Fair
At Riverside letting horse rest up for trip in to Post. Shall start to morrow as snow is about as deep as possible to travel.

Dec 11 Saturday Snow Wind
Riverside to Madison Junction. 10 miles. Lots of ducks and Geese in River.

Dec 12 Sunday
Madison Junction to Norris Station. Stayed all night at Norris Hotel. 13 miles

Dec 13 Monday
Norris to Mammoth Hot Springs. 20 miles

Dec 14 Tuesday Fair
Mammoth Hot Springs to Gardiner. 5 miles

Dec 15 Wednesday
Gardiner to Mammoth Hot Springs 5 miles

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Oct 6 Wed
Gardner to Mammoth took oath of office and returned to Gardner Distance traveled 10 miles

Thur Oct 7
Patrolled frome Gardner hunting Coyotes Distance 8 miles Also preparing for trip into Park.

Fri Oct 8
Gardner to Mammoth Hot Springs and hunted coyotes on foot in P. M. Distance traveled 9 miles.

Sat. Oct 9
Hunted Coyotes from M. Hot Springs Via Glen Cr. Swan Lake Flat and Snow Pass. Distance traveled 15 mi.

Sun Oct 10
Hunted Coyotes from M. Hot Springs. distance traveled 12 miles 30 antelope seen.

Mun Oct 11
Hunted coyotes frome Mammoth Hot Springs distance traveled 15 miles One Coyote Shot 3 mule deer seen

Tue Oct 12
Hunted coyotes frome Mammoth Hot Springs to norris one Coyote. three mule deer and four elk seen Distance traveled about 20 miles

Wed Oct 13
Hunted coyotes from Norris Geyser Baisin to Canyon Eight Elk seen near Canyon Distance traveled about 11 m.

Thur Oct 14
Hunted Coyotes frome Canyon to Lake Station 3 coyotes and one Lynx track seen set traps in P. M. Distance traveled about 16 m.

Fri Oct 15
Attended traps in A. M. Traps all tore up by Bear Set traps in P. M. no game seen distance traveled about 10 miles

Sat Oct 16
Attended traps in A. M. Two coyotes caught skinned coyotes and set more traps in A. M. distance traveled about 8 miles One Elk seen.

Sun Oct 17
Attended traps in A. M. nothing caught one trap tore up by bear. Prepared bait in P. M. distance traveled about 6 miles

mun Oct 18
Attended traps in A. M. set more traps in P. M. and hunted coyotes near Pelican Cr. Distance traveled 10 mi.

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Oct 19
tue Hunted Coyotes from Lake Station to Pelican snowshoe cabin one Buffalo bull seen near Pelican cabin about 50 Elk seen. one Wolve track seen. Distance traveled 16 miles.

wed Oct 20
Traveled frome Pelican cabin to lake station via upper Pelican and Sulphur mountain. 60 Elk seen
Distance traveled about 25 miles.

thor Oct 21
Visited traps in A. M. two coyotes caught. Traveled about 8 miles

Fri Oct 22
Visited traps in A. M. Skinned and stretched coyotes in afternoon Traveled about 8 miles

Sat Oct 23
attended traps in A. M. set five more traps in P. M. One Mountain Lion track seen one mile above Pelican Cr. bridge. Distance traveled about 10 miles.

Sun Oct 24
Visited traps in A. M. One coyote caught Distance traveled about 5 miles No game seen.

mun Oct 25
Covered trap line in morning. Hunted coyotes in P. M. one Elk seen. Distance traveled about 12 m.

Tue Oct 26
Prepared out fit for trip to Pelican Cabin. Looked at a few traps in P. M.

Wed Oct 27
Went to all the traps in A. M. Nothing caught took three up and set them up the lake Distance traveled about 10 miles.

Thor Oct. 28
Took all the traps up in A. M. packed up outfit in P. M. Distance traveled about 10 miles

Fri Oct 29
moved to Pelican cabin in A. M. Started to fix up cabin in P. M. Took short trip after supper about 12 Elk seen all bulls.
*Distance traveled 18 miles

Sat Oct. 30
Worked on cabin about all day. Took short trip in P. M. 15 Elk seen all bulls Distance traveled about 5 miles

Sun Oct. 31
Only took short trip around today. fixed up cabin and cut wood. Distance traveled about 5 m

*Note 16 miles covered on horse-back all other trips made on foot.

Nov. 1
mun Set five traps in A. M. looked over country in P. M. Two coyotes seen. Distance traveled about 8 miles

Nov. 2
Tue Went up Pelican Cr. Seen where a bunch of nine Wolves had crossed. Set six traps for them. Two coyotes seen. Distance traveled about 16 miles

wed Nov. 3
Covered Pelican and Raven Cr. country looking for Wolve sign a few tracks seen. One coyote seen shot at him crippled him very badly but he got away Distance traveled about 20 miles

thur Nov. 4
Went down in Turbid Lake country set five traps. Two coyotes seen. Distance traveled about 10 miles

Fri Nov. 5
Set five more traps up Pelican Cr. Two Bull Elk seen. Distance traveled about 12 miles.

Sat Nov. 6
Attended traps set south of cabin in A. M. one coyote caught. Skinned coyote and set two more traps in P. M. Distance traveled about 8 miles

Sun Nov. 7
attended a part of traps in a. m. Traveled frome Pelican Cabin to Lake Soldier Station in P. M. One coyote shot en-route. About 50 Elk seen near Cody road in lower Pelican Valey. Mostly cows & calves. Distanc traveled about 18 miles.

mun Nov. 8
Patroled frome Lake Soldier Sta. to Pelican Cabin. One fresh Wolve track seen about four miles below Pelican Cabin. 10 Elk seen all bulls near Cabin. Distance traveled about 16 miles

Tue Nov. 9
Patrolled frome Pelican Cabin to head of Pelican Cr. and return Distance traveled about 12 miles

wed Nov. 10
Very Bad storm snowed all day did not leave cabin.

thor Nov. 11
Only traveled short distance on account of drifted snow.

Fri Nov. 12
Went to all the traps set on South of cabin about 14 in all. no game seen of any kind. Distance traveled about 8 miles

Sat Nov. 13
Still storming cut wood did not go out.

Sun Nov. 14

Sun Nov. 14
Took short trip very hard traveling no game seen.

mun Nov. 15
Attended part of my traps, one coyote caught Six Bull Elk seen Still very stormy and hard traveling. Distanc traveled about 8 miles

Tue Nov. 16
Attended traps set near head waters of Pelican Cr. no game or sign of any kind seen. still snowing Distanc traveled about 12 miles

Wed Nov. 17
Traveled frome Pelican Cabine to Lake Soldier Station. about 300 Elk seen en route all between Pelican Cabin and Cody road. most all cows and calves. a few Bulls noted, mostly small one Wolve track seen near Elk Elk appear to be working north and have just recently came in frome the South. Distance traveled about 15 miles

Thur Nov. 18
Remained at Lake Station awaiting snow-shoes as it is impossible to travel without them.

Fri Nov. 19
Still at Lake Station.

Sat Nov. 20
At Lake Station still snowing One coyote track seen set 2 traps on Hotel Dump for him. Distance traveled about 6 miles

sun Nov. 21
Snow-shoes having arrived, I traveled frome Station to Pelican Cabin. about 100 Elk seen may be a part of herd seen Nov 17. are on Pelican Flat about 6 miles below cabin. Distance traveled about 15 miles

mun Nov. 22
Traveled down Pelican Cr about five miles and set a few traps in vacinity of Elk herd. one Wolve track seen. Distance traveled about ten miles.

Tue Nov. 23
attended traps set south of cabin no game or sign seen. Distance traveled about eight miles.

wed Nov. 24
Attended traps set near head of Pelican Cr. Two Bull Elk seen. Also sign of a large Elk herd working north. Distance traveled fifteen miles

Thur Nov. 25
Traveled from Pelican cabin to Deep Cr. 18 Buffalo of the Wild Herd seen on Pelican Cr. near "mushpots" Distance traveled 16 miles

Fri Nov. 26
Traveled frome Deep Cr. Camp to Buffalo Farm on Lamar River about 60 Elk and 4 Black Tail deer seen. Distance traveled 16 miles

Sat Nov. 27
At Buffalo Ranch.

sun Nov. 28
Hunted coyotes frome Buffalo Ranch one seen tracks plenty. Distance traveled about 5 miles

mun Nov 29
Traveled frome Buffalo Ranch to Deep Cr. about 1500 Elk seen on hills near Buffalo Ranch. Distance traveled 16 miles or more.

Tue Nov. 30
Traveled frome Deep Cr. camp to Pelican Cabin 25 Elk and one Bull Moose seen. Distance 16 miles

Wed Dec. 1
Went up Pelican Cr. took up some traps and picked up my pack which I was compeled to leave on account of hard traveling on return trip frome Lemar River Distance traveled about 16 miles

Thor Dec. 2
Traveled down Pelican Cr. about five miles and return. Two coyotes seen about 12 Elk seen. very hard traveling on account of soft snow.

Fri Dec. 3
Took up traps set south of cabin. built sled to move out with. Distance traveled about 5 miles

Sat Dec. 4
gave up attempt to move out so went up Pelican Cr. & Raven Cr. to count Buffalo. 4 found on Pelican Cr. 27 on Raven Cr. 31 in all about 5 large bulls 6 yearlings 4 calves and the rest cows and young bulls. Distance traveled about 15 miles

Sun Dec. 5
Traveled frome Pelican Cabin to Lake Station. one coyote shot enroute Distance traveled about 15 miles

mun Dec. 6
Traveled frome Lake Station to Pelican Cabin. one Lion track seen en route. Distance traveled about 16 miles 2 miles was traveled up Lake in a. m.

Tue Dec. 7
Traveled up Raven Cr. looking for Buffalo Herd could not find them. Lion track noted Distance traveled about 10 miles

Dec. 8
Traveled from Pelican Cabin to upper Pelican Cr. with Toboggan. Distance traveled about 10 miles.

Dec. 9
Traveled frome Pelican Cr. camp to Deep Cr. Distance traveled 12 miles

Dec. 10
Frome Deep Cr. camp to Buffalo Farm. One mule deer and two lion tracks noted About 11500 Elk noted in Lemar River Valey. Distance traveled 10 miles

Dec. 11
Traveled frome Buffalo Farm to Tower Falls Soldier Sta. Distance traveled about 12 miles

Dec. 12
Traveled frome Tower Falls Sta to Mammoth Distance 18 miles

Dec. 13
Traveled frome Mammoth Spr. to Gardner & return 10 miles

Dec 14
Mammoth to Tower Falls one coyote shot en route 18 miles

Dec 15
Frome Tower Falls to Buffalo Farm. 12 miles

Dec 16
Layed off prepared coyote skin and skull

Dec. 17
Traveled from Buffallo farm to head waters of Deep Cr. and return. 20 miles or more

Dec. 18
Traveled by team frome Buffalo ranch to Gardner 35 miles

Dec. 19
Frome Gardner to Mamoth with outfit for trapping 5 miles

Dec. 20
Frome Mammoth to Black Tail Cabin in A. M. up creek in P. M. one Bull Elk found dead set traps 10 miles

Dec. 21
Took trip up Black Tail Cr. Traveled to Mammoth in P. M.

Dec. 22
Returned to Black Tail Cabin with team and man. 7 miles

Dec. 23
Hauled wood

Dec. 24
Hauled wood in A. M. Mammoth Spring in P. M. 7 miles

Dec. 25
In Gardner

Dec. 26
Gardner to Mammoth 5 miles

Dec. 27
Fitted gun with sight in A. M. Traveled to Black Tail Cabin in P. M. 7 miles

Dec 28
Hunted up Black tail Cr. One coyote shot 10 miles

Dec. 29
Sick, chills & fever

Dec. 30
Hunted down Creek one coyote shot 10 miles

Dec. 31
Hunted on Mt. Everts 10 miles

Jan. 1
Set traps up Black Tail Creek hunted coyotes 8 miles

Jan. 2
cut wood, was to sick to travel

Jan. 3
Hunted coyotes all day 10 miles

Jan. 4
Cruse Black came. was too stormy to go out.

Jan. 5
Cruse and I hunted together. about 8 coyotes seen none killed. one Bull Elk found dead. 15 miles

Jan. 6
Hunted across Geode Creek Canyon 3 wolves seen one killed. 15 miles

Jan. 7
Traveled to Mammoth Sps. 8 miles

Jan. 8
Returned to Black Tail Cabin one Lion track seen. followed him. 12 miles

Jan. 9
cut wood. fixed snow shoes.

Jan. 10
Hunted Wolves across canyon. 12 miles

Jan. 11
Watched Elk Carcase in order to shoot coyotes. some seen did not shoot 5 miles

Jan. 12
Hunted all day. nothing seen. 12 miles

Jan. 13
Hunted. coyotes seen at a distance 10 miles

Jan 14
Hunted. one coyote shot, two seen. 10 miles

Jan. 15
Hunted up to Storm Peak. Coyotes seen at a distance 12 miles

Jan. 16
Set more traps. re-set others. 8 miles

Jan. 17
One small mangey coyote caught. 10 miles

Jan. 18
Spent about all day digging out traps set some time ago. 8 miles

Jan. 19
Hunted near mouth of Black Tail Cr. 12 miles

Jan. 20
One coyote trapped. tracks of 2 Wolves seen. 12 miles.

Jan. 21
Hunted for Wolves, nothing seen. 10 miles

Jan. 22
Cow Elk found dead. two coyotes shot 10 miles

Jan. 23
Re-set traps prepared coyotes skins 8 miles

Jan 24
Traveled frome Black Tail to Gardner 13 miles

Jan. 25
Hunted coyotes. Gardner to Blacktail via Mt. Everts. one coyote seen. 10 miles

Jan 26
Hunted across Geode Creek Canyon one coyote seen shot but missed 12 miles

Jan. 27
Too cold for me, cut wood.

Jan 28
Too cold for me fixed telephone line 2 miles

Jan 29
Re-set traps hunted. 10 miles

Jan. 30
Hunted across Geode Creek Canyon set 4 traps, one coyote seen. 12 miles

Jan 31
Hunted nothing seen 10 miles 5 coyotes [apparent total for month killed - M.M.]

Feb. 1
Hunted Wolves on Mt Everts 10 miles

Feb. 2
Traveled from Gardner to Mammoth Sps. and Blacktail Cabin. one coyote shot 13 miles

Feb. 3
Hunted frome Black Tail cabin to Gardner. One mangy coyte shot. 10 miles

Feb. 4
Hunted frome Gardner near Electrick Peak 10 miles

Feb. 5
Gardner to Black Tail Cabin 12 miles

Feb. 6
Cut Wood. fixed snow shoes

Feb. 7
Hunted coyotes. none seen 10 miles

Feb. 8
Attended traps. one coyote caught. toes of a Lion in another trap. 10 miles

Feb. 9
Hunted coyotes and Lions 10 miles

Feb. 10
Too stormy to hunt prepared coyote. Skin & skull

Feb. 11
Hunted coyotes near storm Pk 10 miles

Feb. 12
Set traps one calf Elk found dead. killed by Lions 10 miles

Feb. 13
attended traps. set more 8 miles

Feb. 14
Hunted Wolves followed tracks of two But did not get a shot 15 miles

Feb. 15
attended traps one Lion caught. 8 miles

Feb. 16
Two Lions caught 8 miles

Feb. 17
Lion caught 8 miles

Feb. 18
Skined and Prepared Lions in A. M. Hunted in P. M. 10 miles

Feb. 19
Hunted Coyotes did not get a shot 12 miles

Feb 20
Took short trip cut wood 5 miles

Feb. 21
attended traps one coyote caught 10 miles

Feb. 22
Hunted and attended traps 8 miles

Feb. 23
Hunted re-set traps. 10 miles

Feb. 24
Hunted attended traps 10 miles

Feb. 25
Hunted Wolves near Geode Cr. 10 miles

Feb. 26
Hunted Coyotes 3 seen did not get a shot 10 miles

Feb. 27
Hunted and set traps 2 miles

Feb. 28
attended traps one coyote caught 8 miles

Feb. 29
Hunted in P. M. 5 miles

For February. Coyotes 5 Lions 4 Elk are in good shape a few that wintered near the Yellowstone river are very thin. about one thousand near Black Tail and vacinity are drifting back toward the higher ridges.

March 1
Traveled frome Black Tail Cabin to Gardner via mammoth Spr. 13 miles

March 2
Gardner to Livingston.

March 3
Livingston to Gardner.

March 4
Gardner to Black Tail Cabin 13 miles

March 5
Traveled from Black Tail Cabin to [Tower] Lower Falls Station about 300 Elk seen en-route. 11 miles

March 6
Frome Tower Falls Station to Buffalo Farm about 200 Elk seen en-route. 12 miles

March 7
Frome Buffalo Farm to Miller Creek snow-shoe cabin About 300 Elk seen en-route. 14 miles

March 8
counted Elk from Miller Creek cabin to Buffalo Farm 507 counted 18 miles

March 9
Frome Buffalo Farm to Tower Falls Sta. via Specimen Ridge and Yellowstone Canyon 649 Elk counted. 41 sheep seen. 15 mule Deer seen. 16 miles

March 10
[Tower] Lower Falls Sta. to Black Tail Cabin 794 Elk counted on west side of Yellowstone River about 75 at a distance across river. 16 miles

March 11
Frome Black Tail Cabin to Gardner in A. M. about 300 Elk seen en-route. Gardner to Livingston in P. M. 10 miles

March 12
In Livingston

March 13
In Livingston

March 14
Livingston to Gardner in A. m. Gardner to Black Tail Cabin in P. M. via mammoth Spr. 13 miles

March 15
Fixed snow shoes cut wood attended traps in P. M.

March 16
Hunted across Geode Creek Canyon a few Elk noted. 12 miles

March 17
Prepared outfit for trip across river to Hell Roaring Cabin where Wolves are reported.

March 18
attended traps. 12 miles

March 19
Black Tail Cabin to Hell Roaring Cabin. 4 Bears seen. One dead elk noted. Wolf tracks noted. 15 miles

March 20
Hunted Wolves frome Hell Roaring cabin. Tracks noted. one Elk carcass found. died of Old age. 14 miles

March 21
Hunted on Cotton Wood Creek frome Hell Roaring Cabin. about 200 Elk near Cotton wood Creek. about 800 near Hell Roaring creek. 10 miles Coyote shot.

March 22
Hell Roaring Creek Cabin to Buffalo Farm 16 miles Wolf tracks noted.

March 23
at Buffalo Farm. too stormy to be out.

March 24
at Buffalo Farm prepared outfit for return trip to Hell Roaring cabin. Expect to track Wolves to their den's on account of recent snow.

March 25
Buffalo Farm to Hellroaring Cabin ~~in~~ [he] tracks noted one Large Bull Elk found dead. 14 miles

March 26
Hunted Wolf dens. one tracked to vacinity of den den and female Wolf seen. 12 miles

March 27
Tried to shoot old Wolves near den. one seen did not get a shot. 5 miles

March 28
Went to vacinity of Wolf den. two Wolves heard Howl did not get a shot Fished for provisions in P. M. 10 miles

March 29
Hunted more Wolf dens 14 miles

March 29
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March 30
Went to vacinity of Wolf den one Large White Wolf seen did not get a shot 11 mountain sheep noted in good condition 11 miles

March 31
Frome Hell Roaring Cabin to Black Tail Cabin 3 otter see 11 deer seen 12 miles one coyote [ref. to 1 killed during month - M.M.]

Elk are in as good condition as can be expected at this season. a few Old Cows and Late Calves are very weak and most of the Elk found dead are this class. Lions and Wolves are killing quite a few Elk in this vacinity. Deer and Sheep are in good condition. No lack of feed for game in this vacinity.

April 1916

April 1st
Traveled frome Black Tail Cabin to Gardner Via mammoth spr. Turned in report for March. 13 M.

April 2 Sunday
In Gardner

April 3
Hunted coyotes and Wolves on Mt. Everts one coyote seen 10 m.

April 4
Gardner to Black Tail Cabin Prepared for Elk count. 13 m.

April 5
Counted Elk on Lava Creek 87 counted. One dead Elk found 10 m.

April 6
Counted Elk on Prospect Peak 25 counted 12 m.

April 7
Black Tail Cabin to Tower Falls 11 m.

April 8
Counted Elk near Elk Creek and Yancey's 226 counted 12 m.

April 9
Counted Elk near Petrified Trees and Tower Creek. 50 counted 12 m.

April 10
Counted Elk near Mt. Washburn and Antelope Creek. 100 counted 14 m.

April 11
Tower Falls to Slough Creek. 11 m.

April 12
Slough Creek to Buffalo Farm one coyote shot en-route. 8 m.

April 13
Buffalo Farm to Hell Roaring cabin via Tower Falls. one dead Elk found 16 m.

April 14
Went up and dug out Wolf den but they had moved. 8 m.

April 15
Found Wolf den. one dead Elk seen 10 m.

April 161
One Wolf seen. six pups caught. 10 m.

April 17
Hell Roaring Cabin to Tower Falls with pups via raft 6 m.

April 18
Hunted Crescent Hill for Wolf den tracks noted 2 dead Elk found. 10 m.

April 19
Tower Falls to Black Tail Cabin Wolf tracks noted 14 m. Coyote shot at killed by Cruse

April 20
Hunted coyotes frome Black Tail cabin 12 m.

April 21
Black Tail Cabin to Gardner Took in furs. 13 m

April 22
Bought provisions in a. m. in town in P. M.

April 23 Easter Sunday
In town in a. m. Gardner to Black Tail Cabin in P. M. via Mt. Everts 10 m.

April 24
Set traps 9 set 10 m.

April 25
Hunted near Crescent Hill 16 m.

April 26
Black Tail Cabin to Yancey's coyote caught. 11 m.

April 27
Yancey's to Hell Roaring Cabin 8 m.

April 28
Hunted Wolf dens. 10 m.

April 29
Wolf den found. one old Wolf shot 10 m.

April 30 [This kill for month]
Raided Wolf den. one pup dug out. set traps 2 coyotes 10 m.

Snow about all off in valleys grass well started. Elk, Deer and Antlope are in good condition. The few Mountain Sheep noted have wintered well. About all the loss frome now on will be caused by Wolves Lions and coyotes. Wolves are not very plenty but very destructive. Lions are quite plenty. Bears kill weak Elk in some cases

May 1916

1st Hunted Wolves near Hell Roaring Creek tracks noted. 10 m.

May 2
Hell Roaring Creek Cabin to Black Tail Cabin via Tower Falls. 18 m.

May 3
Black Tail Cabin to Gardner via Mammoth Spr. with report 13 m.

May 4
Gardner to Black Tail Creek bought provisions in a. m. 13 m.

May 5
Black Tail Creek to Yancys Wolf tracks noted 11 m.

May 6
Yancys to Hell Roaring Creek Cabin. set traps in P. M. 10 m

May 7
Hunted in vacinity of Hell Roaring Creek. 6 m.

May 8
Hunted on Hell Roaring mountain 10 m

May 9
Hell Roaring cabin to Slough Creek Cabin. 13 m.

May 10
Slough Creek Cabin to Hell Roaring Cabin Wolf den found 12 m.

May 11
Hell Roaring cabin to Yancy hunted on Garnet hill 10 m.

May 12
Yancys to Buffalo Farm one Wolf pup dug out. 12 m.

May 13
at Buffalo Farm skinned wolf pups.

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Jan. 1 -1911-
Cetching Antelope at Gardiner dist 10 m.

