

Chase Town, Wednesday, A. 24

We started in the morning for Dudley; walking a distance of 8 miles to Wasall where we got train and rode in, being about a 7 miles ride. We called at Bro. Joshua Hartshorn, and after dinner took a walk with him to Dudley Castle, where we spent a couple of hours in walking through the grounds, & viewing the surrounding country.

We held meeting with the branch in the evening.

Dudley, Thursday, April 25

We walked this morning from Dudley to Swan Village a distance of 8 miles and called at Sister Mountforde and had some dinner. We were now in what they term the "Black country". It is

(wrote a letter Peter Gillespie)

a large Coal and iron district very much resembling very much the ironing districts of Wales only not quite so hilly. The whole atmosphere is one mass of smoke which rises from the large iron furnaces.

We left sister Mountford at 6 o'clock for Birmingham. The evening was a very pleasant one and we enjoyed our walk very much. On drawing near Tenby St., to our great astonishment, we met Bro. Louis Howell, who had just arrived from a trip to London, Manchester, Nottingham &c. I also had the pleasure of meeting Bro. W. S. Burton and A. Miner traveling Elders in the B-ham Con. They were all on their way down to Hockley Chapel to attend Saints meeting. Joseph and I hurried up to

the Con. house - fixed up a little ^{and}
returned to the meeting which was
addressed by Eldas Louis Howell, A.
Minn, ^{and} W. S. Burton. We slept in
the Con. house three in a bed.

Birmingham, Friday, April 26.

We spent the forenoon together in
the Con. House. In the afternoon
according to previous invitation
Bro. Howell, Bull, ^{and} I called at
Sister Bull's Brother in Hobem, three
miles from Birmingham. We
spent the afternoon ^{and} evening
with the family ^{and} enjoyed a
very good time, returning about 11
o'clock.

Birmingham, April 27, 1848.
Spent the forenoon walking

around and viewing the Town.
It is a manufacturing Town of
great dimensions. The following is an
estimate of a weeks work of some
of its manufactures:— 14000,000. pens,
6,000 bedsteads, 7,000 guns, 30,000,000 cut
nails, 6 tons of paper made work,
over £30,000 worth of jewelry, 4,000 miles
of iron and steel wire, 10 tons of pins, 5
tons of hair pins hooks and eyes, 130,000
gross of wood screws, 500 tons of
nuts and screw bolts and spikes, 50
tons of wrought iron hinges, 350
miles length of wax for needles, 40
tons of refined metal, 40 tons of
German silver 1,000. Doz. of fenders,
3,500 bellows, 800 tons of brass and
copper ware— these, with a multi-
-tude of other articles, being exported
to almost all parts of the Globe.

In the afternoon in company with Sister Bull, we visited John Cope, Bro. to Francis Cope Esq. of Salt Lake City. We spent a very pleasant afternoon together. We left Mr. Cope's at 7 o'clock and went to the station and met Elders Haislit and Ribley who had come from L. pool to attend the Con. We enjoyed ourselves together in the Con. house until midnight when Bro. Louis Howell and I went to a public house and procured lodgings for three nights.

Birmingham, Sunday, April 28.
The ^{Day} opened up beautifully, and there was every prospect of a grand Conference. Forenoon services commenced at 10-30. Reports were read from the various branches and authorities of the Church sustained by vote of the Conference.

The Sacrament was then admin-
istered after which Elder Naibit and
A. Nims made appropriate remarks.
Afternoon services commenced at 2-30.
The meeting was addressed by Pres.
Ball of the Nottingham Con., Elder C.
Nibley of the L- pool Office, J. W.
Naibit Editor of the "Mill Star" and
myself. ~~Afternoon~~ ^{Evening} meeting began
at 6-30. and was addressed by Elders
W. C. Burton, Louis Howell and J. W.
Naibit. The meetings were well atten-
ded throughout the day, and a good
spirit prevailed. The Elders remarks
were full of good reasonable doctrine de-
livered under the influence of the
Holy Spirit of God. I don't remem-
ber ever having enjoyed a better
time. After spending a few hours
with the Elders at 26, Bro. Howell and

I left for our lodgings at New Hall Hill.

Birmingham, Monday, April 29.

I spent the forenoon rambling around the Town and made a few purchases of articles that I intend to send home when the first company leaves.

