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Walter J. Lewis,
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Abersychwan, Jan. 1, 1878.

After calling at Sister Stevens (who had been sick for the last few days) to see how she was getting along, we started on our way to Ebbw Vale, where we had an appointment to hold meeting with the Branch. We took dinner with Sister Roberts, after which we called at Myrddin where we spent the afternoon and had tea. We ^{had} a good little meeting in Bro. Roberts, and after the close Mrs. Elizabeth Heywood who had been a member of the church in years gone by, desired to have her covenants renewed by baptism. A young lady, Miss M. A. Griffiths signified her willingness to become a member

of the church also. As there were no convenient place for baptizing in this place, we decided to baptize them to-morrow evening at Tredegar.

I slept over night with my uncle.

Elbow Vale, Wednesday, Jan. 1st

Spent the fore noon at my uncle's where I had the pleasure of meeting my cousin Rachel (mother's sister Hannah's daughter) who is a nice little woman about 28 years old.

She is the mother of three children all Boys. I was sorry to learn that she was in rather poor circumstances owing to the depressed state of affairs, and the bad management of her husband.

We walked over to Tredegar in the afternoon and held a good meeting with the Branch in a house of

of one of the saint's neighbors, I addressed the meeting in Welsh and Bro. Thomas Howells in English.

Immediately after the close of the meeting I baptized Mrs. Elizabeth Heywood and Miss Mary A. Griffiths. Bro. Howells was mouth in confirming Sister E. Heywood and I, in confirming Sister Mary Ann Griffiths!

We stayed over night at our usual place of Lodging—Bro. Jeremiah Williams'.

Tredegow, Thursday, Jan. 3rd

We spent the whole of the day in Bro. Gould's reading and studying. In the evening we walked over to Rhymney called at my uncle John's where we spent a couple hours. It was now about meeting time, so

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we left for Bro. David Charles' where we held meeting. We also stayed there over night.

Rhy money Friday January 4th
We arose very early this morning so as to catch the 9 o'clock train at Rhy money, as Bro. Howells foot was too sore to walk it. On our way we called at Bro. Thomas' and Sister Ann Evans. The latter put a shilling in our hands as we left. We arrived at the Conference House at about noon, and found one "News" and a couple of letters; one from Jos. Bull Jr. Birmingham, and the other from Emily S. Elsmore which was very pleasantly written, and contained several little items of interest. Spent the afternoon in reading the

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News paper and writing a letter to Emily. I stayed in the Con. House over night, and Bro. Howells went to Sister Edwards Hoelgerig, where he generally makes his abode when in Merthyr.

Merthyr Tydfil, Jan. 5, 1878.
Spent to-day in the Con. House reading and writing, wrote an answer to Bro. J. W. Summerhays letter. Bro. Parry arrived in the afternoon from Cwm Bach, he had been making a trip through Rhondda Valley, where he in connection with Bros. Louis Howell and Wm. N. Williams held several meetings in "long rooms" of Inns, which were well attended and good order prevailed with the exception of the first meeting, which

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ended with quite a hub-bub. The doctrines inculcated seem to be a little too strong for their carnal minds.

In the evening I took a walk to Hoel Gerrig where I found the good Edwards folk all well.

Bro. Parry and I slept together in the Leon. House.

Westbyr. Tydfil Sunday Jan. 6.
Before rising from bed this ^{morning} I heard the knock of the Post man who had two letters appiece for Bro. Parry and I. The letters addressed to me were from Eli and Hugh Watson. Eli's stated that he had been sick for a couple of weeks, but at the time of writing was mending.

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also that he and others were going to see the Salt Lake Iron Works for their wages as it was impossible to obtain them otherwise. Hugh reported everything at home in a floundering condition. — Said that he would send me the Weekly "Des. News."

We attended Methyr District council at 11 A.M., Sacramental meeting 2-30 P.M. and evening meeting at 6.30 P.M. The meetings were well attended by the saints and some outsiders, and a ^{good} spirit prevailed.

We all three slept in the Cow Bed to-night.

Methyr Trydfil Monday Jan. 7.

Spent the day in the Con. house. In the evening we held a meeting in a strangers house where we enjoyed a good spirit.

Merthyr Tydfil Tuesday Jan. 8

Spent the forenoon in the Con. house reading. In the afternoon Bro. Parry and I went down to Pentra Bach, and spent the time in Bro. Henry Owen's. In the evening we sp held a meeting there which was well attend by the neighbors. The meeting was addressed by Bros. Jos. Parry, Thos. Jones and myself. We returned again to the Con. House.

