

Mary True Diary, 1901

1901 was a year in which Mary's misery was profound. She often complained of fatigue, and the amount of work she put in every day would make anyone tired. But this year, she also mentions heartache. Some examples from her diary:

Friday, July 19, 1901:

. . . I feel Miserable But Manage to Keep up just the same I wonder every day How much longer I will be able to endure it

Saturday, August 3, 1901:

. . . I tell you I am so tired I don't care if I live or die

Thursday, October 17, 1901

. . . Oh I never put in such a night as last night was. I felt so Miserable I did not even know Yesterday was my Birthday . . . Oh is it better to suffer and live or die and end it All.

Friday, October 25, 1901

. . . Am almost beside Myself it is just one continual rangle all the time Where and when will it all end. . . I feel Miserable tonight again

Saturday, December 28, 1901

. . . My burnt wrist hurt me but I don't care it is heart aches that Kill Me and I am fated for those stabs the last few years but time and death heals all wounds so will it heal Mine.

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January

Tuesday, January 1, 1901

Oh I tell you it was cold and we did not get up very early. I got the Breakfast and we eat in the Kitchen Edna got up early and went to early Church We made 2 freezers of ice cream. We had a Chicken for dinner Edna took a Bucket of Cream out to Dunnings Pop took us for a drive out at Twin Lakes. This evening Edna and I went down with Wilkie & Agnes to see the White Horse Tavern¹ played it was laughable I tell you All Well

1. "At the White Horse Tavern" played at the Opera House in January 1901.

Wednesday, January 2, 1901

Another Cold Morning but no ice We did not get up very early Alverda and I got the Breakfast Then I cut out the lining for Luene's Waist [shirt waist or blouse] Then Pop took us out to the Lighthouse Miss Hecock¹ gave us some specimens. So kind of her I went down to see Rena Stikeman She is miserable I also called to see Mrs. Bamford she is better read a letter from Mabel received Photoes [sic] of Emma's 2 children The revenue tax money came from Fathers Estate 28.14/100 All Well

1. Laura Hecox was the lighthouse keeper in Santa Cruz, taking over from her father Adna Hecox in 1883. She kept a collection of curios in one room of the lighthouse.

Thursday, January 3, 1901

This has been a blustry [sic] day and this evening it commenced to rain and at this writing the wind is very high and it is still raining. Pop wrote 3 letters one to Jose Eliza Mrs Ricketts Bill & Mr Sanborn He sent them their portion of the revenue Tax he had returned. Pop got some frozen Oysters & we had them fried for dinner. I did not do much Just got Luene's lining fit Alverda down to Miss Hughes twice All Well

Friday, January 4, 1901

The wind blew all night and a good Many trees went down. It has rained all day. Lena [hired girl] came and done the work I sewed on Luene's waist and let her plaid skirt down Lena took the two little Girls for a ride over to black [Black Point] and heard then that Young [Martin] Moran was drowned off the rocks then this morning his body had not been recovered at last accounts Pop got the 2 Postals returned from Jose & Eliza this afte All Well

Saturday, January 5, 1901

No rain today But it looked very like it some of the time Lena came and she and I did the washing Edna and I done the ironing so now we have plain Sailing for Monday I was in to Wilkies to see about point lace patterns Alverda and I drew off one pattern Edna down town Alverda down to Miss Hughes to get her grey dress fit I made Top Luene's dog a blanket tonight Well

Sunday, January 6, 1901

This has been a rainy day neither the children nor any of the rest of us got out for a walk. I washed the childrens hair my own Pop washed his also I also made some doughnuts Edna gave her Fingers a bad Scald taking a cover off of a kittle [sic]. I wrote a letter to uncle Billey [Mary's brother] and to Emma Strassburg [friend living in Oakland] I don't feel good today either Still raining Pop Says All Well

Monday, January 7, 1901

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This has been a nice day. and tonight the moon shines bright and it is quite cool I went in to see Mrs Buckley this morning then I came Home Lena washed some windowes [sic] Soon Allen came over to fix the water pipe in the Bath room it is all O K now. All of the children got promoted and I am Happy read a letter from dear old Sallie Sent an order to Home Publishing Co for lace patterns over to Wilkies this evening Well

Tuesday, January 8, 1901

Showery most all day although the children all came Home for their dinner Harry Bamford brought over some Cream and Sweet Milk I made cup custard for supper I got Luene's Sleeves [sic] finished and Basted in her waist I still do not feel very good too Stormy for me to get down town I worked a very little on the lace work but none to make mention of. My Head aches tonight I popped some corn this afte [Mary's abbreviation for afternoon] All Well

Wednesday, January 9, 1901

We had a few Showers about noon it was Cold this morning C.R.C.¹ Called early this morning and I have been layed [sic] up all day and do not feel any letting [up] tonight I made some Tapicoa Cream and some Cake that was all I did but get the meals Read a nice long letter from Emma Strassburg Pop read one from Mr. King of Lompoc Pop down town and payed Whitney Bro. bill \$2.80 I felt so miserable I could not do my lace work Well

1. "C.R.C." is the family code for a menstrual period

Thursday, January 10, 1901

All Well

A Nice day no rain But a heavy white frost this morning the water was all frozen over. George Staffler Sr.¹ died early this morning Sudden of a heart failure Wilkie in a few minutes this morning I was in there Just after dinner. I felt better so worked on the lace Collar some got one Half almost finished read a letter from Mabel Pop received one from the Lompoc Bank with checks from King one from a Farmer in Sutter

1. George Staffler, a native of Alsace, Germany, was a prominent merchant in Santa Cruz in the furniture and undertaking business. (*Santa Cruz Morning Sentinel*, January 11, 1901)

Friday, January 11, 1901

Misty most all day and tonight it is foggy. Lena came up and did the cleaning as well as she could. But we could not have the House open. Pop wrote a letter to a Mr Fairington up in Sutter [their home county] about the fence on the ranch Edna did not come Home to dinner it was to [sic] wet she did not ride her wheel. I knit some on Pops sock that was all I done but to get the dinner All Well

Saturday, January 12, 1901

It was good and foggy this morning and we did not get at the washing very early But it seemed to clear away later and Lena done the washing alone all but the flannels I tried to finish Edna a waste but did not get it quite finished after all. I made some doughnuts this evening out of Sour Cream. Allen Came up this morning to tighten up the pipe he put in the other day he was up tonight also. All Well

Sunday, January 13, 1901

This has been a nice [day] We did not get up very early. I got the Breakfast Then the children went to Sunday school Edna stayed to church [sic] I got the dinner But it was late before I got it ready I got the Chips down on the lower floor this morning. We all took a walk over on the Cliff I went in to see Mrs Miller the rest went out on the bluff further I wrote a letter Home. Morans Body found All Well

Monday, January 14, 1901

Mrs. Samuel Leask called

This has been a nice day. But it looks like rain tonight. Lena came up to work I finished Ednas Waste and got the sleeves stitched in Luene's red waist This afte Pop took me down town Lyman had my shoes finished So I got them I bought an Opel [sic] watch chain for my self from Clyne [C. J. Klein, Pacific Avenue jeweler]. Meet Alverda at Miss Hughes and we went over to Mrs Heaths to make arrangements for her drawing lessons got my Nugg [nugget?] Stick pin All Well

Tuesday, January 15, 1901

This was a fine day although the wind blew cold from the North Pop was up early and took the train for the City he returned again this evening he Brought a dozen Table Knives good ones. Mrs Mattison called also Wilkie Edna and Alverda took their first Lesson in Mathematics of Professor W. W. Wilson \$1.00 per lesson. I felt miserable all day thought I should have to give up about noon and quit All Well.

Wednesday, January 16, 1901

I tell you this was a nice day just like Summer I stitched Luene's red Collar and fried potatoes for dinner I tell you it was a hot job. Pop Hawled [sic] some more gravel this afte I made a

Black Satin front to my black dress and put rushed [ruched, gathered] ribbon on the waiste instead of the steel trimming Read 2 letters one from Cody and one from Harry Wilkie in this afte I fried doughnuts this evening in to Mrs Bamfords Well

Thursday, January 17, 1901

Not much Sun shine and it was not very Cold either. This evening it seems more like rain. I got the last half of the Collar almost finished and the pearling on the other half and on the tape I put in a good day I tell you I went down to hear How Renna Stikeman was she is no better. Mrs Dunning Came in just a Minute brought me a Rose Slip [rose cutting]. Read a letter from Alice Gray they are at Ben Lomond All Well

Friday, January 18, 1901

A never to be forgotten scene tonight

This was a nice day So bright and warm Just like summer But there was a heavy fog tonight Lena and I done the cleaning and I dug in on the Collar and got that and my lace front finished and ready to wear tonight to the Play of Quo: Vadis Mrs Cooper, Mrs Smith Mrs Hazzan, Mrs Wilkins, Mrs True & Miss Agnes Wilkins. The Play was fine and they had a Crowded House. Read a letter from Mrs Thistlethwaite All Well

Saturday, January 19, 1901

Not as pleasant today Although we got our clothes dry Lena came up and we got our washing out on time I did not do Much on Luenes Waiste Not finished. The children All went to the Mattinee [sic] Pop and I out to Mr Dunnings I called at Fitzgibbons Rena is better. Thank goodness I fried doughnuts tonight So I am tired Read a letter from Mrs Wallton [nee?] Lulu Onstott. All Well

Sunday, January 20, 1901

This has been a disagreeable day Cloudy early and soon it commenced to rain and it has been at it more or less all day. Edna done most of the dinner I put in my time writing letters to Home and to Mary Spink to Sallie Horne Mrs Thistlethwaite Mother Mann Agnes came in this afte for a few minutes did not stay long it is still black and looks rainy I am sleepy All are Well

Monday, January 21, 1901

Oh My but it just poured down last night and was showery today and looks as it we Might get some more tonight Lena came up and done the ironing I went in to see how Rags [Wilkie's dog] was he is about the same Mrs Smith is better I was in there also. I finally finished Luene's Red Waiste it looks real good I put Brass buttons on it Alverda and Luene down to Miss Hughes this afte All Well

Tuesday, January 22, 1901

More Showers to day and tonight it still looks rainy. I put in all the fore noon trying to make a Collar pattern but did not succeed Mrs Longstreth came over to get my subscription for the Home Magazine I was over to Wilkies Rags is no Better Muriel & Mildred were here to Tea Mrs Buckley came in for them I washed Alverda's Black & White suit waiste also put Luene's Red waist [sic] and Plaid skirt together All Well

Wednesday, January 23, 1901

This has been a nice day and to night the moon is Shining brightly I put in a most miserable night last night. I cleaned up the closet in the sitting room was all I could do. I helped Wilkie give her dog a dose of Caster [Castor] oil he is no better. I was in to see Mrs Bamford she is better. I do feel so miserable I will go to bed I guess Read a letter from Joe. Rest All Well

Thursday, January 24, 1901

This was a nice fore noon but the clouds came up this afte and the north wind blew and tonight the wind is blowing high. I feel miserable today but feel Better tonight I cleaned up the pattern drawer this morning. The 2 Mrs Johnstons Called this afte I ripped the sleeves out of Alverdas Grey Jacket and will put them in myself Miss Hughes could not get them to fit. Battenburg [lace] pattern of belero [bolero] jacket came Well

Friday, January 25, 1901

This has been a nice day but it was cold this Morning. Lena came up this Morning and helped me do the cleaning I went in to Wilkies poor little Rags is gone died last night. Pop has finished trimming the tree and got about all the rubbish burned. Lena and I tried to Burn the brush in Manns but it was too green So Pop came over and helped us So we finally succeeded in burning it one pile only though Well

Saturday, January 26, 1901

This has been a perfect day just like summer. Lena came up and we did the washing then we cleaned up the sitting room I gave it a good sweeping with the damp broom after dinner I fixed the sleeves of Alverda's Jacket Edna and I cleaned the front wheel on her Bicycle. I tried to make some Cream Candy but failed. I put the Braid on another new Collar pattern. Edna and Allen out for a wheel ride this evening the moon is bright Well

Sunday, January 27, 1901

This has been a nice day But the mornings are crisp and cold I tell you We did not get up very early. I got the Breakfast Edna cleaned her Back Bicycle wheel Just as we were finishing our Breakfast here came Allen to say there had been Burglars on Beach hill Forgnes [Forgey's] and Bomans [Bowman's] houses were entered did not get much. We all went for a drive around the cliff I wrote 2 letters one Home and one to Alice Gray Luene and I were in to Wilkies tonight Well

Monday, January 28, 1901

Another beautiful day we were up late so the children did not have time to do up any of the work So I did not get time for any thing but to Bake 2 pies Lena done the washing. Pop and I down town this After noon I got a red Burnt leather Cushing [cushion] for \$3.00 I stopped to Miss Hughes came Home and fixed the sleeves of my plaid waist Put the lace on half of one Collar Mrs. Steinmetz called Rena no better All Well

Tuesday, January 29, 1901

Our fine weather continues. I put in this fore noon Cooking I made 2 Apple custards [sic] pies and a Sponge cake then got the dinner Made Alverda a school bag for her Books. She has it to work yet. Mrs Millen Came over Just after dinner And she and I went over to see Mrs Longstreth. I wrote a letter to the Home Publishing Co. The Buckley Children here this evening Mrs Buckley came in for a time this evening after the Children Well

[Mrs. Buckley was a neighbor at.138 Ocean View Avenue]

Wednesday, January 30, 1901

Sack Sugar \$6.15

Another fine day But there was a cold breeze this after noon. I went in to Wilkies this fore noon and worked a little on the point lace Collar After dinner Pop and I went over to Mr Kings the florists but he did not have any Carnations in bloom So I did not get any. We went over to town and down to the Beach the tide was very low I set out some Pink[s] and worked in the Garden for a time Well

Thursday, January 31, 1901

It was cloudy this morning and the wind blew cold but the wind changed to the North and tonight it is clear but cold. Wilkie came in this morning for a time. I worked on the lace Collar but did not get much done Pop spaded Some and transplanted the Swiss Chard greens. I read in the Home magazine that came this after I feel sleepy so I must hie to bed it is cold All Well

February

Friday, February 1, 1901

February came in with a cold north wind. it is drying the ground up very fast. Lena came up and we done the cleaning I swept the Girls Bed room Oh how dirty they were. I did not get them finished till late Read a letter from little Joe. Pop got the Farmer He has done the spading in the Berries. I had a big Job to get Edna's Bureau drawer cleaned out. All are Well.

Saturday, February 2, 1901

Not very pleasant this morning and it looked rainy too But Lena and I washed Just the same and got the clothes dried and most of them ironed I dressed a chicken and spent a good part of the after noon cleaning up the shelves in the Bath room. Allen came in this Morning and had a fill up on apples I made doughnuts this evening and stewed some prunes. Alverda took her drawing lesson Well

Sunday, February 3, 1901

This has been a cold Showery day We did not get up very early did not get through our Breakfast till almost nine I put the old Roaster on to Cook and made the Crust for the Pie & Biscuit. Edna done the rest. I wrote 3 letters one to uncle Billy Mrs W J [Florence] Gaige [of Alameda] and Emma Strasburg Cleaned out the kitchen Stove washed Edna's and my hair thus I put in the day tonight I helped Luene with her piece Well

Monday, February 4, 1901

It did not rain very much last night but it has kept it up good today and tonight thus far it has just come down And is still at it Edna did not come Home today it was so wet she could not ride Lena came up and done up the rest of the ironing I worked on My Lace Collar all I could my February number of the Home Companion came tonight the Children all had clean reports this month Much to my joy Well

Tuesday, February 5, 1901

Just a few showers was all the rain we had to day but last night it just poured all night I did not get much done on my lace work After dinner I picked some flowers and took [them]

down to Rena Stikeman poor Girl I fear she will never get well Clara Chitchen is down I went down to Miss Hughes to have my waist lining fit came Home and called on Wilkie a few minutes put the lace on my old Collar Pattern tonight All Well

Wednesday, February 6, 1901

Another showery day although Edna rode her wheel and came Home for her Lunch at noon. I made a Lemon pie for dinner and worked on my lace Collar sent for a new Book of Recitations to New York. I finished one more collar to night and got another one on the Pattern and ready to work Edna down to the Dentist and to Miss Hughes to take her Blue waist to get it made Well

Thursday, February 7, 1901

No rain till late this after noon and this evening it just poured I made apple custard for dinner. then I got to work on my lace finished one half of a Collar and got the Braid basted on for another Poor Rena Stikeman (nee) Fitzgibbons died about then this morning I went down there this afte They all feel very sad My deepest Sympathy is with them I called at Litchfields She is better Well

Friday, February 8, 1901

It did Just rain again last night and we had several showers today and thunder and lightening. Lena came up and she done the Friday's work I went down to Fitzgibbons this afte and then to Miss Hughes to get my waste [waist] fit and from there to Mrs. Short's She is better to day has been sick for a week. Mrs Litchfield had a Bad night. I am to watch with dear Lorene Stikeman for the last time forever tonight All Well

Saturday, February 9, 1901

This has been a nice clear bright day. Mrs. W T Forsyth Miss Clara Steinmetz and my self watched with dear Lorene StikeMan All night It was very cold I did not get home till after seven Fried some doughnuts and dressed a Rooster. This afte Pop took Wilkie Luene and Myself to Lorane's [sic] funeral this 2:30 Alverda over to Buckleys to tea I am tired and sleepy so will hie to bed Pop got somach [stomach] ache Well

Sunday, February 10, 1901

This has been a most beautiful day so bright but still the air was cold so much snow on the mountains Edna & Alverda to Sunday school and Church I cleaned her Wheel and got it ready to put the Aluminum on and the stuff would not work. Pop hitched up and went over and met the Girls and Edna Changed it and then I could not get it to work so Edna took her wheel down for them to put it on for her. Pop took us for a drive I went down to see Mrs. Short she is better Wrote a letter to Bro" [brother] All Well

Monday, February 11, 1901

A beautiful day But cold nights and mornings Lena came up and finished the ironing and washed some windows I cleaned all the lamp burners and chimneys. Then I got the dinner this afte I worked on the lace Collar all I could did not get it quite finished Had a Lady Book Agent Call Edna got the aluminum put on her Bicycle Spokes All Well

Tuesday, February 12, 1901

Nice this fore noon but this after it looks more like rain. I made a chocolate layer Cake and a few tea Cakes and a Custard pie then finished another Collar and put on an other and got it sewed ready to work tomorrow I read a letter from Joe and some of True's School Work Miss Bertha came in this afte and stayed till after five. I sent Edna with some Mutton broth to Mrs Short She is better Well

Wednesday, February 13, 1901

This has been a cloudy misty [day] not much real rain But a heavy Shower came on at noon so Edna did not get Home for dinner. I finished another half for a Collar and got the Braid on the pattern for the 14th time I went down to Fitzgibbon's this afte they feel Blue enough I can assure you read a letter from Mother Mann. Comming Home next Mo" [month]

Thursday, February 14, 1901

This was a most perfect day so nice and bright. Lena came up and I read her letter from Mother Mann Wilkie came in to return my Book I dug in on my lace and finished another lace Collar I received a Comic Valentine through the mail Luene over to Mrs Buckleys to spend the evening Edna & Alverda down to Swantons to their Church Social Mrs Judge Smith called I feel Miserable rest Well

Friday, February 15, 1901

Another nice day. Lena was sick today so she could not come up I had all of the work to do alone. I tell you I was good and tired My rubber pig came it is funy [funny] Sure. I went down to Mrs Shorts she is better I also called at Radkey's Agnes and I went down to hear the Lecture on Europe by Mr Rader it was just fine. Allen came up and spent the evening they had a fine time Well.

