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Received a letter March 9th that I had been called to take a mission.

Left home Apr. 4th for Salt Lake City.

Left Ogden in company with 38 missionaries. Apr. 11th at 10 o'clock.

Arrived in New York Sunday 16th at 6 A.M.

Left N. Y. Apr. 18. per S. S. Wisconsin, at 3 P.M.

After a pleasant trip we arrived in Liverpool Saturday Apr. 29. at 8 A.M. all well.

Went to the office and I was appointed to labor in Wales under Pres. W. J. Thomas.

June 4th to 13th I was released from traveling Elder in the Welsh Conf. and was appointed traveling elder in the Liverpool Conference.

Oct. 25th My release from the Liverpool Conference and appointment to the Welsh Conference came out in the Star.

W. G. Reese.

Thursday June 1st 1882.

Visited Aunts Eliza, Mary, Esther and Ann. wished them good bye.

Held meeting at 7.30 o'clock at Stepaside in the open air. About 50 present. Good order prevailed. Read our views or faith from "Remarkable Visions".

Friday June 2nd

Susan and Sarah Lloyd and myself walked to Harberth. saw the cattle horse and sheep fair. It rained all day which made it quite disagreeable. We were obliged to change when we got back. Slept at Uncle Phil Lloyd's.

Saturday June 3rd

Started for Swansea at 10 o'clock after having spent a some over a month in Stepaside, Inforce, Haverfordwest and vicinity. It was quite a task to wish my new acquaintances good bye and I can never forget their kindness.

Arrived in Swansea at 2 o'clock after a very pleasant ride. It took me an hour to walk to my cousin Mary Storrans. After a very heavy walk up hill most of the way, my satchels & overcoat being quite heavy. I was kindly received and supper was soon prepared. Went in the evening to see Aunt Martha & man; they were very glad to see me. Aunt and I went to Swansea to fair in the evening.

We met Cousin Setsy who invited me to call next day and pay her a visit. Slept at Aunt Martha Johns.

Sunday, June 4th

Attended two Saints meetings. I was called to speak at both. Few present. Good spirit prevailed. The Saints treated me kindly.

Ate breakfast at Aunt's; dinner at Cousin Mary Storrans and supper at Aunt Martha's. Slept at Aunt Martha's.

Monday June 5th 1882.

Ate breakfast with Aunt after which I went to Cousin Mary's and she sent her little girl to show me to Cousin Seticia's where I was treated kindly and also took dinner with her and another widow who lived with her. After I had visited a short time I took a walk around to see the place. Went to a barber who is in the church and got my hair cut. Took a walk with him and we went in and had our photo. together. We went to see some of the Saints all of which we found very anxious to go to Utah.

I agreed to write to a barber in Logan by the name of John Squires and see if he would furnish money to send for him. Took tea with Bro. James.

Attended meeting in the evening where I was requested to occupy a portion of the time. Had supper at Aunt's & slept there.

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Tuesday, June 6th 1882.
Cousin William Johns showed me
through the Iron & copper works in
the morning; in the afternoon I went
on to Swansea took dinner with cousin
Mary; took my luggage to the station;
and went and wished all good byes
at 3.10 I left Swansea for Merthyr at
which place I arrived at 4.30 after a
very pleasant ride. The train runs up
through a valley; the hills on either
side ~~is~~ ^{are} covered with green grass & trees.
When I had gone a short distance from
Merthyr station I met three of our brethren
viz. Bro. Bowen and two Bros. Harmon
They helped me carry my satchel to
the confer house. There I met Pres. M.
J. Thomas. We spent a very pleasant
evening together. I slept at my
cousin's. Mrs. Lewis the wife I
found situated very com. for table
situated and who treated me kindly

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Wednesday, June 7th 1882.
Spent the day with the brethren
at the conference houses. I ate at
my cousins.
In the evening Cousin and I went
through the Steel works at Dowlais.
We had a pleasant conversation on
our way back about the Saints.
He was much interested to hear
of their prosperity and thought
them a very good people.
Thursday June 8th
Spent the forenoon mostly with
Pres. Thomas. in the afternoon
I went as far as Dowlais with him
on his way to another place
Spent the evening in conversation with
Cousin Wm and another young man
about our principles; we sat up
until one o'clock. The young men
would at times manifest a hostile
spirit toward "Mormonism";

Friday June 9th 1882.
Spent the day in Writing, reading and talking with my cousins.

Saturday June 10th
Spent the day mostly reading.

Sunday June 11th 1882.
Took breakfast 8:30 o'clock. Spent the forenoon in reading and rocking the
sins baby. Attended Saints meeting
in the ^{morning} afternoon. not many
present a very good spirit prevailed
and two of the brethren spoke in tongues
I took tea with cousin. went to meeting
in the evening, where I was also called
to speak. Bro. Jones, Pres. of the branch
invited me to spend the night with him.
Which I hesitated to do as I had al-
ready concluded to go to Liverpool; but
as he pressed me very hard I did so.
Bro. Good. walked up with us a dis-
tance of about 3/4 miles. We spent a
very pleasant evening in listening to music
on a harp played by Bro. Jones's son.

Monday June 12th 1882.
Took ^{to} dinner with Bro. Jones. Spent
the forenoon in looking around the
place. I went into the grove where I
enjoyed myself very much in singing
reading & thanking God for his kind
protecting care over me.

Bro. Jones went up to Merthyr with
me in the evening.

I took a long walk around
Merthyr & Georgetown by myself
in the evening as it was my in-
tention to leave next day.

It was quite stormy all the time
I was in Merthyr. I ate & slept
all the time nearly with Cousin
Thos. as he & his wife were very
kind to me. and I should not
have staid as long with them if
they had not pressed me.
During my stay with them I endeavored
to explain our principles to them.

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Tuesday June 13th 1882.
Wished all goodbye at Merthyr
cousin helped me carry my satchels
to the station. I started from Merthyr
at 9.25. It rained all day, but I en-
joyed myself very much in riding
to Liverpool. I had some very interesting
conversations. I found one man very
bitter against the latter day saints.
After landing in Liverpool I went
to the Star Office, I was very kindly
received there and after conversing
a short time with Bro. Carrington
he informed me that I was to
travel in the Liverpool Conference,
and that I was to stay there until
word was received, from Dr. Jones,
Pres. of the Liverpool Conf. where
I should travel.
I wrote home in the evening.
I also received a letter from home.
I slept at the office.

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Wednesday June 14th 1882.
Spent the day in reading, writing and
conversing with the brethren at the office.
Thursday June 15th 1882.
Spent the forenoon in reading in the
afternoon I took a street car and
went to see Cousin John Griffiths.
He invited me to come next day and
see him; took a street car and went
back to the office. I soon learned that
some of the brethren had gone to
meeting. I therefore hastened to meeting.
We had a very interesting time
Bro. Whitney spoke very interestingly.
Many of the brethren with myself
joined together in bearing our testi-
monies to the Great latter day work.
Thursday June 16th
Had breakfast at the office and
according to promise I went to see
cousin. Took dinner with his wife, had
a pleasant conversation with Cousin.

Friday June 17th 1882.

Took breakfast with cousin, after which, I went to the office and had not been there long before Bro Obroy came in. We had a very pleasant time together; he had left his field of labor unaccount of ill health and was intending to go home. I had not been in the office long before I received four letters from home. We had dinner at the office, we took a walk through some parts of the city. I took supper at the office and in the evening I went and slept with cousin John. Griggs.

Saturday June 18th

Ate breakfast at cousin's. went to the office, and spent the day reading, writing and chatting with the brethren at the office. I slept at the office, but in the evening Bro. Velt & myself went & had a bath.

Sunday June 19th

Ate breakfast at the office. Went to Latterday saints meeting at 10.30. Went to cousin's dinner; tried to get cousin to go to meeting with me, but he would not do so. his wife manifested a bitter feeling toward the truth. Bro. Obroy, many of the brethren and myself bore our testimony to the latterday work in the meeting. He also met at 2.30 o'clock. I was the first called upon to speak. Bro. Whitney followed; his subject being revelation; he read a vision to Joseph Smith about the glories, and made remarks upon the same. Bro. Carrington followed. Speaking of the dispositions of men to cling to error, and how very unpopular truth is and always has been.

Monday June 19th 1882.

Arose feeling well. Quite busy all day at the office all day preparing for the emigration.

Many Telegrams are received from different points.

Three of the brethren have come in to assist with the emigrants.

I was up until 12 o'clock at the office waiting for a party, who we expected.

Tuesday June 20th 82.

Very busy all day with the emigrants. As they were coming in all day at different platforms and we had to sell them tickets, look to the shipping of their luggage and start them off for the docks. In the evening four of us took a bus and rode down to the dock to assist in arranging them in the ship.

I slept on the ship that night.

Wednesday June 21st 1882.

Arose feeling quite well rested.

Had ^{breakfast} dinner on the ship.

Had a nice time with the returning missionaries especially Bro. Olvay and Bro. Apperley. We all rode out a ways in the river a tender coming out to bring us back.

We went to the office; took supper and at 7 o'clock brother Tanner the brother with whom I had been appointed to travel and myself took train for Wigan and arrived there at 8 o'clock. We had some little difficulty in finding the way to where we proposed to spend the night; however we found the way, but found no one home but as they had left the key we succeeded in getting in. We went ^{at} and spent the evening with a family of saints where we were invited to come next morning to breakfast.

Thursday June 23rd 1882.

Took breakfast with Bro. Atheron
the place where we were invited to the night
before. We went with Bro. Atheron
to see two Bros. in Wigan. We had
a meeting in the evening at the place
where we were staying. Bro. Jones having
arrived we had a very pleasant time.
Bro. Tanner, Jones and myself slept at
Bro. Timmsley's and bought bread &
fruit for breakfast, as the people
were not yet come home, we also ate
our own dinner. In the afternoon
Bro. Jones went to another district
and Bro. Tanner and myself went
to Ramfouling where we met
the saints - pleased to see us.
Several of the Saints gathered
and we had a very pleasant
time together we had supper
at Bro. Cottoms we also slept there
and had a good night's rest.

Saturday, June 24th 1882

Had breakfast at Bro. Cottoms. I spent a
very pleasant time with them until
10 o'clock. We then took a walk to
Bro. Hardman's where we were very kindly
received. We took dinner with them,
and as several of the Saints gathered there
we read Bang and talked of the
goodness of God to us.

We left Bro. Hardman's about 12
o'clock and after visiting several
of the brethren on the way we ar-
rived at Bro. Timmsley's about 4 o'clock.
We had supper at sister Bennetts.
Slept at Bro. Timmsley's

Sunday June 25th 1882

Had breakfast at Bro. Timmsley's
Walk about 4 mi. to Aphollanai where we
attended a council meeting we were called
upon to speak. A Bro. Williams asked for
forgiveness for doing wrong, which was granted
and he was received in full fellowship.

We took dinner at Bro. Rowbottoms
We met with the saints in the after-
noon where we were called upon to
speak. A good spirit prevailed.

After meeting we walked to Grim-
shirelane a distance of about 3 mi.

We took lunch at Bro. Banks.

After supper we went a short dis-
tance where we held meeting.

Many of the Brethren & sisters bore their
testimonie to the truth of the d. & work.

After meeting sister Howard invited us
to take & spend the night with them.

We walked about 2 mi. with sister
Howard. According to an invitation we

took supper with Bro. & sister Anderson.
We spent a very pleasant evening.

Monday June 26th 1882.

Took breakfast with sister Howard.

After spending a short time there we went
to Bro. Banks & spent a short interesting time

there. Went to Bro. Swifts & took dinner there.

We then pursued our journey to Newton
called to see Bro. Rowbottoms; found him
feeling well. We arrived at Bro. Tinsley's
at 4 o'clock. where we took supper & spent
the night.

Tuesday June 27th 1882.

Took dinner with Bro. Tinsley; spent
the time until 11 o'clock in writing and
reading; when we went to the cattle fair.

but not seeing anything very interesting
we took a walk through Wigan; called
into a store and bought a shirt each.

We bought some lunch and came to
Bro. Tinsley's and went up stairs and
ate it. we spent the afternoon in writing
and reading; ate supper at Bro. Atherton.

Spent a pleasant evening at Bro. Tinsley's
where we slept.

Wednesday June 28th.

Took breakfast at Bro. Tinsley's.
Spent the time until 10.30 reading and
writing. when we ate a lunch which we had
on hand.

At 11 o'clock we started for Banfurlong a distance of $2\frac{1}{2}$ mi. arriving there at 3 o'clock having stopped many times on the way to read and talk of God's goodness.

Shortly after arriving to Banfurlong Sister Cotton prepared lunch for us, and after conversing with them awhile Bro. Tanner and myself took a walk through the pasture. We searched out a secluded place and there united in prayer for strength to do our duties.

According to previous arrangement meeting was held at Bro. Jas Cotton's not many present. Two of the brethren, Elder Tanner & myself spoke. A very good spirit prevailed.

After meeting Bro. Tanner & myself were invited to sleep at Bro. S. Cotton's; we accordingly walked about $1\frac{1}{2}$ mi. to the place where we were kindly received and supper prepared. We spent a very pleasant evening not getting to bed until 12 o'clock. The family is a large one and they united in singing many Hymns.

Thursday June 29th 1882.

Arose feeling quite well; Morning quite cloudy. Cleared of in the afternoon. Ate breakfast at Bro. S. Cotton's. Walked down to see the Saints in Flat-Bridge's visited an old sister & blessed her; we took dinner with Bro. Hardman & came back to Bro. Cotton's in the evening where we expected to have meeting; but did not. We spent a pleasant evening in reading, singing and conversing. Slept at Bro. Cotton's.

Friday, June 30th 1882.

Arose feeling well. Cloudy & misty. Took breakfast with Bro. Cotton's. After which we started to Warrington. We had a very pleasant walk of about 10 mi. we arrived in Warrington about 2 o'clock took dinner with Bro. & Sister Proudfat. Visited Bro. & Sister Wright and from them to Bro. & Sister Gill where we had supper & slept over night.

Saturday July 1st 1882.

Walked in June about 130 mi.
Took breakfast with Bro. Sister Gill.
after breakfast we started to Symon
a distance of 6 mi. We had a very ple-
asant walk. Many were cutting, mch-
ing and hauling hay the day was very
fine warm; we arrived in Symon
about 12:30 and took dinner with
Sister Bartlett who were very glad
to see us. We remained with them
until 3 conversing & encouraging them.
We called in to see Sister Drinkwater
who is getting weak in the faith.
she seemed pleased to see us. From there
we took a walk up a hollow which is
a pleasure walk and the pastures
trees and large hay meadows on one side
and a stream & trees on the other make it
Grand. We started back to Warrington 4:30
Took supper with Bro. Sister Wright.

Took a walk through a large ^{market} tannery with Bro
Gill in the evening. We got at Bro. Gill's 14 mi.

Sunday July 2nd 1882.

Arose feeling well. weather fine.
Took breakfast with Bro. Gill after which
Bro. Fanner & I went with Bro. Gill to through
the tannery. It was a very large one & a
great amt. of leather was on hand.
Bro. Gill said they were intending to put
500 hides through per week.
We went from the tannery down through
the fields past the barracks or soldier's huns
down to the Manchester rail. road to
a bridge that had cost an immense lot.
The walk was a pleasant one although it was
very warm. Took dinner with Bro. Gill.
He had cabbage, potatoes, mutton, pie and
pudding and we made a very hearty meal.
Had meeting at 3 o'clock several bore their
testimony to the truth. Bro. Fanner & myself
also spoke; had a council meeting after-
ward. where we both spoke again. after which
Bro. Fanner & I took a walk through the fields
Spent a pleasant evening at Bro. Gill's where we were
Bro. Wright & Bro. Prout foot came to see us all, 5 mi.

Monday July 3rd 1882.
Arose after a good night's rest feeling
well: weather Mild. Day fine. ^{Bro & Sherry}
Left Bro. Gill 10 o'clock: called to see ^{Bro} Broadfoot
Left Warrington for Runcorn 11 o'clock distance
8 miles. After a very pleasant walk along
the river canal and through fields & pastures
with fine trees on either side we arrived
in Runcorn 1.30. Had dinner with sister
Sweetman. in the evening we took a walk
to a lamp post where several of the elders
had been insulted and stopp'd from
preaching and where Bro Martineau had
preached to about 200. while an old man
kept crying out all manner of evil
Spent the rest of the evening reading,
singing and conversing with sister Sweet
man. at whose place we slept: 10 mi.

Tuesday July 4th 1882.
Arose feeling well. weather fine.
Ate Breakfast at Bro. & sister
Sweetman's, after which we

started for St. Helens. distance ^{mi} 12
Crossed the 2^d bridge which is a
very long one. Rained on us about
3 mi. We did not stop on the way
only to get a drink. We went to Bro.
Brooker where we were very kindly
received and dinner was soon
prepared which we greatly enjoyed
as it was 2.15 o'clock and we had had
nothing since breakfast & then hardly
sufficient. Mrs. Blake was soon invited
in and said she had seen me in a
dream which she had had. She kindly
invited us to tea. and to stay all
night which in ~~instation~~ ^{stagnation} we accepted.
We held meeting in the evening at
Mr. & Mrs. Blackes. Bro. & sister Brooks
said they would like to be ^{reg} baptiz'd.
Mr. & Mrs. Blake said they would like to
be baptiz'd as soon as convenient.
Bro. Vanmerand did the preaching
A good spirit prevailed. ^{Feb. 1st pm}
Distance walked. 14 ^{mi}

Wednesday July 5th 1882.

Arose quite well except a little sore-
ness in my throat. took breakfast
at Mr. Blakes. weather fine.

Showery all day. Had dinner at
Bro. Brooks a very good dinner.
after dinner we walked to Wigan.
distance about 9 miles.

We staid at Bro. Tinsleys and
as there was no one home we bought
bread & jam & milk cost 1² 4^{ct}
which lasted for supper breakfast ^{even} & dinner.

Thursday July 6th 1882.

Arose feeling well. had breakfast
and concluded to spend the day
in reading & writing. took dinner at
Bro. Athertons. my throat quite sore
ate our own prepared supper. slept
at Bro. Tinsleys home.

Friday July 7th 1882

Arose quite unwell as my throat was
quite sore and as it was quite stormy
we concluded to remain, as we boarded ourselves.

Saturday July 8th 1882

Arose feeling well in body but very
sore throat. prepared our own breakfast.
Went up to the market & bought some collar-
pocket-knife & brook. unaccount of not feeling
well we soon came back & ate a bite of dinner.
I felt quite unwell all afternoon, took
supper at Bro. Athertons. Bro. Tinsley came home
in the evening. I was in great pain all night
with my throat and head.

Sunday July 9th 1882

Arose feeling a little better. although my
throat was quite sore. Had breakfast at
Bro. Tinsleys. I was unable to get out.
Meeting was held at Bro. Tinsleys in
the afternoon and evening at both
of which I was enabled to speak.

Among a very good spirit prevailed
Bro. Tanner and I have great reasons
to rejoice for Gods goodness in us.
We are treated very kindly by
all with whom we associate.

Monday July 10th 1882.
Took breakfast at Bro. Jansley.
After breakfast we went up town
to the clothing shop. where I bought
a pair of trousers. at 11 o'clock Bro.
Danner and I started for Skelmersdale
We called at Bennetts & took dinner there
We called at Bro. Rowbathams where
we found 5 letters & for me. We were
very glad to get them as we had
been expecting letters for a long time
We walked to Bro. Swifts where we took
lunch. We found Bro. & Sister Howard
very glad to see us, and we had a
very pleasant evening with them.
Slept at Bro. Howards.

Tuesday July 11th 1882.
Arose feeling well. took breakfast
with Sister Howard. After which
we started to Ormskirk distance -
we arrived there at 11 o'clock at Bro.
Betts but as he was not home we did not see
him & there found a book with the following

Now a persons sins are forgiven as held by the
Catholic or. Pötzsch, May our Lord Jesus Christ have
mercy upon thee, and absolve thee by the merits of his
most holy passion. And I, by his Authority, that of
his blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and of the most
holy Pope, granted and permitted to me in these parts
do absolve thee, first from all ecclesiastical censures, in what-
ever manner they may have been incurred, and then from
all thy sins, Transgressions, and excesses, how enormous
soever they may be, even from such as are reserved
from the Cognizance of the holy See: and as far as
the holy church extend, I remit to you all pun-
ishment you deserve in purgatory on their account;
and I restore you to the holy Sacraments of the church,
to the unity of the faithful, and to that innocence
and purity you possessed at baptism; so that when
you die, the gates of punishment shall be shut; and
the gates of paradise of life shall be opened, and if
you shall not die at present, this grace shall remain in
full force when you are at the point of death,
In the name of the Father, of the Son, and
of the holy Ghost Amen.

Tuesday July 11th 1882.
Ate dinner at Bro. Wm. Peter's where
we were treated very kindly. when
we went to leave Sister Peter gave us
6d each. we declined taking it but
she would have us take it.
We started on foot to Liverpool on
foot distance 18 mi. we walked 8 mi.
and took the street car which
cost us 6d each we arrived at the
office at 7 o'clock where we were
treated very kindly. took supper
at the office. wrote in the evening.

Wednesday July 12th 1882.
Staid in the office until after dinner reading
and writing when we (Bro. Tanner & I) walked
to Garston distance 7 miles We found Sister
Ishewood pleased to see us. also sister Wilkenson
We staid with them all night.

Thursday July 13th 1882
Arose feeling well. Remained at sister Ishewood's
Sister Ishewood was quite sick in the

morning; but Bro. Tanner and I anointed
and blessed her in the name of Jesus.
Christ and she was restored to health.
Bro. Tanner and I got ready to start
to St. Helens but as it was raining very
heavy and having been pressed to re-
main we concluded to do so.

We took a walk down to The Beech.
also up through the fields.
We ate breakfast, dinner & supper at
and slept at sister Ishewood's.
We had a pleasant time in the evening
talking about distributing tracts
as we had bought 250 the day
before and sister Wilkenson was
telling her experience in delivering
tracts in Liverpool.

Friday July 14th 1882.
Had breakfast at sister Ishewood's after which
we started to St. Helens distance 16 or 18 mi.
We arrived there at 3 o'clock after a pleasant ride.
Ate Supper at Bro. Gardner's. Slept at Mrs. Blake's.

Saturday July 13th 1882.
Ate breakfast at Mrs. Plakis
after which we started for New Town
We arrived in New Town about 12 o'clock
after quite a disagreeable walk as it
was raining on us a great deal of
the way, and wet us through.

We found no one home; but we got the
key and came in. we bought some bread
and preserves on which we made
a hearty dinner. we spent the after-
noon in writing, ate supper on the
bread & pre. had a good bath in the
evening and changed our underclothes.
Slept at Bro. Jinsley's.

Sunday July 16th 1882.
Arose feeling well. took breakfast
at sister Atherton's having received
an invitation the previous evening.
We went to Alptowland. took din-
ner at Bro. Paulthams, and at 2:00
we attended meeting, and after the

The Sacrament was administered and a
short time devoted to the bearing of tes-
timony. Bro. Tanner and myself occupied
the time. Spoke of God's goodness to his
people and the judgements he is com-
mencing to pour out upon the wicked.
Read "Means of Escape". After mee-
ting we came back to New Town where
we found Bro. Jinsley home in the eve-
ning - several of the brethren and
sisters having gathered - we held an
out door meeting. Bro. Wilkensen
was the first speaker. Spoke on the first
principles. Bro. Atherton followed on the
same subject. I followed after which
Bro. Reed said a few words and we
concluded meeting. We were not in
the least molested; but all present
seemed interested. we all went to Bro.
Jinsley's where we had an enjoyable
time. The reason Bro. Tanner did not speak
was because his throat was sore.

Monday July 17th 1882

Arose feeling well but had no place particular to go. Ate breakfast at Mrs. Finleys. Bought dinner. In the afternoon we took a walk to Bamfurlong and took lunch at bro. Jas. Cottoms. we had not been there long before we learned that Pres. W. R. James was at bro. Thos Cottoms. we

soon went to see him and were very glad to see each other. Had a meeting at Bro. Cottoms. Pres. Jones, Elder Tanner and myself occupied the time. Ate supper & slept at Bro. Cottoms.

Tuesday July 18th 1882.

Arose after a pleasant night's rest feeling well. Took breakfast at Bro. C's. Having been changed by Pres. Jones from traveling with Bro. Farmer, to travel with Bro. White. I wished good bye to brother Farmer at Bamfurlong and started with Bro. Jones to New Town where we staid all night at Bro. Finleys.

Wednesday July 19th 82

Arose feeling well prepared to start to Blackburn. Ate br. at Bro. Finley. Pres. Jones and I walked to Leyland moor to Bro. & sister Fattersalls. distance 16 mi. We were very kindly received; we spent the night with them.

Thursday July 20th

Walked to Preston distance 7 1/2 mi. Staid at Sister Claytons. After dinner we took a walk through town and through the Park. Slept at S. Clayton.

Friday July 22nd 1882.

Ate breakfast at Sister Claytons. after which I walked to Blackburn distance 10 miles; met Bro. Willie at the edge of town; we went into the market and got dinner; we spent the afternoon in the Park conversing, reading and walking around. Slept & ate at Bro. Wm. Kirkham's after having an interesting evening.

Saturday July 22nd 1882.

Ate breakfast at Sister Hindler
Went back to Kirkhams and started
to Darwin; we went to the Pres. of the
branch where we learned that Sister
Knowles did not feel able to let anyone
else sleep at her house, however having
no where else to sleep we went and
saw her and she treated us very
kindly; made supper for us and
kept us over night;

Sunday July 23rd 1882.

Ate breakfast at Sister Knowles
came to Eli Kirkhams
Ate dinner at Sister Fishes
Held meeting at Bro. Kirkhams few
present. Good spirit prevailed.
Had tea at Bro. K's supper & slept at S. Knowles.

Monday July 24th 1882

Ate breakfast at Sister Knowles after
which we started out for to see if we could
find anyone that was searching after truth

Monday July 24th 1882.

Called at Bro. Kirkhams in Blackburn
where we got some tracts. Before leaving B.
we called in to a place & bought some bread &
preserves and as it was raining we asked if
we may not remain in the house and was
granted permission. we told them who we
were and had quite an interesting time.

We pursued our journey toward Clitheroe
but as we were walking along we called
to a country place. The first thing we tried
to do was to get lodgings. we called to two or three
places and was directed to a person by the name
of Talbert; we asked her if we might re-
main over night and she said we may.
When we informed her who we were she
manifested a very hostile spirit and said
she would not let us stay; after bearing our
testimonies to her we wished her good bye.
we went along the road a short distance
where we succeeded in getting lodgings for the night.
We spent the evening in distributing tracts.

Tuesday July 25th 1882.

Arose feeling well. As I remembered I had not addressed envelopes correctly in which letters were to be forwarded to us we concluded the better way would be for one to distribute and collect tracts and the other go for our letters. Bro. Willie chose to go after the letters, which he did after we had had breakfast & paid for fare & lodgings - 2^d 2^d. The lady of the house shed tears when telling us that she dreaded the task of dealing in drinks &c. I had no success in converting anyone although some said they believed some others quite opposed. Bro. Willie came back we concluded to spend another night at Park Gate inn.

Wednesday July 26th 1882
ate breakfast and settled with the old lady our charges being for 1/2 days 5^d.
We told the old lady who we were and explained our views. She read a tract and was favorable. We walked to Clitheroe ate dinner at Bro. Osmonds who also gave us a shilling.
Visited sister Dacker and took supper
Visited Bro. Duck and old Dept. at a private house

Thursday July 27th 1882.

Arose feeling well. Settled for our lodging at the breakfast at sister Dacker's after which we walked across the Pendle hill - the highest hill in Lancashire, to Sabley. The first thing we did was to procure lodging. We got a very comfortable place for 6^d each. We ate dinner which cost 4^d each and then distributed tracts & ate supper and after spending a very pleasant time with the lady of the house we went to bed feeling quite satisfied with our days success.

Friday July 28th 1882

Arose feeling well. ate breakfast and settled our bill which came to 3^d.
We walked to Burnley and went to Wm. Blackburns where we had supper and spent the night.

Saturday July 29th 1882.

ate breakfast at Wm. Blackburns, took a walk through fields & pastures until we came to a fine grove where we read until 3:15 o'clock

Saturday July 29th 1882

Ate dinner at 4.30, took a walk up town where there were many people gathered at the market. Came back, ate ~~supper~~ ^{breakfast} and went to bed. No rain all day the first for

Sunday July 30th 1882

Arose feeling well, although quite concerned about how ~~where~~ ^{is} we should spend the week as it was a very busy time ^{with} the farmers getting in hay and consequently we could not get to do much.

Held meeting at Bro. Blackburns at 2.45 we all enjoyed ourselves. Bro. Willis & I occupied most of the time & bore their seeing. Slept at Sister Holdens.

Monday July 31st 1882.

Ate breakfast and started for an unknown place; we expected to get a letter & two but were disappointed. we concluded to go to Huddersfield to see Jas Wood's cousins home we did not have the address; but as we met a man on the train who was acquainted we were directed to the place where we were

very kindly received: after dinner we took a walk through the village viz; Mills Bridge; we were shown through by Mr. Wood; we slept at an eating house it cost us for supper bed & breakfast 3.8⁰

Tuesday July Aug. 1st

Took a walk up to & through Huddersfield; went through the market we considered it as nice a market as any which we have seen. everything was very quiet: we enjoyed ourselves very much. came back and had dinner at George Woods. weather showery.

Went up in the evening to see John Wood with whom we had a very pleasant time He was very favorable toward Mormonism Slept at a place for the sum of 6d each.

Wednesday July Aug 2nd
ate breakfast at George Woods and according to a appointment went up to see John Wood with whom we took the living the cook. He gave us to understand he intended to go to Utah and join the latter day sect

Young Joseph Wood was very favored
and was in our company even a paper tumbler

Thurs. Aug 3rd 1882

We wished good bye to the folks at
Wilms Bridge and started on foot to
Tudonorden distance about 5 1/2 m.

after a very pleasant but tiresome
walk we arrived in the place at 6.

Took train to Burnly where we expe-
cted to find a letter but did not how-
ever we spent the night at sister

Soldens. They were very kind to us
Friday - Aug 4th 1882

Took train to Accrington and walked
from there to Blackburn dis. 5 mi.
Took dinner at Bro. ^Wirkshams and then
walked to Over Darwen distance 5 m.

We found 5 letters each and two papers
at sister Knowles. we were very
pleased to get them as we had re-
ceived no letter for three weeks.

All well at home! Slept at Knowles
we also had supper at sister Knowles

Saturday Aug 5th 1882

Spent the day in writing at sister ^Wirkshams

Sunday Aug 6th 1882.

Walked to Blackburn & held meeting.
after all taking tea at sister Turners
where we held meeting; we walked back
to Darwen. Slept at sister Knowles.

Monday Aug. 7th 1882.

Walked to Blackburn. Slept at Bro ^Wirkshams

Tuesday Aug 8th

Ate breakfast at sister Hindles. after
which we walked to Preston; ate dinner
in a coffee tavern. supper at sister

Clayton where we slept.

Wednesday Aug. 9th 1882.

Walked to Leyland. however a man
took us up to ride about 2 1/2 mi. in a trap.
Took dinner at sister Zatters, all where
Bro. Willie staid and I went to Tottogian.

Took train about 4 mi. from Leyland more.

Took supper at Bro. Athertons. Slept at
Bro. Dingleys I thought to meet Bro. James
but he was out through the district.

Thursday, Aug. 10th 1882

Ate breakfast at Bro. Dinsleys; took train and rode to Exton Station; walked to Brook Zattersalls; had dinner there about 3:30; walked to Bro. Zattersalls; seated a short time in the Parlor; ate supper and Bro. Willie and I took a walk through the fields in the evening. We enjoyed the beautiful green fields. We slept at Bro. Zattersalls.

Friday Aug. 11th

Ate breakfast at Bro. Zattersalls. Walked to Preston; visited Mrs. Potter, Mr & Mrs. Parkinsons where we had dinner at 4 o'clock. Mrs. Parkinson gave us 1st each. We went to Sister Clayton where we slept;

Saturday, Aug 12th

Rode to Blackburn; walked to Darwen where there were letters for me. Ate dinner at Sister Knowles.

We went down to see Sister & Bro. Kirkham; took tea there at 7:20 I started to Blackburn. Bro. Willie staid in Darwen. I arrived at Bro. Eli. Kirkham's at 8:30. distance 4 1/2 miles. Slept at Bro. Kirkham's.

Sunday Aug. 13th 1882.

Ate breakfast at Bro. Kirkham's. Walked to Accrington. took train and rode to Bearnley. went immediately to Sister & Elders where I was very kindly received. had dinner which consisted of pea soup ham &c. Held meeting in the family; had supper & vocal call in during the evening. Slept at Mrs. Blackburn's.

Monday Aug 14th

Spent the day at Mrs. Blackburn's reading and writing; wrote a letter for sister Elden to get her to wash my shirt. Slept at Sister Holdens.

Tuesday Aug. 15th 1882.
Arose feeling well, but rather down-
hearted as I did not know where to
go and as I had spent two nights at
Sister Holden's I did not like to stay longer
then I went down stairs I was asked
where I intended to go and was told that
at it looked very dark and was also
stormy I was perfectly welcome to stay.
I concluded to remain until noon and if it
were fine I then I would go somewhere
wrote a letter for sister Holden, and took
it to the office. it was a letter of inquiry
to one of her sons in Bolton inquiring about
another who had left home. S. T. at Holden's

Wednesday Aug 16th 1882
Arose feeling well; took breakfast at sister ^{Holden's}
Walked to Padstham and went to see
a Mrs. Russell; she was in the factory but
her sister in law permitted me to go in and
wait until she came. I was treated kindly
by her. a was invited to remain until next day
which I did.

I spent the afternoon walking around
reading and writing.

I spent a pleasant evening with
Mr. Russell & brother. Mrs. Russell
obtained a bed for me.

Thursday Aug. 17th 1882.
Arose feeling well. The lady with whom
~~I~~ slept charged me nothing for a bed
a further she told me I might stay
any time. Took breakfast at Mrs.
Russell's and she invited me to spend
another day here as I had resolved
to go to Sabden I thanked her and told
her I would call again.

I arrived in Sabden 11.00 went to
Mrs. Dinah Penyon's where brother
Willie and I spent a night July 27th
she seemed pleased to see me and in-
vited me in the kitchen. I met a lady
in the afternoon who was a believer and we
had a nice time her husband was a deacon
but was diseased I spent much time in walking
around, visited a reading room, slept at Mrs. Penyon's

Friday Aug. 18th 1882.

Settled my bill with Mrs. Kenyon.

She charged me 6^d for bed, but nothing for supper & breakfast.

I started out my to Clitheroe but called to an old lady's whered left on tract the night before. we had an interesting time talking about the introduction of the gospel in Eng. I had a pleasant walk across the hill. many thought he passed through my mind. I knelt down and thanked God for his peace & goodness. I arrived in Clitheroe at one. had dinner at sister Dacres. I had not been in long until Bro. Willie came in. he brought a letter for me from my brother Chas. in which I found that all home were well; five dollars and Miss Toland Cook's likeness. This letter gave me sufficient joy to pay for all my weeks loneliness. we ate supper at Bro. Ormored's. Slept at a place provided by sister Dacres.

Saturday Aug. 19th 1882.

Woke feeling well. ate breakfast at Dawn.

Raining very heavily.

Three excursions left Clitheroe one for Liverspool, one for Blackpool and one for Marcum bay. Spent the forenoon reading and writing.

Bro. Ormored came up to Sister Dacres and invited us to his house.

We had a very pleasant time walking around through the pastures and along the river Ribble; Bro. Ormored took us to where the first elders that came over viz Kimball, Hyde & Fielding baptised quite a number. It brought many things to our minds to see those things.

We took supper at Bro. Ormored's after which his son treated us to some nice music on the Piano. Slept at Sister Dacres.

Sunday Aug. 20th 1882.

Ate dinner at Bro. Deegdale's. took train and rode to Blackburn where we attended meeting at sister Kurner's.

After meeting we took tea at Sister's Inn
I took tram and went to Darwen
I found 5 letters at Sister Knowles's.
in one of which was my brother's letter
I was very glad to get it, and to learn
that all home were well.

I slept at Sister Knowles's.

Monday Aug. 21st 1882.

Ate Breakfast & dinner with sister Knowles
after which I walked to Blackburn
where I again joined Bro. Willie
We walked out to Park Gate Inn
where we spent the night.

Tuesday Aug 22nd 1882

Day very cold and blustering hence we
concluded to spend the day at the inn.
as it was very comfortable & reasonable in
charges. We spent the day in studying
and writing. I wrote a gospel letter to
Cousin Eliza Lloyd. Slept at the inn

Wednesday Aug. 23rd 1882
Spent the day at Park Gate Inn, because
it was raining all day and very cold
I wrote home. We enjoyed ourselves very much
Slept at the Inn.

Thursday Aug. 24th 1882.

Arose feeling well. It had been raining
very hard all night; the streams were
greatly swollen. We could not start out
in the morning on account of the rain.
A bill for Board & lodgings came to 10^{/-} 3^{/-} 4^{/-}
Ate dinner; the old lady got us a
very good dinner & charged us only 1^{/-} 3^{/-} 4^{/-}
We walked to Blackburn; it rained on us
part of the way. ate supper at Jas. Gerrards,
where we held meeting in the evening.
Slept at Bro. Eli. Kirkham's.

Friday Aug. 25th 1882

Had our own breakfast at Bro. Kirkham's
after sweeping out we went to Darwen.
ate dinner at Sister Kay's; tea at Sister Knowles's
where I got a letter from S. C. Robinson. Slept at Eli. Kirkham's

Saturday Aug 26th 1882.

Made our own breakfast at Bro. Kirkham.
Swept out the house & washed the dishes.

I went with Bro. Willie a distance on
his way to Burnley. Had dinner
with Jas. Ferrard after which he
& Bro Kirkham and I went to hunt
a brother who had enquired of Pres.
Carrington where latter Day Saints
hold their meetings; we did not find
him but left the address.

We went back to the market and af-
ter having something to eat there
I went to Bro. Kirkham where I

slept. Sunday Aug. 27th 1882

ate dinner at Sister Turners,

after which I with some of the

Blackburn Saints met the
Over Darwen Saints at Overdale House
where we held meeting with a Bro.
who had not met with the saints
for a long time. I walked to Overdale

slept with Sister Knowles.

Monday Aug. 28th 1882.

Spent the day at Sister Knowles.
writing reading &c.

Tuesday Aug. 29th

Walked to ^{Blackburn} Preston where I joined Bro.
Willie and we took Train and rode
to Preston After walking around
for some time seeing the preparations
for the Guild we went to Sister Clay-
tons where we slept.

Wednesday Aug 30th 1882.

Walked to Leyland Moss where
we spent the night at Sister Roberts.

Thursday Aug. 31st 1882.

Had breakfast and walked to
Coppel where I took train and rode
to Higan where I went and changed
I then took train and rode to ^{Blackburn} Sowerby
where I met several of the Brethren
Slept at the office with Pres. Jones

Friday Sept 1st 1882.

Spent the day in the office taking orders.

Sept. 2nd 1882

After assisting the brethren a little
I went on board the ship until the
tender took all ashore and the
ship put to sea.

I spent the night at Cousin's. ^{Griffiths}

Sept. 3rd

Attended meeting in the morning
where I joined the brethren in
testifying to the great work.

There were several of the Elders present.
Took dinner at Cousin's had a good dinner.

Went to meeting in the evening.

Bro. Goss Pres. of the Swiss Mission.

Elder Rich and myself occupied
the time. Slept at Cousin's.

Monday Sept. 4th

Ate breakfast at the office Cousin's
went to the office then took a
bath at Cornwallis St. Bath.

Took dinner at the office

Spent the afternoon writing.

Tuesday Sept. 5th 1882.

Left Liverpool at 10 o'clock
for Preston, arrived in Preston 11:30

The streets were thronged to see
the doings of the day.

The Town of Preston was gaily
decorated for the Guild.

I did not see the forenoon doings.

In the afternoon I saw the various
sights of interest among which

was the planting of a tree in
Avenham Park by the Duke of

Cambridge. Slept at Sister Clayton's

Her old was very disagreeable.

until about 1 o'clock. He threatened
to kill her. He was fearful.

I was put in mind of Hell.

Wednesday Sept 6th

Witnessed the processions of
the trades, which was truly grand

Met Bro. Willid Ganner at Sister Clay^{ton}

at noon. We spent the afternoon together.

Thursday Sept 7th 1882
Bro. Seyland came down to
Sister Claytons & the Bros Willie &
Jones & myself spent the day
together witnessing the various
sights of the day among
which was the procession of
the Catholics there were 24
bands in the procession.
Bro. Seyland through his
relations introduced us to a
couple of young ladies who
had the kindness to invite
us to dinner. We all went
being 8 in number and saw
the fire works which was grand
Bro. Jones, Bro. Willie & myself
slept at Sister Claytons.

