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## Persecution Escalates and Conferences Continue

July 3, 1882 to March 18, 1883

[Editor's note: Journal 15 covers July 3, 1882, through August 18, 1882. It is 4¼ by 6⅞ inches with a black cover, and entries are written in purple pencil.]

[Inside front cover.]

C. O. Card's

Memorandum Book

Logan Aug. 19—1882

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Population of Bear Lake 4158

No. of families 713

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Mutual Improvement conference

Oct 1—10 A.M.

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Relief conference Sep 1—10 A.M.

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Land Lt in Sep Priesthood

Meeting—Logan

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Circles not in all settlements

[End front cover entry. Begin dated entries.]

[It is uncertain how this entry fits into this journal. The pages appear as inserts; they are unlined and of a different size. The pages are reversed with the right page preceding the left; they are transcribed in that order.]

[Monday] July 3—1882 C. O. Card.

We should regard these Blessings very Sacredly We should remember all our duties towards the Sick the

Poor & towards the Temple. When we were Baptized our names were cast out as evil & now our nation is beginning to legislate against us. They have said we Shall not keep the commands of God. I do not think they will stop until they are destroyed. I think there is trouble ahead of the Sts, but the Lord will soften the hearts of our enemies from time to time that his work may go on. May the Lord bless us & assist us to to obtain a crown & there is no cheap ones If we earn one we will do as those of old have done. May we be able to attain to this crown is my prayer in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Choir sang Benediction by Elder John P Wright.

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

**Sunday Morning, July 9, 1882**—Pres. Preston & Counselor Card accompanied by Bps H. Ballard and G. O. Pitkins proceeded to Paradise and attended Sabbath School after witnessing the exercises Bp Ballard made some appropriate and encouraging remarks after which Preston.

[Entries return with Card's handwriting.]

Pres. Preston arose and & expressed his pleasure in being here but we were all very a little late but we should try to do better in the future by being prompt in our attendance.

We should feel grateful to the Lord for our pleasant homes referred to the destitute abroad in contrast with us & our Surroundings. Spoke of the Great blessings of the Atonement of our Lord & Savior J. C. Gave much good instruction.

Spoke of the bad habit of Loafing away our time when we should be in S.S. learning good principles & studying good habits We should learn to obey your parents we should try to grow better every day approved of all taking part in the Singing.

He then asked God to bless the Schollars & teachers of the School that you all may be wise unto Salvation. Amen.

2 P.M. Choir Sang Prayer by Elder S. McMurdy<sup>1</sup> Singing & Sacrament was administered by Elders Charles Hall & Samuel Oldham.

Bp. Geo. O. Pitkin felt thankful for the privilege for meet with the Sts of Paradise Had been thinking of the condition of this people gathered away from sin & corruption. But some of it is following us & some of our people think a great deal about dress &c. Spoke of the great evils attending those that go abroad to R.R. &c for a livelihood or to make money. Referred to the building of churches of or by other denominations in our midst. Referred to some Sts that had not gathered home that had been members for many & some 40 yrs, but they have not got farther than Baptism. We need to be charatable but not so much so that we will cover up sin.

Spoke of the calls on the Sts for the Logan Temple School houses &c but if we were visited in these things they would not be fa Burthens. We should not intrude one upon the other but each one take their portion. Spoke of the necessity of completing the Logan Temple felt to be one with his brethren & the prosperity of Gods Kingdom.

The people are growing rich & these riches stand in the way of their Progress. Was in hopes the Sts will be prepared to meet the Savior. Asked God to bless tthe Sts who reside here in the name of Jesus Amen.

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

Councillor C O Card said that President Young's instruction was that the children of the Saints should attend meetings after going to Sabbath School. Exhorted the Saints to attend meetings regularly seeking for the Spirit of the Lord we want to do right Seeks the riches of the Kingdom of God We should exercise faith that we can have power to lay hands on the sick and they be healed We should be one and receive the reward of the righteous. Visit the widow and fatherless aid and comfort those who mourn. We should be labor diligently to complete the Logan Temple. The judgments are being poured out on the people in the States. The sea heaving beyond its bounds. Showing that God is fullfiling prophesy.

This is a gathering dispensation. Gotten in the the Elders of Israel. That they may be organised according to the laws of the lord that we may protect ourselves against our enemies so said the Prophet Joseph. That we may serve the Lord to build up his Kingdom. Our children should become a greater man and woman than their Parents This people are being tried with riches as Bro Heber Kimbals told us during his life Those who hold out to the end are those who will gain the prise I have been very pleased with my labors on the Temple We are building it for ourselves and will receive the blessing for ourselves.

[Entries return with Card's handwriting.]

Bp. H Ballard arose & said it behooves us to be faithful in all things. Our main object should be to be right & then go ahead.

Rejoiced in the blessings unto the name of the Lord. Spoke of the Building of the Temple. We have been prospered much since we commenced upon the temple. Trusted we may do our duties faithfully God bless us that we may be able to obtain eternal lives Amen.

Pres Preston arose & said it was very pleasing to him to think of the Sts occupying the Mts. Thought our history in the future would be a great one. We have a singular history. The first that introduced the Gifts to me was that they were continually malledged by the world. We have grown & have become quite an extensive people. The growth of this people is becoming alarming to this nation. Referred to the Spirit

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<sup>1</sup> Samuel McMurdy came to Wellsville with his wife Sarah Ann Kay in 1858 right after his participation in the Mountain Meadows Massacre. In 1862 he settled in the meadows on the Little Bear River, two and a half miles northwest of Paradise. He was a friend of Samuel Obray, a pioneer of Paradise. Samuel

Oldham was the son of John Oldham and Maria Heap, and he arrived in Paradise in 1864. He first worked husking corn on shares to get food for the winter. Charles Hall was a fruit and berry farmer who lived in Paradise (see Blanthorn 1982, 10, and section 10, p. 1).

that attended the jewes when they crucified the Savior the Same Spirit is extant to day.

We should repent of our sins & keep the commandments of God The world is striving to opperate against us & Bye & Bye the Gospel will be taken from the gentiles & given Jewes But notwithstanding the opposition we meet from the world we continue to grow & increase.

Notwithstanding grasshopper wars & Indian wars & we have rec'd no aid from Government we are increasing through the Blessings & protection of the Lord. The prophecy of Daniel is being fulfilled Though we petition for good to our nation we are given evil.

Notwithstanding what men or nations can do this work can not be stoped might as wel try to stop the Mississippi with rushes. Spoke of the rapid increase of the Sts. in filling up those vallies. Spoke of the evils that are indulged in by the wicked in destroying their offspring while we are studying to increase. It becomes us to keep the covenant we have made at the waters of baptism & in the holy Priesthood. Spoke of the magnitude & greatness of the priesthood.

[Here begins the dated entries on a lined, ledger-type journal. There is a blank fly leaf page on the left.]

**Logan Saturday, August 19, 1882**—I attended to temple & other business until 10 A.M. when I went to the Sunday school Jubilee of this Stake of Zion Also again at 2 P.M. The songs recitations & music from the bands was well rendered. After these exercises closed I visited the temple went through it & attended to the necessary business & returned home after sundown.

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**Sunday, August 20, 1882**—This morning I visited the combined first & fourth ward Sunday school and addressed them upon the Subject and importance of god order & examples.

At 2 P.M. met with the Sts of Logan in the Tab. We were addressed by Elders Thomas Morrell son and Isaac Smith<sup>2</sup> & Bp Lewis upon proper impression upon the mids of children while young & well as other good advice & principles.

<sup>2</sup>On August 3, 1890, Isaac Smith was called as second counselor in the Cache Valley Stake presidency. He served in the stake presidency until August 5, 1906, when he became the stake

Apostle M. Thatcher ocupied the last 35 minutes very profitably to the Sts & their children. Subjects to Learn to love our enemies & those that despitefully use us Also the proper and constant watch care over our children and teaching them Gospel principles. If we have any that are inflexible to use the rod rather than spoil the child.

His remarks throughout were practicle & reflected with kindness & blessings.

At 7:30 P.M. met with the Sts of the 2nd Ward (in which I reside).

We were addressed by Elder J. A. Leishman Endorsing the remarks of Apostle Thatcher & then spoke of the manifold blessings we all enjoy. Referred to Special legislation in our behalf of our U.S. nation & said all nations that will fight against God Shall be humbled. Prayed that we may not make a failure of our probation is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

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**Monday & Tuesday, August 21 & 22, 1882**—I attended to temple Business very busily the past 2 days. Having been absent eleven days it increases my Labors so much I have had to go early & late.

**Wednesday, August 23, 1882**—This morning accompanied by Apostle Richards my wife & her sister went to the temple Mill where I arrived about 4 P.M. While Pres R. rested I attended to biz until bed time.

Found the work going well & all hands in good spirits.

**Thursday, August 24, 1882**—After attending to Biz at the Mill until 9 A.M. we started to Logan arrived at the Temple Lime Kiln just as they sat down to dinner and Spoped & dined with them thence to Logan where I busied myself the bal. of the day with Temple matters.

**Friday & Saturday, August 25 & 26, 1882**—I have been exceedingly busy the past 2 days with the Temple in trying to arrange for the completion of the out Side work ere cold weather sets in & Sat night found me excedingly weary but well satisfied with my Labors.

president. He held that office from 1906 until January 29, 1911, when he was succeeded by Serge F. Ballif (see Jeppesen 1986, 22).

**Sunday, August 27, 1882**—I passed the fore noon with Apostle Richards and my family at home.

2 P.M. I attended meeting in the Logan Tabernacle Singing by the excellent choir Prayer by Elder J. A. Leishman Singing & Sacrament. After which Elder James Chantrell [Chantrill]<sup>3</sup> favored the Sts by a discourse upon the restoration of the Gospel Gathering & the work for the Dead. Bore a strong testimony to the work of God. Warned the Sts against being worldly minded. Asked the Lord to assist us to be true in the name of Jesus Amen.

Pres Preston arose & said he was glad to meet with the Sts under so favorable circumstances. By referring to past history that as long as Gods people served the Lord His hand has been over them. We are living in very peculiar times. I times past the neighborhood worked against the Sts then towns countries & States. Now it is the U.S. that has legislated against us & Sent commissioners to execute the Lawes. Had seen them & had an interview with them Learned they expected to execute the Law.

Said it was the duty of those quallified to vote to go & vote as it is to attend meeting & partake of the Sacrament & we should See that they are quallified to vote See that you are registered. We Shall have to be more wide awake than we have been in the future. Referred to the extraordinary Oath we have to take. Spoke of the Hoar amendment which authorizes to appointment to fill vacancies but as there are no vacancies there is no need of appointments.<sup>4</sup>

We can live under proscriptive Lawes longer than the people of the U.S. for they are trampling the constitution in the dust. All the I have to fear is that you will not be a righteous people.

Spoke of the ill effects of Grog Shops [saloons] that are introduced in our midst. If we fail it will be on act of our sins. The Kingdom of God will roll

until it fills the whole earth the question is will we be with it. He gave much good instruction.

There are those among us that assist the evil one to [Entry is illegible because writing is smudged.] in their dens of infamy. We need not go from home to preach the Gospel. If we will honor the Lawes of God there is not power on earth to enslave this people. See that the adversary dont Lead you estray. Wo unto those that are at ease in Zion.

We should all be as Watchmen in Zion. There is great danger in the Sts going to Sleep. Eternal vigilance is the price of Safety. He talked in great plainness plainness. Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts. that they may have wisdom. Amen.

Choir Sang dismissed by Elder C. O. Card

XXX [Card uses triple X to note inserted entry.]

I attended a meeting in the first ward where Apostle M Thatcher made Similar remarks to those made in Hyrum about adultery and fornication which was occasioned by Severiu Jepson [Severine Jepperson] who had seduced his daughter Ema The parties being brought befor the Sts by the Bp. of the 1st Ward & B. M. Lewis.

I must note here in my diary that to day has been a sad one to me worse than if I had attended so many funerals. One Bp. having to resign O. N. Liljenquist on act of imbibing too freely of intoxicants and 2 Sons & two daughters robed of their chastity. Sorowful indeed!<sup>5</sup>

I addressed the Sts. for about 30 minutes upon the necessity of abstaining from drink & other evils & exhorted all to lead exemplary lives.

[Dated entries inserted incorrectly here; also see earlier XXX notation which should be dated with September 3rd entries. Entries left as they appeared in the journal.]

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<sup>3</sup>James Chantrill was among the first persons in Amalga to file for a homestead in 1875. He filed again in 1879 and acquired land and farmed in College Ward (see Ricks and Cooley 1956, 70, 80).

<sup>4</sup>What was known as the Hoar amendment to the Edmunds Law was an attempt to seize all the territorial and county offices, from territorial auditor and treasurer to precinct justices of the peace and constables, hitherto elected by the people. After the passage of the Edmunds Law, elections in Utah were to be conducted by a federal commission whose members did not arrive in Utah until August 19, 1882. Territorial law required that the registration should take place in May and be revised in June. This had not been done, so it was impossible to hold elections in

August. Thus Senator Hoar, who was chairman of the Senate judiciary committee, brought in an "amendment to the sundry civil service bill authorizing the governor of Utah to appoint officers in the said territory to fill vacancies which may be caused by failure to elect on the first Monday in August." The appointed officers were to hold their offices until their successors were elected and qualified under the provisions of the Edmunds Law (see B. H. Roberts 1930, 6:61-62).

<sup>5</sup>Ola N. Liljenquist, as noted earlier, was one of the bishops for Bear Lake (circa 1863), bishop of Hyrum (1869), and active in the United Order (1874) (see F. Peterson 1997, 74-77). There was an Osker Liljenquist arrested for "drunkness" (see F. Peterson 1997, 94). It is unknown which reference was intended here.

**Monday, September 4, 1882**—Monday I was engaged in Temple business try to advance the work and hasten as usual its completion. May the Speed the day when it is done.

**Tuesday, September 5, 1882**—Accompanied by Elder C. W. Nibley went up the Logan Canyon and held meeting with the men of Hansons Camp & Petersons Mill at 7:30 P.M. Our mission was to get the Legal voters to go to their precincts and register and also induce those eligible to get their papers which was unanimously agreed to in this meeting. Elders Enoch Lewis & C. L. Schanky joined us here.<sup>6</sup>

Advised them to have meetings alternately here and at Petersons & cos Mill on Sundays and placed by vote Elder Neils Hanson to preside over them. We gave them all good advice in regard to the moral & religious status.

**Monday & Tuesday, August 28 & 29, 1882**—During the past two days I have attended to Temple business which has engaged my attention very closely.

**Wednesday, August 30, 1882**—Accompanied by my two eldest children my wives Sister Chloe & my niece O. A. Steele & little cousin \_\_\_\_\_ Curtis went to the Kanyon. Drove 20 miles to Spawn Creek where we ate our lunch & Spent about three hours fishing with the children thence we drove to the Temple Mill where we stayed over night & were joined by Pres Budge attended to the necessary biz in the eve. which kept me until Late bed time.

**Thursday, August 31, 1882**—At 7 P.M. we were on our way to Logan & where we arrived at 10 A.M. & attended a meeting of the Bps of Cache Co on political affairs of the people that our enemies that are striving to take away our rights as Sts. May be avoided as far as possible. That all the voting strength of the people may be used at our Nov. Election for congress a delegate to represent our Intst. Our meeting lasted about 3 hours when much good Instructions was given by Apostles F D Richards M. Thacher & Pres Preston.

<sup>6</sup> Enoch Lewis was a member of the band that played for the temple cornerstone-laying ceremonies. The band had Civil War uniforms, which consisted of a dark blue coat, sky blue trousers trimmed with a yellow stripe, and a large soft black hat with an ostrich plume. They also played for the dedication of the temple (see Olsen 1978, 16).

**Sunday Friday, September 1, 1882**—I attended to Temple business until 10 A.M. when I went to the High council in the Basement of the Logan Tab. 2 cases were Brought before the Council from Weston but for the want of a decision in the Bps Court they were refered back. I attended to temple & stake Business during the latter part of the day.

**Saturday, September 2, 1882**—Again I attended to business for the B.Y. College until 11 A M when I went to the Priesthood meeting which Lasted about 3 hours & attended the females Relief Mutual & Primary conference.

Sister Snow gave Some instructions to the Sisters in one unknown tongue and Blessed the children in another which was interpreted by Sister Zina Young.<sup>7</sup> They both gave good instructions in our own Language.

Was busy until night fall with Temple Stake & College Biz.



*Zina Young Card (left) and Susie Young Gates (right) toured the eastern states speaking out for the Church and women's rights*  
 Courtesy: Donald G. Godfrey

#### Stake

**Sunday, September 3, 1882**—This morning at 8:30 accompanied Apostle M. Thatcher & Pres. Preston To Hyrum where we arrived Shortly after 10 A.M. & met with the Bp. & his Counselors to

<sup>7</sup> Zina Presindia Young Williams would become C. O. Card's third wife on June 17, 1884. Zina was a strong voice in local and national issues. She toured Washington DC and the eastern states and attended Church gatherings, speaking out for women's rights (see D. Godfrey 1997, 107-27; see also Bradley and Woodward 2000, 246-312).

inquire in to the great misfortune of Bp. O. N. Liljenquist getting drunken & giving away to drink in course of our meeting the Bp thought it Best for him to resign as Bp & all agreed it would be best for him & his people as also to resin his position as one of the Supts of the Coop Co. He was to resign the office of Bp this P.M.

2 P.M. Met with the Sts of Hyrum Pres on the Stand Apostle M Thatcher Prests. Preston C. O. Card & Bps Maughan & Liljenquist. Singing prayer by Elder C. O. Card Singing Sacrament. An Address of the first Presidency was read by the Clk C. C. Shaw & Pres Preston arose & said we had come here to perform a painful duty. Called attention of the Sts to a former visit when Bp. L. promised to ceased his imbibing & he said the Bp had expressed his desire to resign his position as a Bp which was thought best he do. Bp. Arose & resigned his Bishopric & asked the forgiveness of the Sts. Said he had stood in this position a little over 19 yrs. Told of a vision he had of seeing his father & Grandfather & a beautiful City & Mansions.

Pres Preton arose & put the motion to accept the resignation of Bp L. which was carried unanimously. They also forgave him for his follies by a hearty vote.

Apostle M. Thatcher arose & said he would talk if he could controll his feelings. But must perform his duty as a Servant of God. We do not come here as the judges of Bro L. but to do our duty. Will leave that judgement to God.

He has had a failing that was always aparent to god but not to his brethren. Aside from this one failing I have looked upon Bp. L as one of our best men & his brethren for this we have born with him to the injury of this people.

There is a disposition among some when men start downward will give him a push which will be wrong. Those that do wrong in this and rejoice Sor-row will become them. If he will lay aside his business & Bless the L.D. Sts. he will be capable of doing a great deal of good. Asked the Sts to assist him. Talked very kindly & mercifully. I can forgive Bro L. with all my heart and I believe he will yet stand to the head of his race. The whisper of the Spirit to me

that some one be sent here & who will be the friend to him & this people.

Spoke of the Sins that were extant among the Sts. that were worse than that of Bro Liljenquist. Let us be just.

There will be times that will come when men will be offered their lives to deny the faith. Exhorted the Sts to look after the things of God & not the world for our enemies are envious of our possessions. Invoked the Blessings of God upon the Sts. Bp Maughan Said By request he & one of his counselors had been here & held a trial over C. Sorenson & Alis Unsworth<sup>8</sup> Charles Sorrenson arose & acknowledged of being guilty of the sin of Fornication & was forgiven by vote.

Apostle Thatcher arose & said we have patched up these sins with Mariage &c &c. These men creep in & steal that which has been freely offered & I feel for the parents can I yes for a low dog crept into my house & served me the same way.

Spoke very sharply about the sin of fornication & said the day will come that it will require their Blood to patch it up. We have got to stop it & the Sts. must change or god will curse you let the daughters that are guilty be baptized for your sins. Amen.

The Sts voted that would have no more fornication in their midst.

Bp Maughan said that Sister Sister Alis Unsworth had asked her parents forgiveness & the Bps Courts forgiveness & through him asked the forgiveness of the Sts. Preston arose & called the vote which was unanimous vote also sustained the action of the Bps Court. Elder A. A. Allen was authorized to Baptize the young couple & if agreeable to mary them. Pres Preston felt to say Amen to the remarks that had been made. Referred them to our political situation. Those who are elegable for their final papers should go & get them & all be prepared to & go to the polls to vote at our november Election. Be sure that you are registered. Send to the Kanyon & get those that are elegable to get their papers & come down & vote also. The committee should see that all are registered & vote. Those that are debared by the Edmunds Bill need not try to vote but can assist others.<sup>9</sup> The wisdom of the wise are beginning to perish Prayed that the spirit of the Lord may be upon us & that our enemies may feel

<sup>8</sup> Alice Unsworth was probably the wife of James Unsworth, who owned a store in Hyrum (see V. Walker 1944, 40).

<sup>9</sup> The Edmunds Act, as mentioned previously, denied the right to vote or to hold office to those who practiced plural

marriage, but since less than 30 percent of the Latter-day Saints were involved in polygamy, Church members could still control their own political destiny (see Larson 1961, 211).

bound. Testified that the Kingdom of God is upward & onward & the only question for our safety is will we keep pace with it. For those present Bro James Unsworth will take charge of this ward & we will come soon not speculate over your coming Bp. but give your presiding officers your faith & prayers that you may have a good and upright man to preside over you. Exhorted the Sts to keep the commandments of God & invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts. Elder C. O. Card Endorsed the teachings of the brethren &c exhorted the Sts to Listen to them Amen choir Sang Benediction by C. O. Card.