Saturday, February 16, 1901

This was a cloudy day and the clothes did not get dry. I did not help much Lena and Edna done the most of it I went down to Miss Hughes But she had just gone down so I had to wait for till almost noon before I got started for home Mrs Dunning & Family came in this after noon and made us a nice visit Edna read a letter from Mary Spink this afte I seem real Horse tonight a little cold I guess Well

Sunday, February 17, 1901

Either a heavy fog or a light rain early this morning But none fell today although it looked threating [sic] all day the Children did not go to Sunday School or Church Edna got the dinner I cleaned the piano and this afte I made up a Back for Edna's Bolero Jacket. and wrote a letter to Joe Thomas [of Yuba City] tonight The Girls and I practiced drawing Collar patterns this evening All Well

Monday, February 18, 1901

Well it has Just come down all day in a gentle rain and tonight the wind has commenced to blow and it is raining harder. Lena came up and done the ironing I cooked Beanes [sic] and Prunes. Mended Pop's Socks and this afte I stitched My Under Waists and got one done to Button & Button Holes and the other to the trimming Edna did not get Home for her dinner she got a letter from Lottie Branch tonight All Well

Tuesday, February 19, 1901

Another stormy day not so much rain fell as yesterday But we had more wind and it is quite high tonight and looked very black and threatenng [sic] I got the Back for Edna's Bolero transferred off so now that is done. I was over to Wilkies this afte and got a Cake & Cookie reciept. Read 2 letters one from Cousin Sallie. Ella is quite ill also one from Madam Starkey. Edna not Home for her dinner All Well

Wednesday, February 20, 1901

~~Newman & Levinson~~ order miss sent

Rain again last night and this morning But it cleared away this afte. But this evening it has commenced to rain once more. I Baked a sponge cake this morning and this afte I finished one under waist and got the other one ready for Button holes. I sent an order to Newman and Levinson of \$3.50 Pop took the Children down to China town to see the sights I feel miserable Much pain Well

Thursday, February 21, 1901

Newman & Levinson Order this afte

Commenced to rain again early this morning and kept it up well into the fore noon Edna did not get Home for dinner has not come home one day this week Some of the Keys of the Piano did not work properly so I worked on that this morning Cut out a Blue Shirt waist for myself & got it tucked and fit finished the other under waist tonight Edna is up to Parkers for the night and to spend the morrow I have felt miserable today so much pain Well

Friday, February 22, 1901

This has been a fine day so very warm. Lena came up and we done the Fridays work I cleaned our bed room and helped Lena to clean the Sitting room then I Made a Layer Chocolate Cake and got the dinner. Bertha came over and stayed till almost Six. Mildred Buckey [Buckley] here to tea We Alverda Luene and Myself took her Home and stayed a little while Edna came Home Read a letter from Florence Well

Saturday, February 23, 1901

There was a heavy fog this morning almost like a rain And soon it commenced to rain we had several hard showers Alverda had a ride to her drawing lesson with Mrs Marsh he Mr Marsh brought her Home Edna & I done the washing Lena did not come up it rained too hard. Mother Manns stove came this morning we got all the clothes dry but the Flannels Edna has a Cold in her head I don't feel any different Well

Sunday, February 24, 1901

This has been a most beautiful day Just like summer so nice and warm the Moon shines nice and bright tonight. The children all went to Sunday school Edna and Alverda stayed to Church I got the dinner Edna and Luene went for a drive with the Parker Children Lina & Charley. I wrote 4 letters one to Brother, Mother Mann, Cody and to Walter P. Walker for Modern Embroidery for one year Also for some Patterns I was over to Wilkies this even Well

Monday, February 25, 1901

This has been a splendid day so warm and nice The Children done most of the ironing before school time then I finished up and tried Wilkies Egg less fruit Cake but do not have any luck got thru and finished My blue Shirt to Buttons & button holes. then I went down to

Mrs Shorts She is better able to be up and around looks miserable though. I received the Comfort a new Paper like it very Well I fell Miserable tonight Well

Tuesday, February 26, 1901

This has been a most splendid day But Oh My it was So warm the children complain dreadfully of the heat. I made a Sponge Cake and worked a little on My blue shirt waist this afte I finished it so now that is done. I went in to see Mrs Bamford she is better. I went in to Wilkies a little while after Supper then Edna & Luene came and we all came Home I knit some tonight All Well

Wednesday, February 27, 1901

This has been a most perfect day But Oh My it was warm. Edna and I cleaned up the parlor while Alverda got Breakfast But I did not get it finished till almost noon I went in to Wilkies to get a Butterfly Lace pattern for a tie and Pop and I went down town and met Edna and then he took us up on Mission Hill to get a Burnt Leather Quishon [cushion?] I bought one \$4.00. I to Wilkies this evening Well

Thursday, February 28, 1901

I feel miserable tonight

Another nice day and this evening is clear warm and bright. We cleaned up the Sitting room this morning. and I aired the beds and cleaned our bed room this afte My Braids came from the City [San Francisco] I am Well pleased with them Pop and I down town I stopped and Paid Miss Hughes and as we came Home I stopped at Fitz Gibbons. She is miserable. Allen came up tonight and he and Edna are out for a Wheel ride Well

March

Friday, March 1, 1901

This has been a most beautiful day but Oh My it was hot I did not sleep good last night so felt miserable all day but I cleaned and done up the work Just the same. This afte Pop drove me down to Miss Hughes and from there We went down town Then we came up to the School and drove Alverda down to Wilsons [sic]. I went over to Wilkies this afte Read a letter from Joe at last All Well

Saturday, March 2, 1901

Another nice day But the wind blew this afte from the North and it has come up again at 8 of the clock. Although it is a clear bright evening. Edna and I done the Washing and I dressed a Rooster also Pop drove us out to Dunnings for a visit Edna went to the Beach I fixed my new waist sleeves again. this afte I put a new steel in my old Corset after we came home Edna done some of the ironing

Sunday, March 3, 1901

Another fine day The wind blew last night and a little this morning. The Parker Children came late last evening to see Edna. I took a bath and went to bed The Girls all went to Sunday school. Pop took us for a drive around the Cliff I wrote to uncle Billie and sent a note to Mrs Dunning. C.R.C. called this afte almost 2 months this time would of been 2 Wednesday - [March] 6 - I don't feel very bad yet rest Well

Monday, March 4, 1901

Our nice weather continues Just the same if March is here I felt Miserable all day but I managed to get the dinner and done a little of the ironing This afte Pop took me down to Miss Hughes she went down town with me I got my black silk for a suit & waiste Mrs Frank Heath and her mother Mrs Storey called also Mrs Hugh came up this evening for some Feathers for a Cushion Well

Tuesday, March 5, 1901

This was a nice day till this evening then the fog came in and it was quite cold I made Custard Pie and Sponge Cake this morning I felt miserable about noon I Brownd some Coffee. Mrs Bamford and Murtle [Myrtle] Rose came over just after I had the dishes before I had my dress changed then Mrs Clark and Mrs Elsom Called I did not see them was not dressed when the bell rung. A man called to see Pop. Lila [their horse] Stepped on Pop's foot Well

Wednesday, March 6, 1901

Still our nice weather lingers near by although not as clear still no rain. March has been lovely thus far I made a Custard Pie and a Fruit Cake this morning had fine luck this time I worked on my Butter fly tie end. Commenced to work a little on it this evening Mrs Cooper and Helen came in a little while this evening My old tooth is half inclined to Ache tonight. Well

Thursday, March 7, 1901

Well

Not so pleasant today too much Cold North Wind. Edna and I cleaned up the Sitting room this morning before school I aired all the beds and bedding and cleaned our room. this afte I worked on My lace work Muriel came over and they made Easter eggs. I do not feel very good tonight Agnes wanted Me to Come over tonight but I decided not to go

Thursday, March 8, 1901

This was a Much nicer day than yesterday although the wind blew some today Pop and I done the Fridays cleaning I put clean Papers in the Cupboard in the Pin [?] part also cleaned the Side board Pop swept the walls and picture frames I finished one of the Butter flies for a tie end. Put the Braid on for the other one My tooth is better today Alverda over to Buckleys to tea Well

Saturday, March 9, 1901

Not so clear today and the wind still blows it seems like rain. Edna and I done the washing she mopped the porch floor while I dressed a Rooster and made a layer cake. This afte Pop took us down town Luene went to the Library for School work After we came Home the girls done the ironing and done some of their School work I finished Pops Socks Well.

Sunday, March 10, 1901

Continued to rain this morning early and rained hard till later it has been showering all day and looks like we might get some more tonight little Stanford Smith brought me over a sample of his fudges he and Robert made How Kind Our Children made candy had fine luck this time I wrote 3 letters one home to Florence & to the Comfort for sheet music I read some tonight All Well

Monday, March 11, 1901

Several Showers today and it does not seem settled yet it is cold too I ironed up Alverdas White dress this fore noon and got out Some of the Summer clothes and looked them over and will fix over all I can of them. I went over to see Mrs. Dr. Chamberlin this after noon She is well My old tooth feels same tonight I can tell you All are well

Tuesday, March 12, 1901

No rain today although it has not been clear all day the clouds still hang around. I made some sallad dressing and stuffed some Eggs that were left over from yesterday I worked on my lace work all the time I had. did not get it finished yet. My old tooth has just bothered me all day and is still at it I fixed my bustle over today so it suits me better now All well but my old tooth.

Wednesday, March 13, 1901

This has been a nice [day] nice and warm this afte and to night we had no fire tonight. This morning and fore noon was cold. I baked a sponge cake and a rice pudding Ripped up Edna's white shirt waist and got it mended and ready to put together again. Pop down town this after I worked ion my lace finished the other Butterfly for the end of my tie now both are done All Well.

Thursday, March 14, 1901

This was a most perfect day so warm and nice. Edna and I cleaned the sitting room all we could before she went to school then I finished up and cleaned our room and I swept the childrens room Pop went down town for some lumber and then he took Alverda down to take her lesson Luene and I went down to for a ride My patterns came I got the Braid sewed on tonight for Alverdas Collar All Well

Friday, March 15, 1901

Another nice day so like Summer. I done the rest of the cleaning this morning and made a lemon custard for dinner. This afte I went over to Wilkies and in to see Mrs Buckley Luene and myself took some clothes the girls had out gown over to Wilkie for the Sisters children Pop took Edna & Alverda down to the minstrils [sic] this evening Well

Saturday, March 16, 1901

Not so pleasant to day it looks more like rain tonight although Edna and I done the washing and got the clothes all dry too. I dressed a chicken and made a layer cake Mrs Starkey came and Luene took her music lesson Mrs Bliss called and Miss Carrie Stinmetz [Steinmetz] to night Allen came up and the Children made Candy and had a high time. I did not do any sewing All Well

Sunday, March 17, 1901

This has been a most perfect day till the after noon late then the north wind blew cold. The girls and their father and Mable Radke went for a dinner My neuralgia was too bad so I did not go out. Luene is not very well She is chilly has cold Wrote a letter Home Sent to the City for lace patterns I am reading Rudder Grange¹ it is funny Sure no truth in it. Well.

1. *Rudder Grange* by Frank Stockton, first published in 1874, is a collection of short comedic sketches.

Monday, March 18, 1901

Another nice day But Oh my such a time as I had all night and till this after noon before it got any better I sent Alverda down to Perry's for some Chloroform liniment [sic] and that seems to allay the pain to night I feel much easier hope I may sleep Wilkie came over this afte Pop and Alverda went down town Edna down also We Can't seem to get any white under vests for the Children Well

Tuesday, March 19, 1901

Our nice Weather continues. Pop is on the go trying to get a Plowman to plow the garden This evening he went again and succeeded in getting a man to come for the morning. I worked on my Butterfly tie All the time I had but did not get it quite finished Edna finished a Collar for herself. Alverda still at work at Miss Everts came home tonight I have not seen them Well.

Wednesday, March 20, 1901

Cloudy today and plenty of wind first. I made a Chocolate Cake for Edna to take over to Parkers to the Lawn party. Alverda and Luene got ready and went with Mrs Radke and Mabel to Sea Bright to a Picknick they did not stay very late I went in to see Mrs Everts She looks miserable Edna and I called on Mrs & Miss Merrill she is real pretty Pop is not real well has cold Well

Thursday, March 21, 1901

Not so pleasant today cloudy and the wind blew hard this after noon. Edna cleaned the sitting room then she went up to Parkers and from there to Ben Lomond Just returned had a fine time. I tell you I am good and tired A Bill came form Newman & Levinson¹ A letter from Mrs Thistlethwaite And one from Uncle Billey Mrs Short came up this after noon Pop about the same Muriel Buckley here to Supper Well

1. Newman & Levinson was a dry goods store in San Francisco.

Friday, March 22, 1901

The wind blew Oh so hard this after noon. Edna and I done the work and I done out some of the washing And it got dry so we ironed this evening the two little girls went to the Beach with Florence Witmore. Allen came by this Evening and brought the Glass for the two windows in the Kitchen very kind of him got them at wholesale prices Pop better late to bed All Well

Saturday, March 23, 1901

This was a windy old day but I dressed an old Rooster and put out the rest of the washing I sent an order to Dingee Conard & Company¹ for plants Also one to Newman and Levinson. So that took up a good deal of my time Mrs Starkey Came and Luene took her lesson Martha Mann Florence Masters & Ren's Wife and daughter came Home I was in to see them down to Mrs Litchfield She is miserable All Well

1. Dingee and Conard was a mail order plant catalog company in the 1900s; still in business today in Pennsylvania.

Sunday, March 24, 1901

I had a terrible sick head ache to day am better to night I could scarcely get around All fore noon Edna done the most of the work I did not go for a drive Pop took the children I went over to the Drs for some medicine. Wrote a letter Home tonight Made an Angel Cake this after had good luck Lina came in this evening Mother Mann brought us all in a gift this morning washed all our hair All Well

Monday, March 25, 1901

Almost a rain this fore noon and it did not clear away all day the moon shines tonight C.R.C. called early this morning So I do not feel very fine. Read a letter from Cousin Sallie Ella is better and has gone Home with her Sister Mary - Allen called for his putty knife this after I worked on Alverda's lace yoke all the time I had Mother Mann came in All Well

Tuesday, March 26, 1901

This has been a nice day but the wind blew some but not as hard as usual but it is cold tonight I made a sponge cake this morning Mother Mann came in I was over to Wilkie's twice once this evening. I finished the Lace Yoke for Alverda's dress it is very pretty. I tell you I dont feel very good yet the girls Edna and Alverda took their lesson of Prof. Wilson All Well

Wednesday, March 27, 1901

Showery today and plenty of wind we had several heavy showers Edna made it over to School and Home to dinner on her wheel I did not do much work to day got some of the Braid sewn on Edna's Bolero. This after Pop took me down to Miss Hughes I got her Paper the Ladies World and sent to New York for .50 cents worth of Patterns. I was over to Mann Ren's Baby is not at all well All Well

Thursday, March 28, 1901

Very pleasant this fore noon But this after noon the wind did just blow a gale Edna and I cleaned up the sitting room before she went to school then I cleaned up our bed room and aired all the beds. I tell you I was good and tired when dinner was over I finished sewing the Braid on Edna's Bolero. Received the Braids from the City I ordered last Saturday My paw feeles a little lame Mrs Longstreth called Well

Friday, March 29, 1901

Edna and Allen out for a walk. Not so windy today but still the wind blew just the same the Fridays work done but it was up hill business I can tell you an old Duster agent called and bothered me some Mrs Everts called this afte. I wrote to Newman & Levinson and returned their Pattern. I just feel miserable I can assure you. I made two coffee cakes and one layer cake got some Beans on to soak finished Alverda's yoke & my butterfly tie All Well

Saturday, March 30, 1901

This has been a nice day No wind to speak of. Edna and I done the washing She also done some of the ironing. I dressed and cooked a Rooster and mopped the back poarch [sic] floor Cooked a pot of Beans Made Chocolate filling for a layer Cake. Made biscuit and done a lot of other jobs to go for a day at Olive Springs for the day took off an old Hen with 13 little chickens I tell you I am just dead tired Well

Sunday, March 31, 1901

The fog came in this morning and it was cold. We were up early and were packed ready for Olive Springs before eight had a nice trip if it was dusty Florence Masters went out with us as it was her first trip into the woods in Santa Cruz I can tell you I am good and tired So much walking I wrote a letter Home tonight I now must hie to bed as to be up in time tomorrow Well.

