

The other two letters were from John Isaac and Jos. Bullis. Bro Bull stated that he got my letter just a day too late, to make arrangements to meet me at Hereford on the day that I had appointed for the four of us to meet. He said that he would be able to meet me some time March.

Keolgerig, Westbury, Feb. 1, 1848  
 We walked this morning from Bro. Edwards' to Mrs. Ann Williams Cefu Penwar House near Aberdare. Bro. Louis Howell's aunt and family lives. We were kindly received, and enjoyed the day in company with the family. While there I wrote a letter to

Cousin John Lewis who was on a visit to his Aunt Margaret in New-Port, Mon. After supper we went to Sister Philips Aunt Bachs and spent the evening in reading the Book of Mormon.

At 11 o'clock Bro. Parry & William arrived from Winwain where they had been holding meeting. We were so pleased to see one another that we spent the most of the night conversing and chatting with each other.

Crombach, Saturday Feb. 2.

We arose very late this morning owing to our setting up so late last night.

In the afternoon Bro. Parry and I went over to Mertys across

the Cumbach mountain spent a few hours at Ed. Joseph's and Bro. Harman's and returned again the same way. We got in to Sister Philip's just in time to make a few remarks to the young men's class that meet there every alternate Saturday.

Bro. Williams and I stayed over night here, and Bro. Parry & Louis Howell went to Cefu Penn.

Cumbach, Sunday, Feb. 3.

The Meethy District council was held in Cumbach this morning at 11 o'clock which was addressed by the four of us. Bro. Williams and I walked over the mountain to Meethy and attended meeting in the

afternoon with the merry saints,  
 after the afternoon meeting in  
 Cumbach Bro. Parry walked over  
 the mountain and was with  
 us in the evening meeting.  
 After meeting we were invited  
 to Bro. Hartran's where we spent  
 the remainder of the night writ-  
 ting letters. I wrote a letter to Eli  
 A. Folland expressing my sur-  
 prise at the remarks of some  
 of the brethren in association  
 when they were considering the  
 question of getting up a con-  
 cert for the benefit of the "Boys"  
 on missions, and hoped that  
 by this time the thing had  
 fallen through as I for one did  
 not feel like receiving a dime  
 from any person that would

view the matter in the same light that they did. We were in the service of the Lord and would, as he had done, open the way for us, if would but live our religion and endeavor to keep his commandments.

Merthyr, Tydfil, Monday, Feb. 4.  
 Bro. Louis Howell arrived about noon from Cwmbach who left soon afterwards in company with Bro. Williams for Rhymney. Bro. Williams was on his way to Bristol Con. where he was invited to meet Bro. Goring. Bro. Parry was going to leave Wednesday for Cardiff and from there to some point in the Bristol Con. to meet Bro. Jacobs. Some few days after

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meeting with the brethren in  
the Bristol Con. They were all  
four going to meet together  
in Bristol and hold a Conference.

Bro, Parry and I spent the after-  
noon and evening in Bro, Tho.

Jones Dyfrin where I wrote  
a couple of letters; one to Mother  
and one to John T. Evans.

We stayed over night at Bro  
Harriman.

Merthyr, Tydfil, Feb, 5, 1848.

Spent the day at Sister  
Harriman's writing &c. I wrote  
a letter to Rachel in which I  
enclosed her a present of a  
silk handkerchief for  
which I paid 3/9.

At two o'clock Bro, Parry & I

visited the soup kitchen in Drill Hall where two thousand children are fed once a day with soup. This is the result of a late investigation by Griffith Richards M.P. from Merthyr and other leading Gentlemen of the Town, of the circumstances of the poor and distressed of the place. They found hundreds in a very destitute and almost perishing condition owing to the extreme dullness of the times. Relief societies have been organized throughout the coal and Iron Districts who are soliciting aid from every quarter for the purpose of dis-

tributing clothing clothing and  
 food to the most distressed  
 of the place. Between 12 and 3 o'  
 clock the streets are thronged with  
 half starved scantily clad children  
 of both sexes from infants up  
 to fifteen years old, with their  
 bowls and spoons under their arms,  
 making their way to the soup kitchen  
 where many probably get the first  
 meal in the day. We held mee-  
 ting in the evening in Bro. Owen  
 house Pentrebach, after which we  
 walked over the mountain to  
 Cronbach, reaching it about  
 midnight.

