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I straightened out my room,and began work on my botany exsicatti.Hal and I began taking alternate watches of twelve hours each.

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Idevotedthe day to familiarizing myself with the meteorological system Mac is using,and the records and instruments left in my care.

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Jot worked all day on komatiks,and in evening made ready to start out again on the morrow.

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January 1-H

Hal,Jerome,and I watched the old year out.Hal and I played chess and Iwon one game from him.After midnight,Hal,Sammie,Kakochea and I unpacked 28 boxes of food with which I stocked up.I also put in a tin box to catch the oil that runs over when the cans are filled.I worked some on botany.I cooked dinner-broiled caribou steak,turnips,cranberry sauce,bread and butter,coffee,and pears. Fitz came in,and we had dinner at six-thirty.

January 2-

Greene and Jerome stayed in.Iworked at botany,diary,etc.Busy all day at regular routine.Greene walked out to island,but came in for dinner; He began his fifth snow-house.Jerome is quite well.

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January 5-

In forenoon I worked on my botany and until dinner.After dinner I packed up two boxes of books that Ishall not use during my stay up here. Brindle had nine pups of which three died and Hal killed two.Hal brought her into the house for a day or two until the rest of her pups should be dry.

January 6-

Imounted the new specimens I obtained from Sonntag Bay last fall; these represented species of which I had not found specimens at Umanak. I also packed another box of books.Green came in for dinner;he reported Alla Allen quite well again.

January 7-

In botany today I completed mounting the Ranunculaceae.I packed a box of minor scientific instruments that I feel confident now that I shall ,not use any more up here.

January 8-

Until dinner I worked on the Drabae,mounting some thirty sheets. I also catalogued and arranged my collections of eggs ,nests,and skins. Greene came in for dinner.

January 9-

I mounted and packed my Saxifragae.Imountd 28 sheetsof these. Ialso worked further on my ornithology collections.Green came in for dinner again

January 10-

Jot got in about noonwith Oobloya.With them came Sechmann Rossbach and Enoch Christiansen accompanied them back from Kangerdluksuah. Arklio who had been down along the coast in hopes of getting a walrus,also came back with them.Allen and Green came in for dinner.Sipsoo also came .

January 11-

Panikpa and Kangah came in today,the latter with a box of sugar for us sent up from Umanak by MacMillan. Iwrote up the meteorological records and paid off Kangah with one box dogbiscuit,some tea,and some tobacco and candles.For a fox skin which he asserted was at Nerkre and which he promised to bring up later,Igave him a knife.In the evening I completed packing my ornithological records,and all my specimens.Greene went out to the i island about noon and a little later Allen went out.

January 12-

Green came in from the island and Sechmann and Enoch went out to vi visit Allen there, remaining out for dinner.Sipsoowent up to Lyttleton Island to get some eggs he had cached there.He reported the ice very bad most of the way.Besides getting a big dinner I had to attend to giving Sechmann some recompensation for the very admirable way in which he treated Tank and me last summer.Ialso had to fit out Sipsoo with whom I traded for some fox skins and about three dozen fresh eggs.Itreated him very liberally as I felt sure MacMillan would wish me to do,not merely for policy's sake But that we might retain his active good will.In the evening Hal and I took measurements of Kangah for ethnological purposes. Amost unusual and peculiar aurora hung over the glacier at the head of the fjord about midnight.

January 13-

Sechmann,Enoch,Sipsoo,and Mahmone left almost before it got light. Kangah did not go which fact lends color to Ahcotingwa's assertion that he has married Owdukaingya for the time being at least though Ahcotingwa further says she does not know whether it is a permanent arrangement or not.

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January 23-

Koolootina and Aelaeatingwa came up from Sonntag Bay, where they saw Mene. They had not seen Kakochea and Sammie. Icleaned up my room, packed two boxes, and carried out and cawhed all that I had packed.

January 24-

Hal worked on his snowhouse. Allen and Green came in for dinner and Green also made a snowhouse. Nukapingwa, Veevee and baby, and Oolie got back late in the afternoon. I packed another box; I am engaged on my geological specimens now.