Friday Sept. 8th 1882.
Witnessed the procession of the
temperance societies, went
through the Agricultural
Show

There were very fine horses,
stock, pigs, dogs, sheep, poultry
&c. in the stock line. Some very
fine flowers, fruits, bees
machinery of various kinds
and many other things of
interest. Having been in-
vited we took dinner at the
home of these young ladies,
viz. Miss Pope. We also
spent the remainder of the
afternoon and also the evening
at their house. Slept at S. Claytons.

Saturday, Sept. 9th 1882
Took breakfasts usual at
Sister Claytons, walked around
the town which was very in-
teresting being full of all
kinds of sights took dinner
with these young ladies in
the afternoon we witnessed the torch
lighting. Cyclists paraded 323
in number.

in the evening we witnessed
the torch light-procession
which was very amusing.
after witnessing the doings
of the week and being kindly
treated by Miss Pope we
made arrangements to hold
meeting with them and the
relatives of Br. Seyland Sunday
I was appointed to remain.

Mr. & Mrs. Jones, Willie & myself
slept at Sister Claytons

Sunday Sept. 10th 1882.

Prest. Jones & Elder Willie
started to Over Darwen
I went to the infirmary with them.
I took dinner at Sister Claytons
after which I went up to where
we were to hold meetings.
Several present. we had a
very good meeting in which
Br. Seyland called upon me

to give out the hymns. He opened
by prayer singing. I was first
speaker. I laid down ~~some~~ of
the first principles of the
gospel. Br. Seyland followed
on the same subjects. a good
spirit prevailed. all were very
attentive. at the close of the
meeting the young ladies said
we might have the house to
speak in any time we chose. The
following Saboth consequently
I gave out meeting at the same
place the following Saboth.
The young ladies invited us
to take supper with them
which we did. They gave us
an invitation to call and see
them any time we chose.
I & Bro. Seyland took a walk
through the Park.
I slept at Sister Claytons.

Monday Sept 11th 1882
 Had breakfast at Sister Clayton's
 after which I wrote two letters
 for her. Bro. Seyland & I
 walked to Seyland where
 we had dinner at 4.30 o'clock.
 I milked 2 cows in the evening.
 We slept at Sister Tattersalls.

Tuesday Sept 12th
 ate breakfast at Tattersalls.
 The old lady gave us some bread
 and butter to eat on the way she
 also gave us the address of a lady
 whose mother belonged to the church
 and who lives at Eckelston.

We called on the lady and she
 invited us in gave us dinner and
 was very kind to us she gathered
 up a lot of old staves and said we
 might have them if we would give her
 one volume after they were bound. She gave us
 two shilling but I let Bro. Seyland have them.

as their cart was going to Standish we
 were offered a ride which we accepted
 we arrived at Bro. Tinsley's at 4 o'clock
 No one home but at 7 o'clock they
 came home consequently we had supper.
 We slept at Bro. Tinsley's.

Wednesday Sept. 13th 1882.
 Spent the day at Bro. Tinsley's writing.

Thursday Sept. 14th 1882
 ate breakfast at Bro. Tinsley's after which
 I started on foot to Seyland. I had not
 gone far before it began to shower but
 as I had an umbrella I did not get wet.
 I called again at the lady's in Eccleston.
 she was up stairs. but her husband asked
 me in and when I told him who I was
 and where I was from he invited me to
 take dinner. He and I had a short conver-
 sation about the saints but he soon went
 out his wife came down and we had
 a pleasant conversation. She invited
 me to call any time and she would
 give us a meal.

although it continued to shower
I continued my journey & called
at Noah Vattersalls where I was
kindly invited to take tea.

I dined at Vattersalls where I was
kindly treated. I spent a very
pleasant evening. I read some pieces
on temperance and Joseph Vattersall
was very sociable which was quite un-
common. Had a bowl of hot bread & milk
Slept at Sister Vattersalls.

Friday Sept. 15th 1882.

Spent the forenoon in walking through
the fields and writing home to Bro.
Williams. Had breakfast and dined
myself in the Parlor.

I composed the following verses and
put them in Bro. Williams's letter
Oh Babylon with all thy charmes, Give me my answer home
And you who want to come the land to Zion with me come.
Because the End of heaven has sent forth a decree
That all who wish to come thither Must to Ephraim's mountain files

Saturday Sept. 16th

Took breakfast at Sister Vattersalls.
after which I addressed two papers for her.
I left there at 10.30 when I wished her
good by. She gave me a shilling.

I walked to Preston. day very fine.
Had dinner at Sister Claytons; walked
up street to see if I could meet Bro.
Jones. I called in to Mr. Parkinsons.
Bro. Jones was passing and saw me
and called in. We had tea & supper
at Mr. Parkinsons. Bro. Jones brought
six letters for me, we slept at Claytons.
Claton was drunk.

Sunday Sept. 17th

Had breakfast at Claytons; the old
man got up early and got drunk
and was drunk all morning.
Had dinner at Sister Claytons. After which
we went to Misses Poper where we were
welcomed. We held meeting at 2 few present
a good spirit prevailed spoke on 1st Tim. Had tea
at Poper. Slept at Sister Claytons

Monday Sept. 18th 1882.
Had breakfast at Sister Clayton's.
Started out to find an old lady
but as we had the wrong address
and went two miles out of our way.
However we got the right address &
consequently found the old lady
after 2 or 3 hrs walk. The old lady
was glad to see us. She called in
the two lads; her bro in law who are
twins and 82 years of age and
never been married. They came in
but they acted very bashful.

We were given dinner & tea and had
a very pleasant chat with the old
lady. She gave us two shillings.
at 6 o'clock we started for Prest. ^{on}
we called to see a woman at Longton
who once belonged to the church but she
was very suspicious. She told us to call
again. we left her some trade and
proceeded. we arrived at S.C. at 8.10.
we slept at sister Clayton's.

^{Tuesday}
Tuesday Sept. 19th 1882.
Ate breakfast at sister Clayton's.
Pres. Jones and I went to Mr. C. Parkinson's
where we spent some time. took dinner
there after which we wished them
goodbye. before leaving Mrs. Parkinson
gave us 12 6d each. We walked to Black-
burn. It was rained on no part of the
way. We slept at Bro. Kirkham's.

^{Wednesday}
Wednesday Sept. 20th 1882.
Made our own breakfast - porridge.
at Kirkham's. after which we went
down into the town. I got measured
for a suit of clothes to send home
for my brother Chas. We walked
to Over Darwen. held meeting in the
evening. Pres. Jones and I occupied the
time. Slept at sister Knowles's.

Thursday Sept. 21st
Ate breakfast at S. Knowles's. went out to see ^{Mr. Kaye}
took dinner there. walked to Blackburn. held
meeting in the evening. Pres. Jones & I spoke
a very good spirit prevailed. Slept at Kirkham's.

Friday Sept. 22nd 1882.

Made our own breakfast at Kirkham's.
Went to Sister Turner's and spent the
day in writing. Slept at Kirkham's.

Saturday Sept. 23rd

Made our own breakfast, did some
writing went to S. Turner's to dinner
after spending a short we went to the
Taylor Shop and got the suit.

Prest. Jones & I walked to Darwin
Slept at Sister Knowles's.

Sunday Sept. 24th 1882.

Went to breakfast to Sister Fisher's
We spent the forenoon there took dinner
at 2 o'clock we went to meeting.

The Darwin & Blackburn aunts
met. Prest. Jones Elder Willie & I were
at meeting. The Over Darwin Branch
was reorganized and is hereafter to
be known as The Blackburn & Darwin Branch.
^{The people voted unanimously to sustain}
Elder Kirkham & Prest. and Kirkham & as remain
counselors. Every thing went off smoothly.
Took supper at Sister Fisher's. We all slept at Sister Knowles's.

Monday Sept. 25th 1882.

We took breakfast at Sister Knowles's
Spent the day reading and writing there
Prest. Jones left for New Town. Bro. Willie & I slept
at Sister Knowles's. Sept. 26th 1882.

We breakfast at Sister Knowles's after
which I received a letter from J. H. White
and also a Postal Card from Prest. stating that
he arrived all right at New Town.

We visited some of the aunts ate dinner
at Sister Fisher's. Walked to Blackburn.
Slept at Eli Kirkham's. Sept. 27th 1882.

Brought some milk & had breakfast.
Walked to Burnley except a short ride in a
cart. Held meeting in the evening at Blackburn.

Sept. 28th 1882.

Spent the day at Holdens & walking around.

Sept 29th 1882.

Spent most of the day at Holdens as it
was raining distributed some tracts.
had supper at Wm. Hornells. Slept at Holdens
We spent a very pleasant evening.

Saturday Sept. 30th 1882
ate breakfast at D. H. deans. walked to
Accrington called in a coffee tavern
and got lunch. Walked to Blackburn.
It rained on us most of the way.

Stopped a short time at Eli Kirkhams
where we took tea. Walked part way
to Darwen but as it was raining so
hard we took train. We were quite wet
when we got to Darwen. Slept at Sister

Knowles. Sunday Oct 1st 1882.
ate breakfast at Sister Knowles. dinner
at Sister Fishes who also gave us a
shilling. We took train and rode to
Blackburn and met with the saints
at Sister Turners. We had a very good
meeting a very good ^{spirit} prevailed.
After meeting we all took tea at
Sister Turners where we also spent
a portion of the evening. It rained very
hard. We went to Bro. Kirkhams
Spent the remainder of the evening pleasantly
Slept at Bro. Kirkhams.

Sept. 2nd 1882.

Wrote a letter home; had breakfast
at Bro. Kirkhams after which we
walked to Preeton. It rained on us most
of the way. We went to see Mrs. Patten.
She gave us ^{tea} supper. We had a very
pleasant time with her. We slept
at Sister Clayton's however in the
evening we went up to see Messrs.
Pope. They were very much pleased
to see us. we took supper with
them; they invited us to call and
see them as often as convenient.

Tuesday Sept. 3rd 1882.

Walked to Heyland moss. had
dinner at 4.00 o'clock. Slept at Fatters all.

Wednesday Sept. 4th
ate breakfast at Sister Fatters all.
We went to see Noah & wife. with whom
we spent the day and evening when we
conversed upon the principles of the
Gospel. Slept at Sister Fatters all.

Thursday
Wednesday Sept. 5th '882
Walked to Preston after we had
breakfast, and wished the folks
at Zattersall good-bye. Sister Z. gave
us a shilling each. We arrived at
Sister Claytons at 1.30. She immediately
gave us dinner. We spent the after-
noon studying &c. In the evening we
went according to promise to see
Mrs. Potters Brother. We spent part of
the evening at Mrs. Potters.

We slept at Sister Claytons.

Friday Sept. 6th '882

Wrote a letter to Bro. Haws at break-
fast at Sister Claytons.

Walked to Blackburn; call'd in a
Coffee Tavern and got lunch. Walked to
Darwen. There were six letters from
Sister Knowles, & from home each one
had a likeness in Father & mother and
Stokes Heber. All well at home. Crop all
in rain'd two days & night. Slept at Sister's.
Visited Rays & Fishes in the evening.

Saturday Oct. 7th 1882.

Spent the day until 4.30 at Sister Knowles's
writing and conversing with her. We walked
to Blackburn. Met with the Saints in the evening
at Kirkhams Kirkhams where we spent a pleasant
evening. Had a potato pie supper. Played some games
danced and spoke resolutions I gave two.
Slept at Eli Kirkhams.

Sunday Oct. 8th 1882.

Bro. Kirkham made breakfast for us after
which we walked to Accrington took train
there and rode to Burnley. Went to Holdens.
They were pleased to see us. We ate dinner
after which we held meeting with the family
singing prayer by me. Sacrament administered
by Bro. Willie and Blackburn. Those present
bore their testimony to the truth of the Gospel.
I was called upon to speak. Spoke upon the neces-
sity of us living according to what we preach
and the necessity of us keeping from becoming con-
fused with the world. Bro. Willie followed bore testimony to
what had been said and gave very good instructions
& wished Mrs. Millie in the evening. Slept at Sister Holdens.

October 9th 1882.

Took breakfast at Sister Holdens, wished them all good bye, as I did not expect to see them again.

Bro. Willis and I took train and rode to Ocker. ^{in the train said it was healthy to smoke but others} went first to Bro. Gibsons. A lady came in to visit with us we conversed with her upon the prin-
ciples of the Gospel and bore testimony to her.

Dinner was prepared. Bro. Gibson came in from his work and we took dinner. A man in the pit was killed. Bro. Gibson walked over half

way to Darwen with us. We arrived at Sister Knowlens at 7 o'clock. Slept at Sister Knowlens.

Tuesday Oct. 10th 1882.

Spent the forenoon at Sister Knowlens. She told us the whole circumstance about her daughter leaving home. We wished her good bye. She said she was very sorry I was leaving. We took dinner at Sister Nays.

Wished them good bye & visited Sister Clay. Walked to Blackburn; spent the evening

at Jas Gerrards; his wife told us what

a bad man he used to be and how good the Gospel had made him. Went to Kirkham is wrote a letter for him. Slept at Kirkham.

Wednesday Oct. 11th 1882.

Arose feeling well. Made our breakfast which consisted of tinnings, bread and coffee.

Bro. Willis helped me carry my things to the train. As I had to wait for the train Bro. Miller went to Sister Turners to get dinner.

I took train and rode to Preston. I had quite a task to carry my things.

When I arrived at Sister Claytons she informed me that Elders Jones and Parkinson was in town. So I sat down, swallowed a bite and hurried to the Parkinsons where I expected to find them and to my great joy

they were there. We had a nice time together. We wished Mr. & Mrs. Parkinsons good bye

& they gave us a shilling each. I took the brethren to see Mrs. Patten with who we had

a pleasant time. We then went to the train. We had a very pleasant time together, they

left 5.28 P.M. for Darwen. I went to Claytons.

Took supper went up to see Miss Papis. Spent a pleasant evening. Slept at Claytons.

Thursday Oct. 12th 1882.

Ate breakfast at Claytons after which I carried my luggage to the Station and I had only been there a few minutes before a train was ready to start for Wigan and I boarded it and in a very short time was landed at the Wigan Station. I made my way immediately to Bro. Jinsleys; the little girl was all that was home. She offered me no dinner. Bro. Leyland soon came and after conversing a short time we concluded to go to Skelmersdale at which place we arrived about 8 o'clock after having visited several of the Saints on the way we had dinner at 6.30 at Bro. Sister Smiths. Slept at Bro. Howards who with his family were pleased to see us.

Friday Oct. 13th 1882,

Took breakfast at Howards; they were sorry that we were to be called away. Visited Bro. Sister Danks's Bro. & Sister Smiths. Swifts with whom we had dinner called at Rowbottoms and arrived in New Town 3.30 Spent the night at Bro. Jinsleys. In the evening Annie & Louisa Bennet called in. We had a nice time. Bro. Leyland played his pipe.

Saturday Oct. 14th 1882

Spent the day at Bro. Jinsleys and visiting at Bro. Atherlons. Bro. Janner came in the evening. We had a happy time together. Bro. Perry also called at Bro. Jinsleys.

Sunday Oct. 15th 1882.

Bro. Janner and I walked to Plat Bridge held meeting with the Saints in the evening. Bro. Janner and I occupied most of the time. He went to Stubbshaw cross to sleep.

Monday Oct. 16th 1882.

Bro. Janner and I parted. he went to New Town and I went to Warrington. I arrived at Bro. Proudfoots about 1.30 and dinner was soon prepared, of which heartily partook. Bro. P. agreed to cover my umbrella a charge of 3d for cloth nothing more. I went to Bro. Hills and they were pleased to see me I enjoyed the evening very much. Took supper and slept at Bro. Hills.

Tuesday Oct. 17th 1882.

Took breakfast at Hills. Went to Proudfoots. Staid there until 2.30 and then walked to St. Helen. Blakes were getting restless. Slept at Bro. Blakes home. I went to see Bro. Blakes.

Wednesday Oct. 18th 1882
Took breakfast at Blakes after which I walked
to Slubshaw cross distance 8 miles.
I took dinner at Cottons went to Platt Bridge
to get the D. Car. took supper at Bro. Handman's
We all went up to thro Cottons to meeting, Bro.
Janner and Perry were there. We had a
very good meeting. Bros Janner, Perry & I oc-
cupied the time. as old lady Cotton's her daug-
hter were going to Utah we blessed them
in the name of Jesus Christ.
I wished the Saints good bye.

Bro. Janner brought me a present from
J. Howard, - a pair of ristles, also two
letters one from Cousin Eliza and one from
John H. White. We all three slept at Cottons

Thursday Oct. 19th 1882,
We walked to New Town, it rained on
us all the way very hard. I packed up
my things to start. Bro. Janner took dinner
at Al's. Bro. Perry at Tinsleys. Bro. J. was
talking of starting out with his boat but as it
was raining so hard & also dingle, did not start.

Bro. Janner and I took tram and
rode to the Wigan station and at
2.30 o'clock we took train for Liverpool.
Bro. Janner and I talked of Utah - he asking
me about it - and I replying. we had an interesting
time. we had a pleasant travel.
Immediately after landing at Liverpool
we went to the office. where we met several
of the brethren and had a kind reception.
We slept at the Camden house.
Bro. Janner, Willie, Seymour and I slept
in the same house, or room.

Friday Oct. 20th 1882
We got up at 6 bro. Willie at 4.30 to
meet the Scotch Emigrants. When I
went to the office I found it full and I soon
got to work taking orders for tin ware,
and worked at it until 9 o'clock. when I went
with Bro. Jones, Parkinson and White to the
ship. When we got to the ship bro. White learned
that through some mis understanding three young
ladies who he was looking after had remained at the
office at Lime St. So he and I went back there

We could not find them at the Station so I started for the office and seeing three young ladies standing on the opposite side of the street I stepped up to them and asked them if they were looking for any man and they said they were I asked them who? and they told me, no one particular, of course, I excused myself, knowing what kind of girls they were. When I went to the office I learned that the three girls had gone to the Camden house to sleep. I went and told Bro. White and her and I went to the office where we slept.

Saturday Oct. 21st 1882.

Arose feeling well worked in the office until 12 o'clock but was not very busy. at two I went to the ship.

I sent a suit home by brother Stoddard of Hellsville. After wishing the Elders & all good bye we got on the boat and rode to shore, and went to the office. I saw Bro. Willie & Leyland from Central Station for Herrington. Slept with Bro. Parkinson at the office.

Sunday Oct. 22nd 1882.

Arose feeling well and after prayer, I went up to see Cousin John Griffiths to try to get him to meeting. Found them all well but could not get him to meeting. I went and we had a very good testimony meeting ^{I was called to open by} although few present. Bro. Whitney, Rick Parkinson and myself of the traveling or Valley Elders spoke besides several of those of the branch. Bro. Whitney spoke very plainly upon the principles of the Gospel & stated that there is no truth out side the Gospel of Jesus Christ, he also bore a faithful testimony to the great Latter Day work, as also did the other brethren. I went after meeting to Cousin's and had dinner with them, and remained there until 6:15 talking with them upon the Gospel. I tried to get Cousin's father-in-law and his wife's brother-in-law to come with me to meeting but could not do so. After testifying to them of the great work I started to meeting and found I only had 13 min. to get there in distance 2 mi 10 min late.

Several strangers present. Some business done after which Ben. E. Rich was called to speak. He spoke very interestingly upon the principles of the gospel and bore a good testimony he was followed by Bro. G. C. Parkinson, who also spoke well and showed very clearly that the gifts and blessing would follow the believers and when the gifts and blessings did not follow it showed clearly that the person or people are not true believers. Illustrated by referring to a bill of fare.

Prest. Carrington followed and he proved that the gospel was restored and bore a very powerful testimony upon the truth of the great Latterday work and the Divinity of Joseph Smith's mission. after which meeting was adjourned. Benediction by Ap. O. J. Whitney. I slept with Prest. Parkinson and we lay awake until a late hr. talking upon different things.

Monday. Oct. 29th 1882.

Ate breakfast at the office of the Millennial Star after which Bro. Parkinson and I went down to Mr. Mc Dowell's to settle first the time I was there fixing the accounts until 11.15 o'clock and I had to rush to the office and as Bro. R. R. Anderson had not come back with my change as I had given him \$30⁰⁰ to change I was in a way how to do but Bro. Rich got \$4-10⁰⁰ and sent Bro. Anderson would send the rest to me. Consequently I hurried to the station and at 12 o'clock I was on the train for Wales.

I enjoyed the ride very much. The first change was at Drew. next at Hereford the sun shown very brightly and an occasional shower came in. The trees, green, fields, the sheep and stock upon the hills and the various other grand sights presented the best Panorama. I arrived in Merthyr at 7 o'clock and Prest. David Lewis met me at the station. I slept at the Cent. House. Sister Hormone

Tuesday Oct. 24th 1882

It rained most of the day so Pres. Lewis and I spent the day at Sister Hammonds reading, writing &c. in the evening we went to see my Cousin Wm Griffiths. He was pleased to see us and we had a pleasant time together. We explained some of the principles of the Gospel to him but he did not digest them very well. We slept at the Conference house.

Wednesday Oct. 25th 1882.

Ate breakfast at the Conf house, after which we wrote some letters and at 10.30 o'clock we started to Bryans at which place we administered to a little boy we waited there until 3 o'clock we had dinner there. We started out & walked over the Mountain to Mountain Ash and spent the night at Mrs Evans of Newtown. However we had music in the evening and had a pleasant time before retiring we administered to Sister Evans and she said she was much better.

Thursday Oct. 26th

Arose feeling well. Sister Evans also felt much better. Took breakfast at Sister Evanses after which we went to Bro. Isaac Evans found them at breakfast and in a very dirty plight. we conversed with them awhile they were very pleased to see us. We came back to Newtown took our satchels and started for Hiwain it rained very hard but we did not get wet; we called to see Sister Lewis and husband also sister James at the same place, Vis. Cap Coch, after conversing awhile with them we walked to Aberaman and called to see the Pres. of the branch, Bro. John Edwards, we were kindly invited to eat and we made a good meal. we had a short time to stay & we started on our journey. We walked through Aberdare & park. We arrived at Hiwain about 6 o'clock we went to Brother Prices. had a warm reception. and after walking around to see the place we had prayers as usual and went to bed.

Friday Oct. 27th 1882.

We arose feeling well, took breakfast; had a chat with Bro. Sister Price after which we pursued our journey toward Neath. After a very pleasant journey we arrived in Neath about 4.15 - distance 16 miles. We went to an tavern and secured lodgings and went to Bro. Newham's where we met Bro. Perkins, had supper after which we had meeting with a few of the Neath Saints. The Saints bore their testimony after which Bro. Perkins called on me to occupy a short portion of the time which I did and Pres. Lewis followed and gave us some very good advice and exhorted us to diligence. After meeting we repaired to our lodgings as we were early we sat in the bar room a short time during which time many called in a got their drinks, however we were not in the least disturbed.

Saturday Oct. 28th 1882.

Arose feeling well, walked two miles to breakfast to Bro. and sister - after which we walked to Swansea - went to John James' had dinner, we went from there to Mr. Dennis's where we arranged to spend the night and had tea. In the evening I went to see my Cousins I went to Mrs. and Mary Norman's but they had moved, but I found where they had gone to. Mary had taken part of the house with Cousin Edwin John's family. I met them all well and pleased to see me. I soon learned that Cousin's Mary's husband had gone to America. After chatting a short time with my Cousins I went to Dennis's. Pres. Lewis and I slept together.

Sunday Oct. 29th 1882.

Attended Council meeting in the morning at 11 o'clock. There was quite a number present considering. Some difficulty between the two - Brothers but through the wisdom of Pres. Lewis it was soon settled. I was called to occupy a short time. Pres. Lewis and I went to dinner to my Cousins and we had a good dinner.

Cousin Edwin and wife and cousin Mary came to meeting in the afternoon. After sacrament was administered the meeting was opened for the bearing of testimony and several embraced the opportunity. I was called upon to occupy the remainder of the time. I enjoyed a goodly portion of the good Spirit by means of which I was enabled to set forth the first principles of the gospel. I went with Cousins to tea.

I also attended the meeting in the evening quite a number present. Pres. Lewis spoke very clearly upon the principles of the Gospel and bore a faithful testimony of the Divinity of the mission of Joseph Smith; after whom I was called to speak. I spoke upon the goodness of God in always being willing to make known His mind and will unto the chief of men if they sought Him. also read the Vision of the three Glories.

A good Spirit prevailed and all seemed edified. My Cousins did not attend the meeting at night but Anon's Norman went with ones I slept at Cousins

Monday Oct: 30th 1882.

Pres. Lewis went to see his brother and Bro. Perkins and I went to see a relative of father by the name of Ann Reese Thomas. She was very pleased to see us and asked many questions about the folks who had gone out. We also talked some on religion but she seemed satisfied to go on as she was and let others do the same. We had dinner and tea with her and when we were leaving she pressed us to call as often as we could. While we were there it rained extremely heavy - it also rained on us most of the way from Forest Vach to Swanee a distance 8 mi. After visiting several of the Saints in Swanee and reading a sermon of Pres. Taylors we went to prayer meeting. had a good time. After meeting I went to Cousins. I learned that Uncle Johns had gone security for a man and the bailies had taken his cows and donkey and Aunt felt very badly. I went to ~~the~~ and his wife said we might have the house to ~~preach~~ preach it Tuesday evening I slept at Cousins Mary's.

Tuesday Oct. 31st 1882.

Arose feeling well. took breakfast at Cousins' after which I went up to see Aunt. She was feeling very badly because her cow and donkey were taken by the Baileys. Wm Norman and Uncle have ^{ing} broken some things together and Wm Norman their son in law sold out and went to America. Consequently Uncle was obliged to pay the bill.

I went down to the Copper works with Cousin Wm John's after going through I went to Aunt's and had dinner. at 5 o'clock according to agreement I went up Bro. John James to meet Pres^r Lewis and Perkins. I encouraged Bro. James to do all he could to gather out and to lay by all the means he possibly could and to quit tea & tobacco.

Sales wrote a letter for George James to send to Bro. Obey Pres^r (one) Perkins Bro. John and myself after listening to some nice music by Miss Dennis came to Cousin Wm John's where we, according to arrangement, held meeting Pres^r Lewis and I occupied the time. My Cousins were present.

A good spirit prevailed. Several present.
I slept at Cousins.

Wednesday November 1st 1882.

Took breakfast at Cousins. Pres^r Lewis and Elder Perkins called for me and we started for Neath called to see Aunt. It rained on us a good deal of the way. we stopped at Bro. Sango and got dinner. the wind blew very hard and rained. we arrived at Bro. Newhams at 5 o'clock. At 7:30 we held meeting there. Several bore their testimony after which I was called upon to speak. We slept at a public house.

Thursday Nov. 2nd 1882.

Went to Sister Williams and got breakfast. She gave us some bread and cheese to take with us. We walked up the Cañon 1 1/2 mi. and got in a van which took us to Glynconroy distance 10 mi. It was very stormy we arrived there at 2:30 & we immediately started across the hill to Treorky. It stormed very hard on us, and the water was running down the mountains and the roads were very miry. We got very wet. I fell down twice. We arrived at Bro. Thomasies 5:30 o'clock. We changed our socks, dried ourselves and felt well. Slept there, after traveling 15 or 16 mi.

Friday November 3rd 1882.

Ate breakfast at Sister Thomas's after which we started for Pontypriidd. It rained on us very hard; we called at see Sister Humphry but she was not home however it was raining so hard we stopp'd awhile and her daughter got dinner. We walked to Bro. Hughes and slept there.

Saturday Nov. 4th 1882.

Ate breakfast with Sister Hughes. Called at several painter's houses it rained very heavy at spells. We ate dinner at we then walked across the hill to Fynwant-fynwant Quaker Station & took train for Merthyr. We repaired immediately to the conference ^{room} where we had some letters waiting for us.

Bro. D. Davis soon came. Bro. Gools called in and gave me the following poetry.

Momentous time, who knows the worth

Or value of his days on earth.

Since each must give a true account
Of all his works - The full amount.

Sunday November 5. 1882

Attended Merthyr Council meeting in the morning. A very good spirit prevailed and the districts were reported as a general thing in good condition. Two young men were cut off for adultery.

Attended the meeting in the afternoon and evening the latter of which I was called to speak. Spoke on the first principles of the gospel. Pres. Lewis followed; he spoke in Welsh.

Slept at the conference house

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

My time was engaged in looking over the conference books and making out reports to send to Liverpool Office.

I received a letter from home 7th stating that all were well and father doing better and feeling better than he had for years which news gave me much joy. In the evening I went to see cousin Wm Griffith and we talked until 11 o'clock & then I had to leave. He talked about "Mormonism" and at times he showed an angry spirit and ridiculed but I bore my testimony to him.

Thursday Nov. 9th 1882.

Ate breakfast at the conference house and after squaring accounts Bro. D. Davis, Pres. Lewis & I started out although it was still raining. Pres. Lewis & I took train through the tunnel to Abernant and from there we walked to Mountain Ash we called to see two families of Saints and took dinner at the house of Benjamin Lewis Cap Coke. We attended the meeting of the Saints at New Town near Mountain Ash at the house of Thos Evans. After the saints present bore their testimonies I was called upon to speak.

As there were strangers present I spoke upon the 1st principles of the Gospel.

Pres. Lewis followed - spoke in Welsh. We slept at Bro. Evanses.

Friday Nov. 10th 1882

After breakfast we went down to Bro. Isaac Evanses where we staid until 1.30 o'clock, conversing upon the principles of the Gospel.

Bro. Evans came with us on our way down

miles on our way to Talyers town. It rained on us while crossing the mountain. we arrived at N. Town about 4.30 and we spent the night - there Bro Jenkins treated us kindly and also his daughter. we spent the evening conversing Bro. Thomas was there.

Saturday Nov. 11th 1882

We called to see the saints in Talyers town. after which we walked over to Pandy Rhondda ^(Wales) and staid at sister Humphreys; her husband had been dead killed a short time previous. her daughter was home as her husband had left her and her little child. Sister Humphreys' son, a young man, went on the spree and there was a lodge there who was a very curious man. He staid up all night to see the Comet.

We had quite an argument with him about the best place to build a Colloge in a seaport town like Swansea or Cardiff or in a country place; we maintained that a country place was best. As there were two colleges going to be built in Wales which caused the argument; the old fellow was an astronomer.

in the evening we went to see a family who all belonged to The Church except the husband. He had been to Utah got discouraged apostatized, came back and circulated bad reports about the "Mormons" however the family kept true and he with them were anxious to get out.

Sunday Nov. 12th 1882.

After breakfast at Sister Humphreys, after which we started for Pontypool.

We met with the brethren in council at 11 o'clock at the house of Bro. Hughes.

The brethren reported the Saints in a good condition. I was called to occupy a short portion of time.

After meeting I according to invitation went to Bro. Veals to dinner and we had a good dinner.

2.30 we again met with the Saints at Bro. Hughes. The Saints bore their testimony and rejoiced in the Gospel.

I was also called upon to speak a short time and I enjoyed the Good Spirit while so doing.

After dinner Bro. Lewis and I went to tea to Bro. & Sister Veals. We rejoiced in talking with them upon the Gospel and as they had only been in the Church a short time.

We again met ^{with} the Saints in the evening at Bro. Hughes and as they were strangers present Pres. Lewis desired me to speak upon the first principles and I enjoyed a goodly degree of the Good Spirit in so doing. Pres. Lewis followed and bore testimony to the truth of what I had said and also showed the first principles of the Gospel very clearly. Meeting dismissed I went to sleep at Bro. Veals. Pres. Lewis staid at Bro. Hughes.

Monday Nov. 13th 1882.

We received some letters. I one from home. We took a walk up to see Bro. & Sister Cutler and Evans at which places we also had dinner and tea. We also went to see the rocking stone which tradition says was a very large snake, which curled up. It

In the evening we attended prayer meeting of the Saints in the house of Bro. Neals. Before meeting we attended the ordinance of laying on of hands on Bro. Tho. Davis who was very unwell.

Meeting opened as usual prayer by Bro. Neals, after which Pres. Hughes stated that we had met together for the purpose of calling upon the name of the Lord and desired that all would be free.

The meeting was then opened for prayer and the Saints humbled themselves before the Lord and called upon him in prayer and it seemed a heaven on earth. After all had prayed, I was called up on to speak. Spoke of God chastening His people when they neglect to do right - as was the case in the early rise of the Church. Pres. Lewis followed giving an account of his coming into the Church. &c.

A good degree of Gods Spirit was manifest and we greatly rejoiced. Before retiring Bro. Tho. called upon me to administer to him the ordinance of the

Tuesday Nov. 14th 1882.

Ate breakfast at Bro. Neals after which I went to Bro. Hughes where Pres. Lewis was and spent the forenoon in writing. Ate dinner there after which we started for Slantheit - distance 6 mi. We went to Bro. Jenkins and at 7.30 we held meeting in an Inn close by, about 20 p.m. I was called upon first to speak. Spoke upon first principles and bore my testimony to the restoration of Gods work. Pres. Lewis followed, spoke in Welsh all were attentive and seemed interested.

We slept at a farm house - Mr. & Mrs. Evans.

Wednesday Nov. 15th

Ate breakfast at Mr. Evanses; they were very kind after breakfast we went to Bro. Jenkinses and remained there until after dinner writing. After dinner we walked to Garth Hill Cottage distance 6 mi. we slept at Mr. & Mrs. Tho. Jenkins.

We spent a pleasant evening.

Thursday Nov. 16th 1882,

We walked to Mr. Demond's ^{near Cardiff} where we had dinner after which we walked through Cardiff to Penarth to see Bro. White but his wife did not ask us in consequently we walked back to Cardiff & slept at a coffee tavern. In the evening we walked out to see what was going on. We bought a pair of Dublin gloves 1/9 the streets were full of fast girls. Slept at the

Friday Nov. 17th 1882.

Arose feeling well. Bought breakfast at the Coffee Shop after which we walked out to the docks which were lined with idle men after remaining there a short time we walked back through Cardiff and out to Bro. Watties; he was out at home but his wife invited us in and treated us kindly. She gave us dinner. as the Star had come we read that through & enjoyed it very much. It stated that Pres. Carrington had been released & J. H. Smith appointed to succeed him.

We then went to the post office but nothing there we then walked out to our lodging place Dimonds on the road we met a crowd of people some Gypsies were fighting and quarrelling.

We felt very tired when we reached Dimonds.

Saturday Nov. 18th 1882

Arose feeling, took breakfast at Mr. Dimonds after which we walked into Cardiff and to Bro. & sis. Allens where we had dinner and after conversing with his wife we got tired waiting for him and according to promise went to Bro. Watties where we spent a pleasant time. Took after noon lunch there.

in the evening we took a walk around Cardiff and spent a short time in the free library. I learned in the paper that there was to be a grand review ^{in London} of the Army who fought in the Egyptian war also that there is great disturbance in France by the Communists & Anarchists; and also other nations are in a disturbed condition.

We went through the market and other business places. At 7 we called to the post office nothing. Walked out to our lodging place.

Sunday Nov. 19th 1882.

Spent the forenoon mostly in reading and walking around through a grove close by.

Ate dinner; and at 2.30 attended meeting at Bro. Blicens. Bro. Shepton, Blicen, Watts & a few sisters Pres. Lewis & I composed the meeting each one spoke. and we greatly rejoiced.

We took supper at Bro. Blicens.

Slept at Mr. & sister Dimonds.

Monday Nov. 20th 1882

Visited the Saints in and about Cardiff. Slept at Dimonds.

Tuesday, November 21st 1882.

Spent the forenoon at Dimonds writing and after dinner we walked to Sister Thomases Fog William distance 9 mi.

We spent a pleasant evening in company with Mr. & Sister Thomas & Daughter.

We slept there.

Wednesday Nov. 22nd 1882.

We remained at Sister Thomases until after dinner. We then walked through Luntressant to Fog William distance 8 or 9 miles. We called at Mr & Mrs Richards they invited us to Supper. but we concluded to hunt lodgings first and we went to 3 places before we succeeded at last. Mrs. Morgans went and found a place for us. We went back to Richards to Supper and remained there until 7:30 we then went to Morgans where we listened to some nice music on an accordion. Mrs. Morgans said it was better for children to be brought up in ignorance because they would not be sorricked & to prove that referred to several. I tried to show her better. We went at 9:30 to our lodgings.

Thursday Nov. 23rd 1882.

Arose feeling well, settled for our lodgings 9^o each went to Richards to breakfast. It rained very hard all morning. we stopped at Morgans a short time and they gave us dinner. at 2 o'clock we started for Gilfach Beck near Bridge End, to Sister Edwards. It rained very hard on us all the way and we got very wet. but as soon as we arrived at Sister Edwards she had us changed and she dried our clothes and we felt well.

Friday Nov. 24th 1882.

Ate breakfast at Sister Edwards after which we called in a short time to see Mrs. Sewers wife Sister a short time and then walked over the mountain to Brealaw to Sister Humphreys. She was moving but she was not willing for us to leave.

Saturday Nov. 25th 1882.

Wrote a letter for Sister Humphreys and after spending a short time at her house we pursued our journey to Breckley. We called in to Jones and got Supper.

We then went to Bro. Thomas's where we
staid until 7.30 and then we went to hunt lodgings
We succeeded at a Coffee Tavern for 9^d each as it was
too late to go to bed we took a walk out, and hear-
ing the Salvation Army, we called in to hear see their
performances. The room was quite full and the meet-
ing was presided over by a young man, a re-
formed drunkard and fighter, called the Captain
and two young ladies - the Lieutenants. One
of the young ladies took the most prominent
part. The first of her sermon we heard was:
"I feel so happy I feel as though I was going up
into glory." then followed Halleluiah's Amen's &c.
The meeting consisted mostly of singing and
bearing testimonies. The testimonies runs
thus. "I thank God I am saved" "I was
once a drunkard of the worst die but now
I am saved." "I used to sing in the public houses
but now I sing in the Salvation Army" "Glory Hal-
lulalah" Then followed long applause and
singing. Before closing one of the young ladies expressed
a regret that there was no more time for bearing of testimony but
said there would be a prayer meeting in the morning at 7 o'clock but
which all could have the opportunity of bearing testimony.

Sunday Nov. 26th 1882.
Arose feeling well. Took breakfast at the Coffee Tavern
after which we went to Bro. Thomas's and after spending
a short time there we went to Siders Bosses & Phillips to
dinner according to promise, however, that was after
Council meeting which we attended at Bro. Thomas's.
I as well as the rest of the few Brethren present bore
my testimony. After dinner at Siders R. & P. we went
to meeting to Bro. Thomas's. Although there were a few pres-
ent a good spirit prevailed. I was called upon to speak in con-
nection with Pres. Lewis. We encouraged each other to
press forward in the good work of building up God's Kingdom.
The Sacrament was also administered.
Pres. Lewis and I went with Bro. John Jones to tea.
We met with the Saints at the same place at 6.30
After the few present bore their testimonies. I was called
upon to speak. Spoke on the first principles and quoted
passages to prove that Faith, Repentance, Baptism and
Laying on of hands for the Gift of the Holy Ghost
are the principles of the Gospel as taught by our Saviour
and His Apostles. Pres. Lewis followed. He gave good advice.
A good spirit prevailed. We slept in the Coffee Tavern.

Monday Nov. 27th 1882.

Awoke feeling well. Went to Bro. Thomases to breakfast. Went over to Sister Rosses where we had a bath, our dinner and our clothes washed, we had tea with Sister Phillips. We had some music on an account. We held ^{prayer} meeting with the Saints in the evening.

We slept at Bro. Thomases. I had good news from home which gave me great joy. I received my first letter from my Bro. Chas and Wife since they were married. They were feeling well and expressed a strong desire for the time to hasten my return home. Mother's letter was as full as usual of expressions of love and a desire for me to do my duty. Spoke of them having a good Conference of Bro. Obay paying them a visit of 24 days and of what a good time they had.

He spoke of the voting and of the attempted fraud of the "Liberals" in putting of two tickets into one envelope. Bro. John H. Kilbo spoke of drunkenness in Oregon since the Liberals or Commission had come also of statements made by them in the Oregon House, as follows: "We will see whether these Mormons will have the temple or not. We will make great changes &c."

Tuesday Nov. 28th 1882.

Spent the forenoon visiting among the Saints. In the afternoon we walked down to Sun Dale and held meeting in the house of Mrs. D. Jenkins; few were present. I was, after Bro. Thos & Jenkins spoke a few words, called upon to speak.

I explained what we claimed to be the first principles of the Gospel and also stated that we believed in Apostles, Prophets &c. in Revelation, in Gathering, and that judgements would be poured out upon the Nations of the earth and that God was establishing his Zion among the latter day Saints in Utah surrounding country as a place of refuge. That the Gospel had been restored by an Holy Angel, and also that the Gifts and Blessing follow the believers. I then quoted passages of scripture to substantiate our belief. Those present paid good attention and I felt well. Pres. Lewis followed. As it was getting late he bore his testimony to the L. S. D. work.

