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March 19, 1883–May 29, 1884

[Editor's note: Journal 18 covers March 19, 1883, through May 7, 1883. It is 4½ by 6¾ inches with a burgundy cover, and is written in light purple or black pencil. The first entry is a note inserted and dated March 22, 1898, by Ralph Smith.]

In my Journal and by corresponding with Pre. C. O. Card I find he was assistant Supt. of Sunday Schools untill 1879 assisted by O. C. Ormsby at this date was taken for Second Counselor to President of Cache Stake Wm B. Preston So it should appear that Elder O. C. Ormsby was made Supt. of Sunday Schools for Cache Stake with Nibley and Turner—assistants and at Nov conference 1881 Fred W. Hurst was called Supt of S.S. for this Stake and in *Deseret* Sunday Schools Report in Vol 19 *Juvenile Instructor* page 183 for year 1883 Cache Stake C. W. Nibley Supt—This is not proper as F. W. Hurst was the superintendent and Reported the Stake in the two (2) previous Yearly Reports as shown in the *Instructor* and shortly after Elder Ormsby Return from Europing Mission was again installed S.S. Supt—herein is some thing irregular and Ormsbys assistants Wm Apperley W. S. Reese and having been solisited to help get these fact for Record purposes I am working. Respectfully [signed] Ralph Smith¹

¹ Ralph Smith was active in the area of governance and was one of the workers in the temple construction. He supervised the stone quarry (see F. Peterson 1997, 114; Somers 1993, 156). He later joined Card in the Canadian colony of Cardston (see D. Godfrey and Card 1993, 63).

[Begin journal. Inside front cover.]

Memorandum of C. O. Card Logan, Utah Mch. 19/ 1883

Convention meets on Oct. 9/83 at 10 A.M.

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See about rates to

B. City at Present 21

Joseph Kimballs 12 Tons Hay \$60.00

Telephone Agt

Henry Rovel

Aprl. 4

Jos C. Rich Temple 20.00

2nd Quorum of Elders Ogden 8.1.50

Give Bill of Indian Cache T.O. [Tithing Office]

C. H. Carlston \$6.00} Oakey

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Idaho

Box Elder Stake H.D. Haight Bp

Lorenzo D. Young Son \$50.00

Salt Lake City sugar house ward

James Moyle² \$100.00

15 Ward Salt Lak City

² James Moyle's ancestry went back to Cornwall, England. He and his wife Elizabeth Wood came to Utah in time for Moyle to participate in the Utah War. One of his sons, James H. Moyle, became a prominent Utah lawyer who served in Washington DC in the Franklin D. Roosevelt administration. His grandson

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Samuel A. Woolley Cash 5.00
T.O. Center 5.00
9 Ward Salt Lake City

_____ Nelson Portney \$20.00
Address _____ Vine Logan Springs.
Susan Young \$23.00

[This entry appears to be a partial recording of a speech in the settlement of Paradise, Utah. It is not the same kind of paper, not dated, and the bottom is torn off.]

You are acquainted with one another & your animals &c because you have seen & are familiar to their looks. Many of these personages administered and instructed him. The Gospel brings life & immortality to light—Spoke then of the organization of the church & Priesthood.

Spoke of John who was banished on the Isle of Patmos. But could not be banished from God for angels administered to him. You are gathered to the Land of Zion that you may be taught in the ways of the Lord. Gave much excellent instruction. As we are in the town of Paradise, Let no act as we should if we were in Paradise. Our object and aim is eternal lives and an exaltation in the Kingdom of our God. Wives & husbands & children will treat each other right. God bless you all who love Zion and keep his _____.

[The first entry following the listing and the insert was note on one page.]

From Paradise we returned direct to Logan where we arrived shortly after 6 PM.

[Dated entries begin.]

Monday, March 19, 1883—I attended to the Temple business during the day as well as riding out onto the North West Bench with Bro R. Smith to assist him in Settling a land dispute.

Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday, March 20, 21, & 22, 1883—I attended very closely to the Temple business.

Tuesday rode up the Kanyon about 14 miles to receive Some wood & posts on acct. of J. Morris with the Temple.

Henry D. Moyle became an Apostle who also served in the First Presidency of the Church (see Hinckley 1951, 1–9).

Friday, March 23, 1883—I attended to Temple and other necessary business.

Attend the meeting of the Deacons in the 2nd Ward Logan & assisted the Bs to Ordain 9 Deacons Among them I ordained my Eldest Son C. O. Jr.³

Smithfield, Saturday, March 24, 1883—I attended to business about the Temple until 1 PM when I went home & prepared to go to Smithfield for which place I took train at 9:15 After arriving in this place I taid over night with Charles Jones & family.

Smithfield, March 25, 1883—This morning I joined Prests Preston and Merrill at the S.S. We made encouraging remarks to the School.

2 P.M. We met with the Sts Singing By the choir Prayer by Elder S. Roskelly Singing & Sacrament.

Pres Preston arose & asked the faith & Prayers of the Sts. Though he thought it sometimes necessary to call attention that We are apt to let our minds wander instead resting upon the speaker. It is necessary for us to give them our faith & prayers. We are trying to comply with a rev. given oct 13/82 in regard to purifying our Selves & organizing according to the order of “My church.”

He read a portion of the rev. Referred to In times past Pres Young often Spoke as a word of council it is not so now we have the word of the Lord upon it & to us it is thus saith the Lord. Referred to the principle of the United Order It is required that we purify our selves & set all the quorums in Order. It is the duty of the presidency of the Elders quorum to Enroll all of the Elders of this ward & enquire into their standing. After you have them enrolled give a recommend to the 7 quorum of all over 96—then Look into the standing of each member of Said quorum.

Read from doc. cov. Page 392 duties of E[lders] &c. If we wish to enjoy the gifts & blessings we must live for them. Read again from Doc cov. duties of a Priests.

Spoke at some length on the duties of Priests. You should read & explain the scriptures to the people without skipping a house. The Bp is by right the President of the Priests quorum Bp G. L. Farrell was sustained as Pres of the Priests quorum.

It is the duty of the Bp to organize a Priests, Teachers and a Deacons quorum or two. Told the

³Charles Ora Card Jr. was born December 10, 1873, in Logan. He would have been just over ten years old at the time of this ordination.

Bp to properly organize all of the Sr quorums, put your boys to work. We have hitherto put to many offices out [t]o old men. Harness up the boys. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts & all their substance. Amen.

Pres. Merrill was very thankful for the privilege for meeting with you. In order to ordain men we will have to put them before the Branch where they live. Spoke upon the order of the Priesthood which is System and order. Spoke of the useful Labors of the Teacher and Priests. The organization of the Kingdom is most complete. We observed in your S.S. this morning quite a neglect in attendance of Schollars & Teachers. The S.S. are of vast importance to us & should not be neglected If we are wise we will Sustain all these useful Branches of the Gospel.

We are careless and neglectful in many things. Referred to the boyhood days of the prophet Joseph Smith. Spoke of the utility of prayers. If we implant in the minds of our children correct principles they will not depart from it God Bless you. Amen.

Elder C. O. Card Spoke on the duties of Officers of the church and members therof. Bore his testimony to the truth of the Gospel as taught by those that preceded him on this occasion. Asked the aid of the Lord in all of our duties. Amen.

Elder Samuel Roskelly who had just returned from a mission to the St. Geo. Temple. where he had been to Learn the Ordinances thereof which assisted him more & more to comprehend the magnitude of the work of the Lord up to the 1st of Dec. 1882. Upwards of 170000 Souls had been baptized for We have Baptized from 500 to 1500 pr day and from 60 to 90 have been endowed. He had enjoyed the work in the Temple exceedingly during the past winter & I have enjoyed the company of my Co Laborers. The geneological records from the different nations are of great assistance to us in the work for our dead. Invoked the blessings of the Gospel upon the Sts. Amen.

Singing ~~Ben~~—Pres Preston arose & stated that Benson Hyde Park & Smithfield had been set apart as a missionary distct Robt. Merkle [Meikle] & Robt. A Bain were unanimously sustained as home missionaries to this district. Benediction By Elder James Mack.⁴

We took supper with Bro Seth Lankton [Langton] & family Thence to Logan.

Monday, March 26, 1883—I attended to Temple very busy all day.

Tuesday, March 27, 1883—I attended to the Temple Business & went to my farm & Start men to drill in my wheat thence Back to The Temple Office.

Wednesday & Thursday, March 28 & 29, 1883—I attended to my usial Temple duties in which I take a great deal of pleasure.

Friday, March 30, 1883—I attended to my usiall duties of Temple & Stake assisted Pres. Preston to make out an apportionment of Carpenters & Laborer for the Temple to be paid by the wards.

Saturday, March 31, 1883—I attended to Temple & other duties until 11 A.M. When I met with the Elders Selected as missionaries of this Cache Valley Stake & assisted Pres. Preston in setting apart to their home missions among the Sts which we think will result in great good.

At 5 P.M. Pres Preston & myself went to the depot to take train for Richmond to fill appointments on the morrow in Lewiston at 10 AM & Richmond at 2 P.M. Found the train 2 hours behind which would bring us in in the night Pres. Preston feeling weary it was decided that I wait for the train & proceed to Richmond and assist Pres. M. W. Merrill to fill the appointments arrived in Richmond 9 P.M. Staid over night with Bro. M.

Richmond, Sunday, April 1, 1883—This morning Pres Merrill & myself proceeded to

[Card skips a line and begins a new paragraph here, but the narrative continues.]

Lewiston where we met with the Sts at 10 A.M. Singing by the choir. Prayer by Elder H. Funk.⁵ Singing & sacrament. Elder C. O. Card read the rev. given through Pres. John Taylor Oct. 13, 1882. Pres Merrill arose & said it was good to have repeated the word of the Lord before us. The Lord requires us to set ourselves & quorums in order for for which purpose. We need system & organization The Elders of this ward have been Identified with Richmond. It has been deemed proper to organize a quorum here & if not enough for a quorum we will include Preston.

⁴Robert Meikle and Robert A. Bain had come to Smithfield together with their families in 1860. Meikle owned a tannery on Summit Creek (see Smithfield Historical Society 2001, 6, 15).

⁵Hans Funk served as first assistant superintendent in the Lewiston Sunday School (see Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 126).

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We should organize a priests & teachers quorums & Then quorums of deacons until all are organized When these quorums are organized we will expect full & complete reports quarterly.

Robert N. Eggbert was Sustained as president of the 17th Elders quorums C. M. Rawlins as first and 2nd James Bodily as 2nd Counsellors. Pres. Merrill & C. O. Card Set them apart Pres M mouth for the former & Elder Card the Latter. Bp. W. H. Lewis was then Sustained as Pres. of the Priests Quorum of this ward.

Priests & teachers have separate duties to perform. It is a good thing for the Priests to visit the Sts. from house to house & it is good for them to take the Scriptures with them & read & explain them.

The Teachers Should also visit and see that no evil is among them. Suggest cleanliness & cultivation of trees &c would be good advice.

It is suggested we live in towns If we have sick among us it is good to have good faithful Elders close by. We need Spiritual food.

Gave good advice in regard to the Cultivation of fruit and Shade trees.⁶ The railing of Side walks. Spoke of the great importance and use of all the quorums & they should do their duty. We should cultivate the spirit of the Lord that we may understand the things of the Lord. The Lord never has designed that we should be idle. If we will not do our duty we will have to let some one else take our place. It is not a hard ship for us to do our duties & we should try to enjoy the Spirit of our callings & Labor under its influence. Without it we can not do our duties. It is proper we study & inform our minds & draw near unto the Lord. Amen.

Elder C. O. Card Spoke on the duties of the Lesser Priesthood as well as that of the Melchisedek. Duties of Parents towards their children All should do their duty that they may advance & improve in the of the Lord & His Kingdom. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts Lands flocks & the possessions of the Sts in the name of Jesus Amen.

Singing by the choir. Benediction By Elder James Wadoupt [Waddoups].

Directly after meeting we returned to **meeting** Richmond & dined.

Richmond. We met with the Sts of this place at 2 P.M. Singing by the choir Prayer by Elder L. P. Swenson Singing & Sacrament.

Elder C. O. Card read the Late rev. given through Pres John Taylor Oct 13. 1883 [1882].

Pres M. W. Merrill arose & thought it good to have often repeated the Sayings of the Lord until we understand our duties. Our special Business to day is to fill up & organize the quorums which we have worked at some time.

The Elders here have been Identified with with Lewiston but now we find enough here for a quorum & fully organize the 9th quorum of Elders.

In our Labors we desire the faith of the Sts. The first duty of an Elder after their ordination is to joine themselves immediately to the Elders quorum where they reside. There is no Elder or member that does not come under the Supervision of the Holy Priesthood The time will come when Gods rule will be acknowledged in the whole earth. W. C. Burnham was sustaned as first Counselor to Lewis P Swenson Pres. of the 9 Quorum of Elders. Elders C. H. Monsen Swen C. Nelson were sustained as Missionaries to the Richmond Lewiston & Coveville Wards. We then Set apart Elder Morison [Mowson] to his Labors Pres Merrill mouth. We are here to Labors in the Lords vineyard.

It is important that we have our minds stored with useful information that we may be prepared to Labor at home or abroad. We cant understand the things of God except by the Sprt of God.

Humility & faithfulness brings us success as Elders in our Labors.

When we enjoy the spirit of our Priesthood we take pleasure in our Labors. He explained the duties of the priests and teachers and showed that they were not alike. Let each one perform their parts. We should look about ourselves & set ourselves arright. It becomes us to Learn to give a reason for the Gospel that is within us. It is our privilege to enquire of the Lord in relation to our callings and Labor. If we have not a testimony of the truth of the work of the Lord is because we have not Sought for it.

The Priests on their visits should pass none but Labor with all from house to house.

Teach unbelievers at hom[e] as well as abroad. All that receive the Gospel makes them better We have no time to idle but we should set ourselves & houses in order that we may be aproved of the Lord Amen.

⁶Lewiston had sandy soil, and large numbers of trees were planted to keep the soil from blowing away after crops were planted.

We then set Bro Wallace C. Burnham apart as first Counsellor to the Pres of the 9 Elders Quorums C. O. Card mouth.

Bp. Wm. L. Skidmore was then unanimously Sustained as President of the Priests Quorum of Richmond Ward.

Elder C. O. Card read extracts from the History of the Prophet Joseph & Oliver Cowdery in relation to receiving the Aaronic Priesthood read from Doc. Cov. Page 292 Spoke upon the duties of the Priesthood bothe Aaronic and melchisedek. We should try to extend the Gosp[e]l on every hand. Left his blessings with the people & invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts &c Amen.

Choir Sang Benediction Elder A. C. Brower.
After meeting I returned home.

Monday, April 2, 1883—I was very busy all day getting things arranged about the Temple & my farm that I might go to conference.

Tuesday, April 3, 1883—I again attended to Temple and other business preparatory to going to conference.

Wednesday, April 4, 1883—This Morning I took train at 4 O.C. & went to Ogden my wife Sarah J. P. accompanied me also my daughter Jennie We remained here through the day. Then Jennie & I went to the City my wife Staying in Ogden to follow the next day.

Wednesday [Thursday], April 5, 1883—At 10 A.M. I went to meeting where we were instructed by Presidents Taylor & Cannon who were filled with the Gift of the Holy Ghost. Pres. Cannon Said we want more of the Spirit of the Gospel in our daily business.

At 1 P.M. We assembled in the Large Tabernacle & Apostle L Snow addressed us on the United order & agency of man. We would never be equal as all do not enjoy the same Gifts & were not equal in temporal more than we were in Spiritual things. Did not think we Should have things as common stock. As that would destroy Agency.

Friday, April 6, 1883—We assembled this morning in the assembly hall and were addressed by Apostle Erastus Snow. Upon human rights & freedom & the Social Evil & its preventatives by Keeping the Celestial Law of Mariage.

1 P.M. We met in the Large Tabernacle and were addressed by Apostles L. Snow on the principles of the united order and agency.

Saturday, April 7, 1883—We met & were address at 10 A.M. by Apostle Moses Thatcher on the principles of Chastity & Temperence followed by Apostle A. Carrington.

In the afternoon we were addressed by [Two lines left blank at the bottom of the page.]

Sunday, April 8, 1883—At 10 A.M. we convened in the Large Tabernacle & were addressed by Prests. Jos F. Smith & Geo. Q. Cannon upon the principles of purity in the mariage vow and all the actions of life public & private.

In the afternoon we were addressed by Pres John Taylor who gave us much good general good instruction Occupying all the time not used in business. Besides all the above meetings I attended the Priesthood Meeting on Friday night [April 13] Sunday School Union on Sat. night [April 14].

Thus passed a very busy Conference replete with good & wholesome instruction under the inspiration of the Lord.

Monday, April 9, 1883—To day I was busy receiving funds for the Temple. Went a Short time to the Missionaries meeting also the Mutual improvement. Thence to Centerville where I joined my wife & at my cousin Amanda Rollins & family where I remaned over night & was treated Kindly.

Tuesday, April 10, 1883—This morning I called upon my uncle Joseph France & family and 11:30 took train for Salt Lake where I arrived at 12 M.

At 2 P.M. went to the Constitutional convention which Lasted about 2 hours.

I Staid over night at Sister Bathsheba Smith & wrote a letter to Apostle F. D. Richards concerning Temple Matters.

Wednesday, April 11, 1883—At 7:40 I took train for Ogden where I remaned doing business during the day at 7 O.clock I took train for home where I arrived at 11 PM.

Thursday & Friday, April 12, 13, 1883—I attended to temple business very busily although Laboring under the influence of a Severe cold.

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Saturday, April 14, 1883—I attended to Temple and other business until 11 AM Thence to Priesthood meeting until 1 P.M.

Attended to Temple business during the ballance of the day. This ending a very busy week hoping it will be proffitable to the Kingdom.

Sunday, April 15, 1883—This Morning after visiting or calling on my families & Mother I visited brother Geo. L. Farrell whose wife Lottie died yesterday Thence To meeting in the Logan Tabernacle at 10 A.M. with the Sts of Logan. We were addressed by Bp T. E. Ricks A. A. Allen Elder C. O. Card Bp. Wm H. Lewis Elder C. W. Nibley Meeting Lasted 1½ hours.

1 P.M. After Sacrament we were addressed by Elder L. R. Martineaux Pres. Wm B Preston Who Spoke of puritye of thought & deed. Apostle M. Thatcher Then addressed the Sts. and refered to a rev. not published to the church but had been accepted which was given to an Apostle in the Southern Ministries 2 great Sins one the Love of the world but the greatest was adultery Said there were adulterers & adulteresses not known to the people generally. Hypocracy was another. Said during his remarks that those who had rec'd their washings & annointings could not be forgiven for adultery. Read Pargraphs 19 & 26 of the rev. on Celestial Mariage "If a man commit adultery he can not receive a celestial glory. J. S." Refered to the Case of David the King of Israel. Adultery has is next to murder. J. S. July 2, 31 compendium Genesis Sining against the Holy Ghost. Intoxicants lead to these evils. Spoke of the Laws of life & in the future there will be sisters set apart to go forth & teache the high principles of life. He spoke at some length on this valuable subject.

Logan, Monday-Saturday, April 16-21, 1883—I attended to my Temple business and made garden attended to & supervised my farming during the whole week.

Sunday, April 22, 1883—I attended the young mens mutual improvement associations conference at 10 A.M. & 2 P.M.

Also a meeting in the 2nd Ward in the evening.

Monday, April 23, 1883—I attended to Temple & private Business until 5 P.M. When I Joined Apostle M Thatcher & Pres Preston & went to Hyde Park to hold meeting.

Hyde Park, Apr 23/83 7:30 P.M. Sing By the choir Prayer by Elder G[e]orge Simmonds [Seamons]⁷ Singing. Elder C. O. Card arose & bore his testimony to the truth of the Gospel and Encourged the Sts to be faithful & magnify their callings. Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts.

Apostle M Thatcher arose & Said he was pleased to meet again with the world Sts here Had advised with Pres. Preston in the regard to adding to this house or building a new one & felt to advise the latter.⁸ Spoke of the dull times. Spoke of a disposition of many people to go into debt in good times. Refered to a time he predicted a crises in business in a time of failures.

Spoke of the producer as being the most independent. Some think it is the most noble to sell goods which was wrong We do not wish to hold up before the Sts as happiness wealth, it does not produce happiness. Had a very peculiar dream. Dreampt he Saw a man who had died some time ago. Saw he Sought to make his friends happy but had a sad and discontented countinence. Asked what was the matter answered I have lost my opportunity. This man when he died did not know that Jesus was the Christ. We should use our substance for the upbuildings. Cancel as soon as possible your honest debts. Refered to his interest in the bank, but had but one interest. The Lord is Kind to his people and has been in all ages. God is loving & merciful. Spoke of the callings of presiding officers. Thought the sts blessed here on their farms where they could teach their children honest Labor.

It is the disposition of all to want something do not enjoy. Spoke upon the history of Mahommet. Refered to the reformer Martin Luther. The prophet Joseph Smith Struck at the rood of idolitry which was erected in the minds of the people who were taught by Priests to worship a god without Body Parts and passions. Though we are few the doctrines of the Gospel are being learned more and more every

⁷ George Seamons and his brother Elijah were some of the initial settlers of Hyde Park. In 1894 George and his family were honored at a special 24th of July celebration held in the town square (see Kirby 1997, 108).

⁸ The Saints in Hyde Park seem to have taken Elder Thatcher's advice, but it was 1893 before they dedicated a new frame meetinghouse that was thirty-six by sixty-six feet. The first social meeting in this building was a Sunday School Jubilee held on September 10, 1893 (see Kirby 1997, 103).

day The prophet Joseph is the greatest prophet Save Jesus Christ.

We should not be down hearted but Kind hearted to one another. We have been gathered here purpose of regenerating the world. The great mission before us is that of celestial marriage.

We should not misuse our bodies that we may beget healthy bodies for our children. Both male & female over work many times. Drew many beautiful comparisons. We should try to get on to that high plane. We should not over do our generative organs. We need to learn the Lawes of life. Man & woman become Strong in resisting temptation.

If the amateness is strong we should try to over come it. Referred to the prophet of the Lord Samuel who was got in Love. Referred to the Apostle Paul on this subject good food & plenty of ventilation & purity & we will become good & wise & live to a good old age. Said many good things on this very important subject. Read the book of cov. & hold up these things to the people to not approve of adultery. There is only way by which an adulterer may be Saved that is to be destroyed in the flesh. But we should not shed blood for we are not a people of blood. Raise your children in the name of the Lord. Adultery must be stoped among this people. Treat your wives with Kindness & gentleness. We have no right to marry unless we over come our passions. Spirits are anxious to come & let us prepair ourselves to bring forth the noble. May God bless you & keep you pure that your children may grow up as the here lage of the Lord. Amen.

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Pres Preston endorsed Apostle Thatchers remarks by saying Amen after rising on his feet. Singing. Benediction by Elder Pres Preston.

We stayed all night with our friends in Hyde Park.

Smithfield, Tuesday, April 24, 1883—We drove through a very heavy East wind to Smithfield and met with Sts at 11 A.M. Singing & prayer by Elder Thos Hilliard Singing.

Elder C. O. Card Spoke upon the duties of members & officers of the church of Christ. Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts.

Pres Preston arose and instructed the Sts in regard to extending their capacity of the Schools meeting houses. Spoke of the necessity of completing our temple. Spoke of the duties of teachers & priests that

they should leave them without excuse for they will be taught in the blessing of the Gospel. I hope we will be accounted worthy when the Temple is completed to go into it and receives our blessings. Referred to the Late rev. We should conform to it that we may be worthy that the blessings we receive may remain with us. Was satisfied that the L.D. Sts are growing & improving but Still there is more for us to do. Some would like to shirk their responsibility.

Spoke of the united order that we should try to work in that direction. Referred to Enoch & his people. Would like that each day we are getting nearer perfection.

There is just as much apostacy in the business relation of the world as in their religion. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts in the name of Jesus Amen.

Apostle M Thatcher arose and said we should try to reconcile ourselves & acknowledge the hand of the Lord in all things We should not murmur in our hearts but be greatful for all things. Noticed a disposition of many of the people to be gloomy in their minds a spirit that is arrousing in the world. Many of us work too much I am satisfied Bp. Farrell works too many hours every day. Many hours & days wasted are for want of System.

We have not always been prudent & wise. Debt is bondage to every honest man & woman. Had been studying over this matter alittle had advised previously to not by too many wagons & machinery but try to paint the old ones and make them do this Stake owes about 600000 Dollars or about 45 Dollars for every Soul.

The Gospel is too reafuable to me to oppress the Sts. The man who dies after oppressing the people is a very poor man. Referred to his dream of the Rich man who died without having attended to his duties Spiritual but looked after wealth Said his lot in the spirit world was cast among ambitious [s]keptics & & replied to Pres. T. he had lost his opportunity. Discouraged the idea of eating too much swine meat. Much can be done by faith. We should try to overcome our weake points and temptations.

Every great man have their trials. Jesus has passed through ever pang that is human. We need trials hoped we would not have too [deprive ... wealth] but my wives & my children. In idleness there is sin. Referred to the prophet Eli & hannah the mother of Samuel who prayed for a man child think

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more of your children than anything else. Go back a little & think just before they are borne & be wise.

The time will come when mothers will bear children as hannah did begotten in purity. We must not use intoxicants nor have no bad motives. Teach the Boys when they are married the Step on the highest plane. Referred to the pains taken & breeding animals. We must keep certain lawes of life. Prepare ourselves for these things & take lessons from animals & vegetations. Raise children holy & strong. Deprecated the adulterers & fornicators. Husbands love your wives & vice versa. Let us have light Lord in the name of Jesus Christ those that see their lives with lust will never be fathers of prophets & seers. Spoke much that was good & true on this subject.

There has been excess in the abuse of our bodies You have no right to perpetrate your species when you are worn out. Zion is growing let us be free from sin. May God bless you in the name of Jesus Amen.

Singing Benediction by Bp. G. L. Farrell.

We went & administered to the infant child of Bro. James Merkle Apostle M Thatcher Mouth.

Thence we drove to Richmond & put up with Pres. M. W. Merrill.

Richmond. At 7:30 we met with the Sts of this Place Singing & pray and singing. Then Pres Preston invited all the small audience to Sit on the south Side of the house.

We have come together to be instructed in the things God. We have more cause to rejoice that we have in this d[i]spensation than any other. We have great cause to rejoice that we have the house of the Lord finished or nearly so in our midst.

We can rejoice that our enemies have been baffled in their evil designs against us. We Should claim faith in God in all our Labors. Referred to the Late rev. by Pres. Taylor. Spoke of the Blessings that would be enjoyed by those that are faithful. We should be found faithful in all the duties that devolve upon us. We should try to gain the riches of Eternity & not of this world. Spoke of the time now at hand that the gospel will be introduced to the Lamanites.

We should give our hearts to the Lord. Teach the children the principles of the Gospel. Live that you may be worthy of your blessings of the Lord in his house. It is expected that the Temple will be fully completed & paid for before dedication of it.

Let us enquire into the Standing of ourselves and see if we are worthy of our positions.

Spoke of the necessity of Sending our children to the S.S. Should also attend to our Relief Society or societies have much good instruction on many points.

There is no cheap crowns in heaven & they are bought by Sacrifices. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts Amen.

Apostle M. Thatcher arose. Stated he was responsible for these meetings for he had only been here for about twice in 4 yrs. Spoke of the Sts in southern Arazona the Sts were doing very well. While there he felt he was traveling over a dead empire. Saw signs of canals &c that had been made by the Nephites. Our people in these Settlements were mostly poor because they have not turned their attention to agriculture. S. Arazona is a good grazing country. Related an incident of one Bro Fife and 2 gentiles who were killed & Bro Fife was wounded but preserved by listening to the spirit that whispered to him to keep low to the Ground.

Our people will settle those valleys by being Kind to the indians who are learning that we are there friends. Spoke of the progress of the Gospel in Mexico. We should not feel to be discouraged. Spoke of the ill feeling against us a year ago but it has changed now. Referred to the prediction of Apostle E. Snow who said when the republican party expeled Elder Geo. Q. Cannon & passed the Edmunds Bill had reached their Eminence. The Lord had ans'd the prayers of the Servts of God ~~to whom~~ We should Give glory to God for all of this. We came near loosing our liberties. The Lord has made the change. Their pretext was marital relations but their object was plunder. Get out of dept from friend or foe.

He met men who feel gloomy occasionally & think & reflect what brings this about. Our children die early but they should not. We should keep the Lawes of nature. We should revolutionize the world. Spoke of the young when they were young & married in purity.

Spoke of the evil of firing the bodys with Liquor that lead men to lust and adultery. Spoke much on this point that was good & truthful on these points of virtue.

A child begotten in purity & caried in purity will be pure. Spoke of the necessity of being prepared to reproduce our Kind. There is nothing higher than this for it leads to the Godhood. Spoke of the case of Hannah who was the mother of Samuel. She asked the Lord for him. Referred to the

chastisements of Eli for allowing his children to wander away from the Lord in impurity.

We have had the Law of Celestial marriage many yrs but we are on the first step of it. We should exhibit love towards our wives that cary our children.

We should not use these functions only for the proper purpose. We must keep the Laws of God and nature. Say gentle words to one another. Tried to impress this valuable principle upon the Sts here. We should learn to keep the word of wisdom. All narcotics have an influence upon the passions. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts.

Singing. Benediction Bp. Skidmore.

We remaned over night with Pres. M. W. Merrill who with his family treated us as usial very kindly.

Wednesday, April 25, 1883—About 9 A.M. we Started for Cove Ville where we met with the Sts at 11 A.M. Meeting was opened by Singing by the choir prayer by Bp. J. C. Larsen Singing.

Pres M. W. Merrill arose first addressed the sts.

It is important we Keep before our minds our duties. Exhorted the proper to emulate the example of our Savior. It is important that we meet together from time to time and talk over the principles of the Gospel. There is a field of usefulness for all to operate in. No officer can make a success of his Labors without the Spirit of his calling. We will not have the Spirit of contention when we have the Spirit of the Gospel. Gave much good instructions on these points. The Gospel makes us free and happy. Teach it to our children that that they may grow up in the Lord. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts. Elder C O Card Spoke of teaching the children as we are commanded commanded. Exhorted the brethren to take time to fill their calling. God bless us in the name of Jesus Amen.

Apostle M. Thatcher Said it was the first time he had ever met with the Sts in this place. We should seek to enjoy the Gift of the holy Ghost. Lean upon the Lord your true riches consist in your wives & children Husbands set your hearts upon them. Wives set your hearts upon your husbands & children.

The Kind man or woman will always have a good word for the sick & afflicted and old by whom he was surrounded.

Spoke of those that that were tempted & tried. We should love one another with a genuine affection. Do not have any hated. wives here we should

not cultivate such a feeling in. A wife that is not loved should not bear your children & vice versa.

We should try to raise your Beef as much of the hog meat we get is very impure Gave an act of a chicago Slaughter yard & the filth of the same. It is best not to Dr our children too much Give your selves plenty of fresh air. The people owe too much. It is not good to be as in such bondage for it impoverishes. Spoke upon the principle of Economy.

Spoke of the Early days of Logan and his gathering up material for a pair of fine shoes which took 6 months to gather the material & tan & manufacture. Spoke of the ill feelings of our nation which was to wipe us out but the Lord ordered differently.

Spoke of the Lord making Known the sins of Adultry & worldly love. But we are waking up to these things & not covering them up. We Should be pure in mind & Body that we may beget our children in purity. You young men that mary should be pure. Go to the Temple pure. You have the necessary children here. I have seen every here. Nine tenths of the akes & Pains are caused by not Keeping the Lawes of life. May God bless you in the name of Jesus Amen.

Pres Preston said we have listened to many important truthes to which I bear my testimony to. Knowledge is power. Nations are Kept together by armies, but we are to be governed by good principles. Learn these correct principles & teach them to our wives & children. Spoke of the land in this vicinity which is not so good well tilled as may be but by & by we will divide up a little with out sons & neighbors & have it better tilled. Pres Taylor advised as much as possible for us to live in vilages convenient to our farms. In selecting a town site we should try to get in a good dry place. Referred to Several Settlements in cache Co that were badly located. When we Locate we should Locate to stay. & use care & wisdom in it. Our country will fill up with the natural increase. The Bp should call his counsel & Priesthood together and counsel & advise in this matter.

Teach your children how to make garden take care of shrubs & trees. Spoke encouragingly to the Sts & their children. Taught them good lessons of morality. Make some flower Gardens & teach your children how. Make your homes very delightful. Keep them clean dont get careless. This place has many advantages over Logan. It will not do for your children to be allowed to rome over the hills on Sunday. May the Lord bless you in your flocks families &c in the name of Jesus Amen. Elders in this

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district will be attached to Franklin to make a quorum Singing Benediction by Elder Thos Kingsford.

Franklin. After dining with Brother Preece we dove to Franklin & put up with S. R. Parkinson Counselor to the Bp.

At 7:30 we met with the Sts of Franklin Singing by the choir Prayer by Bp. L. H. Hatch Singing

Elder C O Card Spoke upon the duties and callings of the Latterday Sts and the Quorums of the Priesthood conjured the Sts to try to take the Spirit of the meetings to our homes. Invoked the Blessings of the Lord upon the Sts.

Apostle M Thatcher was pleased to visit the Settlements in this Stake of Zion. Franklin is a delightful Location but I do not think you have made the improvements you might have done Spoke of the Economy of the chinese. The Lord has spoken to us to Set ourselves in order. Referred to the prophet Eli and his losses by allowing his sons to sin without rebuking them & he was Succeeded by the Boy Samuel. If the Lord took the Priesthood from Eli & bestowed it upon Samuel because Eli neglected to teach his children in the ways the Lord. Spoke against the use of ardent Spirits.

Spoke of the Effect of Liquor upon the human system with so much and many poisons in it. We are apt to cary or transmit those evils to our children. When we tamper with these things the appetite will rob our children. The Lord has said that none of the predictions should fall to the ground but complained that we had adulterers fornicators & those that are evil & worldly minded.

Spoke of the Lawes of life. "Man know thyself." Men should govern themselves & have ourselves in perfect controll. We should permit the solemnities of Eternity to rest upon us. Spoke of the Sin & grave crime of infanticide. These crimes are the results of Sin. I came here to tell you about some of these things that you may avoid them. The men that tamper with Liquor are dangerous elements in society.

The forgiveness for adultery mention in the doc. in cov. only applies to members who have not recd their Endowments & Celings. Those who have rec'd their blessings shall be destroyed in the flesh. J. S. Says no adulterer can go into the Celestial Kingdom of God. We do not want to Kiln adulterers for we are not a people of blood.

Brethren treat your wives Kindly. Be continent. I wish you to think over these things My father was strong but abused his body with over worked. My

body would have been stronger & not had a body So full of pains. Those will rule this world who rule & govern myself. If we beget our children in lust they will be lustful. Keep the celestial Law. Try to overcome the use of tea & Coffee & Liquor that they may not be transmited to their children. God bless you Amen.

Pres Preston had been much interested asked the Sts to Study on them that we may be efficient ministers in the Gospel You will be held accountable for the use we mak[e] of our Priesthood. Bore his testimony to what has been said this evening. We should set our families & houses in order then all will be in order. Franklin & Cove Ville ward will constitute the district of the 11th Quorum. Every Elder in these 2 Wards must be enrolled in this Quorum. If there are Elders that will not conform to the requirements of the quorum they should be dealt with by the Bps. All quorums can be controlled in the same way.

The temple will soon be completed another important question is when will be be quallified to go into that temple are we worthy Will we be able to obtain your recommends. Have we assisted in the construction of the Temple[?] Have we been faith in all our duties[?] These are very important questions Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts. Amen.

Pres Merrill arose and said he had listened with great interest Admonished the Sts to remember what had been said to them & reduce them to practice Testified that the teachings are true. Asked the Lord to assist us to cary them out. Singing Benediction by Elder Wm. C Parkinson.

We remained over night in this place and Partook farther of the hospitalities of our friends.

Thursday, April 26, 1883—We left Franklin and drove to Preston this morning.

Preston. We joined the Sts in Meeting at 10 A.M. choir Sang. Pray By Elder Wm. Head. Singing.

