

FAMILY RECORD

Perrigrine Sessions, Born June 15, 1814 at Newry, Oxford Co. Maine, U.S.A. Married to Julia Ann Kilgore of Newry, Oxford Co. Maine, on Sept. 21, 1834 at newry, Oxford Co. Maine, by John Libby, Witnesses Elijah Searles and Joan Searles.

Julia Ann Kilgore Sessions, Born June 24, 1815, at Newry, Oxford Co. Maine. Married to Perrigrine Sessions, of Newry, Oxford Co. Maine on Sept. 21, 1834 at Newry, Oxford Co. Maine, by John Libby. Witness Joan Searles and Elijah Searles.

Children

Martha Ann Sessions, Born Sept. 22, 1835 at Newry, Oxford Co. Maine, Married William C. Smoot of Salt Lake City, Utah at Bountiful, Davis Co. Utah. Died Jan. 1877 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake County, Utah.

Carlos L. Sessions, Born July 17, 1842 at Nauvoo, Hancock Co. Illinois. Married to Elizabeth Wintle of Bountiful, Utah at Bountiful, Davis Co. Utah.

Perrigrine Sessions, Born June 15, 1814 at Newry, Oxford Co. Maine. Married to Lucina Call of Nauvoo, Hancock Co. Ill. on Jan 28 1845 in Nauvoo Temple, Hancock Co. Ill. By H. C. Kimball.

Lucina Call Sessions, Born at Ohio. Married to Perrigrine Sessions of Nauvoo, Hancock Co. Ill. on June 28, 1845 at Nauvoo Temple, Hancock Co. Ill. by H. C. Kimball.

Children

Perrigrine Sessions Jr. Born Sept. 19, 1848 at Salt Lake City, Utah. Died Sept. 19, 1848 at Salt Lake City, Utah.

Kepler Sessions. Born Dec. 8, 1855 at Bountiful, Davis Co. Utah. Married to Ann call of bountiful, Davis Co. Utah.

Harvey Sessions, Born June 13, 1858 at Bountiful, Davis Co. Utah. Married to Alice Bryson of Bountiful, Utah.

Lucina Sessions, Born Jan. 30, 1862 at Bountiful, Davis Co. Utah, Died March 17, 1863 at Bountiful, Davis Co. Utah.

Perrigrine Sessions, Born June 15, 1814 at Newry, Oxford Co. Maine. Married to Mary Call of Nauvoo, Hancock Co. Ill on June 28, 1845 at Nauvoo Temple, Hancock Co. Ill. By H.C. Kimball.

Mary Sessions, Born at Ohio, Married to Perrigrine Sessions of Nauvoo, Hancock Co. Ill. on June 28, 1845 at Nauvoo Temple, Hancock Co. Ill. By H.C. Kimball Died Nov. 25, 1865 at Bountiful, Davis Co. Utah.

Children

Julia Sessions, Born April 25, 1848 at Salt Lake City, Utah. Married Thomson Park of Bountiful, Davis Co. Utah at Bountiful, Davis Co. Utah.

Byron Sessions, Born Nov. 7, 1851 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co. Utah. Married to Ida Twombly of Bountiful, Davis Co. Utah.

Cyril Sessions, Born Aug. 7, 1855 at Bountiful, Davis Co. Utah. Died may 30, 1861 at Bountiful, Davis Co. Utah.

Zina Sessions, Born Dec. 4, 1858 at Bountiful, Davis Co. Utah. Married to Thomas Burningham of Bountiful, Davis Co. Utah, at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah.

Perry Sessions, Born Aug. 5, 1860 at Bountiful, Davis Co. Utah. Married to Esther Tolman of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah, at Salt Lake City, Utah.

Perrigrine Sessions Born June 15, 1814 at Newry, Oxford Co. Maine.
Married Fanny Emmerett Loveland of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah,
Sept. 13, 1852.

Fanny Emmerrett Sessions, Born Dec. 13, 1838 at Loran Co. Ohio.
Married Perrigrine Sessions of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah on Sept.
13, 1852 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah by H.C. Kimball.

Children

Fanny Sessions, Born Oct. 25, 1855 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.
Married James H. Baird of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah at Salt Lake
City, Salt Lake Co., Utah.

Alice Sessions, Born June 16, 1857 at Washaw, Carson Co., Nevada.
Died Sept. 5, 1858 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Chester Sessions, Born May 29, 1858 at Bountiful Davis Co., Utah.
Married to Isabell Corbridge of Bountiful, Davis Co. Utah at Sale
Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah.

Agnes Sessions, Born Mar. 26, 1861 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.
Married to John R. Stoddard of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah at Salt
Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah.

Sylvanus Sessions, Born Jan. 22, 1863 at Bountiful, Davis Co.,
Utah.

Lucina Sessions, Born Oct. 4, 1865 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.
Married to John A Waite of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah at Salt
Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah.

Sylvia Sessions, Born July 29, 1869 at Bountiful Davis Co., Utah.
Died Sept. 13, 1870 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Orson Sessions, Born Aug. 17, 1871 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.
Married to Mary Ann Burningham, of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah at
Logan Temple, Cache Co., Utah

Samantha Sessions, Born Feb. 9, 1874 at Bountiful Davis Co., Utah.

Perrigrine Sessions, Born Feb. 18, 1877 at Bountiful, Davis Co.,
Utah.

Cancey Sessions, Born Sept. 9, 1880 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Perrigrine Sessions, Born June 15, 1814 at Newry, Oxford Co., Maine. Married Sarah Crossley of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah, March 2, 1861 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah.

Sarah C. Sessions. Born Jan. 29, 1843 at Tildsley, Lancashire, England. Married to Perrigrine Sessions, of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah on March 2, 1861 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah.

Children

James Sessions, Born June 14, 1862 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah. Married to Selena Holt of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah on Nov. 4, 1885 at Logan, Cache Co., Utah.

Elvira Sessions, Born Feb. 28, 1864 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah. married David Briggs of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah on April 4, 1881 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah.

Mary Sessions, Born Mar. 31, 1866 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah. Married to Walter H. Scott of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah on Oct. 18, 1884 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah. Died Feb. 17 1898 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah.

Joseph Sessions, Born May 17, 1868 at Bountiful, Utah. Married to mary Annie Pearson of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah on Dec. 4, 1895 at Salt Lake City, Utah.

Wallace Orlando Sessions, Born Nov. 25, 1870 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah. Married to Lucy Elizabeth Holt of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah on Oct. 16, 1895 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah.

William Westley Sessions, Born Feb. 28, 1873 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah. Died jan. 21, 1877 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Lillis C. Sessions, Born Nov. 10, 1875 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Pheobe Olive Sessions, Born Mar. 7, 1885 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Hannah L. Sessions, Born July 25, 1886 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Perrigrine Sessions, Born June 15, 1814 at Newry, Oxford Co., Maine. Married Elizabeth B. Sessions of Jackson Co., Ohio. on March 25, 1865 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah.

Elizabeth B. Sessions, Born March 6, 1827 at Jackson Co., Ohio. Married to Perrigrine Sessions of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah on March 25, 1865 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah, By Wilford Woodruff. Witness: Mary Sessions and Fanny E. Sessions.

Perrigrine Sessions, Born June 15, 1814 at Newry, Oxford Co., Maine. Married Sarah Ann Sessions, of Glasgow, Scotland Sept. 29, 1866 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah. By D.H. Wells. Witness Lucina Sessions and Sarah A. Sessions.

Sarah Ann Sessions, Born May 21, 1849 at Glasgow, Scotland. Married Perrigrine Sessions on Sept. 29, 1866 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah. By D.H. Wells.

Children

Samuel Sessions, Born Oct. 23, 1867 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah. Married Ellen Wood of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah on Dec. 7, 1892 at Logan Temple, Cache Co., Utah. By M.W. Merrill. Witness John E. Roueche and Sarah Andrews.

Alice Sessions, Born Dec. 13, 1870 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah. Married to George Freestone of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah on Oct. 19, 1887 at Logan, Cache Co., Utah. Witness Sarah Ann Sessions.

Hyrum Sessions, Born May 2, 1873, at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Jedediah Sessions, Born Mar. 8, 1873 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Eliza Triphena Sessions, Born Sept. 7 1877 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Patty Orrilla Sessions, Born July 23, 1879 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Sarah Ann Sessions, Born Oct. 4, 1881 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Olevia Sessions, Born Sept. 21, 1883 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Heber John Sessions, Born July 13, 1885 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Calvin Sessions, Born April 28, 1890 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Roy Sessions, Born Sept. 14, 1888 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Perrigrine Sessions, Born June 15, 1814 at Newry, Oxford Co., Maine. Married Esther Maby Sessions, of Dorcashire, England on Nov. 22, 1868 at Salt Lake City Salt Lake Co., Utah. Witness Lucina Sessions.

Esther Maby Sessions, Born July 1850 at Dorcashire, England. Married to Perrigrine Sessions of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah on Nov. 22, 1868 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah. Witness Lucina Sessions.

Children

Thomas Sessions, Born June 9, 1870 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah. Married to Julia Burningham of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah on Dec. 10, 1890 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah.

David E. Sessions, Born Mar. 5, 1872 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah. Died Aug. 17, 1892 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Jane M. Sessions, Born Mar. 8, 1874 at Bountiful Davis Co., Utah. Died April 18, 1875 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah

Presley Sessions, Born Feb, 18, 1876 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah. Died August 27, 1876 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Susan Geneva Sessions, Born Dec. 18, 1879 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah. Married to Thomas Neath of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah on Dec. 23 ???? at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah. Witness Sarah H. Sessions.

Ezra Sessions, Born Dec. 26, 1881 at Bountiful, Davis Co. Utah. Married to Nellie Goodfellow of Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah on June 3, ???? at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah.

Linnie Sessions, Born Jan. 12, 1885 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Walter Sessions, Born June 2, 1887 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah. Died Jan. 20, 1889 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah.

Alvin Sessions, Born Feb. 15, 1890 at Bountiful, Davis Co., Utah

LIFE OF PERRIGRINE SESSIONS

Feb. 2, 1845. I Perrigrine Sessions give the genealogy of my father and grandfather David who was born in Boxford, Mass., who married with Rachel Stevens, born in Manchester, Mass., thence removed to Orange Co., Vermont where she gave birth to six children, three sons and three daughters which were as follows:

Polly, Sally, David, Rachel, William, and Asa. Thence removed to Newry, Oxford Co., Maine where he obtained a pension for his service in the Revolutionary War as he served his country and fought for his liberty and that of his posterity. He lived an honorable, liberal, peaceable life with his companion and with all men although he never was daubed with the untempered order of sectarianism unto the day of their death which was as follows:

Rachel died Oct. 1, 1823 and David Sessions died September 23, 1824 to a neighbors house in a chair very sudden, complaint not known; Polly being the eldest child married with Joshua Alexander and settled in the town of Virshire, Orange Co., Vermont and raised a large family of children and embraced the Presbyterian religion; Sally being the second child married with Jesia Flanders and settled in Oxford, N.H. and were the parents of a large family, my father being the next eldest but I shall give his history hereafter. Rachel the Fourth child moved with her parents to the state of Maine and married Samual Barker and settled in the town of Rumford, Oxford Co., where they raised a large family of children and made a profession of the Calvinistic religion which is quite popular in that section of the country. William being the fifth child moved with his parents to the state of Maine where he married with Susan Blogett and moved to the town of Stark, Coss Co., New Hampshire where they gave birth to eight children, six of which died in about two weeks with the Black Measles an canker rash. He being a man acquainted with grief, yet they were religiously inclined and belonged to the Freewill Baptist Church. Asa being the youngest child married in the town of Newry with Betsy Littlehale and moved to Rumford, Oxford Co., and raised a large family of children that lived in respectability and never as yet have been plastered with the creeds and crafts of the gentile religion.

My father was born in the town of Farely, Orange Co., Vermont April 4th 1790, thence remove to the town of Newry, Oxford Co., state of Maine being twenty years of age at the time living with his parents and two brothers and one sister and there commenced to make a farm in the forest. The country being new and little or no roads and suffered much fatigue and hardships as it is a cold mountainous country and being seventy miles from market where they could obtain the necessaries for the family such as coffee and tea, sugar and salt, etc.. At the age of twenty-one he commenced for himself falling a few acres of trees as it is a heavy timbered country and built himself a log house and barn and cleared his

land and raised some grain and in his twenty-second year , June 28, 1812 he married Patty Bartlett, she being the daughter of Enoch and Anna which Enoch was the son of Ebenezer whose wife, Enoch's mother died and left him and one sister when he was three days old, whose sister's name was Eunice. His father married again and raised a large family of sons and daughters in Newton Mass., and when Enoch was twenty-four years old he married with Eliza Seager. She gave birth to ten children, two sons and eight daughters, names as follows: Anna, Reuben, Relief, Remit, Thankful, Betsy, Burrah, Olive, Lucy the youngest. One son died an infant, no name and when Bethel was first settled by white men he removed them, the youngest not born. The place was new and no roads, he being one of the first in that new wilderness country and there being no roads from Fryburg which was fifty miles. He with one or two of his half brothers hauled their wives and affects on hand sleds by a line spotted on the trees. His half brothers all moved to Bethel and raised large families, but Elisha. He remained there in Newton. The names of those that moved there were as follows:

Jonothan, Moses, Stephen, Thaddeous, and Perrigrine this being near the close of the Revolutionary War. Eliza, his wife died when the youngest child was about nine years old, leaving him with nine children, some of which were married two or three years after. In the year 1874 he, Enoch married with Anna Hall the daughter of John and Namah Hall who were the parents of a large family in Standish, Maine. Enoch removed Anna to Bethel to his residence and she bore him nine children which are as follows:

Patty, born Feb. 4, 1795, Elisha, born Dec. 7, 1796, Namah, born Oct. 13, 1798.

In the year 1800 April 17th, he removed to Newry the adjoining town. Jonathan born July 31, 1800. Dolly, born May 8th, 1802. Aphia, born April 28th, 1804. Lydia, Born Nov. 15, 1806. Lavina, born July 29, 1808 and died April 5, 1811. Enoch Jr. being the youngest of nineteen children born July 5, 1811.

My grandfather, Enoch lived to see the fifth generation and died September 1, 1825 in his eighty-third year, leaving a wife and seventeen children, all married but Lydia and Enoch and settled within ten miles of his residence. Lydia and Enoch married after his death. Anna married with Asa Foster, Reulin with Lydia Frost and Relief to Stephen Estes, Remit to Silos Powers. Thankful to Charles Stevens, Patsey to Richard Estes, Burrah to Ephraim Colby, Olive to Nathaniel Frost, Lucy to Jonathan Powers. These are his first family. The last were as follows:

Patty married my father David Sessions, June 28, 1812. Elisha to Sally Barker in July 1817, Namah to William Tripp, Jonathan to Nancy Barker, Polly to Willoby Russel who died and she

married with Urburn York, Aphia to Josiah Jackson. Lydia to Joseph Knapp, Enoch to Sarah Kinkson. The most of them have raised large families. My grandfather Enoch made no pretensions to religion and never belonged to any sect.. He was a very liberal man to the poor and was honest and upright in all his deportment; taught his children to work and to always speak the truth, to deal justly with all, to live virtuous and to not take that which was not their own, not so much as an apple from a neighbors tree without leaving. My grandmother lived with Elisha in Newry, Oxford, Maine.

My mother gave birth to eight children as follows: I, Perrigrine being the eldest, was born June 15, 1814 near the town line of Newry in a township called Ketcham where my father had bought land and made a farm, built a log house and a large frame barn but the land being very uneven. In December 1815 he bought a farm about nine miles northeast in a place called Andover, west Surplus that joined Newry and is now called Newry by annexation in 1837. There was a log house and a small frame barn on the farm. It was good land and a large portion of it bottom land being on a small stream of water called Bone River. Here my father lived until 1837 and built a large house with two large barns and several sheds. He bought more land joining and a sawmill and built a grist mill and had a large farm on four hundred acres of land all in one piece.

Here after suffering many privations, it being a new country and hedged upon all sides by the highest mountains in that section and except two way up and down the river that run near a southeast direction, the mountains running parallel with the stream. The principle ones is Saddleback or Speckled mountain, Mount Will, Back Mountain, Bear River, White Cap, Goose Eye, Sunday River with many others which were in sight, of which some of them are very high and snow has been found on their tops on the fourth of July. Many slips have come down and left the rocks bare for miles. The timber on these mountains is chiefly spruce and fir and stand very thick and ever green. In the vales there are fine maple, birch and ash with many other kinds of bushes and shrubs, that makes it quite difficult to travel in the timberland with any animal. The animals that live in these mountains are the moose, which is a large as a horse, gears and wolves are plenty and some deer. The partridge and the pheasant are the only kinds that are used for food.

The climate is cold and dreary in winter and the snow falls deep, pine lumber being the main article of transportation.

As it was seventy miles from navigation here my father with his industry on his farm and with his mill and by keeping a public house secured considerable wealth. When my father moved onto this farm the neighbors were all Methodists.

June 3rd, 1816 my brother Sylvanus was born. My mother by reading the Bible began to think that Baptism was necessary and October 1st 1816 she was Baptized. My father made no pretensions to religion as yet, but did not oppose her and in July 31st 1818 my sister Sylvia was born and in October following my father made a profession of Methodism and in January he was baptized by immersion. In 1820 March 21, my sister Anna B. was born. They then had four children and in the course of the year he built a large house and moved into it in November, and in March following his father mother came to live with him. His father at this time drew a pension of \$96.00 a year, his mother being entirely helpless with a rheumatic complaint so that she was not able to dress or undress herself, nor stand on her feet and had not done for five years before she died.

On May 9, 1823 my brother David Jr. was born. On the sixteenth of September following, my sister Anna was taken with cholera Morbus and died the 20th being three years and six months old at her death. On the 22nd my grandmother was taken with the same complaint and died October 1st. On September 23rd 1824 my grandfather being as well as common ate his dinner and went to a neighbors house, sit down on a chair and died instantly and did not know that anything ailed him until he could not speak.

On March 16, 1825 my sister Anna B. the second was born, and on the first day of September 1825 my grandfather Enoch Bartlett died with a fever. August 1st, 1827 my brother Bartlett was born and February 15, 1828 he died being six months and fifteen days. He died with the whopping cough and in 1832 were all sick with the typhus fever and my sister Anna Died a the age of seven years and four months and twenty-four days. At this time my mother could not raise her hand to her head and lay in the same room where my sister died. My father and brother Sylvanus lay in another room and did not see her after she was taken sick. My aunt Aphia and her daughter lay in another room. They were all helpless. I had had the fever and had got so that I could set up some. My brother David was just coming down with the fever and my sister Sylvia being the second time deprived of her only sister, she mourned and wept until she had to go to bed. At this time my feelings I could not describe. September 15, my brother Sylvanus died being sixteen years and three months and twelve days old.

At this time my father and mother had got some better buy my grandmother Bartlett was there and she and David were so sick that they did not know when Sylvanus died, although they were in the same room. After my grandmother got better she was carried home on a bed six miles between two horses. There were eleven that had the fever at my father's that summer and many others in the neighborhood. It was a sickly time.

In August, 1833, Mormonism so called was introduced into that section of the country by Hason Aldridge and Horace Cousin and as

soon as my mother heard, she believed but my father thinking it was best to wait and examine it a little longer and she feeling that she ought to wait until he was willing, was not baptized until the next July 1834 when he gave his consent and she was baptized and confirmed into the church of Latter-day Saints under the hands of Daniel Bean. She stood firm stemming all opposition and she received much of it from her neighbors and some of her brothers and sisters. She remained alone in the Church almost one year before any of the rest of us joined the Church, and six miles from any other member.

September 12, 1834 I married with Julia Ann the daughter of John and Anna Killgore. She being the youngest of twelve children, four daughters and eight sons. Their names were as follows:

Urban that died in the war of 1813. Elihu, Alvin, Eliphor, John, Moses, Ira and Phineus which are all married and have large families. The girls names are as follows: Sally married with John York, Joanna with Elijah Searles, Abigaile with Luke Russel, Julia Ann being the last married and her age being nineteen years and two months lacking three days, born July 24, 1815 in the state of Maine, Oxford Co, town of Newry being amidling size in statue of a sandy complexion with red hair having good features and a good disposition having made a profession of Christianity, previous to our marriage but had not united with any church. I removed her to my fathers wither we lived for several years.

September 17, 1835 I was convinced of the truth of the doctrine taught by the Latter-day Saints and obeyed it's requirements and was baptized under the hands of Edward Partridge the first Bishop in that Church, he being in company with Isaac Morley one of his councilors, being two virtuous, holy men and on the twenty second Julia Ann my wife gave birth to a daughter which we called Martha Ann, being born one year and one day after we were married and in August 1st, 1836 Julia Ann was baptized and confirmed a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints under the hands of Lyman Johnson, he being one of the twelve at that time but since has been cut off from that quorum and from the Church. At this time we began to meet with persecution as her friends opposed her with all the arguments they were in possession of and some were almost willing to disown her but she maintained her integrity against all opposition and we had some privileges with the Saints as there was a Branch of the Church in the town of about thirty members and one Elder by the name of Daniel Bean who held the presidency of the Branch of the Church at the time, but has since been cut off from the Church for bad conduct and has fell away to apostasy. The rest of the Branch have chiefly since removed to Zion and are in high standing among the Saints of the Most High God. I will here say that we had several visits from the Twelve and other traveling Elders which gave us much joy. The twelve held a Conference to my Fathers on

the 12th day of August 1835. Brigham Young and Lyman Johnson two of the Twelve were present and the blessings of God attended the meeting. There were several added to the Church by the ordinance of Baptism and the laying on of the hands. The gathering of the Saints was taught and preparations began to be made to remove to Zion.

This looked like a great sacrifice to make as the distance was so far but we began to dispose of property as my father and I had considerable. Times were hard and money scarce, there being my father and mother and one brother, and one sister, myself and wife and one child in company with uncle Jonathan Powers and wife and two sons, Charles and Moses which were young men but did not belong to the Church yet. Their parents did. They started with two horses and my father and I with five, two two-horse teams and one single.

We took leave of our neighbors and friends on the fifth of June 1837. Many a tear was shed by our neighbors and friends as my wife left her aged father and stepmother with all her brothers and sisters, never expecting to see them again in this world. We traveled up the Andrascogin River as far as Shelburn. From thence to Lancaster in New Hampshire on the north side of the White Mountains which was covered with snow at the time which was on the ninth.

When we arrived in Lancaster we traveled south down the Connecticut river to Hanover, crossed the river from thence to Rufland where we crossed the Green Mountains, in Vermont, thence to Glen Falls where we crossed the north river in New York, thence to the Saratoga Springs which is quite a curiosity as there is seven kinds of water within a short distance. In one place there is a round stone about four feet high above the level of the earth that has a hole in the top about as large as the eye of a milestone where the water boils out like a boiling spring. In this place was the first railroad we have seen in our journey.

From thence to Johnstown which is a fine little town; thence to Utica which is a fine city. Here we found much business done on the canal and railroad; thence to Buffalo by the way of Syracuse and Rochester. Here we shipped all our goods and teams onboard of a steam boat bound for Favepont, Ohio, where we all landed after a pleasant sail; from thence to Kirtland where we found many of the Saints here. I saw the Prophet Joseph and heard him preach in the Temple of the Lord that the Church had built in that place. Here we had many things to try our faith as we were all sick with the measles which hindered us seven weeks. Here we left Brother Powers and family and started for Missouri. We kept up the Lake Road as far as Cleveland, thence to Springfield, Illinois, thence to the Mississippi River. Thence to the mouth of the Grand River. There it began to rain which made the roads very bad and several times we found bridges gone and the

streams risen so that we had to swim out teams. But often a long and tedious journey camping in a tent by the side of the road. We landed in the Far West in November. Here we found a large body of Saints that were living in their tents while others had built houses but were chiefly of wood, but the Saints were united and the blessings of God attended them as they had been driven from the adjoining counties by a hellish mob, inspired by their Father the Devil who had killed many of the Saints and driven the rest away from their houses and homes and lands that they had bought and paid their money to the state for, and had made large farms, yet they were driven away from all they had, their houses burned down and their crops destroyed and their goods wasted and they had to live in tents and for weeks had to live on boiled and parched corn. But when we arrived in Far West there was the appearance of peace which inspired the Saints to build houses and make large farms. The Saints were gathering in from all parts and their numbers were increasing daily, and the Lord was giving Revelations through the Prophet Joseph as he with his family with Brother Hyrum landed in Far West in the winter of 1837, who laid the foundation of another Temple on the 4th of July 1838.

This with the immigration created considerable excitement among the mobbers and they began to threaten to drive the Saints again from their locations and many threats had been thrown out when I started to go back to the State of Maine to collect some debts that we had left unsettled.

Here I will say that we bought land which had two block houses and about five acres fenced and under cultivation. We bought in the fall of 1837 and in that winter we inclosed one hundred acres and in the spring broke up about forty acres which we planted with corn and potatoes and sowed some small grain which looked very promising when I left to go back. I went to Richmond being on the Missouri River, where I took steamboat bound for St. Louis, thence to Pittsburgh, thence on the stage and railroad to Philadelphia, thence to New York, thence to Boston, Mass., thence to Portland, Maine in company with Isaac Bullar.

I was taken sick with the bilious fever and with much trouble I arrived to my father-in-law's in the town of Newry, the place of my nativity. Here I lay sick for six or seven weeks and after recovering from my fever and settling my business I started for the west again by the same route that I came. When I arrived in New York, I fell in company with Brother Orson Pratt, one of the Twelve with his family on their way to the West. Here I received the news that there had been trouble break out again and that many of the Saints were slain. Here Brother Pratt and myself pursued our journey to Boston. Here the report was confirmed. Here we had feelings that this pen cannot describe, not knowing but my family were slain but we bore up under our feelings as well as we could. Being detained by low water we all landed safe in St. Louis. This was some time in November and the weather cold and

ice running in the river so as to hinder navigation and I being three hundred miles from home.

After stopping ten days and no prospect of getting home by water, I took leave of Brother Pratt and family. I started with my pack on my back on foot for home and after traveling for several days my feet became sore and I bought me a horse which carried me quite comfortable. Yet I could learn nothing of my family, and nothing but war from everyone I met with and many times I met with men that swore that if a Latter-day Saint showed his head they would take it off. Yet I got a correct statement of things as they were. Here I found twenty or twenty five of the Saints had been martyred and fifty or sixty in prison among whom was the Prophet Joseph and his Brother Hyrum with chains on in a cold wet dungeon with horse beef to eat. Here my feelings were tried beyond description. The prison being guarded by those that swore they would never come out and the whole Church under the extermination order of Lilbern W. Boggs, Governor of the State. Here the Saints were in perils as the mobbers did kill their cattle and hogs and sheep and steal their horses or take them before our faces as it seemed them good and if the Saints said one word they would threaten them with death and would break in our windows and abuse our females. Here our trials were almost insupportable but at length we received an epistle from the Prophet Joseph which gave us much joy which instructed that we would have to all leave the state and his counsel was to go to the State of Illinois. There we commenced to remove ad as their was many that were in poverty because they had been mobbed of all they were in possession of they were two hundred miles from resting place and in the dead of winter.

Here the Saints gathered themselves together and chose a committee to assist the poor and we all made a covenant with each other that we would not stop until the last one was removed which was about twelve thousand souls in all.

This caused a zeal to be kindled in the hearts of the Elders to go forth to preach the gospel and a large number were ordained on February 18th. I was ordained into the Quorum of Seventies with about sixty others, under the hands of Brigham Young and Heber C. Kimball, two of the Twelve. This was my first ordination and I began to feel the importance of my calling.

At this time preparations were being made and those that had teams started with families and some teams made four trips before all were removed. We started in February. The weather was cold and we had to tent by the way. This tried our souls when we would pass through towns and villages they would holler at us and ask us where our "Old Joe Smith" was or our "Mormon God" and where we were going and threatened us with death and some they whipped nearly to death. Here women and children traveled on foot until they wore their shoes out and went barefoot, when you could track

them by the blood on the prairies and when we arrived to the Mississippi River there was some two hundred families camped on the bank which could not get across as the ice run so thick and was so cold that boats could not pass over.

Here many could not get much to eat but parched corn. This brought sickness and one cold night two of the brethren died from the want of the comforts of life. Women gave birth to children on the road in their tents and never saw the inside of a house until they were three weeks old.

Here we staid eleven days while others staid three weeks. Here my wife and mother were taken with chills and fever. The snow being about three inches deep but at length we crossed the river and bid old Missouri farewell. It seemed as though we were breathing different air and were among a different people. They received us into their houses and tried to make us comfortable and many of them were our friends and have since obeyed the gospel which drew the division line between our friends and foes.

The Saints all got out of the state of Missouri about the first of May and Brother Joseph, the Prophet got liberated from prison and met with the Saints in Quincy in Conference. This gave us much joy to see his face among the Saints and here the voice of inspiration that flowed from his lips and caused our drooping spirits to revive, as we were like sheep without a shepherd that had been scattered in a cloudy and dark way.

Here a committee was appointed to search out a location where the Saints could gather together and the place called Nauvoo now, was the place being on the bank of the Mississippi River. Here I would say that my father and myself stopped in about twenty miles from Nauvoo and rented some land and in June 27, 1839, I started on a Mission to the state of Maine in company with Duncan McArthur, Amos Jackson and James Burnham, this being my first mission to preach the Gospel to the Gentile world.

We started almost without purse or script. We traveled on foot as far as Peoria on the Illinois River. There we got on board of a steamboat and from thence to Peru, which was seventy miles by water, thence on foot and traveled to Chicago which was about three hundred miles from Nauvoo. Here we got on board of a steamboat and left port on the 7th of July, thence across Lake Michigan to Mackinaw, thence to Detroit in upper Canada, thence to Cleveland, Ohio, thence to Kirtland, on foot where we found the Church in rather low spirits as their leaders had left them and gone to the West. There we stopped for several days and I went and visited Phineas Killgore, my wife's brother, thence to Favepont, where we took a boat for Buffalo in New York. There we parted and Elder Burnham and myself continued our journey on foot to Casenony and stopped to Mr. Beckworths and had some clothes washed and rested as our feet were sore and we went to a Baptist

meeting called a Protracted meeting that had been held 26 days in succession, thence to the Oniday Indians and staid with the chief on that tribe, thence to Utica, thence to Johnstown to Jacob I. Kecks and held a meeting and Brother Burnham preached with good attention, thence to Providence and staid all night to James Konklins. Here I made the first attempt to preach text Galatians 1:8 verse which reads as follows: "Though we or an Angel from Heaven preach any other gospel than that which we have preached unto you or that which ye have received let him be accursed." From thence to Sandy Hill to Brother Burnham's mother's where we staid for about two weeks and held several meetings, thence to Rutland, Vermont, and held one meeting, thence to Vershire in Orange Co.. Here I found many of my connections where we stopped and held several meetings and Elder Burnham baptized three. Here Elder McArthur overtook us again and he and I started together for the state of Maine being September 10th. Thence to Oxford. Met some more of my connections and held one meeting but poor attention. Then to Lisbon to Elder Sedic Parkers, thence to David Mullins thence to Newry to the place of my birth.

Here I met with many of my connections and neighbors and friends and a few of the Saints. Here I found Elder Aaron M. York and William Carter and found them both sick with the ague and fever. Here we held several meetings. On October 1st, I preached to the head of the tide to the Peagn Schoolhouse and staid to Amos Parkers.

- Oct. 2, 1839. Thence to David Smith's and Brother McArthur preached.
- Oct. 3. Rumford Corner to a Brigade Muster, thence to Samuel Barkers that married my father's sister Rachel.
- Oct. 4. Visited Uncle Asy Sessions.
- Oct. 5. Held a meeting and preached to the Abbott School House.
- Oct. 6. Held a meeting in the same place as it was the Sabbath and Brother McArthur preached in the forepart of the day and I in the after part with good attention.
- Oct. 7. Thence to Handover to Aaron Frosts.
- Oct. 8. Brother McArthur preached.
- Oct. 9. Went to Pethel to John Baties.
- Oct. 10. To Gander Corner; to Henry Goodmowers.

- Oct. 11. Preached to Nathaniel Barkers in the town of Albany and I preached with good attention.
- Oct. 12. To John Baties in Bethel.
- Oct. 13. Held two meetings; McArthur preached in the forepart of the day and I in the evening.
- Oct. 14. To Jesse Smiths in the town of Homes; staid all night.
- Oct. 15. To Brother Joshua Smalls in Letter B.
- Oct. 16. To Joseph Chases and we went to Lake Umbago and caught a back load of trout.
- Oct. 17. Here we had fish and potatoes and all kinds of chat as he is a Calvinistic Baptist.
- Oct. 18. We traveled as far as Eroid, Coss Co., New Hampshire to Brother Samuel Akus'.
- Oct. 19. Preached.
- Oct. 20. McArthur preached and baptized Charlot Sweat daughter of Daniel Sweat.
- Oct. 21. Baptized Julia Shatack. Held a meeting and I preached and we ordained Daniel Sweat to the office of a Teacher. Here we had the gifts and blessings of the gospel.
- Oct. 22. Left them with the blessings of God; Thence to Brother Joshua Smalls in Letter B.
- Oct. 23. To Eben Grovers and McArthur preached.
- Oct. 24. To Newry to Moses Killgores.
- Oct. 25. To Jonothan Smiths.
- Oct. 26. To Josiah Smiths.
- Oct. 27. Held a meeting and McArthur preached on Newry Corner.
- Oct. 28. Held a social meeting and McArthur baptized Olive Frost and we ordained Brother Josiah Smith to the office of a Priest.
- Oct. 29. To Elisha Bartletts.

Oct. 30. To Jonothan Smiths.

Oct. 31. McArthur preached to Joseph Everett.

Nov. 1. Received a letter from Juliann.

Nov. 2. To Grant Yorks with Aaron M. York.

Nov. 3. To Newry Corner and McArthur preached. Baptized four. Freborn Smith and Penial H. Smith and James Smith and Anna B. Smith.

Nov. 4. To Josia Smiths

Nov. 5. To John Cases in Bethel.

Nov. 6. Six inches of snow fell.

Nov. 7. To Nathaniel Barkers in Albany and parted with Brother McArthur. He is going on a Mission to Saco.

Nov. 8. Held a meeting and preached to Heaths schoolhouse.

Nov. 9. Clement Senies on Grover Hill. Preached to the same place.

Nov. 10. Preached to the same place, and had a combat with a Free Will Priest on the subject of false teachers and prophets,. etc. saying there was to be none but false in this day and age of the world. I then asked him if he was called to preach. He said that he was and that same gospel which the apostles preached. Here, I inquired how he was called. He said it was revealed to him from Heaven. I then inquired what he called revealed to him from heaven seeing now you have told what it is. Here he came to a full stop. I told him then that I read of some in the last days that would have a form of godliness but deny the power thereof and it must be that he was one of that stamp, thence to Clemet Senies.

Nov. 11. Preached in the same place.

Nov. 12. Preached to Abbott Schoolhouse.

Nov. 14. To Josiah Smiths in Newry.

Nov. 15. Wrote a letter Brother Abus in N.H.

Nov. 16. Thence to the head of the tide and put out an

appointment but their Priest came and rooted me out high and dry.