XXX [See page 9 for minutes up to this date. Entry dated August 27, 1982.]

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**Wednesday, September 6, 1882**—This morning We drove to Bro Popes Camp on Beaver and advised them on the Election matters and left word for Bro Pope to hold meeting with the Brethren and look after the morality of the camp.<sup>10</sup> Thence we drove to the U.O. Steam Mill where West of the Mouth of Beaver about 5 miles & held meeting with them in the evening and advised them in regard to Political & religious Matters. All agreed to come & register & those go and get their papers who were Eligible. Advised Elder James Fogg to hold meetings on Sunday & preserve the moral & religious status of the Camp.<sup>11</sup> Here we stayed over night.

**Thursday, September 7, 1882**—To day we drove to the Temple Mill & in the after noon while the other brethren were resting I went through timber with foreman P Lindsay. We held meeting here this eve. at 7:30 with good results as elsewhere but I had to leave the meeting mostly with the brethren as I was taken sick with vomiting severely at dark which Lasted until Midnight at intervals.

<sup>10</sup> Robert Pope served as bishop of the Fish Haven Ward in the Bear Lake Stake. He was also vice president of the Fish Haven United Order (see Rich 1963, 117, 187).

<sup>11</sup> On January 10, 1909, James E. Fogg became second counselor in the Yellowstone Stake presidency. He served with Daniel G. Miller and Marion G. Kerr. Fogg died August 29, 1913, in Ogden, Utah. He was still serving in the stake presidency at the time of his death (see A. Jenson 1914, 25, 64 [supplement]).

**Friday, September 8, 1882**—At 8 AM we bade our Brethren & sister adieu and drove to Logan where we arrived at noon.

In our round we found 57 Legal voters & 12 eligible to get their papers. I attended to Temple Biz. until evening. Though feeling somewhat weak from my brief illness the night before.

**Stake x Hyrum** ["x" reference is to Sunday meetings.]

**Saturday, September 9, 1882**—To day I attended to the Local business of the Temple using all possible diligence to hasten the completion of the goodly work.

**x Sunday, September 10, 1882**—As per previous appointment I accompanied Apostle M Thatcher & Pres Preston to Hyrum Ward as also Elders S. M. Molen J. B. Thatcher & Fred Turner<sup>12</sup> we drove to Hyrum where we arrived at 11:30 A M Prests Thatcher & Preston & J. B. Thatcher put up with Bro. Unsworth. Bros Molen Turner & myself Dined with Bro A. A. Allen & family who rec'd us very kindly.

**2 P.M.** Met with the Sts of Hyrum in their Meeting House choir sang pray By Bp G. O. Pitkin Singing and Sacrament. Clk read minutes of last Sabbath pertaining to the resignation of Bp. O. N. Liljenquist & his forgiveness for drinking strong drink.

Apostle M. Thatcher arose and stated we would like to move in the business before us intelligently. There ar 3 things to be done in placing men in authority first the nomination Should come from the proper authority 2nd place it before the people 3rd Ordination. It is I think the right of the Presidency of this Stake to nominate. I am confident the nomination was given by inspiration the results of rejection I know not. The Presidency of this Stake have nominated Elder S. M. Molen & Endorsed by Pres. Taylor<sup>13</sup> I think you will find him a Strong man

<sup>12</sup> Fred Turner was not only a good Church member but was also among a group of Cache Valley residents known for raising fine horses. He had a racehorse named Pig that won many races. Turner owned stock in the *Utah Journal* and managed the *Logan Republican* (see Somers 1993, 321; Ricks and Cooley 1956, 396, 404).

<sup>13</sup> Simpson M. Molen and his family were among the first settlers of Hyde Park, Utah. As early as 1860, Molen was called as second counselor in the Hyde Park bishopric and also served as

against sin & be a kinder man It has been moved & Seconded that Simpson M Molen be Sustained as Bp of the Hyrum Ward. Sustained by an unanimous vote & an hearty one. As per Book cov. you all know that it His right to nominate or choose his counselors but he has expressed his desire we choose them and think also they have been chosen by rev. Counselors should be consulted upon all public measures. If counselors will not sustain the Bp who is acting the counsel of the Presidency of the Stake should be removed. Bro James Unsworth has been named as the first counselor Sustained by a unanimous vote. Bro O. H. Rose has been named as the 2nd counselor he also was sustained by an unanimous vote.<sup>14</sup> May the Lord bless you in the name of Jesus Amen.

Pres. Preston was glad to meet with you & take part in nominating & sustaining your officers I think a befitting for us to start out anewe & set in order our homes & families & the first one to set in order is the head. If we have been guilty of drinking lying or Back Biting & Stealing Quitt it. Leave off our sinns. Which is the kind of the repentance the Lord wants. It is to be hoped not only for your Bps sake but your own to perform your fast acts. Exhorted the Sts to resume their prayers & ask the Lord to forgive your sins and assist you to rear & teach you own families. Pray for those that have the immediate attention over us ask the Lord for wisdom & that which you need. Testified the Lord heard & answered prayer.

Our first work should be to set our own house in order & in this wise we will set an example worthy of imitation. Try to do better in the future than in the past. If there are those here that will not honor their callings set them aside & take others Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts. Elder J. Z. Stuart [Stewart] being call upon thought this an important Era of the world. We will be judged according to the deeds done in the body. We have Servants of god to teach us & have no excuse Contrasted our Blessed situation with those that years ago who did not enjoy this privilege. Exhorted the Sts to Learn their duties. The Education of our children to me is that of the most importance We should instill into our children a love for the Gospel. Reminded the Sts of their

covenants when baptized to do the will of the Lord. Prayed the Lord to Bless us.

Elder J. B. Thatcher arose by request & Said he had been pleased with the remarks this afternoon The Gospel is as true to day as it ever was. If we do not this is the work of God for ourselves we are apt to fail. We should not put our trust in the arm of flesh. We should know that our course is approved of God. Prayed the Lord to bless all of us and aid us by his Spirit.

Elder S. M. Molen Said most of your faces are strange to me. It was unexpected to me to be called to act as your Bp. If God will help me I will make the Intst of Gods Kingdom my Intst Invoked the Blessing of the Lord upon us.

Elder James Unsworth said it was unexpected to him to be 1st Coun. to Bro M will try to do the best I can nothing will suit me better than see this people united Will try to do right. Exhorted the Sts. to do right & be faithful. Invoked the Blessings of God upon us.

Then Bp Bro S. M. Molen was Set apart under the hands of Apostle M. Thatcher & C. O. Card Apostle M. mouth. James Unsworth as first Counselor Pres Preston mouth.

Elder C. O. Card acquiesced with all his heart in teaching of the Brethren Exhorted to magnifying their Priesthood Exhorted the Sts to be Exemplary.

Apostle M. Thatcher Said we must set our faces against sin or the Lord will Spew us out of the mouth. We have patched up sin by marriage long enough. Make them to feel it by Black Snakes & harsher means in needed. Exhorted the young men to mary if they were poor. Amen.

Choir Sang Benediction By Elder F. Turner.

We returned home about 6 P.M. I passed the eve at home with my family and Pres Geo Osmond & H. L. Woolley.<sup>15</sup>

**Monday, September 11, 1882**—Spent the day principally with Pres Osmond & H. L. Woolley on the Temple Block look over acts. [accounts] conected with Bear Lake T.O. & the Temple.

**Tuesday, September 12, 1882**—I attended to Temple Biz until about 11 A.M. when I went to

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the vice president of Hyde Park when it was incorporated. In 1890 he became a member of the Cache Valley Stake presidency and was a member of the Brigham Young College board of trustees. Molen was also a member of the board of directors of the Journal Publishing Company in Logan that published a Democratic newspaper they called the *Journal* (see Kirby 1997, 4,

7, 80; Ricks and Cooley 1956, 280, 354, 401).

<sup>14</sup>Ola H. Rose was a very successful dairy farmer and beef rancher in Hyrum (see Ricks and Cooley 1956, 213).

<sup>15</sup>H. S. Woolley was a prominent merchant in Paris, Idaho, who constructed the first telegraph lines in the Bear Lake area (see Rich 1963, 85, 127).



Providence & Millville and visited the places of registration took dinner at the Latter place with Bp Pitkin Thence to Paradise Hyrum Wellsville and Mendon visiting all the registration offices at the above place remained long enough in Mendon to take supper with Bp. H. Hughes with whom we parted at nearly 8 P.M. and drove to Logan where we arrived shortly after 9 P.M.

B. Ramsel [Ramsell] accompanied me & drove the team:<sup>16</sup> Found all the registration officers doing a good Biz. but found things in the best order at Wellsville.

**Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, September 13, 14, 15 and 16, 1882**—I attended to the Local Business of the temple which kept me busily engaged having sent Bro Leishman to the Mill which occupied Thurs. & Friday The work of the Temple is progressing quite Satisfactorily Pointing Painting Plastering carpentry & coping.<sup>17</sup> This ends another Busy & profitable week in the Gospel.

**Sunday, September 17, 1882**—The Lord be praised for this day of rest & renewal of our Spiritual Strength.

About 9 A.M. I was called upon to visit an Indian at the depot who had his leg Broken trying to overtake a train at Mendon & fell through trestle work. On visiting the Indian found it was one by the name of Charley who had formerly worked upon the Logan Temple.<sup>18</sup> I had him conveyed to a little house near the Temple where Dr. O. C. Ormsby attended him dressing his wounds as far as he could & left him in care of 2 of the brethren & returned hom.

2 P.M. Met with the Sts Singing by the choir & Elder Alvin Crockett opened by prayer. Singing & Sacrament. The Speakers were Elders A. D. Thatcher & O. C. Ormsby Spoke of the spread of the Gospel & its practical effects also warned the Sts against the sins that crop out through the settlements of the Sts. Exhorted the Sts to keep Gods commands & be humble & faithful. Dwelt upon the first principles. Singing and benediction by Elder T. E. Ricks.

In the evening I visited Indian Charlie to have him made as comfortable as possible for the night. Thence to meeting in the 5th Ward School house & was accompanied by Elder Wm. H. Apperly who addressed the Sts for 20 or 25 minutes & I followed. He spoke of the blessings obtained by humility & prayer & warned them against the sins of the wicked such as whoredoms & debauchry citing the hand dealings of God with his people that when the Lord permitted their enemies to come against them they were more humbled & united. We returned home in a sever rain which continued through the night.

**Monday, September 18, 1882**—Still raining & cloudy which continued through the day but the hands continued to point on the oposite of the Temple from the Storm. I attended to the Local business of the Temple.

**Tuesday, September 19, 1882**—To day I was exceedingly busy about the Temple all day arranging the men to try to complete the Towers before cold weather arrives.

**Wednesday, September 20, 1882**—To day I drove to the Temple Mill & got there by 2 P.M. & was engaged looking after things the ballance of the day.

**Thursday, September 21, 1882**—Shortly after 7 A.M. I started for Logan & arrived Shortly before 12 M. Passed the Ballance of the day looking after Local matters.

**Friday, September 22, 1882**—About 7:30 I went to the temple & attended to the necessary office work then went all over the building (Temple) among the workman and about 10 A.M. went to the Tithing Office where I met Pres. Preston who desired me to accompany Bp. Hughes to Malad City Consequently I attention was directed to this end during the ballance of the day & until 9 P.M. when I went to the train & rode to Mendon and put up with Bp Huges for the night.

**Saturday, September 23, 1882**—At 8 A.M. we started for Malade & drove 22 miles to East Portage & dined with John Tims & family who received us

<sup>16</sup> Benjamin Ramsell considered himself a teamster and lived on the corner of Tenth and Monroe in Logan (see Somers 1993, 68).

<sup>17</sup> The term "pointing" as used here refers to masonry work—filling the stonework joints with mortar.

<sup>18</sup> This was probably Charlie Perdash, one of the Shoshones from the Washakie Reservation who had worked on the temple. However, an Indian named Logan Charlie also helped build the temple (see F. Olson n.d., 19).

very kindly; Thence we drove to Malad City where we were rec'd very kindly by Bp. Geo Stuart & family.<sup>19</sup> Stayed here over night.

**Sunday, September 24, 1882**—This morning Bp Hughes & myself visited a Sick man by the name of Thomas Jones Thence to the Sunday School where we found a School of about 40 Pupils & teachers with a roll of about 170 names witnessed their exercises & by request of their Supt we addressed them upon the Subjects of punctuality honesty & integrity with other good advice.<sup>20</sup>

At 2 P.M. we met with the Sts & strangers<sup>21</sup> in this Place & preached to them upon the principles of faith repentance Baptism & the Laying on of hands for the gift of the Holy Ghost & Exhorted them to keep the the Lawes and ordinances of the Gospel & become a practical people Spoke upon the word of wisdom & exhorted them to practice it for the blessing.

At 7 P.M. we again met with them & Spoke upon the principles of kindness and Setling of difculties acording to revelations modern & the Scriptures. We also spoke of the proper training of children & read rev. pertaining thereto We were assisted by the comforter in all our teachings. We remained over night with Bp Geo. Sturat & family who treated us very kindly.

**Monday, September 25, 1882**—Shortly after 8 A.M. we bade our friends in Malad adieu & drove 21 miles to Henry H. Woodland & dined Thence to Oxford & put up with William \_\_\_\_\_.

### Oxford

At 7 P.M. We met with the Sts of this place Singing by the audience Prayer By Bp L. L. Hach. There we joined Pres Preston Elders Brower & Bps Hatch & M. L. Gruwell.

Bp H. Hughes was the First Speaker. Desired the faith of the Sts. He had heard in our travels a great deal about Politics which is many steps beneath the work of God. We hear of Grog [liquor] shops & of many of our brethren who imbibe of these Liquors. I as a Bp can not afford to Stand before my people when I partake of these things that

are so injurious. The best way to Sustain those that preside over us by Keeping the commands of God. We should Study the interest of the Kingdom of God and then we will be Seeking our own Interest. Bore a strong testimony to the work of God. Spoke of the evil effects of intemperance We look for our wife & children to be sober pure & temperate What have we to offer in return for this prize. May God Bless you is my prayer Amen.

Elder A. C. Brower arose & was pleased to meet with the Sts of Oxford again. Bore testimony that Jos. Smith was a prophet of God. While in his youth he blonged to the Political party called Whigs but had sacrificed his politics for the sake of the Kingdom of God. The things of God will not mix with the things of God & if we wish to enjoy the Spirit of God we must keep our Bodies pure & free from narcotics. We should not strike hands with the adversary. We came here to to be taught more fully of the things of God. He refered to the Logan Temple as one of the monuments of the faithful works of the Sts Bps He also alluded to the temple. Testified to the truth of the Gospel. We should be united & Exemplary. Invoke Gods blessing.

C. O. Card Spoke at some length upon the propriety of being exemplary in Keeping the Lawes & ordinances of the Gospel conjured the Sts to abstain from the use of stimulants and criticise our own selves by contrasting our lives with the Lawes & ordinances of the Gospel. Blessed the people.

Bp Gruwell Bore testimony to the Gospel & refered to his first experience in searching for the principles of the Gospel Invoked the Blessings of God upon the Sts.

Pres Preston arose and expressed his pleasure in meeting with the Sts. the Gospel is true & faithful truth always shines Brightly. I would like it understood Generally that it is not right to merely have the name but observe the code of Lawes that govern it. I have never seen it necessary to shrink from any duty I had to perform.

Coming here it is to advise you in your duties. You need you a new meeting house & should put it substantial & when you commence on it do not cease until it is completed. All make a business of it. I

<sup>19</sup> On March 23, 1885, Bishop Stuart and two other Latter-day Saints, William J. Pratt and John T. Roberts, were sentenced by district judge Morgan at Blackfoot, Idaho, to four months of imprisonment in the Boise Penitentiary and fined three hundred dollars for unlawful cohabitation (see A. Jenson 1914, 121).

<sup>20</sup> The Malad Sunday School's superintendent was Edward

G. Roberts, and his assistants were James P. Harrison and D. R. Evans. The secretary was E. G. Roberts (see Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 209–10).

<sup>21</sup> Latter-day Saints sometimes called nonmembers "strangers," as Card does here. See Ephesians 2:19–20 for biblical context.

hear sometimes you have no meetings. You should have your meetings & S. Schools regularly meet with your children do not Procrastinate in these things. Now is the time.

We should not get in So much of a hurry that we cant teach our children. We should bestir ourselves make an exertion in this direction. I think there needs to be a reformation here & elswere

Train and educat ourselves to be Sts. It is important that we set examples worthy of imitation by our children. We should Labor for the Kingdom of God. Cited the Sts to the illustrious examples of our Savior. Spoke of the principles of forgiveness. Said we should stud the principles of Christ. We should live above the Law. The Edmunds Law is a Scarcely aline Constitutional but I think the Sts will come as near to living it as anyone Your Politics can worked upon on as high a plane as in Utah. We should not stoop to tricks of Politicians In Utah our Cities & Counties are out of debt. You expect to have an election here this fall. We expect to nominate good officers & vote for them. Our wives & mothers are just as much interested in having good men to make lawes as we do as men. We will do our best to be one & should be one that we may be the Lords. I expect to continue to Labor as long as I live for a good Government. May God bless you & those that pre- side over you. Amen. Singing and benediction by Elder John Boyce Bps. Hughes Gruwell & my self Stayed with Wm. Horner [Homer]<sup>22</sup> & the other Brethren with Bp. Fisher.

### Clifton

**Tuesday, September 26, 1882**—At 9 A.M. we left Oxford for Clifton. Called on the road and administered to a sick child of Bro Charles Croshaw [Croshaw].<sup>23</sup>

We should have started sooner but Pres Preston & I held counsel with Bp Fisher & his Counselor Wm Horner [Homer]. Requested them to ceased using Liquor & leave off Political affairs work at the Bprie & draw around them the Sts & cultivate the Spirit of the Gospel.

At 10 A.M. we we met with the Sts of Clifton Singing Prayer by Elder E. C. Hooker Singing.

Bp. Hughes arose & spoke of the Poor Economy we exhibit in importing things that we can produce at home Such as Pickles &c. Spoke of the

necessity of using fertilizers on our lands & working on our farms instead of going abroad for means Spoke of the demoralizing influences that come from the following the Rail roads. Referred to the evils that come of class distinction. But we should try to enjoy the spirit of unity & sociability. We should seek God for wisdom. Study good economy & advised the Sts to become practical farmers & study & learn the best way to raise big crop. We should bestow wives sons & daughters. Spoke of the blessings of faith in the Laying on of hands to heal the sick by the prayer of faith. Ask God to bless the Land & seed. Study the agriculture. Read more & reflect more. We lack system in our families & Labors we should study the Lawes of Life clothe your children properly with long enough garments to cover their naked limbs that they may not be Exposed to the Blasts We should not eat & drink any thing that is not raised in this atmosphere that is pure. We have great fields of Labor for us.

Advised the young and hardy to leave off the tea coffee Tobacco &c. Prayed that the blessings of God upon the Sts & advised them to take care of our boys & Girls & teach them properly.

Elder C. O. Card arose & spoke at some length upon the word of wisdom. Confidence Faith and &c &c. Also spoke of the proper training & Educating of our children. Keeping our tabernacles pure & holy & do all we could to advance the word of God Build Temples, Meeting houses & School houses. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts in the name of Jesus Amen.

Singing Benediction by Elder John Boyce.

We dined with the Bp & family Thence to Weston where we put up with the Bp for the night.

We met with a few of the Sts of Weston at 7 P.M. Singing prayer by Elder Calvin Boyce.

Elder C. O. Card arose and spoke of the necessity of renewing our energies in the work of God. Spoke of Ordaining our sons to Deacons teachers & Priests & teach them to place a value upon them it as a blessing from God Spoke of the blessings of the privilege of Temple Building Study the Interest of the Kingdom of God & & be united can not fellowship those that Sue their Brother at Law.

Blessed the Sts here.

<sup>22</sup> From 1878 to 1880, William Homer served as superintendent of the Oxford Ward Sunday School (see Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 242).

<sup>23</sup> Charles Croshaw was serving as the first assistant in the Sunday School superintendency at the time Card administered to his sick child (see Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 242).

Bp Hughes arose and used the figure of the corn in its various stages. Spoke upon the proper distribution of water & not quarrel over them & the Lord will increase the streams. God will pour out his blessings if we will keep his Lawes. We should not cut the cord that leads to the Lord. Set good examples to our children. Referred the Sts to the 24th chap of Mathew) Spoke of of the judgements of God being close at hand. Exhorted the Sts to pray. Set good examples before our children Keep the word of wisdom Should not Speak evil of one another tell of the good qualities of one another.

Spoke of the blessings of Temples. We should be anxious about completing the Temple. We should try to understand the feelings of one another, prayed that God would inspire us to keep his commandments. Discouraged the Idea of going to law Spoke of settling difficulties according to the Laws of the Gospel try to start your heaven now and at home Leave off our tobacco &c God bless you all Amen.

Bp Allen felt greatful for the call of the brethren. Singing & benediction by Bp A. A. Allen.

We remained over night with Bp Allen & family who treated us very kindly.

**Wednesday, September 27, 1882**—We returned home via of Benson Ward where I parted with Bp Hughes & took dinner with Wm Haris & Bp. Alma Haris The latter sent his boy Charles to convey me home where I arrived about 3:30 P.M. and am led to confess that the Lord has supported us during our travels.