Pres. Merrill first addressed the Sts. Said we are pleased to convene with you Referred to the Late Wind Storm & thought we should acknowledge the hand of the Lord in it even all things. Spoke of the Kind acknowledgement of Job in his afflictions. Referred to the rapid development of this valley by the Sts.

We should Sanctify the Lands by paying our tithes & offerings. The families that have observed to keep the commands of God are in his favor. As a

rule those who have turned from the ways of the Lord are behing [behind] & have not prospered. We are here to redeem & Sanctify this land. People who have tried to Keep up with the fashions have lived to fast and have had to mortgage and get into Bondage. We have good credit and the way to keep it good is not to go into debt. Spok to Some extent on the principle of Economy. Said we had better to do without the fine things than go into debt. The Lord has blessed this country. The prayers of the people have prevailed God has blessed the land. I fear we fail in many instances to acknowledge the hand of the Lord. Those that Seek the Lord in faith find peace. We should set our families in order. Spoke of the over ruling hand of the Lord in behalf of the Sts. Exhorted the Sts to purify themselves & not foget those things. If we dont enjoy the blessings of God it is because we dont Labor for it. But if we do we feel hapy & cheerful A great responsibility rests upon us in regard to rearing our families. No need to be idle Exhorted the Sts to call upon the Lord gave his experience in calling upon the Lord & the great benefit he rec'd. Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts.

Pres Preston arose and refered to the Late rev. & the Lords requirements contained therein. I do not think we are satisfied with our Labors. Spoke of the duties of the Elders & said that the Elders of this ward were under the supervision of Robt N. Eggbert Pres of the 17 Qs. They should not neglect any callings that we are called upon to act in. The Lord is feeling after us. Spoke of the often asked questions when will the Temple be completed. We should ask ourselves are we worthy to go therein. Have we been so faithful that we can obtain a recommend. There is a preparation necessary for this it is a day of reformation and prayer. Asked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts in the name of Jesus.

Apostle M Thatcher Said he had been very much edified with the remarks of the brethren Am pleased to meet with you for the first time in my life. Suggested that a cracked log be repaired before many more meetings that no sad occurrence may happen. There was no sin before we came here if there is any here now we should get rid of them. Referred to a dream he had of a certain rich man who died not knowing that Jesus was the Christ. He was poor in deed. Referred to the Law of celestial marriage. Said when we die all we have is our wives and children and a small piece of land where to rest our bodies. Spoke of the sin of adultery as in former

meetings Spoke very pointed on these things. Desired the Sts to think and reflect upon these things. Defined the difference between those that had made covenants & those that have not.

There are subjects we want light upon. One is the Law of life. Spoke of the sin of infanticide. Many wives are caried to their Graves because the Husband knew not the Lawes of life. I will give us more pleasure to resist temptation.

Those who want to be married should be married because it is the highest Law. Called the attention of the Sts. to the noble examples of mating in Animals & vegetables. It is said it is Science to take good of our fine horses male & female is not Science to take care of ourselves and our wives Spoke of the prenatal influence upon children we should be careful about the influence that surround our wives. Would be pleased to have the Sts think & reflect upon upon these things. Brethren be moderate be continent.

Study out what makes men commit Suicide. There is one Key I wish every man to have. Let every wife know you have controll over every passion & you will Succeed Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts Singing. Benediction by Elder C. O. Card.

We dined with Bp Porter and family Thence To **Lewiston** where we met with the Sts at 3 P.M. Singing & pray by Elder Hans Fink [Funk] Singing Elder C. O. Card Spoke of our great mission we have in teaching the young. We should become a Literary people. Lord bless you Amen.

Apostle M Thatcher Thought it well we see that we are worthy to Go into the Temple. Spoke of the fall of man and the redemption of the human family Referred to the wickedness of the roman King Nero and others Spoke of the Small value they placed upon human life. It is somewhat so now in Mexico. Referred to Adam being taught the plan of redemption by an angel Spoke Buddhism or Mahommit also to Martin Luther as a great man who struck the blow against absolution who was a good and brave man. Spoke of the great struggle for freedom which is being thursted for. The finest tones of liberty are brought about by trials and persecutions.

Spoke of Celestial marriage The Lord has commanded we should multiply and replenish the earth. The wicked say we shall not practice it. A Bitter tree will not bring forth Sweet fruit.

Spoke of the great Sin of infanticide. Some will tamper with the chastity of the daughters of Zion.

Spoke of the great Sin of Adultery and fornication. Quoted the rev. pertaining to adultery &c. Spoke at some length upon the great crime of whordoms of the world. The sons that would be reared in these Mts that will govern the world why because they are pure from Tobacco Liquor and women & husbands be Kind to your wives & wives be considerate towards your husbands. We want to learn to be Kind towards one another Guard ourselves against evil is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

Pres Preston was pleased to meet with the Sts of Lewiston again. Glad to see that you are still making efforts to build a larger house. It is generally known we grow faster than our meeting houses. You need more settlers to use these uncultivated acres. Spoke against procrastination in our duties. Instructed the quorums that their Prests should enroll all in their that hold the different Priesthoods as instructed. The Elders so to do which we said would apply to all Quorums Spoke of the importance of setting our families in order. The people are not going into the Temple promiscuously but they will have to be prepared. We should so live that we may be recommended as faithful members of the Church of Christ.

You should commence to train your Sons while they are young in the callings of the priesthood that they grow to be useful Invoked the blessings of the Lord may be upon you is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen. Choir Sang. Benediction By Pres. M. W. Merrill.

Thence we drove to **Richmond** where we met with the Sts at 7:30 P.M. A full house and a good spirit Choir sang Prayer by C Hyers.⁹ Sing.

Pres Wm B. Preston arose and Said out of the good feelings for the Sts We meet with you again this evening. He felt an agreeable change when he arived in the Mts felt that he was free from those that would belie his character. We are apt to follow too much after the ways of the world. The traditions of our fathers hang about us. We do business much like the world we are prone to follow that way. The Lord has Given us the gospel which is a perfect Law of liberty. We should Labor to be a seprate & dstinct people a manfg. people. We should learn or teach our children habits of industry trades &c. Unless we do this we will continue to be subject to our enemies.

We need to retrench or we will become Bankrupt. Do not buy anything until you have the pay for it. If you will follow this out you will soon commence to improve. Advised the Sts to get out of debt & Keep out of debt. We need to repent of our waywardness. Do not look abroad for Labor but Stay at home & work for ourselves & be our own master. Spoke at Some length upon the principles of Economy. Advised the Sts to Economise. Husbands & wives should counsel & advise together in regard to these things. We need to seek for wisdom. Invoked Gods blessings to assist us. Amen.

Apostle M Thatcher arose & said Pres. Preston has preached us an excellent financial serman. If we will observe it it will do us good. Spoke of the financial crisis 1876. As near as I can estimate Cache Valley owes about \$600000.00 the U.S. spend 600 millions yr. for intoxicants It is more than all the flour mills produce. More than all their factories earn. We pay 9 times as much for Liquor than for publishing & printing anually. If the British would quit drink they could pay their debt national. I wish to draw your attention to to the fact that the Sts and the world are getting Better.

Our Saviour has mched on to victory from the beginning. Spoke of the wickedness of Monarchs. Especially that of Nero. The Roman Catholics can sho by their records that they have murdered 60000000 people. Spoke of M. Luther researches of the *bible*. Referred to the absolution. Spoke of the character of M L He Laid a foundation of freedom. Joseph Smith struck at Idolity in this age. This world never produced a great man without persecution who had been tried on every hand.

The question is have we made progress Yes. Spoke at Some length upon the persecutions of the ancient Christians. Spoke of the true character of Job. We have only one Kind of wealth. Told a dream he had a short time ago about the Rich Poor man. As recorded on the previous pages. He lost his oportunity we have no wealth in this world but our wives and children. Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts and all our Labors. Amen.

Singing Benediction by Elder C. O. Card.

Friday, April 27, 1883—From this place (Richmond) Apostle M Thatcher returned to Logan & Pres Merrill's health would Scarcely allow him to

⁹Christian Hyer, together with Marriner W. Merrill and Goudy Hogan, built a mill on Cub River northwest of Richmond

that they operated for a long time (see Ricks and Cooley 1956, 160).

come out, hence Prests Preston & C. O. Card drove to River dale & dined with Bp P. Preece.¹⁰

Riverdale. 2 P.M. We met with the Sts who came together with cheerful countinences. Singing by choir prayer by Elder David Benson. Singing.

[Handwriting changes as clerk records Card's speech.]

Elder C. O. Card said he was glad to meet with the Saints. Read the Revelation given by Prest John Taylor. The Lord desires that we put away our Self will and pride and Covetionsness. Suty [Study] the History of Nations and learn for what they were destroyed. You should have a good Sunday School¹¹ and improvement Associations and get up a lively interest in them and take our Children with you. And also have them go to meeting. Follow the rules and Suggestions in Conducting your Schools and associations that is given by the General Superintendants. Observe the law of Tithing that you may receive the blessings promised in the revelations. Remember to have prayers in Your families lear[n] the Children to pray. Observe to Keep the law of Celestial Marriage that we observe may Keep this high law of God. The Children Should Contribute their nickels to help build the Temple that they may learn the way to do these things.

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Invoked the blessings of God upon the Lands & families of the Sts.

Pres. Preston Said it was very Creditable to have so good a house. The first thing we have to do when moving into a new country is to erect School & meeting houses. We should dedicate our houses of worship School & private houses should be dedicated to the Lord. A gentleman who was a trapper on snake river Said when those mormons come they come to stay & if any has to move I will have to, he was right. You should set out fruit & shade trees The best time to bring them here is in the fall. Make your house with a view of stoping here. Deprecating the Idea of dragging your families about from place to place. Make you good gardens—my mother

taught me to garden. Mothers take an interest. Have prayers in your families night & morning & teach your children to pray. It is important that you train your families properly.

Cleans your wards & and quorums & set your houses in order.

It will be the tithe payers & donors to the Temple that will be permitted to go therein.

Spoke of paying tithing as a command of God. Spoke of the principle of confirmation. We should manifest our obedience in Keeping the Lawes of God for the willing & obt will eat the good of the Land. We want to Keep all the Lawes of not stop at faith & Baptism. Our wealth after this life will be our wives and children. We should try to start right, be worthy to go into the house of the Lord & go there & to be maried right.

Spoke very encouragingly of the Idaho Teritory. We wish to live in peace. Ask the Lord for it all call upon the Lord. When you want wives ask the Lord for them When you wish husbands ask the Lord for them. Boys as[k] the parents of the girls for them not take them by stealing them Lay a foundation that you & your posterterty may be honored.

We are always pleased to help you & do all we can for you.

Bless your ground & seed for there is great power in it. Give God the honor & Glory to God in all things & teach it to our children to do so. Keep them befor our children & have them observe the Sabbath day. Invoked the Blessings of God upon the Sts. Singing Benediction by Bp. N. Porter.

Thence to Battle Creek & made arrangements to one of the brethren to receive Bp. E. F. Sheets from the midnight train thence up the river 1½ Miles & Stayed over night with the hands that care for the Church stock.

Saturday, April 28, 1883—We drove back to Battle Creek and got Bp Sheets & returned to the herd Camp & took Breakfast and Spent the fore noon driving over the range between Bear River and Battle creek & the mts on the East Thence to Nathan Smiths & dined. Thence up the Creek 1½ miles where he was working on a reservoir Thence to Oxford & called on the Bp & left an appointment

¹⁰This is Peter Preece, the first bishop of the Riverdale Ward. His counselors were Walter Parker and William J. Parker. Armenine Neeley Jr. was ward clerk (see *Utah Journal*, December 5, 1882, 5).

¹¹The Riverdale Sunday School was organized in fall 1882

and so was less than a year old when Card spoke in that community. There were nine officers and teachers and forty-seven students. Superintendent L. A. Mecham presided over the Sunday School with his assistant Thomas J. Lyon and secretary John A. Woolf (see *Deseret Sunday School Union* 1900, 244).

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for a meeting on 2 O'clock P.M. on Sunday apr 29/83 Thence we drove to Clifton & Stayed over night. Pres Preston Stayed with Bp & I stayed with Bro Monroe and Bp Sheets Stayed with a Brother Davis north of Clifton & were kindly received and well treated.

Clifton, Sunday, April 29, 1883—10 A.M. we met with the Sts here. Singing prayer by Bp. N. Robt Lewis Singing.

Bp. E. F. Sheets was pleased to meet with the Sts here. Pleased to behold their external improvements. Asked the prayers of the Sts. Gave a brief history of the poverty & trials of the Servts of God who first introduced the Gospel into forreighn Lands. Spoke of the Goodly Lands we occupy. Referred to his first mission on which he traveled without purse or scrip.

We are the fruits of the Labors of the faithful Elders. It is a temporal work we are performing now. Spoke of the utility planting Shade & fruit trees. Discouraged Idleness and class distinction among the Sts.

Glory will not be measured according to dollars & cts. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts fields flocks herds families &c.

[Handwriting changes as clerk records Card's speech.]

Clifton. Bro C O Card was next Speaker Referred to the remark of Bro Sheets & Bore testimony of the Same Spoke of the many things that could be talked of that would be good for the people.

Referred to the use of Liquor and the Evils that followed the use of the Same Said we should not indulge in the Evils of Babyland and a man that Sold Liquor should be cutt off the Church Referred to Book learning and learning from all good Book &c. We should not be idle We have plenty to do, We Shoul labor with our youth in the Sabath School & day School. We Should seek spiritual food and faith Referred to Doctors We Should not employ them. Referred to the revilations on the Subject Spoke of the order of the Priesthood read from the History of Joseph on the subject wished to impress upon the youth the necessity of standing in theyer callings &c and appreciate our callings and Honor the Same. May the Lord Bless you amen.

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Pres Preston arose and & said the remarks made were very proffitable for you to practice. It has been prophecied you should be a great people. Spoke of the ancient propicies concerning this people Located in the tops of the Mts. The Lord is going to place the rule in the hand of a righteous people. The Gospel teaches us to honest and upright industrious. The Savior never ceased his Labor while upon the earth until he had accomplished his mission. We are living in the evening of time & the Gospel will not be taken away again from this people. Do not follow the popular current that leads down to death and destruction but stand upon the upgoing rounds of the Ladders. Cease our sins and turn away from them. Cut those off from the church that will not repent & turn from the evils of their ways. Observe the late rev. given through Pres John Taylor recently (Oct. 13 82.) Read from the same. Called the Sts attention to the blessings obtained by observance of His Lawes.

Referred to the ill feelings against us 1 yr. ago and to the Lull now. The Lord had made his hand bare in these things.

The Kingdom of God will be established though we fall. Bore his testimony that the Gospel will never be taken from this people. While the world are studying war & destruction the Sts ar[e] [s]tudying true government. We should Get faith to practice the things of God. Be Kind to every body for our mission is that of peace. There will be yet thousands flock to this people to enjoy the principle of Liberty. Sat & Sunday next is our quarterly conference in Logan. some of the presiding officers of the ward should attend.

God bless you Amen.

Singing Benediction by Bp. A. A. Allen.

We took a hasty meal with the Bp. and drove to Oxford and put up with ex Wm F Fisher.

Oxford, 2 P.M. Met with the Sts of this place Singing prayer by Elder Wm H. Homer. Sacrament was then administered.

Bp A. A. Allen first spoke to the Sts. Read from Doc. cov. Should not follow after our carnal desires. Must fall &c. Rejoiced in the plan of Salvation. Prayed the blessings of the Lord may land upon us.

Oxford.

[Handwriting changes as clerk records Card's speech.]

C. O. Card Spoke of the great privolages we have ~~We have~~ in the gospel. We have a mission to perform here on the Earth in our own House Holds read from the Doc. Cov. about parents Duties to their Children. Then read the Late Rev from Prest Taylor. Said the Lord was no respector of persons, the Lord had called upon all to purify themselves from the First prest to the member Spoke of the orgaization of quarrums Spok of governments and the good Order. Read from the Dc. Cov. of the Priesthood. Spoke of erection of a good House to meet in Where you could ejoy your Selvs & Show to the lord that you Honored Him spoke of the Duties of the Deacon asked the Blessing of the Lord upon the Saints.

Bp. E F Seets Said he was pleased to hear the remarks of the Brethren Said there was no was no Sutch thing as Standing Still that it is a progressive Work.

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Spoke of the Willfullness of some of the young. Some are prone to go abroad. Spoke of the necessity of enjoying the Gift of the Holy Ghost as a companion. Great will be your rejoicing if you save but one soul.

Spoke of the different degrees of Glory. We should try to obtain the Highest and not retrograde. It is bad to get Worldly minded & Sin so far that we receive of the Lesser Glories. We should do what we can to set our houses in order. Testified to the truth of the Gospel. The Lord will fight our battles if we are faithful. Encouraged the Sts to build a house. God bless you Amen.

Pres Preston was Glad to meet with the Sts & hear the words of the brethren. Spoke about organizing a quorum of Elders in Oxford Clifton & Marsh valley. It is the duty of every Elder to see that their names are recorded in the quorums. We can do better in the future than in the past. Repent of our sins and do better We should battle against the waves that try to overcome us. Spoke of the spread of the Gospel and the powers of the word of God. Read from Doc Cov. Page 392 duties of Prests of quorums &c. The Elders should read these revs and explain them to the people.

The revelations come to us thus Saith the Lord (A comand) Severe chastisements will follow if we

dont observe them but the Late rev. is pleasing because it speaks of the reward that will follow by our obedience.

Saints have done well on the Temple but should not cease our exertions until it is done. We have done well but should continue.

We should try to be worthy to go into the Temple when it is completed for it will be the chaste & dutiful.

Said we will now proceed to organize the 18th quorum of Elders Brigham S. Dudley as president & Wm N. Marler as first counselor. The above were sustained by annimous vote to these positions. We then Set B. S. Dudley¹² apart Pres Preston Mouth. Pres Preston continued & spoke encouragingly about building a meeting house. You should ask the Lord to help you & you Should be united in building a house. The willing and obt will eat the Good of the Land & the disobt will be cut off says the Lord. Amen.

Bp. N. P. Lewis endorsed the Sentiments of the brethren knew they would benefit us. Exhorted the Sts to be united in building a meeting house. Announced fast day &c. Singing Benediction by Elder J. C. Rich.

Monday, April 30, 1883—This morning leaving our blessings with our Oxford Sts we drove to Dayton & dined with Bro. Pool & family who always treat us so kind & hospitable.

Dayton. 1 P.M. We met with the Sts of this place. Singing by the congregation. Prayer by Bp A. A. Allen Singing.

Bp E F Sheets of Salt Lake City addressed the Sts upon the unity of the Gospel with the Sts of God wherever they are Settled. Spoke of the good results of attending meeting even if we do travel several miles to do So. Admired the cleanlyness of the meeting house & comfortable seats you have. The Sts should be grateful for so nice a location with Such beautiful Land also the comfort of families flocks &c. Spoke of the great principle of Baptism for the dead Great will be our reward if we will do the work for dead. It is very importan[t] that we attend our meetings associations and Schools. Spoke of the aptitude of our children. Take the advice & council of those that preside over you. The work of God is onward. God bless you Amen.

¹²Delilah E. Dudley, the wife of Brigham S. Dudley, served as president of the Clifton Young Women's Mutual Improve-

ment Association; Lucetta Marler, wife of William N. Marler, was her first counselor (see Danielsen 1930, 50).

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[Handwriting changes as clerk records Card's speech.]

Dayton. C. O. Card Spoke of the remarks of Bp Sheets Spoke in pra[i]se of the House that it Showed a marked improvement & said that it was a good course to persue and the Lord was pleased with us when we done right Spoke of the Laws of God & the Laws of Health and of purifycation Spoke of unity that we should teach our Children to pray to know the gospel & we should be thankful for all the blessings that we enjoy. Said the Lord would answer the prayers & was able to save us & Bless & preserve our families & all we possess &c.

Read from the Dc Cov. Page 418 a Revilation on the Law of Tithing allso refered to the Sam in his remarks.

Said we Should Settle our dificulties as the Lord had told us to asked the Lord to bless you &c.

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Pres. Preston arose & said he was pleased to behold the improvements. Spoke about the Scarcity of water but Encouraged reservoirs or the making the same. Thought many acres could be watered in this way. The Brethren should look this matter up. Pres Kimball prophecied that enough rain should fall ~~within~~ to raise crops without Irrigation The Lord has greatly increased the steams. Refered to the matter of kindness in sharing the water with one another. Work upon the principle of dividing up with your brethren. A little wisdom & prudence will enable you to Irrigate many more acres.

Observed this is a good place to rear Latterday Sts. Spoke of the advantages of the purity of this place. We are apt to see that our children work for us on the week days Some let them go where they please on Sunday. It would be better to give them Sat. Afternoon for recreation. Teach our children habits of industry. Teach them the scriptures that they may know the history of ancient Israel The Cup of the sins of this nation (U.S.[]) will soon be full. The Elders are now being turned to the indians. All these boys will have this work to do and we should Educate them for this purpose That the blessings of the Lord may be upon you is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

Bp A. A. Allen heartily endorsed the remarks of the brethren. Advised the improvements. Refered to the Golden oportunities we have in Relief Societies Mutual improvement Ass. S.S. & primaries & quorums. You should observe the fast day next thursday. Reminded them to report Statistically & record all deaths Births mariages &c &c.

Pres. Preston said we should be most careful with your records that you may all know about your geneology. You will need them when you go to the House of the Lord for your blessings. The adversary dont like records. Keep careful records & dont forget it. Children should be Baptized the day they were eight yrs old.

Singing and dismissed by Elder Stephen Callan.¹³

We gave our friends at this place the parting hand and drove up the Dayton Kanyon Thence South to the Weston Kanyon Thence to

Weston Where we met with Sts at 7:30 P.M. Singing prayer by Elder P. Mickleson Singing. Pres. Preston arose and craved an interest in your faith and prayer. He gave an act of our trip up to this point. We can see a gradual groth among the Sts. Spiritual as well as temporal. Refered to the Late rev. given through Pres John Taylor (Oct 13/82) Showing the blessings the Lord has for us in yielding obedience. Spoke of the ill feelings that were against us & the overruling hand of the almighty in our b[e]half.

The Lord has heard the prayers of the Sts. Said their rev. should be read to the Sts at Least once a month. The Lord has turned away the Shafts of the Enemy. We Should prepare ourselves against any storm that may come against us by our enemies. We should prepare ourselves by Storing our minds with Sutying the revs of the Lord. Priests teachers & deacons should do the same Spoke plainly on the duties of the Same Refered to the negligence of many who should go to meeting who do not. Priests should read the rev & scriptures and explain them to the people. There is more missionary work here than any other part of the world.

We should educate our children in the principles of the Gospel.

He Labored dilligently to impress the necessity of being dilligent and obt to the word of the Lord

¹³ Stephen Callan is sometimes credited with being the first settler in Dayton, having arrived there in 1867. He constructed a log house on Five Mile Creek that was still standing in 1930.

Callan was also the first presiding elder of the Dayton Branch (see Danielsen 1930, 94).

recently given. Spoke of the evil designs of hirling priest that Labor in our settlements as well as those in the states. & elswere. In the time of peace is the time to prepare for war & we should set our houses in order and purify yourselves. Read from Doc Cov. Page 242 The willing & obt &c &c. Those who go to Law shall be cursed by the Law. Read to your families the scriptures. Read the subjects that apply to the case Take time to attend to your office and calling.

Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts here to the growth of faith with the Sts here and be strengthened God bless you Amen.

Bp E. F. Sheets Bore testimony that what Pres Preston has said is the words of the Lord to us.

The Lord has been very mindful of us in delivering us. If we would humble ourselves the Lord will bless & preserve our families. The earth will yet be reigned over by His people and they will plant the banner of freedom to the world. Humble ourselves & the Lord will fight our battles. It is through faith we are preserved. If you are faithful you will have better houses & fences &c. Be faithful to all committed to our charge & improve upon it and magnify our callings.

Weston.

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Bro C O Card Spoke of the Elders Quorums and there was Elders who had been ordained that they had not reported them selves to the quorum also Spoke of the Priests quarum Should be fully organized & motioned that Bp A A Allen be prest of that Quarum which was fully Sustained.

Said that We Should take time to labor in our callings & serv the lord in truth.

Said that it was Easier to live in the ways of the Lord than in the Ways of Sin Spoke of the diferants Societies and the Blessings that was asociated in that thing &c.

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May the Lord bless you & give you Stamina to Keep his commands Amen.

The Bp. announced fast meeting here next thursday. Also conference Sat & Sunday Singing Benediction by Father Gassman.

We stayed over night in Weston Pres Preston & Bp Sheets with Bp Allen & myself with P. Micleson.

Tuesday, May 1, 1883—About 9 A. M. we bade Weston adieu and drove to

Trenton where we met with the Sts at 10 A.M. Singing and Prayer by Elder John Dahle¹⁴ choir again Sang. Elder C O Card addressed the sts upon the General duties. Read the Late rev. Urged the Sts to be one put away from them their Shortcomings & Sins & teach their families. Suggested the Sts here put in good seats in to this house. Asked the Lord to bless them & Lead them in the pathes of life. Amen.

Bp. Sheets was much pleased with the place a plenty of room for those that are here and other generations Exhorted the Sts to be faithful & prayerful. The willing and obedient will eat the good of the Land.

The deacons and teachers should call upon the Bps. occasionly & see if he has any duties to perform also the Priests and Elders do the same. Showed that faith without works were dead. The Lord has blessed us in all we possess.

Warned them against greed & spoke of properly securing our the Land If we are willing & obt the Lord will protect & lead us in his pathes. Spoke upon the principle of tithing & Said it with was a tenth of what we make or raise annally. Those that are the most willing and observe his Lawes most is the most blessed. Prayed the blessings of the Lord would rest upon the Sts here in the name of Jesus Amen.

Pres Preston arose and Suggested that you have a few more good Seats to Sit upon here. The saints do not pay as good attention in raising good gardens as we should. You should fence in an acre or two each & Set out fruit trees & shrubbery and garden vegetables of all Kinds that can be raised here. Learn your children to look after them & plant them. Raise chickens & Pigs for the market. The eggs will furnish you many little comforts.

You Should teach your children wile young in habits of industry.

¹⁴ John Dahle was born April 11, 1833, in Norway. He was baptized on April 13, 1858, and came to America on the ship *Electric*. He and his wife Martha were among the first settlers in Clarkston, and John became the father of twenty-five children. He died in Rigby, Idaho, where he had gone with his second wife,

Johanna, to escape prosecution for unlawful cohabitation. His remains, however, were moved to Clarkston, and he was buried there on December 18, 1905, six years after his death on September 24, 1899 (see Ravsten and Ravsten 1966, 251–52).

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Also to take the fast offerings to the Bp or T.O. and tithing to the Bp. or Office. Lead them to S.S. & assist the supt. Teach them to go to meeting that when they are young that when they begin to rear families they will teach them in the ways of the Lord. The watch word is to do better in the future that we have done in the past. You should do better than you have done. Attend to your prayers night and morning. Mothers remind your husbands of this. Ask a blessings upon the food. We should prepare ourselves that we maybe worthy to go into the Logan Temple when it is completed. We leave our testimony with you that the Gospel is true. That the blessings may be upon you & your children This my pray & desire in the name of Jesus Amen. Choir Sang. Benediction By Elder James Harmison.

After which We dined with Bro Andrew MCombs. Thence to Clarkston where we rested 2 or 3 hours.

Clarkston. 7:30 P.M. We met with the sts Singing by the choir Prayer By Elder Wm V. O. Carbine choir Sang again. Pres. Preston arose and refered to the rev. of Oct 13/82 even that portion of it that refered to the Elders. Read the rev. Read from Doc. cov in regard to the quorums of Deacons Teachers Priests and Elders &c. Pres Preston Stated that Newton had been added to the Eleventh quorum of Elders that in the Elders of that place. Those young men & women who go to the house of the Lord Should be Baptized if they have been Since the rebaptisms If they have been roaming about on R. Roads &c they should be rebaptized anyhow. All ordained Elders Should attach themselves to the Elders quorum. And the Presidents should see that they are enrolled. The 11 quorum of Elders [...] all the Elders of Clarkston Weston & Newton Johanas Dahle as Pres Alfred Atkinson¹⁵ first and Lars Peterson as 2nd Councilors were unanimously sustained by a vote of the people. Bp J. Jardine as Pres. of the Priests quorum. Spoke of the important duties of Priests. Advised the Priests to read the scriptures to the Sts.

We should act promptly in all our callings that we may all be aids in the Kingdom of God.

We should teach our children all of the Lawes of the Gospel. Encouraged the young to Labor and be faithful. It is prayer time for us in our families night and morn.

Spoke of the great importance of Keeping the Lawes of tithing Exhorted the Sts to be faithful while we enjoy peace. We want to have the Lord on our side Pray for the elements to be regulated fo[r] [o]ur good. Pray that your Enemies flee when no men pursueth. We should set our quorums & families in order. This is a good place to raise L.D. Sts. Spoke of the Evils of the use of Liquor. I wish the Priesthood here to take up the Book of Cov and Study your duties. There are very important duties for the mothers to perform. All should be affectionate to one another. Teach your children to attend meetings and do right Invoked the blessings of God upon us to do the will of the Lord. Bp. Sheets was pleased to meet the Sts in so comfortable place. Pres Preston has made our duties very plain The principle with us should be to do our duty every day. We should not throw off the responsibilities of our duties. There is room and opportunity for all to Labor in the Kingdom of God. Spoke of the Gift of the Holy Ghost for our guidance. We came here to build temples & the Kingdom of God. In all things refered to this quiet pure place to rear our families and do our duties. Deprecated the idea of following the following the fashions. Which feeling was getting hold in some in some places. We should try to be natural men and women May the Lord bless & comfort you in the name of Jesus Amen. Pres Preson Said it was decided at our Late conference to not set apart none but Stake President & councilors pertaining to the Mutual improvement associations.

Elder C. O. Card Spoke on the principle of tithing. Bore testimony to the truth of the remarks of the Brethren also to the Gospel. Advised the Sts to settle their difficulties as the Lord had advised to ryht God bless you Amen.

Singing Benediction by Elder Oli Anderson.

We set apart Samuel Stewart¹⁶ and Johanas Dahle as Missionaries to Newton Clarkston & Trenton. Pres Preston mouth for the first C. O. Card for the 2nd.

We remained over night with Bp Jardine.

¹⁵ Alfred Henry Atkinson was born February 4, 1849, in London, England, and came to America when he was eight years old. He married Johanna Mathilda Peterson on July 10, 1871, and they had nine children. He accepted plural marriage and married Ada Eliza Pack, and they had three children (see Ravsten and

Ravsten 1966, 198–99).

¹⁶ Samuel Stewart was the third child of William and Sarah Thompson Stewart, who were among the early settlers of Clarkston (see Ravsten and Ravsten 1966, 433).

Wednesday, May 2, 1883—A Telegram came at 10:30 last evening that his son Jedediah was dangerously ill consequently he started for the Rail road to take the morning train for home.

This morning we drove to Newton where we arrived at 8:30 A.M.

Newton. 10 A.M.—We met with the sts of this place choir Sang. Opening prayer by Elder Andrew McCombs choir again Sang.

Elder C O Card arose and addressed us upon the principles of the Gospel prayers in your families Teaching their children being attentive in all our duties trying to enjoy the Spirit of the the Lord that we may understand the things of God Encouraged the Sts to Stand each one to Stand in their callings. Asked the Lord to lead us in the pathes of Life. Spoke of the blessings of temples &c &c. Amen.

Bp John Jardine Stood up and spoke upon the valuable principle punctuality. You should be punctual to your meetings when the presidency is not here as well as now let us round to & train our children in our schools & meetings. Our Boys should not rule us in our house. It is prayer time says the Lord & his Servts. Take your children to meeting. God bless you & yours & save us is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

Pres. Preston arose & said it did not make any difference who preached the Gospel whether one elder or another it is continuous light to us.

Said this was our tenth day from home. Asked the Sts to pray for Bro M. W. Merrill that we may have his assistance.

Thought he could observe a gradual improvement as a whole not all among the Sts. Spoke of the callings and duties of the Elders quorums also the Priests Teachers and deacons. I have not time to enter into all the little minuties of our callings. Referred to Some of our traditions that hamper us. Spoke of the Lawes of tithing and the necessity of enjoying our religion and living it 7 days in every week. Where in we have not complied with the Lawes of God we should do that we may attend to the blessings.

We have got to improve and learn a little all the time & and Elders should attach themselves to the quorums in your wards. When we accept the ordination we are responsible.

Attend your prayers. Have your children attend S.S. & fast meetings. Read the Book of mormon & see what the Lord did with that people. Read the

bible. Referred to the difference between council and advice & Thus Saith.

Bore his Testimony to the truth of the requirements of the rev. given Oct 13 1882 The Lord has given us a free code of lawes. Let each one set one right and we will prosper. Repent of our Sins. Referred to the Sin of adultry as being one that is very grievous in the sight of God & we will have to be destroyed in the flesh to atone it. We should know that we are prepared to go into the Temple. Thought that the Sts had improved a little. May the Lord bless you is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

He further advised that Elders of Newton will now join Clarkston & Weston as you have been detached from Hyde Park.

They should get a certificate of membership from the 6th quorum. Singing Benediction by Elder W. H Griffin.

Thence we went to Benson accompanied by Bp Rigby.

Benson. At 2:30 P.M. We met with the Sts of this place. Singing prayer by Alma Haris Singing.

Bp Wm F Rigby arose & spoke of the good use we make of the time we use in convening to gather. We should be Spiritually fed that we may Labor for a mutual benefit.

Spoke of the necessity of faith and confidence. Spoke of the Idea of one dispensation inter mingling with the other. Our progress is in Seeking God and being exemplary. Spoke of the necessity of the growth of confidence.

Spoke of the Settlement & growth of Newton Since 1868. Spoke of the prosperity of those that had paid their tithing & been lib[e]ral in paying offerings they had accumulated more than those that had neglected it and do things with a grudge God bless you Amen. Elder C. O. Card arose and read the rev. given Oct 13/82 made appropriate remarks upon the Same Spoke upon the Lawes of tithing admonishing the Sts to take time to attend to your duties. Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts Amen.

Pres. Preston arose and drew to the Sts attention to the Law of Celestial marriage. Seventies & Elders Should magnify our callings There is no office neglected more than that of the priest They should visit every house whether they are Sts or unbelievers. This is a duty they have to perform & should not neglect them. It is profitable for us to learn our duties

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and magnifying our callings. We should Study over these ancient records. All should try to purify ourselves, cease doing evil in any respect. We should be left without excuse. Each one should stand in his place as the Lord has required.

Testified the Sts were improving and yet we should continue to grow. Bps. Cant recommend unfaithful members as faithful Latter day Sts in good standing Let it be among the first things that the child hears that the Gospel is true that Jos Smith was A prophet of God. Teach them the Gospel.

Pres. Woodruff said if we dont rear our children to have more faith than we have they will not be able to withstand Invited the Sts to come to conference next Sat & Sunday. Husbands be kind to your wives & wives to your husbands. We should be a forgiving people. Furnish your children something to do and see that they do it. Live pleasantly with our neighbors & be good Latterday Sts. Plant out Some Shade trees arround this house & your own. Manifest a disposition to adorn & make the house of the Lord most beautiful. We want to work at our religion. May the blessings of the Lord rest upon you in the name of Jesus Amen. Singing ~~benediction by~~.

Pres Preston Stated that Bp Haris had the need of a counselor & Johnathon Ricks who had been his 2nd was sustained as first counsilor and James Catmill as 2nd Councilor to Bp Alma Haris. We then set them apart Pres Preston mouth for the former & C O Card for the later.

Benediction by Elder Johnathon Ricks.

At the close of this meeting we returned home to our own family.

Thursday, May 3, 1883—I attended to my business until 10 AM I went to Fast meeting in the 2nd Ward and listened to the Testimonies of those gathered at this request of the Lord. I attended To temple business during the Ballance of the day wh[i]ch Kept me very busy having been absent 10 Ds.

Friday, May 4, 1883—I attended to Temple and Stake business during the day assisting Pres Preston in arranging for conference on the morrow & meeting Pres. Taylor & company at the 11 P.M. Train which I did & conveyed Apostle F. D. Richards and 4 others to my houses & cared for them.

