

Gold rush time capsule

To, whoever discoverers this item.

Hi my name is Mackenzie and I am 17. I'm writing this letter so that others understand how hard it is in 1885. I hope that life becomes easier as years go past.

I really don't like it here. It's full of flys and you would get really sick in just two days. The ever lasting diseases is horrible. You wouldn't just get a cold, you would get the worst sickness you could possibly get. We get sick because all we eat is Mutton and Damper.

I really want to strike it rich but I just can't. There's only been 3 people that has stricken it rich. But the thing is that they have the worst job, and the worst job usually gets the most gold. I have the job where I only have to boil the water at night because they think I'm to young to mine. But I think I deserve better then that, even though it's the worst job possible.

The troopers come every Wednesday to check on us. They go around to everyone to see if they have there license. If they don't have there licence they will beat them up and there tents. We thought that was wrong so we started this thing were we fight the troopers and police. I don't think that the troopers liked it. We called the battle the Eureka stockade. We lost a whole lot of people through out the stockade. I'm lucky that I didn't lose anyone in the Battle. It's only my mum and I.