April

Monday, April 1, 1901

April came in like a lamb So nice and pleasant No wind but it is cold Just the same I made a sponge cake and a few cup custards I put cotton in one ear for Edna so she got fooled Pop and I went out to Dunnings but did not stay very long I went in to see Mrs. Litchfield she is better able to be up now but suffers pain yet it is late So I must hie to bed all well

Tuesday, April 2, 1901

There was a light mist falling when we got up this morning and soon it got heavier and has continued up to the present time 9:00. Edna did not get Home to dinner. I put on a lace collar in the dutchess braid¹ for Alverda I made my own pattern I finished it to night looks very nice. Mother Mann came in this morning Wilkie came in later it is late So I must hie to bed All Well

1. Dutchess braid is an embroidery technique with a draw thread on one edge that allows it to be drawn into shape. (Home Needlework Magazine, Volumes 12-13, 1910-1912)

Wednesday, April 3, 1901

Showery again today and I can tell you it is cold too I done some washing this morning and some of the ironing and the children finished up this evening I made a Sponge Cake this after and went in to see Mrs Wetmore. I commenced a Butterfly Collar for Luene Alverda has gone out to night over to Miss Grace Thurstings Birthday Party My Lips are chapped Sore I am sleepy All Well

Thursday, April 4, 1901

Oh my but there was a big white frost this morning and it was bitter cold the north wind has commenced to blow again this after I done the sweeping in the bed rooms and done all the cleaning I could Pop took me down and I met Edna and we bought her Summer Hat \$4.73 Also 2 Shirt Waists Patterns & one for myself. We almost froze Pop out it took us so long. I worked on Luenes Collar tonight All Well.

Friday, April 5, 1901

This has been a nice day but cold no wind to speak of till late this after noon and then tonight it went down so it is nice. I done the Friday cleaning and finished Luene's lace butterfly collar it looks fine Thelma was over here most all day Luene down at Miss Hughes to get her dress fit the other two down to Pro Wilson's to take their lesson Pop has some lumber come for a chicken yard fence. Well

Saturday, April 6, 1901

This was a nice day but late this after noon the wind came up and tonight the wind is high and it is bitter cold Edna and I done the washing and ironing this evening I dressed a rooster

then Pop took Alverda Luene and myself down town this afte Pop took Edna and I down town I went over to Wilkies this even Mr Lyman brought Ednas Shoes up they suit her fine All Well

Sunday, April 7, 1901

This was another nice day although the wind came up late this evening and it was cold The children all went to Sunday school and to church I took the children down to the Easter Concert this evening Florence Masters went with us. Pop took us for a ride and to Rennies to see Allen he got hurt last Evening in a bicycle Smash up he is able to be up around the house I wrote 4 letters one Home to Sallie Horn, Mrs Thistlethwaite and Florence Gaige I am tired I will Hie to bed Well

Monday, April 8, 1901

This was a beautiful fore noon but that horrid old north wind came up this afte I tell you the nights & mornings are cold A heavy frost. Pop is at work building a new chicken yard fence. I cut out my shirt waist and got it tucked and basted up ready to fit Edna got the proofs of her pictures they are good. I fixed the childrens Shirts tonight I am tired All Well

Tuesday, April 9, 1901

Not so cold this morning or to night but the wind blew a Gale this forenoon and again this afte. I cut out Alverda and Luene both a Rushian [sic] Suit with bloomers. I tell you it is a Job to get them fit ready to sew I will send them to Mrs Longstreth to have them sewed Mrs Wilkins and Agnes came in for a time this evening My plants came from Dingee Conard Pop still at work at chicken yard fence Well

Wednesday, April 10, 1901

This was the best day we have had for sometime I flew around and Pop and I were ready a little after nine and he drove Wilkie Agnes & Myself up to the Catholic Church to see Miss Anderson & Chas Gillen Married¹ I potted all of the plants from Dingee And this evening I went down to the Natives [sic] Daughters Social² did not get home till 12 too much rushing around for me All Well

1. Charles J. Gillen, druggist, and May Josephine Anderson, both of Santa Cruz married by Father McNamee. (*Santa Cruz Evening Sentinel*, 11 April 1901)

2. Native Daughters of the Golden West an organization for women born in California, founded in 1886; associated with Native Sons of the Golden West for men.

Thursday, April 11, 1901

A little more wind than yesterday But I was so busy didnt know much about the weather or care either I helped Edna to clean the sitting room after they went to school I swept the three Bed roomes [sic] and done some a the kitchen work so I am dead tired. Pop still at work at the chicken Yard fence. Agnes and I went down with Mrs Marsh to hear Prof. Jordens Lecture but it was posponed [sic] till tomorrow Well

Friday, April 12, 1901

Letter from Harry Another nice day no bright sunshine but the wind did not blow Wilkie came in this morning I done all the cleaning alone and maby [sic] you think I aint tired. Mrs A M Johnston called and took my bolero home to copy. My collar and Butter fly came from

New York I am well pleased with them. Agnes & I try the Lecture again tonight Pop got the big gate finished into the Horse lot Agnes & I went to hear Jordan Lecture¹ Well

1. David Starr Jordan, first president of Stanford University, lectured at the Opera House on the "Strength of Being Clean."

Saturday, April 13, 1901

The fog came in this morning and lasted till almost noon Edna helped me do the washing We had a big one and it was almost noon before I finished Edna picked [plucked] the chicken and I finished dressing him Mrs Starkey came this afte And Luene took her lesson. I commenced to sew the Braid on My Collar Alverda got her Sailor suit from Miss Hughes I am tired so must hie to bed for I must take my bath All Well

Sunday, April 14, 1901

This has been a nice day but it was not very warm and this evening the wind came up cold and a cold fog came in. So I had to light the fire Edna did not go to Church but the 2 little ones went to Sunday school. Pop took us all for a ride down to Capitola we stopped at Dunnings as we came home I wrote a letter to Uncle Billey and to Dingee Conard I am sleepy so will Hie to bed well

Monday, April 15, 1901

No sun today A misty fog all fore noon and this afte it rose higher but still the sun did not shine all day I finished up the ironing and made some Cereil Coffee This afte I went in to see Miss Bamford She is suffering with her leg again I also went in to see Wilkie and then I came Home Allen came over this afte his Arm is not well yet nor do I think it will be soon a bad sprain All Well

Tuesday, April 16, 1901

Not much sun shine today either. And the wind came up and blew good I tried Mrs Coopers Cookies had pretty good luck Made a Lemon Custard for dinner Pop drove me over to Mrs Longstreths to take her some sewing. Ed Johnston return the Bolero pattern his mother borrowed a few days ago to take off the Pattern I finished putting sewing the braid on my Collar pattern My side still pains me All Well

Wednesday, April 17, 1901

Still our disagree [sic] old weather continues not much wind today but the sun did not shine much either I went in to Mrs Bamford this morning also to Mrs Buckleys and Mann's and this afte I went in to Mrs Johnston she was not to Home Mrs Radke was in so I called on her Also Mrs Litchfield She was out on Mrs Bliss and Mrs Judge Smith I fit Alverdas leggings Mrs Longstreth came in to fit the girls waists All Well

Thursday, April 18, 1901

This was a foggy fore noon I aired all the beds and cleaned up the sitting room and our bed room made some Corn starch pudding for dinner this afte Pop drove me down to to [sic] Miss Hughes and we all went down town together I did not do much Shopping And what I did buy for Edna and My Outing Suits will fade So I feel Discouraged All Well

Friday, April 19, 1901

Boys Birthday I guess yes.

This was a lovely day both for noon and after I done My usual Fridays Cleaning and baked a Sponge Cake Just after dinner Then I cut out Edna a blue figured goods for a dressing sack I did not get it fit But we got quite a little done on it just the same Pop still at work on the Barn Thelma and Ollie came in for a little while this after I am sleepy All Well

Saturday, April 20, 1901

Letter from Mary.

Foggy this morning but this after noon was brighter. Edna and I did the washing did not get through very early. Allen came up just as we were finishing to chat a while. I dressed an old hen for dinner tomorrow Mrs Starkey came and Luene took her lesson. I finished Ednas dressing sack She wore it Allen came up to night again. It is late so I must hie to bed All Well

Sunday, April 21, 1901

CRC called this even

This was a nice day But this evening the wind came up and blew hard and it was bitter cold. The Children went to Sunday school. I got the dinner made filling for a layer Cake and a Cherry Pie Harry Rose and Allen came over and had dinner Edna went for a drive with Lina Parker around the cliff Harry took 6 pictures in the yard. Agnes Edna Alverda Luene & Myself went to the Chinese Mission Wrote a letter to Uncle Billy Well

Monday, April 22, 1901

North wind again today I have felt miserable too layed down most of the after noon it seemes [sic] so cold I did fit some of the childrens leggings but it was hard work Mrs Longstreth sent over some Poppy plants I wrote to a Mrs Summers of Notre dame Ind. Pop did not do much as the men did not come to raise and fix the Barn I think I shall hie to bed All rest Well.

Tuesday, April 23, 1901

This was a splendid day just right last night there was a fire down town A L Daniels Stable burned. Edna Florence & Ollie went down. I did not do much today either got the leggings almost ready to sent down for Harry to stitch Mother Mann & Ollie came In. I worked in Garden some Set out some pink slips I feel better tonight It is late So I must be off for bed And be up and doing tomorrow All Well

Wednesday, April 24, 1901

This was a nice day till this evening and then the north wind came up and blew the dust high. I worked in the yard this morning Pop received a dispatch from Ben Ricketts telling of his wifes death We went out to Mr Dunnings and got 2 Belgan [sic] Hares We killed one and try him tomorrow Pop wrote to Ben Read a letter from Uncle Billie and answered it and wrote to Mary Spink Ollie and Florence in this evening we Payed Mrs Longstreth All well

Thursday, April 25, 1901

Still our old wind continues. I done the cleaning a lone today and did not get through till the children came Home from School I tell you I was tired I lay down on Edna's bed for a while. Mrs. Longstreth came over for a little while I set out My Chrysanthemums this eve had over 50 Also 16 sweet peppers. Edna and I went down to the Rebeckas [Rebekahs]¹ Social tonight we did not get home till almost 12 it was cold tonight Pop still at the Barn All Well

1. Rebekahs are the women's auxiliary of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows (IOOF)

Friday, April 26, 1901

More wind and there was a heavy white this morning I done the cleaning a lone again the men came to work on the Barn. I planted some sweet pea seed made some cake and cut a yoke for Edna a new white skirt I tell you I am tired to night Edna is a[s] Cross as a Bear and is to go for a Picnic tomorrow. Lena came in for a time this evening I am going to take a bath & hie to bed Well

Saturday, April 27, 1901

The wind still blows either in the fore noon or after Pop was up early But we did not get up so early Edna and I done the Washing Then she got ready and went up to Parkers on her wheel and from there to Lavaega Park for a picnic. Mrs Starkey came and Luene took her music lesson Allen came up at Noon and brought some of his Graphophone¹ music And up tonight and gave us some music it was fine Alverda took her lesson All Well

1. A Graphophone was an improved version of the gramophone.

Sunday, April 28, 1901

It had looked like rain all day and it did sprinkle early We did not get up very early we were up so late. Edna went to Sunday school she was the only one to go. Allen came up for his Graphophone he left here last night. We had Stuffed Belgian Hare for dinner it was fine. It commenced to rain at Six and it looks like we might get a storm the wind is high. Edna has a cold I wrote to Auntie Sinnett All Well.

Monday, April 29, 1901

It must of rained considerable last night But not much rain fell and it looks like it might clear off tonight I made a new Cushion for the Rocker for the Kitchen Chair and a few more Holders this afte Pop helped me set out some of my new roses I went in to Wilkies for a chat came Home and trimmed and staked up some of the old roses Edna did not come Home for dinner I am tired and sleepy All Well

Tuesday, April 30, 1901

Still the rain is with us it has been showery all day and is still raining at 9:30 am it looks likewise might get more yet Edna did not get Home to dinner today Pop's men came and finished the Barn Pop has a sore throat I commenced to mend the clothes to go camping with it is a big Job I can tell you I did not get the shirt finished today even sent an order of Newman & Levinson Well

May

Wednesday, May 1, 1901

We only had a few showers today and the wind blew I can tell you and it still looks like rain I cut out Ednas white skirt but did not have quit enough for the yoke then I dug in on the mending again Read a letter from Brother and one from the Success with flowers Agnes came in for a little while to night Florence came in to see Edna this evening I did not get all the Mending done yet All Well

Thursday, May 2, 1901

It does not clear off the clouds still linger by we had a few showers this morning I done the cleaning and aired the beds all 3 Could not do much as it was so damp Edna and I went down to see the High School Aluminae [sic] play at the Opera House it was Home talent and very good Agnes went down with us it was late before we got home Well

Friday, May 3, 1901

Still our old cloudy weather continues but no rain fell today. Pop has a cold and sore throat But yet he sticks to his work at the Barn. He has not quite got that finished yet I done My Fridays cleaning and made Edna a Tie and done a little patching on the old clothes to go Camping with I sent for Silk samples to the Emporium this evening Allen is up tonight but would not come in Pop about the Same

Saturday, May 4, 1901

Not much sun shine this fore noon but the afternoon was bright and warm. Edna and I done the washing did not get through very early. I dressed a hen for dinner while Edna got the dinner I finished up the patching for the Camp Helped Alverda draw some poppies for practice Mrs Starkey came Luene took her lesson I went in to see Mann's lights they are fine Well

Sunday, May 5, 1901

There was a heavy fog this morning but this after noon was nice but cold Edna did not got to Sunday school I stuffed the old hen and made a Reubarb [sic] Pie Pop took us all for a drive to Aptos the roads are fine I was in to Manns twice today I wrote a long letter to my Brother tonight helped Alverda on her Poppy Piece got one finished Edna tried to draw a little All Well

Monday, May 6, 1901

This was a nice day but not a very bright fore noon. I went down to the barn and helped Pop a little while he is turning the boards in the barn floor This afte we went down town I left my hat to get it trimmed. I took some sewing over to Mrs Longstreth Edna went down to Miss Hughes and brought up some fashion book I dont like any of the styles All Well

Tuesday, May 7, 1901

The mornings are cloudy but the aftes are warm and nice. I worked out in the garden for a while weeded the Chrysanthemums and Peppers. Also my little Pink plants. I got one Butterfly on the Pattern for a collar Pop went down town And when he came back he drove me over to Mrs Longstreth when I came Home I went in to see Agnes She is not well at all Edna down to Miss Hughes. All Well

Wednesday, May 8, 1901

This was a nice day so bright and warm. I went in to see Agnes this morning She is just about the same I ironed out the goods for My Skirt and Edna's. Pop took Wilkie and I down town I went to Miss Hughes too. I got the Silk for Ednas skirt and took it down to Miss Hughes Read a letter from Brother Allen came up for a while this evening just before supper All Well

Thursday, May 9, 1901

This has been a nice day Just like Summer. I done some of the cleaning and aired all of the Beds and bedding Just before dinner I cut out my outing or Camping skirt and finished it this evening I went to see Agnes she is better Mrs Dunning her father and mother and James came in this afte we had a little Cake and Wine Edna went down to Miss Hughes and got her Camping Skirt Well

Friday, May 10, 1901

Saturday, May 11, 1901

Foggy again this morning but it cleared off a gain this afte and was very warm. Edna and I done the washing and I dressed the old Hen Made some doughnuts and done all kinds of things for we are to spend the day at Olive Sulphur Springs Edna and Allan are out to Mr Dunnings for the Evening Agnes came in and I walked over with her Wilkie may go with us tomorrow All Well

Sunday, May 12, 1901

There was a heavy Fog this Morning But this afte was nice and warm. We were up early this morning and left a little after Seven for Olive Springs Had a fine day out there But got no Cottage Wrote to Brother The Children are out gathering Rose pitles [petals] for the school children to Strew President McKinleys Pathway with tomorrow C.R.C. called this afte I feel fine thus far after our long drive Edna did not get Home from Dunnings till almost 12 All Well

Monday, May 13, 1901

Foggy early this morning again But this afte it was nice and warm. Every thing was up and out early this morning to see President McKinley But all were sadly disappointd [sic] as his wife was too ill for him to leave her. I feel almost worn out. Mrs A. M. Johnston Brought me in a Couple of Lace Patterns to trace off how very kind of her. I made Luene's white skirt longer and sent it over for Mrs Longstreth to put a ruffle on Well

Tuesday, May 14, 1901

Foggy again this morning and the wind blew this afte Pop and I were ready early and took a little lunch and drove up the Scotts Valley road to Hepsydam [Hepsidam]¹ We were looking for a place to camp did not like it there So came down by Felton on the Big tree road Home Ate our lunch at the Big trees Came home and got a Hot Supper I drew off Mrs Johnstons patterns this afte & evening I feel much better than I expected to this morning Edna not Well rest Well

1. Hepsidam was an area along Bean Creek adjacent to Mount Hermon. (Donald Clark, *Santa Cruz County Place Names*, quoting the *Santa Cruz Surf*, August 28, 1886)

Wednesday, May 15, 1901

This has been a nice after noon But the fore noon was foggy. I swept up the floors and cleaned up some then I went out and watered the new plants I had set out and the pinks. Pop and I went down town this afte We went to see Mr Hodgesden about the Cottage at Sulphur Springs I do not know yet if we can get it or not I went in to Mrs Johnstons to return her patterns. Wilkie came in this afte I was in to Mann's this Eve Well

Thursday, May 16, 1901

letter from Semmie

The Fog still hangs on every morning But the after noons are nice and warm. I dug in and cleaned up all I could and aired some of the beds. This afte Pop took Alverda Luene and Myself out to the Cemetery to clear up the lot it looks very good the moss is getting a fine start I cut out two waists for the little Girls did not get them fit Bid Mrs Everts good by Well

Friday, May 17, 1901

North wind the first thing this morning and it continued all day and is still at it. I done the Fridays cleaning But it was hard work I can tell you I think that I took cold out at the Cemetery got too warm. I got Alverda's and Luene's waists fit and Alverda's ready for the sleeves Edna and Alverda took their last lesson of Prof Wilson this afte Muriel Buckley came in this afte I must hie to bed and be up early Well

Saturday, May 18, 1901

The wind came up again today and this afte it Just blew a gale. Edna and I done the washing I made a Cake and dressed a chicken. Made some Cream Tartar Candy had fine luck Madam Starkey came and Luene took her lesson she also helped Edna on her Piece Allen came over and brought his Graphophone we had lots of good laughs I tell you over it. It is almost Eleven O'clock now All Well

Sunday, May 19, 1901

We had our old wind again to day but not so hard. Edna went to Church and Sunday [school] We had a time keeping Thelma while her mother went to Church. I wrote to Brother and Mrs. Summirs [?] Pop took us out to Dunning and over to Rennie to take Allen's Graphophone Home he could not take it home last night Very kind of him to give us as much pleasure at this labor at his labor & expense I do not feel well did not eat any dinner Rest Well