Nov. 17. To David Smiths and preached to a large assembly.

Nov. 18. Thence to John Baties and preached at his house.

Nov. 19. To David Smiths and preached and administered the sacrament to a large concourse of people.

Nov. 20. To Enoch Bartletts and on my return back I received the gift of tongues while traveling on the road alone. This gave me much courage for I had been alone for a long time.

Nov. 21. Thence to Joseph Halls in Rumford in company with Elder York. Here I preached to a small assembly. Some were drunk and the rest paid good attention.

Nov. 22. To Joseph Knapps in Bryon.

Nov. 23. Preached.

Nov. 24. Preached twice.

Nov. 25. Visited from house to house.

Nov. 26. Traveled to Rumford to Halls and preached to a small assembly.

Nov. 27. Dixfield to Brother Cryus Eddy's.

Nov. 28. Was a day set apart for prayer and thanksgiving.

Nov. 29. To Wilton to Abraham Lillies, he being an Elder in the Church at that time but has since been cut off and fell away to apostasy.

Nov. 30. To Henry Kemptons in Farmington, Franklin Co.

Dec. 1. Thence to Strong. Preached twice, staid to David Comins.

Dec. 2. To Zachariah Butterfields.

Dec. 3. Elder York preached for the first time in his life. He had been with me for sometime but not able to preach. His text was Rom. 8:28.

Dec. 4. To Brother John Luphins in Wilton.

Dec. 5. Preached as his house.

Dec. 6. To Zachariah Butterfields and I preached text Luke 6:45. Thence to Mikesil Conils.

Dec. 7. To Daniel Corbits.

Dec. 8. Preached to David Cowins. Text Acts 12 and 20. Staid all night.

Dec. 9. Preached to Henry Kemptons and baptized Daniel Corbit and wife. The Lord blessed the administration.

Dec. 10. To Elder Libby's in Wilton.

Dec. 11. To Weld to David Samburns. His wife belonged to the Church. The people gathered in and Elder York read the Voice of Warning written by Parley P. Pratt on the Doctrine of Christ, etc..

Dec. 12. To Byron to Jonus Greens.

Dec. 13. Elder York preached thence to Joseph Knapps.

Dec. 14. To John Hustins. I preached to an attentive congregation.

Dec. 15. Returned to Greens and staid all night.

Dec. 16. To Jerry Halls. Elder York preached. Staid two nights.

Dec. 18. To Newry. Received a letter from my wife. Wrote a reply and staid all night to Father Killgores.

Dec. 19. Visited.

Dec. 20. To Reulin Bartletts. Here I met again with Elder McArthur.

Dec. 21. To David Smiths.

Dec. 22. To Bethel. McArthur preached.

Dec. 23. To Newry and lad hands on Sister Lucy Smith and she was healed from her sickness.

Dec. 24. To David Smiths and wrote a letter to my wife.

Dec. 25. To Enoch Bartletts.

Dec. 26. To Waterford Plat in company with David Smith and

staid all night to Levi Browns.

Dec. 27. To Rowell A. Dlies. I preached with good attention.

Dec. 28. Was blocked in great snowstorms.

Dec. 29. Held a debate with a Baptist Priest by the name of Bisley and heard him try to preach.

Dec. 30. To John Cases in Bethel 19 miles through snow above our knees which tired us out.

Dec. 31. Rested.

Jan. 1. 1840 To Josiah Smiths in Newry.

Jan. 2. Rested.

Jan. 3. To David Smiths.

Jan. 4. To Alvin Tripps.

Jan. 5. Brother McArthur preached to David Smiths and held a Prayer Meeting in the evening.

Jan. 6. Staid to Jonothan Smiths through a heavy storm of snow.

Jan. 7. Staid at Jonothan Smiths through a heavy storm of snow.

Jan. 8. Wrote a letter to James Burnham. Elder McArthur preached to Ambros Powers, thence to David Smiths. Staid all night.

Jan. 9. To Colson Abbots in Rumford.

Jan. 10. To Samuel Barkers.

Jan. 11. To Elias Barkers to dinner and staid to Asa Sessions.

Jan. 12. I preached text Mark 16:16.

Jan. 13. To Merril Varmums. Staid all night.

Jan. 14. Fell in company with Elders McArthur and York to Jerry Halls.

Jan. 15. To Dixfield to Brother Cyrus Eddey's and staid through a sever cold storm and Elder York made me a

pair of boots. Remained there 16, 17, 18.

Jan. 19. Elder McArthur preached.

Jan. 20. To Wilton to Conils and I preached text II John 9.

Jan. 21. Ira Killgores in Mercer.

Jan. 22. To Stark to the Dedication of a meetinghouse. Staid to Brother Johnsons.

Jan. 23. I preached.

Jan. 24. I preached.

Jan. 25. I preached.

Jan. 26 & 27. To Mercer.

Jan. 28. To Industry and staid to Mr. Laices after trying to many places and at a late hour of the night.

Jan. 29. To Brother Cowins. Had Elder McArthur preach.

Jan. 30. To Brother Henry Kempton's and went to a Methodist meeting.

Jan. 31. To Daniel Corbits in Strong and I preached Luke 6:26.

Feb. 1. To Mercer. Elder York preached in the Baptist meetinghouse to a large and intelligent multitude.

Feb. 2. To Stark to Cyrus Johnson's and I preached twice in the gospel meetinghouse so called to a crowded house and good attention. Texts 6:46 Luke and Acts 3. In the evening Brother York preached on Heb 11:6 to a large assembly in the same place.

Feb. 3. To Elihu Withies. Elder York preached and I bore testimony with the best of attention.

Feb. 4. To Elder Johnsons.

Feb. 5. To Salon on the Kenebeck river to Elijah Grovers. Staid all night.

Feb. 6. I preached in the meetinghouse in that place. Text Mark 16:16.

Feb. 7. To Uncle William Tripps.

- Feb. 8. Held a meeting. Elder York preached to a large and a case hardened set of Methodists as my uncle was their Priest.
- Feb. 9. -Missing-
- Feb. 10. Rained and carried off the snow in a great degree but we attended a meeting and heard a Methodist Priest try to preach.
- Feb. 11. To Salon to Mr. Grovers and in our travels from Wilton to this place, 218 miles.
- Feb. 12. To William Halls.
- Feb. 13. To Bingham Village to Suit Barkers and he called us everything but white men but at length recalled his words and treated us well by keeping us and procuring a house and lights for an evening meeting. I preached.
- Feb. 14. To Charles Bakers. Elder York preached.
- Feb. 15. To Salon. Staid to Grovers.
- Feb. 16. Was Sabbath. I preached in the morning and Elder York in the evening to a large and attentive assembly. Staid to Jonothan Smiths.
- Feb. 17. To Stark to Elder Johnsons.
- Feb. 18. To Mr. Withies. I preached text St. John 3:4-9.
- Feb. 19. To Mercer to Ira Killgores my wife's brother and attended an Anti-Slavery meeting or convention where Methodists and Baptists all united with the Presbyterians and Lawyers, Drunkards and all other abominable characters and the one that could tell the biggest Anti-Slavery story was the best fellow, let it be true or false.
- Feb. 20. To Stark. Elder York preached a lecture in the meetinghouse.
- Feb. 21. Visited a Baptist Priest and held a Debate with him.
- Feb. 22. To Brother Johnsons, the weather being moderate and the ground about half bare.
- Feb. 23. Attended a Methodist meeting.

- Feb. 24. I preached in the meetinghouse. Text Mark. 1:17.
- Feb. 25. To the New Vineyard to Brother Otis Corbits. Elder York preached.
- Feb. 26. To Brother Dover Cowins in Farmington.
- Feb. 27. To Brother Daniel corbits and I preached.
- Feb. 28. To Henry Kemptons.
- Feb. 29. To David Cowins. Held a Conference and organized the Branch of the Church with Priests, Teachers and Deacons, the Elders present, myself, York, Libby and Johnson. Settled some difficulties, ordained Henry Kempton, Priest and Brother Daniel Corbit Teacher and David Cowin Deacon and adjourned. In the evening held a Prayer meeting and the blessings of God attended the meeting.
- Mar. 1. Elder Johnson preached and Elder York baptized Hannah Corbit the wife of Otis Corbit. Held a meeting and she was confirmed to Henry Kemptons and Elder Libby administered the sacrament and adjourned one hour and Elder York delivered a lecture with good attention, thence to Daniel Cowins, staid all night.
- Mar. 2. I took leave of the Saints and left them rejoicing in the fullness of the everlasting gospel while the tears of affection fell from every eye. When I bid them farewell. Traveled to Weld in company with Brother Gideon Bowlies to his Fathers.
- Mar. 3. I went a fishing in Webbs Pond and caught two large pike and one trout. Preached in the evening to a small congregation with good attention.
- Mar. 4. In company with Brother Bowley and Sister Phebe Bowley to David Sabons. Held a meeting and preached to a small but attentive assembly.
- Mar. 5. Returned to Brother Bowley's. Preached in the evening with good attention.
- Mar. 6. To Nathan Storens, preached to a company of blackguards and drunkards.
- Mar. 7. To Dixfield to Brother Cyrus Edey's.
- Mar. 8. Attended Conference in company with Elder York, organized a Branch of the Church and ordained Cyrus

Eddey to the office of a Teacher. Isaac Butterfield to a Deacon and administered the sacrament and held a Prayer meeting in the evening.

- Mar. 9. Held a meeting. Elder York preached in the morning and I in the evening with good attention and I lectured to Brother Parley Hines.
- Mar. 10. To Brother Bowley's in Weld in company with Cyrus Eddey and I preached.
- Mar. 11. To Lyman and I preached. Staid all night to Mr. Bradley's.
- Mar. 12. To Newry. Here I met with Elder McArthur and he preached.
- Mar. 13. To Ruben Bartletts.
- Mar. 14. To John Baties.
- Mar. 15. To David Smiths. Elder York and McArthur preached and administered the Lords Supper and in the evening I preached.
- Mar. 16. To Josia Smiths.
- Mar. 17. To Letter B. To Ebin Grovers and I preached to a small assembly with good attention.
- Mar. 18. To Eroid, New Hampshire to Brother Samuel Akieuses.
- Mar. 19. Held a meeting. Elder McArthur preached in the afternoon and I in the evening.
- Mar. 20. To Smalls.
- Mar. 21. Preached twice.
- Mar. 23. To Newry to Joel Fosters.
- Mar. 24. To Aaron Frosts.
- Mar. 25. To John Cases in Bethel.
- Mar. 26. To John Baties.
- Mar. 27. I preached to an attentive assembly.
- Mar. 28. McArthur preached.
- Mar. 29. Held two meetings and I preached in the forenoon

and McArthur in the afterpart of the day.

- Mar. 30. McArthur baptized three namely: George Smith and wife, and David Smith.
- Mar. 31. McArthur baptized Aphia York and as the Saints met together, the devil with his imps came also and howled Missouri preachers by drumming on tin pans and jumping Jim Crow.
- April 1. To Father Kilgores.
- Apr. 2. To Joseph Chases in Letter B.
- Apr. 3. To Erol to Brother Daniel Sweats.
- Apr. 4. To Brother Akieus'.
- Apr. 5. I preached to a small assembly.
- Apr. 6. To Russel Yorks.
- Apr. 7. Received a letter from home.
- Apr. 8. Wrote a letter to my wife. McArthur preached to Jonothan Smiths.
- Apr. 9. McArthur preached to David Smiths and the Lord was with us and Satan came also in a woman, thence to Jonothan Smiths and I preached and a general union prevailed.
- Apr. 10. To Enoch Bartletts.
- Apr. 11. To Josia Smiths.
- Apr. 12. Held a meeting and McArthur preached in the forpart of the day and I in the after part and administered the sacrament, thence to Brother Josia Smiths and laid hands on Sister Lucy.
- Apr. 13. To David Smiths and laid hands on Timothy his son. Staid all night.
- Apr. 14. Thence to Brother Anthony Bessie's and preached to a small assembly with good attention.
- Apr. 15. To Jonothan Smiths.
- Apr. 16. Preached to the Saints in that place.
- Apr. 17. To Brother Reulin Bartletts and baptized Nancy

Bessie.

- Apr. 18. Preached to the Saints in that place for the last time.
- Apr. 19. To Jonothan Smiths and Elder McArthur preached and I bore testimony with others.
- Apr. 20. Staid to Brother Bartletts.
- Apr. 21. To David Smiths. Held a Prayer meeting.
- Apr. 22. To Brother Bartletts.
- Apr. 23. Took leave of the Saints in Newry and started in company with Elder McArthur for home with a horse and buggy. From thence we traveled to Orange Co. Vermont where we stopped for a few days and preached several times. On the 3rd of May we again started and traveled to Buffalo, New York, where we parted and took steamboat for Chicago where I landed in safety, thence to Peru Illinois by land. Here I took steam and went down the river as far as Rushville, thence on foot home and found my family in Nauvoo in a little log cabin fourteen feet square with my fathers family and brother Lyman Leonards, without any chimney or much floor being not chinked or painted and a poor roof. Every showers of rain wet all that were in the house. Here after being absent from my family from the 27th of June 1840 until the next June on the 14th day, I was found in the society of my family and friends with hardly a whole garment on in poverty and distress although I felt not to murmur or complain in those critical circumstances as sickness was in almost every house and the Saints dying almost every day.

Here under these circumstances we struggled with poverty and sickness and death until the 6th of October when the Lord said to the Saints through the Prophet Joseph that they must build him a house in the city of Nauvoo giving him the pattern and on the 12th we commenced without hardly the first tool even to a spade or hoe or wagon to haul from the quarry, the stone for so large a building, which no people but Saints would have thought to commence. On the ??? day of ??? the corner stone was laid and the work rolled on.

Here I will notice that my wife and child and myself was taken sick with the bilious fever which

brought us all near the jaws of death. We were taken the first of September 1840 and did not get well until the next May when I moved about twenty miles and spent the summer in farming and making preparations to build a house for myself in the city of Nauvoo, which was a great undertaking, as I was in poverty and without the first dollar to commence. Through the blessings of God I accomplished it so that I moved in December.

In March I commenced work on the Temple and worked until July when "father started on a Mission to the state of Maine and I took his team and drove it through the summer and was prospered well. In November father returned and we labored on the islands hauling wood and timber until spring and at the April Conference of the Church, I took a Mission again to the state of Maine in company with William Hathaway.

We landed there after a long and tedious journey being about twenty-seven hundred miles by water. The way that we went by Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and New York and Boston, we landed the first of May and commenced our Mission, but Brother Hathaway did not labor with but little. He made preparations to move his family to Nauvoo and started in the fall.

Here I was left alone and no one to help me in my labors but the strong arm of Israel's God which kept me up and prospered me in my mission.

I preached in Stonehorn the next day after I landed, to a small assembly; from thence to the town of Newry and met with many of my friends and acquaintances and some of the brethren which were glad to see me. Here I preached several times but the brethren were cold and indifferent as their presiding Elder was slothful and negligent and did not perform the duties of his calling and office. From here I went to the town of Mexico where I found a small Branch of the Church that Brother Jeremiah Willey had built up and had left them in the care of Elder Osgood Virgin who I found walking in the truth and the Saints were enjoying the gifts and blessing of God. The saints numbering about twenty. Here I labored for some length of time as the brethren needed many instructions as Brother Willey had not time in the short time that he staid in that place. Here, I commenced my labors on June 4th. Preached twice to a large and attentive congregation and one the 7th to Dixfield to a

Universalists meeting which lasted for several days.

June 11, 1843 Preached twice with good attention to Canton Point to considerable town in Franklin Co. Thence to Rumford in Oxford Co.

Jun. 14. Preached to the Hall Schoolhouse, thence to Mexico and on the 17th attended a social meeting with the Church in that place.

Jun. 18. Preached twice and baptized Daniel Porter.

Jun. 19. Preached twice in Rumford Hill to a small audience.

Jun. 21. To Rocksbury and preached with good attention. Thence to Mexico.

Jun. 22. Preached for the Hall schoolhouse.

Jun. 23. Preached to the Walton Schoolhouse.

Jun. 25. To Canton Point. Preached twice to a large assembly with some opposition.

Jun. 27. To Rocksbury to the Michael Schoolhouse.

July 1, 1843 Met with the Saints and held a social meeting.

Jul. 2. Preached one and Brother George A. Walton once.

Jul. 4. Held a meeting and baptized Artimus Walton and ordained Brother George to the office of an Elder and held a debate with a Methodist Priest by the name of Robins.

Jul. 5. Attended a funeral in Rocksbury.

Jul. 6. Went and heard Robins try to do away with Propheying, tongues, and knowledge, etc. in a very insulting way to those who believed in the truth.

Jul. 7. Preached on the Calton Hill to a small assembly.

Jul, 8. Preached to the Walton Schoolhouse upon the subject of Propheesy and to a Universalist Priest by the name of Vose to Blackguard me about Joseph Smith making the plates from which the Book of Mormon was translated, out of his mothers old brass candle and making scratches in them that looked like hen tracts in the mud, and that Brother Joseph was an old giggler with many other bad names and brought

up the notorious John C. Bennett's book to prove his lies and abomination with, but failed and his abomination recoiled on his own head and he brought to contempt by every honest man and lover of truth.

- Jul. 14. To Byron and preached to John Thomas's.
- Jul. 15. To Mexico and attended Conference with the Saints. To the Walton Schoolhouse and Baptized David Brown and Rosalle Porter.
- Jul. 16. Preached twice with good attention.
- Jul. 23. To Wilton. Preached twice.
- Jul. 30. To Mexico to a social meeting of the Saints.
- August 1, 1843 Preached once.
- Aug. 5. Preached to the Hall Schoolhouse in Rumford, two discourses and heard Brother Walton preach once.
- Aug. 12. Attended a Prayer meeting with the Saints.
- Aug. 13. Preached once in Mexico.
- Aug. 26. Attended conference.
- Aug. 27. Preached twice.
- Aug. 30. Preached in the same place.
- September 3, 1843
Preached to the Michael Schoolhouse.
- Sept. 6. Once in Mexico. My farewell sermon with the tears of affection that fell from every eye.
- Sept. 10. To Newry and received a letter from my wife which altered my mind. Here I preached once thence returned to Mexico.
- Sept. 17. Preached to Brother Waltons, thence to Bryon.
- Sept. 21. Preached.
- Sept. 22. To Mexico and preached.
- Sept. 23. Preached to the Walton Schoolhouse and attended Conference and the Lord blessed us with signs following.

Sept. 24. Preached twice.

Sept. 27. Attended a Prayer meeting to Brother Waltons.

Sept. 28. Preached to Rocksbury to Brother Richards.

Sept. 29. Heard Brother George A. Walton preach.

Oct. 1, 1843 Preached in Wilton

Oct. 6. Preached in Rumford.

Oct. 7. Met with the Saints in Mexico and the Lord blessed the meeting.

Oct. 8. Preached in Rocksbury twice and baptized Charlotte Abbott and held a Confirmation meeting.

Oct. 11. Preached a lecture in the evening.

Oct. 12. Preached in Mexico.

Oct. 14. Preached twice and Brother George once in Rocksbury.

Oct. 16. Preached In Mexico to John Cares.

Oct. 19. Returned to Rocksbury and the false statements that Knapp had made got handled without meetings.

Oct. 20. To Mexico and found Elder Carter from the West and in the evening held a social meeting.

Oct. 22. Attended meeting three times.

Oct. 23. Met with the Brethren to settle some trouble with Brother Daniel Porter and withdrew the hand of fellowship from him until satisfaction was made and adjourned until evening. Held a social meeting.

Oct. 26. Preached a lecture in Rocksbury.

Oct. 27. Preached twice and baptized John Richards and wife.

Nov. 4, 1843. Attended Conference in Mexico.

Nov. 5. Preached twice and Brother George S. Walton baptized Rocksey Abbott and held a Confirmation meeting in the evening.

Nov. 8. Preached to Canton Mills with good attention.

Nov. 12. Preached twice to Bartletts Mills in Hartford.
Nov. 13. Preached to the Line schoolhouse.
Nov. 15. Preached to Buckfield village.
Nov. 17. To the Line schoolhouse. Preached twice.
Nov. 18. To Sumner. Preached.
Nov. 19. Preached again to Buckfield.
Nov. 21. Preached in Hartford.
Nov. 23. Preached in Sumner.
Nov. 26. Preached again and baptized Samuel Tobin.

December 2, 1843

Attended Conference in Mexico with the Saints.

Dec. 3. Preached.
Dec. 7. Preached as it was a day set apart by the Governor of that state for a feasting and thanksgiving and baptized Corcus Humiford.
Dec. 10. Preached Twice.
Dec. 12. Preached in Hartford.
Dec. 19. Preached and Brother Tobin renounced his religion because Brother Joseph the Prophet left a tavern and he must be a false teacher, and held the truth in unrighteousness.
Dec. 20. Preached again.
Dec. 21. Preached in Sumner twice.
Dec. 24. Preached in Hartford.
Dec. 25. Preached a lecture in the evening.
Dec. 27. Preached again.

January 2, 1844

Preached to the North Schoolhouse.
Jan. 3. Preached to the Tompson Schoolhouse.
Jan. 11. Preached in Mexico.

Jan. 13. Met with the Saints for a social meeting.
 Jan. 17. Preached twice.
 Jan. 18. Preached.
 Jan. 21. Preached Twice.
 Jan. 26. Preached in Strong in Franklin Co.
 Jan. 27. Preached in Wilton.
 Jan. 28. Preached twice with good attention.
 February 5, 1844
 Preached in Mexico.
 Feb. 10. Attended Conference with the Saints.
 Feb. 11. Preached twice.
 Feb. 14. Preached.
 Feb. 15. Preached in Wilton.
 Feb. 18. Preached twice.
 Feb. 20. Preached.
 Feb. 21. Preached.
 Feb. 25. Preached twice.
 Feb. 26. Preached.
 Feb. 29. Preached.
 March 3, 1844
 Preached twice.
 Mar. 5. Preached.
 Mar. 7. Preached.
 Mar. 9. Attended Conference in Mexico.
 Mar. 10. Preached twice.
 Mar. 14. Preached in Wilton.
 Mar. 17. Preached twice.

Mar. 28. Preached twice.

Mar. 29. Preached twice in Sumner.

April 6, 1844
 Attended Conference in Mexico.

Apr. 7. Preached Twice.

Apr. 11. Preached a funeral sermon for Sister Mary Procter
 and a lecture in the evening. Baptized Lucy
 Walton.

Apr. 18. Preached in Wilton.

Apr. 19. Preached again.

Apr. 21. Preached twice.

Apr. 25. Preached again.

Apr. 28. Preached for the last time.

May 4, 1844 Attended Conference with the Saints in Mexico.

May 5. Preached twice and started for home in company with
 Nathaniel Green and Galon Savery who were not
 Saints, with a horse team which I drove and took
 all the care of for my passage. Here I had a hard
 and long tedious journey as I slept in the wagon
 and in barns until we arrived in Buffalo, N.Y.
 where I fell in with a company of Saints that were
 going through the Lakes by steamboats and I took
 passage with them and landed to Chicago after a
 perilous voyage. Here I took passage with Brother
 Hall and come home in a wagon with his family
 through rain and mud and many places the streams
 had carried off bridges and we had to swim. Here I
 suffered for the want of care as I was sick and
 worn out as I had suffered in the fore part of my
 journey for food and a place to lodge as I slept in
 barns many times, but my life was preserved by the
 had of Israel's God so that I arrived home to the
 City of Joseph on the fourteenth of June and found
 my wife sick with a lingering consumption and was
 hardly able to stand on her feet. My children
 hardly knew me as I was sick and worn out but I
 gained my strength in a few weeks. Here I found
 the Saints in deep persecution which was caused by
 false brethren and those that had descended from
 the Church who were trying to destroy the Prophet

and the Saints and at length swore out writs and Brother Joseph and Hyrum were taken and the Saints disarmed by the Governor of the State, Thomas Ford, and went into prison under the protection of Governor and the flitted faith of the State. They were murdered in cold blood in Prison by a gang of black hearted wrecks on the 27th of June, 1844 a day to be remembered while eternities roll on and the wrath of an offended God is not satisfied with the murderings of the Prophets.

Here the Saints had a trial almost or quite as much as the Saints in the days of Jesus Christ, when he was crucified and they left alone and some were seeking for power and trying to get the Presidency of the Church and there were some divisions in the Church, some for Sidney Rigdon but a great majority for the Twelve and at length Rigdon with his followers went to Pittsburgh in Pennsylvania and tried to establish a Church but with little success as his revelations were not fulfilled as he prophesied after the imaginations of his own heart and not by the inspiration of God. There assembled many of these that had been cut off from the Church for bad conduct which he ordained to high officers in his Church such as Priests and Kings, etc., yet they could not forget their evil practices that they had followed while in the Church. In this place, the city of Joseph, yet with all the dissension and falling away the Saints were firm in the Faith and continued to build the temple and the Nauvoo House and to carry out the revelations of the Prophet Joseph and health and prosperity crowned the labors of the Saints through this year 1844 and the Church was in peace in the end of the year.

In January 25, 1845, Julia Ann my wife died after long lingering sickness of more than a year and I buried her in the city of Joseph in the burying ground with my sister Amanda who died.

Here I was left with two little children to mourn the loss of a partner that feared to do wrong and served God with all her heart, mind and might and strength and was one of the honorable women of the earth and has gone to the World of Spirits to rest until the morn of the Resurrection when her sleeping ashes will revive and spring forth to life and immortality and eternal life.

Here I will observe that I lived with my father and

children where they had good care, yet I was lonesome without a companion. Here I lived until May when I began to look for a companion when I fell in which Lucina Call daughter of Cyril and Sally Call, who belonged to the Church and lived in the neighborhood of Warsaw, having a large family of children who were natives of Vermont, thence removed to the State of Ohio where they embraced the gospel as revealed in the last days through Joseph Smith the Prophet and removed to this state in 1838 about the time the Saints were expelled from the State of Missouri. Here they moved with all their family, five sons and seven daughters, names as follows:

Harvy, born September 6th, 1808, Anson, born May 13, 1810, Samantha, born October 15, 1815. Fanny born May 11, 1817, Lucina born September 29, 1819, Josiah born August 12, 1822, Mary born February 21, 1824, Rosaline born December 23, 1825, Sarah born December 19, 1827, Melissa born March 29, 1830, Omer and Homer twins born January 9, 1834, Salmon born July 20, 1812 died September 1813, Cyril Call born in Woodstock, Windsor Co., Vermont, July 2, 1785, Sally Tiffany born Cambridge, Franklin Co., Vermont, July 20, 1790 married April 6, 1806 and have lived in wealth and prosperity until their house was burned down and the family driven away by the mob and their property destroyed because they were Latter-day Saints. Here Harvy and Chester Lovelin that married with Fanny spared the same fate with their father. Their houses were destroyed and cattle stolen and they left to seek shelter with about one hundred more families of the Saints who fled to save their lives in the dead hour of the night, leaving their property to be destroyed by an infuriated set of holy Methodists and Presbyterians who thought they were doing God's service and made many long prayers by the light of the houses and property of Latter-day Saints. Here a scene of war and trouble raised to a high pitch which stopped the building up of the City and Nauvoo house. The saints were harassed with vexations, lawsuits and some taken and put in prison, some shot at and others whipped by those pious gentiles inspired by their Father the Devil and led on by his Priests. Here the lives of the Twelve were sought as the life of the Prophet Joseph was. This called forth strong guards to guard them and the City, in which I showed my part and have written this history when I had my arms before me and expected to use them in defense of my

own life and the lives of my brethren.

I will here observe that the Governor called for five hundred to volunteer to stop the mob from their acts of violence but behold they were off from the same piece and were no better than their brethren the mobs and never made one move to enforce the law upon the mob, but on the other hand they would take the Saints and put them in prison and harass them in every way they could until the Church agreed to leave the State and nation because the cup of their iniquity is full as they have killed the Prophet and Saints and persecuted them from city to city.

This agreement was entered into on the 6th day of October 1845 and sanctioned by the whole Church and Captains of hundreds and captains of fifties and of tens were called out and from this time preparations began to be made by making wagons and procuring teams and provisions for a journey into the wilderness in search of a land of rest, a land of peace where we can enjoy the privileges and blessings of a Celestial law unmolested and undisturbed for a season until this Gentile Nation is scourged for their sins and abominations as the Lord has said by the mouth of his servants the Prophets.

The months of September and October were a continual scene of war and turmoil and the labor on the Temple was almost obliged to stop and the workmen many of them carried small arms with them all the time and all kept their muskets where they could put their hand on them at a moments warning, not knowing one moment but they would have to fight the next and it seemed as though our enemies were determined that the work should stop but it continued through all the persecution and hardly stopped for a moment. The Lord was blessing the labors of the faithful in all that was done, both in building the temple and in defending ourselves and our wives and our children from the bonds of those that sought our lives and to overthrow the Church and Kingdom of God, but through the Mercy of God we were permitted to stay in Nauvoo although hundreds of the Saints were driven in from the surrounding country destitute of a place to lay their heads on, or provisions to subsist upon, having their crops of grain destroyed, their beef and pork stolen and their furniture destroyed with their houses. This increased the suffering of the

widows and the fatherless and those that were sick. Many were sick and dying as it was a sickly season. I was taken sick about the first of September and had a violent fever which kept me from labor for about three months, although my family enjoyed good health and all my friends in Nauvoo, except my Brother David. He had two settled fevers that brought him near the jaws of death.

Here in the midst of persecutions and poverty I commenced to labor about the first of December at the Masonic Hall to build me a wagon to move with in the spring with the Church. Here, I with others, fitted up shops for making and fitting up wagons and other things for our journey, not knowing one day but we should have to fight the next or leave with our children on our backs, but as cold weather came on, the mod spirits seemed to die away and they would suffer the Saints to harvest their crops, what was not destroyed, except some few that swore writs for the Twelve and others and came into the city and at one time they arrested a man by the name of Miller supposing him to be Brother Brigham Young and did not find their mistake until they arrived in Carthage. In this they were disappointed and somewhat ashamed of their wicked plan but still continued to hunt for the Twelve which called forth a strong guard to guard them and guard the city as they would steal our cattle and horses and everything else that they could get their hands on.

Here I would remark that on the 18th of January my brother-in-law, Windsor P. Lyon and my cousin Enoch B. Tripp were baptized under the hands of Brother Heber C. Kimball, one of the Twelve. This gave the connection a time of rejoicing to see them obey the Truth. On the 20th, after receiving my endowments in the House of the Lord with Lucina my wife I commenced work in the Temple and I will here say that the spirit of the Lord was poured out upon those that were attending to the ordinances of the Holy Priesthood.

About this time, a man by the name of Strong came into the City and claimed to be the head and leader of the Church saying that he was called and ordained by the Prophet Joseph to that office. This made a considerable stir in the Church and some were willing to hearken to him but peace continued between the Church and our enemies and

the Endowments continued in the Temple all this month and on February 2nd, I attended to some further ordinances in the House of the Lord under the hands of Orson Pratt and others with Lucina my wife and in the evening attended to another ordinance. Married Rosan Verdin to Brother Willard Richards in his office. Although I continued my labor in the Temple until the 3rd of the month when all things stopped in the Temple for two days. At this time in the morning and evening of this day there was a flame of fire seen by many to rest down upon the Temple. On this day they raised the feign which is the representation of an Angel in His Priestly robe with the Book of Mormon in one hand and a trumpet in the other which is overlaid with a gold leaf.

February 6, 1846

Commenced again to give the endowments and I attended to some of the sealing ordinances for Julia Ann Sessions deceased January 28, 1845 in the City of Joseph being thirty years, six months and four days old when she died and left me with two children, one son and one daughter. Lucina Sessions acting as proxy for her and I also attended to some other ordinances that pertain to my family organization.

- Feb. 7. Helped father prepare to remove west with the Saints and met with the guard as usual and was detailed to Brother Willard Richards and was relieved by St. John at twelve o'clock.
- Feb. 8. Attended meeting and heard several of the Twelve speak their feelings in regard to the Church moving and their leaving the city and the course that those that staid should pursue, as the mob spirit seemed to be rather kindling up in different parts of the country again. Here they gave us their parting blessing.
- Feb. 9. Assisted the Saints some of them, to get away and about three o'clock in the afternoon the alarm was raised that the Temple was on fire but with much exertion the fire was stopped. I then met with the guard and was detailed to Brother Brigham Young for the last time in this city and was released by A.P. Rogers.
- Feb. 10. Met with the guard and was detailed to Brother John Taylor.

Feb. 11. Was detailed to Brother Willard Richards and released by James H. Glines.

Feb. 12. Continued to assist in getting father and mother started for the Rocky mountains or some other remote region of the earth as a life among these, such a Gentile Nation I am tired of. After my father and mother left I then was left without team or wagon and not one dollar to help myself with at this time. My life was sought with the rest of the Saints that were left and the way hedged up for me to get away but the Lord helped me in a way that I looked not for. Here I shall not try to make a full account of the scenes of poverty that I had to endure with my family but suffice it to say that on the 17th of May I started with my family with a wagon and team that the Lord had blessed me with, crossed the river and camped about four miles. Here I staid three days in a heavy rain storm that flooded the whole country. There we took our journey we knew not where but took the road that the Saints had made that started in February. continued our journey through an unsettled country, through the state of Iowa to Council Bluffs on the Missouri River.

On June 22, I found father and mother and the main camp of about twelve hundred wagons. They had stopped to build a boat to cross the river. Here we were surrounded by the Saints on all sides and over one hundred miles from the cussed Gentiles. Here although not a house for the thousands that were in camp, yet I felt at home, for my home was in my wagon and that I could move as I pleased. Here I spent about one month in ferrying the Saints across the river and when we had nearly all got across, Captain Allan came and wanted five hundred men to go to Mexico, as Mexico and the States were at war. This seemed a hard thing to let that number of our young men go but to save our lives and our families as the mob spirit was in the whole nation from the highest to the lowest, and if they did not go the government would send a mob on us.

This looked hard but we had it to do and in two days the number was made up and in a short time were on their way on foot and a journey of thousands of miles before then. Over the deserts to fight for a nation that had driven us out of their midst.

This stopped our camp and we were obliged to give up crossing the Rocky Mountains this season. After

all were safe over the river a part of the camp started for Grand Island about two hundred miles up the Platt River. I started with the rest with father and mother, traveled some forty miles. Here we staid about ten days, while some two hundred wagons went on. When they got near to the Island they found the grass not sufficient to winter the cattle and they took a North Course to strike the Missouri River some two hundred miles above the bluffs. This was the council of the Presidency which had not over taken us. After ten days hard labor in the water, waist deep, pulling in the abutments for the bridge, we had council to return back to the main camp that had moved up the river about twelve miles to a place called Winter Quarters. While on the way mother was taken sick with a fever and when we got to the camp we did not expect mother live from one day to another. This was August 10, 1846. Here I found many sick and dying daily and not but few able to work. I with about twenty others went to cutting hay to winter our stock. Labored about one month while mother and my wife Lucina and Mary both were sick with the ague and fever. This was the first of September. Here I had a hard time until the 24th. We moved camp about four miles to the river where I built a house to winter in although not a foot of lumber and timber scarce. But each family set to work to prepare for winter. This was a tedious job as many families had no man to build or take care of them. But all did what they could for themselves and others and it would astonish the world to see how quickly there was about twelve hundred houses built with two good flour mills, although we had but little grain to grind.