We slept at Bro. Jenkins. He lay on the sofa. We spent a pleasant evening.

Wednesday Nov. 29th 1882.

After wishing the few Saints in Fern Dale good bye we crossed the mountain over to Aberdare Valley. We called to see to Lodes who had given us an invitation to call. They immediately made supper for us. We called at a Coffee Tavern and good dinner. Pres. Lewis did most of the talking to the old ladies. and as he talked in Welsh I could not understand, however, he preached the Gospel to them. They stated that they belonged to the Baptists but there had been some trouble with the preacher and the party had divided. Some in favor of the preacher and some were not as they said he was a drunkard others denied however it was discovered that he was a sot. they did not know how to do with him so these ladies stopped going to Chapel. Rev. Lewis almost persuaded them to be S. D. S. We started at 5 from there and faced a rain. Stone to Hirwaun distance about 2 1/2 or 3 mi. We spent the evening until about 11 reading writing etc. at Bro. Price's where we also slept.

Thursday Nov. 30th 1882.

Ate breakfast at Bro. Price's after which we walked to Cap Coch to Mr & sister Lewis and we had dinner there after a short conversation we walked to Mountain ash to Bro. Thos Evans at 7 o'clock we went down to Bro. Isaac Evans and held meeting. Slept at Bro. Evans.

Friday ^{December} November 1st 1882.

After breakfast we walked over the mountain to Merthyr. Two letters for me one from mother. All well at home. Two papers. John V. Cain was elected Delegate by a great majority. he was the people's candidate. P. J. Vanzile the Liberal. We rejoiced at the news.

Saturday Dec 2nd 1882.

Spent the day in making up accounts. Bro. D. Davis came in in the afternoon. Reported every thing all right in his District as a general thing. He was unwell the first part of the month but was well then.

Bro. John G. Gould came down in the evening and we had an interesting time. I also went to see Cousin Wm. Griffiths he was quite unwell but had been worse. Slept at Office.

Sunday Dec. 3rd 1882

Attended Council meeting at 11 A. M.
The branches were mostly represented in
Good condition. Pres. Lewis called upon me
to say a few words - felt thankful to be asso-
ciated with men who wished to do right;
Bro. D. Davies spoke & gave some account of
his travels. Felt thankful that he was
worthy to be associated with the great Sat-
urday work and be worthy to be as his tes-
timony to his relatives and friends to
the truthfulness of the Gospels.

Attended meeting in the afternoon at 2.30
After singing prayer &c, I was called to say
a few words after which sacrament was
administered. The meeting was opened to
testimony and for exercising the gifts.
4 of the brethren enjoyed the gifts of tongues.
There was a very happy influence prevailed
and although I could not understand as it was
interpreted in Welsh yet I greatly enjoyed it.

Attended evening meeting Bro. Davis & I spoke
On the subject of the latter day work with the Gospel of Christ
and showed the analogy

Monday 4 Tuesday 5 Wed. 6. 1882

I was very busy in making out accounts
and sending the reports of indebtedness
to the different branches.

I wrote a letter Tuesday evening to the
Students at the Prof. College boarding house
giving a short account of my travels until
I came down last time to Wales.

Thursday 7th 1882

We made ready and started out for a
trip through our districts.
Pres. Lewis and I took train through the
mountain as there had been a fall of snow
the night before. After we rode through
the mountains we walked to Chos Lewis's
got dinner and walked to Mountain ash
to Bro. Chos. Evanses where we exp
attended meeting in the evening and where
both of us had the pleasure of speaking.
Spoke of the blessing derived from living
according to the Gospel and also the thought-
lessness of mankind in regard to their future hap-
piness.

Friday 8th 1882.

After breakfast we started on our journey and after we walked up a ways we separated. Pres. Lewis to go to Swansea and I crossed the mountain to Fern Dale. It snowed on me all the way across and the wind blew very hard in my back. I arrived at D. Jenkinses in good time and dinner was just ready of which I freely partook. I went down to see Bro. Griffiths & Robert in the evening. They were not feeling so well. I encouraged them all I could and they promised to do better. D. Jenkins with whom I slept had a severe attack of illness. I administered to him and he felt better.

Saturday 9th 1882.

Arose feeling well. had breakfast, visited the Saints in the place and started to Pontypridd. and after about 2 1/2 hrs. walk. I arrived at Bro. Hughes, where I was kindly welcomed. had dinner went to see Bro. D. Gisti, Neal, Mary, & Bro. Tho. Davies. I slept at Bro. Veals.

Sunday Dec. 10th 1882.

I attended a special meeting in the morning. The families were reported as being in quite good condition with one or two exceptions. David Morgan was reported as not doing his duty. I was called upon to speak. I encouraged the brethren to suppress all feelings of contentment or strife which might present itself and in visiting among the Saints not to be swayed by the statements which might be made against those in authority because when a person does not do right he begins to find fault with the leaders.

I had Sunday dinner at Bro. Veals. I attended meeting in the afternoon which was occupied in bearing testimony. I took tea at Bro. Hughes. I attended meeting in the evening. Some of the brethren spoke I was called upon and I enjoyed a goodly portion of the good speech in so doing. I slept at Bro. Veals.

Monday I received 4 letters; spent part of the day working and went up in the afternoon to Bro. Edwards and he & I came down to Bro. Bishop's to fast meeting.

Tuesday 12th 1882.

Spent the forenoon writing at Bro. Veals, went according to promise to Bro. Bishops to dinner.

After visiting there a short time I came back to Bro. Veals and wrote more & had supper at Bro. Veals. I spent the evening in conversation and Bro.

Bishop came over. we read a piece from the *Estian* pertaining to pre Existence. by Wm Gibson.

He, Gibson, maintains that we all existed before we came here and that some of us were more loyal to the laws of God before we came here than others.

Quotes the passage pertaining to Christ healing the blind shows that a man can exist; think act &c. after the body is laid away, the Spirit operates through the body.

I slept at Bro. & sister Veals with Thos Davies.

Wednesday Dec. 13th 1882.

Snow about 10 inches. Ate breakfast at Bro. Veals, went to wish the saints good bye and walked to Santwit the road was very heavy I arrived at Santwit about 2 P. M.

Had dinner at Bro. Rees Jenkinses. I went up to see Mr & Mrs. Evans. Had tea there & expected to have meeting in the evening but it was too cold. I slept in "The New Inn"

Thursday Dec. 14th 1882.

I walked to Garth hill near. Buteuch. The road was sloppy. I arrived there about 12. had dinner at Mr. Thos Jenkins where I stand over night. I gave them a short sketch of the saints experience.

Friday Dec. 15th 1882.

Had breakfast at Mr. Jenkinses. after which I walked to Cardiff, or to Mr. & sister Diamonds, where I remained until evening, however, I had dinner at Bro. Bladens. where I spent the evening. I slept at Diamonds.

Saturday December 15th 1882.

After breakfast, I went to Cardiff distance 2 miles. I went to the Post Office where there was a letter from Pres. Lewis and 2 papers from home. I learned through the letter that the brethren were well and that he and Bro. Perkins were going down to Carmarthenshire.

I went to the Library to read. I spent a couple of hours there. and at 8 o'clock I went to Bro. Watts, where I had dinner, after spending some time with Mr. Watts I came out to my lodgings. It rained very hard after I got in.

Sunday Dec. 17th 1882.

It rained very hard all morning and I spent the time reading. In the afternoon I attended meeting. After the few Saints present bore their testimonies, I was called to speak. I spoke upon the unpopularity of the truth at present; but according to prophecy it will not always be so, and felt sure the time was near at hand for the nations of Babel to fall. I referred to the doings of those who are not of us at home, how they try to surprise principles of reticence; but they were so far frustrated. I slept at Diamond.

Monday Dec. 18th 1882.

After breakfast I went to Carcliff and there were 4 letters for me at the Post Office.

Good news all well at home I received \$5.00 in a letter from father and \$5.00 from mother. I spent some time in the reading rooms.

The papers gave intelligence of deep snow in N.W. and Scotland. Several trains buried and lives lost. I went to see Allen's wife. At 4 o'clock I started to Diamond. It rained all the way, I had no...

Tuesday Dec. 19th 1882.

After breakfast I walked to Newmills. I had a pleasant walk. When I arrived at Sister Thomas she was not home and I did not know what to do. I sat on the door step a minute or two and then I got up and went to a house nearby and inquired for her. They said she would be home in an hr. or two and had left the key for me. Although there were several houses there I went to the one who had the key and I could not but acknowledge that I was directed.

When Sister Thomas came home she was much pleased to see me. I spent a pleasant evening with them. Their son in law, came in and our conversation was upon the principles of the Gospel. I slept there. Wednesday Dec. 20th.

I ate breakfast at Sister Thomas, and at 12 o'clock I started to Longfield and arrived there about 2.30 and after I had been in to Richard's son in law & daughter to J. Thomas, I saw I was too badly treated so I got up to go when she prevailed in me having a bite to eat. I then walked to Gilvachlach I was very tired when I got to Sister ^{Eglar's} Thomas, but she made me very welcome.

Thursday Dec. 21st 1882.

Arose as usual feeling well. There had been very heavy rain all night. But had cleared off. Sister Edwards had one stay to dinner. after which I started to Trealaw. I had a pleasant walk across the mountain; When I got to sister Humphreys she was not in and I started to Treorky at which place I arrived at 4 o'clock feeling very tired. I stopped at Bro. Thomases all night.

Friday Dec. 22nd 1882.

After breakfast I went back to Trealaw and met Sister Humphreys at home and spent the night.

Saturday Dec. 23rd

After breakfast I went down to see the Daniels family. They were out home. I then walked to Treorky I had dinner about 3 o'clock at sister Rossers. I spent part of the evening there; had a bath and change. They received news about 4:30 that a little boy related to them had been killed. They were very much excited. I slept in a ^{circle} Coffee Tavern there was a great deal of and drinking going on.

Sunday Dec. 24th 1882.

Arose feeling well. Went, according to invitation, to Bro. Thomases to breakfast; and according to invitation to sister Rossers to dinner & sister Williamses to tea. We had meeting at Bro. Thomases in the evening. I was called to speak. I encouraged the Saints to do right and do not get discouraged. Pres. Thomas bore testimony. I went to see for lodgings but could not find any and came and slept at Bro. Thomases.

Monday December 25th Christmas 1882.

At breakfast; wrote a letter home and walked to Trealaw to sister Humphreys according to promise to dinner. It rained on snow all the way. I spent the day at sister Humphreys. She was much pleased to have my company. her son went of still to new north where. slept there.

Tuesday Dec. 26th 1882.

After breakfast I went to see Bro. Daniels and then walked up to Treorky. It was very stormy. The beer shops were full of people drinking and many drunk on the streets. I ate dinner with Bro. & sister Thomas. I went to see sisters William Rossers & Phillip's she latter asked me to take dinner with her next day, I slept at Bro. Thomases

Wednesday Dec. 27th 1882.

I went to dinner to Sister Phillips after which I walked to Fern Dale; it rained very hard and I got very wet. I stopped at sister Roberts & Griffiths who live in the same house. I had change. I spent the night there.

Thursday Dec. 28th 1882.

I walked to Cornamun thinking to take train but found the train was not coming until 5 and as it was then I walked to Menthys at which place I arrived about 4 o'clock feeling very tired. I spent the time until 7.30 writing when I went to meeting only 10 present. I spoke after which the brethren & sisters bore testimony & spoke in tongues &c. I slept at Sister Harmon's.

Friday Dec. 29th 1882.

I spent the day writing and making up accounts at the Conference house.

Saturday Dec. 30th 1882.

I thought to start to Pontypridd, but sister Harmon were so anxious for me to spend the day with them and as it was raining I remained. Pres. Lewis came from Swansea in the evening and I was pleased to see him & that I had staid. Sister Harmon's bro. came home drunk at night & I kicked her.

Sunday Dec. 31st 1882

I got up in time to get ready and start with the 9 o'clock train to Pontypridd. I arrived at that place at 10 o'clock and went to Bro. Veals. It rained very hard. I ate dinner at Bro. Veals. Bro. Bishop came up and we spent the time reading and conversing upon the principles of the Gospel. Bro. Bishop read a sermon of Orson Pratt. It treated on man's destiny and the different worlds which exist and the destiny of the world. After dinner we went to meeting which was at Bro. Hughes. The Brethren & sisters bore their testimonies to the truth of the great latter day work. I also bore my testimony and give such advice as I was prompted by the Spirit of God. I took Supper at Bro. Hughes. The Saints met at 6 at Bro. Hughes and we had another meeting. Bro. Davies, Bishop and Hughes spoke a short time after which I spoke & bore testimony to its magnitude and destiny & testified that the prophecies regarding this work would be fulfilled as Joseph's dream of the stars & planets were fulfilled. I also testified that the prophecies regarding this work would be fulfilled as Joseph's dream of the stars & planets were fulfilled. I also testified that the prophecies regarding this work would be fulfilled as Joseph's dream of the stars & planets were fulfilled.

Monday Jan. 1st 1882,

I arose feeling well and thankful that I was permitted to see the opening of a New Year. Bro. Davies did not go to work, but staid home to spend the day with me. After breakfast we read John Taylors 1st night's discussion in France, after which we went to Bro. Hughes and remained there reading the Books of Mormon & Doctrine & Covenant until one o'clock when we had dinner we remained there until 3.30 reading. It was raining very hard.

At 3.50 we went to see Bro. & sister Evans & Estler. We had supper at Bro. Evanses. According to appointment, we had prayer meeting at Bro. Evanses in the evening.

Several of the brethren spoke Bro. Bishop & Hughes after which I was called to occupy a short time, I encouraged the Saints to endeavor to lay aside as many failings as they could & try to live more worthy of Gods blessings in the future than past, as we are now commencing upon a New Year. We administered to a boy of Bro. Evans, I slept at Bro. Neals.

Tuesday Jan 2nd 1882,

I arose feeling well and wrote a letter for Bro. Lewis to his Son & Daughter and to David his son. I had breakfast at sister Neals after which we conversed upon the Gospel which we did also at breakfast time I wrote some. And with sister Neal good bye and started out.

I called to see sister Bishop and sister Hughes the latter invited me to stop to dinner which I did, after which I walked to Tredegar and spent the night at sister Humphreys.

Wednesday Jan. 3rd 1882,

After breakfast I walked to Fern Dale where I took dinner at Bro. Jenkinses and then walked to Abernant where I waited one hour and took train to Merthyr. I met Bro. Lewis at the office. He had spent New Year at sister Harmon as she was afraid of her son. He got drunk and threatened to kill sister Harmon. Brother Lewis had to protect her. I received three letters. We slept at the Conf house.

Thursday Jan. 4th 1882,

Bro. Lewis went to Mountain Ash. I remained at the office to make up accounts. In the evening I wrote home and went to meetings. Had the pleasure of making a few remarks. Bro. Giddet & I packed up the Altars,

Friday Jan. 5th 1883.

I arose early and took the Stars to the Post office. I went and bought a pair of shoes. I spent the day making up accounts. In the evening I called to see my Cousin Hon Griffiths. He told me where John Morgan lived and I went and saw him.

He received me very kindly and so did his daughter and invited me to call after.

Saturday Jan. 6th 1883

I wrote a letter to Miss Eda D. Cook in the morning and wrote some in the books in the afternoon. Bro. Lewis & Bro Perkins came to the Conf. house in the forenoon.

Bro. Perkins reported the Swansea Branch in rather a poor state. Bro. Davies came in in the afternoon. We spent an enjoyable time together. Bro. Lewis & I slept at the Conference house. I baptized Sarah Gwynn.

Sunday Jan. 7th 1883.

Met in Council in the morning. I went to Cousin Hon. Griffiths to dinner. I met with the brethren & saints in the afternoon. Cousin went with me to meeting in the

evening. After singing & prayer Pres. Lewis called upon me to speak. I spoke upon the principles of the Gospel & Bro. Davies followed. After meeting Cousin and I took a walk around and conversed upon what I had been saying. Cousin could not digest what we had said, but we did not quarrel over that. Slept at the Office.

Monday Jan. 8th 1883.

Spent the day in the office writing, or making up the accounts. Tuesday Jan 9th 1883.

Completed the financial accounts and remitted the same to Liverpool Office. In the evening according to promise I went to see Uncle John Morgan. I showed him the views of Utah and he was very interested. His daughter played some nice tunes on the organ. We had a very pleasant time together talking about Utah, the people, father & c. His daughter & son in law invited me to call after.

Wednesday Jan 10th,

Spent the day writing & reading.

Thursday Jan 11th 1889.

Spent the day writing and attended meeting in the evening and had the pleasure of speaking.

Friday Jan. 12th 1889.

Awoke feeling well. Raining as usual. At 12:30 Bro. Lewis & I took train and rode to Abernant and from there we walked to Mountain Ash and as we had the address of a lady about two miles from there we went up the hill to the place but she was not home so we walked back and went down to the Evanses to attend prayer meeting according to promise as his wife had died the previous Monday when we got there the house was crowded and they were cleaning up so we went down to Isaac Evanses where we had supper which was our only meal since breakfast. As I had new shoes and as they were rather small my heels were made sore and I suffered much. We held prayer meeting in the evening and slept at Bro. Thos. Evanses.

Saturday January 13th 1889.

After attending the necessary ceremony we went to the station with the corpse I wished Bro. Lewis goodbye as he was going with the Corpse to Dowlais, and I going to Swansea on my way to Pembrokeshire I walked to Abernant but suffered a great deal with my heels, I took train there at 10 o'clock and soon landed in Swansea. I went to Bro. Jameses and had dinner. In the evening I went to Mr. & Mrs. Dumbos and as my heel was so sore I spent the night there. Miss Snie played some very nice music on the Piano & sang some songs.

Sunday January 14th 1889.

After breakfast I went up to Bro. James and as my heel was so sore I remained there until meeting time Bro. Jenkins came there at 1:20 I ate dinner at Bro. James, I went to meeting at 2:30. I, in company with others, bore my testimony and encouraged the brethren to do right, and rebuked some of their wrongdoings, which did not set very well with Bro. Wm. Williams & Bro. Mironi Watts,

After meeting Bro. Jenkins & I went up to Bro. Parris where we remained until evening meeting. He went to meeting in the evening and after opening exercises & Bro. Alma Watts spoke a short time, I was called upon to speak. Spoke upon first principles and the blessing to be derived by living the lives of Saints. After meeting I went to Mr. Denneses where I spent the night at. I had quite a discussion with Mr. White an infidel. He ridiculed the Scriptures and showed the evils of professing Christians.

Monday Jan. 15th 1883.

After breakfast Bro. Jenkins came down and we listened to some very nice singing & music. I went over to see my cousins and saw Cousin Edwin & wife, and as my foot was very sore remained there until 1 o'clock, during which time I wrote home. I then went to Bro. Jameses to meet Bro. Jenkins as I promised, went to Bro. Edwards where we had tea. I went down town bought a light pair of shoes. I went & spent the evening with my Cousins Edwin & wife & Alm & wife. Slept at Edwin's.

Tuesday January 16th 1883.

After breakfast at Edwin's I went to see Cousin Mary & her daughter Annie, they were well. I went back to Cousin Edwin's to dinner, after which I went to Denneses & from there to Bro. James. & from there to the Station. At 9⁴⁵ I took train and at 8 I landed at Pilgette Station. I had a conversation with a Baptist on the train upon the principles of the Gospel. Soon after landing I found my self at uncle & Aunt Sloyds. Mother Susan & Sarah were home and we had a pleasant time together.

Wednesday Jan. 17th.

As my foot was so sore I spent my time in the house conversing & writing, reading &c.

Thursday Jan. 18th 1883.

I went down to see Uncle and Aunt ^{John} Eastem Reese. Aunt Ann & Hitchens came there and we had an interesting time. I could not walk around much as my heel was so sore. Slept at Aunt Sloyds.

Friday I went to see Aunt Eliza.

Saturday I went to Genly & had a nice time. Had dinner at Aunt Salley's.

Sunday Jan. 21st 1883.

I spent the day at Aunt Sloyds as I could not walk very well. Cousin Mary Ann Lewis came up in the evening.

Monday Jan. 22nd 1883.

I went to see Aunt Mary Lewis and had a nice time. She did not like it as I had not been there before.

I also called to see Ann Genthe

Tuesday Jan. 23rd 1883

I walked to Tenby, had dinner at John Nicholas's supper at Wm. Thomas's and slept at a house of one Griffiths.

However in the evening I went to hear a lecture by one Evans from Pembroke Dock. Subject: Howell Harris, who was founder of the Methodist Church.

Wednesday Jan. 24th 83.

I took train after eating breakfast at Robt Nicholas for Pembroke. It rained very hard but I walked to Uncle Richards where I changed my clothes and had some bread, cheese & beer.

Thursday Jan. 25th 1883.

I took a walk out to the sea, as there is a very grand sight. The cliffs are very high, and as the wind was blowing, and the sun was shining brightly and the ships in the distance added to the grandeur of the sight. But the clouds gradually gathered and I saw there was a storm close by so I started back distance three miles.

I had only been back a short time when a storm blew up. I spent the evening in conversation with uncle and Aunt.

Friday Jan. 26th 1883.

After breakfast, I wished all goodbyes and started to Pembroke Dock at which place I arrived about 12 o'clock. I went to John Obry's and had dinner and after spending a short time there, I went to see a lady friend of mother's by the name of Lettice Jones formerly Miss Parcel. I was treated very kindly and had tea with her. In the evening I went to Myland where I met many of Bro. White's friends. Slept at the house in which they used to live with a young man.

Saturday Jan. 27th 1883.

After breakfast at the Butcher shop where I slept, I went down on the docks but as it was storming so hard I had to wait a little while, we had to go down in the hold to cross. I went to Mrs Joneses to dinner and at 2.15 took train for Tenby at which place I arrived at 3 o'clock, I was down and got my Photos.

Had tea at Aunt Salles' & went to see Cousin Martha She, her husband Aunt Esther Reese and I took the 5 train for St. Ceryty. I slept at Aunt & Uncle Sloy's.

Sunday Jan. 28th 1883.

I went down to Uncle & Aunt Wm. Lewis's to dinner. Cousin Martha & husband, also a young man from Tenby were there.

After dinner, I met Cousin Matthew Sloy & Aunt Esther and we went to Ambroth Church. Parson Phillips went through the usual church ceremony. Bro. Rogers & Mr. Phillips in with us to tea. After which we went to Aunt Elizabeth's where we met Susan & remained until 10 P.M. owing to a heavy storm.

Monday Jan. 29th 1883.

Cousin Matthew & I walked to Tenby and I got 6 Photos taken. We remained in Tenby until about 5.30 and then started back, it rained very hard on us and we called in to see Betty Griffiths who was very pleased to see me and so were her family, at 8 we pursued our journey the rain had ceased and we had a pleasant walk.

Tuesday Jan. 30th 1883.

I went to see Cousin Thomas Aunt Mary Aunt Esther and enjoyed myself well.

Wednesday Jan. 31st 1883.

I took train to Carmarthen and after walking around the place, at 3 I took train for Lampeter the ride was not very pleasant as it was so very cold, I arrived there about 5 and found Bro. Thomas's family all pleased to see me and treated me very kindly. I remained there until Friday morning and at 10.18 took train for Swansea at which place I arrived at 1.30 and remained there until Saturday visiting relatives friends and the Saints.

Saturday Feb. 3rd 1883.

At 3.05 I took train for Merthyr and arrived there at 5.10. I met Pres. Lewis, Elders Davies & Perkins at the Office and I was pleased to see them and they were pleased to see me and hear me relate my experience. We spent a pleasant evening together.

Sunday Feb. 4th 1883.

I attended Council meeting in the afternoon and evening at which I had the pleasure of speaking. Elders Davies & Lewis also spoke.

Monday Feb. 5th

I spent the day in making up Conference accounts. I suffered greatly with a boil on my leg.

Tuesday 6th Wednesday 7th Thursday 8th. I spent the time in answering Conf. letters, looking over the books reading &c. My leg was very sore. Pres. Lewis, in the afternoon, went to Mountain Ash, and from there he intended to go through the district.

Friday Feb. 9th 1883.

I wrote home, read from the Div. & Covenants, and in the evening I wrote the following.

I was not in search of worldly wealth

I left my mountain home.

'Tis not to gain some earthly fame

On England's isle I roam.

I did not wish Utah's retreats

For an unknown time to see.

To search for pleasure or for sights

Or friends more kind and true.

My home in Utah's peaceful vales

My friends and parents dear

The grand old rugged mountains

With all their sights so queer—

The crystal stream that leaps o'er rocks

And down the mountain side.

All these has far more charms for me

Than all the world beside.

"Why did you leave your home, you ask.

And all those charms so dear,

Just listen and I'll tell you

And you'll not think it queer.

It was the glorious Gospel sound,
That reached my parents ears;
That filled their hearts with joy and peace,
And banished all their fears.

It taught them that The God of heaven
To man had spoke again.

And made the plan that glorious plan -
Salvation clear and plain.

It taught them faith in Jesus Christ,
Repentance and baptism.

To which they did comply and then
The Holy Ghost was given.

The Spirit whispered in their ears
Great Babylon must fall.

And this was quickly followed
By the angels humble call,

"Come out of her my people,"
And flee into the West.

Go to Kingdom to establish there,
And surely you'll be blessed.

Accordingly they bid adieu
unto their native strand
To serve the God of heaven
Upon Joseph's favored land.

And peace has been ^{made} their happy
From morning until night
And although they've had their trials,
Thus far they've won the fight.

Saturday Feb. 10th 1888.

I spent the day reading and writing. My leg was swelled very badly.

Sunday Feb. 11th 1888.

Bro. Gould called before he went to meeting, but I did not think it safe to go out. I spent the day reading from the Doc. & Co. and a paper called the Mormon, written in the year 1847.

It gave an account of the Saints gathering to Utah in early days, of their celebrating the 4th of July in the Mountains, and an oration of Geo. Brigham Young on that day.

There was a letter in it from W. Woodruff, stating that there had been frost in July which froze the potatoes, also about the grass hoppers eating the crops. There were several letters from Captains of companies - both hand cast & ox - of emigrants bound for Utah. It was pleasing to read of the joy of the Saints in their trying circumstances.

I wrote a letter in the evening. Bro. Gould called to see me after meeting and we had a pleasant chat; after which I wrote until 11 o'clock.

Monday Feb. 12th 1889.

I went to see Cousin Wm. Griffiths. he was going to Aberdare. so I did not stay with them, but went to see father's Cousin John Morgan. I spent the afternoon with his daughter. We had a pleasant time.

I had tea as they call it - at 5 o'clock when her husband came home. I read a sermon in the afternoon of Pres. John Taylor's she liked it very much. Pres. Taylor spoke of the great works to be accomplished by the Saints and of their destiny if they were faithful, of the power which accompanies the Gospel. Said the Gospel is being preached as far as possible, and said it must be preached in all the world. There are great events about to transpire on the earth.

Uncle John Morgan came home at 6 o'clock and he and I had a pleasant time talking over things that transpired in his youthful days. He gave an account of his visiting Kenya and of being the instructed in "Mormonism" by a Companion. I came back to sister Harmon at 8 o'clock.

Tuesday 13th February 1889.

Spent the day reading and writing, and took a walk out with Annie Harmon. In the evening a letter came from Bro. Smith stating that he would bring over or two of the brethren down to conference with him. I had a bath and change in the evening.

Wednesday February 14th 1889.

I arose feeling well. A paper - Deseret News came and I read most of the interesting parts. It gave an account of much distress by sea and land. Great loss of life & property. I Bro. working to the News says 30 families could make good homes at Warm Creek. Inceida Co. Idaho.

I read some in the "Mormon" among which was a good story of which the following is an extract:

There was a very famous horse in the tribe of Neggedah a Bedouin of another tribe, by name Daher desired extremely to possess it. Haunmy offered great wealth for him and failing to get him he contrived another plan; he dressed like a very poor crippled beggar and lay on the road and when the owner of the horse came up he asked for help. The man offered to take him up with him but the man said he was unable to do so. He then got off and put the other on the horse. When Daher rode off but Daher said hold, I want to say something to the man. He listened. It was never told here you got the horse or some power he or some might have to suffer as I should have the horse back & they had (me) hold.

Thursday February 13th 1883.

I spent the day reading and writing; went to meeting in the evening, and after the brethren and sisters bore their testimonies & occupied a short time in speaking upon the first principles of the Gospel as two were present who did not belong to the Church. After meeting I took a walk with one of them and he said he had been greatly troubled of late and was going to join the Church.

Friday February 16th 1883.

I spent the day reading and writing and went to see Cousin in the evening.

Saturday February 17th 1883.

Annie and I took a walk around the place and I spent the rest of the time reading.

Sunday February 1883.

I spent the forenoon reading the revelations of God to Joseph Smith. Attended meeting in the afternoon and evening at both of which I had the pleasure of speaking and I enjoyed a good degree of the Spirit of God especially in the afternoon.

Monday Feb. 19th 1883.

I went to Bro John Jones and spent the day with them. Sister Jones and I spent an enjoyable time talking about Utah and the people. Bro. Jones was in bed as he was going to work at night. Sister Jones made some very nice flitters for tea.

Tuesday February 20th 1883.

I arose feeling well. There were two letters come for me; one from B. M. Harmon and one from father and mother in which I learned that they were all well. Bro. W. D. Williams had been appointed to come to Wales and he was very pleased.

Mother was very anxious for her sisters to join the Church. She felt to rejoice that she had been made acquainted with the Gospel.

Wednesday 21st 1883.

Sister Harmon, Annie her daughter and I went down to Troedrhylaw, to see sister Gwyn. We had a pleasant time and took train at 4:30. I went to a lecture in the evening with Cousin Rev. Evans being the lecturer. Subject - Abraham Lincoln.

Friday Feb. 23rd 1883.

Annie and I took a walk up to
De-colais and I took some Welsh and
English tracts and distributed them
to men I met on the road. In the eve-
ning I went to see Cousin.

Saturday Feb. 24th 1883.

I spent the day at the office reading
I received 2 letters, 1 from Mother one from
Mary M. Reese & one from Uncle Thomas.
I answered 2.

Sunday Feb. 25th 1883.

I attended branch council in the
morning, meeting in the afternoon
and evening at all of which I spoke
a short time.

Monday Feb. 26th 1883.

I went down to Bro. Joneses and ^{spent} the
day there. In the evening I went with
Bro. Gold and we got some bills printed
and from there went up and saw Bro
Adams. Pres. Lewis came in the evening.

Tuesday Feb. 27th 1883.

I spent most of the day at the
office. Pres. Lewis came in the eve-
ning feeling well.

Wednesday Feb. 28th 1883.

Pres. Lewis and I walked to Hin-
wain. We went to see Bro. Price and
had tea there we also went to see the
father of Morgan J. Evans. The old
gentleman was pleased to see us and
we had a pleasant time talking to
those of the family, the brother in law and
daughter the latter of whom kept the
old mans house. They asked us to call ^{again}.
We slept at Bro. Price.

Thursday March 1st 1883.

After breakfast and calling at Sister
Joneses we started for Mountain ash
We called at a house to see an old
widow and her widowed daughter
and they invited us to have dinner
which we did.

We proceeded our journey at 1.30 and called to see Bro. Davis and had tea it being 2 o'clock. We attended meeting at Bradsall Evanses and as Bro. Thos. Evans had moved to his daughters to live we went there to sleep.

Friday March 2nd 1889.

After breakfast we walked to Menthys when we received a letter from Bro. Davis stating that he was very unwell.

Bro. Perkins soon came and we took a walk. We called to see Sister Richards who made us something to eat. After walking up in the tip a ways and traveling around some we had supper at Sister Joneses. We slept at Sister Harmons.

Saturday March 3rd 1889.

I spent most of the day at the office writing. Went to see uncle in the evening.

At 7 o'clock Pres. John Henry Smith, Pres. Geo. C. Parkinson of the Liverpool Conf. and Ben E. Rich of the Manchester Conf. Alfred Alder Pres. of the Bristol Conference, and Isaac Green traveling elder in the Bristol Conf. all came in on the 7 Train. We spent a very enjoyable evening.

March 4th 1889.

We had our Conference, which was at 10.30 A.M. & 2 P.M. Pres. Lewis spoke a short time after which he called upon Bro. Jenkins and Perkins and myself to report our labors and express our feelings. We all felt well and determined to persevere in our labors.

Pres. Smith spoke a short time and gave very good advice to the Saints. He spoke upon the word of Wisdom and showed the blessing to be derived there from.

Bros. Alder Smith and Parkinson occupied the time of the afternoon meeting.

Prest. Smith spoke upon the Sac-
riments and ordinances in the
Church. These are way marks
We should not partake of the Sacrament
if we have hard feelings toward any one
We should hold our hard feelings against
any one, our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ
set us a good example in this regard.

Many do not enjoy the blessings of
the Lord because they do not live worthy
We should not forget to attend to our
prayer. Every Latterday Saint should
kneel with his family and call upon
the Lord. We should weigh our own
actions and see how we stand before the
Lord. Tithe. There are some who think
that tithing is for those who have
gathered this is incorrect the Lord requires
all who have covenanted to serve him to
pay our tithes that they may not be burned
those who are scattered need blessings
the same as those gathered.
We should be charitable.

Prest. Parkinson bore a strong testimony
to the truth. Said that truth develops
slowly but the Gospel is restored to the earth
and will roll forth until it fills the whole world
Many worship their wealth but the Lord will
strip them and then they will be glad to
turn to the Lord.

The Lord wants to save all His children; the
plan of Salvation is broad.

The speaker spoke in a very clear manner
upon the first principles of the Gospel.

After meeting we went up and held
meeting on the Square. Bro. Parkinson
and Smith were the Speakers. Not many
would stop to listen to us.

The Evening meeting was occupied by
Prest. Smith and Rich.

Prest. Smith spoke upon Temperance.
Prest. Rich upon the 1st principles of the
Gospel. The house was well filled.
Uncle John Morgan promised to attend
but did not.

Monday March 5th 1883.

It was a beautiful day. I got up in the morning and built the fire. The brethren all gathered in the office at 9 o'clock according to previous instructions of Pres. Smith and Bro. Smith gave us some very good instructions. He taught us the necessity of being energetic in our labors. Not to be discouraged because of apparent little good we accomplished. We are laboring in the gleanings time. We must be very cautious of our actions. We should not remain in the houses of the Saints when there is only one woman as we might be lead to do wrong; not put ourselves in the way of temptation. After meeting we took a walk out in the field and through the place. Bros. Alder and Green took train and went back to Bristol. The brethren took a walk in the afternoon but I remained at the office to make up accounts.

We took

Tuesday

we went up to the City in the evening according to previous arrangements to hold meeting. As we went up a little ahead of the time Bros. Parkinson and Jenkins and I took a walk out in the fields; we retired to a secluded place and had prayers; each prayed in turn. We went to meeting & Pres. Lewis called upon me to open by prayer. Bro. ^{Rich} Parkinson was the first speaker. He spoke upon the first principles of the Gospel. Bro. Smith was the next speaker. He bore testimony to what Bro. Rich had said and laid down a broad foundation showing that the Laws of God were broad and calculated to benefit all mankind. Spoke upon Utah and the laws. Gave a description of those who have been governors of Utah. He spoke highly of some stating that they were honorable men. Said others thought it their special mission to injure the Latter day Saints.

Bro. Smith spoke in a most pleasing manner, and concluded by bearing a very powerful testimony to the restoration of the Gospel through the Prophet - Joseph Smith.

After meeting we went down to Sister Harmon and after all having a bite to eat we each one repaired to our place of lodgings for the night. I slept with Sister Harmon's brother. Bro. Smith and Rich slept in our bed.

Tuesday March 6th 1833.

At 10 o'clock P.M. we all started for Pontypridd; we walked to Tredegarhire and called at Sister Gwynne's and although she did not expect us she was very pleased to see us and made dinner for us all. After spending a very happy time there at 1:30 we took train for Pontypridd.

We enjoyed the ride down the Valley much and many jokes were passed among which was that the conversation led to speak about the Welsh language. I remarked that some have the idea that Adam spoke Welsh. Bro. Rich said - that accounts for his fall.

When we arrived at Pontypridd we went to see an old fashioned bridge built in the form of a rainbow. From there we went up on a plateau overlooking the town there there is a figure representing serpent worship. Where the Druids worship four times a year. Commonly it is called the arking stones. We viewed the country from the place, and the short time we were there there were four trains of coal went down. We went to Bro. Veals and they were very pleased to see us Bro. Jenkins, Perkins and I went to Bro. Hughes and had supper.

At 7:30 we commenced meeting. Pres. Lewis called upon me to open by prayer.

Pres. Jas. C. Parkinson was the first speaker; he spoke one hour and a half, minutes in a very interesting manner upon Proxibance & the first principles of the Gospel, and concluded by bearing a strong testimony.

Pres. John Henry Smith followed; and spoke 40 minutes very interesting and concluded by bearing a strong testimony to the truth of the Divine mission of Joseph Smith.

Prest. Smith and Rich slept at Brn. Veals
Prest. Lewis & Parkinson at Brn. Hughes
Brn. Jenkins & Perkins at Brn. Bishops.
I at Brn. Evanses. At 8 o'clock we all
met at Brn. Veals and went to the Sta-
tion. At 8:20 Brn. Parkinson & Rich started
for Cardiff and I felt very sorry to see them
go. I did not expect to see Brn. Parkinson -
my old school mate - any more on England's
soil. Brn. Smith, Lewis, Perkins and I
took train at 8:30 for Merthyr. Brn.
Jenkins started on foot for Swansea.
Immediately upon arriving at Merthyr
Brn. Smith took train for Liverpool.
When we went up to the office there were
three letters from home. Good news
all well which gave me great joy.
I commenced attending to making up
accounts and did not get the writing
work done until Friday noon.

Friday March 9th Prest. Lewis started
about 8 A.M. down to Carmarthenshire to see
Brn. Davis.

Friday March 9th 1883.

I left Merthyr at 7:30 P.M. for Fern
Dale. I walked across the two mountains.
A man took me up in his cart to ride. He
asked me what I was doing and I told him
who & what I was and asked him if he
was acquainted with the Principles taught
by the Latterday Saints - Oh! yes, says he
but I could see he did not realize them much.
It snowed some on me and the wind blew
very hard but as it was in my back it
helped me along. I arrived at David
Jenkinses at 4 o'clock. I went to see
Brn. Thomas & family, Brn. Griffiths & family
and his sister Roberts. Slept at D. Jenkinses.
In the evening my sympathies were touched
to see a little boy 13 years there lodging
away from home & I noticed he had
to wait upon himself.

The house was so dirty I had to brush
down the chairs to sit on them.
It was hard for me to eat as they were
so dirty.

Saturday March 10th 1883.

After breakfast I went down to Bro Shomases. I borrowed the journal of 1 Discourses of Sister Roberts and read a sermon of Erastus Browne which showed from reason & scripture that Adam meant man and woman, and that as Adam was the likeness of God, God must consist of man and woman, or in other words God has a wife, and none can be Gods without.

I also read the Dedicatory prayer of Orson Pratt of the site of the Logan Temple. Also a discourse by Pres. Brigham Young and one of John Taylor on the same occasion.

I had dinner at Sister Roberts's after which I walked to Pontypridd. I had supper at Bro. Hughes after which I went to Bro. Veale and slept there with Bro. Davies. All these were well as usual.

Sunday March 11th 1883.

I attended Council meeting at 11 A.M. and Meetings at 2 & 6. at all of which I spoke a short time. I enjoyed myself very well through the day.

Monday March 12th 1883.

I spent the day at Bro. Hughes's writing home & elsewhere. I wrote an account of our Conference & Meetings &c. I went to meeting at Bro. Evans's in the evening. We had a prayer meeting and nearly all united their selves in prayer. We had an enjoyable time. I slept at Bro. Veale with

Tuesday March 13th 1883.

After I got up early and took a walk up on the hill where I had a good view of Pontypridd and the smoke formed quite a cloud over the town, Pontypridd in the Welsh name for New Bridge.

The place is situated at the junction of the Merthyr & Rhondda rivers.

It is an ancient place as is shown in its formation. It contains quite a large population for its size & location being as I learn a population 607 thousand & the inhabitants depend mostly upon Colliery works. There are in the forest near Pontypool & Chain Iron & Tin works the former being quite a notable export.

After breakfast, I went to Bro. Hughes where I found a letter waiting for me from Bro. Lewis stating that Bro. Davies was better. I packed my clothes that sister Hughes had washed and started to see sister Evans to have dinner according to invitation. I called to see sister Bishop, and called into see Bro & sister Cutler.

After eating dinner at sister & Bro. Evans' I started for Santuit at 1 o'clock & arrived there at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Jenkins was very delectable. I spent the evening with them. It was too cold to have meeting. We spent a pleasant evening. I slept at the New Inn.

Wednesday March 14th 1883.