Monday, May 20, 1901

It did not look like a damp day early this morning But before noon the rain began to fall and it has rained considerable all afte and is still coming down the Streets are quite sloppy Edna did not get home for dinner Luene came Home and took Alverda's lunch down to her I mended up Pops Jumpers and put the Sleeves in Edna's Corset Cover Cut the ruffles for Alverdas old Silk Gingham Skirt letter from Mrs Thistlethwaite All Well

Tuesday, May 21, 1901

Cloudy today and windy but no rain the north wind is blowing tonight. I done out a big washing done 3 spreads 3 white skirts 1 white waiste 2 gowns Ednas Brown dress skirt and several other pieces. Edna & I ironed some this evening. Wilkie Came over and I helped her cut out one skirt for the Brother of the boys Catholic School¹ Mrs Dunning came over and spent the evening it has been years since she was here in the evening before Well

1. Holy Cross Parochial School, conducted by the Christian Brothers; Business Directory of Santa Cruz, et al, 1904 - 5

Wednesday, May 22, 1901

Luene got a sore throat

This was a beautiful fore noon but not so nice this afte. And tonight there are a few clouds floating around. I made a loaf of brown Bread for dinner and sewed some on Alverdas Skirt

finished it this after noon Sewed a little on Luene's waist. Allen Came over this evening up the Back Way he is a Boy I can tell you. I washed Edna's hair After She came Home from Miss Hughes it is late so I must hie to bed All well

Thursday, May 23, 1901

Cloudy this morning And looks like rain not much sunshine I aired all the Beds And Swept Edna's Bed room Hall Sitting room and our Bed room. Got the dinner and was so dead tired I could not eat Cleaned the Kitchen table the Sink and the stove then I changed my dress and went over to Radke's She taught me a new lace stitch Danberry leaf Wilkie came in this evening Early I put the sleeves in Alverda's & Luene's waists Am dead tired Well

Friday, May 24, 1901

Another cloudy day and the wind blew hard this after noon I done the usual cleaning and almost went wild over it much excitement of getting the children dressed and Back to school Miss Hughes brought Edna's Waist and Jacket home Pop took Edna Wilkie and Myself over to the high School Edna has to take the Examination also Luene. I do hope Edna gets through Wilkie was over also Florence Masters All Well

Saturday, May 25, 1901

This has been a gloomy day not much sun shine Edna and I done the washing and it got dry enough to iron the most of them. I made a layer Carmel Cake. and some pattie cakes. Edna went down town on her wheel twice Pop took the two little ones down town Allen Came over and brought some tamales [sic] and he and Edna had such a time fighting and wrestling as they did have it is late so I must hie to bed Well Good night Jack [illegible]

Sunday, May 26, 1901

This has been a misty day not much rain fell though Alverda went to Sunday school she was the only one to venture out I got the dinner and dried the dishes this afte I wrote 3 letters one to Brother one to Mrs Thistlethwaite and one to Mrs F. A. Procbeslil [?]. I read some in the daily paper and in Muriel Buckleys Book *Wide Wide World* by Susan Warren [Warner]¹ I am tired and sleepy All Well.

1. *Wide, Wide World* by Susan Warner, a novel first published in 1850, is often acclaimed as America's first best seller. (Wikipedia)

Monday, May 27, 1901

No rain today But it was cold and cloudy all day the wind blew hard this afte Edna and Luene went to School Alverda got Honorably. So she is out of School I did not do much work only read some put Buttons & Button Holes in Luene's Under Waist Pop took the two little ones over to town this afte then Pop took me over to Dr Chamberlins to get my bottle filled Luene not very well I am sleepy All the rest Well

Tuesday, May 28, 1901

It has looked like rain all day And was misty for a time this afte But it did not rain Muriel And Mildred Came over and Alverda made Candy for them I browned some Cereil Coffee Alverda and Pop down town they took me down to Miss Hughes after they came Home I had my black and white waist fit Edna out to Miss Newmans to a Class reunion Oh I am just Sick to go Camping I am Simply Miserable Well

Wednesday, May 29, 1901

This has been the nicest day we have had for some days it was clear this afternoon and tonight the moon shines bright. I have just felt miserable all day Wilkie came in this afternoon to have me help her on the shirt she is making I read a letter from Joe and received two pictures of their Darling little Girl She is so Cute. Pop took the Girls down to the Graduating exercises tonight I was in to see Mrs Buckley they go tomorrow afternoon All Well

Thursday, May 30, 1901

This has been a nice day and this evening was just fine. Pop took Luene & Myself out to the Cemetery with the flowers this morning then I came Home and got dinner we had Strawberry Short Cake we had Muriel and Mildred here for dinner they left for the East & Nova Scotia [sic] this afternoon Pop took us all for a drive around the cliff I watered some of the plants this evening My side Pains Well

Friday, May 31, 1901

A pleasant day this has been But I tell you it was hot getting dinner The children and I done up all the Friday work & Thursdays too So I tell you I was tired Alverda and Luene went fishing did not catch any thing but Stogie??. Read a letter from Mrs. Thistlethwaite Oh I tell you my side has pained me today and this evening Charley Parker Just came in at 9:30 Just gone after 10 All Well

June

Saturday, June 1, 1901

June came in nice bright and warm. Hot you might say Edna and I did the washing I dressed an old hen Alverda took the feathers off They went for Porter with Pop I went down to see Mr Litchfield about his tent I can get that Oh my I don't know what to do I feel miserable Edna and Allen out for a drive It is a lovely night The rest are all in bed so I must be off All rest Well

Sunday, June 2, 1901

This was a nice day but not as warm as Yesterday Edna and Alverda went to Church Luene did not go We were up very early so had dinner early. My side pained me so I did not go for a ride Pop took the children out the Scotts Valley road for a drive Mr Litchfield came down for a talk if we had been to the Springs but we did not go out Allen is up tonight to get some Cherries not many Wrote home Well

Monday, June 3, 1901

This has been a cool day not much bright sunshine Edna done the ironing Alverda washed a few windows I did not do much but now I finished the Second Volume of Wide Wide World Read two postals from Muriel Buckley Aint she good dear little soul. The children all down to the Girls Tea I trimmed Alverda a Hat looks fine I just feel too miserable for Any thing I wonder How many more days I can Keep up rest Well.

Tuesday, June 4, 1901

Another cool day still the sun shone warmer than Yesterday I sewed a little on my lace collar today and got the dinner After dinner Pop took Alverda And Luene out Blackburn Gulch road to get wild Black berries did not get only a few red ones I went in to Wilkies

Bamfords and Smiths. Vance Lucille and Lola Horton Came down to see the Girls this evening it is late I must Hie to bed Well

Wednesday, June 5, 1901

This has been a nice day more like Summer than any day we have had yet I worked on my lace collar got one half ready to Work I was over to Wilkies this morning And twice to night Agnes leaves for the Yosemite in the morning I read a Postal from Muriel & a letter from my brother I made a wild Black Berrie Pie this morning I Baked a Cake this evening Expect the Dunnings tomorrow Well

Thursday, June 6, 1901

This was a nice day although there was a heavy fog this morning but it soon cleared away. this after noon it was fine We just got in and worked All day Made three freezers of ice Cream I went down with Luene to the dentist She had one tooth extracted. When we Came Home Mrs Dunning her Mother & Father and little James were here we had some ice cream And Cake for them We had one freezer left for tonight I played Whist over to Manns tonight Well

Friday, June 7, 1901

No fog this Morning And it was a fine day and tonight it is cooler the middle of the day was quite warm We done the cleaning this after noon I worked on my lace collar got a long fine on it I was over to Wilkie twice today. Pop took Alverda & Luene down to the Dentist She would not have her tooth out though. We all went to see Florence Masters is [sic] was dressed for the Cassino Ball tonight All Well.

Saturday, June 8, 1901

This has been a nice day quite warm At noon but this afte and evening it was Cool. Edna and I done the washing had a large one too. After we got through the washing I scrubbed the Back porch All around on my marrow bones And I tell you I was good and tired After dinner I finished sewing the braid and commenced to work a little on my Collar Helped Edna sew on her Blue underSkirt All Well

Sunday, June 9, 1901

This was a nice fore noon But Oh how the old wind did blow and it was cold too. Alverda and Luene went to Sunday School Edna was up too late Allen came over to get some Green Sage Edna is sending him Some funny Pictures to even up on his tricks this morning Pop drove us out to New Brighton Park this afte I wrote to Uncle Billy. I dont feel very good So cold I read some this afte & evening All Well

Monday, June 10, 1901

Another nice day But the wind blew this afte but not so hard as Yesterday I Baked 2 small loafes of Brown bread and ironed some and worked on Edna's blue underskirt this after noon Pop took Alverda Luene and myself out to Dunnings her Father & Mother go tomorrow. I went down to see Mrs Crichton at Fitz Gibbons this evening Had a nice Visit with them. It is late So I must hie to bed All are there now but Edna All Well

Tuesday, June 11, 1901

Not so much wind today but it seems like rain to me it is cold too. I baked some more brown bread Went over to Wilkies Cleaned the weeds off the drive way Pop took us over to the Depot to see Mrs Dunnings Parents off After they were gone I took Luene to the Dentist and after a time she had one tooth pulled read a letter from dear old Auntie Sinnett I dont feel good rest Well

Wednesday, June 12, 1901

A little shower of rain fell last night or early this morning. today was nice though the wind blew some read a letter from Brother and two Postals from Muriel B I was in to Wilkies twice today and worked on my Collar got considerable done on it Already Allen is up this evening He and Edna are out in the yard I feel miserable I assure you But must not give up All Well

Thursday, June 13, 1901

Postal from Agnes.

Cloudy early this fore noon but it cleared away and was nice this afte Edna and I done the sweeping the little girls helped all they could Pop hawled [sic] one load of sand He took me down to Miss Hughes to get my waiste fit. there was a train wreck at tunnel No 6 on the narrow Gauge road this Afte Engineer and Fill man badly hurt the two Mrs Bamfords called Also Aileene Crichton All Well

Friday, June 14, 1901

Not much sun today and the evenings are cold like wise the nights We done the Fridays cleaning But with me it was up hill work I can assure you Pop took us up to Camp Gage the Soldiers Camp this afte Alverda down to Grace Thurston I am to get some Logan Berries from her. I went to see the Doctor this afte CRC called this evening I feel miserable Still at work on my Collar rest Well

Saturday, June 15, 1901

This was a nice day the after noon was very warm I felt so miserable we did not wash only the under clothes Edna and Alverda done those. I helped a little with the work and worked a little on my lace work Pop Alverda and Luene put in the after noon chasing Soldiers and seeing the steamer come in But she did not come Dont know why All Well But Myself.

Sunday, June 16, 1901

Not a very clear day seemes so foggy or cloudy. We did not get up very early After breakfast the girls went to Sunday school Edna stayed to Church after dinner Pop took us all for a little drive and to the Beach Oh the Soldiers they are every where the town is full of them We also drove out to Dunnings they are well I was in to Manns & Wilkies this evening wrote Home All well

Monday, June 17, 1901

Foggy both morning and evening Poor Mr A M Johnston¹ passed away this morning about six I was in there this afte Pop took Alverda Luene and myself down town Alverda had 4 teeth filled Luene had 2 baby teeth pulled Such a time I had to hold her It just completely unnerved me I am sick Pop got a letter calling him to Sutter He & Edna will go up Wednesday I baked a Cake this afte Pop took the Girls up to the Camp to see them drill. Well.

1. A. M. Johnston was a prominent Santa Cruz merchant who died at his home on Ocean View Avenue. (*Santa Cruz Evening Sentinel*, June 18, 1901)

Tuesday, June 18, 1901

Still our Cold Gloomy foggy weather continues not much sunshine Alverda and I done the washing Edna had company C.R.C. She and Pop are all ready for Sutter in the morning Pop is miserable too He and I went in to see Mr. Johnston this evening they have him in the casket now. We done some of the ironing too Ed Johnston [A. M. Johnston's son] came over for Pop to be a Bearer Well

Wednesday, June 19, 1901

I was up at four this morning got breakfast and done up most of the work then we all went over to the Depot with Edna & Pop they left for Sutter we came Home and cleaned up the Surrey. Picked some Carnations and sent in to Johnstons I took Wilkie Mother Mann & Luene out to the cemetery to the Funeral. We were all tired from getting up so early so went to Bed without a light Alverda to the Beach with Florence Masters Well

Thursday, June 20, 1901

Still our Foggy Gloomy weather continues Not so much wind today as yesterday Alverda went down and finished her painting piece with Mrs Reed She took Luene down to the Dentist this afte Mrs Dunning & little James came in for a little while read a letter from Mrs Thistlethwaite Fannie Murphy Came Home this evening She came in to see us tonight I done most of the Cleaning today so feel tired tonight Well

Friday, June 21, 1901

Not much sunshine this forenoon But it was nice this afte and no wind The Girls helped me with the work. Alverda was down town This afte they went down to Heather Fitches to her 14 Birthday. I read a letter from Florence Gaige She has lost her Father. Fannie came over this Evening Also Allen He kindly brought over some Linament for my Sprained Finger I fixed Luenes white waist & Linnen Skirt All Well

Saturday, June 22, 1901

The sun did not shine very bright this morning We got at the washing in good season But soon Miss Hughes came to see about The Girls dresses and that took up some time Read a letter from Edna they arrived alright I hitched up the horse And we all went out to Dunnings they are well Fannie came over this evening I am tired I can tell you I dressed an old hen for tomorrows dinner did not bake cake had enough Well

Sunday, June 23, 1901

This has been a nice day we did not get up early Had Breakfast I started the dinner then I wrote a letter Alverda and Luene also wrote one to Edna I also wrote to Florence We all walked and went to the Beach this afte Alverda went to the Depot with Fannnie to meet some of her Girls friends 2 came I am tired and sleepy I will hie to Bed We are all Well

Monday, June 24, 1901

This was a nice day although the wind blew I done some of the ironing the Girls finishing We had two peddlers call Also Mr Willows And Mrs Hughes this evening Was in to Wilkies this morning this afte she and I went in to call on Mrs A M Johnston And Mrs

Litchfield I tell you I had a time finding the Braid that was left of the blue Sailor suits I succeeded in finding it at last No reward without great labor I dont feel very good All Well

Tuesday, June 25, 1901

Had Lila Shod

This was a fine day no wind. After Breakfast we hitched up the Horse and went down to Miss Hughes then to Shelby's from there to The Brewery But could not get Any Porter Came Home had dinner I worked a little on my Collar Mrs Livingston came in for a little while I made a layer cake Put in a new filling it is very good Read a letter from dear little Stanford Smith A Postal from dear Muriel Buckley

Wednesday, June 26, 1901

Another nice day A little wind this afte I went on to Wilkies this morning Came Home and worked on my Collar Alverda got the most of the dinner I made a Plum pie Alverda went down and took a lesson in Painting of Mrs Reed They both went and had their dresses fit Hattie Fitch came in Also Aileen Crichton. Allen came in to return Edna's letter he had to read read [sic] a 2nd letter from Edna My side pains me All Well

Thursday, June 27, 1901

I tell you this was a hot day especially this after noon the Girls And myself done the Bed rooms and the sitting room it was hot work This Afte we went to Capitola it was hot Came Home Alverda & I went to the Brewery but could not get the Porter Mrs Rennie Called I only see her at the gate She is well read a letter from Edna Wrote to her Sent her papers Wrote to Stanford Smith Made ice cream Well

Friday, June 28, 1901

Another fine day but not so hot as Yesterday. We done up the rest of the work And I made a Freezer full of Ice cream for dinner We sent Wilkie over a dish. Alverda went down and Painted a while Came Home and went to the Beach with Fannie I worked on my Collar Fannie and Hattie were over this afte Alverda and I both have [illegible] them to seven All Well

Saturday, June 29, 1901

Another nice day and just a lovely evening Alverda and I done the washing I Killed one of the little Broilers and dressed it for tomorrow dinner. After we had dinner I hitch her up and we all & Wilkie went to the Beach Alverda & Luene went in the Surf. We got some Ice and I made some Ice Cream for Supper Wilkie and Agnes came over for a little chat this evening Alverda & Luene went down to Miss Hughes to get their dresses fit Well

Sunday, June 30, 1901

Not very warm today I can assure you I oiled the Surry and helped Alverda pull some weeds Then she went for a drive with Fannie & the Girls I and Luene made a freezer of Ice Cream I tell you it was fine After dinner I drove Wilkie Alverda & Luene to the Beach out on the cliff And on the Scotts Valley road It was Cold some a [sic] the way I can tell you I wrote a letter to uncle Billy All Well

July

Monday, July 1, 1901

This was a cloudy cool day mostly fog I guess I was up early mowed some on the Lawn fed the Horse & chickens Cleaned out the hen house had Breakfast Washed out Alverda & Luene's Skirts and their Blue Sailor Suits Pop and Edna returned from Sutter this evening Wilkie came over And I taught her to Make French Wheels. This evening tired as I was Wilkie Agnes Edna Luene And Myself went down to the camp it was good Well

Tuesday, July 2, 1901

This was a nice fore noon But the wind Blew tonight And this after. Miss Calen Came and ironed the Childrens Skirts & dresses. I washed out some of Ednas clothes also her linen skirt I made some Logan Berry Jell 4 glasses Also some Jam Pop drove us all down town this afte I got Alverda & Luene a hat 6.00 for them I was so tired and nervious [sic] I could hardly Keep up The wind is still blowing I am so tired am sleepy I will hie to bed Well

Wednesday, July 3, 1901

Mrs Reynolds Mann came in

This was a nice fore noon But I tell you it was hot this after at about 3 If ever I Worked in my life I did today dressed 2 chickens with a little help from Alverda & Luene made 2 loaves of brown bread 2 apple Pies Chocolate layer Cake Sponge Cake Cleaned out the trap to the Kitchen Sink Cleaned off the shelf in the Cupboard for the Jell Put up the new Jell Run 2 rows of ribbon in the trimming on Luene's dress Skirt and then had to wash the Supper dishes Children didnt want to Well

Thursday, July 4, 1901

This was a nice day but the quietest day for a fourth I ever witnessed in this town. We did not go out this morning But after dinner Pop drove us down town and to the Beach We did not care for the races¹ so did not stay very long this evening we all walked down the Back way to the Beach to see the Fire Works it is now after ten So I must hie to bed All Well -

1. The *Santa Cruz Sentinel* advertised "races and games at Neptune Park."

Friday, July 5, 1901

A warm day this we did not get up very early and as we had two days work to do it made us hurry But we got through just the same and helped Florence & Olive clean some of their shells for a curtain Pop drove me over to Dr Chamberlins to get my bottle filled Edna is to Stay all night with Agnes to night Wilkie did not come Home. I must get my bath All Well

Saturday, July 6, 1901

A nice morning but soon the wind came up and this evening it was wintery indeed So heavy was the fog and as cold as January. Edna and I done the washing the little Girls done up the Housework I worked on my lace Collar getting along nicely with it Alverda and Luene over to Mrs Murphys to a party [the Murphy family lived next door at 122 Ocean View Avenue] Allen and Edna are having a chat out side so as to watch the party I don't feel very good rest All Well

Sunday, July 7, 1901

This was a nice day not very bright. This fore noon But the afte was nice and warm Edna went to Sunday school She was the only one I got the dinner C. R. C. Called this morning I put in a miserable night Pop took us for a drive to the Beach I wrote 3 letters one to Muriel

Buckley one Home & Mrs Thistlethwaite Allen & Rennie Came over this evening early on their Wheels My heart aches So I will hie to bed Rest Well

Monday, July 8, 1901

This was a nice day But not very warm Just pleasant But it was an exciting day there was an explosion at the Powder Mills one Man Killed others wounded.¹ We do not yet Know the full particulars. I felt miserable all day But worked on my lace Collar all I could or I felt like Read a letter from Mrs Thistlethwaite Edna and Alverda were down town Edna on her Wheel Alverda went down with her Father All the rest Well

1. An explosion destroyed the Corning Mill and two single-wheel mills; William R Darling was killed instantly and Joseph Maynard was wounded. (*Santa Cruz Sentinel*, July 9, 1901)

Tuesday, July 9, 1901

Edna's 17 Birthday.