**Logan, Thursday, September 28, 1882**—To day I drove to the Temple Mill accompanied by Charles Jones arrived at the mill at 2 P.M. & attended to the necessary Biz before bed time.

**Friday, September 29, 1882**—We returned to Logan at 12 M. & I attended to Temple Business this after noon which kept me busy. I administered to Sarah Shelton who was sick with fever in company with Bp B M Lewis & J A Leishman.

**Saturday, September 30, 1882**—I attended to Temple Business until 11 A M when I went to the Priesthood meeting after which I attended to Temple Business.

**Sunday, October 1, 1882**—During the fore noon I attended Mutual improvement meeting which

convened at 10 A M was much interested reports of the Presidents also with an excellent discourse by Seth L. Lankton on the word of wisdom.

During the afternoon I took care of my sick wife S. J. Birdno even until Friday morning the 6 Inst. when she had sufficiently recovered to for me to leave and I took train to the City (S.L.C.) where I arrived at 12 M. Went to meeting at 2 P.M. but could not obtain admittance. Attended a meeting of the B.Y. College Board at 6 P M & went to Priesthood meeting at 7:30 in the assembly hall.

**Saturday, October 7, 1882**—Attended conference at 10 A M & 2 P.M. and the Sunday S. union in the eve as well as another meeting of the B.Y.C. Board at the house of B Young the 3 former held in the Large Tabernacle.

**Sunday, October 8, 1882**—I attended meetings in the Large Tabernacle at 10 AM & 2 P.M. & we were addressed by Prests Taylor Geo Q. Cannon & J. F. Smith who were filled with the inspiration of Heaven.

At the close of the fore noon meeting Apostle Erastus Snow Said when they were convened in the Kirtland Temple there was a young man wrought upon by the Spirit of prophecy & foretold that the prophet Jos Smith would be the Sixth Angel.

I attended a meeting of the Mutual Improvement Conference in the eve in assembly hall.

**Monday, October 9, 1882**—I passed the fore noon doing Biz for Temple Met with the Constitutional Convention at 2 P.M. which recd reports of delegates & adjourned until Apr 9 - 1883 at 2 P.M. I returned home in the evening found my Sick wife still improving.

**Tuesday & Wednesday, October 10 & 11, 1882**—I attended to temple business & arranged business to take a tour through the north part of our Stake also visit Malad City.

**Thursday, October 12, 1882**—At 6:30 A M Prests Preston & Budge Bp H. Hughes Started for Weston where we held meeting at 11 A.M. Thence to Malad where we were joined by Pres. O. G. Snow & Elder Elias Moris & held a meeting at 7 P.M.

**Friday, October 13, 1882**—While Pres Snow Bp H Hughes & Elder Moris remained in Malad to visit the settlements & preach to the people Prests Preston Budge & myself drove to Marsh Valley &

held meetings at Woodlands School house at 11 A M & at 3 P M at Marsh Valley Center.

**Saturday, October 14, 1882**—We drove to Dayton (9 Mile) & held meeting at 10 A M Thence to Oxford & held meeting at 7 P.M.

**Sunday, October 15, 1882**—Drove to Clifton & held meeting at 10 A.M. Thence To Franklin & held meeting at 7 P.M. & Pres Budge left us & returned to Bear Lake via of Logan.

**Monday, October 16, 1882**—Here Pres. Preston and I Parted he returned to Logan with his team to take train for Snake river in the morning & I was to fill the appointments as far North as Portneuf. I drove to Preston & held meeting at 10 A M Thence to Mink Creek & held meeting there at 7 P.M.

**Tuesday, October 17, 1882**—This morning I bade mine hosts adieu I drove to Mound Valley Ward and held meeting with them & Dined with Bp. Williams Thence to Mormon Ward and put up with Bp. Solomon Hale & held meeting with them at 7 P.M. Meetings in this valley were well attended I set apart Bro \_\_\_\_\_ Loveland as first Counselor to Bp. Williams and John B. Thatcher & Lucino Peck as Counselors to Bp. L. Hale with whom I Stayed over night.

**Wednesday, October 18, 1882**—Accompanied by Bp Hale We drove to Portneuf Valley Dined with Christian Nelson Thence to Chester Call with whom we stayed over night.

**Thursday, October 19, 1882**—To day the Sts gathered at the house of C Call where Bp Hale & I addressed them and by vote of the Sts placed Bro \_\_\_\_\_ Tollman as presiding Priest over the Sts of this Valley remained over night again with Bp C Call.

**Friday, October 20, 1882**—We left this place about 7:30 A.M. and drove to Mormon Ward where we arrived at Bp. Hales at 12:30 P.M.

I dined with Bp Hale Hitched on my team that had been resting while we were absent to Portneuf

Bp Hale having drove his team mine being rested. At 1:30 PM I Started alone for home and drove to Bear River ford & Crossed it at the East End of the Neil Hanson Bottom & took supper with Bro Peter \_\_\_\_\_ Hence I drove to Logan where I arrived shortly after midnight.

**Saturday, October 21, 1882**—I attended very busily to temple Business through the day & attended a Board meeting of the U.O.M. & B. Co at the house of C. W. Nibley which ended another very long week of my life.

**Sunday, October 22, 1882**—I attended the 2nd Ward S.S. & addressed the Schollars & Officers briefly 2 P.M. I attended meeting in the Logan Tab.

Apostles H. J. Grant M. Thatcher & Elder L Farr addressed the Sts. Bro M Thatcher Spoke one hour upon the cause of persecution, the others upon general topics. I attended meeting with first & fourth Wards in the Tab & addressed them Briefly upon the proper appreciation of the Priesthood &c.

**Monday, October 23, 1882**—I drove to the Temple Mill today accompanied by Bro J. C. Kimball who was his way to Meadowville I attended to the necessary Business. Stayed over night.

**Tuesday, October 24, 1882**—Accompanied by P Lindsay wife & sister Loftus I drove to Logan where we arrived about 1 P.M. I attended to Temple Business Bal of the day Met with the B.Y. College Board this Eve at 6 P.M.

**Wednesday, October 25, 1882**—I attended to temple Biz til 9 A.M. when I met with the College Board until 1 P.M. Temple Bal of day.

**Thursday, October 26, 1882**—Attended to Temple again to day & met with the B.Y. College Board again this evening.

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Too night a bright light was seen in the East tower of the Logan temple at 9 P.M. by W. McNeil C Jones J. Wray & Conrad Weltz.<sup>24</sup>

<sup>24</sup> William McNeil, a man who had considerable experience in mining and blasting, was called by Card to work at the rock quarry. One day a blast he tried to fire did not go off. McNeil walked up to it, and just as he reached the powder it exploded, throwing him about twenty feet in the air. Though he was picked

up for dead and was badly burned and bruised, he returned to work at the quarry in a few days. Cyrus Jones worked as a salesman for ZCMI and lived between First and Second Streets in Logan (see F. Olson n.d., 87; Somers 1993, 63).

**Friday, October 27, 1882**—Attended to temple & home matters to day visited Several Sick & attended another Board meeting of the B. Young College this evening.

**Saturday, October 28, 1882**—Attended to business for the Temple to day also a Temple Party in the eve held in honor of the Temple hands a part of whom have completed their Jobs & are going to return to their homes especially the Masons Stone Cutters & Pointers.

**Sunday, October 29, 1882**—During the morning hours I attended to writing up my journal & done some reading.

At 2 P M I met with the Sts of Logan in the Tabernacle We were addressed by The following Elders Thomas McNeil Robt Henderson.

They were led to relate their early experience in the church & with the first impressions made upon their minds when the Gospel was introduced to them in their native Lands. Testified of its truth to day. I addressed them for  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an hour upon the duties of Members and officers.

Went to Bp Lewis house & administered to Mother Crockett and Fred Phrister.

At 7 PM I met with the Sts of the 2nd Ward. We were addressed by Elder W. H. Apperly, & Bp Ballard.

**Monday, October 30, 1882**—This Morning accompanied By Bp A. A. Allen & the wife of Bro. P. Lindsay drove to the Temple Mill where we arrived at 2:30 P.M. where we found the men engaged gathering out logs and feeling lively. We remained over night here.

**Tuesday, October 31, 1882**—Shortly after 7 AM Started for Logan & arrived home at 12 M. Attended a meeting of the Board of the U.O.M. & B. Co. in the afternoon also a funeral of the child of Walter C Cole & addresses the friends assembled.

[Left marginal note: I was appointed Supt of the U.O. Mfg & B. Co. to day by the board]

Passed the evening at Apostle M Thatchers Pres Preston & Elder C. W. Nibley & wife were present we administered to Bro Nibley Pres Thatcher

mouth Pres Preston administered the oil Pres Thatcher told Bro Nibley in his blessing that his calling was spiritual and if he would give his heart to God he Should become Saved & better than ever before. Should not seek so much after the things of the world.

**Wednesday, November 1, 1882**—This morning I accompanied Bros Nibley & Bp K. [R.] Davidson to the City. Held a conference with Supt of Z.C.M.I. Wm Jennings relative to the indebtedness of the U.O.M. & B. Co. He agreed to give us time by decreasing the amt \$1000.00 per month & giving them the preference & could we not agree with Logan Branch Supt on figures to report to him or Secy Weber & they would give us as good terms as we could get any where.

**Thursday, November 2, 1882**—At 7 A.M. I left Salt Lake took breakfast with Apostle F D Richards & took train for Logan at 10 A.M. Just before parting with Apostle Richards he made me a present of one of his Compendiums of our faith (a very complete Summary of Gospel principles[]).<sup>25</sup>

I returned home & paid a visit to the Temple & passed part of the evening with Pres. Preston.

**Friday, November 3, 1882**—I attended to The Temple Biz preparatory to our Quarterly Conference on the morrow also to the U.O. Business.

Met the president & party at the Depot & conveyed home with me Apostle F. D. Richards & Bp D F Thomas of Lynne Weber Co.

**Saturday, November 4, 1882**—I visited the Temple this morn with Bp Thomas Thence at 10 A.M. to Conference meeting. Singing prayer by C O Card Singing. The Following Bps reported their wards: B. M. Lewis A Haris R. Rasmusen, Wm F. Rigby, H Hughes Orson Smith, Robt Davidson Wm Hyde H. Dixon H. B. Skidmore Henry Ballard, Thos X Smith Clk J A Leish read Statistical report. Total Souls reported at this 16182 Singing & Benediction by Counselor D. H. Wells.

2 P.M. Singing exercises Prayer by Apostle Wilford Woodruff Choir Sang.

Pres D H. Wells arose was Pleased to note the progress of the House of the Lord was pleased with

<sup>25</sup> Richards gave Card his book titled *A Compendium of the Faith and Doctrines of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints*, published in Liverpool, England, in 1857 by Orson Pratt.

This book also includes a Church history chronology from 1820 to 1856 and a few other scattered insights into early Church history (see Allen, Walker, and Whittaker 2000, 352–53).

reports. Spoke of the powers of the Evil one also the precarious condition of apostates. We should be encouraged as Latterday Sts.

Apostle Lorenzo Snow addressed the Sts read 17 chap St John. Spoke of the Mission of the Sts &c. Spoke about pushing the Temple in the Spirit of Unity Asked the Sts or heads of each family to see that 50 ¢ was pd for each head or member of the family in Cash and those that were able need not be stinted to this amt. Spoke in a free spirited manner. Benediction By ~~Apost~~ Elder Richard Taylor.

Attended the Choir concert for the benefit of the Logan Temple which was a success.

**My Birthday, the 43th, Sunday, November 5, 1882**—This morning I accompanied Apostle Richards to Apostle M Thatchers & called on Pres Taylor to consider in connexion with T O Angell Architect the Plan of the Stands for the Logan Temple.

Thence to Meeting at 10 A.M. Choir Sang prayer By Elder Samuel Smith of Brigham City Singing.

Apostle Richards Spoke of the tyrade against us as a people observing that they act much as their master did when he took Jesus on the pinnacle of the Temple Referred to the position of apostates & compared them to Salt that has lost its Savor. Spoke of 70000 Jewes being expelled from Russia & the Turkish Govt. appropriating 1500000 Land for their colonization thus they are gathering home Other Jews have a motguage on the Land of Palestine.<sup>26</sup> Spoke of turning the hearts of the Apostles & Elders to the house of Israel (The Indians) The U.S. are now Schooling them. Spoke of the Lost tribes that departed into the North who will come forth by smiting down the mts of ice.

We have permitted ourselves to depart too much from the Lord if we had not we should not see so much Liquor drank &c we should not Speak so lightly of the Law of Celestial Mariage You should mak your duties first purify our own house holds and our Stakes Wards & Quorums. Where there is sin if they will not repent they must be put away. If the Living will not heed let us Labor for the dead. Let us finish the Temple with good Liberal donations. Implored Gods blessings on the Sts.

<sup>26</sup> Richards here is speaking about the Latter-day Saint belief that before the Second Advent of the Savior the Jewish people will be returned to their homeland (Palestine) and the ten lost tribes of Israel will be gathered and will return to the New Jerusalem. The Lamanites, too, will be gathered and become members of

Pres Woodruff arose Said he walked 65 miles to attend meeting when I first heard this rev. or vision to Joseph & Sidney. In speaking of Polygamy he said the world will not be troubled with it after death for they will not be troubled with one wife for they will not have part with or in the first reserection.

He had followed Pres Young to the mts & to Prison when Sent ther by Judge McKean. The prophet Joseph will judge his persecutors & those that took his life in Carthage jail. Let us read these revelations Study them. The Lord inspired us to build these Temples.

Invoked the blessings of God upon all. Was pleased to See this Temple So near completed & if the veil was lifted that we might see our dead friends we would not prize our means so much but would use it freely until it was completed.

Choir Sang Dismissed by Apostle L. Snow.

**2 P.M.** The Tabrnacle was filled to overflowing Singing Prayer by Elder Loren Farr Choir Sang again. Sacrament. Temple report. General Stake & Ward authorities. Released the former Missionaries by vote Henry Yates A. P. Rose R. M. Kerr & John A Woolf were called to travel for the next 3 months. Pres John Taylor arose & said we are traveling to instruct the people we no nothing of God except as He reveals it. We cannot understand the things of God except by the Spirit of God we're living in the greatest day & age of the world &c.

We are sometimes to narrow in our Ideas pertaining to the work of God. We should always teach such things as will be pleasing in the sight of God. Gentiles would not know how to administer in the Temple. God demands that our Elders go forth to the nations of the Earth & requires it at our hands. To the house of Israel & to ourselves.

Only those who abide a Celestial Law will receive a Celestial Glory. God has called us from the Nations of the earth through the medium of the Priesthood. We have come here to establish the Zion of our God. We have not come here to agrandize ourselves but learn the Gospel & proclaim it. The Lord has blessed us exceedingly. God will be after those that deprive people of Life Liberty & the pursuit of happiness. Equ rights will be adminstered

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when God rules. The time will come when the Elders of this Church will have to proclaim these rights to all nations. Do all things required at our hands. Complete our Temple. We should treat all men with respect but we do not want to covet their property & if they are liars do not want them in their our families.

We have been Calling upon the Priests of Stakes to put the Bps right & quorums & heads of families put them selves right all that would do these things right Say Amen a hearty response.

I made a request for Carpenters to assist on the Temple.

Choir Sang Benediction by Apostle Wilford Woodruff.

Met with a council of Pres Taylor & Apostles at the house of Pres. Preston.

After which attended a meeting of the Mutual Improvement associations who were addressed by Elders G. F. Gibbs, John McCallaster also followed by Apostles F D Richards & M Thatcher.

Apostle F D Richards remained over night with me.

**Monday, November 6, 1882**—At 4 O Clock A.M. I accompanied Apostle Richards to the train and Bade Pres Taylor & party adieu. During the day I was busily engaged in the Temple business and a few choirs for the U.O.M. & B. Co.

Visited Pres Peston in the Eve.

**Tuesday & Wednesday, November 7 & 8, 1882**—I attended to the Temple & U.O.M. & B. Biz which engaged my attention during the day. I attended a meeting of the Young Ladies Mutual Improvent in the Evening in the 2nd Ward & addressed them upon the principle of Unity also advised them to be faithful and make a good record.

**Thursday, November 9, 1882**—Though raining and after attending business until 10:30 A M I drove to to the Temple Mill where I arrived about 1 hour after dark. Dined at the Temple Lime Kiln.

**Friday, November 10, 1882**—I drove from the Mill accomp by P. Lindsay & wife to garden City & Dined with Bp. Calder.

Thence To Bloomington where I remained over night with James E. Hart. Bro. L Continuing his journey to Paris 2 miles farther.

**Saturday, November 11, 1882**—This morning I walked to Paris and attended meeting with the conference at 10 A M Aso at 2 P.M. & addressed the Sts. at 7 P.M. Attended a meeting of the mutuals of Bear Lake Stake and also addressed this meeting Briefly. During the past 3 Ds the weather has been cold & Stormy.

**Sunday, November 12, 1882**—Last night I remaned over night with President Budge and family who treated me very kindly. At 10 A.M. & 2 P.M. I attended Conference again with the Sts of this Stake & at the Latter meeting addressed the Sts & told them of the progress of the Logan Temple. I was informed at these meetings the Sts had about 1700 Dollars ready for the Temple and they furnished me about 600 Dols to bring home with me to assist in the vast enterprise. Stayed again over night with Pres. B.

**Monday, November 13, 1882**—After Biding my friends adieu in Paris I drove to Meadowville and Stayed over night with Bp Jos Kimball and made arrangement for him to take care of the Temple Stock this winter.

**Tuesday, November 14, 1882**—At 10 A M I left this place drove to the Temple Mill dined Thence to Logan where I arrived about 8 P.M. very tired having driven so far over very rough roads.

**Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, November 15, 16 & 17, 1882**—I have been exceedingly busy engaged looking after Temple & U.O. Business.

**Saturday, November 18, 1882**—During the forenoon I attended to Temple and U O Biz. and in the after noon went to the Green Kanyon Quarries with Ralph Smith with a view to selling them was busy until Late with temple affairs.

#### Wellsville

**Sunday, November 19, 1882**—This morning between 8 & 9 O C. I visited the Temple Then returned to Pres Presons & joined him & Elder L. R Martineaux and accompanied them to Wellsville.

We arrived at the S.S. just as they were sing the first time. Found a very good & well conducted School well supplied with good active Officers & teachers. Robt Latham Supt. The Schollars answered many questions very readily after which Elder L. R. M. addressed the School upon the



organization of the church the history of Jesus. The Prophet Joseph Smith the restoration of the Gospel.

Spoke of the importance of the young obtaining a testimony of the truth of the Gospel.

Pres. Preston acquiesced in the remarks of Bro. M. & was much pleased with the deportment of the S. School. The best Schools are those that follow most closely to the instructions given & the rev. given. Should follow closely the instructions of your teachers. We must study & seek after the Lord that we may have his guidance.

Blessed the School in the name of Jesus Amen.

We dined with Bro Evan Owens.<sup>27</sup>

2 P.M. We met with the Sts of this place Choir Sang Prayer by Elder John Stoddard [Stoddard]<sup>28</sup> Singing and Sacrament.

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

Prest. C. O. Card spoke: Desired the spirit of God to guide him in what he would say. The blessings enjoyed by the Saints should be a cause for great gratitude to the Lord. The saints are commanded to keep the laws of God. How shall we do this? By first correcting our own faults and purging out every evil in us. Everyone should stand in his lot & calling. The Bishop is at the head of the Ward, but he cannot do the duty of each member of the ward. There is not room enough in this House for all the members of the Ward. The children are not here. Therefore you need a larger House. Referred to the proper education of our children and showed how the condemnation would rest upon the parents for their neglect.

Exhorted the Saints to secure the confidence of each other. Referred to the building, of the Temple and counseled those who feel they have not done their duty, to come forward and cast in their aid & support. The Saints should not encourage the spirit of preferring one nationality to another but remember that we are all citizens of the Kingdom of God. May God aid us in Keeping His commandments. God bless you all. Amen.

Prest. W. B. Preston Spoke:

[Entries return with Card's handwriting.]

We have been gathered together in an important age of the world & engaged in the work of the Lord. We donot read the Scriptures enough. We have just commenced. We should Set our Selves in order our quorums, Wards & stakes. We are here to day to Ask you to Set your quorums in order.

We should put ourselves in a position to do our duty, exercise faith in God, more than we have done.

We had better be persecuted for our righteous acts than for our evil ones. The Lord can move upon the hearts of the people of the world. Set our houses in order & Keep Gods Commands. You need a larger meeting house here, better enlarge your meeting house or Build you a new one. Pay your debts & retain confidence, one in the other. Pay your tithes & offerings that through obedience to these Laws may be blessed.

Aid all you can to build the temple & do it as a free will offering all should do all they can that all may have a Share. Do what you can to Spread the Gospel that when we lay down these bodies will be in the line of our duties.

There is always a duty to perform to day & by doing this we are prepared for the morrow that we may have the approval of the Lord. We can not do much if the Lord does not help us. We should be one in Temporal as well as Spiritual things. Listen to the voice of the true shepherd. The Bp has but one counselor he should get another. Fill up all the quorums. Priests should visit the Sts & preach the Gospel to them. The Bp. Should call the brethren together and & take into consideration or enlarging this & should not wait long for you need it now. You can do this & build the temple too. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts. Amen.

Elder L. R Martineaux arose & said he had met with many audiences of the Sts & always a good spirit with them. We should Search for proof to sustain our position before the world for they are searching for means to tear down the work of God.