Cronbach Wednesday F.C.

I took a walk this <sup>morning</sup> for a couple  
 miles to send Bro. Parry who



was going to walk over the  
 Aberdare to Treorby where he  
 had an appointment to preach  
 in a "long room" of a public house.  
 I am now left alone to travel  
 and do the best I can with the  
 help of the Lord.

I held a meeting with the  
 Crombach Branch in Sister  
 Philips. I occupied about three  
 quarters of an hour on the his-  
 tory of the church.

Crombach, Thursday Feb. 7.

Spent the whole of the day  
 in reading and writing. I wrote  
 a letter to the G. M. M. P. A. In the  
 evening Bro. Thos. Evans jr. and  
 I held a meeting in the Aberaman  
 Cement houses, where we had a

few strangers present. I occupied about 35 minutes on the first principles of the Gospel. Thomas and I slept together in Sister Phillips, over night.

Cwmbach, Friday, Feb. 8.  
Spent the fore part of the day reading and visiting the saints. In the afternoon Bro. Thos. F. Howells arrived from Pontypridd. Bro. Howells and I, with the two Bros. Thos. Evans walked over to Hirwain where we held a meeting. Bro. Howells returned, and I stayed over night at Hirwain.

Hirwain, Saturday, Feb. 9.  
Got up very early in the morning and left for Swansea

on foot, calling at Bro. Lamps on the way. I arrived in Swansea late in the evening tired & fatigued after a 24 miles walk.

Swansea Sunday Feb. 10, 1878.

Attended council at 11 A.M. & found a spirit of wrangling amongst the Priesthood, which was settled however before the close of the meeting. We held a sacramental meeting at 2-30 P.M. and a meeting in the evening, where a number of strangers were present. I stayed over night at Bro. D.P. Thomas's.

Swansea Monday February 11, 1878.

Spent the day visiting some of the saints, and attended Prayer meet-

ing in the ~~day~~ evening.

Swansea Tuesday February 12, 1878.

Not feeling very well to-day, I spent the most of the day at Bro. D.P. Plummer reading &c.

Swansea Wednesday Feb. 13, 1878

Received two letters; one from Geo. R. Emery and from Eli A. Folland from which I learned that he had been sick for some time, but at the time of writing he was improving a little. They named their son William Lancelot. I wrote a letter to Bro. Parry at Bristol.

Attended saints meeting in the evening. I occupied 45 minutes on the rise, progress, &c of the Church.

Swansea, Thursday, Feb. 14, 1878.

Left Swansea this morning on foot for Llanelli, a distance of 12 miles at which place I arrived early in the afternoon.

I received a letter from Bro. Jos. Bullock and wrote one to Bro. Geo. R. Emery. Stayed over night at Bro. John Jones, 30 Forge Row.

Llanelli, Friday, February 15, 1878.

Spent the most of the day in reading. Visited some of the saints in the afternoon, and held a meeting in Bro. John Jones' in the evening - a few strangers present.

Llanelli, Saturday, Feb. 16, 1878.

Passed the day reading and writing at Sister Parvister's. Received a letter

from Pres. Parry from Bristol.  
Stayed over night at Sister Bam-  
isters'

Plainly Sunday Feb. 17, 1878  
Called in the morning at Bro. John  
Jones and found a letter there  
for me from my Uncle John, Plymouth  
stating that his little daughter  
Mary Ann was very sick with the  
scarlet fever and he was in  
very poor circumstances and  
wished me to lend him 10 shil-  
lings.

We held council in Bro. Jones'  
at 2-30 P. M. and a very good mee-  
ting in the evening. I occupied  
50 minutes on the first principles  
of the Gospel. Slept this evening  
with Bro. Bamister's son Joseph.