This was a cool day just the kind of Weather to work in the Girls and I washed windows all fore noon got a good many done We made 2 freezers of ice Cream I worked on my lace for a little while Edna went to the Beach with Murphy's Pop drove us up to see Mrs. Forsyth & Inez they are well The Girls went down to the Band Concert with Mrs Murphy. Allen came up and brought a new Hammock Ednas Birthday Gift lots of fun wrote to Mrs Thistlethwaite all Well

Wednesday, July 10, 1901

Another cool day fine for work Edna and I washed the windows in her bed room Cleaned the Blinds And Swept the Carpet I also swept the carpet in the Girls room and the Hall Pop drove us down to Miss Hughes and to town I was Wild The Annual Kick Came as last year to this date about the Almighty dollar My God I dont Know which way to turn if it were not for the Children I would do fast enough. But disgrace them never while I am in My right mind Well

Thursday, July 11, 1901

Still our cool Foggy weather continues Edna and I cleaned up the Sitting room then I done my bed room and the Pantry took down the Curtains and cleaned the Shelves and put up clean Papers So now the Pantry is done for this week this afte I worked I worked on my lace collar Wilkie came in and worked on her Battenburg¹ She is blue over the illness of her Sister at Watsonville All Well.

1. Battenburg is a type of lace developed in the late 1800s and named after Queen Victoria's son-in-law, Prince Henry of Battenburg, which combines machine-woven tapes with hand stitching.

Friday, July 12, 1901

The foggy mornings and cool evening Continue the days are pleasant. I was so sick this morning I could not eat my breakfast. Edna and I done the Fridays Cleaning She went down town and got clothe [sic] for Covers for 2 Cushions for pillows for the Hammock we finished them this evening I fixed Luene a red Skirt out of Edna's old one Oh my it is late I must bathe and to bed all Well

Saturday, July 13, 1901

Our cool foggy weather continues Edna and I done the washing I came up for My Breakfast and turned so sick I neither finished my Breakfast nor eat [sic] any dinner and a very light supper. I dressed a chicken and made a sponge Cake Also 2 loaves of Brown Bread Wilkie came in this afte Florence & Ollie came over and we tried the new Croquet Set I feel as miserably as I well can. Well rest -

Sunday, July 14, 1901

Grand Ma's 70th Birthday

We still have our fogs But the after noons are nice Edna finished the cleaning up after breakfast I was so sick I layed down again Alverda & Luene went to Sunday school Edna helped to get the dinner Fanny. Theah. Edna. and I played Crochet Pop took us down to the Beach the little Girls had a ride on the miniture [sic] railroad I wrote two letters one to Uncle Billy one to Auntie Sinnett I was in to Wilkies this evening Agnes was out with Frank All the rest Well

Monday, July 15, 1901

Another nice day but warmer than Yesterday I worked around the Pepper Plants and Chrisanthemums[sic] this Morning and this evening I set the water running on them Alverda helped me and we canned 7½ quarts of Apple Sauce I bleached out Edna's blue waist it is white now. Edna went down and got the goods for 3 Bathing suits so now I have them to make Edna went for a walk with Theah. Allen came up so they are out in the Hammock Well

Tuesday, July 16, 1901

This was a hot after noon in fact it was not very cool all day. I picked up a bucket of apples and took them over to Wilkie Alverda & Luene went to the Sunday School Picnic at Laveaga Park Edna and I got it for being up so late last night Mrs Dunning and James came in Edna went for a ride with Fannie. Read a letter from Mrs Buckley Went in to Mrs Bamfords in to Mann's for a time this evening now I must hie to Bed I am Miserable rest Well

Wednesday, July 17, 1901

This was a nice day But still our fogs hang on it was quite heavy this Morning I put in this day sewing I cut out two Bathing Suits one for Alverda and one for Luene got Alverdas almost finished and Luenes well commenced But I tell you it is hard on me to stick to the sewing as closely just too Killing for any thing But the sooner I pass out the Better I feel rest Well

Thursday, July 18, 1901

Our cool foggy Mornings continue with warm pleasant days. I did not do much cleaning Consequently there was but little done I sent a postal to Schonberger the Piano tuner finished Alverda's and Luenes Bathing suits and they went down to the river and took a Bath Cut Ednas out and got a little done on it Harry & Rose Peterson Came out to the gate and had a chat Allen is Cute He [illegible] everything Not Well rest Well

Friday, July 19, 1901

The Fog still continues But the Middle of the day is Hot I can assure you Edna and I done up the Fridays work Made a Sponge cake But it fell too Much racket. I feel Miserable But Manage to Keep up just the same I wonder every day How much longer I will be able to

endure it Sewed on Edna's Bathing Suit it is almost finished now Expected Allen But he failed to connect rest Well

Saturday, July 20, 1901

A very heavy fog this Morning and it seemes[sic] cool to Me tonight I was up early did not sleep well Pop could not sleep so that Kept me awake. Edna and I done the Washing we did not get through very soon I Made a layer Coconut Cake. Allen came down and our children and he went into the River Bathing Wilkie Came in also Lena. Pop went down town for a little stroll Oh I am so tired & sleepy Well

Sunday, July 21, 1901

Grandpa's 80 Birthday

Our fogs came in the Morning just the same. The Girls went to Sunday School Edna Stayed to Church I got the dinner Pop drove us all down to Capitola it was a nice drive there was a Crowd down there and the Band played quite a good Many Santa Cruz People down there I wrote to Mrs Buckley this evening and to My Brother then I watered a few plants and played Crochet [croquet] All Well

Monday, July 22, 1901

Fog this Morning as usual But not so heavy. After I got the Breakfast I washed out the Girls Sailor suits it was a job I can tell you and still they fade on the White braid. Mr & Mrs Everts came Home last evening. I was in to see them tonight I picked some Black berries gave Mr Dunning some to take Home with him I cut out 2 pairs of drawers this afte finished Luene a pair darned my stockings tonight All well

Tuesday, July 23, 1901

Letter from Mary Spink

A Very heavy fog this Morning and again to night I ironed up our Girls blue Sailor suits Then I got the dinner for Pop and Myself the Girls he took out to the City Park to a Picnic Given by Fannie Murphy The Dunnings were in today I made a layer Cake then I got the Supper and finished Alverda a pair of Drawers Allen Came up this evening and spent it with the Girls & Edna All well

Wednesday, July 24, 1901

Oh My but the fog gets heavier and heavier every morning and to night it came in heavier than ever and it was as cold as winter Edna went down town with Fannie Alverda Luene and Myself picked Black berries and they & their Father took them out to Dunnings but they were not at Home Read a letter from Mabel Mrs Johnston came in She has her Bolero finished it is a beautiful piece of work the finest work I ever see. Fannie goes tomorrow All Well

Thursday, July 25, 1901

Mrs Johnston goes to Wash.

Still the Morning fogs continue and tonight it came in cold. Edna the little Girls and Myself cleaned the Parlor and the three bed rooms Hall and sitting room I also Made a layer Coconut Cake for tomorrow is dear little Alverdas Fourteenth Birthday and it is all I can do for her tonight I was in to Wilkies for a little Chat did not get Home till almost ten All Well.

Friday, July 26, 1901

Alverdas 14 Birthday

Just as heavy a fog as ever this morning and again this evening We done the usual cleaning and I mopped the Kitchen floor and the porch all around on My Knees Maby[sic] you think I aint tired I also finished Edna's Bathing Suit and made a few dish ~~towels~~ clothes 2 loves[sic] of Brown bread Edna down town and to the Beach the little Girls down town with their Father. I watered the Chrises [Chrysanthemums] & Peppers last Evening & Today I am dead tired Well

Saturday, July 27, 1901

The fog never lifted today at all. Cold all day and this evening it was so cold Pop lit the fire. Edna and I done the washing a big one it was too. I tell you I am tired we also done some of the ironing too Wilkie came in for some Geranium cuttings for her Sister she goes to Watsonville in the Morning The children all went to the Matinee this afte A letter from Mr Schonberger. All Well

Sunday, July 28, 1901

Fog again this Morning and did not lift much all day and just as cold as Winter this afte The children all went to Sunday school After dinner we all went to the Beach But it was so cold we went for a drive and came Home. I wrote a letter Home Then I played a few games of croquet with the Children Then I went over to Wilkies Came Home found Allen here All Well

Monday, July 29, 1901

Not so much fog today the 2 little Girls commenced School Edna commences tomorrow I suppose I worked in the garden all fore noon Picked some Blackberries and will make some jell. Mrs Everts came in also Miss Austin to see about Ednas school work I mended Luenes Plaid dress was all But some ironing and the supper I made a Rhubarb pie for dinner. All Well

Tuesday, July 30, 1901

Mother Mann buys a new Horse

Our fogs seem to be getting lighter now still it is not very warm Edna Started to Miss Austin's Private School this Morning. I washed out Luenes red Waist & plaid Skirt and put a red yoke on the Skirt. I washed Alverda's Gaff Skirt [skirt with attached panty] & black & white waist. Wrote to Sherman Clay & Sent for a spoon & a Book Mother Mann bought a new Horse Jesse Cope buried this after I don't feel very good Mother Mann came in this evening All Well

Wednesday, July 31, 1901

Not much sunshine this fore noon still it was warm and close I worked in the Peppers & Chrys[anthemums] and got the weeds out of them. I mended My socks then I got dinner this afte I washed her hair and Mine then I cut a yoke for Alverdas Gaff Skirt and put it on and got it finished all to fasteners tonight I ripped up my old plaid waist. Such reading as Luene does do Oh my All Well.

August

Thursday, August 1, 1901

Old August came in fine not any fog if it was it was very early and not very wet I cleaned up the Sitting room and all the bed rooms with the Girls all helped all they could before School Mrs Swank came over for some Carnations Slips Mrs Maggie Stuard came over this afte the Girls went down and in the surf. I got the ruffle Basted on Luenes red Skirt to Make it longer. I got the dinner and supper All Well

Friday, August 2, 1901

I tell you this was a warm fore noon or at least I found it warm working. The girls helped me all they could after they went to School I finished This afte I finished Luenes red Skirt and ripped up Edna's blue one and will make it over. Lena brought me over a dish of Strawberry ice cream Wilkie came over this evening for a little chat Stanford & I had a game of Croquet All Well

Saturday, August 3, 1901

Fog again this Morning But it was nice and warm this afte I was up early and we got to the washing Edna and I we finished by Eleven then she went down town and got the goods from Newman & Levinsons I dressed a Rooster for tomorrow dinner and done some of the ironing I tell you I am so tired I don't care if I live or die The Girls all went to the beach and went in bathing Allen out for a wheel ride with Edna All Well

Sunday, August 4, 1901

Fog again this Morning we were not up early After breakfast the Girls got ready and met Allen at the Cut Bias bridge [bridge off Riverside avenue, built on the bias, too narrow, replaced by concrete Riverside avenue bridge] and he went in the surf with them at ten After dinner Pop drove us down to the Beach a big crowd down there from San Jose. Wrote a letter to Brother Mrs McCormick & daughters drove down and stopped at the gate for a chat Mrs Schwartz also came out and chatted All Well

Monday, August 5, 1901

Not much sun shine today and tonight it looks like rain. Oh dear but I have put in a miserable day and I feel no better tonight I did not feel able to do a thing just draged[sic] around and got the dinner was all Mr Schamberger came and tuned the piano Wilkie was over this fore noon Agnes came in this evening Sent 2 orders to Newman & Levinson for goods hoping to Save a few cents. C R C Called this Morning too. it is late so I must hie to bed not much Sleep tonight rest well

Tuesday, August 6, 1901

There was a fog again this morning and lots of wind all day but it was nice tonight I put in a miserable night last night and did not get up till nine. I cut out Alverda's Pink Striped waist and got it fit But was not able to sew Wilkie Came in this afte and tonight Allen came over and spent the evening Edna down and went in Swimming Pop got another load of Wood All Well

Wednesday, August 7, 1901

Fog this Morning and the wind blew this afte I drove stakes to most all of my Chrysanthemums this Morning and tied and trimmed them up this afte Edna helped Me and We brought up 4 cans of Chicken dressing and put around them I also washed out some

pieces Mr D brought in a box of Apricots I feel Better today Agnes Edna and I walked down town to see the Pamist [palmist?] but he was not in so endeth that Chapter All Well

Thursday, August 8, 1901

A heavy fog this Morning and lasted till almost noon We did not get the bed and Bedding aired early Wilkie came over for Apples. I did not do Much sweeping this afte I gave the stove a good cleaning from top to Bottom a good job done I can tell you. I don't feel good tonight the order from Newman & Levinson came this afte all O. K. Mother Mann not very well. I gathered a few Pink seeds to night All rest well

Friday, August 9, 1901

Another heavy fog this Morning and again this evening Almost a rain I did not sleep much last night. So felt miserable today But dome the Fridays cleaning just the same as thought I felt well Mother Mann came in and sit a while this afte I worked on my Collar Luene and I over to Wilkies this evening a little while Alverda down to the Band Concert with Judy Smiths Family I must hie to bed rest well

Saturday, August 10, 1901

The heavy fogs continue both Morning & Evening Edna and I done the washing I tell you we had a good big one too I dressed a rooster after Alverda ticked the feathers off I also Made a layer cake at noon Pealed the Apricots & Pine Apple ready to cook tomorrow then the Children and I went down to the river and they went in Bathing I had the water on the Chryses [Chrysanthemums] I worked on my Collar a little All Well dead tired

Sunday, August 11, 1901

A heavy fog this Morning also again this evening it is so thick one Can not see very far tonight. Alverda and Luene went to Sunday school Edna has a sore throat and Cold so she did not go I got the dinner after which I layed down and did not get up till three Pop took the 2 little Girls for a ride I put in another night with My side and to day it has Pained Me I washed 3 windows just the same Wrote Home rest well.

Monday, August 12, 1901

Our old fog was with us this Morning But to night it failed to come in. I dug weeds and worked in the garden all Morning Went in to Radke's to get some Pink Slips also to Wilkies to take her a jar of my Apricot & Pine Apple Sauce. Mrs Radke here this evening received my spoon from the East the Pan American one I was in to Manns this afte to read her Pamistry [palmistry] she had told I brownd some coffee this evening All Well.

Tuesday, August 13, 1901

The gloomy days continue although there was a little sun shine today this afte I worked in the garden for a time this morning took Wilkie over a few Mums she didn't have Mended up My under wear and got dinner This afte I worked on my Collar and this evening a little after 9.30 I finished it lots of work on it Mother Mann came in this afte My Side Paines Edna has a cold

Wednesday, August 14, 1901

There were two Earthquake Shocks at a little after 3 this Morning So today was a little clearer and tonight was fine Edna did not go to School today she got cold last night so I had

to be up with her for a time I done a little washing & Ironing got the dinner and took the hair out of Alverda's Mattress picked & washed it washed 2 ticks and picked the lavender this evening I tell you I am good and tired rest Well.

Thursday, August 15, 1901

It seems clearer and warmer since the Shocks. I did not sleep well was up early got the Breakfast and ironed up Luene's Blue Sailor suit then I cleaned up the sitting room and Our Bed room this afte I washed out the Hair Mattrass[sic] tick and got the other one Mended up Picked up the hair it is Almost dry I have my lace Collar pressed it does look beautiful the neighbors all agree to that Well.