<sup>27</sup> Evan Owen came to Wellsville in 1856 with the original settlers and was the second counselor in the bishopric to William H. Maughan. He was responsible for creating the Wellsville Cemetery and, from 1890 to 1894, served a term as mayor of that community. John Stoddard came to Wellsville in 1860 and was placed in charge of the weekly dances held in the community and was also the assessor. He owned a carding mill, which operated out of the home of John Greer (see Hall, Christensen, and

Maughan 1985, 84, 90, 97, 131, 149).

<sup>28</sup> On November 29, 1886, in the First District Court in Ogden, John Stoddard was sentenced by Judge Henderson to six months' imprisonment and fined three hundred dollars for unlawful cohabitation. Seven months later he was released. Again in 1893 he was taken to court but was released because of insufficient evidence (see A. Jensen 1914, 141, 148, 201).

Spoke upon the principle of Sacrifice. We will have to answer for our own Sins. We should Sacrifice our feelings to the work of God. Spoke of the Mutual Improvement Meetings. Are we using what we have to build up the Kingdom[?] We are not at Liberty to Sow our ways to the world. We should magnify our callings.

Prayed that the Lord will bless us all. Perhaps you are confronted with Liquor Saloons but we as young men Should lift up your voices aganst it and all evils. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Bp. Maughan arose & endorsed the remarks of the brethren & apointed next Thursday evening to consider the propriety of enlarging our meeting house.

Called for teams to assist in hauling Lumber Shingles & Lath for the Logan Temple Mill for the Temple Blessed the Sts, Choir Sang Dismissed by Bp Wm H Maughan.

Thence we returned to Logan. I attended meeting in the 3rd ward and addressed the Sts on the principles of faith &c & the observance of the commands of God.

**Monday, November 20, 1882**—I attended to the usial Biz of the Temple & U.O.M. & B. Co.

**Tuesday, November 21, 1882**—Accompanied by Bro J. J. Johnson went to ogden to see about sale of flour & grain for the U.O. Store & also to make a few purchases after passing the day here we returned to Logan.<sup>29</sup>

**Wednesday, November 22, 1882**—After Passing the day in Business I went to the B.Y. College Boarding house & passed the eve in examining Books.

**Thursday, November 23, 1882**—Very busy again to day with Temple & U.O. & again Passed the eve at the B.Y. College Boarding house in connexion with the teachers decided on the change of Some books. Returned home tired & weary.

**Friday, November 24, 1882**—Attend to the Local Biz. until 4 P.M. when I accompanied Pres Preston & J. T. Caine to richmond. My wife S. J. B.

accompanied me as far as this place where we Stayed over night with the family of Thomas Petty who treated us very kindly.<sup>30</sup>

Passed an hour or two in the evening with Pres M. W. Merrill who was not been well in body for about 8 months & unable to accompan Pres Preston & myself in our Labors within that time. From this place my wife returns on Sat Eve. & we continue to Oxford.

**Saturday, November 25, 1882**—This morning we drove to Pres. M's New Mill on Cub River & had a look at it. Thence to Preston viay of Lewiston We dined with Joseph Younger Thence to Clifton where we arrived about 4 P.M. After Supper I accompanied M. Monroe home & Stayed over night with Him & his family who treated me very Kindly.

#### Clifton

**Sunday, November 26, 1882**—At 10 A.M. we met with the Sts of this ward. Singing prayer By Elder Edwin Hooker Singing.<sup>31</sup> Elder C O Card addressed the Sts upon the principles of Intelligence Storing their minds with useful information Teach their families to observe the Lawes of God. Use your long evenings in gleaning knowledge Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts her Amen.

Pres. Preston arose and said he did not know of a better Place than Idaho for the Sts. He had been visiting this place for about 17 yrs or since the Start of Clifton.

You have suffered in consequence of bad administration of the Governmental affairs of Oneida Co. Thought in future it would be better.

Spoke of the Labor of the Sts. You think you are short of water here, but you have more than you use. You can reservoir. You would add to your wealth & comfort by doing this. You should use your Spare time in hauling rock for a meeting house.

You should unite your efforts & rebuild your saw Mill that you may have Lumber to build with.

The man or men that burned it will go down to hell except they Speedily repent. Burn lime white wash your houses & fences build you good comfortable houses that you may have more comfortable places to rear your families in. Make our surroundings more pleasant.

<sup>29</sup> John J. Johnson was released because of insufficient evidence at the same hearing involving John Stoddard (see A. Jenson 1914, 201).

<sup>30</sup> Thomas Petty came to Richmond in 1861 and helped

construct the fort that protected the city (see A. Bair 1976, 5).

<sup>31</sup> Edwin Hooker, at the time of Card's visit, served as first assistant superintendent in the Clifton Sunday School (see Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 237).

It requires a little energy to have things put in good Shape. To have a good meeting you first need a good clean house & well seated. Then the Sts come promptly at the time & then you are sure to have it if you come prayerful. If the Bp. were to call the Brethren together in a priesthood meeting and council together over all these things. It wont do to Stop if all do not come to their promises we should not be discouraged. The question is to keep up with the spirit of the times. We need to teach the first principles of the Gospel. Observe the counsel of Bro Card you will be able to lay them before the young.

The seventies here should preach the Gospel to the people here. Teach them in your S. S & Mutuals & other places. Should not break our covenants but honor our Priesthood & keep the Lawes of God.

We do not preach in our name but in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ teach the Gospel.

We have a wonderful work to perform & you have a great work to perform here. Rear your children in intelligence & see that they have an opportunity for an education. We continually want to improve.

We should set good examples to imitate. We should make our papers & read them. The young should try to become correspondents. If you dont succeed try again.

Pleased to see you are setting out more trees continue to do so May the Lord bless you & prosper you is my prayer Amen.

Elder John T. Caine Jr. Said we should have an object in view & then work to it then we will succeed. Spoke to the young men although farming is hard work I would prefer it to Clerking in a store the field is so small I would prefer the farm. Washington said that agriculture is a science & the most able. To be a successful farmer we will study the properties of the soil. Study all the Brochures you follow. You can read & take the advantage of the experience of others. Told the Girls to see that the young men of evil habits cease them before marriage prayed the Lord to bless you in the name of Jesus Amen. Choir sang Benediction by Bp H. Dixon.

At the close of this meeting we drove to Oxford.

[Left marginal rotated 90 degrees: Oxford]

Met with the Sts of this place [Oxford] at 1 PM. Singing Prayer by Elder Johnson Boyce Singing. Sacrament. Bp. Wm Fisher & his counselor were present and a good attendance of the Sts. Elder J. T. Caine Jr. arose was pleased to note the prosperity of

the people It is not a matter of Envy that one possesses more than another Only obtain these things under the guidance of the Lord. Remember to do unto others as we wish them to do unto us. Infants from their childhood should be taught to be strictly honest. We should not be fraudulent in our deal or workman ship. Spoke of the great evil of defaming the character of each other or Back Biting. We should try to guide our thoughts in a pure channel.

Spoke of the great evil of profaning the name of the diety. We make ourselves appear small when we partake of a revengeful spirit. It does us great injury.

Children should be trained while it is on its mother's lap. We advocated the principles of Education; Spoke of it as the best investment we could make for them.

Elder C O Card Spoke of the great necessity of faith & the observance of the Gospel. Spoke of the great Blessings conferred upons by being privileged to build Temples & assist in the great work of God.

Spoke of the great necessity of building a meeting house in oxford the Lords house may be the best house Blessed the Sts &.

Pres. Preston arose & was pleased to meet with the Sts not as a matter of form but advise you & stir you up to the things of the Lord. Read from Doc. cov. Page 242 also 291 These are very proffitable things for us to listen to. These Elders & Seventies should be helps in this ward. You should read the *Bible* &c. We should purify ourselves by emplanting in us the principles of the Gospel. We should give our time & attention to the things of God. All the knowledge we gain we will cary behind the veil. The things of this life will remain here & perish while knowledge will accompany us as also our wives and children. You should magnify the priesthood that has been given you. Stand up & declare the gospel to this people. Reminded the Sts. that it was their duty to to teach their children as commanded. Spoke of the promises of God unto his people as a reward for their well doing.

Would be pleased to See you for your own sakes to have you build a meeting house here in Oxford. To the name of the Lord Should have more seats here Gave much good advice.

It is the duty of the teachers & priests preach teach & expound the principles of the Gospel. See that they Sts attend the meeting. You should not expect that a Bp & his counselors to do it all but each do their duty. You should not be discouraged with small difficulties.

Their will always be a warfare in this life May the Bless & help you do all your hearts desire in righteousness is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen. Pres. Preston encouraged the Sts to help build up the *Utah Journal*.<sup>32</sup> We all should help make it. We are trying to train some Editors The Mormons expect to run this country on the principles of righteousness. We teach our people to be good honest upright men. We have rights & expect to enjoy them. We will ask to give us more room that we may dwell and we will not rob any one Amen.

Congregation sang Benediction by Elder Wm H. Homer.

We remained at the teachers meeting. Pres Preston gave the Priesthood Some of his experience as a Bp. & teacher also gave them much good instruction. C. O. Card said one of the greatest sins among the priesthood is, we do not take time to fill their positions & magnify our callings. We stayed all night here with the Bp & his Counselors.

**Oxford, Monday, November 27, 1882**—About 9 A M we bade our hosts adieu & drove to Peter Priests where we met with the Sts of this place (River Dale) at 1 P.M. Singing by the cong. Prayer by Peter Priest. Singing.

#### **River Dale** [Riverdale]

Pres Preston arose & said we have come here to inquire whether you wish an organization of a ward and See if it will not serve you best In organizing a ward it is for the general good of the whole I do not like the name of River Dale for this place for their is one in weber county. I would like to hear what the brethren have to Say about a Ward who live here Peter Priest Said he was willing to do as Pres Preston deems proper.

Walter Packer said the Sts here did not attend meeting very well in Preston Ward<sup>33</sup> Would like to have a ward here. Charles Lyons. Pres Preston called a vote to see how many want a ward organization. Vote unanimous. Pres Preston said a Bp should be a circumspect upright man one who will lead out in temporal & Spiritual matters Asked the Sts to

suggest a name. No name to suggest. It is the right of the President to suggest a name for a Bp. but I confess I am at a loss to know unless you suggest. You can make a prosperous place Waited for Some to suggest a name. Asked the Sts if the name would suit them of Bro. Peter Preece Officers are called to act in certain positions and should honor their callings. We occupy the positions to day We know not who will occupy them on the morrow. Peter Preece was nominated as Bp. of River Dale Ward Vote unanimous except 2 or 3 who did not vote on act. [account] of some personal views & feelings. Pres Preston took up a Labor with those that did not vote. On calling the vote again all voted. Bro Preece chose Walter M. Packer as 1st & Wm J. Pratt as 2 counselor.<sup>34</sup> Both were sustained by a unanimous vote.

Armenius Neeley as Clk of Ward. Pres Preston Stated that the futher organization of the ward would devolve upon the teachers call Priests to preside over distant neighbor hoods You should organize Relief Societies Improvement associations which are helps to the ward. We should study the organization of the Priesthood Bro. Card & Caine are here & will talk to you. Spoke in the interest of the *Utah Journal* Look properly after the roads & water ditches Bridges &c Announce the Stake Priesthood meeting. Expect a representative from this ward.

Elder John T. Caine Jr. felt much interest in the meeting. How agreable it is to work in harmony.

We Should unite in all our Labors. No Matter what position we occupy our place will be filled when we die. Nothing will retard the progress of good men or the work of God. We Should Labor for the benefit of our health When you build build on dry ground. Put good foundations under a house. Supply abundance of light. Should have our houses well ventillated Spoke at some length upon the propriety of studying the subject & health.

Should not place our wells are not below our Coralls Health will bring you wealth Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts.

[Handwriting changes as Card participates in ordinations.]

<sup>32</sup> On August 1, 1882, a company made up of businessmen and religious leaders in Cache Valley who all possessed the same political outlook (they were members of the Democratic Party) began publishing a newspaper they called the *Utah Journal*. Stockholders in the company included John T. Caine Jr. and William B. Preston. The paper was published twice a week (see Ricks and Cooley 1956, 295–96).

<sup>33</sup> In 1883 Walter M. Packer served as the first assistant

superintendent of the Riverdale Sunday School. In 1882 the Sunday School had nine officers and teachers and forty-seven students (see Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 245).

<sup>34</sup> At the time of his death on June 16, 1909, William Jared Pratt was called a pioneer of both Utah and Idaho. Pratt had first settled in the Clifton area of Cache Valley and was that region's first presiding elder (see A. Jensen 1914, 29 [supplement]; Ricks and Cooley 1956, 63–64).

Peter Preece, an elder, was ordained a High Priest & Bishop by Prest. W. B. Preston.

Walter M. Packer, an elder, was ordained a High Priest, and first counselor to Bishop Preece by Prest. C. O. Card.

Wm. J. Pratt—a High Priest—was ordained as second counselor to Bishop Preece by Prest. W. B. Preston.

Prest. C. O. Card said it should be the duty of clerk to take note of ordination and records and names of people's and families. Officers called to act Bishop, and counselors must begin to make their records. Counselors should look after Bp occasionally, will labor in spirit of unity. Greatest evils find that people do not magnify their callings. If Bro. Preece & counselors do not do duty, others must be chosen. Must be united in organizing all affairs whether brethren and sisters.

Inspiration of Heaven has caused this organization. Young people enough to form good organizations. Honor any position to which you are called, and you will receive the rewards.

If we fill positions Lord has called us to, none will be without the gospel as it will be brought to us by those who administer spiritual food. Lord requires that we turn unto him to set families, wards &c in order, and return unto Him. There must be head to everything. We do not honor men but their position, and must do so no matter what the degree, when putting up houses.

Kingdom of God never let out on shares; the Lord has given us intellects, and we must do all we can. Must take people as we find them, judging by the Gospel. If counsel given and cannot understand it and find fault, would be well to wait and not find fault. If bishop should not do right it is duty of Prest of Stake to set him right &c. Must be careful about speech and acts and work together. To get children to go to Sunday school, should attend with them and then get them to go to meeting you. May Lord bless you and your interests.

[Entries return with Card's handwriting.]

The Bp & his counsellors expressed their desires to do right & magnify their offices & callings whereunto they have been called. The Brethren the Bp & counsellors were requested to Bring to the priesthood meeting the proposed Boundaries of this Ward to the Priesthood meeting next Saturday. Elder Caine Spoke of the principle of Punctuality in paying our debts.

Singing by the congregation. Dismissed by Bp. N. Porter.

Thence we drove to Franklin & put up with Bro L. R. Parkinson after supper I Went and stayed over night with Bp L. L. Hatch.

**Cove Ville** [Coveville or Cove]<sup>35</sup>

**Tuesday, November 28, 1882**—At 10 A.M. we bad[e] our friends in Franklin adieu and drove to this Place (Cove ville).

At 12 M. we met with the Sts of this place Meeting called to order by Pres Preston Choir Sang Prayer by Bp. L. L. Hatch. Singing. There were present on the stand The Presidency of Cache Valley Stake Bp L. L. Hatch & Elder J. T. Caine Jr. Having met here to take into Consideration the importance of organization of this place into a ward with a Bp & Counsellors.

Pres Preston Said your president over this district having removed & you being so far removed from the Richmond you are apt to be neglected. In making a ward it will be best to conform to the School district lines. Asked the Sts to express themselves on the Subject before us.

Bro Mark Preece said it made but little difference to him whether it is a ward or district.<sup>36</sup> About 25 or 30 families, Bro Thos Kingsford felt attached to this place but Franklin is the most convenient to pay in his tithing. But would be in favor of a ward organization. Bro. M. Barns Said the Sts on High Creek felt like Sustaining Cove ville. Pres. Preston Called a vote to ascertain whether they desired a ward organization all voted but one or two for a ward organization. Asked the Sts who they would have for Bp. You want to unite on Some one who

<sup>35</sup> Coveville, or Cove, was first settled as early as 1875. The log home of Andrew Lee Allen Jr. was used as a school until a school building was constructed, which was then also used as a church. The schoolhouse opened in 1876. At first the residents of Coveville attended church in Franklin but were happy when a ward was created for them. John C. Larsen was the first bishop (see K. Godfrey n.d.a, 54–55; Ricks and Cooley 1956, 83).

<sup>36</sup> Church records show that Mark Preece had been serving as the superintendent of the Sunday School since 1878, with assistants Robert Gregory and Levi Allen. Both Hannah Goaslind and Sophia Titensor had served as the Sunday School's secretary (see Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 124).

will make you a good Leader. He should be an exemplary man. We all want to assist him and do our duty in paying our tithes and offerings & keeping the commands of God.

Bro John C. Larson was nominated & sustained by a full vote of the Sts. here as Bp. Pres Merrill suggested the people here petition to Co. Court to change the South line of the district to be changed to take in those close on the south side of High Creek. Joseph Allen was Sustained as Clerk of the Ward. The Brethren & sisters voted Sustain Cove Ville as the name of the ward. Pres. Preston said all the families & Sts. within this district belong to this ward Bps J. C. Larson & Skidmore were appointed as a committee to Locate the Ward line between Richmond & this Ward & present it to the Priesthood meeting in Logan next Saturday. Advised the Brethren to not monopolize too Large tracts of Land but let the brethren have it at a moderate price that you may have more Setlers. Some want all that joins them that retards the progress of the ward. Divide up the Land & the water. The natural mind of man is grasping. You want to try to interest all and get them to work doing good some where in Relief Societies Mutuals, S.S. & primaries, teachers & quorums. May God bless you is my prayer Amen. Bro. Mark Preece was sustained as Sunday School Supt.

Pres Merrill said to day you start out on a new Basis and you can not get all thoroughly organized at once & in one meeting You should make it a practice to go to meeting for they are those that feel & enjoy themselves the best. Felt to discourage the Idea of private parties without the consent of the Bp. You have the man for Bp of your choice & we feel to sustain him also. You will have a good place here to rear L.D. Sts. The only Safety for the Sts is to walk in the counsels of the Svts. of God. We are not independent but dependant on one another & we should be one You should have a precinct here also. That you may vote at home.

Elder J. T. Caine Jr thought this a very pretty place and a fine view from this house. In viewing the beauties of nature we can live nearer to God who is the author. The School here should change your text books in your school for it is demanded by law & if you do not do this you can not draw your public money Spoke in the interest of the *Utah Journal* Prests. M Thatcher & Preston are at the head of this not to make money but meet the necessities of the people in giving them a paper prayed God to bless &

prosper you here & in the organization made here to day Amen.

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

Prest. C. O. Card said: The history of your ward will date from today. Do not know of better way of getting along than to live in peace. 1st thing needed is to have an effective teachers organization Have set apart Pres. Larson as bishop, and if he and counselors do not do as required must be removed. This true of deacons, priests, elders &c. Teachers must take time to visit people. A great deal required at their hands, because their office is to see that there is no evil or ill will or backbiting. We must respect them and the priesthood. If oppose the Bp. oppose the priest.

A good Relief Society can held in Sabbath School, in building S houses &c. Go to S. school with children and then invite them to go to meeting. Want good M.I.A., young ladies & gentlemen can qualify themselves for any position. Some may be called as deacons, and we must honor and respect the office. We want to draw near together and feel that this is our home, and must try to act our part in any position. Sustain the day school, and take children to school with teams. Must give children the com. advantages of the day, and where they have the sciences and the gospel they are trebly armed. Would be good idea to have public parties and see if cannot unite better. Pray blessings of Lord to rest upon you. Amen.

Prest. Preston said 1st thing needed after keeping meetings minutes is to get a book in which to record them. Bishop must furnish a ward record, in which all members shall be recorded. Go from house to house take down names, ages &c. &c. Great many wait to have records brought to them, and is bad way. Make a nice record, and will be good exercise of your clerks ability. All in school, and have got to make editors, bishops &c. All the time. There will be places and pos for young men to occupy just as fast as they qualify to hold them. Kingdom is growing, organized a ward yesterday and have branches on Portneuf & Snake River, must have bishops, legislators &c from all places. Educated men &c. Cannot educate boys & girls fast enough to free the offices. Do not know where to find young men to fill Apostles bishops, Prests. of Stakes &c. Have to try the people by putting them in office, and training. If Bro Larson will seek the spirit of the Lord he will

make a wise Bishop. Spt of Lord which gives men wisdom & understanding is older than all of them us. Boys and girls must be taught to grow up with spirit of the gospel.

John C. Larson—an elder—was ordained High Priest & Bishop by Prest. W. B. Preston, Mouth. The Bp. By virtue of his high Priesthood acts in a dual capacity as President & Bp.

Geo. Kingston was administered to by Prests. Preston, Merrill & Card anointed by Prest. Card Prest. Preston acting as mouth.

Christian Iverson was anointed by Bishop Hatch, and administered to by Prests. Preston, Merrill Card Prest. Merrill being mouth.

[Entries return with Card's handwriting.]

Pres Merrill was added to the committee on boundary.

Choir Sang Benediction By Elder J. T. Caine Jr.

After meeting we dined with Brother Cornish.<sup>37</sup> Thence to Logan where we arrived about 6:30 P.M.

**Wednesday, November 29, 1882**—I attended to Temple and U.O. Business during the which Kept me very busy.

**Thursday, November 30, 1882**—I drove to the Mill where I arrived about 2 P.M. About 3:30 news came in from the timber that Peter Thompson had his leg caught under a log & badly brused. I hitched my team onto my buggy and drove up the left hand fork & got him & brought him in & dressed his brused leg & ankle that was sprained. Stayed over night here.