Merthyr Tydfil Jan. 9. 1848.

Wrote a letter to Eli; A Folland in the

morning, and went down to Trod-
 yrhio ~~at~~ with the expectation
 of going down the Pit with Pres-
 Jones the overman of that col-
 liery. But as the bands were not
 all at work, we deemed it advisable
 to await a better opportunity.
 We spent the afternoon with Bro.
 Jones family and returned in the
 evening to our quarters at Towing-
 odin.

We decided this evening on the
 question that had been discuss-
 ed by the five of us on Christmas
 mainly that of discontinuing the
 Com. House on account of so
 short an income from the
 Branches owing to the depressed
 state of affairs in the work
 line. We ordered a team to be

at 24 May St. on Thursday,
for to convey the conference chattels
over to Cross Bach. Sister Philips
had given us permission (previously
if we discontinued) to leave the
things with her.

Merthyr Tydfil Thursday Jan. 10.

We took everything down from
the upper room, and got things
generally ready for a move.

I received a letter at noon from
Bro. Lehi S. Tingey, it was quite
an affectionate letter, and con-
tained considerable domestic news.

He stated that Stephen Newman
was going to get married. He gave
an account of the destructive
fire at Brigham City, which
destroyed their large Wolen factory.

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Estimated loss \$35,000. I was very sorry to hear of this, as Brigham City is very thriving little co-operative community. The cart came in the afternoon and moved all the chattels over to Elizabeth Philips Crown Bach. Bro. Parry and I walked over and spent a couple of hours in arranging the things in the upper room of the House. As we had made an appointment on Sunday to meet with the West by Branch of the saints this evening, we started our walk over the mountain in pretty much of a hurry as our time was limited and the journey a long one.

We entered the Mestlyn Meeting room at 8 o'clock, and found a goodly number present, who were obviously awaiting the speakers. Bro. Parry immediately arose and addressed the meeting for nearly an hour on the subject "Utah and the Mormons" which he handled with much freedom. I followed, and occupied about half an hour.

After meeting we walked over the mountain again to Crown Beach, and retired to rest about 1 o'clock in the morning.

Crown Beach Friday Jan. 11

Being a little fatigued from yesterday's labor and walking, we layed abed until nearly

noon. After a good bath we took a walk to Bro. Thomas^{Evans}, Mill Street, where we spent the afternoon and had supper. In the evening we went up to Hirwain in company with Bro. Evans and his son, and held meeting with the saints in Sister Arnolds house. We slept at Bro. William Price.

Hirwain, Saturday, Jan. 12.

We made up our minds this morning to walk to Swansea a distance of 24 miles. We started early and got to the Pkewen at 3 o'clock where we had a good dinner and a small rest.

We arrived at Swansea after

dark, and met Bro. Williams and Louis Howell who had just arrived from Cardiff and Rhondda valley where they had been preaching to many outsiders in "club rooms" of Jones & Co. Bro. Howell and Williams stayed with Bro. D. P. Thomas, and Bro. Parry and I at Bro. D. Pickett's. Received a letter from Ben. Judson.

Swansea, Sunday, Jan., 13, 1878

Attended council in the morning, and found that there was quite an ill feeling existing amongst the saints and the presiding Priesthood, too much so to warrant us to reorganise them. The tenor of our remarks were to teach the saints their duties towards

each other, not to back bite each other but to assist and build each other up, to exercise the spirit of humility and obedience that they may enjoy the spirit of the Gospel.

We attended sacrament meeting in the afternoon; and in the evening with both saints and strangers, we had a large audience of nearly a hall full. We stayed over night in the same place as last night.

Swansea, Monday, Jan. 14.
 We all four had breakfast this morning at Bro. Wm. William. Bro. Howell and I returned and spent the forenoon in Bro. Pickett's writing &c. I wrote

my second letter to my sister
Bernice.

At two o'clock Bro. Parry and
Williams left for Llanelli on
their way to Carmarthen shire.

Sister Jane Simon left in
company with them on her
way to St. Clears, ten miles be-
yond Carmarthen Town.

Held meeting in the evening
with the Swansea saints.

Swansea, Tuesday, Jan. 15

Passed the fore part of the day
in Bro. D. P. Thomas; and in
the afternoon we took a walk
to Morriston and visited Bro.
Howell's Uncle Griffith Howell
who treated us very kindly
and invited us to call again

the next evening. We returned to Swansea at dark as we expected to attend Hussey (Civilian M.P.) Lecture on America through which country he had travelled a few weeks ago. After arriving at Swansea we found to our disappointment that the Lecture had been postponed until further notice.