I was feeling well; went to Rees Jenkinses to breakfast. I wrote an account of our meetings after Conference to the Star, also a card to Bro Lewis. After dinner I started to Mr. Thos. Jenkinses. While on the way, I stopped to rest and sat on the top of a fence. From here I had a nice view of the country although it was rather misty. Close by the road was about half way up the North hill which is the highest hill around the country consequently I could have a good view. At my back was the ~~valley~~ barren hill in front were pastures in which were sheep. A dog was guarding a sheep and when the sheep would move the dog was after him. In the distance could be seen the sea. The country between one and the sea is very thickly populated. Church spires were to be seen in all directions almost. Across a deep ravine was a bridge along both sides of which were groves of trees. A kennel of hounds are kept there and they were making a great noise. Men could be heard for a great distance which betokened a storm.

The clouds were gathering also. The busy hum of industry could be heard from Pentrich Iron works.

I remained there until I got cold and proceeded. I was kindly received and remained there during the night. I read a good deal in a book on Natural Philosophy from which I learned the following Camels can travel 35 or 4 leagues in a day and continue at that rate for 8 or 10 days. Dromedaries can travel 100 miles in a day and keep that rate across the Desert with little food or water. In Turkey, Persia, Arabia Egypt and Bombay all the articles of Merchandise are carried on Dromedaries or Camels of all modes of carriage it is the cheapest & best Expedition.

Thursday March 15th

I left Garth Hill and walked to Mr. Dimonds after eating dinner I went to Cardiff. In the evening I received a card from Mr. Willis stating that he would be over next day on the Packet from Bristol. I slept at Dimonds

Friday March 16th 1883.

I left after breakfast and went to Cardiff. I spent a short time in the reading rooms. I had dinner at Mr. Mice Evanses, after which I went down to the docks and at 2.30 P.M. I met Mr. Willis and we had great joy in meeting. We went to Mr. Allen and had tea, after seeing some of the sights we came out to our lodgings.

Saturday March 17th 1883.

After breakfast we went to Cardiff and took a walk through the park, went to Mr. Willis's had dinner after which we went to the reading room. Went through the Museum, which was quite interesting. Slept at Dimonds.

Sunday March 18th 1883.

We took a walk to the St. David's Cathedral, as it was the Sunday before Easter the pews were adorned with flowers.

We went in to hear the services which were very devout and as the house sounded so much we could scarcely hear. We attended meeting of Bladens in the afternoon at which we both spoke. In the evening we went to Cardiff to see Mr. Jones a friend of Bassett who visited us

Monday March 19th 1883.

After breakfast Bro. Willierd went in to Cardiff. He went first to the post office where I received 4 letters 2 from father and 2 from mother, one from Emma and one from Mary Reese. All well at home; father was continuing to work on the Artesian well. Mother stated that they had received my photo and they thought it looked well. They had sold an ox they bought in partnership for £40. and sold him for £47 and intended to send the amount they made to me.

The very cold winter had mostly passed and the weather was getting fine; the letters were dated Feb. 23rd and 28th. Mary had gone to teach at her in Richmond she liked it very much although her patience were greatly tried some times.

Naom's letter was, like the others, very interesting. Bro. William^d left the station to where we had gone to read our letters, and went to the reading rooms.

After scanning the papers over, we went to Mr. Evans. He was out home but his wife received us kindly; we had not been in there long until a Baptist minister came in but we did not get in conversation he soon

Mrs. Evans invited us to stop to dinner, but we had promised to go to Sister Allens, so we did not stay; Mrs. Evans invited us to call again at any time. Sister Allen received us kindly and made a good dinner for us. After dinner we took a walk around and went down to the docks which were full of boats, some being taken out to sea. After we spent a short time looking around the docks, we took the Packet across to Penarth. It was very interesting to see the boats, steamers and ships sailing around. We did not see much of Penarth, but took a walk back to Bro. Pickett's; the old sister gave us tea. The walk back to Cardiff and out to our lodgings was very interesting. We slept at Mr. Dimonds.

Tuesday March 20th 1883.

After breakfast and doing a little writing, we left Mr. Dimonds and went to wish Sister Bladen goodbye. She gave us a shilling each. Bro. Willie started back to Bristol and I went to Sister Rhinoceros Pen-willym. It rained some on me but I did not get wet. I was kindly received by Sister & her husband and daughter Mathine. I spent the night there.

Wednesday March 21st 1883.

I wrote home to Bro. Gould, also and after conversing with Sister Thomas until noon, I started for Luffoch Loch, but had no dinner, so when I got to Santrissant I bought 2 lb. Crackers & ate them on the way to Zonyrefiel, where I had dinner at 2, 3 with Mrs. Richards, Sister Thomas's daughter. After having a bite to eat, I started for Luffoch Loch. The wind blew very hard and it rained some. I arrived at Sister Edwards's all right and was received and treated kindly. I spent the night with them. While looking in an Almanac I learned the following: Queen Victoria born May 24th 1819
Queen Victoria Crowned June 28th 1838.

.. .. Married Feb. 10th 1840.
Prince of Wales born Nov. 9th 1841.

.. .. Married March 10th 1860.
Prince Albert - Im. Victoria's husband died Dec 14/1861.

Thursday March 22nd 1883.

I had a nice breakfast with Sister Edwards after which I went to see Mrs. Jones, Sister Ab. Swider's sister; she invited me to stop to dinner but it looked so cloudy I was afraid it would storm, so I crossed the mountain

It was very windy and cold crossing the mountain but I crossed all right. Sister Edwards gave me a ^{ribbon} to tie up my ears. I went to Daniel's. The day was very and all the children were home and they were washing. The house was very much littered up but I contented myself reading the Testament when the Law is written on his deables before he is crucified.

Sister Daniels made dinner, her husband got up and we ate. I made a good dinner. After talking with Daniels a while, I left and came up to Sister Humphreys; she was not home but her daughter was and she received me kindly. Sister Humphreys soon came home and was pleased to see me. There was a young man lodging ^{with whom} there who I tried to get into conversation but he was not the right stamp for that he apparently would never go on in his sin wickedness.

Friday March 23rd 1883.

I went up to Newky. I called at Sister Williams's. She her daughter & some treated me kindly. In the afternoon I went to see the Salvation Army perform it being "Good Friday" The Army had a "big tea" The soldiers came out in their uniform. Grand dinner. I slept at Sister Williams's.

Saturday March 24th 1883.

After breakfast, I went to see sister Rosser & Phil-
lips. I wrote a letter for sister Rosser. Sister Phil-
lips said she was going out with the second com-
pany, and she wanted me to call to get her mo-
ney to send to Liverpool. While I was in at sister
Rosser's Bro. Roberts came over from Fern Dale. I went
according to promise, back to sister William's
to dinner after which Bro. Roberts & I went to
Fern Dale or Gylora town. We crossed the moun-
tain and the view from the top was very interes-
ting. We had a view of the country for miles ar-
ound. The little place at the foot of the
hollow had been recently built - as a pit
had been recently dug there. The train could
hardly come up there. I enjoyed the walk
very much as the day was very fine. Snow
was on the hills.

I went to Bro. Thomas's and slept at Bro. Jenkins's.
Bro. Jenkins was down to the Porth and
time revealed the fact that he and his
son-in-law were on a spread.

Sunday March 25th 1883.

I attended Council meeting in the morning
at which I gave a little advice to the Breth-
ren and encouraged them to do right.

I attended meeting in the afternoon at which
I occupied most of the time.

After meeting I had dinner at sister Robert's,
it being quite a fine day Bro. Thomas,
Griffiths, Roberts & I went up to Fern Dale
We held meeting on the street. I was
the speaker. I spoke rather too loud
and when I was through I found I had
rather strained my lungs. We were not
molested while holding meeting but few
stopped to listen to us.

We came back and held meeting at Bro.
Griffiths again in the evening.

Bro. Thomas & Griffiths spoke a short time
after which I spoke upon the first principles.
A good spirit prevailed. After meeting two
young men were baptized viz John Jenkins
& Thos. Mills. Bro. Thomas officiating,
they were confirmed by Bro. Thomas & myself.

Monday March 26th 1883.

I expected a letter but not get any. After seeing some of the Saints I went down to Pandy pndd.

I had dinner at Sister Hughes after which I went to Bro Peale and Bro. Davies I went to see the fair. When we had seen the various sights there we went back to Bro. Peale and had supper. At 7.30 we met with the Saints to prayer meeting at Bro. Hughes. After each one had prayed Bro. Hughes called upon me to speak upon being obedient to Parents. I read the 3rd Chap of 2nd Timothy.

After meeting we went down to see what was going on. The Streets were full of people and the Quacks, gamblers, hobby horses & boats on sea on land were in full operation. Many were drunk and some wanting to fight. I felt very sorry to see the state of my fellow man. The faces of the multitudes showed the signs of Vice. I did not remain long in the place as my heart was sick to see how things were going on.

Tuesday March 27th 1883.

After breakfast and reading some and taking a little while with Sister Peal I started for Trealaw. On the way I called into see Sister Bishop & Sister Hughes. When I got to Pandy I called in to see Mrs. Daniels & Sister Daniels invited me to stop to dinner which I did and remained there awhile. I then went to Sister Humphreys where I remained until 6 o'clock & then went to see Mr. — who was soon intending to get baptized. I remained there until 9 o'clock when I went back to Humphreys where I spent the night.

Wednesday March 28th 1883.

I walked over to Tylora town and spent the day at Bro. Thomas writing to my Bros. Thos. B. & Andrew James and in my journal.

Thursday March 29th 1883.

Walked to Mestyn found several letters there. Remained there. The following letter came from ~~Seventon~~ in answer to one wrote to

Prest. Taylor. Mr. Tom Galbraith.
39 Cambridge Street.
Grange Town Cardiff.

Dear Sir; Prest. Taylor directs me to say in reply to your letter of February 19th that he has forwarded it to the Elders of our Church ministering in South Wales, and they will take great pleasure in answering your questions.

One thing, permit me to observe, that we do not recognize the source from whence your quotations are drawn, and are inclined to think that some of them are not from any of our standard works, as in part they do not correctly represent our ideas on the matters spoken of.

Yours very respectfully
Geo. Reynolds.

Bro. Taylor sent the letter to Prest. Smith and he sent it to Prest. Lewis and we sent it to Tom Galbraith, with a note stating that we would call upon him & received the following in reply.

Apr 3rd 1883

Dear Sir.

In reply to yours just to hand: I am obliged to you for the proposed meeting in Cardiff, but would prefer communication by post.

I nearly asked your President to instruct me in your Faith; and as I desire some of your reasons for certain points in your Articles, please favor me, with the same and I shall be truly gratified

With my respects

I am, dear Sir.

Yours Truly.

Tom Galbraith

4 North Church Rd. Penarth.

To Rev. David Lewis Merthyr.

Reply, by myself, Merthyr, Apr. 13, 1883.

Mr. Tom Galbraith; Dear Sir; - Your note of Apr. 3rd came duly to hand & had just posted some tracts to you, in which you will find some of the principles of the Faith of the Sottendar Saints set forth and as we have plenty of tracts and books to set forth our religious belief we think it unnecessary to write, but shall be pleased to send some tracts to you should you or desire. I remain dear Sir yours truly
invested into the hands of the S. S. I remain dear Sir yours truly

Friday March 30th 1883.

I remained at the office all day writing and reading, and enjoyed myself very much.

Saturday March 31st 1883.

I remained at the office (Sister Harmon's) nearly all day. Pres. Lewis and Elder Per. Kim came in in the evening, they were well.

Sunday March April 1st 1883.

He went to Council in the morning. I also attended meeting in the afternoon and evening at both of which I spoke. Bro. Lewis and I called to see Uncle John Morgan^{his} Daughter & son-in-law; they invited us to call and have tea and spend the evening the Wednesday following.

Monday April 2nd 1883.

Spent the day at the office making up accounts, and writing letters to different parties for Bro. David Lewis and &c.

Tuesday Apr. 3rd 1883.

Went with Bro. Lewis & Jenkins to Wood-ry-shio, to see sister Gaymore; we had an enjoyable time.

Wednesday April 4th 1883.

Just one year ago today I left home. It was truly with an aching heart that I took view of the homestead and kissed the little ones goodbye, and to hear them plead of me not to leave but stay with them.

I had to repair to the Parlor and give vent to a flood of tears that forced their way down my cheeks.

I left the dear ones weeping,
Which caused my heart to ache
The experience I shall ne'er forget
Though I heavenly joys partake,
I viewed the house inside and out
The Stables and Corralle,
The horses in the pastures,
And the cows upon the hills,
And as I viewed the Country round
I asked the question when
Should I thus be pinched and
To see my home again.

A year has passed and here I am
Six thousands miles from there
to preach the words of life to men -
the message which I bear.

And while I move among the throng
I walk while walking through the street.
Or walk along the street.
Unheaded, and unheading
The people that I meet.
Sweet thoughts of those I love so well
Pass gently through my mind.
I cannot help but long to see
Those ones I left behind.

Thursday 5th 1883.

Bros. Sewis and I spent some time at the
Office. Bro. Perkins went to Rhyanney.
Bros. S. & I went down to Bro. Jenkins, and little
Annie Harmon went with us, in the afternoon.
We came up in the evening to Merthya and atten-
ded meeting.

Friday April 6th 1883.

Bro. Sewis and I started to Bath; we walked
to Hiwain and there had dinner with Morgan
Evans. Morgan S. Evanses of Logow Tather.
After dinner we walked to Plymouth distance
from Merthya 12 or 14 mi. We there took train.
Bro. Jenkins met us in Bath and we held
meeting there with the Saints in the evening.
After meeting we walked a place 2 mi. from where
we held meeting and all three of us slept together.

Saturday April 7th 1883.

We went to Bro. Sangs to breakfast after which we
walked to Morrison to Bro. Jenkinses Aunt and
had a visit and dinner after which we
walked to Swansea.

I went to Cousin Mary's and she invited me to put up with her while in Swansea which I agreed to do; I went over to Denness & had the pleasure of listening to some very nice music by Miss Sonie Denness.

Bro. Lewis and I took a walk up through the Market after which ^{he went to Denness's} I went to Cousin's
Sunday 8th 1883.

Prest. Lewis came over to Cousin's & Wm. Norman and Prest. Lewis & I went to Independent Chapel with him; we got into conversation with the minister after meeting but when he found we were Saints he did not want much conversation with us; his name is Matthews.

He is considered quite a prominent preacher in Swansea; he took for his text the Savior causing the fig tree to wither. Said in might refer to the Jews or to those who do not belong to any Chapel or to those who do but do not assist the work along.

Bro. Lewis & I took dinner at Cousin Mary's after which we went to meeting. Bro. Jenkins was

released by unanimous vote from being Pres. of the Swansea Branch as it was thought better to have a Local Elder be Pres. Bro. Geo. Parr. was sustained by unanimous vote Pres. with Wm. Williams & Wm. J. Williams his counselors.

Bro. Parr and I took a walk around to see an old brother in the Church who had been unable to get out for some time. We met with the Saints in the evening. Wm. & Cousin Mary Norman & Mrs. Thomas were present. Prest. Lewis called upon me to speak which I did and felt well in bringing forth Scriptural evidences to substantiate our faith and in bearing my testimony to the truth and the Divine Mission of Joseph Smith. Prest. Lewis bore testimony to what I said and spoke a short time and added his testimony to the Divine Mission of Joseph Smith.

Monday Apr. 9th 1883.

I wrote a letter home in the morning after receiving one from Shos & Andrew, bearing the good news all well and the weather fine and the ground almost ready to plow. Bro. Jenkins came down at the 11 o'clock and he & I went to see a

relative of father at Forest Park Ester P. Lee
or now Esther Thomas, we had dinner with
her and spent some time there.

According to promise we went over to Mrs.
Thomas or Evan Jones sister to supper.
after which we went to meeting.

I slept at Cousin Mary's.

Tuesday 10th 1883.

According to promise I went out to see Aunt
Martha and remained there until eleven.
at which time I met, according to promise,
Bro. Jenkins at the 1/2 penny bridge & he & I
went to Cousin Edwin's to dinner.

After dinner we went down on the beach
which was very interesting.

The day was very fine and a great many
men, boys, girls & women were out gathering
mussels.

We had supper at Cousin Mary's.
At 7:30 according to appointment we met
at Cousin Mr. Johns and held meeting.
Only a few were present.

Wednesday Apr. 11th 1883.

I visited my relatives at Swansea & Gwelldy
and walked to Morriston where I met Bro.
Jenkins. I remained there until 3 o'clock and
while there had dinner. At 3 P. M. Bro.
Jenkins and I walked to Meath and held
meeting with the Saints in the evening.
One Mr. Evans who had once belonged to the
Church and who came back on mission but who
apostatized. After the brethren and sisters had
brought their testimonies Bro. Jenkins & I talked
We spoke upon the necessity of being humble
and the blessings a person loses by neglecting
to live his religion.

Thursday Apr. 12th 1883.

At 11 o'clock we left Sister Williams's where
we had breakfast, and started to Maesteg;
About a mile from Meath there is a wain
in which passengers ride to Llyncoyung.

As it was on our way we rode to Llyncoyung.
While waiting for it to start we got into a wain with some
men and after teaching them the Gospel bearing our testimonies
one of the men said that Pugh an Elder of the Church laid
a plank under the water and was going to walk upon it
& deceive the people. We felt sure he was lying. Another old
man said all the churches are a deceitful lot of rascals.

We walked to Maerky from Cyonmer and held one-
ting in the Evening at which few were present.

Friday April 13th 1883.

Bro. Jenkins and I went from Wm. Evanies
to where Wm. Thomas lodges for breakfast
After breakfast according to promise we went
down to where we held meeting & we also
went through the iron works.

Men, boys, women & girls were busy at
work. After spending a short time down
then we started on our journey he to Morriston
I to Treowky; we both came up to the Lyones
together; he then remained there for the ven
and I started up the Canyon.

A chance house is to be seen in the way up -
I had some bread & cheese in my satchel
and sat down by a stream to eat.

The view was quite romantic.
I am now sitting on a rock by the road side
and from here I can see a farm cottage
in the distance. The sheep and lambs around
the house with their blating and the crowing
of the roosters makes it sound like
a stream of waters runs down the hollow.
The clouds are gathering so I better be off.

I arrived in Treowky about 3 and went to Sister
Williamies where I received a good welcome.
I felt very tired, but I soon had dinner and
after a little rest I felt very well, and felt
very thankful for the many blessings which I
enjoyed. I slept at Sister Williamies.

Saturday Apr. 14th 1883.

After dinner I started for Pontypnid
distance 12 mi. On the way down I saw many
interesting sights among which were men
with a donkey and cart gathering logs and
bones others selling fish.

I arrived at Pontypnid at 2:30 and stopped
first at Bro. Hughes; sister Hughes soon made
me something to eat. Bro Hughes soon came from
work and after he had prepared himself we
started down to town; we called at Bro's Bishop
& Veal and they went down with us; we stopped
to hear the 'Salvation Army' speak and of all
the nonsense I ever heard I think nothing
much worse than that. An old Irish woman
who had once been a great drunkard was one
of the preachers.

Sunday April 15th 1883.

I attended Council meeting at Br. Glises and after the reports of the Teachers Joseph Cutler was cut off for adultery.

I spoke a short time. I had dinner at Br. Veals after which we went to meeting at Br. Hugheses. Most of the Saints were present - and bore their testimonies to the truth of the Latter-day Work. I did also. I met with the Saints at the same place in the evening and had the pleasure of speaking.

I slept with Br. Daires at Br. Veals.

Monday April 16th 1883.

A poem of Bsp. O. J. Whitney copied from Vol. 45 No. 10. Millennial Star.

Life's Lesson.

Wouldst thou learn from life a lesson,

Learned but slightly and by few?

Wouldst thou know, from death's dominion,

How to win the Ever new?

Then thy soul prepare for trial

Bare thy shoulder to the cross,
School thy sinners for self-denial
Learn to love the Lord thy God.

Build no shrine to earthly idol,
Lest there come a shattering day,
Leaving to the dust thine altars,
Driving all thy hopes away.
Pleasures tree may tempt the sorely,
Golden apples grace thee sore
Touch them not! - they turn to ashes -
Thou shalt love the Lord thy God.

I have gazed on beautiful women,
With a fond, adoring eye;
I have stood where Mammon's altars
Rolled their incense toward the sky;
I have quaffed the wine of pleasures
Heard the wind-some notes of fame,
Armed with nature's gift and Heaven's,
Fought and toiled for honored name!

I have seen proud Mammon's tower
Dashed to atoms by a breath;
I have lived to see the setting
Of the sun of Love in death.

I have drank the dregs of sorrow,
I have kissed the chastening rod,
I have learned, if name be lasting,
I must love the Lord my God.

What is wealth that man should worship,
Dust from whence his villainess came;
More than help-meet, lovely woman-
Source and destiny the same.

What is Earth, with all its glory?
Earth shall answer; "I chabod?"
Seek that Kingdom all including,
Worship one - The Lord thy God.

After writing the above I went up to
Bro. Hughes where I expected to get some letters
but I was disappointed, however I wrote home to
father & mother and Andrew.

I went up to Bro. Evans in the evening where
we held meeting but as I got up there two soon
Bro. E. and I took a walk down to the Mesthyn river to
see a very curious bridge. ^{or floggy} It was built on a large
butment in the centre and rested on the same on both
sides. A ^{man} ~~flower~~ was on it, and dove off in the river some
time before we were there & was killed.

Bro. Evans & I also took a walk through the fields
The trees were beginning to leaf out and the grass is
green & pretty and the flowers are in bloom; we went
back to the house and held meeting at 7.30.

It was a prayer meeting, but I spoke a short time.
After meeting we went across the road and admin-
istered to Bro. Cutler, who was very ill. I being unwell
I slept at Bro. Veals with Bro. Thos. Davies.

Tuesday April 17th 1883.

I went to Bro. Hughes after eating breakfast at Bro.
Veals and there was a postal card from Bro. Gould
for me stating that all at Mesthyn were well.

I went to Bro. Bishop according to promise to dinner
After dinner I started to Lantwit - distance 6 or 7 m.
I went to Bro. Jenkins and after staying with
the family a short time I went to the Railway Inn
and the owners let me have a room to preach in
and the old lady also gave me supper.

Bro. Jenkins and I met at the appointed time 7.30
but our congregation consisted mostly of little ones
I occupied the time in speaking and I enjoyed a good
degree of the good spirit in so doing and the best of
attention was paid. I slept at the Oaks Inn.

Wednesday April 18th. 1883.

I arose feeling well; paid for my lodging and came to Bro. Jenkinses to breakfast. I spent some time in reading the trial of some of Phoenix Park murderers.

One Brady had been sentenced to death. James Carey - the one who had turned state evidence thought justice had been done to Mr. Burke and while the "Invincibles" did not intend to murder Lord Cavendish yet he thought it was a great loss.

The morning is very dark and blustering.

Mrs. Jenkinses sister is quilting here. I am sitting by the end of a table & it is quite cold.

Since writing the above I have walked from Lantier and am now at Garth Hill Cottage; the old lady seemed pleased to see me and served prepared food which consisted of wasted cheese, bread and warm water to drink. I had not been in long before she started to tell me a pitiful tale about her and her husband; but I told her as I could do no good it was no use talking on that strain so she shut up.

I took down Buffon's Natural History from which I learned the following about Elephants and Rhinoceroses.

Elephants are tamed some times by fencing in a place by high stakes and a tame one inducing a wild one into it - and then men throw ropes and chusses upon them and engaging them so they can do nothing. Others by digging deep collars into which they fall as there is brush and straw laid over it - and when the elephant goes on this it breaks it; after he is left there for some time, those who entrap him give him food; in this way he becomes so attached to his supposed benefactor that he will do anything for those who have entrapped him.

The Elephants are found in the southern parts of Europe and Asia and was once used extensively in battle by the Indians. It is the largest quadruped known. Next in size to the Elephant is the Rhinoceros, being about 12 ft. from the point of the ^{snout} nose to the end of the ^{tail} ~~cropper~~, and about as large around.

Although The Rhinoceros is not ferocious nor wild yet he cannot be tamed as he does not possess intelligence nor instincts; but he is very inoffensive when he is not provoked to anger and then he is very dangerous. Spears, swords, javelins nor bullets will penetrate his skin; the only way of escape is to wait until he gets close to a person and then turn to one side and as it takes him a long time to turn and as he cannot see only in front of him men can in that way get away; when he catches a man he takes him on his horn and throws him as high in the air that the fall kills the person.

Garth Hill Cottage is situated, about half way up Garth Hill - the largest about the country here and can be seen for miles, and over looks Pentymoch, a small place situated at the opening of a small canyon. Its inhabitants are mostly supported by cooking and steel works, in front of the Cottage are two Holly trees, and the road is just on the other side;

From the Cottage can be seen the country for miles around, and in the distance can be seen the Town of Cardiff, the City of Glamorgan and the Village of Roach and other places also the Ocean can be seen.

While I think the sight very grand yet I do not think it to compare with a view which can be had from the Logan Temple, in looking out over the beautiful Valley of Cashmere. The busy hum of industry can be heard and the often passing train reminds a person that the trade is brisk.

Thursday April 19th 1883.

After breakfast I walked to Cardiff and spent the remainder of the day at Sister Bladens and in taking a walk out in the fields. I read a great portion of the time and when out talking a walk in the fields. The blazing sun the green grass and nice trees; the music of the Glamorgan band made the scene a grand one. I slept at Sister Dimmons

Friday April 20th 1883.

I walked in to Cardiff distance 2 mi. I went to the reading rooms after looking over the news, I took a walk out through Roath, a very pretty place which joins Cardiff and is almost all a new place that is nearly all new houses and very nice houses they are. I went to a coffee tavern and got something to eat. After going to the Post Office I started out to our lodgings at 4 o'clock.

There was no letter for me at the post office and I was feeling quite down hearted, I had not been in conversation with any one and I felt as though I was not accomplishing much. When I arrived to our lodgings to my great joy Pres. Lewis was there he however brought the news that Sister Harmon was very ill.

Bro. Lewis had also brought eight letters for me - one from father, 3 from mother, one from Miss Edw. Cook, one from Bro J. Stewart, one from Elder G. F. Martineau, one from Mary M. Reese and one from Cousin W. H. Thain the one from W. H. had in it the Photo of Cousin Mary Ann Thain and \$2.00 from Bro. W. H. Apperley. All were very affectionate and bore the good news of all well.

Saturday Apr. 21st 1883.

Pres. Lewis and I went in to Cardiff and after spending some time in the reading rooms and taking a visit through the Museum we went to Bro. Watts where we had dinner.

We spent some time in walking through the beautiful Park; many were amusing themselves in the same or one thing and some at another, a lot of boys were playing ball and some riding the Bicycle. We slept at Danvers.

Sunday April 22nd 1883.

We met with the few Cardiff Saints and had the pleasure of talking a short time.

We thought to hold an out door meeting but the day turned out too cold and windy, so we contented ourselves reading and conversing upon the principles of the Gospel.

Monday April 23rd 1883.

We went in to Cardiff, called to see Bro. & Sister Allen and had dinner.

We took a walk down to the docks. Cardiff is noted for the large shipping that is carried in. London and Liverpool being the only places in Great Britain that does more shipping. There is to be a very large College built there which is to receive £400,000 a year for its support from the Government.

Roath on one side and Canton on the other two very pretty places join on to Cardiff.

Tuesday April 24th 1883.

We walked to Fregwillyns, the day was very warm and the farmers were busy putting in their crops. We found sister Thomas & family well and as pleased as usual to see us. I wrote a letter to Cousin W. H. Zhai.

Wednesday April 25th 1883.

We walked to Palfach Beck and found Mr. & sister Edwards well.

We learned that sister Harmon was better but was still very low.

Thursday April 26th

We walked to Merthyr, found sister Harmon very low and I sat up with her all night.

Friday Apr. 27th 1883.

I had a little sleep, but was soon called up to help attend to sister Harmon. I wrote a letter home, and copied the following letter to Bro. Lewis. The day was wet it having rained all night.

April 23rd 1883.

Rev. David Lewis

Dear Sir. I beg to say that on account of my absence from home I did not get yours ^{of 18th} until ^{10th} my return last Monday. - The papers you sent me have explained some of the prominent doctrines of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in a manner little expected by me.

For information sake, I took some points elucidated to, as regards said doctrines, and felt curious to find out if those the said ^{points} doctrines were really genuine.

Your papers have - it is true - answered me in many particulars.

But is it true that you teach the following considerations? - viz.

A saint can have no less than three wives & as many more as he can conveniently support? Man being one of the race of Gods can by means of marriage become eligible for a celestial throne, and his household of wives and children are his kingdom, not only on earth but in heaven."

"The Kingdom of God has been again founded on earth and the time has now come for the Saints to take possession of their own; but by virtue not by violence; by industry, not by force. What would a copy of the Special revelation to Saints Joseph Smith Cost?"

Do you teach that "Love is a yearning for a higher state of Existence"? - that the passions are feeders of the spiritual life; that nature is dual; to complete his organization man must marry?"

Do you say that because the Mosaic law allowed polygamy; - that because the Bible records it; that therefore the Bible teaches Polygamy. Before I could dare think of entering into any of your prominent doctrines, I should first of all, have good reasons for submitting that Polygamy being lawful. That is an idea which shuts, as it were, the very door of your church, in my face.

I believe I have gone to your enemies

for an explanation of your Faith and now I want to have any error removed from my mind, by your help.

The paper (The Kingdom of God) you sent me, by Orson Pratt, is very interesting and if it is not a very clever trap, as it were, to win people from the paths of truth to error; it is indeed a truly convincing article.

Again the "Comprehensive Salvation" by Elder John Nicholason touches upon matters of very important character, backs up its arguments by practice proof.

I also read the Gospel Message with much interest, and in Elder Wm Budget's testimony, as regards conversion ect. these are points of great weight to consider.

If the Latter-day Saints are the followers - the only true followers - of Christ and people who profess to be the only true Church where do they find Divine Authority for the enforcing of marriage upon those

who would be connected with them; and for Polygamy.

Hoping to be forgiven this long letter and any rude question I may have put - unwillingly - and trusting to obtain a full explanation as to your reasons for above stated teachings

I am, dear Sir,

Yours truly,

Tom Galbraith.

& Church etc.

We sent Divine Authenticity of the Books of Mormon Nos 2-3-4-5-6. "New Jerusalem" & Marriage Institution. & Catalogue of Church works

We learned May the 1st by letter from ^{my} John G. Bold that Tom Galbraith had come up to Merthyr and had been Baptized.

Saturday Apr. 28th 1883.

I took train and rode through the mountain. On the train I ^{got in conversation with} met a man who knew another and who was a neighbor to Uncle Thomas Griffiths.

and he was going right down there; we had quite a conversation. I got off the train at Abernant and walked to Aberdare where I called to see Sister Margaret & ^{Logan} Cavanah, Bro. J. family. The wife was home and was pleased to see me, and soon made me some dinner. One of her sons and two of her daughters soon came in from working in the coal and they were as black as Negroes.

At 9.30 I started for Dylor Town at which place I arrived about 5 P.M.

I slept at David Jenkins; his daughter with her dirty ways almost made me sick. Bro. Thomas & Griffiths came up to see me in the evening and we made arrangements to have Council meeting in the morning after which we would hold an out-door meeting on Fern Dale.

Sunday Apr. 29. we carried out the Programme. We held meeting as stated in the morning and then went to Fern Dale and held an out-door meeting.

I and Bro. Jenkins were the speakers; he spoke in Welsh and I in English. A goodly number stopped to listen and paid good attention.

We held meeting in the afternoon and evening at Bro. Thomas. I spoke at each.

Monday ^{Apr. 30} May 1st - 1883.

I spent the day reading and writing at Bro. Thomas and in the evening took a walk up on the hill; the evening was fine and the setting sun shown red through the misty heavens and it kept shining upon the grass covered hills present a golden picture. While sitting upon a rock wall reflecting upon the past and beholding the beauties of nature I first heard the singing of the Cuckoo this year. I slept at Bro. Jenkins; however before I went up there I laid hands upon sister Griffiths who was very ill.

Bro. Jenkins and I sat up until a late hour talking.

Tuesday May 12th 1883.

After breakfast I went to Bro. Griffiths and found his wife well after a good night's rest; but Bro. Griffiths was very sick. I laid hands upon him. I remained at Gylertown until after taking dinner with Sister Roberts, & I walked to Dealaw and after being there a short time Bro. Lewis came bringing two letters for ^{one from father & mother.} me. "All well at home," Father had not gone to conference. Uncle Geo. Reese had come up and Father had bought his place. I also received a letter from Mary M. Reese which showed that she had not in any way forgotten me.

She was teaching school in Logans and her school was about to be moved to the 1st ward as the teacher there had not given satisfaction.

After having something to eat at Bro. Daniels we went down to the Parth and held an outdoor meeting. I was the first speaker and Bro. Lewis followed speaking in Welsh.

We had a good crowd of attentive listeners. We slept at Sister Humphries.

Wednesday May 23rd 1883.

I wrote to Bro. Smith stating that John Labbraith had been baptized and come to Pentz point Tuesday with Bro. Goodell to see Bro. Lewis and related to Bro. Lewis his Circumstances, which was as follows. He had been brought up for the Church of England Ministry but had left that and been preaching for the Primitive Methodists but with an accusing conscience.

He heard some Doctor's lecture against "Mormonism" which caused him to investigate and consequently to believe. Repent and be baptized for the remission of his sins. He testified to Bro. Lewis that since he had been baptized he had felt more peace of mind than he had for he did not know the day. He had received a testimony of the work, and resolved to serve the Lord.

Bro. Lewis & I walked to Drenty, held a meeting and failing to obtain lodgings, walked back to Dealaw after 9 o'clock it being about 11 when we ^{went} ^{there} arrived.

Thursday May 8th 1883.

We walked to Tylerstown and had dinner with sister Roberts and I had a bath & changed; we then continued our journey to Trehaman, or Abernethy to Bro. Price's but as he was not home we walked 3 mi down to Mountain Ash, where we learned that there were two missionaries there we went a mi. farther down thinking to meet them there and hold meeting but did not do so.

We then walked back to the Evanses daughter but the missionaries had not come back we waited there some time and then took the 9.30 train up to Trehaman station and went from there to Bro. Price's where we received a good welcome and spent the night.

Friday we walked to Merthym and there were two letters here for me.

One from Bro. W. D. Williams desiring me to write to his Bro. in law as he was intending to emigrate with the 10th of May Company. One from Mary M. Reese in which was her photo.

After having something to eat we went to Trehaman. I may here say that sister Harmon was much better.

We went to sister Raymond's and made arrangements to baptize her daughter the next day. and on the way up called to see sister Jones and made arrangement for her to send up her boys to be baptized the same day.

We came back to sister Harmon's where we slept. I wrote a letter in the evening to Mary M. Reese. Bro. Lewis was out spending the evening.

Saturday May 9th 1883, I spent the day mostly writing Bro. Shadarek Jones one of the missionaries who had recently been appointed to Wales came up from Swansea, and it gave us great pleasure to converse with him to learn something about the Conference and home. Evening former two more of the brethren viz W. D. Williams & J. L. Mantle at sister Harmon's & we had a nice time.

Sister Harmon was very well.

Sunday May 6th 1883.

Bro. James took the early train for Swansea. Pres. D. Lewis, Elders Thos Perkins, Williams, Mantle and I met with the Local Priesthood in meeting. Several of us spoke. The Branches were represented in quite good condition.

We met with the Saints at 2.30.

Many of the brethren bore their testimonies and some spoke in tongues.

After meeting some went on the square and others went out to the boats and held meetings.

The day was windy and but few stopped to listen to us.

We met with the Saints in the evening and Elders Perkins, Williams and Mantle also Pres. Lewis spoke and we enjoyed a goodly portion of the good Spirit and felt to rejoice together.

I slept at Sister Carrons.

Monday May 7th 1883.

I spent the day making up accounts and writing. In the evening Bro. Williams, Mantle and I went up to Dowle's and held an out door meeting.

Bro. Williams was the first speaker. I followed and Bro. Mantle spoke last.

We had quite a good congregation, several hundred being among the number. We distributed several tracts.

When we came back we learned that Pres. Lewis and Elders Perkins had held an out door meeting.

Tuesday May 8th 1883.

I worked with the books all forenoon after dinner Bro. Thos Perkins, Williams and Mantle started out in their districts. Bro. Williams and Mantle were intending to go down through Pembrokehire before returning.

Bro. Perkins started out to travel through the Monmouthshire district.

Wednesday May 9th 1883.
I staid at Sister Harmon's writing
Bro. Lewis went down to Tredegar.
I wrote to Father & Mother.

Mother stated in a letter which
I received from her that she had
made some beer to which I replied
as follows, that I was sorry that
I do not agree with the Saints
making or drinking beer or strong
or intoxicating drinks of any kind.
I felt sure that the Lord does not
approve of the Saints indulging
their appetites with any thing of
the kind, &c. &c.

Thursday May 10th 1883.
I remained in Merthyr until evening
when I took train and rode to Abernant.
I then walked to Aberaman and slept at Bro.
Prices. Next morning I left and walked to
Ferndale where I had dinner with Bro. Mike
Roberts. I then walked to Tredegar.

as there were some at Tredegar who
were intending to emigrate, they were
very pleased to see me. I painted sister
William's name on her box.

I slept there that night and
next day walked to Pontypridd.

Sunday May 14th 1883.

I attended Council meeting in the morn-
ing and Sacrament meeting in the
afternoon and Preaching meeting in
the evening at all of which I spoke.

I enjoyed a goodly portion of the good
spirit in the evening. I slept at Bro. Deal.

Bro. Thomas Davies with whom I
slept was making preparations to go
off and he was intending to go to our
place.

Monday May 14th 1883.

Whitin today and all aster. I
went to the Pontypridd Station to get
train and found it packed with people
every train was full of people.

I arrived in Merthyr at 9.20.

When I came here to sister Harmon's I found her better. Bro. Lewis is here and since I have come in Bro. Ellis one of the missionaries has come who has recently been appointed to Wales. has just come in from North Wales. I have received a letter from Bro. W. W. Haws. He is well.

I have also received a very affectionate letter from Father and Mother.

They say that they never experienced so heavy a wind storm as lately. The few many of them are laid flat.

They say that my letters are having a good effect upon my dear Mother, as I have just written one to her & one to Andrew. I went to the station

to meet the emigrants as they were coming in. Two young men who promised to watch for their mothers went off and drank and did not find them. I baptised three in the evening. I sat up with sister Harmon that night.

Letters Received

June 16th from Mother.
Chas. & Reese
Thos. H. Reese
Sister Thomas.
June 18th W. H. Thain.
Susan Lloyd & Mother's letter.
Father & Mother.
June 19. W. W. Haws.
June 26. Andrew Reese Maggie & Susan Lloyd.
July 5th Chas & Thos. Reese Thomas Griffiths
H. J. Rogers.
July 10th Father and Mother 2 letters.
Mary M. Reese.
July 11th Susan Lloyd, (2) Elya Lloyd.
July 15th Mother, July 4th Aug 2 from Mother.
Aug 4th Chas A. Reese, John James.
Mother & father, Mary M. Reese.
Aug 12th Father & Mother Mary M. Reese.
W. W. Haws, Uncle John Reese.
Aug 17th Chas A. Reese (2) 2 from Mother John James.
Aug (20) Miss J. J. Cook, W. S. James (25) C. C. Parkinson.

Letters Received.

Aug 28th 2 from Mother. (29) Susan Lloyd, Weymouth
 Aug. 31st Father. W. D. Williams.
 Sept. 16th F. C. Parkinson Mother. Chas Thos H.
 .. W. H. Thain Thos O. Griffiths. U. W. Haws.
 Sept. 1-20. Father. Mother. 22 Mother.
 Sept. (26) John H. White. (29) Mother. Joseph Reese
 Oct. 6th Mother. Chas Thos Richard. Alma & Mary
 Oct. 6th J. Wood Thos Cotton. Wm. M. Reese.
 Oct. 13. J. H. White - Cousin C. Lloyd. (29) Mother
 (29) Father. (29) Mary M. Reese (25) Mother.
 Sept. 4th Mother. Naomi Reese, F. C. Parkinson
 .. Wm. Willie 7th Mother. Nov. 13th M. M. Reese
 Nov. 20. Mother. John H. Gibbs, U. W. Haws.
 Nov. 27. Mother. Chas A. & Mary A. Reese
 3 John H. Gibbs. Dec. 1st Mary M. Reese
 Dec. 1st Mother & Chas A. Reese (5) Mother &
 A. P. Holstrom man who sent me a Stamp, 6
 Stamps clothes. (5) R. R. Anderson.
 11. F. Elias Reed, W. H. Thain, Thos H. Reese, W. D. Williams
 18th 2 from mother / father / F. C. Parkinson.
 26th Am. Gold. Chas A. & Mary A. Reese. 28 Father
 (28) Alma Richard. Moses. Wm. Willie.

