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 Description: Journal by unknown surveyor visiting Pine growth areas of Maime.

A Journal of My Proceeding up Androscoggin River + to Brunswick +c to view the Kings Trees April the 28th 1768

- Fryday, April 28th Pass^d Portsmouth ferrey abt 10 oClock in the Morn at 9 o'clock PM ariv^d at Mr. Tafford in Wells
- Saterdag, 29th Set out from Mr. Tafford at 5 o'clock in ye morn. arivd at Falmouth 8 o'clock pm
- Sunday 30th Tarrayed at falmouth & Keep Sunday
- Monday May 1st Provided hors for my tour in the Wood set out abt 3 o'clock pm ariv at M Loring N Yarmouth at 7 o'clock in the evening
- Tuesday May 2nd Set out at 6 o'clock in ye morn^g. Arivd Garrephy at Capt ^ in Royalstown abt 4 o'clock PM Provided Three Men to Go with me to the River
- Wensday May 3d Set out for the River abt 11 oClock and arvd at River at a place Calld the SW. Bend abt 5 pm Marchd up the River abt 4 mile & Incamp^d
- Thursday May 4th Began our March abt 5 o'clock in y Morn Marchd up the River to the Great falls, arivd there about 12 o'clock & Din'd.

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found abt 100 Pine Logs Cut & Hall'd to the River
and by Inquiry of 3 men we met with
up there a turning in the Log I found what
inform'd me that they were Cut & hall'd by one Aaron
Hinkley of Brunswick about 15 months past
Return'd back & Incamped a Little below the
falls

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me to keep Camp, only viewing the falls where I found

abt 100 Pine Logs Lodg'd on the falls there
Saturday May the 6th Continuing still Rainey abt 3 o'clock
March'd up the River in the Rain abt 3 mile
and found a Large Logging Camp, and a
Large Numbr of Pine Stumps Newly Cut near
a Brook call'd Mine Brook then Return'd where
we Incamped the Night before

Sunday 7th the Weather Cleard off abt 11 o'clock March'd
up the River about 6 Mile, and on our
march found 10 Large Logging Camps,
Reconitred abt the wood & found where there
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Sunday 14 Discovery of Considerable Quantity of Pine

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Tuesday 16 and some very Large I discovered very Large Body of meadows where the wood was Kill'd by beavour Stopping the water, Which lyes abt east from the great falls

Wednesday 17th fair Weather Crossed the River Marched up Little Androscoggin River about one mile, and arrived among a vast Large Quantity of Pine trees Great Number of Which are valuable for his majesty's use and there Camped

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one of Which trees Being Cut Down I ordered the
Surveyor on John Brown that I had with me
to Measure the Length there of, which he Did With
the assistance of George Worthin & found the said
Tree to be Eleven Rods from the Stump to where the
top was Broken off and at that place the tree was
12 inches Diameter ^{where found abt 400 Logs Cut & Roled into}
and Incamped

Fryday 19th Marched up the River on that Side and viewed
the Wood there, where found Large Quantity of Pine trees
But off a Smaller Groth, then Crossed the River again
and Incamped

Saturday 20th Being Indisposed Marched for New Glocester
sent the People to Reconoiter ^{up} further up the River
who Marched up Near to the Old Indian Buring Place
soCall'd and after viewing the Wood, Return'd to New
Gloster to me Sunday Morn. who Inform'd they had
Discovered Great Quantity of pine tree & of a fine
Large Groth

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Sunday 28th arrived home in Newbury Very Much
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