-2-
Cetching Antelope at Gar. dist 10 m.

-3-
Feeding game at Gar. Sheep correll and Headq. 32 Sheep 75 Elk 400 deer 75 Antelope seen. dist 15.

-4-
Cetching Antelope at Gar. 60 Antelope 31 Sheep 200 Elk dist 10 m.

-5-
Cetching Antelope at Gar. 51 Sheep 400 Deer 300 Elk 60 Antel. dist 10 m.

-6-
Cetching antelope at Gar. 200 Elk 100 Deer 25 Antelope 35 M. Sheep seen dist 10 m.

-7-
Cetching Antelope at Gar. 30 Antelope 200 Deer 75 Elk 16 sheep seen dist 10 m.

-8-
Cetching game at Gar. 20 Antelope 60 Elk 100 Deer 10 sheep dist 10 m

-9-
Shipping the last catch of antelope dist 10 m

-10-
Driving back Antelope from Electric to Park line 250 Antelope seen 75 Elk 300 Deer 26 sheep dist 25 m.

-11-
Driving back Antelope from Reese c. and Hoppies ranch 250 Elk 250 Antelope and 75 Deer dist 20 m.

-12-
Feeding Game at Gar Sheep correll and Headq. 23 Sheep 400 deer 300 Elk 50 Antelope dist 15 m

-13-
At Headquarters stormed all day

-14-
Feeding game at Gar. Sheep correll and Headq. 32 Sheep 250 deer 200 Elk 59 Antelope dist 15 m.

-15-
Feeding game at Gar. and along main road to Headquarters 18 sheep 300 deer 500 Elk seen dist 10 m.

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16
Feeding game at Gar. Sheep correll and Headquarters 23 Sheep 400 deer 300 Elk 150 Antelope seen dist 15 m

-17-
Feeding Game at Gar. Sheep correll and Headq. 30 Sheep 400 deer 150 Ant. 1000 Elk seen dist 15 m.

-18-
Feeding Game at Gar Sheep correll and Headq. 33 Sheep 453 deer 900 Elk 100 Antelope dist 15 m.

-19-
Feeding Game at Gar. Sheep correll and Headq. 28 Sheep 350 deer 1500 Elk 175 Antelope dist 15 m

-20-
Driving in Antelope from outside of Park above Hoppies ranch dist 20 m.

-21-
Driving in Antelope from Reece C. and Hoppies ranch to Alfalfa field 30 Antelope drove in dist 20 m.

-22-
Feeding Game at Gardiner and Along main road to Headq. dist 10 m. 1500 Elk 50 Sheep 450 deer 100 Antelope seen

-23-
Feeding Game at Gar. along main road to Headquarters 30 Sheep 2000 Elk 400 deer 1a0 Antelope dist 10 m.

-24-
Feeding game at Gar and along main road to Headquarters dist 10 m. 36 sheep 1800 Elk 500 deer 125 Antelope seen

-25-
Feeding game at Gar. and Along main road to Headq. 41 Sheep 455 deer 2000 Elk 175 Antelope seen dist 10 m.

-26-
Feeding game at Gar. and along main road to Headq. 1200 Elk 400 deer 100 Antelope 26 Sheep seen distance 10 m.

-27-
Feeding game at Gar. and along main road to Headq. 1300 Elk 450 deer 24 Sheep 106 Antelope dist 10 m.

-28-
Feeding Game at Gar. and along main road to Headq. Sheep 32 Elk 1200 deer 450 Antelope 90 dist 10.

-29-Feeding game at Gar and along main road to Headq. 35 Sheep 1000 Elk 400 Deer 125 Antelope dist. 10.

-30-
Feeding game at Gar and along main road to Headq. 30 Sheep 1300 Elk 500 deer 90 Antelope dist 10

-31-
Driving Elk away from Hay stacks and feed at Gardiner 1200 Elk 6 sheep 70 Antelope 255 deer dist 15.

February 1st 1911
Feeding game at Gardiner and along main road to Headquarters 18 sheep 352 deer 20 white tail 800 elk 15 antelope dist. 10 miles

2
Feeding game at Gardiner and along main road to Headquarters 21 sheep 250 deer 12 white tail 500 elk 7 antelope dist 10 miles

3
Feeding game at Gardiner and along main road to Headquarters 12 sheep 300 deer 8 antelope 700 elk dist 10 miles

4
Driving Elk away from hay stacks dist 15 miles 1500 Elk

5
Driving Elk away from hay stacks dist 900 Elk

6
At Headquarters

7
Getting count on antelope above Hoppies ranch outside park line 253 Antelope dist. 18 miles

8
Feeding game at Gardiner and along main road to Headquarters 42 sheep 400 deer 21 white tail 1200 Elk distance 10 miles

9
Driving in Antelope from outside of Park above Hoappe ranch got in 150 dist about 20 miles 900 elk 175 deer 1 sheep 9 white tail

10
Feeding game at Gardiner and along main road to Headquar dist 10 miles 32 white tail deer 100 black tail 600 elk 26 sheep.

11
Feeding sheep corral fence between Gardiner and Headquarters dist 5 miles 175 deer 8 fan tail 155 elk 2 sheep 40 antelope

12
Feeding Game at Headquarters sheep Corral, and Headquarters 42 sheep 300 elk 450 deer 22 fan tail dist 15 miles

13
at Headquarter, Stormy

14
From Headquarters to Creviss mountain lots of game saw outside Park line dist. 13 miles

15
From Creviss mountain to Noles cabin lots of game seen in fair condition 9 calves dead dist 15 miles

16
From Noles Cabin to Hellroaring along Yellowstone River then north to "Cottonwood Basin" 150 Elk 25 deer 4 mountain sheep. dist. 18 miles

17
From Hell roaring cabin to Park line up to Specimen Creek 3 men in there trapping this winter no game seen. dist 14 miles

18
Left Cabin for Bull mont. saw snow shoe tracks inside Park line about 500 yards followed same tracks outside Park line returned to cabin dist 17 miles 60 elk seen

19
From Cabin to Buffalo Plateau, to"Wolverine Pass" no game signs seen dist. 16 miles

20
Rested at Hellroaring Cabin

21
From Hellroaring to Slough Creek 800 elk 10 deer seen dist 14 miles

22
From lower to upper cabin on Slough Creek 5 elk seen dist. 8 miles

23
From cabin to Durets ranch dist 6 m. no game sign seen

24
Come down north side of creek to lower cabin 40 bull elk seen up on mountain dist. 14 mi.

25
From lower cabin to Soda Butte 200 Elk seen 5 coyotes dist 11 miles

26
From Soda Butte Station up along Soda Butte Creek to "Round Prairie" and return no game seen dist 20 miles

27
From Station to So. Cache Creek saw no signs of trapping. 93 Elk seen distance 18 miles

28
From Station to Pebble Creek and return 35 Elk seen distances 12 miles

March 1st 1911
At Soda Butte Station

2
From Soda Butte Station to Tower Falls 115 Elk distance 18 miles

Mar. 3-11
From Tower Falls to Black Tail Meadows along Yellowstone river saw 9 Bull Elk Distance traveled 14 mi

Mar 4-11
From tower falls to foot of Mt. Washburn and returned along Tower creek. Distance traveled 15 mi

Mar. 5-11
Around the Wylie C mp and Yancies saw four Bull Elk and returned to station distance. 6 mi 9 elk calves seen dead

March 6-11
From Tower falls to Headquarters distance 18 mi.

March 7-11
At Headquarters

March 8-11
Feeding game at Gardiner Vandycks ranch and at headquarters saw 300 deer 340 antelope 600 Elk distance 15 mi

March 9-11
At Headquarters

March 10--11
Feeding game at Gardiner Vandycks and headquarters Game seen 240 deer. 300 antelope 500 Elk Distance traveled 16 mi

March 11-11
At Headquarters

March 12-11
Headquarters

Mar 13
at Headquarters

14
from Mammoth to Norris distent 20 miles

15
from Norris to Cannon 11 miles

16
from Canyon to Lake 16 miles.

17
from Lake to Thumb 15 miles

18
from Thun to Snake River dst. 23 miles

19
rested at Snake River

20
from Snake River to Propsition 22 miles

21
from Propsition to Beckler. Every thing O K. here 5 moose seen--on trip.

22
from Beckler to Propsition dis 16

22
at Propsition to Mountain Ash. dist 20 miles.

23
from Propsition to Snake River dist 20

24
At Snake River

25
Snake River naturral along east Bon Disente travel 15 miles

26
From Snake River Station to Louis Cabin Dis. travel 9 miles 1 foot of snow to buck

27
From Louis Cabin to Thumb Station Dis 14 Milles 1 foot of loose snow

28
At Thumb Station sore foot 29 at Tun. Station sore foot.

30
From Thumb to Lake St. Dis. 15 milles.

31
Lake to Cajon Dis. 16 milles

April 1st
From Cajon to Norris Dis 11 milles

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Norris to headquarters Dis 20 milles

3
At headquarters

4
at headquarters

5
at headquarters

6
Fixing on park line gardiner Distance traveled 14 miles

7
Driving in antelope about 300 head Distance 14 miles

8
At headquarters

9
At Headquarters

10
Riding park fence at Gardiner Distance of 15 miles

11
Driving in antelope Distance 15 miles

12
Along Park line fence. Distance 15 miles

13
At Head Quarters

14
From Post to the mouth of Blacktail Distance 14 miles game seen about 3000 elk.

15
At Head Quarters prepairing for trip

16
From Head Quarters to dry Cottonwood. Dist 17 miles game seen 500 Elk 150 Deer

17
Fixing camp killed one Coytoe.

18
Went to Knowles Cabin to get bedding seen 43 Elk 29 Deer dist 12 miles

19
Left camp at Cottonwood basin went Hellroaring seen tracks where some one had walking around game seen 800 Elk 9 Mountain sheep 62 blacktail deer. killed 2 Coyotes distance traveled 25 miles

20
Left camp 5--30 for park line dismounted over crust of snow snow got too soft to travel about 10 oclock and returned to camp game seen 70 Elk. in fair condition.

21
Left camp for Gardiner to look after Antelope. distance 16 miles

22
Driving in Antelope at Gardiner stormed all day only 4 Antelope out. distance traveled 12 miles

23
From Gardiner to dry Cottonwood saw 65 Elk 38 Deer.

24
Left Dry Cottonwood for Hellroaring went up Hellroaring and camped saw 5 Bull Elk with their nose cut off. done in the winter went up on Garnet hill saw 5 Antelope 800 Elk in fair condition and returned to campe distance traveled 25 miles

25
Left Hellroaring for Dry Cottonwood arrive the mountain went up as high as we could with horses and back to Cottonwood basin distance traveled 18 miles saw 500 Elk 84 Deer 2 Bear and killed Coyotes.

26
Left Camp for upper Slew Creek country traveled north on park line game seen 300 Elk. 91 Deer 14 Mountain sheep distance traveled 18 miles

27
Traveled along snow line up to park line seen where man had been walking gathering the tracks led up to Dretes went 3 miles out side of park Learned that he had a party in there for that kind of work and returned back to our camp game seen 25 Elk distance traveled 22 miles killed 3 Coyotes one Bitch with 7 Pups.

28
Left Buffalo and and returned to Dry Cotton wood game seen 400 Elk killed one Coyote. seen 3 Bear distance 18 miles

29
Left Cottonwood camp for Gardiner to look after Antelope distance 16 miles game seen 64 Deer

30
Driving in Antelope drove in 24 Antelope. nothing left out and fixed up the fence. distance 15 miles

May 1st
Left Gardiner for camp Saw 16 Elk 64 Deer Distance traveled 16 Miles

May 2
Stormed and rained all day stayed in camp.

May 3
To Park line via Hellroaring to Bull Mt. and towards Buffalo pleateau. Game seen 800 Elk 35 Deer Killed 2 coyoettes, 21 Bull Elk with their noises choped off, been shot, distance traveled 22 miles.

May 4
Left camp for Slough Creeck traveled on east side of Slough C. to mile line and went into camp. Game seen 800 Elk 25 antelope and 50 Deer distance traveled 22 miles.

May 5
Left camp afoot for park line came down to the creeck to Upper snowshoe cabin, when we got their the stove was warm yet, evidently some one had camped there that night and left very early in the morning. tracks led out of park line and we waited there all day to see if the party came back that night, distance traveled 12 miles.

May 6
Left camp for Buffalo plateau, snow to soft to walk on and too deep for horses, came back to our old camp. Saw Dergette near park line but did not come inside. Distance traveled about 15 miles. Saw 35 Elk Killed 2 coyoettes

May 7
Left camp for Cottonwood basin, was out of feed. Game seen 900 Elk, 2 Bear 75 Deer, 35 Antelope, killed one coyoettes on Garnett hill Distance traveled 22 miles

May 8
From camp to Hellroaring up to park line traveled back north between to two mountain game seen 35 Elk distance traveled 15 miles

May 9
From camp to park line in Cottonwood basin found 2 horses one buckskin one gray buckskin belonged to Walker of Gardiner the gray was branded with a Z on left fore.sholder both horses dead. come across a camp with a Elk hung In a tree with the meat picked off the bones looked like a lost folk camp distance traveled 12 miles dismounted

May 10
From camp to Buffalo creek game seen 300 elk 33 deer 4 mountain sheep distance traveled 18 miles

May 11
Mooving outfit to Knowles Cabin distance traveled 12 miles

May 12
From Knowles Cabin to Headquarters.

May 13
Saturday at H. Q.

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To the
Acting Supertendent of the Yellowstone National park. Wyom
Captian James B. Erwin
Sir

I have the honor to submit to you the following Report of scouting Duty performed by me beginning Sept 20th 1898.

Geo Whittaker (signed)
Scout

Sept. 20th 35 miles
Left the post mounted with 2 pvts of soda Butte station and proceeded to Yanceys stopped at Yanceys for Lunch Left at 3 P. M. and proceeded to soda Butte about 1 mile from Yanceys i met 2 men with 1 pack horse they had come down Miller creek and passed by soda Butte station with-out going up to register or get a permit they said it was to much trouble to go to the station. At first i was going to send them into the post under arrest but Lt Cress was camped nearby so i thought i would turn them over to him they had no Firearms with them saw 15 antelope on little specimen creek & near the Fossil Forest on Specimen Ridge. weather clear temperature warm

Sept 21st 23 miles
Left station mounted with pvts prill and Williams and 2 pack mules to make patrol to Hell-Roaring creek. on Slough creek i saw a number of foot prints along the edge of the water but i think they were made by fishermen there are no signs of anybody having been here for some time i thought it Best to go down to J. D. Knowles cabin while i am here and see who is there then make a trip over the Divide to Buffalo fork of Slough creek then back to soda Butte station. saw 7 antelope on Jackson meadow and 3 within 50 yds of our camp on Hellroaring creek saw 2 fresh Elk tracks on slough creek there are 3 loose horses on slough creek and 3 on this creek. weather Cloudy temperature warm

Sept 22nd 20 miles
same party left camp and made the trip to J. S. Knowles cabin on Crevasse creek. on our way down the Yellowstone river saw 2 men fishing i did not speak to them but after i got by them about 30 yds i told pvt Williams to stop and not let them get out of his sight while i would look for their camp and see what was there i tracked them to J. D. Knowles they had come down from Crevasse Mountain Knowles was not at home so i started back to where i left pvt Williams had not gone far when i met said pvt and he informed me that the two men had got away from him said he could find no trace of them after i had left him so i returned to the place where i first saw them and found their tracks leading toward Hellroaring Creek followed them to our camp but they had gone on to slough creek will go over there tomorrow and see if we can find them. i presume they are 2 miners going to Cooke City to work saw a great many fresh deer sign on the Yellowstone River 2 Elk near our camp. weather Cloudy temperature cool

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Sept 23rd 30 miles
left Camp at 4.45 A. M. to look for the 2 men i trailed to this place found them camped on Slough creek as soon as i saw them i placed them under arrest for being found in this District without a permit they said they were miners on their way to Cooke City to do some work there i did not know what to do with them. they had no arms and were on foot so i Decided to send them over to Lt. G. D. Cress who was camped about 5 miles away. and he decided they should be turned loose. returned to our Camp on Hellroaring in the afternoon i took the 2 pvts with me and went up to a small Basin about 3/4 miles East of Crevasse creek to get some Horses i had seen there yesterday i thought there might be a hunting party camped in there but i found they were a stray band of 9 head i drove them down to Hellroaring and will take them to soda Butte station tomorrow. saw 7 antelope near our Camp. weather clear heavy fall of Rain and snow from 2 to 7—30 a. m. Temperature cool

Sept 24th 18 miles
Left Camp and returned to Soda Butte station drove all the stray horses in so i could send them into the post tomorrow saw 2 antelope in Jackson Meadow weather Clear Temperature warm

Sept 25th 15 miles
remained at the station until noon by that time i decided to take pvt prill and make a trip up cache creek and return to station tomorrow. went up to the middle Fork of cache creek and camped for the night found a place where some one had camped about 2 weeks ago i presume it was some of the men from the station for they only stayed one night there there are numerous Elk sign all along up the creek from the outlet all fresh sign weather clear Temperature warm sent pvt Williams and Hawkins into the post with 7 head of stray horses found in Hellroaring creek

Sept 26th
Left camp and rode to park Line on the head of cache creek saw an old camp about 2 week old presume it was patrol from station saw no sign of anybody hunting in there returned to station for Rations and Grain saw 3 Elk near Death Gulch and numerous fresh tracks all along the creek weather clear temperature warm

Sept 27th about 23 miles
Left soda Butte station with pvt priss and 2 pack mules. went up Lamar River to Miller creek then up Miller creek to park Line camped about 3/4 miles East of park Line. after supper i walked around to see what i could find. about 200 yds south of my camp i found an old horse trail and 2 mens tracks one had hobb nails in his shoes found where they had camped about 2 nights but could not see where they had Killed anything it began to get Dark so had to wait till morning before i could go farther. the country is full of Elk they were Whistlingin all Directions will make special report on Beaver weather rainy temperature cool

Sept 28th about 19 miles
this morning i took up old horse tracks and followed them 3 miles East up the creek i found where 2 Elk had been Killed in the Forest Reserve the Hind Quarters gone and about 4 or 5 horse tracks Leading to them they had been killed about 2 weeks or more. the party that was camped in here consisted of about 10 horses and 3 or 4 men and were in here about the 10th of Sept as near as i can make it out i could not see where they did any hunting in the park but they were within 1/2 mile of the Line in one place. i am not satisfied they have Left this country yet but will return here in a few days. they have been hunting all around the head of Miller creek and down to within 1/2 mile of the park Line the Elk killed were 2 spike Bulls 2 Bear were feeding on the Carcass when i found them. after i found the party had moved elsewhere i returned went down the creek to Lamar River and went up the river to the outlet of Cold creek and camped. saw about 300 Elk along the river but the woods are full of Elk. 3 Deer on Miller creek in Forest Reserve weather Cloudy and heavy snow fall from 3 to 5 oclock p. m. temperature cold

Sept 29th
owing to the inclement weather we had to remain in camp. i did some work on the trail by cleaning it out and Blazing the trees saw 47 Elk. weather very stormy temperature cold

Sept 30th about 25 miles
Left Camp on Lamar River went up Cold creek to Mist creek then over the Divide to the Head of Willow creek & then over to Raven creek. down Raven creek to pelican creek up pelican to Left hand fork then Due west to Hot Springs on Broad creek. then back to pelican creek and camped for the night saw a great many Elk all along the ~~south~~ route 2 Large herds on pelican creek about 100 in each herd saw about 600 in all. will make special report on Buffalo and Beaver saw horse track on pelican creek presume they were patrol from the Lake station weather cold wind Blowing all day heavy snow fall in Evening.

Oct 1st about 20 miles
Left camp on pelican creek went up right hand fork to head of Deep creek then Due east to head of Flint creek then over to opal creek down opal to station owing to the severe snow storm i decided to let Flint creek alone until it cleared up could do nothing in the storm. on East side of the Lamar River about 2 1/2 miles from station i saw 2 men and 3 horses camped there i went over to them they proved to be the 2 men who came down Miller creek Sept 17th and the same men to whom Lt. Cress gave the permit to go around the park (via) Mt. Washburn Sept 20th they said they were waiting for their friend to come back from the post with permit to go back up Miller creek i told them they could not go that way without a permit from Capt James B. Erwin. have made up my mind to follow them up when they do go back that way. saw a great many elk on head of Flint creek should say about 300 all day weather Blinding snow storm all day and very cold and Disagreeable riding.
p. s. it is my candid opinion that there is sombody hunting on Miller creek in the forest Reserve my next trip will cover that District entirely

Oct 2nd
remained at station owing to inclement weather and my horse being Lame was also waiting for some word from Capt Erwin about some matter on Miller creek weather cloudy and stormy Temperature cold

Oct 3rd 12 miles
Left station with Corpl Canovan and 1 pack mule and proceeded up to cache creek after fording the creek we took the high Ridges and Bare hills so we could see everything but owing to the heavy snow fall we could see absolutely nothing so we went into camp about the park Line. saw about 600 or 700 Elk on the Divide between cache creek and Miller creek the snow was about 10 to 12 inch Deep and very cold weather heavy snow fall during day and night temperature cold Distance 12 miles

Oct 4th 20 miles
Left camp very soon after daybreak and continued to follow up the Ridges and high hills for the purpose of trying to Locate one Herman Bodan who is supposed to be hunting in the Forest Reserve. after riding about 3 miles i came on to some trail i examined it and found it was a horse trail followed it for about 100 yds and found a note stuck on a stick which Read as follows

Mr. Robert Rice follow my trail i have moved camp
signed Herman Bodan

we turned around and followed the trail went about 1 1/2 miles when i met my man with 5 head of horses 3 of them packed up i placed him under arrest at once and told him he would have to go to Ft Yellowstone for hunting on the Forest Reserve he consented to go with us. i asked him if he had all that belonged to him and the other 3 men that were already at the post he said he had so we started back for the Butte station. arrived here about 5 30/60 p. m. where we arrested this man was about 2 1/2 miles East of the park Line. saw about 1000 Elk between calfee creek and the station. weather stormy temperature cold snow knee deep to a horse on the Divide

Oct 5th 35 miles Left Soda Butte station with Corpl Canivan and Mr. Herman Boadan who we arrested for hunting on the Forest Reserve 1 pack mule and 5 head of horses then proceeded to Ft Yellowstone there i turned Mr Bodan over to Capt James B. Erwin the park supt. saw about 1000 Elk between soda Butte and Yanceys 57 Antelope on little Specimen creek 49 on Blacktail Deer creek weather Cloudy temperature cool

Nov 4th
remained in the post weather cloudy & cold

Nov 5th 10 miles
remained in the post until 3 p. m. then went to Gardiner on scouting Duty returned to the post at 10 30/60 p. m. saw about 150 antelope near J. C. McCartney field inside the park weather cloudy Temperature cold

Nov 6th
received orders from Capt Erwin to go with Scout Burgess and Locate the antelope on the north Line near Gardiner found about 225 of them about 1 1/2

miles southwest of Gardiner in two Bands one of about 175 and the other about 50 Both Bands were not over 1/4 mile apart returned to post at 1 30/60 p. m. saw 5 mountain sheep on Mt. Everts near the old coal mine weather stormy & cold