**Friday, December 1, 1882**—This morning I send the young man home that was hurt by team and returned to Logan about noon & was busy all the balance of the day with my regular duties. Met with the U O M & B Co Board in the evening.

**Saturday, December 2, 1882**—I attended to Temple business until 11 A M when I went to the Stake Priesthood meeting which was quite interesting. I made an appeal in be half of the Logan Temple to the Brethren.

**Sunday, December 3, 1882**—This morning I rode to Providence and attended a mutual Improvement conference at 10 A.M. & 2 P.M. Thence to Logan and attended meeting in the 2nd Ward and addressed the Sts. Mostly on the subject of teaching the young in purity of body & spirit also of Early Mariage.

**Monday, December 4, 1882**—I attended to the business of The Temple & U.O . Co & Met with Pres Preston and a few Brethren with L. T.O. on Land Matters.

**Tuesday, December 5, 1882**—Attended to the general routine of Business to day My business being of Late so urgent I use a horse & go on horse back to the various points of Business. Did not retire until 12:30 Midnight. Attended a local Priesthood meeting of the Local Bps of Logan.

**Wednesday, December 6, 1882**—At 4:50 A M I took train for Ogden where I arrived at 9 A M Spent the day here in the Interest of the U.O.M. & B. Co. at 6:15 P.M. Took train & went to Salt Lake City Stayed all night with Sister Bathsheba Smith & lodged in the Same bed with Apostle F. D. Richards.

**Thursday, December 7, 1882**—Was engaged in business here all day in business here & stayed again with Str S. Busy from dawn of day until late in the eve.

**Friday, December 8, 1882**—At 7 A M I took train and went to Ogden & was busy here until 2 P.M. when I took the frt train and went home where I arrived at 9 P.M.

**Saturday, December 9, 1882**—Today I attended to business of Temple & U.O. Passed the evening with Pres Preston wrote letters to Elders Buckly of Franklin I.T. also to N. C. Edlefsen Sts George.

**Sunday, December 10, 1882**—This morning I accompanied Pres Preston & Bp Smith to Bro Jas Quayle's. Thence to the S.S. Union in the Base of the Logan Tab. nearly 1000 children Present.

2 P.M. I attended meeting in the Logan Tabernacle with the Sts of this place. Prayer by Elder S. Holt

<sup>37</sup> Myron Cornish lived in the Cove Ward and for several years was the secretary of the Sunday School (see Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 124).

Singing by the choir Sacrament after which we were addressed by Elder Fred Turner upon our duties in the Gospel especially towards our children. Elder E. Bell next addressed us upon the first love we had for the Gospl also our present duties and progression.

Joel Ricks Jr. Spoke of the many testimonys of the Gospel extant.<sup>38</sup> I Spoke a & took time in exhorted the Sts to turn unto the Lord Seek Him in prayer Bore my testimony.

At 6:30 P.M. went to the fifth ward after the opening ceremonies Elder Ralph Smith address the Sts. on the first principles of the Gospel (Word of wisdom &c).

Elder F. Turner arose and addressed the Sts briefly upon the blessings of being gathered out of the world. Also spoke upon the principle of faith. Spoke of the blessings of temples, also in paying tithes and offerings. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts. Singing.

I next addressed the Sts upon the first Principles of the Gospel the proper teaching of the Gospel to their children & honoring of the Priesthood bestowed upon them.

**Monday, December 11, 1882**—I was busily engaged in my temple and other duties until after 9 P.M.

**Tuesday, December 12, 1882**—I attended to business for the Temple, Brigham Young College and a little for the U.O.M. & B. Co.

The most striking Feature in to days History was that we finished taking down the outside Scaffold to the Logan Temple which gives the Sts the satisfaction that that portion is completed and the building presents a more imposing appearance.

**Wednesday, December 13, 1882**—I took train Shortly befor 5 A.M. for Salt Lake City. Went to Ogden Stayed there about an hour on business thence to Salt Lake. Borrowed 3 M Dollars for self & father at Zions Savings Bank also Insured the

Central flouring Mills for 10 M Dollars Called on pres Taylor who Stated that himself & brethren 10 or 12 in number would be in Logan on Friday night next. I took train at 3:40 P.M. & went home.

**Thursday, December 14, 1882**—I attended to Temple and other Business all day & attended a Party of the Mutual Improvement association of the 5 Ward of Logan.

**Friday, December 15, 1882**—Today I followed my usial routine of business and accompanied Pres. Preston to the Depot and met Pres. Taylor & Co Apostle B. Young rode home with me & stayed all night.

**Saturday, December 16, 1882**—This morning Apostle B. Y. & my self accompanied Pres Taylor & Pres Preston & others to the Temple. Thence to the Logan & Richmond at the Mouth of Logan Canyon. We also visited the court house.

At 4 P.M. I attended a meeting of the directors of the B Y College and decided to build a School room the Basement rock & super structure Brick.<sup>39</sup>

**Sunday, December 17, 1882**—At 10 A.M. we Met in the Basement of the Logan Tabernacle and were addressed Spiritedly by Apostles F. D. Richards L. Snow F. M. Lyman & B. Young.

2 P.M. We were addressed by Apostles George Teasdale and Wilford Woodruff.<sup>40</sup>

Pres Joseph F Smith next addressed the Sts There is no place that we can stand still. We must go forward or bacward either progression or retrogradation.

Spoke of the precious Gifts of God of Faith repentance Baptism & the Gift of the Holy Ghost also the Blessings of Ciling [Sealings], Temples & Eternal Lives.

Pres John Taylor Said we have had many precious truthes enunciated. God has commenced his work and most assuradly will accomplish it. There

<sup>38</sup> Joel Ricks Jr. was from one of the earliest pioneering families of the Cache Valley (see F. Peterson 1997, 16, 84).

<sup>39</sup> Arnold K. Garr, in his "History of the Brigham Young College," describes the meeting: "At a meeting of the board of trustees in December 1882, D. C. Young of Salt Lake City was assigned to prepare plans and estimates for the building. The finance committee was authorized to start raising funds, and construction was scheduled to begin the spring of 1883" (1973, 13).

<sup>40</sup> On Friday morning, October 13, 1882, while engaged in prayer in the Gardo House, President John Taylor received a

revelation in which he was told that George Teasdale and Heber J. Grant should be appointed to fill the vacancies in the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, that Seymour B. Young be appointed as one of the Seven Presidents of the Seventies, and that presidents of stakes should purify themselves and the priesthood and people of the stakes over which they presided, and organize the priesthood in their various stakes according to God's law. Latter-day Saints were asked to repent of all their sins and seek the Spirit (see James R. Clark 1965, 348–49).



are no people out side of Zion who will do the will of God. To day is the dispensation of the fulness of times. We are here to do the will of the Father who sent us & Build up the church of God. We should place ourselves under the guidance of God.

We have got a Kingdom to build up which will be the Kingdom of God. Explained the Saviors prayer or commented upon it as well as other precious principles. We must try to the will of God that it may be done on earth as well as in heaven. Let ourselves aright and magnify our callings. And be prepared to approach God. He that doeth righteousness is righteous. We have a great work to perfor for the living & the dead. He found a good Spirit among the Twelve and the Elders & people. All the foregoing Speakers Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts of God & His purposes in the name of Jesus Christ Amen. (107 Sec.)

At 6:30 P.M. The Priesthood meeting convened in the Basement of the Tabernacle after the usial opening exercises Elder Geo Reynolds read 107 Sec of the Doc. Cov. also from Sec 124 ibid.

Pres John Taylor arose & said much could be learned by reading from these rev. to so Large an audiences He discoursed upon the Priesthood & reiterated a saying of the Prophet Jos Smith on being asked how he controlled his people so well said he taught them correct principles and allowed them to controll themselves. The great difficulty is that others cannot controll or Govern is they have not the Priesthood and they need to repent of their Sins. For these blessings are ~~not~~ only for those that have embraced the Gospel and obey its mandates. Referred to Enoch & his people refered also to Moses & Noah. The principle of translation will be with us by & By. In speaking of Enoch said he had the 12 & Seventies &c. Referred to the Aaronic & Melchsedek Priesthood being confered upon Joseph Smith & Oliver Cowdry. Spoke of the organization of the church by Jesus.

Every man must act in his calling in the Priesthood and has the right to rev. sufficient to his calling. In speaking of the Stake Presidency sad they occupy a similar to the presidency in Kirtland.

J. S. & councilors with the difference that they only preside over one Stake only. Every man in his Calling has a right to the Spirit of God for his Guidance It is right for the Priest teachers & Decons to consult with the Bps & when they receive instructions abide by them and other officers the same Bps to Prests Prests to Apostles & Presidency of the

church. One should not pass by the others of their Superiors in the priesthoods Settle Local affairs in your stake.

We want men that are willing to do the will of God. We all Should want the ways of the Lord & not ours. Gave his experience while prisiding when quite young in having a trial with some Sts went before the Lord & asked for His spirit & when the met together & called upon the Lord Sang &c asked them to bring forth their grievances & they had none why because the Spirit of God was there.

The Difference between the Apostles or traveling High Council and the Stak High Councils the former is to all the world the Latter to one Stake only. Every Council ought to act together in unanimity. High priests ought to so magnify their callings we could find men among to preside. Said by & By we will Select from the Elders & fill the Seventies Quorums we then want them to be minute men who will go forth to the drop of the hat. The High Priests quorums are a Sort of Normal School to prepare them to preside. You quorums put yourselves and families right. God bless you all in the name of Jesus Amen.

Elder Reynolds then read a rev given through Pres John Taylor Oct 13, 1882.

**Monday, December 18, 1882**—I accompanied Pres Taylor & Apostle ~~Wilford Wood~~ F. D Richards Brigham Young & Pres Preston & Bp T. E. Ricks to the Logan Temple and passed an hour or two Thence to the Logan & Richmond Canal & returned about 2 P.M. Attended to U.O. & other Business the Bal of the day. Pres Taylor spoke very encouragingly of the Canal that it was a step in the right direction. He was also pleased with the progress of the Temple.

**Tuesday, December 19, 1882**—I took Apostles F. D. Richards who had stayed with me and Pres J. F. Smith & Apostle F. M. Lyman to the depot. Attended to the duties of the temple & U.O.M. & B. Co. During the day.

**Wednesday, December 20, 1882**—This morning I Started to the Temple Mill Dined at the wood camp by a camp fire arived at Mill at 4 P.M. To night I settled with all of the men hired here from Bear Lake.

**Thursday, December 21, 1882**—I gave the boys here the parting hand went to Logan where I arrived

at 12 M. and the Boys Broke camp & went to Meadowville about 3 O.C. P.M.

**Friday & Saturday, December 22 & 23, 1882**—I attended to the usual run of Temple & U.O. Business as well as Stake intervening making me exceedingly busy.

**Sunday, December 24, 1882**—I stoped at home and read in the fornoon attended meeting in the Tabernacle & By request of Pres Preston addressed the Sts. in the basement story of the Logan Tabernacle. Met with the 2nd Ward in the eve.

### Christmas

**Monday, December 25, 1882**—This being a holly day I took dinner with Bro. N. W. Birdno and family. Visited the family of Bp. G. L. Farell and administered to his wife & 3 Children who were sick with a fever.

**Tuesday, December 26, 1882**—Attended to Business today & went to a Mutual Party & Rees' hall at night.

**Wednesday & Thursday, December 27 & 28, 1882**—I attended to the usual run of business which Kept me going very Busy.

**Friday, December 29, 1882**—At 4:50 this morning I took train & went to ogden f on Biz. for the U.O.M. & B. Co Dined with Bro F. A. Brown & family took Supper with Bro F. J. Cannon & wife. Thence home at 11 P.M.

**Saturday, December 30, 1882**—Met in the Millers convention at 10 A M & attend to Stake & other Business during the ballance of the day.

**Sunday, December 31, 1882**—Went to Hyde Park to day my Cousin C. J. Curtis accompanied me there visited there S.S. at 10 A.M. addressed them. Meeting at one. I first Set apart the Counselors of Bp Daniel [Daines] Snel Lamb as first & John A. Wolf as 2nd Counselors<sup>41</sup> addressed them for one hour upon the duties of the former & General & Local callings of the members & Priesthood. Attended meeting in the 2nd Ward Spoke to the Sts here upon the Spirit of improvement for the yr./83.

<sup>41</sup> Hyde Park was made a ward on October 17, 1882, after being a branch for ten years. Suel Lamb served as second counselor to Bishop Robert Daines from March 27, 1874, until his call as first counselor on October 17, when the ward was formed (see

**Monday, January 1, 1883**—To day I wrote Some Letters at the Temple. Took Super with a little family gathering at my house with Sarah J. Ps & her & my folks.

Helped take Stock in the U.O. Store in the afternoon & eve for about 6 hours.

**Tuesday, January 2, 1883**—I attended to the usual Business of Temple & Company & attended a female Relief Party at the house of Bp Ballard in the eve.<sup>42</sup>

**Wednesday, January 3, 1883**—Attended to the usual routine of Temple & Company to day.

**Thursday, January 4, 1883**—I attended to the duties of Supt of Temple Accompanied Pres J. H. Hart to the Temple and went through most of the rooms and to the top of the roof and took a view of the Surrounding County. Went to the train at 11 P.M. & Saw Pres Hart and Elmiry Bird the wife of J. E. Hart to Bear Lake also Bp T. E. Ricks and Pres. Preston who were Starting for the Snake River Valley to Locate Places for Settlements and to introduce Bp. Ricks to the Sts already Located in this valley whom he had been recently called to preside over. The Small pox having Broken out or become Known to day Pres. Preston enjoined it upon me to see that Steps were taken to prevent its Spreading.

**Friday, January 5, 1883**—To day my time was partly taken up by looking after the Small Pox to prevent its Spreading also attended to Temple & U.O. Business as well as some Stake Biz.

**Saturday, January 6, 1883**—To day I spent in Looking after the plague's Suppression Although I attended Priesthood meeting of this Stake which was presided over by Pres M. W. Merrill who made his report of Ry Supervision during 80. 81 & part of 82 which was accepted and Pres M voted an honorable discharge.

**Sunday, January 7, 1883**—This morning after doing what I deemed necessary in regard to the Suppression of the Small Pox I went to Wellsville accompanied by Elders J. A. Leishman & J. W.

Kirby 1997, 107, 315).

<sup>42</sup> Bishop Ballard's wife Margaret served as president of the Second Ward Relief Society.

Thatcher & my daughter Sarah Jane (Jennie). Took dinner with Bp Maughan.

At 2 P.M. we joined the meeting of the Sts here choir Sang prayer by Elder George Barber Jr Sacrament.

Bp Maughan then arose & Said he had chosen to fill the vacancy of his first counselor (Caused by the death of Bro John Hendry) Elder Joseph W. Morgan (Howell) He recd an unanimous vote. I then Set him apart for the office of first Councillor assisted by Bp Maughan his 2nd Coun Evan Owens & High Counselor J A. Leishman. Elder J. A. L. then addressed the Sts upon the Apostasy of the Church after the death of the Savior & his Apostles.

Spoke of the necessity of enjoying the Spirit of the Gospel & merriting it by our good acts remembering our cov &c. It is hard to be a St without the holy Ghost It cannot be done. We cant trust to others Labors but depend upon our own.

The Spirit of the Lord humbled us the we are void of the Spirit of enmity. We Should properly prize of the Gospel. Referred to the Bright Prospects of the Sts in the work of the Lord. Bore testimony to the work of God & that Officers of the Church were men of God Presidencies & Apostles. Amen.

Elder J. Thatcher arose and Said he desired the faith of the Sts. Spoke of the divine missions of the Savior. Peter & the Apostles God has again Spoken from the Heavens. We should be greater for these privileges. Spoke of his recent mission to the Southern States. Gave some good advice to the young men. Conjured them to leave off their good little vices We should observe the word of wisdom. Let us be prayerful and faithful & strive after the Spirit of God. Quoted Liberally of the Scriptures.

Spoke of the necessity of enjoying a testimony of the Gospel. Spoke of the necessity of Studying the scriptures. We Should improve ourselves and our tallents.

Prayed God that we may be faithful & that he will bless you in the name of Jesus Amen.

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

Counselor Card next addressed the Sts. and remarked that he had been pleased at the remarks of the brethren. Gave as an apology for not intimating to Bp Maughan of his intention of coming here to

day that his mind was much occupied in looking after precautions to the spread of small pox which has developed in Logan, that it had escaped his mind yesterday. He spoke of the action taken here to day with respect to the selection and ordination of Bro Stowell as first Councillor to Bp Maughan. He gave much good instructions touching the duties of Bps. Councillors, setting forth that Counsellors were not Bps. but called to aid and assist the Bp to give him the benefit of their judgements and hearts cooperation in all matters introduced by him for the benefit of the Sts. He spoke of the propriety of trimming up and setting in order all the quorums of the ward referred to the recent Revelation given to the church and spoke of the duties enjoined upon the Sts. therein. Alluded to the duty imposed upon them to put away every evil from their families he treated upon the matter of the introduction of the small pox in Logan showing how detrimental it is for our young men to leave their homes to work and as the young man who brot the small pox to Logan being among the Sts. many injuries to the well being of the Sts. He spoke of the the benefit to be derived from industrial institutions being established among us by which our young men may be employed at home, gave much good instructions to the saints exhorting them to faithfulness to the end and invoked the blessing of the Lord upon the sts.

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We returned to Logan about 5:30. No meetings here to day on the act of Small Pox there being 5 cases in town one of them (Peter Eliason<sup>43</sup>) being in meeting one week ago to day & it was thought the whole audience was exposed.

[End daily entries.]

[Back fly leaf.]

Logan, September 11, 1882  
 Allowed on Settlement  
 with Bear Lak T.O.  
 (Bro Geo. Osmond to H. S. Woolley)  
 for 1879 — Wheat \$304.54  
 Oats 315.53  
 s/ C. O. Card

S.L. City, Oct 7, 1882  
 handed Bp Wm H Lee of

<sup>43</sup> Peter Eliason recovered from smallpox and in 1898 was a policeman in the Logan Third Ward (see Somers 1993, 119).

Rich Co \$200.00 Ter Scrip.  
Nos 6653 & 6654

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Bear Lake Stake  
Total population 4174

[Inside back cover.]

Nov. 17 -82

Note to H. C. Pearson 334.00

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Note of Self & father on  
Zions Savings Bank 3 M at 10%  
for one yr. from this date Dec. 13/82

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Logan, Dec. 28 -82—2 weeks from  
next Sunday go to oxford & take  
Robt Lewis along

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[End Journal 15.]

[Editor's note: Journal 16 covers July 3, 1882, through August 19, 1882. It is  $4\frac{1}{8}$  by  $6\frac{7}{8}$  inches with a dark purple cover, and is written in purple pencil. This volume fits into front part of journal 15, in fact, the first entry, July 3, is almost a verbatim copy of the July 3 entry in journal 15.]

[Inside front cover.]

C O Card's Memoranda. comenced July 3, 82

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Population of Bear Lake  
State of Zion—4158  
Families 713

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[Fly leaf.]

Relief conference

Sep 1—10 A M

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S.S. Jubilee 19 Aug. 10 AM

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Oct 1—10 & 3 O.C.

Mutual Improvement  
Conference

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**Monday, July 3, 1882**—I attended to the Local business of the Temple as well as visiting my farm.

**Tuesday, July 4, 1882**—Spent the fore noon of this great national holiday Irrigating on my new Bench farm from our new canal Logan & Smithfield having the first piece wheat the water reached from this new ditch I had the privilege of using it first.

During the after noon I attended the races.

**Wednesday, July 5, 1882**—I attended to the Local temple & other Biz.

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**Thursday, July 6, 1882**—About 5 A M I Started for the Temple Mill accompanied by O. D. Beach. We arrived at Spawn creek (about 3 miles this Side of the mill) and fished until 8 P.M. When I went to the mill helped fit up some sawes and looked after the necessary business & remained over night.

**Friday, July 7, 1882**—Starting about 5 A M drove to the divide between Garden City & Beaver the Branch of the Logan where my father & A. Crocket were engaged with hands opening a road over this divide making dugways up the steep hills I remained with them during the day & over night.

**Saturday, July 8, 1882**—My father accompanied me home to day where we arrived about 3 P.M.

I busied myself until Late in the evening with Temple & other Business. Thus ended another busy week of my earthly career.

[Thirteen blank lines and a blank page. Different handwriting begins here. See July 9 entry in journal 15—it is a copy of this entire entry. The order of the original diaries is retained.]

**Sunday Morning, July 9, 1882**—Pres Preston & Counselor Card accompanied by Bp H Ballard and G O Pitkin proceeded to Paradise and attending Sabbath school after witnessing the excercises Bp Ballard mad some appropriate and encouraging remarks after which Pres Preston arose and expressed his pleasure in being here but we were all a little late but we should try to do better in the future by being prompt in our attendance.

We should feel grateful to the Lord for our pleasant homes. Referred to the destitution abroad in contrast with us and our surroundings. Spoke of the great blessings of the Atonement of our Lord and Savior J. C. Gave much good Instruction spoke of the bad habit of loafing away our time when we should be in S.S. learning good principles and studeing good habits we should learn to obey our parents we should try to grow better every day approved of all taking part in the Singing.

He then asked God to bless schollars and teachers of the School that you all may be wise unto Salvation. Amen.