I got a house sixteen by twenty ready and moved into it the 13th of December. I then had to prepare wood for the winter. Here I had a hard time to take care of our cattle as the indians were killing them every day and we got the cattle together into a herd of about four thousand head. This herd I helped to take care of for about one month, camping with the cattle and watched them by day and night.

December 17th I started to Missouri, after provisions. Gone twenty days. Camped by the road, a journey of one hundred and sixty miles. The snow fell two feet deep while I was gone. This seemed as hard a journey as ever man endured or has. The week was very cold and not a house to put our heads

in. But the blessings of God was with me, and I got home with some flour and meat to sustain my family. I started in company with some six for a hunt. Got about fifteen miles, broke down our wagon and had to camp on a bleak prairie with Edmond Elsworth the coldest night that I ever saw and come within a hares breath of freezing to death. Staid some eight days. The coldest weather I ever saw in my life. I was knocked down by a limb that blew from a tree and was obliged to return home or was sent for by the Presidency of the Church, they thinking we had frozen to death. After a few days I started with William Empey on another hunt, traveled about forty miles and found some game, deer, turkeys, wolves, and some wild honey. Here we had good luck, found a number of trees well filled with honey, killed several fine turkeys and had a good time until about the tree last days when about two feet of snow fell and the weather was cold. Got home on the 20th of February. Staid at home seven days. Here we had a time of joy and satisfaction, eating honey and turkey.

On the 27th of February I started with William Cutler and William Hattaway for the State of Missouri and Iowa. The roads were very bad and we made slow headway, although we had a good team. Nothing of importance happened to us on the way. Found many of the old Mobocrats in Clay and Bay counties. One circumstance that I here name in 38' when on my way out of Missouri near Palmira in company with Father Joseph Smith, the father of the Prophet Joseph and Carlos Smith in a snow storm. We called to a farmhouse to buy some corn and stay all night. Father Smith asked the man if we could camp there and buy some feed. He said: "Are you Mormons?". Father Smith said, "Yes." He said: "Damn you, you can't stay here," with many other insulting words. We all turned from him and when we had got into the street Father Smith took off his hat although the snow was falling and with an uplifted hand said: "In the name of the Lord whom we serve let that man be cursed in his basket and in his store and let his name be cut off from under heaven," and we all said, "Amen."

When I come to travel the road again two years had passed. This was brought fresh to my mind for behold there was naught to mark the spot but the ruins of his house burned ashes. His orchard broken down, his wife and three children were

burned to death in his house and he at this time was in close confinement and insane. Here I saw the power of the Holy Priesthood manifest for at the next house we were received kindly and Father Smith left his blessing upon the house and family. Here my eyes beheld his words fulfilled to the letter. All this passed and the two men ignorant of the cursing or the blessing placed upon them but we passed on. I called to Nauvoo to settle some business and found many of my old friends. Staid to Sister P.P. Pratts. Thence by steamboat to Iowa City. Here I found my brother David and Sylvia, my sister all ready to start to visit father and mother, at Winter Quarters. Staid two days then took a team of horses and we all started. I had then traveled about five hundred miles and it was about three back as I had to go around on account of the country not being settled. Here we traveled through the upper part of the state of Iowa, some places over one hundred miles between houses and many places we had to build bridges and ford the streams.

This was not a very pleasant journey but we landed safely at my fathers on the 21st of April, found my family all well and glad to meet once again as a family. Found that a company of Pioneers had started for the Rocky Mountains of about one hundred men. They had been gone several days when I had been home two day. The Indians came near the town and took seven head of cattle away from some boys, shot at the boys and then left. The alarm was given and about six of us started after the Indians, followed them about fifteen miles, got several of the cattle, but they were too many for us as there was about thirty. After we got home, the next day there was an alarm given that forty four indians were on their way to a herd of cattle that was up the Missouri River about one hundred miles. I started with nine others with two mules, with about one hours notice and little provisions on hand. But away we went and traveled day and night until we found the herd about noon and found that the Indians had killed them four cattle. We got the herd together as soon as we could and put a guard around them. When we had got this done the Indians came up to us and all fired three guns at us but not a man touched. This was about nine in the evening and again before morning they came and got near to the camp before we saw them. But we drove them away and they came no more.

Here I suffered more than I ever did in my life before for good. Feet blistered, and no rest day nor night for about ten days. This was the hardest times I ever saw in my life or expect ever to live through. When I got home I could hardly walk as I had been about six days without break. I now had to prepare to follow the Pioneers. My sister let us have some money. I then bought our outfit for the plains which was three hundred pounds of flour to each person. This we got and got ready and started on the 5th of June 1847. My sister Sylvia and David started back to Iowa on the 9th of May. This seemed to be almost our last look on them in this world but to return to our journey.

The Indians at this time seemed to be stirred up against us and we dare not travel in small companies and had to keep up guards night and day.

This caused us much trouble as men were scarce in camp as we were now six hundred men short in camp.

Five hundred had gone to the Mexican War and over one hundred Pioneers left us with almost half the teams without teamsters except females. This was a scene of things that looked hard indeed but go we must at this crisis and under these circumstances and the God of Heaven only knew when our journey would end, but with a cheerful heart with the whole camp we rolled out onto the trackless plains without a guide save the Almighty whom we trusted in. Camped about five miles with about thirty wagons. I was called upon by Parley P. Pratt to call out a guard for the night and until otherwise directed. This I done and in the morning several wagons came up and we started with about forty wagons in my charge to see that all kept their places and were ready for any attack of the Indians.

We made a good drive to a stream called the Papeo. Camped again in a storm of hail and rain, thunder and lightening. The alarm was given that the Indians had scared the cattle. We followed them by the lightening. When it lightened we could see them plain, and then for a moment all was dark.. Her I had on shirt, hat and shoes. We went some mile and one half and back and got the cattle all safe.

In the morning built a bridge and crossed the stream and traveled to the Elk Horn River which was bout thirty five miles. Found it very high and about one hundred and twenty feet wide. Here I

selected ten men and left the rest in charge of the camp and went up the river some five miles, got some dry timber, built a raft to cross our wagons. In two days we were all safe across.

At this time the wagons came as fast as we could cross them. I then selected some fifteen men and went to build a public corral to put the cattle in, and in two days I had some ten acres well fenced. I then raised a liberty pole about seventy feet high with a white flag. Here the people gathered and organized for their journey. There were appointed captains of hundreds, fifties and tens. Here I was appointed captain of fifty. The first one organized in the company was father John Smith, the Patriarch of the whole Church and Parley P. Pratt one of the Twelve.

After we were all organized in my company there were eighty seven wagons and fifty men over fourteen and four hundred souls in all and four hundred head of stock. Here we had some thirty wagons without a man to drive then but the females volunteered to drive them. My mother was one of them. This looked hard as we had no road. There were six hundred and sixty wagons in all in camp. We had to wait for two pieces of canon that we had left. This detained us several days, during which time we caught plenty of fish for my company.

Here I found myself under a great responsibility to keep up guards and provide for other camp duties. When the canon came, Parley P. Pratt with me and company were appointed to herd the whole camp. This was another task as we had no roads only what we made here. I was obliged to direct almost the move of the whole camp.

Brother Pratt and I had to go ahead of the camp on foot to hunt out the way, build bridges, hunt foods across the streams. This exposed us to the Indians more than any other men but we had not traveled far before one day as we were some four miles ahead of the camp we found each of us a fine horse. One of them had a saddle and bridle on. This gave us much joy and a thankful heart as we found it much easier to ride than go on foot. I will say this was a blessing of God to us. When we reached the Platt River, we found fresh Indian tracks and the body of a man or his bones that had been killed, but two or three days, but the wolves had eaten the flesh from his bones. We gathered them up and buried them

and set up a sign by it. This told us plain that we were in danger and up us more on guard. We pursued on our journey killing some game.

When we got to the Loop Fork of the Platt River we found it a place to ford the river, although we had to drive all our cattle several times across the river to tamp the quick sand so that we could cross our wagons. The stream was about one half mile wide. This hindered us two days but all got over save. We then had about thirty five miles without water, over a sandy plain. In the afternoon it began to rain. This furnished us with plenty of water for the stock and we camped without wood. Here we found plenty of antelope, killed several and continued our journey to Wood River. This is a fine stream of water running through a level plain and empties itself into the Platt River. Here we found a sign of the Pioneers and a letter that gave us much joy.

I will here say that once in a while we could find the trails of the Pioneers. Here we found where they had killed eleven buffalo but no new sign of buffalo, saw but few Indians here. We were amongst the Pawnees. Continued our journey to Elm Creek. Here we found plenty of buffalo. Here the camp all stopped to hunt. I selected five men in my company and started about eleven o'clock and returned the next night with some twenty five hundred pounds of meat. This cheered the camp. Continued our journey until near Chimney Rock when the cattle of one fifty, took a stampede and they lost many cattle. Then stopped whole camp and I had to let fourteen yoke of oxen go out of my company. This weakened our teams so that we could move but slow as our loads were heavy and the cattle began to die. Here we made slow headway. When near Laramie, we met Colonel Cane from California with about forty men.

Here we met Brother Jeremiah Willey returning from the Battalion or the Mexican War. Here we heard from the Pioneers. This gave us all much joy. Continued our journey to Fort Laramie. Here we bought several yoke of oxen, repaired our wagons, set tires, etc., found the Platt River very low so that we could for it without difficulty, made our way over the Black Hills. Here we struck the old California Road and we found although a hilly road, that we could travel much easier yet our teams were worn out and many of the cattle dying and mad slow

headway. Here we left the buffalo that we have used plenty of for the last three hundred miles but the antelope were quite plenteous and we killed many of them. This was a great help to the camp for food.

This made our journey more agreeable although it passed off slow. Had but few accidents. One day as we were traveling, one of Parley P. Pratt's children fell out of the wagon and the wheel run over the child's body and it was picked up for dead, but two or three Elders were called and laid their hands on the child and it was made whole. This is one among the many that was healed by the ordinance of Laying on of Hands. We held meeting on the Sabbath in our various companies and the gifts of the gospel attended the camp in all our travels. We met with the Lamanites almost daily, but they seemed friendly and glad to see us. While we arrived at the upper crossing, of the Platt we met several of the Pioneers on their way back after their families. This gave us fresh courage although our teams were quite feeble and hardly able to move the camp, but by the blessings of God we continued our journey and met the First Presidency of the Church on a stream called the Little Sandy. Here we called a halt and they gave us a brief account of the valley with many instructions pertaining to the course that the camp should pursue. When we got into but about two hundred miles to travel before we could begin to build and inhabit although in the midst of the wild men of the mountains, yet our spirits were refreshed and it seemed as though our burdens were light, although we were wearing out with the long and tedious journey. When we got to Big Sandy there fell about four inches of snow. This was but the first of September and the weather was cold, the ground frozen some but after two or three days the weather turned warm and we were able to travel on.

Most of the Saints were obliged to walk on foot and many without shoes but after a long journey of almost four months, we landed in Great Salt Lake Valley on the 24th of September 1847, all well and not a death while on the journey in my company of four hundred souls. Several children were born on the way and staid with the main camp five days.

I then took a herd of cattle and my family and started north. Here I made the first wagon tract past the Hot Springs that was ever made. Traveled

ten miles and camped with the herd of the cattle. Here I had my hands full to take care of the cattle. Lived in my wagon as before. The weather was fine and but little snow fell. In about a month father and I had built a house in Salt Lake City or in the fort. The first thing was to build a fort of houses by joining house to house. The house was built of logs, sixteen by twenty four with two rooms. My father and mother and a part of my family moved in. This seemed a little like home once more. I will here say that my father and I lived as one family all the days of our lives and have all things in common; what was ones interest was the interest of all the family. After this I continued with the herd until spring. I then gave up the herd and began to put in a crop of grain. I sowed seven acres of wheat and planted fourteen acres of corn, beans and peas, pumpkins, squash and melons. When my crop began to grow the crickets came like the locus in the days of Moses. Here I had my hands full to save my crop and it lasted for seven weeks without one day of rest. These crickets came in March and on the 25th of April 1848, my daughter Julia was born. She was born in Salt Lake City in the midst of hard times, when wheat was worth ten dollars for a bushel and many families without bread, and continued until harvest. Parley P. Pratt's family was one among the many. Some lived on roots and greens with the little milk that the cows gave but at length, harvest came with plenty although many fields were all eaten by crickets. These crickets are as large as a mans finger to the second joint and are of brown color. They make noise something like a mouse when they are alarmed.

My crop came in well and I had some five hundred bushels of grain to sell. This was a help to me. I bought cattle and horses with what funds I could get in October. I built me a log house sixteen by thirty-six and got into it in November. I began to feel comfortable with my family, although some little annoyance with the Indians. They stole some cattle and horses yet we kept from an open war with them but with it all times seemed prosperous with the Saints. This fall our population was nearly doubled by the emigration across the plains. The First Presidency of the Church came and the people began to spread out in the valleys of the mountains blessed with peace and prosperity.

The winter was mild and but little snow. In the

spring I planted my fields. This was in '49. Our flock going to California to dig gold. This gave the Saints a chance to trade with them for many tools, clothing and stock of all kinds. They made money plenty, and all things went on well with the Saints, for the set time had come to favor Zion which had been spoken by the Prophets. Here prosperity seemed to smile upon me. My cattle and horses increased in a marvelous manner. My crops came off well. On the 15th of October I started back across the plains to the States after my sister Sylvia and her family. This was a hard journey as I had some six hundred miles of snow before me and the weather was cold all the way to the State of Iowa.

I arrived in Iowa City the first day of January, 1850. Here I found my sister and brother David well and glad to see me, yet the object of my journey looked dark to accomplish and in a short time after I arrived I found that my sister was on the back ground and it was doubtful if she would leave for the Valley. At length she told me that I must not feel bad for she was going to get married that night. This was as hard a trial as I ever met with, to think that I had to travel thirteen hundred miles after her and then I was disappointed but finally I succeeded to persuade my brother to return home with me. Accordingly we fitted out and started for home on the 11th of April with a company of men that were going to California to dig gold. Continued our journey to Council Bluffs. There we found thousands of men on the road to California. Here we crossed the Missouri River on the sixth of May, and organized a company of one hundred and forty nine men and I was elected captain of the company which was composed of many popular men too, judges, three lawyers, and one Priest, myself and brother were the only Latter-day Saints in the company but they all treated me with respect and I led the company through and arrived home on the 26th of June 1850, found my family all well and glad to meet once more. Here I found everything high. Flour was worth fifty dollars per hundred and corn meal twenty-five dollars and other provisions in accordance to these prices. My family had in hand \$1,350 in cash, before my company left I took in about \$700 more. The emigration to the gold mines made money plenteous and their poor and worn out cattle, teams very cheap and our cattle and horses that were fat would fetch any price we were amind to ask. I cleared in

trade some \$2,000 in about two months. My crops came in good and all that I put my hand to do was blessed of the Lord. My brother staid with me. In the fall I commenced to build me a house thirty seven feet square and two stories high, dug the cellar and well and hauled the stone and before the spring opened of 1851, I had the well and cellar and foundation for the house done. I then put in my crops and then made the adobes and laid up the house before harvest.

My crops came in well and in the fall I finished my house off and moved in it the first of January 1852. Had a mild winter but little snow. Had some little difficulties with the Indians. Some four of our people killed and some fifteen Indians killed.

I make this journal short and many things I leave out. I will here say that my father died on August 11th, 1851 with a Paralexic Stroke, although he lived about a week after he was struck. He died and was buried in Great Salt Lake City. This left mother alone. I helped mother to build a house in the city and fenced her city lot and set out some fruit trees. The city improved very fast this year and health and prosperity seemed to smile upon the Latter-day Saints in the valleys of the mountains and the labors of the Elders abroad among the nations of the earth had great influence and many embraced the gospel as restored in the last days. At this time my health and that of my family was good. In the month of February Mary was taken sick and continued sick for about one month, during the time Martha Ann was married to William Smoot under the authority of Brigham Young. In the spring I sowed my fields quite early and the crops came in good and a plenteous harvest. The emigration came in by thousands both of the Saints and of the Gentiles. In all things that the Saints put their hands to do was blessed and prospered in a marvelous way.

The first of September I had a Mission given me to England with some hundred and twenty others to different parts of the world. This was a sudden start but I fixed up and started on the 15th. I hired Moses Daley to carry me across the plains. Paid him fifty dollars and found myself to the State of Missouri when we all got together and organized Daniel Spencer President and John Nacot, James Brown Councilors, John Brown, Captain, Horace Eldridge, Marshal, Orson Spencer, Chaplin and William Clayton, Clerk. Traveled twelve miles and

camped in canyon.

Sept. 17 and 18

Camped in Echo. Met Elder Hyde and several other on their way to Salt Lake. Weather cold and some snow.

Sept. 19. Laid in Camp. Orson Pratt gave us a lecture on the Organization of Matter.

Sept. 20. Camped on Yellow Creek.

Sept. 21. Camped at Soda Springs.

Sept. 22. Passed Ft. Bridger; camped on Black Fork. Rained and snowed all night.

Sept. 23. Camped on Horn's Fork. Met the mail from the States.

Sept. 24. Camped on Big Sandy.

Sept. 25. J.C. Little and company with several others camped on same stream. All Well.

Sept. 26. Sunday, Daniel and Orson Spencer preached to the camp.

Sept. 27. Camped on Pacific Creek.

Sept. 29. Passed the Ice Springs and saw a big herd of buffalo. Camped at the Three Crossings.

Sept. 30. Camped near the Devil's Gate.

October 1, 1852

Passed a trading post and Independence Rock and the Salaratus Lake. Camped on Greeswood Creek. Rained and snowed all night. I stood guard and nearly chilled to death. Wet as a rag.

Oct. 2. Camped on the Platt.

Oct. 3. Sunday. Preaching by Orson Pratt on the Organization of Man or the Spirit of Man before this world was.

Oct. 4. Crossed the Platt River and met some of the officers going to Salt Lake. In the evening had a social meeting all well.

Oct. 5. Fine weather. Camped on Boxelder Creek in the

Black Hills. Cold and stormy. Passed many Indians but friendly to us. Camped on the Labont.

- Oct. 7. Camped near dead timber and on the Platt River. A large band of Indians called Chians were near us.
- Oct. 9. Arrived at Fort Laramie. Wrote a letter home. Did some trading and went on our journey down the Platt River on the south side.
- Oct. 10. Passed a large body of Indians called the Ogalalies. Traded off some of our worn out horses and got fresh ones.
- Oct. 11. Sunday made a long drive camped near Seats Bluffs. Snowed and rained all night. Cold winter weather, one foot of snow.
- Oct. 12. Camped near Chimney Rock. This is about 100 feet high. Stands in a plain and looks like an old chimney. This can be seen for many miles.
- Oct. 13. Passed many government trains going to Fort Laramie. Camped at the Ash Hollow. Killed a buffalo.
- Oct. 15. Passed over to the South Fork. Met another train. Crossed in ice and water up to the bottom of our wagons. Went down the stream. Buffalo by the thousands.
- Oct. 16. Laid over. Killed a number and dried the meat. Got plenty of tallow. Killed twelve. At 11 o'clock at night there was a strong horse came to our horses and mules with saddle, bridle, two blankets, gun equipage and a large tin cup. The cup made a clatter and scared the herd and they run and the guard could not stop them nor tell what had scared them. They ran by a man that camped near to us, a gentile. His horses came by him. He caught one that had a rope on and jumped on his back and away they went without hat or coat or boots. The horse with him, and kept up with the band. Large droves of buffalo were alarmed and the noise of hoofs on the frozen ground was enough to terrify the stoutest heart and we all believed that Indians had got our horses and killed Vanderhoof, the missing man. We were there, left two hundred miles from any place or house, the guard could tell nothing only they heard the tin cup rattle but so dark they could see nothing. We watched all night. Not a horse in camp. Possible, reader, you can

imagine our feelings the rest of this cold night, no wood nor fuel, but the buffalo chips and dare not make a fire. About day light the man came with all the horses. They run about ten miles before he could stop them. I think we were a glad set of men and almost forgot the scenes of the past night. This stray horse was caught and took along with us and we knew not where he came from, but no doubt belonged to robbers. This hurt our teams and crippled several, lost their shoes, and made them wild as it did us in that dark night. The clatter of the horses and the buffalo sounded like distant thunder.

- Oct. 17. Sunday. Traveled some fifteen miles. Camped. Orson Pratt spoke on the Pre-existence of Man. The horses took several frights and with much trouble we kept them.
- Oct. 18. Continued our journey. Met a large drive of sheep. Saw thousands of buffalo. Camped near the sand hills.
- Oct. 19. Camped near the junction of the two Platts and Cottonwood. Here lay thirteen men out of seventeen died with cholera in two days. Here the mail passed us going to the states.
- Oct. 20. Pursued on our journey.
- Oct. 21,22. Met several trains going to Salt Lake.
- Oct. 23. Arrived in Fort Carney. Camped. Wrote a letter to my family. Some Indians about our camp.
- Oct. 24. Camped on the river and a heavy fire passed us. We discovered it at a short distance coming at not less than six miles an hour. Here the grass was very heavy and before we had time hardly to do anything the fire was on us at least ten feet high and seemed as though nothing could save our horses and wagons. But as the Lord did direct it we succeeded and got the horses into the river and as the fire camp up within a few feet the wind changed and blew directly from us and our wagons and we backed fired and with the greatest exertion we kept it from our wagons and it passed on. Here I could see the hand of the Lord that had been most visible over us thus far on our mission. The fire passed on in a few minutes and left the country black and no grass for our horses. Before morning it began to rain.

- Oct. 25. In the morning a dark curtain hung in the heavens over the burned prairies as far as you could see. About noon it started raining and we started to travel. After about three miles it began to rain again. Camped on an Island to get grass.
- Oct. 26. Good weather. Camped on a slough. Two officers on their way to Fort Carney camped with us and a heavy fire passed us on the opposite side of the river that lighted the heavens that we could see to read by the light thereof, and the fire sounded like an earthquake in the distance.
- Oct. 27. Continued our journey and early in the morning we began to meet the Pawnee Nation of Indians. We counted about nineteen hundred with a large drove of horses and mules. They had many packed with their log pones. Quite friendly but begged for powder and lead. Saw about as many more on the opposite side of the river. Passed through their old village where they had raised corn and had a large town. Camped and our horses took another run but not far.
- Oct. 28. Snowed all day. Got our horses in and I staid and cut some cottonwood trees for the horses to eat the bark. There were seventy five yoke of oxen burned to death in the yoke. They belonged to the government. Here it was thought best for part of the company to go ahead with strong teams as our provisions were gone. Men and teams were getting weak, the men being obliged to walk with worn out shoes and blistered feet. This was taken without a murmur. Here we divided provisions, all we had and made our way to the Missouri River.
- Oct. 30. Crossed Salt River on Sunday. Left one wagon.
- Oct. 31. Left camp. Camped at 4 o'clock in the morning. Came to the forks in the road, one leading to Plattville, and the other to Old Fort Coan. Here I parted with Brother Pratt and other Elders. Camped on a small creek twelve miles from New Platville, the wind blowing a gale and cold.
- November 1, 1852
Started at two in the morning before light came. The snow began to fall hard. Ate our last provisions. Lost the road several times in the blinding snow that fell about one foot. Got to Batville and overtook those that went ahead.

Camped all together and held a meeting in the evening that cheered our souls and light up the channel of intelligence in the Elders and it seemed as though we could not part.

- Nov. 2. We had to part with the Elders. The gifts of the gospel was manifest among us, then spirit of Prophecy rested upon many of us. This was a time long to be remembered by me. Bid each other goodbye and I went to Canesville, staid to Joseph Lanes and slept with Wm. Walker.
- Nov. 3. Visited her that was Rosiley Cowin. She had been married to my father but had apostatized and married a man by the name of Bailey. Saw many of my old acquaintances but cold in their spirits and it seemed as though a cloud of darkness hung over those that were once Saints. Staid to Brother Robert Richey's and found him a faithful Saint and willing to receive instructions. Brother Wm. Glover slept with me. Rained and cold.
- Nov. 4. Met with some of the Elders that had crossed the plains with me, Brother George P. Dikes.
- Nov. 5. Met with us and gave us some instructions, a history of his mission in England. The storm cleared off but very cold.
- Nov. 6. Sunday met with a small congregation and was called to speak to them with several that had crossed the plains. The meeting passed off and a good spirit manifest. In the evening held a meeting to Brother Richey's and had a good time. Staid all night.
- Nov. 7. Went to the Stage Office where I had paid my fare to Fort Des Moines but they said they could not go that day. Brothers Clayton, Grover and Fulmer and I hired a man by the name of Stevens to take us through. I took passage to Iowa City some three hundred miles. Staid to the tavern.
- Nov. 8. Started again in a wagon on my journey. Stopped to Brother Hendersons at Omans Grove.
- Nov. 9. Stopped to Hamblins. Snowed all day.
- Nov. 10. The wind blew and the snow flew and was very cold. Found Brother O.M. Duel. Kept by the stage in the middle of a thirty mile prairie with Brother Cook. Tired out and gave up. Thought they never would get through. We took them in and took turns in

- facing the storm and cold. All got through at late hour. Staid to a tavern.
- Nov. 11. Continued our journey. Stopped to a tavern.
- Nov. 12. Stopped to the stage house. All well.
- Nov. 13. Took dinner to Fort Des Moines and Brother Glover, Fulmer, Cook and Clayton took the stage. Continued our journey. Staid to a tavern.
- Nov. 14. Sunday made a long drive and put up to a tavern. Went to a Methodist meeting where I was much amused to see them try to convert poor sinners by telling them how some poor young man had died and gone to hell without being converted.
- Nov. 15. Started early. Stopped to the stage tavern. Cold and six inches of snow. Staid to the old trading stand. Made a long drive. Intense cold.
- Nov. 17. Arrived in Iowa City found my sister Sylvia and family well. Here I was left alone as Brother O.M. Duel went on.
- Nov. 18. Found many old friends that had crossed the plains three years before going to the gold mines in California.
- Nov. 19. Went and visited Margaret Date. She had married Wm. Mikel. Had a good visit. Wrote a letter to D.M. Repshire.
- Nov. 20. Copied a part of my journal and got out an appointment, to preach in the Baptist Church.
- Nov. 21. Attended the Baptist Church and heard Mr. Beldin preach. Met my appointment. The bell was rung, house well filled and three priests came, although a tremendous storm of snow. Good attention. All seemed satisfied and many came and shook hands. The Priests with the rest bid me God speed on my mission.
- Nov. 22. Wrote a letter to my family and copied some.
- Nov. 24. Rainy.
- Nov. 25. Very Cold.
- Nov. 26. Left the city on the stage for Muscatene. Arrived there at 2 a.m. Rode on a sled. Staid to the

American House.

- Nov. 27. Went to Wapaloo to E. B. Tripps, my cousins, found all well.
- Nov. 28. Preached in the court house to a large congregation with good attention.
- Nov. 29. Took the stage for Burlington, thence to Mount Rose, crossed the Mississippi River to Nauvoo, put up to the Mansion House, saw Emma the Prophets wife and his mother. She was glad to hear my voice but could not see me. Emma seemed very cool and indifferent and though well acquainted seemed to be a stranger. She had four children but looked as though of a truth, they were without a father. They were once happy and had everything. It looked gloomy about the Mansion. The Spirit of God had departed from Nauvoo and the home of the Prophet. After breakfast I visited the place where I had lived and hardly one thing to mark the place. The house was moved away and the orchard destroyed. From thence to the Temple, found the west end standing some fifteen feet high, the main body thrown down level with the ground, the stones that once looked bright and cheered the spirits of the beholders was now a mass of ruins, crumbling to decay. Nothing but ruin and decay and ruin attracts the eye in the city of the Prophet where the Angels have visited the Saints and now the power of evil spirits haunt and have control over the few inhabitants of the city.

Visited some old friends, found them cold and indifferent in regard to the things of the Kingdom of God. Crossed the river and again took the stage for Keakuk. Found a steam boat. Left the city at eleven in the evening. Stopped to the several ports on the river. Landed in Quincy at nine in the morning in good health. Fine weather.

December 2, 1852

- Stopped to Hannibal, Mo.. Went into a slaughter house where they killed some three hundred hogs and one hundred head of cattle. This looked like murder indeed. landed in St. Louis about nine in the morning.
- Dec. 3. Found Brother E.S. Eldridge and other Elders in Conference with the Saints in this city.
- Dec. 4. Bought some goods and sent home to my family.

Returned to the boat. Staid on board all night.

- Dec. 5. Sunday morning one boat blew up at Alton and killed the captain. and some others. The corps of the captain was brought on board of our boat to carry to Pittsburgh. Left port at noon. Had a fine dinner and topped off with raisins, almonds, apples, and other fine things to eat and splendid singing from some ladies. The day passed off fine. Night came on. Our boat gliding along the river.
- Dec. 6. Morning came alright. Entered the mouth of the Ohio River. Passed some small towns. Dark came on and the boat could not run. Laid up to a wood yard until morning.
- Dec. 7. Passed on up the river and at two o'clock in the afternoon I preached on board of the boat to the passengers with good attention. This opened a field for many questions and talked much. One man by the name of Gur believed and after embraced the gospel and he and his family came to the valley.
- Dec. 8. Passed many fine and flourishing towns and landed at Lewisville in the evening. We met and saw Mr. Porter the Giant, height seven feet and eight inches, weight two hundred and fifty pounds and very lean in flesh.
- Dec. 9. From thence to Cincinnati. Landed at 4:00 in the evening. At 7:00 took the cars for New Jersey. Took dinner in Columbus, Ohio, the capital of the state.
- Dec. 10. Took supper in Cleveland, thence to Dunkirk.
- Dec. 11. Here we missed our road. Took the wrong cars and went ten miles. Got off in a dark night and had to walk back on the track. Took cars in the morning and landed in New Jersey at 10:00 A.M.
- Dec. 12. In the morning found Brother Riser on the train found some twenty of the Elders from the valley. Held a meeting with a few Saints and the spirit of the Lord was with us. All had a refreshing time. All staid to a tavern and wrote a letter to my family.
- Dec. 13. Paid my passage to Europe on the ship called the American Union. Captain Done bought provisions for the voyage. Got on board with Elder Thomas Treat, Benjamin Brown, James Willey, Daniel McArthur,

Charles Smith, George Piercy, Sylvester H. Earl, Edward Stevenson, Nathan T. Porter, George Moore, Merlin Stewart, John Oakley, David Grant, Moses Cluff, Jacob McDonald, George Riser, P.G. Sessions, Edward Bunker and Samuel Glasco.

- Dec. 14. Wrote a letter to my family, one to Wapilo, one to Iowa City, traveled about the city, went to the Mission. Saw a sea dog. This was a day of amusement.
- Dec. 15. Saw six nearly naked women and the strongest in the world.
- Dec. 16. Left the docks and anchored in the river.
- Dec. 17. Towed out to sea. Found a fare wind but blowing a gale moving. Many of the company were sick in a few minutes, the sea rolling, mountains high. This made me sick and hardly went on deck.
- Dec. 18. Storming hard, raining before the wind.
- Dec. 19. Here we organized Benjamine Brown, President, myself and Sylvester Earl Councilors, John Oakley, Clerk, Charles Smith, Chaplin.
- Dec. 20. Wind continued blowing.
- Dec. 21. Fair weather and wind blowing. Warm as summer. The vessel rolling and pitching over waves mountains high. Saw a whale at a distance.
- Dec. 22. The Brethren held a meeting and the Spirit of God was with us.
- Dec. 23. Laid hands on those sick and they were healed. This cheered us up.
- Dec. 24. Fair wind.
- Dec. 25. Christmas morning. A heavy gale, the sea looking like mountains covered with snow. Here we spent the day with some Catholics and all kinds of men and women cursing and swearing and drinking. Here the night was spent in this way with several fills to make it more interesting. Some were sick and groaning and vomiting. The room smelt like a pig pen more than a home of human beings. I cannot describe my feelings but suffice it to say that if Jonah was in the Belly of Hell, so am I with my brethren. Here I lay in my berth and see the lice

crawling on persons that made the scene more interesting, while I am holding myself in my berth. The night passed in this way. Fair weather but a heavy sea until evening.

- Dec. 26. The sea became calm and I preached to the passengers with good attention. One or two of the brethren took sick but were healed by the laying on of hands. Wind blowing a gale, the sea rolling mountains high. Sometimes it would go over the ship. Here we called the Elders together and prayed and the Lord heard our prayers and the gale ceased, although we were in the bowels of hell we were heard.
- Dec. 27. Held our meeting and thanked the Lord for His protecting care for us.
- Dec. 28. The weather cold and stormy. A man died and in a few minutes was sewed up in a blanket and thrown over board by the sailors without any ceremony except he has gone to the sharks. This is a marvel scene to me. Not a friend to drop a tear and to see the spirit of man when at sea.
- Dec. 29. Fine weather. Meeting as usual.
- Dec. 30. Held meeting and the gifts of the Gospel were enjoyed by us.
- Dec. 31. Fair wind and have not changed sail since we left New York.

January 1, 1853

A fair fine day and saw some fish along side of the ship. They followed us all day. Spent the day on deck with everything but that which was good. I took a sever cold when the man was buried and today quite sick.

- Jan. 2. My cold was not better. Two vessels were in sight and sign of Land. The water was clear.
- Jan. 3. Fine weather and land in sight. It is the mountains in Ireland. This made us feel well, although my health poor. Saw many vessels and five or six little houses. The wind raised and the ship had to cast anchor. We were in the Irish Channel that is narrow. Sick all day in bed. In the evening I had hands laid on me and I was better.
- Jan. 5. A pilot came on board with a team tug and took us

into Liverpool. At 2:00 in the afternoon went through the Custom House, from thence to Great Cross Hall Street. Stopped to a public house kept by Mrs. Powell. Met with a number of American Elders and some two hundred Saints from Denmark on their way to Salt Lake.

- Jan 6. Went to the Millennial Star office. In the evening I attended meeting. I was called to speak in a large hall and a large congregation. Bore testimony of the blessings of God that had been over us since we left home.
- Jan. 7. Bought three parasols, four handkerchiefs and sent home with one pair of blankets and a hair mattress and a fine shawl. Sent these things by Brother John Fosgreen, except the shawl. I sent it by Sister Lite from South Hampton and bought myself a suit of clothes with boots, and hat and umbrella. Got my appointment for labor to preside over the Manchester Conference. Left Liverpool at six in the evening with Elder Thomas W. Treat. Arrived in Manchester at nine. Took a cab that carried us to Jonathan Midgley, No. 11 Peel Terrace, Tamwerth Street Stratford Road Hume. Staid all night, he being the President of the Conference.
- Jan. 9. Took train and went to Radcliffe Branch, held meeting with about one hundred Saints under the Presidency of James Crossley. Ordained two Elders and several to the lesser Priesthood. Took supper to Brother Crossley's. Returned to Manchester and I found them with the spirit of the Lord. Elder Cook was speaking when I went in. He closed and I was introduced by Elder C.H. Whelock and Brother Midgley talked to the people with terrible attention. Some rowdies in the gallery that I told if they would behave themselves I would not lay hands on them. They thought best to keep order. The Saints received me very kindly as their President. Staid at Brother Midgley's. Poor health.
- Jan. 10. Went to Elder James Walkers, the Presiding Elder over the District and attended a Branch meeting. Found the good spirit with them.
- Jan. 11. Went to Ashton Underline. Met with about one hundred Saints under the charge of James Whitworth. Met with Elder Willard Snow, Cook and Wheelock. The spirit of God was with the Saints and Elders.