Nov 7th 7 miles
received orders from Capt Erwin to take 2 men pvt Bremer and McRae and 7 days Ration and go into camp at the Base of Sepulcher Mountain at the North End and watch the Antelope and other Game in that vicinity also run all Loose stock off the Range and Bring them into the post. Left post at 11 30/60 a.m. with 2 men and 3 pack mules went into camp 1/4 mile south of Gardiner Ice Lake. saw all the antelope same place they were yesterday weather clear & warm

Nov 8th 10 miles
remained in camp myself and sent pvt Bremer and McRae to Gardiner to notify all parties to remove their stock from the park by the 10th
after they returned to camp i took station on a high point that over looks all the antelope Range about 4 oclock they began to go down to the park Line i watched them until 20 minutes before Dark then went to camp had Just got to camp when shooting began among the antelope i took my 2 men and ran down as quietly as possible but it was to Dark to see over 100 yds from you when i got to where i had seen the antelope from the hill i sent pvt Bremer to my Left about 100 yds and i took the right sent pvt McRae in the Centre so he would be out of Danger for i saw he was a little afraid to go unfortunatly he fell in behind pvt Bremer and caused me to Loose two poachers for i had not gone over 75 yds after i left them when i ran right into two men on horse back they were following up the antelope but when the saw me i was at Least 75 yds away they wheeled their horses and run them for all they were worth i called to them to halt but they Kept going so i opened fire on them and fired my 4th shot before my 2 men began to fire my 4th shot and pvt Bremer shot Both went off about the same time and my candid opinion is that we hit either the man or horse from their actions after the shot was fired they were in the park about 1/2 mile 1 1/2 mile west of Gardiner and 3/4 miles from our camp they ran toward Cinnabar i followed them to park Line then returned to camp saddled our horses and went to Cinnabar and Gardiner but could not Learn who the men were but may be able to do so Later as they fired 8 shots at the antelope about 200 in number they all ran back into the park when the shooting began iddid my Best to get the men but my pistol proved to be useless at such Long range and dark at that the sunset gun at the post Just went off as the shooting was over got back to camp from Gardiner at 10 30/60 p.m weather cloudy cold

Nov 9th
Left camp at daybreak with pvt Bremer proceeded 3/4 miles from camp to where the shooting took place to see that the 2 poachers did not return for any Game they might have killed remained there till 8 30/60 then looked around for dead antelope but found none so i dont believe there were any killed by the two men. i returned to camp and wrote a letter to Capt James B. Erwin acting supt Y. N. P. to inform him of the shooting that took place last night and request that a round up of all stock be

made tomorrow by Detachment from the post. sent letter to post by pvt McRae there were no antelope in sight this a. m. Layed on hill this p. m. to watch them but they did not come down pvt McRae returned from post at 4 p.m. with letter from Capt. Erwin to me my 2 mules returned to camp this p. m. weather clear & cold

Nov 10th

Left camp with pvt Bremer and all my pack outfit to make people think i moved to the post arrived at post 11 30/— left all my mules there and returned to camp with pvt Hardy who relieved pvt Bremer and pvt Burdett who was sent out as an extra man for my Detail Left pvt McRae in camp. saw all the antelope south of Gardiner about one and a half miles i met the detail driving Loose stock to Gardiner weather cloudy and cold no antelope near the Line today my detail consists of 3 men beside myself owing to Request being made to Capt James B Erwin acting supt Y. N. P. for one more man which was Granted today

Nov 11th

all remained in camp but all stood Gaurd on the high hill near camp changed off every half hour to watch the antelope that were going toward the park Line this morning at 6 30/— a. m. there 32 of them within 200 yds of my camp about 10 oclock from my Lookout point i saw 2 men on horse back near the Brown Ranch Deliberately drive a herd of 5 Loose horses into the park near the Gardiner Ice Lake i do not know who they were but my opinion is they are men who intend to kill some antelope and if caught they will say they were looking for horses that will be their excuse about 12 30/— p. m. the antelope began working down around the Lakes and toward the park Line have kept a study gaurd on them all day i did not molest the horses those two men drove in will let them stay and see what their actions comes to at 2 oclock i saw a man driving out the horses that were driven in this morning by the 2 men at 10 oclock he rode all around the Antelope that were near the Line and from where i was it Looked to me as though he was trying to drive them over the Line but all the antelope ran by him and took to the hills inside the park he then took his horses and drove them to cinnabar could not tell who he was from where i was. at 4 oclock 8 antelope went to the park line at 5 oclock i took 2 men and went down near the line to watch for anybody that might try to kill them at 6.30 p.m i could see a man riding around near the Line he was looking for the 8 antelope but they had come up to the Ice Lakes and he did not follow them beyond the Line it was to dark to recognize him. all antelope are a good mile inside the park this evening weather Cloudy Temperature mild

Nov 12th 11 miles

Left camp mounted and went to Reese creek then to cinnabar then to Gardiner at that place i found my Brown horse so i took him and sent the Troop horse that i was riding back to the post by a soldier of H troop who i found there on pass. i returned to camp in a round about way when i left camp i sent pvt Burdett and Hardy to the Base of Sepulcher mountain to look at some loose stock i saw there they proved to be stray horses.

during my absense from camp pvt Burdetts horse took sick and he sent pvt McRae to the post for Farrier Brady but before they returned to camp the horse was well again they arrived here about 5 30/60 p.m Farrier Brady returned to the post at 6 oclock p. m. on my way from cinnabar to Gardiner i saw about 75 antelope near the park line one and a half miles west of Gardiner but at dark they all came back into the park. the antelope are split up in 3 Bands now of about 100 in one Band 75 in the 2nd one and about 50 in the last Band there are about 200 on the east side of Gardiner River on the Gardiner flat at the Base of Mt. Evertts i presume they will all remain there during the winter. at 11 30/60 a. m. pvt Burdett saw a man mounted on a Gray horse riding among the antelope he looked around awhile then rode out toward Gardiner do not know who he was on Reese creek there is no sign of any Game yet weather cloudy Temperature mild

Nov 13th

at 7 oclock 2 shots were fired near the park Line where the Antelope were but after looking over the country i could not see anybody near the Line but i saw a man on the main road going toward Gardiner i think it was Geo Mack but am not sure of it my opinion is that the 2 shots were fired just to draw us out of our camp and to find out if we were still camped here so i decided to send in 2 men through Gardiner and fool them by making them think the camp was moved pvt Hardy to get one days ration and return to camp pvt McRae to be relieved by his own Request at 11 00/60 a. m. from my Lookout point i saw a man on foot on the main road going toward cinnabar he had a Gun with him and looks very much like the man i saw this morning when he Left Gardiner he followed along the park Line as far as the Brown Ranch there he left it and took the main road. when he got opposite my camp he stopped and took a good long look all over the hills where the antelope were this morning then went on to Cinnabar i am quiet sure he was the same man who done the shooting this morning at 2 00/60 p. m. the antelope began working down to the park Line at 4 oclock they were about 400 yds south of the Line i took pvt Burdett and went down near them and laid in the Brush so as to be on hand should there any one after them but they were not Molested this p. m. at 6 oclock one shot was fired but it was near or at the Brown Ranch i did not go down for somebody just shot to draw me out and the Game did not run so the shot could not have been fired at the Antelope returned to camp at 7 p. m. weather cloudy Temperature cold

Nov 14

Left camp at 6 30/60 a. m. with pvt Burdett on foot and went to where the antelope were last night but they had all moved to the hills during the night i looked around the country but could see nobody in sight returned to camp at 8 a. m. had not been in camp more than 15 minutes when one shot was fired which must have been at the Brown ranch i went on the look out point at once but could nobody on the park but i saw a man at the Brown ranch looking all over the hills with field Glass he looked very much like Geo Mack of Gardiner he could not have shot at the antelope for there were none in that vicinity one hour before the shot was fired at 2 oclock p m i sent pvt Hardy to the post with my outfit packed on our horses to save the trouble of having a mule sent out i also desired to follow along the park to Gardiner this evening on foot therefore i told pvt Hardy to report the fact to Capt James B Erwin

Acting supt Y. N. P. and request the capt to have the horses sent back to Gardiner for myself and pvt Burdett at 6 30 p. m. no antelope went out today met pvt Hardy with the horses at 6 45 and returned to the post at 8 15 p. m. weather clear temperature warm

Nov 29th
remained in post weather stormy but not cold

Nov 30th
received orders to remain in the post until dark then take sgt wall and pvt Miller of H troop 10 days Ration and proceeded to our former camp at the Base of sepulcher Mountain 6 miles North of the post and remain there to watch the antelope and see that none were killed inside the park. Left post at 8 30 p. m. with sgt Wall pvt miller scout Burgess and 4 pack mules and went the camp mentioned above scout Burgess returned to the post with the mules he Left camp at 10 30 p. m. to return to post found everything just as we had left it when we moved to the post on the 28th weather fair & cold

Dec 1st
left camp at 8 30 a. m. on foot and went on the high point near camp but saw nobody in the park returned to camp and remained there until 4 30 p. m. then sgt Wall and myself left camp on foot and went to park Line to watch the antelope they were not molested today saw about 50 of them near the Line but inside weather clear & cold

Dec 2nd
all remained in camp until 10 45 a. m. when one shot was fired close by i left camp at once mounted and proceeded to A. W. Chadborne ranch from there i saw a man working his way along the park Line i started after him and arrested him he was about 100 feet inside the park and was hunting with a shot gun said he was hunting Rabbits only i took him to the post and Brought him before the U. S. Commissioner who tried him and found him Guilty of violating the rules & Regulations of the Y. N. P. and ordered him to pay a fine in the sum of $15.50 returned to camp at 930 p. m. weather fair

Dec 3rd
at 7 30 7 shots were fired near the park Line sgt Wall and myself left camp mounted and proceeded to where the shooting took place when we got to the park Line we could see 4 men at the Brown Ranch with Rifles sent sgt Wall to see who the men were while i would follow along the Line and see if they had killed any game inside the park but i could not find where they had been inside any where but i found where they had killed one antelope about 150 feet north of the park Line one of the men was Geo Mack of Gardiner the other 3 sgt Wall said he did not know who they were all the antelope left the park Last night but when the shooting took place this morning they all returned to the park weather clear cold

Dec 4th
Left camp mounted and patroled the north Line of the park 3 miles saw no Game of any kind but somebody had taken out a Load of wood back of the Gassert Ranch returned to camp at 3 p. m. weather clear mild

Dec 5th
sgt wall and myself left camp mounted and patroled the park Line sgt wall to Reese creek and myslef to west end of Gassert Ranch saw 4 men with Guns hunting Rabbits they did not get inside the park for i remained on the Line and watched them at 2 p. m. sgt Wall saw 26 antelope near the main road at the Chadborne Ranch 3 mile outside the park but he drove them back into the park. we left camp again at 7.30 p.m. to see where they were found them all inside the park except 7 those we drove back again weather cloudy Temperature mild

Dec 6th
Left camp mounted and patroled along the north Line from Gassert Ranch to Gardiner. sent sgt Wall to Gardiner flats and turkey pen some antelope left the park but drove them back at 5 p. m. they were all south of Brown Ranch weather cloudy & cold

Dec 7th
left camp at 5.45 a. m. mounted and patroled along the Line to the Brown Ranch 2 shots fired this forenoon by 2 men hunting Rabbits 4 shots this afternoon by a man from Gardiner he killed one antelope about 1/2 mile outside the park. Saw Game outside the park Line this p. m. between Gardiner and Gassert Ranch weather clear & cold

Dec 8th
Left camp at 6.30 a. m. went to park Line and stayed there until 8.30 a. m. all the antelope were outside the park Line this morning should say there were about 300 of them they all returned to the park by 8.30 a. m. sgt wall patroled to Reese creek today he reports no Game there yet 2 shots were fired about 7.30 p. m. near the main road but nothing was Killed by the parties who fired the shots weather clear & cold

Dec 9th
Left camp at 7 a. m. and went to the post [via] Gardiner sgt Wall came in one hour behind me there were no antelope outside the park this morning arrived at the post 9.30 a. m. reported Details of my trip to Lt F. T. Arnold who suggested that i remain in camp until Monday the 12th Left the post at 3 p. m. with sgt wall and 2 days ration and returned to our present camp saw 21 mountain sheep at the Eagles nest 3 mile North of the post on main road to Gardiner saw 14 Deer and about 150 Elk about 1 1/2 miles south of Gardiner 10 coyotes on the post Refuse Dump. weather clear & very cold

Dec 10th
remained in camp until 11 a. m. then rode to park Line and returned to camp at 1.30 p. m. weather clear Temperature mild

Dec 11th
sgt Wall and myself left camp at 6 oclock a. m. went to the Brown ranch remained until 8.30 a. m. then returned to camp did not see any antelope but left camp again at 10.30 a. m. and found all the antelope outside the park about 300 yds Left them there and returned to camp and sgt Wall and myself left camp again at 4.30 p. m. and drove them all back in the park weather clear & cold

Dec 12th
sgt wall Left camp at 6^{30} a. m. pvt miller 7^{45} a. m. myself at 7.15 a. m. sgt went to park Line and remained there until 8.30 a. m. when i Joined him and we proceeded to Ft. Yellowstone and reported details of trip to Lt A. T. Arnold. pvt Miller took pack mule and camp outfit to the post. saw one Mountain sheep at Eagles Nest saw the Antelope inside the park near Gardiner weather clear & cold

Dec 13th
received orders to take sgt Wall and pvt Miller and 10 days rations and put them in our former camp at the Base of Mt Everts Left post at 4^{30} p. m. put them in camp and returned to post at 9^{00} p. m. with scout Morrison and the pack train saw 18 Deer in Target range about 150 Elk there also weather clear & cold

Dec 14th
remained in post to assist scout Burgess with Deer pen weather clear & cold

Dec 15th
remained in the post on account of sickness weather clear & mild

Dec 16th
Left post at 4^{30} p. m. and proceeded to my camp at the Base of Sepulcher Mountain sgt Wall and pvt Miller were in camp when i arrived there saw 15 Deer near the north end of Target grounds about 200 Elk same place weather clear & warm

Dec 17th
Left camp at 6^{00} a. m. went to the north Line of the park and remained there until 8.30 a. m. then returned to camp sent sgt Wall to post to get his horse shod and return to camp some time tonight i Left camp again at 2.45 p. m. and patroled the Line until 7 00 p. m. saw all the antelope about 1 mile south of Gardiner saw 5 Deer same place 2 shots were fired about 2 00 p. m. somewhere near the Line weather clear & warm

Dec 18th
Left camp at 6 15 a. m. went to park Line and Laid there until 9 oo then returned to camp Left camp again at 10 30 and patroled park Line from the Gassert Ranch to Gardiner remained near the Line until 2 30 p. m. then returned to camp Left again at 4 30 p. m. returned at 8 00 p. m. sgt wall came to camp and reported to me that his horse had Broken away from him and gone to the post no antelope to be seen near the Line this p. m. they have all moved 1 mile south east of Gardiner weather clear & warm

Dec 19th
Left camp at 4 30 a. m. went to park Line remained there until 8 00 a. m. saw no Game there then went to the post (via) Gardiner to get Sgt Walls horse arrived at post 9 00 a. m. got the horse and returned to camp arrived here at 10 30 a. m. then sent sgt wall to Gassert Ranch on patrol Duty at 3 30 p. m. left camp and rode along park Line to

Gardiner returned to camp at 8 30 p. m. saw no Game along the Line the antelope have all moved south of Gardiner saw 12 Deer at the post Ice house 5 on the Target Range about 200 Elk same place weather cloudy & warm

Dec 20th

Left camp mounted with sgt Wall and patroled the park Line to Reese creek then returned to camp C. B. Scott finished cutting Ice today at noon in compliance with orders received from Capt James B. Erwin to stop all parties from cutting any more Ice here at this Lake i have notified all parties to that effect today

Dec 21st

Left camp with sgt wall at 4 30 a. m. went to Gardiner remained there until 8 15 a m then went along the park Line to the Brown Ranch when we got there we hear 5 shots fired outside the park went down to see who did the shooting and found it was two men from Gardiner they killed 2 antelope and wounded one which ran into the park before they could get it i went to Gardiner and wired the case to Capt James B. Erwin but owing to some delay in sending the message i could not wait for a reply but saw Lt. Hawkins in Gardiner and he told me what to do about the matter we returned to camp at 2.45 p. m. weather clear & cold

Dec 22nd

Left camp with sgt Wall at 4.30 a. m. went to Gardiner remained there until 8 00 a. m. then went to the Brown Ranch there we saw 2 men from Gardiner hunting antelope the wounded one but it ran over the park Line before they could get it when it got about 50 yds inside the park it laid down and could not get up again i Dressed it and sent it to the post. also went in myself and reported Details of trip to Capt James B. Erwin acting supt Y. N. P. who ordered me to take sgt wall pvt Van Camp and pvt Miller of H Troop and pvt Miller of H Troop and put Syberts of D Troop and 2 days ration and return to my present camp we Left the post at 3 00 p. m. i cam through Gardiner and drove all the antelope back from the park Line about 1 mile they were all working out. the other men of Detachment went over the trail saw 49 Deer in one Band 2 miles north of the post 12 at the Gov Ice house 7 mountain sheep at Eagles Nest weather stormy & cold

Dec 23rd

sgt Wall & myself left camp at 5 30 a. m. went along park Line to Gardiner drove back all the antelope we saw and returned to camp at 9 00 a. m. at 10 a. m. i sent pvt sybertz and pvt Van Camp to patrol the Line to Gardiner and drive back any antelope they saw they returned to camp at 12 oclock and Left camp again at 2 oclock p. m. returned at 4 p. m. they saw no Game outside the park sgt Wall patroled to Gassert ranch i remained in camp until 4 30 p. m. then patroled Line to Gardiner returned to camp at 7 p. m. Built an extension to cabin today for 2 extra men weather clear & cold.

Dec. 24th
Left camp at 5 30 a. m. rode along the park Line to Gardiner remained there until 8 15 a. m. then went to the post to exchange sgt Walls horse and also get a horse for pvt miller. pvt Sylertz came into the post also Brought him in to lead the 2 horses back to camp while i would go back by way of Gardiner Left post at 3 45 p. m. met scout Burgess on main road 1 mile south of Gardiner met sgt Wall on park Line 6 mile west of Gardiner on patrol Duty he reports 4 antelope outside this a. m but they returned to park this p. m. The most of them were in the J. B. McCartney field today. i saw 2 men from Gardiner hunting along the park Line this morning weather stormy & cold

Dec 25th
Left camp at 6 00 a. m. went to Gardiner remained there until 9 00 a. m. then returned to camp sgt Wall and pvt Sybertz Left camp at 7 30 a. m. patroled the Line from Chadborne Ranch to Gardiner then they went to the post to spend Xmas. pvt Miller and Van Camp Left camp at 9 30 a. m. and went to the post over the Trail to spend Xmas they returned at 3 00 p. m. sgt Wall and pvt Sybertz returned at 5 00 p. m. i left camp again at 4 30 p. m. remained on the Line until 6 30 p. m. weather Cloudy & mild

Dec 26th
Left camp at 6 30 a. m. went to Gardiner and returned to camp at 9 15 a. m. no Game seen this morning the antelope are all up in the hills south of Gardiner sgt wall and pvt sybertz left camp at 7 30 a. m. returned to camp with me i left camp again at 10 30 a. m. and patroled the Line to Gassert Ranch sgt Wall Left camp at 10-- am made patrol to Mt Everts and old turkey pen trail he reports foot track on that trail also on McMahon creeek he saw no sheep today but saw about 150 antelope on the Gardiner flat pvt sybertz and Van Camp left camp at 9 20 and patroled along the park Line until 12 30 p. m. then came to camp and Left again at 1.45 p. m. and returned at 4 00 p. m. i left camp at 4 30 p. m. and returned at 6 40 p. m. there was no antelope to be seen near the park Line today weather cloudy & mild Mr Link began cutting ice today with written permit from Capt James B. Erwin acting Supt Y. N. P. to cut Ice in the park at the Chadborn Lakes

Dec 27th
Left camp at 6 00 a. m. went to Gardiner returned to camp at 8 30 a. m. pvt sybertz and VanCamp Left camp at 9 45 a. m. patroled the Line to Gardiner they came back and left again at 2 00 p. m. made the same ride and returned to camp at 4 00 p. m. sgt Wall left camp at 10 00 a. m. and went to the post to report to Capt James B. Erwin that Frank Bezere was wroking on the Ice Lake in the park. sgt wall returned at 2 00 p. m. with orders to have Bezere cease work at once by order of Capt. James B. Erwin the acting supt Y. N. P. orders were at once to Mr Link to have Bezere stop work he having employed Bezere to cut Ice for him i left camp again at 11 00 a. m. and also at 4 30 p. m. and patroled the Line Both times from Gassert ranch to Gardiner a large herd of Elk have moved down near the Chadborne Ranch between 200 and 300 in number no antelope near the Line today weather clear & warm. Mr. Link finished cutting Ice today

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April 1st
took 3 Men and removed a Deer from Game Trap in the Garden to the post. in the afternoon same party repaired Fense in the Game corral weather Stormy & mild

April 2nd
Left post mounted with Corpl Harding of H troop and patroled the north Line to Gassert Ranch saw 2 men hunting along the park Line all the antelope were outside the park weather--mild

April 3rd
took 3 men and team and removed a Deer from the trap to the post weather clear

April 4th
took 2 men and removed another Deer from trap to the post weather stormy

April 5th
left post with 2 men and 2 teams to Move Game Trap from Gov Garden to the Gardiner flat to catch some antelope weather clear

April 6th
Left post with 2 men to finish the Game Trap found one antelope killed on Gardiner flat about 1/2 mile inside the park weather clear

April 7th
Left post with corpl Harding made patrol to Reese Creek no sign of poaching weather clear & warm

April 8th
Left post to look at Game Trap on Gardiner flat weather clear.