2 P.M. Choir sang Prayer by Elder S. McMurdy Singing and Sacrament was administered by Elders Charles J Call and Samuel Oldham.<sup>44</sup>

Bp Geo O Pitkin felt thankful for the privilege to meet with the Sts of Paradise. Had been thinking of the condition of this people gathered away from Sin and corruption. But some of it is following us and some of our people think a great deal about dress etc. Spoke of the great evils attending those that go abroad to R R & c for a livelihood or to make money. Referred to the building of churches of or by other denominations in our midst. Referred to some Sts that had not gathered home. That had been members for many and some 40 Years, but they have not got farther than baptisemes we need be charatable but not so much so that we will cover up Sins. Spoke of the calls on the Saints for the Logan Temple school houses & C. But if we were united in these things they would not be Burthens. We should not intrude one upon the other but each one but each one take their portion spoke of the necessity of completing the Logan Temple felt to be one with the brethren and the prosperity of Gods Kingdom.

The people are growing rich & these riches stand in the way of their progress was in hopes the Saints will be prepared to meet the Savior. Asked God to bless the saints who reside here in the name of Jesus Amen.

Counselor C O Card Said that President Youngs instruction was that the children of the Saints should attend Meeting. After going to Sabath school exhorted the saints to attend Meeting regularly seeking for the spirit of the Lord, we want to do right seek the riches of the Kingdom of God we should exercise faith that we can have power to lay hands on the sick and they be healed we should be one and receive the reward of the righteous visit the widow and fatherless help aid and comfort those who mourne. We should labor diligently to complete the Logan Temple. The Judgements are being poured out on the people in the States the Sea heaving beyond its bounds showing that God is fullfilling phrofisly.

This is a gathering dispensation. Gather we the Elders of Israel that they may be organised according to the Laws of the Lord that we may protect ourselves against our enemies so said the prophet Joseph. That we may serve the Lord to build up his

Kingdom. Our Children should become greater men and Women than their parents. This people are being tried with riches as Bro Heber Kimball told us during his life those who hold out to the end are those who will gain the price I have been very pleased with my Labors on the Temple we are building it for Ourselves and will receive blessings for ourselves.

Bp H Ballard arose and said it behoves us to be faithful in all things. Our main objects should be to be right & then go ahead rejoiced in the blessings unto the name of the Lord. Spoke of the building of the Temple we have been prospered much since we commenced upon the Temple trusted we may do our duties faithfully God bless us that we may be able to obtain eternal lives Amen.

Pres Preston arose & said it was very pleasing to him to think of the Saints occupying this Mountain. Thought our history in the future would be a great one. We have a singular history. The first that introduced the L D Saints to me was that they were continually Malignd by the World. We have grown & become quite an extensive people. The growth of this people is becomming allarming to this Nation. Referred to the spirit that attended the Jewes when they crucified the Savior the same spirit is extent today. We should repent of our Sins & keep the commandments of God The world is striving to opperate against us and Bye & Bye the Gospel will be taken from the gentiles & given to the Jewes but not withstanding the opposition we meet from the world we continue to grow & increase.

Notwithstanding Grass hopper Wars & Indian wars & we have received no aid from government we are increasing through the blessings & protection of the Lord. The prophecy of Daniel is being fullfilled Though we petition for good to our nation we are given evil and not withstanding what men or nations can do. This work can not be stopped, might as well try to stop the Mississippi with rushes Spoke. Spoke of the rapid increase of the Saints in filling up these Vallees. Spoke of the evils that are indulged in by the wicked in destroying their offspring. While we are studying to increase it becomes us to keep the covenants we have made at the waters of baptism & in the holy Priesthood spoke of the magnitude & greatness of the Priesthood. We should regard these blessings very Sacredly we should remember all our

<sup>44</sup> Samuel McMurdy was the first high councilor chosen when the Cache Valley high council was organized in 1860. The McMurdy family were among the first settlers in the valley,

arriving in Wellsville in May 1859. Samuel Oldham was called in 1883 as the superintendent of the Paradise Ward Sunday School (see Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 136).

duties, towards the sick—the poor—& towards the Temple. When we were baptised our names were cast out for evil & now our nation is beginning to legislate against us They have said we shall not keep the commandments of God. I do not think they will stop until they are destroyed I think there is trouble ahead of the Saints but the Lord will soften the hearts of our enemies from time to time that his work may go on may the Lord bless us and assist us to obtain a crown, and there is no cheap ones. If we earn one we will do as those of old have done. May we be able to obtain this crown in my Prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

Choir sang. Benediction by Elder John P Wright.

[Entries return with Card's handwriting.]

We returned home this evening about 7 P.M.

**Monday, July 10, 1882**—I first attended to the necessary temple Business then went to my farm and arranged with the men to work on & widen our ditch on the bench this I did before 1 P.M. In the afternoon I was busied about the temple.

**Tuesday, July 11, 1882**—After choring about the temple 2 or 3 hours I joined my hands on the ditch & worked until 8 P.M. when I returned home tired and weary.

**Wednesday, July 12, 1882**—I passed most of the day at the temple made one visit to my farm & Showed them a little about the ditch & watering Went to a Board meeting of the U. O. Mfg & B Co which lasted until about 11:30 P.M.

**Thursday, July 13, 1882**—I passed in temple & Business for the road on the Bear Lake divide & Borrowed 700 dollars at 1½ pr month for 3 months of G. W. Thatcher for the use of said road.

At 2 P.M. accompanied by Bro. C. W. Nibley & son C. O. Jr. & my wife Sallie who went to the Peterson mill while we went to the temple mill & Stayed all night I attended to the necessary business for the mill after dark that I might start early the next morning.

**Friday, July 14, 1882**—We left the Mill at 5 A.M. drove to Maughan Mill where I took Breakfast with the floaters thence to the mouth of Beaver where Bro Nibley & my son left Me for the Saw Mill & I

wended my way to the road camp which I found about ½ way from the summit to Garden City.

I paid Bro A. Crocket the \$700.00 Cash for the men took his receipt & returned to Beaver fed & thence to Petersons Mill where I arrived about 4 P.M. Fished about 2 hours in the evening & remained over night here & was treated very kindly by Walter Cole & W. W. Birdno Jr. & family.

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**Saturday, July 15, 1882**—About 9:30 I started for home where I arrived or at the temple about 3:30 P.M. Stayed there about an hour & attended to the necessary business & called & spent an hour with Pres. Preston & a little time with Apostle M Thatcher on my way home. At the end of this very busy week I feel grateful for my health & Strength that has carried me through the busy Labors of another week.

**Sunday, July 16, 1882**—I passed the fore noon reading & writing my journal. The weather is clear but quite warm.

At 2 P.M. I attended meeting in the Tabernacle & we were addressed by our returning missionaries Elders O. C. Ormsby & Wm H Apperley who gave an act of their travels and bore a strong testimony to the truth of the Gospel. Elder Ormsby made a strong appeal to the Sts to gather out their poor Brethren & sisters. At the close of the meeting Apostle Moses Thatcher said brethren of means had offered to gather all the poor Sts but Pres Taylor declined the offer upon the grounds it would be putting too much new clay in the mill at once. Met again in the Base of the Tabernacle at 8 A.M. where the articles of Agreement of the proposed Zions Central trade Association was read explained and the Brethren kindly invited to take Stock in said association that we may do our own Biz. & not our enemies.

Pres Preston Denounced the course of men dealing in Liquors surreptitiously against the Lawes of our City said we should not employ nor countenance those that patronized them. Which Pres. H. J. Grant & myself coincided with.

**Monday, July 17, 1882**—During the forenoon I attended to temple Business and in the after part of the day I attended to my Irrigating on my new Bench farm.

**Tuesday, July 18, 1882**—I attended to Local temple & Stake Business until Sat night the 22nd Inst although I went up the Kanyon fishing accompanied by my Cousin Cyrus J. Curtis & we stayed over night at the forks & slept in my buggy & returned home with about 30 Small trout.

**Sunday, July 23, 1882**—Accompanied by Bp Wm Hyde went to Hyrum where I met with the Bp his counselors & a few elders read & explained the articles of Association (Agreement) of the Zion's Central trade association and urged the Brethren to take stock in the company & use their influence among the Sts to Strengthen the Same also told them to keep their political precinct Board in order & collect & forward a small amt of funds & forward to J. T. Caine Jr. Logan who is Secy of the Central Board. After which we went to the S. S. & addressed them very Briefly.

At 2 P.M. we met with the Sts of Wellsville had the Agreement read and addressed the Sts upon this and the necessity of an organization of their Political Board & the collecting of funds for political purposes at the close of the General meeting I explained these matters more fully to the Brethren. Bp Hyde addressed the Sts briefly.

We returned to Logan about 6:30 P.M.

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

**Monday, July 24, 1882**—This being the 35 anniversary of the entering of the Pioneers into Salt Lake Valley we laid aside our Labors to pass the day in enjoyment which we did with our friends & relatives. I attended a party in the evening in the carpenters shop in the evening with my wife S. J. B.

**Tuesday, July 25, 1882**—During the day I attended to temple business quite closely returning my hands to Mill quarry & Kiln.

**Wednesday, July 26, 1882**—Attended to temple Business during the forenoon & a fire on the Brigham Young College Farm during the after noon Discovering the fire from the City thought it was the Large Barns at the Dairy Place but on arriving at the farm with 2 hands & some Buckets I procured from the streets found it to be A hay barn & about 40 tons hay belonging to Pres Preston & 50 or 60 tons Belonging to Bro Samuel Holt. Loss will aggregate \$100000 Dollars.

**Thursday, July 27, 1882**—Attended to temple business again to day having hands employed laying rock Pointing painting & Plastering besides carpenters Lumber & Lime hands & well as a few quarrymen.

**Friday & Saturday, July 28 & 29, 1882**—During the past 2 days I have been Locally engaged with the business of the Logan Temple. Friday we completed the 2nd coat of Plastering in the upper & largest room of the Temple which leaves it ready for the Plaster Paris finish. Sat we moved the engine from the north west corner to the South East corner where it will remain until all the masons work is finished. We have all the mason work completed on the west end but a few of the terrets that are fast nearing completion.

#### Hyde Park\*

[Left marginal note rotated 90 degrees: \*Elder Martineaux opened by prayer]

**Sunday, July 30, 1882**—Pres Preston & Elders Eli Bell, L. R. Martineaux & C. O. Card drove to Hyde Park. Met with their most excellent Sabbath School at 10 A.M. Judging from their well executed exercise they were well trained in Singing as well as other reading and recitations of questions Exercises. All seemed to know their places as at the gingle or Sound of the bell each one resumed their Labors. Their exercises consist of reading from *Bible*, Book Mormon, Book of Covenants, Faith Promoting Series, *Juvenile Instructor* and questions on general Subjects.

I next visited the Theological class held in the Vestry and taught by Elder L. M. Molen Elder L. R. Martineaux upon the principles of Faith Repentance & Baptism also the Laying of hands for the Gift of the Holy Ghost. The class Seemed well posted on the foregoing Subjects.

After the general exercises of the school, Elder L. R. Martineaux addressed the school. The S.S. is the best place he knew of to improve us. He found his Sunday School lessons were very valuable to him while abroad preaching the Gospel. Gave his experience in teaching a class in the Logan 1st 4th Ward S.S. Encouraged the children to be diligent while in the Sunday School. We should put ourselves on our guard and have ourselves posted in the principles of the Gospel.

Elder Eli Bell arose & said he was much pleased with the Hyde Park S.S. We have but just commenced the work of preparing ourselves to live and teach our religion. We should be energetic in our duties. He Invoked the blessings of God upon the School.

Pres. Preston arose and quoted to the school the commandment "Honor thy father & mother that your days may be long upon the earth." Made appropriate remarks upon the Same. Thought it a blessing to the children to be situate remote from the evils of the world that follow the Rys Asked the Lord to bless the teachers & pupils & parents of the children that they may be Guided in the ways of the Lord.

Benediction by Elder C. O. Card.

### Hyde Park

2 P.M. Choir Sang. Prayer by Elder Eli Bell Singing and Sacrament.

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

Prest. C. O. Card spoke: I am very pleased to meet with the Saints of Hyde Park & trust that I may have your faith & prayers in speaking to you. How careful we should be to observe the commandments of the Lord & observe our Covenants with Him. All of God's Commandments are binding upon us. We ought to be careful in even the smallest things of the Kingdom. In administering the Sacrament, the ceremony as recorded in the Doc & Cov. should be followed litterly. We cannot neglect these little things & be justified. The systems of men include some correct doctrines, but they do not possess all the plan of Salvation. We are a blessed people in these valleys. Peace & plenty are on every side.

He referred to his visit to the Sunday School this morning & thought the subjects of the first principles of the Gospel which were discussed there should be loudly preached in all the meetings of the Saints. Counseled the Saints to use Charity with each other & follow the Godlike example of our Savior Jesus Christ. Taught forgiveness & long suffering. Exhorted the people to never allow lawbreakers to come among them & introduce vices by refusing to sustain them. The people of Hyde Park are fortunate in being so far from the Railroad vices & the bad influences accompanying them. The Saints should be watchful always to guard against evil. Remember their religion during the week as well as

on Sunday. He Exhorted the Saints to faithfulness & blessed them in the name of Jesus.

Elder Eli Bell Spoke: Was glad to meet with the Sts in Hyde Park. Thought we are & ought to be the most enlightened people on the Earth. We have the best teachings of any people.

He spoke at some length upon the subject of faith. We have the blessings of the Lord on every hand, but we should be very humble & not fall through our prospective. Our success depends entirely upon our observance of the laws of God. Let us live humble before God, & then we will have the Holy Spirit always with us to prompt us to do right. Exhorted the Saints to be obedient to the priesthood of God. Our reward is Eternal Salvation, hence blessed is he who continues faithful unto the end. We can serve the Lord besides providing ourselves the necessities and comforts of life. It is our privilege to enjoy the same spirit that the Prophets & Apostles of the Church, so that when they speak we at once recognise the word of God Asked the Lord to bless us all continually Amen.

[Entries return with Card's handwriting.]

Elder L. R. Martineaux was thankful to Stand before the Sts & bear a testimony of the truth of the work of God. He had longed to the U.S. & Europe & had been gratified to behold their Greatness which only consists of their numbers & wealth.

There is not greater work abroad than at home. We should try to be of good Service while in our youth. We Should try to set good examples. Older one should not try to poison the minds of the young no more than you would the body.

May the Lord help us & inspire us to do right Amen.

Pres Preston was pleased to meet with the Sts here & feel of their good influence. Spoke of the earnest manner in which the Catholics work at the young to instill into them the dogmas of men. We have the true Gospel & should feel free in trying to teach them the true principles of the Gospel.

Spoke of the necessity of training our children while they are your young They should not be allowed to run in rebellion because they are children.

Referred to the young men. Spoken of in the Book of Mormon who were taught they could not be killed & they fought great Battles & none were killed. We should teach our children faith. Fathers are called away from home & the mothers should teach them faith in the Gospel & the principles of



obedience not that I would throw all the responsibilities on the sisters but they should continue their labors in the good works of God. The mothers have a great influence over their children. We should take our children to meeting as well as the S.S. Children cannot keep bad company without being contaminated. Better give our children ½ a day on Sat for game &c & associate with them We have can have our own fun & amusement Without making harm of it. We are called upon to be Saviors upon Mt Zion. Treat the Rude kind & draw them around us & teach them good principles. This Selfishness is inherent with us but we want to cultivate the Spirit of liberality pray for those that are rough & rude & take up a labor with them in the spirit of the Gospel. We should strive to give our sons and daughters a liberal education Some can do more in this line than they do. I fear some neglect this important Branch of Lifes qualification We cant be Saved in our ignorance. It is low & vulgar to chew tobacco & smoke and use vulgar Language. We must leave off these bad habits. We should study the Lawes of nations that we may be competent to Legislate for nations & people. This a great Labor for all. We are called to a mighty mission in the Gospel Spoke of the great necessity of observing the principles of the United Order.

The Lord has blessed us & will continue if we will work at this principles. He then invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts here & elsewhere Amen.

The Choir Sang Benediction by Bp. Robt Daines.

We returned to Logan at 6 P.M.

I attended the meeting of the Logan 2nd Ward After the opening exercises Singing & pray By Elder Edward Smith Elder W. H. Apperley who recently had returned from his English mission addressed the Sts felt it good to meet with his ward again. Nothing Could retard the work of God and the establish His Kingdom upon the earth.

The church has passed through Severe ordeals. Remembered hearing Pres. Young say when the Sts. were in poverty that the day will be tried with riches Thought that time was here. Spoke of the necessity of obedience to the priesthood in mdseing & mining &c.

Spoke of the Spirit of evil that was extant & ready to take place of the good when people go into sin. Referred to the misrepresentation of the Sts abroad. Testified that we are engaged in the work of

God. Exhorted the Sts to faithfulness. It is our privilege to have the spirit of rev. for our Guidance.

We must live for these Blessings if we will enjoy them. Let us be true to God & one another. Gave his experience in visiting Schools & associations abroad. We must Lead our children aright Prayed God to bless faithful Israel.

Elder C. O. Card Spoke a Short time upon the necessity of attending meeting.

Told the Sts. not to patronize our enemies in any Shape. Use your influence against the Liquor traffic as we have been gathered from the world that we may have not be caught in these evils. Asked God to add his blessings.

Bp Ballard wished the Priests & teachers to try to ferret out the evils We Should not sustain those our enemies. Invited the Sts to attend conference next Sat & Sunday & fast meeting on Thursday We should observe the ways of the Lord. Gave other good instruction. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts.

**Monday, July 31, 1882**—I attended to temple Biz all days. A few hours in the morning I was busied getting men fitted out to float Lime wood for the Temple Kiln.

Towards evening I helped raise the North West corner post of the second bent of the dome on the West tower of the Temple.

**Tuesday, August 1, 1882**—I attended to Temple Business very busyily.

**Wednesday, August 2, 1882**—I went to the Temple Mill dined & attended to the necessary biz. & returned 4 miles & remained over night with the men floating wood (Slabs) for lime wood.

**Thursday, August 3, 1882**—I fished during the fore noon & assisted in moving the floaters camp & returned to Logan very tired & weary.

**Friday, August 4, 1882**—I attended to the Temple Business & assisted Pres Preston to receive President Taylor & Company that were to arrive in the Evening which I did & assisted in distributing the com. & caring for them.

#### Conference

**Saturday, August 5, 1882**—Met in conference at 10 A.M. Prayer By Elder F. S. Richards. After the opening exercises the Clk. (J. A. Leishman) read the Statical report After which Apostle F. M. Lyman

addressed us upon the great importance of teaching our children while young the principles of the Gospel faith repentance Baptism The Holy Ghost Word of wisdom &c. We Should Secure our water rights & all Labor in the spirit of Unity. Apostle Wilford Woodruff addressed us upon the necessity of minding our duties. Spoke at some length upon our labors in behalf of the dead which rests upon the L.D. Sts, nothing stirs up the power of the adversary more than our work for the redemption of the dead. The Lord holds the destiny of all men & nations We have a great deal of Power if we will do our duty. Pres. Young told me in my night vision I Should Labor as an Apostle to have the Sts Labor to get the Spirit of the Lord. The prophet Joseph told Pres. Young in his night vision the same thing. He invoked the blessings of God upon all the Interests of Gods Kingdom that will eventually fill the whole earth. The Lord is working with the Lamanites. I want our young men & maidens to Labor to get the spirit of God. Our boys & Girls are ready to be baptized when 8 yrs old if they are so taught. The Lord will find an element he can work with which is my desire in the name of Jesus Amen.

2 P.M. Choir Sang. Prayer by Apostle John H. Smith Singing.

We were then addressed by Apostle Lorenzo Snow upon the Principle of Sacrifice and trials. Said we should make them profitable unto us & those around us read Page 143 Doc Cov.

Advised the Sts to keep their possessions & not Sell them to Strangers to pollute them. You should be careful to preserve your characters as Latter day Sts. God bless you Amen.

Apostle Erastus Snow next addressed the Sts next & refered to the persecutions of the Sts and God's kind interference in our behalf & our preservation. He regreted that so many of the youth of Israel have neglected the kind admonition of their friends & parents.

The Lord will cause our children & their childrens children to pass through the fire ordeal No people will inherit the Blessings of God in their Sins. Children cannot stand on the merrits of their fathers & mothers. No people can withhold their tithes & offerings & be worthy to enter the temple built by their brethren & friends. Children that assist their

fathers and mothers in these things will be worthy if they continue in the ways of the Lord. Husbands must be kind to their wives & not neglect their prayers That the enemy may not find an inroad open them. But the responsibilities is not alone with the fathers but with their wife & wives They should be obt. to him as He is to those that preside over him. Counsel together in all things. Setting good examples before their children while they are forming their Ideas Mothers particularly Should be careful as the children is mostly with them.

The place to overcome is within us. Stifle the harsh words and prevent them doing harm to others. Dont give away to your passions. He felt to bless the people It is better to be chastened by the Lord than by our enemies & war and blood shed. Their is great room in all for improvement. May Heavens blessing abide upon us all in the name of Jesus Amen. choir sang.

Benediction By Elder F. S. Richards.

**Sunday, August 6, 1882**—10 A.M. Singing & prayer by Elder W. W. Taylor.<sup>45</sup> President Joseph F Smith being the first Speaker Said he was pleased with the program of the Logan Temple & thought the Sts should make an effort to complete it with as much Speed as we can & pay as we go that when completed we could make it an acceptable offering to the Lord free from incumbrance.