- Jan. 12. Returned with Elder Midgley to Manchester. Health poor. The cold settled on my lungs with fever at nights.
- Jan. 13. Went to Stockford on the cars that run over the river Mercer 90 ft. high. Could look down into the tops of three story chimneys in the town. Attended meeting and I spoke on the Revelation on Celestial Marriage. This was introduced in that Conference one week before. Many were tried and much opposition, yet the spirit rested upon me and the Saints which numbered some three hundred. Presided over by Elder Robert Dunn. Staid all night.
- Jan. 14. Returned to Manchester with Brother Midgley and went to Swinton to Aaron Smithers. Staid all night. Many of the Saints came in. Had a good visit.
- Jan 15. A very dark day. Visited the Manchester Industrial School. Here I saw about nine hundred children and their instructors. These children were from six to fifteen years old. They knew nothing of their parentage. They lived in this building and taught to work. I saw where they eat and sleep and work. This was quite a sight for me. They had preaching all in this establishment. Kept their own stores and raised their own pork and vegetables and some to sell. Attended meeting in the evening. Had a splendid meeting with the Saints.
- Jan. 16. Started for Stely Bridge, but was too late for this train. Took the bus and arrived at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon. Met with the Conference. Found Elder Duel and Cook. Had a pleasant time, thence to Stockford.
- Jan. 17. Staid to Brother Robert Dunn's. Visited several of the Brethren and attended a meeting in the evening. Had a splendid meeting with the Saints.
- Jan. 18. Took the cars to Manchester with Elders Midgley Duel, and Treat, thence to Burry. Held a meeting with a large congregation with good attention. Staid to Brother Henry Stocks.
- Jan. 19. Took breakfast to Brother Gregson's, thence to Manchester. Health good. Thence to Oldham, preached to a small audience.
- Jan. 20. Staid at Brother Luke Nields, thence to Manchester. Met with a council of Elders. Heard the report

from the different Branches of the Conference. Staid to the Conference house and wrote a letter to Stockfort and one to Iowa City to my sister.

- Jan. 21. Staid all night. Rained all the time thus far every day while here. Health poor.
- Jan. 22. Received a letter from Stockfort from Elder Dunn.
- Jan. 23. Visited several families. Staid to the same place.
- Jan. 24. Preached in the Mechanics Institute to a large assembly.
- Jan. 25. Visited during the day and went to the Theater with Brother Midgley and his Sister Ann. Staid to the same place.
- Jan. 26. Went to Ashton. Heard Elder Wheelock preach. The people paid good attention. Staid in Aston.
- Jan. 27. Went to Radcliffe and preached to an attentive assembly of Saints and sinners. Staid to Elder Crossley's.
- Jan. 28. Health poor. To Rockdale to Elder Levi Riggs. Met with the Saints. Preached to them but not so much of the spirit as a former occasions.
- Jan. 29. Thence to Manchester on the stage. Found a letter from home. All well. Thence to Bolton. Staid to Elder Robert Halts.
- Jan. 30. Preached to a large assembly with Elder Midgley. Good attention.
- Jan. 31. Preached in Brakemit Fold. Staid to Brother Ramsten's.

February 1, 1853.

Thence to Manchester. Attended Conference in Carpenters Hall. A very large assembly. Here I found many responsibilities resting upon me and duties.

- Feb. 2. Thence to Halsha Moore. Preached to a small assembly with good attention. Staid to James Hollis's.

- Feb. 3. Presided at Tisdale. Preached to a small assembly of Saints and the spirit of the Lord was manifest with the Saints and the spirit of the Lord was

manifest with the Saints.

- Feb. 4. To Elder James Harts. Thence to Manchester. Staid to the conference House.
- Feb. 5. To Oldham in company with Elder Midgley. Attended a concert gotten up by the Saints. The house was much crowded. I had the privilege of taking part with them which passed off well. Staid to Brother Luke Nields.
- Feb. 6. Took the train to Liverpool. Attended a Conference. heard Elder Wheelock preach his farewell sermon before going to America. Staid to Powell's in Great Croshall Street. Health poor. Coughed horrid. Appetite poor.
- Feb. 7. Attended a concert with the Saints that were going to the valley. Here we had many good instructions that were heard good. A report from Elders Orson Spencer and Jacob Hants from Prussia. They were rejected by the King of that nation and had but few hours to stay. This made the meeting very interesting. I had the privilege to speak a few words. Staid to Elder McDonald's in Liverpool.
- Feb. 8. In company with Elder C.H. Wheelock after taking dinner with Brother Wm. Taylor and Jes T. Park and Edward Martin that had just landed from the valley we went to Ashton, met with the Saints and heard many of them speak in tongues and bid goodbye to about fifty that start in the morning for the valley. Staid to Brother Jeremiah Pickup's Corvindhish Street, Ashton.
- Feb. 9. Saw the Saints start. Wrote one letter to my family and one to my sister, thence to Stely Bridge. Preached to a small congregation of Saints and the spirit of the Lord was with us. Staid to Brother James Pugson's. Health poor.
- Feb. 10. Staid to Parliament Street. No. 44.
- Feb. 11. Preached Hyde to a small Branch of the Church with good attention. Staid all night. Health poor.
- Feb. 12. To Wagon to attend a council meeting and found them all by the ears and ready to devour each other but after a little whipping by the Priesthood, they agreed to forgive each other and bury all their troubles. Staid to William Alker's, Chapel Lane. Next to the Pone Shop. Health a little better.

- Feb. 13. Sunday. Preached twice, with good attention. Staid to the same place. Health poor.
- Feb. 14. To Manchester and found Elder Fulmer at the Conference House. Staid all night. Had many of the Saints to visit me.
- Feb. 15. Visited Brother Shaw and bought six yards of plaid to send home to my children and attended meeting. Spoke on the exaltation of man in connection with Brother Fulmer. Staid to the Conference House.
- Feb. 16. Went to Stockfort took dinner with Brother Dunn. Met with Elder Treat and he returned to Manchester with me and in the evening visited Brother Bunch in company with Elder Fulmer. Had a good visit Staid to the Conference House. Health poor.
- Feb. 17. Took the Omnibus and went to Rockdale to Brother Luke Nield's in company with Elder Fulmer. Met with the Saints and found them in trouble and a hard spirit with them and dissension in their midst but after laboring with them there was a good spirit restored. Staid to Brother Ridge's.
- Feb. 18. In company with Elder Fulmer we visited a cotton and woolen factory where they made some twelve thousand yards of cloth. Went all through these factories, thence to an old church that was built about seven hundred years ago. Here they preached a funeral sermon every day. Let there be more or less to bury. We saw three buried. They dig deep in the ground and put one coffin on top of another until they fill the hole full. Here thousands lay on a small spot of ground. This scene was very interesting to me. Staid to Brother Ridge's.
- Feb. 19. To Totington and attended a party with the Priesthood. Had a good supper and some amusement and staid with Brother Croshaws, President of the Branch. Health poor.
- Feb. 20. Held three meetings in Bury in company with Elder Fulmer.
- Feb. 21. Visited several of the Saints and held another meeting with the Saints and a good spirit was in their midst. Staid to Brother Henry Stock's, the President of the Branch.
- Feb. 22. Thence to Manchester. Took dinner at the

- Conference House with Elder Fulmer, thence to Victoria Rail Station and parted with Brother Fulmer and went to Ashton. Met with the Saints. Preached to them and the Spirit of the Lord was with us. Staid to Brother John Lee's.
- Feb. 23. Visited Brother Wm. Booth, 110 Church Street, Thence to Old Hill. Preached to a few Saints and returned to Ashton and staid to Brother Lee's. Health poor, weather cold. Thence to Manchester attended a council meeting of the Priesthood. A good spirit prevailed. Staid to Brother Johnson's.
- Feb. 24. Visited several of the Saints. Staid to the Conference House.
- Feb. 25. Thence to Stockfort and attended a party with many of the Saints and had a good time.
- Feb. 26. Preached twice to the Saints and staid to Brother Samuel Morehouse. Health good.
- Feb. 27. Thence to Manchester and found Brother Daniel Spencer at the Conference House. Attended meeting in Manchester. Staid all night.
- Feb. 28. Staid all night and done some business.
- March 1, 1853
Went to Bung. Held a meeting in connection with Brother Spencer. Staid to Brother Stocks. Health good as common.
- Mar. 2. Thence to Bolton. Attended meeting and preached to a small congregation. Staid to Brother Holts. Health poor.
- Mar. 3. To Brakemet Fold. Preached with good attention. Staid all night.
- Mar. 4. To Rockdale to Elder Levi Riggs. Staid all night.
- Mar. 5. Sunday went to Hyde and preached to a small congregation, thence to Rockdale and preached again with good attention. Staid to Brother Ridges.
- Mar. 6. Thence to Manchester and parted with Elder Spencer. His health poor. Thence to Stockport to settle some feelings in the Priesthood.
- Mar. 7. To Swinton. Staid to Brother Smith's. Found Elder Atwood and gave him a Mission to Rockdale.

- Mar. 8. Preached to a small branch of the Saints. Good spirit prevailed. Staid to the same place. Health poor.
- Mar. 9. Thence to Manchester. Attended council meeting. Had up the case of Anthorn Weight and referred him to Brother Samuel Richards. Staid to the Conference House.
- Mar. 10. To Salford. Made several visits and went to Stockfort. Staid to Elder Dunn's.
- Mar. 11. Attended a baptism of two. Staid to Brother Nare??? houses.
- Mar. 12. To Manchester. Preached twice to a large congregation in the Mechanic's Institution. Staid to the Conference House.
- Mar. 13. Met with Elder Treat. Went to Salford and preached to a small congregation and staid to Brother Thorup's with Brother Treat. Health poor.
- Mar. 14. Returned to Manchester. Wrote a letter home to my family and sent some things by Brother James Newton, four pairs sidecombs, one cravat, one box of envelopes and two pocket knives and wrote ten letters to the Districts in the Conference giving notice of the Quarterly Conference and preached in the evening to a small assembly and met with Elder Bolton from France, on his way home to the valley. Received from Liverpool the portraits of the Presidents of the Church and the Twelve. Staid to the Conference House.
- Mar. 15. To Middleton, preached to an attentive assembly. Staid to James Wood's.
- Mar. 16. To Blue Pitts to Sister Mitten's, to dinner and saw a woman that had walked eleven miles after being sick and had her child on the road and brought it in her arms five miles. Got home at five in the morning. Out almost all night. Thence to Rockdale to settle some business on difficulties between Brother Atwood and the Branch. Staid to Brother Rigg's. The weather cold and stormy with snow.
- Mar. 17. To Manchester. Staid to the Conference House.
- Mar. 18. To Stely Bridge and attended festival and had a good time. Staid all night.

- Mar. 19. Preached twice and attended a council meeting, one baptized and confirmed. The spirit of the Lord attended the services of the day. Staid all night.
- Mar. 20. To Manchester. Attended a social meeting with the Saints. Health poor.
- Mar. 21. To Radcliffe. Attended meeting. Preached with good spirit prevailing. Staid to Elder Crossley's. Cold Weather. Some snow.
- Mar. 22. Preached again. Staid at the same place.
- Mar. 23. To Manchester. Attended Council meetings of the District. Health poor.
- Mar. 24. Was good Friday. Went to Ashton in company with Elder Blackburn and attended a party that went off well. Staid to Brother Lee's.
- Mar. 25. To Manchester. Found Elder Fulmer. Staid to the Conference House.
- Mar. 26. Held a Conference in the Carpenter's Hall. Attended with the Saints from all Districts and reports from thirty-nine Branches. All in good condition. The business of the day passed off well with many interesting speeches.
- Mar. 27. To Ashton. Saw a man's effigy on horseback escorted through the town with a Marshall hand ??? of Music. This man was killed in this town some seventy years ago and a certain amount of money appropriated by the government that on Good Friday of each year his effigy should be taken through the principle streets and then his head shot off and sold to the highest bidder as a Memorial of him as an oppressor and tyrant. Then I went to the Anniversary of the Sabbath School established by the Latter-day Saints in 1848. This was an interesting meeting. Had a good supper. Staid to John Lee's.
- Mar. 28. To Manchester with Elder Fulmer. Visited some of the Saints and staid to the Conference House. Health poor.
- Mar. 30. Took a ride with Brother Birch about thirty miles which was quite pleasant to ride in a gig with a good horse which we had returned and had company to the Conference House. Staid to the Conference

House.

Mar. 31. Elder Fulmer started for the Preston conference.

April 1, 1853

Visited several of the Saints and attended council meeting with the Manchester District and received Hawthorn. Waite brought into the Church as he had been cut off before. Staid to the Conference House.

Apr. 2. Gave up the House by paying #1-S17-D6 in advance and moved to Elder Walker's, 22 Union Street Andwick. This will relieve me of great expense and trouble. Thence to Oldham to attend council meeting in that district with a good spirit. Staid to Elder Nields. Health poor.

Apr. 3. Preached three times and the blessings of the Lord was with us by the gifts. Staid to the same place. Health poor.

Apr. 4. To Manchester and then to Stockfort and met with the Council there but not a good spirit with them as some difficulties existed. Staid all night to Bolton.

Apr. 5. Attended meeting with the Saints and a good spirit prevailed. Staid to Elder Holt's. Health poor. Weather raining.

Apr. 6. Visited the Saints in Bolton and preached again. The Saints rejoiced in the Truth. Staid to the same place. Health poor.

Apr. 7. Wrote ten letter to the various districts to raise money for Levi Richards. Attended council meeting at Eldon Holt's. Had a good time. Staid all night. Health poor.

Apr. 8. Wrote a letter to my family in the valley and went to Leith to Elder John Holden's. Staid all night. Health poor.

Apr. 9. Attended a Festival in company with Elder Fulmer and Treat. Had a good time. Staid to the same place. Health better.

Apr. 10. To Bolton. Spoke in the morning. Thence to Radcliffe. Preached and settled some divisions in the Priesthood, that had created much excitement and hard feelings. Staid to James Crossley's.

Apr. 11. To Manchester and preached in Salford to a small company of Saints. Good attention. Staid to Brother Nightingales.

Apr. 12. Attended meeting in Ardwick. Preached with good attention. Staid to Elder Walker's. Health poor.

Apr. 13. To Liverpool. Saw Brother Samuel Richards. Had some council from him. Returned to Manchester. Staid to Brother Walker's.

Apr. 14. Thence to Stely Bridge in company with Elder Fulmer. Held a meeting in company with Brother Fulmer. Staid to Brother Pugson's.

Apr. 15. Preached to Stely Bridge. Staid all night.

Apr. 16. To Ashton and visited the Saints. Found them all well.

Apr. 17. Sunday attended a district conference. Preached twice and Elder Fulmer once. Staid to Brother Lee's.

Apr. 18. To Stockfort and settled difficulties with Brother Dunn and Ginies. Staid all night. Health good.

Apr. 19. To Cross More Branch. Preached to a small company of Saints. Staid to Mr. Broadhurst's in an old house that John Wesley had preached in years before. Fine weather during the day. Visited a gentlemen and took tea with him by the name of John Webb. This man was inquiring for the truth.

Apr. 20. Preached in Stockfort near Portwood. Good attention.

Apr. 21. To Manchester. Staid to Elder Walker's.

Apr. 22. Wrote a letter to E. B. Tripp in Iowa. Staid to Brother Shaw's in Manchester.

Apr. 23. To Swinton. Staid to Brother Smith's.

Apr. 24. Sunday attended a District Conference. Preached twice, two baptized. Staid to the same place.

Apr. 25. Met with Elder Fulmer. Staid same place.

Apr. 26. To Oldham with Elder Fulmer. Staid to Elder Nield's.

Apr. 27. Preached to a small assembly of Saints. Staid all night to Shaw's.

Apr. 28. Brother Fulmer preached. Staid all night.

Apr. 29. To Ashton. Attended council meeting and staid to Sister Hewitt's.

Apr. 30. To Stely Bridge and attended a tea party and went off well. Many strangers attended. Staid all night.

May 1, 1853
Preached twice with good attention and many stranger to hear. Got a box and two volumes of the Star, a present from Brother Pugson.

May 2. To Manchester again. Met Elder Fulmer. Health good and the weather fine. Thence to Bolton and staid to Elder Holt's.

May 3. To Indley. Preached to a small congregation and had a good meeting.

May 4. To Wagan. Staid to Brother Harker's. Health good.

May 5. Visited and took dinner to Brother Maxwell's and took a walk in a gentlemen's park. Thence to meeting and preached. Good attention and a good spirit with the Saints. Staid to Brother Batie's and the bugs like to have eaten me up head and ears.

May 6. To Leith. Preached to a large congregation. Staid all night.

May 7. To Manchester to Brother Johnson's.

May 8. Preached in Manchester once and Elder Blackburn preached. Staid to the same place.

May 9. To Middleton. Preached once. Staid all night.

May 10. To Bury. Preached to an attentive congregation. Staid to Brother Gregson's.

May 11. To Manchester. Preached to a small congregation with good attention. Staid all night and a man killed his wife on the opposite side of the street.

May 12. To Stockport. The weather cold and the hills covered with snow and have been since the 7th and

will continue for day. Apple and pear trees in blossom and the fields green but cold weather. Staid to Morehouse's in Portwood.

- May 13. Staid to Brother Ginie's. Health poor.
- May 14. Attended tea party in Stockport. Had a good time. Staid with Elder Treat to Brother Morehouse's.
- May 15. Preached three times to a large congregation with good attention. Two came forward for baptism. Staid to Brother Dunn's. Health poor.
- May 16. To Manchester. Saw Elder Fulmer and parted with him and he went to Liverpool and I staid to Brother Shaw's. Health a little better and attended a social meeting with the Saints.
- May 17. Took a walk with Brother Shaw and went to meeting. Staid to the same place.
- May 18. Went with Brother Shaw to a horse race where there was not less than one hundred people, some drunk and some sober, others mad and others glad. Here all kinds of gambling was carried on. Such a scene I never saw before in my life. Staid to the same place.
- May 19. Went to a place called Bucket Hole Cluff a grove of timber with about three hundred of the Manchester Saints and the Sabbath School. Here I saw some fun as we staid on the ground about six hours thence to Salford. Staid all night.
- May 20. Thence to Oldham to a Festival of Joseph and his brethren in Egypt. Did not go off very well. Staid to Elder Luke Nield's. Health poor.
- May 21. To Ashton and took a ride on the canal with the Saints or about one hundred and fifty of them, to a place called Marple Candings. Staid about six hours. This was about seven miles. Had a good time. Staid to Elder Lee's.
- May 22. Preached twice with good attention. Staid to the same place, wrote a letter to Osgood Vergin in the states.
- May 23. Wrote a letter to my family and went to Manchester. Saw Elder Treat and Blackburn, the traveling Elders in the Manchester Conference, thence to Stockport and attended a council with the

Priesthood. Gave them some council about removing the elder from place to place as had been the custom before this. I put down the changing of Presidents of Branches. Staid to Elder Ginise's??.

- May 24. Thence to Brother Morehouse's and Elder Blakey baptized a man by the name of French, a doctor. Thence to Manchester. Staid to Elder Walker's after attending meeting in that district. Met Elder Barnes. Had a good time.
- May 25. To Radcliffe. Preached with a good spirit with the Saints. Staid to Elder Crossley's.
- May 26. To Tottington. Attended council meeting. Staid all night. Health poor.
- May 27. Went through a Printworks where they print calicos. Staid to the same place.
- May 28. To Bury. Attended Council meeting and cut John Gregson off from the Church. Staid to Brother Hall's.
- May 29. Preached once and went to Radcliffe and preached in the evening. Health very poor. Staid all night.
- May 30. To Manchester. Staid to Elder Walker's and got two letters from home and one from my family and one from my Mother.
- May 31. Wrote a letter to my family and went to Sheffield and saw Elder Glover. Found him in good health. Attended meeting in sheffield. Staid all night. Health poor.
- June 1, 1853
Went to a small town, Chesterfield, eighteen miles. Staid all night. Quite sick and feeble.
- June 2. To Manchester, 58 miles. Hardly able to sit up. Staid to Elder Walker's.
- June 3. To Liverpool. Saw Elder Orson Pratt from America and Elder Darwin Richards on his way from Jamaica as that people rejected him and the gospel and he was obliged to leave, returned back to Manchester with Brother Richards. Staid to Elder Walker's. Health poor. Received several letters.
- June 4. Visited some of the Saints in Manchester and staid to Brother Shaws. No better in health.

- June 5. Attended meeting in Manchester and heard Elder Richards preach on the duty of the Saints and I spoke on the same principles. Had a good meeting. Took up a collection for Brother Richards. Took up 26 shillings. Staid to Elder Walker's.
- June 6. Visited some of the Saints. Staid to the same place.
- June 7. Elder Richards went to Liverpool and I went to Ashton. Attended meeting. Preached a short discourse upon the dealings of God with all ages of the world and with the Saints in the last days. Had a good meeting and staid to Brother Lee's.
- June 8. To Rockdale. Attended meeting. Preached on the Power of the One to Lead the Saints away as well in the age as in former days. staid to Elder Riggs. Health very poor.
- June 9. Staid all day and sick.
- June 10. To Stockport. Staid to Brother Morehouse's. Met with Elder Blackburn. Slept with him and told him a dream that I had the night before. I saw a large black snake about ten feet long and a grey one about the same size that had the black on by the tail and I had them by the tail. The one that I had by the tail looked big with young. The black one was trying to get away and pulled her and me along until they came to a stream of water and I let go and as they run across, Brother Blackburn staid on the other side and I told him to watch them but they both came back across the stream and hid themselves in an old barn and as I was intense after them I walked around the barn. I saw another looking like the grey one come by me quite swift and I had hard work to get out of her way. As I got out of that another one came in sight under some poles, but they all got shelter under the old barn. The interpretation was at hand. A certain man was entangled with three women as I learned from Elder Blackburn and by me telling the dream it seemed that he had been watching the snakes as well as myself.
- June 11. Visited the Saints. Staid to the same place.
- June 12. To Stely Bridge. Preached once with good attention. Staid to Broadhead's. Health poor as I took a sever cold.

- June 13. To Manchester. Sick and staid to Elder Walker's.
- June 14. Went on Rockdale Road to Brother Micoock's and got some underclothes cut out. Visited Brother Thorup and returned to Manchester. Staid to the Same place very sick and had hands laid on me by Elder Walker.
- June 15. This is my birthday, 39 years old. Took dinner to Sister hill's and had a good visit. Staid to Brother Walker's very sick and he laid hands upon me and I felt better and slept a little. Received two letters, one from Brother Earl and one from Brother Crossley.
- June 16. To Brother Shaw's and he and his wife went to Deanes Gate and I ordered myself a coat and vest and bought a handkerchief. Staid to Brother Shaw's. Coughed very hard and slept but little.
- June 17. In the morning felt bad. Appetite poor. Took the coach and went to Salford near Sir Robert Peals Park to one of the Sisters in the Church. Took dinner and visited the Park. Here I saw a file of the Lava from Mount Vesuvius that had been thrown out by volcanic eruptions and some pieces of a petrified tree with many other curiosities. Here I saw Sir Robert's likeness in plaster of paris on a large monument of well cut stone. His statue is about ten feet high. He was a noble looking fellow and his name will be had in remembrance as he repealed the Corn Law in this nation. This gave him a great fame in this land. Staid to Elder Walker's.
- June 18. To Radcliffe. Attended a meeting and spoke on the Gathering and the Trials of the Saints in crossing the plains to the valleys and their living on roots and meat for months. Staid to Thomas Smith's. Health a little better.
- June 19. Preached twice. Spoke on the duty of the Elders and other officers in the Church. A good spirit prevailed in the meetings through the day.
- June 20. To Manchester. Met Elders Treat, and Blackburn and Elder George Day. Gave them some counsel and attended a social meeting in Manchester. Staid to Brother Shaw's. Health better.
- June 21. Got a new suit of clothes and hat. Received

several letters and went to Ashton. Preached to a small congregation. Staid to Brother Lee's. Preached on the power of the devil over the children of men.

- June 22. To Salford. Preached to a small congregation. Staid all night. Health bad.
- June 23. To Elder Walker's and wrote a letter to my family and went to Hyde. Found some of the Saints rather doctored with the table turning and I spoke on that subject and the spirit of the Lord was with us. Staid all night.
- June 24. Returned to Manchester and found Elder Fulmer there. Reported myself to him and the standing of the Saints. Staid all night to Elder Walker's.
- June 25. Two sister came. These and one of them confessed that she and Treat had committed adultery. This gave me such feelings that I cannot describe as I here learned the interpretation of my dream as there was one black one and three grey ones. There is three women with Treat that are after him and one close. Staid to the same Place.
- June 26. Met in Conference with about three thousand Saints. Orson Pratt, S.W. Richards with three other American Elders, Bunker, and Glover and Grant with about one hundred English Elders. Pratt preached a great discourse on the existence of man the and the building of a temple and the importance of having our endowments. Went to 22 Union Street with Elders Pratt and Richards. Got some counsel pertaining to T.W. Treat. In the evening they returned to Liverpool The reports from the Conference was good. Staid all night to Elder Walker's with Elder Fulmer.
- June 27. Called a Council of Elders. John s. Fulmer, Wm. Glover, and Edward Bunker. David Grant, McDonald and Robert Mensies, Presidents of the Liverpool and Preston Conferences with Elders Walker, Alsup, Bunch and Blackburn. I then called up Elder Thomas W. Treat as suspicion was upon him of adultery. He arose and said: "Brethren that once was, and am as long as I hold the Holy Priesthood, I stand before you a guilty man. I have been lead by the Devil and I am cut off from the Kingdom of God perhaps forever. I know this is the Kingdom of God and if my life could atone for my sins, I would do it and let this be a warning to you, for while I have been

teaching others to be pure, I have been in adultery in two cases but it is the first time. I feel a heavier load upon me that I ever did in my life. Brethren, pray for me that I may get to my children. I want you to save those that I have committed this sin. I have lead them away."

He seemed very much affected and so did the council. It was agreed that he should be published in the Star. Staid to Elder Walkers. This has been a day long to be remembered by me as it is nine years this day that the Prophet Joseph and Hyrum was killed and the trial of Elder Treat.

- June 28. Went to Brother Cohopel's to dinner. Thence to Ashton. Attended meeting. Spoke after Elder Fulmer on the First Principles of the Gospel. Had a good meeting. Staid to Brother Lee's.
- June 29. To Manchester. Wrote a letter to Elder Kimball in the valley, thence to Bolton. Staid to Elder Holt's. After attending a social meeting with the Saints, spoke some on the Power of the Devil to lead the Saints away from the truth.
- June 30. Took the train to Leith and stopped to dinner with Brother Charles Edward Walsh. Health good. Preached to a small assembly and the good spirit was with us. Staid to Brother Holden's.
- July 1, 1853. To Bolton to Elder Holt's. Visited some of the Saints. Staid all night to Elder Fulmer's.
- July 2. To Preston by the train and staid to Elder Robert Mensies, the President of the Preston Conference. Met with Wm. Emphy an American Elder. Visited some of the Saints, took a walk and saw the Stone Arches across the river at that place, that is over one hundred feet. There is five arches. This is a stupendous work of architecture. The railroad passes over these arches with enormous loads. Health improving.
- July 3. Attended Conference in Preston and in the afternoon was called upon to preach. Spoke upon the trials of the Saints in former days and how easy it was to be led away by the influence of the Devil, although the actual knowledge of God; that the mind can become so dark that like Peter we are ready to deny the Lord and forget the things we once knew. Had a good day at the Conference. AT nine o'clock took

the train to Manchester. Arrived about 1:00.
Staid to Elder Walker's, thirty miles.

- July 4. Met with Elder Blackburn and gave him some counsel and wrote a letter to my Sister Sylvia in the state of Iowa and attended a party to Brother Shaw's as he was about to go to America. Talked to the company about a half an hour. Had a good visit. Staid all night.
- July 5. To Rockdale on the coach. Staid to Elder Levi Rigg's. Had a long detail of troubles in the district with their bad conduct. This gave me bad feelings and I appointed a meeting for to settle the same.
- July 6. To Oldham on the coach. Attended meeting and preached upon the power of the Devil to lead the Saints away from the Truth and the power that he had had in former days and the power that was exercised among men in that movement and table turning and raping was the same power that the astrologers had in Egypt in the days of Moses. Staid to Elder Luke Nield's. Health good.
- July 7. Took the train to Rockdale. Arrived at 11 o'clock P.M. Held a meeting to settle some difficulties with the Priesthood disunion and hard feelings but they agreed to forgive each other. Staid to Elder Rigg's. Health good.
- July 8. Took the coach to Totington. Attended a Council meeting with the Priesthood. Gave them some instructions and had a good time in the Council. Staid to Elder Crosham's.
- July 9. Very heavy thunder with heavy rain until noon. It cleared off and I took the train and went to Middleton. Staid to Elder Wood's. Continued to rain all night. Took some cold. Health not so good.
- July 10. Attended meeting in open council to inquire into the case of some unwise proceedings of two or three of the Elders, Jackson and Booth. They confessed their faults and were forgiven. In the afternoon the Sacrament was administered and a good spirit prevailed. Took the coach and went to Manchester and attended meeting. Elder Richard Cook preached and I spoke a short time. Staid to Elder Walker's.
- July 11. Elders Fulmer and Empey arrived from Preston. Elder

- Cook came in and took dinner and Brother Empey and I took the train to Radcliffe. I preached to a large congregation and the spirit of the Lord was with us. Staid to Elder Crossley's.
- July 12. Took the train to Perry. Heard Elder Cook preach and I bore testimony and so did Brother Empey. Staid to Brother Gregson's. Health good.
- July 13. Took dinner to Brother Furnise's and then took the train to Radcliffe with Elder Empey. Attended meeting to settle some difficulties with Brother Samuel Eckelsley. He was humble and was forgiven his faults. Preached to the people and staid to James Crossley's. Health poor.
- July 14. To Stockport and preached to the Saints upon the Power of the Devil to lead the Saints away from the truth. Staid to Brother Anthony Wright's.
- July 15. Visited many of the Saints and staid to Brother Dunn's.
- July 16. To Ashton and staid to Brother lee's. Health poor. Had a sore mouth.
- July 17. Preached twice to Ashton with good attention and a good spirit prevailed. Thence to Stely Bridge. Preached to a small congregation and the most of them Saints. Thence to Dutonfield and staid to Brother Pugson's in Parliament Street.
- July 18. To Stockford with Elder Empey. Attended Council meeting. Gave them some counsel and staid to Elder Dunn's.
- July 19. Took the train to Ashton. Elder Empey preached with good attention. I visited an old church that was built in 1410. We went into it. The inside was fine, the finest work that I ever saw in my life. The outside on the columns were the most awful looking faces carved out of the stone that I ever saw. The most hideous looking serpents holding men by the tongues and all the deformities of the human beings. This was a marvel to me while around this house and in it thousands of the human family are laid low, packed down a vault, dug some forty feet deep and then filled to the top with the dead. Here many meet every day to bury their dead and a Priest in his white dress to read over these vaults and the hideous faces looking at him while God and angels laugh at his tom foolery with the ceremonies

over the dead. My heart sickened while I stood and looked on and witnessed the blindness of the people without the gifts of God and I felt to say, "Oh, Lord God how long shall the blind lead the blind and pollute the Earth for within one hundred years of this spot more than five hundred ?? of posterity live and in the night time it would be impossible to approach this Church without being insulted with these characters", but cease my pen. Staid to Brother John Lee's.

- July 20. To Stely Bridge and held a meeting. Elder Empy preached and I bore testimony. Staid to Brother Derum's. Health poor.
- July 21. To Manchester and received two letter from home. Visited several of the Saints and attended Council meeting in Manchester. Staid to Elder Walker's. Parted with Elder Empy. Sent him to Rockdale to labor for a week.
- July 22. To Leith by the train. Staid to Brother Ralph Smith's. Health poor. Here I saw a rich sight. I saw a mother and two daughters drag the third daughter out of doors and such a fight I never saw before in my life. They got out of breath and the mother and the two girls went in the house and left the other in the street so exhausted that she made me think of a sheep that a wolf had chased. This girl was nineteen years old. She staid in the street all night as the doors were locked against her. This is one among the many such fights that I have seen here. I have seen two wives beat near to death in one night and one killed by her husband by knocking her down stairs.
- July 23. Visited some of the Saints and attended a Council meeting to settle some difficulties among the Elders. All arose from a little jealousy of the power of their office. This I settled with them and staid to Brother Wm. Grice's. Health poor.
- July 24. Took the train to Bolton and preached three times with good attention by the Saints and the world had a large congregation. Meeting held in the town hall. Staid to Elder Holt's much fatigued.
- July 25. Saw a team and wagon. The wagon weighed fifty five hundred with eight wheels and twenty horses worked on it. Of the largest size they haul boilers that weigh about twenty tons on these wagons. Brother Holt soled my boots. The weather fine and war.

Attended a police court in the town hall about twenty cases of drunkenness. Called up some of them exposing themselves naked. These cases fined five shillings and cost? some for assault and battery. Several women with their faces mauled so that they could hardly see out of their eyes fined five shillings and cost. This seemed to be the highest fine inflicted and three for none payment and was committed to prison. This was amusing to me to see the prissiness and witness all drunkards and smelt as strong as an old beer house. I took dinner to Elder Holt's. A number of the Saints came in and had a good visit during the afternoon. Staid all night. Health a lot better.

July 26. Took the train to Leith. Arrived at 11 P.M. Took dinner to Brother Walshe's. Visited several of the Saints and preached in the evening upon the Preexistence of Man and the object of coming here into the world and the work that we aught to do here. Had a good time in speaking. Staid to Ralph Smith's. Tired almost out.

July 27. To Indley to dinner and laid down and took a rest thence to Wagan and visited a pit by the road side that was some three hundred feed deep. Here some two hundred men were employed in digging coddles and a lot of women were working at the top of the pit. These females were dressed with a petticoat buttoned around their waist and pans on. Their petticoats pined up as high as their hips and I should not have thought of their being females by their dress on their bodies. They were so black and aged, if it had not have been for their long hair and some of them has some old bonnets on their heads. Here they were climbing about like men. This beat me out to see these females dressed like men with no exception only a petticoat bundled around their waists but showed the buttons on their pants. Here they got out an abundance of coal. This place is famous for coal both for quantity and quality. Staid to Brother Batie's. Health poor. Attended a Committee Reform meeting. They preached Faith and Repentance but leave out the Gift of the Holy Ghost by the Laying on of Hands in accordance with the scriptures.