Saturday, May 5, 1883—Quart[er]ly conference of Cach Stake 10 A.M. We met in the Logan Tabernacle & were addressed by Apostles Albert Carrington Lorenzo Snow, The former Spoke of the bad use of riches & the presence of thieves in Zion. The Latter spoke of the greed of Some it took more to make some comfortable than it does others rich did not object to the accumulation of means in an honorable & upright way. In a way that we retain confidence then seek to use it Liberally for the purposes of God & making our families comfortable. We should be careful not to get a stingy or parsimonious spirit. Spoke of the unity & necessity of the Sts utilizing things that were made & magnify at home. They invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts & those that preside over them. Clk read Statistical report. **Total Souls 17004.**

Pres Preston Said during the Last 6 months we had organized 3 new ward had visited several of the northern wards in co. with Apostle M Thatcher. We had encouraged them to set their organization & houses in order noticed an improvement in the Sts general. The quorums were pretty well organized. We have those among us also that oppose the principles of the Gospel &c &c. Spoke of the interest of the Temple The Sts have done pretty well in building the Temple. It is important that we live worthily that we may be worthy to go into the Temple, this very important. Admonished the the Sts to be more dilligent in this respect. Invoked the blessings of god upon the Sts. Adjourned until 1 P.M.

2 P.M. Pres Angus M. Cannon¹⁷ of the Salt Salt Lake Stake of Zion Spoke of rearing our children properly and the work of the Lord for our dead in the Holy temples. Spoke of the sins extant in the world & to some extent among us. God bless you and all the people of God Amen.

Clk J. A. Leishman read Temple reports. Relief Society report. Young men's mutual report. Young Ladies mutual report aso report of Primary Association.

Bp Thos. E. Ricks reported verbally his ward very favorably Bp T. F. Smith reported 4th Ward Logan. Bp. G. L. Farrell also reported. Bp. Wm H. Maughan reported. Bps Geo O. Pitkins, W H. Lewis Orson Smith Robt. Davis Solomon Hale, Robt Davidson, & W F. Rigby reported their wards.

¹⁷ Angus M. Cannon, the brother of George Q. Cannon, served as president of the Salt Lake City Stake for twenty-eight years. He had six wives and served six months in the penitentiary

for unlawful cohabitation. After his release as stake president, he served as a patriarch until his death on June 7, 1915 (see Garr, Cannon, and Cowan 2000, 179).

As a whole improving, Elder C. O. Card reported to the progress of the Temple. Spoke of the Labors & thanked the Sts for their Kindness in contributing to the Temple Asked them to continue. God bless us in the name of Jesus Amen. Pres. Merrill Bore testimony to the remarks of the Bp. Advised the Sts to continue their exertions in behalf of the good work. Instruct our children &c. God bless you amen.

Meeting adjourned until 10 AM to morrow.

Visited the Temple viewed Stands & de[c]ided Stands to be 2 ft 11 inches to top of upholstery Platform that Seat rests on 9 inches high The Pres also decided to have an iron tank for hot water on the east end of the engine room. Pres Taylor told the architect and myself to figure on a reservoir & see if it was more practicle than forcing the water up the hil to supply the Temple in case of a freeze up in winter of the water works. Attended the concert of the Logand Band & choir last night.

Sunday, May 6, 1883—Conference convened again at 10 A.M. Prayer by Elder L. H. Hatch Apostle Wilford Woodruff first addressed the sts. this morning Spoke of the unchangeableness of God & the progress of Scientific principles. Our leaders have Sealed their testimony with their blood. This dispensation will not have to go to & shed the blood of their follow man. Let us finish this Temple pay our tithing & Keep the word of wisdom Invoked the Lords blessing.

Apostle F. D. Richards next addressed us in a very pleasant style. We rejoice in the progress of the Logan Temple. Hoped the Sts. would not slack in their energies in that good work. We should be more strict and observe the Law that Govern the Sexes. Keep from adultery and fornication be pure & holy. Be forgiving in our natures towards one another. Prepare ourselves to go into the house of the Lord. Invoke the aid of the Lord.

Pres Geo Q Cannon Said it is nearly 2 yrs since I have visited although our liberties have been menaced we still meet together believed the testimony of the servts. of God in regard to the condition of this stake & others is true and the Sts are improving & Seeking a higher standard of life. Held up the Doc. & Cov. & said this contains the requirements we should live up to but we do not. Embodied in this is the rule of life There is a growing disposition in the priesthood & whole church. If we do not abide these Lawes fully there will be a people raised up that will before zion is fully redeemed. Satan will be bound.

When we have perfect controll over ourselves to observe all the Lawes of God. Obedience is Salvation to us. Spoke of the word of wisdom those that Kept it had more faith than those that Kept it not. If we will Keep these Lawes the Lord will bless us more abundantly God bestows the blessings of God more abundantly. If a man is moved upon to take wives he should go & do it & not rest until he does it. Those who will not obey will not obey obey the Lawes of God will be left behind. Taking joy in our Labors in doing right & be pure. Repent of all your sins I intreat you in the name of Jesus Christ. Invoked the Lords aid.

Report of Sabbath Schools was then presented by Clk. Singing & adjourned until 2 P.M.

After the opening exercises Pres Preston Presented the Gen & Local authorities while the Sacrament was being administered. Pres Taylor arose and expressed his pleasure in being here and the advancement of the Logan Temple. Sa[i]d the organizations of the Priesthood Said they were of God & not of Man.

There power of God sustains us. We could not move without His aid. Deprecated the Idea of obtaining riches dishonorably. No man can take his riches with him. Except Enoch & his people & God did this & it will return again The riches of Eternity no man can rob us of. Denounced adultery Said they should be destroyed in the flesh for God had decreed it it is for men & women to do right & treat one another right. S.S. teachers to teach the children Bps. to administer in righteousness for the Eye of god is upon them. High councils also. Very seldom the presidency have to reverse their decisions. Prests of Stakes should work.

Every hand that is lifted against Zion will with. Amen.

Pres. Cannon Says we mistake ourselves if we take up the side of oppositions for it is all wrong. You should not take the Side of Error. Pres Taylor quoted It meets must be that opposition comes but Wo unto. God bless these faithful servts of God who have stood with us. Apostle M Thatcher Said in regard to Temptation it is not necessary conference Adjourned for three months.

Monday, May 7, 1883—This morning I accompanied Prests Taylor & Cannon Apostle M. Thatcher Prests Pres Preston L. John Nuttall Elder John Irwin (reporter) to Hyrum. As we arrived were were met & serenaded by the Hyrum Brass Band. Met with the

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Sts at 10 A.M. Pray by Elder Nuttall Addressed by Pres. Geo Q Cannon.

As Latter day Sts we are under greater condemnation than the world for the sins we commit in consequence of the light of the Gospel. Referred to the great Bondage of men among some of the old nation Some of these oppressed people had wished they had been born into the world a horse.

Spoke of God coming to the earth & introducing his Son the prophet Joseph in the prophets youth. Advised to live pure lives that they may enjoy the Holy Ghost.

We will see the time when people will come to be with us to escape the civil wars. Our (church) Gov't God has given us. Apostle M Thatcher next spoke rejoiced at the manifest improvement of the Sts. If we can Keep ourselves pure we can obtain all highs and deptsh [depths]. Should not set our hearts upon the things of the world but make them secondary.

Related a dream he had about the rich man—who died patially an infidel—Pres. Taylor was glad of meeting you here. We are here to establish the Zion of God. Spoke of the many Societies & associations. We have to placate our minds. The things that are revealed from God are of 10000 times more importance to us than the dollars & farms & fine horses. The meek shall inherit the earth the Gospel is to instruct us in the ways of life. Jesus left his father & decended below all things that he and you or they may ascend above all things You sisters that are [are] rearing children want to instill into them the principles of faith & intelligence. A Gentleman calling on me Said (admiring our church govt) it must taken a vast amt of Study & reflection O no says I It was given of God. Teach them correct principles and they will govern themselves. Be Kind to one another and affectionate. Sustain your presiding officers & pray for them. God bless you all & I bless you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ Amen. The company Dined with counsillor Munsworth [Unsworth].¹⁸

[This ends the page of Card's record for the Hyrum conference. The next four paragraphs are out of context and appear simply inserted into the journals. They appear to be a continuation of Apostle Moses Thatcher's speech in Paradise.]

You are acquainted with one another an your animals etc. because you have seen and are familiar

with their looks. Many of these personages administered and instructed him. The gospel brings life and immortality to light.

Spoke then of the organization of the church and Priesthood be banished from God for angels administered to him. You are gathered to the Land of Zion that you may be taught in the ways of the Lord. Gave much excellent instruction. As we are in the town of paradise, let no act as we should if we were in Paradise.

Our object and aim is eternal lives and an exaltation in in the Kingdon of God. Wives and husbands and children will treat each other right. God bless you.

From Paradise we returned direct to Logan where we arrived shortly after 6 P.M. [End of Paradise conference insert.]

[Notes found on last pages of journal.]

Ordinances

All men should be ordained to the Priesthood as the rev. directs.

In almost every instance they Should renew their cov. by baptism Especially when they have just been baptized Since they were 8 yrs. old.

They Should be instructed in their duties.

No man or woman should be Sent without receiving recommends to the house ~~without recommends~~, not even visitors.

All recommends should be endorsed by Pres Taylor.

Need long Shirts.

Your Suits of Temple clothing should be complete & made to fit.

Clean Bodies &c.

While it is not given as rev Pres Taylors advice is to not to cut off from the church those holding the High Priesthood but disfellowship them & turn over to the high council or decided they are worthy of being cut off the church & the cutting off to be done by the High Council.

Report all cases of the High Priesthood to the H. Council.

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¹⁸ James Unsworth owned a store in Hyrum and was married to Alice Unsworth. They were among the original settlers of

Hyrum (see Allen, Brown, and Eliason 1969, 40).

Note

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for \$168.00 at 10%

[Right marginal note, rotated 180 degrees: Relief
Society F & G 1 & 2 of June]

[End Journal 18.]

[Editor's note: Journal 19 covers May 8, 1883,
through August 26, 1883. It is 3¾ by 6 inches with a
reddish-brown cover, and is written in light purple
pencil.]

[Inside front cover.]

High Council adjourned for 2 weeks. June 11/83

Primaries Monday July 7 7:30 P.M.
Co. Convention Sat July 14 10 AM

I worked in

1877 7 months

1878 12 months

1879 12 months

1880 12 months

Total 43 mos

at 1500 per annum Bal of time
to date 1800 per annum.

[Fly leaf.]

Bear Lake T.O.

Acts. of 2 first yrs accepted by [T & O]

C. O. Card gave vouchers for 8048 &

in fall of 82 & again gave vouchers

82 in Feb. 83 tithing [(Price Butter is 25 cts)

Jas Tullis

Special agent of the

Land Office. May 19/83

Services on Temple

commenced June 1, 1879

and I recd from that date

until 1881—\$1500 = 3 yrs 7 months

at that price after that date

\$1800

J. A. Stephens

Butte Mt

Care ~~Mt~~ Vernon

Casey & Brophy

[Reverse fly leaf.]

May 24/83

in viewing mill acts

I find in Keeping up the

Building expense of the

Central Mills, I furnished

from my private means \$1292.47

My father C. W. Card 169.75

The ballance we paid in

Money Borrowed in co. hiring

joint obligations

C. O. Card

Total expense on ⅓* 3558.07

[Dated entries begin.]

Tuesday, May 8, 1883—To Day I accompanied
Pres. Taylor & party to Ogden & Labored there all
day trying to Sell the tithing Potatoes in Cache Vally
given to the Temple & returned home in the eve-
ning at 11 O Clock.

Wednesday, May 9, 1883—I attended to Temple
Biz. all day very busy.

Thursday, May 10, 1883—I attended To Temple
and Farm business all day preparatory to going to
Bear Lake on the morrow which Kept me until Late
bed time to accomplish.

Friday, May 11, 1883—This morning accompa-
nied by B. Ramsel after attending to my mail mat-
ters we at 9 A.M. Started for Bear Lake valley via of
the Temple mill. We drove up the Kanyon about 18
miles to the rocky dug way & found Several Large
Snow Slides in the Load. Left our wagon (after din-
ing) & proceeded to the mill where we halted ½ an
hour thence at 3 P.M. Started for meadowville
where we arrived about 8 P.M. We encountered
very deep Snow in the mountains which worried our
horses and our selves very much & we were very
tired when we arrived at Meadowville.

Saturday, May 12, 1883—This morning at day
light B. Ramsel returned and I remained in
Meadowville during the day & passed the day in
reading and visiting as well as resting which I much
needed. Stayed over night with Elias Kimball¹⁹ &
dined with Bp Jos Kimball with whom I Stayed the
night before.

¹⁹Elias Smith Kimball, the son of Heber C. and Christeen
Golden Kimball, was the brother of J. Golden Kimball (see

Carter 1967, 20).

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Sunday, May 13, 1883—This morning I took breakfast with Bp K. & prepared to resume my journey by the Stage to Bloomington. Left Meadowville at 10 A.M. Arrived in Bloomington at 3 P.M. Stayed over night with Bro. J. E. Haris [Hart] who treated me very Kindly.

Monday, May 14, 1883—To day I went to Paris and attended to temple Business with Pres. Wm Budge with whom I dined & returned to Blooming & stayed overnight with Bro. J. E. H. again. I also arranged for men to go to the Temple mill & rec'd about 500 dollars in Mds & cash for the Temple Called on Pres. C. C. Richards [Rich] who seemed quite feeble & could talk but little in an audible voice which was paining to behold to who one who knew him when he was active.

Tuesday, May 15, 1883—I returned to Paris & completed my Biz and & dined with P. Lindsey who conveyed me to Montpelier where we made some collections for the Temple from Thence I took train at 5 P.M. for Pocatello. Took supper at Soda and arrived at midnight in Pocatello. There being no hotel here I remained in the Small wood & Canvas Store of E. Burgeyard which was in chge of Mr. John Barret who treated me very Kindly.

Wednesday, May 16, 1883—At 6:30 A.M. I took train for ShoShire where I arrived at 12 M. & put up at the Spencer house. After dinner I visited home of the merchants & tried to Sell Some potatoes which is my errand in behalf of the Temple. I remained over night at the same house.

Thursday, May 17, 1883—This morning Still finds me in this mushroom town of Saloons and Business houses of Small dimentions. And Prices to Suit the ignorance or intelligence of purchasers. I Sold 40000 # Potatoes here & at 2.35 took train and returned to Pocatello at just dark and lay all night in one of the Offices in Blankets. No Hotel completed here as yet Though quite a large one in the course of erection.

Friday, May 18, 1883—I took train at 5:20 for Eagle Rock²⁰ where I went and Spent the day in trying to Sell potatoes and visiting the Sts. and at 6 O Clock P.M. I took train for Logan.

Thursday Saturday, May 19, 1883—At 4 A.M. I arrived home having passed the night on the cars found all well. I attended To Temple Bus. during the day. & attended the funeral of the wife of Elder N. C. Edlefsen.²¹

[Following two dates are crossed out.]

~~**Sat. May 20, 1883**—I again busied myself about the Temple business until I was quite tired.~~

~~**Sat. May 21/83**—Same program nearly as yesterday.~~

Sunday, May 20, 1883—I passed the morning reading.

Attended meeting in the Logan Tabernacle at 2 P.M. We were addressed by Elders Joseph Greaves who had recently returned from a mission to europe (Eng) also O. C. Ormsby and Hugh Adams.

Attended meeting in the 3rd Ward accompanied by Bp. T. X. Smith. We both addressed the Sts here.

Monday, May 21, 1883—I attended again to Temple business very busy all day.

Tuesday, May 22, 1883—After getting my mail & attending to a few choirs [chores] I for the Temple I drove to the Temple Mill. Viewed the road up to the foot of the Mountain & returned to the Mill & stayed all night.

Wednesday, May 23, 1883—At an early hour I drove to the Peterson & Cos. Mill and returned to Ricks' Spring & fed Thence home I was detained 3½ hours a short distance above the forks during the time I stayed I worked on a jam of logs that was the cause of my detention arrived home at 10 P.M.

Thursday, Friday & Saturday, May 24, 25 & 26, 1883—I attended to Temple and Stake business early and late.

²⁰ There was a branch of the Church in Eagle Rock that was presided over by Gideon Murphy. Other Church members in the area were John Pool and Frank Haskins, who lived on Willow Creek (see *Utah Journal*, October 31, 1882, 3).

²¹ Niels C. Edlefsen, a Logan farmer, lived on the corner of

Sixth and Perry Streets. He and his wife Mary had just returned from St. George, where they had gone to learn temple procedures and the work of officiators (see Somers 1993, 60; and Olsen 1978, 136).

Sunday, May 27, 1883—I went to Mendon by train and attended the Sunday School in the forenoon and addressed them.

At 2 P.M. I met with the Sts and Spoke to them 1 hour & 20 minutes. Met with the Priesthood in the evening and also addressed them. & returned home at 11 P.M. by train tired indeed. Though it is to be hoped not in vain.

Monday, May 28, 1883—I attended to Temple & Private Business until 10 A.M. When I attended High Council until 1 P.M. After dinner I returned to the Temple & remained until nearly Sundown.

Tuesday, May 29, 1883—After attending to Temple business until 10 A.M. I drove to the Temple Mill.

Wednesday, May 30, 1883—This morning I relocated the Large dugway above the mill where I met 17 hands from Bear Lake who had come to Labor at the mill. After instructing them what to do I returned to Logan where I arrived about 2 P.M. & continued in my temple Labors.

Thursday, May 31, 1883—I attended to Temple Biz. until 9:30 A.M. Thence I went to Wellsville to see about Potatoes to Sell for the Logan Temple Both tithing & what the Sts contribute dined with Wm Painter & family Thence home via of Hyrum Millville and Providence on the same Business. Home at 3 P.M. when I went to the Temple Office & Stayed until after 6 P.M.

Friday, June 1, 1883—I attended to Temple business during the forenoon and attended a meeting of the Relief Society Conference in the after noon.

Saturday, June 2, 1883—I attended to Temple Biz. until 11 A.M. when I attended Priesthood meeting and also Primary conference meeting of this Stake at 2 P.M. At the close of the conference I Labored & advised W. H. Maughan for an hour & for another ½ hour Pres Merrill joined me & we conjointly advised him to take a recommend from the 2nd ward (where he formerly resided) & take it to Mendon and join that ward with himself & family & all be baptized as they had not been previously Baptized when the Sts were Baptized in the united Order. He from some cause had entertained ill feelings against the Bp of Mendon & felt not to yield and overcome his selfwill.

Wellsville, Sunday, June 3, 1883—In company with Pres Merrill & Elder C. W. Nibley self wife & son went to Wellsville and met with the S.S. at 10 A.M. which was well attended about 300 present. The exercises were very interesting & entertaining. Singing being frequently interspersed also class exercises more varied and instructive.

All having a tendency to enable the pupils to express themselves intelligently either in public & Private.

Pres M. W. Merrill was pleased with the exercises & the good & general attendance 20 yrs ago but few of the school were here & many very pure & will obtain Eternal lives. You are here to Learn your Lessons be Kind to one another & obt to your parents. Cultivate a Kind meek spirit. Prayed the Lord to bless the School & your parents. Elder C. O. Card Endorsed the remarks of Pres M. & suggested the schollars be punctual & also attend meetings with their parents. Was pleased with exercises & invoked the blessings of God upon the school.

Elder T. C. Parkenson we were greatly blessed & was pleased with the exercises Blessed the school. Supt C. W. Nibley thought they have reason to be proud of your efficiency to which you have attained. Thought you should continue to improve. Admired the General Sing instead of a choir. You should obtain Books and all sing.

Singing is a divine art & should be cultivated by all.

He had nothing but blessings for all. God bless you in the name of Jesus Amen.

Bp. W. H. Maughan Invited the children to come to meeting with their parents this after meeting. God bless you Amen.

Closed by Singing & prayer.

2 P.M. Met with the Sts in ther new & rewed building and Singing by the choir.

Pres Merrill arose & commended the Sts for their energetic movements in So quickly building the meeting house also the Large dam for Irrigating farm & city lots. We will now dedicate the house & all should pray as one that our prayers may ascend as one in unity. We should follow the one that is mouth. He then Offered the dedicatory prayer & dedicated the house for Meetings & Amusements. Singing. Sacrament was then administered Interspersed with singing. Bp Henry Hughes first addressed the Sts. Admired the nice room we occupy

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which reflects great credit on the Sts here. Referred to his first visit here in 1859.

Admonished the Sts to turn to the Lord with a full purpose of heart. Referred to some who had advocated the Gospel & had turned there from.

We should cultivate the principles of blessing and peace. He invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts. in the name of Jesus Amen.

Elder C. W. Nibley arose & said it was a credit to the Sts here for so speedily completing your house of worship It certainly displayed great energy. We should appreciate Blessings before you are deprived of them. It shows in your Labors that you thirst after righteousness. Spoke upon the rights we possess & those we are deprived of.

Said we should avail ourselves of the registration Law. & the young men should be tax payers. Proper attention should be given to this important matter. We should try to maintain our rights. Referred to the importance of the next election.

If we do not see to this matter we will have more than one Barabus or thief in position. Referred to the matter of entering & paying for the rail road lands.

With a view of expediting this matter a committee of 3 were appointed yesterday at the Priesthood meeting for this purpose. Advised the Sts to save their means to pay for their lands. May the bless & comfort your hearts. Let his Spirit rest upon you & preserve you in the name of Jesus Amen.

[Handwriting changes as clerk records Card's speech.]

Elder C. O. Card said he indorsed the remarks of the brethren.

Your labors are praiseworthy.

Bro Benson used to say Yankee Doodle do it. This I think is how you have done this work.

We should take up the land improve it, and sanctify it by Keeping the commandments of God. Deprecated the practice of running off to Railroads and mines. Was glad to see such a good Sabbath School as there was in Wellsville. The parents should bring their children to meeting and should attend School with them in the morning. Showed the necessity of Keeping all of the commandments of God. Not to make a hobby of any one principle. Faith was the great moving principle of us all. In everything pertaining to the Gospel. In all of our organizations we should not lay aside our priesthood, whether secular or religious. Our classes in Theology should be encouraged.

If after a life's labor we can save our soul. That one soul our own, we shall be abundantly rewarded. How good it is if we can help to save others.

May we have wisdom to use all for the advancement of God's purposes. I ask in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Elder M. W. Merrill remarked about the brethren and sisters sitting separately in meeting. The brethren and sisters should sit together.

Advised the people to wipe off any arrearages there might be on your new meeting house.

Suggested that shutters should be put on the outside of the windows to protect the glass &c.

Pres. Taylor had suggested that in each ward there be established a missionary farm. To raise bread for the families of those on missions. We are expected to do a great deal. The Lord prospers those who Keep the commandments of God. The more we do so the more happy we are.

Do less, and we shall likely be less happy. Our children were our greatest blessing. How much we should try to do for them, to bring them up in the fear of the Lord. God bless you Amen.

[Entries return with Card's handwriting.]

Singing Benediction by Bp. W. H. Maughan.

We returned to Logan about 6 P.M. I attended meeting in the 2nd Ward & addressed the Sts upon the first Principles of the Gospel & teaching children habits of industry.

Monday, June 4, 1883—I attended very busily to Temple business to day.

Tuesday, June 5, 1883—I attend to Temple business again to day preparatory to going to the mill tomorrow. Went to Smithfield and drew goods for the Temple on a Tithing Order 478.87 Dollars.

Wednesday, June 6, 1883—After attending to my chores & mail I drove to the Temple Mill accompanied by M. A Clark daughter of Jesse T. where we arrived about 2 P.M. I passed the Ballanced of the day in viewing the roads & instructing the foreman what I wished done and remained here over night.

Mill, Thursday, June 7, 1883—About 8 A M I started for home but was hindered by logs blockading the road thrown out by high water & got to the Lime Kiln about 1 P.M. where I dined. Thence to Logan tired enough although I worked an hour or two Irrigating my lots.

Friday, June 8, 1883—I arose about 4 AM. to continue watering but Bro C. W. Nibley called for me to go to the U O steam mill at the mouth of the Logan to look at the boom that had Broken which I did & spent 2 or 3 hours at this & returned & worked on my City lots until noon Thence to the Temple in the after noon.

Saturday, June 9, 1883—I went to the Temple this morning & remained until 3 P.M. (having dined with the Temple hands.) & returned home took Supper. After which I went down to the Logan Canal 1 Block west of my house & Baptized and confirmed Aunt Lucinda Beach in the same canal that run by their door.

I also Baptized Annie Baraclough daughter of Geo. W.²² who had just turned 8 yrs of Age which Labors ended another busy week.

Logan, Sunday, June 10, 1883—At 10 A.M. I attended the Sabbath School Union of the Logan S.S. where exercises consisted of Singings ques & answers. Essays &c which were interesting & instructive.

The exercises were conducted by School classes & individuals.

At 2 P.M. I attended meeting in the Tabernacle where we were addressed by Elders George Barber Isaac Smith & John E. Carlisle upon the Word of Wisdom & the principle of faith occasionly touching other principles.

Monday, June 11, 1883—I attended to Temple Business through the day which Kept me quite Busy also attended Millers convention at 10 A.M. & High Council at 11 A.M.

Tuesday, June 12, 1883—I attended To temple Biz. until 10 A.M. when I visited the Brigham Young College until 12 M & again about 2 hours in the after noon. & addressed them upon the principle of depending upon the Lord in their efforts to in acuirng intelligence &c.

Passed another hour or two at the Temple Viewing the Logan & Smithfield canal & its works.

Wednesday, June 13, 1883—After perusing my mail I drove to the Temple Mill & viewed the roads about 1½ miles above the Mill. After Supper I held a short meeting with the Hands and instructed them

upon the necessity of unity in their Labors & purity in words and actions.

Thursday, June 14, 1883—At 8 A.M. I returned started home where I arrived at 12:30 P.M. Attended to Temple Biz. during the Ballance of the day.

Friday & Saturday, June 15 & 16, 1883—I attended to Temple Business very busily during the past two days some Little Stake & other Biz. intervening Thus ends another week of my busy life.

Benson, Sunday, June 17, 1883—At 8 A M I started for Benson accompanied by my mother daughter niece & son C. O. Jr. put up with my cousin Jas. Clark.

At 10 A.M. I joined Pres. Preston in the Benson S.S. where there there were about 40 pupils Teachers Present.

Singing by the school prayer by Wm Catwel Singing & Sacrament. Reading exercises.

Pres (Couns) C. O. Card addressed the School upon the History of Joseph the prophet & the necessity of Studing their lessons at home.

Pres. Preston suggested the Large ones answer question as well as the small ones.

We need to practice continually refered to the S.S. union unless we continue to practice we forget. We need continual teaching. Made many good Suggestions and encouraging words. Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the School.

Bro L. Beddis mad a few remarks. Singing. Benediction by Elder Jonathan Ricks.

At 2 P.M. We met with the Sts. Meeting opened by Singing and prayer by Bp. A. Haris. Singing and Sacrament. Elder John Baxter addressed the Sts & Spoke to the 70s that he wished to ascertain their number that they may be organized. Spoke of the progressive work of the Lord & the Bldg of Temples etc. Spoke of the carelessness of many in their duties. Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts.

Father T. Parkenson felt Pleased to meet the Sts here. He had been proclaiming peace on earth & good will to men for the Last 40 yrs.

Spoke of the Kindness of Abraham to the strangers.

²²George W. Baraclough was a bridge builder for the Utah and Northern Railroad. He lived between Chestnut and Walnut

Streets in Logan (see Somers 1993, 56).

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Exhorted the Sts to be Kind to all. Spoke of the privilege we have in building temples and officiating for the living & the dead. We are blessed above all as Sts. Let us be faithful to God & honor His Lawes. Invoked Gods blessing upon the Sts & the authorities in Jesus name Amen.

[Handwriting changes as clerk records Card's speech.]

Elder C O Card said he desired the faith and prayers of the Saints. What the Lor[d] may inspire him to Say such things as will be for your good.

There is nothing new in the Gospel. Though the Prophet Joseph revealed the plan of Salvation to the Human family. As we grow in years we should improve in the Gospel. Read from the [Corinthians] concerning the partakin the Sacrament.

When will the Temple be completed is another question Logan since asked when brethren and sisters will you be Worthy to go in thereat. Attend the Sunday School brethren. Take time to do it and aid the Supt. of Sunday School as teacher and do your duty to your Children in the regard. Also See children to meeting as well as to Sunday School.

Wo be unto them that are at ease in Zion. Magnify your calling teachers High Priest & Seventies we are not seeking to magnify the Priesthood as we should. We have the right to the Spirit of Lord to direct us in all we do [...].

The Lord is on one side he will fight our battles if we will Keep his Commandments Let us observe the Sabbath days Come to meetings and partake of the Sacrament and attend our fast meetings Observe the Words of wisdom that we may be strong in the Lord. May God assist us is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

[Entries return with Card's handwriting.]

Pres. Preston arose and Bore testimony to the truthes of the Gospel as taught this after noon by the Brethren.

Said while we have done well we should know whether every individual had done something. When you get home call your family together & see if you have done as much as you should. Ask the question. Referred to the records of Abraham.

²³ After experiencing some difficulties because he wanted to operate a store in competition with the Smithfield United Order Store, Thomas Richardson opened a mercantile establishment that had good-sized floor space on Main Street. At the rear of the

Spoke of the law of tithing Word of Wisdom &c We should see that we do our duties everywhere that we will have the right to the blessings of the Priesthood. We should be so faithful & humble that we will cary the Spirit of our Priesthoods we hold that we may be able to set in order that which we are entrusted with. Is it not on acct of the Sleepyness we exhibit is the reason we are not called into more responsible positions than we have. There is an ample field for what is our Priesthood given us for: It is that we may be helps in Government.

The Elders we should be in the S.S. Many act as ciphers in their callings. Out of the Books we will be judged.

Some of you will be judged from the S.S. Books or records here. We should not let the time go to waste we have to qualify ourselves for our various duties. The Lord has organized the church & given us Lawes to govern us & it is for us to conform to them.

We should sit in judgement upon our Labors & see if we are right. A Bp. is a common judge in israel and you should honor the office he holds. Support him in your faith & prayers.

I wish you faith and prayers. Study & reflect over the principles of obedience to the Gospel. Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts in the name of Jesus Amen.

Choir sang. Benediction by Elder Charles Reese.

We returned home in the evening.

Monday, June 18, 1883—I attended to Local Temple Business during the day & also Visited my farms.

Tuesday, June 19, 1883—I attended to Temple Business until nearly 12 M. when I drove to Smithfield and Bought Mdse of Thos Richardson²³ with a tithing order for the Logan Temple. Dined with Bp. Farrell.

Thence to Franklin & drew goods from the Coop on a similar order & Stayed all night with Bro. L. K. Parkenson.

Wednesday, June 20, 1883—I also drew about \$6000 from Wm L. Webster of this place Thence to Richmond & dined with Pres. M. W. Merrill and drew on the Same act for the Temple nearly 200

property, he built a large granary and storage sheds for grains and hay. In 1883 he began construction on a new two-story building, part of which is still in use (see Smithfield Historical Society 2001, 212).

Dols from the Coop S. Hobson & C. Craverer. Thence to Logan where I arrived about 7 P.M. & unloaded at the Temple. Tired & weary.

Thursday, June 21, 1883—After serving the Temple until 10 A.M. I drove to the Temple Mill Though I fished an hour or two on Spawn Creek.

I dined about 15 miles up the Kanyon & Sent B Benson up to this wood drive to have them stop as the wod was going down by the lime kiln where we wanted it.

Friday, June 22, 1883—After attending to the Mill Biz & advising with foreman P. Lindsay returned to Logan at 2 P.M. having driven in 4 hours. Attend to Biz the Ballance of the day.

Saturday, June 23, 1883—I attended to Temple Biz until 10:30 & then passed about 2 hours in a political meeting & at 2 P.M. I met with the directors of Zions Board of trade which lasted 4 hours. This ended another busy week.

Logan, Sunday, June 24, 1883—At 10 A.M. met with Pres Preston (at his house) and Elder Wm W. Taylor one of the first 7 Priests of Seventies also Elder E. Bell one of the local Priests and drew up a proram for the thea more complete organization of the Seventies.

At 2 P.M. we met with the Sts of Logan in the Logan Tab. Singing by our very efficient choir prayer by Elder T. B. Cardon²⁴ Sing again & Sacrament.

Pres. Wm Budge of Bearlake first addressed the Sts upon the Glorious principles of the Gospel & blessings of its Priesthood and the Lords commandments to his people by those holding authority Spoke of [...] another one we should try to be able to reflect upon properly that which we learn. Also cultivate a Spirit of obedience to the mandates of Heaven. Exhorted the Sts to be faithful to the end. Live a new life by leaving off our old sins. Rejoiced much of being a partaker of Gods Blessing Gave much good advice. He Invoke Gods Bless upon the Sts that they may be more united in the name of Jesus Amen.

Elder Wm W. Taylor of the first 7 Priests of the seventies made some interesting remarks in relation

to the condition of the 70s read rev. of Apr 14/83 also instruction approve after 14/83 by the Presidency & Apostles of the church as well as the first 7 priests of the 70s He then stated that Cache Valley Stake were entitled to 9 Quorums of Seventies Then read the report as allotted to the Several settlements In ordaining new members but what are good faithful Latterday Sts. It is thought advisable to form new lists of the old members who will have to obtain certificates from their Bps. Those who do not obtain certificates and do not set themselves arright will be dropped as Seventies. Transient members are under the Jurisdiction of the president of the dist in which he resides and he or they may take a certificate from his quorum and join the one where he resides.

Exhorted all the Seventies to be prompt in attending to their duties and be Sevts of God & lead by the voice of peace & voice of God.

Advised the brethren to not propound questions that they are not able to answer. Avoid discussions & disputations among ourselves & in your meetings. May the Lord bless you all in the name of Jesus Amen.

Singing by the choir. Benediction by Elder Samuel Smith.²⁵

Monday, June 25, 1883—Attended to temple & other biz until 10 A.M. when I attended High Council and a meeting of the stock holders of Zions Board of Trade in the after noon.

Tuesday, June 26, 1883—Attended to the usial run of Temple Business besides preparing to go to S.L. City on the morrow.

Wednesday, June 27, 1883—To day 39 yrs ago the prophet Jos Smith & his Brother Hyrum Smith were murdered in Carthage jail in the State of Ill. At 4 A.M. I took train for Salt Lake City where I arrived Shortly before 12 M. At 12:30 P.M. I called upon Pres John Tailor in regard to the Temple biz. I was on. He rec'd me very Kindly. & decided that we go ahead & put in a rock reservoir 14 x 24 x 12 deep. Also have an Iron railing or fence arround the font pit also that we put wash Bowls in at least 2 rooms of north extention.

Some other Matters were taken under advisement by them (witness & confirmation Stands on

²⁴T. B. Cardon was a Logan photographer and jeweler who also owned an art gallery. From 1880 to 1881, Cardon and the Thatchers built a four-story building on North Main Street in Logan that became the location of the Thatcher Brothers Bank.

Cardon repaired clocks and sold jewelry and watches (see Somers 1993, 55, 58, 110).

²⁵Samuel Smith sold furniture in Logan and resided between Second and Third South Streets (see Somers 1993, 69).

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the side of the font & whether we furnish Lumber for the Salt Lake Temple.

I dined with Pres Taylor at 4 P.M. I took train for home where I arrived at 11 P M having had a 20 hours days Labor & travel. A busy life will not allow the soul to corrode.

Thursday, Friday, & Saturday, June 28, 29, & 30, 1883—During the last 3 days I have busied myself in the regular routine of Temple business.

Wellsville, Sunday, July 1, 1883—I accompanied Pres Preston Bp Lewis & Elder H. J. Christiansen²⁶ to Wellsville where we visited their S.S. at 10 A M found a lively SS but not quite so prompt at 10 A M as usual. Probably the unusual heat makes incline to be tardy in movement. After Singing prayer Singing & Sac. They read 10 minutes then Sang. Class questions from 2 classes. Singing. Questions Singing by 2 Small girls & Then another Small class & then by the whole School.