Man would not have the honor of doing the work of the Lord but all honor is due the Lord. The Lord may permit Congress to pass Lawes against us, but if he does it will be for their disgrace and overthrow and triumph of his people.

Spoke of petitions to our government. If accompanied by the Spirit of the Lord will have the right effect God's work will prevail. He (J. F. S.) desired to live for the work of God only. His mother taught them the principles of the Gospel & had Sat under the droppings of the Sanctuary. Bore an exceeding strong testimony. The Lord Gave us these valleys for a refuge & inheritance as a refuge for a resting place from the Sts. The Lord did not design the Sts to part with it. We must Learn if it be by that which we suffer. The Lord has Given us all we enjoy. God has blessed us with the Luxuries of life, but he

<sup>45</sup> William Whittaker Taylor, the son of President John Taylor, was born September 11, 1853, in Salt Lake City. Early in his life he served a mission to Great Britain and on April 7, 1880, at

age twenty-six, was called to the First Council of Seventy. He died when only thirty years of age on August 1, 1884, from bilious colic (see Flake 1974, 416–17).

can blight our prospects and make a desert again of this Land.

May God bless you is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

Apostle F. D. Richards arose & qoted "My people Shall be willing in the day of my power" Referred our being driven from our homes in the East & coming to this Land observe the words of wisdom To day the highest consels of the nations & they scout the Idea of God & his work.

Labored to Strengthen the faith of the people by citing circumstances both ancient & modern. We take so much thought of the comforts of to day we loose sight of much good we should enjoy.

We should not be to lax in meeting vice Such as drunkenness, whoredoms &c but not countenance them, but take proper action against them. Prayed the brethren & sisters to continue their efforts in contributing means. We expect to complete the rock work this month Only one thing will lack in holding next Spring's Conference that is means. Prayed the Lord to increase our good desires in the good work.

There should be some place prepared to receive the people who come to Labor in the Temple.

He Invoked the Blessings of God upon us in the name of Jesus Amen.

Apostle John H. Smith had much pleasure in listening to the remarks of of the brethren. We have few friends in this world but have a warm friend in our Heavenly Father. He also encouraged the Sts. to retain their homes. Some that had been sold was ocupied by house of illfame & ocupied by wicked men. Hoped the Brethren would try to control these things. Deprecated the Idea of establishing drinking Saloons. We should all use our influence against these things.

Many of the Saloons are sustained by those holding the priesthood of the son of God which should not exist.

We should Seek to Set examples worthy of imitations. See that you do not patronize these infamies but control your apetites. A more determined course to put this down must be persued. He Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts.

Clk read report of Relief Society. Benediction By Elder John H. [W.] Taylor.<sup>46</sup>

2 P.M. Singing & prayer by Elder Loren Farr. Sacramento.

President Taylor requested the Sts to be as quiet as possible. He desired to Speak about the Temple. Was pleased with the progress on the Temple & The Liberality of the Sts in this regard & had no fault to find with any one in this matter. T & T have done about ¼ had been consulting with Temple committee & Supt & have an offer to make you The trustee & Truste will give 5M for immediate necessities Sts Voted to sustain T & T in it. Suggested the Sts raise \$10000 Dollars in some way to be sujested by the Temple Committee. Speaking of the Liquor question The Teacher & deacon should know the condition of all in their district. See that there is no evil that the father & mother call on God in prayer that there be no drunkenness & Sabbath breaking. If They perform their duties arright there will be no evils in the midst of the Sts. If they do not this they are not magnifying their priesthood. They should Labor as well as the Priests as Saviors. Spoke of the Bps. Court & the High Council Should meet out justice & See that all have their rights.

Every Elder of Israel Should be on the wach towers & do all they can to put down iniquity & ealt the good. Hard sayings do not become L.D. Sts. Where people will not do right shall we foster the wrong no God forbid Bps Should See that the teachers & deacons do their duties & if they dont do it Bps must if they dont Prests of Stakes & so on to the Apostles and Presidency of the Church. The Quorums should see that no evils exist among them but ferrit it out. If you Know of any others getting drunk go to him with the Spirit of affection and teach them otherwise. Mutual Improvement associations Should their influence to lead the erring ones in the right path. We need the guidance of the all Mighty. Nations are fast going down their doom is cast & their thrones will be cast down. Man cannot Steady the Arc of God. We must acknowledge every one in their place (in the Priesthood) We must learn to be obedient. We should not be to smart to manipulate the the Priesthood.

All Should do their part. We hear once and a while of the young eating & drinking with the drunken. Relief Societies & parents look after such. Our nation has been moving against us but they cant hurt us if we will be keep Gods commands. The

<sup>46</sup>John Whittaker Taylor was born May 15, 1858, in Salt Lake City and was the son of President John Taylor. He was called as an Apostle on April 9, 1884, and served in the Quorum

of the Twelve until his resignation on October 28, 1905. He was excommunicated from the Church on March 29, 1911 (see Flake 1974, 230–31).

Lord is pleased with us in building a temple like this (The Logan Temple)) Exhorted all to treat one another kindly let us try to do right. We Elders Seventies High priests have to do a great work in building Temples preach the Gospel gather the Sts & teach them the principles of the Gospel. We have got a great work to perform in preaching & teaching the Gospel to them. We should feel that God is my God & I will try to be a Savior. God bless all Israele &c Amen.

Conference adjourned for 3 months.

Benediction by Pres Wilford Woodruff.

I attended a Council of the Apostles & Presidency of the church where S Roskelly was set apart as President of the High Priests Quorum Pres J. F. Smith Mouth. F. Gunnell Set apart as first counselor W. Woodruff Mouth. George Barber Set apart as 2nd Counselor to S. Roskelly Apostle Erastus Snow Mouth.<sup>47</sup>

**Monday, August 7, 1882**—I passed the fore noon with Pres John Taylor Apostle M Thatcher L John Nutall<sup>48</sup> & others viewing the works The Pres Made Several valuable Suggestions to the Architect & myself. I was busy in getting ready to Start for Bear-Lake with Pres Taylor & Company.

**Tuesday, August 8, 1882**—I arose at 3 A.M. & we started up Logan Canyon at 5 A.M. the Party consisted of Pres Taylor & daughter Ida Apostle F. M. Lyman wife & child Apostle M Thatcher & daughter Emma L. J. Nutall Geo F Gibbs myself & wife & son of David Reese when we got within a few miles of the Mill Pres Thatcher G F Gibbs Bro D Rees Son & myself Stopped & caught a mess of trout for the cos dinner which we took at 2:30 P.M. at the Mill during our meal a message was Brought to Pres Taylor that caused all to return to Logan but Apostle Lyman myself & our wives at 3 P.M. They Started for Logan & Apostle Lyman C. O. Card & their wives for Meadowville where we arrived about 6 P.M. & held meeting at 8 PM which was address by Apostle Lyman. His remarks were replete with

Practical instructions to the Sts. Especially those bearing the Priesthood.

**Wednesday, August 9, 1882**—About 8 A M we left Meadowwill accompanied with by Pres Budge his counselors & others drove to Garden City & met with the Sts. at 10 A.M. & were addressed By Apostle F. M. Lyman & C. O. Card upon the necessity of each one performing their duties in the Priesthood & other wise. Thence we drove to Fish Haven & dined with Bro John Stock & family who rec'd us very kindly.

At 2 P.M. we held Meeting with the Sts & were addressed by Presidents Lyman & Budge in a brief Straight forward practical manner both to Members & Officers Relief Societies Mutual Improvement Associations Sunday Schools &c &c. Robt Pope was relieved from being Bp by his request & removal from the settlement. John Stock<sup>49</sup> was sustained as Bp & Henry Howell John W. E. Stock as counselors who were Set apart after Meeting in the house of Bp John Stock.

Thence I drove to St. Charles & left Bro. Lyman & wife at the Bps & drove to Bloomington & Stayed over night with Bro J E. Hart who treated Self & wife Kindly.

**Thursday, August 10, 1882**—My Self & wife joined the Sts & Brother Lyman & Presidency of the Stake & others joined the Sts of St Charles in Meeting.

Pres. J. H. Hart first addressed the Sts in an encouraging manner. Referred to the great Blessings of the Lord upon the Sts here in return for their faithful Labors upon the House of the Lord. Elder C O Card Spoke of the callings of the Priesthood and the necessity of all doing their duties that we may be recipients of the blessings that flow there from. Pres Budge made Some encouraging remarks to the Sts. Apostle Lyman arose & Stated the reasons that Pres. Taylor was not here.

Spoke encouragingly of the Industry of the Sts of this Place in erecting a meeting house & School house We Should So live that the Lord will answer

<sup>47</sup> Of this event Samuel Roskelley wrote, "Called to preside over the High Priests of Cache Valley Stake, and set apart by President Joseph F. Smith, Wilford Woodruff, Erastus Snow and five Apostles on August 6, 1882." At the same time, Roskelley was called on a mission to the St. George Temple to learn the ordinances thereof. His wife, Margaret, was called with him on this mission (see Roskelley n.d., 57).

<sup>48</sup> L. John Nuttall, who had been introduced to the gospel by

President John Taylor, was his son-in-law and one of his secretaries. He also served as president of the Kanab Utah Stake (see Gibbons 1985, 202).

<sup>49</sup> Before his call as bishop, John Stock had served as the treasurer of the Fish Haven United Order. John W. Edwin Stock was the secretary of the United Order, and Henry Howell served on the board of directors (see Rich 1963, 187).

our prayers in behalf of the sick that disease shall be driven from our homes. In order to do this we should each one do their duties.

When meetings are announced we should all join in them with our faith. We look after our domestic affairs without being much instructed by their Bp. & others but do according to the wisdom given which is well.

I desire that we should do our religious duties in like manner & Skill. We would feel Mortified if our friends call upon us & we were not prepared to receive them So we should feel if we were neglectful of our Spiritual duties. We are not here to eat & drink & sleep only, but we are progressive beings & the Lord Has sent us here for the purpose of improvement. This world is a world of wealth & it is pleasing that we should have plenty, but we should not worship it. & have your minds too much engrossed with it. Too much of our time is Spent thoughtlessly but give a proper attention to the principles of the Gospel. We should give our time to Study & reflection more. Don't forget the Logan Temple. Would like to see it completed by next April.

Building public buildings & private brings us not only worldly wealth but Spiritual wealth rich in Soul & Spirit. We want to use the wealth we have for the up building of the Kingdom of God.

Let every one stand in their calling & magnify their Priesthood.

Prayed the Lord may bless you here in this ward in their various calling is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

Benediction by Pres Geo Osmond.

We returned to Paris where I left Bro Lyman & wife & drove to Bloomington & Stayed over night again with Bro Heart.

**Bloomington, Friday, August 11, 1882**—I left this Place about 7:30 & drove to Paris & Prest Lyman & Budge got into the carriage & we drove via of Ovid to cottonwood Ward<sup>50</sup>. Met with the Sts at 11 A.M. Singing, Prayer by Pres Budge Singing. Pres Budge made some preliminary remarks to Organizing the Ward with a Bp & Counselors. Spoke of the necessity of each one having the spirit of their Callings.

<sup>50</sup> The Cottonwood area of the Bear Lake Valley is known as Dingle (see Rich 1963, 205).

<sup>51</sup> There were at least three Wilcox families that lived in the Bear Lake Stake: F., Miner, and Silas. Miner served on two high councils and might later have become a bishop (see Rich 1963,

Prayed God to Bless us and those that Instruct us on this occasion.

Elder Wm. W. Taylor arose & was pleased to have the opportunity to meet with the Sts. The organization of the church of Christ not only excites our admiration but those of reflective minds around us.

Exhorted the young men to enlist in the work of God & Thurst after righteousness asked the aid of the Lord in our behalf.

Apostle F. M. Lyman Felt it was necessary for you to receive a ward organization. Was pleased to See this good house (a nice hewn log). Suggested they put 2 more windows on the east Side that they may have fresh air which is necessary for good health.

Noticed Something here that reminded him of Rockville Ward in the South. That is nearly all young people & while we are young there is ample room for us to improve.

You Should have at least one Mutual Improvemen ass. & one Sunday School.

Should not neglect the teaching of your children. Asked if they desired a ward organization unanimous vote in the affirmative. Samuel A. Wilcox Bp. Simpson Nate first counselor John H. Berry as 2nd Counselor all of whom were Sustained by a unanimous vote These men are not chosen because they are perfect men but are expected to be exemplary men. Presidency of the Stake should assist the Bp. in organizing a good teachers Quorum & the visit of the missionaries should be frequent here.

Invoked the Blessings of God upon the Sts & their lands that wisdom & faith be given unto the Sts here. Be good honest & upright. politically & religiously. Amen.

Singing, Benediction by Elder Eli Bell.

We all dined with Bp Wilcox & family<sup>51</sup> Thence we drove to MontPelier Via of Preston.

At 2 P. M. We Met with the Sts of this place. Singing Prayer by Elder J. N. [U.] Stucki.<sup>52</sup> Singing. C. O. Card Spoke of the duty of the Sts towards God and one another. Elder John W. Taylor Spoke in comparison of the Sts at home and the wicked abroad. Bore a strong testimony to the truth of the mission of the prophet Joseph & asked the Lord to Bless the Sts.

30, 31, 110).

<sup>52</sup> John U. Stucki was a leader in the Bear Lake Stake United Order and was a member of the stake's first high council. He was also one of the area's initial postmasters (see Rich 1963, 83, 95, 122, 137, 149, 168).

Elder Joseph B. Noble<sup>53</sup> arose & said he had been acquainted with this work (the Gospel) from an early date. Was in Zions Camp where they enjoyed much of the favor of God. Spoke of the mob of Clay Co.

Joseph the prophet predicted a Scourge & the Cholera came upon the camp. & took away 14 of their no. He himself was nearly taken While the Brethren were Laying hands on him he had an open Vision in which he saw the holy City. Was acquainted with the introduction of Polygamy Bore his testimony of its truth & also testified to the truth of the Gospel. Invoked the Blessings of God upon the Sts.

Pres Geo Osmond was pleased in traveling with the Brethren & visiting the Small Settlements Was pleased to bear testimony to what had been said & the truth of the Gospel of Christ. Related a little of his Early experience. Spoke at some length upon the benefit & Merrits of the Gospel. Felt an interest in the building of temples. Amen.

Apostle F. M. Lyman We have heard from our brethren more than we shall remember.

Bro Noble was honored by giving the prophet his first wife in plural marriage.<sup>54</sup>

He felt an Interest in all the L.D. Sts. in Seeing them do right & felt Sorrowful when he saw them do wrong. A terrible retribution await those who have rec'd blessings in the house of God & have gone estray. We aught to be very guarded in our words to man woman & child. Referred to the Man that composed Zions Camp Envyings & Quarrelling &c was the cause of the Scourge coming upon them.<sup>55</sup> It behooveth every man in the ward beginning with the Bp to do their duty without waiting to be told. All should be watchmen upon Mt Zion. All should be men of God establishing righteousness. Spoke of the Efficient Labors of Apostle Erastus Snow he Labors incessantly. If all were as fait hful

Liquor Saloons could not flourish & live. We will be rewarded according to our Labors.

#### Bear Lake Conference

We should not take wives & Loose them but treat them all well & alike & love them all. You should exercise your gifts in behalf of the Sts.<sup>56</sup>

May God bless you is my pray in the name of Jesus Amen. Choir Sang Benediction by Elder J. H. Hart.

Thence we returned to Paris where I parted with Pres Lyman & Budge drove to Bloominton & remained over night.

**Saturday, August 12, 1882**—I joined the Sts of Bear Lake Stake conference at 10 A M Singing by the Choir prayer by Elder John W. Taylor Singing.

Pres Budge first stood before the Sts & hoped that those that stand before us my enjoy the favor of God We wish to place before Apostle Lyman & his Brethren the true condition of the Sts here He felt Satisfied with his counsellors (Bro J. H. Hart & Geo Osmond) The Bps have my entire approbation although Some had controlled their time better for the Sts than others The High Counsel had had but Little to do. Relief Societies have done a great deal of good, have been dilligent & industrious. The Young Ladies ass[n]. have done a great deal of good The Young men I am not so well acquainted with but will Learn through the Bps reports. As a general thing the Sts were doing well Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts.

Bps. Geo P Spencer — Robt. Price — Acting Bp Nels Nelson — John A Heart — Robt. Pope — Robt. Calder — Joseph Kimball — (Acting Bp) John Neliker — Wm H. Lee A. McKinnon — E. N. Austin Peter Jenson (Ovid) — Samuel Wilcox H H Dalrymple (Preston) — C. C. Robinson Amos Wright (Bloomington) — Henry Lewis

<sup>53</sup> Joseph Bates Noble was married to Mary Adeline Beaman, and Joseph Smith once hid the gold plates in the Beamans' home. Noble also testified that very early in the Church's history, Joseph Smith had revealed to him the doctrine of plural marriage while revising the *Bible* and told him about his revelation. Noble is credited as being among the most active in caring for the sick and helping bury the dead while he marched with Zion's Camp (see Hill 1977, 72, 146, 182).

<sup>54</sup> Historians today doubt that Joseph B. Noble gave Joseph Smith Louisa Beaman as his first plural wife on April 5, 1841. Instead some assert that Joseph began to practice plural marriage as early as 1833 and say his first plural wife was Fanny Alger (see

Compton 1997, 4).

<sup>55</sup> Joseph Smith's journal of June 24 describes the plague (scourge) that hit the camp: "About midnight, it [cholera] was manifested in its most virulent form. Our ears were saluted with cries and moaning, and lamentations on every hand; even those on guard fell to the earth with their guns in their hands, so sudden and powerful was the attack of this disease." About sixty-eight of the more than two hundred members of the camp suffered from the disease, and fourteen died (see Grant 1957, 185–86).

<sup>56</sup> For an analysis of the number of divorces in Latter-day Saint polygamous families, see Campbell and Campbell 1978, 4–23.

reported the standing of their Several wards which noted a goodly progress.

Elder John W. Taylor arose & Said he rejoiced to see so many towns & Cities of the Sts rising on this Land. Spoke of the Bondage of ancient Israel also the prophecies concerning the Latter days. And the establishment of Gods Kingdom upon the earth by the gathering of the Sts. Exhorted the Sts to be prepared to meet the Scourges that are about to come upon the earth. Spoke at some length in a very Spirited manner. May the Lord assist is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

Benediction by C. O. Card.

2 P.M. Choir sang prayer by Elder W. W. Taylor Sing & Statistical report.

Elder Joseph B. Noble was the first Speaker had had an experience in the church of 50 yrs.

Had born to him the first Polygamous child.<sup>57</sup> Felt much Interested in the work of God. Each one should act the part assigned him. All men should be live & prayerful men.

Joseph the Prophet first began to teach plural marriage soon after he got out of Liberty jail. Asked the blessings of the Lord upon us all in the name of Jesus Amen.

Elder W. W. Taylor was favorably impressed with reports of the Bps. We as the Sts of God are to Stand as watchmen on the towers of Zion. Take an interest in all of our brethren & Sisters Search out iniquity the may not Suffer from it.

We should not reject the good measures of the Priesthood. Spoke of the necessity of dealing with the transgressions. He desired the Kindom of God will grow & triumph Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts & all they possess Amen.

Elder C. O. Card Spoke a Short time Gave an act [account] of the Temple Labors & its progress. Spoke of the practice works required of the Sts. Invoked Blessings Amen.

Apostle F. M. Lyman Said We have agreed to have some of the cream of the conference on Saturday & I think we have had it. Bro. Card represents the Temple work & has the Spirit of it & you should try to enjoy it. There is a principle connected with

Temple building & paying tithing. When the day of reckoning comes the name will be sought for to know who the figures belong to.

We will all receive our reward for that which we do. We are not all alike & will receive according to our Labors.

Though our sins may be forgiven we can not forget them ourselves & makes our countenance fall & the heart weaken. Spoke of the perfect form of Gods Government. Where there is mariages is consumated out side of the Temple & Endowment house piles up the work to be done in the Temples for all the children will have to be Sealed to their parents. The Spirit of Elijah rests upon the Sts which inspires the Sts to give of of their means so willingly. The Brethren that first went to England were told not preach gathering. But they began to dream of Zion and a gathering place. It is important that the Sts be sober & industrious & exemplary.

We should not be Slow to repent of our Sins. It is important that the presidency of this stake are exemplary men. Also should the the Bps. Officers of the church should ferrat out iniquity Such as intemperance profanity & vulgarity. The man who holds the priesthood & shuts his eyes to these things is not worthy of it. You must not patronize Saloons but let them alone. You must not be drunken men. Such should be Labored with & if they do not cease it disfellowship them Spoke at Some length upon this & kindred subjects. We should properly care for the tallents given us or they will be to others. Amen.

Choir Sang, Benediction by Elder J. H. Hart

We repaired from the Bowry to the School house & met with the Presidency of the Stake. Bps & Counselors & High Council. Singing prayer by Pres Budge Singing.

Samuel A. Wilcox was ordained & Set apart as Bp. of the Cottonwood Ward by Apostle Lyman. Sampson Nate was then ordained & set apart as first counselor to Bp Wilcox ~~under~~ Pres Budge Mouth After which Henry Howell was ordained & set apart as first Counselor to Bp. Stock of Fish haven Pres J. H. Hart mouth. Wm B Lindsey was then ordained & set apart as Second counselor to Bp. Robt. Price of Paris 2nd Ward Pres. Geo Osmond mouth.<sup>58</sup>

<sup>57</sup> Joseph Bates Noble, when he was first taught the doctrine of plural marriage, set his heart on obtaining another wife and pressed Joseph Smith to seal the contract but never could get the opportunity. Finally he won the consent of a woman to become his plural wife and, according to William Clayton, he then “engaged that one and is a happy man” (Ehat 1982, 69).