April 9th
Left post at 7 30 a. m. with 5 men mounted to make a Trip up Mulheron creek Learned at Aldridge that parties were killing Elk and Bringing in Elk meat every 2 or 3 days 6 men Left there this morning but i could not follow them with horses on account of deep snow weather clear and warm

April 10th
Left post mounted and patroled the North Line to the Gassert Ranch weather clear

April 11th
Left post to look at the Game Trap on Gardiner flat weather Cloudy

April 12th
Left post mounted with scout Morrison made patrol over the hills to Gardiner weather clear

April 13th
Left post with scout Morrison made patrol up the East Gardiner river weather clear

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April 14th
Left post on skis with Corpl Will of D Troop and Corpl Montgomery and Bks Worthington of H Troop and went to the head waters of the Gardiner River camped there for the night weather clear

April 15th
same party Left camp at Daybreak and went to the park Line on Mulheron creek camped there for the night weather clear

April 16th
same party Left camp at about 10 00 a. m. and went to Cinnabar about 1/4 mile from our camp we crossed a great many Trails made by parties on skis going in and out of the park some welb shoe Tracks also. all coming from Aldridge there are numerous signs of poaching in this part of the park. the Last Trail looked to be about a week old. from cinnabar we went to the Cabin near the Gardiner Ice Lakes and camped for the night weather stormy

April 17th
same party Left Cabin and came to the post arrived in post at 9 00 a. m. weather clear

April 18th
Left post with scout Morrison made patrol to Mt Evertts weather stromy

April 19th
repaired fense in the Game corral weather cloudy

April 20th
working in Game corral weather cloudy

April 21st
Left post with Corpl Montgomery and Bks Worthington of H troop and corpl Briscoe of D Troop on skis and went to Mr Klamers cabin on swan Lake meadows camped there for the night weather mild

April 22nd
same party left cabin and went to head waters of Gardiner River then over the Divide to Mulheron creek camped near the park Line weather clear

April 23rd
scouted around the camp for about one mile east of camp to Look for any parties that might be hunting there but saw no sign of any body having been there since my last trip there on April 15th & 16th Camped in an old cabin near the park Line weather cloudy

April 24th
same party Left camp and proceeded to cinnabar there i sent Capt W. E. Wilder act supt Y. N. P a Request for a team to Bring the party to the post arrived at post at 9 30 p. m. weather mild

April 25th
Reported Details of Trip to Capt W. E. Wilder act supt Y. N. P. weather mild

April 26th
Took pvt Bremier and patroled North Line to Gassert Ranch. weather stormy

April 27th
Took pvt Brenier and patroled North Line to Reese creek weather stormy

April 28th
patroled North Line to Chadborne Ranch weather clear

April 29th
Doing Duty in post weather clear

April 30th
patroled North Line to Reese creek weather stormy

May 1st
Remained in the post. weather cold & stormy

May 2nd
Remained in the post weather cold & stormy

May 3rd
patroled North Line to Gassert Ranch weather cold

May 4th
made patrol 6 miles northwest of post along the Base of Sepulcher mountain saw a great many Elk & Deer. saw one old Doe with a young Fawn about 2 days old weather Mild

May 5th
received orders to take Corpl Powell of H Troop and 9 days Rations and make a Trip to Hell Roaring District. weather clear

May 6th
Left post mounted with Corpl Powell and 4 pack mules and went to the outlet of Black-Tail Deer creek camped here for the night the most of the Beaver in this creek have either moved or they have been Trapped out My opinion is they have moved to some other creek there are a great many Dead Elk on the creek mostly Last spring calves. about 25 antelope crossed this creek today on their way to Yanceys there are about 600 Elk along the creek from this point to where the Road crosses it. Also about 75 Deer along the creek weather clear and very Warm.

May 7th
same party moved camp to the outlet of cotton wood creek there are quiet a number of Dead Elk along the Yellowstone River but some party or parties have been here during the past 20 day and gathered all the Tershes there are 12 Dead Bulls but 9 of them have died since they dropped their antlers there are 19 cowes and calves which makes a Total of 31 that Lay along the Trail between the Black tail ford and the mouth of cotton wood creek a Distance of about 2 1/2 miles. i

Left my outfit here and then went to the cabin on Hellroaring creek

there has been some Trapping done on this creek about 1/2 mile west of the cabin should say the sign is about 6 weeks old presume the party was Trapping Foxes there are a great many Dead Elk between the mouth of cotton wood creek and the Hell-Roaring cabin mostly spike Bulls & calves. Saw a great many Black & White tail Deer along the Trail also 6 Mountain sheep near the mouth of cotton woods creek all Ewes. found 2 Elk that have been killed and the Hind Quarters taken. found a Deer head Lying in the Trail this morning it had not been killed more than 48 hours but cannot say how it was killed but my opinion is that it was shot by some party for the meat. we saw between 3000 and 4000 Elk today on Hellroaring creek. one cow Elk with a young calf. weather clear.

May 8th

owing to the numerous foot prints along the Different Trails i Decided to remain under cover as much as possible and see if we can catch some of the parties who are coming in and out of the park at this point. went to see J. S. Knowles Learned from him that two men were up the River on May 5th between this place and J. S. Knowles cabin there are 42 dead Elk mostly calves 2 miles west of Knowles cabin there are 53 dead Elk on one acre of ground 48 of them are calves on 5 Acres there 75 dead ones seems as though they got snowed in and starved to Death Last evening about 8 00 p. m. there was a Terrific Blast fired somewhere in cottonwood Basin i presume there is somebody mining near the head waters of cotton-wood creek. Owing to the Deep snow that is still in the Basin it is impossible to look for any parties that may be mining in there except on skis did not hear any more Blasting today the Yellowstone River is getting very high today. weather very warm and snow going very fast there about 175 Blacktail Deer along the River today between this point and J. S. Knowles cabin and 20 Whitetail Deer around his cabin 7 near our camp.

May 9th

corpl powell tried to Locate the place where the Blast was fired on the 7thinst but could not get far owing to Deep snow he found 4 more dead Elk 1/4 mile north of camp 3 more Dead calves came down the River today. weather clear.

May 10th

During the night our mules Left us after Breakfast i took up the Trail and found them on Top of Crevasse Mountain. Mr. James McBride & Wife were fishing today on the Yellowstone River. 6 Dead Elk calves came down the River today 2 more died last night near our camp they were Both calves found one more dead cow 200 yds northwest of our camp i returned to camp with the mules about 3 30 p. m. Corpl powell went out scouting over the hills weather clear the Yellowstone River is very high today impossible to Ford it anywhere in this District

May 11th

Left camp with entire outfit and went to Hell-Roaring creek found a great many dead Elk. there also found 7 Dead Mountain sheep all Rams found a new colony of Beaver have come into the Little Buffalo creek and are doing a great deal of work there the Creek is very high now

we saw about 7000 Elk near the creek also about 300 Deer in the Hell Roaring District. there are 47 Antelope here also that have just moved from the Gardiner flat weather Rainy

May 12th
Left camp with my outfit and returned to J. S. Knowles cabin camped there found about 100 Rounds of shotgun ammunition Buried near Hell-Roaring creek. saw one Buffalo near the Base of Hell-Roaring Mountain about a 4 year old weather clear

May 13th
at 7 30 a. m. 2 men came to my camp with a pack horse and 2 saddle horses they had no permit so i placed them under arrest and took them to the post to let Capt W. E. Wilder acting supt Y. N. P. decide what to do with them he sent them to the U. S. Commissioner for trial but the court Discharged them came to the post by way of Crevasse mountain and Gardiner weather stormy

May 14th
went to Gardiner weather stormy

May 15th
Received orders to go to soda Butte station tomorrow morning and Bring Bring pvt McNabb to the post to be Relieved from station and to return to the post by way of Hellroaring creek. weather stormy Temperature cold

May 16th
Left post mounted with Scout Morrison and 2 pack mules and proceeded to Yanceys.
there is not much snow on the road except in Drifts would take a great deal of shoveling to get a wagon through to Yanceys weather stormy

May 17th
Left Yanceys and went to soda Butte station there is no snow on the road to this place. there are numerous Bands of Elk on specimen Ridge slough creek & cache creek about 150 antelope along the road weather stormy

May 18th
remained at the station owing to one of our horses being Lame weather fair

May 19th
Left soda Butte and went over the Trail (via) slough creek and Hell-Roaring creek to the Blacktail ford on the Yellowstone River camped there for the night. There are about 5000 Elk along the Trail from soda Butte to this place and about 100 antelope some Deer also. During the past week somebody has been on the trail to cotton wood creek on foot. found 2 Dead Mountain sheep near cotton wood (one) Ram (One) Ewe and 1 calf Elk that had been killed by coyotes. weather stormy Rain and snow falling

May 20th
Left camp and went to the post weather stormy

May 21st
went to Gardiner weather Rainy

May 22nd
Left post and made patrole over Mt Evertts saw 41 sheep on McMinn Bench weather clear

May 23rd
patrolled to the Base of Sepulcher Mountain weather clear

May 24th
working in the Game corral weather clear

May 25th
working in the post weather clear

May 26th
made patrol on Mt Evertts saw mountain sheep weather clear

May 27th
working in the post weather stormy

May 28th
made patrol to Mt Evertts saw 10 sheep weather stormy

May 28th
remained in the post weather stormy

May 29th
made patrol to Mt Evertts weather stormy

May 30th
remained in the post weather stormy

May 31st
on sick report weather clear

June 1st
Sick report weather stormy

June 2nd
on sick report weather stormy

June 3rd
went to Cinnabar weather clear

June 4th
remained in post weather stormy

June 5th
remained in post weather stormy & cold

June 6th
in the post weather stormy

June 7th
in post. weather clear

June 8th
attending court at U. S. Commissioners house weather clear

June 9th
in the post weather clear

June 10th to 13th remained in the post weather stormy

June 14th
went on Mt Evertts to look at the sheep weather stormy

June 15th
Duty in post weather clear

June 16th
remained in the post weather clear

June 17th
by order of Capt W. E. Wilder i was ordered to go with scout Morrison Corpl Ornes and pvt Young and proceed to Riverside station and arrest 3 men that passed there this p. m. supposed to be the Union Pacific Train Robbers we left the post at 6 45 p. m. Arrived at Norris at 9 00 p. m. Left Norris at 9 30 p. m. arrived at Riverside station at 1 45 a. m. June 18th Left Riverside at 3 15 a. m. and had to go to Dwelles Ranch before we found camp of the men we were after. they were still in bed at 6 00 oclock we went to their camp and placed them under arrest after Breakfast we left for Riverside station arrived there at 9 45 a. m. at 8 15 p. M. we Left for Norris station arrived there at 3 00 a. m.

June 19th
remained there until 1 30 p. m. then proceeded to the post and turned prisoners over to Capt W. E. Wilder who after giving them a hearing Released them there being no Evidence to hold them weather clear in forenoon Raining in afternoon.

June 20th
Left post with Sgt Leob of H Troop 4th Cav and Sgt Hoffer pvt Bell and stiener of M Troop 1st cav to go to snake River station and relieve 4th Cav Detachment Left post at noon and went to Norris station weather clear

June 21st
Left Norris and went to Lake station weather stormy

June 22nd
Left Lake station and went to the Thumb station weather clear

June 23rd
Left thumb and went to Lewis falls there we found the snow so Deep and soft that we had to camp. sgt Leob sgt Hoffer and pvt Stiener went on foot to station weather clear

June 24th
at 2 30 a. m. i Left camp with 3 pack mules and 4 saddle Horses and went to snake River station it Froze so hard during the night that we could Trot on Top of the snow got to the station at 7 45 a. m. weather clear

June 25th
at 1 30 a. m. we Left the station on our return with 4th Cav. Detachment arrived at the Thumb at 9 00 a. m. remained there until 1 00 p. m. then came to the Lake station weather clear Distance 47 miles

June 26th
Left Lake and came to Norris weather clear

June 27th
Left norris and came to Ft. Yellowstone weather clear

June 28th
in the post

June 29th
in the post

June 30th
in the post

July 1st to July 7th
inclusive patrolling main Road from post to Gardiner and from post to Willow creek

July 8th
Left the post with pvt Chase and 3 pack mules and went to Yanceys saw 27 Antelope between Blacktail and Yanceys weather clear

July 9th
Same party left Yanceys and went to Soda Butte Station found the station in good condition saw about 50 Elk near there and 67 Antelope weather clear

July 10th
Remained at station could do nothing on account of high water weather clear

July 11th
Layed over at the station and gave the N. C. O. in charge all the nessesary instructions in regard to his duty at the station weather clear

July 12th
remained at station until noon at that hour Corpl Smith and pvt Chase came in with a man under arrest for killing Fish with Rocks myself and

Corpl Smith left station at noon and went to Yanceys with our prisoner (Thomas Murchie.) by name and camped at Yanceys weather Rainy

July 13th
same party left Yanceys and came to Ft. Yellowstone i reported Details of Trip to Capt O. J. Brown act supt Y. N. P. who ordered the prisoner to be taken before the U. S. Commissioner for Trial he was Tried found Guilty and sentenced to serve 20 days in the Guard House weather stormy

July 14th
patrolled the Road to Gardiner weather clear

July 15th
patrolled the road to Willow Creek weather clear

July 16th
went to Gardiner weather clear

July 17th
started packing school with 6 men from M troop 1st Cav. weather clear

July 18th
patrolled Roads in forenoon and attended packing school in the afternoon weather clear

July 19th
doing same duty weather clear

July 20th
same duty weather stormy

July 21st
went to Golden Gate to hold all teams until all the Y. N. P. T. Co. coaches had passed through weather clear packing school in the afternoon

July 22nd
Same duty weather clear

July 23rd
Same Duty weather clear

July 24th
same duty weather clear

July 25th
same Duty weather cloudy

July 26th
school in forenoon patroled Road to Gardiner in afternoon

July 27th
same Duty

July 28
Same Duty

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July 29th
same Duty

July 30th
same Duty

July 31st
Same Duty

August 1st to 11th
same duty

August 12th
Left post with 2 pvts from M Troop and 5 pack mules with 8 days Ration went to Blacktail ford of the Yellowstone River found the River so high that could not ford it went into camp to try it in the morning weather clear

Aug 13th
Owing to the River being to high to ford i pack up and went to Yanceys camped there weather stromy

Aug 14th
same party left Yanceys and went to Soda Butte weather clear

August 15th
Myself and corpl Smith left the station and went to the head waters of Deep Creek and flint creek on the mirror plataeu to look for the Buffalo. could not see any but found numerous sign saw about 1000 Elk in one Band on the plataeu and some Bear sign Saw no sign of any poaching or of any one having been here this year returned to station at 5 30 weather clear

August 16
Left soda Butte Station with Corpl Smith pvt Chase pvt Fleezle pvt stewart and 5 mules and went to the Buffalo fork of slough creek camped there for the night found where J. Duret and peter Forde had Located and claimed 160 acres of ground on the park saw 1 Deer no sign of poaching weather clear

August 17th
Left camp and came to the outlet of cotton wood creek camped there weather clear

Aug 18th
left camp and came to the post over crevasse Mountain and through Gardiner weather clear

Aug 19th
post duty

Aug 20th
post duty patrolling north line and wagon Roads

Aug 21st
same Duty

Aug 22nd
same Duty

Aug 23rd
same duty

Aug 24th
same Duty

Aug 25th
to Blacktail and return

Aug 26th
same Trip

Aug 27th
Left post and went to Yellowstone River the River was to high to ford

Aug 28th
went to Yanceys and camped there

Aug 29th
Left camp and came to cotton wood creek camped there

Aug 30th
Left camp and came into the post

Aug 31st
to Gardner and return

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Sept 1st
to Cinnabar and return

Sept 2nd
to Gardiner and return

Sept 3rd
to Bear Gulch camped there for the night

Sept 4th
returned to the post

Sept 5th
to Willow creek and return

Sept 6th
post Duty

Sept 7th
to Gardiner and Return

Sept 8
post Duty

Sept 9th
left post with pvt Bonnor and 3 pack mules and went to Hell-Roaring camped there Forded the River at Blacktail ford

Sept 10th
met corpl Smith at this place he saw no sign of poaching weather clear

Sept 11th
my mules left during the night and came to the post caught a stray horse and let the mules go remained in camp

Sept 12th
packed up and returned to the post weather clear

Sept 13th
went to willow creek and returned same day

Sept 14th
Left post with 5 pack mules to escort party to Grizzly Lake weather stormy

Sept 15th
in camp at the Lake

Sept 16th
went to indian creek and returned to camp at the Lake weather clear

Sept 17th
Left camp with entire outfit and returned to the post

Sept 18th
patrolled north Line and returned

Sept 19th
to Glen creek and return

Sept 20th
left post with Capt Brown Lt Yates and 2 men of M Troop with pack train and went to J. S. Knowles cabin weather clear

Sept 21st
Left Knowles cabin and returned to the post weather clear

Sept 22nd
to indian creek and return weather clear

Sept 23rd
Left post with 1st sgt Calvert of M Troop and scout hansen with 2 pack mules and went through Fawn Pass to Gallatin River saw 1 Bear 1 Deer and 7 Elk weather clear

Sept 24th
Left camp on the Gallatin River and patroled the west Line to Gneiss creek camp there saw no Game but saw a great many fresh Tracks weather clear

Sept 25th
Left camp and scouted the country to Cougar creek no Game seen weather clear

Sept 26th
scouted up Maple creek to the Top of the Divide there we found a Fire Burning and had been Burning for at Least 3 days it was left Burning by some party on horse back we saw where his horse had been picketed and where the camp fire had been the party that let it Burn went down Maple Creek. no Game seen but numerous fresh sign weather clear

Sept 27th
Left camp on the head of Indian creek and went down the creek to the Road at swan Lake then to Ft. Yellowstone. weather clear saw about 200 Elk

Sept 28th
to Base of Sepulcher mountain and return weather clear

Sept 29th
at 3 30 p. m. received orders to take pvt Norlin and Herdee and 2 mules with 7 day Ration and go to slough creek arrived at Yanceys at 7 30 p. m. weather clear

Sept 30th
Left Yanceys and went to slough creek found nobody poaching weather clear

Oct 1st
Left camp at 7 a. m. with pvt Norlin and scouted to the park Line met G. M. Leatherman going to Buffalo Fork with a hunting party. he told me something about a Mr. Van Dyke hunting on the park so i told him if he could swear to it to go before the U. S. Commissioner and make Complaint and he would be arrested for it i sent pvt Hurdee to soda Butte to remain there until the 4th then come back and tell sgt Smith to come with him returned to camp at 5 00 p. m. weather stormy

Oct 2nd
scouted the country between slough creek and Buffalo fork but saw no Game returned to camp weather cold and stormy

Oct 3rd
scouted to park Line and returned to camp weather cold and stormy

Oct 4th
Left camp to meet sgt Smith and pvt hurdee met them at the Cabin on slough creek also met Major E. W. Bach and party. Broke camp and went to Buffalo fork saw no Game or poachers weather clear

Oct 5th
Left camp with sgt Smith and pvt Norlin scouted to park Line Located 3 hunting parties about 2 miles north of the park Line watched them until noon then returned to camp weather clear

Oct 6th
While eating Breakfast my 2 mules Broke Loose and started for the post started after them but could not overtake them had to go to the post for them weather clear

Oct 7th
Left post and returned to camp with one mule weather clear

Oct 8th
sent pvt Norlin to soda Butte while myself and pvt herder came into the post weather stormy

Oct 9th
hunting my horse weather stormy

Oct 10th
received orders to take 2 men and 7 days Ration and go to the Gallatin River District weather stormy

Oct 11th
Left post with pvt Reynolds and McNamarra and 2 mules went through Fawn Pass to the Gallatin River camp there weather stormy saw about 600 Elk

Oct 12th
Remained in camp owing to sickness and the stormy weather

Oct 13th
Broke camp and went to Fan Creek there had been some game party up there 3 or 4 days back but they got out before the storm set in saw no Game weather stormy

Oct 14
about 9 a. m. Mr. Henry Lohman came to my camp said he was Looking for horses i told him i would have to arrest him said he had a camp on the next creek with 2 men in it i sent one of my men with him to his camp and told him to pack up and get ready to go to the post when i came to Lohmans camp later i found the 2 men absent i soon found them coming toward camp with their Guns. i put them under arrest at once. we started at 1 00 p. m. and camped on the Gallatin River. weather stormy

Oct 15th
Left camp and proceeded to the post Reported Details of trip and arrest of 3 men to him he ordered them taken before the U. S. Commissioner for trial weather stormy

Oct 16th
Attended court prisoner found Guilty and fined $14.10/100 each weather stormy

Oct 17th
went to the Base of Sepulcher Mountain to see if the Antelope had come down yet found about 600 of them there went back and reported the fact to Capt A. J. Brown he sent a Detail of one Corp1 and 2 pvts to watch them until i could Establish a camp near them weather stormy.

Oct 18th
Left the post with pvt Doren and shrader and 5 pack mules at 8 15 p. m. and went to the same camp i had last year to watch the Antelope sent pvt Doren back to the post with the mules weather stormy

Oct 19th fixing up camp pvt Doren returned to camp at 7 45 p. m. weather clear

Oct 20th
went up on a high point near the cabin to watch the Antelope but they do not go within 1/2 mile of the Line yet. weather very Windy but clear

Oct 21st
Left camp at daybreak and made patrol to the Brown Ranch no antelope have been over the Line yet pvts Doren and shrader watched them during the day from a high point that overlooks the entire Range of the Antelope weather clear

Oct 22nd
Left camp at daybreak and patroled the park Line to Brown Ranch saw no antelope near the Line but the most of them were near my camp until about 3 p. m. when Lt Hickman and Detachment from the post came through their Range and scared them up they all ran to the north but did not get over the Line. when i met Lt. Hickman we decided that the men of his detachment should drive them back to the hills again i Left Lt. Hickman about 4 30 p. m. and returned to camp weather cloudy

Oct 23rd
Left camp at daybreak and patrolled the North Line to Brown Ranch no antelope had crossed the Line yet but were down very close to it i drove them back to the hills again pvts Doren & shrader watched the Game and park Line from point Lookout weather stormy

Oct 24th
Left camp at daybreak and patroled the Line i found about 50 antelope outside the park near the main road between Gardiner & Cinnabar but i got them back into the park before any of them were molested weather clear

Oct 25th
Left Camp about 5 00 a. m. with pvt shrader and patroled the Line the Brown Ranch about 100 Antelope were outside the park but got them all Back by daylight then returned to camp since the night of the 20th inst i have been making these patrols Morning Evening and one between 10 a. m, and 2 p. m. going down before daylight and remaining out until after Dark. 2 men on foot were hunting antelope today about 1 30 p. m. but did not Venture over the park Line nor did they get any Game weather clear

Oct 26th
Left Camp at daybreak with pvt Doren and patroled the Line to the Brown Ranch there i left pvt Doren and proceeded to the post for Forage and Rations. pvt Doren returned to camp i gave them speccific instructions what to do until i returned from the post Capt Brown gave me orders to take 10 days Ration and return to the same camp. no Antelope were near the Line today the most of them were about 1 mile south of Gardiner. weather cloudy

Oct 27th
Teamster Johnson Left post with my Rations and took them to my camp i took the Trail over the hill saw about 75 Antelope about 3 miles North of the post weather clear. arrived at camp at 4 30 p. m. everything O. K.

Oct 28th
Left camp at 6 10 a. m. with pvt Doren made the usual patrol but saw no antelope except a small band near my camp weather clear

Oct 29th
Left camp at 6 00 a. m. patroled the Line but owing to the clear weather the Antelope are all back in the hills today drove a herd of cattle out of the park today weather clear

Oct 30th
Left camp at 6 00 a. m . made the usaul patrol but there were no Antelope to be seen near the Line weather clear

Oct 31st
Left camp at daybreak made the usual patrol there were no Antelope out this a. m. but this Evening about 4 30 about 250 of them came down

almost to the park Line but i drove them back to the hills by firing 2 shots pvt shrader went to the post and returned at 4 30 p. m. weather cloudy

Nov 1st

Left camp at 5 45 a. m. made the usaul patrol but saw no Game about 2 00 p. m. the Antelope began working down toward the park Line but did not cross it until during the night pvt Doren went to the post and returned at 4 30 p. m. weather clear

Nov 2nd

Left camp at 6 00 a. m. with pvt Doren made the uasul patrol found 3 Antelope at the Brown Ranch about 200 yds outside the park and 20 near Gardiner but got them all back safe Drove a Band of 13 horses out this a. m. Left camp at 12 15 and remained on the Line until 5 45 p. m. 4 shot fired near the park Line by some hunter but no Game Killed weather clear.

Nov 3rd

Left camp at 5 45 a. m. made the usaul patrol found about 150 antelope outside the park but got them all back by daylight while driving them in i happened to see a camp fire Burning on the old turkey pen road east of Gardiner i took pvt Doren and went over to see who was camped there at the camp i found Mr. J. M. Moore and Adam Miller they had a written permit from Lt. Yates to travel over that Route returned to camp at 9 30 a. m. Left camp again at 12 45 p. m. remained out until 3 30 then came back to camp and Left again at 5 00 p. m. and returned at 6 15 p. m. this system of patrolling will be Kept up Daily from now until the station is relieved from this Duty. weather clear.