Singing by the whole School. Bp B. M Lewis made encouraging remarks to the School We should study the history of church and then We should be punctual & Set good examples.

Pres. Preston Said Wellsville has the br. of the best S.S. in this Stake thought in many instances it is correct.

Spoke of the tardiness of the Schollars Some being late.

In order to keep up the character of your S_____ you will have to be prompt. You should try be here before 10 A.M. At least 10 minutes before 10 A.M. Called the attention of the Bp and councilor who should be in attendance to administer the Sacrament.

Promptness is necessary in all things in life.

May the blessings of the Lord be upon your Supt & teachers for there is no Labor so important as educating the youth of Zion. Amen.

Singing By the S & Benediction by Elder Louis Howell.

2 P.M. We met with the Sts of this Place. Singing by the choir prayer by Elder Joseph Howells.²⁷ Singing Sacrament & Singing.

Elder H. J. Christianson felt to be obt to our priest hood & was pleased to meet with the Sts here.

Admired the Spirit of union in the S.S. Such as he beheld this morning. Compared it with one he visited in Copenhagen where they were praying for deliverence from Babylon you are blessed here. Those who have rec'd the Gospel are generally Poor.

Gave Some of his missionary experience. We should be greatful for our homes. We came here to Serve the Lord & learn of his ways.

We should be punctual in all our dealing that we may not destroy the evidence. Spoke of the principles of sustaining our mechanics at homes & not and not send our money abroad & that those that gather home may be able to join a livelyhood Exhorted the Sts to live pure lives evil may not found among us. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts. in the name of Jesus Amen.

Bp. B. M. Lewis next took she stand & asked the faith of the Sts. Spoke of the the blessings of partaking worthly of the Sacrament.

We Should practice that which we preach.

Spoke very highly of the course of many of the young as well as their ability. We should deal Kindly with those that gather home that we may not be trials to one another: Try to assist them how to get a living. Wished to do right and set a good example.

Prayed that the Lord would bless us. & lead us right Amen.

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Counselor C O Card Was pleased with the spirits mifested here. We should take things as the come along. The Lord has so ordained that we should have an object in life. This object should be to build up Zion. And seek for all useful Knowledge. When our emigrants come let us teach them the arts of life. Showed how many of the Temple hands began on that building as farmers and ended their labors as good mechanics.

Let us examine ourselves and see if we are worthy of the endorsements of bretheren. Let us live the lives of purity and livliness. The extent and power of the word of Wisdom. Also punctuallity.

Spoke against having national feelings. Related a circumstance about a man who Brewed Beer, and work for Tom We are are not a liberty to transfer our ~~responsibility~~ responsibilities.

²⁶ H. J. Christiansen earned a living making harnesses in his shop on Logan's Main Street (see Somers 1993, 58).

²⁷ Joseph Howell took the place of John Mark Hendry and

served as first counselor in the Wellsville Ward bishopric (see Hall, Christensen, and Maughan 1985, 351).

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May God Bless you in the name of Jesus Amen.

Pres. Preston arose and expressed his approval in their improvements on their meeting house. You have done well. Still there other improvements You can make Such as fencing your Square & Setting out a grove or two of trees. You need more Seats. Your Bp should get and read to You the Last circular of Pres B. Young and read it to you here once a quarter.

By having too Small a house here for so long a time that your children have been educated only to come to S.S. They should also come to meeting with their parents.

Our tendency should always be upwards. We don't ½ furnish room for our children & ourselves to meet in. It is very inconsistent for us to work our children 6 Ds in a week & turn them loose to do as they please on the Sabbath day. We had better give them time to recreate on Saturday & look after them properly on Sunday.

The traditions of our fathers was apostate & forreign to the Gospel & many of us follow them which is wrong.

We should follow the path the Lord has Marked out. We read, we study & we think too little. If you would only Study work 5 Ds instead of 6 or 7 we would prosper more & be wiser. Do not go into debt buy only that you can pay for. Gave much good instruction on these points. One reason many of us have to work before beyond our strength is because the gospel is not thoroughly established in the vine. Many neglect their work in the Gospel & it over works other. Spoke of the oneness necessary for Sts of God. Bore his testimony that our generations will have great & high & glorious principles to learn & practice. The Celestial laws of God will have to be carried out temporal as well as spiritual if we prosper. May God help us to Keep His commands that we may have a good place in his Kingdom Amen.

Pres. P Said he was oposed to making our meetings advertising mediums for business.

Choir sang Benediction by Elder C C. Shaw.

After meeting we returned to Logan realizing we had had an enjoyable time.

Monday, July 2, 1883—This morning between 4 & 5 O Clock I accompanied Bro Pres Wm Budge to the temple Mill haulin his daughter & another young lady in my cariage as far as the mill that were going to Paris with him I also took Emma Smith²⁸ to the mill. Bro B having his wife, children Joan Campbell & Sister Stucki with him we arrived at the Mill ¼ past 10 A.M. Bro Stucki came towards eving. We had a little Sociable in the evening dancing a few Sets.

Tuesday, July 3, 1883—About 4 AM Bro B & S proceeded to Bear Lake & at 5 AM I started for Logan where I arrived about 10 A.M. Attended to Temple Biz. the ballance of the day.

Wednesday, July 4, 1883—I Stayed about home during the forepart of the day & attended the races of the Logan Driving park ass[n].²⁹ in the After noon passing of the 107 aniversary of the U.S. very quietly.

Thursday, July 5, 1883—I attended to temple business very closely and attended a meeting of the Board of directors of the B. Young College when we decided to build a building a few feet of the old residence of H. Thatcher for School purposes which we had previously purchased.

Friday, July 6, 1883—I attended to Temple biz. until 4 P.M. when I met again with the Board of the B.Y. College which we approved of proposed plans & G. W. Thatcher & myself were appointed a building committee to Erect Said building ad-journed at 9 P.M.

Saturday, July 7, 1883—Attended to Temple Biz until 11 A.M. Then attended the Priesthood meeting of this stake & attended to Temple & other Biz during the bal. of the day. A busy week.

Smithfield, Sunday, July 8, 1883—At 8 A.M. I Started to Smithfield accompanied by my wife S. J. B. Mother & Son. and I arrived at Sunday School a few moments before 10 A.M. We Met in a very comfortable Bowery There were present about 100 Schollars & Teachers. After the opening exercises

²⁸ Emma Smith served from July 18, 1880, to May 15, 1881, as the secretary of the Logan First Ward Sunday School (see Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 128).

²⁹ The Logan Driving Park Association arranged "for a good day's sport," and offered liberal prizes for the winners of the horse

races. They had improved the track, and some of the races involved trotting horses. Some of the animals that ran were Sleepy Tan, Electric Light, and Brownie (see *Utah Journal*, July 3 and 7, 1883, 3).

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The Sacrament was administered. Classes read about ½ an hour after which Classes were questioned by their respective teachers.

Counsellor C. O. Card addressed the Children upon the principles of punctuality not profane Honor and respect your parents is the Lawe of God. God bless you Amen.

Counsellor M. W. Merrill next addressed the School, Said the Schollars Cone here to Learn good things & store them in your minds.

You are blessed in having a S.S. could remember the time there were no Schools of this Kind. It will only be a little while when you will be men & women.

You will be great in the earth. There is joy in doing right & Sorrow in the doing wrong. Honor ~~the~~ your parents. Observe the Sabbath day God bless you Amen. Bp. Farrell was pleased to be with the School Advised punctuality. The opening prayer was offered by Bp. Farrell & Benediction by Supt. Seth Logton [Langton].

2 P.M. We met in the Bowery with the Sts. of this Place. Singing by the choir. Prayer by Elder Geo. Barber Singing & Sacrament. Elder Thos H. Merrill³⁰ addressed the Sts. Truth was like a diamond. Where ever you find a diamond it Shines with Briliancy So with truth, it will outlive error. Referred to his recent missions to the Southern States. Spoke of the apostacy of the ancient church & the restoration of the Gospel in our day called attention to the prophecy of Daniel & read the same. Spoke of the Kingdom to be established in the Latter days, that was to break in Pieces all other Kingdoms. Spoke at Some length upon this Subject very Spiritedly & intelligently although a young man. It requires all the members of a body to perfect it. Discoursed upon repentance Baptism &c. The Later day Sts practice these principles. Referred Nebekednezers dream 2nd Thess. 2 vs chapt Read Same also 2 ver Peter 2nd chap. We believe in a "God that can speak to his children & Bought us with his own blood[?]" There are many false teachers in the world that make mdse of the Gospel. Read from Timothy In the Last Ds perilous times will come &c. Referred to the Prophet Joseph Smith first prayer & vision.

Referred to the rev. of John on the Isle of Patmos. I saw another Angel &c read 16 chap St

Mathew 13 verse. The chch was to build upon the rock of rev. Read from Malachi. Bore his testimony that the Gospel has been restored to the earth & J. Smith was a prophet of God. Exhorted all to faithfulness. May God bless you Amen. Spoke 55 minutes.

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C. O. Card occupied 16 Minutes in Saying that although he may be led in another direction from what Bro Merrill was led, he wished that his words may be dictated by the Holy Spirit.

Said tomorrow is the Day to meet & vote for our School Trustee & he hoped that the people would be ennergetic in this thing and every Man & Woman Vote for the Person that have been Nominated, and also at our August Election. Let all registered Voters go to the Poles to a Single Man Woman.

Seek to rear our Children to learn them to Serve God and also to Serve our Country and become great Men & good Men.

He then encouraged the Young people to attend Sunday School and Meetings also, "regularly" & then the good Spirit will be with us, and we will confer blessings upon ourselves and upon our posterity. Urged it upon the parents to give their Children a good Education So that they preach with their pen as well as with their tongues.

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Counselor M W Merrill congratulated the Sts on the nice Bowery which had been Brot about by a unity of action. & on time on your new meeting you are building. Be united in your Labors. We cant be afford to be divided Let us do as Bro Wm Hyde used to say let do us all things by common cent from the head. Vote fore those nominated attend to your School election & primary. Be united in our Labors. Take a great deal of pains with our Sons & daughters lead them to meetings & S.S. Spoke of the great folly of attending circuses.

Better Stay at home & save your money it would pay your little debts. It would buy you a Sacrament Set build your meeting with it rely upon the Lord God bless you Amen.

Spoke 15 minutes.

³⁰Thomas Hazen Merrill was the son of Marriner Wood Merrill and his first wife, Sarah Ann Atkinson Merrill. He was the

fourth of Marriner's forty-six children (see Merrill 1937, 381, 509).

[Left marginal note: Bp Farrell spoke a short time.]

Choir Sang Benediction by Elder Samuel Roskelly.
After Meeting we returned to our homes.

Monday, July 9, 1883—I attended To Temple Biz until 10 A.M. Then attended a meeting of the high council which Lasted about 3½ hours. After which attended to Temple & B.Y. College business. Attended Trustees election in the evening.

Tuesday, July 10, 1883—This morning I went to Millville to employ Masons to put in the foundation to the B Y College building Thence I returned and assisted to the Surveyor to locate the building. After which I attended to Temple Biz the ballance of the day. Attend the 2nd Ward primary in the evening.

Wednesday, July 11, 1883—This morning accompanied by my wife S. J. P. children I went to the Temple Mill where I arrived at ½ past one O. Clock having Spent 2 or 3 hours fishing on Spawn Creek. After we dined I went to the Summit & back with foreman P F. Lindsay & Located a new road near the Summit.

Thursday, July 12, 1883—I was busily engaged in temple business to day after driving home where I arrived about 12 M.

In the evening I attended a meeting of the Directors of the Logan & Smithfield Canal Company at the house of T. E. Ricks.

Friday, July 13, 1883—To day I was engaged in the usial run of Temple business. A little B Y. College Biz.

Saturday, July 14, 1883—I attended to Temple Biz until 9 A M when I attended a council meeting with Apostle M. Thatcher Pres Preston and a few elders in the Tithing Office. I also attended a 2 Sessions of the Cache Co Political convention Which closed about 4 P.M. with very good results. Thence to the Temple and attended to a chore or two & home. Some what weary after another busy week.

Sunday, July 15, 1883—After attending the duties of the morning I accompanied Pres Preston to Providence Where we met with the Sunday School at 10 AM which numbered about 100 pupils & Teachers. The Schooled was opened by Sing and prayer Sacrament was administered by 2 young elders or Priests. The reading exercises lasted about ½ an hour

after which Pres Preston addressed the School & told them the Kind of God he was taught to worship in the world which was a God without Body Parts & Passions & was everywhere & nowhere. But we worship a God that has Body Parts and passions. I was taught error & you are taught truth. Spoke on the principle of repentance & obedience. Invoked the Blessings of the Lord upon the School Amen.

Counselor C. O. Card taught the necessity of Punctuality and the observance of the S. Day. Pres. Preston suggested they read the rules of the S.S. which Suggested for all both Boys & Girls to Sing. Singing Benediction by H. J. Mathews.

2 P.M. We met with the Sts. convened in their meeting house Singing by the choir Prayer by Elder F Theurer. Singing and Sacrament.

Counselor C. O. Card Spoke of the necessity of Schooling our children in the arts and Sciences also the principles of the gospel & they will be more than doubly armed to face the world urged the necessity of working more faithfully in the S.S. have the children attend meeting & in turn parents go to school. Urged the Teachers Priests and all that hold a membership as well as office to magnify their callings. Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts Amen.

Pres Preston arose and suggested the stes of the house be so arranged as to face north repaint the damaged parts and repair or replace the curtin &c. Fence your Meeting house lot Educate your children.

Testified to the remarks of Elder Card. Make your home pleasant. Place chimneys on the the house & polish it up.

Touched on the liguor traffic & the Decision of the Ter. Supreme court against Logan City. If we are compelled of in Logan to suffer dens of iniquity you should not do it here. A man who will sell liquor is not worthy of the fellowship of the Sts for an hour.

Liquor makes good men Bad & Bad worse &c.

It is just as legitimate for female as male to drink & smoke.

Whiskey is all bad for the bad results & those that will use it will go down down down!!! You Should Spend your means on more worthy enterprises.

The Lord has told us through the prophet (B) that the man who will put the cup to the Brothers lip will go down to hell. Liquor trafficors in all communities are among the low & have to take a low seat in the community. You Should not allow a Liquor

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Shop in your town. You elders Should take up these subjects & treat upon them. You will find plenty of statistics upon this.

Girls do not marry a man that is adicted to Li-
quor. Give them a wide birth. You do not want to
Keep company with those men who are addicted to
bad habits. Spoke on the dances as a father & Execu-
tive officer in the Kingdom.

The Same requirement is made of you as myself
all the difference is in the appointment. If you drink
or dance it is personally nothing that concerns me
but I must do my duty as an officer of the church.
Advised the Sts to conform to the councils of Pres
Taylor to commence at 6 & not last any longer than
12 P.M. It becomes the duties of the Ass[n]. and
School that they Labor to Keep the Laws of God.

Spoke against the Boys & Girls going to Groves
& Bowersys to dance & those that come into this
ward & Build these places they come under the pur-
view of the Bp here.

Spoke against betting on horse races and
gambling in any shape. We should be able to try the
speed of our horses without Sinning. Elders Should
controll these things & not degrade them. Dance
properly.

You should Give your Bishop your Support.
Call on him & council with him. Advise one with
another. Invoked the blessings of the Lord on the Sts
every where. Amen.

Choir Sang Benediction by Elder H. Mathews.
After meeting we returned to Logan.

Monday, July 16 through Saturday, July 21, 1883—I attended to the Local Temple business as well as looking after a break in the Logan & Hyde Park Canal that stoped the central mills.

Sunday, July 22, 1883—I attended meeting in Logan at 2 P.M. when We were addressed by Elder Eliason J. Jensen & C. W. Stayner Spoke a few moments myself on the importance of Sobriety on our hollidays as well as all Ds.

[Entry for Monday, July 23, 1883 written over and changed to Tuesday July 24, and following entry changed from Tuesday & Wednesday 25 to ~~Wedsday & Wednesday~~ 25.]

Tuesday, July 24, 1883—I attended to the work on the L & H Prk Canal the most of the day & went to the Logan Band Party in the evening.

~~Wedsday & Wednesday~~, **July 25, 1883**—I attended to the Local Biz of the Temple & Stake.

Thursday, July 26, 1883—I went to The Temple Mill. Mrs. Zina Young Williams & her little son rode with me to the mill on their way to Meadowville.

Friday, July 27, 1883—I returned home accompa-
nied by P Lindsey & wife attended Tel Biz in after
noon.

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Saturday, July 28, 1883—I attended to Local Tem-
ple Biz until 12 M. Thence to by train to Brigham
City and put up with Bro. L. Snow who treated me
very Kindly remained over night here.

Sunday, July 27, 1883—This beautiful morning
finds me in the peaceful Brigham City.

At 10 AM I attended Stake conference at this
Place & listened to the Timely remarks of Apostle A
Carrington & Elder L. Farr. A good Spirit Prevailed.

At 2 P.M. met again in conference & we were
addressed by Apostle L. Snow Prest O. G. Snow &
Elders C. W. Stayner & myself. After meeting I ac-
companied Bro L. Warner to Willard City and took
Supper with himself & family after which the I was
cerenaded by the choir of this quiet little town who
dispersed freely of their well executed vocal musical
9 PM. took train for home.

Monday, July 30, 1883—At 1:40 A.M. I arrived
home. Took a short nap and resumed my daily du-
ties Temple &c.

Tuesday, July 31, 1883—Today I attended to
Temple & Stake Biz which Kept me quite busy.

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday, August 1, 2, & 3, 1883—I attended to Temple & stake Biz prepa-
ratory to our Stake conference on Sat & Sunday. On
the Last day mentioned I met Pres Woodruff at the
train who had come to visit our conference but
Proceded to Smithfield took Bro L. Farr home & to
dine with me.

Saturday, August 4, 1883—Our conference con-
vened to day the morning hours passed by reports
from Bps & a sermon from Apostle W. Woodruff
also Bro. M. W. Merrill.

In the after we had brief statistical & Temple reports. I addressed the sts as well as Bro L. Farr and others ratification meeting in the eve.

Sunday, August 5, 1883—We had two Splended meetings to day & were addressed by Apostle E. Snow & W. Woodruff & L. Farr. We visited the Temple Last eve & listened to the wise suggestions of the above Apostles.

Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday, August 6, 7, & 8, 1883—I attended very busily to Temple & Stake business as well as Some B.Y. College Biz.

Thursday, August 9, 1883—At 5 A.M. I started for the Temple mill accompanied by my daughter Jennie & Cousin Minnie Curtis and arrived at mill at 5 P.M. having spent a few hours fishing on the road found the work at the mill progressing favorably.

Friday, August 10, 1883—I returned home about 3 P.M. having Spent 3 hours fishing. On my arrival found a telegram announcing that Pres Taylor & party were coming on the morrow to meet with us in Logan on the following Sunday. Have done all I could to Spread the word in the Southern Settlements while Pres Merrill does so in the North.

Saturday, August 11, 1883—At 6 AM I resumed my Labors by doing my choirs [chores] & preparing for the Prests company & go to meet them at 2:15 train P.M.

I went by the South bound train as far as Mendon & Met Pres Taylor & Party.

At 2:15 we arrived in Logan and the company were soon distributed among the homes of the Sts Pres Cannon & wife were my guests. Met with the Pres & Counselors at Bro M. Thatchers in the after noon. About 3 P.M. a serious accident occured in the North West tower of the Temple a Scaffold gave way & precipitated 2 Brethren down the Stairway & Broke them up pretty badly. Bro Joseph Knowles had his left ankle disLocated and a large Scalp wound & several minor wounds on limbs & body. Bro Julius Smith of Brigham was the other who received Several wounds about the head & body as well as bruises.

Pres J. F. Smith administered to the Latter & accompanied me to visit the Latter. Thus ended another busy day of my life.

Sunday, August 12, 1883—At 10 A.M. We the Sts convened in the Logan Tabernacle a goodly attendance choir Sang prayer by Bp. John Sharp. Singing. Pres Joseph Smith addressed the Sts. Warned them against Worldly mindedness to the exclusion of the of our faith in the Lord.

For our increase in worldly blessings we Should increase in faith and humility. We are apt to think it is our Skill that produces our blessings instead of acknowledging the hand of the Lord.

God has had a great hand in it. He gave us the ability & all the faculties we possess. The Lord will hold all to acct for all their acts. We are only Stewarts of all we possess.

The Lord Made all things. There is a reward for doing good & we Should not waste our Substance on the Spark of the flesh. We are Stewarts over that which we possess. We Should always feel that which we have Should be on the alter, & are ready to Sacrifice all & if we are Brought to the test & refuse We will loose our reward. The time will come when all we possess will be held for the upbuilding of Gods Kingdom. When I apostate I forfeit my wives & my blessings. It is folly for the Sts to follow in the fashions of the world, & is wrong for us to do it. Every one Should feel indebted to the Lord for all. May God bless us & help us to Keep his commends Amen.

Pres Geo Q. Cannon Bore Testimony to the remarks of the Pres Smith. L D Sts have the greatest hopes of any people in Christianity or heathendom.

Spoke of Practical consecration or hold our property in that way day by day.

Thought that Some would like the Lord or an angell Should come & tell me about it if my property is required for the Kingdom. These Same Men & women when this Temple is done & ask God's Servts for blessings that count be compared with earthly things.

Some men have transended their bounds, but there are Servts of God who have a right to make Such requirements. The prophet Joseph had this authority as does his Successors. Spoke at length upon this principle.

Those that hold the Apostleship & can only use it under its dictation of the one that holds the Keys. Spoke of Pres. B. Young Succeeding the prophet & Pres Taylor Succeeding the Latter. Showed how the Lord over ruled things to place him there. This vital doctrine of obedience to the Priesthood will test the faith of the Sts. So far as I am individually concerned

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I feel that none Should go into these Temples except they ~~you~~ would yield implicit obedience to the priesthood and feel they could use all they possess for the upbuilding of Gods Kingdom God Bless you Amen.

2 P.M. Meeting by Sing by the choir & prayer by Pres W. Woodruff Singing & Sacrament.

Pres. John Taylor addressed the Sts. Was pleased to meet with the Sts. here as we are with all sts. We are all dependent upon the Lord. We are here as Jesus was here to do the will of the Father & not ours. The work in which we are engaged is not of Man but of God & Sustained by the Lord Jehovah & through the medium of the Priest hood on the earth. Spoke of the rise of the church & the Calamities that are to come after the testimony of Gods Servts. Spoke of the object of gathering home to those Mts. We have responsibilities we cant Shake off. Spoke of the Kirtland & Nauvoo Temples & the Blessings recd in them.

Spoke on our Temples in these Valleys that are built & are being built. The prophet Joseph Smith him if he found any that had the principles of Christ he need not baptize them for they had some remnants of the holy Priesthood with. Had traveled many Ms of miles but had found no such people. The World know not what to do with temples Neither would we if the Lord had not revealed it. Said we have a great deal of Missionary Labor to perform & refered to the instructions given to Pres Preston that was to Set apart 160 acres in the new Settlements for missionary farms & in the old ones as far as practical. That they may be cultivated for the benefit of Missionary families.

Spoke of the humble manner in which men &c come into the world and their dependance upon parents & the Humble exit of Mankind. None can carry their wealth with them.

There are many of our people who would be in purgatory to live with the sts & be governed by the Priesthood. Will they receive a celestial glory I tell you nay.

There are those who want a celestial Law Who will be those who abide a celestial Law. Those that want marriage for time cant have ours. You that dont want to take the right course take Your own and we will go into the Celestial Kingdom of our God in These matters we will do what God requires.

May God bless you & help us & help us in the name of Jesus Amen.

Pres W. Woodruff Testified that the principles Set forth to day is of God & true. The ancient & modern prophets & Servts of God have taught. He went forth & was baptized after hearing the first Sermon & have had no doubts of the truth of it Since. We are here to prepare ourselves for another life.

The Lord will require nothing but what will be able to do.

The Lord has ordained this people to come here to fulfil his work to build up temples & His Kindom. Let us trust in God & be true & faithful which May God grant for Christs Sake Amen.

Elder L. J. Nutall Said we have had a feast this day & we should practice that we have heard. We want to live our religion as far as it is made Known to us. Cultivate that part of God in our hearts. I have been pleased & strengthened with the teachings of this day. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts Amen.

Choir Sang Benediction by Bp E. F. Sheets.

Monday, August 13, 1883—At 9 A.M. The Pres and Party visited the Temple with the Presidency & determined Seats in Stand the highest or Back Seat platform 8 inches high 3 ft. 6" wide Seats for 5 Centre Seat 3 inches higher 2nd Platform 6 in high & 2 ft 6" wide. One long Seat. After dinner The Pres & party visited the U.O. Foundry Lunberg & Garfs Sash & door & factory the U.O. Steam mill & college farm.

Tuesday, August 14, 1883—At 6 A. M. The Prest & party Started for meadowville in five carriages myself driving the carriage the President rode in.

We dined at the mill & rested until about 3:30 thence to meadowville about 6:30 P.M. I Stayed over night with Joshua Eldrege.

Wednesday, August 15, 1883—At 9 A.M. I bade the Brethren adieu & returned to mill & dined thence to Logan at 5 P.M. tired & weary.

Thursday, August 16, 1883—I attended to college & Temple Biz during the day.

Friday, August 17, 1883—I attended to Temple Biz during the fore noon. In the after noon went to Wellsville accompanied by Elder J. A. Leishman & attended the funeral of Wm Poppleton who recently had charge of the Temple Green Kanyon Quarry cookhouse with his wife as cook. We addressed the audience & wells as others bore record of the

uprightness of Bro Wm. Poppleton. Returned home just dark.

Saturday, August 18, 1883—During the fore part of the day I attended to College & Temple Business.

I again visited the Temple this afternoon & after the close of the work for the week I went to my farm in west field. Thus ended the busy Labors of another week.

Sunday, August 19, 1883—I prepared this morning to accompany Pres Merrill to Millvill but as the funeral of Bro Wm Watson came off at 8 A.M. I attended the Same and addressed the sts on this occasion. After which I followed Pres M to Millville & met with them in the S.S. Pres M his Son Thomas H. & myself addressed the School Briefly advising punctuality promptness and the study of Sessions during the weeke.

2 P.M. We Met with the Sts Singing by the choir prayer by Elder L. [Sam] Holt Singing and Sacrament after which we were addressed by Pres M. W. Merrill arose & asked if the home missionaries were here. Bro Anderson Said they were was not certain Elder King Said it was not their appointed day he he then introduced his son Thos H Merrill who desired the prayers of the sts. Truth will exalt us while error never will. Felt his inability in standing before the sts was ever willing to do all he could. Referred to the first principles of the Gospel he Bore testimony to the same Quoted freely from the Scriptures. Spoke of the Gifts of the Holy Ghost.

He spoke at Some length with freedom The repentance of death is to repent of a sin to day & do the same to morrow. Spoke of the Gifts & Blessings of the Holy Ghost &c. Read 6 chap rom 3 v. 3rd chap first cor. The Land is full of false teachers as it was anciently. We have been called from the nations that we may be more fully of His ways. Exhorted to try to do right & comply with the Lawes of God if we love God we will keep his commands. & learn of the ways of the Lord. Made a great appeal to the Young. May God bless you Amen.

C O Card Spoke a few moments upon the duties of the sts towards themselves & their children, be not at ease an Zion. School your children in the Great plan of Salvation. God bless you amen.

Pres M. W. Merrill arose and Spoke of the impotance of teaching ourselves & our children the Gospel principles. Keep the first principles of the

Gospel with us. Read the *Bible* & Book of Mormon & Covenants.

Priests Should visit the Sts and read the Scriptures to them. Teach your children to go to meeting as well as S.S. It is important as fast as they are capable enter the theological Class.

because we Know of the truth is no sighn our children does. They have them to Learn. We do not Know how long we are allotted to this life. All things belong to the Lord. We should be in possession of the Spirit.

We almost concluded you were neglected your children here not many adults here this morning. Neglect them not. Possess ourselves of principles that will Save & exhalt us in the Kingdom of our God. I ask it in the name of Jesus Amen. Choir sang. Benediction by Elder Richard Jessop.

After meeting we returned to our homes.

Monday, August 20, 1883—I attended to Local Temple and other Business to day & prepared to go to The Temple mill to See to the business there & meet my son C. O. Jr. who had been to Bloomington to see his Aunt Mira.

Tuesday, August 21, 1883—At 6 AM I left the Temple Block accompanied by Agnes Izett who was going to the Mill to help cook arived at mill at 11 AM rested there until 4 PM & as my son did not arrive I proceeded to Meadowville & met my son at Bp Kimball I stayed over night with Elias Kimball & mother who treated us Kindly.

Wednesday, August 22, 1883—At 7 A.M. Started to the mill accompanied by M. A. Clark who came from the mill with me also my son & Sister Zina Y Williams & Son drove to the mill & dined thence to Logan at 5 P.M.

Thursday, August 23, 1883—I attended to Temple Biz until 10 A.M. when I met with Pres. Merrill Bp Geo. Pitkins & counselors & 3 other Elders from his ward to attend to the reconciliation of Some difficulties with them. Spent 3½ hours with them I think with good effect for them & their ward Temple Biz. Bal of the day.

Friday & Saturday, August 24 & 25, 1883—I attended to College & Temple Business.

Sunday, August 26, 1883—As per appointment with Pres Merrill I met him at the Benson Ward S.S. at 10 AM. I was accompanied by my wife S. J. P.

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School opened by Singing Prayer by Bp. A. Haris Singing & Sacrament. Class exercises. Questions asked on the restoration of the Gospel. Pres Merrill arose & Said the best part of the day had been Set apart for the S.S. & was important to us. The yrs flit away & we should be industrious in these things.

Our schools are organized for the purpose of bringing us together & teaching the principles of the Gospel. We are called to learn of the Gospel. We Should compare the the modern revelations with the Scriptures. Study & learn them. We should be engaged in something that reaches behind the veil. There is always Something to Learn. We are here to progress in the things of God. Gave other excellent instructions. We want to See our children trained up in the Lawes of the Lord bothe here & at home. Instructed the children & parents present to attend the afternoon meetings as well as S.S.

We do not want to forget the Gospel but have it familliar with us. The world do not believe in the Bk Mormon & covenants but claim faith in the *Bible* & we should be acquainted with it. Amen.

Elder T. H. Merrill arose and expressed the pleasure of meeting with the School.

We do not believe there is more than one true church but the world think there is more than one who says there are many branches &c. The name of the only true church is the Church of Jesus Christ of L.D. Sts. Was pleased to see the goodly attendance Exhorted all be humble & faithful Bore a strong testimony. Be Kind & obt to the Spirit of the Lord which will Guide us Blessing Amen.

Elder Nathan Ricks was Sustained as Supt. of the Benson S.S. Singing Benediction by Elder Nathan Ricks.

2 P.M. We met again with the Sts of Benson Ward Singing Prayer by Elder Jas Hobbs Singing & Sacrament after which Elder N. Ricks arose & desired the spirit of the Lord to assist him in his remarks. Was pleased to be again among the Sts (he had been to New Zealand on a mission) had learned while on a mission what Long & old traditions had upon the human family. Had had joy and Satisfaction in his missionary Labors have an acct of his mission. Spoke of the discord in the the world except when a mormon Elder appears then they unit against him but few can stem the tide of popularity. Many will Sell their souls for money & popularity. Sincerity is not always truth. Spoke of the introduction of the

Gospel to the Maories their dreams & manifestations. Testified to the truth.

Prayed that we may live for the purpose of God & be true in the name of Jesus Amen.

I spoke for about 30 minutes on the Local duties & the mission of the work of God upon the earth. Should bring their children to meetings & accompany them to S.S.

Spoke about the Temple work & urged the Sts to impart of their means for its completion.

Elder T. H. Merrill addressed the sts in a practical way upon the principles of Life & Salvation.

Exhorted the Sts to cleave to the Iron rod & appreciate the privileges we enjoy. Those that have gone before us are teaching the principles of the Gospel to the dead. We either go forward or backward we Should cultivate a Spirit of Kindness. Exhorted the Sts to faithfulness that our good deeds will over ballance our evil ones. Invoked the Lords blessings upon the Sts. Pres Merrill had been much interested in the remarks of the brethern L.D. Sts can't enjoy their religion unless we enjoy the Spirit of the Lord. We are the people the prophet Isaih Saw. A peculiar people. Our greatest Inst is that of our children. We should Study the word of the Lord. (the Scriptures) We should be able to give a reason for the hope that is within us.

The brethren & sisters Should not work too hard for in this we break the Lawes of God. We should come to meeting & have our lives renewed. The word of Wisdom was given us to lengthen our lives. We are engage in the work of God & want to Save our Sons and Daughters & redeem the world. Remember the Lord that Gives us all. Keep His commandments. Cease bickering. Attend the S.S. Set our faces against evil. Set good examples. God bless you and save us in his Kingdom is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

Choir Sang. Benediction by Elder Hyrum Clark. After which we returned to our homes.

[Notes in back of journal.]

Expenses to Bear Lake & North & West (to Sell Potatoes for Temple)	
Meadowville	.55
Paris	.25
Montpelier	.50
Ticket to Pocatello	7.95
Ticket to Shoshone	8.00
Supper	.50

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Telegram &c	1.05
Board & lodging	2.60
Ticket to Pocatello	<u>8.60</u>
	30.60
fruit	.30
fruit	0.00
fruit	3.50
meals	1.50
Fare	<u>10.50</u>
	46.40
Stage from Meadowville	<u>1.50</u>
	47.90

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Items for Priesthood meeting

Bps admnote Sacrament in S.S.

Have good rules and regulations in Kanyon Court & also meetings

S.S. Shcollars Should attend after noon meeting

[End Journal 19.]

[Editor's note: Journal 20 covers August 27, 1883, through December 9, 1883. It is $3\frac{5}{8}$ by 6 inches with a reddish brown cover, and is written in light pencil.]

[Inside front cover.]

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W. C. Hawkins

Oneida Idaho 2.50 Cash

Oneida Idaho W. 1.50

4.00 Cash

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Mound Valley Ward 5.00

Marsh Valley Ward 77.00

20.00 Dollars above 50 ct.



Temple construction workers
 Courtesy: Darrin Smith from the Clyde Hurst family

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Oxford Ward 5.00
Relief Society 10.00

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Logan—Monday
Aug 24 1883

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Reported
J. A. Leishman

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[Dated entries begin.]

Logan, Monday, August 27, 1883—During the fore noon I went to my pasture U.O. Office B.Y. College Temple & my upper farm also to the U.O. Foundry.

I visited the College Building and done considerable Biz at the Temple during the afternoon.

Tuesday, August 28, 1883—About 7 AM I started for Weston Idaho where I arrived at 1 P.M. and attended to collecting Some Mdse for the Logan Temple for which I had an order from the Logan T.O. on Bp A. A. Allen with whom I dined also took Supper at 8 P.M. I met with the Sts of this place & heard reports from the Bp (Pres. of the Priests quorum) also a Bro Olson Pres of the Teachers also Bro Callan of Dayton after which I addressed the Sts upon their duties towards God & one another.

Stayed over night with Bp Allen who treated me very Kindly.

Wednesday, August 29, 1883—About 9 AM I bad[e] Bp A & family adieu & drove to Logan in about 5 hours & attended (though fatigued) to Temple Biz the ballance of the day. Thus ended another busy day & one day nearer Eternity.

C. O. Card—Thus ended another busy day & one day nearer Eternity.

See entry, August 29, 1883.

Thursday, August 30, 1883—I was engaged with the B.Y. College a short time in the morning. After which I took Sister Amelia Young wife of the Late Pres Young³¹ Lizzie Young wife of Brigham Young & Miss I. I. Cook to the Temple, & Spet a few hours with them in viewing the various departments which was very gratifying to them. In the After noon I attended to Temple Biz & visited my Lower farm & Stacked a Load of hay after dark.

Friday, August 31, 1883—This forenoon I passed at the Temple.

In the after noon I went to the Female Relief Conference and addressed them upon the necessity of training their children to attend meetings as well as S.S. Also to feed them on plain food & ventilate their houses & Study cleanliness. After meeting (4 PM) I went to the Temple & attended to the necessary temple Biz.