July 28. Visited a place where they saw stone and had a nice present from Brother William Harulhurst, a fine stone cut for a broach. Took dinner to Brother Maxwell's. Rainy weather. Preached in Wagan to a large congregation with good attention. Staid to

- Brother Batie's. Health poor.
- July 29. To Indly. Preached to a small congregation.
- July 30. To Manchester. Met with Elder Fulmer and Emphy. Staid to Brother Walker's. Wrote a letter to my family in the valley.
- July 31. Attended meeting in manchester all day but a good meeting. Elder Emphy preached in the evening. In the morning it was a testimony meeting. Staid to Elder Walker's.
- August 1, 1853
Wrote a letter to Jacob Secrest thence to Brother Micoock's. Took dinner with Elder Emphy, thence to Stockfort. Attended Council meeting and staid to Brother Dunn's.
- Aug. 2 To Crossmore. Preached to a small assembly of the Saints. Found some trouble about the record of the Branch. Some one had cut out some leaves and the supposition is upon Wm. Potts but he denies the charge and no proof in the case. Staid to Brother William's. Slept well and had no flees or bugs to bit me.
- Aug. 3. To Stockfort. Took tea with Brother Anthony Wright, thence to Pointon. Preached to a small assembly of Saints. Staid to Sister Mary Worol's. Her husband gone to the valley.
- Aug. 4. To Sister Martha Worol's to dinner. Her husband gone to the valley. Health poor. Took the train to Stockfort. Preached to the Saints with good attention. Staid to Anthony Wright's. Slept with him and his wife as they had but one bed in the house.
- Aug. 5 To Manchester. Received several letters from different places, one from Elder Fulmer with a request to raise #22-S15-D4 for foreign missions. Staid to Elder George Thorup's.
- Aug. 6. Took a warm bath, thence to Brother James Johnson's to tea, thence to Middleton on the coach. Staid to Elder George Huetson's.
- Aug. 7. Attended a trial on charge against Thom Jackson for being intimate and keeping Sister Mary Ann Crundy in his house. He confessed his faults but his Presidency was taken from him and given to Brother

George Huetson. I ordained him to the office of an Elder, thence to Manchester on the coach. Preached in the Mechanics Institution to a large congregation, thence to Brother Micock's. Staid all night.

Aug. 8.

Visited the Bellview Gardens at the entrance is a fine mansion. The first that caught the eye after entering is a large building fitted with beasts of many kinds in cages. Here was the Lion and tigers, leopards, panthers, wolves, lamas, kangaroos, with a vast amount of small animals, also the buffalo, the grisly bear and several black ones. The next was a cage or a building filled with fowls of all kinds and descriptions from the large ostrich to the humming bird that sucks the honey from the flowers. Here was many kinds of fowls that could talk or speak, many words plain and whistle tunes as plain as a man could, and to see the various kinds and colors, it is wonderful to look at their beauty. Here is fowls from all parts of the world and such strong forms and varieties of color and sounds of their notes in their songs, that it is hard to imagine the noise that they made. The next is a pond of water filled with fowls from the large white swan and the black one too, to the canary bird, all kinds of ducks and they are so tame they would eat from your hand. Here you could hear the wild goose and the loon with the quacking of the ducks and on the borders of this pond of water is pleasant walks with their fruit and flowers.

In the sides of these walks are summer houses with tables for you to take some refreshments on, and sit and read or amuse yourself as you please with a good brass band of music and a large nice floor of about one hundred feet long and sixty broad. Here people can dance and make themselves merry in the dance. Here Hundreds come and keep it up all day.

Sings, places to jump and run foot races with men or dogs or cats or anything you please, shooting with bows and arrows with a race that if you get in it is a whale to get out again. Then you could look into the Hot Houses or glass houses, that they keep all kinds of flowers in winter, with a vast quantity of fruit that grows in these hot houses such as the orange, the grape of the largest and best kinds. These places are adorned with the greatest variety of flowers that I ever saw in my life and the largest as they can ??pemper the atmosphere in these houses as they please. This

was the most beautiful place that I ever saw both flowers and fruit on the same trees. Here stood the fine orange trees with large yellow oranges on, the tree and the blossom and the small one growing. Here I amused myself from 4:00 a.m. until 9:00, then went to another part of the garden.

Here I saw a large city with churches and chapels and mansions with a large fort. This city is situated at the sea shore and as you stand and look over the city the hills rise and keep rising till you can see the snow capped mountains with the trees growing among the rugged rocks. This could be almost incredible, that such a work could be done by the painters and the sculptors. These paintings magnify at least one thousand times larger than they truly are and a man to stand and look at them and he would think it a real city, hills and mountains and a sea before him, when it is all the works and arts of man. Here I stood with about five or six thousand people to see the city taken by a large army. The night was dark and by the light of the fire works all was bright. The water was full of fish and they were swimming about on the water and spouting fire out of their mouths. This looked splendid. They would throw fire to a great height on the air and the light of these rockets would change sometimes. It would look green then blue then red, then white and after several minutes it would go out but they kept the air full of them.

Here stood a large number of cannons that in reality were cannons and men to fire them and they came up before the city and commenced an attack upon the fort and they commenced firing from both sides and large companies of soldiers came off with their guns and their guns went off yet these all are painted but so fixed that their guns go off and then they retreat and another company comes up. At length the cannon begins to throw bombshells into the city. The arsenal blows up and throws some of the buildings down, then comes up Wellington with a ship of war and his ship sailing. They commence firing from the ship at the city. Then you can see the city taken by the sword, seamen come up to sword points, see them fall, see the dead and wounded, the city on fire and falling. The ship takes fire at sea and begins to throw fire in the air. This would make your blood chill in your veins if you did not know that it was all fictitious but to hear the sharp crack of the

cannon and the clash of swords and hear the shouting of the officers and see them swing their bats, it makes a horrid scene.

Here I stood about forty minutes, when all at once it stopped and I was standing in the crowd of spectators on the shore of a pond of water. All was dark except a few gas lights to light the garden. Here was a vast quantity of powder burned but no one killed or hurt. It took some sixty well trained men to carry on these fire works. This was a shilling well spent that called up many reflections to see the beasts of the field, and the fowls of the air in subjection to man and see the arts and sciences that he has attained to in forming a garden with all kinds of flowers to adorn it and it's mansion. Here I could see what forty years had accomplished with mortal man, what could a thousand when this mortal has put on Immortality, when this corruption shall have put on incorruption and sickness and death is nor more. Previous to going to this garden I wrote a letter to Elder Fulmer and nine other places. Staid to Brother Walker's. Got to his house a little past 10:00 a.m..

- Aug. 9. Took dinner to Brother Hawthorn Weight's, thence to Ashton on the train and preached to a large congregation with good attention. Staid to Elder John Lee's. Health poor.
- Aug. 10. Took the train to Manchester and took dinner to Mother Hill's, that kept house for me when I first came to England. I had a good visit. Took train to Stockfort. Preached in Portwood in a private house to a number of Saints and the spirit was poured out. I spoke upon the necessity of going to Zion and being faithful. Staid to Brother Morehouse's. Coughed hard.
- Aug. 11. To Sister Clegg's. Preached to a crowded room of the Saints after seeing a town missionary, but could not get him to say much to me but would abuse the Saints that are weak and I gave him a mission to peddle lies against the Saints as long as he lives and when he died he should have a liars reward for he knew that the pamphlets are lies. This mission is officially and I shall expect him to be to his post. This I gave publicly. Staid to Brother Morehouse's. Health poor.
- Aug. 12. Preached in the room in Stockport. Had a large

congregation and good attention. Staid to the same place.

- Aug. 13. To Swinton to Elder Smith's. Staid all night and slept with Elder Blackburn.
- Aug. 14. Attended a sacrament meeting in the morning, at the chapel. Took dinner to Brother Smith's, then went to and outdoor meeting where I saw five hundred people collected, but before much had been said by Elder Blackburn a set of devils in part of human shape came to get up a row and began to disturb the meeting and the leader is one that had been pitched down stairs some thirteen years since when Elder Brigham Young was preaching in Manchester. This smutty cur has been opposing the Saints all the time since and likely will until he has run his race in this world. At half past six a.m. I preached in Pendlebury to a large congregation and with good attention and the best of order and I believe some good seed sown that will spring up to everlasting life. Staid to Elder Smith's. In the night one of his children had a fit and he brought the child to my bed and as soon as my hands touched his head he came out of the fit and went to sleep in a few minutes and continued better the next morning.
- Aug. 15. Took the coach to manchester. Went to Elder Walkers and had a visit from Elder Armstrong. He was well but had a very red nose. This I did not like to see. Elder Empey came and I sent him to Bolton and I went to Radcliffe. Staid to Elder Crossley's. Health poor. Came on the train.
- Aug. 16. Took the train to Bury. Took dinner to elder Furnise's. Visited several of the Saints and took tea to Dr. German's Thence to the meeting room and preached to the Saints and a few strangers with good attention. Staid to Elder Daniel Hall's.
- Aug. 17. Visited a foundry where they have a long trip hammer and a rolling machine to roll the iron. This is a large establishment and many men employed. Thence to Radcliffe by the train. Took tea to Thomas Smith's in the evening. Preached to a goodly large congregation. Had a good meeting. Staid to Elder James Crossley's. Health poor.
- Aug. 18. Took the train to Bury, then took the coach to Totington and stopped to Elder James Walsh's and visited several of the Saints in this place. Found

all well in spirits and the work of the Lord rolling on. Staid all night.

Aug. 19.

Walked to Ramshaton two miles then took the train to Bacop then walked a mile to Stockstead to Elder John Lord's. Took dinner, then took a walk on the hills above the town. This town lies between the hills that are high above the town. Here I set down on the grass alone by myself and reflected over my mission while I am in this land and the condition of the Saints that I have to watch over.

While here the spirit of the Lord came upon me that made me feel strong although my body was weak.

I here could look down upon the city below and see the churches that were reared to the honor of St. Peter and St. Paul but would reject the servants of the Lord that had come seven thousand miles to teach them the gospel of Jesus Christ with all it's gifts and blessings but they would not listen to the Truth but love a lie and those that tell them.

Here I felt to pray to the Lord to roll on his work that the people may be warned for it seems that it is a day of warning to the people and but few believe and obey and receive the truth and while I see the wicked adding sin to sins corrupting the earth, I feel my strength revive in the work that it may be completed and Christ come to dwell with his Saints. Returned to Brother Lords. A Sister came in that was some acquainted with Father Parry, my stepfather. Her name is Clark, the daughter of Edward Clark Ross. She seemed anxious to gather with the Saints to the valley. Visited a brother-in-law of hers that did not belong to the Church and had a good visit and staid all night and I hope some good seed was sown that will grow into Eternal Life ere long.

Aug. 20.

Took breakfast to Brother Lord's and took a walk among the hills and the stone quarries. This town is built of stone. The stone is good, set down on the top of a hill and read over a part of my journal that seemed quite interesting to me to think that I was a stranger in this land and not a soul near me that I ever knew before in my life, and to reflect upon the kind hand that had protected me in this land. This cheers my soul. Returned to Brother Lord's and done some writing and in the evening traveled two miles and staid to Brother Slater's. We came home late and had been taking too much ale. Health poor.

Aug. 21.

Took the train to Bury and took dinner to Brother

Platt's, thence to the chapel. Preached to a good company of Saints. Took tea at the same place, then returned and preached to a crowded house with good attention. Staid to Brother Hall's. Quite tired and health poor.

Aug. 22. Took the train to Manchester. Met with Elder Empey, thence to Bellview Garden with the Ashton Saints and as I gave a description of these gardens in this journal, I shall not give it her. Spent the day quite agreeable. Saw some things that I did not see before. The scenery was fine and many more people attended on this day than when I was here before. Staid to Elder Walker's in Manchester.

Aug. 23. Received a letter from home from my family, thence to Salford and took dinner to Brother James Johnson's, thence to Ashton by the train. Attended meeting and Elder Empey, Blackburn and I preached. This day is a day they call the Wakes and it seemed as though the Devil was a awake. They had what they called a rush cart. This cart was laden with bushes and then cut down and trimmed with sliver spoons and watches and flowers. They looked splendid with about forty young men dressed in fine clothes and trimmed with ribbons of all colors and their sticks in their hands with ribbon tied to them. Here they went through the town dancing with a band of music. Here their ribbons flew and to see the thousands that followed them, it was amusing and in the Market Place all kinds of shoes of wild beasts and all kinds of games and singing songs, telling lies, dancing, fighting, jigging and this was a scene that I never saw before in my life. Although it is no new thing here in this land. Staid all night.

Aug. 24. Thence to Manchester on the coach. Saw a man buy four cents worth of gin but had to get the money from the wife and she would not let him have it. This caused a row with them on the coach but were prevented by the passengers, but threats when they got home. Took the train to Radcliffe. This was a day for races of horses and men and fighting of men, dogs, and cats, and cocks. To fight, get drunk, gamble or anything else they please. This continued for three days and nights. This place is out of the town about one mile. Here women are strolling about, some drunk, others gambling and I saw a bet between four which had the biggest legs above the knee. They had plenty of men as judges.

This scene I had a curiosity to see that I know and see the signs of the times and see their cursed conduct. This made me feel homesick, then took a walk with about twenty of the Saints into a field where we sang and talked to them upon the wickedness of the people and the necessity of their gathering to Zion. Had a good time. Took tea to Brother Will's with the company, and there visited several of the Saints houses. Staid to Elder Crossley's.

Aug 25. Sent the bell man around to notify the people that I would preach that evening at 8 o'clock, quite a large congregation collected to hear and paid the best of attention, while I spoke upon the Resurrection of the Dead. Staid to the same place. Health poor.

Aug. 26. Walked to Bury and took dinner to Brother Furnesses. Had a big potato pie to eat. Distance three miles, thence to Brother Gregson's and wrote a letter Joseph Young in the valley and one to my family or a part of them. I attended a Council meeting in Bury. Gave them some council in regard to raising funds to get to the valley. I told them it was best to help the perpetual emigrating fund also about keeping a Church record and a correct one; a few words about the agency of the books in that place, not to let them accumulate as they were in some of the Districts. Staid to Elder Hall's. Health poor.

Aug. 27. Received the news that Elder Willard Snow was dead. This was sad news to me and all the Saints and will be to his family in the valley. He had a cholera and fever that took him off in six day. He died on his way to Copenhagen to Hull. Finished my letters, read some and in the evening a fire broke out in a factory and done considerable damage. They had four engines at work and water was plenty. The property belonged to one Walkers. There was about fifteen thousand people collected to see the fire. It was a horrid scene to see the fire. Staid to Elder Hall's.

Aug. 28. Took the train to Heywood to District meeting and removed Lewis Riggs from the Presidency of the District and put in George Huetson as there was jealousy among the Saints against Riggs and he seemed to deal with the Saints with a harsh spirit and he could not get them together, thence to Brother Moore's to dinner. Met again and

administered the sacrament, thence to Middleton. Heard several Elders speak and I talked a while on the various reports in print about the Saints, that they were lies and they knew it and they did not put their names to them and it was their money they wanted more than truth. Staid to Brother Huetson's. Raining.

Aug. 29. Took the coach to Manchester. Took dinner to Elder Walker's. Received a letter from George Lindley in Ashton stating one, Potts had been thick with the women asking what to do. I shall go and see. Took the train to Oldham, to Elder Luke Nield's. Wrote a letter to Elder Fulmer in the evening. Old Sister Donle came in as I was writing with Brother John Whitehead. He dressed in Women's clothes and her in men's clothes. In came about a dozen more of the Saints and another ??dis of fun like it would be hard to get up. Brother Blackburn came in almost sick as he had taken cold by going in swimming. Staid to Brother Luke Nield's. Took a portion of slats and went to bed sick.

Aug. 30. Took breakfast to Brother Donkle's with a wedding party, but could not eat, my health was so poor. After breakfast returned to Brother Nield's and went to bed. Sister Nield made me some porridge. At noon a little better. Had some wineberry pie. This tasted good. Showery all the morning. The atmosphere cold and wet. Afternoon went to Brother Oaks'. Took tea then returned to Brother Neild's. Found they were in an uproar as a small lad has stolen two dollars in money and spent it. This money belonged to a dead child and the mother almost in fits as was the father of the child, it was a chance child, and about to get married to another women. Both of these made her frantic and another such time would be hard to find. I talked to them and Brother Nield asked me to pray. After prayer went to bed but slept but little. I was so sick.

Aug. 31. To Brother Mercer's near the toll bar in Mount Zion. Health poor. Went to bed. Did not set pu much. Had a long talk with women about the gospel. Went to bed early. Slept but little. Dreamed a dream I thought that I was on the bank of a large stream of water in company with three or four Elders. I asked them if there was fish in that stream. They said they did not know. I said let us go and see. I went to the bank and looked in the water and it was full of fish of all sizes. I

took out some sweet cake from my pocket and nipped off a piece and threw it in the water. One took it slowly in it's mouth. As soon as it tasted it, was frantic for more. This excited the rest and they began to eat as fast as I threw it in. At length I saw one as white as snow, come. The rest were all black. At length I began to talk and they turned to people and the water went away and left the bed of the river dry. I looked for the fish. They were gone too and a few persons left. I gave them quite a quantity of the sweet cake and left them. As I went down the river, I met a large company of fishermen dressed in black with their gloves on and their clothes trimmed with gold and silver like princes, with their fish poles and lines in their hands, but no fish, that I could see. I thought they were thieves that were stealing the fish. They looked black only a white cravat around their neck and there seemed to be a darkness around them. I turned aside and they past me and I awoke.

September 1, 1853

This morning health poor and my dream seems to hang over my mind and I have wrote it down and my mind seems to be that that white fish is in Radcliffe but time will tell. Thence to Ashton on the coach. Arrived after dark. Raining hard. Staid to Sister Straw's. Slept but little as my cold had gotten fast hold of me and the devil too. I spent a dismal night as I felt bad and almost gave up to die in the morning. I staid until after noon, thence to Brother William Bardsley's. Went to bed and Elder Blackburn came and I took a good sweat for about three hours, then he took some warm water and soap and washed me all over, then with brandy and rubbed me with a coarse towel as my flesh was so cold. That hot water and bricks could not do it ant I could not take hold in his hands. This was a wonder to him and to me. My feet had been cold for many days and he rubbed them until they became warm. I then went to sleep and slept quite well until morning.

Sept. 2.

Got up about nine o'clock and went down stairs and took a little tea and toast and as it was a fine morning I walked out a little way to Brother Matley's. Stopped until after dinner but could not eat but little. Returned to Brother Bardsley's and went to bed about one o'clock but could not go to sleep. About four Brother George Lindley and Blackburn came in to see me and to get some council in regards to two Elders, Potts and Verity that had

been trying to make covenants with some of the sisters. I counceled them to remove Potts as he was a President of a Branch. They then left. After some time Brother Straw came in with several of the Sisters and staid until ten in the evening. After sometime I went to sleep but was awake many times with frightful dreams that seemed to bother me all night.

- Sept. 4. Health poor but go up and ate a little breakfast and wrote a little in this journal but I feel weak and bad. My whole body is sick and my spirit cast down, yet I have hope that I shall be better soon. In the afternoon went to the chapel to meeting and spoke a short time. Felt a little better. Returned to Brother Bardsley's. Wrote a little and went to bed. Slept but little as my head seemed quite in a confused state and frightful dreams troubled me. Got up early.
- Sept 5. Could eat but little breakfast. At nine o'clock p.m. took the train to Manchester. Met Elder Emoy. Counceled together and he went to Wagan to labor for the week. I took a walk to Brother Scott's and took tea and returned to Elder Walker's. Staid all night. Quite weak and feeble.
- Sept. 6. Walked a mile to Brother Adam's and took dinner, thence to Stockport by the train. Took tea to Brother Anthony Wright's. Thence to Brother Samuel Morehouse's in Portwood. Staid all night. Slept but little. Got the Start that had Elder Willard Snow's death in it and the particulars of this sickness. This made me feel sad to think of the feelings of his family in the valley, when they hear of it, yet I feel to rejoice in his death and to not feel to mourn over him, although he is buried in the sea as I do over those that are cut off from the Church and Kingdom of God.
- Sept. 7. Walked a mile and took dinner to Elder Richard Blake's. Took the train to Manchester. Took tea to Brother Chapill's. His child was quite sick with Scarlet Fever. Took the coach to the infirmary then walked to Andwick and staid all night to Elder James Walker's. Health a little better.
- Sept. 8. Much better in health. Wrote some in the morning. Took dinner and had a fine dish of soup. This is a fine dish for me. The weather damp and so dark that the factories were light up with has. Took

the train to Stely Bridge. Staid to Brother Wm. Thorley's.

- Sept. 9. Visited several of the Saints and took dinner to Mr. Broadhead's who is a roller maker for the factories. In the afternoon visited old Father Goodfellow's. He is eight-eight years old yet he can walk about and has an anxious desire to go to the valley. Read some in the first volume of the Star. Enjoyed myself quite well. Thence to Brother James Milone and was taken sick. Went to bed but could not sleep. At three o'clock in the morning I began to vomit and continued until eight in the morning.
- Sept. 10. Got up about nine. Took a cup of tea and at 11:30 took the train to Manchester. Went to Elder Walker's. Made some porridge and went to bed and to sleep. Slept about two hours. Got up and Sister Walker made me some more porridge and baked me some apples. I ate again and felt better. The weather dark and rainy until afternoon then it cleared off. Staid all night. Slept quite well.
- Sept. 11. A little better and the finest morning that I have seen in England. Went to the meeting in Manchester. Had a good meeting. Elder James Johnson preached and others bore testimony. Went to Brother John Alsup's to dinner and took tea at the same place, thence to the room at 6:00 and preached to a large congregation and confirmed five that had been baptized in the last week, one of them was a soldier. There were six soldiers came in and paid the best of attention and I think that some of them received the good seed of Eternal Life. Thence to Elder Walker's. Staid all night. Slept but little as my days work was too hard for me.
- Sept. 12. Health poor the Elders came in as usual this morning to make their report to the week past. Elder Fulmer came in from Scotland as he had been gone for six weeks. I was glad to see him. Had a council and Elder Emphy went to Stely Bridge and Blackburn to Stockport to labor for the week to come. Staid all day to Brother Walker's. Health so poor that I hardly stepped out for the day. Staid all night. Slept quite well.
- Sept 13. A little better but lungs sore and feel quite bad. Went to bed in the forenoon. At 2:00 took train to Radcliffe but could hardly walk to and from the

stations. Stopped at Thomas Smith's and rested myself. Thence to Elder Crossley's. Thought of the scenes that transpired one year before in my family as one was added to the number and I gave my family their blessings previous to taking this Mission to a foreign land when health and peace was in my house and family. But here I am in a foreign clime and in poor health and my soul feels weighed down with weakness of body but one consolation I have is that I am in the Kingdom of God and I know that my God reigneth and when my work is ended in this frail body that I shall meet my family within the Celestial Gates. This cheers my dropping frame. Went to bed quite early but could not sleep as a cold sweat came upon me. My head and legs were as cold as through they were dead. Elder Crossley slept with me and talked about many things in the Kingdom of God. After daylight I had a good sleep for two hours. Got up and took a little wine and a raw egg. This seemed to give me strength and I ate a little breakfast and wrote a little in this journal.

Sept. 14.

Walked a short distance and visited father Allan and wife. They are both almost helpless as they are about eighty years old. Returned to Elder Crossley's and he told me a joke that Sarah Kirkman put on her husband. He had been slack about his prayers. After several evenings passed and he did not pray, she told him that something would happen so she took a chain and put it under the bed with a string to it. After she had said her prayers and he in the bed laughing at her, telling him that she could pray for both, she again told him something would happen. Directly after she was in the bed she began to snore as though she was asleep. She then pulled the string and the chain began to rattle. John says, "Sarah, Sarah, did you hear that? Why, what now. I told you something would happen. Hold your tongue and go to sleep and don't bother me. You would have heard nothing of if had you said your prayers." Directly she was asleep and the chain began to crink on the floor. He again calls, "Sarah," and began clinging to her. She began to push him away from her and told him to hold his noise and if he did not she would kick him out of bed and directly she was asleep again and the chain began to jingle. He got out of bed and kneels down and with his hair on it's ends and says, "Oh, Lord, if you will forgive me now I will do better for time to come and not let the Devil have me. Oh Lord, have mercy on poor me." This

alarmed him worse and worse. At length he gets into bed and clings to Sarah and covers up head and ears but he has not forgot to say his prayers since.

- Sept. 15. One year this day I left my home and family in Salt Lake Valley in good health but today my health is poor. Wrote some and after dinner I took the train to Bury. Staid to Brother Daniel Hall's. Slept a little better than I had for several nights before.
- Sept. 16. Took the coach to Totington. Took dinner to Brother Crosham's. The weather fine. Felt a little better today. Staid all night.
- Sept. 17. Took a Coach to Bury. Took dinner to Brother Gregson's, thence to Sr. German's and he gave me some medicine. Thence to Brother Daniel Hall's. Staid all night. Health a little better. Went to the fair and saw several fish of various kinds. One of the Wonders of the World weighed some eighty? hundred pounds when alive in this Museum. I saw several alligators and sharks with a variety of fish.
- Sept. 18. Attended a District meeting. Had three services. I spoke a short time in each meeting. Had a good time and the day was spent quite agreeable. Staid to the same place. Health no so good as I had to get up and walk the room in the night to get my breath as my lungs were very bad.
- Sept. 19. Took the train to Manchester. Met Elders Empey and Blackburn. Gave them their mission for the week and took the coach to Ashton. Found Elder George C. Riser in good health. Took tea to Brother Malties, thence to Brother Bardsley's. Staid all night. Much better in health.
- Sept. 20. Visited a number of the Saints with Brother Riser. Took dinner to Brother Picjup's? then took the train to Motrum, then walked two miles to Brother Jeremiah Collin's much fatigued and health poor. Slept to a tavern and the Landlord came home in the night pulled off his clothes all but his shirt and came in to the room where I slept and after asking me a few questions went into another room. He thought to have found his wife in my room by all appearance, although I had not spoken to either of them. It seemed that he was jealous of her. He went into another room and commenced a row with his wife about something. I could not hear what it was

and they had a fight at length. She left the room and all was still and after I had laid and listened a long time I went to sleep. Yet I was some excited as I had never been in the house before and knew not what the result would be. Got up in the morning and found that he was drunk. Took breakfast to Brother Collin's and he and I took a walk up in the hills. Health not so good.

Sept. 21. Took dinner but my walk was to hard to me. I went to bed and took a nap, headache very bad. Slept to the Tavern again but all was still and I had a good nights sleep and rest and felt a little better as I took some physic.

Nineteen years ago I married with Julia Ann Killgore but alas she is gone the way of all the earth yet her memory lasts and will while time and eternities roll on with me, for her virtues and life of humilities in the Kingdom of God.

Sept. 22. This day eighteen years my eldest child was born that I called Martha Ann and when I reflect that the mother is dead and the daughter is married and is a mother my mind is filled with reflections that gives me strong feelings to reflect on the scenes that have passed with me in the last nineteen years of my life. Here I am in England, some seven thousand miles from my family and health poor but the God of Jacob is my help and my refuge and in him do I place my trust as I have all my life long. Took dinner to the same place then walked to Stely Bridge three miles. Took the train to Manchester to Brother Walker's. Staid all night, coughed hard and quite sick.

Sept. 23. To Ashton to attend to some money matters and staid to Sister Straw's. Health very poor. Coughed hard all night. Slept but little. Felt quite feeble in the morning. Cold and raining.

Sept. 24. Took the train to Manchester. Visited several of the Saints and took dinner to Brother Chapill's, thence to Brother Hawthorn's. Took tea and slept to Sister Barlow's. Health a little better.

Sept. 25. Attended the Quarterly conference. Elder present, John S. Fulmer, Wm. Emphy and Don Carns, with more than one hundred English Elders and a large congregation of Saints. The day passed off very well. The business was done in good order and much good instructions given. Heard a history of Don

Carne's mission in Hamburg which was quite interesting to the Saints. The Saints donated ten dollars to Elder Carnes and collected some three hundred dollars for other purposes. The weather was bad. Rained all day and night and the wind blew hard and done much damage by splitting trees and some buildings blew down. Got a letter from my mother and family. This gave much joy to hear that they were all well and a general time of health in the valley. Staid to Brother Walker's. Coughed hard all night a little better in the morning.

Sept. 26. Health poor and kept in the house the fore part of the day and in the afternoon went to Swinton on the coach. Staid to Brother Smith's near the Union School.

Sept. 27. Took a ride with a gentlemen about thirty miles and returned to Manchester wrote a letter to my family. Health better. Had a good nights sleep. The weather fine. Saw many harvesting wheat and oats. It's the best of harvest here.

Sept. 28. Finished my letter to my family and took the train and went to Bolton and Staid to Elder Holt's. They seemed glad to see me. Several of the Saints came in in the evening.

Sept. 29. Walked to Breakemit Fold to Elder Ramgden's to dinner. The wind blew hard and in the afternoon rained hard and is dark and gloomy and my health poor. Thence to Thomas Eddey's. Staid all night. Slept but little.

Sept. 30. Rained and hailed all day and cold wind blew. Kept the house all day. Staid to the same place.

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Rain continued with thunder and hail. In the afternoon cleaned up a little and I walked out into ta field where they were reaping wheat. Reaped a little then returned. Staid to the same place.

Oct. 2. Attended meeting at the Fold in the afternoon ant talked to the Saints a while after the sacrament was administered. Had a good meeting, thence to Bolton. Attended meeting in the town hall. Preached to the people with good attention. Staid all night to Elder Holt's. Health a little better. The night cool.

Oct. 3. Brother Holt gave me a good pair of shoes. Took

- the coach to Bury and took dinner to Brother Furnise's, then took the train to Radcliffe. Took tea to Thomas Smith's and met with Brother Emphy. Thence to Elder Crossley's. Received a letter from the States, from Osgood Vergin and commenced a log letter. Health poor. Slept but a little.
- Oct. 4. Wrote two letters. Health so poor that I was hardly out for the day. Kept my bed the most of the day. Wrote a little in my long letter but I felt bad.
- Oct. 5. Staid to the same place. My health so poor that I was not out for the day.
- Oct. 6. Finished a long letter to the States and in the afternoon walked to Thomas Allan's about a quarter of a mile. Took tea and returned to Elder Crossley's and staid all night.
- Oct. 7. To Manchester. Health much better. Staid to Elder Walker's.
- Oct. 8. Took the train and went to Oldham. Bought cloth for four dresses at 43 cents per yard and also three and three fourths of a yard for Julia a dress 60 cents for the piece. Staid to Brother Luke Nield's.
- Oct. 9. Attended meeting three times and talked a little each time. Staid to the same place. Health better.
- Oct. 10. Took the train to Manchester to Elder Walker's then took the coach to Ashton. Took dinner to Elder Lindel's. Health quite good. Thence to Dukenfield. Staid all night to James Pugson's. Health quite good.
- Oct. 11. Elder Pugson gave me two volumes of the Star all bound. Thence to Ashton. Preached to a large assembly with good attention and the spirit of the Lord was with the Saints as it has been the case since I came into their midst as Elder Lindley their President is humble and teaches them good doctrine.
- Oct. 12. Took the train to Manchester and staid to Brother Chapill's. Health poor. Took a steam bath and then a cold shower bath. This seemed to do me good for the time being.

- Oct. 13. Took the train to Steley Bridge. Health quite poor. Had a fine present from Sister Elizabeth Bardsley of a nice Concertini for my daughter Julia Sessions and May the Lord reward her for her liberality. Staid to Brother Thomas Berum's.
- Oct. 14. Took the train to Manchester, to Brother Wm. Harrison's. Health very poor. Went to bed and so weak that I could hardly walk ere. I will notice a scene that I witnessed on Thursday at the Infirmary, a place where many people are taken to be cured from diseases that have not means to employ a doctor. This is a splendid building built of stone. I saw a monument unveiled that had been built under cover. This monument is a honor of Sir Robert Peel one that repealed the Corn Law in the Kingdom. I have seen many monuments that have been built almost in every town. The stone work stands about twelve feet high then his statue on the top it looks well. It is made of copper, well executed. This was a novel scenery to me to see the thousands that assembled. I should judge not less than two hundred thousand. The streets were filled as thick as they could stand and then climbing up on each other. The tops of the buildings were covered with people, the police could do nothing with the people. There were several speeches delivered with shouts and hurrahs. Such confusion I never saw in my life before. Some drunk and some made??, some glad, all classes and the Priests to help on to make the scene more interesting. Here I stood and looked on with many reflections thinking that I was in the midst of one of the largest cities in the world and to see the spirit that governed the multitude that surrounded me and if I had told them that I was a messenger called of God and sent to this mighty city to preach the gospel, they would have been ready to have stoned me. Here my heart sickened and could almost say like Paul. I could almost with myself in the high courts of heaven and leave the wicked to go their own way, when my word has so little effect on this mighty people, but here I am and I feel to rid my garments of their blood.
- Oct. 15. Visited several of the Saints and staid to Elder Walker's. Health poor.
- Oct. 16. Attended meeting. Preached in the evening to a large congregation and the good spirit was with us for which I feel thankful. Staid to Sister Barlow's.

- Oct. 17. Met with Elder Fulmer, Empey and Blackburn after holding council we went to Brother James Johnson's to dinner. Had a good visit then to Brother Micock's. Spent the afternoon and I staid all night. Health very poor. Coughed hard and slept but little.
- Oct. 18. Took the train to Stockport and bought 29 pieces of remnants of cloth cost \$1.80 and contracted for an overcoat. Staid to Brother Morehouse's at Portwood. Slept well.
- Oct. 19. Cold weather. Frost on the ground in the morning. Visited several of the Saints and staid to Sister Clegg's. Coughed hard.
- Oct. 20. Took the train to Manchester and attended council to settle a case of fight between Brother Turnhall and his lover. This was a funny case. It seems that he got jealous of her and fell upon her and give her a good mauling. He was cut of from the Church. Here I gave vent to my feelings and some of them got a tongue lashing. Staid to Brother Wall's.
- Oct. 21. Took the coach to Cheetham Hill. Staid to Brother Dickin's with Brother Fulmer. Health good but an awful rough day.
- Oct. 22. Took the coach to Middleton. Took dinner to Elder Huetson's and staid all night.
- Oct. 23. Attended meeting in Middleton. Had a good meeting. In the evening took coach to Manchester and found Elders Ross and Bond late from the valley. They preached with good attention. Staid to Elder Walker's. Health much better.
- Oct. 24. Got a letter from home. Visited several of the Saints and staid to Brother Hillise's in Pendleton.
- Oct. 25. Took the train to Stockport and found Elder Fulmer and returned to Manchester. Staid all night. Health good.
- Oct. 26. Took a ride with Elder Burch about thirty miles in a gig and returned to Manchester. Staid to Walker's and got a letter from home and was glad to hear that my family were all well.
- Oct. 27. Wrote a letter to my family and one to Brother

Kimball. Attended a council meeting in Manchester. Met Elder Jacob Secrest and Brother Corrigan. Staid to Brother Harrison's. Health quite good.

- Oct. 28. Rainy and dark so dark that I can hardly see to write. Took dinner to Brother Leak's, then took the train to Ashton, but the heavy rain had almost spoiled the railroad and hindered me for three hours. Took cold, staid to sister Strain's. Health quite poor. Coughed hard.
- Oct. 29. Went to a recital with the Ashton Saints and was much entertained. It went off well. Staid to Brother Bardsley's. Slept with Brother Hawthorn.
- Oct. 30. Attended meeting, three times and the spirit of the Lord attended the services of the day. I preached in the evening to a crowded house upon the subject of Pre-existence of Man. Staid to Brother John Lee's and had a present from Brother John Wright of a silk handkerchief.
- Oct. 31. Took the train to Manchester. Took a warm bath and in the afternoon went to Salford to Brother Mold's. Staid all night.