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Arklio and Oobloya were prepared to go to. to the walrus hunting grounds for a while, but because of bad weather they did not leave today. Hal worked on his snowhouse today, andxGrpa Jot began to build Green's komatik. I packed two more boxes. Nearly all my scientific equipmentthat I do not expect to have any use for, all the books I do not expect to have nneed of, all my scientific collections, and a smahl part of my personal belongings, are all ready for shipment to the States.

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Green spent all day getting ready,and I held myself in readiness to give him any help he mightneed.Hal went out to see how Allen is faring.

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Esayo came in from Igloodeaswitsome time today.He reported That Anowee and a number of other Eskimo down the coast were quite seriously ill with the influenza,and that there was a shortage of meat everywhere.

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TO

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W. Elmer Ekblaw
In charge ofheadquarters, pro tempore.

Copy.

Etah, North Greenland, Feb. 5th, 1915.

TO

The Chief at Headquarters.

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(Signed) Harrison J. Hunt,
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That his sleep shall be in the night time, and shall be of eight or more hours duration.

That his exercise shall be taken in the open and shall be of at least one hours duration, and under favorable conditions, of three or four hours.

That his meals shall be at the regular time for meals unless there shall be a reasonable excuse.

That he shall avoid those articles of food which he thimks may disagree with him, chew his food well and eat slowly.

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Harrison J Hunt

Surgeon & Crocker Land Expedition

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Shortly before noon Fitz came back.He reported that he was too weak and ill to proceed.He went to bed at once.After dinnerHal and I talked the matter overwith Arklio,Nookapingwa,and Oobloya,the first two declaring that it was quite impracticable for them to go again,and Nookapingwa thought the same.I reluctantly gave my hope of sending them over again in a day or two, and gave them orders to get ready to go walrus hunting as soon as possible, which they said they would do.

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Respectfully submitted,

In charge of headquarters,pro tempore.

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Headquarters Crocker Land Expedition,
Etah, North Greenland.
March 21st., 1915.

Mr. E. Elmer Ekblaw
Etah, North Greenland.

Sir:

You are instructed to leave here tomorrow in full command of the main work of the Crocker Land Expedition of the season of 1915. This as planned by you is to be exploratory and scientific covering 1100 miles and consuming in time about 100 days.

Your main party will consist of Ee-say-oo and Ee-took-ah-sh. Two supporting parties are at your disposal and will accompany you as long as they can be of assistance in expediting your plans. If no game is killed see that oil, biscuit, and pemmican are left at "Big Cache" and at head of Beitstedt Fiord for their return. Would advise that Ahlie and Koo-ker-ping-wah go over glacier to head of Bay Fiord. Here you will instruct them to hunt musk-oxen, feed their dogs, obtain meat for return trip, and return to Etah direct.

At the "Big Cache" make an inventory of all equipment and supplies left by you and return it to me by Oo-bloo-yah. Instruct him to transport all to Cape Robins with the exception of one tin of biscuit and ten tins of milk.

During your stay at Lake Hazen you will prepare according to Dr. Tanquary's directions a few specimens of the salmon taken by your party. Accurate measurements, photographs, and notes on all will be valuable to him and will be of assistance in determining number and variety of species.

Examine carefully old Innuit igloos and tupic sites on shores of lake, measuring, photographing,, and collecting whatever you may judge to be of interest to me ethnologically.

At Fort Conger, Headquarters of the Lady Franklin Bay Expedition of 1881-1883, you will find three small houses built by Admiral Peary in 1900. In one of these there is food and a note left by me in 1909.

Your enthusiasm and great interest in geology, botany, and ornithology is an assurance of the fact that work along these lines will be thoroughly done. Any suggestions or instructions on my part are entirely unnecessary.

Upon your return south make every effort to cross Kennedy Channelbefore June 15th. At this time of year there should be plenty of seals upon the ice to provide food for your party and your thirty dogs. However within the next few weeks I will make every effort to establish a line of caches between Etah and a point 180 miles north. These will be six in number, marked by a flag, and at the following points: Cape Constitution, Cape Calhoun, Cape Russel, Cape Leiper, Cape Scott, and Cairn Point.

The thoroughness of your preparation, the excellence of your equipment, your year's experience in the field, the good health and rugged strength of yourself and party are all factors contributing toward a successful and most valuable trip.

Respectfully yours