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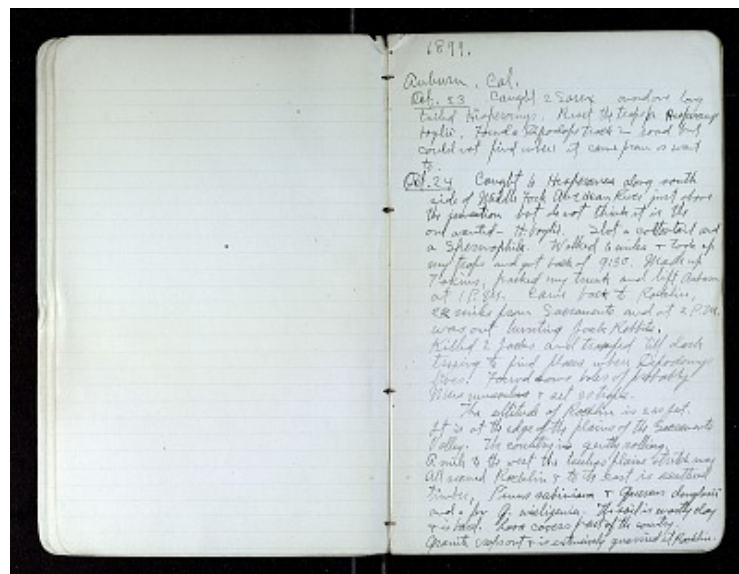
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1891.

Auburn, Cal.

[[underlined]] Oct. 23 [[/underlined]] Caught 2 *Sorex* and one long tailed *Hesperomys*. Reset the traps for *Hesperomys boylii*. Found a *Dipodops* track in road but could not find where it came from or went to.

[[underlined]] Oct. 24 [[/underlined]] Caught 6 *Hesperomys* along south side of Middle Fork American River just above the junction but do not think it is the one wanted - *H. boylii*. Shot a cottontail and a *Spermophile*. Walked 6 miles & took up my traps and got back at 9:30. Made up 7 skins, packed my trunk and left Auburn at 1 P.M. Came back to Rocklin, 22 miles from Sacramento and at 2 P.M. was out hunting Jack Rabbits. Killed 2 Jacks and tramped till dark trying to find places where *Dipodomys* lives. Found some holes of probably *Mus musculus* & set 20 traps.

The altitude of Rocklin is 260 feet. It is at the edge of the plains of the Sacramento Valley. The country is gently rolling. A mile to the west the treeless plains stretch away. All around Rocklin & to the east is scattered timber, *Pinus sabiniana* & *Quercus douglasii* and a few *Q. wislizenia*. The soil is mostly clay & is hard. Lava covers part of the country. Granite crops out & is extensively quarried at Rocklin.



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