November 1, 1853

- Took the train to Bury. Preached to a small congregation in company with Elder Emphy. He spoke a part of the time. Staid to Brother Daniel Hall's and had a sick night.
- Oct. 2. Took the train to Radcliffe. Found Elder Fulmer there. My health poor so that I could not attend meeting but kept my bed.
- Oct. 3. Took the train to Rockdale and stopped to Brother Levi Rigg's. A fine day and I feel a little better in health. Attended meeting in the evening. Preached to a small congregation. Staid all night.
- Oct. 4. Took the coach to Blue Pitts. Took dinner to Sister Mitten's then took the coach to Manchester. Staid to Brother James Johnson's. Health better.
- Oct. 5. Took the train to Stockport. Staid to Sister Wright's, slept with Elder John Alsups.
- Oct. 6. Attended meeting at the London Road Inn. Wm. Day the President of the District resigned his office, because it did not please his wife as she leads him by the nose. He was removed by a unanimous vote of

the meeting and Brother John Alsup was appointed to his place. In the evening I preached to a crowded house with good attention and I believe there was good done. Staid to Brother Morehouse's. Health much improved.

- Oct. 7. Took the train to Manchester, met with the traveling Elders, Empey, Blackburn and David B. Dilley and Pastor Fulmer. Held a council in the evening. Took the train to Oldham and found Elder Corrigan. Attended meeting. Spoke in connection with Brother Corrigan and the gathering. Staid all night. Here I would record a circumstance that occurred when on the train to Manchester. A cloud of darkness came over and it lasted for about twenty minutes and when the darkness came you could not see more than fifty yards. This was about 10 p.m. This was a curious phenomenon as I ever saw in my life. The day was fine before and after.
- Oct. 8. Walked to a little town called Wrighton. Held a meeting with Brother Corrigan. Good attention. Staid to Brother Richard Stock's. Health quite good.
- Oct. 9. Went into Saddleworth. Staid to Brother Richard Carr's. Had a great deal of talk upon the doctrine of Plurality of wives with him and others.
- Oct. 10. To Shaw. Preached with good attention. Health much improved. Heard some tales about a man trying to make covenants with the sisters. Staid all night.
- Oct. 11. Walked to Oldham, then took the train to manchester. Found Elder Fulmer and staid all night to Brother Micoock's. Slept with Elder Fulmer. Health quire good.
- Oct. 12. Went to Elder Walker's. Met with Elders Albert Tyler and Thomas Colern direct from the valley. This gave me much joy to hear from the valley and the Saints and my family. Staid all night. Elder Fulmer went to Middleton to spend the Sabbath.
- Oct. 13. Attended meeting in Manchester with Brother Tuler. Had a good meeting. Preached twice. Staid to Brother Nightingale's, in Salford.
- Oct. 14. Held a council with the Elder John S. Fulmer, Wm. Empey, Albert Tyler, David B Dilley, Samuel Blackburn, Thomas Collern and it was decided that

Elder Tyler labour in the Manchester Conference as a Traveling Elder and David B Diley labour in the Liverpool Conference. Gave some reproof to Elder Blackburn about being too free with the sister. Attended a meeting in the evening. Preached to a few Saints and Brother Tyler bore testimony. Staid to Brother Thorup's.

Oct. 15. Took the train to Ashton with Brother Tyler. Preached to the Saints about the Gathering. Brother Tyler gave a history of his journey from the valley. Had a good meeting. Staid to Sister Straw's.

Oct. 16. Took breakfast to Brother Bardsley's and a Sister by the name of Sarah Collins told us that Brother C. H. Wheelock had pocketed three hundred and twenty pounds. L823-6-0. This she said was willed to the Church by Sister Mary Lees and he was the agent for the Church. Thence to Holy Hill. Attended meeting with the Saints. Brother Albert and I improved the time. Staid all night to Brother Biden's. Health quite good, although the weather dark and gloomy, so dark that many of the factories are lit up with gas all day to see to work. This morning so dark I can hardly see to write.

Oct. 17. To Hyde. Attended meeting and had a good time with the Saints all night.

Oct. 18. To Ashton. Attended council meeting. Gave them some instructions and slept to Sister Shaw's. Health poor.

Oct. 19. To Stockport on the train. Took dinner to Anthony Wright's and staid all night.

Stockport England. Sunday, November 20, 1853

This is a continuation of my mission to this land. Met in Council with the Priesthood. Attended to some business pertaining to the District and withdrew the hand of fellowship from Robert Dunn for rebellion against the Priesthood. In the afternoon I preached to the Saints with a good spirit in our midst and at four P.M. took the train to Steley Bridge. Met with the Saints and preached again and had a good time. Staid to Thomas Duram's. Health poor.

Oct. 21. Took the train to Manchester. A dark fog was over

the city so dark that the streets were lit up and then people could not see to walk the streets. This was the most dismal day that I ever saw in my life. The sun could not be seen but it looked like a fire but gave no light. I could not see to write and Elder Empey and I took the train to Stelybridge about several miles and wrote several letters. One to Father Goodfellow who is old and almost gone. Staid to Brother Derum's. Slept with Elder Empey. Health rather poor.

- Oct. 22. Walked to Matrum. A fine day but cold. The whole face of the country covered with frost like snow. Eleven o'clock came and frost not gone but the sun shown clear, but to look towards Manchester it looks as dark as night. This is some of the high lands of England. Thence to Tintwistle and preached to an attentive congregation. Staid all night. Health poor and the weather cold and clear.
- Oct. 23. Took the train to Hyde and stopped to Sister Bradshaw's. Took dinner and wrote three letters. In the evening attended a trial. Charges were prepared against Wm. Potts and a man by the name of Verity and two girls from being caught out nights and of the two men staying all night with them and not being at home with their families. The charge was sustained and they all four were cut off from the Church by a unanimous vote. Staid all night. Health poor.
- Oct. 24. Rains and snows all day. Took the train to Manchester and found three letter from the Valley, one from Mother and Daughter Marthann Smoot and one from John Stoker the Bishop. This gave me much joy to hear from home and the Valleys of the Mountains. I also got a letter from Robert Dunn of Stockport asking my forgiveness for his bad conduct to me for which he had been suspended. The letter was quite satisfactory to me. Took the coach to Swinton and staid all night to Brother Aaron Smither's. Attended a council meeting in Pendleburg. Gave them some counsel. The snow falling fast and cold weather.
- Oct. 25. Wrote an answer to Brother Dun and forgave him. My health very poor. Pain in my right breast and head. Took my medicine and went to bed. Had but little sleep.
- Oct. 26. Took the train to Radcliffe. Took dinner to Thomas Smith's. Health a little better. Dark and foggy,

weather so dark that it is hard to read by day light or write. Staid to James Closslie's.

- Oct. 27. Attended meeting. Preached twice. Staid to the same place.
- Oct. 28. Took the train to Manchester and met with Elders Fullmer and Empey Tyler and Blackburn after holding a council, Elder Fullmer and I took the train to Liverpool. Arrived at 10 p.m.. Staid to A.F. McDonald's. Health poor and tired out. Coughed hard all night.
- Oct. 29. Went to W.E. Richard's office, 15 Wilton Street and attended a council with Elder Fullmer at half past 5 p.m.. Took the train to Wagan. Staid to Brother Harker's. Very sick. Slept but little, much cast down.
- Oct. 30. Very sick and no place to be sick and I feel discouraged. Took train to Manchester and went to Brother Walker's but found myself too weak to walk. Went to bed but had no rest. Elder Empey came and slept with me and laid hands on me in the night. Slept better. After I coughed hard at 4:30 a.m. he got up and bid me farewell as he was called to go to Hull about one hundred miles. This was hard to part with him and he left alone and disease fastened upon me so that I can hardly get up or down stairs. This was the hardest thought I had met with.

December 1, 1853.

Set up about one half of the day and wrote a letter to my dear family, and feel as though I should like to have one to comfort me in my sickness but I feel calm as a summers morning and can say that I am resigned to my fate let it be what it may if I die here all is well with me. Night came and a lonesome night it was. Coughed increased much.

- Dec. 2. Tried to write but could not but little. Wrote a few words to my sister Sylvia but had to go to bed and another lonesome night came on that found me a sick man and my hopes almost gone of ever being well again. A sweat came on me at twelve o'clock and I slept until two in the morning after praying and a pleading with the Lord for a little rest. Did not cough quite so hard. Got up in the morning and came down stairs.

- Dec. 3. Drank a little tea and ate a little toast and wrote

a little in this journal. Feel a little better this morning it is now 11 o'clock. Dr. Phillips the Great Homeopathic Doctor of the Manchester Dispensary came and sounded my lungs and left some medicine. Had a restless night and coughed hard.

Dec. 4. Sunday. Continued to take medicine and felt a little better in the morning and not so well in the evening. Brother Tyler came and slept with me. Had another restless night.

Dec. 5. Elders Blackburn and Carigan called to see me. Elder Blackburn brought me a pair of nice slippers for \$1.00. In the afternoon my cough came on and I had a weary night of it.

Dec. 6. In the morning felt very feeble. Brother Tyler went and brought me some fresh fish and they relished well. Sister Harrison and another Sister came to see me and brought me some sweet cakes and two fine oranges. Staid two hours. This cheered me a little as they had been the first to visit me. This is the darkest day that I ever saw in my life to look out of my chamber window I could not see the street below nor the houses on the opposite side of the street and I am writing this at half past two p.m. by candle light. The fog and smoke is so thick that one can almost feel it. In the evening my cough increased and my bowels bloated and I spent a weary night that seemed almost like my last.

Dec. 7. I felt a little better in the morning. The fog and darkness continued. About 10:00 am.m Doctor Phillips came and told me I had better go into the hospital but I declined and told him that I had a family in America and my friends were short here. I lost all confidence in him to do me any good. I had then taken his medicine for almost a week and had grown worse all the time and he said that I must continue the medicine and I must throw out what I had and now when I looked at all sides I fixed up my mind that he wanted money more than to cure me if he knew how. He seemed quite to a stand when asked him what he thought the complaint was. At length I told him That I was agoing to move into the country. He thought it would be well. Cough continued. In the evening Elders Burch and Alsup came in to see me and administered to me. Felt a little better and slept some.

Dec. 8. Took a cab and rode to the station thence to

Ashton. Took a cab again to Sister Done's, where someone provided for me. Arrived about eleven o'clock and about noon or twelve Brother Daniel Spencer came to see me and told me that Brother Samuel Richards wanted me to go home or start in about twenty days and take charge of the Emigrating Saints at St. Louis if I was able to go and take the money across to buy the teams for the plains. This gave me not a little joy as my health is so poor and has been all the time since I came to this land but again I am not able to go nor start. Brother Spencer told me that I should begin to get well and arrive home in safety. About three in the afternoon he returned to Liverpool. My health no better but had a sick night. Cough no better.

- Dec. 9. Continued sick and cast down as all was strangers to me but Brother Albert Syler that I kept with me to wait on me and he was kind and done all that he could be night or by day. Some few of the Saints came in. This cheered me up a little and in the evening I was anointed with oil about my lungs and took some.??? This done me much good and I went to sleep and had a good sleep.
- Dec. 10. Very Feeble. Got up and shaved myself but had to go to bed in the afternoon. Several of the Sisters came in to see me and brought me some little pies and some apples. This cheered me up a little but my cough would come and I had a sick night. Threw all my medicine away and made up my mind not to take any more.
- Dec, 11. Health continued poor but the fever in my breast is not so bad. Had many of the Saints to see my during the day and felt a little better until night, when my cough came on and I had a bad night.
- Dec. 12. Received several letters, one from S.W. Richards and one from Elder Fullmer and one from Brother Empey but was not able to reply to them myself but got brother George Lindley to write for me. Felt a little better in the evening after being anointed. Slept quite well.
- Dec. 13. Quite smart in the morning. The weather cold and clear. Received #10 for a deposit of Sister Mary Wood for her passage to the Valley. Ate a good breakfast and my lungs felt much better until about 2 o'clock when my cough came on and lasted until five, when I was so weak that I could hardly speak. Several of the Elders came in and I was anointed

and had hands laid on me and I felt the pain leave my lungs and in a short time I went to sleep and had a good night's sleep.

- Dec. 14. Got up about nine o'clock. Felt much better than I had for a long time. Set up the most of the day. Had several to visit me and one woman that did not belong to the Church I showed her the likenesses of all my family and had a long talk with her that will not be forgotten by her. She gave me some oranges and seemed to take great interest in my welfare and I feel that the Gospel seeds are sowed in her that will spring up and grow. Coughed kept off. Had a good nights sleep and felt quite well only my throat was swollen by coughing so much the day before. Here I saw an English hunt some twenty men on horse back and as many hounds as men after one poor horse.?? Here they went through fields and over fences as though the devil was to pay. This was like the devil when he scared the dog, big cry, and a little hare for the hounds made music a plenty. Had a number of visitors. Haven't felt quite smart. Slept well.
- Dec. 15. The weather cold and stormy and the ground frozen hard. Health improved. Elder David B. Diley came to take the Presidency of the Manchester Conference as my successor. This seemed to relieve me of a great burden as numbers came daily for counsel. Got several letters too from S.W. Richards and one from my sister in the state of Iowa. She seems to want to go to the Valley. Answered several letters by writing. In the afternoon, my throat was so sore that I could hardly speak or swallow.
- Dec. 16. A little better in the morning. Wrote a letter to my sister and one to Elder Empey and one to Wm. Glover and in the evening Elder Fullmer came and slept with me but felt much fatigued in writing and talking so much so I slept but little.
- Dec. 17. Elder Diley Tyler and Blackburn came. Held a council and Elder Fullmer sent a circular to the districts to raise money for me to go home with and started for Liverpool, Diley to Oldham and Tyler to Bury and Blackburn to Bolton. Several of the Saints came in to see me and brought me some preserves. Felt a little better until the evening when my throat became sore and my head ached. Laid until the later part of the night when I slept a little.

- Dec. 18. Got up, felt quite smart. I wrote a letter to S.W. Richards and John S. Fullmer. Had Brother Merideth and wife to see me to get some counsel about going to the Valley. I counseled them to go. They returned quite satisfied and returned to Manchester. After they were gone I read some in the Star and took my dinner with a good appetite and while at dinner Brother George Lindley and David Booth came in, had a long chat about the Valley and other things. The weather is cold, the hills covered with snow and look gloomy. In the evening several of the Saints came in and brought some pies and cakes and sung several hymns. This cheered me up a little. Slept quite well and my cough kept off but my throat continued sore
- Dec. 19. Felt much better took the coach to Stely Bridge then took the train to Stockport. Took dinner to Anthony Wrights, then took a cab to Portwood to Brother Samuel Morehouse. The weather cold and the wind blew hard. Found the Old Women drunk and quite merry. Her I had a little fun. In the evening several of the Saints came in and made deposits for their emigration. Received about five hundred \$500.00 dollars. Had a good nights sleep and felt quite smart.
- Dec. 20. Took the train to Manchester went to Brother Walker's. Wrote a letter to Elder Pugson, then took the coach to Cheetham Hill and staid all night to Brother James Dickins. Health good.
- Dec. 21. Took the coach to Manchester after receiving a present of a warming pan. Went to Deanesgate Street and ordered a suit of clothes then took the train to Radcliffe. Staid to Thomas Smith's. Throat quire sore, and the weather cold and some rain and sleet.
- Dec. 22. Took the train to Bury took dinner to Brother Gregson's. Had a present of a pair of gloves from Sister Merser. Visited with several of the Saints and staid to Brother Daniel Hall's. Health not so good..
- Dec. 23. Took the train to Manchester after receiving a present of a little hat from Brother Furnis for my little boy. Met with Elder Tyler at Radcliffe Station. Took dinner to Elder Hawthorn's in Hume. Took tea to Sister Albrooks on Oxford Roade Street, and staid to Sister Barlow's in Clare Street. Receiving six letters from the Elders in

different parts of Europe.

- Dec. 24. Took the omnibus to Pendleton with Elder Tyler. Took dinner to Brother John Hollis's. Brought a little whistle for Byron for one shilling with some other little things for my children. Staid to Brother Candleffe's. Slept with Elder Fullmer and another such a time I never saw in my life. They were singing in the streets all night and bands of music playing as it was the night before Christmas. Slept but little. Health poor.
- Dec. 25. Christmas Day. Attended Conference and bid the Saints farewell as I expect to sail for America in a few days. This was a day long to be remembered by me and by the Saints in the Manchester Conference. They manifested their good feelings to me by the liberal presents they made to me on this day. Brother Hawthorn gave me a present of a splendid accordion for my little girl Julia. This was one among many and we had a good day as we had a number of the Elders from the Valley. Elder Orsman Duel and Elder Crandal and Bond Diley that was appointed to fill my place in the Conference as President. Brother Fullmer preached a long discourse on the gathering of the Saints by the perpetual fund. This caused the Saints to come forward and make their deposits of their money and we took some hundred of pounds. This gave much joy. A good spirit prevailed in the meeting all day. Took dinner to Brother Joseph Burche's and staid to Sister Barlow's in Clare Street Home Manchester. Slept with Elder Albert and he was quite sick.
- Dec. 26. To Brother James Johnson's to dinner and took tea to Brother Micock's and wrote a letter to Elder Empey at Hull and in the evening went to a theater with the Saints. Had a good time. The same was very interesting indeed, the house much crowded. Had several presents one by Sister Allbrook of some cotton thread and a mufler from Frs. Halis. Staid to Elder Walker's.
- Dec. 27. Tuesday- Walked one mile to Brother Adam's with Elder Tylor, to breakfast in a very heavy snow storm. Returned to Brother Walker's at 10 o'clock A.M. Met with Elders Fullmer and Dille, Crandle, Drul and Tyler. After holding a council rook dinner at Mother Hill's. Received a letter from my family. It gave me much joy to learn that my family were all well and grieved to learn tha

Brother Albert Tyler's wife was dead. I had the painful duty to make it known to him. I then took the train to Staley Bridge, thence a cab to Motreem to Jen Collins. The weather was stormy and cold. Slept in a very cold damp room.

- Dec. 28. After counseling and talking a long time with Father Calons he finely concluded he wanted to go to the Valley and made a deposit of five pounds towards his passage. I then left for Staley Bridge and was overtaken on the way by a great snow storm. Took dinner at Brother Denhomes thence to Botton, and found Elder Dille at Brother Rob Hatt's. I soon found by the exposure of the two last day's storm that I was very ill and greatly afflicted with a cough and not able to get up. Slept but very little during the night.
- Dec. 29. Remained at Hob Hatt's a fever set in soon with the cough and I was compelled to keep my bed nearly all day. Elder Dille left for Leigh in the afternoon. I slept but little all night.
- Dec. 30. My cough and fever had worn me out until I was not able to set five minutes through the day. In the evening the very heavy sweat came on. I finally concluded to take a sweat by taking some mint tea and having hot bricks put around me. Elders Holt and Mayer laid hands on me, after which I got a little sleep.
- Dec. 31. Yet very sick, unable to sit up one minute. Many of the Saints came to visit me. At about noonday Elder Blackburn, Tyler, Dille, and Fullmer came to my room. Found me very sick. They brought me several letters, one from S.W. Richards, informing me that he wanted me to sail with the first ship load of Saints. Got Mothers, Fullmer's and Dille to answer. Elder Fullmer thought best for Elder Dille to carry some medicine. Elder Fullmer went to Preston, Tylor and Blackburn to Wigan. It is now about 11 o'clock P.M. and I have not had one heavy good sleep for the last 48 hours but my fever has not been so high today as yesterday. The Elders laid hands on me. Brother and Sister Hatts and family done all they could for me. No person could have been more kind than they were to me. The Lord help them for it.

Sunday, January 1, 1884

No better. My head lost it's balance by the fever and I could hardly tell my own name. Had no rest

all day nor night. This was an unhappy day for New Years to me. My cough would not let me go to sleep at all.

- Jan. 2. No better. Elder Dille and Tyler came and staid with me all night. Had hands laid on me in the evening and I got a little sleep.
- Jan. 3. Elder Empey came to see me and staid all day as a tremendous snow storm came on that stopped the trains from running in many places in the evening he bid me farewell and started to Preston. After he was gone a sudden change came over me and I thought for a few minutes I was dying but I soon began to throw up from my stomach and about a pint of heavy matter came up. This gave me some ease at my lungs and I slept a short time but was so sick to my stomach and puked several times before morning.
- Jan. 4. A little better the weather a little more mild and reports came in of many that had frozen to death in the storm.
- Jan. 5. Not much better. Heavy sweat came on that made me very weak and feeble. This came on as soon as I went to sleep and when I woke up I am sick and throw up.
- Jan. 6. No better but am so weak that I cannot stand or walk alone. Set up none.
- Jan. 7. Feel a little better. My fever left me but the cough is hard yet.
- Jan. 8. Continued better. Many of the Saints came to visit me. Brother James Johnson from Manchester came and brought me some little pies and cakes. After meeting, the Saints came in and sung me two or three songs and the Elders laid hands on me and I slept quite well.
- Jan. 9. Elder Dille and Tyler had been gone two days. Elder Tyler came to see me. Staid all night. My health continues better. Slept quite well and ate a little food.
- Jan. 10. Much better. Set up half of the day. Coughed a little although much better. Walked into the adjoining room and read a little during the day. Had a present of a bottle of Port Wine and one of Rhubarb wine. This is good and I think it will

give me strength. The weather fine.

- Jan. 11. Much better. Got up and went down stairs but as much as a bargain to get back alone. After a rest wrote a little in this journal in the evening my cough came on hard as ever and fever. Slept but little during the night.
- Jan. 12. Health poor and was not able to set up but little in the evening. Elder Fullmer came to see me and staid all night. Had a sick night and but little hopes of getting well.
- Jan. 13. Elder Fullmer went to Ashton and Elder Dille came and staid all night. I felt a little better and got a little sleep.
- Jan. 14. Some better. Elder Dille went to Bury this left me alone but my health was much better. I have hands laid on me by Elder Fullmer before he left. I slept quite well.
- Jan. 15. Much better in the morning but in the evening my cough came on and I had a sick day. Some of the Saints came to see me. Two of them, Elders, came and administered the Sacrament to me and talked to me about dying. I told them that I felt as though I should go home to the Valley and my family.
- Jan. 16. Had a high fever all day. Set up none and felt almost discouraged. In the afternoon Elder Crossley came and wanted me to go to Radcliffe as they had a room prepared for me but I was not able to go or move.
- Jan. 17. Not so well. Cough much worse and I almost wished to die but I was administered to and slept a little during the night. Ate very little.
- Jan. 18. Three weeks today since I came here and no better and a pleasant day. Brother Holt came in to my room. I told him that I wanted to move. He said he thought it would be well although he would do all he could for me and I was welcome to stay here. I will say that I had a father's house and a mother's care from Sister Holt and may the Lord bless that family for I know they are worn.

Brother Holt got a cab and he went with me six miles to Radcliffe to Thomas Smith's. Stood the ride quite well. Took my bed much fatigued, but had a good nights rest.

- Jan. 19. Health much better until afternoon when a pain took me in the stomach that raised a fever but by being administered to by the Elders I got a good nights sleep.
- Jan. 20. Much better. Set up the most of the day. Several of the Saints came to see me. In the evening Brother Tyler came. This made the day pass off quite agreeable. Slept quite well all night. My appetite came so that I could eat. Had some tripe. This tasted good.
- Jan. 21. Feel much better - The weather fine after a heavy shower of hail and rain with heavy thunder on. Yesterday Elder Tyler left and went to Ashton to attend a trial of a rehearing of case of Potts and others. Went down stairs but quite weak and feeble. In the evening many of the Saints came to see me sung several hymns and had a good visit. Slept quite well.
- Jan. 22. Got up early and dressed myself, washed and shaved and eat a good breakfast. Went downstairs and began to feel my strength coming. Many of the Saints came to see me and brought me some pies and cakes, oranges and apples. Set up until after dinner. Had a fine rabbit to eat. This tasted good. In the evening Elder Fullmer came and Elder Holt from Boalton and wife. Elders came and administered the sacrament to me. Slept well all night. Wrote a letter S.W. Richards and got one from him with a request to sail for Orleans, on the ship Galconda on the last day of january, but my health is poor and I feel but little like a sea voyage.
- Jan. 23. My health continued to improve. Elder Fullmer staid with me all day. Cough quite left me.
- Jan. 24. Elder Fullmer went to Bury in the evening. A number of the Saints came to see me and brought me some cakes and pies and had a good time. Slept well all night.
- Jan. 25. Got up in the morning and went out of doors for the first time. Set up all day. In the evening Elder Diley and Tyler came. Staid all night.
- Jan. 26. Received a letter from S.W. Richards giving me the privilege of going home by the way of New York if it would suit me any better on the account of my

health. Wrote an answer to his letter, telling him that my health was so poor that I should like to cross the Atlantic by steam. Elders staid all day with me. My health continued to improve very fast.

Jan. 27. The weather dark and gloomy, but my health fast improving. Elder Dilley and Tyler went away. Had a good nights sleep. The weather fine, snow all gone.

Jan. 28. Not so well. Did not get up but little in the afternoon and in the evening took a steam bath and was washed all over in cold water and went to bed.

Jan. 29. Health quite poor but able to set up, the most of the day. Three came in to see me and the pictures of my family. I showed them and preached to them a sermon and they seemed much inclined to believe the gospel. In the evening a number of the Saints came to see me. Had some good singing. Went to bed late and was much tired slept but little.

Jan. 30. Health poor. Got up and had some toast with some cocoa to drink and felt poorly in the morning. The weather was dark and gloomy. Some rain with a heavy wind and cold so that I dare not go out as I had set this day to go to Manchester. Felt better in the afternoon and slept quite well for the night.

Jan. 31. Got up early and ate a hearty breakfast. Had some fresh fish called Fluke. At ten took train after bidding Mr. Smith and Sister Smith farewell. To Manchester to Brother John Kelley's. Found Elders Diley, Tyler and Benjamin Brown. Staid all night.

February 1, 1884

Health much improved. Packed my chest to go home. Took dinner to Brother Chapil's, then took train to Ashton. Staid all night to Sister Straw's. Health quite good.

Feb. 2. Visited many of the Saints to bid them farewell. Took dinner to George Matlie's. Found him sick and his faith almost gone. Took tea to Brother Boath's and staid to Brother William Bardsley's. Health still improved.

Feb. 3. Took the train to Stelly Bridge to visit with the Saints and bid them farewell. This seemed hard to do, as many with tears would ask when shall I go to Zion and no prospect before them of ever going by

their own resources as means. Took dinner to Brother Malone's. Staid to Brother Derum's, had a good nights sleep and felt much better.

- Feb. 4. Walked to Ashton. Took dinner with Brother Pickup's. After dinner brought some combs and buttons, thread, needles, pins, dress trimmings and in the evening met with the council of Elders. Elders Dille, and Benjamine Brown, was present. Had a good meeting as well as united. Staid to Sister Straw's.
- Feb. 5. Met with the Saints. Elder Dille preached in the morning, Elder Brown in the afternoon and I in the evening and as it was my last farewell, the house was crowded and many strangers. The best of attention paid and the day was spent and I believe much good done. Staid to Sister Straw's much fatigued after speaking in such a crowded house.
- Feb. 6. Took breakfast to Brother Woolfoundale's. Bid Ashton farewell with a large number of faithful Saints with tears in many of their eyes. Took the train to Manchester. Took dinner to Brother Mortin's with Elder Dille, Brown, Tyler and Kelley, then took the train to Bury. Staid to Elder Daniel Hall's.
- Feb. 7. Visited some of the Saints. Visited Sister Stout and had a long discourse with one of her friends, a woman about thirty years old. The talk much interested her and at length she would not go away while I staid. Took the train to Radcliffe and preached to the Saints and bid them farewell. Staid all night to Thomas Smith's.
- Feb. 8. Took the train to Manchester. Bought a number of things for my family each a scotch plaid dress and two shawls. Packed my box or chest for home. Staid to Elder John Kelley's.
- Feb. 9. Sent my chest on board the ship, called the Windernere by Brother John Mathers to the United States to await my order accompanied by #1.10S to pay the expenses. Attended council meeting in Manchester. Staid to the same place.
- Feb. 10. Took dinner with Brother James Johnson's, thence to Oldham. Attended Council meeting and staid to Elder Luke Nield's.
- Feb. 11. Took the train to Stockport. Staid to Samuel

- Morehouse's. Health good.
- Feb. 12. Preached twice and had a good . Staid to the same place.
- Feb. 13. To Wagan to John Mackswell's. Staid all night health good.
- Feb. 14. Many of the Saints came to see me and I assisted Sister Maxwell to pack her things for the Valley. Staid to Brother Wm. Harkes's.
- Feb. 15. Took the train in company with Brother Maxwell to Liverpool. Went on board the ship called the Windermere and see the Saints which numbered four hundred and sixty four. All well and in good spirits and health. Then went on board several steam ships and paid the fare on the steam ship Ottaway. Fare in the second cabin, Twelve Guineys. Brother Maxwell gave me L#4-12S-11D towards my passage from thence to Finch Street 107 to A.F. McDonald's. Took dinner. Saw Elders Spencer and Carne's, then took the train to Leigh and staid to Brother Holden's. Health good but tired.
- Feb. 16. Visited several of the Saints and preached in the evening and one came forward for Baptism. Staid to the same place.
- Feb. 17. Took the train to Boalton to Elder Holt's. Took dinner and had a good visit. Took the train to Alchamoor in a heavy storm of snow and wind. Staid to Brother Holise's.
- Feb. 18. Cold and about three inches of snow on the ground and the wind makes it fly like feathers. Had two presents by two Sister Holises. One was for an apron for Lucina the other 5 yards Mareno for Julia a dress. Took the buss to Swinton to Brother Aaron Smither's. The weather was very cold.
- Feb. 19. Preached twice in Pendleton. Had a good meeting. Thence to Manchester and preached in the evening to a large assembly and many of the world were in to hear me and seemed to be much interested. Sister Barlow's in Clare Street is where I staid.
- Feb. 20. Visited several of the Saints and took the train to Oldham and staid to Luke Neild's. Health poor as a pleurisy took me in the side.
- Feb. 21. Walked to Ashton and preached to the Saints. Had a

good meeting. Staid to Sister Straw's.

- Feb. 22. Took the train to Stockport and went to a farewell party with the Saints that were going to the Valley. Staid to Brother Morehouse's.
- Feb. 23. Took the train to Manchester and bought some pieces of cloth on remnants. Paid \$1.50 also 6 shawl pins 18 cents, 3 bosom pins 25¢, 2 watch guards 10¢. Then took the train to Radcliffe. Took tea to James Crossley's then took the train to Bury, then took the buss to Totington. Held a meeting in connection with Elder Benjamin Brown and Dille. I was called to preach. Staid to Brother Crosbaw's. Health good.
- Feb. 24. Took the buss to Bury, then the train to Wagan and took dinner to Sister Jane Wilson's. Found one of the Saints had been killed in a col pit with about ninety others. His name is David Harison. They were killed by the damp or gas, that takes fire and burns them to death. This was a horrid scene but one that often occurs in the coleries. This pit is twelve hundred feet deep in many cases when they take fire it kills all that are down there and the deeper they are the more subject to the fire damp or gas. Staid to Brother Alker's.
- Feb. 25. Took the train to Stockport. Took dinner to Sister Clegg's. Took the train to Boalton. Staid to Elder Robert Holt's.
- Feb. 26. Took the train to Wagan. Attended meeting and preached.
- Feb. 27. Took the train to Liverpool and stopped at Mrs. Sarah Powers in Great Crosshall street.
- Feb. 28. Health not so good. The weather fine. Went to 15 Wilton Street and saw Brother S.W. Richards. Had a short interview with him pertaining to the Saints immigrating to the Valley.

March 1st, 1854

A little better health. The mail came in from the Great Salt Lake City, but no letter for me. Elder Fullmer got a letter from his family that brought the news that one of his children was dead, nothing more of importance and staid to the same place.

- Mar. 2. Bid several of the Elders farewell and went on board the steam ship, Ottaway, bound for Portland,

maine, North America. Raised anchor at eleven o'clock at night. After taking dinner on board at four in the afternoon and another such a time I never saw in my life. It was more like pigs than like men of civilization. It was take what you can get and rough game at that and I was obliged to put in a hand at that. The weather fine and clear. We have on board about 170 passengers. Went to bed and had a good nights sleep as I had a tolerable good berth.

- Mar. 3. Fine weather. About 12 a man fell overboard and was drowned and but few saw him after he fell. In sight of land the most of the day.
- Mar. 4. A fine day. Running ten miles per hour. Nothing of importance happened during the day.
- Mar. 5. The wind blew being from the south west and in the evening a heavy gale came up and the sea was rough and I was quite sick and threw up several times, the vessel making ten knots per hour.
- Mar. 6. The weather fine and cold. Had wind from the Northwest. At 10:30 a sailor fell from mast head. Picked up almost dead. A heavy shower of rain and wind. My health was poor.
- Mar. 7. Four o'clock in the morning the seal rolled heavy and came on deck. Took of the Boskrit and part of the Bullwarks and the water came into the cabin that caused an alarm, some praying others cursing and swearing. This made a plenty of confusion, some in their shirt tails, running up and down the stairs and decks. This lasted until day break. After nine the wind lowered and a three a ship passe us bound to Liverpool under full sale before the wind that blew up a heavy storm in the evening and many sick on board. My health a little better.
- Mar. 8. Cold and the sea rough. Saw a large number of fish called the sea pigs about ten feet long. Night came on and a long and rough night it was, boxes, and boots and dishes and other things tumbling about the cabin almost every sea washed the decks. This caused confusion that is hard to describe. At last the morning came.
- Mar. 9. The gale continues with rain and sleet that froze till noon when we had a rich time at dinner. The dishes sliding and a perfect grab game more like hogs than civilized people. This to my best

knowledge is the character of an English Man to accommodate himself and if he can not do that you need not look for much if you are a stranger. The gale continued all night. At 2 o'clock in the morning the ship rolled from side to side. The women came out of their rooms while the boxes were rolling and everything in confusion. The women came out in their night clothes screaming that the ship was filling with water and it was coming into my room. I lay still and reflected upon the promise of the Lord to me by the Patriarch that the seas should obey me and in the Name of Jesus Christ I rebuked the wind and the sea and in a few minutes the ship ceased to role and I went to sleep.

Mar. 10. The wind changed to the North which was a hard wind.

Mar. 11. A fine morning and my health much better. At 9:00 in the morning saw a large amount of fish of different kinds. The ship was running ten miles per hour. The weather changed and at four the snow began to fall and continued until after night. Had a calm nights sleep. After supper our tables which are about sixty feet long and well set at meal time, but the food is so badly cooked that none but an Irishman can eat it. The passengers are Irish, Scotch and English with two or three from the United States. The scenes that passes are much amusing to and American and when all summed up ship and crew it is John Bull out and out. I am now sitting at the table looking on as there is four decks of cards and one of dominoes all in successful operation with not a little cursing and swearing and a fiddle to play the chores of "God Dam Your Soul You Cheat Like Hell", and one comes down stairs and reports that the "ship is running like Hell, twelve miles per hour". The rain falling fast. 10 o'clock. All well as far as I know.