We slept at Bro. D.P. Thomas where we are always made welcome when in Swansea.

Swansea, Wednesday, Jan. 16
 After arising from bed this morning I was much pleased to find a couple of letters addressed to me one from my cousin John Lewis, Fishguard,

and one from Henry Emery.
 Cousin John requested that I should
 meet him if I could ^{call} at New-
 Port between this and two weeks
 during that time he would
 be at our aunt's (Father's Brother
 Samuel's wife). If I couldn't
 meet him, I was to write
 him a line. Bro. Emery's
 letter contained some good ad-
 vice to the young missionaries.

We went to Morrilton about noon
 and ^{visited} a family or two of the saints.
 We spent the evening in Bro. How-
 ell's 'uncles' where we had a
 good time. They provided us
 with a good bed in which
 we had a good night's rest.

Morrilton, Thursday, Jan. 17.

We left Morriston for Ystalyfara on foot by the road on the canal Bank. Called at Bro. Benjamin Evans where I sat down and finished a letter that I had started to Eli. We called on John Evans and Alfred Thomas in the afternoon, and in the evening we held meeting in Bro. Evans house where we had the privilege of some strangers to speak to. Bro. Howell and I addressed the meeting in Welsh.

Ystalyfara January 18.

We spent the whole of the day in Ystalyfara visiting the saints and reading &c.

Bro. Alfred Thomas gave us

a half a crown apiece to assist us on our way. We stayed over night at Bro. Ben. Evans again.

Ystalyfara, Saturday Jan 19

We left this place at noon and walked to the skewen, near Neath and called at Bro. Geo. Long's where we had a good dinner. In the evening we paid a visit to two families of the saints in Melyn Grythen. We took a bed at the Vale of Neath Hotel for which we paid 1/3 each.

Neath, Sunday, Jan. 20, 1878.

We took breakfast at Sister William Melyn Grythen, and at 11 o'clock for curiosity attendend Church at

death. We held afternoon meet-
 ing in Bro. Longs house and
 enjoyed a very good spirit. We
 intended to leave with the after-
 noon train, but on account of the
 inclemency of the weather were
 induced to stay, so we held meet-
 ing in the evening again. We slept
 at a German's house where Sister
 Lang had obtained a bed for us.

Skewen, Monday, January 21st

We took leave of the good folks
 of this place and started on
 foot for Hirvain, but the
 weather being wet, and the roads
 muddy we concluded to take the
 train from Resolven and arrived
 in Hirvain early in the evening,
 called at Sister Rowlands and

had something to eat, and from there we went to Bro. Whiteaker's and got him to announce to the Saints that we were going to hold a meeting that evening in his house, where we also stayed over night.

Hirvain, Tuesday Jan. 22nd

The weather was very windy and rainy this morning, so we concluded to ride to Merthyr. When we got to the station we met Bro. Wm. Price who paid our fare on the 12 o'clock train. We got to Merthyr soon after one o'clock, called at Ed. Joseph's got the "Star" and then called at our "old home" 24th way where we were well received by Bro. & Sister Hanson.

I received two letters and a news paper, one of the letters was a Welsh one from Mothe in reply to the Welsh one that I wrote to her from Slony by this some two months ago. She reported everything well at home. Rachel and the little boy were getting along fine and all the family were enjoying good health. One of the boarders Richard Owens had returned to his home in the north to teach school. But David Evans was still with them and was going to remain until June. She gave an account of some of my relatives in Carmarthen and desired that I should call on them the next time I went that way, which I intend to do.

Emily's letter was in reply to the one that I sent to her from Newland requesting her hand in marriage, the following, which is an extract explains itself." And now I must approach the subject which is last in my letter, although uppermost in my heart; the subject which I have long known must be discussed sooner or later, and I have been thankful that it has been so long before I have to decide against inclinations, for duty, and though I have of course long known that I was blessed ^{with} your love it is sweet to have you tell me so.

You have done me the greatest honor it is in man's power to do woman, and though I

assure you I appreciate it to the utmost, I cannot accept the happiness thus offered because it would disgrace you. I blame myself that I had not put a stop to our intercourse as soon as I knew what the end must be, but I could not if it were impossible to me, so the cause of my weakness must be my excuse. You have succeeded so far in your "object," that some time before you left home, I have felt that I could not live without you, but I have since learned that our lives do not depend on any mortal, we have to look higher, however hard the lesson.