Nov 4th

Left camp at 5 40 a. m. made the usaul patrol did not see any Game returned to camp at 8 15 a. m. Left camp again at 1 30 p. m. went to the park Line while i was there i saw a pack-train of 12 horses and 2 men they took the road to Bear Gulch presume they are a hunting party returned to camp at 5 45 p. m. weather cloudy

Nov 5th

sent pvt schrader to make patrol to Brown Ranch at 5 45 a. m. Left camp myself at 6 30 patrolled the Line then went to the post owing to our Ration being out today also to report Details of scouting Duty performed by this Detachment went by Gardiner to send a message to the Deputy sheriff at Bear Gulch Weather clear

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To the
Acting Supt Y. N. P.
Sir

I have the honor to submit to you the following report begining Feb. 11th 1899

Very Respectfully

George Whittaker (signed)
Scout
M. J. J. D.

Feb. 11th 1899
remained in post to do some work for the commanding officer weather clear & cold

Feb 12th
Left post with scout Morrison and sgt Holman & pvt sherron and patroled the north Line to the Chadborne Ranch returned to post at 6 30 p. m. weather stormy & cold

Feb 13th
Left post with scout Morrison and made patrol to Gassert Ranch found one antelope had been shot this morning outside the park about 400 yds also found one Elk had been killed about 300 yds from the park Line back of the Gassert Ranch and was taken to the house on said Ranch weather cloudy & chinook wind

Feb 14th
remained in post weather cloudy & chinook Wind

Feb 15th
Left post with pvt Williams & Sullivan of H Troop and pvt Culbertson of D Troop with 15 days Ration and proceeded to my old cabin at the Gardiner Ice Lakes came here with Team and sleigh and 12 men mounted to Break Trail for the team did not have much Trouble in getting here. Will do all the work from here on skis. pvt. Culbertson will be Left in camp every day. saw a great Many antelope outside the park near our camp. weather chinook wind Blowing

Feb 16th
Left camp on skis with pvt Williams & Sullivan and made patrol to Gassert Ranch. saw about 25 Elk and 2 Deer near the park Line and 2 men from Harr hunting inside the Chadborne Ranch watched them until they returned home Drove all the antelope inside the park they were about 300 yds outside. during my absense from camp somebody came to the Ice Lake near camp with a team but did not get anything i presume he was after a Load of Ice returned to Camp at 3 15 p. m. weather chinook Wind Blowing

Feb 17th
Left camp on skis with pvt Williams & Sullivan made patrol to Brown Ranch then to Chadborne Ranch saw Mr. Larry Link looking for horses told him he would have to get a permit but he showed me where the horses were they were about 400 yds inside the Line i told him to get them and i would explain the matter to the commanding officer when i returned to the post. about 9/10 of the antelope have moved inside the park

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about 1/2 mile south of Gardiner a small band still remains outside but by sunday i think i will be able to have them all together again and keep them inside the park while i am in camp weather cloudy & stormy but not cold snow going very fast

Feb 18th
same party Left camp on skis patroled the Line from Brown Ranch to Chadborne Ranch about 3 inches of snow fell Last night and about 100 antelope went outside but returned about 9 30 a. m. weather clear & warm

Feb 19th
same party Left camp and made patrol to Reese creek found everything O. K. at that place the snow is to deep for anybody to hunt on foot on Reese Creek saw 37 Elk outside the park south of Gassert Ranch all the antelope have moved into the park near Gardiner could not find any outside the park. found one killed by Coyotes but am quiet sure it was the one i saw about a week ago it had been shot in the hind leg. weather clear & warm chinook Wind

Feb 20th
pvt Sullivan and pvt Culbertson made patrol to park Line no Game in sight today weather clear warm wind Blowing

Feb 21st
Left camp with pvt Williams and Sullivan on skis went to park Line there we found all the antelope had Left the park during the night owing to a hard crust that came on the snow during the night we had just got the entire Band into the park when 4 men from Horr came along hunting for them when they saw my party they turned back. about 12 30 p. m. one man came along the main road mounted with a Rifle on his saddle i presume his intention was to kill some antelope i remained on the Line until 4 20 p. m. Mr. Alden Rosbourgh of Gardiner cut a Load of Ice by permission from Capt James B. Erwin weather stormy & cold

Feb 22nd
same party Left camp and patroled north Line of park until 10 15 a. m. then i left pvt Williams & Sullivan to patrol While i went to cinnabar to purchase some smoked Glasses. saw two men from Horr hunting along the Line but there was no Game outside the park i returned to camp at 7 30 p. m. during my absense corpl Montgomery & pvt Miller came over from the post to notify me that all my men were to be discharged from the service and that i should Break camp and move into the post tomorrow morning weather clear & cold

Feb 23rd
Broke camp and moved into the post weather cloudy & cold

Feb 24th
Left post with scout Burgess on skis and proceeded to Yanceys weather stormy & cold

Feb. 25th
Left Yanceys and went to Soda Butte station to get 3 men and bring them into the post to be discharged weather stormy & cold

Feb 26th
Left Soda Butte with scout Burgess and Corpl Williams pvt parish & payne and proceeded to Yanceys. weather cold & stormy

Feb 27th
same party Left Yanceys and proceeded to Ft. Yellowstone weather stormy & cold on this trip i have seen a great many Elk about 3,000 in number all the Elk west of Yanceys are in good condition but all those East of Baronet Bridge are in very poor condition and a great many of them will Die owing to the deep snow

Feb 28th
helped to remove a cow Elk from the trap to the post weather mild

March 1st
Left post mounted and set the Deer Trap at Gov Ice Lake weather mild

March 2nd
Left post mounted and patroled north Line to Gassert Ranch found one antelope Killed in the park saw 2 men from Horr hunting along the park Line i watched them until 5 30 p. m. when they returned to Horr. weather warm

March 3rd
Left post mounted and patroled north Line to Chadborne Ranch saw one man hunting but he got nothing weather clear & cold

March 4th
Left post mounted with sgt Wall patroled North Line of park returned to post at 7.30 p. m. weather chinook Warm Wind Blowing

March 5th
Left post on skis to Look at Game Traps weather Warm

March 6th
Left post with sgt Wall to patrol North Line of park weather warm

March 7th
Left post with sgt Wall to patrol North line of park went to Reese Creek somebody had been up Reese Creek with horses yesterday but did not kill any Game. weather warm

March 8th
working on Elk corral weather warm

March 9th
set Both Game Traps weather stormy & cold

March 10th
went to Game trap at Ice Lake weather clear but cold Wind Blowing

March 11th
took new Bait to each Game trap weather fair

March 12th
Left post with Corpl powell of H Troop patroled the North Line to Gassert Ranch no sign of poaching on our return home we found a Large Buck Deer Lying under a tree we Dismounted and caught it sent to the post for a Team and Brought it to the post weather fair

March 13th
made patroled to outlet of Gardiner river saw 5 men fishing on the River weather fair

March 14
remained in post on account of sickness weather clear & cold

March 15th
Left post with corpl powell made patrol to outlet of Gardiner river weather stormy & cold

March 16th
Made patrol to Gardiner arrested Mr. Robert Paroline of Gardiner for fishing with a Seinee Brought him to the post before Capt W. E. Wilder who gave him a Reprimand and turned him Loose again. at 3 45 p. m. i took A. K. Crawford from the Guard house and escorted him out of the park by way of Gardiner by order of Capt W. E. Wilder weather stormy & cold

March 17th
went to Deer Trap at Ice Lake and found 3 cow Elk in it returned to post and reported the matter to Capt W. E. Wilder who gave me orders to take a Detail of 10 men and 3 Teams and remove the Elk to the post unfortuneately 2 of them escaped by Jumping the fense the other we Brought to the post weather clear & Warm

March 18th
took 2 men and repaired Deer Trap at Gov Ice Lake found one dead Bull Elk near the Lake saw a great many Deer near the Gov Garden weather clear & warm

March 19th
Left post with Corpl Harding and patroled the north Line of the park to Gassert Ranch. saw no sign of poaching but all the antelope are in very poor condition owing to there being no feed for them. weather clear & warm

March 20th
having caught 4 Deer in the Trap i was ordered to take a Detail of 8 men and Bring them to the post weather cloudy & mild

March 21st
took 2 men and made a roundup of Loose stock and drove them to Gardiner then patroled north Line of park to Chadborne ranch. on my return i went to the Game Trap at Ice Lake found 6 cow Elk in the trap but it was not strong enough to hold them they Broke the fense down and escaped weather clear & Mild

March 22nd
took 2 men and team and moved the Game Trap from Ice Lake to the Gov. Garden to catch some White Tail Deer. weather cloudy & windy

March 23rd
Left post mounted to Look at Game Trap then make a patrol over north end of Mt Evertts. saw 14 Mt sheep on the Bluff at Eagles nest also a great many Elk and Deer. same place weather cloudy & mild

March 24th
made patrol to outlet of Gardiner river weather cloudy & mild

March 25th
went to the Garden to look at Game Trap weather cloudy & mild

March 26th
Left post mounted with 2 men made patrol to Chadborne ranch saw no sign of any poaching weather clear but very cold wind Blowing

March 27th
received orders from Capt W. E. Wilder to scatter some Hay for the Game took 2 men and put some Hay at Gov Ice Lake weather clear & mild

March 28th
Left post with one man and drove Loose stock off the park also made patrol to Gardiner flat also went to catch a cow Elk but she died before we found her from starvation weather cloudy & mild

March 29th
doing post duty weather stormy but not cold

March 30th
Left post with one man and made patrol to Reese creek found old Man McMahon dressing an Elk which had been Killed in the state of Montanna also helped scout Morrison to catch a Deer at the Gov Garden weather clear & cold Wind Blowing

March 31st
Left post with 3 men to remove a Deer from Game Trap to the post weather cloudy & mild

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Dec 22nd
on Leave weather clear

Dec 23rd
in Livingston on Leave weather cloudy

Dec 24th
on Leave weather clear

Dec 25th
returned from Livingston to the post reported for Duty all the men came in from camp for Xmas dinner pvts Mason Hostler & Dougherty returned to camp at 3 30 p. m. i remained in the post all night weather clear

Dec 26th
returned to camp weather stormy

Dec 27th
Left camp with 2 men at 4 15 a. m. made the usual patrol drove all the Antelope back then returned to camp at 9 15 a. m. i Left camp and watched 3 men who were hunting along the park Line 2 of them came inside the park Just when i was starting after them i heard 2 shots fired near the Mountain sheep thinking the sheep more valueable than Jack Rabbits i left the 2 men go and started after the party who shot among the sheep after scouting around for an hour or more i saw the man going up the main road to the post with scout morrison i started back to camp when i got to Gardiner i saw Geo Mack hunting along the park Line on the east side of the Yellowstone River watched him until he got on the park then went after him but he got so far out of the park before i got to the place i let him go and went to the post to swear out a warrant for his arrest scout morrison came over to camp to make the morning patrol i remained in the post all night weather clear

Dec 28th
went before the U. S. Commissioner and swore out a warrant for the arrest of Geo Mack then returned to camp weather clear & warm

Dec 29th
Left camp at 4 30 a. m. made the usual patrol about 100 antelope were down over the Line put them all back in the hills before daylight made 4 patrols during the day weather clear

Dec 30th
Left camp at 5 30 a. m. made the Usual patrol no Game down this morning pvt Hurdee and myself went to the post and returned to camp at 5 30 p. m. Teamster Johnson Brought 15 days Ration for 2 men over today pvt Mason arrested a man named Mitchell for hunting horses on the park without permission from the Act supt thereof he was Released and given a permit for today only by order of Capt O. J. Brown Act. Supt Y. N. P. pvt Mason returned to camp with me weather cloudy

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Dec. 31st
Left camp at 6 00 a. m. made the usual patrol saw no Game returned to camp at 8 15 a. m. at 9 30 a. m. pvt Hurdee & Hostler went to the post to report for Duty by order of Capt O. J. Brown about 2 30 p. m. i saw a man in the park back of the Chadborne ranch went to him and told him to go and get a permit to ride around there said he was looking for horses. Made 4 patrols today pvt Dougherty made the last patrol at 5 30 p. m. up to the present date there has been but 9 antelope killed 4 by hunters 5 by coyotes less than 2 % of the band in the park weather clear

Jan 1st 1900

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owing to the Mont state Game Law being in force from today i did not make the usual patrol this morning but during the day i watched for any hunters that might be along the park Line none were out today weather clear

Jan 2nd
went to the post pvt Mason made 2 patrols during the day no Game down or near the Line returned to camp at 5 30 p. m. saw about 75 Elk on the target Range about 25 Deer same place weather clear

Jan 3rd
went to Cinnabar and returned to camp at 2 00 p. m. no hunters out today weather clear

Jan 4th
owing to my being sick i went to the post with pvt Dougherty he returned to camp at 3 20 p. m. while i obtained permisssion from Capt Brown to remain in the post over night about 200 antelope were down this morning drove them all back before i went to the post weather clear

Jan 5th
remained in the post on sick report pvt Mason made the patrols no Game killed some were down near the Line weather clear

Jan 6th
Left the post at 9 00 a. m. and returned to camp but had to return to the post this p. m. owing to sickness weather coudy mason made 2 patrols today no Game down during the day

Jan 7th
do 8th in post
do 9th do
do 10th do
do 11th do
do 12th do
do 13th do
do 14th do
Jan 15th do
and 16th do

i remained in the post from Jan 7th until Jan 17th owing to sickness pvt Mason and Daugherty moved the entire outfit into the post on the 15th camp Broke up for the Winter no Game has been killed since Jan 1st to the Best of my knowledge the weather since Jan 1st has been mild

Jan 17th
remained in the post on account of sickness weather mild

Jan 18th
attending court at U. S. Commissioners house in the George Mack case defendent found not Guilty weather clear

Jan 19th
Remained in the post on account of sickness weather clear

Jan 20th
made patrol to Gardiner and return weather clear

Jan 21st
remained in the post weather clear

Jan 22nd
Left post with Lt. Yates made patrol. over Mt Evertts and to Gardiner saw 28 sheep near McMim coal mine and about 500 antelope in the Vincinity of Gardiner weather clear

Jan 23rd
took pvt Mason and made patrol to cinnabar and returned to post weather stormy

Jan 24th
Left post a 5 $\underline{00}$ a. m. with pvt Mason made patrol to Gardiner and return weather clear

Jan 25th
left post at 5 $\underline{00}$ a. m. with pvt Mason made patrol to Gardiner and returned at 12 $\underline{30}$ weather clear

Jan 26th
Left post with pvt Mason and Kenents and 4 pack mules went to Yancys camped there saw a great many Elk along the road weather clear

Jan 27th
our stock being tired i decided to lay over today weather clear

Jan 28th
Left Yanceys with entire outfit and went to soda Butte station found Detachment at station they had not been out since Jan 15th average Depth of snow along the road 10 inches saw about 1200 Elk along the road weather clear

Jan 29th
Left station and went to the Cabin on Hell-Roaring creek saw about 2000 Elk near the cabin i killed one Large Mountain Lion 300 yds from Cabin he was eating on the remains of 3 dead Elk weather stormy

Jan 30th
Layed over at the cabin and scouted the country around saw where a pack train had come through the park and went out by Crevasse could not see where any poaching had been done. Killed another Mountain Lion today saw 3 more Later weather clear

Jan 31st
Layed over at the Cabin to hunt for more Lion but got none. Corpl Harris and pvt Tipton from soda Butte station arrived here today from Slough creek cabin weather clear

Feb 1st
corpl Harris and pvt Tipton went to the post i went to J. D. Knowles Cabin with my outfit and camped there saw no sign of poaching there weather clear

Feb 2nd
Left Cabin and went to the post (via) Crevasse mountain saw where 2 men had been hunting on the park on crevasse mountain reported at post at 2 15 p. m. weather clear

Feb 3rd
remained in the post weather clear

Feb 4th
Left post with Lt. Yates and Corpl Finnegan pvt Mason and Beaverson 6 pack mules and 6 Horses went to the Cabin at Hell-Roaring creek weather clear Corpl Olenslagher and pvt Tipton came with us on their way to soda Butte station

Feb 5th
Lt. Yates and myself scouted the country around the North Line but saw nothing corpl Olenslagher and pvt Tipton proceeded to their station weather cloudy

Feb 6th
owing to the stormy weather we remained in camp weather stormy

Feb 7th
Lt. Yates and myself scouted the country around Hell-Roaring Creek Cotton wood Basin and along the Yellowstone River saw 2 scabby Bulls Killed one. the other got away Copl Finnegan and pvt Mason scouted up Hell Roaring creek they saw nothing i saw about 800 Elk Weather clear

Feb 8th
Lt. Yates Corpl Finnegan pvt Mason and myself Left camp at 8 30 a. m. Lt. Yates went to the post corpl Finnegan and pvt Mason went to J. D. Knowles cabin and returned to camp. Lt. Yates and myself killed one Mountain Lion near cotton wood Basin after that i returned to camp. pvt Beaverson remained in camp to watch the Horses and mules. weather stormy

Feb 9th
Left cabin with entire outfit and came to Yancys Mr E. Sandy came from Fort Yellowstone on his way to cooke city saw a great many Elk around yanceys weather stormy

Feb 10th
remained at Yancey to scout around found one scabby Bull near the Yellowstone River weather stormy

Feb 11th

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13 miles. Oct. 6th. Information having been received by Capt. James B. Erwin of some trapping in Willow park i received orders to take one man and proceed to that place i arrived there at sundown but could not see anybody there i camped overnight at Indian creek, saw no game today weather clear & cool.

18 miles. Oct. 7th. Left camp on indian creek and made a complete circle of Willow park. i examined the dams and beaver houses but could see no sign of anybody doing any trapping in there i returned to the post at 11 30 a.m. Weather clear & warm saw no game today.

20 miles. Oct. 8th. Left Yellowstone and proceeded to Yanceys. Camped at Yanceys overnight saw 27 antelope on little Blacktail Deer Creek, 92 elk on oxbo creek weather clear & warm.

Oct. 9th. Left Yanceys and proceeded to Soda Butte Station saw 57 antelope on little specimen creek 19 at the east fork bridge there are a great many elk along specimen ridge weather rainy temperature cool.

Oct. 10th. Remained at the station to wait for Mr. Boden to get ready for me to escort him out of the park & by Cooke City he having got his guns and returned to his camp weather cloudy & cold.

44 miles. Oct. 11th. Left soda Butte station to escort Herman Boden out of the park by way of Cooke City i took him to the park line then told him that he was not to come back into the park or forest reserve again without permission by order of Capt. James B. Erwin Actg Supt. of the park. After i left him i proceeded to Cooke City i saw Mr. Frank Dean and told him what the reports were about him he said it was all a mistake he had never said anything to anyone about hunting on the timber reserve i posted the Forest Reserve Notice in his store also the park regulations returned to Soda Butte today weather raining all day temperature cold.

30 miles. Oct. 12th. Left station with pvt price and rode to head of Flint creek made a circle of about 5 miles around the head of the creek to ascertain if there were any buffalo in there but after riding around the entire summer range i could not find any sign of them met scout Morrison at Jackson cabin he informed me that he saw the fresh trail of two buffalo coming down mist creek and says they turned up Lamar River i presume they have all left their summer range on Flint and moved to either the head of pelican creek or Willow creek where i saw some sign of them on my last trip saw 4 elk weather stormy.

17 miles. Oct. 13th. Left soda Butte station with pvt payne and Corpl Canivan and proceeded to the park line on buffalo fork of slough creek saw about 50 elk on lower slough creek 1 blacktail deer on buffalo fork. put up 6 posters on buffalo fork of the park and forest reserve. weather cloudy & cold.

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14 miles. Oct. 14. Left camp on buffalo fork and rode about 3 miles north of the park line to see if there were any elk in that country but found no sign of any returned to camp and proceeded back to the Marshton Meadow on slough creek to select sight of snow shoe cabin the building crew got here about 5.30 p.m. there were 7 men in the crew saw 27 elk in the meadow 2 otter in the creek and an old camp where somebody has been camped for about a month they had a wagon with them i do not know who they were looks like they moved camp about the 15th of Sept. weather stormy temperature cold.

15 miles. Oct. 15th. same party left camp and rode to park line on upper slough creek saw no sign of any game or any parties having been in there no beaver sign on that creek returned to camp and sent corpl canivan and pvt payne back to the station i myself having received orders to stay with the cabin builders and ration up the cabin on slough creek and Hell Roaring creek i received the rations for slough creek cabin today a few things needed yet to complete the list for this cabin. saw 4 elk here at the camp weather stormy cold.

Oct. 16th. Left camp on foot and blazed and cut out the trail to lower slough creek for about 2 1/2 miles the cabin builders got through with there work here this p.m. will move to Hellroaring creek tomorrow this is an excellent cabin here but the stove is rather large weather cloudy & cold.

Oct. 17th. Left camp on slough creek with cabin building crew and proceeded to Hell Roaring creek after selecting sight for the cabin at that place i left the party and went to Yanceys with Dave Rhodes to get the ration and stove for this cabin our cook threw a lighted match in the grass and set it on fire burnt about 1 1/2 acres of grass before i saw it i sent 2 men of the crew to put it out they succeeded in putting it out in about 15 minutes--saw 2 black-tail deer on little buffalo creek when i arrived at Yanceys Mr. Yancey informed me that 2 men from the Lake station had just left his place for their station they came in over specimen ridge weather cloudy & cold.

9 miles. Oct. 18th. Left Yanceys with Dave Rhodes and 4 pack animals with rations and stove for the cabin on Hell Roaring creek saw no game today weather stormy & cold.

5 miles. Oct. 19th. Left camp mounted about 8.30 a.m. and rode to the park line or north line of the park. saw no sign of anybody having been in the park around here but there was a party camped about 1 mile north of the line do not know who they were. saw 3 deer near the park line but inside the park they were very wild. came back by old Brush cabin and got a shovel and put it in the new cabin i returned to camp about 10 30 a.m. then helped the crew on the cabin we finished it about 5.30 p.m. this being the second day they worked on it they did well considering the stormy weather. it is an excellent cabin and well put up. i rationed the cabin as soon as they finished it also blazed a trail to it weather stormy & cold.

24 miles. Oct. 20th. Left cabin on Hellroaring with the cabin builders and proceeded to Ft. Yellowstone i also went to J. S. Knowles cabin he was not there but there was 2 beds in the house so there must be somebody stopping with him when he is at home saw no game weather clear & warm.

20 miles. Oct. 21st. Left the post mounted with one pack mule and proceeded to Norris to go with snow shoe cabin rations and put them in the cabins located in the following places. Trout Creek. Pelican Creek. signal point. Trapper's Creek. Atlantic Creek. gravel peak and take rations to west thumb on the gov boat saw 2 deer on road 3 miles south of the post met scout Burgess at Norris this p.m. weather clear & warm.

27 miles. Oct. 22nd. Left Norris with scout Burgess and proceeded to Lake station saw 2 deer at the Canon Junction Bridge. One man absent from station with mule at snake river station. weather clear & warm.

by boat 24 miles. Oct. 23rd. took the gov boat and sgt Welch and rations for Signal point cabin returned to station at 1 30 p.m. scout Burgess left for snake river with the team that took the rations for the cabins in that district pvt Bremer and Havercamp arrived at station with 4 pack horses for myself and scout Burgess to use. Mr. E. E. Burns arrived also weather stormy & cold.