Mar. 12. At 4:00 in the morning a perfect gale lowering and took off two of the life boats. This caused the greatest of confusion on board. At day light the ice began to appear. This broke the heavy sea and we passed on until about noon, when an iceberg appeared that was not less than one hundred feet high out of the water. The ice began to grow thick until the whole face of the sea was covered and the iceberg looked like mountains in the distance. This was an awful scene to be in the midst of a world of ice. In the evening we passed a mountain

of ice a mile long. Here we turned our cars from two points north of west to south but the ship grinding against the ice all the time the moon shining bright and the weather fine. The ice glistening but the weather so so cold that one could not stand but a short time on deck at once. But the passengers collected with some music and had a dance and sang a number of songs.

- Mar. 13. Ice gone and a heavy hard wind blew all day and very cold. Made but little headway.
- Mar. 14. Fair wind and weather and my health much better and the clearest evening that I ever saw at sea in my life.
- Mar. 15. The weather cold and stormy with a heavy fog all day with a little rain.
- Mar. 16. Fog continued all night in the morning cleared off and saw a schooner bound to Halifax. About ten in sight?? of land, some small islands near Nonisatia. About noon the fog came on and cold hard wind. My health good.
- Mar. 17. Insight of land. Took a pilot on board and was in Portland harbor about four in the afternoon. Got on shore in the evening and staid to Orange Frost's, health poor. Plenty of snow for sleighing.
- Mar. 18. Took the train from Portland to Bethel. The wind blowing and the snow flying like feathers and from there to four feet on ground. Staid at Isaac Littlehale's. Found them all well and glad to see me.
- Mar. 19. Took a sleigh ride with Mr. Littlehale to Middleintervale to John Batie's, went to a Methodist Meeting and staid to Mr. Batie's.
- Mar. 20. To Asa Bartlett's thence to Uncle Reubin Bartlett's. Saw the Old lady thence to Newry Corner and took dinner to Aaron Frost's. Thence to David Smith's to supper. Found him quite lame and feeble in health. Thence to the head of the tide so called and staid all night to John Killgores all well.
- Mar. 21. Viewed the place of my nativity and the place that gave me birth, thence to Daniel Widbury's. Found Uncle John A. Bartlett and wife there. Had a good

- visit with them and also to Daniel Paine's. Staid to Moses Killgore's. Health poor.
- Mar. 22. Went to Sunday River with Moses Killgore to the funeral of Moses Bartlett one of my cousins, the son of Elisha Bartlett. Here I saw my old Grandmother, 86 years old, and went to the grave with her. Saw many of my connections there too, too numerous to mention. Thence to Newry Corner and preached to a small assembly and staid to Aaron Frost's. Health poor.
- Mar. 23. Took breakfast to Lawson Smith's with John Baty and wife. Found them all well, thence to Steven Frost's. Stopped a short time, thence to Joan Searles, a sister of my wife Julia. Staid the afternoon as a heavy storm of snow on. Staid all night and had a good visit.
- Mar. 24. Storm continued and 13 inches of snow fell and the wind blowing and the snow drifting thence to Stephen Frost's to dinner. Thence to Josia Smith's and stopped a short time and then to Jonathan Smith's, tired out. Staid all night.
- Mar. 25. To Nathan Rierson's to dinner at Newry Corner. Got a ride with Peter Beane to Hanover to Uncle Enoch Bartlett's. Found them all well. Staid all night. Health poor.
- Mar. 26. Preached in a large school house and had a large congregation and good attention. Staid all night. Had considerable conversation with my uncle on the principals of the gospel.
- Mar. 27. Cold and the wind blowing hard and almost impossible to travel but I walked four miles through the snow up to my knees much of the way. Stopped to Colson Abbot's that married Saviley Barker, my cousin, thence to Uncle Samuel Barkers. Stopped to dinner, thence to Uncle Asy Sessions, found them well and glad to see me. Staid all night. Health poor and tired.
- Mar. 28. Visited Derias Sessions the son of Asa Sessions. Took dinner thence to Elias Barkers the son of Samuel Barkers. Staid all night. The weather was cold and the snow blowing.
- Mar. 29. Took a sleigh ride with him to Runford Center and found the road drifted and he had to turn back and I went on a foot and the snow flying like feathers.

Continued my walk to Mexico to Osgood Vergin's. Found him well and glad to see me with many of my old friends. Staid all night.

Mar. 30. Took a sleigh ride with Osgood to Byron to Uncle Joseph Knapp's, calling to a number of places. Found the people glad to see me. Took dinner to John Richard's, found him and wife weak in the faith of the Gospel, but they seemed to take courage a little. Found my uncles family a ruff set of boys and cultivated. Staid all night. Health poor, the weather cold, the roads bad.

April 1, 1854

Returned to Mexico and staid to David Browns. Slept with Osgood Vergin. Several of the Saints came to see me and had a good visit. Visited a number of old friends that appeared glad to see me and hear the principles of the Truth laid before them. Staid to Joseph Hall's. Health poor. The weather warm and fine.

Apr. 2. Preached twice to what is called the Walton Schoolhouse. Had a large congregation and the best of attention paid. In the evening preached in Reulin Waltin's Hall. Had a good meeting. Staid all night. Tired very much. Staid all night to Elder Artimus Putnam's and slept with Osgood Vergin.

Apr. 3. Health rather poor. Walked Osgood Vergin's after visiting several of my old friends and bidding them farewell with many sorrowful hearts. Staid all night to Elder Vergin's.

Apr. 4. Took the stage to Briant's Pond twelve miles. The weather very cold, the snow five feet deep in the timber land. Took the cars at noon to Portland. Arrived at 3:30 and visited Orrange Frost and Joseph Smith that married with Elisa Emo??. Found them glad to see me. Took the steam boat St. Lawrence to Boston. Had a pleasant trip. Arrived half past five in the morning. This morning fine weather. The snow all gone and the buds putting forth as tokens of the return of spring, went to the railroad office and paid my fare on the second class to Chicago. Eleven Dollars. Took the cars at 7:30 and passed many fine and flourishing towns. Stopped to Springfield and took dinner. Here the road crossed the Connecticut River. From thence to Albany in New York, where we crossed the North River. Here we crossed the North river. This is a

fine and flourishing town. Staid all night to the Boston Hotel but my health very poor as I have had the Colery Morbus and could not eat one little bite. Slept but little.

Apr. 5. Got up early in the morning. Got some breakfast then took a walk through the town as this is the capital of the state. Took the cars at 12:30. Soon struck the Mohawk River. Here is a fine country of land and many fine farms and towns. Arrived in Utica at 3:30, thence to Syracuse and Rochester, train run all night and my health poor. This made me feel quite fatigued.

Apr. 6. This morning fine weather. The sun is shining bright on the place where Joseph Smith found the plates by the administration of a holy angel. This brought many reflections to my mind as it is the day of the month that the Church was organized twenty four years since. Arrived in Lockport about noon. This is a fine town. Crossed the St. Lawrence River below the Niagara Falls on a suspension bridge that is eight hundred feet long and too high from the water below that is a complete foam after coming over the falls. This bridge is made of wire and is one of the greatest pieces of work of the age. This bridge though so long and high is strong enough to carry a loaded team. All got safely over and took the cars for Detroit. Passed through fine fertile country in sight of Lake St. Clear. In the evening met a train that the engine had run off the track. Here we had to exchange cars and wait until one o'clock, then continue our journey and arrived in London, upper Canada at 5:30 in the morning. Went to a tavern and went to bed and slept until 9:00. Got up and took breakfast, then took the cars at ten and continued our journey to Detroit, through a fine timbered country but too flat for much farming. Arrived at Detroit at 6:00 in the evening and found that my trunk was left with the cars where the engine had run off the track. Here I stopped, went to a tavern and got some supper, thence to the station house and set up all night waiting for my trunk to come but it did not come by the morning train, but came at 5:30.

Apr. 9. Sunday- Staid to the tavern all day but my health poor. The cars do not run on the Sabbath.

Apr. 10. Spent the day in Detroit and in Windsor until 6:30. The train came and brought my trunk. Took the

cars in Detroit for Chicago at 9:00 in the evening.
Rode all night. Arrived in Chicago at 8:30 in the morning. Health poor.

- Apr. 11. Took the cars at 9:30 for Rock Island. Passed many fine towns in Illinois. Arrived at six in the evening. but hardly able to sit up. Took the Steamboat , Lady Franklin at nine in the evening for Muscoteene, landed two in the morning.
- Apr. 12. Went to a tavern and went to bed but could not sleep. Took the coach at nine for Iowa City thirty three miles. A fine day. The coach was full. Talked all the way about Mormonism and the plurality of wives and had an interesting ride as there was an old women in the coach that was full of sectarianism than ever a dog was of flees. This was fun for me. Arrived in the city at 4:00 p.m. and found my sister and family all well, but my health very poor, not hardly able to sit up. Slept but little all night.
- Apr. 13. Sick all day and not able to sit up. Coughed very hard and had a restless night.
- Apr. 14. Continued sick. Took a Mettic and some physic. This helped me so that I slept a little but the cough continued hard and my strength was failing fast.
- Apr. 15. A little better. Set up some and slept much better.
- Apr. 16. Several came in to see me of my old friends and seemed glad to see me.
- Apr. 17. Health continued better. Rode two miles in a buggy and felt quite smart and began to prepare to go home with my sister and her family. Mr. Clark bought two horses and some other things for our outfit. Slept quite well.
- Apr. 19. Got a letter from Elder John Mackswell from St. Louis. Wrote an answer and had an interesting conversation with Henry Migart and wife about Mormonism. Not quite so well in the evening as in the morning. My cough continued.
- Apr. 20. Rode out and felt much better. Cold and windy weather. I kept the house most of the day. Health poor.

- Apr. 22. Mr. Clark started to Davenport to buy a carriage and wagon and I went into the town and bought several things to carry home to my family and bought a rifle gun of John Lindamon.
- Apr. 23. Health poor. Wrote some and several came to see me. My cough seems to wear me down and as I get but little rest nights.
- Apr. 24. Health a little better.
- Apr. 25. Visited several of my old friends about the city. There were two fires in the city in the nights and one horse stolen.
- Apr. 26. Visited Ethel C. Lyons and had an interesting conversation upon the principles of the gospel, thence to D.C. Woods and heard the girls play on several pieces of music, thence to se Margaret Dote that lived with my sister. She was glad to see me and my sister that went with me, with three of her children. Health a little better.
- Apr. 27. The weather cold and windy and my health poor but able to help to make a set of hoes for a wagon.
- Apr. 28. Clark came home with the wagon and carriage and I went into the town but health poor and not able to do much.
- Apr. 29. Helped to put the hoes on the wagon and fix up some of the things for our journey. Coughed hard in the night until I threw up my supper.
- Apr. 30. A fine morning. The fields look green but the dryest time that was ever known at this season of the year.
- May 1, 1854
Visited Henry Migat . Had a long conversation with him and wife on the principles of the gospel. Went to town and bought some things for the journey. Hooked up our team. Health much better.
- May 2. Loaded our wagons and had a busy day.
- May 3. Started on our journey. My sister and four children and a man by the name of Richard Jones, he drove the oxen team which consisted of six oxen and two cows and the team that I drove was two horses. Traveled to Maringo thirty two miles the weather was fine.

- May 4. All quite well. Camped on Hard Creek 21 miles. The roads good. Mr. Clark left us in the morning.
- May 5. Camped in Latimers Grove 18 miles. Had a fine day and my health much improved.
- May 6. Passed through Newton and camped on a small creek. The grass was good and let the cattle go loose all night.
- May 7. The weather fine and in the afternoon met Mr. Duey from Iowa City and Mr. Hand that came to help us for a few days. Turned back, camped ten miles from Ft. Des Moines, had a heavy shower of rain with heavy thunder.
- May 8. Crossed the ferry, got five of the team off the boat and came near being drowned. Passed through Fort Des Moines at 2:00 o'clock camped on the middle fork of the river.
- May 9. The weather cold and windy, which made a long drive of 20 miles, camped in the prairie and had good grass.
- May 10. The wind continued to blow from the south. Next we camped on Rockon Fork. All well.
- May 11. Wind blowing hard. Camped near Moreses Station. All well.
- May 12. Rainy in the morning and most plenty of mud. Staid in a house ten miles from Indian Town.
- May 14. A fine day. Passed Indian Town and camped in the prairie. All well.
- May 15. Rainy in the morning. Cleared off about nine and we started. Camped on Silver Creek.
- May 16. Rained all night and a perfect gale of wind blowing from the north that made the rain beat into our wagons and wet our heads, all was wet and the streams so high that we could not travel and was obliged to lay by for the day. Rained the most of the day but not hard until evening. Got my sister and the children into a house to sleep. Rained all night and the wind blew and got perfectly soaked with water. This looked like squally times for a man with no better health than mine but I have ever found the blessings of God that I have been able to

endure the fatigues of a Mormon life which is one of trials. I am now sitting in wet clothes and all is wet in the wagon and raining so fast that fire will not burn.

- May 17. 10:00 o'clock in the morning. Health poor and wet and cold in the afternoon. Cleared off and Brother Joseph Robinson camped with us.
- May 18. Wet and rainy. Staid in camp all day.
- May 19. Started early in the morning and camped on Musket Creek three miles from Kanessville.
- may 10. Went to town and bought our fit?? out for the plains. Staid in camp all night.
- May 21. Held a meeting and preached to the camp and several came from town to see us.
- May 22. Went to camp of several of the emigrant camps and to town and got some smith work done.
- May 23. Started out and crossed the river and camped at Old Winter Quarters all safe across and on our way in Camp sixteen wagons.
- May 24. Traveled to the Papeo and camped. All well.
- May 25. Crossed the Elkhorn River and camped on a slough, some thirty indians about us to beg but no hostilities.
- May 26. Camped on the Platt River. A heavy rain storm and about forty indians came and seamed quite hostile and stole eleven head of cattle in the night, from a company close to us.
- May 27. Camped on a slough but saw no Indians.
- May 28. Made a long drive and crossed Shell Creek where the indians had taken tole of many that had passed but they let us pass as we were a strong company. They stood back and let us pass. Camped on the Platt River all well.
- May 29. Arrived to the loop fork of the Platt River and camped on a slough below the ferry.
- May 30. Crossed all but one wagon and camped on the west bank and a tremendous shower of rain and one horse killed with lightening not far from our camp.

- May 31. All well. Left camp at nine in the morning, made a good drive and camped on a slough. Found ten head of cattle and took them along. More rain.
- June 1, 1854 All well. Left camp in good season. Made a good drive and camped on a slough.
- June 2. Continued our journey up the loop fork of the Platt and camped near the old crossing made by the Saints in 47 here the road leaves the loop fork.
- June 3. Passed through the sand hills and camped at 2:00 o'clock on account of the rain that fell all night in torrents. In the morning the face of the earth was covered with water. Here a company overtook us that had a fight with the Indians, two or three wounded and lost eleven horses but as yet the Lord has preserved our little train.
- June 4. Traveled to Prairie Creek and found it too high to cross. Camped, all well and union prevails in the camp. I am now in sight of about five hundred cattle and fifty wagons one of them has eleven ball holes in it made by the indians.
- June 5. The stream has risen some five feet. Staid in camp all day, one of the company killed a fine deer.
- June 6. Crossed the stream and went on and camped on the next side at or near it's head. All well.
- June 7. Crossed Wood River, tole bridge and camped in the prairie and in the night the guard was alarmed by two men dressed like indians and no doubt intended to steal our horses all the camp awoke and ordered to be ready for a fight as we looked for white indians as we knew they were after us.
- June 8. About ten o'clock two men were seen near the river two miles from the road. Met one on horseback that looked very suspicious. Camped on a slough near Elm Creek and in the night two more men passed us at full speed about two in the morning.
- June 9. Continued our journey to Buffalo Creek. Met five men on horseback that looked suspicious but camped only to do some washing.
- June 10. Staid in camp until eleven and called the camp together. Had prayers and a number expressed their

feelings of thankfulness to God who had preserved us from thieves and robbers and for our good health. Crossed the creek and camped by a slough. Passed a new grave, died two day before.

- June 11. Camped near the sandy bluffs. My health very poor.
- June 12. All well. Camped on a glen near two big springs. Health poor not able to sit up more than half of the day.

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Sunday, March 25th 1855

Attended meeting in the schoolhouse. Opened by singing and prayer by Bishop John Stoker. The case of Sister Mary Hatch was called up. Elder Fisher was called to make report of a committee that the Bishop had appointed to try to settle some difficulties with she and her husband. His report was that the committee disfellowship her. I was then called upon as one of the committee and confirmed Brother Fisher's remark. Motion was then carried unanimous.

The case of Brother Daniel Wood was then called up by Elder Holbrook. He said when duty presented itself he wished to do it promptly. Brother Wood was before the meeting that his course had not been that of a Saint and had been investigated before the seventies and their decision was that he must make satisfaction to the Ward. The Bishop then arose and said he had taken a steady course with Brother Wood, that he was called to the city to answer such questions as might be asked of him and he must do his duty. That when he had called upon Brother Wood to assist the poor he did not and when the teachers had visited him he did not heed them and there was a difference with Anson Call. Elder Holbrook then arose and said that there were several other things against Brother Wood. Brother Telford said that Brother Wood did offer to go Curtis's Bale which he had denied with many other items difficulty. Brother Wood then arose and said he wished to say a word or two. And the case of Curtis and others and said he did not intend to do wrong and if the Bishop would make out a confession he would do it. The Bishop then arose and said he did not know how to make a confession for him and he wished him to make his own confession.

Brother Holbrook then arose and said that Sidney

Rigdon did confess sins but he did not know of any President of the kind. Brother Wood then said he wished to make a remark or two about cattle and flour and asked forgiveness and was forgiven by a unanimous vote by his going and being rebaptized. John Perkins then asked the Saints to forgive him. Motion was then made that he be forgiven and carried unanimous. Meeting closed by prayer. Met with the choir at 4:00 in the evening. Opened by prayer and made some remarks upon the necessity of being prompt in all our duties. Sung a number of hymns and had a lecture from Chester Loveland. The school closed by prayer by Elder Loveland. Attended meeting in the evening. Eighteen confirmed that had been baptized. Had some remarks from Phineas Long after which he closed by prayer. Health fairly good.

- Mar. 26. A fine day. Sowed twenty six bushels of oats and had them dragged in. Sowed some garden seed that I did not get done on Saturday before. Sowed Locust, apple, pear, cherry, plum, grape, strawberry, current, with many other seeds that I bought from England. Planted some peas, onions, carrots, beets, peas and corn. On Saturday County Court set today at Farmington.
- Mar. 27. Sowed sixteen bushel of wheat and dragged it in. In the evening I attended a meeting of the Priesthood.
- Mar. 28. Went to Salt Lake City and took dinner with Enoch Tripp. Health terrible good. Had two teams plowing for wheat. Settled with Oscar Middleton for driving off a steer. He paid me \$15.00 damage. Rode with the Bishop to the city. Had a visit from him and wife in the evening. Weather fine.
- Mar. 29. Sowed two and one half bushel of seven headed wheat and planted some early potatoes. In the evening attended meeting at the school house.
- Mar. 30. Sowed nine bushel of wheat and planted a half acre of potatoes. The weather fine. Sent to the herd for my cattle.
- Mar. 31. Plowing with two teams. In the evening the cattle came in. A heavy shower of hail and rain with some thunder and heavy wind.
- April 1, 1855. Attended a meeting at the schoolhouse and heard the

Elders Bill and Boyington preach the plurality of Goods and the pre-existence of man. In the evening attended prayer meeting and was called to preside. Had a good meeting. many testimonies heard of the gospel revealed in these days being true.

- Apr. 2. Stormy and cold weather. Hauled some stone for the city wall. Lost a saw and a steer worth seventy five dollars.
- Apr. 3. Plowed with two teams and Brother Elisha Davis hauled manure on my city lot. Sowed Sylvia's city lot with wheat.
- Apr. 4. Sowed nine bushels of wheat and done some plowing. The weather cold with some frost.
- Apr. 5. Sowed some beets and onions and planted some potatoes and shod the horses. Health good and the family's also. The weather fine.
- Apr. 6. Attended Conference in Salt Lake City. Called some fifty or sixty missionaries. Called to take missions to the nations of the earth with much other business done in the representation of the Church with some good instructions from the Presidency.
- Apr. 7. Staid all night to mothers and plowed her city lot. Attended Conference. Some fifty or sixty more missionaries called. Preaching by Orson Pratt and Hyde. Some ten women cut off from the Church for bad conduct with the soldiers. The weather fine with a little shower in the evening. Came home in the evening and Harriett Sessions, now called Werden my father wife came with me.
- Apr. 8. Attended Conference. George A. Smith spoke in the morning upon the Word of Wisdom and bore testimony to the Book of Mormon and was followed by E. T. Benson. About this time it began to rain and as the Conference was held out of doors it had to adjourn until 2 o'clock. Met in the tabernacle. Phineas Young spoke some things of his experience in the Church for twenty five years and while he was speaking the sacrament was administered by the Bishops. He was followed by Elder Wilford Woodruff with a good exhortation to the Saints and bore a faithful testimony. He was followed by Elder Lorenzo Snow. Spoke of his feeling when he was in foreign nations where the Prophets had been slain and the hardships the Elders would have to go

through as the Gospel keys was taken away from the Gentiles and they had to go to Israel. He was followed by Elder C.C. Rich with a few remarks on the necessity of obeying the counsel of those that the Lord had set over the Church. He was followed by the President who spoke upon the Word of Wisdom and the course that fathers and mothers should take while raising a family and also the Bishops got a lashing for not doing their duties in regard to the tithing. Conference adjourned until October next.

- Apr. 9. Commenced to build a culvert south of my house for the City Hall. A little rain.
- Apr. 10. Done some plowing and hauling stone for the culvert. Weather fine.
- Apr. 11. Went to the mountain after timber and broke one wheel of my wagon and an awful south wind blowing that blew down fences and hay stacks with some other damage.
- Apr. 12. The weather fine. Planted some potatoes and cabbage. Sent one team to the mountains and one to hauling stone for the city wall. In the evening attended exercises at the schoolhouse.
- Apr. 13. Went to the mountains with two teams. Hauled five logs to the mill to make lumber for gates.
- Apr. 14. Went to the mountain with two hands to cut timber for bastions for the city wall. Killed five fowls and a ground hog and done a hard days work.
- Apr. 15. Attended meeting at the schoolhouse. Elders Russel and Davis preached. Spoke on the necessity of doing to others as you would have others do to you and the necessity of harkening to the counsel. The Bishop presented the subject of the city wall and opening of a canyon to get poles and timber and wished the ward to turn out and work the road the coming week in the afternoon. Attended singing school. Had a full school.
- Apr. 16. Made two gates and hung one of them. The weather cold and a heavy wind and some rain. Eperson quite sick with the yellow jaundice and the bowel complaint. All my family well.
- Apr. 17. Made a fence around the house and hung gates. Stormed some and cold.

- Apr. 18. Planted corn and plowed for vines. Cold. In the evening and froze the ground quite hard.
- Apr. 19. Went to the mountains and hauled six logs to the mill and got them sawed into joists to build city walls. Got home late and went to Sylvias to supper. Chester Loveland and the Bishop with out wives.
- Apr. 20. Went to Holbrooks and got a load of lumber. Found a hard road. Health poor.
- Apr. 21. Went again to the mill and got a load of lumber. Fell off from the wagon and hurt my hop hard but able to get home with my load.
- Apr. 22. Attended meeting to the schoolhouse and Elder Holbrook preached to a large congregation with good attention. Administered the sacrament under the Bichops direction. In the evening attended the singing school.
- Apr. 23. Commenced putting up the city wall with five hands. Got up a little over one rod. School commenced which was kept by Sister Hannah Holbrook. My health tolerable good.
- Apr. 24. Built a rod and one half of city wall. The weather fine in the forepart of the day. In the evening it commenced to rain with a heavy west wind. My health tolerable good and all my family well.
- Apr. 25. Continued on the city wall. built two rods.
- Apr. 26. Labored on the city wall. The soldiers passed about eight in the morning. Heavy wind from the south and threatened rain but none fell yet. Much needed of it. The grasshoppers very thick and doing much harm.
- Apr. 29. Attended meeting at the schoolhouse and Elders Grant and Little preached upon the necessity of the Saints adhering to counsel that they may not apostatize from the Faith but the hand of the Lord was over the people in prosperity and that the Saints do not appreciate the blessings they enjoy in this valley. In the afternoon met with the singing school Had a good school and the Bishop spoke of his feelings toward the Ward and wished the youth to be humble and to pray. Another train of the soldiers passed on their way to California. Several men put up with me.

- Apr. 30. Went to the city on horseback and obtained my dog that had been gone since November. Had some trouble to get him as he was in the hands of one Frank Bake black man. Returned home in the evening tired.
- May 1, 1855
Watered my fall wheat to kill the grasshoppers as they were very thick and doing much damage. The weather very dry with a heavy south wind in the evening. Continued the city wall with four hands. A total eclipse of the moon at eight in the evening.
- May 2. Went to the city with Harrison Walton and returned with Bishop John Day. Hired a man by the name of Hallis for twenty dollars month.
- May 3. The wind continued to blow hard all day. Settled with Eperson and he started to California with Greens Company. My health poor.
- May 4. Finished a piece of city wall near my home and ;moved the frames to a part south of the house.
- May 5. Labored on the wall. Health poor and Lyman Leonard paid us a visit and staid all night.
- May 6. Attended meeting at the schoolhouse and heard Chester Loveland, Seth Dustin, and Reubin Perkins, Elders that was appointed on a mission to Carson Valley to preach and bore their testimony to the Gospel that they were called to preach in the afternoon. Attended singing school at the schoolhouse. Bishop Stoker and Councilor were present and he gave us some good instructions.
- May 7. Planted pumpkins, squash, melons and cucumbers and kept the city wall in building.
- May 8. Health poor. Irrigated my fall wheat and weeded the garden.
- May 9. Put up fence around the meadow and planted some peas in the garden.
- May 10. Branded cattle. Found the grasshoppers very thick and had eaten the grass so that the feed is poor.
- May 11. Hauled stone for the city wall and a little shower of rain fell but not enough to set the ground which

is very dry.

- May 12. Hauled stone. Looking like rain. In the afternoon a heavy south wind.
- May 13. Attended meeting at the schoolhouse and heard Elders Davis and A.A. Dunn preach. Attended baptism and the Bishop baptized several. In the evening attended confirmation meeting.
- May 14. Planted some pumpkins, pea and beans.
- May 15. Labored on the walk.
- May 16. Went to the city. Health poor.
- May 17. Watered the garden.
- May 18. Branded cattle and watered corn.
- May 19. Branded a cow that had a young calf.
- May 20. Attended meeting. Heard Jacob Gates preach and in the afternoon it rained for about an hour. Snow on the mountains.
- May 21. Planted corn near the house on the ground that the grasshoppers eat the wheat up and continued watering wheat.
- May 22. Watered wheat. Health good.
- May 23. Went to the mountains after saw logs to haul to the mill.
- May 24. Hauled lumber from the mill.
- May 25. Rained the most of the day. Snow on the mountains.
- May 26. Helped the surveyor lay off the graveyard of the City of Bountiful. In the evening attended a Ward meeting. Called in regards to taking care of cattle to secure the fields.
- May 27. Went to the city to meeting. Heard Elders J. Grant, Kimball and Pres. Young preach. They arrived in the morning from a trip south as far as Cedar City. Report that the grass hoppers had eaten the most of the crops of wheat. At the close of the meeitng Aropene, an Indian Chief came into the stand and said that he felt small that he was an Indian but he wished to do right and obey the

council of the Prophets and servants of God. That he was a Mormon and he loved the Mormons. Took supper to Mothers and returned home in the evening.

May 28. Branded cattle and caught some fish in Jordan River.

May 29. Gathered the cattle on the bottom of the owners appointed a committee to hunt out a herd ground if possible that we could take the cattle to. Commenced to rain in the afternoon. Had a fine rain. Cleared off and warm.

May 30. Started with the Bicccshop Stoker and Judge Holbrook, Charles Park and James Fackrell to hunt out a valley on the Weber River. Traveled east over the mountains onto a small stream of water. Followed it down to the mouth to a stream empty into Weber, called Canyon Creek. This is a fine mill stream. Camped for the night. No grass, the grasshoppers had eaten every green thing. Weather cold and frosty. Saw no game but two hawks. Killed them both.

May 31. Started as soon as it was light. Traveled eight miles to Weber. Found a little grass. Fed our animals and took our breakfast. We had traveled now forty miles. After stopping an hour continued our travel down the valley to the canyon about twelve miles. This valley is about twenty miles long and one mile wide. Some good land but in the main rather poor but little timber, but well watered and a good grazing valey. Crossed the river and went through the Devils Gate and well named. Crossed the river again and traveled west near Hooper' Herd Ground. Camped near a spring. Weather fine. Distance thirty miles.

June 1, 1855

Took breakfast at Hooper's Camp. Turned our course home. Took dinner to Thomas Groves in Farmington, thence home. Distance in all one hundred miles. Found all well but myself, very tired.

June 2. Built a pig pen and hoed potatoes.

June 3. Health poor.

June 4. Done some watering corn.

June 5. Made fence on the meadow.

- June 6. Attended a Ward meeting for the purpose to herd the cattle.
- June 7. Went to see Marth Smoot. Found her sick. Staid all night with mother at Smoots.
- June 8. Rode to Karymans Fort thirty two miles from home. Took dinner to Brother Peck's, thence to Salt Lake and staid to father Parry's. Returned home and killed bugs in my potatoes.
- June 9. Attended meeting at the schoolhouse. Anson Call preached.
- June 10. Went on Jordon River to cut hay. A little shower of rain.
- June 11. Prepared water ditches to water wheat. Saw a large amount of grasshoppers in the air as thick as snow falling a flying west. It lasted twenty five minutes and sounded like heavy rain.
- June 12. Went to town.
- June 13. Made three rakes. Health poor.
- June 14. Hauled hay from Jordan.
- June 15. Watered corn and garden.
- June 16. Attended meeting and was called to preach.
- June 17. At home.
- June 18. Health poor.
- June 20. Had a visit from Father Morely and wife. Staid all night.
- June 21. Watered corn. Weather very warm
- June 22. Made a cradle.
- June 23. Made a gleaning rake.
- June 24. Attended the High Priests quorum meeting and in the afternoon the grass hoppers came thick as hale.
- June 25. Fought grasshoppers all day.
- June 26. Continued the war.

- June 27. Heavy south wind and the grasshoppers all left. Sent off my cattle to Bear River after branding them.
- June 28. Commenced to harvest wheat. A little rain fell. The weather cold. Snow on the mountains.
- June 29. A fine shower in the morning. Watered garden and cut wheat.
- June 30. Hunted cattle and lost a horse, called Pete.
- July 1, 1855
Attended meeting to the schoolhouse. Elder Holbrook read the revelation on Celestial Marriage. The weather fine.
- July 2. Cut wheat. Several trains from California passed going east.
- July 3. Finished cutting fall wheat.
- July 4. Went to Cottonwood.
- July 5. Cutting wheat.
- July 6. Cutting oats. Poor crop by reason of drouth and grasshoppers.
- July 7. Cutting oats and attended a convention and Ward meeting.
- August 16, 1873
Left home on a mission to Maine in company with Lucy Smith on a visit to see her father. Arrived in Ogden nine in the morning. Left at ten. Took dinner at Evanston, supper at Greenriver Station. Had a good nights sleep in a Palace Car.
- Aug. 17. Fine weather. Took breakfast at Laramie. Health good, thence to North Platt. Crossed at midnight, thence to Wood River.
- Aug. 18. To breakfast, thence to Omaha. Arrived at 2 p.m. crossed the River to Council bluffs. Changed cars for Chicago. Health good, weather fine. Started at 4:00 P.M. thence to Iowa City. Arrived there at 4 P.M.
- Aug. 19. Health rather poor. Took breakfast at Berlington.

Crossed the Mississippi river into Illinois. A Josephite came into the car and began his raid on Brigham Young. I told him I did not wish to be insulted and he better tend to his business if he had any. Thence to Chicago. Staid 5 hours. Thence to Detroit, Michigan, junction.

- Aug. 20. Health poor. Lungs tight. Crossed over the Detroit River, the whole train at one load, thence through a timber country, much of it had been burned over last year. The land was good and fine crops. Slept but little all night.
- Aug. 21. Arrived in Montreal at 10:30. Staid till 1:30. Crossed over the great bridge across the St. Lawrence that cost some four million dollars. This is a great piece of work. Had a long talk with an English Clergy, leaving with an inquiring mind thence to Island Pond. Staid one hour. From then until 2:00 in the morning, thence to Bethel Hill. Arrived at 2:25 in the morning. Took breakfast to Hyrum Twitchels.
- Aug. 22. Thence by stage to Swans Corner. Took dinner to Orange Frost's, thence to Uncle Elisha Bartlett's, found all well and glad to see me. Staid all night.
- Aug. 23. Took dinner to Joll Foster's and had a good visit, thence to Bear River. Visited Jane McCuseck and found her speechless. She had had a paralytic stroke. Took supper and rode with Moses Killgore to Naham Frost's and staid all night.
- Aug. 24. Health quite good. Crossed the mountains on foot to Elisha Bartletts, thence to Bethel Hill with Uncle Enoch Bartlett in a buggy. Took dinner to Charles Harrison's and preached to his father and mother from thence to Hanover and staid to C.B., Frost's. Cold like fall of the year. Wind blowing hard.
- Aug. 25. A fine morning. Thence to Byron and found Aunt Sarah well and feeling well in the Gospel. Went to Uncle Knapp's and found them well. Staid to Uncle Enoch Bartlett's.
- Aug. 26. Took leave of them in Byron and rode with a peddler to Mexico. Visited Father Kimball, Halls and Mother Vergin with many others of my old friends. All seemed glad to see me. Went to the Papple Hill. Staid to Sessions Browns. Heavy frost in

the morning.

- Aug. 27. Health good. Another heavy frost. The weather clear and fine and very crops suffering for rain. Spent the day. In the evening preached to Sessions Browns to small congregation with good attention. Staid all night. Health good.
- Aug. 28. Visited several old friends. Found them all glad to see me and willing to listen to the Gospel. Took supper to Russel Flagg and had a good visit. Preached much to them, thence to Mexico corner, thence to Benjamin Stores and staid all night. Found the family glad to see me. The weather was fine.
- Aug. 29. Health good and a pleasant morning. Went to see a big cheese factory at Mexico, thence to Popple Hill and staid at Sessions Browns.
- Aug. 30. Visited many of my old friends and staid to Ben Stores. Health good. Preached in the Hunbell schoolhouse, thence to Bopple Hill. Preached to Bowers Bergises had a good time.

September 1, 1875

- Powers Berges took his horse and buggy and crossed me to Rumbord to Colsen. Abott my cousin found him quite feeble, but glad to see me. Staid all night. Health good.
- Sept. 2. A little rain in the evening. Everything and dried up fields ?? looked white. Went to Elias Barket's, my cousin's and took dinner. Had a long talk with him, thence to Uncle Asa Sessions and found her well and glad to see me. Cold and wind blowing hard. Health good, preached in the evening to a lot of hop tickers, nearly all women. Staid all night.
- Sept. 3. Health good. Bid aunt goodbye for this world and went over the hill to Uncle Wm. Sessions the last one of my father's Brothers and sisters. Wrote a letter to my cousin Orivill in Boston. Looked at their farm and got a few beans to carry home. Staid all night.
- Sept. 4. Took his horse and buggy and carried me to Newry Corner 12 miles. Rained hard, all the way to Elisha Bartletts. Found all well and staid all night.