Friday, August 16, 1901

It seemed cloudy this Morning like rain and it was very warm very warm last night also I done the Fridays cleaning as usual Pop went up and helped Mr Litchfield with his Hay So I finished up the work alone this afte I put the hair in the tick and got them sewed up ready to tack Mrs Bamford came in I striped [stripped] the Lavender off Wrote for Modern Embroidery All Well

Saturday, August 17, 1901

This was a cloudy fore noon But it was warm enough for all that I was up early and soon got at the washing Edna and I we got through in good time I put some Cucumbers in brine tacked Alverda's Mattrass And ripped up Edna's Picked it and got it out to dry I tell you it was a hard job and I was dead tired they all went down town & left me alone Allan came over this Evening All Well

Sunday, August 18, 1901

We did not get up early but it was a nice day although the sun did not shine warm We had quite an exciting time for a while this Morning Judge Smith fell of[f] the Back steps and hurt himself he is quite badly shaken up at any rate. Pop took us out to Mr D- they are well I was over to Wilkies and to see the Judge he is in bed now. Wrote a letter Home My head aches So I will hie to bed All Well

Monday, August 19, 1901

This was not a very bright fore noon the sun came out about noon then the wind came up and it blew till 4 now it is quiet but a fog has come in I went in to Wilkies just after Breakfast took over some ripe Cucumbers I was in to Mann's to get a little tin of ours. Lucille Smith came over for a Shirt waist pattern I tacked another Mattrass and got another one ripped up and the tick washed and some of the hair picked and washed and out to dry All Well

Tuesday, August 20, 1901

This was a cloudy cold windy day till this evening which is clear bright and nice Pop and I dug in on the old hair and finially[sic] finished it before 3 this afte then we went out to Dunnings and got some Peaches I put the Peaches on to cook to Make jell got it in the bag to stray [strain] tonight. Also pealed some of our cling stone peaches and put the Sugar on them tonight Lucille S[mith] came in this evening to return the Pattern Well.

Wednesday, August 21, 1901

This has been the nicest day we have had for a Many day I made peach jell & canned some tacked the small piece of the Mattrass this afte I washed out some things Pop took me down to Miss Hughes but she was not Home out Camping for a Month I tack the other piece of the Mattrass did not finish till after 8. I went in to see Minnie Chapman & Mrs Everts I am so tired I am as cross as an old bear

Thursday, August 22, 1901

Pop brought the clock Home

We did not get much sunshine till almost noon and then the wind came up and blew a brisk gale All after noon but tonight is clear bright and warm. Lila is sick tonight Pop put the yound[sic] roosters in a pen alone I done the sweeping and some of the cleaning I was in to Mother Mann's I worked on Edna's bolero got quite a little done on the Braid I am so Sleepy I cannot Keep my eyes open Well.

Friday, August 23, 1901

Not much sunshine this fore noon but the wind came up this afte and blew hard I done all the Fridays cleaning and got the dinner then I worked on Ednas Bolero all I could. Went in to see Wilkie for a little received an invitation to Cousin George's Wedding to Nancy With Agnes Edna and Myself went down to hear Mrs Hayes Chineworth Lecture we did not like her at all got home before ten All Well Lila better

Saturday, August 24, 1901

The fog came in Heavy for a time this Morning. But Edna and I done the Washing and got the clothes dry She ironed some too I made a layer Cake Alverda dressed a chicken and got the dinner Mrs Parker and Daughter Lina Called wrote to Mr & Mrs Witt declining the invitation to their daughters Wedding to our Cousin. I only done a few stitches on Ednas Bolero I am just dead tired So now for bed All Well.

Sunday, August 25, 1901

This was a fine day but there was a heavy fog early this Morning and a wet one at that For a time we all thought we would go over to Monterey but Pop did not care to go so we stayed at home Edna and Luene went to Sunday School I got the dinner then I layed down while Pop took the Girls for a ride Wilkie came in a little while this afte I wrote a letter to Mary Spink Allan came up this evening and brought his Phonograph All Well

Monday, August 26, 1901

Sent spoons to Cousin George

This has been a lovely day and I can tell you this afte was good and Hot After breakfast was over Pop and I went over to town and got the Spoons to send to Cousin George & Wife We sent them this afte I pared the Pears and have them ready to do up in the Morning Minnie Chapman Called this afte she has a severe cold I Called on Miss Austin this Morning I am Sleepy Mrs D- and James here Well

Tuesday, August 27, 1901

A heavy fog this morning almost a rain did not lift till almost noon. this is a beautiful evening so clear and bright I cleaned the weeds out of the Chrisses [Chrysanthemums] and fixed some tea to give them tomorrow I ironed some and put up some pears I worked some

on Ednas Bolero Wilkie came over and got the Sleeve board. I took our Children and Thelma over to Wilkies to see the Royal Scroll it is fine All Well

Wednesday, August 28, 1901

Wood Sowed

The fogs have come again both Morning and evening I was up early and put the tea on the Chrysses put the clothes to soak peeled the Peaches and pears and put them up got the dinner washed out the clothes then Wilkie and I made a few Calles on Mrs Merrell and Mrs Litchfield and a few others I was over to Mrs Wilkins this evening to show Mrs Cooper my Collar and Bolero All Well

Thursday, August 29, 1901

The sun did not come out much before noon Edna swept the Sitting [room] I swept it over with a damp broom then I swept the 3 bed rooms and cleaned up generally this afte I cleaned the stove and Kitchen table Mrs Kate Haggerty came over from Los Gatos She is at Mann's. I was over to Wilkies this evening I did not do any sewing Mrs Longstreth came down this Morning C R C Called after dinner Well

Friday, August 30, 1901

Our cloudy weather continues it seemes more and more like rain every day I think we shall have some before long I put in a Miserable day Pop drove the Mann's down to the Depot this afte they are off for Kansas City Mrs Longstreth came down for a sitting of our eggs. Oh dear How My head does ache so. I will hie to bed But do not expect to sleep much Alverda seems to have a cold too Well.

Saturday, August 31, 1901

Not Much sunshine today it has been cloudy and seemes like rain would not be surprised if it rained before Morning. Lena came over and helped Edna with the washing and she went over to Manns and helped her do her work we made peach Ice Cream this aft and some Chocolate Wilkie Came over and brought the punchers [?] for Alverda. I feel better tonight got my Collar basted on the Pattern All rest Well.

September

Sunday, September 1, 1901

Old September came in nice only a little wind this afte Edna went to Sunday School none of the others went I got the dinner but it was all I could do. I layed down most all of the after noon My cold is worse Pop took the children to the China Funeral in the Blackburn china town it was the first one they had ever attended so they were very much interested in it Well

Monday, September 2, 1901

This was a nice fore noon But the wind came up this afte again I spent the Most of this day in bed I have a terrible cold Kati & Mrs Haggerty came in to tell me good by I was in bed She too has a hard cold she goes home by Los Gatos this afte I don't feel so well tonight My head and side paines Me. The old hen hatched every egg 14 little ones rest Well

Tuesday, September 3, 1901

A heavy fog this Morning but soon the sun came out bright and clear. But the wind came up and blew hard I felt better till tonight My cold seems so tight tonight I cough till my head

almost bursts I was able to sew a little in the afte not much thought I can assure you Mother Mann returned from the City this evening My head aches so I will hie to bed rest Well.

Wednesday, September 4, 1901

Oh such fogs as we are having almost like a rain both night and morning I have not been down stairs since Monday fore noon Mother Mann came in and brought Me a flowered velveteen piece for a Sofa Pillow how kind of her I worked on my Collar a little today But tonight My side paines Me very Much Mrs Judge Smith Called this afte Such a time as I do have with Luenes Composition All Well

Thursday, September 5, 1901

It has looked like rain all day there was a heavy fog this Morning Wilkie Came over this morning to get Pops Gopher trap to put in her yard Another Miserable day down as much as up My side still paines me My cold seemes to be going up into My head maby it will go out at my Mouth it is certainly large enough. The rest are Well.

Friday, September 6, 1901

Good President McKinley Shot not dead at last report Shot at Buffalo, New York not known by whom

Not so cloudy as yesterday Still the weather does not seem settled the air feels like rain The children done the Fridays cleaning So there was not much done Edna did not have School this Morning Miss Austin was sick. I feel better this after Noon And finished My Collar all to band And got it pressing tonight Received the Purling from Newman & Levinson [catalog store providing dry goods] this afte Pop read a letter from Charles Boyd Yuba City ans" it Allan up to the house All rest well

Saturday, September 7, 1901

Foggy early this Morning and not very clear all day. Well such a time to get the washing done I done the flannels & two gowns Edna and Alverda done some and they sent some out What is Home Without a Mother & a well one at that Mrs Dunning and little James here My boy Stanford also I feel Miserable tonight when will I get better Rest Well

Sunday, September 8, 1901

Foggy again this morning But this after noon was nice and warm All the children went to Sunday [school] Lena came in a few minutes for a Pie dish Wilkie and Agnes came in this Morning Mystrey[sic] Pop took us all for a drive this afte It was almost too much for me I feel Miserable this evening Mother Mann Came in this evening Edna & Alverda down town the President's condition remains unchanged. rest well

Monday, September 9, 1901

Not so cloudy this Morning and the after noon was warm and bright. My side was worse so I went over to the Dr and got some Medicine for the pain Pop drove us down to see the Parade and he and the children went to Circus they report it as fine I feel better tonight Worked on Ednas Bolero some this afte I must hie to bed I am Sleepy rest well.

Tuesday, September 10, 1901

This has been a nice day the afternoon was warm and nice Luene had such a severe cold she did not go to school today I put the water on the Mums, Pinks Peppers this afte Mother

Mann came in also Mrs Wm Short she does not look real well she says she does not feel very strong. Luene is better tonight I worked on Edna's Bolero some this after noon rest All Well

Wednesday, September 11, 1901

A very heavy wet fog this Morning But this after noon was warm and fine. Pop took me over to the Drs this Morning. he changed the medicine for me But I have not felt so well today Although I went over to Wilkies all afte She is blue enough I can tell you. All the neighbors are cleaning house papering & taking up Carpets I am not Stronge enough for that yet though Luenes better All the rest well.

Thursday, September 12, 1901

Fog again this Morning But it soon cleared away and was clear & bright this after noon and Warm besides. Pop Edna and I done the cleaning and airing of the beds Mrs Stewart came in about Noon to have me send for some Pearling for her Mother I sent the order to Newman & Levinson at noon Agnes took the Letter down I was in to Mother Mann's this evening Wilkie came in also Luene is better So am I rest well.

Friday, September 13, 1901

A very heavy fog again this Morning could not see down to Barsons at 7:30 I got the Breakfast and put the clothes to soak then I done the Fridays cleaning scrubbing and dusting got the dinner Mrs Archer came over and helped Edna with the Washing they had a big one Miss Austin called this afte read letter from Cousin George finished ruching the braid on Ednas Bolero. All Well

Saturday, September 14, 1901

President McKinley Passed away at 2:15 this Morning

Fog again but not bad enough to keep Jack away. But it was nice and clear this after noon Edna and I done the washing not a very small one at that either Alverda & I dressed a chicken and She made some Candy Alverda and Luene went over to Radkes to Mabelles Twelfth Birthday they had a fine time Edna was down town this afte I was over to Wilkies a little while this evening Allan was up tonight Oh such times All Well

Sunday, September 15, 1901

Still our fog hangs on. We were not up early this Morning After Breakfast Alverda and I painted McKinley Pins We have 2 painted I tell you it is a job Edna went to Sunday School & church this Morning. Pop took us for a drive up the Scotts Valley road to Hipsedam [Hepsidam] and home by way of Felton and Big trees. We had a long ride Edna and I went with Agnes to church tonight Well

Monday, September 16, 1901

Letter from Joe

Oh My but the fog is heavy both night and Morning. After Breakfast I picked tomatoes and canned 3 big buckets ironed some Made 4 glasses of Grape jell and got the dinner I was over to Mann's & Wilkies but neither of them had any sealing wax So Pop had to go and get some Pop took Edna and I down to Miss Hughes and down town I was in to Mrs Radke's this evening Luene tried to frighten Frank Ennors Horse he came in to complain of her All Well

Tuesday, September 17, 1901

A heavy fog this morning the porch was wet as a rain. It did not clear up all day and tonight it looks like rain I ripped the ruffle off Edna's Linen Skirt and sponged off her Black Satin She took the linen one down to Miss Hughes I went in to Maggie Stewards to give her the letter from Newman & Levinson I worked on the lace Bolero some this evening I am sleepy All Well.

Wednesday, September 18, 1901

Oh My but such a heavy fog as there was today and it did not lift all day almost a rain. I done out the washing and got the dinner Wilkie came over this afte I was over to Bamfords in to Manns and over to Wilkies to take over some pinks for her to take to Cody She and Agnes leave for the City in the Morning Alverda & Luene out to Twin Lakes to Alice Chapman's Birthday Picknic Party All Well

Thursday, September 19, 1901

My side paines me again

It was not so foggy or cloudy this Morning We were ready early and Pop took Edna and I up to the Catholic Church to the McKinley Memorial Service after it was out we came down and met Pop and he drove us on the Street where we could see the Procession Alverda & Luene Marched with the School Children this afte Pop drove us all out to Mr Dunnings I was in to Mann's this evening Wilkie & Agnes gone to the City All Well

Friday, September 20 1901

Our 25th Wedding Anniversary

This was a nice fore noon but the wind blew a gale this [afte] With the Girls and Pop's help I managed to get the Fridays work done But I tell you I was good and tired. Read a letter from Florence Gaige this Morning This afte Pop took me down to Miss Hughes to get My waist fit. I came Home and went in to see Mrs Everts and Minnie then I fed Wilkies Chickens Mother Mann came in this evening All Well

Saturday, September 21, 1901

Minnie Chapman goes away

No sunshine today and it looks like rain tonight the air feels like it too Edna and I done the washing had a big one too This afte I done up a white skirt for Luene her blue striped dress and Alverdas yoke to her new Summer dress After I had that finished I took my lace collar in to Mrs A M. Johnstons. She has two beauties I tell you It seemed so quiet "The Boy" did not come over tonight All Well I am dead tired.

Sunday, September 22, 1901

We had a slight sprinkle of rain last night. But it was nice today till the wind came up this after noon The Girls all went to Sunday school I got the dinner. This afte Pop drove us to Aptos at the top of Arano Hill We Met Ralph Dunning and Family. I am so sleepy I can scarcely Keep my eyes open We expect Wilkie and Agnes Home tonight All the rest Well I have a head ache

Monday, September 23, 1901

Oh My but didn't it just pour down last night and this morning early And it still looks as if we might get some more I was in to Wilkies this morning She brought my silk Gingham and

thread so kind of them they are so nice A Sister could not be better I worked on Edna's Bolero this evening I done some mending and made a new hose Supporter for My self Pop has a sore throat All rest Well

Tuesday, September 24, 1901

This has been a most beautiful day and this evening is perfect Allan came up and took the girls for a Boat ride on the river I made a layer jelly cake this morning transplanted some of my little pink plants and 2 roses. The ground worked fine I was in to Mother Mann's this evening I worked a while on Edna's Bolero this afte also a little tonight Now I must hie to bed did not sleep well last night Rest Well

Wednesday, September 25, 1901

Commenced some lace for My waist bought 3 brooms for \$1.00

Another nice day although the wind blew this after I sewed on Alverda's pink stripped[sic] waiste this morning Gerta Johnston came in the Morning This afte Pop took me down to Miss Hughes he also took me down to see Mrs Litchfield She is better Ralph G Dunning his wife and 2 dear little children they are so cute Mrs Radke Mabel & Gerta came in this evening I was in to Wilkies All Well

Thursday, September 26, 1901

This has been a nice day. I done the Fridays work and cleaned the Dinning room and Silver Pop was on the juroy[sic] all day at Lodmon's Hall [Lodtman Hall] Mrs Dunning and son James came in after a little while Ralph and Family came they have 2 bright Girls such a cutie black eyed one Mr Wm Shorts fence & barn took fire the fire Co Came over & put it out Our Girls down to their Sunday School entertainment I felt too Miserable to go CRC Called this afte Well

Friday, September 27, 1901

This has been a beautiful day I did not do very much work I feel so Miserable Mrs Longstreth came over this morning and brought some bulbs Gerta also came over. This afte Miserable as I felt Pop took me down to Miss Hughes and I had my waiste fit I finished one of the strips of lace for my waist and commenced another for the Sleeves I did not sleep much last night I must hie to bed Well.

Saturday, September 28, 1901

This has been a most beautiful day Edna managed to get the washing done with a very little assistance from me. I dressed a Rooster and made a peach pie and layer jell Cake and some little pattie cakes Wilkie came in this Morning I finished one of My Strips of Lace for my Cuff and commenced another Miss Austin called for her Tuition Edna down to the Beach. I feel better rest all well

Sunday, September 29, 1901

There was a heavy fog this Morning But just the same we were up and packed our lunch and met Wilkie at Werck's Corner and went out to Camp Henry for the day. Just as we had finished our dinner Mr Hollan and Company came out soon it commenced to Shower so about 3 we started for Home being met at the gate by Agnes and Mr. D. C. who were coming out to have a cup of Coffee with us but Home we came & they went for a drive they

were in a heavy Shower But we just reached home in time to avoid it Wrote to Florence Well

Monday, September 30, 1901

The clouds linger near but still they hung out the sun at times today this evening it looks rainy it did sprinkle a little early in the evening I spaded up the bulbs in one bed put in some sand and dressing and got them reset then Alverda Luene and Myself gathered some of the Walnuts till Pop came from town and he helped us finish the rest we will pick up as they drop. I am dead tired and Sleepy All Well

October

Tuesday, October 1, 1901

It looks rainy tonight and I would not be surprised if we got some. I done a big washing alone this Morning I was just dead tired at noon This afte Pop took Alverda and I down town and to Miss Hughes She fit My Suit After I came Home I went in to Wilkies to let her see My new embroidery book Vance was here also Gertrude Noland to see Edna. I am so sleepy I can't see Well.

Wednesday, October 2, 1901

Mother Mann to Coralitos[sic]

Wrote to Mabel

Still cloudy and a slight sprinkle it still looks like rain. I cleaned off the front and back porch and the Toilet down stairs I tell you it was a big job done. This afte I sewed on Alverda's pink Waist and tonight I worked on Edna's Bolero. Read a letter from Mabel Pop thought he see a Man just think a Man came up the walk a ways tonight but he disappeared So we don't know what to think Some one Made a Mistake in the House I guess Well

Thursday, October 3, 1901

This has been a nice day but the wind blew We did not get up very early and after Breakfast we decided on a trip up to Lagoon Creek [Laguna Creek] for the day so we packed up what eatibles we could find and a little before 8 started the Wind blew a gale up there We had a pleasant time Cooked Potatoes and made Coffee for dinner After we got home I cleaned up and Pop drove Me down to Miss Hughes she was not ready for me though I worked in my Cryses a little All Well.