We all met at Bro. Spoke's at one o'clock and sat down to a sumptuous repast prepared by Sister Spoke's and family after which we enjoyed ourselves in the drawing room playing on the piano, singing, chatting and other amusements. After tea we repaired to the Chapel where a concert was being held by the choir of the branch. The pieces were well rendered and good time was enjoyed. Bro. Louis Howell favored us with a Welsh song, which

heavily encased. Bro. Howell responded to the call ^{and} sang again. After the concert was over we walked to the station with the Wolverhampton folks who were going to leave by the 11-20 train.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Walsh invited us to call ^{and} spend the day with them to-morrow. They have a fine place in Wolverhampton and it's customary with them to visit the Elders there after conference or during Holiday times. The family are all in the church with the exception of the Master. They have two very fine daughters, Janie and Agnes who are gay and attractive.

Bro. Howell ^{and} I called at our lodging place but were too late to gain admittance, so we went to

"26" and prepared ourselves resting places on the sofas and laid overcoats for covering.

Birmingham, Tuesday, April 30.
I bought a trunk from Jos. Bull and packed my things in it and got ready to leave for Wolverhampton. We left by the 11 o'clock train and met the Laddies at the station who escorted us to the house. We sat down to a good dinner at 3 o'clock, after which we spent the time singing, chatting, &c. &c., We visited the trunk factory and tin works, and while there we were weighed. I weighed 71 lbs. As we had sent word to Powich that we would be there this evening, Bro. Howell and I left the Day

ton house for the Station to meet
the 7 o'clock train. Miss Agnes,
Bro. Bull, Wibley, and Benton
came along to the train to see us
off. We rode to Worcester and
walked from there to Powick and
called at Bro. Jones'. I received
a couple letters this morning from
home, one from Henry and one from
Eli; they both contained good
news of things from home.
We stayed over night in this
place.

Powick, Wednesday, May 1.
We walked a distance of about 5
miles, to the beautiful little Town
of Malvern. We called at Sister
Harris' first and had something
to eat, and from there we went

to see Sisters Taylor and Williams.
In the evening we took a walk
around the Town and up the Mal-
vern Heights. We stayed over
night at Sister Harris'.

Malvern, Thursday, May 2.
We spent the forenoon with Sisters
Taylor and Williams, visiting the
various points of interest in the
Town. We were presented by
Sisters Taylor and Williams with
R.R. fare for Hereford, for which
place we started at 11 o'clock.
After our arrival in Hereford we
called at Bro. P. Johnson's where we
had dinner. We called at Bro.
Kemp's in the evening and spent
a few hours. = Wrote a letter to Eli-
A. Folland. = Stayed over night at
Bro Johnson's No. 40 Commercial Row.

Hereford City, May, 3, 1878.

This is Friday just four weeks since I arrived in the place and met Bro Bull jr. My visit to Eng. has been one of much pleasure and will be looked back to with many happy recollections. The Saints of the Con. wherever I traveled, received me with much kindness, and my friend Bro Bull and the other Utah Elders in the Con. did all in their power to make everything agreeable to their visitor.

In consequence of heavy raining and our umbrellas out of order, Bro Johnson kindly invited us to take the train and he would pay our fares to Abernethy.

We arrived in Obergarney at 4 o'clock. Although we were treated so well in Eng. we were pleased to be in our field of labor again.

We held meeting in Bro. Bezzant's in the evening, where we also stayed over night.

Obergarney, Saturday, May 4.
We left at nine o'clock, on foot for Rhymney Bridge where we took train for Dowlais, and from there we walked to Merthyr. We called at Sister Gammans' and at Bro. Edward Joseph's after which we walked over the Aberdare Mountain to Cwmbach. We called at Bro. Howell's Aunt at the Cefn Penmor house where we stayed for the night.

Capt. Permon House, Sunday M. 5

After breakfast we went to Crombach where the Methys district council was to be held. Elders Thos. F. Howells and Pres. Parry arrived from Treorby just before the meeting was called to order. The four of us attended Council and afternoon meeting, after which Bro. Parry and Howells went over to Methys to attend evening meeting.

After our evening meeting in Sister Philips, we adjourned out into the open air and held a very good meeting, over a hundred strangers being present who listened with marked attention to the addresses of the Elders.

We went to Capt Permon and

Supper after which we returned
to Cumbach.

I received a letter in the morn-
ing from my sister Rachel.

Cumbach, Monday, May 6.

In consequence of continuous rain-
ing we spent the whole of the
day in the house, reading and
writing. I finished a letter to
Gen. R. Emery that I had com-
menced yesterday. Wrote one to
Miss Emily S. Elmore, and Bro. L.
Howell and I wrote a joint-letter to
the Misses Agnes and Jennie Walsh
Robert Hampton.

We attend prayer meeting in the
evening at Bro. Edward Morgans,
at which we also made a few re-
marks.