15 miles. Oct. 24. Left Lake station with pvt Huntley of the station detachment and pvt Havercamp from the post and 4 pack animals with rations for pelican creek snowshoe cabin we left station at 12 15 p.m. arrived at pelican cabin at 4 30 p.m. put up the stove and put all the rations in the box. saw about 500 elk near the cabin and numerous sign all around i looked for Buffalo, but saw no sign of any weather stormy & cold.

25 miles. Oct. 25. same party left the cabin on Astringent creek and proceeded to the Monument at east end of the southeast finger of Yellowstone Lake snow is from 2 to 8 inches deep between Astringent creek and this point. met Mr. Burns here with gov boat and rations for snow shoe cabins he returned to the Lake after i got here. saw a great many elk sign at park point signal point and terrace point all fresh sign 2 fresh moose tracks near the Monument. camped at terrace point today weather cloudy temperature mild hard to follow main trail on account of snow but got through alright arrived here at 3 15 p.m.

25 miles. Oct. 26th. same party left camp at terrace point and proceeded to Trapper creek with rations for snowshoe cabin at that place after leaving the rations for that place i returned with the outfit to terrace point to get the rest of the rations which we had left over this morning. owing to our limited number of pack animals we could not take them all on first trip i left camp at 8.00 a.m. got to Trappers creek cabin at 11.00 a.m. Left cabin at 11.30 a.m. got back to camp at terrace point at 2.00 p.m. Left camp at 2.30 p.m. got back to cabin at 5.30 p.m. with the entire outfit of rations had to cache our bedding at camp. at this cabin i found a first class fireplace i put a fire into it and found it would work much better than the stove so i decided not to put the stove up but leave it in the cabin and report the fact to Capt James B. Erwin Acting park Supt. and if he desired to have the stove put up it could be put up by the first snowshoe party in 20 minutes time. i saw a great many elk today between this point and beaver dam creek also saw either 3 moose or buffalo in the Willow Bottom along the river between beaverdam creek and Trapper creek i only got a glimpse of them as they ran through the willows but i am absolutely sure they were moose or buffalo they were very black in fact to black for buffalo. weather cloudy & stormy this afternoon we camped in the cabin this p.m.

15 miles. Oct. 27th. Left Trappers creek cabin with pvt Havercamp and 4 pack animals and rations for atlantic creek and gravel peak snow shoe cabins i had intended to go to both cabins today but our pack horses gave us so much trouble that we could not get any further than atlantic creek had to travel very slow on account of the stove and other bulky packs i saw 3 moose today in the willows near the trail at mountain creek 2 bulls and 1 cow and i think there were some others that i could not see for i saw the willows move when the others ran away. saw 27 bull elk at Bridger Lake and numerous signs of others all along the trail also saw 4 moose track on Thorofare creek. Left pvt Huntley at Trappers creek cabin to fix up fireplace and make zink box for the grub and put in the window lights. i do not consider atlantic cabin a very good one there should be a new one built on east side of upper Yellowstone River opposite the present one found the fireplace torn down so i will have to take the stove from Trappers creek cabin and put it in this one. weather cloudy & cool.

41 miles. Oct. 28th. got up at 4.30 a.m. to make the trip to gravel peak Left Atlantic creek cabin at 6.45 a.m. arrived at gravel peak at 11.20 a.m. put up the stove and stored rations in the box then started back for atlantic creek cabin when i got there i decided to go back to trappers creek cabin so i could get through as soon as possible got to trappers cr. cabin at 6.30 p.m. making a distance of about 41 miles we have traveled today i saw 4 bull moose near the trail at Mountain creek they were four of the prettiest moose i have ever seen all had a large set of antlers saw 52 elk near Bridger Lake saw no sign of any thing in two ocean pass the snow is from one to two feet deep in the pass and should another hard storm come it would be almost impossible to get through there with horses weather cloudy and stormy in the afternoon temperature cold.

30 miles. Oct. 29th. Left Trappers creek cabin with pvt Huntley and one pack mule with stove for Atlantic creek cabin arrived there at 12.15 p.m. put up stove and returned to Trappers creek cabin this p.m. Left pvt Havercamp here today to cut wood and look after the horses that were left here. saw 2 bull moose at Mountain creek they did not look like the ones i saw yesterday they seemed to be of a lighter color than the others were. saw fresh tracks of 3 more on Thorofare creek going toward the Yellowstone Lake. saw 32 elk and 3 blacktail deer on trail near mountain creek weather clear & cold.

Oct. 30th. 17 miles. Left Trappers creek cabin with my entire outfit and proceeded to Signal Point cabin and camped in the cabin at that place saw a few elk sign along the trail. saw one moose near outlet of beaverdam creek weather clear temperature warm.

20 miles. Oct. 31st. Left signal point cabin with my outfit and went to Lake station saw 17 swan near steamboat point also fresh sign of 2 buffalo in same place a few elk sign along the Lake shore. weather severe snowstorm all day snowed about 7 inches temperature cold.

Nov. 1st. 18 miles. Left Lake station with pvt Rompre and pvt Havercamp 4 pack animals and rations and stove for Trout creek cabin the cabin is in a bad condition very dirty and will take me at least a half day to fix it up and put in wood so it will be fit for use this winter i had no tools to make a place for the stove pipe to go through the roof so i had to put it in the old fireplace where it can be used for this winter at least in the Hayden Valley there

are at least 2,000 elk they have all come in from the west and are moving toward the Lamar River and Hellroaring country the snow is from 6 to 10 inches deep in the valley all fell yesterday there is a wild horse running wild in the valley on antelope creek we tried to get him but could do nothing with him he is to wild i think he belongs to Mr. E. C. Waters he having lost a horse just like this one during the summer weather cloudy and very cold.

23 miles. Nov. 2nd. after working on the cabin till noon i sent pvt Rompre back to Lake station and took pvt Havercamp and proceeded to scout over the Hayden Valley a report having reached me that there were 50 buffalo seen near Sulphur Mountain but after looking all around there for some sign of them i could not find a trace of any thing but a lot of elk there are about 1,000 elk near sulphur mountain i am positive there has been a mistake made about the buffalo saw about 1,500 elk in the valley today weather cloudy and cold snow about 10 to 12 inches deep i went to Norris station today.

20 miles. Nov. 3rd. Left Norris station and proceeded to Ft. Yellowstone and made report of my trip to Capt James B. Erwin Acting Supt of the Y. N. P. saw no sign of any game it was snowing and blowing at an awful rate weather stormy temperature not very cold but a hard wind blowing all day.

16 miles. Nov. 15th. Left post and took 2 horses to Cinnabar returned to post after locating the antelope 1/2 mile south of Gardiner weather cloudy & warm.

12 miles. Nov. 16th. received order from Capt. James B. Erwin to take some forage and establish a camp near the antelope 6 mile northwest of the post at the base of sepulcher mountain left post at 1 00 p.m. returned at 5 00 p.m. weather stormy & cold saw about 400 antelope.

6 miles. Nov. 17th. Left post mounted with sgt Wall and pvt Saportas with 7 days ration and pack mule proceeded 6 miles northwest of the post at the base of Sepulcher Mountain and there established permanent camp for 7 days. Left post at 2 30 p.m. saw one blacktail deer on the Target Range. weather stormy but not very cold.

1 mile. Nov. 18th. All remained in camp until 3. p.m. then sgt Wall and myself went out to locate the antelope found them all south of Gardiner about 1/2 mile weather cloudy and terriffic gale blowing all day and night.

4 miles myself 12 miles sgt Wall. Nov. 19th. Left camp with sgt Wall to locate the antelope found them 1 mile south of Gardiner on my return to camp i arrested a man who said he was looking for horses i sent him to the post in compliance with verbal orders received from Capt James B. Erwin the Acting Supt Y. N. P. to arrest all parties found in this District this being the first case the man was released but cautioned not to let himself be caught in this District again weather raining in the forenoon heavy snow began to fall about 4. p.m. and snowed all night about 7 inches of snow fell here.

Nov. 20th. Left camp with sgt Wall to look after the antelope but owing to the severe cold weather we could do nothing we had to return to camp weather very cold wind blowing all day.

10 miles. Nov. 21st. Left camp mounted to see where the antelope were found them all about 1/2 mile south of the Brown Ranch but they had all been about 150 yds over the line during the night but returned this morning. one shot was fired at them about sunset last evening but i could not see where any were killed while outside the park i watched them all day until late this evening but they were not molested by any one. i arrested a man near the park line for having been inside the park he said he had been looking for horses he being outside the park when i took him i was obliged to let him go he had no arms and i would have to get a warrant before i could take him to the post i sent sgt Wall to Reese creek to see if there was any game there yet but he returned to camp and reports no game in that District yet weather fair temperature cold.

Nov. 22nd. Left camp on foot and patroled along the park line the antelope are working near the park line but i drove them back to the hills toward evening they began going down again but they were not molested today just at dark i saw a man riding along the park line but he did not get a shot at the antelope weather cloudy and cold.

Nov. 23rd. Left camp and made patrol to park line the antelope were about 400 yds south of the Brown Ranch returned to camp and remained there until about 4 30 p.m. when one shot was fired near the park line went out to see if we could locate the party that fired the shot saw 2 men on the main road i think they were the parties that fired the shot remained near the antelope until after dark but they were not molested saw one deer near our camp 22 antelope same place weather cloudy & mild.

Nov. 24th. owing to this being a National Holiday i decided to remain in camp today and send sgt Wall and pvt Saportas to the post sgt Wall to return to camp this p.m. and help me move camp into the post tomorrow he returned at 4 00 p.m. reports 9 elk and 6 deer 1/2 mile north of Target house at 5 p.m. i took sgt Wall and went to park line remained there until about 6.30 p.m. started back to camp and just got within 300 yds of camp when 4 shots were fired down on the line we went down at once we met a band of antelope running for the hills got down near the main road and there we struck the trail of 2 men they went within 10 feet of the line then followed along the line toward Reese creek i sent sgt Wall off to my right and told him to watch for anybody that might come that way while i would follow the trail made by the 2 men i did not go over 3/4 miles when 2 shots were fired directly at me after the first shot i droped down on my knee and got ready to shoot but i did not see where the first shot came from but i saw the flash of the second one and whoever it was that did the shooting got up and ran down a little draw or ravine by the time i got to where the shot was fired they were all of 300 yds away but i fired 2 shots at them dont believe i hit either one of them they ran toward the main road and could not tell which way they went after that the shooting took place about 8 30 p.m. 40 antelope left the park this p.m. but returned later the rest are all inside weather clear & mild.

Nov. 25th. Left camp with my horse and mule and proceeded to Ft. Yellowstone to secure more rations and forage and report the details of my trip to Capt. James B. Erwin Act Supt Y. N. P. received orders from him to take 3 days ration and remain in the present camp until Monday night returned to camp at 5 00 p.m. with pvt Miller of H troop the antelope were all back on the hills this p.m.

on my way to the post i drove a band of 11 stray horses into the post and turned them over to the commanding officer saw 11 deer about 400 yds north of Target house 2 elk same place weather clear temperature warm.

Nov. 26th. sgt Wall and myself remained in the camp until 4.30 p.m. then went down to park line to watch the antelope heard one shot fired near the main road saw no antelope near the line saw 20 1/4 mile east of camp weather cler & warm.

Nov. 27th. All remained in camp and built a cabin heard no shooting today my horse and mule ran away this p.m. and went to the post weather cloudy hard wind blowing.

Nov. 28th. sent pvt Miller to the post after my horse and mule he returned at 11 30 a.m. with them sent sgt Wall to patrol the line to Gardiner and return to camp also told him to keep lookout for horse and mule as they might not have gone to the post at 2.30 p.m. i sent pvt Miller to the post with the mule and our bedding while sgt Wall and myself would stay out until after dark then come to the post sgt Wall returned to camp at 1 30 p.m. he reports that he saw Geo Mack and another man hunting along the park line they saw him and went down on the main road again where they came from sgt Wall and myself left camp about 4.30 p.m. mounted and went to park line went along the line to the Brown ranch and there by order of Capt Erwin i measured that part of the fence that is inside the park found it to be about 40 feet at the west end and 15 feet at the east end as near as i could come to it. pvt Miller returned to my camp with A. M. Chadborne under arrest charged with being found in this District without a permit he told me he had a verbal permit from Capt James B. Erwin Acting Supt Y. N. P. so i released him all the antelope were near the park line this evening sgt Wall and myself returned to post 7 p.m. weather stormy cold.

Jan. ~~14~~ 1st, 1899. Broke camp and moved everything into the post by order of Capt James B. Erwin Acting Supt Y. N. P. saw all the antelope south of Gardiner saw 37 blacktail deer near the post refuse dump weather stormy & cold.

Jan. 2nd. by order of Capt Erwin i took charge of the game trap have caught no game up to the present date weather stormy & cold.

Jan. 3rd. doing duty in the post weather stormy & cold.

Jan. 4th. went out to locate a new place to set the game trap could not find a good place yet owing to lack of snow weather cloudy & cold.

Jan. 5th. doing duty in the post built new wire fence at game corral weather stormy & cold.

Jan. 6th. in compliance with instructions from Capt James B. Erwin acting supt Y. N. P. i went to the city of Helena Montanna to transact some business with the U. S. Marshall at that place.

Jan. 7. called on U. S. Marshall.

Jan. 8th. came back to Livingston.

Jan. 9th. returned to Ft. Yellowstone and reported for duty.

Jan. 9th. remained in the post weather cloudy cold.

Jan. 10th. Left the post with 10 men and took down the game trap weather stormy and mild.

Jan. 11th. Left post mounted with 3 men and put up a small pole corral at the Gov Ice Lake weather cloudy & mild.

Jan. 12th. remained in post weather clear & mild.

Jan. 13th. Left post with pvt Miller made patrol along the park line from Gardiner to Gassert Ranch found evedience of poaching on the park about 1 mile west of Gardiner saw one man near the line driving horses. Mr Geo Hoppe is cutting ice on the park with permission from Capt Erwin i returned to the post and reported details to capt James B. Erwin acting supt Y. N. P. weather clear & mild.

Jan. 14th. Left post with Capt James B. Erwin the acting supt Y. N. P. & 1st Lt. G. O. Cress to locate a suitable place for a station along the park line west of Gardiner. saw 5 deer near the post hospitals 6 1½ miles north of the post saw 4 mountain sheep near Eagles Nest 3 miles north of post weather clear in forenoon stormy afternoon & mild.

Jan. 15th. Left post on foot to look for 2 elk heads near the Boiling river weather stormy & mild.

Jan. 16th. doing duty in the post took 2 men and removed game trap into the post weather cloudy mild.

Jan. 17th. Left post with 6 men and built a pole corral 1 mile west of the post to catch some cow elk finished corral at 4 30 p.m. cloudy & mild.

Jan. 18th. doing duty in the post weather cloudy & mild.

Jan. 19th. Left post with scout Morrison and pvt. Askew with 4 days ration and 5 pack mules and proceeded to my old camp at the base of Sepulcher mountain 6 miles north of the post i sent 4 mules back to the post by pvt Denning saw small herd of elk near the thousand yd Butte proceeded to this place by order of Lt. F. T. Arnold object of trip to watch the antelope on the north line of the park weather stormy & mild.

Jan. 20th. Left camp at 8 30 patroled the line to Gassert Ranch then went to Chadborne ranch from there to Cinnabar where we learned that A. K. was hunting on Reese Creek but later in the day scout Morrison and myself learned he had been arrested this morning by Deputy U. S. Marshall Samuel Jackson of Bozeman Mont for hunting on the park last summer during the month of June and July pvt Askew remained in camp he told me that about a ½ hour after we left camp he heard one shot fired from the direction on the Brown Ranch weather cloudy Chinook wind all day & night saw all the antelope near the park line west of Gardiner but inside the park that is all them that range in this district. about 400 in number.

Jan. 21st. Left camp with scout Morrison and patroled the line to Gardiner all the antelope were about 6 miles south of the line weather cloudy Chinook wind.

Jan. 22nd. Left camp with scout Morrison and went to Reese creek when we got to the park line we came to a trail in the snow made by some parties dragging elk meat we followed the trail to where the elk had been killed there were at least 3 killed about 2 miles south of the park line near Electric peak i brought the antlers of one of them down to the creek do not know who the parties were that killed the elk quiet a number of elk sign on Reese creek inside the park weather stormy & cold.

Jan. 23rd. Broke camp and returned to the post saw 7 deer near the Gov Garden. weather stormy & cold.

Jan. 24th. ordered to assist scout Burgess to bring down an elk which was caught in the corral i built on the 17th inst Left post at 1 30 p.m. with 20 men mounted to break a trail for the teams to elk corral but when we got there we found it to be a bull when we approached the corral the elk jumped the fense and got away weather stormy & mild.

Jan. 25th. Completed game corral at the Gov Ice Lake weather stormy & mild.

Jan. 26th. Building new game trap at the Ice house weather stormy & mild.

Jan. 27th. completed game trap at Ice house weather stormy & mild.

Jan. 28th. Left post with scout Morrison patroled the north line to the Gassert ranch saw where 6 antelope had been killed and hauled away with a sleigh weather stormy & mild drove all the antelope back into the park.

Jan. 29th. Left post with scout Morrison with team & sleigh went to Reese creek saw several hunters along the north line of the park found one man hunting on Reese creek we met him coming back followed his back trail and found he had been over 1/2 mile in the park but he was outside the park when we met him returned to the post at 7.30 p.m. weather stormy & mild chinook wind.

Jan. 30th. Left post with scouts Morrison & Burgess went to north line and drove all the antelope back into the park weather stormy & cold.

Jan. 31st. went to Deer trap at Ice Lake found 3 deer in it returned to post and secured a team and 12 men and removed the deer to the post weather cold Blizzard blowing almost impossible to face it.

Feb. 1st. remained in post owing to the cold weather.

Feb. 2nd. remained in the post owing to the cold weather.

Feb. 3rd. went Ice Lake weather very cold saw about 50 deer and 200 elk at the Lake 23 mountain sheep on the bluffs at Eagles nest.

Feb. 4th. Left post with scout Morrison and made patrol to Gassert Ranch saw about 600 antelope outside the park at the Chadborne Ranch weather clear & cold.

Feb. 5th. Left post with scout Morrison & Burgess and patrolled the north line to Gassert Ranch until 2.30 p.m. weather cold and stormy antelope all outside the park.

Feb. 6th. went to Ice Lake to look at game trap found three deer in it but let them out again on account of them being all does weather cloudy & cold.

Feb. 7th. assisted scouts Morrison & Burgess in trying to run down some elk but failed to get any owing to lack of snow weather stormy & mild.

Feb. 8th. made patrol to chadborne ranch to look after the antelope about 150 of them have moved up near the Boiling River weather stormy & mild.

Feb. 9th. made patrol on Mt. Everts saw 7 sheep and a great many elk near Mc Mahon creek saw 5 mountain lion same place weather stormy & mild

Feb. 10th. patroled to Gardiner and returned to the post weather stormy & cold.

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April 14th
remained in post until 7 45 p. m. then took my horse and rode down the main road as far as the post Garden and returned at 9 30 p. m. weather stormy

April 15th
remained in the post to prepare for a trip in the park with the pack train tomorrow weather stormy

April 16th
Left post with pvts Kaske Hoadsos and starosky mounted with 5 pack mules and 4 days ration and proceeded to Blacktail Deer creek camped about 1 mile from outlet came here for the purpose of making a trail down the creek to avoing going over the Mountain started on the Trail this p. m. weather clear

April 17th
went to work at 8 15 a. m. found the Trail very hard digging but got over helf through today weather clear

April 18th
went to work at 8 30 a. m. worked until 5 15 p. m. got Trail about 1/2 finished weather clear

April 19th
sent pvt Hodson to the post with letter to Col O. J. Brown he returned at 5 15 p. m. i took pvt Kaske and starasky and worked on the trail until 4 00 p. m. Trail about 2/3 done weather clear.

April 20th
went to work at 8 00 a. m. worked until 1 30 p. m. finished the main part of the Trail scout Morrison came out today with 3 days ration for the Detachment he returned to the post today weather clear

April 21st
all remained in camp Col O. J. Brown came over to camp from the post to inspect the work done on the new trail. the work was approved Col Brown returned to the post this p. m. (via) Turkey pen Trail. Corpl Olenslagher and pvt Norbin came down from soda Butte station today on patrol duty weather clear

April 22nd
i left camp with pvt Kaske and Norlin and went to Knowles cabin found 4 men camped there ordered them to move Burnt the old cabin next to the River by order of Col Brown. The River is getting rather high almost to high to ford. Corpl Olenslagher went into the post today weather Rainy

April 23rd
all left camp and moved into the post Left pvt Norlin in camp to wait for Corpl Olenslagher saw about 700 Elk on Blacktail creek Met Corpl Olenslagher 6 miles from the post on his way to camp arrived in post at 1 30 p. m. attended court at 2 15 p. m. reported for Duty at 3 30 p. m. weather cloudy and cool

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April 24th
Left post with scout Morrison and went to Cinnabar saw 19 sheep on Mt. Everttts returned to post at 5 30 p. m. cloudy weather

April 25th
Left post and went over the Target Range then down to the McMinn coal mine saw 19 sheep there returned to post weather Cloudy

April 26th
remained in post weather stormy

April 27th
made patrol to Mt Evertt and returned saw 14 sheep weather cloudy

April 28th
remained in the post weather cloudy

April 29th
patroled to Mt Evertts saw 21 sheep there weather clear.

April 30th
Left post with scout Morrison packer Fishel and pvts Anderson & Kaske with entire pack Train and team for Yanceys to fit up the aparajos* for the mules left with 8 days ration arrived at Yanceys at 2 30 p. m. weather Clear.

May 1st to May 7th
was working on the Aparajos got them finished on the 6th on the 7th put them on the mules and went out for 2 hours and returned to Yanceys weather stormy

May 8th
Left Yanceys with entire outfit and went to the post weather clear

May 9th
remained in the post put all the Aparajos on the mules during the day. weather clear

May 10th
remained in the post to prepare for a trip in the park. weather cloudy

May 11th
Left post with pvts Anderson Hurdee Burgess & Pokoney and 9 pack mules with 8 days Ration proceeded to Yanceys weather clear

May 12th
the weather being rainy i layed over at Yanceys all day weather Rainy

May 13th
Left Yanceys with entire outfit and went to soda Butte station weather Rainy

[*Aparejo--type of padded pack saddle] - not in diary

May 14th
Left station with entire outfit including Corpl Olenslager went to the snow shoe Cabin on slough creek there we met pvt Norlin he had been camped there for 5 days in that Vincinity he had nothing special to report the creek is very high weather clear

May 15th
i left the cabin with Corpl Olenslauhger and pvt Norlin went up slough creek about 10 miles the crossed it there we found a fresh Trail of 5 horses leading in the park followed them all day and at 7 00 p. m. we caught up with the out fit which proved to be Mr. J. A. Brindage he had a Gun and 7 Traps unsealed in his possesion for which i placed him under arrest camped on Buffalo creek with him some deep snow Drifts in this country yet the streams ar not high weather clear

May 16th
Corpl Olenslacheger pvt Norlin prisoner Brundage and myself left camp at 5 30 a. m. and proceeded to our main camp on slough creek remained there until 1 30 p. m. the packed up the entire outfit and pulled to soda Butte station weather Rainy

May 17th
our stock being tired and the weather stormy we layed over at the station

May 18th
Left station with my entire outfit including Corpl Olenshagher pvt Norlin and prisoner Brundage and proceeded to Yanceys weather clear

May 19th
entire outfit left Yanceys and went to the post Took Brundage before the U. S. Commissioner for trial he pleaded Guilty and was fined in the sum of $15 50 and Released weather clear

May 20th
Remained in the post weather clear

May 21st
Left post at 3 30 p. m. with scout Holt and pvt Klieschman with 4 days Ration and proceeded to Glen creek camped there saw no Game weather clear

May 22nd
Left camp and went to Reese creek camped about 1/2 mile south of park line saw no Game or no sign of poaching weather clear

May 23rd
Left camp and went to the Base of Sepulcher mountain camped there weather cloudy

May 24th
Left camp and went to the post reported Details of trip to Capt O. J. Brown weather clear

May 25th
remained in the post on sick report weather clear.