Saturday, September 1, 1883—I attended to Temple Biz until 10 AM. when I repaired to the Young Ladies mutual conference & addressed them briefly thence to the Priesthood meeting in the Basemen of the Tabernacle. Addressed this meeting in behalf of The Temple & Tabernacle completion also upon the subject of Sppressing the liquor traffic in all the wards and dealing with those that would enlist in it or patronize those that do. Thus ended another week of my lifes career.

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Sunday, September 2, 1883—This morning after giving my family the necessary attention & at 10 A.M. I attended the 2nd Ward S.S. I addressed the School & suggested that they make the Sing general & Scatter the adults among the classes that all may be taught advantageously.

Met with the Sts. of Logan at 2 P.M. Singing by the choir Prayer by Bp. H Ballard Sacrament. We

³¹ Amelia Folsom married Brigham Young in January 1863, when she was twenty-four years old. She became a favorite of many Utah residents because she was tall, fair, and musically talented. She was the second cousin of Frances Folsom, wife of U.S. President Grover Cleveland, and she was the daughter of William

H. Folsom, the Church architect. Mary Elizabeth Fenton was the third wife of Brigham Young Jr., whom he took to England in 1890 when he went there to once again preside over the Church's European mission (see Arrington 1986a, 334; Winder 2001, 200).

were first addressed by Elder Benjamin Rich upon the first Principles of the Gospel & the necessity of abstaining from the use of ardent Spirits.³²

Elder James H. Martineaux testified to the truth of the Gospel Exhorted the sts to faithfulness. Was Sorry that Liquor dealers had got a temporary victory over our City Exhorted the sts to abstain from the support them. The wrong exist with those that sustain them The curse of God will be upon them.

I attended a meeting on the Island or 2nd dist of the first Ward with Elder L. Lowe and we addressed the sts convened.

Monday, September 3, 1883—I attended to Temple & other Local Stake & B.Y. College Biz.

Tuesday & Wednesday, September 4 & 5, 1883—During the past two days I attended to the usual routine of business for Temple & college called on Pres Preston who had been away to the Crow & Wind rvr Agencies on an Indian mission with Apostle M. Thatcher & others.³³ Went to Paradise rock quarry on Tuesday to See about getting rock to finish the Temple resevoir & this evening witnessed the death of Lewis Lewis son of Enoch of the 3rd Ward of Logan & helped lay him out.³⁴ Administered to my little daughter L. P. who was sick with internal pain.

Thursday, September 6, 1883—I went to the Temple Mill viewed the roads & timber held a meeting with the Brethren & Sisters who were addressed by Bp R. Price of Paris B. Lake & myself upon their duties to cultivate the Spirit of unity & do away with ill feelings & do right & Keep their covenants.³⁵

Friday, September 7, 1883—I returned to Logan at 11 A.M. & Passed the bal of the day with Temple & college Biz.

³² Benjamin E. Rich was the son of Charles C. Rich and Sarah D. Pea Rich. He was born in 1855 and was a graduate of the Morgan Institute in Salt Lake City. He died in 1913 (see Arrington 1974, 286, 303, 305).

³³ As early as December 1879, Amos Wright, a resident of Bear Lake Valley, had been called to preach the gospel to the American Indians living on the Wind River Reservation in Wyoming. Wright and other missionaries had great success among these "Lamanites," and many were baptized into the Church. President John Taylor sent Moses Thatcher and others to visit Chief Washakie and his tribe to determine the best way to help them "now that many of them have been baptized" (Wright 1981, 133, 157).

³⁴ Enoch Lewis came to Logan with the first settlers who

Saturday, September 8, 1883—I attended to Temple Biz in the fore noon & college in the afternoon & attend a board meeting in the eve which ended another very busy week of my Career.

Sunday, September 9, 1883—This morning I at 10 O.C. I attended the Sunday School union of the Logan & Hyde Park S.S.

2 P.M. Met with the Sts & we were addressed by Elder W. W. Taylor of the Presidency of the 70s Spoke of the noble traits exhibited by many who refuse temptation &c.

Elder D. C. Young Spoke a short time & bore his Testimony to the truth.

Bp. O. F. Whitney Spoke of Temple & Spiritual Salvation which is one one with the Lord³⁶ every religious Scientific truth is a religious truth. Science is another name for Knowledge. Faith is the Motive power of all action. We need to be pure & repent of our Sins. Cited the valuable examples of our Savior.

Spoke at Some length upon the first principles of the Gospel. Also upon the Sanctifying influence of the Word of Wisdom. All invoked the blessings of the God upon the Sts. Elder H. L. Eldrege approved the remarks of those that proced him.

He invited the 70s and all others of the Priesthood that that desire. Some of our 70s are much dried up. Spoke of the Temporary organization in a Stake & ward capacity. Cache Stake are entitled to 9 Quorums Endorsed the remarks of the brethren & Bore his testimony to the work of God. Amen.

O. F. Whitney—Scientific truth is a religious truth. Science is another name for Knowledge. Faith is the Motive power of all action.

See entry, September 9, 1883.

arrived in 1859. At the time Card wrote, Lewis was a furniture salesman who lived between Third and Fourth Streets in Logan. He was a member of the brass band that played at the temple's cornerstone ceremonies (see Somers 1993, 34, 64; Olsen 1978, 16).

³⁵ Robert Price was bishop of the Paris Second Ward and treasurer of the United Order for the Bear Lake Region. Price was also instrumental in establishing the Fielding Academy (see Rich 1963, 95, 121, 122, 127, 137, 150, 168).

³⁶ Orson Ferguson Whitney served as bishop of Salt Lake City's Eighteenth Ward, a position he held for twenty-eight years. On April 9, 1906, he was called to the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles and remained a member of that quorum until his death on May 16, 1931 (see Flake 1974, 247).

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Pres. Preston expressed his pleasure in meeting with the Sts to day. We have not been idle & have Seen no people so comfortable as we are here. God bless you Amen. Choir Sang benediction by Elder S. Roskelly.

The seventies remaned & the following were Sustained & Set apart as Presidents of the 70s Quorums 7 in number namely Hugh Adaney (64 Quorum) Alex L Lowe (40 Leishman 40) A D Thatcher (40) O C Ormsby (60) C. W. Nibley (40) & Wm Fife (32). The first by Apostle M. T. 2nd H. L. E. 3rd W. W. Taylor & the same routine with others.

The Seventies have the privilege of transferring from one quorum to another Says H. L. Eldrege By good recomendations of their Standings.

I attended meeting in the 2nd Ward in the evening.

Monday & Tuesday, September 10 & 11, 1883—I attended to Temple & College Business and Stake &c. Went to Salt Lake on Tuesday on Temple Biz to Submit plans of Seats to the Presidency.

Put up at the Continental Hotel. Attended Mr. Henry Ward Becher's Lecture in the S.L. Theatre.³⁷

Wednesday, September 12, 1883—Visited Architect D. C. Young & transacted Some college Business. Thence to Pres Taylors Office where I Spent an hour or two with Seat Plans & obtained their decision & approved of the plans, but wished us to defer making the Seats in the Grand room until Bp John Sharp went east & returned. Returned as far as Ogden & stayed all night with Israel Bro F. A. Brown's family.

Thursday, September 13, 1883—I took train this morning at 10:30 & arrived home at 2 P.M. Thence to the Temple & attended to that Business during the Ball of the day.

Friday & Saturday, September 14 & 15, 1883—I attended to Such Locall Temple & other business as came before me. Suffice to say I was not idle. Attend an Elocution Exhibition in Rease's Opera hous in the evening.

Sunday, September 16, 1883—By request of Bro Jos M. Wight of Hyrum I accompanied by Bro A. L. Schankey of Logan went to Hyrum & administered

to himself and daughter. Thence to the Theological class & addressed it.

At 2 P.M. met with the Sts of Hyrum. Singing prayer & Sacrament. Elder A. L. Schankey Bore his Testimony and related Some of his missionary experience rejoiced to be here.

Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts in the name of Jesus Amen.

I (C O Card) addressed the Sts on the subject of faith and unity. Discountinace Evil Such as the vending of Liquors in our midst of the Sts Referred to Julius Janson who was disfellowshipped for selling Liquor.

We have cause to mourn for those that fall from the faith even greater cause than for those that die in the faith Exhorted all to do their duties in their callings. God bless you Amen.

Apostle M. Thatcher arose & said he should not attempt to deliver a discourse upon any particular Subject only relate a little of his late mission to the great National Park where he was absent 8 week in all consumed in the whole Journey. Visited the great Geysers or water Volcanoes and their greatness and variety. Spoke of the Sulpher Mts & Springs. A visit to Grand Canyon & Yellowstone River Falls compared life to these falls that leaps down 260 feet. Thence on down 350 in a tremendous freak of nature indescribable.

Spoke of the Great forests of timber. Spoke of Crystal falls a little stream above the falls of the Yellowstones.

Spoke of the Mammoth springs Surrounded by lilly whites where articles of wood wood or of Straw paper &c will be petrified in a week or so.³

Saw of 4 Different colored flowers on one stem.

God bless you Amen. Singing & Benediction by Elder Christiansen.

Apostle M. Thatcher Bp Molen Elder A. L. Scanky & myself went an administered to a widow womans daughter who was Sick with fever. Thence we all went to Bro. J. M. Wight's (Except Bro. M. Thatcher who was so unwell he could not accompany us farther in wisdom [wisdom] consequently the rest of us administered to Bro W. & 2 daughters Almeda & Clara Thence home[]).

Monday, September 17, 1883—I attended to Temple & other Business during the day.

³⁷ Henry Ward Beecher was a famous preacher. He applauded both science and religion for their contributions to God's plan. At this point Beecher was working on his book,

Evolution and Religion, which would be published in 1885. He was likely on the circuit, speaking in cities across the nation with Salt Lake City being one of his stops (see Wagenknecht 1972).

Tuesday, September 18, 1883—I attended to a general routine of temple College & other business.

Wednesday, September 19, 1883—Elder J. A. Leishman and myself went to Hyrum & administered to Bro. J. M. Wight and daughters & returned to Logan about noon when I attended to Temple Biz the ballance of the day preparing to take a trip to the Temple mill.

Thursday, September 20, 1883—This morning I started for the Mill where I arrived about 2 P.M. Attend to Such business that came before me & remained over night.

Friday, September 21, 1883—This morning I returned to Logan Temple Block at 11 A.M. After dinner I returned to the Temple and attended to temple business the ballance of the day.

Saturday, September 22, 1883—After break fast as I was leaving my house my wife Sarah Jane Birdno informed me that She was going to the ~~Co. court~~ Probate Court to apply for a divorce which She did during the fore noon.

During the Last nearly 7 yrs I have sought to avert anything of the Kind that my family might be preserved intact and Labor in the spirit of the Gospel for a Salvation in the Kingdom of God. Many is the day I have tried to drown those afflictions with hard Labor & Seeking the Lord for consolation and aid which I have rec'd & thus far have been able to cary the burthen.

After Supper a passedt an hour with her and advised her to repent for the step she had taken was on the downward course and would lead her to death and degradation. After which I retired tired & weary & considerable annoyed at the course of my wife.³⁸

Sunday, September 23, 1883—This morning at 8:30 accompanied Pres. Preston to Smithfield at 10 AM we attended the S.S. on the South Side of the stream.

Shortly after it commenced Pres Preston & Elder C. W. Nibley went to the S.S. on the north Side.

Elder W. H. Apperly & myself remaining We addressed them & made several good suggestions. Bros A & myself took dinner with Bro S Lankton [Langton] & family.

At 2 P.M. we met with the Sts of Smithfield in their old meeting house.

Singing by the choir prayer by father T. Parkinson. Singing & Sacrament.

Elder Wm H. Apperly arose & Said in a settlement as Large as this there must be a great many good people perhaps a few bad ones When you See a wrong go to your neighbor peacably & tell him about it.

Bros Nibly & myself are here in the interest of the S.S. Gave a description of the classes & School here thus morning. You hav room here for more & you parents Should lead them to school and assist Teach your children habits of industry & they will become ornaments in Society. Encouraged the adults to come & assist in the teaching the Schollars in the S S.

Elder C. W. Nibley Said in visititing your S.S. I found much to commend. The necessity of this goodly work is apparent. All Should come & take part.

The primary dept on the North of the creek was well filled but the theological was thinly attended. Gather in the Young Ladies & gents to attend this class.

We should try to Learn the word of God. Urged the necessity of sending our children to S.S.

We many times neglect the Small things, duties which Should not be.

Attend to the Small duties & you will be prepared for the greater duties. If we will not try to magnify our mall duties we are not worthy than the greater.

We should try to save the Spiritual life of our children.

Exhorted all to do good & Sustain the S.S. by the presence of our children & our selves. All must

³⁸This is an unusually personal entry for Card, as are others following describing the divorce. Here the reader receives insight into his personal struggles, his manner of dealing with them, and his character. Sarah Jane Birdneau was Card's first and senior wife. The Birdneau and the Card families were close, and both worked on the Logan Temple. They were a caring couple, as Sarah often accompanied Card on his travels, and during her 1876 illness he never left her side. Benjamin Ramsel, with whom she became involved at several points and later married, was also a

worker on the temple and traveled with Card. This was a close-knit group, and the difficulties are apparent in this entry. The divorce was filed and rescinded (see last lines of September 23rd and 24th) but later granted on March 25, 1884. After the divorce, Card purchased a home for Sarah. He was given custody of their two children, but they continued to live with their mother (see B. Card n.d.; see also D. Godfrey and Card 1993, 126, 146–47, 161–65; Bradley and Woodward 2000, 264).

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work out their own Salvation. Invoked the Blessings of God upon all Amen.

Pres Preston arose and Stated though not well in body felt well in Spirit. During his recent travels north & East He did not behold So comfortable surroundings & I have witnessed here.

There is lots of room around us to be settled beautiful valleys & streams. We should cultivate habits of uprightness & honesty advised the sts to look Just a little ahead upon the work of the Lord.

Spoke of the growth of our settlements. Teach our children to be honest & industrius also the doctrines of Christ. That they may occupy prominent positions that they may be exemplary. You should not allow you your children to do as you are amind to if you do they will go down to destruction for they have inherited it from the fall of Adam. Exercise faith to do right. You are strict to get your children to work on Sunday week days but let them go their way on Sundays. We Should see that our children worship on Sunday. Gave a great deal of good practical counsel & advise We do not want to fill up these Mts with a lazy ignorant people but to the contrary.

We make great professions & should live up to them. You Should teach your children the principles of the Gospel. You are not excusable if you do not.

The saloons in Logan have been invited there by those professing to be L.D. Sts. If you have one here is because you foster them. I think you could have Kep them out if you had made an effort at Least for a while. Saloons come here & expect to be supported by the Sts or those that call themselves Sts. It was not necessary to have these things in our midst.

I will use my influence against these things. It is an error to think we need Stimulants for our ailments.

Referred to the prayer of the Savior Deliver us from temptation & evil.

Avoid evil as you would Serpents. Liquor is the fore runner of other evils. Starve it out. Let it be Said of us all that we will controll our children in righteousness. The Lord has blessed the sts above the world. May the bless us & give us Wisdom to establish Zion is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

C O Card testified to the remarks of the brethren remember the Sabbath day & Keep it holy. Teach our children in all things of the Lord. Suggested a Select School for the young men & women & furnish a good teacher for them one filled

with Spirit of the Gospel. May god bless and assist us to keep his commands in the name of Jesus Amen.

Choir Sang Benediction by Elder Alex Duncan.

Shortly after meeting we returned home.

I passed the evening in counselling my wife. Her father (N. W. Birdno) also gave here good advice to the effect She Should be a good L.D. St.

She promised us She would be in the future also retract what She had done in court.

Monday, September 24, 1883—I attended as usual to Temple Business to day. My wife S. J. Birdno went to the probate Court between 12 M & 1 P.M. & retracted her divorce Suit or with drew it although as yet She had not made a matter of record. Her father accompanied her.

Tuesday, September 25, 1883—I attended to the usual Temple and college blding Business during the day and Such other Biz that came along.

Wednesday, September 26, 1883—To day as usual was a very busy day to me in attending to the Temple duties devolving upon me being closely pushed for means.

Thursday, September 27, 1883—After attending to the necessary Temple Business I drove to Hyrum accompanied by Elder Hans A. Hansen and visited Brother J. M. Wight and family. We administered to himself & 4 of his daughters who were Sick with fever after which we returned Home and I continued my temple Business during the ballance of the day.

Friday, September 28, 1883—This morning I drove to the Temple Mill halting at the lime kiln a moment or two arrived at the Mill mill at 1 P.M. Attend to the necessary business during the after noon & remained here over night.

Saturday, September 29, 1883—Shortly after 7 P.M. I bad[e] the boys adieu & returned to Logan where I arrived at 11 AM. Attended to Temple & stake business during the after noon & eve having called upon Pres. Preston in the eve & advised about the things pertaining to the interest of Mutual improvement.

Sunday, September 30, 1883—This morning I prepared my self to Stay in Logan & visit the

Theological class taught by Elder J. Z. Stuart [Stewart]³⁹ in the City hall which I did and addressed them upon the importance of the Study of Theology.

At 1 P.M. I met with the Sts. of Logan in the Tabernacle. We were addressed by Elders Hans A Hanson Water Hoge & Lucian Farr after which I spoke a Short time upon the great importance of encouraging theological classes & Mutual Improvement ass[n] & observed both Melchizedek & Levitical Priesthood Should take an interest in it as well as Sabbath Schools & we all should take time to attend to our duties & the Lord would provide for our wants & open up the way. Addressed the Sts in the 2nd Ward in the evening.

Monday, October 1, 1883—During to day I attended to Temple & other Business preparatory to going to conference.

Tuesday, October 2, 1883—I attended to Temple & Brigham Young College Biz figuring with carpenters all the afternoon.

Wednesday, October 3, 1883—I was again to day busied with Temple & College Biz mostly with latter.

Thursday, October 4, 1883—At 5 AM I Started for Salt Lake to attend conference arrived in Ogden at 10 AM and stayed until 3:30 Thence to the City at 6 P.M. and put up with Brother Elias T. Kimball and mother who treated me very Kindly.

Friday, October 5, 1883—This morning at 10 O Clock our Conference was opened in the assembly Hall. Pres Taylor was the first speaker and was filled with the power of God as well as those that followed him. Then our conference opened very Spiritedly & it seemed to me that all were repaid for their trouble coming to conference with the first meeting although the afternoon meeting held in the Large Tabernacle was of none the less importance. I attended the S.S. union this eve in the assembly hall.

Saturday, October 6, 1883—Again this morning at 10 A.M. finds me in conference ready to receive the valuable instructions form Gods Leagally authorized Servtants which was meat to me both in the fore and after part of the day & Priesthood meeting in the

ass[embly] hall in the eve. where much valuable instruction was given us.

Sunday, October 7, 1883—During the meetings at 10 AM & 2 P.M. the Large tabernacle was filled & in the after part of the day many could not gain admittance. The meetings throughout were highly interesting and it seems as if the veil gets thinner every Conference.

I attended the Sunday School union in the evening where there was much to be Learned. During the Last 3 days I have attended 9 meetings of Great interest to me & will result in good to the Latter day sts in all the Lords domain.

Monday, October 8, 1883—During the fore part of the day I attended to Business & in the after noon at 3 O.C. I attended a priesthood meeting in the Social Hall also one at the same place at 7 P.M. where the Presidency Apostles and Prests of Stakes & Counselors convened & received much valuable instructions concerning themselves & their people another valuable day proffitably Spent.

Tuesday, October 9, 1883—Went to the convention at 10 A.M. & remained 1 hour when it adjourned until the 7 of Apr at 7 P.M. 1884.

Thence to the council meeting of Prests of Stakes &c where I remaned until Shortly after 12 M. Dined with Apostle H. J. Grant & family at 3 P.M. Met with the Central Board of trade for a couple of hours at 7 P.M. Met again with the first Presidency & Apostles & Prests of Stakes in the Social hall where we rec'd much good instructions in regard to purity virtue &c. 2 hours passed very quickly and profitably not only for those present but for those with whom we Labor. Returned again to Sister Christine Kimball & Stayed over night.

Wednesday, October 10, 1883—This morning my Kind host Gave me breakfast at 6 A.M. & at 7 A.M. I went to prvo accompanied by Bp Jos Kimball where we arrived about 9 A.M. Thence to Sister Zina Y. Williams who recd us very Kindly and conveyed us to the Woolen factory Insane asylum and Brigham Young Academy where we found an excellent School Is taught by Professor Carl G. Maeser. His Theological exercises were especially interesting as well as beneficial to all concerned. At 4 P.M. we

³⁹James Z. Stewart assisted Moses Thatcher in opening the Mexican Mission and was quite prominent in Church circles (see

Ricks and Cooley 1956, 233, 352–54).

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bade our provo friend adieu & returned to Salt Lake City. Stayed again with Sister C. Kimball.

Thursday, October 11, 1883—This is another morning of Peace and delightful weather. Visited Bro F. D. Richards on Temple business. Had my photo taken Then visited the Ry Office getting rates to provo for School schollars returned again to Sister Kimballs & dined. Thence to main Street & at 4 P.M. took train for CenterVille where I Stayed over night with Bro Steuben Rollins & family who treated me very Kindly.

Friday, October 12, 1883—This morning I bade the family of Bro R. adieu & one of the boys took me to the Station & at 7:30 I Started for Logan where I arrived at 2:30 P.M. Dined at home Thence to the Temple where I attended to Business until night.

Saturday, October 13, 1883—I went to the Temple & attended to Temple Biz until 11 A.M. when I went to Priesthood meeting. Pres M. W. Merrill Bp T. E. Ricks & myself addressed the Sts on the subjects taught at our Late Conference after meeting I attended to Temple Biz until night & at 7 P.M. met at the Tithing Office with the Logan Bps & Presidents of mutual improvement associations and decided upon the mode of procedure for the associations of the young for the winter.

Sunday, October 14, 1883—At 10 A.M. I met with the Young Mens Mutual Improvement Conference in the Logan Tab. Singing by the Logan choir. I opened by praying. Singing a few reports by the Supts of associations We were addressed by Apostles Wilford Woodruff & Moses Thatcher. 2 P.M. Met again in the Logan Tab. & continued our young mens conference and were addressed by a few of the Young men after which we were addressed by Apostles Woodruff & Thatcher & Pres Wm B. Preston and at the close blessed by Apostle W. Woodruff.

The teachings of the day was improvement in all things & particularly in our Morals & curtailing our appetites & passions Keep the word of wisdom & good company & learn all we can & be attentive in our associations.

At 7 P.M. met with the sts in the 2nd ward of Logan and addressed the sts upon the principles of mutual improvement Bp. Joseph Kimball T Elder L. Farr also addressed us much good advice was given.

Monday, October 15, 1883—This morning I visited the Brigham Young College and U. O Foundry & Central mills on the way to the Temple where I went & attended to the necessary business in the morning. Attended to Temple business the bal. of the day.

Tuesday, October 16, 1883—This morning accompanied by Joseph Kimball drove to the Temple Mill where we arrived about 3 P.M. Found all well. Encountered a great deal of rain & wind during our journey.

Wednesday, October 17, 1883—After attending to the necessary business this morn. at 10:30 A.M. Started to Logan where I arrived about 3 P.M. having drove in the nearly all the way home. Was cold wet and weary.

Thursday, October 18, 1883—I went to the Temple by the way of the College. Remaned at the Temple nearly all day.

Friday, October 19, 1883—I did the Same to day as yesterday attending to Some B.Y. College Biz.

Saturday, October 20, 1883—At 8 A.M. went to the Temple after working here until 10 A.M. Went to the High Council where we had a case on appeal from the Bps Court of the first Ward of Logan. We met in the basement of the Tab. We Sat until 12:20 M. Convened at 1:20 P.M. Sat until 5 P.M. listening to the arguments of the brethren when we adjourned until 7:30 P.M. in the Tithing Office during this recess Pres Preston & my Self Labored getting out the judgement our meeting lasted until 10 O.C. P.M.

Sunday, October 21, 1883—This morning I called on Bro N. W. Birdno and Son, The former the first wives father the Latter her Brother.

At 2 P.M. Went to meeting in the Tabernacle after meeting was opened by Singing. Prayer by Bp Davidson. Singing & Sacrament. Elder C. W. Penrose of Salt Lake City addressed us upon the Subject of advancement all Should have an object to attain to in this life. Should Strive to be something besides an Angel Such as our friends (the world) aspire to.

God is the embodiment of perfection & his principles are unchangeable they are Eternal. Without obedience to the celestial Law we can not abide a celestial Glory &c &c Trusted he should be able to

overcom & attain this Glory. God can discern the hearts of men & even See the center of the Earth.

Spoke at Some length upon the Eternity of Marriage.

There was no Laws in Utah or the U.S. that authorize marriage. The Lord has delgated his servts on the earth to Solemize mariage which Stands both the Laws of God & the Land.

When you mary, mary right or dont mary at all. The voice of the Spirit will tell us the way to go.

Exhorted the Sts to walk in the ways of the Lord. May God bless you & help you to be true is my pray Amen.

At 7 P.M. I attended meeting in the 3rd Ward Logan which was adressed by Elder J. J. Johnson Bp. Robt Davidson & myself. Spoke of the necessity of Improving in all things. Keeping all the Laws of God & teach the Gospel by example by as well as by precept.

Monday, October 22, 1883—I went to the Temple & attended to business until about 10 A.M. Thence to the Bank of Thatcher Bros to consult with George W. Thatcher on College business. After which I attended to Temple business until night when at 7 PM I attended a board meeting of the U.O. M & B. Co. which lasted until 11 A.M.

Tuesday, October 23, 1883—I attended to Temple business until night when I met with the high Council at the T.O. to correct minutes &c which lasted until about 11 P.M.

Wednesday, October 24, 1883—I attended to Temple & college business. At noon or about 2 P.M. I bade Bro Wm B. Preston adieu who had Started for Rexberge Snake River Idaho to hold conference with the Sts in Bannock Ward next Sat & Sunday.

Thursday & Friday, October 25 & 26, 1883—I attended to temple during the last 2 day to Temple business mostly a little College.

Saturday, October 27, 1883—I attended to Temple Biz during the fore noon & after noon a meeting of the Stock holders of the Logan & Richmond Canal.

Sunday, October 27, 1883—This morning accompanied by Thos H. Merrill drove to hyrum visited the Sabbath Schools in their different grades 2 theological Classes Primary & intermediat grades & Encouraging remarks were made to them by Elder M & myself. We dined with Bro _____ Allen & family after which we visited Bro Joseph M. Wight & family & administered to his daughter Alhea.

Thence to meeting at 2 P.M. Singing by the choir.

Prayer by Jens Jensen⁴⁰ Singing & Sacrament after which Elder Merrill Spoke for one hour on the first principles of the Gospel illustrating by comparison & Sustaining his arguments logically by the holy Scriptures. Spoke of the Officers & Lawes of the Kingdom of God. Spoke of the great necessity of Obtaining the Holy Spirit & retaining it also cultivate the spirit of Kindness Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts. Elder C. O Card Spoke upon the necessity of the proper Sustaining of the mutual Improvement associations & all should combine to make them a success to the greatest possible number.

Parents Teachers & Priests Should lend their influence in this direction & see that all our Sabbath & dayschools were properly attended invoked the blessings of God upon the sts & exhorted them to Keep the word of wisdom & Lead exemplary lives.

After meeting we returned to Logan.

Monday, October 29, 1883—I went to the Temple & wrote to Pres Taylor Inviting him to our conference also to Mrs Z. Y. Williams.⁴¹ attended to other necessary Temple Biz.

Thence to the Brigham Young College School where I found about 50 Pupils busily engaged with their studies.

Remained here until 12 M. Addressed the school upon the importance of an education & obtaining the Same under the guidance of the Spirit of the Gospel.

Attended to Temple & College Biz during the ballance of the day.

Tuesday, October 30, 1883—I attended to Temple business to day as well as Some Stake & College business. No time for idleness.

⁴⁰ Jens Jensen is listed as one of the initial settlers of Hyrum, Utah, arriving in that community as early as 1860 (see Ricks and Cooley 1956, 45).

⁴¹ Zina Y. Williams served as the secretary of the Church's Young Women's Mutual Improvement Association (see Gates 1911, 35).

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Wednesday, October 31, 1883—I passed another busy day for temple & preparing for our coming quarterly conference.

Monday evening I attended an Elders Meeting in the 2nd Ward School house.

Thursday, November 1, 1883—I went to the Temple this morning & remained until nearly 10 A.M. Thence to the tithing Office where I met Pres Preston & Spent an hour & a half with him on Stake business. Then I attended to preparing to receive the Presidents Co. Went again to the T.O. & passed another hour with Pres. Preston Thence to the Temple & went into the rooms of the Temple where the men was working.

* Thence to Z.C.M.I. where I met the Manger A. F. Farr & Settled \$20,000~~00~~ of the Logan Temple acct by note of 45 ds at 1% Signed it as uperintendent of the Logan Temple Only. Thence home Thence to C. W. Nibley's & returned home having passed a busy day.

Friday, November 2, 1883—Attended to Temple Business during the fore noon at 2:15 P.M. I accompanied Prests M Thatcher & Preston & others to Pres John Taylor & Co. at the depot. Pres. T. J. F. Smith Apostles F D Richards W. Woodruff Geo. Teasdale & others arrived. I conveyed to my house Elders D. C. Young & John Irvine and Mrs C. Kimball who dined with us.⁴² After which we visited the building of the B.Y. College & the Temple.

Saturday, November 3, 1883—At 10 A.M. Pres Taylor & the Apostles & a few others visited the Temple & seemed quite pleased with the progress of the work.

At 2 P.M. I attended conference There were Present on the Stand Prests Taylor & Smith Apostles W. Woodruff L Snow F D Richards M Thatcher & Geo Teasdale & the Presidency of the Stake and a few others of the Leading Priesthood we listened to Several Bps report the ward dse. C. O. Card reported the progress of the Temple & thought it would be completed in 3 months.

Pres Taylor then moved that the sts here & The Trustee in Trust help to Liquidate the debts on the Temple which was Sustained by a unanimous vote. Apostle L Snow Spoke of the blessings & manifestations of the Lord in the Kirtland Temple and did not

see why we could not have them here thought we might. Visited with the presidency Prest Thatcher & Preston in the evening at the house of Apostle M Thatcher red much good information & instruction consulted about Some Temple matters.

Sunday, November 4, 1883—At 10 AM Conference again convened with a full house although the weather was very wet & the roads muddy.

Singing by the choir prayer by Pres M. W. Merrill. Singing. We were then addressed by Apostle Geo Teasdale upon the necessity of teaching their children the principles of the Gospel & not entrust them unto Strangers. Spoke highly of Carl G. Maeser who teaches or is principal of the Brigham Young in Provo.

We should lead a life of holyness Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts. Spoke about 23 minutes.

Apostle F. D. Richards next addressed the sts Said righteousness calls a nation while Sin will de-grade it. Should draw near to the Lord & sanctify ourselves in Him.

We are making advancement in Building Temples & increasing in numbers. We should increase your dilligence in all good things. Spoke 25 minutes in a very Spirited maner. Prayed that we may so live that we may enjoy the blessings of the Lord in the name of Jesus Amen.

Apostle W. Woodruff Pres. of the 12 Apostles next addressed us refered to the reports of the Bps in regard to missionary farms for the Sustaining missionary families. Recommended that where they could not get land under Irrigation they get land above Irrigation lines & sow it to rye which would mature without watering.

Spoke of the results of the course of the wicked. They were in the hands of God. Spoke of the increase of the work of the Lord. The young men should wake up to the Studying of the principles of the Gospel. Those that Sell Liquor for the Sake of making noney will not but will loose in the end.

The world is full of Devils that seek to get into the bodies of men. The Lord is watching over this people for we are built upon the work of Christ Jesus. Let us build this Temple & Keep the word of Wisdom & the Lord will bless us. The warfare is between the God & the world. Ask the Lord to hedge

⁴²John Irvine served as the secretary to territorial delegate George Q. Cannon while he was in Washington DC (see

Bitton 1999, 257).

up the way of our enemies & when we ask it it will be granted even so Amen.

[Right marginal note, 90-degree rotation: 20 minutes.]

Elder Loren Farr arose Spoke of the necessity of being awake to our duties. We Should try to suppress the Liquor trafic as much as possible by High License. It is a low calling to deal out intoxicants Spoke of the evils of tobacco &c Spoke of the proper observance of the Sabbath day.

Desired to see the Sts awake could see an improvement among the sts. Invoked the blessings of God upon the St in the name of Jesus Amen.

Choir sang Benediction by Apostle M Thatcher.

Conference convened again at 2 P.M. Singing Prayer by Bp. Thos E. Ricks Singing, Sacrament. During the time the Sacrament was being passed Pres. M. W. Merrill presented the Gen and Local authorities of the church which were unanimously Sustained by the vote of the people.

Those missionaries who had been previously traveling in this stake were released by vote & 4 others called.

Eli Ball N P Lundeof A Wolf & Wm Wadups were called to travel constantly the next 6 months.

Pres Jos F. Smith then arose & said a great responsibility rests upon each individual in Sustaining the authorities as we do for the organization is a reality not a myth We Should do it with a full purpose of heart. The Lord has never required of his Sts anything as a mere form. We desire men to hold office who are filled with the spirit of their callings to guide them in their positions every one has the right to rev. Sufficient to guide them in their sphere.

Thought it to be the duty of anyone who could not Sustain an individual to not vote for them but not against them, but afterwards should go to them and tell them the reason. Except we will Sustain these good men by our faith & prayers & if we cant do this we are noth worthy of member ship. Invoked the Blessings of the Lord upon the hosts of Israel everywhere in the name of Jesus Amen.

[Right marginal note, 90-degree rotation: 25 minutes.]

Pres John Taylor arose & expressed his pleasure in meeting with you (the Sts) It was a great blessings to mingle with the Sts of the most high.

All things that are good proceds from the Almighty. Spoke of the order of the priesthood & obedience to the Same. We are here to assist in building up of the Kingdom of God upon the earth. Why do not other people build temples? because they Know not what to do with them & we know but little.

All these things are of great importance to us. We have men among us who will deal in Liquid damnation & I call upon the Pres here to cut them off for they are of their father the devil We must cease from our deception Drunkeness Sabbath breaking & be men of God.

Elders had ought to be ashamed to have to have Lawes passed to Keep them from drinking whiskey If Zion well arise & shine She must purge herself of all evil. Asked God to bless you your Prest & counsellors and all good people. Spoke of the Temple here. We will build it & then build other temples called a vote for all who were willing to put their hands in their pockets & help finish the temple Will hold up their hands a hearty response. He then Blessed all the Sts choir sang conference adjourned for 3 months Benediction by Apostle W Woodruff.

At 6:30 P.M. I attended meeting of the Sunday School Teachers & pupils who were addressed by Elder _____ Bliss upon Love Hapyness & Courtship. Gave some good points.

Pres J. F. Smith next addressed the audience. No good young man would take advantage of their person. Young men Should respect themselves. The Curse of the world to day is the Curse of illicit intercourse which leads to child murder & all manner of Woe. Spoke of the Law against adultery we have got to become a pure people. Referred to the curse upon the Lawes or Children of Israel. When we approach the Lord we Should do so in faith. We expect the children to have greater faith than their parents.

The father or mother that will entruste their children to our enemies are apostate at heart & will forfeit their right to them. Such parents cant have joy in the future.

May the Lord bless you Amen. Meeting adjourned Dis Singing & Pray at close.

Monday, November 5, 1883—I was 44 years old to day & the fore part of the day was Spent with Prests Taylor & Smith & the Apostles present at our conference at the house of Apostle M. Thatcher, where the T & G agreed to furnish \$100000 towards paying Logan Temple indebtedness. The Same council

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voted that it would be proper to raise \$100 per head in this Temple dist to complete the Temple & pay the Ballance of the indebtedness. At 12:35 we Parted with our brethren at the Logan Depot & had them a safe journey home.

During the after noon I attended to Temple business. About 11:30 AM to am day Apostle F. D. Richards Pres Merrill & myself Set apart 3 of our home missionary Elders Eli Bell A. Woolf & a Scandinavian Brother of the first ward.

Tuesday, November 6, 1883—To day my youngest daughter Lovantia P was 2 yrs old. I attended to Temple Biz and B.Y. College.

Wednesday, November 7, 1883—I again was very busy with my public Labors working early & late.