- Sept. 5. Health good, went to Swans Corners. Got a letter from home. Took the stage to Puppel Tavern to my cousins Charles Bartletts. Took dinner, thence to the Old Mill Side of my fathers. Got out on the dam of rocks, where I had spent many of my boyhood days and wrote in this journal, where I had sat many times and caught the speckled trout and could see them below me. This gave my many reflections, thence to Moses Killgores and talked much to him and his wife, his wife was very much inclined to hear.
- Sept. 6. He took his buggy and carried me to Brother Josiah Smith's and saw Sister Lucy Smith from Salt lake. Had a good visit thence to Sunday River over the mountain some five miles to Juel Fosters. Talked much and they seemed much affected with my testimony.
- Sept. 7. Thence to Uncle Elisha Bartletts, changed my clothes and went to the meeting. Preached to a small congregation, thence to Mr. McCusecks and visited his wife, a sister to Julia my first wife. She gave me a belt for Martha Ann that Julia use to wear, her mother. Staid all Night. Health good. Rained in the night. Cleared up, this is election day here and great excitement.
- Sept. 8. Thence to Poppel Tavern and got dinner. Thence to John Bennets Grafton. Staid all night. Cold as winter.
- Sept. 9. Ground covered with frost. Ground frozen. Heavy fog, cleared off, thence to Brother John Baties. Found them well and glad to see me. Got dinner and he took his buggy and carried me to Upton to Aunt Affa Chase's. Found her well and glad to see me. Staid all night.
- Sept. 10. Health good. The weather cold. Heavy frost and everything killed, much grain damaged. This is harvest time here but very late. Got a letter from Mother and wrote one to Uncle Tripp thence to Charles Chases with Aunt Affa Chase. Took dinner, thence to Joseph Peasley's that married Philina Jackson and found her sociable but very insulting. Left there with a simple good day, thence to Aunt Chases and staid all night.
- Sept. 11. Thence to Graftown. Killed a pretty ??? with my pistol. Staid to Brother Baties. Health good. Wrote a letter to Becky Esters, Montana.

- Sept. 12. Thence to Samuel Russel's at the head of the tide as it's called and saw Polly Ems that said she put the first suit of clothes on me ever put on, thence to Uncle Elisha Bartlett's. Staid all night.
- Sept. 13. Health good. Went to Joel Fosters. Fooler took his buggy and carried me to Bethel Hill to Charles Harris'. Had a long talk with his father and staid all night. Rained all night.
- Sept. 14. Went to the Ortoolack meeting. Heard him blowing from his notes and lull the people to sleep and into infidelity, thence to Midvile-internale to Charles Russels with Urlern York. Health good. Staid all night.
- Sept. 15. Uncle Enoch Bartlett came and took breakfast with me. Weather fine, thence to Bethel Hill to the depot and met with Sister Lucy Smith, saw her on the cars at Boston, thence to Mr. Isaac Littlehale's. Took dinner and had a long chat with him thence to Joseph Killgore's and saw Calop Barker's wife Alice and John Killgore a brother to my first wife, thence to Lenion Russel's and staid all night.
- Sept. 16. Visited several friends and wrote a letter home and took the cars to Anham. Visited Charles Worlton, thence to Lewiston and staid to Issac York's.
- Sept. 17. Health good. Sent a letter home and visited Mills where they make the seamless sacks, thence to Crofferd Eastman's. Took dinner, thence on the cars to Deyton to Richard Nutter's. Staid all night and found them glad to see me.
- Sept. 18. Set down and had a good talk and a splendid visit. Weather cool. Found him inquiring in his mind and very liberal in his feeling. Thence to Mrs. Knight's and saw mother Killgore that is ninety eight the eighth day of September and could remember me and talked much. Born in Plimptown, Mass. and was married to Isaac Shirtliff, her maiden name Abiat Soule. He died Oct. 2, 1818, returned with Mr. Nutter and staid all night. Health good.
- Sept. 19. Rained in the night. Mr. Nutter took his carriage and carried me to Uncle Tripps in Ripley 10 miles and found them well and glad to see me. Talked much and had a splendid visit. Staid all night.

Rained all night.

- Sept. 20. Cleared off but cool. Thence to Robert Tripp's with Uncle and Aunt. Had a good visit but very cold, the wind blew hard. Staid all night and had a long talk with driver.
- Sept. 21. Went to Cambridge and saw two women baptized by the Baptists thence to their meeting with Uncle Tripp. Visited Fredrick Clark. Took dinner, had a good talk thence to Uncle Tripp's in Ripley 10 miles. Staid all night. He was quite sick.
- Sept. 22. Aunt Anna took a carriage and carried me to Dexter to Richard Nutter's. Visited with him and staid all night.
- Sept. 23. Took the train to Lewiston about 70 miles. Staid to Crofferd Eastman's. Rained all night. Health good. Went and visited. I saw Jork and James White that was sick. Took the train to Bethel. Fell in with a sea captain by the name of Atkinson. Had a long talk with him. Staid to Isaac Littlehale's.
- Sept. 24. To North Newry and got a letter from Kepler, my son and one from Boston from Oriville Sessions. Staid to John Emeries.
- Sept. 25. Took the stage to Upton to Aunt Chases. Staid all night.
- Sept. 26. Went in the woods after game. Staid all night.
- Sept. 27. Staid to the same place.
- Sept. 28. Sunday attended a Methodist meeting thence to Grafton to Brother Batie's. Staid all night.
- Sept. 29. Weather fine. Health good. Went to Bethel Hill to Charles Harris'. Rode with Brother Batie. Staid all night.
- Sept. 30. Went to caravan and circus. Saw two persons said to be from Australia. This was a play off. They had a face like a white person but had no back part to their heads. Acted foolish. A large collection of people. Saw many of my old friends. Cool weather.

October 1, 1875

To Newry to Uncle Elisha's. Staid all night, six

miles.

- Oct. 2. Thence to Joel Foster's had a long talk with her, thence to Mr. Brown that married Lavino Foster. Took dinner and had a long chat with her and preached much. Found her very believing in the gospel. Returned to Uncle Elisha Bartlett's. Staid all night.
- Oct. 3. Went over the mountain on foot to Naham Frost's to dinner. Cold weather. Staid all night. Had a good long talk with the family.
- Oct. 4. Went to the funeral of sister Lidy Smith. A man by the name of Hillbert preached a very good Methodist sermon. Said nothing to me nor I to them. Returned to Mr. Frost's, staid all night. Health good.
- Oct. 5. Rained int he morning, hard. In the evening went to Brother Josiah Smith's. Staid all night.
- Oct. 6. To Charles Bartlett's. Rained all day and all night.
- Oct. 7. The river very high. Took the stage to Grafton. Went to a Methodist Meeting. The preacher went with me to Brother Batie's. Had a long talk until 12 o'clock at night.
- Oct. 8. Got up and commenced to talk. got breakfast. He took his horse and buggy and carried me seven miles. He seemed much believing, thence to Upton. Staid to Aunt Chase's. Wrote a letter to my family.
- Oct. 9. A fine morning. Aunt Aptia and Jenney Elinwood the daughter of Annie Chase, my cousin, took a horse and buggy and went to Byron to Uncle Enoch's. Staid all night some thirty miles.
- Oct. 10. Took the stage to Mexico to Bowers Berges. Preached to a small congregation. Staid all night.
- Oct. 11. Brother Berges went to Doctor Farewell's. Had a good visit talked much and she was much believing. Took dinner thence to Byron. Uncle Knapps lives there. Staid all night.
- Oct. 12. A fine day. Health good. Sunday, preached to a small congregation with good attention, thence to Samuel Knapp's and talked to them some two hours.

- Staid all night to Uncle Enoch's.
- Oct. 13. Traveled to Newry to Uncle Elisha Bartlett's. Staid all night.
- Oct. 14. Had a visit to Joel Foster's to dinner. Thence to Bethel Hill. Staid to Lyman Bussel's.
- Oct. 15. Took the cars to Boston. Staid to Freeborn Smith's. Arrived late in the night. Fare \$9.85.
- Oct. 16. Went to town and bought my ticket for home and returned to Portland and staid to Ezra Carter's. Fine weather and health good.
- Oct. 17. Took the train to Bethel Hill and staid to Joseph Killgore's.
- Oct. 18. Rode to Newry with John Killgore's. Took dinner to Naham Frost's, thence to Bart Knapp's. Stopped a short time then to Bethel Hill. Staid to Hyrum Twichel's.
- Oct. 19. Went to a Methodist meeting, a Quarterly meeting. Saw them administer to the sacrament this was another novel thing to me in the way it was done, thence to Isaac Littlehale's. Staid all night. Rained all night.
- Oct. 20. To Bethel Hill. Staid to Lyman Russel's. Rained all night.
- Oct. 21. The river the highest it has been for ten years. Staid to Charles Harris'.
- Oct. 22. Saw Lucy Smith. Made arrangements for the tickets to go home on, thence to Moses Killgore's in Newry. Staid all night.
- Oct. 23. Thence to Charles Bartlett's. Took dinner thence to Naham Frost's. Staid all night.
- Oct. 24. Went across the river and the mountain to Uncle Elisha Bartlett's. Staid all night. Health good.
- Oct. 25. Weather fine. Went to Bethel Hill to Lyman Russel's. Staid all night.
- Oct. 26. Sunday. He took his horse and buggy and carried me to Charles Bussel's to middle interval spent the day. Expected to had a meeting but the appointment was not given out. Weather cool thence

to Bethel Hill to Hyrum Twitchel's.

- Oct. 27. To Briants Powers, met Brother Berges and family in a heavy rain. Got our tickets for home. Started 4:30 met Lucy Smith at Bethel Hill with many of my friends. Got my trunk and bid them goodbye. Left there at 5 in the evening. Arrived in Montreal 6:30.
- Oct. 28. Left 3:30 traveled a fine country but a heavy storm of rain and snow.
- Oct. 29. Two inches of snow. Arrived in Sarney, crossed the river on a steam boat in the cars at 12 o'clock. Cleared off. Fine weather. Left after dinner. Before arriving at Detroit Junction were stopped by a wreck of seven cars. They were all to pieces. Killed 60 hogs. Arrived in Chicago at 7:00 A.M..
- Oct. 30. Health good, two inches of snow and feeling cold weather. Thence to Burlington took supper.
- Oct. 31. To Omaha arrived at noon. Here I parted with Sister Lucy Smith she took the cars for home. I stopped and got Brother Bergis on the cars and got my ticket for home. Started out at 5 in the evening.

November 1, 1875

- Arrived at Grand Island at 6 in the morning. Stopped to a tavern and went to bed. Laid some two hours and got up. A Methodist Priest came in and spent two hours with him. Took the train at 9 in the evening.
- Nov. 2. At day light crossed the north fork of the Platt. Fine weather and good luck.
- Nov. 3. Arrived in Ogden in the evening. Staid all night to Joseph Parrey's.
- Nov. 4. Took the train at five in the morning arrived at home at 8 o'clock. Found all well.
- Nov. 5. Brother Bergis came and family.
- Nov. 6. Fast day. Brother Berges and wife and ??? were baptized by the Bishop.
- Nov. 8. I baptized Corak and the Bishop confirmed her.
- Nov. 9. Saturday went to the city and saw the President.

Had a good chat with him.

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Salt Lake, March 19, 1886

- Left home. Took train on the D & R G. Thence to Provo, thence to Spanish Fork Canyon. Passed through the romantic canyon snow 3 ft deep.
- mar. 20. Thence to Kansas City from Pueblo.
- Mar. 21. Health good, thence to Chicago. Left there at eight in the evening.
- Mar. 22. Thence to Suspension Bridge at Niagara Falls, thence to Buffalo Thence to Syracuse.
- Mar. 23. Through the Hoosack tunnel one of the longest in the United States, thence to Boston, thence to West Burrow. Arrived at noon to Josiah Jackson's, my cousin. I had not seen him for forty years. Glad to meet. Found him in health and prosperity.
- Mar. 24. Took a walk in the city. Went to the graveyard and other places of note. Wrote a letter home to my family.
- Mar. 26. Rode six miles in buggy and visited Columbus Emes. Got the genealogy of his father and mother. Returned and staid to Josiah Jackson's.
- Mar. 27. Weather fine, walked round town. Very fine town. In the evening visited a man by the name of Richardson. Took supper and preached about one hour. Had a good visit. Returned to Josiah's. Staid all night.
- Mar. 28. Sunday. Went to Universal Meeting. I guess I said o! Snowed two inches in the night. Health good. Staid all night.
- Mar. 29. Took train to Boston. Went and seen John S. Seele thence to Portland, Maine, thence to Bethel to Mr. Hyrum Twickel's. Found all well and glad to see me. Two feet of snow on the ground. Staid all night.
- Mar. 30. Went up in town to B. Foster's. Got some genealogies thence to Charles Harris' to dinner. Wrote a letter home to my family, thence to Joseph Knapp's to supper and to a salvation army meeting. This was a novelty to me. Sing about half the

time and knock an old tambourine and holler "Amen, Hallelujah." This headed all the confusion I ever saw in all my life. Left them hugging each other as I was not in the mood to have woman hug me. Staid to Joseph Knapp's. Had a good visit.

April 6, 1886

Visited several old friends. Staid to Elish Bartlett's. Health good. Snowed four feet in the woods and drifted ten feet deep in other places. Went to Silas Foster's to dinner and got some genealogy of Julia's relatives. Staid all night. Had a splendid visit. Snow going off in spots but drifts 10 feet deep.

Apr. 2. Walked one mile to John Brown's that married Louisa Foster. Had a good visit and preached much to her. Then returned to Elisah Bartlett's. Staid all night. This is the house my mother was raised in.

Apr. 3. Rode to Bethel hill in a sleigh. Got dinner to Hyrum Twichel's then rode to Newry with Levi Paine. Snow four feet deep and very cold. Staid to Nathan Frost's, my cousin. Glad to see me.

Apr. 4. Cold winter weather. Went to Jonothan Smith's Brother to Lucy Smith's, thence to W. S. Bisbee to dinner and set and ate my dinner in the same room and spot on the floor where I was confirmed into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints fifty years ago. This gave me some peculiar feelings. Saw a sheep with four lambs, smart and fine. Thence to Nathan Frost's, my cousin and staid all night.

Apr. 5. Went to Elijah Power's. Talked with them much and had a good spirit. Health good. Thence to B. Knapp's to dinner, thence to Charles Bartlett's. A fine day. Snow going off. Staid all night.

Apr. 6. Went to Woodbury Killgore's. Stormed all day. Staid all night.

Apr. 7. Still snowing and blowing. The snow piled up in places ten feet deep, around houses and barns. A most dismal day to look out of doors. Went to George Enory's. Snow knee deep and cold weather. Had a good visit. Staid all night. Health good.

Apr. 8. Stormy and cold. Rode in a sleigh to Nathan Frost's. Got a letter from home. Thawing a little but cloudy weather. Thence to Charles Bartlett's.

- Staid all night.
- Apr. 9. Cold Weather. Walked to Levi Paines. Went to his snow place where he was making maple sugar. Clear day. Warm in the afternoon. Staid all night.
- Apr. 10. Fine Morning. Thence to Charles Bartlett's. Staid all night.
- Apr. 11. Sunday staid same place. Wrote a letter to E.B. Tripp. Staid all night.
- Apr. 12. Went to George Emery's. Had some maple sugar cooled on the snow. Thence to Charles Bartlett's. Staid all night.
- Apr. 13. To Sam Emese's to dinner. Had a long talk with him, thence to Nathan Frost's. Staid all night. See John Bennett. Talked much. Staid all night.
- Apr. 14. Thence to Elijah Powers; had a long talk with the family and others. Staid all night.
- Apr. 15. To John Searles to dinner. Snot going fast about half bare again. Had a long preach to Mrs. Searles and the family thence to the Maple Sugar cooled on the snow. This is a treat. Thence to Nathan Frost's. Staid all night.
- Apr. 16. Thence to Bethel Hill to Hyrum Twichel's to dinner. Health good. Attended a funeral of a girl that dropped down dead. It is thought she is still alive but the doctor and they are going to keep her three or four days. I saw here four persons say they saw her eyes move three days after death. Much excitement about her.
- Apr. 17. Visited several old friends. Went to a Salvation Army meeting. The same confusion reigned triumphant. They have run their meetings for two months, every night. All excitement. Staid to Charles Harris'.
- Apr. 18. Warm and pleasant weather. The snow almost gone except in drifts, roads muddy and bad. Got a letter from Betsy and mother. Went to a Salvation Army meeting, thence to Jarvis Billins. Had a long talk with him. Thence to Hyrum Twickel's. Staid all night.
- Apr. 19. Rode to Walker's Mills four miles to Lyman Russel's who makes chairs. Weather fine. Staid all night.

Health good. Visited several factories of wood workers, dowel pins, furniture factories. Had a good visit. Thence to Elias Barker's in Rumford. Rode in a buggy. Found them well and pleased to see me. Had a good talk with them.

- Apr. 21. To Colsen Abbott's found them glad to see me. Took dinner. Weather fine, snow almost gone. Eighteen miles from Bethel, thence to Mexico on the stage. Staid to Emily Putnam's the wife of Hyrum Bartlett that is dead.
- Apr. 22. Visited and talked much with old friends. Took dinner to Thompson Hall's thence to Jeremiah Richardson's, thence to Archie Eastman's mother's to supper, thence to Mexico Corner. Staid all night to Mrs. Putnam's.
- Apr. 23. Walked to Benjamin Store's. Glad to see him with many that I was acquainted with forty years ago. Very warm weather. Staid to Henry Parkes.
- Apr. 24. Took the stage to Byron to Uncle Joseph Knapp's. Found all well and glad to see me. Had a long talk on the gospel. Weather cold. Health good.
- Apr. 25. Went to the house where Uncle Enoch Bartlett lived. Had a long talk with Mr. Johnson, thence to Samuel Knapp's to dinner. Returned to Uncle Joseph Knapp's. Staid all night.
- Apr. 26. Fine Day. Went to Stephen B. Tailor's. Talked with his wife that was the sister of Aunt Sarah Bartlett, thence to Mexico Corner on the stage 10 miles. Staid all night.
- Apr. 27. Thence to Rumford to Colsen Abbott's, 15 miles. Hired man Hall to carry me. Paid \$1.25. Health not very good.
- Apr. 28. A fine morning. Grass beginning to start. Snow nearly gone. Thence to Sumner Sessions. Returned to Mr. Abbott's to dinner, thence to Elias Barker's. Had a fine visit. Staid all night. Health good.
- Apr. 29. Thence to Bethel Hill 15 miles. Found three letters from home, and several papers. Staid to Hyrum Twichel's. Health good.
- Apr. 30. Wrote a letter home. Went to Charles Harris to dinner. Staid all night.

- May 1, 1886
A fine morning. Very pleasant. Hired Mr. Carter to carry me to Stoneham. Paid \$1.50. Health good.
- May 2.
Sunday. Went to Jonothan Bartlett's. Staid all night.
- May 3.
Attended a funeral of Mrs. Tiles. Heard a very good sermon on the resurrection by Mr. Tottle. Returned to Bartlett's. Staid all night.
- May 4.
Rode three miles to the four corners with Johnothan Bartlett to his spool factory. Went through. Thence to North Waterford, to a second cousins, Mr. W. A. Manning. Staid all night.
- May 5.
Weather warm and dry. Forest fires burning. Wrote a letter to Enoch Bartlett in Illinois. Read the Epistle of the First Presidency on the Church. Thence to Stoneham to Jonothan Bartlett's. Staid all night.
- May 6.
Rode three miles to Mr. Briter's, a cousin. The weather still dry and cool. Went out on to a piece of land where he was putting in oats among the stumps and rocks steep side hill. Harrow it over every few minutes which on the rocks and oats jump like a toad, new sitting on a stump. Rode through snow six feet deep this morning. Thence to the four corners. Staid all night to Mr. Paul's. Read the account of the Chicago Riot on the 4th.
- May 7.
Thence to Elijah Russel's to dinner, thence to Jonothan Bartlett's. Three miles forest all on fire. Staid all night. Health good.
- May 8.
Cloudy with smoke and rain. Rain all day. Wrote a letter home. Got one from Alice and one from E. B. Tripp. Saw papers from home.
- May 9.
Cleared off. Had a meeting at East Stoneham about twenty came out to hear. Thence to Mr. Buttler's. Weather cold.
- May 10.
Thence to the four corners, thence to Mr. Merril's. Wrote a letter home and one to E. B. Tripp, thence to Jonothan Bartlett's. Staid all night. Health good.
- May 11.
Helped fix some plumb trees. Staid all night. Health rather poor.

- May 12. Rode to John S. Littlfield's. Had a long talk with an Advent on the Gospel. Thence to Mr. Merrill's. Had a long talk with my cousin and others on Spiritualism. staid all night.
- May 13. Stormy and cold. Health good. Took dinner to Loren McHines', thence to Jonothan Bartlett's. Staid all night.
- May 14. To the stone mill. Helped cut 700. Weather fine. Went to Mr. Merrill's and had a long talk with several women. Thence to Jonothan Bartlett's. Staid all night.
- May 15. He sent his boys and carried me to Bethel Hill. Got a letter from Byron, thence to Newry to Elisha Bartlett's. 15 miles Staid all night.
- May 16. Sunday. Rained hard. Wrote a letter to Bryon. Health good. Staid all night. The river was full of boys and men running, the boys the most profane set I ever saw. Worked all day.
- May 17. Rain in the morning, thence to Mr. Fifleld's five miles. Walked. Took dinner, and talked much. Had a good time. Cleared off, cold. Health good but tired. Staid all night.
- May 18. Heavy frost this morning and cold. Started in company with Mr. Alonzo Fifiield and Luther Littelhale as guides. They led the way through a dense forest. At last reached the spot where the house stood where I was born. Trees are standing around the old cellar. Here I sit down and wrote this. My feelings, I can hardly describe. Here I breathed the first breath of life seventy-two years or nearly so, ago. The black flies are eating my neck while I write. Thence to the spot where my grandfather lived. ?Sit on the old cellar wall. Three trees standing in the cellar. Two old apples trees in blossom that are some 80 years old. Here I saw and wrote the above in looking at the dense forest where once stood the old veteran that fought for my liberty that I have been deprived of at times in my life. I call the scenes of my life up in my short life that gives me many thoughts to strengthen my faith in the Gospel, that I have embraced. I yet live while many of my kindred have gone to the dark ground. Two wives and ten of my children. Returned to Mr. Fifleld's. Took dinner, then he carried me to Fuller Foster's four

- miles. Had a good visit with Mrs. Patty Russel that married mr. Fifield. Weather cold.
- May 19. Fine morning. Went to Elisha Bartlett's and bid them goodbye for the last time. Left them in a Jef Davis fix when arrested in Petticoats. Thence to Bethel Hill. Went to the Salvation Army meeting. It was first class theater. Staid to Hyrum Twichel's.
- May 20. The weather cloudy and thundered. Went to the train and met him. Thence to Charles Harris'. Staid all night. Health rather poor.
- May 21. Hired a horse and buggy and rode to Nathan Frost's. Paid \$1.50 but had a good visit with E. B. Tripp. Staid all night.
- May 22. Went into the graveyard and got genealogy, thence to Bartlett Knapp's, thence four miles to Charley Bartlett's. Wrote a letter to Kepler. Weather warm. Staid all night.
- May 23. Finest morning that I have seen in the state. Health good. Took stage to Upton to Charles Chase's my cousins. Fifteen miles. Paid one dollar. Staid all night. Talked much.
- May 24. Fine day. Health good. Went to Horatio Chase's my cousins. Staid all night.
- May 25. Raining in the morning. Went to Annis Bean's, two miles. Took dinner. Rained hard. Staid all night.
- May 26. Walked two miles to Horatio Chase's. Rained. Got a letter from Esther and wrote one to Thomas. Health good. Staid all night.
- May 27. He hitched up his buggy and carried me to the mills, thence through the woods, one mile to Mr. Levi Heywood's. Found him in the field. He came for his team and meet me some ways. Staid to the house. Talked much to him and his wife. The weather cold and stormy. Staid all night.
- May 28. Cleared off. Health good. Can look out on Timbagorg Lake a large body of water and see one steamboat on it. Blessed their children and took a boat across the lake after preaching to them and bering a strong testimony. Thence three miles to Chase's. Staid all night.

- May 29. A fine morning but dense fog on the lake. Thence to Charles Chase's to dinner. Thence to Mr. Abbott's, thence to Mr. Elinwood very warm weather. Returned to Charles Chase's. Staid all night.
- May 30. Sunday health good. Went to Mr. John Browns. Had a long chat with him. Thence to Charles Chase's. Staid all night. Rather dull day to me.
- May 31. Copied records. Staid to same place. Health good.
- June 1, 1886
Charles Chase carried me to Grifton. Took stage to Newry to Adelbert Killgore's. Staid all night. Had a good visit.
- June 2. To Charley Bartlett's to dinner. Got a letter from home. All well and some papers. Thence to George Emorie's. Staid all night.
- June 3. Rained all day. Staid all night to same place.
- June 4. Thence to Nathan Frost's to dinner, thence across the mountain to Sunday River to Elisha Bartlett's, thence to Bethel Hill, staid to Hyrum Twichel's. Saw E. B. Tripp. Found him in good health.
- June 5. A nice morning but a little frost. Thence to C. E. Barlow's. Staid all night. Waded the river. Had a good visit.
- June 6. Sunday. Fine weather, very warm. Visited uncle Joseph Knapp. Sick. Thence to Captain Elijah Power's. Had a long talk with him and very social. Staid all night.
- June 7. Health good and fine weather but cold frost, nearly every night. Thence to Mexico. Staid all night to Mr. Putnam's, my cousin, twenty miles. Took the stage to Dixfield. Crossed the river. Worked to Heman Bartlett's, my cousin. Thence to O. H. Eastman's. Had a long talk with them on the gospel. Much interested. Staid all night.
- June 9. A fine morning. Took a walk and the mosquitos made me fight a good fight. Thence to a funeral in a church. About twenty people came. Had a milk and water sermon from an old man. Went again in the afternoon to another funeral in the same house. A little better. Thence to Tolman Hithamore's in Canton. He has gone Lewiston. Staid all night.

Health good. 10 miles.

- June 10. A fine morning. Health good. A very good visit. Got passage with an Advent. Preached. Ten miles to West Peru. The Priest's name was Abbott. I asked him if he knew what kind of freight he had got. He said, "no." I told him it was a Mormon Elder from Salt Lake and he could ask me any question he wished. Said he, "how many wives have you?" "Six", I said. This opened the ball. Talked for nine miles on the walk. Then he told me he was a Preacher. I had had him out and he did acknowledge that it was true and Bible. Give me a free ride and much interested. Thence to Dixfield Village to Phineas Killgore's. Staid all night.
- June 11. A fine morning. Had strawberries for breakfast. Health good. Walked two miles. Cool reception to Daniel Widbee's. After a while got to talk and had a terrible visit. Returned to P. Killgore's. Staid all night.
- June 12. Fine morning. Health good. Thence to Peru. Staid all night. Talked much. Wrote to Daniel.
- June 13. Sunday. Cloudy. Looks like rain. Went to a Prayer meeting in the evening. Staid same place.
- June 14. A fine morning. Shipped 13 rakes. Price \$7.58. Maker E. G. Ostin, West Peru, Oxford Co., Main. Thence to Rumford to Colsen Abbott's to dinner. Ten miles. Staid all night.
- June 15. Seventy two years this day I was born. Health good. Wrote a letter to Enoch Bartlett in Illinois. Rained slow in the morning. Drizzled all day.
- June 16. Colsen Abbot took me and carried me to Bethel Hill. Got dinner to the Tavern. Thence to West Bethel 22 miles. Staid to Charles Abbott's. Had a good visit.
- June 17. Returned to the Hill. Got two letters and papers from home. Staid all night to Hyrum Twichel's.
- June 18. Health good. Thence to North Bethel to Hyrum Fork's at dinner, thence to Mr. Searle's, staid all night.
- June 19. Health good. Weather cool. Hear a frost last night. Wrote a letter home, thence to Nathan

Frost's. Staid all night.

June 20.

A fine morning. Saw Orman Chase's girl from California last night. Went to Newry corner to a Methodist meeting. Milk and water but nearly water, thence to Charley Bartlett's. Staid all night.

Had a singular dream. Thought I was in the Eternal World. Saw a beautiful land and looked like a garden. Saw horses and cattle. The finest I ever saw in my life. Their hair and color was like the finest silk flesh and as gentle as a lamb. I saw lots of people dressed in robes that were white that fitted around their necks tight as the hide. Below very respectful, their flesh looked almost as clear as glass and traveled like thought and accomplished their labors by the will of thought. I talked with them and travelled as thought travels and with the same ease. All seemed to have one general interest in all the pursuits of life and a perfect familiarity with all.

I marvelled at this and thought of all my life and the sufferings and the sickness and burnings I had endured in life and thought I would endure all again for to stay in that place. It looked like a small thing. All the scenes of this life.

I awoke and opened my eyes and looked all round me and closed my eyes and seemed to go back. I then saw people mixed with those in white and to see the filthiness and weakness of those that were clothes with the customs of this world. I wanted to stay and I lay and thought will I go now, or open my eyes. I laid in this condition until nearly seven o'clock, thinking I will not leave that company, so familiar with each other.

How long I lay in this condition I cannot tell. It must have been all night. I visited all the places I could think of or ever knew in my life.

I have written this, this morning a small part of my thoughts while in my sleep if I was asleep. It seems like a reality.

June 21.

A fine morning. Health good. Went fishing with Norris Bartlett. Caught seventy three fish. That was good luck. Came back and dressed them and got dinner. Very dry weather. Staid all night.

- June 22. Thence to Upton to Horatio Chase's. Staid all night. Health good. Went fishing in the lake. Caught one pike, thence to Aggot's Mills to a funeral of Benjamin Smith that had been baptized when a boy but had lost his faith in the Gospel. At his last he said he believed in God. Heard Old Mr. Garland try to preach over him.
- June 23. I am sitting on the shore of Umbago Lake and write this thinking of the distance that separates me from my dear home and that of the Saints of God. Went to Levi Heywood's. Staid all night.
- June 24. Crossed the lake. Went fishing. Caught one pickerel. Returned and wrote a letter to Josiah Jackson and staid to the same place.
- June 25. Rained part of the day. Mr. Levi Heywood made up his mind to be baptized. His wife seemed to hold him back but he held his hold. Time was set for Sunday. His mother found it out and she came and cried and said she would rather bury him. This he stood. I couldn't get a change to say one word. I talked much to his wife and she gave her consent. Staid all night.
- June 26. Thence to Charles Chase's to dinner. Rained a little. Cool weather. Thence to Levi Heywood's. Staid all night. Preached much.
- June 27. Staid all night.
- June 28. To the Mill called Abbotts, thence to Alvin M. Couledge's to dinner. Back to the Mill and Mr. Heywood came with a Presbyterian Priest. He wanted to meet me and we went to the hotel and upstairs. I felt strong and took my cousin and landlord along. The Priest said he had got me there to expose me and I told him to pitch in. He said that I had left home to evade the law. I had neglected my first wife and she was dead and I had taken more and now had abandoned them and all he could lay his tongue to. When he got through I told him if he had any testimony to prove it I was ready to hear it, but he had made the rumor himself and I had taken all of his slang. His name was James S. Williamsen. I made Mr Heywood say he was satisfied and ready to be baptized. Went to the water. Quite a congregation had gathered and I preached them a sermon on the First Principles and baptized him, thence across the lake and confirmed him. Staid all night.

- June 29. Thence crossed the lake to Chase's and wrote two letters; one to E. B. Tripp and one home to family. Staid all night.
- June 30. Thence to Bethel Hill. Staid to Hyrum Twichel's. He is sick in bed.
- July 1, 1886
Cold and a little frost. Got two letters from home. Two papers, one from David and Phebe, one from Betsey and Mother, thence to West Newry to Fuller Froster's. Very warm and dry. Looks like rain. Staid all night. Talked much.
- July 2. Had a firm talk on the Bridge and bid them goodbye. Thence to Elisha Bartlett's. Staid all night. Health good.
- July 3. Across the mountain through the woods then waded the river to Nathan Frost's. Staid all night.
- July 4. Sunday very hot day. Staid all night.
- July 5. Thence to Joshua Killgore's. Staid all night.
- July 6. Very dry. Crops dying up. The river very low. This is on the old farm I was raised on. Thence to Charles Bartlett's. Staid all night. Health poor.
- July 7. Walked three miles to Natham Frost's. Staid all night. Wrote a letter to Brother Heywood. Left a book for him. Health poor.
- July 8. Rode to Bethel six miles. Packed my things and took the train for home at ten minutes to twelve. Left several in tears, wanting me to stay. Thence to Montreal, at eight in the evening. Thence to Toronto. Staid five hours.
- July 9. Thence to Carney. Staid two hours. Thence to Chicago. Arrived at nine in the morning. Staid till half past twelve. Fine weather.
- July 10. Thence to Kansas City. Arrived nine in the morning.
- July 11. Lay here 13 hours. Very hot weather.
- July 12. Took train at 10 in the evening for Denver. Arrived at eight in the evening. Put up at the hotel.

- July 13. Took train for Salt Lake. Very sick. Arrived home on the 14th.
- July 14. Health very poor and continued sick for two weeks. Got a little better and rode to Mountain Green. Staid three weeks. Thence home. Staid ten days. Thence to Mountain Green. Staid four hours. I am at Peterson waiting for the train to Evanston. Health a little better. Read the news of the earth quake in Charleston in the U. S. on the 31st of August. It looks like the sins of the last days. Thence to Evanston on the train. Thence to Doodruff with Wm. Uner on a wagon to Bryon's. Arrived at nine A.M. Staid all night. Found all well.
- September 5, 1886
 Sunday. Went to Sunday School. Health a little better. Cold weather. Attended meeting. Staid to Carlo'. Quite sick all night. Cold feels like snow.
- Sept. 6. Staid to same place. Health poor.
- Sept. 7. Rained. Visited Sam Bryson's place. Returned got wet.
- Sept. 8. Kept the house. Sick.
- Sept. 9. Sick. Staid same place.
- Sept. 10. Sick.
- Sept. 11. Walked out caught some fish. Staid same place until 15th. Thence to Bryon's at the ranch. Went fishing. Caught ten fine fish. Nights cold. Health better.
- Sept. 17. Fine weather. After a three days storm of wind with cold nights I am sitting on a pile of sage brush in the meadow where they are grubbing the sage to make meadow. Very warm in the sun.
- Sept. 18. Went fishing. Caught four fine trout.
- Sept. 19. Staid to same place.
- Sept. 20. Ditto.
- Sept. 21. Fishing. Caught six. Went to Woodruff.

Sept. 22. Caught six fine trout.

Sept. 23. Fine weather. Very dry. Heavy wind and dust.

Sept. 24. To Woodruff. Cold and windy.

Sept. 25. Sunday.

Sept. 26. Health poor. cold on my lungs. The wind blows a gale. Thence to the ranch with Bryon.

Sept. 27. Health poor. Coughed hard. Traded horses with Bryon and Samuel. Started home with the horse. weather dry and cold. Frost every night. Staid to the ranch. Arrived home Oct. 5th. Health poor. Nearly wore out. Got little sleep.