May 26th
on sick report. weather clear

May 27th
Remained in post on sick report.

May 28th
sick report patrol over Mt. Evertts

May 29th
sick report

May 30th
in post

May 31st
to Gardiner and return weather clear

end of month

June 1st
patroled Mt. Evertts weather cloudy

June 2nd
in post

June 3rd
Left post with Major Brainard U. S. a. and went to the Yellowstone River at Blacktail creek and returned to post weather cloudy Mrs Wm. Yates thrown from horse and badly hurt

June 4th
remained in post weather clear

June 5th
in post getting ready for trip in the park

June 6th
Left post with Teamster Johnson and 4 mules as a Escort wagon and proceeded to Yanceys place to camp there and catch young Game saw 3 antelope along the road weather clear

June 7th
rode around to Locate the Game saw nothing but antelope but no young ones sent word to Corpl Olenshaghecar to come down and assist me to catch Game he arrived at 7 00 p. m. with one young antelope which he caught at east fork Bridge weather clear

June 8th
myself and Corpl went to Specimen saw one young antelope but could not catch it our horses were to slow weather cloudy

June 9th
went to Big specimen creek to look for Elk saw 25 cows and 7 Calves got within 4 feet of them but they got up and ran could not catch them so returned to Yancey saw a Large Bear at Fossil forest also sent a letter to the commanding officer and Requested that 3 more man be sent out to help me weather clear

June 10th
while cooking Breakfast we saw a young antelope near-by took after it but could not catch it. went to Tower creek caught one antelope there returned to look for the first one but could not find it weather clear

June 11th
went to Tower creek caught one antelope there saw 3 cow Elk and one calf but did not try to get it 3 men Joined me here today also team and buckboard weather clear

June 12th
Left Yanceys with pvts Kenitz Tipton Dayton and Beaverson and teamster Johnson and his team went to soda Butte station caught one Calf Elk on specimen Ridge had to run it down with our horses weather cloudy

June 13th
Myself and 4 men left station and went to cache creek caught 3 calf Elk there caught one near the station had to run them down weather stormy

June 14th
owing to the lack of fresh milk i had to return to Yanceys with entire outfit caught one young antelope at Big specimen creek weather rainy

June 15th
myself pvts Kenitz and Kipton went to little Blacktail creek saw 3 young antelope but could not catch them weather clear.

June 16th
caught one Beaver near Yanceys weather clear

June 17th
went to Tower creek and returned to Yanceys weather clear

June 18th
left Yanceys and went to Junction Butte to catch some young coyotes but they had moved away weather clear

June 19th
tried to catch some more Beaver but failed to do so weather clear

June 20th
Left Yanceys with entire outfit and proceeded to the post with all the Game caught a young antelope at Blacktail creek weather clear

June 21st
patroled the roads

June 22nd
patroled the Roads

June 23rd
went to Helena Mont on Leave returned June 27th

June 28th
reported for Duty

June 29th to July 20th
patroled the road to Gardiner city willow park and Blacktail Creek had one Fire at the outlet of Gardiner River July 10th weather was Dry and warm since July 3rd C Smith of Tom Minor Basin wandered away from his camp July 12th and was found along the road July 16th

July 21st
Left post and went to soda Butte with the Detachment of Y Troop 1st Cav weather clear

July 22nd
came to Yancey

July 23rd
came to Fort Yellowstone resigned position as scout to accept position as packar in philiffhrsie weather clear
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Sept 27th 1907
at Headquarters preparing for Trip

Sept 28th
Left Headquarters at 2 p. m and proceeded to Blacktail Cabin 8 miles
3 antelope

Sept 29th
Blacktail to the slough creek Ford 21 miles saw 16 Antelope 11 Elk

Sept 30th
to upper slough creek and pitched camp 12 miles 6 Elk 2 Deer

Oct 1st
moving camp supplies to main camp with Teams 24 miles saw 7 Elk

Oct 2nd
Moving camp supplies 24 miles saw 3 Elk

Oct 3rd
moving camp supplies 24 miles

Oct 4th
in Main camp left camp 10 a. m. rode out on the park Line about 5 miles there are 3 hunting parties camped along the Line within 1/2 mile of line saw about 40 Elk inside the park. 10 miles

Oct 5th
working in Camp

Oct 6th
patroled Line to top of Divide between slough creek and Buffalo 12 miles

Oct 7th
went to the Ford to meet Secretary Leob party 24 miles

Oct 8th
to Buffalo creek and return saw 2 parties hunting very near the park line 18 miles

Oct 9th
took one man and 2 pack horses and went to Buffalo Creek saw 2 men hunting within 40 feet of park Line. Saw about 80 Elk 4 Deer 12 miles.

Oct 10th
Watching hunting parties all day saw where 2 men had been over the Line about 100 feet but had killed nothing 10 miles

Oct 11th
went to Top of Divide between Buffalo a slough creek camped there to watch hunters. saw about 200 Elk inside the park killed 1 coyote 7 miles

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Oct 12th
scouted Line until 3 p. m. then went to Main Camp on Slough creek saw about 150 Elk 7 miles

Oct 13th
remained in camp

Oct 14th
left camp with 3 pack horses and one man went to Top of Divide between Buffalo creek and Slough returned
14 miles saw 10 Deer

Oct 15th
Left camp with same outfit and went to Top of Divide between Buffalo creek and Hell-Roaring saw a great many sign of parties hunting right along the park line and in some cases their tracks showed they had hunted inside the park but saw no sign of any thing having been killed saw one moose 3 Elk 14 miles

Oct 16th
Scouted along the Line all day and returned to camp on Top of Divide saw about 300 Elk 12 miles.

Oct 17th
Moved camp to Buffalo creek. Saw 3 moose near park Line 10 miles

Oct 18th
scouted along the line all day 3 shots were fired within the park but before I could get to the place the parties who shot had got away into the Timber. there had been nothing killed that I could see think parties were shooting at some Elk. saw about 150 Elk 23 Deer 6 mi

Oct 19th
returned to Main camp on slough creek Saw no Game 17 miles

Oct 20th
Remained in camp with Leob party

Oct 21st
In camp with Leob party

Oct 22
went to Marston meadow & Return Game seen 1 Elk 20 miles

Oct 23
Left Camp with one Wagon went to slough creek Ford and Returned to main camp 24 miles

Oct 24th
Left camp with Scretary Leob and went to Frenchey Ranch and Return
9 miles

Oct 25th
Breaking camp and packing up

Oct 26th
Left Main camp and went to slough creek Ford seen a great many Beaver sign all along slough creek seen 3 Elk one coyote 12 miles

Oct 27th
went to Headquarters 27 miles seen 15 antelope 7 Elk 2 coyotes

Oct 28th
at Hdqrs getting ready for another Trip

Oct 29th
at Hdqrs getting for trip

Oct 30th
Left Headquarters with Corporal Owens one packer and 4 pack mules and proceeded to Hell-Roaring creek (via) Blacktail Ford seen 4 Deer one Coyotes 22 miles

Oct 31st
left the Camp on Hellroaring and scouted the Cottonwood Basin saw no sign of Game there 10 miles

Nov 1st
moved camp to Buffalo plateau Game seen about 300 Elk 2 Deer 4 Coyotes. 7 miles

Nov 2nd
mules left us and went back to post had to remain in camp Game seen 6 Elk

Nov 3rd
In camp on Buffalo plateau seen 12 Elk

Nov 4th
packer Returned with mules at noon in the afternoon we rode the North Line for about 2 miles seen 21 Elk 2 Deer no sign of pooching 9 miles

Nov 5th
went to soldier station for Grain seen 7 Elk. 7 Deer 18 miles killed 1 Coyote

Nov 6th
moved camp to Buffalo Fork and camped seen 3 Elk 7 Miles

Nov 7th
Moved camp to slough creek and camped about 8 30 we heard about 40 shots fired about 3/4 miles outside the park Line. Game seen 2 Elk. seen one Foot Track inside the park 12 miles

Nov 8th
as we were Breaking camp we heard about 20 shots fired near the park Line it turned out to be Major Allens party from the post we tried to move camp to pebble creek but after crossing the Divide at the head of Elk Tongue creek found we could not get down. had to make a Dry camp and

the side of the Mountain got my horse over a cliff and could not get back to the mules so I had to go in to soda Butte station seen one Bear Track one Mountain Lion Track and 3 Elk 22 miles

Nov 9th
went to snowshoe cabin on slough ck to meet pack train did not meet them so Returned to station 22 miles Game seen 2 Elk

Nov 10th
went to Tower Falls station and found pack mules there they had run away from camp sent them to post to be shod I returned to Soda Butte to wait until they returned Game seen about 1400 Elk 38 miles

Nov 11th
at Soda Butte station

Nov 12th
at Soda Butte station pack Train returned this p. m.

Nov 13th
Left Soda Butte Station with 2 soldiers and and one packer went up cache creek about 12 miles and camped. Game seen 37 Elk one coyote 12 miles

Nov 14th
left main camp and patroled up the creek to park Line saw one Foot track about 4 days old in the park and Tracks of 2 horses about 4 or 5 days old. Game seen 4 Elk 5 Deer 18 miles

Nov 15th
left Main camp and scouted up south cache creek to park Line found 2 old camps one was about 10 days old the other was about 6 weeks old and was up on the side of the mountain it had been some poachers camp. While scouting around this part have noticed there are a great Many Elk outside the park. Game seen about 250 Elk one coyotes 12 miles

Nov 16th
Cache creek to Soda Butte station Game seen 4 Elk 12 miles

Nov 17th
Layed over at station account of stormy weather

Nov 18th
Left station and went up pebble creek to park Line 12 miles Game seen 25 Elk

Nov 19th
left pebble creeek and crossed the Divide to slough creek Game seen 2 Elk 14 Miles

Nov 20th
moved camp down slough creek 1 1/2 miles from park Line met one man on foot going out of park. No Guns 5 miles

Nov 21st
Layed over at this place to watch hunting park camped 1/2 mile outside the park 4 men and 12 horses in the party heard 3 shots fired near the park Line saw where 2 men on foot had hunted right on the Line but had killed no Game

Nov 22nd
moved camp to Buffalo fork seen a camp about one mile north of the Line they had 5 horses do not know how many men Game seen 9 Elk 12 miles

Nov 23
moved camp to Hell-Roaring Basin seen 53 Elk 3 Coyotes 2 Deer 15 miles

Nov 24th
Remained in camp sent packer & 2 mules to Tower Falls station for Grain Game seen about 150 Elk

Nov 25th
Moved camp to the Hell-Roaring cabin scouted up the creek to the Line. Game seen about 3000 Elk 4 Deer 8 miles

Nov 26th
Scouted the Cottonwood Basin Country and returned to cabin Game seen about 2000 Elk 7 Deer one Mt sheep 10 miles

Nov 27th
Moved from cabin to HeadQuarters Game seen about 1500 Elk 9 Deer 20 miles

Nov 28th
at Head Quarters getting stock shod

Nov 29th
at Head Quarter

Nov 30th
at Head Quarters

Dec 1st
Made patrol to Cinnabar and Return Saw about 50 antelope 14 miles

Dec 2nd
at Head Quarters

Dec 3
at Head Quarters

Dec 4th
preparing for Trip

Dec 5th
Left Head Quarters with 2 packers one soldier and 6 pack mules and proceeded to Tower falls station saw about 1200 Elk 18 miles

Dec 6th
Tower Falls station to Soda Butte station Saw about 2000 Elk 20 miles

Dec 7th
from station to cache creek found one Dead Elk near Death Gulch had been shot and the meat and hide taken away saw about 200 Elk 14 miles

Dec 8
returned to Soda Butte station saw about 400 Elk 14 miles

Dec 9th
from Soda Butte station to pebble creek the snow being to Deep to cross the Divide I camped 5 miles from the Line saw no Game 10 miles

Dec 10th
returned to Soda Butte station 10 miles

Dec 11th
Layed over on account of severe snowstorm

Dec 12th
up soda Butte creek to park Line Return 32 miles saw 27 Mountain sheep 74 Elk found one Elk shot near the Devils well

Dec 13th
from station to snow cabin on slough creek 12 miles saw about 2000 Elk 4 Deer

Dec 14th
Made patrol from cabin to park Line & return 22 miles about 700 Elk seen one foot print near the Beaver Dams

Dec 15th
moved camp to snow shoe cabin on Hell-Roaring creek saw about 4000 Elk 11 miles

Dec 16th
made patrol to park Line saw about 500 Elk and one Bear Den near the Line but no Trap in it 14 miles

Dec 17th
Made patrol to Cottonwood Basin& return saw about 5000 Elk 12 Deer & one sheep 14 miles

Dec 18th
Moved camp to Knowles cabin on Crevasse creek saw 16 Deer 6 white tail & 10 Black-tail 57 Elk 15 miles

Dec 19th
Made patrol to park Line & return saw 21 Elk 14 Deer 7 miles

Dec 20th
moved camp to Headquarters 19 miles saw 5 Elk 42 Deer about 150 ante-lope & 5 coyotes

Dec 21st
at Headquarters made complaint against J. H. Duret, peter Fortt for cutting Green Timber

Dec 22
at Headquarters

Dec 23
at Headquarters

Dec 24
absent

Dec 25
absent

Dec 26th
absent

Dec 27th
absent Consulting Mont. Game Warden

Dec 28th
at Headquarters

Dec 29th
at Headquarters

Dec 30th
To Gardiner--Return saw 41 Mt sheep 10 miles

Dec 31
Escorted prisoner Stnikley to park Line 10 miles saw 27 sheep 15 Deer

Jan 1st 1908
at Headquarters

Jan 2nd
to Gardiner & return 10 miles

Jan 3rd
at Headquarters

Jan 4th
To Gardiner & return saw 23 sheep 3 coyotes 10 miles

Jan 5th
to North Line & Return saw 21 sheep 26 Deer 9 Miles

Jan 6th
preparing for Trip

Jan 7th
Left Headquarters with scout Wilson 2 packers and 6 pack mules went to Tower falls station Game seen about 250 Elk 18 miles

Jan 8th
to soda Butte station 18 miles Game seen 2 coyotes about 200 Elk

Jan 9th
Scout Wilson and I went to park Line up Soda Butte creek saw where a man on foot had hunted in the park about 1 mile but had killed no Game he came from Cooke city Game seen about 100 Elk 34 miles

Jan 10th
left station with 6 mules and pitched our camp about one mile south of park Line on Soda Butte creek sent mules back to station 15 miles 12 Elk

Jan 11th
Remained in camp

Jan 12th
patroled to Line and return 4 miles

Jan 13th
patroled to saw mill outside the park and return saw one fresh snowshoe Trail near the Line but nothing had been Killed 4 miles saw several fresh Elk tracks some outside the park

Jan 14th
patroled to state Line & return 4 miles

Jan 15th
patroled to within 2 miles of cooke city & return 6 miles

Jan 16th
patroled to state Line & return 4 miles

Jan 17th
patroled to state Line & return. saw fresh Elk track 4 miles

Jan 18th
patroled 1/2 mile beyond sawmill saw fresh Elk Tracks also where somebody had been to state line on skis but had not left the main road. 5 miles

Jan 19th
patroled to state Line & return saw one scabby Elk inside the park numerous fresh Track of Elk 4 miles

Jan 20th
patroled to state Line & return saw one scabby Elk 4 miles

Jan 21st
patroled to within 1/2 mile of cooke city & return saw where 4 men on skis had come down to state Line and returned to Cooke 9 miles saw fresh Elk Tracks near park Line recent storm has Driven them all inside the park

Jan 22nd
patroled to state Line & return saw fresh Elk tracks 4 miles

Jan 23rd
patroled to park Line saw fresh snow shoe Tracks Looding along the Line for about 3/4 miles thence into the park about 1 mile followed them and found Mr G. J. Gibson hunting Elk in the park he also had 6 Traps in his possession arrested him and Brought him into the post for Trial went to Soda Butte this p. m. 21 miles saw 87 Elk

Jan 24th
Layed over with prisoner at the station and sent the pack Train after the camping outfit they returned at 4 p. m. Saw 6 Elk

Jan 25th
Left Soda Butte station with scout Wilson and the pack Train and prisoner and proceeded to Tower Falls station saw about 1500 Elk 18 Miles

Jan 26th
same party left station and proceeded to Head Quarters saw about 900 Elk. Turned prisoner over to U. S. Deputy Marshall C. A. Lindsley 18 miles

27
At Hdqrs

28
At Hdqrs. Attending trial of G. J. Gibson

29
at Hdqrs

30
Absent with permission of Supt

31
absent with permission supt

Feb'y 1
Absent with permission of Supt.

Feby 2
Absent with permission of Supt

Feby 3
Returned from leave

Feb 4th
at Hdqrs

Feb 5th
preparing for Trip

Feb 6th
getting stock shod

Feb 7th
ordered out on the 8th instead of 7th

Feb 8th
Left Hdqrs with scout Wilson one soldier one packer and 3 pack Mules proceeded to Tower Falls station 18 miles saw about 200 Elk

Feb 9th
proceeded to Soda Butte station 18 miles Saw about 300 Elk 2 coyotes

Feb 10th
Left Soda Butte station with scout Wilson and pack mules and pitched camp near the park Line 15 miles saw 73 Elk and 5 Mountain Lions tracks sent pack mules back to station

Feb 11th
Patroled to 1/2 mile above state Line saw Fresh Elk Tracks 5 miles

Feb 12th
same patrol 5 miles

Feb 13th
patroled to within 1 1/2 miles of cooke city Numerous Fresh Elk Tracks 6 miles

Feb 14th
same patrol scout Wilson went to soda Butte station to make patrol to slough creek private Connor came up from station to relieve him and assist me to make patrols 6 miles

Feb 15th
Remained in camp to Listen for any shooting. one ski Track near the Line heavy snow storm

Feb 16
patroled to within one mile of cooke city several Fresh Elk Tracks near the Town saw one scabby Elk outside the park 6 miles

Feb 17th
patroled to state Line saw where a Team had gone into sawmill followed Tracks and found where 3 Elk had been killed and meat Loaded on the sled. followed sled to cooke city and searched around Town for the meat found it in a cabin there were 9 quarters of it got the Justice of peace and constable to go with me and found the man who put it there was Richard McBride of Cooke city had a warrant sworn out for his arrest Trial to come off Later. 9 miles

Feb 18th
Left camp and proceeded to Tower Falls station Saw about 2000 Elk 33 miles

Feb 19th
Tower Falls station to Head Quarters reported Elk Killing to Supt Yellowstone park saw about 3000 Elk 18 miles

Feb 20th
at Head Quarters

Feb 21st
to Gardiner & return 10 miles

Feb 22
Left Head Quarters with State Game Warden and proceeded to Soda Butte station saw about 500 Elk 36 miles

Feb 23rd
soda Butte station to Cook City 20 miles saw about 100 Elk

Feb 24th
Left Cooke City for Soda Butte station 20 miles about 50 Elk

Feb 25th
Left Soda Butte station at Slough creek& left Game Warden to arrest John Kersey who was coming down from J. H. Durets Ranch stopped overnight in snow shoe cabin 18 miles

Feb 26th
went up creek about 6 miles there we met Kersey and arrested him and went to Tower Falls station 22 miles saw about 75 Elk

Feb 27th
went to Head Qrs with prisoner Turned him over to state Game warden Left Head Quarters 3 p. m. went back to Tower Falls saw about 1500 Elk 36 miles

Feb 28th
Left Tower Falls at 6 a. m. went to J. H. Durets Ranch up slough creek searched cabin and found 9 Quarters of Elk meat there sent soldier to soda Butte to arrest Duret for Violating Rules of park also state Game Laws returned to snow shoe cabin 38 miles saw about 400 Elk

Feb 29th
left snow shoe cabin and went to Head Quarters with J. H. Duret as prisoner Turned him over to Supt of park saw about 500 Elk 25 miles

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Whittaker, George Oct. 26th, 1908 to Jan 12, 1909

Oct 26th
at HeadQuarters preparing for Trip

Oct 27
Left Headquarters with pvt Oconners and went to Tower Falls station. Saw about 250 Elk 17 antelope 27 Deer 3 coyotes 18 miles

28th
Sent pvt conners to soda Butte station to get pack mule I went up 2 1/2 miles to help get the wagon down to station it having Broke down the evening before pvt Conners returned 5 p. m. with mule 32 miles I returned to station 11 30 6 miles saw 14 Elk 7 Deer

Oct 29
left Tower Falls station with pvt conners and one pack mule and went to park Line on slough creek saw 15 head of cattle one horse Track and Foot Tracks of 2 men 1/2 mile inside the park. saw 7 coyotes 17 Deer & about 400 Elk 26 miles

30th
scouted along the park Line to Buffalo Fork no sign of Game near the Line saw one coyote found where an Elk had been killed in the park within the last 10 days parties camped about 20 yds outside the Line they Left the Elk Scolp hang on a Tree I took scolp with me must have been about 6 horses in the outfit found where another party had camped about 100 yds outside the Line. the snow will average about 14 inches on Top of Mountain 12 miles

Oct 31
scouted near the Line to Hellroaring camped at cabin saw about 3000 Elk 4 Deer 2 coyotes 15 miles

Nov 1st
scouted up east Fork of Hellroaring to Line thence along the Line to Hellroaring creek then back to camp saw one old Foot print Just outside the Line found one dead Bull Elk saw a great many Elk outside the park about 300 inside 14 miles.

