

Sunday - June 5th - Camp No. 8.

The volunteers passed thro camp yesterday. Their
Captains did not stop, ~~at the~~ showing the sincerity
of their intentions of cooperation. The truth is
they ~~do~~ not wish to disband, but their desire is
to compete with us unfairly - they have the ad-
vantage of numbers - in lies and unprincipled
men - which can be proved upon application.

Our course to day has been a little west
of south - the trail to Hydesville keeps on to
the right - past the first house - our course
is to the left - The ford over this river is from
3 to 3½ feet deep - our camp is admirable
Near our tent is a little patch of strawberries
fully ripe. The distance travelled is about
nine miles - On the road a messenger
from Reed overtook us with our mail - the
accounts about the volunteers are incorrect.
The truth in the markets has fallen, it is
at a discount of about fifty percent -

Vandusen's river is from twenty to 25
yards wide - in most places numerous

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empties into El River

The volunteers have killed
4 Indians and wounded one
~~that~~ killed one man wounded in
redwoods near Yager - one man killed
2 squaws killed in Van Dusen's
making five in all, supposing the
wounded man dead.

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This day has passed off quietly. No
evidence of the approach of Indians -
I think they will not come in
the Captain thinks of going to El
River.

Tuesday - June 6th -

I started about 8 for Hydenville
with the train and two Indians
Mud Reed and rode on as far as Van
Dusen's, where I stayed all
night -

Wednesday, rode on to the fort