I have now to mention a

subject that I can never speak of to any body outside of the family; that of my Father's crimes and our disgrace and shame. I can have no doubt that you know his reputation, but you must know all the rest of us well enough, to know that he is an affliction to us for we live in constant dread of his doing wrong.

You know my Mother well enough to know that she would not receive any benefit from such a practice, even if she could, but his ways have been so sneaking and trivial in the times when we have had to pay for his liberty, which has been three (this is all we

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have any knowledge of, but we do not know when we may have to hear of the same affliction again) that it was quite like the actions of a being without reason. You never can know Walter dear what I do, and how suffered for my Father's sin. I could cry tears of joy over your letter to-day, but now they are of bitterness. I do not think that there would be much love if I could allow you to marry a thief's daughter."

I felt considerably grieved at the circumstance that my Dear was thrown in by the wickedness of her Father, and especially while she took it so to heart,

and, ^{thus} causing it to be an obstacle
in her way of accepting an
offer in Marriage. I replied
that afternoon to the effect, that
I knew her to be an honest vir-
tuous girl, and that I didn't think
her Father's character should
deprive her of her future bless-
ings and happiness, and that
I had known her Father's reputation
long since, and that if I had con-
sidered it objectionable to keeping
company with ^{her} I would of brought
our intercourse to an end long
ago. I asked to her to fully con-
sider the matter, and that if
she still declined the offer I would
have to direct my attentions in
another way. That I had learn-
ed ere this that it was not

impossible for me after loving
 one & to bury it, and learn to
 love another.

We held a meeting in Bro.
 Alarn's in the evening.

We slept at Bro. Harrmans.

Merthyr Wednesday Jan. 23.

Spent the fore part of the
 day in Bro. Harrmans read-
 ing and writing. I wrote a
 letter to Bro. Jos. Bull Jr.
 asking him if he could
 come down to Hereford with
 Bro. Lorus Pratt between the 5
 and 15th of Feb, and meet Bro.
 Louis Howell and I, and then
 separate, him and I to come
 down to Wales and Bro. How-
 ell and Pratt to go towards

Birmingham, by so doing we would have a change of companions, and it would also allow us the privilege of seeing more of the country.

In the afternoon Bro. Howell and I, induced Bro. Harman to go up to Pen Gwynn Wdu with us, where we held a good Welsh meeting with the saints of that district. We returned after meeting to Mestlyn and stayed over night at Bro. Harman's.

Mestlyn Thursday Jan. 24.
After breakfast we left for Rhymney, called at my uncles and found all in good health except aunt who had

not been very well for several weeks. We visited several of the saints, and held a good meeting in Bro. David Charles where we also stayed over night.

Rhymney Friday Jan. 25.

Owing to not wanting ~~to go~~ to go any farther than Fredegan before Sunday, we spent the day in Rhymney reading writing and visiting the saints. We held a meeting in Sister Parry's Port-lottin in the evening. I wrote a letter to Geo. R. Emery.

Rhymney Saturday Jan 26
We left about noon for

Tredegar and found some of the members of that Branch in a very destitute condition owing to the "hard times" which are growing harder every day. We attended a "Scotch minstrel" performance in the Temperance Hall in the evening.

Tredegar, Sunday, Jan. 27.
 We met in council with the Tredegar district of the Com at 11 A.M. The district embraces Rhynney, Tredegar and Ebbw-vale from which there was a good representation of the Priesthood present. We held a good Sacramental meeting in the afternoon, and a well attended meeting in the evening, a goodly

number of strangers being present. We stayed over night at Bro. Jeremiah Williams, where there is a good bed &c. for the missionaries.

Tredegar, Monday, Jan. 28.
Spent the forenoon in Bro. Greenland's reading the Book of Mormon. In the afternoon we walked over to Ebbw Vale and called at Uncle Eliasier's where we spent a few hours. The family were all well except Aunt Mary who had been very sick for some time, but is now improving a little. We held a good meeting in Sister Hayward's house in the evening. After meeting we walked over to Tredegar, where we

Stayed over night.

Fredergar, Tuesday, Jan. 29, 1878.

Spent the morning reading the Book of Mormon and writing a letter to my mother. Walked over to Rhymney in the after-noon and held a meeting in Bro. Bannan where we had a few strangers present. We stayed over night at Bro. William Thomas where we had a good comfortable bed.

Rhymney, Wednesday, Jan. 30.