Letters Received

Jan. 3rd C. F. Martineau. Mother. Thos Heber Reese
 Andrew. J. Reese Jan. 7th Father. U. W. Haws
 Mary M. Reese Jan. 15th Mother. Chas & Thos H.
 Jan. 22. Father. W. H. Thain. 29. Mother
 Feb. 3rd Father. Mother. Andrew. Iris Reese
 Feb. 5 Sophrona Reese. 12th Parents. F. C. Parkinson
 Feb. 20th Father & Mother. B. M. Harmon.
 Feb. 14th W. Willie sister Knowles.
 Feb. 24th Mother. Mary M. Reese.
 March. 7th Father Mother. Wm Willie
 and Chas F. Martineau (13) J. Lewis.
 March 19th 2 from Father and Mother
 19th Mary M. Reese & Naomi Reese
 (29) John H. Gibbs 2 from father & mother
 one from Chas & Mary one from sister Ellen
 Woolf. Apr. 1st Father. Mother. Chas & Mary. Iris
 Reese and John & Sophrona Reese.
 Apr. 6th U. W. Haws. (9) Thos & Andrew J. Reese
 April 20th Father 3 from Mother. Miss Lela
 & Cook Miss Mary M. Reese, J. J. Stewart.
 C. F. Martineau. W. H. Thain (29) Wm Willie
 28th W. S. Fanner, Henry, Legland.

Letters written. Received.

May 2nd 1883 Father, mother. M. M. Reese.

May 7th Mary M. Reese and
her photo. Father & Mother.

May 9th G. C. Parkinson.

May 14th Father and Mother.

Baptized

Sarah Gwynne Jun. 5th 1883 by W. G. Reese
John Jenkins Mich 25th .. by Wm. Thomas of Treoby
Thomas Mills 25th
Mary Ada Gwynne April 5th .. by W. G. Reese
David Coner May 14th
Wm. Williams
Another young man

Letter Written.

June 1st - Chas Sarah Reese
.. 1st John H. White
.. .. Thos Griffiths
.. .. John Johns
June 7th Mary M. Reese
.. .. Chas Sarah Reese
.. .. Susan S. Lloyd
.. .. W. H. Thain
June 8th Richard Griffiths
June 12th Chas & Sarah Reese
June 13th Mary M. Reese
.. .. Susan Lloyd
June 18th To the family home
June 24th W. H. Thain
June 26th Chas A. Reese
.. .. Miss Ed. W. Cook
.. .. N. W. Haws
June 29. John H. White & M. J. Thomas
July 5 Thos O. Griffiths
July 6th Thos H. Reese & Parents
July 7th Hyrum White July 8th J. A. Longton.

Letters written

July 11th Father and Mother & Maggie
 July 15th Chas. A. & Andrew J. Reese, Mary M. Reese
 and John & Sophrona Reese.
 July 17th Wm Griffith & John Dallace (see)
 July 23 Father and Mother, John & Estlin
 Aug 1st Thos. S. Reese & Susan Lloyd
 Aug 4th John James. (10) W. S. Fanner.
 Aug. 5th Mary M. Reese, Mother & father.
 .. Chas. A. Reese, George C. Parkinson
 Aug. 14th Father & Mother Andrew, Richard
 .. W. H. Haws, Alma & Moses Reese
 Aug. 19. Chas. A. Reese. (20) John James, S. Hunsaker
 .. 21. Eliza Lloyd. (22) Parents, (28) Thos. S. Reese
 Aug. 23rd Father & Mother (28) Father & Mother
 Sept. 4th Father. (12) G. C. Parkinson.
 Sept. (13) Mary M. Reese, Homer Woolf.
 .. 15th Father, Mother & Brother, W. D. Williams.
 Sept. 23rd W. H. Phain, Miss da J. Cook, J. C. Parkinson
 22nd Father & Mother, 25th Chas & Mary Reese.
 27th J. H. White, (28) Jos Handock. Oct. 6 W. H. Haws
 Oct. 2nd Father & Mother. Oct. 13. Chas A. Reese

Letters written

Oct. 7th Thos. H. Reese, Parents & little Brothers.
 Oct. 7th Mary M. Reese. Oct-24. Father, M. M. Reese
 Oct. 26th Eliza Lloyd, Wm. Willie.
 Nov. 3th Mother, John Reese wife.
 Nov. 6th G. C. Parkinson. (8) Chas A Reese
 Nov. 15th Naomi Reese & Mary M. Reese. 18 Andrew
 J. Reese Richard O. Alma V. & Moses M. Reese.
 Nov. 21st John H. Gibbs W. S. Fanner.
 Nov. 22 Father and Mother, Susan Lloyd.
 Nov. 28 Father and Mother, W. H. Haws.
 Dec. 1st Mary M. Reese Dec 5 - Students B. G. C.
 Dec. 7 To all at home also sent Chris Cards
 to them, Dec. 11th Father, Mother & Bro? (over)
 Wm. H. Phain, Mary M. Reese, 17th Thos. H. Reese &
 18th J. C. Parkinson. (25) Parents, (26) W. D. Williams.
 29th Father and Mother, Jan 6 Miss J. J. Cook
 Jan 8th Father & Mother Andrew Chas & Mary
 Jan. 10th Mary M. Reese, Jan. 16 Father & Mo.
 Jan. 17th G. J. Martineu & Eliza Lloyd
 Jan. 24th Parents, Mary M. Reese.
 Feb. 3 W. H. Phain. Feb. 2nd Father & Mother
 Feb. 3 Susan Lloyd & Parents

Letters written.

February 9th 1883. Father, Mother, Rich. & Alma.
 Feb. 11th Mary M. Reese. 12th Father & Mother.
 Feb. 12 Sister Knowles. 13 G. C. Parkinson, J. J. Stewart.
 Uncle Thomas Griffiths. 19 Parents, Chas & Mary.
 Feb. 24th Mary M. Reese & Wm. Willie.
 March 5th Thos H. and Andrew J. Reese.
 March 9th B. M. Hamon, Chas. J. Martin ^(see)
 March 13th Father & Mother. ^{Uncle Wm. Griffiths.} Wm. Willie.
 March 17th Parents. (20) Mary M. Reese.
 (21) Father & Mother. (23) Naomi Reese (25) Thos H. &
 Andrew J. Reese. 30th Ellen Woolf, ^{Uncle} John Reese.
 March 31st Thos Lloyd, John H. Gibbs
 N. W. Haws. 30th Eli Kirkham.
 Apr. 1st Father and Mother. 9th Chas A. &
 Mary A. Reese. 11th Mary M. Reese.
 Apr. 13th Wm. Willie, Tom Galbraith.
 April 16th Parents and Thos Heber Reese.
 Apr. 23rd Mary M. Reese.
 April. 24th Wm. H. Chair, 27th Parents.
 Apr. 28th W. S. Tanner, Henry Leyland.
 Apr. (30) C. J. Martinau, John H. Smith, Eliza Ann.
 Ines, John and Sophrona Reese

Letters written.

May 2nd Father and Mother.
 May 4th Mary M. Reese.
 May 7th Chas & Sarah Reese & Parents,
 wrote me letter for Bro. Lewis to his
 daughter and to Bro. Joe Whiteaker
 who had written to the brethren that

Received of the following before leaving home to take a mission to Great Britain.

Jas Webster watchman	Mr. Anderson	\$1.50
George Thomas Jr.	Thos Rogers	\$1.50
Philip Purser	H. T. Rogers	\$4.00
Chas A. Reese	Edmon Clark	\$4.50
Miss Ida S. Cook	Wm White	\$10.00
John H. Gibbs	Margret Thain	2.00
Fred Turner	Henry Flamm	2.00
Mrs. Lallace	W. H. Thain	3.85
Sarah Reese	Chas Reese	\$160.00
Chas Reese or Father	Watchman	3.00
Alma Moses & Richard Reese		5.00
For travelling	100.00	
For Watchman S. S. City	9.00	
		\$192.85
		100.00
		\$83.85
For books & sundries		43.85
Am't. on hand June 30th 83		\$40.00

July 1st Sarah Reese	\$2.00
July 11 Sister Pele 6d or	.12
Ormond 6d Duckdale 12d Daker 6d	28
Aug 4th Mother	\$5.00
Sister Pittersall Mrs. Parkinson	28

Am't received:

Aug. 17th Chas. A. Reese	\$20.00
.. 20th Mother	\$1.00
Bro. Ormond 1st Sister Dacre 6d	= 18 6d
Oct. Mother 18 20 Father 5 20	15.00
Sister Thomas	1.00
Bro. Hugh 6d Bro. Shepton 2 1/2 = 3 2	.75
Bro. Watts 12d Sister Bladen 1 1/2 = 2 2	.48
Dec. 17th Bro. Shepton 5 1/2 Watts 6 1/2 = 6 1/2	1-14
Sister Bladen 1/2	.24
Dec 18th Father 5 00 Mother 5 00 =	\$10.00
Feb. 24th Mother	\$10.00
April. 20th W. H. Apperley	2.00

Amt Spent for traveling.

From Ogden to Liverpool	£85.00
Liverpool to Merthyr.	12 ^s - 9 ^d
Merthyr to Swansea	2 ^s - 6 ^d
Swansea to Tenby	6 ^s - 5 ^d
Tenby to Kilgetty 6 times	3 ^s - 10 ^d
Kilgetty to Haverfordwest	3 ^s - 10 ^d
Kilgetty to Swansea	5 ^s - 10 ^d
Swansea to Merthyr	2 ^s - 05 ^d
Merthyr to Liverpool	12 ^s - 9 ^d
On street-cars	3 ^s - 00 ^d
Liverpool to Wigan	1 ^s - 7 ^d
Wigan to Liverpool	1 ^s - 3 ^d
£2 - 12 ^s - 5 ^d	
Runcorn to Widnes.	2 ^d
Street-car in Liverpool	6 ^d
Leyland to Wigan & back.	1 ^s - 6 ^d
Preston to Darwen.	1 ^s - 2 ^d
Burnley to Accrington	6 ^d
Accrington to Burnley =	6 ^d
Clethorpe to Darwen.	1 ^s - 2 ^d
Blackburn to Preston	11 ^d
Leyland to Liverpool	2 ^s - 4 ^d

Liverpool to Blackburn	4 ^s - 2 ^d
Accrington to and from Burnley	1 ^s - 0
Burnley to Accrington	6 ^d
Blackburn to Liverpool.	3 ^s - 10
Liverpool to Merthyr	12 ^s - 9
Merthyr to Swansea.	2 - 5 -
Swansea to Kilgetty	4 - 10
Kilgetty to Tenby twice	2 - 0
Tenby to Pembroke	1 - 0
Pembroke docks to Kilgetty	1 - 0
Kilgetty to Carmarthen	2 - 9
Carmarthen to Lampeter	5 - 0
Lampeter to Swansea	2 - 9 1/2
Swansea to Merthyr	
Merthyr to Pontypool & back.	2 - 0
Glyneath to Heath.	8 1/2

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Journal of W. G. Reeser
Bought this book in Cardiff
May 19th 1883.

Tuesday May 15th 1883,
Pres. David Lewis and I went down to
the station at 6 a.m. and found the 9 who
were going off, and many of their friends.
At 6.30 we were on board the train bound
for L. pool. Pres. Lewis did not go: I
bought an excursion ticket and went
as far as Abergavenny. The train was
full of people - it being Whit-sun week -
going off on pleasure trips.

The ride through the country was very
pleasant as the day was beautiful.
When we got to Abergavenny, Elder
Thos. Perkins got in and we rode out
to the Aber-junction; a car was there
furnished to go through to Liverpool
and all the emigrants got into the
same compartment.

After wishing them good bye and
seeing them off, Bro. Perkins and I walked
back to Abergavenny.

The walk back was very pleasant. The beautiful green fields, the nice singing of the birds among which was the cuckoo and the grand old trees and pretty flower gardens made the scene a delightful one.

Bro. Perkins took me and Bro. Edli, who had just come over and been appointed to labor with Bro. P. to Bro. Lawrence. Sister Lawrence soon made us some breakfast.

After spending a short time in the house Bro. Perkins took us out to see the place.

Abergavenny is a place with about 15,000 inhabitants, I should think. It is situated in a level part surrounded by high hills. A beautiful river is to the west running south. A large ruin of a large castle which was destroyed by Cromwell stands on the brow of the hill overlooking the river. To go into see the ruins costs 6d.

We took a stroll along the river - called Ulk; it has a large river bottom and on the gradual slope are beautiful gardens. An interesting feature was to see a young man wading through the river fishing. After spending some time walking around we went back to Bro. L. and as I was very tired, having staid with sister Harmer the night before and had very little sleep I went and took a nap in the bed.

I felt refreshed after about two hours sleep and we took another out. We called at a Bro. whose wife does not belong to the church but who is favorable. A cousin of the man was there and Bro. P. talked to her; she seemed quite disturbed and recited the truth at first but before he got through talking she began to see the truth.

We had tea there after which Bro. P. took me around to see some folks

viz. Bro. Kermish & family, & Mr. White & wife & we also went to the market; we went in to see a little show, 2¢ each. At 7.30 we held a little meeting at which Bro. Ellis and I spoke. At 8.30 I started to the station Bro. P. with me.

The station was full of people a good many of whom were drunk.

The compartment I got in was filled with young men and two girls.

They had all been drinking but were not drunk; they sang some songs - "Love at home" "The beautiful shore" &c.

The songs sung furnished a good text and I availed myself of the opportunity to talk to them and they seemed interested.

It was 11 o'clock P.M. when I arrived at Merthyr and went to sister Harmon's. Elizabeth Bevan was sitting up they had almost given me up. I slept at sister Harmon's.

Wednesday May 16th 1883.

I received 3 Desert-News and a Mah Journal from home and after perusing them a short time, I wrote a letter to Father and Mother.

Prest. Lewis came from Rhymney 6 mi. about 10 and we remained at Merthyr until after dinner when we started on foot to Pentywnidol at which place we arrived about 6 P.M. distance 12 mi. Bro. Lewis too tired to preach out so Bro. Bishop, Veal and I held ones.

After singing and prayer I occupied some time in talking upon the 1st principles of the Gospel and bore my testimony to the Divine Mission of the Prophet Joseph Smith. Bro. Bishop followed; he spoke well.

We had a good attentive audience.

Bro. Lewis and I slept at Bro. Veal's. Sister Veal was feeling very down as her Bro. Thomas Davis had gone off with the last company.

Thursday May 17th 1883.

We had breakfast at Sister Vauls and then went to Bro. Hughes and had a bath. After dinner we left for Lantwit. We held a meeting that evening in the open air, in New Inn. Pres. Lewis was the first speaker and I followed I was hoarse as I had spoken two times the night before.

We slept at New Inn, paid 6d each for beds.

Friday May 18th 1883.

After breakfast we started for Monarchy Lock - Mrs. Dimine. The day, as the two previous, was very warm, but the song of the birds made the walk pleasant. We arrived at Bro. Baldens further to Sister Dimond with whom we stay, or sleep while about Cardiff, about 1 o'clock. and Sister B. soon prepared something for us to eat; we were so tired we concluded not to go on to Cardiff.

Saturday May 19th 1883.

After breakfast we went to Cardiff. We spent some time in the reading rooms. The trial of the Danish Conspiracy which resulted in four being sentenced to death, 304 to ten years imprisonment and two let out on bail and one to 5 years imprisonment, had ended for some time unknown.

The papers spoke very highly of Judge O'Brien who had conducted the trial. Brady was hung the 8th. He wrote a very touching letter to his wife before his execution. The Catholic Priests made a ceremony over him as though they could prevail with the Lord to have mercy and save him in the Kingdom of God. A man not fit to live on this earth being projected to heaven by the Catholic Priests!

We called to see Bro. Allen and Bro. Watts
and were treated with due respect.
After buying a few things we came out
to our lodgings.

Sunday May 20th 1883.

Rest. Lewis and I got up early and
took a walk out through the fields.
The morning is mild and cloudy
The singing of the birds is very
nice. We have seen and heard
several Cuckoos this morning.
The blackbird the lark the robin
and the Cuckoo are interesting singers.
The Cuckoo is about the color of the
crow, but larger; its tail is about
as long as the Magpie's.
People in this country has a great
habit of laying in bed of a Sabbath
morning, hence they lose the beauti-
ful refreshing morning and the
delightful songs of the birds.

We met with the Saints in meeting
in the afternoon after taking
Tea (as the four o'clock meal is
called in this country) Bro. Lewis
and I took a walk to Llandaff.

We were through the cemetery and
the graves were nicely dressed with
wreaths and other forms of flowers.
We thought to hold an out door meet-
ing, but it was too cold and as
each of us had a bad cold we con-
cluded better not.

Monday May 21st 1883.

We started to Ball Farm to see a
cousin of Bro. Bassett's; we called
at the post-office where there were
five letters for one and two for Bro.
Lewis, "All well at home".
We pursued our journey, met the folks
preached to them, had dinner and water
back to this place feeling well paid
for our days experience.

Tuesday May 22nd 1883.
About 11.30 A.M. we started to New Mill
and arrived there about 3 P.M. No
one was home at Sister Thomas's; we
were tired and hungry and did
not know what to do, but I went to a
shop close by and bought some bread
and cheese. The lady of whom I bought
it invited me in while she went down
to see Mr. Thomas about the key of his
door and was informed that it was
under a barrel by the door.
We opened the door, went in and
kept house; we slept there.

Wednesday May 23, 1883.
We started about 9.30 A.M. for Cefn
Lerboron; the day was fine and
the country being new to us we en-
joyed our walk very much.
Before getting to Bridgend, we passed
through a very ancient looking

place called Coychurch. The houses
were mostly thatched.

When we got to Bridgend we were
very tired, and we called in to a
Coffee Tavern and got something to eat.
We arrived at Cefn about 4 P.M.
feeling very tired having walked
about 18 miles. We found Bro.
Stagg feeling well also his wife
and her sister; we held meeting
with them in the evening and sev-
eral came in to hear us talk, we also
blessed a child of Bro. Stagg.

Thursday 24th 1883.

After breakfast we started for
Maesteg; but before we left Sister
Stagg and her sister gave us a shil-
ling each. We arrived in Maesteg
in good time and had dinner about
3 o'clock at Sister Sheribers.

We visited around until 7.30 when we
held meeting at Sister Sheribers.
We slept at a lodging house 6^d each

We did not get to Glynceorwg until 3 P.M. and we were tired as we were very crowded in the Van as it was Market-day.

Those in the Van talked Welsh and I did not understand them but brother Lewis preached to them. Shortly after we arrived at Glynceorwg we started across the mountains to Trearby where we arrived at 8 P.M. We had Supper at Sister Rossers.

We slept at Joshua Joneses.

Sunday May 27th 1883.

After eating breakfast at Joshua and Sarah Joneses, we walked to Trearby where we called to see Bro. Thomas and dinner was soon prepared. The day is beautiful.

We held an out-door meeting in the afternoon and evening both of which were well attended and good attention paid. We slept at Sister Humphries.

Monday we walked to Lelfach Beck but as it was too cold we did not, as intended, hold an out-door meeting. We slept at Sister Humphries.

Tuesday 29th we walked across the mountains to Agonee and soon found some saints and held meeting with them in the evening. We ordained Bro. Harding an Elder and appointed him to hold meetings.

Wednesday 30th we walked to Trearby and held an out-door meeting in the evening. A large attentive audience gathered to hear us talk, we slept at Joshua Joneses.

Thursday 31st we walked to Pentypriod and met with the Saints in the evening & had a good time, we slept at Bro. Vets. Friday June 1st 1883.

After breakfast I wrote the following letter to Tom. Galbraith in reply to one he sent to Bro. Lewis.

Pontypool June 1st 1883.

Mr. Tom. Hulbraith.

Dear Brother, -

Your welcome favor bearing date May 21st came duly to hand, and I now take pleasure in availing myself of the earliest opportunity to answer it: - I had been anxiously waiting to hear from you; I was sorry you could not make it - convenient - to attend our council, as there were several of the Utah Elders present - some of whom had just come over, and as you are just torn into the Kingdom, you would have had Council and advice which, I think, have been beneficial to you.

I am pleased to learn of your integrity and trust that the testimony which you have received will continue to increase until you are "rooted and grounded" in the Truth.

I am pleased to see your zeal; but you must not get over anxious.

You know that our heavenly Father takes time to accomplish His grand and glorious purposes; so we must take time in carrying on the work assigned us: - "The race is not given to the swift; nor the battle to the strong, but to him that continues to the end."

I would certainly advise you to carry out Bro. Smith's advice; but be sure to make him acquainted with all the facts in the case. We will say nothing that will prove detrimental to you.

We are interested in the souls of men and our object in leaving our families and homes (bearing our own expenses) is to make our fellow men acquainted with the truth as it has been revealed in these the last days through the Prophet Joseph Smith.

Our Savior said: - "He that is not willing to leave father and mother, wives and children, houses and lands for the Gospel sake is not worthy of me."

And further he says that those who would do so should receive fourfold in this life and eternal life besides.

In regard to your young lady desiring you because you have embraced "Mormonism" - a very unpopular sect at present, but not designed to always be so - perhaps if you would make her fully acquainted with the principles - Faith, Repentance, baptism by immersion for the remission of sins and laying on of hands for the gift of the Holy Ghost, &c. - which you have embraced she may not take it so hard; and you may through Faith, Hope and Charity - be the means of bringing her into the Church and thereby save a soul.

But if you cannot do so, I think it well for you to make every ^{honorable} effort - to go to Utah and there, I have no doubt but you could get you a good wife

Keep out of debt and by so doing out of bondage. - Before concluding let me ask you to keep yourself pure, be prayerful, and zealous in doing good and then the Lord will bless you and the Testimony of Jesus and of the great latter day work will develop within you.

Ever praying God to bless you and all who strive to do right.

I remain with kind regards.

Yours Bro. in the Gospel of Christ,

David Lewis

Battle R.

After writing the above we went to Bro. Hughes; had some bread and cheese and walked to Tylerstown; had dinner with Bro. & Sister Roberts, after which we walked to Bro. Price's Abernethy where we slept.

Saturday June 2nd 1883.

After breakfast we walked to meeting.
We found several letters for us.
I had one from father & mother in which
they gave me an account of what
a nice time they had in the camp in Logansport
in answering which I wrote the
following.

We meet together and our duties learn.
We, evil ways, are taught to learn.
The saints of God with words of life are fed
By God's Authority, John Day led their head
Through wicked men design to mar our peace,
Our love for all our Father's laws increase.

Sunday June 3rd 1883.

Attended Council and after morning
meeting. After which we separated into
two crowds and held two out door
meetings. I spoke a short time upon
the principles of the Gospel.

I attended Saints-meeting and there
being several young men there who
did not belong to the Church, Pres.
David Lewis called upon me to speak
first and requested me to occupy all
the time I felt like doing.

After making a few introductory re-
marks, I read the last Chap. of Mal.

showing that before the great and
dreadful day of the Lord comes
there will be a messenger sent to visit
earth. I further referred to Dan. 2nd Chap.
where it speaks about The Kingdom
of God being established upon the earth;
but to show that few would embrace
it I referred to Isaiah 24th and
after quoting some other passages
I concluded by bearing testimony
to the restoration of the Gospel by an
Angel to the Prophet Joseph Smith.
Bro. John Ellis followed.

Monday June 4th I spent the day very
busily engaged in making up accounts,
and remitting our accounts to Liverpool,
and I went with Bro. Allen and held a meeting
in the evening. On the evening of
Tuesday June 5th I received a letter from
Bro. W. D. Williams stating that he had
arrived at his old home Lydbrook all
safe and well and extended an invita-
tion to me to come up to Lydbrook.

We, Bro. Lewis and I were also busy all
day and Bro. Lewis went with some of the
Brethren and held an outdoor meeting
in the evening. I was too tired.

Wednesday June 6th Bro. Lewis
and I went down to see Sister Swynnes.
In the evening I baptized three of
Philip Jones's little boys, two of Bro.
John Jones's little boys and one of
J. G. Gould's little girls.

We waited until about ten at Bro.
Allen's for it to get dark and then
to avoid suspicion we went a few

at a time to the river. Bro. Allen
and I with two little boys leading
the way. Several boys and girls
followed us to the river and that
frightened Bro. Allen and the
women and I had a hard job
to persuade them to come in.
When I saw those boys and girls
bent on coming in I extended an
invitation for all to come in and
witness the ceremony which they did
and when I got them in I talked a
short time and then went fourth and
did the baptizing unmolested although
the crowd was a rough one.
I humbly acknowledge the protec-
ting hand of our heavenly Father
and I felt the Spirit of the Lord
rest upon me in attending the
ceremony and in talking to
the gathered crowd.

Thursday June 7th 1883. I took train
at Merthyr at 8.58 for Lydbrook
There had been a beautiful rain and
every thing looked nice and the ride
was delightful, or rather the scenery
I had to wait about one hour at
Pontypool Rd. and then went through
to Lydbrook Station ^{by 12.15} where I met
Bro. W. D. Williams. As it had been
over 14 months since we met I was
very much pleased to see him and
he was also pleased to see me.
We had about a mile to walk
to Bro. W. D. & Sister's and I enjoyed
the walk with him very much.
We found a good meal prepared
and a good welcome.
We took a walk in the afternoon
through the country and along
the banks of the Wye.

Friday June 8th 1883. Bro. W. D. W.
his Bro. in law and I took a walk
after dinner to Diamonds Gate, a
very delightful scenery on the brow
of the hill to the left of which are
high cliffs and a precipice to the
right. The river Wye running in
a horse shoe fashion.
A shower of rain and very heavy
thunder came on and we made
our way back as best we could,
however we had not gone very
far until the storm cleared off.
Saturday Bro. W. D. Williams
and I started after breakfast to Cin-
derford; we walked a mile or so
through the forest when we came
on to a house known as the Forest
old Court house. In this house, which
was built about 200 years ago many have
been tried and sentenced to death for
theft. We had a living here,
but this was in a large tree.

After spending some time here we pursued our journey through the forest, and arrived at Cenderford about 3 o'clock. We called to see a brother in the Church a friend of Bro. W.D. by the name of Vingle. We were soon prepared something to eat; after which we visited a short time and then went to the Town Hall, where we had promised to meet Bro. W.D. brother-in-law John Mathews. We met him here. He went in to a Coffee Tavern and we got into a conversation upon the principles of the Gospel with some men selling bibles and different religious books and it soon turned into an argument which lasted over two hours.

There were 7 or 8 on one but I got a line, all rights with them and before I got through I was one

Testimony to the Crowd, to the restoration of the Gospel through the Prophet Joseph Smith, some seem confounded and others indignant.

Bro. W.D. Williams had a like experience with another crowd who had gathered around him. We did not get back to Syd Brook until about 11 P.M. Sunday morning Bro. W.D. W. and I went up in the woods and had religious worship and we sang, conversed, read the sermon on the Mount and had prayers and had a very enjoyable time together.

We thought to hold meeting in the evening but a storm blew up. Bro. W.D. went up to see Mr. Thomas and I read directed with Mr. & Mrs. Mathews.

Monday June 11th 1883.

After breakfast Bro. Williams and I started for a walk. After we had gone about one half mile we crossed the river in a boat to Court field - a very nice field which has a gradual slope from each way to the river and nice trees in it. We followed along the brow of the hill until we came to a nice green pasture a place where horse races are carried on.

This pasture also has many fine trees in it. We continued our walk to Goodrich Castle, one of the oldest Castles in this country.

By paying an old gentleman a Shilling, he showed us around through the Castle and explained some of the interesting features connected with it. It was destroyed by O. Cromwell and appeared a very strong resistance.

On our way back we called in to see Mrs. Little and were treated to a glass of Lemonade.

Tuesday 12th 1883,

After breakfast I wished Mr. & Mrs. Mathews good bye and Bro. W. & H. and I took a walk as far as Symonds Gate. Here we met a lot of Sentry who had come out to see the beautiful scenery of the Wye. The morning was delightful. About 12 o'clock we took train and rode to Monmouth, the Capital of Monmouthshire.

The Militia were out en parade and the place was in quite a stir. We visited a very ancient bridge which was built in the days of Henry 8th if I am not mistaken.

We remained in this place until 3.30 when I took train for Penlyford.

Wednesday June 14th 1883.

I spent most of the day writing at Bro. & Sister Voals. I went up in the evening to see Bro. & Sister Evans, and took some thing to eat with them.

I thought to meet Bro. Perkins at Bro. Voals and then we would go to Plantwit, but he did not come. Bro. Voal & I went to see Bro. Bishop and spent a short time there.

I slept at Bro. Voals.

Thursday June 15th 1883. Shortly after breakfast Bro. Perkins came from Trealaio and we went to Bro. Bishop's to dinner after which we walked to Lanvrit. Bro. Rice Perkins and we went to see Bro. W. D. Williams uncle. Howell Williams at ^{the} official camp.

We slept at the "New Inn" kept by Vaughan.

Friday June 16th 1883.

After eating breakfast at Bro. Jenkins, we walked to Monarchy. we had dinner with sister Blada. Slept at Dinonals.

Saturday June 17th we went in to Cardiff and went to the reading room where we learned the news of the day. We also went through the Museum, we took a walk through the Park which looked very nice.

We had dinner at Bro. Wattons. I called at a Barber shop and had my hair cut; we then went out to our lodgings.

Sunday June 18th After breakfast we went about 2 mi. to see a man whose wife and son's went off and left him as he would not stop his drinking and join the Church, and who are neighbors to Bro. Perkins. The old man Joseph Goshell seemed to be doing pretty well.

He met with The Saints at Bro. Blackens.
After the few Saints present had borne
their testimonies of the Sacrament
Occupied a short time after which
Bro. Perkins spoke for some time
encouraging the Saints to make
every effort to get out.

After meeting Bro. Perkins, Bro.
Watts and I went to Et Hayes and
held an outdoor meeting; we took
our stand at the end of a row of
houses in an enclosure.

The wind was blowing hard, and
not many stopped to listen.

We called at Bro. Oliver's who
was very sick and administered to
him; he is the only Saint at Et Hayes,
quite a large place about 2 mi.
from Cardiff.

We slept at Dimonds. In the
evening we quite a talk on religion
matters with Mr. Dimond.

He believed that all that is neces-
sary to Salvation is to be a good
religious man and belong to some
denomination, it matters not which.
We showed him that there is only
one plan given by which man can
be saved and that plan has been
revealed from heaven and men
given authority to officiate in the
ordinances thereof.

Monday June 19th We went to
Cardiff and found four letters for
me from America. Good news from
Lorne all well and prospering.
I received a letter from Naama Breen
in which was a photo. of her and
Cousin W. A. Shain.

I also received two Desert News.
We went to the reading room to
read. There was an account of
a Terrible Cyclone that passed
through the U. S. May 18th

There has been great distress by the
Storm especially through Illinois
and Missouri. Many killed and
many houses and much prop-
erty destroyed. The floods in the States
are also causing much distress.

The Saints are being blessed.

After we had taken a glance
of the News we went to see Bro.
and Sister Allen who had just
received a pass to go to Utah.

We advised them to go off as soon
as possible; we had dinner with them.

We called to see a sister of Jane
Reese; she and daughter treated
us kindly, gave us something to
eat and the daughter, who has been
suffering 12 years, favored us with
some music on her Piano and Songs.
They invited me to call again.

We learned in the Papers that
about two hundred children at
Sunderland had been killed at a
concert. The children in the gallery
hearing that prizes were to be given
down stairs, they began to rush down
stairs and the door shut as they piled
up on each other and those behind
kept pushing until the result was
stated followed!

We went to our lodgings.

Wednesday June 20th we walked
to New Mill, but could not stay all
night as sister Thomas's daughter
had come to see her.

We went about a mile and a half
and secured lodgings at a Coffee
Tavern. Supper cost us 4^{cts} each, Beer
6^{cts} and Breakfast 9^{cts} which breakfast
we thought was too much, the lady
over charged us.

Wednesday June 20th 1883.

After breakfast at the Station Coffee Tavern, we gave the ladies a tract and started to Capricorn. The day was nice for traveling but we had an occasional shower. We bought a loaf of bread 3^{cts} & a can of Salmon, 5^{cts} and after we had come out of Bridgend. The place we bought it - we ate it - after which we pursued our journey.

We met Bro. Stacey and family well and had a meeting in their house in the evening (the house was full). Bro. Stacey gave his testimony. Elder Perkins spoke some time, showing some of the principles of the Gospel and the fallacious mode these professing Christians have of worshipping God.

I occupied the remainder of the time - about 40 minutes in giving an account of the faith of the Latter day Saints and showed that the principles believed in and taught by them are scriptural and consequently a blessing to the human family if they would obey them. A good spirit prevailed.

We slept at Bro. Stacey's.

Thursday June 21st 1883.

A man who was at meeting came in and asked many questions to Bro. Perkins and is anxious for us to come and preach some Sunday; he is dissatisfied with the religious denominations of the day. I have been writing a letter to Bro. White.

We walked across the mountain to Maesly and held a meeting at sister Sheribers. We had supper at the house & slept at the Mrs. Williams we paid 6^{cts} each.

Friday June 22nd 1883.
According to previous agreement we
spent the day visiting some people
We called about 4 o'clock at Mr.
John Phillips, he was very pleased
to see us but his wife was so angry
we called she would not even give Mr.
Phillips supper and he took us over
to his sisters and she ^{invited us to take} gave us supper, which
we did. John Phillips talks about
coming into the Church but his wife is
so bitter he does not know what to do.

We slept at Mrs. Williams,
Saturday 23rd & Sunday 23.
We ate breakfast at Mrs. Evanses
(after which we walked across the moun-
tain distance 12 or 13 mi. and had din-
ner at Sarah Joneses. We then walked
through the rain to Trealaw.
Slept at Sister Humphreys.

Sunday June 24th 1883.
Bro. Perkins remained at Trealaw
to hold a meeting with the Saints and
I walked over the mountain 3 or 4 mi.
to Tylostown through a rain storm
to hold a meeting with the Saints and
found it a good job that I had done
so as they were not intending to hold
a meeting. We held a meeting at Bow,
Griffiths and in the afternoon and
evening. In the afternoon I blessed
Bro. Griffiths wife's child.
I slept at Bro. David Jenkinses
he was not at home and his daugh-
ter was as dirty as we and I
could not eat with them.

Monday June 25th 1883.
I wrote a letter for sister Roberts
in the morning and had breakfast
with her. I walked over to Trealaw
and there found six letters for
me. All well at home.

A letter from Pres. Lewis stated that Bro. Shadrach Jones, who was laboring in the Swansea district; was very ill, and requesting Bro. Perkins and ^{the} to go down as soon as possible.

We walked to the Porth and took the 12.20 train for Lansumlet; we walked from that station to Morrison to Bro. John Jenkins's relatives; here we learned that Bro. Jones was dead. We walked to Forest Fach and took a glimpse at the remains of our brother who had been called away.

We then walked to Swansea where we met Bro. J. Jenkins, Bro. W. D. Williams and J. P. Mantle; all quite well.

I went to see Corrin Mary and showed one to sleep at her place.

I went with the brethren to meet Bro. Smith who had come down on the 10.30 train from Liverpool to attend the

funeral services of Bro. Jones.

Tuesday we all went up to Forest Fach to see the remains and make arrangements to bury Bro. Jones Wednesday, 27th; we then went back to Swansea and Bro. Smith bought all necessary clothing, or linen to make the clothes, and took it to Sister Davies to make. Pres. Smith cut the clothing out; after which we all took a walk out on the Pier.

Tuesday Pres. David Lewis came down. We spent ^{the rest of} the day working together.

Wednesday, it rained very hard all day nearly. We walked up to Forest Fach through the rain and got quite wet. At 6.30 we attended to the funeral services

of Bro. Jones. We were tenanted the Baptist Chapel. Quite a number considering the wet day, attended. Pres. Smith & Elder Lewis spoke.

Good attention was paid. Pres. Smith stated that Elder Jones being endowed with the authority and possession every thing necessary, had gone to preach to the Spirit in Thiron.

After attending to the funeral services, we had something to eat at Elder Jones's place - that being the place where he died; and then we came to Swansea and all met at Mr. Dennes's.

Prest. J. H. Smith gave us some very good instructions in the evening, and although we had been sorely affected in losing our Bro. yet we felt happy and like acknowledging the hand of the Lord in it.

Thursday, 28th. Early in the morning Bro. Smith took train for L. pool.

Prest. Lewis, Elder Jenkins and I went up to Forest Fach in the morning and took an inventory of all Bro. Jones left and settled all accounts.

We met with the Saints in the evening. Some of the sisters had been quarreling and the meeting was turned into a council.

The matter was settled by Prest. Lewis having the women ask forgiveness. Some of the brethren (some Elders) would not forgive them, but the vote was carried.

Friday June 29th 1883.

I wrote a letter home in the morning. Prest. Lewis and Elder W. D. Williams came to Cousin Mary's and I took them around to introduce them to my other Cousins, we then separated.

Prest. Lewis and I started to Keath, Bro. Williams staid in Swansea as he had been appointed to labor in that district. We had dinner at Bro. Long's; sister Long made us a good dinner.

When we arrived at Keath we met Bro. Perkins & Mantle who had gone another way.

We all four met with the Sault in the evening. Saturday July 1st After eating breakfast at Sister Williams's we started to Merthyr. We walked to Elyonneath and there called to a Tavern called the Lamb and Flag and had some bread & cheese; we then walked

to Hirwaia & took train to Merthyr. I met a letter here from home bearing the good news "All well" except Andrew who had fallen off the wagon while travelling, out a lock of hair & hurt his arm.

Sunday, July 2nd 1883.
Attended council meeting in the morning at which the branches were represented in pretty good condition Elders Perkins, Ellis & Mantle and I spoke a short time Elder Jas. Whittaker was cut off the church for unchristian like conduct and according to his own request.

I attended meeting in the afternoon and had the pleasure of speaking a short time.

After meeting Elder J. S. Mantle Bro. Lawrence and I went up above Worthy and held a meeting.

At the close of the meeting a man asked me the question: "Is it necessary to salvation for a person to be baptized" to which I answered in the affirmative; he rejected the

ground. I then took him to the testament and read many passages and explained the same. A large crowd gathered around and we had quite an argument.

He thought I was very hard to exclude all from heaven who would ^{not be} or was not baptized. I showed him that I was the scriptures which would condemn them, I showed him my position and that our design was to save or teach saving principles to the people and for that purpose we had left home and travel among strangers in a strange land, where upon he gave me sixpence.

We parted good friends and I had the satisfaction of knowing that a large number had heard my testimony. I attended evening meeting with the brethren and had a nice time. Great Lewis spoke & Elders Mantle & Perkins

Monday, July 3rd 1883.

I was kept busy all day with the conference accounts. Elders Perkins, Mantle and Ellis went to Rhymney.

In the evening, Pres. Lewis and I went with some of the Saints up to Peny-darren and held a meeting. A good crowd gathered to hear us although some were hard looking citizens.

Tuesday 4th I was also kept busy. Pres. Lewis & I went in the evening and held an out-door meeting in company with Elder Ellis who had returned home. Elders Richards & Adams. When talking we stood upon a rock wall in front of some houses. Elders Ellis, Adams and I spoke. Several listened.

Wednesday 5th I was kept busy.

Thursday 6th Sent the remainder of our accounts to L. pool. Attended Saints' meeting in the evening.

As the Half Year was up, we had to send a Half-Year Financial and Statistical Report to L. pool, also a Financial Quarterly and Monthly Report.

The Statistical Report showed that there had during the Half Year or the report was as follows.

H. Priests: Seventies Elders Priests-Teachers Deacons
1 - 5 - 95 - 15 - 4 - 11
Members Total Baptisms Emigrated Cut-off Died.
261 - 392 - 36 - 3227 5 3.

Friday 6th I spent the day writing and reading and making arrangements to start-out. Took the 6.39 P.M. train at Merthyr for Abernant and walked down to Pow. Price's Abernham where I found the family all well and glad to see me. I spent the night with them.

Saturday July 7th I left brother
Price after breakfast and walked
to Tylers town where I changed, and
had dinner at Bro. Sister Roberts,
After which I walked to Pentypidd,
I found the Saints all well at
that place. I slept at Bro. Veels.
Sunday July 8th while at break-
fast Pres. Lewis came in from
Merthyr; he brought three letters
for me. One from Father with a
bank note of £ 2-0-0 one from
Mother with a 5⁰⁰ bill and
one from W. D. Chain with a dollar
bill. All bearing the good news
of all well. My heart was filled
with thankfulness to our heavenly
Father for blessing me with so
kind a parents, and for the many
blessings I received. I felt to bless
my dear parents for their kindness
to me.

I, in company with Pres. Lewis & brother
Veel, went to Bro. Hughes to Council meeting.
Bro. Hughes, President of the Branch, had
gone on a visit to Swansea and Bro.
Bishop's Councillor had come to
England, however several brethren
met and we had a nice time.

We met with the Saints in the after-
noon and evening, at both meetings
I had the pleasure of speaking a
short time. We slept at Bro. Veels.

