

September,

SUNDAY, 7

1862.

Started pretty early & made
a long march along the
bank of Cow-dung Lake.

A lovely day. Camped for
dinner on the bank of the

Fraser River for the first time.

Shot 6 partridges this morning.

After dinner made a long
march. I forgot my pipe
& had to return for it after
having gone nearly a mile.

We had streams innumerable
to cross & at dark just as it
began to rain crossed a pretty
rapid stream & found the guide
camped where had been an
Indian wigwam which did
not promise much shelter
& it looks likely to rain all
night.

September,

MONDAY, 8,

1862.

Did not start till late this
morning as everything was
soaking wet as it rained the
whole night tremendously & we
had to wait to dry everything.
We had not very much eat & had
may be as much as we had
little or no shelter & the rain
ran in streams where we were
lying. After going a very short
distance we found we were
on an island & that the
stream had risen so during the
night that we were unable to
cross it the water was too broken for
a raft. For the guide crossed it &
then Burgess paid him to carry
mine & his baggage across. Thompson
& I next stepped & had our packs
on our shoulders & tried but were
nearly carried away and had
difficulty in getting back again.
Burgess then tried the guide to go on
with him so as we could not get across
we camped there.