Nov 2nd
From Hellroaring to HeadQuarters saw 4 B.T. Deer one white Tail 37 Elk 22 miles

Nov 3rd
to north Line & return saw about 250 antelope 10 miles

Nov 4th
preparing for Trip

Nov 5th
preparing for Trip

Nov 6th
Left Headquarters with scouts McBride Mason & Brown and 10 pack Mules 2 packers proceeded to canon station saw one coyote 31 miles

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Nov 7th
same party to Lake station saw one pine martin one Beaver and numerous Ducks & Geese along the River 16 miles

Nov 8th
Scouts McBride Brown and myself went to Natural Bridge and got six Buffalo and Drove them over the Bridge to pelican creek and put Fence across the Bridge 15 miles

Nov 9th
scout McBride & I to cañon saw a Fox and a great many Ducks & Geese 16 miles

Nov 10th
from cañon to headquarters saw one Fox 4 Fresh Elk Tracks 27 Deer shot one coyote 31 miles

Nov 11th
preparing for Trip

Nov 12th
Left HeadQuarters with pvt OConners scout around the Vicinity of Reese creek there has been several men in the park on foot saw a great many Elk Inside the park about 50 antelope outside the Fence 5 were killed this p. m. 25 miles

Nov 13
to Gassert Ranch on the North Line & return to Headquarters 17 miles

Nov 14
Left Headquarters with scout McBride & pvt Christenson of F Troop and 4 mules proceeded to Reese creek and camped 10 miles

15th
Left camp on foot with scout McBride and patroled west along park Line Found where one Bull elk had been killed in the park and Hind Quarters taken away. also found fresh Tracks of 3 men who had been in the park at Least 1/2 mile but had killed nothing returned to camp 6 miles

16th
Left camp on foot with scout McBride & pvt Christenson and made same patrol saw one man on horseback riding along the Line saw 2 Elk returned to camp 6 miles

17th
Entire party Left camp and went to Headquarters to get supplies. saw 41 Elk 7 Deer one Coyote 10 miles

18th
Left Head Quarters with scout McBride 2 packers and 4 Mules returned to our camp on Reese creek sent 3 mules & 2 packers back to post Saw one Elk 11 Deer Quiet a number of Fresh Elk Tracks 10 miles

19th
Left camp with scout McBride and patroled west along the Line 2 miles 4 miles

20th
Left Camp with scout McBride went down the creek to Line saw 3 men on horse back coming up the creek they turned west along the Line followed them and caught 2 of them in the park one with Rifle the other without arrested them and went to post saw one Elk 27 Deer 16 Miles

21st
attend court in a. m. Left Headquarters in the afternoon with scout McBride and one packer returned to our camp in Reese creek saw 2 Elk 14 Deer 10 miles

22nd
Left camp on foot with scout McBride patroled Line East 1/2 mile saw no sign of Hunting 3 miles

23rd
Left camp on foot with scout McBride patroled west along the Line saw where 2 men on foot had Entered the park about 100 yds then out again saw one Deer Track 6 miles

24th
made same patrol coming back along the Line saw where 2 men had crossed the Line they went in about 75 yds when we retkrned to camp found somebody had been in our camp. saw where one man had been in the park on horse back but had Killed nothing saw several fresh Elk Tracks and Deer Tracks 6 miles

25th
Made same patrol in the a. m. and went to HeadQuarter in the afternoon 15 miles swan Lake Litterally covered with Elk Tracks

26th
at HeadQuarters

27th
preparing for Trip

28th
Left Head Quarters in the afternoon with 3 pack mules 1 packer and 6 soldiers proceeded to Tower Falls station saw about 400 Elk 11 antelope 17 Deer. 18 miles

29th
Left station with 3 soldiers 3 pack mules & one packer went to snow shoe cabin on slough creek left Rations there and proceeded to soda Butte station saw about 5000 Elk 1 Deer 3 coyotes 21 miles

30th
at Soda Butte station

Dec 1st
Left station with pvt Wright one packer w 3 pack mules and went to Willow creek cabin with Rations saw about 500 Elk the River was very hard to cross owing to the Ice 18 miles

Dec 2nd
Left Cabin on foot and scouted the country up the River as far as Mist creek & returned to Cabin Saw lots of fresh Beaver sign 2 Elk 8 miles killed coyote in the afternoon same party left Cabin and returned to station saw about 300 Elk 18 miles

Dec 3rd
all at station shoeing stock weather stormy

Dec 4th
Left station with 2 men and went up cooke Road to park Line and Return to station saw about 400 Elk 34 miles shot one Coyote

Dec 5
to soda Butte station

Dec 6th
left station with 2 Men and 3 pack mules proceeded up cache creek near the East Line saw a great many Elk a Deer Track. found one Elk had been killed in the park and Hind Quarters taken. it had been killed about a month back 15 miles

Dec 7th
Same party returned to station on our way back I Blazed the Trail for about 6 miles so the station men would have no Trouble to find their way up there saw 6 coyotes & about 50 Elk 15 miles

Dec 8th
hunting Coyotes near the station 8 miles

Dec 9th
left station with one soldier & packer and scouted about south East of Mt Norris and Lamar River saw about 300 Elk and a great many fresh Beaver sign Killed one coyote 9 miles

Dec 10th
Teaching Detachment how to pack and ski

Dec 11th
took one soldier & one packer and scouted up Amphitheater Creek & return saw 60 Elk one Mountain Lion Track 20 miles

Dec 12th
Corpl Bonel 2 packer & myself to North Line & return 36 miles saw about 35 Elk

Dec 13th
Left station with 2 soldiers one packer and 3 pack mules and proceeded to Slough Creek Cabin camped saw about 4000 Elk 6 Coyotes one Mt Lion Track 11 miles

Dec 14
same patroled to North Line & return to cabin. saw about 800 Elk 22 miles

Dec 15th
From cabin along the Base of Buffalo plateau to Tower Falls station 5 coyotes about 1100 Elk 12 Miles killed one coyote

Dec 16th
at Tower Falls station preparing for Trip

Dec 17th
Left Tower Falls station with 2 soldiers one packer 4 pack mules and proceeded to Hell-Roaring cabin saw about 200 Elk 8 coyotes Killed 2

Dec 18
left Cabin with one soldier and patroled to North Line. return to Cabin saw about 50 Elk 7 coyotes found 2 Dead Bull Elk scabby took heads & Teeth into post there are a great many Elk outside the park no sign of poaching 11 miles Killed 2 coyotes

Dec 19th
whole party left cabin and proceeded to Tower falls station saw about 600 Elk 8 coyotes killed one saw one mt sheep 12 miles

Dec 20th
Left station with one packer 3 mules and proceeded to Head Quarters saw about 600 Elk 16 white Tail 61 B. T. Deer 18 miles

Dec 21st
preparing for Trip

Dec 22nd
Left Head Quarters with one packer & 3 mules went to Norris saw 6 Mountain Lion Tracks 20 miles

Dec 23
Left Norris same outfit and went to Lake left 30 Rations at cañon station saw 27 swan and a great many Duck & Geese along the River 27 miles

Dec 24th
Left station with 2 soldiers mounted and went to Cabin on pelican creek snow very Deep. Cabin in very Dirty Cond returned to station 24 miles

Dec 25th
at station fixing skis

Dec 26th
Left station on skis with 2 men and started for Trappers creek but owing to the snow being to soft we only got as far as Steamboat point had to return to station 13 miles saw 6 Buffalo.

27th
went out on Lake to see if I could cross it on the Ice but there is to much water on the Ice returned to station 1 mile

28th
went to Boat Co. Quarters to look at the Buffalo 1 mile

29th
went out one Lake again to see if we could cross it but there is to much water o n the Ice. 1 1/2 miles

30th
Received order from the Supt of the park to Witness the Taking Inventory of E. C. Waters property and Bring his Winter Keeper into HeadQuarters. 1 mile

31st
Left station with Chas Jackson 2 soldiers mounted and proceeded to Norris station saw 5 Fish otter 27 miles

Jan 1st 1909
same party Norris to HeadQuarters saw 47 Elk 16 Deer 20 miles

2nd 1909
at Headquarters

3rd
Left HeadQuarters in the afternoon proceeded to Tower Falls station saw 64 Elk 47 Deer 18 miles

4th
Took 2 men and went to Yanceys to see how many horses the cooke city stage Co had found 30 head saw about 100 Elk 5 miles

5th
Received orders to remain at station and see that the stage Co takes their stock out of the park. 3 miles

Jan 6th
at station waiting for stage Co. to send man down to Drive stock out of the park saw 4 Elk

Jan 7th
from station to Yanceys & return to Notify stage Co to have Loose horses ready to Leave tomorrow morning saw 1 Elk snowing very hard 6 miles

Jan 8th
From station to Yanceys Drove in all Loose stock put them in corral so we could start in the morning with them. saw about 200 Elk 7 Deer 2 coyotes 6 miles severe snowstorm

Jan 9th
Left station with McHerr and 27 Loose horses Drove them to Gardiner saw about 700 Elk 100 Deer 18 miles

Jan 10th
at Headquarters

Jan 11th
at Head Quarters

Jan 12th
hunting Cyotes 1 mile

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1907

August.

1st.
At Fort Yellowstone.

2nd
On business at Gardiner

3rd
Left Ft. Yellowstone for Sylvan Pass, stopped at Norris same evening
Dist. 20 miles game seen 4 deer 8 ducks

4th
Left Norris for Lake Dist 27 miles, game seen 3 deer 6 bear.

5th
Left Lake for Sylvan Pass Dist 28 miles

6th
Remained at station resting horse

7th
Patroled Shoshone R. to crow creek and returned to station. Dist. 12 miles

8th
Patroled to James ck and returned to station Dist. 16 miles.

9th
Patroled 5 miles East on Cody road. Dist. 10 miles

10th
Left Sylvan Pass sta. for Lake stopped at Lake same evening. Game seen 3 deer Dist. 28 miles

11th
Left Lake for Norris sta. Game seen 4 deer 20 duck Dist. 27 miles

12th
Left Norris for Mam. Spgs. arrived at Spgs 12 am. Game seen 3 deer 10 duck Dist 20 miles. Object of trip Tour of inspection and instruction.

13th
escorted troops to reported fire at Bunsens Peak found no fire. returned to Post. Dist 10 miles

14th
At Post resting horse

15th
Patroled to camp in vicinity of Post. Dist 8 miles Game seen 8 deer

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16th
Overtook Gen Young on road to Yanceys with telegram reporting fire on Madison River. Left for Norris same evening to intercept party of campers, met party at Apolinaris spgs and returned to Post. Game seen 4 deer Dist 28 miles

17th
Met party and conducted to to Post for interview

18th
Patroled to camps in vacinity of Post. Dist 7 miles

19th
Patroled camps Dist 9 miles Game seen 3 deer 12 ducks

20th
Patroled camps Dist 7 miles

21st
at Hdqrs. Made sign to be placed near Gardiner

22nd
Put up sign near Gardiner Dist. 10 miles game seen 4 deer.

23rd
To Gardiner to engage men to cut trail on west Line.

24th
At Fort Yellowstone getting ready for trip

25th
at Fort Yellowstone

26th
Patroled camps Dist. 5 miles

27th
At Hdqrs Procuring supplies preparatory to cutting trees on west Line

28th
Left Post with 6 men to cut Trail on west boundary camped at Norris Dist 20 miles

29th
Left Norris for Fountain station camped near station. Dist 20 miles

30th
Left camp took Twin Butte Trail camped on Little Fire Hole River Dist 13 miles.

31st
Left camp on Fire Hole and camped on West Boundary Line of Park Dist
10 miles

September
1st
In camp on West Boundary Looking over country and Locating water 14 miles

2nd
same camp.

3rd
From camp on state Line to Little Fire Hole Game 4 elk 12 miles

4th
From Little Fire Hole to Fire Hole River at old Bridge 10 Geese 14 miles

5th
From camp on Fire Hole to Park Line below Riverside 4 deer. 20 miles

6th
cut Trail from 2 mile post from Line south west to B. Line then 6 miles
on line south working 7nth detachment from Cav

7th
cut Trail 1 mile on Line

8th
Cut trail 1 mile

9th
" " 1/2 mile

10th
" " 1/2 mile

11th
Left West Line with detach. and returned to Riverside station 13 miles

12th
Left Riv. sta followed road to Norris made camp 23 miles

13th
Left camp at Norris returned to Hdqs at Fort Yellowstone Dist 20 miles
4 deer

14th
At Hdqur preparing for trip to West Line

15th
scout Wilson and Graham left Hdqs for Norris stopped there same evening,
object of trip Scout Wilson to Learn stationmen the country on west side,
Scout Graham to patrol south Line D. 20 Miles

16th
Scout Wilson left Norris followed main road to Riverside station 23 miles

17th
scout Wilson Lieut Andrews and Pvt. Rice left Riverside station for trip to North West corner to communicate with Scout Fitzgeradd and arrange for meeting place of different patrols. Took trail north from station to Gneiss ck cabin stopped there same evening 2 Elk 12 miles

18th
Took inventory of supplies at cabin. Left cabin followed Gneiss ck. west about 2 miles to Campinue Ck. then turned north crossed divide to Greyling ck. followed ck. north to Gallatan River made camp on River 7 miles from N. W. Corner Game 7 Elk 20 duck 16 miles

19th
Left camp on River followed up River to cabin near N. W. corner stopped at cabin same evening, made arrangements with scout Fitzeraler in regards to meeting place of patrol 7 miles 21 elk.

20th
Left cabin accompanied by Scout Fitzgerald and Corporal returned over trail to east Fork of Greyling left Scout Fitzgerald and Corporal who returned to cabin proceeded down creek and stopped at Gneiss ck. cabin same evening 2 elk 22 miles

21st
Left Cabin at Gneiss ck. returned over trail to Riverside station 12 miles

22nd
Scout Wilson Lieut Andrews and Corpl Withmeyer left station patroled to end of trail south West and returned to station Dist 22 miles

23rd
Remained at station resting stock

24th
scout Wilson and Corpl Wittmeyer left station for Greyling ck and North West followed Line North to Gneiss ck cabin stopped there same evening. 12 miles 2 elk

25th
Scout Wilson and Corpl Wittmeyer left cabin patroled to East fork of Greyling ck. and returned to cabin. 18 miles 16 elk. 20 duck 4 Geese.

26th
Scout Wilson and Corpl Wittney on patroled from cabin to Greyling Basin about 3 miles outside of Park Line found cattle grazing inside of Park Line notified owner to keep them out of Park returned to cabin 12 Grouse 10 duck 14 miles

27th
Left Cabin and folled Line south to old road then to station 14 miles

28th
At Riverside station resting stock

29th
Patroled to 7 mile post in Madison canyon 20 duck 14 miles

30th
Patroled to end of Trail south on W Line dist 22 miles

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end of September

October

1st
Scout Wilson from Riverside station to Gneiss ck cabin over Trail 2 elk 12 miles

2nd
From cabin patroled west on Gneiss ck to Grayling Bason 3 miles outside of line then north to Greyling ck. to cabin 18 miles

3rd
From cabin to B. Line then south on line to old road then to R's station 17 miles

4th
At Riverside station resting stock

5th
Scout Wilson and Pvt Rice from Riverside station to Gneiss ck cabin 12 miles

6th
Left cabin went west on Gneiss ck. to campanula ck, then north to east Branch of Greyling ck. returned to cabin 18 miles

7th
Left cabin went south to old road then to R. station 16 miles

8th
Patroled west Boundary south returned to station 20 miles

9th
Left for Hdqrs. stopped at Norris same evening 23 miles 4 elk.

10th
From Norris to Fort Yellows 20 miles

Oct 11th
At Hdqs preparing for Buffalo drive

12th
Driving Buffalo stopped at Transportation Corrall Blacktail same evening 8 miles

13th
From Transportation coral to Govement corrall on Lamar River 22 miles

14th
Herding Buffalo at Corrall

15th
From Buffalo corrall to Post 30 miles 4 elk 20 Antelope

16th
At Hdqs preparnig for trip to west Line

17th
Left Hdqs stopped at Norris same evening 20 miles

18th
From Norris to Riverside station 23 miles

19th
Left Riverside station with Corpl Wittmeyer Pvt. Weise Morgan and Perkins for Gneiss ck. and vacinity, patroled to Greyling ck. and investigated location of Bear trap, found same had been 600 yds outside of park, returned to Gneiss ck. cabin 20 mile

20th
Scout Wilson and Pvt Weiss patroled north on Greyling ck. to east fork returned to cabin 18 miles 8 elk.

21st
scout Wilson and Pvt Perkins from cabin to Riverside sta over Trail 12 miles, left Pvts Weiss and Morgan at cabin. 2 elk

22nd
At station Awaiting order

23rd
Patroled from station over 7 miles towards Fountain station returned to station 14 miles

24th
Scout Wilson and Pvt Perkins left Riverside station for Snake River stopped at Upper Bason same evening 25 miles

25th
From Upper Bason to Thumb over road 19 mi

26th
From Thumb to snake River station over road 23 miles

27th
At snake River station Awaiting arrival of Scout Graham and preparing for trip south west

28th
At station

29th
At station

30
Scout Wilson and Graham left Snake River station with Pack Train and forage for south west corner stopped at Mountain Ash ck. same evening 17 miles

31st October
From Mt. Ash creek to Beckler River cabin 6 miles

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end of October

November
1st
Left Bechler cabin made permanent camp on south Boundary 2 miles from West Line 7 miles

2nd
Patroled from camp along west B. to head of Little Robinson ck returned to camp 24 miles 2 elk.

3rd
Patroled south Line east to Lake on Boundary let. to camp 14 miles Beaver signs numerous

4th
Patroled west line to Robinson ck returned to camp 10 miles 2 moose

5th
Patroled Fall River to Mt. Ash ck returned to camp 15 miles 4 elk

6th
Patroled Bechler River, Lilypad Lake to Boundary ck. returned to camp 17 miles

7th
Patroled west B. to Head of Robinson ck. returned to camp 24 miles 4 Elk 1 moose

8th
Patroled south B. east to Lake on line ret. to camp 14 miles 6 elk

9th
Patroled west line north to Buffalo Lake made camp at Lake 20 miles 2 elk

10th
Patroled west line north 8 miles ret. to camp 16 miles

11th
Patroled west line south to former camp 20 miles 2 moose

12th
Patroled south line east 5 miles ret. to camp 10 miles Beaver signs numerous

13th
Patroled north east to Canon of Boundary ck ret to camp 18 miles 2 moose

14th
At camp resting stock

15th
Patroled west Line to Robinson ck ret. to camp 10 miles

16th
Left Camp followed road to fall River made camp on River near Terrace Falls 19 miles 1 moose

17th
Patroled south Boundary west to Fall River Basin ret. to camp 14 miles 4 elk

18th
Patroled Fall River to Beula Lake ret. to camp 14 miles 4 elk.

19th
Patroled down Fall River to Lakes on south Boundary ret. to camp 16 miles 8 elk On foot.

20th
Broke camp followed Line to snake River sta 11 miles

21st
At Snake River sta awaiting orders

22nd
From Snake River sta. to Bechler River cabin 23 miles

23rd
Patroled Fall River to south west corner 16 miles 6 elk 1 moose ret. to cabin

24th
Patroled to cañon of Boundary creek ret. to cabin 12 miles

25th
Patroled to Robinson ck. 15 miles 2 moose ret. to cabin

26th
Patroled Bechler River, Fall River South Boundary returned to cabin 18 miles

27th
Patroled to south west corner followed west line north ret to camp 22 miles 4 elk.

28th 1907
Arrested George Broadbent for killing elk in the Yellowstone Park near West Boundary brought him to Bechler River cabin 18 miles

29th
Left Cabin for snake River station with prisoner, at station same evening 23 miles 1 moose.

30th November
Left snake River station with prisoner for Hdqrs stopped at Thumb same evening 23 miles

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end of November
December
1st
From Thumb to Lake station with prisoner 16 miles

2nd
From Lake to Norris. 27 miles. 8 deer.

3rd
From Norris to Hdqs. 20 miles 30 deer.

4th
At Hdqs. attending trial of prisoner

5th
At Gardiner private buisiness

6th
At Hdqs preparing supplies for S. S. Cabin.

7th
From Hdqs with supplies for Crystal Spgs cabin returned to Hdqs 22 miles 20 deer.

8th
At Hdqs. collecting More supplies for cabin.

9th
at Hdqs. preparing for trip to cabin

10th
At Hdqs. preparing for trip to cabin.

11th
From Hdqs. to Crystal Spgs cabin with supplies and to make general repairs at cabin. returned to Hdqs. 12 deer 22 miles

12th
At Gardiner fixing trap for the purpose of capturing antelope returned to Hdqs 10 miles 14 deer.

13th
At Gardiner capturing Antelope returned to Hdqs 10 miles 20 deer 4 sheep

14th
At Gardiner capturing Antelope returned to Hdqs 10 miles 8 deer.

15th
At Hdqs preparing crates for shipment of Antelope

16th
To Gardiner assisting in shipment of Elk. 10 miles 22 deer.

17th
At Gardiner Mont. capturing antelope 10 miles 4 deer.

18th
At Gardiner capturing Antelope 10 miles 12 deer.

19th
Assisting to bring Antelope From Gardiner to Hdqs. 10 miles 16 deer

20th
At Gardiner getting supplies 10 miles 20 deer. 4 sheep.

21st
Inspecting traps coyotes 2 miles. 8 deer.

22nd
At Hdqs.

23rd
skinning Coyotes and inspecting traps. 2 miles

24th
Feeding game at Hdqs and inspecting coyote traps 2 miles 12 deer

25th
No patrol At Hdqs.

26th
At Gardiner capturing Antelope 10 miles 12 deer

27th
Inspecting coyote traps 2 miles

28th
Feeding game at Hdqs.

29th
At Gardiner capturing Antelope 10 miles 20 deer

30th
At Gardiner assisting in shipment of Antelope 30 deer 41 sheep 10 mi

31st
At Gardiner policeing around Hay Corrall 10 miles 22 deer.

End of December.

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Dec 28th
Left camp at 6 00 a. m. went along the Line to Gardiner returned to Camp at 9 15 a. m. sgt wall Left camp and made patrol to Turkey pen Trail and Mt Evertts reports no Game to be seen today pvt sybertz & VanCamp Left Camp at 10 30 and made patrol to Gardiner i left camp again at 4 30 but owing to the severe Blizzard i could not get over 1/2 mile from camp my horse would not face the storm saw all the antelope about one mile south of Gardiner weather Blinding snowstorm & cold

Dec 29th
Left camp at 5.30 a. m. followed along the Line to Gardiner found all the antelope had Left the park during the night but i succeeded in getting them back by 8 30 a. m. i watched them the Greater part of the day myself patroled until 6.30 p. m. sgt wall patroled to Mt Evertts he reports no mountain sheep to be seen today but about 200 antelope on the Gardiner flat i left camp at 10 30 a. m. made patrol to Gassert ranch returned to camp at 2 00 p. m. Left again at 4.45 p. m. patroled to Gardiner drove all the antelope back in the hills. weather cloudy & cold

Dec. 30th
Left camp at 5.30 a. m. patroled from Chadborne ranch to Gardiner the antelope were all down on the Line i drove them back and returned to camp at 8 25 a. m. sgt wall Left camp at 10 15 to make a patrol to Reese creek returned at 2 30 p. m. he reports 2 men hunting along the park Line at that place. i left camp again at 3 15 p. m. made patrol to Gardiner the antelope were all up in the hills when i left the line and returned to camp at 6 15 p. m. weather cloudy & Bitter cold Wind Blowing

Dec 31st
Sgt Wall & Myself Left camp at 6 00 a. m. patroled the Line to Gardiner there i left sgt Wall and went to the post to report to Capt James B. Erwin acting Supt Y. N. P. for orders in regard to my camp sgt wall returned to camp he will make all the patrols during my absense in the post after i left sgt Wall he went to the Chadborne Ranch and drove all the antelope back in the park then he went back to the Brown ranch he saw 2 men hunting there he also found an antelope shot inside the park dressed it and brought it to camp i received orders to return to camp and move the outfit in saw 12 Deer 2 miles from the post This being the close of the Game season in Montanna for Antelope & Deer i wish to say that up to this date i do not believe that the Number of antelope killed by hunters & coyotes will exceed 25 in number or 4% per cent of the Total number estimated to be in this part of the park i have no Knowledge of more than 16 having been Killed by hunters and 5 by Coyotes 3 died in the park from Bullet wounds received outside the park this i consider a very close estimate on the number that have been killed to the Best of my Knowledge and belief there are 600 or more of these antelope in the park this winter i should say there are at Least 100 more than there was last year

Respectfully submited
Geo Whittaker (signed)

To Capt James B. Erwin Act Supt Y. N. P.

weather stormy & very cold

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