Monday July 9th 1883. I wrote
to dear father and mother in the
forenoon and Pres. Lewis and I
according to invitation went up to
Thos. Evanses to dinner.

As there was a Fete a Gala in
Pentypidd, we after dinner went
down to see what was going on.

There was a procession which many
arrived some of the town but before
they got around to where they were

July 10th We went up the ^{Valley} mountain to ^{to} road
to see a party that Bro. Jones wished to see &
failed. we gave money that Elder Jones
brought for them. We slept at Barabanto.
We remained ^{at} around among the
Saints and got to Cardiff by Friday.
however Thursday Evening we held
a ^{and} out door meeting ~~at~~ ^{at} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~place~~ ^{place};
We visited around among the Saints
Elder J. Jenkins came out to Bladens
and met us; his health was poor.
Sunday we met with The Saints
in the afternoon and in the evening
we went in to Cardiff and held a
meeting on the St. after singing and
prayer. Pres. Lewis called upon me
to speak. I talked for about 1/2 hour.
Not many stopped to listen to us.
Monday July 16th Pres. Lewis Elder J.
Jenkins and I walked in to Cardiff and
found some letters there from home.

All were well at home.
At 12 o'clock Elder Jenkins and I got a-
board the Steam Boat "Lady Mary" and
started, according to arrangement to Bristol.
We had very nice weather crossing the Chan-
nel, and enjoyed the ride very much.
We sailed some distance (2 or 3 mi) up
the river Avon. Pres. Green and Elder
Lodges met us at the landing.
They took us to see the Red Cliff Church
It was built in the year 1400 and is
one of the finest churches in Bristol.
The some of which it was built were con-
vict five miles by hand as the people
who built it thought it to sacred to carry
on land ^{by} horse or ox;
The church is in the shape of a cross.
The workman ship - the carvings and
engravings are excellent, and display
very fine art.

In the evening we met at the old gentleman Hodges and his four daughters all of whom belong to the Church and a cousin of theirs and we had a very enjoyable time - singing, reciting and playing tunes on the accordion. We slept at the Bristol Conference house with Pres. Green.

Tuesday July 17th We spent the forenoon writing and reading.

In the afternoon Pres. Green Elders Hodges and Jenkins and I went to the "Orphanage" Mr. Muller, Ashley Hill. This institution was founded about 40 years ago. It comprises 5 very large establishments, and accommodates at present 2050 children, and depends entirely upon free will offerings of the people.

The first room into which we were taken was for little ones.

Several little girls were seated around a table playing with tops. They looked very comfortable. The lady who was looking after them seemed very motherly.

We passed from that room into a ward room where the clothes of the children are very respectably kept.

From this room we passed through a large bed room where about 80 sleep. Every thing was neat and clean. We then went through the recitation room where 80 girls were reciting and every thing was very orderly.

We were shown through the Laundry, The Cook rooms, The ward room, The bed rooms, The dress making room where there were several girls at work sewing, and to the room where several girls were making clothes to leave, as there are three suits given each one who sews.

After spending an hour in going through this house, Elders Green and Jenkins called to see Elder Harris who had come over with the Apr. Company of missionaries, and who was very sick.

Elder Nat. Hodges and I called at 103 White Lady Rd. to see my Cousin; she seemed very pleased to see me and Bro. Hodges and I preached to her and she seemed very much taken up with our teachings.

After spending some time with Cousin in conversation and in the mean time having supper, we came back to Hodges and had a little party together and a very enjoyable time we had. Cousin invited me to call again and the time appointed was 5:20 P. M. ~~Thursday~~ day.

I slept at the Conf. House.

Wednesday July 18th 1883.
Elder Wm. Willie came in; we met him at the station; he was well and hearty.

Before meeting Elder Willie we Elders Green, Hodges and Jenkins were shown through the glass works. It was very interesting to see glass made - in seeing so many men working so orderly.

In the afternoon we went to the Museum. It contains skeletons of men, of beasts and of nearly all kinds of birds, fishes &c.

We paid 6¢ each.

When we came back we called at the old gentleman Hodges and had supper and a very interesting time.

Thursday July 19th 1883.

After dinner we went to see the Clifton Suspension Bridge - a very fine bridge across the town.

This bridge, so I was told, is 238 feet above the water. While standing on the cliffs overlooking the river a grand sight was presented.

We here met a Post selling some of his own works. I introduced the principles of the Gospel to him.

Prest. Green also talked to him.

I bought a little ballad & description of the Orphan houses.

We went from here up to White Lady Rd. and I called in to see Cousin Eliza Lloyd; she was very pleased to see me and I spent some time with her talking upon the principles of the Gospel. She promised to go with me to meeting Sunday if I would call upon her.

Friday July 20th we spent the day writing and visiting and walking about. It rained all day. Elder J. Jenkins went back to Wales.

Saturday, July 21st 1883.

We spent the day in visiting about. We went to the Bristol Baths and had a wash. When we came back we met Elders Perry and Parter, who had come down from the Forest of Dean. They were well.

We all spent a very enjoyable time.

Sunday 22nd

We held meeting at 11 Bonding St. in the afternoon at which several gathered. Elder Geo. Perry and Boggs and I spoke. We had an enjoyable time. After meeting I went out after my cousin; she came with me to meeting.

I instructed her in the principles of the Gospel and she seemed very much interested. Quite a houseful gathered.

Elder Willie was first called upon to speak. I next and Prest. Green followed. We all enjoyed good freedom. All seemed interested.

After meeting I took my cousin home. Bro. Hodges and two of his sisters went with us.

We had nearly three miles to walk, and it gave me an opportunity to explain more of our principles to Cousin. She seemed very much interested as upon me telling her that she might let me know when she was ready to be baptized, upon which she stated that she was convinced and would be ready to be baptized at the earliest convenience.

Mr. Bro. Hodges, his sisters and I had a pleasant time, coming back.

Monday July 23rd 1883.
Elder Willie received a paper and letter from Mr. Webber, Fairview. The paper contained a letter from

a man signing himself Marshall. The letter was a lancelet on the "Mormons". The brother intends to answer it.

I took a walk with Bro. Willie to a photographer to get a picture he had been getting pointed of his father. When we got back Bro. Willie found he had to hurry to catch the train to Birmingham. Elder Green went with me to the Lawrenceville Station where I took train to Concliff.

I went around Port Stewart. The ride was pleasant; the farmers were cutting and trying to secure their hay. This was my first time through New Kent.

Immediately after arriving in Concliff I went to Old Monarchy where I spent the night. Next day I went to Barth Hill where I spent the night at the Jenkins. I had a good feast of fruit here.

Wednesday 25th I walked to Pentypicold and spent the afternoon writing at Bro. Veal's to Cousin Ely. I taught her the principles of the Gospel, at least the first principles and also the Apostasy and referred to passages of Scripture to prove that the principles taught by the Latter-day Saints are according to the Scriptures.

Thursday I visited some of the Saints and in the afternoon Bro. Veal and I went to the Glamorgan-shire Agricultural Show up above Pentypicold.

The machinery, Carriages, Horses, Stocks, fowls, Sheep, pigs and many other things too numerous to mention made it very interesting.

The hurdle jumping was an interesting feature.

Sisters Ann and Mary Veal came to the Show after us. There were thousands of people at the Show; the price of admission was one shilling.

In the evening the Pentypicold Saints met at Bro. Hughes and had meeting. Elder Perkins had also come; he and I spent some time to the Saints.

We slept at Bro. Veal's.

Friday July 27th Elder Perkins & I left Sister Veal's after breakfast and walked to Tylveston where we called at Bro. Griffiths & Roberts; they had been quarreling and we found a very bad influence there. Bro. & Sister Roberts were not there. Sister Griffiths wanted to trace the characters of Bro. & Sister Roberts. We soon left and at Fern Dale we separated. Bro. Perkins going to Treester and I started across to Menthly, and bought a piece of cake for 1/2 penny.

I walked to Abernant and took train for Merthyr. When I got to Merthyr I went immediately to Sister Hoorners. She was getting better and all at the house seemed well. Pres; Lewis was down at Treorchy. When he came back I had two letters, which were in the desk of which Bro. J. had the key.

I learned that all at home were well and that the "4th" was spent enjoyably. Father did not go to the celebration but stayed at home to write to me. The weather here was very dry and warm. I slept at Bro. Lawrence's.

Saturday July 28th I received a letter from Miss Mary M. Rees bearing date July 12th stating that at 9 o'clock that morning my Bro. Chas wife gave birth to a daughter, and may the mother, were doing well.

In the evening I walked across to Bro. Price, Treaman, where I spent the night.

Sunday July 29th As Bro Price had started a Sunday School at his house the Sunday previous and as he was unable to be at the house at the appointed time, I commenced school with the little boys & girls.

Bro. Price soon came; we had a nice time. Bro. Price, some of his family and I walked down to Penrhinwiler and met with the Saints and had meeting. One of the world was at our meeting. After Sacrament-meeting we held Council and after that we had tea and at 6 P.M. we held a meeting again at Bro. Isaac Evanses.

There was a man & wife the same man who was in to Sacrament meeting there. They are Pembrokeshire people and from the same place as one of the sleepers & vacinity.

Monday July 30th I went up to Aberdare and called to see Mrs. Phillips and had dinner with her. In the afternoon I went to see Sister Lewis and her husband to see if they were willing to have their little boy baptized. They were but the boy was not at home, I had supper with them, and went back and met with a few of the Saints at Bro. Price in prayer-meeting.

After meeting Bro. Price baptized his little boy.

Tuesday July 31st Pres. Lewis came over from Merthyr and we walked to Zylwstown and had dinner at David Jenkinses. We then went to Zencroky, where we called to see Mrs. Resser Mrs Williams at each of which place we had to take something to eat to satisfy them. We slept at Joshua Sarah Jenkinses.

Wednesday August 1st 1853.

After breakfast and writing a letter for Mrs. Jones to her Parents to Pleasant Valley, Pres. Resser and I started to Ogmore. It rained some on us.

The first place we called was at Thos Jenkinses where we had dinner. Bro. Lewis had quite a discussion with an old lady on the subject of Polygamy as they talked Welsh I did not understand them. We went down to Bro. Thos Hardies; we found him and family well. ~~But~~ very pleased to see us; they were preparing to go off to Utah. We held meeting with them in the evening and slept there.

Aug. 2nd After breakfast we walked to Giffach Bach. We here met ^{to} be welcome by Mr. and Sister Edwards. We spent the night with them.

While Pres. Lewis and I were holding an out-door meeting at Cross Inn near Llantwit a man by the name of _____ opposed and interrupted us, and wanted us to refer him to a passage or place in the Scriptures where the name of Joseph Smith is mentioned.

Pres. Lewis said he would find the place if he could show where Moses, Peter, Paul, or any of the Prophets or Apostles were mentioned before they came.

Some of the congregation endeavored ^(to) to persuade the man to keep still.

Pres. Lewis showed him his folly and told him to go to school awhile before he came out thinking to successfully oppose the Latter-day Saints.

Next-day July 13th the man who opposed us being a fireman on the Section Rail-way Section, left the

hand car or trolley on the tracks and he and the other men went about a half mile on the road; in the mean time the train came and had not the engineer been on the watch the train would have been thrown off; but the Engineer stopped the train.

Next-day the road master came up and discharged the man.

Thus many of the people thought he did wrong in opposing us and was punished for his wrong. We consider the Lord had a hand in bringing swift-chastisement upon him for opposing the work of the Lord.

August 3rd 1883.

We walked to Dinas and had dinner at John Daniels. after which we blessed their child, I being mouth. Pres. Lewis started for Pontypridd to Fern Dale. It rained hard on us, some of our way. I slept at David Jenkins

(Aug. 4th Saturday)
I started for Merthyr after break-
fast. I stopped at Bro. Price's
to get some things and they invited
me to stop to dine - which I did.

I then walked to Merthyr, I met
Elders. John Ellis and Thos. Perkins.
In the evening Bro. Lewis

W. D. Williams (Ceylon) L. J. Muntz
came in this making six Utah
Elders in Merthyr.

Sunday, Aug. 5th we all atten-
ded Council at 11 A. M. as usual.

The brethren each and all expressed
a desire to discharge their duties.

The brethren all feel tolerably well
except Bro. Mantle; he is not very
well and it will be as much as
a bargain if he endures the climate
to fulfill his mission.

We all attended after noon and
evening meeting and had an enjoy-
able time. After evening meeting Elder
W. D. Williams and Mantle and I went
up on the Merthyr square and held
meeting. Bro. Mantle opened by prayer,
Bro. Williams followed with about 1/2 hrs.
discourse upon the first principles of
the Gospel. I followed for about the same
length of time; when the meeting was
brought to a close by benediction by
Elder W. D. Williams.

Good order prevailed during our
meeting, and quite a large crowd
gathered to listen.

After meeting some were heard to
remark that they could listen to us
all night; others that we ought to be
stoned or kicked out.

We slept at Bro. Lawrence's, the
same place as the night before.

Monday August 6th 1883.

I received a letter from Bro. W. W. Laws in the Southern States in the morning, stating he was well and the mission was as usual.

I was busily occupied all day with the Conference accounts.

In the evening Pres. Lewis, W. D. Williams, L. J. Mantle and I went up to Perrydamer and held an outdoor meeting. Quite a crowd gathered to listen and good order was observed during the course. Pres. Lewis and W. D. Williams were the speakers. L. J. Mantle opened by singing. Bro. Lewis prayed, I closed by prayer. We did not hold our meeting as long as we intended unaccount of a rain which came on. We slept at Bro. Lawrence's.

Tuesday Aug. 7th 1883.

W. D. Williams started after dinner took the 12.10 train at 2 Methy for North Wales. L. J. Mantle started for his field in Munmouthshire.

I completed the book accounts and sent the same with remittances to L. J. pool.

The weather is very changeable some times nice and fine and then raining in a short time which makes it disagreeable for us to prosecute our labors.

Wednesday Aug. 8th raining very hard. I received a letter from dear father and mother this morning.

Chas. wife - sister Mary - and the baby are doing nicely. All are well at home. When the letters were written the folks at home had just commenced haying. Mother's letter stated that Patriarch Hyde prophesied that within 37 years there would be great things brought to light - a box had paid £0.10.0 for it.

Thursday Aug. 7th 1883.

I took the 9 o'clock train to Cardiff to see the Eisteddfod.

The trains were packed with people. When we arrived at Cardiff we found the town nicely decorated and bills were on every corner and conspicuous place warning the people to be wary of pickpockets. I strolled off to the place of entertainment.

After waiting for some time the choir commenced to sing; however, before doing so the Deacon of St. David's delivered a speech but unaccount of the noise I could not hear anything. The singing was very good. North Wales won the first prize £100-0. Llanelly the second prize.

I went through the art gallery; the carvings, sculpture and paintings were very grand.

I thought to stay to the concert but unaccount of the noise in the Eisteddfod I concluded it would be the same in the evening. So I took the six train for Merthyr. It proved to be a good job as the noise and crowding proved to be so bad in the evening that the concert had to be broken up and some were badly hurt, one had his leg broken. - Pres. Lewis and sister-Hornum were glad I came back.

Friday 10th Pres. Lewis went to Swansea I went to ^{Abercrombie} Mountain Ash, slept at Pw. Price. Saturday I walked to Mountain Ash, 4 mi. and had dinner at Mr. Isaac Evanses; he gave me a motto, "God bless our home". After dinner I walked to Pw. Price, slept at Pw. Veds.

Sunday Morning I attended Council meeting, Joseph Cutler asked forgiveness for his wrong doing and was forgiven to come back in the Church. I taught some. So did Mr. Hughes & Priddy.

I attended sacrament-meeting in the
Afternoon and all seemed to feel well,
and the Saints bore their Testimonies to
the truth of the Great Latter-day work.

I also added my testimony.
We had preaching, meeting at 6.30 &
after some of the brethren occupied
a short-time & spoke at some length
and read Dec. 1st Dec. & Cov.

A good spirit prevailed.
I slept at Pw. Vale. I had supper
after meeting at Pw. Bishop.

Monday I went to Treerby.

Tuesday I came back to Pentyfrith.

Wednesday I walked to Gorth Hall.

Thursday I walked to Cardiff.

I called to see Mrs. Evans and
had supper. I slept at Sister

Diminds. Friday I went in to Cardiff.

Saturday I spent the day reading,
writing and visiting the Saints.

Sunday August, 19th

I fasted in the morning, went out in
the fields, read a few chapters in the
Testiment - and Sermon in the Divine
Authenticity of the Book of Mormon.
Offered up thanks to the Lord for His bless-
ings and asked Him to bless me in
future as he had done in the past
after which I went to see a family
by the name of Grant. I had an
interesting time with them explain-
ing the principles of 'Mormonism',
and can say the Lord blessed me in saying
I succeeded in my invitation & staid to
dinner after which I conversed a
little while and Miss Grant promised
to come to meeting and she was as
good as her word and better because
she brought another young lady with
her. We had a good meeting. A sister
from Lebettenham and two young men
from Cathays were at meeting.

The Saints-love Testimony. Presb
Shepton spoke awhile after
which I occupied some time in
speaking upon the first-principles
of the Gospel.

After meeting I conversed with
one of the young men; he had spent
some time in South America mostly
in Argentine Republic.

In talking with him upon the
Sins of the World; he said he
had, through his evil practices,
almost destroy'd his love, and
said he knew hundreds who had
done the same.

He greatly regretted that he had
not been made acquainted with the
pure principles of the Gospel when
young. He complimented me on
having so well preserved my love
from sin. Said he could see by the
brightness of my eyes and the fresh

look upon my face that I were not
given to resolving sins and vices
that the young men of this Country
are given to.

Monday, Aug 20th After writing
an hour or so in the morning I walked
to Lanck to see Bro. and sister Pickard.
They were very pleased to see me; and
soon prepared a dinner.

After spending a little while with
them I walked to Benarth, to see
the old lady gave me a shilling and went with
the place. The view from the top
of the hill was grand. Especially
to see the boats sailing on the
channel. After spending a little
while then I walked back to Cascliff,
called in to the reading room a little
while and glanced over the papers and
then walked out to Mrs Blackie's had
tea, sister B. gave me a shilling and I
then came to Mr. Dorman's where I slept.

Tuesday, after breakfast I left Cardiff, walked to Pontypriada and had dinner at Bro. Tho. Evans's. I then walked to Quakers yard, however I had a little lift in a trap, I then took train and rode to Merthyr. I heard from Pres. Lewis. A letter from Father and mother was here also one from Bro. John D. Gibbs from the Southern States. one from Com. C. Lloyd.

Wednesday we were waiting for Bro. Perkins & Jenkins who had been released to return home. I spent most of the day reading & writing. The brethren did not come.

^{Friday} Thursday. The brethren came up from Swansea; they spent the day getting ready to start. Pres. Lewis and I helped them. In the evening Bro. Evans who had been appointed to Wales came down from Liverpool.

We had a pleasant time together. Saturday Bro. Jenkins and Perkins started on the 4.15 A.M. train for Liverpool.

After breakfast Bro. Evans went to Rhymney and I started out for a week's trip through the district. I slept at Tylorstown at Bro. David Jenkins; the bed bugs made a raid on me, and I had to shake my clothes in the morning.

Sunday 26th After breakfast I walked to Dyffryn about 10 or 12 miles. In the afternoon David Jenkins, and I accompanied by others went up to Stantymael and held an outdoor meeting. A large crowd gathered to listen and paid respectful attention. After meeting David Jenkins started home.

On the evening John Jenkins

and I went down to Zynewydd to hold meeting. On the way down he and I went up in the woods & had prayer and I ordained him a Priest. We called on Bro. Miller and then went down on the road by a Chapel and held a meeting. I offered the opening prayer after which I called upon Bro. Jenkins to talk which he did for some time and a large crowd gathered.

I followed in about ~~one~~ hour or longer speech. After dismissing a Josephite got up and stated that I had preached the Gospel all right but he warned the people against us, as I had not told all we believe. Bro. said we were idolaters and adulterous &c; his name is Venable. I denounced his charges and branded him as a false prophet.

The crowd asked one many questions and they got so disagreeable that we found it necessary to leave.

Monday Aug. 27th I walked to Keefe's Corners distance the way I went 12 or 14 mi. the last 5 mi. being through rain and it was necessary for me to change.

I held a meeting at Bro. Stage's in the evening and quite a houseful gathered to listen. I enjoyed good freedom in speaking.

Tuesday 28th thinking to meet my cousin ^{Eliza} ~~Eliza~~ ^{Gloria} on her way from Pembroke shire to London, I got up at 4 o'clock and walked to Bridgend, but as I was mistaken in the train, I walked to a place 2 mi. from Coy Church & took train to Llantrisant. I walked to Newmill and not finding sister Thomas at home I walked to Cross Inn

and took Train to Pontypriid.
I slept at Bro. Veels. I was very tired.
Wednesday 29th I walked to Gil-
fach Goch. Slept at Mrs. Edwards
Thursday I walked to Pontypriid
where I met Pres. Lewis and met
with the Saints in the evening.
I found 3 letters at Bro. Hughes from
home bearing the good news "all
well" Mother sent me ~~Prose~~
Friday. Bro. Lewis and I walked
to Merthyr, most of the way thru
a rain storm. We met Bro. Evans
and Mantle at Sister Harmon's.
Saturday. Bro. Ellis came to Mer-
thyr; so we were all there, and
enjoying good health.
I spent the day writing. We all went
to the Station and met Pres. Smith.
at the Station; he was well.

Sunday Sept. 2nd 1883.

We met, according to arrangement,
in our Conference at 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.
Pres. Smith and the Elders addressed
the meetings. Quite a large number
of Saints gathered from many parts
of the Conference. Ten came from Ponty-
priid in a Brake.

We had an enjoyable time. I slept
with Pres. Smith at the Railway Inn.
Monday Pres. Smith left Merthyr for
Liverpool on the 6.30 A. M. Train.

I spent the time at Merthyr making
up accounts and so forth until
Thursday. Wednesday Evening Bro.
Lewis and I went to Tredegar, and
held meeting in Sister Gwynne's.
Thursday After dinner I started to
Rhyonney. Bro. Ellis came to meet me.
We called to see some of the Saints and
held meeting at Bro. Grimley's in the
Evening. We slept at Bro. Grimley's

~~Saturday~~ Friday Sept. 7th We left Rhymney and walked over to Tredegar. Then we called at Bro. Williams and had tea. We then walked to Bro. Pices; had something to eat. Then went to Victoria, and held meeting in the evening.

We slept at sister Williams's. She treated us very kindly.

Saturday we walked to Brynmawr, called at Bro. Jaynes and had dinner, we then walked to sister Lloyd's; had a chat with her and she taught her some. She gave us tea. We then walked back to Brynmawr, and took the 6 o'clock train to Abergavenny.

We slept at Bro. Berrington's.

Sunday Sept. 8th We spent the forenoon in walking about. We held meeting in the evening with the Saints.

Monday we visited around; we had dinner at Bro. Cornishes and tea at Mrs. Pices. We held meeting at Bro. Berrington's in the evening.

The Saints bore testimony, after which I occupied a little time in talking upon the first principles and the duties of the Saints. Bro. Ellis followed; he showed the necessity of us living above the reproach of the wicked. Live so we can enjoy the Spirit of the Lord.

Tuesday, Sept. 11th We walked to Garncliff with distance 10 mi. in evening we went to see Bro. Scotland Charles. We slept at sister Stephens's.

Wednesday Sept. 12th We walked from Barn. to Brynmawr; on our way we called at sister Lloyd's and she gave us tea.

We found it a long way across the mountains, and we were ready for our meal when we got it.

Sunday 16th Bro. Ellis, and I accom-
panied by four local Elders went
to a place near Aberystwyth and held
an out-door meeting. I was the first
speaker. Several gathered to listen &
I spoke about 40 min. on the first
principles of the Gospel and concluded
by bearing testimony to the restoration
of the Everlasting only true plan of
salvation through the Prophet Joseph
Smith. Bro. Ellis followed; he
spoke about the same length of time.
After we got through a man, who had
at a previous time opposed the Elders
wanted to talk with us, but we left
him. We met with the Saints in
the afternoon and evening. We had
an enjoyable time together.

Monday 17th I received some letters
from home bearing the good news
all well. We walked to Cwmbran &
held a meeting over congregation consisting

of 12 females. I spoke first, Bro. Ellis
followed. We slept at sister Dawes.
Tuesday we walked to Glandiffarth;
we had supper at Bro. Wm. Louwage's
slept at Sister Stephens.

Wednesday 19th When we went down
to Bro. Scott's we found one of sister
Dawes (Cwmbran) daughter there
she had come up to be baptized.
As there was no convenient place
about there, we walked to Blaencavan
there we took train and rode to
Dyffrynauw. After dinner we made
arrangements and Sister Jaynes
went with us and was re-baptized.

In the evening, we called over to see
a man to whose wife Bro. Lloyd intro-
duced us. He is a Baptist preacher.
After talking with him some time he
went with us to meeting. At Bro. Jaynes
I spoke 35 min. Bro. Ellis about the same.
We had a good meeting.

Thursday 20th I left Bro. Ellis at Brynmawr and started to Merthyr, thinking there would be some business letters to be answered. I had also promised to call this week.

I walked to Treil Station, ^{4 miles} then took train to Dowlais Top, then walked to Merthyr, most of the way through a heavy rain. When I arrived here I had to change. Sister Harmon is better. Several letters here. One from Pres. Lewis stating that he and Bro. Mantle are well, one from Bro. J. H. Evans, stating that he is having a nice time with his friends and relations, but his health is not the best. One from Mother stating all are well at home. William, Rees, Thomas and Rogers has bought a threshing machine.

I went to Saints meeting in the evening and after they gave their testimonies, I spoke awhile.

Friday Sept. 21st I have been engaged in writing and reading all day. I received a very interesting letter from Bro. W. D. Williams; his health is good.

I spent the day writing and reading. Saturday, I walked to Rhymney where I met Bro. Ellis.

Sunday 23rd We held council with the Rhymney Brethren in Bro. Grimley. We met with the Saints in the afternoon and evening; we had a nice time. Bro. Ellis & I occupied most of the time. We slept at Bro. G.

Monday 24th It being very stormy we spent the day visiting the Saints and in writing and reading.

Tuesday 25th After breakfast we started to Mr Wm E. Lewis at which place we arrived after about 4 hours walk. On our way we called at Sister Lewis and had a bite to eat.

When we got to Bro. Lewis we found a good welcome.

We went around and invited the whole Village to come to meeting but only two young men could so.

Wednesday 26th It has been blowing very hard and looks very much like rain, therefore we have spent our time in Bro. Lewis reading and writing.

I have been reading in the Star of 1851 & 52. In Star No 18 Vol. 14 I have been reading a piece, the subject being False and delusive Spirits. The following is a brief synopsis:

We should try the spirits. Some spirits are God-like; some are not, therefore of the Devil. It is no uncommon thing for a false spirit to assume a more plausible appearance, to a casual observer, than a true spirit would in the same subject; it was so formally, it is so latterly. Lucifer's plan was to save all; but the plan of Jesus was to save those who would act ^{right} rituously.

The Father accepted the plan of Jesus. Lucifer drew away the third part of the hosts of heaven. Jesus, with those who joined with him, overcame Lucifer and his hosts and cast them out of heaven, and they were cursed that they should never have an earthly Tabernacle.

Those spirits are about tempting the children of men. We should guard against them.

We are in possession of a false spirit when we sympathize with misery when it is justly due by punishment.

Lucifer made his followers believe that he was far more tender-hearted than Jesus, and got all he could to help him sympathize for the abominable crimes misery that follow the abominable crimes of men on the Earth, and they went it for salvation any how, right or wrong; they were so good, so holy, and so benevolent they could not do otherwise.

The Lord consigns the wicked to a place where they suffer until they pay the uttermost farthing; and murderers to everlasting death. But the priests of Babel would, if they had the power, pray them to Heaven.

To have continual joy in our lives, we should keep within us the Spirit of the Lord which is manifest in peace, joy, comfort, consolation, and knowledge. When we find a distressing spirit lurking around, we should say: I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to get behind me Satan, and peace will be instantly restored to our souls.

It is not the wrongs done by others that destroy that peace within ourselves which the world can neither give nor take away; it is our own wrong which causes that peaceful influence to leave us. It is your own wrong or evil spirits that destroy your peace and not the wrongs of your friends or neighbors. We should not fret our souls when even our dearest friends or relatives do wrong, but do our duty by them and let them then do as they please.

Thursday 27th It is raining very hard and no sign of clearing. Sister Lewis is very kind to us and it seems no trouble to her to administer to us. Bro. Lewis is also very kind, and is pleased to be able to make us comfortable, therefore if it does not clear we shall remain. We had a meeting last evening. Only five of us were here.

Bro. Lewis bore his testimony and expressed his thanks that the time of his deliverance is so near; he also expressed his determination to prove faithful to the great latter-day work.

I spoke a short time. Bro. Ellis followed his teaching, were good and were given under the influence of the Spirit of God.

My desire is to ever work for the interest of the work of the Lord, and act wisely in all things.

I have been reading the history of the Prophet Joseph Smith.

He writes of Sydney Rigdon: "Brother Sydney is a man whom I love, but he is not a Cople of that peace and steadfast love for those who are his benefactors, as should be every the breast of a President of the Church of Jesus Christ. This, with some other little things, such as selfishness and independence of mind, which, too often manifest, destroy the confidence of those who would lay down their lives for him. - But, notwithstanding these things, he is a great and good man; and a man of great power of words, and can gain the friendship of his hearers very quick. He is a man whom God will uphold if he continue faithful to his calling. Obed, grant that he may for the Lord's sake, Amen"

The man who will do well, we should extol his virtues, and speak not of his faults behind his back.

A man who is willfully turns away from
his friend is not easily forgiven.
The kindness of a friend should never be
forgotten. The person who never forsakes
his trust should have the highest
place ^{for regard} in our hearts, and our love
should never fail, but increase
more and more, and this is my
disposition and sentiment. - Joseph Smith.

The Gospel restored.

How lost were our days till we met with the Gospel
The creeds and systems seemed powerless and vain;
We never received precepts so suited to save us,
As taught by the Priesthood restored again.
In the wisdom of one we had long been entangled,
And forms without power encircled us around;
But now we rejoice in the hope of ^{redemption} redemption
And peace, to the faithful, doth ever abound.
Repentance, most needful, of faith the production,
Prepares, for the laver, our sins to remit;
And the spirit, that is given for future instruction,
Is received in the manner Jehovah has fit.

By the laying on hands of Apostles & Prophets,
Who, of Him, have received of its influence pure,
While the gifts of the Spirit by many are increased,
Displaying the Gospel in fulness and power,
May the blessings now sent ever keep us from losing
Of Anti-Christ winds, even doctrines of men,
And aid our perceptions to see the vain glossings
That gild Errors systems. Amen and Amen.

Millennial Star.

About Eleven it cleared off and
we walked to Colly. We had "tea" at
Bro. Det. Thomases, then called to see sister
Lewis, an old lady 76 years of age.
Then went to Mrs. Thomases, Colly farm
where we spent the night. We had a
very good bed and comfortable place.
Mrs. Thomas is very weather; she
has three Southey Utah named
Rollens.

Friday 27th we walked to Merthyr
Shortly after we had been there I
received a letter from Mother

bearing the good news; All well.
Threshing done, the new threshers
doing good work. We had over
600 bushels of wheat & 50 of oats.

I also received a letter from Mary
M.; she had not written for some
time but seemed as true as ever.

She had commenced on another
term of school; she is teaching
in the two large rooms of the
Lingquist Hall.

Bro. Lewis was at Methys. Sister
Norman is getting along well.

Several of the Elders are released
among whom is my old friend
Bro. Wm. Willie.

I slept at Sister Barmen's.

Saturday. After dinner we,
Bro. Ellis & I, walked to Colly mostly
through a rain storm. We got
our feet wet. We slept at old lady
Lewis's.

Sunday ~~20th~~ We held three mee-
tings at sister Lewis's. We had a
very enjoyable time. After meeting
I wrote home. Slept at sister Lewis's.

Monday, Oct. 1st. After breakfast
we called at Colly farm. We there
had a glass of Rhubarb wine &
some bread & cheese. We then started
to Rhymney. On our way we met
an old man & woman driving geese.
One of the geese was tenderfooted so
the old man carried it.

We had a head wind, so we took
it steady. When we got to Rhym-
ney we called at Bro. Brown's; there
we had dinner, & chatted with
some who called in; we have pro-
posed a meeting in Bro. Brown's.

We slept at Bro. Grimley's.
The day had been cold and dry
the evening was wet.

Oct. 2nd After eating breakfast at Bro. Grimley's we started to Brynmawr. The works at Rhymney had mostly stopped unaccount of a strike the masters having proposed a drop of 10%. When we got to Tredegar we found the people strolling about out of work. We called at Bro. Price's and had dinner. Then walked to Beaufort, called to Bro. Hayward and invited them to come to Brynmawr to meeting. When we got to Brynmawr we went to see John Parthen, a Baptist preacher. He gave us a kind reception at his house. We soon got to talking about religious matters. Bro. Ellis and I preached the Gospel to them, hindy. We found he was opposed to the truth. We held a meeting at Bro. Jaynes, and had an enjoyable time.

I spoke first - Bro. Ellis followed. He ^{was a strong} testified the same ^{to be quite}

After eating supper at Bro. Jaynes we went to our lodgings - a Cook Shop. There was a drunken man eating a bowl of pea soup. Two others came in they all used fearful language. Two others afterward came in. It was a disgrace to humanity to see how they acted and talked.

When we went up to our bed, I looked to see if any thing was in the bed. When lo! I beheld some lice. We told the landlady and she changed the ~~bed~~ thing in the bed.

The evening came on very wet. Wednesday Oct. 3rd We arose feeling refreshed after a good night's rest. The morning is very wet. We think to start to Aberegheny on the 10.20 train as it is too wet to walk. A young lady has just been in who was brought up in the Church but her parents and she and all the family is out of the Church.

We took train to Ubergavenny.
Sister Jaynes gave us 1st to help
pay our fares. On the train we
got into a conversation with ex
Baptist preacher, so he said.
We went to Bro. Perrine's and
had dinner after which Bro.
John F. Ellis and John Lloyd
went to see Jacob Watkin who
had been previously notified by
letter from Pres. Lewis through here
that unless he brought forth
fruit-meats for repentance he would
be cut off the Church. He having
gone around lying to the saints &
the world about the saints.
The following conversation occurred.
Bro. Ellis and Lloyd went to the
door of the house in which Watkin
lived and knocked. The man of
the house refused to let them in.
Saying he did not want his

house polluted by such ones. Bro.
Ellis told him: I want nothing to do
with you or your house; but we want
to see Jacob Watkin. Watkin came
to the door. Bro. Ellis offered his hand
and after Bro. E. said: "Can you not
give your hand" whereupon Watkin
reluctantly gave his hand.

Bro. Ellis asked: "You want to come
along, or do you want to be cut out?"
Says Watkin: "I want you to cut me
out; Cut me out! and be sure to
take my name out of the and never
put it in any more, never put it
in any more!" Bro. Ellis said:
"You shall be cut out and never have
your name put in again; and the
evil spirit which is in you shall
destroy you from the earth."

The above is correct whereunto ^{we are} ~~was~~ witness

John Lloyd

Thursday. Bro. Lloyd got new clothes
put in my shoes and paid for it.

Bro. Berrington's daughter would have
been baptized, but she was intending to
get married and she was afraid her
beams would be displeased.

After breakfast we started to Sam-
diffait; we arrived there about 3 P.M.
We held meeting in Bro. Lovelace's
in the evening; very few of the saints
present. We had an enjoyable time
we slept at Sister Stephens.

Friday we walked across two
mountains to Victoria. We held meet-
ing in the evening at Jas. Davies's
We slept at Sister Williams.

Next day we walked to Rhym-
orey; had dinner at Bro. Grimley's
"Sea" at Bro. Williamses and then
walked to Merty, where we found
Bro. Lewis and Mantle feeling well
Sister Harmon Cole, improving.

Sunday Oct. 7th 1883.

We met at our usual Council
meeting, at which several of the
local brethren from different parts
of the Conference gathered.

The branches were reported in
tolerable good condition. Jacob
Watkin was, according to his own
request, cut of the Church.

He is a man of, he says, £7000.00
and will not so much as give an
Elder a meal of vituals. His soul
is so small that he can hardly
live decent. Some of the brethren
told him to pay his tithes and be
blessed, and he went and paid
£7.0.0 and has been grieving
about it ever since.

The brethren, Pres. Lewis, Mantle, Ellis
and myself expressed our pleasure
in our labors and a determination to
do our duty as servants of the Lord,

Our afternoon meeting was a testimony meeting. Some sang, some bore testimony and some spoke in tongues & interpreted. We met again in the evening. Quite a number were present. I was called upon first to speak. Bro. Mantle followed and Bro. Eells spoke last.

We had an enjoyable time together. Monday & most of the time was occupied in attending to the conference books writing and so on until

Friday Oct. 12th when I walked to Penrhwcebr where I met Bro. Mantle. After eating dinner at Bro. J. Evans's we walked to Pontypneuf. We had supper at Bro. Tho. Evans's. I slept at Mrs. Veale's. Bro. Mantle at Bro. Hughes. I felt very tired.

Saturday 13th We took dinner at Bro. Hughes, as Sister Hughes was not willing for us to go without; we then started to Liffach Coek. The day was cloudy. On our way we passed an old tip on which there were several women and girls gathering coal. Some were by the road with their loads; one woman had a sack and box. Bro. Mantle and I put the box on her head. It was very heavy and we wondered how she could carry it; but she not only carried the box on her head but a sack under her arm.

We passed several drunkards on our way, among whom were two chimney sweeps. They would stagger against each other and then across the road, and swear at each other. One Inn we passed were full of men drinking, swearing, singing &c. We arrived at Sister Edwards's about 5 P.M. We had a warm reception, we spent the night at Sister Edwards's the clouds gathered which betokened a new storm.

Sunday 14th Sister Edwards got up early and made breakfast for us. We started at 7.30. The clouds were being blown across from the English Channel; and the sky was gradually becoming black.

We had only crossed the mountain when the rain came on. We travelled 6 miles through rain and some times it was so heavy we had to seek shelter.

We arrived at Hopkinstown at 10 o'clock.

At 11 o'clock we met with the ~~Saints~~ in Council. The Saints were reported in good condition. Bro. Mantle and I taught some. Bro. M. had dinner at Bro. Veals, I at Bro. Hughes. We met with the Saints at 2 P.M.

After the Saints gave their testimonies, Bro. Mantle and I talked some. We taught the necessity of living in peace together. Not to talk too much; and be cautious what they say, as the world are continually watching the Saints, and we will be responsible for our acts.

In the evening we met with the Saints - Bro. Bishop spoke awhile, after which Bro. Mantle and I spoke. We had an enjoyable time together. We slept at Bro.

Veals. Monday we walked to Greerby and spent the night at Joshua Jones's.

The day was very wet and we got very wet, and we got wet through and had to change.

Tuesday 16th we wrote a letter each read some; and started to Pentyprield. We thought to go to Maestey but it was too wet - rainy. On our way we called at Mrs. Williams Pentre Petrad.

She gave us dinner. We walked to Pentyprield; some of the way through a rain storm. We had supper at Bro. Hughes. Sister Hughes would not let us go without. We slept at Bro. Veals.

Wednesday 17th We spent the morning at Bro. Veals. Sister Veal and her step daughter could not get along well together. We advised her to ask the Lord to bless her with wisdom and influence over her ~~step daughter~~.

Wednesday 17th we walked to Stan-
turt and there secured a hall
in a public house in which to hold
meetings, but on account of a heavy
rain storm we had to postpone
our meeting. We slept at New Inn
however, Bro Jenkins had a
little boy take very ill in the
evening and we administered
to him.

Thursday 18th we had breakfast
at Bro Jenkins. The little boy was
better, but we administered to him
again. After breakfast we started
to Gorth Hill. On our way we called
on Howell Williams; we remained there
talking with him and his wife in re-
ligion until about two o'clock. We
had dinner with them. The old gen-
tleman came with us on the road away,
we were received kindly at Mr.
Pankinses. Spent the night there.

Friday 18th It was raining very
hard, consequently we waited until
after dinner when it cleared off &
we started to Old Monarchy.
We had nice weather all the way
we took a walk in to Cardiff.
After learned that a tidal
wave had come up the previous
evening and some houses in
Grange-town near Cardiff had been
two and three feet deep in water.
The people were obliged to go up
stairs to save themselves. Their
provisions being in cellars and on
the floor were spoiled, hence
the people, some of them, had
great loss one man having £150-0-0
Horses, Cows, Sheep & pigs were
drowned. There has not been
remembered so high a tide in Car-
diff. Many other places have suf-
fered, Newport, Bristol, &c.

Saturday 20th. After taking break
fast at sister Dimon's where we
slept we went in to Corcliff.