Thursday, November 8, 1883—Was very busy preparing my daughter (Jennie) Sarah Jane to go to provo to School as well as attending to other Labors.

Friday, November 9, 1883—At 7:30 A.M. I Started with Jennie to pProv accompanied by Bro G. L. Farrell & son Alfred & his nephew Beo. Birdno Went as far as Salt Lake City and Stayed over night with Pres Joseph F. Smith & family who treated us very Kindly.

Saturday, November 10, 1883—We left Salt Lak City at 7 A.M. & arrived in Provo at 9 A.M. During the day Secured Boaring Places for our children. Jennie with the family of Bro _____ a photographer.

Sunday, November 11, 1883—I attended meeting in the Provo Tabernacle for the first time in my life & By request of Pres A. O. Smoot addressed the Sts.⁴³

At 2 P.M. met with the Brigham Young Academy Students in their missionary meeting & addressed them also with the 2nd ward and addressed the sts in this ward. This was my first introduction to this Place.

Monday, November 12, 1883—Spent the day in Procuring Books & place in the B.Y. academy Alo had my daughters Photo taken in her school attire & at 4 P.M. Kissed her good bye & took train for Salt

Lake. The two previous nights was hospitably entertained by Mrs Zina Y. Williams & to night accompanied her mother to her home in Salt Lake City who cared for me very Kindly.

Tuesday, November 13, 1883—I Spent to day in Salt Lake City this morning in company with Pres Preston had a good chat with Pres John Taylor.

Also dined with him from whom we always receive a vast amt of instruction. Stayed over night again with Sister Zina D Young.

Wednesday, November 14, 1883—This morning I bade mine hoste adieu and took train for Logan where I arrived at 2:15 P.M. & attended to temple Biz the ballance of the day.

Thursday & Friday, November 15 & 16, 1883—I attended very busily to Temple and Brigham Young College So much So I have been over worked. Better than rusting out.

Saturday, November 17, 1883—Attended to Temple & B.Y. College Biz very busy to day. Visited the Cache County teachers Institute about 1½ hours with Pres. Preston & Elders C. W. Nibley & H. W. Neisbet [Naisbitt] and all made encouraging remarks & gave good & timely instruction to the Teachers present.⁴⁴

Attended a Lecture given by Apostle M Thatcher in the Old Logan Hall. Subject the reformers.

Sunday, November 18, 1883—This morning at 8 A O.C. I left Logan in Company with Pres. Preston & B T. X Smith for Richmond where we arrived Shortly after 10 A.M. Left Bp S at the S.S. & went to the house of Pres. Merrill & held a council meeting with him & got out a programme to visit about 25 or 30 Settlements in Cache Stak in the next 30 days. Also talked over items of Interest of this Stake.

2 P.M. We met with Sts of of Richmond. Singing by the choir Prayer by Elder R. M. Kerr Singing and Sacrament.

Bp. Thos X. Smith first addressed the sts upon the great blessings of gathering and also the sacrament & be Schooled in the ways of the Lord.

⁴³ Abraham O. Smoot, a Provo business leader, served as mayor of Provo for thirteen years, was president of the Utah Stake, and was one of the founding fathers of the Brigham Young Academy (see Garr, Cannon, and Cowan 2000, 1143–44).

⁴⁴ H. W. Naisbitt, a writer, composed a hymn titled “Adown the Ages,” which was sung at the dedication of the Logan Temple (see Olsen 1978, 139, 141).

We should make good use of the time allotted to us upon the earth. Spoke of the darkness of the inhabitants of the earth. Spoke of the great error people commit when they send their children to be taught by those that are not of our faith.

Exhorted all to be united in the work of the Lord. And not make shipwreck of our faith. Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Saints I ask in the name of Jesus Amen.

C. O. Card Spoke of the great importance of educating our children according to the Lawes and ordinances of the Gospel.

And the great Sin it is to have those that are not of our faith School or educate our children. Spoke of the Subject of marriage both plural & single. Exhorted all to Keep the great commands of God May be known by our faith & good works Amen.

Pres. Preston arose & called attention to the need of a new meeting house & a larger one.

We have a great work to do and perform to obtain a celestial exaltation in the Kingdom of our father and God.

Spoke of the importance of trustees & other building good School houses & surroundings. We Should not neglect the public affairs of the people.

We should not follow after the traditions of our forefathers. We Should train our children to economise. We Should Set good examples before our children. Trustees Should hold teachers responsible for the care of the buildings &c that belong to the school children Should be taught good manners & not to destroy. Many of our public bldings are mared & destroyed which should not be.

Mother Should teach their children the alphabet. The place to educate great men & women is to commence by the mothers knee. We want less of the education of the world. We are here to rear Kings Judges and rulers of the earth.

It seems to me that a man or woman that will send their children to a Sectarian School have already apostatized.

If we are not Satisfied with our Schools go to and make them better by uniting with the trustees. Advocated a practical education.

Teachers Should teach Example & well as by precept. Get good teachers that attend meetings S.S. &c then we will do right & have a those that will be a good example. There is much for us to do.

If we do right we will have our wives & children hereafter but the riches of the earth will perish.

The evil one is Stiring up strife in the East & are trying to deprive us of our rights & some advocate taking our lives. We Should pray & do right & the Lord will take care of us.

We do not want to run after money. Keep the Words of wisdom do not commit adultery. Get married and keep the commands of God do not swear. Keep the Lawes of God & he will fight our Battles.

That the Lord may bless you & help you to keep His commandments Amen.

Choir sang Benediction by Pres M. W. Merrill.

After meeting we returned to Smithfield.

Smithfield, 6:30 P.M. We met with the sts of this place Singing by the Choir & Prayer by Robt Berin Singing.

Bp T. X. Smith desired the faith of the sts while he Spoke. We Should try to make the best of our time while in the flesh.

Spoke of the temptations of the evil one that tries to lead the sts astray.

Referred to the great nation of the U.S.A. continuing plans to destroy the sts.

Invited the Sts to live nearer the Lord than they have previously done. Referred to the prosperity of the Nephites when they served the Lord. Exhorted particularly the young to pray & refrain from the use of Liquer & Tobacco If we will Keep the commands of God we will have faith to call upon him Ask for wisdom to seek the progress. Comfort the weak & lead them on you teachers here. Exhorted the teachers to magnify their Callings. Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the sts I ask in the name of Jesus Amen.

Pres Preston was pleased to meet with the Sts & asked their faith. We should offer up Silent prayer for the Eders that address us. We should come to meeting on time & when the hour arrives at which we are appointed to meet we Should be in order.

The Sts should be an intelligent people. The Brethren at our last conference tried to Keep the principles of the Gospel before the sts Spoke of repentance as taught by the world But forsake your Sins & repent of them & do them no more. Repent with a Godly Sorrow. Turn unto the Lord with a full purpose of heart.

The wicked are stired up against the Sts they desire our destruction & are striving to legislate away our rights. Turn to the Lord that he will turn unto

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us. Pay our tithes & offerings that the poor may be fed. Say our prayers & be Kind to our families.

Turn from our pride Hearken to the prophets & Apostles & elders. Set the quorums in order. Enquire into the standing of every member Those that will not magnify their callings drop them & choose others.

Teachers & Priests should visit every family & enquire into their standing.

Exhorted the sts to Keep the commands of God that he will turn away the wrath of our enemies. Our watch word is peace to the inhabitants of the earth. Referred Kindly to the school & instructed them how to act. Seek unto the Lord for his guidance. It is appointed that we Should meet together at least once a week.

Denounced the Sale of Liquor. We have a decided objection to have forced upon us drunkenness & prostitution Shame to those that aid them. We are but babes Looked forth for more from the young & rising than from this present generation. The Sisters Should try to use their influence against the use of these direful things.

Mothers institute an enquiry whether your sons visit the saloons take up a Labor with those that frequent the places.

Thought the City Council had no need to let a Saloon be established here. Pray the Lord will deliver us from temptation. No Gentleman is a Liquor Seller & they must take Lowe situation in Society. Conduct ourselves as Ladies & Gentlemen.

raise our voices long & loud against these evils that they Young will Shun them. A drunkard is not fit to have a wife it is enough to degrade himself without humbling a woman. We do not think enough. Invoke the blessings of the Lord upon the sts in Jesus name Amen.

C. O. Card Bore his testimony & endorsed the remarks of His brethren. Spoke of the impropriety of entrusting our children to be Schooled by those that are not of our faith thought it propted by a Spirit of Apostacy.

Encouraged the saints to cherish the spirit of the Gospel. Support all the organizations of the church. Invoke Gods blessings that the sts might be Known by their works as well as faith Amen.

Bp Farrell endorsed the remarks & thanked the brethren for their visit.

Singing by the choir. Benediction by Elder Samuel Roskelly.

We went from the meeting with Bp Farrell to the house of James Meek [Mack] & administered to his wife.⁴⁵ Pres Preston & myself. Stayed here over night & was treated very Kindly.

Monday, November 19, 1883—This morning the ground is white with snow although the weather was mild. Took Breakfast here. Thence Home to Logan. Arriving first at the Temple Office Apostle M Thatcher telephed me to Go to Bear Lake to attend the funeral of Apostle C. C. Rich to which I assented I then programmed out my work for the Temple hands & at 12:35 I Joined Apostle M. Thatcher at the Logan Depot & took train for McCannon where we Stayed over night at the Harkness House & for Supper Lodging & Breakfast we paid 200 each.

Tuesday, November 20, 1883—At 10:20 A.M. we took train for montpelier where we arrived bout 20" to 12 M. Where we met Bro. Hyrum Woolley who conveyed us to Paris in 65 minutes. Dined with Bro W. Thence to the meeting house where we met a large concourse of people to pay their last respects to the Honored Apostle C. C. Rich. Singing by the Paris choir. Prayer by Elder C. O. Card Singing again. Then the audience was addressed by Pres Geo. Osmond and Several Bps Then Apostle M Thatcher addressed the audience in a very interesting manner for about one hour. Giving much good instruction to all present.

C. O. Card then Bore his testimony to the remarks of the previous Speakers & Spoke in praise of the good works of the departed. After which liberty was given for others to express themselves Briefly which Several did with honor to themselves & departed. Chor Sang Benediction By Pres Geo Osmond.

Thence the corps was conveyed to the Cemetery about $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile S.E. of Paris followed by about 50 vehicles filled with People. The grave was walled up with rock forming a Kind of tomb which was covered up with Large Flat Stones. The weather during the day was very stormy and disagreeable.

Bro Thatcher & myself Stayed overnight with the family of Pres Budge who was absent to the manti Conference.

⁴⁵ Elizabeth Miller Mack, a mother of ten children, lived most of her life in Smithfield (see Smithfield Historical Society

2001, 128).

Wednesday, November 21, 1883—After Breakfast we passed the forenoon calling upon the families of Pres Rich that is 3 of them Sarah Harriet & Mary also his Son Joseph. We dined with Bro. H. Woolley who conveyed us to Montpelier where we took train at 2:15 for McCannon where we arrived about 5 P.M. & took Supper at the Harkness house & at 10:25 P.M. took the frt train & I arrived in Franklin Shortly before 4 am Nov 22./83.

Thursday, November 22, 1883—At This place I found Prests Preston & Merrill & Elder L. R. Martineaux and at 8:30 we bade our friends Bro S. R. P. & family adieu and drove to preston where we expected to hold a meeting at 10 A.M. but unluckily the appointment had not arrived. Prest. Preston & Merrill Dined with Bp N. Porter & Elder Martineaux & myself with Elder Joseph Young & family. Thence to Riverdale where we found only a few hours before our appointments arrived & had not been circulated consequently Pres Preston & Merrill remained here & held a meeting late in the after noon & Elder Martineau & myself went up the river a few miles and held a meeting in the evening at the house of Bro Wm T. Vannoy had an attendance of about 20.

Stayed over night with Hyrum Smith who treated us very Kindly.

Friday, November 23, 1883—This morning we proceeded over very bad roads to Mink Creek where we held meetings at 1 and 6:30 P.M. I addressed the Sts in the afternoon following myself was Pres. Merrill & Preston in the evening Elder Martineaux Pres Preston & Merrill I Kept the minutes. Stayed over night with Bp Rasmuson.

Saturday, November 24, 1883—25 minutes to 8 A.M. we Started for Mound Valley & was 4 hours making the trip of 10 miles. Snow & mud rather impeded our progress. The Lord be praised for our preservation over shuch rough roads.

We dined at Bp Williams & at 2 P.M. met with the Sts of Mound Valley Ward in their School house Meeting opened by singing by the choir prayer By Elder Ephraim bennett Singing then we are addressed by Elder L. R. Martineaux & Prests Merrill C. O. Card & Preston. All spoke very Spiritedly & left their blessings with the Sts. After meeting we drove over the river to mormon ward Pres Preston & L. R. M. stayed with Bro J. B. Thatcher & Bro

Merrill & self drove to Bp S. H. Hale who recd us Kindly.

Mormon Ward, Sunday, November 25, 1883—This morning finds us rested from the fatigues of our journey & Labors ready by the blessings of the Lord for the duties of another day. Weather turned colder has been snowing during the night. Now it is drifting.

AT 11 P.M. we met with the Sts of this (Mormon) ward who were addressed by Pres Preston M. W. Merrill & C. O. Card. We had a very good & Spirited Meeting at 2 P.M. We met again as Mutual improvement & The officers of the Mutuals of Mormon & Mound Valley wards very favorably. Bp Hale & J. B. Thatcher Spoke a Short time the former reporting the condition of his ward.

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Pres Preston also followed with much good council & advice Thus ended the meetings of the day at this place. We Stayed at the same places again to night.

Monday, November 26, 1883—At 8 A.M. we Started for Portneuff Valley. Where we arrived about 4 P.M. & put up with Bp Chester Call of Bountiful who Kindly provided for us & Kept us over night.

As we were taking care of our horses for night Bro. Wm. B. Preston was leading one of his mares to water & he put a boy of Bro Calls on her back & She got Scared & threw the boy off & Kicked Pres Preston on the hand & head cutting 2 fingers on the right hand with and a cut with one caulk in the right Temple. The force of the blow threw him about 10 feet & lodged him against the fence with his head between two poles. Which stuned him & Bro. L. R. M. & myself Picked him up & when he came to we led him to the house & dressed his wounds & found that they were not so Serious as first thought.

Tuesday, November 27, 1883—This morning about 10 O.C. we drove out accompanied by Bp. Chester Call west of his place & Located a town Site & named it Chesterfield which was agreed to by the Presidency of the Stake Bps Call & Hale & Elders Martineaux & A H Hale. Thence we drove to the meeting at 11 A.M. at the house of the presiding Priest Bro Tollman Where we entered into a more complete organization of S.S. mutuals & teachers Quorum priest, all of our Company addressed the

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audience briefly & spiritedly. After meeting we returned & took Supper with Bp. Call where we stayed over night.⁴⁶

Wednesday, November 28, 1883—At 8 A.M. we started for Marsh Valley Via of Portneuff Kanyon. Where we encountered considerable Snow & Broke our own over $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way arrived at Bp. Gruwells about 6 P.M. where we put up our teams & took Supper after which Br. A Hale & went & put up with Bro C. Hawkins & family for the night.

Thursday, November 29, 1883—This another beautiful day finds us well & I am allotted to preach at Cambrige [Cambridge] with Elder A. Hale to accompany me.⁴⁷ Pres Preston to Garden Creek & Pres Merrill to Woodland dist.

Our missions all were accomplished to day & we all took Supper at Bp. Gruwell's & had a pleasant time.

March Center, Friday, November 30, 1883—We met at 11 A.M. with the sts. Also a[t] 1:30 P.M. we met again, during all the Brethren of the Company addressed the sts upon the various principles of the Gospel. We remaned at this again to night.

Saturday, December 1, 1883—At 9 A.M. we bade our friends at this place adieu & drive to Oxford where we arrived about 1 P.M.

Prests Preston & Merrill Stayed at Bp. N. R. Lewis Bp Hale & A. H. Hale at W. H. Horners & L. R. Martineaux & myself at Bro Wm. F. Fisher all were made comfortable & remained here over night.

Sunday, December 2, 1883—At 10 A.M. we met with the sts of this ward who were addressed in a Spirited manner also at 1:30 P.M. & 6:30 P.M. & remained here over night. Just as meeting was dismissed a telegram summoned me home on act of U O M & B. Co Biz with Z.C.M.I. &c.

Monday, December 3, 1883—At 9 AM I bade the brethren of our Company adieu also our friends of oxford adieu & took Stage to the Station about 2

miles where I took train for Logan where I arrived at 12:35 P.M. Met Bps Ballard & Davidson & M. Thatcher Seperately on U.O. Biz. Then met the 2 former & E. Crowther on the same biz in the evening. Thus ended a busy after noon.

Tuesday, December 4, 1883—I went to the temple this morning a while then returned to the Court house where I passed an hour with Apostle M. Thatcher on same biz. Passed the after noon at temple & evening in a board meeting at the U.O.M & B Co's office on their Settlement with the Coop which Lasted until 11 O.C. P.M.

Wednesday, December 5, 1883—I attended to Temple Biz in the fore noon & went to Clarkston & joined the Company of Pres Preston & preached in the evening to a full house as well as Some of the rest. Stayed over night here.

Thursday, December 6, 1883—We drove to newton & held meeting at 11 A.M. Teachers meeting at 2:30 P.M. & mutual at 6:30 P.M.

I had the pleasure of addressing all 3 meetings.

Friday, December 7, 1883—We bade our newton friends adieu & drove to Benson Ward School house at 11 A.M. Held meeting here which was thinly attended. Thence home.

Saturday, December 8, 1883—I attended to Temple and other business was very busy having been away so much of Late.

Sunday, December 9, 1883—I attended a Sunday School conference of this Stake at 10 AM & 2 P.M. Pres. Geo Q. Cannon & Elders Geo Godard and John Morgan were all present and addressed us.⁴⁸ I also attended a meeting in the 2nd Ward and listened to a very Spirited discourse by Elder Morgan. Spoke a few moments myself.

Thus Ends another Book.

⁴⁶J. A. Tolman later became the bishop of the Chesterfield Ward. At the time of Card's visit, he and other leaders organized a Sunday School that met in Tolman's house. There were about thirty members of this Sunday School (see Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 63).

⁴⁷The Cambridge Saints met in the schoolhouse. A Sunday School had been organized there as early as December 1879 with twenty-one officers and teachers and 166 students (see Deseret

Sunday School Union 1900, 263).

⁴⁸John Morgan was born August 8, 1842. In 1866 he brought a herd of cows to Utah, where he decided to stay. He was introduced to the Church and became a member in 1867. He served a mission to the southern states and, on October 5, 1884, was called to the First Council of the Seventy. He died August 14, 1894 (see Flake 1974, 422–23).

[Notes at end of journal.]

Sunday, Nov. 18 1883

Items to be attended

to on our trip north

Preston Ward. See if

Bro. Lawrence has abode

the decision of High Council

Receipt for Coughs & Colds

1 Teacupful honey

4 Table Spoonsful Water

3 Table Spoonsful Brandy

1 Table Spoonful Essence Wintergreen

½ Tea Spoonful Cofforts

3rd preparation of Lobelia.

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hps.]

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Levi W. Richards

S. Lake City

\$1000 Box 1013

Chester Snyder

\$500 Park City P.O.

Snyderville Ward Summit Co.

Quilt in Bro F D R Office

U O Paid Coop

in Nov. \$9269.94

In Dec 7036.00

Tres rec'd 2987.75

Tres rec'd 4542.25

23835.94

Notes 6500.00

30,335.94

Owe yet 6527.27

Owe Interest About 3000.00

[Right marginal note, 90-degree rotation top to bottom: Dec. 10/83. Notes given & Settlement made.]

[End Journal 20.]

[Editor's note: Journal 21 covers December 10, 1883, through May 29, 1884. It is 4⅞ by 6 inches with a burgundy cover, and is written in purple pencil.]

[Inside front cover.]

C. O. Card

Logan Dec. 10/83

Worked on the Temple 77 - 78 - 79 & 80 at

1500.00 per yr.

Charles Harding

Willard

Utah

Will furnish Sheled corn at

120 per Cwt Molasses

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113

D & C Flt rates

to Denver .65 Leadville 100

R. T. Bush & Son

Eagle Rock

Glen & Co. Idaho

See if they are Safe

Thos Hadley (Book Keeper)

Ogden City Utah wants a

position

[Fly leaf.]

Farr Bros

Meal in ½ S a 1.40

Corn Skd 1.20

Jan 5

Miss Hattie C. Brown By Cash 400

[Check mark is drawn through this entry.]

Sister Jane Fowler 20th Ward

S.L. City to Logan Temple \$1000

Receipt to be sent to J. F. Smith

Box 13 S.L.C.

C. O. Card

[Reverse fly leaf.]

Jan 7/84

Edward W. Smith

John Thomas 1 corn

Wm Williasan 2 corn

Alfred Janus Secy

Officers of the 12 Quorums on

the Cache Valley stake of

Zion.

[Dated entries begin.]

Logan, December 10, 1883—After assisting to complete a Settlement with the U.O.M & B. Co I took train with Apostle M. Thatcher at 12:35 P.M. & went to Mendon where we Joined Pres. Preston & Elder L. R. Martineaux in a meeting Shortly after



*From left to right: Barber & Son, Cardon's Furniture, McAlister & Sons Harness Makers, U. O. M. and B. C. Lumber Yard, and United Order Manufacturing and Building Company (U.O. Store), circa 1880s
Courtesy: Darrin Smith*

1 P.M. which was addressed by Pres. M. T. & Wm B. P. & myself. We met also in the eve at 6:30 which was addressed by Apostle M. T. Elder Martineaux. Our meetings were spirited and interesting.

Wellsville, Tuesday, December 11, 1883—This morning we left mendon & went to Wellsville Pres. M. T. returned to Logan. We held meetings in this place at 1 P.M. & 6:30 P.M. with the Same results as yesterday. Our meeting house larger & well filled.

Wednesday, December 12, 1883—We drove to Paradise and held meeting at 11 A.M. Pres. Preston not with us having went to Logan Last night on important business.

This after noon we dedicated a new meetinging School house. I was mouth in the prayer.

During this meeting Pres. Preston came to Paradise and joined us in the meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Thursday, December 13, 1883—We bade our Paradise friends adieu & drove Hyrum this morning and held a meeting at 11 A.M. and 6:30 P.M. and remained here over night.

Friday, December 14, 1883—We drove to Millville where we held meetings at 10 and 2 P.M. Thence home feeling we had performed our Labors to the best of our abilities. Pres. Merrill left for home at

noon having 15 miles farther to go than the rest of us.

Saturday, December 15, 1883—I attended to Temple Business and other Labors very busy all day.

Sunday, December 16, 1883 (Providence)—This morning I accompanied Pres. Preston and J. A. Leishman to Providence where we held meetings at 10 & 2 P.M. Then returned to Logan.

Hyde Parke, Monday, December 17, 1883—We (Pres Preston Elder Martineaux myself) went to H. Park & held meetings at 10 A.M. & 2 P.M. & returned to Logan.

Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday, December 18, 19, & 20, 1883—I attended to Temple business very busily remaining at the block all day.

Friday, December 21, 1883—This morning I drove to the Temple Mill accompanied by my cousin Charles Curtis. Arrived there about 3:30 attended to the business instructing the hands what to do about caring for the property. Stayed here over night.

Saturday, December 22, 1883—At 7:20 A.M. I Started home & arrived on the Temple Block at

11 A.M. After dinner at 1 P.M. attended a Board meeting of Zions Board of trade which lasted about 2 hours Thence to the Temple & made a very busy day.

Sunday, December 23, 1883—I attended Sunday school in Logan 2nd Ward & meeting in the Logan Tabernacle which was addressed by Elder Holdman Bp T. E. Ricks and myself. Met in the 2nd ward at 6 P.M. which was addressed Elders Thainie, J Davis Jo's Quinny J. B. Thatcher and my Self.

Monday, December 23, 1883—Busied myself again to day at the Temple as usual the day before a Holliday is always exceedingly busy. Attended a meeting of the Board of the U.O.M. & B Co.

Tuesday, December 25, 1883—To day being christmas I remained at home except I called on a friend or two. It rained & snowed all day.

Wednesday & Thursday, December 26 & 27, 1883—I attended to business of the Temple very closely the Passed two days except Wednesday I assisted to kill my hogs.

Friday, December 28, 1883—I took train at 7 AM Thence to Brigham City at 11:30 called on Apostle L. Snow and dined with him and a very sociable with him & his wife & Sister E. R. Snow Smith.⁴⁹ Bad[e] them adieu just before 3 P.M. & took train before for Salt Lake where I arrived about 7 P.M. Stayed all night with Bro James L. Brown.

Saturday, December 29, 1883—I called at the Prests Office this morning. Saw Pres. Geo. Q. Cannon & the office blks thence to Jennings. Spent a Short time with him in regard to the remittance of interest on U.O.M & B Co accts. Also called on H. L. Eldridge of supt. of Z.C.M.I. about the same matter C. W. Miller was with me.

He (H. L. E.) would only remit a part of the amt. at 5 P.M. I took train for Ogden where Bro M. & myself Stayed over night with Bro. D. Eccles.⁵⁰

Sunday, December 30, 1883—We took train for Logan Shortly after 12 M.

I attended meeting in the Logan Tabernacle at 2 P.M. which was addressed by ledrs Trajon J. Z. Stuarde Eli Bell & Nathan Ricks.

At 6:30 P.M. I attended a meeting of the Sts in the 5 ward School House Bp Robt Davidson & myself addressed them Thus ended another day of Worship & feast of the Gospel principles.

Monday, December 31, 1883—I have Started in busily at the Temple & expect to wind up the Last day of this year in the same way.

I was engaged in looking after the Affairs of the Temple all day & preparing to draw the accts of 1883 to a close & leave them as the History of the passed.

Tuesday, January 1, 1884—I spent most of this day with my family & parents.

Although I arranged for 9 teams to start for Ogden for coal for the Temple.

Attended a party of the 4 ward mutual association in the Reese Opera house & took as partners my daughter Jennie & niece Olive Steele.⁵¹

Wednesday, January 2, 1884—I attended to Temple & other Biz to day.

Started the 9 teams mentioned yesterday at 8:30 A.M. Attend a meeting of the Board of the U.O.M & B Co this eve.

Thursday, January 3, 1884—To day I went to Ogden where I remained until our teams arrived (9 of them) who came Loaded with tithing flour which I had them Load on to a D & G Car then we drove to the tithing corrall & after 11 P.M. Gained admittance for the night.

Bought a Lunch for the teamsters made them comfortable for the night after which I went to Bro H. B. Lahovilles and remaned until the next morning at 5 O.C.

Ogden, Friday, January 4, 1884—We the Teamsters & myself breakfasted at the Chamberlain house at 7 A.M. Went to the D & R Depot and in about 2 hours the teams were Loaded with 10 tons of coal & rolling for Logan. I remained in Ogden to day

⁴⁹ Card refers to Eliza R. Snow as E. R. Snow Smith because she was one of Joseph Smith's plural wives (see Compton 1997, 306–41).

⁵⁰ David Eccles became one of Utah's most successful businessmen and millionaires. He was active in mining, had lumber businesses in Oregon, promoted the sugar beet industry in Utah,

and was a leader in the banking community (see Arrington 1975).

⁵¹ The leaders of Logan's Young Mens Mutual Improvement Association were First Ward, Joseph E. Wilson; Second Ward, John A. McAllister; Third Ward, Joseph E. Cowley; and Fourth Ward, Nicholas Crookston (see *Utah Journal*, December 8, 1882, 4).

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attending to ~~meeting~~ business for the Central mills collecting Some acct's.

Sayed all night with Bro Frank J. Cannon who with his amiable wife treated me very Kindly.

Saturday, January 5, 1883—I visited Bro. F. A. Browns family this morning during the ballance of the day attended to business at Least until 5 P.M. when I met my daughter at the U & N train & went her to Salt Lake City administering words of comfort to her as She was ~~going to~~ returning to Provo to School & felt Home Sick.⁵² We Stayed all night to Bro J. L. Browns.

Sunday, January 6, 1884—At 7 A.M. took train for Provo & I for home where I arrived at 12:15 Went to meeting in the tabernacle which was held in the Interest of the 70s & addressed By their Prests W. W. Taylor, Abram Cannon & other Local Prests.⁵³

In the evening we met in a priesthood meeting & 50 70s were ordained 2 Prests set apart. Thus ended another proffitable Sabbath Day of rest & worship.

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Tuesday, January 8, 1884—I attended to Loading the twenty 2 teams with flour for Ogden who were going to Ogden for coal for the Temple at 4:30 P.M. I boarded the freight to go as far as willard on my Way to Ogden but feeling ~~impro~~ impressed to remain at home and after the train had got under pretty good motion jumped of the train went home and just dusk called on my wife Sarah J. Painter found her children George C. & Lavantia P. being cared for by father John Williams who was then whittling Kindling and the children had Sold into the south room where there were 2 beds & Beaur center table chairs and the windows were adorned by Lace curtains. I called the children out & went to reading a news paper & the children unobserved strolled into the South room again & closed the

door or nearly So only leaving it about 6 inches ajar. All of a Sudden I discovered a bright flash of light through the Small crack left by the door being left ajar & to my astonishment found one of the curtans near a bed all ablaze to the ceiling of the room & my little 2 yr. old daughter Sitting in an armed chair within 2 feet of the fire Smiling as if struck with admiration of the blazing curtain. I gathered a chair cushion & whiped the fire partly out, then pulled down the curtain & trod it under my my feet until ~~my~~ I had Smothered. After this fire transpired, I now felt that I had been paid by my obedience to the promptings of the Spirit to remain & take the morning train.

The moment I alighted from the train I did not feel in Such a state of depression.

After the fire I felt I had been the instrument in the hands of God in Saving at Least one child from the flames as well as my house & furniture. God be praised.

* (I attended a meeting of the Board of the U.O.M & B Co in the eve. Tuesday[]).

Monday, January 7, 1884—At 4:30 P.M. I started for Ogden & ~~went as far as~~ I attended to business of the Temple all. [See * last paragraph of January 6 entry above.] X Board meeting to night. I assisted Pres Preston to Ordain & set apart the Presidency of the 12th Quorum of Elders located in the 2nd 3rd wards Logan.

Wednesday, January 9, 1884—I took train this morning at 4:30 went to Willard remained until 4 P.M. Thence to Ogden & Stayed all night with Pres. L. W. Shurtliff.⁵⁴

Thursday, January 10, 1884—I left Pres. S. & went to the tithing yard & got the men & took them to the hotel & gave them to breakfast. Thence with them to the Depot of the D. & R.G. Ry & Loaded up the teams with a little over 22 tons coal for the Temple Thence to far Bro's where I unload 2 other teams & Loaded with meal. Called in the evening upon Apostle F. D. Richards with whom I remained

⁵² At the time of this journal entry, Sarah would have been almost thirteen years of age.

⁵³ Abraham Hoagland Cannon was the son of George Q. Cannon and a brother of Frank J. Cannon, with whom Card had spent the previous night. Abraham H. Cannon was called to the First Council of the Seventy on October 8, 1882. On October 7, 1889, he became a member of the Quorum of the Twelve

Apostles (see Flake 1974, 235).

⁵⁴ Lewis W. Shurtliff, a prominent member of the Ogden community, had served a mission among Native Americans in the Salmon River area of Idaho. In 1883 he replaced Franklin D. Richards as president of the Weber Stake and also served as leader of the Weber County People's Party (see Roberts and Sadler 1997, 96, 135).

over night & was treated very Kindly. We had considerable conversation over the Logan Temple Business.

Friday, January 11, 1884—This morning at 8 A.M. I gave Pres. Richards the parting hand and he blessed me & bade me god Speed with the Temple business Took train & landed in Logan at 12:15 P.M.

Attended to Temple Business during the Afternoon.

Saturday, January 12, 1884—I attended to temple Business all day without leaving the block until night.

Sunday, January 13, 1884—At 10 A.M. I went to the Theological class taught by Elder J. Z. Stewart listened to a lectur on faith by Elder L. R. Martineaux listen to referen many references by the young Students.

Addressed them upon the necessity of being attentive in their Studies. Attended meeting in the Tabernacle at 2 P.M. which was addressed by Elders J. A. Leishman Thos. H. Merrill & Charles Martineaux. Attended meeting in the evening in the 2nd Ward at 6:30 which was addressed by Elder Merrill Bp Ballard & Several young men Thus ended another day of feasting in the Spirit.

Monday, January 14, 1884—I wended my way to the Temple early this morning and pursued my regular Labors all day.

In the evening I attended a combined meeting of the first & fourth Quorums of Elders in this Stake and as the presidencies had been promoted to the 70s quorums we gave them new presidencies & set the counsellors apart as the Elders that they wished for presidents were on missions I was mouth to Adolph Anderson & John A. Hendrickson & was assisted by Bps Thos X. Smith and & B. M. Lewis.⁵⁵

Tuesday, January 15, 1884—Attended to my Temple duties to day as usial.

Answering letters & attending to the important points to advance the Temple.

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday, January 16, 17, 18, & 19, 1884—I attended very busily to my Temple affairs part of the time not wasting time to go home for dinner.

Attended a meeting of the Board of U.O.M & B Co on Sat. night until 12 P.M.

Sunday, January 20, 1884—I attended the Young mens Mutal conference at 10 A.M. & 2 P.M. Witnesses the much improved exercises and listened to the address of Elders Jo's A West & C. M Stayner also attended a very interesting lecture of the Latter in the eve at 7 O.C. on Britain present & Past. At the close of the Y M M I A con Pres Preston made a few interesting remarks.

Monday, January 21, 1884—I attended to my usial routine of Temple Business.

At 7 P.M. I attended the 13 Elders Quorum meeting & assisted Bp Wm Hyde & com. to arrange & set apart a presidency to Said quorum. I was mouth to the Present _____ Gledhill Bp Wm Hydede Set apart Alexander Nelson 1st counselor coun to Bp. Resmus Nelson [Rasmus Nielsen]⁵⁶ Set apart _____ Bergquist 2nd coun to [...].

Tuesday, January 22, 1884—Today I attended to Temple Business of the Temple early and late.

* **Wednesday, January 23, 1884**—After attending to the necessary Business of the Temple I went to Millville & Hyrum with my father. I visited with Elder A. Woolfe the schools of Elder I. C. Thoreson & Sister Abbie Hyde.⁵⁷ Thence Hom & worked in the Temple office until * 8 A.M. [P.M.] writing letters and attending to business.

Thursday, January 24, 1884—At 5:30 A.M. I took train for Ogden where I arrived at 12:20 P.M. & remaned until 3 P.M. when I took train for Provo where I arrived at 6:38 P.M. and met my daughter Jennie. Passed the eve at the Excelsior house listening to the music of a chcage Band to this place I

⁵⁵ Adolph Anderson was a clothing salesman who worked for ZCMI. He lived between Third and Fourth South on Washington Street. John A. Hendrickson was an agent for the Lowell Wagon Company and was president and manager of the College Pure Food Company. In 1893 he founded a successful knitting company in Logan. Hendrickson lived on the corner of Third and Franklin Streets (see Somers 1993, 56, 62, 290).

⁵⁶ Rasmus Nielsen was a tailor who lived on Perry Street between Seventh and Eighth Streets in Logan (see Somers 1993, 67).

⁵⁷ Abigail (Abbie) Gloyd Hyde, on May 22, 1868, was called as the first president of the Hyde Park Relief Society. She was also a clerk in Hyde Park's Zion's Cooperative Mercantile Institution (see Kirby 1997, 33, 46).

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accompanied Bro J. M. Tanner & other teachers & students of the B.Y. Academy Stayed all night in a Small lodging house on Main Street.

Friday, January 25, 1884—I called upon Mrs. Zina Y. Williams & took breakfast.

At 9 A.M. Went to the Academy where I witnessed the examination of the Students which was intelligently rendered & very interesting to me.

Apostle Erastus Snow & Pres. A. O. Smoot made encouraging remarks Apostle Lyman was present. In the afternoon visited the places of interest in the town.

Saturday, January 26, 1884—Called upon Apostle Lyman this fore noon and had a very pleasant chat also called upon Mrs. Z. Y. Williams also called at the T.O. & a few other places rec'd \$3100 in donations for the Logan Temple.