Friday, October 4, 1901

The clouds linger near and every sign points to rain But still the down pour does not come My feet hurt me so tonight I can hardly endure it The Girls and Myself done 2 days work in one today to catch up for the day we were out Yesterday that not doubt is the cause of my feet troubling Me so. Pop and the 2 little Girls went down town I made a layer Walnut Cake I have scarcely been out of the house all day I have been so busy All Well

Saturday, October 5, 1901

Cloudy again today again but this afte the sun came out but the fog came in tonight again tonight Well such a fore noon. The Philadelphia came in for the Naval Preserves About 8 Allan run up the back way a few minutes after he left I could not get the young ones from the barn waiting to see the Man of War go out and then she went while they were at dinner

So they missed seeing her start after all All out to D this afte they were down town I am tired cooking for a day out tomorrow All Well

Sunday, October 6, 1901

A heavy fog both Morning and evening. I did not sleep much after five But we all were up and packed for Olive Sulphur Springs before 9 We met Wilkie at the upper bridge to take her up there. We got there about 11 and had our dinner ready at noon We cooked Potatoes Coffee and warmed up the gravy. After dinner we all took a Walk up to the Mill Wilkie flattered 2 Boys and got some lovely ferns. We arrived Home about 6 had Supper All Well

Monday, October 7, 1901

This was a fine day But I can tell you this afte was good and Hot. I worked all fore noon in the yard made the fern bed over and repotted all of the pot plants watered the Cryses Pop took the 2 little Girls and Myself out to the Italian Gardens for Grapes also down to Miss Hughes I was in to Mother Mann's this evening Pop took our 2 Girls and Cadie Mann to get leaf mold I am sleepy so will hie to bed All Well

[Italian Gardens a nickname for an area of Santa Cruz where Italians had vineyards and gardens]

Tuesday, October 8, 1901

Another beautiful day but this afte was hot I can tell you. I fixed 2 hanging baskets and got the plants in them some other work in the garden I fixed a box of Pink slips and sent them to Florence Alverda took them down Dear old Madam Starkey called on us this afte she is looking fine been to the City and had a tumor removed Oh how glad I am she is over it and so Well. Read a postal from Alice Gray All Well.

Wednesday, October 9, 1901

Oh My the fog was so thick this morning and evening you could cut it with a Knife. We were up early this Morning and by 8 were ready to Start for Ben Lomond which we reached about Eleven had a fine time with Alice & the Children Also a fine dinner we called on Mrs Gray also. We left for Home abut 4 arriving here about six I tell you it was cold and foggy I tell you we just hustled around and got Some Supper All Well

Thursday, October 10, 1901

No fog when we got up but had been earlier After breakfast I cleaned the Sitting room with the assistance of the 2 little Girls. Edna cleaned up the Parlor I tell you it was hard hot work This afte Pop and I went down town and to Miss Hughes I was in to Wilkies this evening early Made a Skirt I got down town Shorter Wrote to Mrs Starkey She was hurt in Hinkles runaway yesterday read a letter from Mrs Thistlethwaite this Morning All Well

Friday, October 11, 1901

This has been a nice day But about noon I can assure you it was good and hot and lasted well into the evening. We cleaned up the dinning room bath room pantry and Kitchen then I done out a big washing with Edna's help. I was just dead tired and am not much rested now I ironed my White & black Skirt waist this evening went in to Manns Bamfords & Wilkies Made the bells of the blue Sailor Suits larger Alverda not well rest all Well.

Saturday, October 12, 1901

Oh My this has been a hot day but tonight it is just pleasant The fires in the Mountains caused the heat I suppose Edna and I done some more Washing this Morning and I dressed a rooster made 3 apple pies and a layer nut cake this afte the children would get some ice so I helped make the cream. Mrs Parker & Lina Called Made quite a visit Lina looks fine after her sick spell. We just had some ice Cream So I must take take[sic] a bath and hie to bed Well

Sunday, October 13, 1901

Another Hot day but this evening is cooler. None of the children went to Sunday school it was so hot After Breakfast we made ice cream and finished up the ice Alverda got some Cream so it was very nice I roasted an old rooster for dinner he was fine. this After Noon it was so hot we did not go for a ride Miss Bertha Buckley came in such a chatter box wrote a letter to Alice Gray All Well.

Monday, October 14, 1901

There was a very heavy fog this Morning and it lasted till noon The Girls all started off for School again this Morning. I took the leaf out of the back of my lace Collar and pressed it and got it put away this afte I finished Alverda's pink striped waist and got the tuck basted in Edna's blue one. Edna had the luck to turn over the ink bottle this evening such a Mess All over a funny book She was making for Al ~~CRC this even~~ All Well

Tuesday, October, 15, 1901

Fog again today this morning was cold and damp but this evening was clear and bright I finished up the ironing and Made doughnuts. This afternoon Pop took Edna and Myself down town we picked out a polished rocker for Agnes and a Leather pillow for Edna to give her Agnes came over this evening and she and I went down to hear Archdeacon Webber lecture on the Passion Play he was Grand but we had to Stand Well.

Wednesday, October 16, 1901

My 45 Birthday

Clear this Morning and to night the moon shines bright I ripped up Luene's Green plaid dress and got the velvet cut to fix it over Mrs Dunning and little James spent the Most of today here had dinner with us Wilkie came in this Morning and brought some lettuce plants but I felt so Miserable I could not set them out I am so Sick I cannot hold my head up so will hie to bed C R C called early this Morning the rest are all Well.

Thursday, October 17, 1901

Fog this Morning but it soon cleared away and was bright and nice Oh I never put in such a night as last night was. I felt so Miserable I did not even know Yesterday was my Birthday Sick as I was I almost finished Luene's Green dress the Preserves came Home this Morning My side is just Killing Me by inches I have taken 2 Tablets with no relief yet Oh is it better to suffer and live or die and end it All. rest well.

Friday, October 18, 1901

Looks a little like rain this evening. But the fore noon was cold but clear. Read a letter from Alice Gray I did not do much this Morning I felt so Miserable Managed to finish Luene's waist to her Green dress now she has a suit to wear This afte Mrs Archer came and helped Edna with the washing Mrs Dutcher Called also Wilkie Came in for the small irons and

ironing board. Allan came up this evening and told us all about his trip guess he did not get much rest or sleep Well.

Saturday, October 19, 1901

This was a nice day but the fog came in this evening and Spoiled a bright moon light night. Edna and I did the rest of the washing. I dressed a rooster and finished Edna's blue shirt waist and Commenced Luenes Woolen Shirt waist I was over to Wilkies this aft to get our sleeve pattern Edna and I were in to Mann's Mrs Everts & Mr Merrell took Mrs C.L.V. Bliss to Livermore for treatment at the Sanitarium this Morning All Well

Sunday, October 20, 1901

We were not up very early this Morning But it was a nice day just the same But tonight the fog came in again All the Children went to Sunday School Edna and Alverda stayed to Church I was in to Wilkies She went for a ride with us Edna stayed at home with Agnes Wilkie was in this Evening to return the ironing board Little Stanford brought me in a dish of ice cream bless his dear little heart. I wrote a letter to Mrs Thistlethwaite All Well.

Monday, October 21, 1901

This was a nice day but this after noon was hot I can tell you. Edna was so sick she could not go to School till after ten. She is all right now I done the most of the ironing this after noon Pop took us all down town I got Luene a new hat and she got her self a new waist or Material for one I was in to see Mrs Litchfield she is better looks well All Well.

Tuesday, October 22, 1901

This has been the hottest[sic] day we have experienced this Summer I Baked cake this Morning and a Pumpkin Pie Oh My but it was hot Pop went over and got a piece of boiling Meat This afte I worked on Luenes waiste a little then I went over to Mrs Bamfords to see Martha she is better looks better I was in to see Wilkie Edna brought up My dress from Miss Hughes it is lovely Read a letter from Florence Gaige All Well.

Wednesday, October 23, 1901

It commenced to rain before the Children were off to School but just heavy Showers But still it does not look settled Mrs Bristle here selling Extracts. I made a Walnut cake this morning This afte Edna is over decorating and helping for Agnes' Wedding tomorrow Cody came at noon Alverda & I over to see her Agnes, Frank, Edna & Joe up to the Catholic Church to practice Cody went up with them I stayed with Wilkie All Well

Thursday, October 24, 1901

The sun tries to shine this Morning every thing is all excitement over the Wedding Pop Alverda Luene & Myself went up to the Church Soon Wilkie and Cody came then Agnes Edna and Joe. Wilkie & Cody led then Alverda & Luene Pop and I Soon came Edna leading followed closely by Agnes & Joe Met at the altar rail by Frank & were Married. Now we will go to Sea Bright to see them off. They are off for a trip Mid a shower of rice. We came home and went in to Wilkies and had a nice Lunch Edna and I came home and cleaned off our things and put them away My head aches I am Sick rest well

Friday, October 25, 1901

Showery all day and not clear tonight I cleaned up the dinning room Kitchen Pantry and our bed room. Then I was used up Am almost beside Myself it is just one continual rangle all the time Where and when will it all end. Mother Mann came in this afte I have been over to Wilkies twice to feed the dog and chickens She and Cody are in Watsonville I feel Miserable tonight again rest all Well

Saturday, October 26, 1901

Cloudy this Morning But Mrs Archer came over and she and Edna did the Washing Mr Marbut came up about 10.30 and was here to dinner and supper he taught us the new game of 63. The rain came down pretty lively for a time this afte But it turned off foggy later Allan came up. Wilkie and Cody also came in And brought some of Agnes Wedding Cake. They left at nine then Edna Allan Alverda & I played cards & ate Candy till Eleven Pop in bed All Well

Sunday, October 27, 1901

Viola Rickets Marries C D Davidson

The sun Shone some today But so cloudy the Girls did not venture out to Sunday School We were not up early. Soon Lena Came in for a paper of Mother Mann's Luene had had over here but we did not find it hunt all we might Edna out to Dunnings this afte The two little Girls & Myself over to Sea Bright to Mrs Millers She is not at all well I wrote a letter to my Brother this evening I am Sleepy All Well.

Monday, October 28, 1901

It just rained last night good and hard I can tell you. The roads are not very muddy though. The wind blew cold this afte but the sun Shone most All day. Mrs Swanck [Swank] came in this Morning for Carnation Slips I ripped up My old Silk Skirt and brownd some coffee this afte I went over to see Mrs Dr Chamberlin. had a fine visit with her she is well and looking fine I was in to Wilkies as I went over I am tired & Sleepy Well

Tuesday, October 29, 1901

This was a nice day but cold both Morning and evening I made a loaf of Cake and Cooked Cabbage & Made a lettuce Salad for dinner this afte Pop took Me over to see the Dr I got some Medicine for my side I sewed on Luenes waist. Mrs Sarkey [Starkey] came over and Edna took her lesson After she went Miss Cody came over. Read a Postal from dear Agnes they are having a fine time. All Well

Wednesday, October 30, 1901

This has been a nice day so clear and bright I was over to Wilkies twice took over some flowers and a bag of Walnuts for Cody We also sent a box to Uncle Billey Mother Mann drove Cody down to the Depot Wilkie went down with the little Scott girls Pop and I drove down Edna down on her Wheel I came Home cut out Alverdas Skirt got the seams all sewed up and all the seams creased I was over to Mrs Archers to see her new house I feel Miserable rest Well

Thursday, October 31, 1901

Another very pleasant day I done the bedrooms. and chopped up the Ginger root and got it on to cook Then Pop and I pealed[sic] the pears and put them on to cook I did not get it cooked till this afte I took Wilkie over a little taste Pop and I drove over to Sea Bright to

meet Agnes & Frank Edna over on her Wheel She and Earl are out on their Wheels for a Halloween Party Such a time as the children did have with their Pumpkins All Well.

November

Friday, November 1, 1901

The clouds have returned and it seems More like rain today there was a heavy fog this Morning and not clear tonight We done up the Fridays work and I Made the Plaiting for Alverdas Skirt and got it and the ruffles basted on the deep ruffle I also Made a layer Cream Cake it looks fine Allan came up tonight he and Edna are out for a Halloween talk All Well

Saturday, November 2, 1901

This has been a nice [day] although the chill of winter is Keenly felt in the air Mrs Archer came over and helped Edna with [the] washing Pop took Edna and Myself down town She got a new golf Skirt I also got Luene one and material for an under Skirt Pop took me over to the Dr and down town Alverda and Luene were with [us] We see D. down town so did not go out there I was in to Wilkie's She is not well All Pretty well but me Self

Sunday, November 3, 1901

Another nice day although this afte and evening it seemes as though there was rain in the near future Edna & Alverda went to Sunday School and Church I took slips of my new Carnations and put a box of soil in the tent and put them in there. Pop took us for a drive Alverda and Mabelle Radke went out on their Wheels I wrote 2 letters one to Alice Gray and one to Florence Gaige I read some but my head feels bad rest well.

Monday, November 4, 1901

Our fine weather continues it was nice and warm this afte I cut out Edna's golf Skirt and got it basted up ready to fit she took it down and had Miss Hughes fit it The Buckleys arrive from the East at noon I was in to see them a few minutes. ran in to talk with the Judge a little while also stopped to chat a while with Wilkie. Rode down town with Mother Mann. Worked on Luene's Waist a little All well but Myself.

Tuesday, November 5, 1901

Our fine weather continues this was a warm beautiful day but a few clouds linger near this evening I have Edna's Skirt fit at last finished Alverda's Skirt. Mrs Starkey came and Edna took her lesson Mrs Bamford called Wilkie came in Pop took Me over to the Dr he gave Me a bottle of Medicine to take Allan came in just before Noon for a hand out he is a funny Chile I assure you right to home here Well

Wednesday, November 6, 1901

The fog came in last night and again this Morning and it has looked like rain all day not much sun shine. I have at last finished Edna's Golf Skirt Wilkie came in this Morning. Pop took Wilkie and Myself out to make some Calls We called on Mrs Rennie She was out Mrs Forsyth Mrs Clark & Elson Mrs Merrell She was out Mrs Litchfield Allan was by here this Evening before supper I cut out a Skirt for Luene and fixed Alverdas waist All Well.

Thursday, November 7, 1901

The fog or the clouds still continue with us But no rain I cut out Luenes Skirt and a Shirt waist But I did not get much time to sew This afte Pop drove Me down to Miss Hughes she

was not ready for Me. Wilkie came in as we came Home then Mrs Smith latter [sic] Nora Rawson I Made a Layer lemon Cake and a sponge Cake Pop Edna and I spent the evening at Wilkies 12 when we got Home A surprise on Agnes Mr & Mrs Pringle & Mr Ruppert[Rupert] We all had a splendid time All Well

Friday, November 8, 1901

The clouds or fog lifted a little today but have come down again tonight I done up the Fridays work and cleaned our bed room Mrs Dunning and little James came in this After noon for a time How he grows. I tucked Luenes waist tonight and got the sleeves stitched up also her Skirt basted ready to stitch Oh I shall be so glad when I get the Sewing done up once more I am sleepy so will hie to bed Well.

Saturday, November 9, 1901

It looked rainy this morning but I put the clothes to soak and helped Edna and Mrs Archer to get them out but not before it commenced to rain but we got the most of them dry just the same. All of the Children went to the Mattinee[sic] this aft and got Considerable damp before they reached home and it has rained ever since And is still at it I finished Luenes Waist and grey skirt to fasteners have a pocket to Make and put on the Skirt All Well

Sunday, November 10, 1901

It did not rain today but was very cloudy and threatenin[sic] all day but tonight it looks as though it would clear away. None of my Children went to Sunday school or Church too Stormy After dinner I wrote two letters one to Bro. one to the Monthly at Boston. This evening Wilkie and Agnes Came over We popped some corn and had a fine time The children and Myself played Animals with the Cards tonight.

Monday, November 11, 1901

A lovely day since the rain of Saturday But it is cold and windy I finished Luenes blue waist before she went to School then I finished her pink one and cut out Edna's tan one and got it basted ready to fit got the dinner sponged off Edna's blue Skirt ready to press finished Ednas tan Waist to the Velvet Cut out her blue one and got that almost ready for the Velvet Mrs Johnston came in this afte the two little Girls down town and got some Waist Material Well.

Tuesday, November 12, 1901

Still our beautiful weather continues But the Mornings and evenings have a winter feeling of cold. I fit Luenes Red Waist before school and got it almost finished worked on Edna's two got them so she can finish them now I cut out one for Alverda and another for Luene this ends the Childrens Oh how glad I shall be When they are done It is rumored they have Diptheria [sic] at the Buckleys her Sisters Boy I am just dead tired So am off for Bed Well.

Wednesday, November 13, 1901

Not so clear today I think we shall have some rain soon I stuck to the sewing all fore noon done all I could I am on the finial[sic] two. Allan came up on his way to his work and he and Edna talked till he was 10 mi" late Agnes Edna and Myself down to the Maccabees Social Frank called Agnes out as two Boys were locked in the old Hihn Vault on Park St but she did not know the Combination to get it open The refreshments were on the bum We had an evening out Just the same Well

Thursday, November 14, 1901

Letter from Brother

More indications of rain everyone says rain to Morrow We done the usual cleaning up I swept the Sitting room Hall Edna's and our bedroom with a damp broom such a sight of sand and dirt as I did take off the Carpet. Pop took Edna and Myself down town she left her hat to get it trimmed such a time as we had getting her a corded Waist but finally succeeded Spent this evening at Manns Well.

Friday, November 15, 1901

It rained last night or early this Morning but not much fell today although it is still cloudy and foggy. I done up the Fridays work but My head felt terrible this afte I finished the last two Shirt Waists to fasteners and this evening I stitched up Luene's new Skirt and Hemmed the ruffle and pleating and got it ready to pleat tomorrow Pop got the Note of release ready to sent to Lompoc to Walter Efsen. I fear we will not wash tomorrow Well.

Saturday, November 16, 1901

It rained last night and we had a few light showers this Morning Mrs Archer did not come over so Edna and I had to do the washing alone We got through in good season though although we had a large washing. This afte I was in to Manns Agnes came over I finished the red Moreno Skirt to Button Holes. Allan came up this evening and brought a glass of Pine Apple jam they Made Candy All Well.