In the reading room we saw
an account of a recent earth-
quake in Asia Minor in which
1,000 were killed besides many
thousands were cut short of means
of sustenance. We went to see Bro.
and sister Picket at Sandough; they
were very pleased to see us.

The view from the top of the hill out
on the Bristol Channel was grand
as the Channel was dotted with
ships and steamers and boats.

In the evening we went out to
see Bro. Watts and to see the Star.
In the Star we learned that Bros
Marks & Davies, who were laboring
in Indiana had been taken out
of a house in which they were staying
by 150 ruffians & been tarred & feathered.

I received a very interesting
loving letter from father and
one from mother. Father told
me in his letter that he had
bought out Bro. Weekes; he had
paid the sum of \$1,000.00 dollars
and we were well at home; this gave
me great joy. We slept at Dimon's

Sunday 21st. We went to the Church
of England Sunday School in
Freehold. After going through
a ceremony of singing and pray-
er the minister read a little speech.
His text was; "A little child shall
lead them"; I believe there were
not one out of ten who could re-
member ten words he said after
school was out. In contrasting the
difference in which that school
was conducted and ours I thought
ours ever so much better.

We called to see the Grant family. Miss Grant partially promised to come to our meeting but she did not do so. They asked us to take dinner with them, but as we were fasting, we did not do so. We met with the saints in the afternoon and had an enjoyable time. The brethren bore testimony to the truth of the work after which I spoke a short time and Bro. Mantle followed. In the evening we went with Mr. Dimon and his companion to a Methodist Chapel. The minister took for his text the ~~sovereign~~ ^{sovereign} of the Chap. of Isaiah. He spoke in a way to touch the feeling of the people. Some of the old men would groan when the minister would picture up hell to them and I do not blame them if they think they

will ever be put in such a place. We concluded from the morning the speaker, a young man, that he was preaching to tickle the ears of the people. After meeting we had a conversation with the young man with whom we went to meeting. Monday, 22nd we went to Cardiff. We took a walk down to the docks. There were men there from nearly every nation. It was interesting to see the ships and boats sailing around on the water. In the afternoon we went to see Mr. & Mrs. Evans. we found them in the following described condition. She met us at the door with tears in her eyes; we soon learned the cause; he had been drinking again, and had not done any business for seven weeks. When he learned we had come

He came down stairs to see us; he showed that drink was destroying him - mind and body.

We encouraged him to lay drink aside, but he felt that if he were to do so it would be the death of him. He wept like a child while we were talking to him. He desired us to pray for him. Mrs Evans prepared dinner for us. We talked with Evans a little while after dinner and then left.

But before we left we wished him good bye. He desired us to pray for him, raised ~~each~~ hands and burst into tears. We felt very sorry for him. We walked out two miles out to Old Monarchy, where we slept.

Tuesday Oct. 23rd We could not start out until after noon on account of rain. We then walked to Segoyblm. We had a warm reception with Sister Zernov. We slept there.

Wednesday Oct. 24th, 1883.

We walked to Llantrissant Station where, as it was raining very heavy, we took Train for Ceefr.

We should have changed trains at Bridgenet but did not do so, and before we knew we were wrong we were at Britton Ferry 18 miles out of our road, but we waited about two hours and were sent back gratis.

While on our way down we gave two gentlemen tracts. One of them read the one we gave him - The only true Jesus. After he read it through he said: I should advise you not to distribute any tracts on Theology especially those as no one would believe Joe Smith. I, being next to him, picked him up with the following that he hung his head. Oh! yes, many thousands know Joseph Smith was a Prophet of God and here

are two (meaning Bro. Mantle and myself) and we are out in the world about six thousand miles from home bearing testimony that the Lord has restored the Gospel to the Earth by sending an Holy Angel to the Prophet Joseph Smith. He made other statements about Polygamy but was as shortly answered. Although men may have a respectful appearance and be well dressed yet they may be so destitute of principle that they are not better than a beggar upon the street. Bro. Mantle was somewhat surprised in the bold manner I resented the gentleman's insinuation. But the truth and the spirit of the Lord makes a man bold.

He had a pleasant ride back to Bridgton where we had to wait about two hours.

We there got into a conversation

with an old gentleman who gave us some tracts. We gave him one. We also talked with him upon religion. The old gentleman seemed surprised to hear us testify that the sects of the day have all man made systems; that the Gospel, with all its gifts and blessings, has been restored to the Earth through the Prophet Joseph Smith; that we have authority to call men to repentance, baptize them for the remission of sins and lay our hands upon them and they shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. He got very uneasy and left us; he then came back and asked me where I received my authority. I have been ordained under the hands of the Apostles of Jesus Christ now upon the Earth, I answered. He left. We took train to Keegan, on our way in the train we preached to some. We arrived safely at Keegan but

Bro. Stagg had to work night so we
could hold no meeting; but we spent
a pleasant evening talking to some
who came in to see us. We slept ^{at Mrs.}

Thursday Oct. 25th We walked
to Maestey, all the way through
rain, to see Shreibers family as
we had received word some of them
were going off. When we got there
we found only one of the girls ^{was} ~~was~~
going; another had received a pass
but would not go. We gave little
advice how they were to do.

We could not hold meeting as the ~~thing~~
we slept at Mrs. Williams ^{each} ~~part~~

Friday 26th We walked to Treerby,
a distance of about 12 or 14 miles.
The latter part of our way was
through rain. I had to change
my trousers. We spent the night
at Joshua and Sarah Jones.

Saturday 27th After breakfast we
called to see some parties and then
walked to Tylosstown; there we had
dinner with sister Roberts. She had
a great many complaints to make
about her husband. We advised her
to try to live in peace with her hus-
band again, and overlook his little
faults. We find many who like
to find a great deal of fault with
others, but do not try to learn their
own weaknesses; neither do they
want to say any thing to the face of
the parties whom they think do wrong.
We try to persuade such people to
get the beam out of their own eye be-
fore they trouble about the mote
after dinner we walked to Treema,
to Mrs. Pices where we found a good
welcome. They gave us their beds to
sleep in.

Sunday 28th. It had been proposed to have meeting at Bro. Price's. Bro. Mantle and I went down to invite Ben. Lewis and wife to meeting; he once belonged to the Church, she still claim the name of a Saint. They promised to come to meeting, but did not put in an appearance.

We had a nice dinner at Bro. Price's. At 2:30 we commenced meeting; we had a house full of of Saints and had a very enjoyable time. After meeting we had a council meeting, in which we settled a little difficulty between Bro. Price & Evan Evans.

The weakness of human nature was shown in seeing what a bother they made about a little more than nothing. We held meeting at 4 o'clock at Bro. Price's. Bro. Edwards, Pres. of the branch, I and Bro. Mantle spoke in the order given. We had a good time.

Monday 29th. We walked to Mesthys. We thought to have mail, but did not however there was a Desert News there for Pres. Lewis and in that we learned about Conference in Salt Lake City. The Apostles and first Presidency spoke. All felt well in the work and that all would be well with the Saints if they do right.

The wicked, those who seek to destroy the Saints will be frustrated in their planning against the Saints in the future as they have been in the past.

About one hundred missionaries were called to different parts.

We slept at Sister F. Carnon's.

Tuesday 30th we walked to Tyler's. Wednesday 31st we walked to Gilfach Gole.

It being the last night of summer, Sister Edwards had a goose cooking. We had a nice supper. Sister Edwards and her husband do very kind to us. They cannot do enough to satisfy themselves.

Thursday Nov. 1st 1883.

After breakfast, it being very cloudy we started to Pontyprield. We had no rain on our way.

Many females, women & girls, were in a coal tip picking coal.

We called at Bro. Hughes and had dinner. We then went to Bro. Veals at which place we remained until meeting time. We then met with the Saints at Bro. Hughes and had meeting. The Saints bore testimony to the truth of the Great-latter day work. After which Bro. Mantle and I occupied about 3/4 of an hour in talking upon the principles of the Gospel and in incouraging the Saints to do right.

After meeting Bro. Bishop gave us a shilling each. We slept at Mrs. Veals

Friday Nov. 2nd After breakfast at Bro. Veals, and reading awhile, we went started to Penrhinwicker. On our way we called at sister Evanses. There we had dinner. We then walked to the above named place. We held a meeting in the evening at Bro. Isaac Evans. A few of the neighbors came in. Bro. Mantle spoke first. I followed.

We had a good meeting, after which we had some dice singing. We slept at Bro. Evanses.

Saturday 3rd After breakfast we walked to Merthyr. On our way we were accompanied a woman who was also crossing the mountain; she soon made known to him who we were. We preached some to them but he did not take much interest. The day was fine & the air clear so we could see for many miles.

We found Pres. Lewis at 1 Windsor Terrace. Sister Harman was not getting much better. There were letters for us from home bearing the good news; all well; father had got back from Conference, and had had a very enjoyable time.

In the evening three brethren who came ~~down~~ with the itineraries who were called at the Oct. 1883. Conference came to Merthyr. The names of the brethren are John Edwards, Willard, Fredrick Lewis, Spanish Fork, Daires, Willard. The latter came on a visit to Wales.

We had a very enjoyable evening.
Sunday Nov. 4th 1883.

We met in our usual Council meeting at 11 A.M. The districts and branches were reported in their usual condition. The brethren expressed themselves feeling well.

The brethren who had just come over spoke a short time.

We met with the Saints in the afternoon and evening, and had enjoyable times. The brethren felt rather affected with the thought of being so far from home.

Monday I was busily occupied all day in attending to Conference books. In the evening we went up to Ceefn and held meeting.

J. Lewis, J. F. Ellis, my self and Pres. Lewis spoke.

It rained on us all the way up and back. Pres. Lewis and I slept, as usual, at Sister Harman's. Tuesday 6th November. I was occupied with the books. Sent accounts and remittances to Liverpool. Wednesday 7th. Spent the day reading and writing. Went to Trelechaphin in the evening and held meeting.

Thursday Nov. 8th I spent the forenoon writing. In the afternoon I walked to Tredegar to see Cousin Thomas Lewis and Thos Reese. I spent the evening with Cousin Lewis at his lodgings. Cousin Reese came over to see me. I had not been in long before a companion of father in his young days came in ^{his name is} he is a brother-in-law to the people with whom Cousin is lodging. We soon commenced talking on religion. I found he was a Calvinistic Methodist preacher. He had several hours talk. After he found his turning and twisting of the Scriptures insufficient to cope with truth he resorted to tales. He said he saw three Elders, who were working at the same pit as he, try to deceive the people thus.

One was working in his stall; a little Coal-fell on him, and the other two dragged him out as though he was badly hurt. They then got some oil to anoint him (the one who was supposed to be hurt) but they did not put a drop of oil on the man and told him to jump up when they said certain words. The preacher said he saw that. I told him I knew he was not telling truth; but he did not resent it. We talked until 11.30 P.M. Before he went I bore my testimony to him. I told him that I was sent out with authority to call him to repentance baptize him for remission of his sin and lay hands on him for the reception of the Holy Ghost. That he did not receive very well. I slept with Cousin Thos Lewis.

Friday Nov. 9th. After breakfast
Cousin Thos Lewis and I went to
Cousin Thos Reeses. He was gone
to work but his wife was very pleased
to see us. She made us dinner.
After dinner I started to Merthyr.
I arrived there after 2^{1/2} hours walk.
I slept with Pres. Lewis.

Saturday, Nov. 10th I started to
Pentypridd about 11 A. M. Pres. Lewis
came with me to Groesyshin. We
had dinner at sister Gwynns.
I left Pres. Lewis there and walked
to Thos Evans (Commons) where I
had supper. I then went to Mrs Veals
where I slept.

Sunday 11th. I met with the Elders
in Council in the morning and with the
Saints in the after-noon in the
after-noon and evening.
I spoke at each meeting.

Monday 12th Nov. I spent most of the
day at Mrs. Veals writing to Mr. W. H.
Apperley (Loyan) I went up to Mrs.
Bishops Waterman. In the evening
I met with the Saints at Mrs. Thos
Evans in prayer meeting. I read
Bro. Edwards Aunters (recently dis-
eased) testimony in regard to the
Prophet Joseph Smith receiving
the Testimony revelation on Celestial
Marriage. I slept at Mrs. Veals.

Tuesday 13th I spent the day at
Pentypridd, visiting the Saints and
writing & reading. Slept at Mrs. Veals.

Wednesday Nov. 14th I walked to
Glantwit and spent the day with
Bro. Davies who had recently come
over and who was visiting his
relatives, at his aunts. Where
we slept.

Thursday Nov. 13th After breakfast we went to visit The Glam-tuit school. The teacher was pleased to have us call and soon had the school arranged to sing for us; They sang very nice. After singing he ^{invited} invited us to tell something about our country, which we did. In the afternoon we walked to Garth Hill Cottage where we spent the night.

Friday Nov. 16th I walked to Old Monarchy. Shortly after we had been there President Lewis came. He had walked from Pontypool. After dinner we went to Cardiff. Took a walk around the park, and through some of Cardiff. Mrs. Davies took the train to Pontypool. Mr. Lewis had gone and I walked to Old Mon. Mr. L & I slept at Sister Dimin's.

Saturday we spent the day in Cardiff. Sunday Nov. 18th We met with the saints at Old Br. Blaenau. - Had a good time.

Monday 19th We went to Cardiff. We called at Aunt Jane Reedes sister's. She was very ill so we could not see her. We were treated kindly by her husband & daughter. Dinner was soon prepared. After spending a little time there we went to see Jenkin Francis, a friend of Bro. Bosselt. Wrenson. After conversing there with him and family for a little while we were invited to take tea which we did. We went back to Dimin's in the evening where we slept.

Tuesday 20th Pres. Lewis, having a bad cold, took train to Merthyr. I walked to Trequilly in the day as the few proceedings was very stormy.

I was treated kindly by Mrs. &
sister Thomas. I spent the night at
Wednesday, 21st Very stormy & some
rain. I started to Pontypriod.

I rode in a cart to Llantwit with
a man going to Pontypriod. I talked
some with him about Mormonism.

I talked in such a half soaked
way that I could see he felt un-
willing. He asked me if John Taylor

had as many wives as Brigham
Young. I told him I never thought
it my business to interfere in family
matters therefore I did not know.

however we, as a people, believe in
plural marriage.

at Llantwit, I went to see Mrs.
Howell Williams; he & wife received
me kindly and gave me dinner.

After which I walked to Pontypriod
I slept at Mrs. Veals.

Thursday 22nd. I had dinner at
Bro. Evanses and walked to Penrhos ^(then)
held a meeting therein the evening.

Friday I walked to Mesthr. and there
had 3 letters from home. Good news all ^(well)
however brother George Thomas has had the
misfortune to get his team killed when
young George was coming home from the
Canyon. They jumped into a creek by Newton.

Saturday I wrote some letters and
walked to Rhymer. There met Mrs. Ellis
Sunday I met with the Elders in Council ²⁵
and with the Saints in the afternoon and
evening. Talked both meetings.

Monday I walked to Trelegan, there met
Cousin Tho. Reese. I spent the night at
his house & preached "Mormonism" to him.

I had a conversation with several of the
friends & relations. Tuesday I walked
to Mesthr. Pres. Lewis felt very
sorry that Mrs. Ellis would not accept
of an opportunity to go home. ^(I believe)
Following is the letter I wrote to Mrs. E. for Rec.

1 Windsor Terrace

Merthyr Tydfil.

November 28th 1883

Elder John F. Ellis.

Dear Brother, - I was surprised to learn from Bro. Reese that you continue to refuse to accept of the good opportunity afforded you to return home.

The time is drawing near and you better accept. You are, as you learned from Pres. Smith's letter, released from your labors.

I have received no further instructions from Pres. Smith and, if I do not receive any, I shall certainly act upon his former instructions and you, accordingly, will be required to go among your relations.

I trust, dear brother, you will consider this matter and accept of the opportunity to go home.

Let me beg of you to go; and be here Friday morning, as the ship

with those returning will leave Liverpool Saturday Dec. 1st.

Do not let the getting of genealogies trouble you or stop you to go. Bro. Reese will do all he can in that matter if you will furnish the necessary means; and, of course, it will cost you no more than to get them yourself. - Trusting you will act wisely in this matter.

I am, dear brother, your well-wisher and brother in the Gospel.

David Lewis.

Per N. G. Reese.

After writing the above, I wrote home and to Cousin Eliza Lloyd. Then I then rode to Abernant and walked to Treaman and spent the night at Bro. Price's.

I held meeting in the evening, Thursday 29th. I walked to Parkview and held meeting at Bro. Evanses in the evening. Friday, Dec. 30th, to Merthyr.

Another year, dear Mary, has near pass'd
And still my way on British soil I plod;
To teach my fellow men the way of life,
A duty, being called, I owe to God.

Another year dear Mary is at hand; -
And yet I am six thousand miles from home,
'Tis not for earthly treasure that I seek,
Nor is it for worldly honours that I roam.

Oh! no, dear Mary, not for these I left
My home and friends in Utah's peaceful dell.
If ^{Jack} 'twere e'er this I should have ^{had} ^{me}
To where I know God's chosen ones do dwell.

But as it is - though silent tears may roll
Or through my fluttering heart ^{a sigh} leave many
I could not, would not, dare not leave my task
Being sent by Him who rules and reigns ^{high}
Then to my post with firmness I'll remain
Till through God's blessing I shall earn ^{peace}
Then with a heart, though throbbing, full of joy
I shall return to my dear Mary Pease.

Friday Nov. 30th 1883.

I walked to Bro. Pries, had dinner there. Walked to Abertant, then took train and rode to Merthyr.

Found Bro. Lewis there feeling well.

Saturday Dec. 1st Bro. Mantle & Lewis came up from Swansea district and Bro. Ellis came in from Menmouth district. We felt to rejoice to meet with each other and that all were well.

Sunday Dec. 2nd We met in our usual monthly Council at which the branches were reported in good condition - better than usual in some. We held meeting in the afternoon and evening and had enjoyable times. A baby was blessed in the evening.

I remained at Merthyr until the following Thursday Dec. 6th attending to the Conference books. We sent reports to the different branches and individuals about their books accounts,

Thursday 6th took the train to Abertant and from there I walked to Treaman where I met Bro. J.

Lewis at Bro. Pries. We remained there until after supper; then we & Bro. Prie's wife walked to Penrhin-caber and held meeting at Bro. Isaac Evanses. Bro. J. Lewis and I spoke. We had a good meeting - the spirit of God was with us.

Friday Dec. 7th We started to Tylorstown; on our way we called in to see Ben. Lewis family; we encouraged them to take their place and live the lives of Saints. Although they were cold when we went in, they gave us dinner and felt well when we left.

We found the few Saints at Tylorstown almost asleep; but we encouraged them to come forth and do right. We had an enjoyable time there. Slept at David Jenkinses.

Saturday Dec. 8th 1883.
After breakfast at D. Jenkins',
we went down and administered
to Bro. Griffiths after which he said
he felt better. We took dinner at
sister Roberts, and then walked to Ponty-
pridd, We had supper at Bro. Hughes.
Here we learned Bro. Thos. Evans was
very sick; we went up and admin-
istered to him. Bro. Lewis slept
at Bro. Hughes, I at Bro. Veals.
Sunday Dec. 9th We met with
the ~~Presbytery~~^{Presbytery} in Council. The saints
were reported as feeling well with
a few exceptions. Bro. J. Lewis
instructed the brethren as we
felt led by the Spirit of God.
Bro. Roberts, Griffiths and Jenkins
were down from Tylorstown. As
they had been left by their Pres.
Wm. Thomas and were unable to
keep up their meetings, and as
Bro. Jenkins had been drinking

and had no means to make
it right, we proposed that the
Tylorstown Saints be received
into the Pontypridd Branch, which
was done. Bro. Jenkins asked for-
giveness and was forgiven.
We met with the Saints in the
afternoon and evening when Bro.
Lewis and I spoke to the Saints;
a few strangers. The hour was
full and we had an enjoyable
time. I slept at Bro. Veals.
Monday Dec. 10th We went to
Trecroky. On our way up we called
at Bro. Daniels and had dinner,
we called at Joneses & Field-fach.
Bro. Lewis had quite a talk with
them; we encouraged them to do
right and promised them that
the Lord would bless them if they did.
They were cool when we went in but
when we left they felt well toward
us. We acknowledged all the blessings
of the Lord in raising up friends to
us.

Joshua and Sarah Jones at the
worky make us welcome and
we staid with them all night.
In the evening we had a long
conversation upon the order of the
Priesthood. Bro. Lewis gave me
many points of information.
The Pres. of the Conference pre-
sides over all meetings.
It is the duty of traveling Elders
to regulate and build up the
Branches, and do all the good
they can. When there is any
difficulty between the Saints or
with families, the Teacher should
be referred to. The local Pres.
presides at all meetings in his
branch, but when the traveling
Elders are present he should turn
the meetings over to the traveling
Elders. A High Priest is over a
Seventy and a Seventy over con-
Elders.

It is a Priest's duty to teach
the Saints, their duties, such as
paying their tithing, attending
to their prayers and meetings.
The teachers duty is to see that
the Saints do those things.
The organization of the Latter-
day Saints shows that it is
of divine origine. I trust, hope
and pray that I shall ever
prove true to the cause of
truth. Heavenly Father grant
that I may.
Tuesday, Dec. 11th we spent the
day in visiting around. We
slept at Joshua and Sarah Jones.
Wednesday Dec. 12th We went
to Gilfach and spent the night
at Bro & Sister Edwards.
Thursday Dec. 13th We left there
and walked to Dinas. It rained
hard on us all the way. We stayed
ourselves and had dinner at Sister
Daniels, took train ride to Hafod.

Then walked to Bro. Hughes
It rained all day
We had supper at Bro. Hughes

We met with The Saints in the evening and had an enjoyable time
I spoke first Bro. F. Lewis followed.

Slept at Bro. Sister Thals.
Friday 14th. After breakfast we went up to see Mrs. Evans. Took dinner with her after which we walked to Llantwit. We called in to see Mrs. Thomas, an aunt to Elder Wm. Davies of Willars. We preached to her and bore testimony she would get warmed in her feelings against us some times and then she would cool down again. She gave us something to eat.

We called at Mrs. Rees Jenkins, spent the evening. Slept at New Inn.
We later went to the Rectory
Saturday Dec 15th. After taking breakfast at Rees Jenkins, we walked to Cardiff. I found six letters at the Post Office for me.

Good news from home. All well every thing prospering. My heart was unable to rejoice. I also have Desert News.

What kind parents I have! May the Lord bless them with long life, peace and plenty. And oh Father may they live to be worthy of an exaltation in the Celestial Kingdom of God, and there be blessed with the society of their sons with their families.

We have much to live for, How thankful we should be for the light of the Gospel!

Bro. Lewis and I strolled around awhile and then went but 2 mi. to Old Monarchy where we slept at Mr. Dimonds; His wife is in the Church but he does not know it. We desire to have him know and want him to learn in a way to cause no trouble.

Sunday Dec. 16th. 1883.

After Breakfast we went, according to invitation to see Mr. & Mrs. Grant and their daughter. They received us kindly, but when Mrs. Lewis was talking with the old lady upon our faith and bearing a testimony to her she got very excited.

But her daughter took our part. It was soon found that Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Grant were Second Cousins.

After that they were more kind than ever. We had dinner with them.

In the afternoon we met with the few Saints in Mrs. Blaekens and held meeting. Had a good time.

We proposed an evening meeting.

At 6.30 Several of the neighbors came in to Mrs. Blaekens and we had a good meeting. I spoke first, Mrs. Lewis after. All were attentive and we felt sure much good was done.

Monday Dec. 17th. 1883.

We spent these days in Cardiff. We went around and seeing the old home of Mrs. Lewis as he is a native of Cardiff. We called at Mrs. Harris; found her better; had dinner there; called to see a brother-in-law of John Edwards Logan, who lives at Llandaff; he was not home but his daughter was and we talked to her & bore testimony to her. The name of the family is Davies. The son's wife (sister of John Edwards) died suddenly about 2 years since. We met several while about Cardiff with whom we conversed and bore our testimony to them. The Lord continues to bless us in our efforts to perform our duties.

We slept at Dimonds. He continues to be more favorable toward the truth.

Wednesday Dec. 19th. We left Cardiff after taking breakfast at Sister Dimonds and dinner at Frank and walked to Trequillym where we were kindly received. We spent an enjoyable evening in conversation upon the principles of the Gospel. We slept here at Bro. & Sister Thomas.

Thursday 20th. We took train at Llantrissant station and rode to Cefn Cribwr, the day being too wet to walk. We here held meeting in the evening at Mrs. Stagg.

Friday ^{21st} We spent the day at Cefn. Sister Flue made us dinner. In the evening we held meeting at Mrs. Stagg. Several strangers came in to hear us. We had a good meeting. Bro. J. Lewis spoke first. I followed. After meeting we taught Mrs. Stagg the principles of tithing. He felt blessed.

Saturday 22nd. We walked to Trequillym, about 18 or 19 mi. We were kindly received by Bro. & Sister Thomas. We spent an enjoyable time in conversation.

Sunday 23rd. We spent the day at Thronnos expecting some to come so we could hold meeting? But as none came we had no meeting. We were very kindly treated.

Monday 24th. After breakfast we left Thronnos and walked to Llantwit. It has rained on us and my feet are very wet.

Bro. J. Lewis and I have been sitting here in the front room writing up our journals. We are now at Bro. Rees Jenkins. We think to baptize his father-in-law this evening as he promised us when we were last here. I must now warm my feet.

The old gentleman, concluded not to be baptized quite yet. So we took dinner and went on to Ponty-spaid where we had good welcome.

We slept with the Saints in prayer meeting in the evening at Mrs. Thos Evans. We had an interesting time. At the close of the meeting we proposed having a meeting in Bro. Hughes the following (Christmas) evening. Slept at Bro. Veals.

Christmas Dec. 20th 1888.

We arose feeling well, took breakfast at Bro. Veals. Sister ^{Lee} Hughes invited us to take Christmas dinner with them but as we had promised Veals we could not accept. However, we concluded it would be nothing but fair for one of us to eat dinner at Bro. Hughes, so Bro. J. Lewis and I drew lots to see who should go to Bro. Hughes. Bro. J. got the

Sister Veal prepared a very nice dinner; it consisted of roast pork, boiled potatoes and cabbage, plum pudding and Cakes.

In the evening as proposed, we met at Bro. Hughes and had a very enjoyable time in praying, singing, talking, reciting and exercising. The Speakers which were Bro. Hughes, Veal, Bishop Evans, myself and Bro. J. Lewis, showed the necessity of paying respect to the day celebrated as the birthday of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

How inconsistent many thousands are in paying attention to the day of celebration of our Saviour. Many thousands take it as a day to reel in drunkenness and debauchery.

We felt to thank our heavenly
Father for his protecting care
because we had been preserved
in the cause of Him whose birth-
day we have cause to commemorate.
He slept at Bro. Vork's.

Wednesday Dec 26th, 1883.

We spent the day in visiting
among the Saints and held mee-
ting with them in the evening.

Edw. Lewis, Darius and myself
were at the meeting, we had a
good one. I slept with Bro. Davis
at his aunts, Hanover Arms Inn.

Thursday Dec 27th, 1883.

We walked to Penrhinwceiber.

On our way we called on two of
Bros. Lewis Cousins viz; John and Geo.
Lewis, with the latter we had dinner.

We held meeting at Bro. S. Evanses
in the evening.

Bro. Lewis and I talked to the
few Saints: Bro. Wm. Collins
who came into the Church airt
a few months ago and who we
recently ordained to Harmonic Priest-
hood, did not come to meeting. He had for
his excuse that Bro. Evans family
had not done exactly right.

He said he would not attend
meeting any more in Bro. Evans
house. I tried to show him his
folly. I told him he would repent
some day of taking such a course.
I had a conversation with him
before meeting. I think his wife
is the cause of him acting as
he did. I trust he will repent
of his folly, break through the
bars by which he is bound and
come forth, and live the reli-
gion of a Latter day Saint.

Friday Dec. 29th, 1883.

I left Parkville and came to Merthyr. Bro. Lewis remained there. I met Pres. Lewis at Windsor Terrace. I received a letter from Bro. W. W. Harris stating that everything in the Southern States was prospering.

I also received two papers from home. Zion prospers, notwithstanding the efforts of secret societies and wicked preachers such as Rev. D. Witt LaMagne to injure the Saints of God.

Saturday Dec. 30th, 1883

I walked to Gredegar to see my Cousin. There met Aunt Esther and Cousin Wm. Griffiths, mother & Bro. Sam. I spent a pleasant evening at Cousin Thos. Reese's where Aunt was staying. Cousin Wm. visited & I slept there.

Sunday Dec. 30th, 1883.

I spent the day visiting. In the evening I held meeting in the house of Wm. Williams who used to be in the Church.

I was the only saint there. I opened by singing and prayer. After which I spoke about one and a quarter hours upon the first principles of the Gospel.

I bore a strong testimony to the truth of the Gospel.

Two of my Cousins and some of their friends and relations were at meeting. Good order prevailed and all seemed interested.

I slept at Cousin's.

Monday, after breakfast I walked to Merthyr distance 8 mi. I wrote some letters. Slept with Pres. Lewis at Sister J. Garrison's.

Thus another year has ended:
I have had many seasons of joy
and pleasure through the past
year, and surely I have great
cause to our heavenly Father for
His protecting care over me.
I have continued to receive good
news from the family at home,
and my wants have been sup-
plied continually. I have always
had a place when night came
to rest and always had food
when required. My health has
been good, and I have been enabled
to bear my humble testimony to
many thousands through the year.
I have baptized a few.
I have drunk very little tea
and for some time back I have
drank none. I have drank

perhaps a quart of beer through
the year, and that at one time,
however I think better to touch
not to eat not, handle not.

Many thousands are ruined through
the use of intoxicants.

I endeavor to persuade the same
to avoid the use of beer; and
tea as far as possible.

We find it very hard sometime
to avoid drinking tea as the
people there think it - So very
strange not to drink tea.

Some times we call on those who
do not belong to the Church and
they prepare us food and first
thing we know they have tea pour-
ed out and desire us to eat, and
we are almost afraid of giving
offense to refuse; but I have lear-
ned that it is better to do so than
drink tea. Refuse in a kind way.

Dec. 24th 1883.

The following was sent by Bro.
John G. Gould to Elder Lewis
and myself to Pentyfield.
These Mormon boys they are a set.
To duties call they bow.
In many a land we find them there
Making a desperate war.
The truth they've got and fear not
Though Satan's threats they hear
Though persecution fierce and hot
They'll spread it far and near
Nor coward's blood flows in their veins
They're valiant in the fight.
And using all their might
They're gaining victory for the right
While Father holds the reins.
Mentor, Dec 24th 1883. J. G. Gould.

&

Letters received.
Dec. 5th. Father, Mother,
Mary M. Reese.

Letters written

May 22 Chas. A. Mary A. Reese and
 Mary M. Reese. 28th Parents.
 Andrew J. N. W. Haws. June 2nd Susan Lloyd
 June 24th W. D. Williams June 5th Thos. N. Reese
 .. 5th Father & mother. June 13th Parents.
 and the little boys. Mary M. Reese.
 June 20th Father and mother. G. C. Parkin
 June 27 Mary M. Reese. 28 Mary A. Reese
 June 29 Wm. Willie July 3rd Father & mother.
 July 4th Mary M. Reese. (25) Parents.
 .. 17th Miss Sela S. Cook. ^{uncles} Thos. Reese.
 July 1st Father and mother.
 July 18th Mary M. Reese.
 .. 5th

 July 26 Mary M. Reese. (25) Elijah Lloyd.
 July 30th N. M. Hodges. Susan Lloyd.
 Aug. 6th Andrew J. Thos. H. the little boys.
 Thos. Davies. Aug. 6th Father, Mother Chas. A.
 Aug. 13th Parents. (28) Thos. H. Andrew J. Reese
 Aug. 21 Mary M. Reese. 22nd Elijah Lloyd
 Aug. 25 Parents. St. Shepton.

Letters written

Aug 3 Mary A. Reese. Uncle Wm. Lewis.
 Sept 5 Elijah Lloyd. Father & Mother.
 Sept. 6th Mary M. Reese. Sept. 11th Parents.
 Sept. 19th Parents. and Reese W. D. Williams
 Sept 21st John H. Gibbs. N. W. Haws
 Joseph. H. Evans. Daniel. Roach.
 Sept. 24th Andrew J. Reese. David Lewis
 Sept. 24. Wm. White. Oct. 1st Mary M. Reese
 Oct. 1st Mother Oct. 9th Thos. N. Reese Father.
 Oct. 13th Chas. A. & Mary A. Reese
 Oct. 16th N. W. Haws. Oct. 20th Father & Mother.
 Oct. 29th Mary M. Reese. N. M. Hodges.
 Oct. 30th Andrew J. Reese Thos. S. Davies.
 Mother. Nov. 5th Parents.
 Nov. 12. W. H. Apperley (17) M. M. Reese
 Nov. 19th Thos. H. Reese. Parents. Almus
 Moses & Richard. (24) N. W. Haws
 Nov. 28th Parents. Dec. 18th Parents
 Dec. 6th Parents. Jan. 29 Chas. A. Reese
 Jan. 1st 76 & Parents.

Letters Received.

May 21st 1883

Father, Mother, Chas. W. Mary A. N. W.
 Haws Ellen Wolf, Wm. Hyde and
 Mary M. Reese, Andrew J. & Thos. W.
 Jane Reese. June 2nd Father & Mother, Jas. S.
 Hancy, Susan Lloyd, June 4th W. D. Williams
 June 5th Susan Lloyd, June 12th Father
 Mother & Mary M. Reese, June 18th G. F. Man
 June 15th Father and Mother, Anna Reese
 .. J. E. Goodd. June 25th 2 from Parents
 June 25th Mary M. Reese Mary A. Reese
 Pres. Lewis J. H. Libbs, N. W. Haws
 Elizabeth Lloyd, July 7th Father & Mother
 July 3rd James Low, Sen. (8) Father & Mother
 8 W. H. Chain, July 16th Mary M. Reese
 July 16 Father Thos. Davis, Card from Paul Green.
 July 17th Eliza Lloyd (20) Father & Mother
 Chas. A. Reed (28) Mary M. Reese.
 July 30th Mother Eliza Lloyd.
 August 6th N. W. Haws, 8th Parents,
 Chas. H. Andrew L. Reese, Father, Mother, Chas. W.
 Aug. 21st John H. Libbs, Eliza Lloyd
 Aug. 23 Susan Lloyd, 25 Eliza Lloyd

Letters Received.

August 30th Father & Mother Mary M. Reese
 Aug. 31st Father & Mother & Maggie.
 Mary A. Reese.
 Sept. 3rd Eliza Lloyd, 4th Mother, Bessie White.
 Sept. 10th 2 from father and mother
 N. W. Haws. Sept 17 Mother, Thos. Davis
 17th Andrew J. Reese, Jane Reese 20 Eliza Lloyd
 Sept. 21st G. F. Williams (24) David Lewis
 Sept. 27 Mother, Mary M. Reese
 Oct. 3rd Father and Mother.
 Oct. 9th Wm. D. Chain, Wm. Willie, 11th Mary A. Reese
 Oct. 20th Father and Mother (22) Mary M. Reese
 Oct. 27th Mother, Andrew, Thos. E. Davis.
 Oct. 27th N. W. Haws, Nov. 3rd Parents.
 Nov. 3rd Eliza Lloyd (6) little brothers,
 Nov. 16th Thos. H. Reese, M. M. Reese
 Nov. 23 Father 2, Mother
 W. D. Williams, Eliza Lloyd
 Dec 15th 2 from Parents, Chas. W.
 Mary Reese J. H. Libbs, John Edwards,
 Eliza Lloyd, Dal Lewis

Amount Received.

May 21st Mother \$5-00
June 12th Mother for the little boys.
Andrew 1⁰⁰ Richard 1⁰⁰ Alma 1⁰⁰ 3-00
Herbert 5⁰⁰ Moses 5⁰⁰ Chas H 1⁰⁰ 2-00
Mother 2⁰⁰ Father 2⁰⁰ \$5-00
Ellen Reese 2⁰⁰ Mary A. Reese 5⁰⁰ Father 5⁰⁰ \$3-00
July 8th Father \$10-00
" 8th W. W. Thain 1⁰⁰ Mother 5⁰⁰ 6-00
August 30th In a letter from Mother \$10-00
Sept. 17th Sister Thomas \$1-00
Oct. 20th Mother \$15-00
Oct. 30th Mother 2-00
Nov. 16th Thomas H. Reese 1-00
Nov. 23rd Father 3-00
Jan. 23rd Mother 5-00

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Journal of W. G. Reese.
January 1st. 1884.

I look back with pleasure upon my labors during the past year, and through the blessing of the Lord I shall endeavor to do better through the year that is now commenced than I have in the past.

I attended our usual monthly Council Sunday Jan. 6th. 1884. Bros. David Lewis (Pres.), Fred. Lewis, L. J. Mantle and Wm. Davies, and myself met with the local priesthood. The branches were represented as being in good condition. We met with the Saints in the afternoon and evening, and had an enjoyable time.

I was very busily engaged in attending to conference accounts until Thursday 10th. when I took the train at 9:30 12.40 for Bristol.

I went by way of Pontypool Rd. & Newport. I had to wait ~~total~~ two hours at Newport during which time I went around to see some of the place. At 4 p. m. I took train again; at 5.40 I was landed at Bristol. I soon found myself at Bro. Hodges where I was very kindly treated. Pres. Green and Elders Board were there. I met with the brethren Thursday evening; they called upon me to speak; I occupied about 40 minutes. Bro. Hodges followed. He spoke very well, and we had a very good meeting at the close of which three young men came up and interrogated us. We answered all their reasonable questions.

After meeting we went, ~~to~~ Bro. Hodges and had a nice time.

I slept at the Bristol Conference

Jan. 11th. I spent the day with Bro. Green and Hodges.

Jan 12th. Took train at 9.30 a. m. from Bristol to London. Bro. Green & Hodges came with me to the station.

At 12.20 I arrived at London. Paddington station; Bro. Clawson met me. We then took train to Sloane Square on the Metropolitan. We soon found ourselves at the office where I was introduced to the Brethren laboring in the London Conference. viz. Pres. E. H. Nye, Elders. Atkin, Lunel, Denny, Braly, Hemley, Stayner, Reeves, Harris, Benck, Dent Gibbons, and Angel.

Bro. Braly and I slept at Bro. Garner's Sunday January 13th. 1884.

We met with the brethren and saints in the Orson's Assembly Rooms, 23 New Rd. Commercial Rd. London.

An account of the conference appeared in the 4th No. of Mill. Star Vol. 46.

Monday Jan. 14th. 1854

The Utah Elders met at the office and reported our labors and was then instructed by Pres. Smith.

The brethren did not find much good derived from tracting; they found the tracts a means of introduction.

Most of the brethren have not observed strictly the words of wisdom.

Pres. Smith exhorted the brethren to observe strictly the word of wisdom.

He desired us to do all we can to get at the Gentiles and not curse the old saints.

After meeting Bro. Hensley and I walked to Bro. Garner, 6 Latimer Rd. Notting Hill - a long walk from 19 Sutherland Street Primliss London.

Tuesday Jan. 15th. We took train to St. James Square and walked to the office.

Bro. Beach and I took Train to Crystal Palace. We enjoyed ourselves

very much. It is certainly a grand place. I slept at the office.

Wednesday Jan 16th. It was very foggy. The boats were not running so I took train and was at Charing Cross and rode to Greenwich where I spent some time in going through Greenwich hospitals. I there saw the models of many of the most prominent ships. I also saw the suit Lord Nelson was wearing when he was shot. After going through this place I went through the park to Blackheath. I there met Cousin Eliza Lloyd and spent a very interesting evening. I walked across the Heath to Greenwich although it was rather dangerous to do so. It was about twelve when I arrived at the office. Pres. Nye was up waiting for me. I slept at the office. I think Cousin will come into the Church.

Thursday Jan. 17th.

Bro. C. E. Angel and I visited Sir Robert Peel's Monument, then the South Kensington Museum.

It was very grand. In the evening we went to the Adelphi Theatre.

Friday Jan. 18th. I visited the Zoological Gardens. In the evening I visited Madame Tussaud's Wax works.

There can be seen the royal family and many prominent men in wax dressed in their costumes.

I slept at the office.

Saturday Jan. 19th. 1884.

Bro. Angel and I visited the Parliament houses. We there saw the House of Commons the House of Lords and the throne of England.

We also visited Westminster Abbey where we saw the tombs and monuments of many great men. In the evening we went to the Royal Music Hall. The singing was quite good & the music.

Sunday Jan. 20th 1884.

I attended the White Chapel branch meeting. I spoke a short time in the afternoon ~~and~~ After meeting I met Cousin Eliza at the White Chapel Station.

She attended meeting in the evening. I was called upon to speak in the evening. I spoke about 40 minutes.

After meeting I took Cousin to Charing Cross and saw her on the train for Blackheath and then I took train to Latimer Row and was seen at Bro. Garver's.

