April 26, 1879: Swan writes a "paper" for George

Gave a "paper" to Shekaupt or George (Mary Anns Brother) that he is as good as the average but requires watching
Feb. 21, 1881—Swan's weather entry (for lead, Day 63)

--temperatures, weather description
May 21, 1880—Captain John gives Swan names of fish (p. 51 of ledger?)
F 22, '80 (p. 342)

Wrote Allen Weir Pt Townsend about mistake in the Argus in my meteorological record of January when I said 4.40 inches of rain fell. He has it 44 inches of snow fell.
The evidence isn't really in sight, but the season is turning.

Somehow today looks more like spring than yesterday did. Other proof:

I have begun sneezing.

A thought. I go to the living room and look out at the cherry tree. It has begun blossoming, which is not a mark of spring but of the winter's coldness: ordinarily it blooms in January, and now is more than a month late.
Day 61 add
And I surely don't. (last line)
April 1, 1880--Swan and others ging the Pinafore
Today the Sun crosses the line and it is the first day of spring,
Swan wrote in his lustrous year of 1880.
Chas Willoughby Papers, UW MSS

---files of W's response to charges about his term as Neah Bay Indian agent; names of other Agency personnel are mentioned, plus lists of expenditures.

1-11: depositions by chiefs, Aug. 16, 1878, against proposal to transfer Indian Bureau to War Dept. Swan witnesses each.

Note: gives Peter's name as Ash-chek-o-bik
June 11, 1879: Swan translates song from Captain John
June 10-11, 1881—Jangi killing a bee  Carol copied
May 14, 1881—"if Jangi lives..." Carol copied
April 26, 1881—Swan loves Jangi "very much" Carol copied
Oct. 15, 1880—Ginger constant amusement Carol capricid
Sept. 5, 1880—Swan nicknames Jangi "Ginger"
July 12, 1880—Jangi plays, reminds S of his own boyhood
--from Carstensen, about Swan: didn't Spencer Baird introduce carp to this country, as source of protein at very time we were exporting salmon into England for a few cents per can? (check Hellman book)
Ledger #10, box 7, p. 115:

Neeah Bay, July 1 1879

Commenced this daily journal at Neeah Bay on Tuesday July 1st 1879. I have been stationed here since August 1878, as Inspector of Customs for the District of Puget Sound, and on the first of October 1878 I commenced keeping the meteorological record as a voluntary observer for the US Signal Service and have made regular reports every month since that date to the Chief Signal Officer Washington DC.

(continues thru end of March 1880, on last pp of ledger)
1879 diary, box 7: Swan noted weather—temp. clouds, wind—at 7 am, 2 pm, 9 pm, daily.
Diary #33 (1883), box 3--in front pp., Swan's summary of 1880
sur sealing season.

Total amount reported at Neah Bay

Amount taken in British Columbia as reported by
AC Anderson Esq Inspector of Fisheries British
Columbia

Add to this amount 900 seals reported to have lost
in a schooner sunk at Barclay Sound (the Aleut)
Gives a total of all seals killed (as reported)

In my report to Professor Baird I estimated the
English catch based on Mr. Anderson's report of
1879

and the amount lost on Sch Aleut

Add to this the catch at Neah Bay
Swan, who early had abstained himself from fatherhood, now turns grandfatherly.
By now, Swan had caught from Spencer Baird an enthusiasm for fish.
Baird biog, p. 429:

B says his work for US Fish Commission "is not less than six hours a day, mostly in the early morning and in the evening after the office work of the Smithsonian is completed."
Biondi, Eugene
Hines, Harvey R. — Ill'd History
q. St. of Wash 1843,
P. 833

- Maine Surveyor of PT
- b. May 16, 1841
- 1860, came to PT as 1st Lt & 7th steamer, Wolcott
- later, Lt in command, crewing a PT & on
- Harville Passage, n. to Skolla... In 1883... ordered
to new cutter Bush at St, after reporting for
- duty, resigned & retired my sea life...
- returns to PT, from Seattle furniture business, 6-85.
- "In 1852, Captain Biondi was married at PT, to Mrs
- Amelia Roberts, a native of Boston & niece of F.W. Prettyman,
an honored pioneer of Key City, 1 Wis."
These are pretty pages (Swn's ledger diaries)
March 31, 1880--SWAn reaches end of 1866 ledger diary, on p. 378, a left-hand page; facing p. is a weather summary, back of it is blank.
May 21, 1880—Capt. John gives Swan fish names
March 25, 1880—Swan on theft
B.F. Stevens, photog, arrives Neah Bay Aug. 25, 1880, leaves Oct. 6