Sunday, November 17, 1901

This has been a fine day just like Summer Clear and bright The Children all went to Sunday school Edna remaining to Church After dinner Pop took us all out to Dunnings I took her out some Chryses She gave me a Tuber rose just budded to bloom also some rose slips this evening I wrote a letter Home and hunted for a certain item in my old Diary but as yet we have not run onto it All Well

Monday, November 18, 1901

Luene's 12th Birthday

Not very bright today and it was cold this Morning and again tonight the clouds are not all gone yet either. I finished up the ironing after Edna went to school then I finished Alverdas Skirt and Luenes red waist to fasteners. I did not get Luene's jacket fit But cut out My Skirt and fit that to night Edna and I walked down to Miss Hughes to have my Waist fit Luene had Company Helen Cooper & Mabel Radke Well.

Tuesday, November 19, 1901

Misty this Morning or a light rain did not rain Much just enough to make it Muddy Edna could not ride her Wheel. Tonight there is a fog so do not know what it will do by Morning. I got Luene's Jacket fit and Edna went down and bought the linings and Tweeds for My Skirt I have it all ready to baste together in the Morning Mother Mann came in for Ben Hur Edna has borrowed it Pop tells a good one on Edna about her Father in law Well

Wednesday, November 20, 1901

Cloudy again today and this evening about seven it commenced to rain and at this writing almost ten it is steadily coming down I finished My grey dress Skirt this evening it does look

good for a green horn to do. Mrs Starkey came this afte and Edna took her Music lesson I am tired My eyes begin to complain of so much night work Edna was down town this afte for some thread All Well

Thursday, November 21, 1901

No rain today but it was cloudy all fore noon but this afte was clear and tonight was nice and bright I finished My grey skirt and worked on my jacket and Luenes. tonight Luene and I went down to Miss Hughes to fit my Waiste Allan came up tonight and brought his Naval Preserve[sic] suit and Edna dressed up in it and tried to fool my by handing me an Envelope addressed to lady of the House but it did not work to moon light All Well

Friday, November 22, 1901

Not very clear this fore noon but this afte it was nice But the fog came in but the Moon shines through it all I done up the Fridays work We had fried Oysters for dinner No fish man came We had Bertha come in a quarter to 12 she stayed to dinner Edna and I had a pretense of something to do over to Agnes so got rid of her that way Sewed a little this afte ripped up Alverda's blue Golf Cape tonight All Well.

Saturday, November 23, 1901

It was clear when we got up but soon the fog came in then it lifted and became cloudy but the sun shone some and tonight it is not clear but the Moon shines Edna and I done the Washing then I made a layer jellie Cake with the pink brown and white layers Pop took Wilkie over to Sea Bright to take the train for Watsonville I was over to see Agnes this afte I relined Alverda's Cape with red Silk it looks fine Edna over to Vances I don't feel good rest Well

Sunday, November 24, 1901

So unsettled was the weather the Girls did not go to Sunday school or Church Edna got the Most of the dinner I wrote a long letter to Mrs Thistlethwaite This noon Allan came up for his suit Pop took us for a drive around the cliff the tide was so low he and the Girls went through 2 of the Natural bridges My head ached so when we came home I stripped off and went to bed Edna over with Agnes Allan came up this evening such times rest Well

Monday, November 25, 1901

It commenced to Mist before the Children were ready for School and did not let up till 9 it commenced again before three and now I think it is raining by the Sound in the gutters. C. R. C. called just after breakfast but I have just got in and sewed all day did not even change My dress this afte Fit My jacket and got it ready for the sleeves got Luene's fit also and all of the sleeves ready to face all basted and ready to blind sew. All Well.

Tuesday, November 26, 1901

No rain today but it took the fore noon to clear off with this afte the sun shone all after noon and tonight is just a grand evening so bright the moon is about full I dug in on the sewing Miserable as I felt cut out My grey Shirt Waist and got the jackets almost finished I sewed a little on My Shirt Waist this evening Mrs L. B. McCornick called this afte Edna is over with Agnes this evening All Well

Wednesday, November 27, 1901

Very foggy this Morning almost a rain and it did not clear off all day although the sun shone at times. I do hope it will be nice tomorrow Well I have at last finished Luene's and My own grey jackets and this evening I finished My grey outing Shirt waist I tell you I feel very proud of my suit Mrs DeCray came over this after noon Edna is over there tonight again they don't let her get lonesome Wilkie is still away

Thursday, November 28, 1901

Commenced to rain before we were up and continued till ten then it let up for a short time only. I made a layer cream cake then Pop hitched up to the wagon and we all went out to Mr Dunnings to dinner had a fine turkey and all of the trimmings mince and Pumpkin pie fruit Sponge and nut cakes Salted Almonds, Olives, Cheese Candies her own Make which were just Splendid[sic] We got home without getting wet it is raining hard now All Well

Friday, November 29, 1901

This has been a fine day nice and bright this afte we done our Thursdays and Fridays cleaning today I tell you we all got in and worked Pop got some Stale Salmon from the fish Man so we did not have any meat for dinner I was in to Mann's 3 times she is not very well Agnes came in to spend the evening but soon Mrs Chapin and Helen came and soon they all went Home I am tired and sleepy All Well

Saturday, November 30, 1901

No rain today but there was a heavy fog early this Morning but it cleared away and Edna and I done the Washing the most of it got dry some of the flannels are a little damp yet. Mother Mann came in this aft for a little chat Edna went down town and got her self material for a dressing sack. I ripped up my Jacket and fit it over again Allan came over this evening such fun All Well

December

Sunday, December 1, 1901

This was a nice day but it was not very warm All of the children went to Sunday School Edna stayed to church Lena came over to get some milk before we were up We had fried frozen Oysters for dinner and Oyster soup. Pop took us all for a ride but Edna she stayed at home to have target practice with Allan They shot several holes in the barn I was in to Manns twice tonight Agnes and Frank came in this evening All Well

Monday, December 2, 1901

Commenced to rain soon after seven but did not amount to much it has not cleared off at this writing Edna went down to School this Morning but as Miss Austin had not retuned from the City she came home again over to Vance's to make candy for the Church fair tomorrow and next day I made myself a pair of Drawers and cut out Alverda's red Skirt and got it ready to fit Edna over to Agnes'es Well

Tuesday, December 3, 1901

Old December is just wet thus far I can assure you guess we will get rain enough this winter if it continues long like this after noon and until ten tonight it has rained steadily Edna was down town twice today Pop once and this evening she is over to Agnes'es I finished Alverdas red Skirt to the band cut out 2 jumpers for Pop such a time as I had with her Skirt the tucksis [?] showed through and I had to reline it All Well

Wednesday, December 4, 1901

Not very clear early this fore noon but this afte was bright and warm too warm and fine to last I put the band on Alverda's red Skirt then I got the dinner Edna did not get her pleating done This afte I went down to Miss Hughes to talk over Edna's and Alverdas dresses I cut out Alverdas lining for an Eton jacket tonight this Evening Mrs Marsh took Agnes Mrs Morgan Edna & Myself down to the St Agnes Guild Fair Well

Thursday, December 5, 1901

Oh my but didn't it rain this fore noon seemes clear tonight I peeled and got the pears on to cook Pop went down and got our Canned Pine apple I cooked them this after noon Edna and I set out to Make our Christmas Candy but the new Sugar has so much Glucose in it that we could not cream it such a time as we did have trying to cream it Agnes came over to see the fun I feel it was a day lost as we did not get the candy made All Well

Friday, December 6, 1901

Not much rain today but a few showers were all. It cleared off and was bright most all after noon Edna and I cleaned up the Dinning room bathroom pantry and Kitchen. This after she went down town and changed the undervests and got Me some new pants. I was in to Mann's she had bad news from Florence she is Miserable. Allan came up this evening again to talk cement clay all Well.

Saturday, December 7, 1901

A clear cold day with a cool breeze from the North Edna and I done the washing not a large one got it out early Alverda went over and took a drawing lesson from Mrs Heath. [Lillian and Frank Heath were artists and art teachers, who established the Santa Cruz Art League in 1919] I made a sponge cake it is not good poor sugar Mrs Dunning Called and left James while they were over to town Cut out Alverda's red waist and got it fit Also cut out her jacket guess I will have goods enough All well

Sunday, December 8, 1901

This was a crisp Morning and a cold north wind blew all day We did not get up very early But in time for the girls to get to Sunday school which they did Edna remaining to church I got the dinner after which Pop drove us over on the east cliff We went down as far as we could tonight I wrote to Mary Spink then I heard Alverda recite her piece Oh, I am so sleepy I cannot hold my eyes open Well

Monday, December 9, 1901

Cloudy all day and looks very like more rain this evening. I put in and sewed on Alverda's waist and jacket all the time I had Pop took Agnes Edna and Myself over on Mission Hill to see some Fancy work it was not Much of a show After all I stopped down town and done a few errands Came Home and dug in on Alverda's red dress again I put the lace on my drawers tonight and basted on new corset steels All Well

Tuesday, December 10, 1901

This was a nice day but the coldest of the season. Still there are a few clouds hovering around I did not get Much done to Alverda's dress this Morning I ripped off the band from Edna's Satin but it is not now on to suit Me Mrs Miller of Sea Bright Called this Morning

Pop took Edna and I down town this afte She got the goods for a new blue dress Mrs Starkey came and she took her Music lesson Mrs Dr Chamberlin & Mrs Longstreth Called Edna and I down to Miss Hughes this evening All Well.

Wednesday, December 11, 1901

Oh My but aint this cold weather the Mornings are just freezing and Tonight is the coldest of the season I got Alverda's waist ready for the Hooks and eyes and her jacket ready for the lining I have the velvet ribbon on the jacket and sleeves and the sleeves basted in Alverda took some persimmons over to her big Brothers Mother Mrs T. Forsyth called this afte I don't feel very good spelly I tell you Read a letter from Florence Luene one from Harry All Well

Thursday, December 12, 1901

This was a nice clear day but Oh My how cold I just could not keep warm Edna and I done all the work I swept all the bedrooms while she swept the sitting rooms Read a letter from Florence she is all right again. This afte Eugene Younglove came over here and I do believe remained 2 hours. This evening Mr & Mrs DeCray Edna Alverda and Myself went down to the Y.M.C.A. to see the Steriopticon Passion Play nothing extra bitter cold tonight All Well.

Friday, December 13, 1901

Another cold day with the first ice of the season I done the Friday's work fixed over the band on Edna's black Satin skirt Put new steels in my corset then I finished Alverdas old jacket all to the velvet ribbon bow in front. This evening I popped some corn Edna and Luene went down to Miss Hughes to her skirt fit This evening Pop Hauled some sand this afte Allan came in to get warm this Morning too cold for the Boy these Mornings All Well.

Saturday, December 14, 1901

Another cold day we did not get up very [early] but as soon as the water was hot Edna and I were ready to wash we did not get the clothes out very early but they got dry all the same. I made a cake and put the Velvet ribbon on Alverda's red dress Skirt. and put the button and button [holes] in my drawers. Allan came up this evening and I popped some corn we played cards for while now it is late so I must hie to bed I don't feel good All well

Sunday, December 15, 1901

This was a nice clear day but cold as usual we did not get up till late so the children did not go to Sunday school and Church. We had an early dinner Then Pop hitched up to the wagon and took us up the Glen Canyon road to get Holly berries We got a nice lot of them too and as we were at supper here came Allan with the Supply he had gathered they are fine large ones he was about frozen he was so cold but a slice of Cream Cake and a dram warmed him up wrote to Brother Well

Monday, December 16, 1901

Another nice day but cold as usual a heavy white frost. We were not up as early as usual so we just had to hustle to get the Girls off to School then I put the hooks and eyes on Alverda's red waist and finished her Collar and belt run in to see Mother Mann this Morning this Afte Agnes and I went over to see Mrs Montieth I got a box of Chrystalized fruit to send to Cousin George I was in to see Mrs Bamford Alverda Luene and Myself made bed Slippers tonight. All Well.

Tuesday, December 17, 1901

This was a nice day the cold weather seemes to be broke I made a Potato Cake with raisins in it Came out pretty good. This afte I tried to Make some More Candy out of the Sugar Pop got but another pound of Sugar went the same as all the other then Lena brought over some of their Sugar and I made some Walnut Creams out of it I took a bath and got dressed and Pop and I took the seven O'clock train for the City Arrived there at 10:45 Stayed all night at the Russ House Well

Wednesday, December 18, 1901

A nice day. We were up early and set out for our purchases I got My coat a longer one \$15.00 a fur collar for \$4.00 several little things for the children then I got 8 lovely .25 Handkerchiefs for the money they are beauties. Wilkie bless her dear old heart stayed with the children We arrived home this evening at 6:45 Walked home from Sea Bright Allan came up to see Edna about Xmas presents we are just dead tired So Must hie to bed All Well

Thursday, December 19, 1901

This was another nice day I was up early and after breakfast I cleaned up my clothes then Pop and I went down town to get a few More gifts got home and flew around and got dinner then Pop took Edna and I down town so I finished up the rest of My buying. Alverda and I Made some more Candy this evening. Wilkie Came in just as we were going down town A terrible wreck in the road down south last night 2 passenger trains ran together Allan up Well

Friday, December 20, 1901

Pop not well sore throat and cold

Still our nice weather continues after Breakfast I cleaned the pantry the kitchen partly done the dinning room had an early dinner and got dressed and Pop drove us all down to the School The exercises in all the rooms were fine We did not go into any but Luene's and Alverda's I tell you Forsyth's room did fine Alverda's piece about "the old Flag" was greatly applauded She spoke nicely We got a new Crum clothe 9.00 Allan up tonight

Saturday, December 21, 1901

Another beautiful day just too nice for staying in doors. But with so Much work how can one get out Edna and I washed then we packed the box to send to Uncle Billy also one for Mrs Stack then we cleaned the silver and I washed all the dishes we will use for dinner I feel this is a big job done Mother Mann came in this afte Oh dear I am so tired and sleepy We sent the Chrystalized fruit to Mrs D. Mother Aunty Sinnett & Mr T Also 2 Handkerchiefs to Sallie Pop about the same rest Well

Sunday, December 22, 1901

A nice day and this evening the Moon shines bright and clear Edna and Luene went to Sunday school Alverda did not go she took a box of Chrystalized fruit over to Rennie's for Allan when she came home we made Cream Candy Made 2 pound of sugar up So now we have all we want Wilkie came in this afte for a little while Edna was out to Dunning's I tell you I am sleepy Pop seemes better rest all Well.

Monday, December 23, 1901

A little cloudy this Morning but it cleared off by Noon and tonight the Moon is shining bright I made 2 loafes of Cake one a corn Starch and a Marble loaf the turkey came and I dressed him this afte I frosted the 2 cakes I washed some windows too A box came from my Brother in which was a lovely cushion for Myself. Agnes Came in this afte Also Minnie Dyer Trumbley Alverda and I stuffed some dates and salted some Almonds and peanuts Allan up to night Pop better rest Well.

Tuesday, December 24, 1901

This was not a very clear day but it was good for work just the same which we did all day I Made 5 Mince Pies and Made the dressing for the Turkey and stuffed it and got it ready to roast Edna and I decorated all afternoon Allan came over this evening also Wilkie Alverda and Luene down to Mrs Douglas to a Christmas tree this evening Edna and I in to Wilkies this evening Oh such lot of Presents we did receive All Well

Wednesday, December 25, 1901

This was a most beautiful day Mrs Dunning came early while James & his Father went down town soon they came back then Allan came that included our Company for dinner Edna & Alverda went to early Church with Agnes & Frank Pop took Wilkie over to Sea Bright to go to her sisters I received a lovely White Shawl from dear Mrs Slack lovely doily from Mrs Dunning a nut dish from Mother Mann A black Cat Pillow from dear Agnes Meat fork Luene Cracker & pickers Alverda Chair cushion & head rest Edna Wilkies Photo jar of Cold Cream Cody Card Mrs Struckmann Bag of Candy Stanford Smith had a lovely time

Thursday, December 26, 1901

Another beautiful day but I think it was colder than usual I did not do much this day wrote 4 letters one to Cousin George one to Mrs C. Slack Mrs Struckmann Mrs Thistlethwaite and Edna wrote one to Mary Spink she sent each of the Girls a kerchief and Me a photo of Belle. My 3 cousins Sallie Nanny & George sent me an elegant Mexican Work Kerchief I tell you I am very proud of it I cleaned up the Closet in the Sitting room and one drawer in the Chiffoneer this evening All well except Colds.

Friday, December 27, 1901

This Morning the north wind was blowing a gale and the dusts was so thick you could not see far Just after Breakfast Johnstons Horse took fright at a branch of a tree falling near him and run away smashing the buggy & gate I sent Alverda & Luene over to Mrs Marsh's with some toys for her little ones. Agnes Mabel Gerta our Children Myself & Frank went down to the Christmas party very good Mrs Cooper and Helen walked Home with us All Well

Saturday, December 28, 1901

This was a still clear day bright and nice Edna was sick so I had to do the washing with Luene's help I tell you My burnt wrist hurt me but I don't care it is heart aches that Kill Me and I am fated for those stabs the last few years but time and death heals all wounds so will it heal Mine Read a letter from Mary Spink Oh how my heart aches for her. Allan came over this afte and Commenced to fix a developing room for Edna what a good boy he is Mrs D Called a Minute All Well

Sunday, December 29, 1901

Not very much sun shine today but still it was not very cold. Alverda and Luene went to Sunday school Edna did not go she remained at Home and assisted Allan with the dark room but they did not get it finished Pop took us all for a drive on the cliff I was in to see Mother Mann this afte Wrote to Mary Spink M. A. Cody and Emma Strassburg Edna was over to Agnes all after We came Home till after supper I am sleepy so will hie to bed Well

Monday, December 30, 1901

Cloudy today and a few sprinkles of rain fell I washed out three spreads all of the best napkins some towels Ednas gown and a few other things then Pop took Edna & Myself down town I bought her a new Skirt Madame Starkey Called a little while this afte Also Mrs Buckley Muriel was in this evening to have Alverda help her fix her stamp book Read a letter from dear Mrs Slack and another from Florence she is still up All Well.

Tuesday, December 31, 1901

Nice and clear for a time this Morning but this afte it clouded over again and looks like rain again I made 5 Mince Pies this Morning and a potatoe cake. Alverda went and took her lesson of Mrs Heath I cut out Edna's grey Skirt and got it Basted up I popped some Corn this Evening Pop took Alverda Luene & Myself for a little drive read 2 letters one from Cousin Sallie and another from Mrs Thistlethwaite the children can't make noise enough this evening Well