Monday Jan. 21st. After breakfast I took train to Abchurch Lane and from there walked to the office where I met five of the brethren. I wrote to father and mother and Bro. Angel. I met & I took a walk together.

I slept alone at the office as all the brethren were off.

Tuesday Jan. 22nd. 1884.

Took a walk to the Royal College of Surgeons. One interesting feature was the skeleton of two whales.

One measured 24 yards long. In the evening Bro. Angel and I went to Blackheath. We called to see Cousin Eliza. We then walked to Deptford and met with the Saints. Slept at Bro. Nune.

Wednesday Jan. 23rd. Bro. Angel and I took the train to Charing Cross. In the evening I went to Ch. Cross to meet Cousin as she thought to be baptized but she got too late so we could not attend to it that evening. We went up to the office.

Saw Cousin safely on the train for Blackheath. Slept at the office.

Thursday Jan. Bro. Stagner and I visited Dorset Art Gallery. Then the Royal music hall.

Friday Jan 25. I went to Blackheath and made arrangements to baptize Cousin the following Tuesday if she could get out.

I slept at the office.

I may here say that all the servant girls treated me very kindly and I had an interesting time with them. I preached some to them. I asked a blessing according to request and at the close of the meal being asked I returned thanks.

After eating supper and spending a pleasant evening I took train to Charing Cross and bus to Mowbray.

I slept at the office.

Saturday Bro. Stagner and I visited the Tower of London. There we saw a great deal of armory, jewelry and other interesting sights. We then went to St. Cross where we spent a very enjoyable evening in singing, reciting, &c. We then went to the office.

On Saturday we also visited St. Paul's Cathedral - the largest in the World except the one at Rome.

Service commenced while we were in it so we stopped to see it through. The usual Church of England ceremony was carried through. A young man read the chapters in the Scripture. We were close to the reader but could not hear him, the house so full.

Sunday Jan 27th.

We went to Bro. Cross to dinner.

From there I went with young sister Cross to the ^{St. Paul's} London Branch, where I met Bro. Lund. I was called upon to speak. Bro. Lund, Atkiff and I went with sister Cross to "tea". I went to meeting in the evening and by request of Bro. Lund I occupied a large portion of the meeting. Bro. Lund also spoke.

After meeting I went with Bro. Lund and spent the night with him.

Monday Jan. 28th. We visited some of the Saints, went to the British Museum and in the evening went to The Drury Lane Theatre.

"Cinderella" was played.

After the theatre I went to the office. Bro. Joseph A. Smith came to the office he had been to the same theatre.

We slept together. He had come over from Germany with a young man by the name of Evans who had taken very ill.

Tuesday Jan. 29. I went to see Bro. Smith off for Dover on his way to Berlin where he was spending most of his time studying the German language. In the evening Bro. Clawson and I went to Blackheath and from there Bro. C. went to Deptford and got sister Ann and we attended to the baptizing of Cousin Eliza Lloyd; she had been the previous Sunday and found a place. She was pleased ^{with} the privilege of being baptiz'd.

It gave me much joy to have the privilege of leading my cousin down into the waters of baptism. I think she will prove to be a good Father-day Saint. I hope to be permitted to baptize Cousin Susan and others of my Cousins. I think Susan will embrace the Gospel.

In attending to the baptizing of Cousin Eliza we were not disturbed although we were in rather a conspicuous place.

I confirmed her at least Bro. Clawson and I did. I being mouth.

Bro. Clawson and Sister Stun went back to Deptford and I went back with Cousin. I instructed her in the principles of the Gospel. She felt to rejoice. I took the 9.30 train to Charing Cross and a bus to Munster, and then went to the office where I related our experience to Mr. Nye. He felt to rejoice.

Wednesday Jan. 30th 1884.

I left the office about 11 o'clock, after wishing Bro. Nye and Atkin goodbye, and walked to St. Owen Square. I then took train to Paddington.

I took the 12 train at Paddington to Bristol. The day was very wet but I enjoyed the ride very much.

I arrived at Bristol about 5 o'clock and walked to 5-2 Richmond Rd. where I met Priest, Green and Elder Wheeler.

I spent the night evening at the old man Hodges with the brethren, and sisters Susie, Patty, Katy and Lucy. We spent an enjoyable evening.

I left at the office with the brethren.

Thursday, Jan. 31st. I wished the brethren and saints goodbye and took the 11.30 train to Cardiff. In riding across ⁱⁿ the boat we had it rather rough. 200 ministers were talking about religion; they felt to regret to see how divided the people were becoming in religion. In referring from Port Talbot to

(Newport, I had quite an interesting conversation with one of those preachers. I held him on baptism for the remission of sins and the laying on hands for the reception of the Holy Spirit by those in authority; the old gentleman did all he could to overthrow those principles.

He said his sins had been forgiven many years and that now he was all right with the Lord.

I showed him that it was impossible to be in a saved condition without keeping the commandment of the Lord - this I showed him from scripture. The old man got rather uneasy.

I had to wait in Coaliff two hours for the train and then I rode to Pontypool. I went to Mrs. Vail; had supper & then went to Mrs. Hughes to meeting, where I met Pres. Lewis; we had a good meeting. After which Pres. Lewis went to Merthyr. I slept at Mrs. Vail's.

Friday February 1st. 1884.

Took the 2 o'clock train to Merthyr. Pres. Lewis was at sister Dorman's.

In the evening I received a letter from dear parents. All well at home. What joy it gives one from time to time to learn all are well at home, everything prospering.

On Saturday Feb. 2nd. Bros. Mantle and Fred. Lewis came to Merthyr. They ^{were} well and happy.

Sunday Feb. 3rd. We held our usual monthly council. Margaret Williams was cut off the Church for unchristian like conduct. We held meetings in the afternoon and evening.

In the afternoon meeting, three children were blessed. Children of Mrs. Evans, & we had very good meetings.

Monday. 4th. I was very busily engaged all day in making up Comf's account.

In the evening, Daniel and Fred Lewis went to Newtown and held meeting in a private house we had a good time.

Tuesday Feb. 5th. 1884

I was very busily engaged in writing for the conference. Bro. Fred Lewis started to Swansea.

In the evening, Bro. Lewis, Elder Mantle and I took supper at Bro. Lawrence's.

Wednesday 6th. We went down to sister Gwynne's and held meeting.

Thursday Bro. Lewis and I visited sister Gwynne's.

Friday 7th. I took the 12 train rode to Albemarle and then walked to Bro. Price's where I had dinner and from there went to Penrhyn Ceiber and spent the night at Bro. Evans'. They are a good family but very dirty, in preparing & serving food, so much so that I can scarcely eat sometimes.

The old lady used her dish rag for a nose wipe - horrible!

Saturday Feb. 9th.

It was very wet, I took the two o'clock train to Pontypool. Bro & sister Evans would not hear about me going off until after dinner. I do wish they would be a little more clean.

I spent the evening & night at Bro. Veals.

Sunday Feb. 10th. I met with the local Priesthood in a meeting at 11 o'clock. The brethren reported to Branch feeling well.

I instructed the brethren to be diligent in performing their duties and talked a little upon the "Word of wisdom" and cautioned the brethren against the use of intoxicants.

I met with the Saints in the afternoon and evening. Elder Wm. Davies was at meeting. We both spoke. We had good meetings.

Monday Feb. 11th I walked up to Tylovston
It rained on one most of the way and I
got quite wet. Sister Roberts provided
change for me. I spent the night in
Tylovston; I slept with a young ^{man} ~~orange~~
the Methodist persuasion and explained
the principles of the gospel to him.

Tuesday Feb. 12th I went to Treerky.
I called on Mrs James and Mrs
Williams and went up to Sarah James
where I spent the night. Bro. Lawrence
came up in the evening. We had an
interesting time. This Treerky is surely a
wicked and adulterous drunken place.
David Rosser who lives here has a
wife and five children, not a chain
in his house and almost starves his
family through his drunkenness.

Wednesday (13) I walked to Gelfach
Goch. It rained on one most of the way
and I had to change my trousers.
Sister Edwards is a very kind old
lady but she could be a little more clean.

When it comes to a person using the
same cloth for a handkerchief, a
nap rag, a dish cloth and a duster,
it is a sign of uncleanness, in the
first degree. I am not arraigned to
find fault with people but I cannot
help notice any thing like the above and
when I come to sit at their table I cannot
but help if they were a little more clean.
In traveling about we meet with a
variety of people and ways.

Thursday Feb. 14th I walked to Ponty-
pridd. I called at Mrs. Rees's at Tony-
refiel and had dinner. This is a beautiful
day. The birds sing joyously; every thing
looks nice. Weather as mild as May.
When I arrived at Bro. Hughes, they
were just having dinner and I accor-
ding to invitation, took dinner with
them. There were two letters for me;
one from father & mother and one from
Cousin W. D. Shain. All well at home.
Pres. Lewis came down from Merthyr
and Mr. I and Bro. Wm. Davies met with

We had a splendid meeting. Each of us spoke. Pres. Lewis slept at Bro. Vials and I slept with Bro. Davies at his aunt's. Lanover Arms.

When we went in there were several drinking; and talking nonsense.

The more I see of the results of drink the more abhorrence I have for it and Saints should not indulge in intoxicants; that is my firm belief however.

Bro. Davies and I ate some bread & cheese and went to bed.

Friday 15th. Feb. 1884.

I went, according to promise, to Bro. Evans to breakfast. Sister Evans had washed and aired my change and prepared me a nice breakfast. Surely the Lord will reward those who are so kind to His servants, and His name be praised forever for raising up kind friends to administer to His servants.

After breakfast and changing my underclothes, I went down to Pontypool to the place where I had proposed meeting Pres. Lewis; Bro. Davies went with me. After waiting a little while Pres. Lewis came. We started to Cardiff. Bro. Davies went as far as Treforest with us. We arrived at Old Monarchy about 2 o'clock. Sister Diamond soon prepared dinner.

Saturday 16th. We went to Cardiff. We went in the Court-house a while to hear the trials of some parties. In the afternoon we went to Mrs. Watts and had dinner. After walking around a while we went out to our lodgings. Sunday 17th. Feb.

In the morning we went over to Glamorgan to see one Mr. David Davies, a half brother to Bro. John Edwards, Llanover.

We had quite a chat with him upon the principles of the Gospel. He had some writing on faith and wanted Pres. Lewis to read it. Bro. Lewis thought it

Something like a blind man try-
ing to lead one who could see.
We are ^{one} ^{very} ^{conspicuous} ^{to} ^{him} ^{and} ^{others}.
He met with the ^{same} ^{young} ^{lady}.

After meeting we had tea at Sister
Blacken's. In the evening we had an enjoy-
able time talking to three young men,
Edwin Dimond, Thomas and Bogger.
They seemed quite interested in our
conversation. We have faith that they
will yet embrace the Gospel.

Monday, 17th. We went to Car-
diff; called to see Mr. & Mrs. Harris;
had dinner with them; spent a little
while in Assizes; and walked back to
Morarochy. Slept at Dimonds.

Tuesday 18th. We walked to Newm-
where we spent the night at Sister Thom's.

Wednesday 19th. We walked about 18 mi-
to Capel Embury and held meeting in
Bro. Stagg's in the evening.

Thursday we walked about 18 mi-
to Maestey and slept at Bro. Harris's.
We visited Shreiber & others.

Friday Feb. 20th. Pres. Lewis
started to Neath on foot. I started
to Capel. I had to walk fast to avoid
being caught in the approaching storm.
I had dinner with one Mr. Jenkins.
I spent the evening visiting around.
Saturday Feb. 21st. I spent the day
writing. I wrote a letter to Bro. Elmer
Harris. In the evening I baptized
Blackworthy and wife the sister
of sister Stagg. Bro. Stagg and I
confirmed him that evening as he
thought he would have to go to work
next day (Sunday).

I slept at Bro. Stagg's. The night
was very blustery.

Sunday Feb. 22nd. I held meeting
at Bro. Stagg's in the afternoon.
Bro. S. and I confirmed Mary Black-
worthy after which I instructed
them in regard to some of the privi-
leges and duties of the Latter day Saints.
Bro. Stagg & I then administered the
Sacrament.

We held meeting in the evening; a few strangers were present. Bro. Stagg spoke a while and then I spoke upon first principles at some length.

Monday Feb. 23rd I started to Llantwit. According to arrangement, I met a young woman at the Smith Coffee Tavern, Corviline Street, Bridgend, to see about her coming to work for sister Harman; We met each other on time and I explained to her what she would have to do. I then pursued my journey. The day was nice and fine. I enjoyed my walk of about 18 miles very well. I called at Rees Jenkins and "Tess" was soon prepared. In the evening I walked about two miles in seeing Howell Williams and wife; Had a good time with them.

I slept at the New Inn.
+ Tea in this country is called the 4th m.
oeluchraent, I did not drink tea.

Tue 24th I walked to Pontypridd. Bro. Wm. Davies, Willard & I went to a lecture on Phylisology in the evening, by one Moores. We thought it quite good of the kind I slept at Bro. Veals.

Wednesday Feb. 25th Bro. Davies and I spent the day together; we went to see a daughter of Wm. Davies Logan; she was pleased to see us & soon prepared dinner for us; We talked to her and husband upon "Mormonism" as it is called.

We went to hear Moores in the evening lecture upon Courtship and Marriage. She considered a batchelor a social mistake.

I slept with Bro. Davies at his Aunt's Llanover Arms.

Thursday Feb. 26th I walked to Aberdare junction 3 mi. and took train to Merthyr. as it was so stormy and cold.

I had some letters at Windsor Terrace
for one from home. Good news
all well. In the evening Bro.
W. D. Williams who had been laboring
six months in North Wales in
Lewis who had been spending the
day in Tredegar also came up.
Friday and Saturday I was busily
engaged in writing and arran-
ging for Conference.

Saturday evening Pres. Smith
came to Merthyr, Bro. Hodges,
traveling Elder in the Bristol Conf
brother of his sister - Susie & Katie
and Bro. Phillips came over to
Wales. Bro. J. H. Evans, & J. L. Edwards
came up from Carmarthen & Cardigan
shire. Bro. Mantle and Frederick
Lewis came in from their districts.
We had an enjoyable time.

Sunday March 2nd 1884.

We met in our Conference
at 11 a. m. 2 7 6 P. M.

according to appointment in
the Rail-way Inn Assembly
rooms. There were present from
Utah. Pres. J. H. Smith from
Liverpool. David Lewis pres. of
W. G. Reese, W. D. Williams, L. J. Man-
tle, J. H. Evans, J. F. Ellis, Fred Lewis,
and J. L. Edwards traveling Elders
in the Welsh Conference, and Elder
Hodges of the Bristol Confce.

We had a day of rejoicing and feasting
in the good influence of the Spirit of God
Monday March 3rd All our Utah Elders
including Apostle Smith went and had
dr. Photo. taken; that is after we
had spent about 2 hours in Council
In the evening Bro. F. Lewis and I
went to Tredegar and had meeting.

Tuesday 4th. Pres. Smith went back
to Liverpool and Bro. Hodges also went
back to Bristol. The day was very
wet I was very busily engaged in
making up Conference accounts all day

Wednesday March 5th. 1884.
The brethren all started out in their district - except Bro. Martle; he had too sore a foot. I was very busy all day writing for the Conference; I also wrote the minutes of the Conf. meetings and sent them to L. pool.

Thursday March 6th. I took the 12.20 train for Kilgetty. After having had to wait a good deal of time of the way for trains I found myself at Kilgetty about 8 o'clock. I soon found myself at Aunt Ann Lloyd's; she was very pleased to see me.

Cousins Susan & Sarah were in Ladbj but soon came home. Uncle Thomas was in work and so was Cousin Mathew.

I spent an enjoyable time until a late hour.

Friday March 7th. After breakfast I started to see our relations. I went first to Aunt Esther Rees. After spending a short time with her I left as she was clearing the house in which she lived father and mother were married; grand-mother died and our relations have occupied it for many years.

It is a neat little house situated the south west at the foot of a hill. There is a little garden to the left side of it - The grove pit can easily be seen from the door.

Turning around the right side of a little gate a few rods from the door and then going about 2 or 3 rods I crossed a little "style" and went up the hill at the back of the house and after getting to the top of a way through a gate to the right, I found myself in a narrow road; following this road a few hundred yards, going through a gate on the right and down hill a little way I found myself at

at aunt Mary Lewis - ~~the~~ sisters
of father's. From aunts door, a
person has a grand view of the
sea. Aunt was very pleased to see
me after having been away about
13 1/2 months. She soon made some-
thing for me to eat. Aunt Ann & her
sons soon came in - another of father's
sisters - and we had an interesting
time. I spent an hour or so with
aunts Mary and Ann and then
went to see aunt Elijah, one of mother's
sisters. Aunt and her daughter Eirring
were at tea and they were very glad
to see me. I spent a few hours there
while there the boys - ~~of~~ ^{from} in ^{one} -
came from work. Aunt has 8
children at home - 6 boys and 2 girls.
Uncle has been very unkind to aunt
some times and aunt has met with
a great deal of trouble. I could shed
tears to hear her relate what she has
had to pass through.

The house in which aunt Elijah
Prout lives is situated on what is
called Wine-hill. From this house
a beautiful view of the sea can
be had, and its roar can be heard.
but it is killing on people its yet-
provision and fuel up to it as all
has to be carried up a steep hill
by hand. It is almost man slaue-
ghter to carry necessaries up to
the house. How landlords can
build houses in such places and
expect people to live in them is
a question that puzzles me.

"Man's inhumanity to man,
makes countless thousands mourn."

That is, those who have been born
to fortunes, who own the land, do not
seem to care much how their tenants
have to slave and drudge.

I feel to thank The Lord that my
parents embraced The Gospel and
gathered out, even if they had to pass
through trials to do so.

Saturday March 8th

Cousin Susan Lloyd and I walked in to Tenby, distance 5 miles.

On our way I explained the principles of the Gospel to her. She is an honest girl and I trust she will embrace the Gospel. In Tenby we separated; she went to see a party and I went to see the Nicholas boys. Robt. Nicholas measured me for an overcoat, to cost £3.- as usual. I had no dinner but had tea at Robt. Nicholas. I called to see Sarah Evans; she did not seem so free as she did when I last saw her.

It looked very much for rain in the evening so Susan and I took train to Killygetty. It rained very hard before we got home to Woodcraigh.

Sunday Mich 9th I took no breakfast; went out in the woods and there poured out my soul in gratitude to God for his preserving care over me.

I went down to Aunt Esthers and had dinner with Uncle John and Aunt Esthers. They were ^{Reese} pleased to see me. Every time I had an opportunity to say a word in favor of the Gospel I did so. I have very poor faith of them receiving the Gospel in this life. In the afternoon I went up to Aunt and Uncle Mary & Mrs. Lewis, before leaving there they would have me eat.

I called down to see Aunt Harry or Ann, and Uncle Thom. Hitchens. Aunt is a very kind good old soul but Uncle is a peevish, arrogant-ignorant-bigoted man, I never could endure his society long.

Uncle John Reese is a kind fatherly man. Uncle & Mrs. Lewis as a free hearted affectionate man but not sufficiently honest to embrace the Gospel. Uncle John Prout is kind in his way when he is not drunk, but a more ignorant man could hardly be found.

I spent Sunday evening talking with uncle Thos Lloyd on religion; we had the Bible on the table and I endeavored to show him that faith, repentance, baptism by immersion, and laying on of hands for the gift of the Holy Ghost were necessary to salvation. He brought up infant baptism but utterly failed to bring a passage of scripture in favor of it.

He said the Church of England was set up and acknowledged by the Lord. I showed him it was not like the Church which Christ set up because in his Church were inspired Apostles, Prophets, evangelists, helpers, governors, gifts of healings, speaking in tongues, prophesying, administering of angels, and so on, and again if the Lord set up the Church of England he would not be pleased with those who do not conform thereto, hence we see the necessity of gifts and blessings to confirm the faith of those who have embraced it.

Uncle Thomas Lloyd is a kind, quiet man but it is no use to reason with him to think to change his opinions, might just as well go and reason with the waves of the ocean and try to get them not to dash against the cliffs.

I make my ^{home} hope at uncles and he Aunts and Cousins Mathew, Susan and Sarah are very kind to me.

Monday March 10th. I wrote a letter to Cousin Eliza and on to Mary M. Reese, and spent the afternoon visiting Aunts Ann Hitchens and Eliza Prout. I felt thankful to have the privilege of seeing one of dear father's and one of dear mother's sisters; they were very kind to me and told me many little troubles they had had. This world is full of trouble to many, and it is only those who keep the commandments of the Lord who have much joy in this world. This is the conclusion I have come to by what I have heard and seen.

Tuesday March 12th I walked to Lenby; on my way in I called to see Mrs. Petsy Griffiths, and old friend of another; she was well and pleased to see me. I gave her my photo. - When I got to Lenby went to R. Nicholas to fit my coat. I had dinner with them. I took a walk down on the sands.

While strolling around on the sands and Castle hill a many thoughts passed through my mind. About 28 or 29 years ago father and mother were taking an evening walk around there then they were not married but undoubtedly talking over the matter.

Since then they have married, comeigrated to Missouri in their way to Utah for the Gospel sake; spent one year in Missouri; there bought a team and wagon; crossed the plain distance ^{1100 or 1200} hundred miles; planted themselves with the Saints in Utah.

passed through many trials and troubles with the Saints; Had twelve sons four of whom are dead and eight alive. Secured good home in Benson, a settlement in Cache. with 60 or 70 inhabitants with prospects of many more soon, and here I am traveling over the same ground, and what am I here for? To raise my voice in the cause of truth.

I had tea at Cousin Martha Thomases, she has a good man for a husband and may yet come in the Church. I endeavor to do all I can to show him the truth.

In the evening took a stroll with R. Nicholas; he and I had a chat about different things; I do not have much faith in him joining the Church. I also met Cousin Mary Ann Lewis and took a walk with her and a friend of hers.

I slept at a Coffee Tavern. There were three sisters keeping it - two of whom are old maids. They were acquainted with father and mother, John Thain and several others who embraced the Gospel and went off to Utah.

I brought up the subject of Polygamy. They railed against it and declared they would have nothing to do with anyone who practiced it. I told them they would look simple if they were ever permitted to enter the Holy City which was to come down from God out of heaven in which they would see the old Polygamous Patriarchs, Abraham, Moses, Jacob and many others.

I told them that the Lord had revealed that principle to the Latter day Saints - and required those who live worthy to practice it so all will have a chance to marry, so there will be no prostitution in the earth

a sin from which the earth is groaning, a sin which is leading thousands down to death.

I talked with those ladies until 11.15 p.m. and then went to bed.

Wednesday March 13th I arose about 8 o'clock feeling rather unwell as I have been suffering for some time with a bad cold causing my head to fill up and hoarseness.

I paid a shilling for my bed and went to R. Nicholas to breakfast.

I called at one Richards who used to belong to the church, in fact she is still in, I did not see her but I saw her husband; he is a low life drunkard; he said he knew the work was true but he could not live right.

I also called to see Cousin Martha, John Nicholas wife and family, Sarah Evans and none of them asked me to take dinner with them. I had been invited to take dinner with R. Nicholas so I was all right - but I thought it small in

those whom I called to see not to ask
me. After dinner I took the street car
to Pembroke; from P. I walked about
6 miles to see Aunt Sarah, uncle
Richard's (mother's brother) wife.
Aunt was not home, but a neighbor,
Mrs. Hobbells invited me in and
made me something to eat. I find
the people in the country more kind
than those in towns.

Aunt came home in the evening.
She feels very bad about her husband.
She has had lots of trouble, having
buried a daughter and two sons.
on 5th Dec 18 the other 20 years old.

I slept at Aunt's, with Cousin
Thomas; he has poor health and
looks as though he is not long for
this world.

Thursday March 13th 1884
Very cloudy and occasional shower.
I shall remain here today.

The wind is whistling through the
trees. The past two days have
been quite fine with the exception
of an occasional shower, but today
is as black as December.

Thomas and I took a walk out to
where Cousin Arthur works and found
him well and pleased to see me.

From the road can be seen Castle-
Martin, Warren Church and St. Gwin-
nells Church. The country presents
quite a beautiful view.

Cousin Arthur came in the evening
to see me; he said he intended to go
out with me. I slept at Aunt Sarah's.
Friday March 14th.

After breakfast I wished Aunt good-
bye and started for Pembroke about 8 miles,
at which place I arrived about 11 a. m.
I went to John O'Bray's and found him
and wife well. I took dinner with them.
I then went to see Mrs. Jones (Luce Par-
cell) a friend of mother's.

I remained there some time talking with her and daughters upon the principles of "Mormonism"; I converted her and one of her daughters to the necessity of baptism, but could not make them understand that the ordinance must be administered by a duly authorized servant of the Lord, and that none were authorized out-side of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. A sister of Hugh Merriman who used to be in the Church, comes in and she tried to oppose me, but could not do much as truth is mighty and must prevail.

I had a glass of water and some bread and butter with Mrs. Jones provided by her daughter.

I crossed over in the boat to Weyland, a called to see two friends of Bro. White of Salt Lake City but was treated very coolly. They hardly asked me to sit down. Their names are Rowland & Abner

I took the 8 Train to Haverjunct. I called at Mr. John White; he and Mrs. White treated me very kindly.

I came up here to Uncle Thomas he and cousins seemed pleased to see me but I learned by him afterwards that he was not pleased and if it were not for Cousins I would not remain half-an-hour with him. How different he is to dear mother! He is cold & gruff and stingy, she a warm, affectionate and would do any thing for her relations. Uncle is very much opposed to the work of the Lord for which I am sorry. I can hardly persuade myself to remain over. Tomorrow as today is March 15th. I have been to H. West today; it is market day and the place is full of people.

Bro. Gould sent me a Star and it has just come to hand. In it I find my release in connection with several others four of whom came over when I did, viz J. Lewis, H. Manning, Penman

W. H. Wright. This is in Star
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Sunday March 16th 1884
I spent the morning with Cousins
at Stacks on Porfield. In the after-
noon I took a walk in to H. west
to see Mr. & Mrs. White; they
were very pleased to see me.

I spent the evening talking
with Cousins upon the principles
of the Gospel, and singing.

Uncle went to Chapel. When
he came from Meeting he was
angry because I was talking to
Cousins and to show his spite
he came into the room and said:
"You", meaning the Saints, "do not
believe in the Bible; you have books
that you will not let any out-side
of your church see." No, says I, you
are mistaken. You mean the book
of Mormon. Furnish four shillings
and six pence and you can have one

Uncle Thomas has been told
many times by Uncle William
about the Gospel and I think
he has no excuse for his ignorance
in regard to the Latterday Saints,
neither for the hard feelings he
has toward them. Cousins, his
daughters, appear to be honest good
girls, they may yet embrace the
Gospel, that is after their father
is dead.

Monday March 17th 1884.
After breakfast I wished Uncle
Thos. Griffiths and his daughters,
Mary, Ann and Sarah and
Cousin Jas^d wife who was at Uncle's
goodbye. I went down to Haverford
west ~~goodbye~~ thinking to take train
to Stepaside; but when I got to Mr.
White's Mrs. White was very anx-
ious for me to remain. So I did
stop. I spent the day very pleasantly.

Many of my friends, the Gibb's, John Lally, and other, are natives of H. West. Not far from this place in a place called Freystrap my Mother's grandparent lived and her father and mother were married. From Freystrap Grandparents moved to Stepaside, Slate Mills. After spending a few years at Slate Mills they moved back to a farm near Haverfordwest. While grand father and uncle Tom were working in a small coal pit on their farm getting a little coal for their own use grand father was killed by the falling of the trap.

Grandmother had gone to H-west to do her marketing and was expecting her husband to come to meet her at 12 o'clock. Unsteded of him doing so she was informed by a messenger about that time that her husband was dead. It almost

killed her, in fact she was never well again. Haverfordwest afforded me many reflections.

Tuesday 18th It being market day, I went up to see the cattle & horses and pigs.

The Street which is a long wide in some places and narrow in other places were lined with little bunches of stocks. Some were headed by women and girls.

It was quite interesting to see and hear buyers and sellers making bargains. An instance, ^{among others} came under my observation. A buyer offered £25-0 for two heifers; the seller would not take it and it was quite amusing to see the excited acts of the buyer and the unconcerned manner of the seller.

After wishing Mr. & Mrs. White & family good bye I took the 11.15 train to Neyland, then took boat across the Pembrokeshire Bay to Pembroke Dock.

I then took train to Tenby and walked from Tenby to Stepanide at Uncle and aunt Lloyds. I had several letters waiting for me, two from dear parents, in which I learned all at home were well. Father and mother say they will send for Cousin Eliza Lloyd, and are very glad she has embraced the Gospel.

Aunt & Cousins were pleased to see me.

Wednesday Mch. 19th 1884.
Visited aunt Esther Rees and spent a good deal of time writing.

Thursday, March 20th.
I took train and went to Starbath to see the Registry to get genealogy but found it did not go back far enough for me it only being to 1837. It was ^{pig} market day, there were a great many pigs sold and also Aunt Mrs. Lloyd, Uncle & Aunt John Prout.

were there and sold some pigs. They and I went to a place and had something to eat. Uncle and I took the 1.20 train back to Kilgetty.

Friday March 21st. 1884.

I went to see Aunt Nanny Hitchens, and Aunt Eliza Prout. They have both had a great deal of trouble.

Saturday March 22nd

I went, in company with Aunt Ann Lloyd and Cousin Susan, to Tenby. I spent ^{the day} ~~the day~~ in visiting around. In Tenby, I took a stroll upon the sands. Tenby is a pretty little bathing resort in the summer season. It is built on a rock.

I called to see one Mr. & Mrs. Richards who once belonged to the Church but through the intemperate habits of the man they have not kept their place but Mrs. Richards is still very kind to the Elders and loves the work. She was a friend of another

After wishing my friends good-bye in Tenby I took the ^{5:30 pm} train to Stepaside. On the way out in the train I had a short conversation with a minister but could not preach "Mormonism" much to him unaccount of a woman who was in the Compartment talking so much.

I slept, as usual at Uncle Thos. Lloyds.

Sunday March 23rd

Took breakfast at Uncle Lloyds. According to invitation I went to Aunt & Uncle John Reeses to dinner. They were very kind to me. In the morning I went down to see Cousin Thos Griffiths the son of mother's brother, Isabe. He is about the same age as me and has five daughters and one son. He is in rather poor circumstances.

He is a kind hearted man but his wife is a slovenly person. I had a nice dinner at aunts.

I spent the evening at Thos. Lloyds. Uncle & Aunt John & Eliza Prout were there, we spent a pleasant evening.

Monday. March 24th 1884.

I called to see Uncles & aunts, Reese Lewis Nanny, Eliza and Cousin Thomas. They were very sorry to wish me good bye. They all seemed very pleased to have my acquaintance.

I thought to leave the following day, but as Cousin Eliza did not come I concluded to wait another day.

Tuesday March 25th After breakfast, I went down to see Mr. John Rogers. They (he & wife) live in a house that Grandmother, father's mother used to live in, called the Coombe. I spent a few hours with Rogers. Took dinner with them. Then went to see Father at the Burrows.

I went to see John Thain, Uncle
to John Thain, mother's cousin.
To go to where he lived I had
to follow along by the sea,
about $\frac{1}{4}$ of a mile. The sea was
on my right and a hill on my
left. The hill was covered with
shrubbery. After following along
there about a quarter of a mile I
turned around by a small ~~well~~
on the left and a castle wall on
my right and followed about
one half a mile up a ravine nearly
to the ~~ambroth's~~ old church.

In a secluded spot I found his
house. The old man was quite
surprised to see me and, as he
was quite deaf, I had a hard
job to make him understand who
I was. He sat by a little fire smoking
his pipe. A young woman that he raised
and who keeps house for him was at
the castle.

The old man was pleased to hear about
his stepson John Thain.

After spending a little while with
him I made my way back.

On my way to Rogee I lost one
of my kid gloves, and thought it was
gone but a man picked it up on
the road, a man who was fixing
hedges &c. and gave it to me on
my way back.

I went to Aunt Mary's and she
soon made me something to eat.
Cousin Eliza came down from
London in the evening; I met her at
the station. She was very pleased
to see me. We spent a pleasant
evening. Aunt Eliza came up to Uncle
Thos. Lloyds. I went down to Aunt
Mannie to sleep. She was very kind
to me. I have a bad cold and my
relations all seem in a great trou-
ble about me.

Wednesday Mich 26th 1884.

I remained over the day visiting with Cousin Eliza. In the evening we went down to see Aunt Eliza.

When we went back, uncle & Eliza had quite a time Uncle saying Eliza should not go out to Utah & she saying she would go.

I tried to reason with uncle but it was no good.

I slept at Aunt Nancy's.

Thursday Mich 27th Took 1.13 P.M. train at Kelgetty for Swansea. Cousins Wm. Prout, Eliza and Sarah Lloyd went to the Station to see me off. I left feeling it quite hard to part with my dear relations. They had been very kind to me. Cousin Susan as good as a sister. I do trust and pray that she will embrace the Gospel and gother out to Utah she is too good a girl to remain in old Babylon.

I had several interesting conversations coming up in the train with several different individuals. And gave away several tracts.

I arrived The Train in which I rode reached Swansea about 5 o'clock. I called to see Bro. James and then went over to see my relations. All I saw was Cousin Edwin and wife, they invited me to stay with them all night - which I agreed to do.

I then went to meeting; there were only a very few saints at meeting. After the Saints had born their testimonies I spoke a portion of time.

After meeting I wished the Saints good-bye and went to Denver to see them. They were pleased to see me. Lue played some tunes on the Piano for me. Mr White, an Atheist and I had a little conversation. I then wished them good-bye and left.

I slept at Cousin Edwin Johns.

Friday March 28th 1884.

After breakfast I went to see some of the Saints and Cousins Mary and Lettue; they (Cousins) were not in very good circumstances. I went to see Aunt Martha & took dinner with her.

I left Swansea on the 3 p.m. train for Merthyr. Pres. Lewis and Sister Harmon were pleased to see me.

I found several letters here for me one of which was from dear mother in which was ten dollars.

Saturday March 29th

I spent the day writing.

During the day Ebenezer W.D. Williams, L. J. Mantle, J. H. Evans, Frederick Lewis and J. F. Ellis came in. We had an enjoyable time together.

Sunday March 30th. We held our usual monthly council in which a man from Collyer, viz. Morgan Lewis was cut of the Church for swearing, drinking and not attending meetings.

We all reported our labors. We all felt well in spirit, but some of us were suffering from a cold.

We met with the Saints in the afternoon and evening, and had excellent meetings.

Monday Mch 31st I was busy all day with the books, and in the evening I took a walk around through Merthyr.

Tuesday April 1st I was busy all day writing for the Conference. In the evening several of us went down to Tredegar as held meeting in Sister Gwynne's. The house was full and we had a nice time. Pres. Lewis did most of the preaching. I followed and bore my testimony.

Wednesday Apr. 2nd I sent the accounts & remittances to Liverpool. I bought a few things to take home, I bought a silk, what is called something like dolmen, for dear mother who has been so very kind to me during my sojourn in this land.

8th
April 8th 1884.

Brother David Lewis and I accompanied by Margaret Gwynne who was going to Utah and several others who accompanied us to Abergavenny left Merthyr. We realized we had left behind many warm hearted friends. However it was a source of joy to be home-ward bound. Our ride to Liverpool was a pleasant one. Bro. J. J. Ellis, a returning missionary joined us at Abergavenny.

When we arrived at Liverpool, we went to the Office and attended to all necessary business, we then took train to the ship.

After ^{over} 32 years have elapsed since writing the foregoing, I now copy the following from a little note book in which I wrote with a lead pencil

Benson Dec. 6 - 1916.

At 8 o'clock p. m. Apr. 8 - 1884, we arrived at the ship. The men were busy all night loading the ship.

Apr. 9 - 1884.

At 9.50 a. m. our ship, the Wyoming, I think, sailed out of the harbor. Pres. John Henry Smith, Elders George Lambert, Elder H. D. Williams and several others sailed out on the Mersey river with us when they wished us goodly and returned to land. We sailed right off; the day was fine and the sea was smooth, across the Irish Channel. Sailing all day was fine and at 7 p. m. we all prepared for bed.

Thus, Apr. 10 - 1884.

I arose about 6 a. m. We did

not call at Queenstown but sailed along the Irish coast. We had to stop an hour at Crew. A man made some insulting remarks about our people, which grieved me.

Apr. 11 - A little boy on board drank some brandy from a bottle his mother gave him to carry from the deck down in the hold and when found in the bunk was in an unconscious condition from which he did not recover, but died about 9 o'clock and at 4 p. m. he was cast into the sea. The mother had left her husband who was a brutal drunken sot. She was going out to Hyoming to her brother. There is a great deal of illness on board and I do not feel very well.

We are blessed with good weather. One woman has given birth to a daughter since leaving Liverpool.

Sat. Apr. 12 - 1884.

I arose about 6 o'clock. My health is good and most of the sick people are better, but some of the Brethren are poorly. This morning is fine. Another woman has given birth to a daughter. We are traveling at the rate of $11\frac{1}{2}$ mi. per hour. Some on board are singing, some playing music, and others looking very solemn. Good sailing all day.

Sun. Apr. 13 - The morning is fine. At 10 o'clock we attended religious services in the Saloon. The pastor and Dr. performed the ceremony. See small book, See 100 -

July 1st 1884.

Continued preparations for to get married.

July 2nd 1884.

W. H. Thain came down from Logan and we met at Bro. John Rees and about 8 o'clock

W. H. Thain and Thomas Rees and myself and Mary Maria Rees left for Logan to get married the following day. We spent the night at John Thain's.

July 2nd At 8 o'clock we got into the buggy and went to the temple accompanied by Margaret Thain and Kate Irvine.

When we got in the temple we found there were quite a number there preparing to go through.

About 4:30 Mary Maria Rees and I, William Griffiths Rees were united in the Holy bonds of matrimony by Councillor to the Stake W. W. Merrill in the house of the Lord.

W. H. Thain and Thomas Rees were united on the same day.

It was a day long to be remembered. There were over 140 went through the same day. The influence felt in the temple is sufficient proof that the spirit of God is there.

When we came out of the temple there was a buggy waiting for us. We got in and rode to John Thain's where we had dinner and then rode home.

July 3rd Father, mother, brother & Char. wife Mary, John and Margaret Thain and family. Sister ^{Ganes} Molen and Jane David Grant and daughter, Maggie Thompson. Bert Barber and some others all met at Bro. John Rees and we had an enjoyable time in celebrating our marriages.

July 4th We, myself and wife and W. H. Thain and wife, went to Logan with Bro. John Rees to see the celebration.

It was the best parade we ever saw in Logan. After the parade we went up town to meeting in the Tabernacle. The exercises were very interesting. B. F. Cummings was orator of the day; he delivered a very good oration.

Apostle (The Hon) Moses Thatcher delivered a very stirring speech on the Constitution of the United States. After meeting we went to Thain's had dinner and spent the afternoon.

We rode home in the evening. July 5th In the evening I and Mary went to Logan with Will & Naomi. After spending a short time there we drove home.

Sunday July 6th Mary and I attended Sunday School in the morning, meeting in the afternoon and, according to invitation, in the evening we rode to Hyde Park with Bro. Tom & his father in law.

Logan. Dec. 28th 1885.

Mary and I have been married now over a year, in fact the 2nd of next month we shall have been married one and one half years. We have lived very happily together. Mary taught school two terms in the district of Logan and I four terms last year. Mary taught some over a term in the B. V. Col. lege. She was very successful. I have taught one term and eight weeks on another in the district school Logan.

Last Spring we bought a place in Logan and have been living as ~~cheap~~ as possible so we can pay a little indebtedness.

Last Sunday Mary and I were down to see William and Naomi Thain. Naomi had then been

confined on a fine boy one week and three days. She was not feeling as well as she had been; she had a severe headache.

Since last Sabbath what grief we have experienced. Our darling sister spent a week of ill-ness and finally on Christmas day and 11 a. m. she passed from earth to another sphere. Today we laid her body in the tomb.

Many hundreds gathered to pay their respects to the lovely girl!

Presto Chas. O. Card and Orson Smith Smith and Apostle Moses Thatcher spoke also Bp. Henry Ballard. They spoke words of praise of the departed one.

Bro. Thatcher said her spirit was associating with Joseph Smith and Hyrum also Brigham and all the good and great who had

departed. He said she would come forth in the morning of the Resurrection and mingled with the redeemed.

There were many teams followed the remains to the grave, although the roads were very muddy.

Naoma and my dear wife have been true to each other. They started to school together in 1878 and have been attending school and teaching in Logan ever since. Naoma was a very successful teacher.

in fact what ever she undertook to do she did it faithfully and energetically. In fact she threw her whole soul into her work and few there have been who led a more useful active life than our dear sister Naoma. Whenever my dear wife has had anything to do she always thought it a pleasure to consult her dear sister. May the Lord comfort her heart of her sad bereavement.