We spent the day very pleasantly in Sister Ann Evans. We had an appointment to hold a meeting this evening on Pengarn Ddu. Bro. Louis Howell and I in company with Bro. Thomas

and wife walked over, the distance being about 3 miles. Bro. Allen and Louis Thomas from Methy came in, in a few minutes after arrived there.

The meeting was addressed in Welsh. After meeting we walked to Heolgerig, and found the Edwards folks at rest. They soon got ^{up} however and prepared us something to eat after which we retired to bed.

Heolgerig, Methyr, Jan. 31st

In the morning on our way down to Methyr we called at some of the saints. We spent the afternoon at Bro. Thomas Jones Dyffra, where we are always treated hospitably. We attended mee-

ting with the Methys Branch in
the "Cross Keys" in the evening.
after which we walked to Geol-
gerrig and spent the time in
reading the letter that I had
received at the "room" from Bur
Sharman. A letter written by
Eli on the 21st, contained
the following item; "I attended
the Y. M. W. I. A. two weeks ago, and
the question came up of getting
up a concert for the "boys" that
are on a mission from our ward,
and it met with quite a rebuff.
Gold saying that he ^{was} opposed
to it, because it would be always
resorted to by those going, or
those already on missions, and
not only that, he says no need
of getting up anything, for he

knew that they needed nothing for he done business for one of them and thought that they would be opposed to the Society getting anything for their benefit, and not only that, the Society couldn't get up a concert, for the Ward would not patronise, a concert composed of adults, and no concert would be a success without it was got up by the Sunday School, at the same time refering to Evon concert which he got up some thing over a year ago and failed financially, owing to the fact that the S. School was not interested. And moreover the Sunday School anticipated the getting up of two or three con-

casts this winter and thus
 throw a concert for the mission-
 aries away into the spring
 as the Sunday ^{School} had the
 House; he also spoke of the
 inability to get up a party
 for their benefit. Summerhayes
^{was} substantially the same. Vin-
 cent refused to have anything
 to do with it. These were all
 that spoke against the mo-
 tion, I spoke in return to these
 and reflected some of Golds re-
 marks. Walter Brown spoke
 and favored getting up a con-
 cert, as also did a few others.
 But I seeing that I would off-
 end the Sunday School if I
 insisted on my motion, I
 withdrew it with a pro-

test and Gold seeing the position of things and my ideas, made a motion to raise a subscription among the members of the Society, and as an argument in favor of his motion said that the "boys" would appreciate the contributions as they would be entirely from the Society, and not from the ward as a concert would be. Will Williams Brother opposed this, said that the boys needed nothing, and that it would humiliate them &c. I also spoke against it, and as argument said some of the members could contribute and some could not, but all could do something towards a

Concert, and as far as I was individually concerned I could not raise five cents for said subscription at present, but could help in getting up a concert. The motion of Gold passed, but I have heard nothing of the committee which was to have been, to collect subscriptions.

Bro. Peter Reid, after the exercises were through with, was called upon to say a few words. He favored the getting up of a concert, thought it could not come off until June next, he got heated up in his remarks and went after the donations motion and said that we ought to give the poor in Zion first and let the missionaries work for what they needed &c. His remarks created

quite a sensation. Cope said that I had should not have withdrawn my motion, but I thought best rather than lose it and fight the Sunday School exhibition to do as I did. Probably I should not write all this, but I have heard — folks have talked about it a great deal and throw blame on me, and they also saw that I said, "I would not give five cents to the 'boys', so if you, so if you hear anything of this you will know of the facts and you can judge for yourself."

The action that the above refers to, was taken on the strength of a slight hint that I made to Eli in a letter some two months ago.

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.

Keelgerrig, West Lyr, Feb. 1, 1848
 We walked this morning from Bro. Edwards' to Mrs. Ann Williams Cefu Penmar House near Aberda. where Bro. Louis Howell's aunt and family live. 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 Crown Bach and spent the evening in reading the Book of Mormon.

At 11 o'clock Bro. Parry & William arrived from Wirwain 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.

Crownbach, Saturday Feb. 2.

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

In the afternoon Bro. Parry and I went over to Mertyns 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 Cebu Penon.

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 we would but live our religion and endeavor to keep his commandments.

Merthyr, Tydfil, Monday, Feb. 4.
 Bro. Louis Howell arrived about noon from Cwmfach 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. Gorny. 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 solliciting 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 Feb. 6.

I took a walk ^{morning} this 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 Dister
 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