At 7 P.M. partook of an Oyster Supper with the faculty & a few Students of the B.Y. Academy as well as the Trustees after which we went forth in the dance in the music room where all seemed to enjoy themselves hugely until 12 O clock when we dispersed.

Sunday, January 27, 1884—At 10 AM I attended meeting in the Tabernacle at 2 P.M. I attended meeting with the students and addressed them Briefly at 4 PM I attended a Council meeting of the Presidency of the Utah Stake High Council Bps & counselors of Provo who were instructed by Apostles E. Snow and F. M. Lyman and asked to Keep the word of wisdom and in fact all the Lawes of God that they might all be exemplary before the Sts. Just as I retired at 11 A.M. the cry of fire was resounded through the town and on dressing myself & going out found to my sorrow that the Brigham Young Academy was on fire & not water enough near to put it out and it burned to the Ground which took about 5 hours as the fire commenced in the upper Story. About $\frac{3}{4}$ of the furniture was Saved which I assisted Some in until 3 A.M. Jan 28.

While the place was in flames I discovered many Students of this pattern School with tears feeling that the cruel flames had rob[b]ed them of that Sacred place to them.⁵⁸

Monday, January 28, 1884—At 10 A.M. all the Students were called together in the Provo tabernacle and told by the Board of the Academy & Faculty

that the academy was not burned although they had lost their building thought it would arise phenix like. Encouraging words were given from Apostles E. Snow and F. M. Lyman.

The Board also announced that they had procured the Bank building and other bldings sufficient to hold the 400 students. And in the after noon they went to Seating the buildings preparatory to Starting the school at 9 AM on the morrow. I Stayed the Last 2 nights at Bro J. M. Tanners also to night who treated me very Kindly. All seemed in the place to be much interested in the B Y Academy.

Tuesday, January 29, 1884—At 7 A.M. my daughter Jennie & Bro Elias Kimball accompanied me to the Denver & Rio Grande Ry Station where at 7 11 AM I gave them the parting hand & went to Salt Lake where I remained until 3 P.M. Thence to Ogden where I Stayed all night with Bro. H. B. Schoville.

Wednesday, January 30, 1884—At 8:50 took train for home where I arrived at 12:45 attended to Temple & stake business until night Attended the wedding of my Cousin Geo Curtis and Emily as the first I have attended in Utah By the Lawes of the land.

Thursday, January 31, 1884—Attended to Temple Business until after dark not going home for dinner. Went to the B.Y. College & helped Settle a little arguing between Students and house Keeper.

Friday, February 1, 1884—Attended very busily to temple Business preparatory to our quarterly conference on the morrow at 10 AM.

Saturday, February 2, 1884—Met in conference at 10 A.M. which opened with a renewed lively interest at 12:15 met the President & Co from Salt Lake at the depot which consisted of the First Presidency Apostles W. Woodruff L. Snow F. D. Richards E. Snow and Geo Teasdale and a few others who met with us in the after noon all but Pres. Taylor who was detained by other Biz We were addressed by 3 of the Apostles. I attended in the eve the Panorama of Bro R Kirkham of the scenes of the Book of Mormon.

Sunday, February 3, 1884—At 10 AM we assembled again to renew our spiritual feasts which was

⁵⁸For a description of the fire, see Bradley and Woodward 2000, 245–64; see also D. Godfrey 1997, 116–17.

really so with valuable Instructions we received from the Presidency and Apostles At 2 P.M. we met again and were adressed by Prests Taylor & Cannon Pres Smith having done so in the morning they denounced the use of Liquor as a beverage & said no member should patronize a saloon but all should do right & live in unity & purity & become worthy to enter into the temple & recive our blessings when it was completed, Should not trust our children to be educated by the gentiles.

Attended a council meeting of the Presidency & Apostles at the res of Pres. Preston when it was decided that all the Settlements of Cache, Malad, Gentile, Portenuff and Marsh Valley in Oneida Co Idaho Should form a stake called Oneida Stake with Elder Wm D Hendricks as President also Bannock ward be another stake called Bannock including the balance of Oneida County with Thos E. Ricks President. Some Temple matters was talked over an a financial report called for with the aproximate cost of completing the Temple & time it can be done.

Some good advice was given to Joel Ricks Jr who had disgraced himself while on a mission to the southern States and the *principle*.⁵⁹

Monday, February 4, 1884—At 9 A.M. we went to the Temple and viewed it with the Presidency and Apostles who Seemed much pleased with the progress of the Labors.

Made Some Suggestions & recomadtions as to the Style of Painting carpeting &c which was not all fully decided but would be after returning to the City.

Between the hours of 12 & one P.M. The Presidency & some of the Apostles met at the house of Pres. Preston & Set apart Thos E. Ricks as Pres of Bannock Stake Pres Taylor mouth who gave him great promises & a good blessing.

Wm D. Hendricks was also set apart as Pres of the Oneida Stake Pres Geo Q. Cannon mouth who also gave him a blessing with promises. After which I accompanied the Brethren the parting hand with good feelings & a safe journey home at 1 P.M. Having had a feast of instructions. I attended to temple a little while & at 3 P.M. met with the Board of the U.O.M & B Co after which Bro Nibley Bp R. Davidson my self called on Pres Preston for Instruction as to the best officers to Elect for the U.O.M & B Co which election was to be held at 7 P.M. which he freely gave. We then went to the Stock holders

meeting of the U.O.M & B. Co & Elected the following officers. Directors Robt Davidson Edward Caruther D Eccles of Ogden & P. N. Peterson C. O. Card C. O. Orlobs secy & H Ballard Treas. After meeting the new Officers met & Elect myself Pres & R. Davidson vice Pres. Thus ended another very busy day.

Tuesday, February 5, 1884—After Qualifying this morning I attended Board meeting when we made C. W. Nibley our manager & agreed not to increase our indebtedness farther & to curtail expenses all possible. Attend a High Council trial in the afternoon where & when Joel Ricks was out of the Church for adultry with much sorrow to all.

Wednesday, February 6, 1884—I attended to Temple Business yesterday instead of High Council & the trial of Elder Ricks was to day in the afternoon. I attended to Temple Business during the fore noon.

Thursday, February 7, 1884—Attended to Temple Business during the fore noon & at 12:40 P.M. took train for Bear Lake Conference where I went to attend to Temple Business.

Arrived at McCannon at 5 P.M. & Stayed over night at the Harkness House.

Friday, February 8, 1884—This morning finds myself & Bro. J. A. Leishman well and we were detained here untill about 1 P.M. when we got onto a freight & arrived at Montpelier at 7 P.M. Walked up town about 1¼ miles took Supper with Bro Edward Bergoyne & Stayed at a Lodging House Kept by one Jones _____.

Saturday, February 9, 1884—We took breakfast again with Bro Burgoyne & family who treated us very Kindly.

Bro F Winters took us to Paris where we met in conference with the sts. of Bear Lake & were Kindly received and entertained by Pres. Budge and family with whom we Stayed over night. We attended meetings at 10 & 2 P.M. and a concert in the new 2nd ward meeting house although I have been Sick since 1 or 2 oclock this morning.

Sunday, February 10, 1884—We attended meetings here at 10 AM & 2 P.M. After which I went to Bloomington with my Brother in Law J. E. Hart,

⁵⁹ See February 5th entry for description and disposition of the situation described.

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where I was very kindly recd and entertained for the night. Bp Jos Kimball slept with me.

Monday, February 11, 1884—I rode to Meadowville with Bp K where we arrived at 4 P.M. Looked at the temple oxen and made what arrangements necessary Stayed with the Bp over night who treated me with his usual Kindness & hospitality.

Tuesday, February 12, 1884—At 9:30 A.M. I took Stage to Bloomington where I arrived at 4 P.M. very cold. Stayed all night with Bro J. E. Hart with whom I had a very pleasant time as well as his father moth & wife.

Wednesday, February 13, 1884—At 8:30 I bade Mira & Sister H & family good bye & James took me to Paris where we remained until noon visited The four families of the Late Apostle C. C. Rich also called on the family of H. Woolley also called on Sister Cole who was very sick & in a low state Said to be afflicted with cancer Bro. Jas A. Leishman & myself administered to her and blessed here in her Last Stages of Affliction for the good old Lady was praying for death to relieve her.

At 12 M I bade Prests Budge Hart & Osmond good bye & started for Montpelier where at 2:25 took train for home. I have 2 Painters accompanying me home to assist in painting the inside of the Logan Temple. Names. Mathew Thompson. Wm Wilker of Paris. We arrived at McCannon about 7 P.M. & as the freight was abandoned that should go south we all Stayed over night at the Harkness house.

Thursday, February 14, 1884—This morning finds me at McCannon awaiting a train that is reported 3 or 4 hours Late but we were detained until 8 P.M. Got home at 1 AM.

Friday, February 15, 1884—Attended to Temple Biz and a High council trial during the Middle Part of the day.

At 6 P.M. Pres Preston and I Started for Salt Lake City arrived in Ogden at 11 P.M. & remaned over night at the Union hotel.

Saturday, February 16, 1884—We took train at 7 AM & were in Salt Lake in 1½ hours. Called upon Pres Taylor & made an appointment to meet him at 1 P.M. and dine with him & then transact our Temple and Stake Business which Kept us until 7 P.M.

We rece'd much good advice from Gods Mouth peace to us & the world concerning The Temple Stake & the Lawes of God. We felt well paid for our trip.

Stayed all night at the house of Sister Fannie Thacher the wife of Geo W. Thacher who treated us exceedingly Kind.

Sunday, February 17, 1884—I went Early this morning and assisted my wife S. J. B. Card to take the train who had Stayed at the house of J. S. Brown. She took the South train for Provo and I took the north for home with Pres Preston & Miss Angell when we arrived in Ogden we found the U & N blocked with Snow a few miles this side of Logan. But upon Invitation of Supt. W. B. Dadrdge we got into his car at 11 A.M. & Started for Logan & went along nicely until we got with about 1 mile of Collinston where we found the snow drifted & the 20 men Mr. D. had gathered at the stations at Ogden & this side comenced to Shovel and about 3:30 we arrived at Collinston after take coal & water they commenced cutting their way through the Snow & only got about one half mile farther when the Storm became So Severe all had to return to the Station & remain in the cars over night. We had good beds or births in the Supts car who made us quite comfortable. The Storm raged nearly all night.

Monday, February 18, 1884—This morning we resumed shoveling Snow & Butting it of the track with an engine and at dark the track was cleared to logan, but we awaited the Snow plow to come through & widen it & at midnight left for Logan where we arrived about 1:30 AM.

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday February 19, 20 & 21, 1884—I attended to Temple Business during the day also Wednesday 20, Thursday, 21 which Kept me quite busy answering mails &c.

Friday, February 22, 1884—I attended to Temple Biz until 10 A.M. Thence to High Council which Lasted 2 hours then again To Temple Biz.

Saturday, February 23, 1884—Attend to Temple & other biz. Private & stake.

Sunday, February 24, 1884—To day I accompanied Pres Preston & C. W. Nibley to Newton where we were joined by Pres. M. W. Merrill & H. Frink

[Funk] of Lewiston⁶⁰ we met with the sts at 11 & 2 P.M. & addressed them. Bro H. Frink was unanimously Sustained as Bishop of Newton after the release of Bp Rigby also Set apart under the hands of the pridency of the Stake Pres Preston mouth. We 3 Pres Preston C. W. Nibley & self returned to Logan P Pres. M. & Bp Frink to Richmond. Before going to Newton I administered to Sister Margret Ballard & after I returned I administered to the infant Son of Brigham Benson. Thus ended another Busy Sabbath day.

Monday, February 25, 1884—To day finds me at my post again in the Temple Office attending to the necessary business.

[Written diagonally before date: Important.]

Tuesday, February 26, 1884—Attended to the usial routine of business to day.

* Gave my personal note to day to Wm D. Hendricks for Five hundred dollars at 8% & Sent the Cash in connexion with Pres W. Preston & Merrill \$2000 making a total of \$2500 Sent it to Pres John Taylor.

[Written diagonally before date: B.Y.C. Biz]

Wednesday, February 27, 1884—I attended to Temple business to day. ~~Thursday Feb 26~~ Went to Wellsville & got Sister Poppleton to ask for the Brigham Young College students in Lieu of Bro & Sister Townsend, who felt unable to continue.

Thursday, February 28, 1884—This morning I accompanied Bros R. Davidson & C. W. Nibley to Locate another Boom & drove about 200 yds above the Logan & Richmond Canal which we did & also decided to Strengthen the other with cribs.

Attended to Temple business to day arranged to discharge about 15 carps from the Temple tomorrow in consequence of the Labor being completed.

Friday, February 29, 1884—Attended to Temple Business during the day. Attended a Millers convention during the middle of the day There were Present Prests Preston, M. W. Merrill M. D. Hammond. M M Hammond, W. D. Hendricks & myself.

Saturday, March 1, 1884—I attended to my usial Temple Business until 11 A.M. where I went & listened to much good instruction from Apostle M. Thatcher & Wm B. Preston a good Spirit prevailed.

Attended to Temple Business during the after part of the day.

Sunday, March 2, 1884—I attended the 5 Ward S.S. at 10 A.M. Addressed them on the Subject of order and punctuallity. Met with the Sts in the Logan Tab. at 2 P.M. When we were addressed by Elders C. W. Nibley & John Davidson & another Elder, Elder D. had just returned from a mission in the Southern States. Felt well & exhibited as did the others a good Spirit.

Monday, March 3, 1884—I arose at 3 O Clock to take the early train but on arriving at the depot I found it so far behind I awaited until noon and attended to Temple & B.Y. College Business At 1 P.M. left for Ogden where I arrived about 5 P.M. & Stayed all night Where I attended to some private Business. Visited Bro Israel Canfield who had been Stricken with paralysis & was weak low and aged Being about 74. Stayed all night with Bro H. B. Scoville.

Tuesday, March 4, 1884—I attended business until 10 A.M. Thence by train to Salt Lake Met Bro Apostle F. D. Richards Prests Cannon & Smith also Apostle E. Snow. Attended to Temple & other Business here all the Ballance of the day. Stayed all night at the home of J. S. Brown.

Wednesday, March 5, 1884—I took the 7 A.M. Train & went to Provo where I remained during the day visited the B.Y.A. & Stayed all night at Bro. J. M. Tanner.

Thursday, March 6, 1884—Visited the School and several points of interest and at 4 AM Took train & went to Salt Lak Called on Apostle F. D. Richards who concluded I had better Stay until tomorrow and consult the Presidency & Apostles presen about Temple matter. Alter Plans &c. I Stayed over night at Bro. James Brown.

Friday, March 7, 1884—At 3 P.M. took train for Logan got as far as Ogden & found the train

⁶⁰ Hans Funk, born May 15, 1839, on the island of Bornholm in Denmark, was baptized November 4, 1855. He came to Utah in 1861 and was ordained a bishop on February 11, 1884,

by William B. Preston. He presided over the Newton Ward from 1884 to 1892 (see A. Jensen 1971, 4: 412).

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abandoned on acct of washout on U & N Stayed over night with Prest L. W. Shurtliff who treated me very Kindly.

Saturday, March 8, 1884—At 9 A.M. I took train for Logan where I arrived at 12:30 attended temple Business during the ballance of the day.

Sunday, March 9, 1884—At 10:30 I attended a meeting of the High Priests where we recd good Suggestions & teachings on the powers & duties of the Priesthood by Apostle M. Thatcher and others. I made a few remarks in relation to the Subject also assisted to Ordain 3 High Priests mouth for 2.

Attended meeting in the Same place at 2 P.M. (Tabernacle) listened to Elders J. Z. Stuart [Stewart] _____ [M. G.] Trajo [Trejo] & Apostle M. Thatcher⁶¹ Dismissed the meeting. Remained with my family during the eve. Much annoyed for several days with my wife S. Jane Birdno who has been Pressing me to divorce her which always has been antagonistic to my feelings trying to dissuade here from it & turn unto the truth & honor God & his lawes of Celestial marriage.

Monday, March 10, 1884—I have attended to Temple and other necessary Business to day. Looked some after a new home for my wife S. J. B. who seems bent on leaving me.

Tuesday & Wednesday, March 11 & 12, 1884—I have attended to Temple & other business during the past 2 days early & late.

I feeling much annoyed with the course of my wife Knowing it is the downward road she is taken after living togather for 16 to 17 yrs & rearing 2 children that I think much of who I am trying to school in the Gospel.

Thursday, March 13, 1884—This morning finds me busy getting ready to go to Salt Lake City to Lay Subjects of Temple interest before the Presidency and Apostles. I took train at 3 P.M. Went to Ogden Attended to the Sale of a car of flour Bought Some

meal and arranged to have the Central and Des Mills represented in the North Stayed over night with Bro H. B. Schoville.

Friday, March 14, 1884—I came to Salt Lake City this morning to complete my bus. of the Temple Carpeting & other Items but on act of other pressing business with Pres Taylor and the Brethren of the Apostles I could not get a conference attended to Some payments to Bro David James for plumbing in the Temple saw the U P Frt. Agt. on Frt rates on flour. Visited the legislative assembly who had been in session continuously for nearly 40 hours without sleep and put [u]p for the night with Apostle F. D. Richards for the night at the Historian's Office.⁶² Thus ended another Busy day of my life.

Saturday, March 15, 1884—I went this morning to the morning to the warm spring⁶³ and took a bath & returned about 10 A.M. to the Historians Office & joined Apostle F. D. Richards with whom I had breakfasted at the Arcade restaurant And accompanied him to Pres Taylor's Office where we met the Presidency of the Church Apostle E. Snow and held a consultation upon the Kinds of Carpet to be used in the Logan Temple which was decided and Prests. Geo. Q. Cannon & Pres. J. F. Smith were appointed to Select the Carpets which we did at 3:30 or 4 PM after which I Supped with Sister Zina Young. Went to the Theatre. Stayed at the Valley House. Though prior going to the Theatre Visited Brother James S. Brown who was Sick with typhoid fever and administered to him.

Sunday, March 16, 1884—I took train for home at 7 A.M. & arrived there at 12:30 changed my clothes & at 2 P.M. met with the sts of Logan in the Logan Tabernacle. We were first addressed by Elder W. Thatcher who gave some of his missionary experience & the protecting hand of the almighty & was preserved many time. Had been warned while engaged in Secret prayer that they were in danger but would be preserved & told to press on which they

⁶¹ In 1884 Judge J. Z. Stewart replaced Ida Cook as principal of the Brigham Young College. Stewart, a popular teacher, taught religion and Bible classes and required each student to sign an agreement to honor the rules and regulations of the college before he would allow them to register. Meliton Gonzalez Trejo had accompanied Stewart and Moses Thatcher to Mexico City when they opened the mission there in the 1880s. He also worked on a translation of Mormon literature into Spanish (see Garr 1973, 11; Tullis 1987, 33–36, 39, 53, 82).

⁶² Franklin D. Richards for many years served as the Church historian. He held this position until his death in 1899 (see Arrington 1988, 47, 53).

⁶³ Card is referring here to Beck Hot Springs, which was a popular bathing resort in the Salt Lake City area. In the 1890s J. D. Kendal, president of Salt Lake City's Cycle Track Athletic Association, constructed one of the nation's best "cyclist" tracks near the resort, and thousands of people watched races (see K. Godfrey 1994b, D1, D7).

did & proved the Lords promise to be true. Exhorted the young to embrace their opportunities.

Elder Scott Anderson next addressed the sts & gave & gave Some of his experience in preaching the Gospel in England.

In the evening at 7 P.M. I attended a lecture in the Logan Tab Basement delivered by Elder Scott Anderson of Salt Lake City Subject Temperence & word of wisdom very interesting indeed and worthy the attention of the sts. Thus passed a very interesting day in deed.

Monday, March 17, 1884—To day I attended to Temple Business during the day.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday, March 18, 19, 20, & 21, 1884—During the past four days I have done a great deal of Temple business in fact engaged most of the time at that also purchased a house of T. Orlob⁶⁴ for my Wife S. J. Birdno who has been for Some years periodically harrassing me for a divorce which I expect in a few days with a grievous heart to give her not that I desire a seperation but desire peace. I am not guilty of that which I will have to acknowledge to appease the wrath of an unjust woman who has not faith in God and his purposes. I have lived with her over 16 years the greatest portion of it in Trouble in consequence of the difference in our faith. She Says no man wants more wives than one except to gratify his lust & much more that I will not record but leave here to make her future record in peace. I only desire to lead my children in the ways of the Lord and pray for God to give me strength to endure for it is a severe trial to me not withstanding my wife thinks I hate her which is a mistake for if there is hatred it is her her reward for self will & evil works I leave this & pass to the next.

Saturday, March 22, 1884—I attended to Temple & other business to day. Went to the head of the Logan & Smithfield Canal. This after noon with Bro Ralph Smith & walked down the ditch to the mouth of Kanyon to inspect it & see what Labor it requires this year to insure water for Irigation.

A few days Since I was elected Pres & Supt. of this company which gives me another Branch to Labor for.

Sunday, March 23, 1884—I attended S.S. at 10 AM. in the 2nd War d Logan addressed them.

Attended prayer circle at 1 P.M. Meeting at 2 P.M. when we were addressed by Elder J. B. Thatcher Jr T. H. Merrill & J E Carlisle met with the sts in the 2nd Ward in the Eve at 7 P.M. Addressed them briefly upon faith & showing the hard dealings of God with the Sts of God nodernly.

Monday, March 24, 1884 *—This is a day of an important Event in my married life. My wife Sarah Jane Birdno Signed an agreement to live seperate and apart also in the same instrument agreed as to the amt of property She was to have when was done at 6 P.M.

At 7 O.C. I attended a meeting of the Tabernacle committee.

* **Tuesday, March 25, 1884** *—This morning I called upon my wifes Parents Brother and Sister Bird and had a Kind chat with preparatory to meeting my wife at court at 11 A.M. where She Sues for a divorce as per appointment with the clerk last evening. Thence I went to the Temple to look over matters there prior to going to the court.

At 12 M High noon the Court decreed a divorce to my wife Sarah Jane Birdno and I write this in court while the proceedings are going on. I am “dancing” to the tune of about \$2000 virtually but with a clear conscience Knowing I have done all in my power to prevent this calamity If have lacked in doing my duty it is due only to my faulty judgements.

It was discovered in the afternoon that under a sec. of the law I could petition for & receive the apointment of Guardian for my children which I did and a time for hearing was Set for the 26 Inst. at 10 AM.

Wednesday, March 26, 1884—I attended to day to temple business and also to the proncution of the work in the house I had bought for my wife Sarah J. Birdno had only the day before Sued me for divorce & obtained it.

She was notified to day by the court to appear on the morrow & give her reasons if She had any if I why I Should not be appointed Guardian for my own dear children.

Thursday, March 27, 1884—To day I went first to the temple and attended to the business of the Temple & at 10 A.M. met She that was my wife 2 days before & substanciated my claim for my children.

⁶⁴Thorold Orlob, a painter, lived on Logan's First Street

between Johnson and Thomas Streets (see Somers 1993, 67).

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Was awarded the Guardianship about 11 A.M. Attend to my usual biz. the ballance of the day.

Friday, March 28, 1884—I attended to temple & other business to day was busy early & late having to see to the work on the building that I was preparing for my divorced wife.

Saturday, March 29, 1884—I attended to Temple Biz until 11 AM when I met with priesthood of this Stake Our meeting lasted 2 hours and at 1:30 P.M. I attended the funeral of the wife father Wm Cole who died in Paris Bear Lake addressed the meeting. Attended to temple business during the latter part of the day after the funeral Services were over. Thus ended a week of great & Sad events of my life which is a busy one.

Sunday, March 30, 1884—I remained at home reading during the forenoon & at 12:40 P.M. took train & went to Richmond and met with the sts at 2 P.M. Addressed the Sts Took Supper at Bro Wm Hendricks & Stayed over night with Pres M.W. Merrill.

Monday, March 31, 1884—I remained in Richmond until about 1 P.M. thence home on the work train to Logan where I passed the Ballance of the afternoon at the temple and the eve. with my family.

Tuesday, April 1, 1884—I attended to the Temple Business until night.

Wednesday, April 2, 1884—Attend a birth day Supper at my own residence in commemoration of my daughter Jennies who had returned from her attending School at the B.Y.A. of Provo.

There were Several young people besides the parents of my wife S. J. Birdno & my mother attended to temple Biz through the day.

Thursday, April 3, 1884—I attended to Temple Biz nearly in the forenoon attended to the Building of an adition to the house I purchased for my divorced wife Started for Ogden at one PM where I came & Stayed all night.

Friday, April 4, 1884—At 7 A.M. I took train for Salt Lake where I attended conference meetings at 10 A.M. & 2 P.M. Also a meeting of the Improvement Ass[n]. at 7 P.M.



Temple workers with tools of the time
Courtesy: Darrin Smith and Clyde Hurst family

Saturday, March 5, 1884—I attended meeting at 10 A.M. where as yesterday the Apostles taught good pure principles At 1 P.M. finds me here writing up my Journal. My son C. O. Jr accompanied me to conference. I am using my efforts to lead my children in the ways of life & salvation & I continually implore the aid of the Lord to assist me The former meetings have been ocupied by preaching but about an hour or a little more of this meeting was ocupied in reading reports missionaries were called this morning. Apostle Woodruff preached a short time Pres Geo Q. Cannon read the reports also made remarks on home manufacture Labor & Capital. Pres Taylor Spoke a Short time Asked the Sts to give him the privilege of assisting the Iron works of Iron Co. It was granted freely.

Sunday, April 6, 1884—Attended meetings at 10 A.M. 2 P.M. & 7 P.M. which were very interesting. The Servts Spoke as they were moved upon by the Holy Ghost.

The last meeting was a priesthood meeting where the Law of Celestial mariage was Spoken upon very fully and stated that God & his servts enjoined it upon presiding officers to observe the Law of God. Truly the Spirit of the Lord reighoned & the meeting was Kept up to a late hour.

Monday, April 7, 1884—Attended to Some business during the fore noon & made calls on Some friends.

At 3:30 P.M. met with the Presidency Apostles Priests of Stakes & Counselors Priests of 70s.

Pres Prestons report was read showing progress in Scuring missionary farms or farms to Sustain missionaries families while on missions. The Prests of all the stakes were told to go & do likewise. Pres Taylor Spoke of the great propriety of Keeping Gods commands. Pres John Taylor read from Doc Cov. rev. on Eternity of Mariage including plurality of wives.

* “All those who have this Law revealed to them must obey the Same &c.”

* “For all who will have a blessing at my hand must abide the Law &c.[”]

A party came to me about taking a wife that was a widow was it right yes if She was a proper woman. Read considerable and explained fully.

Everything associated with God is Eternal. All that was not acknowledged of God hereafter will be not of him. All things that are not of God here will not be acknowledged by Him hereafter.

Referred to Adultery 466 Pge “Mary a wife by my word.” “Shall be destroyed in the flesh.” “Delivered over to the buffetings of Satan & destroyed in the flesh.” He could do nothing for them except the Lord instruct him what to do in this * matter. We should not be to anxious to crowd our youth forward to receive their endowments for there are grave responsibilities.

* Would have to have the Word of the Lord to forgive Sins because they are bound by the Word of God.

Pres Cannon continued to red the Law of God (Same chap).

* These are facts (says Pres Taylor) & we should obey this Law that preside or in other words quoted rev. Given Oct. 1882.

We can’t obey the behests of men, but of God. You Prests of Stakes must obey this law & have those of the Priesthood of your stake obey it. * Don’t Stick

your wives in a corner but treat them right but you need not expose them. *

* Treat them Kindly not as out casts. Cultivate the proper feelings for they are to bear the Souls of man.

Apostle E. Snow spoke on the Law of Sarah, The right of the first wife to minister to her husband in giving him his wives. Unity & oneness fellowship love Should be between the wives. Each wife or succeeding wife will be a corner Stone.

We should respect each one in their place, but the wife that will not Keep the Law of Sarah will loose her place. Meeting adjourned until Wednesday at 10 A.M. Attended Constitutional convention at 7 P.M. Concert at 8 P.M.

Tuesday, April 8, 1884—To day I attended to business for the Temple and private matters. Stayed Friday Sat Sunday Monday and to night at Mrs. Priscinda Kimballs who treated me very Kindly.⁶⁵

Wednesday, April 9, 1884—Went to the Federal Court with an old gentleman by the name of Swen Jenson and was witness for him to get his final papers of citizenship after which I returned to the Social hall where I joined in a council meeting of the Presidency Apostles 70s & Priests of Stakes. This was a very important meeting under the influence of the Holy Spirit. We rec’d the following instructions.

* We were to organize Boards of trade in each stake & Keep them in good working order.

* Keep up our Ecclesiastical Corporations & complete them where vacant or not organized.

* Enter into arrangements to make employment for the needy.

* Members of the Church who have not Brought with them recommends from their former wards are Subject to amenable to the authorities where they reside. They Should not be admitted by Baptism without first writing to their former presiding Officers.

* Those who have committed adultery or fornication. You should not be in a hurry to advance them in the Priesthood.

⁶⁵ Priscindia Lathrop Huntington Buell Kimball was born September 7, 1810, at Watertown, Jefferson County, New York, and was the fourth child of William and Zina Baker Huntington. She survived the Missouri persecutions and the Nauvoo experience and came to Utah in May 1848. She and Heber C. Kimball

had two children, Celestia Priscindia and Joseph. Celestia drowned in City Creek when a very small child, and Joseph became a bishop in Meadow, Utah. Priscindia died February 1, 1892, in Salt Lake City, Utah (see Carter 1967, 15–16).

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* Children Should be blessed when presented even if their parents are apostate or Gentile. "Suffer little children to come unto me" &c.

* Children over 8 yrs of age are Subjects to be taught Baptism & Pres Taylor thought it not proper to bless them at that age although there were no established rules.

* 70s Should not be taken from the quorums & ordained High priests without first obtaining the consent of the first 7 Prests & they Should not take Prests of Elders quorums without the consent of Stake Presidency.

* From 2 to 4 Missionaries are to be selected from each Stake & sent to St John. Want good sound peacable men.

* Presidents of Stakes and Bps. of Wards preside over all in their Stakes and wards.

The Iron industry of Iron Co⁶⁶ was Spoken of in a very encouraging manner as one that should be fostered and & yesterday Was given material aid by the Southern Stakes. Said transaction was made at the meeting of the Central Board of trade where the Spirit of Wisdom prevailed.

I dined with Pres. Preston at the house of Sister Fannie Thatcher. After attending to business until 3 P.M. I went to Provo where I took supper with Sister Clark wife of Ezra Clark of Farmington⁶⁷ Stayed all night with my children at this place. Called on Brothers Tanner & Daniels during the Eve.⁶⁸

Thursday, April 10, 1884—At 7 A.M. I gave loving children a parting Kiss and & took tran for and arrived in Salt Lake Shortly before 10 A.M. where I busy myself on Temple & other business.

At 6 P.M. C. O. Jr. arrived from Provo and at 7:30 we took train and went to Ogden & Stayed over night with H. B. Scoville who treated us with his usial Kindness.

* About 5 P.M. when parting with Pres. John Taylor to fill the vacancy caused by taking Pres. Preston from the Presidency of Cache Valley Stake to preside as Presiding Bp. of the church I was to take his place if the sts would Sustain me by vote then Smiled. I feel the Burthen of so grave a position & feel it will require the faith of the Sts & my own good works the Spirit of a just God to Sustain me with the responsibility of Presiding over 15000 L.D. Sts I Know the Lord will Sustain me in doing right only & I pray that God will assist me in the future as he has done in the past.

Friday Oct [April] 11, 1884—I returned to Logan about 12:15 P.M. Attended to temple business until a late hour.

Saturday, April 12, 1884—I attended to all necessary temple business today and considerable Private & worked until late Another busy week ended & Truly "it is better to be worn out than rusted out."

Sunday, April 13, 1884—I attended meeting at 2 P.M. Listened to the report of N. Hawes Jr. who had just returned from a mission to the Southern States also addressed the Sts Briefly myself Then Apostle Moses Thatcher Spoke an hour very elaborately and Spiritedly upon the Subject of Sustaining home industries and providing Labor and opening up avenues to employ those that had not been gathered home which is just what we need as a people to ofset our extravagancies.

Monday & Tuesday, April 14 & 15, 1884—I have attended to Temple & stake Business during the last 2 days. Advised with Apostle M. Thatcher & Pres. Preston upon Stake and Temple Business.

Wednesday, April 16, 1884—To day Prests Thatcher & Preston Started for Iron Co to which place they go to accompany Pres John Taylor to look up the Iron industry and instruct the Sts.

⁶⁶ In 1851 Apostle George A. Smith led a company of one hundred and twenty men, thirty women, and fourteen children with a hundred and one wagons to southern Utah, where they founded what has been called the Iron Mission. Converts from mining and iron manufacturing centers in England, Scotland, and Wales were able to make iron, which led to what iron industry there was in Utah (see Larson 1961, 66–67).

⁶⁷ Ezra T. Clark, the son of Timothy Baldwin and Polly Keeler Clark, was born November 23, 1823, in Lawrence,

Illinois. He came to Utah and owned a thirty-five-acre farm in Farmington and over seven hundred acres in Bear Lake, Idaho. He was a shrewd businessman and was instrumental in founding the Davis County Bank, of which he was president, and the Commercial Store, of which he was chairman of the Board of Directors. He had three wives and was the father of twenty-one children (see Tanner 1975).

⁶⁸ One of Joseph Tanner's wives, Annie, was the daughter of Ezra T. Clark (see Tanner 1975).

Thursday & Friday, April 17 & 18, 1884—I attended to Temple Stake & private Business not much of the Latter my life seems to be of a practic nature and I trust it may be of a public benefit However I have not time to Idle away.

Saturday, April 19, 1884—To day besides attending to Temple Business I visited my farms. Signed a deed as Pres of the U.O. Mfg & B. Co. to Enoch Lewis to whom the Co. had Sold its furniture Store Property & Goods.⁶⁹

[Written diagonally before date: BIRTH]

Sunday, April 20, 1884—This morning at 20 minutes past twelve I was called out of my bed and at 1 A.M. I had a daughter Born to me by my wife Sarah J. Painter and feel thankful for the appearance of the little stranger.⁷⁰

Although it is not one mo. as yet Since my wife Sarah J Birdno divorced upon her own complaint and & her own free will. Now the Lord has sent to me (in his Kindness another soul. We little realize the Blessings the Lord has in store for us and our hearts Should be so filled with gratitude we can acknowledge His omnipotent hand in all things.

I attended meeting at 2 P.M. When we were addressed Elders Thomas McNeil Lederman and Bp Robt Davidson. I Spoke a few minutes in the interest of the Subjects dwelt upon by the former Speakers which was obedience and home industries whereby we might employ those that were incapable of furnishing employment for themselves. Spent the evening at home.

Monday, April 21, 1882 [1884]—I attended to temple and private affairs. Mostly the former. A public life in the interests of the Sts is a busy one.

Tuesday, April 22, 1884—I attended to the usual run of temple and private business and some of my time ocupied in looking after the building being fitted up for my wife S. J. Birdno that divorced me a little less than a month ago.

Wednesday, April 23, 1884—I attended to some temple Some stake & some private business.

* **Thursday, April 24, 1884**—To day I was engaged all day in moving my wife S. J. B. to the new residence I had Provided for her and at the close of the day my house looked desolate enough. We read of in the Book of Mormon of a land of desolation. Such my house looks to be this evening. After dark I went over to my house and lit my lone lamp and picking up some scattered papers & upon examination found them to be the Patriarchal blessings of my departed wife our children Sarah Jane and Charles O. and myself. I sat down and read and from them gleaned that my children had great and consoling promises as well as my Self and Knew that all were in the hands of the Lord and I continually pray that myself and family may walk in the ways of the Lord. God be praised for his goodness to me although afflicted Somewhat like Job I can Say the Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away and blessed be the name of the Lord.

Friday, April 25, 1884—Today I resumed my Labors at the Temple also attending to some Stake Business. Busy early and Late.

Saturday, April 26, 1884—This morning at 6 O.C. I Started for Brigham City to attend the Box Elder Stake conference whither I went by request of Apostle F. D. Richards. Met with Sts at 10 A.M. listened to the reports of Bps and others which Exhibited a gradual growth of the people. At 2 P.M. Bro or Pres O. G. Snow, myself and others ocupied the time I went to willard this Eve & Stayed over night with Bro S. Warner and family.

Sunday, April 27, 1884—I returned with Bro Warner and wife to meeting at 10 A.M. when we were addressed by Elders Dalton & Apostle Albert Carrington and at 2 P.M. we were addressed by Elder F. S. Richards, Apostles F. D. Richards & L. Snow.⁷¹ After which our conference adjourned & I Stayed over night with Apostle L Snow.

⁶⁹ The Lewis family owned a furniture store on Logan's Main Street. Somers has a picture of their store in his *History of Logan* (1993, 2:18).

⁷⁰ This daughter would be Pearl Painter Card.

⁷¹ Franklin Snyder Richards served for fifty years as the first general counsel of the Church. Richards defended against the polygamy prosecutions of the 1880s up to the Supreme Court.

He and his wife, Emily Tanner, supported women's rights and were instrumental in placing suffrage in the state's initial 1894 constitution. He also helped establish the Corporation of the Presiding Bishopric in 1916 and the Corporation of the First Presidency in 1923. He was the son of Apostle Franklin D. Richards (see Garr, Cannon, and Cowan 2000, 1021–22).

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Monday, April 28, 1884—At 10 A.M. I bade my friends at Brigham City adieu & took train for Logan where I arrived shortly after noon.

Attended to Temple business until night. This evening my father, Elder Robt L. Fishburn & myself Blessed my babe that was just eight days Old and Gave it the name of Pearl * Painter the Latter being its mothers maiden name. I was mouth. After which I went to my lonely house and stayed over night & had a good rest.

Tuesday, April 29, 1884—I wended my way to the temple this morning & resumed my labors which Keeps me quite busy as we are hurrying to finish the Temple.

Wednesday, April 30, 1884—This closing day of this month finds me at my post at the Temple where we busied ourselves all day.

Thursday, May 1, 1884—To day was fast day but the time being short for the completion of the Temple I Kept all hands at work that we may be sure to be through in time.

Friday, May 2, 1884—To day I attended to my private Business during the fore noon and during the after noon attended to Temple Business. Administered to Sister Margret Ballard this evening.

Saturday, May 3, 1884—I resumed my temple business again this morning and attended to Temple Biz. until 11 AM at which time We attend Priesthood Meeting of this Cache Valley Stake of Zion. After which I met in counsel with the Directors of the Logan & Smithfield canal co.

Sunday, May 4, 1884—As I was ready for Sunday school I recd a telegram from Pres. Geo. Q. Cannon which I went and answered in relation to width of temple Stairs Thence to S.S. in the 2nd Ward where I addressed them Briefly upon Faith.

2 P.M. Went to meeting in the Tab Where we were addressed by Elder C. D. Feljsted who had just returned from a mission to Scandinavia. Also Elders C. J. Larsen & A Leishman.

I attended meeting in the 2nd ward in the eve and addressed them on home industries & their Establishment & Economy & blessing.

Monday & Tuesday, May 5 & 6, 1884—I attended to fitting up my private residence on the corner and also Spent many hours early and late in looking after Temple business.

Wednesday, May 7, 1884—I attended to business for the Temple until noon Then took train at 1 P.M. Thence to Salt Lake City where I arrived about 7 P.M. Met Prests Geo Q Cannon & J. F. Smith & Apostle F. D. Richards conversed with them a Short time & by the permission of the latter Stayed over night in the Historians Office and had a good nights rest after passing the eve pleasantly with Bro Richards.

Thursday, May 8, 1884—To day finds me busy here in Salt Lake attending to business pertaining to the completion of the Logan Temple and its dedication which continued until about 2 P.M. I took train & went to Provo where I arrived about 6 P.M. & met my pleasant little daughter Jennie who has just turned 14 yrs I went to sister clarks where she Boarded took supper then to Bro Maesers & Taners & gave them a short call and had a very pleasant time & returned to Sister C & stayed over night.

Friday, May 9, 1884—At 7:30 I took train & came to the City & continued my Labors for the Temple after dinner went & had a bath at the Warm Spring.

At 7 P.M. took train for Ogden Where myself and daughter went to ogden & Stopped with Bro H. B. Scoville. Attended the discussion between Rev. Hartly of the Baptiste persuasion & Elder Ben Rich the Latter being victorious.⁷² Remained overnight with Bro Scoville.

Saturday, May 10, 1884—At 9:20 left Ogden for home where I arrived about one & was busy with temple Biz until 8 P.M. when I went home & supped & retired about 10 P.M.

Sunday, May 11, 1884—I was engaged with Pres Preston Elders J. A. Leishman & J. E. Wilson in getting out letters of invitation to the dedication of the

⁷² Ben E. Rich, the son of Charles C. and Sarah Pea Rich, was born November 7, 1855, in Salt Lake City. He married Dianna Farr, the daughter of Lorin Farr, and served more than twenty years as a mission president. He wrote voluminously, and among

his best known titles are *A Friendly Discussion* and *Mr. Durrant of Salt Lake City*. His debate with the Reverend Richard Harthey was nationally noted (see Garr, Cannon, and Cowan 2000, 1019).

Logan Temple.⁷³ Met Apostle F. D. Richards at the train between 12 & 1 P.M. Also Bro Watkins of Brgham who had come to assist in auditing the Temple accts.

At 2 P.M. attended meeting in the Tabernacle where we were addressed By Bp Orson Smith next Apostle F. D. Richards gave us a very interesting & encouraging discourse on the Blessings of Heaven & earth. An Excellent Spirit prevailed.

Monday, May 12, 1884—Accompanied by Apostle F. D. Richards I looked Briskly after Temple Affairs preparatory to the Dedication of the Logan Temple on Sat 17 Worked hard Early and Late Apostle L. Snow Joined us in the later noon.

Tuesday, May 13, 1884—To day myself & Brethren continued in our goodly Labors.

Wednesday, May 14, 1884—During the fore noon we continued our goodly Labors at 12:45 Apostles L. Snow F. D. Richards & my self went and met the President John Taylor & Co who was composed of the Presidency & families Apostles Woodruff & Snow Carington Taylor Grant Counselor Wells & others Prominet men & women at 4 P.M. Went to the Temple & Spent 2½ hours in viewing the house of the Lord. Attended council meeting in the eve.

Thursday, May 15, 1884—Had 2 meetings with the Presidency & council of Apostles to provide means to liquidate the indebtedness of the Temple.

* Conference convened at 10:30 AM Mtn time.

* **Friday, May 16, 1884**—Went to the Temple and thence to the meeting which was opened by singing by the choir and prayer by Pres Geo. Q. Cannon Singing. Pres. Wm B. Preston (Presiding Bp) Spoke and gave a fair report of the stake of Cache & Exhorted the Sts to continued in the Good work. Invited those who had not been as liberal as they Should be to Step forward and assist to liquidate the indebtedness of the Temple & ornament the Grounds. Prayed the Lord to bless the sts & increase them Amen.

His Valedictory as Pres.

Pres. A. O. Smoot next addressed the Sts in words of praise to the Sts for their good works on the Temple & other things.

Referred to the great growth of the Sts & their vast increase in numbers. It was our duty to build up Gods Kingdom & beautify the Land. Prayed that the Sts may triumph.

Apostle Lorenzo Snow next arose and said the Lord has Brought forth from the nations as his people and, referred to the great blessing we daily enjoy. We should be filled with gratitude towards God for our deliverence. Spoke of the willingness of the Elders to Go forth & Preach the Gospel Some even when they Knew not what their families were agoing to do. Spoke of the dedication of the Temple on the morrow. Spoke of the Power of God made manifested at the dedication of the Kirtland Temple. Desired that the same may take place in this.

God bless the wives that have been faithful in the Celestial Law of God. There is peace and happyness bestowed upon the faithful women is my testimony.

He invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts.

Counselor D. H. Wells next stood before the sts Bore testimony to the word that had been spoken. No one would loose anythings by obedience to the Lawes of God. Since our entrance to these mts We have built 2 temples which he thought a great victory. Admired the Ideas of Pres. (Bp) Preston “that we Should Keep alive temple building.” Made many encouraging remarks. Felt much encouraged if we will only do right the Lord will fight our battles. The Sts have greater faith than before. We should not get lukewarm ere we went backwards. Invoked Blessings &c choir sang Benediction by Patriarch John Smith.

Attended to Business. Met with Pres Taylor & counselors Apostles W. Woodruff L. Snow & M Thatcher When Pres Taylor stated he as T in T [Trustee in Trusts] would assume what of the Temple indebtedness what could not be paid by Temple.⁷⁴

2:30 P.M. The sts convened Singing by the choir Prayer by Pres J. F. Smith Singing.

⁷³ Joseph E. Wilson, an accountant, lived on the corner of Pine and First Streets in Logan (see Somers 1993, 71).

⁷⁴ “Trustee in Trusts” refers to the President of the Church as “trustee” and “trusts” to accounts the President administers or to which he has access. It was initially a means for the Church to transact business. However, with federal government prosecution

and polygamy, the Church was moving to protect the property it owned. Hence, there was urgency to pay the debts on the Logan Temple construction. Following 1887, property was transferred to “trusts” to prohibit seizure by the government (see Arrington 1958, 364–65; 431, n. 103).

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Logan Temple with a shed in the foreground, 1884

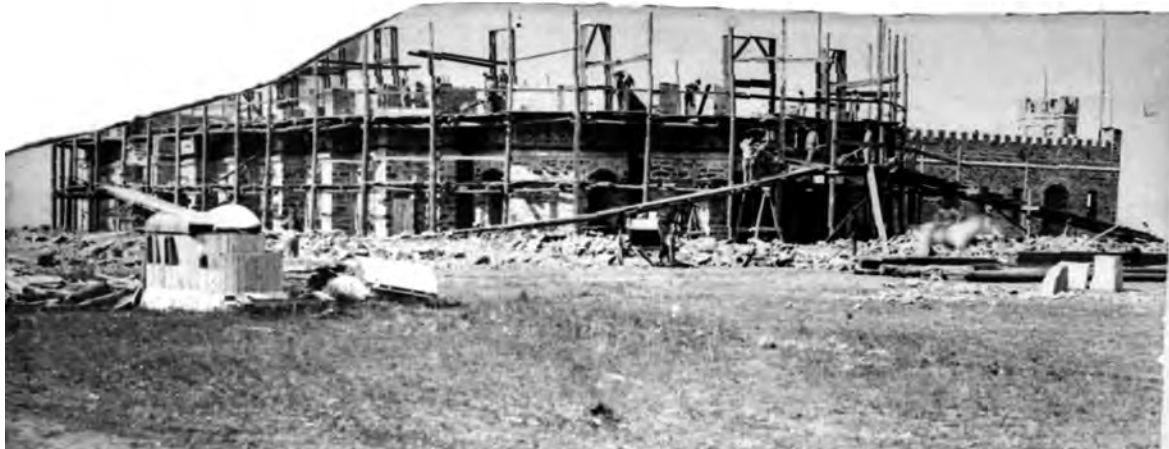
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Jus befor meeting stated again I was to be pres. of the Cache Stake & it was decided that M. W. Merrill & O Smith were to be my counselors.

Pres Geo Q Cannon remarked the ocasion that has Brought us together is one of more than ordinary Significance & one for always Shall remember & Should not lose its interest. Spoke of the Location of the Logan Temple its erection and its dedication

would like the approval of God in these things. Also His approval of those who officiated in the Temple. God has been with His Servants & people in this Temple district. It is noable that the evil one Stirrs strife when we commence to building of Temples.

His testimony was that those who had built Temples had increased in wealth and God drawes near unto us with his angels & Heavenly host. Spoke



Temple construction
Courtesy: Darrin Smith

of the reign of Solomon as the Golden age of Israel & it was used lavishly in the Temple and God poured out his treasures upon his people in those & so it will be in ours if we are willing to use it in his work. Pres Cannon Said much that was exceedingly encouraging. He then invoked Gods Blessing upon all in in the name of Jesus Amen.

Pres Tay arose and Said he did not wish to Speak long but wshed to refer to the Labor of the Temple. It has taken a vast amt of means and Labor to accomplish this vast work. The Stakes of this Temple district have been very liberal as well as those of other parts. We have invited Prests & others & in the name of this people of Logan we bid you welcome. It has been announced that we would not dedicate the temple unless it was paid for. In the accomplishment of this there has been a a quite a concern upon the Temple committee Supt & Prests of Stakes & others. There is bout \$18000 Still wanting. He Proposed that the T. in T. [Trustee in Trusts] with the aid of Apostles Bps & others to meet Bal.

Felt Satisfied with the offerings of the Temple district & was not agoing to call upon you to contribute any more in this matter. The Sts. and all voted to with up lifted hands to sustain the Trustee in Truste in paying the ballance & so will go into the Temple & dedicate it to God.⁷⁵

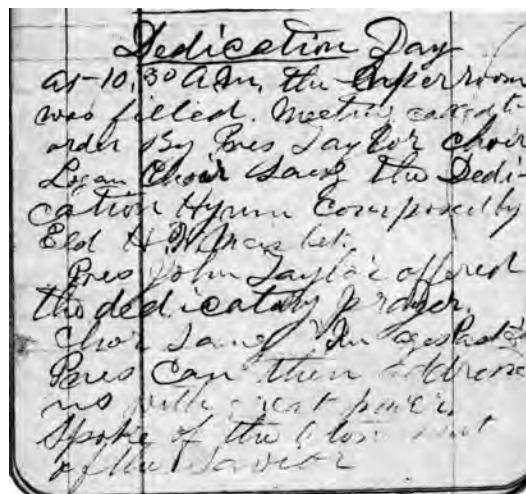
We can do nothing without the help of God. Despite the world, we will be the most pure & intelligent It is not far distant when it will be an honor to declare & how you were Born in Zion, & those that are now despised will be the head of the corner. Invoked God's blessings upon all for their good works. He the Then presented the name of Charles O Card who was nominated as Pres of Cache Valley Stake of Zion sustained by a unanimous vote of the Sts. M. W. Merr Merrill as first and Orson Smith as second counselor wer also unanimously sustained as his counselors We were Set apart in the following order between the hours of 8 PM & 8:30 P.M. Were set apart by the first Presidency in the following order C. O. Card, Pres Taylor Mouth. M W Merrill Pres

Geo Q. Cannon Mouth, Orson Smith Pres J. F. Smith Mouth. We visited the Temple after the afer noon meeting and Pres. Taylor allowed and led the way for Several hundred Sts pass through the temple. Thank God for our venerable Leader God Bless him.

Dedication Day

At 10:30 A.M. the uper room was filled. Meeting called to order By Pres Taylor choir Logan Choir Sang the Dedication Hymn composed by Eld H. W. Masbet [Naisbitt].

Pres John Taylor offered the dedicatory prayer.⁷⁶ Chor Sang "In ages Past." &c Pres Can [George G. Cannon] then addressed us with great power. Spoke of the atonement of the Savior.



Referred to the Sealing power and ordinances that one wife was as near to a man as another. He rejoiced exceedingly for the privilege of being here trusted that those that are here will be so true to their covenants.

Blessed us all in the name of Jesus Christ Amen.

Pres Joseph F. Smith next arose & said it was with feelings of Gratitude he Stood before the sts here in this sacred place a privilege to meet here in a house that has been dedicated for holy ordinances. If

⁷⁵ It is Church practice that temples are clear of debt before they are dedicated and used in worship.

⁷⁶ The dedication of a temple is a sacred occasion of celebration. Members of the Church gather, and the dedication ceremony is repeated several times for different congregations. Here Card has recorded three ceremonies. The ceremony includes singing, speakers, and a formal dedicatory prayer. These are followed by the "Hosanna Shout," in which "the congregation rises

and, while waving white handkerchiefs, unites in the shout, 'Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna, to God and the Lamb.'" The shout has its roots in praise for the Christian traditions (see Ludlow 1992, 659, 1455–56). The name of H. W. Naisbitt's hymn was "Come Swell the Grandly Solemn Strain" (see Olsen 1978, 139). The complete dedicatory prayer is found in Lundwall's book, *Temples of the Most High* (1968, 87–94).

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the world Possessed it they would not Know what to do with it.

Spoke of the great Blessings we are enjoying. These Temples are built for the comfort of the Sts. & the perfecting them in the principles of the Gospel Trusted that those who are here are those who have recd a testimony of Jesus.

Felt to Shout Hosannah to God. Without the ordinances of the house of God not a Soul can be exalted in the presence of God, for which purpose this house has been built. Spoke of the Erection of the Nauvoo Temple that during that time the Prophet was Killed. Thanked God that he was counted worthy to be here. He Blessed the audience in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ Amen.

Choir Sang an Anthem Apostle W. Woodruff arose. There never was a generation that has had the care of the Lord that the Latter day sts have. The Spirit of Elias Elijah & others are in our midst.

This is the 4th Temple that has been completed by the L.D. sts. & the ground for 8 in all has been dedicated but in Some our enemies have hindered. He declared that if the veil was rent So we could see

that Jesus Joseph & Brigham Young & others were here & could be Seen. He rejoiced for the privilege to be here & believed that the work of the Lord will continue when commenced. It will pay us to Keep Gods Lawes.

Many years ago I came here with Pres. Young to this plac. We met down here in a bowery. He Spoke & prophesied yet there would be a temple built upon this bench & when the children wer men & women & parents they Should Stand upon the towers of the Temple & behold thousands sts in this valley. I feel that we had arrived at a point where there is no going back. We are in the hands of God & he will protect you. Prayed our Heavenly father that he may be here & no unholy thing Shall enter here. Blessed the Sts & those who have imparted to build this house was his prayer in the name of Jesus Christ Amen.

Apostle L. Snow read Sec 1.10 Doc cov. the appearance of the Savior in the Kirtland Temple &c.

This manifestation was given 6 days after the dedication of the Kirtland Temple Apr 3. To day we behold a union that did not exist then I feel thankful that we have arisen to this. Desired to follow the

referred to the Sealing power and ordinances that one wife was as near to a man as another. He rejoiced exceedingly for the privilege being here & trusted that those that are here will be true to their covenants.
Blessed us all in the name of Jesus Christ Amen.
Bro Joseph, Smith
Next arose I said it was with feeling of gratitude he stood before those to herein this sacred place a place that must here in house that has been dedicated for holy ordinances. It has been possessed it though we do not know what to do with it. Spoke of the great blessings we are enjoying. These temples are built for the comfort of the Sts. & the perfecting them in the principles of the Gospel. He trusted that those who

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dictates of the Holy Ghost. We have those before us who have proven faithful.

Prayed they may have wisdom & Knowledge to build up the Kingdom of God. May God grant to this people the Blessings to resist evil & walking in the pathes of Holyness.

He also invoked the blessings of God upon all in the name of the Lord Jesus Amen.

Pres Taylor Taylor requested the Sts to arise & Shout Hosanah to God & the Lamb forever & ever & ever amen & amen which they did 3 times. We are desirous as that as many as can will come to morrow. Tickets will be issued. And another Service be held here.

Benediction by John Smith Patriarch after Which the congregation led by Pres Taylor & Escorted by myself & Led Guards passed down through the South West Stairs to flights thence through the out through its East entrance through the 2 new north rooms & down main Stairs through the font room passing west down the South Isle thence East on the north Side of font room Through creation Room Garden Telestial Terrestrial East through Celestial Passing S. Through Sealing Room thence out down South East Stairs it took an hour and a half to conduct this audience through the Temple the afore mentioned route.

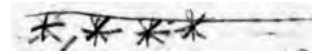
2:30 P.M. We met with the sts. Singing by the choir Prayer by Pres Angus M Cannon. Singings. We were first addressed by Elder Jacob Gates in a very Spirited manner.⁷⁷ Next by Apostle F. D. Richards very intelligently upon General topics before us namely Temples & our Labors therein & the building of the Same. He prayed God to Bless & prosper us in all our good work in the name of Jesus Christ Amen. Apostle E. Snow Spoke Some time quite Powerful on Kindred subjects.

All felt Well & full of blessings for the Sts.

Pres Jos F. Smith Spoke upon cooperation unity & family government Self government. We are at Sea when we have to call in the teachers to Settle our difficulties Lord bless You Amen.

Pres. John Taylor Said there will Still be privileged to give to free will offerings to the Temple.

After meeting distribution 1350 tickets to Bps & others for distribution among the Sts for tomorrows dedicatory Services. Hence to Pres. Thatchers an consulted him with my counselors about the re-organization of the High Council. Busy until 9 O C P.M.



*** Sunday May 18, 1884**—Just 7 yrs ago to day at 12 M the ground was dedicated & broken for this temple. This morning at 9 O.C. I went to the Temple & prepared to receive the audience for the 2nd dedicatory Service and the Same Opening him was Sang & Same pray repeated. Choir Sang Apostle Erastus Snow Who related the Kind of Ordinances administered that was the anointing of heads & washing of feet by Quorims Spoke of the 3 Golden Keys presented in token of the Keys of the Priesthood. Spoke of an angel being Seated by the of father.⁷⁸ Fred G. Williams during the offering of the prayer the Same place that Pres Taylor ocupies. Many Spoke in tongues and the congregation was filled with the Holy Ghost.

The Priesthood at the dedication of the Kirtland Temple only about 400. During the last 7 yrs. Several hundred thousand dead have been officiated for besides many living Thousands & hundreds of thousands are awaiting their Kindred here to officiated for that they may be removed to a higher Sphere. The Lord appeared in the Kirtland temple also Elijah the prophet and revealed many things unto them. Exhorted the Sts. to gather up their geneologies & go forth & officiate to them & god will bess & draw near unto you.

May grace abound upon us all that we have Strength to accomplish His Will in the name of Jesus Amen.

Apostle F. D. Richards on this occasion felt exceedingly thankful. Referred to the growth of the prophet Joseph as he was taught of the Lord the revealing of the High priesthood & its office. Our brethren at Kirtland built that temple in hunger and nakedness. The church was Some 8 yrs old before we had a Bp in the church in 1835 the Quorums of the Apostles were organized. Spoke of the time that the

⁷⁷ Jacob Gates was born March 9, 1811, and after joining the Church served five missions before he had been a member ten years. He endured the Missouri persecutions and once walked forty miles under heavy guard to stand trial in Richmond, Missouri, on false charges of treason, murder, arson, burglary,

robbery, larceny, and perjury. He was called to the First Council of the Seventy on October 8, 1862, and died on April 14, 1892 (see Flake 1974, 412).

⁷⁸ “Father” here refers to Joseph Smith Sr., and the angel was said to be the Apostle Peter (see Backman 1983, 299).

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prophet Joseph Endowed the 12 & a few others in an upper room over a Brick Store prior to the completion of the Nauvoo Temple whereafter a few more endowed. Let us consider our blessings. There are those here who will yet help build Scores of Temples yet. And preside over it. Now that we have got this temple done let us receive the blessings.

The wicked will waste away while the sts increase Invoked the blessings of God upon all the sts in the name of Jesus Amen.

Pres Taylor Said when the Lord has revealed unto us certain principles we are in possession. The Lord is ready to reval as fast as you are ready & prepared to receive it. God bless you & and all Israel &c.

Benediction By Patriarch Zebidee Coltron.⁷⁹ After which Pres. Taylor led the van and the vast Audience passed through the Temple as yesterday which occupied an hour.

2:30 P.M. The sts met in the Tabernacle Singing Prayer by Pres Jesse W Crosby of Panguish.⁸⁰ Singing.

Sacrament during which Pres John Taylor Spoke of the Priest Aaronic & Melchisedek Spoke of the comforted Jesus Promised would come & Show the things of the Father which has been given for our instructions in these days. Referred to the discouraging circumstances in which the Kirtland temple. Spoke of the Visitations of Moroni & Mormon & other personages Moses committed the Keys of the gathering of Israel & the 10 tribes from the north.

He declared the Temple & the Labors thereon were Sanctioned & approved of the Lord (Amen Says I) Called upon those who had rec'd the Holy Ghost to show the up lifted hand all hands up but a few. We have not all Learned to Say father thy will be done & not ours.

Our temple is not to look at or to Brag about. We will yet build temples that would mak you ashamed of this. It is for our sealings & our ordinances what is bnd [bound] here by the Eternal Priesthood Shall be bound in the Heavens, that the links may be connected back to to our father Adam. There will be communications from heaven to our

temples to instruct us in our labors. Zion are the pure in heart & pure in life. There are farms to be Provided to Sustain the misionary families. Blessed the sts Choir Sang Benediction by Wm B. Preston Presiding Bp.

At 7:30 meeting of the Mutuals & Sunday Schools We were addressed by Elders C. W. Nibley as a report of L.S. and J. F. Wells Grant H. Cannon Joseph A West. Also Sisters H Preston & I. I. Cook.

Apostle H. J. Grant Pres J. F. Smith next addressed us. The young man or woman that will observe the Sabbath day. The one that will Keep that command will never regret it. A longing to the contrary is a vicious appetite.

Discouraged the Seeking of the pleasures of the world. People of the world think it manly to beful the hair with the smoke of tobacco. Inspired the Sts & Exhorted the young to follow in the ways of the lord. Advised them not to seek the things of the World. Referred to the noble examples of Jesus & Abraham. Young people when feel it is right to get married go & get married & work together & build your home. Tobacco is for Sick cattle.

Still we crave it but one we should be ashamed of but one we should over come. Spoke aganst the use of liquor and discouraged it. The Holy Ghost will dwell in pure tabernacles. H preached powerful on these points. God bless us & help us to choose the right course & walk in the right path Amen.

Pres Cannon The best life that any humain being can live is self denial. The denial of our appetites & Passions. Youg commence your lives by denying yourselves. Cultivate personal purity. Be warned by one who has had experience. Cultivate pure thoughts. Every girl should value her virtue as She values her life & it will give you all infinite pleasure.

God bless you in being pure & holy Amen.
Choir sang.

3rd Service, Monday, May 19, 1884—The first Labor of importance was to ordain as High counselors of Cach Stake Geo Barber Pres Taylor mouth J. Z. Stuart Pres Cannon mouth M W Merrill Jr Apostle M. Thatcher mouth L. R. Martineaux Bp Wm B. Preston mouth Seth Lankton Pres. J F. Smith.

⁷⁹ Zebedee Coltrin was born September 7, 1804, and became a member of the First Council of the Seventy on February 28, 1835. On April 6, 1837, he was released from this council because he had been ordained a high priest. As indicated in Card's diary, he served as a patriarch until his death on July 21, 1887 (see Flake 1974, 389–90).

⁸⁰ Jesse Wentworth Crosby was president of the Panguitch Stake from 1882 to 1900. After he was released as stake president, he settled in the Big Horn country of Wyoming and served as first counselor in the Big Horn Stake presidency to President James Henrie (see A. Jensen 1914, 6, 10).

Thence to the Temple & assisted in seating the audience. At 10:30 choir Sang.⁸¹

Pres. Jos. F. Smith offered up the dedicatory prayer after Which choir Sang.

Apostle A Carington Spoke of the great principles of Improvement. Invoked the blessings of heaven in the name of Jesus Amen.

Apostle M. Thatcher arose & said he could feel the same Spirit here that he did on the first days service & felt that the Lord had accepted this Building. Spoke of the improvement of the Sts Since the completion of the St Geo Temple they have increased an hundred fold. Felt Greatful that the Lord had moved upon Pres. Taylor to commence work in this at once May God bless the the people & Keep us bound together as we are to is the prayer of your humble servant.

Apostle Geo. Teasdale arose and felt the Lord had accepted of his work. Spoke of the Law of Tithing that the Lord required on tenth. We should visit the widow & fatherless. Invoked the blessings of the Lord in the name of Jesus Christ Amen.

Counselor D. H. Wells arose & said it is Blessed to Wait upon the Lord. Spoke of the improper betrayal of those that take other wives. We should be wise there is too much gossip. He invoke the blessings of Longevity upon the Sts May the God of Zion blessings rest upon us that we may purif ourselves.

May we be able to make an acceptable offering unto the Lord is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen. Elder Jacob Gates arose & felt he had not Seen a better day. Though aged man he Spoke Spiritedly and with a full voice. We have come up here to be taught of the Lord. Exhorted all to be humble that we may come of triumphant Amen.

Presiding Bishop Wm B. Preston arose & bore testimony those that had worked as those that worked for themselves. Now we have erected this noble Structure Will be So faithful that we may be worthy to come in and do our work. Felt that the Lord is here. If we will be liberal in the work of the Lord he will be liberal with us. That God may bless

us in our Labors is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

Pres Taylor Said we were not going to hurry any We have got possession and are going to Keep it. Choir Sang a Short Hymn.

Elder Milo Andrus arose & Bore his testimony & said he was present at the dedication of the Kirtland Temple. Spoke many good things in a very energetic manner & spirit. Have been associated 52 years 2nd last Mch with the work. Was present at the manifestation at the Kirtland Temple which has been with him since thanked God for this privilege Exhorted all to be faithful Bore record that the Gospel of Christ is true. May God preserve us in the truth in the name of Jesus Christ Amen.

Pres Taylor stated that they Shall immediately go to giving endowments for the living and the dead. Blessed the Sts in the name of the Lord the Prests of Stakes & select 30. The congregation arose & Shouted Hosanah to God & the Lamb 3 times.

Logan, Tuesday, May 20, 1884—Labored all day at various things preparatory to giving endowments in the Temple.⁸²

Wednesday, May 21, 1884—Met at this place at 8 A.M. Endorsed recommends until 9:30 Went into the Garden with the Presiding Apostles my counselors & others When Pres. M W. Merrill was Set apart under the hands of the Presidency & Apostles as President over the Logan Temple & to preside over all things and have power to attend to all things pertaining to the living and dead. Pres Taylor mouth. 9:30 P.M.

Samuel Roskelley was set apart as recorder, Pres. Cannon Mouth.

I witnessed the first Baptism in the Font & was one of the witnesses Apostle F. D. Richards was the first man & Sister Grant the first woman Baptized in the font. In the confirmation of Pre R Pres Taylor taught us a lesson as the confirmers Elders Moore & Dun were about to put their hands upon Apostle R.

⁸¹This was the largest dedicatory session. More than two thousand were in attendance. At this session President Taylor announced that the temple would open for ordinance work at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 21, 1884. Officiators at the initial session were Joseph F. Smith, Wilford Woodruff, George Teasdale, Daniel H. Wells, John D. T. McAllister, David H. Cannon, Angus M. Cannon, L. John Nuttall, John Smith, William J. Smith, O. N. Liljenquist, Eliza R. Snow, Zina D. H. Young, Marinda Hyde, Lucy B. Young, Minerva Snow, Bathsheba W. Smith,

Caroline Raleigh, Prescindia Kimball, and Zina Y. Williams (see Olsen 1978, 142).

⁸²The term *endowment* refers to the temple ordinances. The procedure consists of a “ceremonial washing and anointing” and a course of instruction. Those attending are dressed in white clothing and as they progress through the temple make covenants and promises to obey the commandments of God and dedicate themselves to service (see Ludlow 1992, 454–56, 1447–68, 1551).

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Pres T bid them hold & stated as he was an Apostle & had been Baptized for the renewal of his covenants & all his former blessings had to be reconfirming the Elders had not the authority So to do as Bro. Richards calling was greater than theirs. While Sitting there nearly noon Pres Cannon bade me to go & get myself & wife ready to receive our 2nd anointings which we did about 5 P.M.⁸³

Although many had sought to be first to receive blessings in the house of the Lord I did not. I had occupied all my time in getting the Temple ready but the Lord opened the way I recd the greatest blessing that could be conferred upon man for the Lord had inspired his Servts to impart it & I was the first to receive the 2nd anointings in the house of the Lord (The Logan Temple) my wife Sarah J. Painter 2nd and I returned home in Joy as also did my wife.

Just 7 yrs ago to day I was appointed or nominated by Pres. Brigham Young to Superintend the erection of the Logan Temple & great is my joy & satisfaction in beholding its completion. Pres. Merrill & myself apportioned 50 more to the wards of Logan to receive their blessings.

Thursday, May 22, 1884—I again went to the Logan Temple Where I met Pres Taylor & Counselors & Several of the Apostles & others.

In conversing on the Lawes of adoption he (Pres Taylor) was filled with the Spirit of God & declared the Temple had been accepted of the Lord & He was pleased with our Labors as a people & he arose and blessed us all in the name of the Lord. This was a happy day of my life At 1:35 P.M. I accompanied Pres. Taylor & company to the Train & Gave them the parting hand & bade them good bye attended To Local Temple and other Business.

Friday, May 23, 1884—I attended to receiving parties endorsing recommends for those who were going to receive their blessings in the Temple.⁸⁴

Saturday, May 24, 1884—Attended to Temple & Stake Biz to day.

Held a little council meeting with the Bps. of Logan this eve Thus ended the a very busy and momentuous week of my life.

⁸³The washing and anointing are a part of the endowment. The ritual symbolizes "the cleansing of the soul from sins and iniquities" (see Ludlow 1992, 1551). "Second anointings" refers to a special ceremony reserved for those who were called to receive them by the President of the Church. For more about such ordinances, see Buerger 1994, 87–88.

Sunday, May 25, 1884—I attended Sunday school in the first & fourth wards at 10:30 A.M. Meeting in the Tabernacle at 2:30 P.M. We were address first by Apostle M Thatcher on the authority of the Holy Priesthood powers and extent of the authority of High councils. We were then addressed by Pres McAlaster of St George Utah also by Presiding Bp Wm. B. Preston who gave us much good advice & exhorted all to not follow the fashions of the world.

Monday, May 26, 1884—I attended to Temple and Stake business again to day and was busy early and late.

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Tuesday, May 27, 1884—I attended to Temple Stake and a very little Private Business.

Wednesday, May 28, 1884—I attended to public business until noon When I took train & went to Salt Lake. Met Bro F. D. Richards at the Historians Office went to the Theatre with him & returned to the office & Slept with him.

Thursday, May 29, 1884—I took Breakfast with Bro F. D. Richards & family othr which with Apostle Richards visited Pres Taylor and asked his advice about Bps for Paradise & the 6 & 7th wards of Logan also in relation also in relation to making Some improvements in the north extention prayer room &c & some other points he rec'd us very Kindly.

[Notes at end of journal.]

Brt forward from
Logan in 82 — #7698930
recd 8898215

83 = Recd 8444140
83 forwarded 9011825
Flour alone 5003400 or
414 car Loads

Smithfield men who will take Stock in the Logan & Smithfield Canal Co.

Jan 183
G. L. Farrell \$150.00
Thos Hilliard \$100.00

⁸⁴A temple recommend is given to members of the Church following an interview with an ecclesiastical authority. Card as the new stake president is here conducting interviews and issuing recommends, which permit members to enter the temple (see Ludlow 1992, 1446–47).

Lars Toolson 75.00
 Jas. Kirkbride 200.00

[Following entry in two columns in original.]

Noah 22
 George M C 28
 Card 22
 Adams 22
 Hanks 20
 Lorensen 22
 Painter 20
 Waterson 22
 Evans 22

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Expense for
 Coal &c to Ogden

Ry Fare 2.90
 Dinner & Ldh .65
 Meals for Hands 2.50
 Coal 1 car 45.25
 1334 Coal 3.70
 Weighing .65
 Lunch for Boy 1.25
 Meals 1.00
 fare 2.90
 candles & lock .25

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[The following items are crossed out.]

C off Buttons .75
 J Parry 1.50
 Family 2.50
 Jennie 10.00
 Write C. F. Annett
 Salt Lake per instance of Mr. A. J. Patterson about
 Poles to Erect Telephone line to Box Elder 5½ at top
 25 ft long peeled [...] to the miles.
 Rocky Mtn
 Gen. Manage Bell Telephone

Steele Johnson & Co. Agent J. A. Stephens
 Book Keeper C. C. Stifley

A. B. Ogden
 or L butterfield & Co 349
 Blake St Denver Col

[The following is crossed out.]
 Willard Ward by 50 ct monthly
 Cash 14.00 Jan 9/84

~~J. West \$65.00~~
~~Jan 8 Box Elder Stake \$200.00~~

Jan 18 Hans Hanson Wood 126 ft
 Jan 19 Hans Hanson Wood 149 ft

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 Millers convention Frday Mch 14 84 11 A.M.

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