<sup>58</sup> William Howell had previously served on the board of directors of the Fish Haven United Order. William Buckminster Lindsay had lived in the Bear Lake region for a long time, and was sixty-one years old at the time of his call to the bishopric (see Rich 1963, 187, 46).

After which Pres Lyman said the object of calling you together was to instruct the brethren that had been recently called to act as Bps & Counselors also the High Councils.

The Bp. in each ward should be as good as any man in the ward Your counsellors Should be as good men. You must not drink nor use tobacco nor profane Language Cultivate a spirit of liberality & kindness. You must be kind to those that are inclined to intemperance & peace Breakers. Then if they will not cease disfellowship them. Never convict without evidence every chge & notice should be in writing & with decision for a part of the record Bps allow appeals when asked.

When a case is taken to the high Council have no right to ask why they take an appeal. Appeals must be allowed. Full records must be kept in case of absent counselor to Bp He should choose a high Priest. High councillors who is a party to the case should be excused. But not for relationship & party feeling. Proxies may be excused on objections of either Party.

Should a Bp mak a wrong decision his councillors Should not Sustain it. If A President of a Stake Should make an unrighteous decision the High Council should not sustain him but be sure it is wrong in both cases.

In the wards the Bp Should take great Pains to draw all around you not your particular friends & relatives.

Visit Sabbath & day Schools Mutual & other associations & be prompt.

Dont want to have no quarrells. Suffer wrong rather than do a wrong.

Never judge without hearing both Sides. The very best of feeling between those that stand in responsible positions Should never allow any misunderstandings. You must forgive all men. Forgive all men that your mind may be free See that the Sacrament is properly administered & make it a habit for your minds be upon it eat & drink in remembrance.

Be faithful & energetic to all our duties. Keep your selves clean & pure. See that the Relief Societies are in good order. Attend funerals & be kind to the Sick. Kindness on these occasions are never forgotten.

Tithing Should be cared for properly. Have your hay cared for if you have to spend other means to do so. Set an example in this to the people that there be no waste. No Speculations by those that handle tithing.

A man chose to be a councillor from the high Council his place should be filled. High councillors should be used as home missionaries.

Bp High Councillors & Presidents of Stakes do not sit as referees. Teachers should prefer charges against transgress transgressors. Brethren must not be brought before the Priesthood without a hearing every man must have a hearing. Dont let cases drag in Bps Prests & High Councils & when you make decisions See that they are complied with If Your teachers any of them are in error let them defer their visits until their wrongs ar righted. In the world the pres. of the Branch may hear it & place it before a branch & do their work as a branch. If men do no Sin & do not attend meetings nor pay tithing It Should bear with them as long as they lived. But all keep trying with Such individuals.

I should not make tithing a test of fellows hit (its non payment) I should consider them weak. Hugh Findlays<sup>59</sup> never was presented & Sustained as a member of the High Council also the name of James Brown thought him not acquainted well enough with the Sts & the Sts with them only been in the stake & Zion about one yr. It would be no harm to Sell land for a saloon If the people would not patronize it. But I should not like to sell land for it. I will Sanction your not selling your land for that purpose.

If a man Sells or rents a piece of land to put a Saloon on knowingly I think Pres Taylor would Say disfellowship him. I will consult Him & let the Pres. of this Stake know.

I think a man who will or drink it should be disfellowship. Henry Margetts name was presented & sustained as a member of the High Council.<sup>60</sup> A Bp may restore what he confers but not the blessings of the endowments. Much other good instruction was given by Apostle Lyman. Our meeting lasted 3 hours.

Benediction by Elder W. W. Taylor.

I stayed again in Bloomington.

<sup>59</sup> Hugh Findley also served on the board of directors of the Fish Haven United Order (see Rich 1963, 187).

<sup>60</sup> Henry Margetts served on a committee of three to look after mail matters in the Bear Lake Valley and also served as that

region's sheriff. In October 1882 he was sustained as the superintendent of the Paris First Ward Sunday School (see Rich 1963, 83, 131; Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 79).



**Sunday, August 13, 1882**—Met again in conference at 10 A.M. Singing by the choir. Prayer by Elder C. O. Card Singing Pres J. H. Hart was the first Speaker. Enjoyed our meetings in the conference Spoke of the blessings of the Priesthood as organized in Gods Kingdom. Referred to the Army of 1857 & the hard dealings of the Lord over his people. Pres H. C. Kimball Said when he was in this valley that our trouble would come from the other side meaning the east side of the Valley where the emigrant road is situated & the Ry is now built. There are now 2 or 3 Saloons in Montpelier. Prayed the Lord to bless us.

Pres Geo Osmond next addressed the Sts. Said this was the 20th ¼ly conference Since their organization. The gospel we have embraced circumscribes more than we anticipated (compared it to a man building an house). It cost more than they figure. We must reflect upon the teachings we get here and act upon them. The gospel as taught to me is plain The food of yesterday will not suffice us to day. So with our spiritually. Asked the aid of the Lord in the name of Jesus Amen.

Apostle F. M. Lyman arose & said during our stay or visit here it had been necessary to make some changes Bros Stuchi & Rich had been taken for counsellor to Bp Spencer which requires more Labor than that of a high council & might conflict to occupy both.

When Important measures are to be considered the Presidencies of Stakes will do well to call the High Council together and deliberate together.

The Presidencies of Stakes Should use them more than they do to assist them. Members of High council & others bearing the priesthood Should not drink if they do sooner or Later they loose their places. 2 Vacancies were then filled by Hugh Findley and Henry Margets were were sustain as members of the High council.

The new Bp & Councilors of Fish haven ward & also of Cotton Wood ward. The question was asked Shall a man be disfellowShipped for selling or renting land on which to build a Liquor Saloon against the council of the Pres of Stake or Bp. & has been Labored with & does it defiantly we will be justified in withdrawing the hand of fellowship.

Men must only be condemned by evidence. Gave as his council that no man should rent or Sell his land to establish Saloons & houses of Ill fame. If so disfellowship them. You need a meeting house as soon as the temple is done we will turn our attention

to building meeting hoses & school house. He had not seen a man among the L.D. Sts who can afford to drink liquor for it destroys our lives. If you have any drunkards look into their houses & faces of their wives & families & see if they have brought joy home. You will be held accountable for all you spend in this way. Warned Bps. & Prests against the use of these things.

The time will come when Some of you will sin away the day of Grace. All should live So that when they meet their friends & families, their conscience will not be Smitten. It is the works of purity & righteousness only that will save us.

Be good & seek to magnify your callings. Invoked the Blessings of God upon this valley & the authorities here forever in the name of Jesus Amen Choir Sang Benediction by Elder J. B. Noble.

**2 P.M.** Choir Sang prayer by Elder McCain Singing and Sacrament.

Elder Elil Bell of Logan Stood up & said he was pleased to meet in this conference. Could See & comprehend the growth in good works of this people.

We should be enabled by our long experience to govern ourselves according to the Lawes of God.

We should Labor most dilligently to live according to the Lawes of God. Prayed that the Saints might take home the spirit of this conference Amen.

Pres Wm Budge arose & said it was the duty of the sts to exercise their faith & prayers for those that stand before us.

The chief object of our public meetings is to impart and receive instruction. The teachers of the worldly denominations are afraid to talk plainly; not So with the elders of Israel. The prize is forward, truth Leads us to this prize. Rejoiced exceedingly with the teachings received from the brethren. Earged the Sts to help upon the temple. The young men should go & work on the Temple. Encouraged the to assist to establish Zions Central Trade Associations I can see the wisdom of the unity of the priesthood. Prayed the Lord would bless one and all is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

Elder C. O. Card Spoke a short time & exhorted the sts to try to cary home the good Spirit of the conference.

Teach our children the principles of the Gospel. The Lord has ever delivered his people. Invoked Gods Blessings upon the Sts.

Elder W. W. Taylor arose & spoke of the ordination of boys to the Lesser Priesthood that they may be trained gradually & learn to appreciate the Priesthood. The young should be trained in these callings. Invoked the favor of the Lord upon the Sts.

Pres. F. M. Lyman thought we have had a great variety.

The attention to the Presidency of the Stake & Bps Should be given to the young men & have them organized in Quorums of deacons and Teachers & Priests and used to these callings.

Some of the young men pay a little tithing & repent a little & are ordained to the Melchisedek Priesthood & go the house of the Lord. He read doc. cov. Page 250 duties of parents to children.

The fault of our sons & daughters not being taught in the gospel by their children ward teachers & Bps. If they are not taught in the way the Lord directs they can not receive So much of the Spirit of the Gospel. If they discover that father & mother are prayerful the child will take to it. Have your children attend the primary associations S. S. & Mutuals by working in all these grades & stages they are prepared to be placed before the branch. They will be accepted & ordained. Spoke of the necessity of being rebaptized. Some think they are to good to be Baptized When we have an oportunity offers it self for us to start with a clean sheet Should thank God for it & go forth & do it. Keep the quorums of the Lesser Priesthood well filled It is not proper that 70s or high Priests preside over the other quorums but Presidents & counsellors of their own numbers. Sisters Go forward in your good work Encouraged the Mutuals S.S. & Primaries The wise Bp. will see that these are well conducted. The High Priests & high Counselors 70 Elders & all give attention to the Sabbath School. Should have in every class in every teachers hand a common School Dictionary and all the schools that can afford it should have an unabridged Dictionary every word should be understood. I suggest this by for the benefit of S.S. Supts. Was thankful to God for the good weather & to the brethren that accompany us Asked God to bless all in the name of Jesus Amen.

Benediction by J. N. Stucki.

Thence we drove to Geo Town Via of Ovid Montpelier & Benington.

Met with the Sts of Geotown at 8 P.M. Singing & prayer by Elder W. W. Taylor. Singing.

Pres Budge Said he was pleased to See So many out urged the Sts to turn to the Lord The Gospel is a perfect Law of liberty. May God bless us.

Elder John W. Taylor arose and said he had been greatly Interested in the remarks of Pres Budge. We Should fellowship every thing that is principles of truth. He made a strong appeal to the Young men Said they should be able to give a reason for the hope that is in us. Exhorted then to read the Scriptures & revelations & think about it. Spoke upon the principles of faith at some length. Cherish faith in our heavenly Father in his son Jesus Christ.

Elder C. O. Card Spoke a Short time with feelings of Kindness toward the Sts Educate yourselves in the principles of the Gospel Settle your difficulties among yourselves and as the Lord has directed. May God bless you in your substance & all you possess in the name of Jesus Amen.

Apostle Lyman Advised the young men to buy books & read these about one book per month.

Learn to read understandingly read Slowly and carefully. You should have a dictonery & map. That you have an understanding of Location and words. Do not gather in clumps and waste your time.

Suggested you read the Scriptures. Read histories & Biographies. Favor the schools. Do not think you are to old to Learn do not field any of you are to great to teach in the S. S. or attend let the Young men organized into quorums of the priesthood that they may be trained so that they are worthy to go into the house of the Lord.

That the sons & daughters may be worthy of the blessings Let all try to be as intelligent as they can be. Prayed that the Spirit of the Lord may rest upon you. & hope you will not allow a sallon here do not drink when you go abroad. Save your means to mak your home comfortable Asked God to bless them all in the name of peace Amen. Singing Benediction by

Apostle Lyman Stayed ovr night with Bp. Lewis & The other Brethren with Bro Clark & I Stayed with Bro N. Berkdoll.

**Monday, August 14, 1882**—We started for Soda [Springs] at 8 O.C. AM. on our way We visited Swan Lake and Thence to Soda where we visited Hooper's Spring Formation Springs<sup>61</sup> also Octagon & others & returned to the Bps Where we Stayed all night.

<sup>61</sup> Soda Springs, Idaho, is on the west side of the mountains that separate Cache Valley from Bear Lake Valley and has warm

springs in the area. It is also located near the Bear River.

Pres Budge Wife & daughter accompanied us here.

**Soda, Tuesday, August 15, 1882**—After we had carried here with our friends until 8 AM We started for Mormon Ward.

Pres Budge remaining here to hold meeting. We drove down the river about 10 Miles & crossed it & drove about 4 Miles and visited a large cave where we found ice mud & water & a very cold atmosphere.

Thence we drove to Bp L. Hales & put up with him & were Kindly treated.

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#### Mormon Ward

**Tuesday, August 15, 1882**—We met with the Sts. of the ward at 3 P.M. Singing Prayer by Elder C. O. Card Singing. Elder W. W. Taylor arose & Said as the first principle we are taught faith in God & his Son. Spoke at some length upon this principle. Spoke of the evils of indulging in drinking of Liquor Beer tea & Coffee also tobacco. We should cease the use of these things & ask the Lord to assist you night & morning. That the Lord may enable to do this is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

Elder John W. Taylor arose and expressed his desire for the faith of the Sts Had noticed the Spread of the Sts in these Valleys.

We should keep our tabernacles pure that the Spirit of the Lord can abide in it.

We are here to be L.D. Sts Are we L.D. Sts; The Lord will require an act of all our time.

Mothers if you wish your children to have faith you must possess it. Young men Should Set good examples do what is right. What evil you see in others correct it in your Selves. We cannot hate our brethren & love God & have your prayers answered upon the principles he Said a considerable that was wise. Our thoughts should be pure & holy.

Do away with Malice & hatred Trample upon it & try to overcome it. Be faithful in your callings & you will Be promoted. Spoke of building Temples. If you will use your means for this the Lord will Bless you for it. He desires us to do this work.

May the Lord bless us in in the name of Jesus Amen.

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

Remarks by Pres Card Said he woul preach meeting House if he was to Speak according to his feelings, exhorted the Saints to go to work now & get material to buil a Meeting House. Recommended a good House with plenty of Ventilations. Raise you famaleys a right. Train your Children. Live aright your Selves assit your Bishop.

Keep the Covenants, we have made, & if you have not made covenant go forth & be Baptised & then live your children. Do not set bad examples Spok of Smokeing. Do not do so the example is bad.

[Entries return with Card's handwriting.]

& we will be answered for it Urged the Sts to build the meeting house May the Lord assist you is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

Elder Eli bell Spoke of the great benefit of good examples. Try to make your neighbors your best friends pay your tithes & offerings.

Prayed the Lord to bless the Sts here and assist you that you & yours may bel blessed & multiplied in the name of Jesus Amen.

Apostle Lyman arose & said he would have been pleased to have seen the other ward could have joined us. Was pleased with the remarks of the brethren.

We would not be Satisfied with nothing to do. If we had overcome all our weaknesses, I believe it to be the will of the Lord that you build you a meeting house. You have a good country here.

Set out some Shade trees. You can become rich & do a great deal for Gods Kingdom. You can build your meeting house & ventillate it as well as your own houses. Do not Shut out all of this good mountain air. He Spoke much upon these subjects.

Your Bp Should have 2 good Substantial counsellors to help him. Then he needs a good quorum of teachers to labor among the people also a quorum of Priests & deacons.

Your meeting house Should be the best & largest. I wish Bro Card to see Pres Preston & See that the wards are ~~not~~ all organized as an ecclesiastical wards under the Lawes of the Teritory.

If Men fail as Bp or councilors we must put others men in their place. Be faithful listen to your Bp. Pres. & teachers. A good teachers quorum will give you a good council to Lean upon. He gave excellent instruction in regard to the callings of the priesthood.

The Bp has a right to call all the Priesthood of the Ward & coucil about a meeting house. It is the

duty of the Sisters to assist to build a meeting house. Pray for this every night and morning & you will not be a dollar Poorer. All of our works are Sacred So are the ordinances of the Gospel. Everything Should be Sacred. I Should delight to come ~~together & build a meeting~~ here & dedicate a meeting house. Join your nights together in build a meeting house. We are blessed in all we have for the little good we have done. He asked the blessing of God upon the Sts here.

Singing Benediction By Apostle F. M. Lyman. Blessing all with [Remainder of sentence is illegible.]

During the evening The Presidency of the relief Society of Mormon Ward Met at the house of Bp Hales & were set apart & blessed for ther calling.

Sarah L. Richards Pres. Apostle Lyman mouth Anna Hale first counselor C O Card mouth Sussannah P. Clark as 2nd Counselor Apostle Lyman mouth. Bp L. Hale accompanied.

Apostle Lyman was mouth in ordaining Lehi Wright a Priest.

Apostle Lyman mouth Set apart Sister Mellie [Effie] Peck as secy of the Relief Society and Annie M Faulkman [Folkman] as teacher Apostle Lyman mouth.

[Left marginal note: Aug 16 \*]

**Wednesday\* August 16, 1882**—Jane Bollwinkle as teacher in the Society C O Card mouth.<sup>62</sup>

Olive Peck as President of the Primary Association Apostle Lyman mouth.

Jane Bollwinkle first councillor C O Card mouth Minnetta Jenne as 2nd Councillor Apostle F. M. L. mouth. After we were through with Blessing & setting apart at 9:30 A M we started for Oxford where we arrived at 2 P.M. Drove to the Bps Apostle Lyman & wife & self & wife put up with The Bps. Family he being absent. The rest of the Company went to Bro Wm H. Homer.

Meeting convened at 4 P.M. Singing Prayer By Elder John Boyce Singing.

C. O. Card Stood before to the Sts & told them it was their duties to pray night and morning with their families Attend to your S. S. Primary & Mutuals Set good examples &c.

Elder John W. Taylor arose & said It was not wise to eat too much but there was much to be

gained by the observance of the observance of the word of wisdom. Spoke the first born of the Egytians & in the Last days there will be a fly to sting those that are impure. We have a right to enjoy the Gift of healing. Let us grow & increase in wisdom & be wise. Seek dilligently for the Spirit of the Lord Spoke of the faith of Nephi Meet on the Sabbath day & attend Sunday meetings & fast Meetings You should turn unto the Lord Keep the word of wisdom and the destroyer will pass you by Bore testimony to the truth of the Gospel. Invoked the Blessings of God upon the Sts.

Elder W. W. Taylor Said the elders can preach the Gospl abroad & if their testimonies are rejected the Lord will reject those people. The Lord has placed authorities over us & we should not reject their teachings if we do we will be as the world.

We are worse of than the world for they have not embraced the Gospel. If we will take a right course we can enjoy all the blessings of the Gospel. He acknowledged that the Lords hand has ever been over the people. We should love to do our duties & do them because we love to do His will.

We have to make our Sacrifice now & the world make theirs at harvest for at that time they will receive no reward & the faithful will. Asked God to bless the people.

Apostle Said this is the first time I have visited you & it is our duty to become acquainted with you & See that you have proper organizations & all the necessary benefits of the Gospel. Spoke of the covenants we have made & the obligations were under. We must learn all the lessons the Lord has given us. & has in store for us. It Seems a great Sacrifice to Spend 3 or 4 yrs in preaching abroad & use your means in building Temples & meeting houses & other Labors conferences &c But none of these will be done without the blessings of the Lord resting upon us & receive a reward as the farmer does that sowes his Seed on good ground that brings from 25 to 100 fold.

We are serving one another through this life in providing for our wants. But we will be free in the next life.

We hope to have Salvation & Eternal life. You have great opportunities here to preach the Gospel. Good conduct is good preaching & you should

<sup>62</sup> Both Jane Balwinkle and Effie Peck had served as first assistants in the Thatcher Ward Sunday School superintendency. Anna Hale may have been the wife of Alma Hale or of Solomon

Hale Jr., both of whom lived in Thatcher. Annie M. Folkman was probably the wife of Joseph A. Folkman (see Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 67–68).

Show to the Gentiles that we are better than they are.

We must be better for they have not the gospel. The Gospel is life. Though you burn the *Bible*, Book of Mormon & cov. you cant burn up the Gospel for it is the power unto Salvation. The life is the Spirit of God. Men choose abstract sentences for the Gospel which is incorrect If you owe the stranger pay them. Build your meeting house you have good houses here.

But the house you worship in should be your best in the ward. Make your School houses inviting.

The dollar you lay out for this purpose will bring a hundred. All should use their influence to complete your meeting house You should be one in your political affairs.

When ever the ticket is decided upon by the democratic party vote it Solid. If you divide among your selves the other party will take the game. It is the will of the Lord you should be united in all your affairs Asked God to Bless the Sts here Singing. Benediction by W. H. Horner [Homer].

Thence we retired to the house of Bro. Wm. H. Horner [Homer] & administered to a child of Bro. Charles Croshaw who had become afflicted with measles & fever Apostle F. M. Lyman mouth. We remained over night with Bp. Fisher & W. H. Horner [Homer] & families who treated us very Kindly.

**Oxford, Thursday, August 17, 1882**—We bade our hosts adieu about 8 A.M. & drove to Clifton.

At 10 A.M. we met with the Sts of Clifton. Singing Prayer by Elder John Sant [Remainder of word is illegible.].

Apostle Lyman arose & expressed his pleasure in meeting with the Sts here for the first time Also liked your Location for a town. We have much else to besides making a living.

We send our children to school to obtain the Ideas of men that are in print also learn to write that they can communicate their Ideas to paper. We are sent to this earth to Learn. The earth & the fulness of it belongs to the Lord. we use the products & occupy portions of it but will leave it when we die.

We are sent here to be Schooled. The bodies go down into the earth but the Spirits do not. That which is here is for the benefit of man to make them comfortable & hapy. We are required to have faith in God who adds what is added to us. We have made covenants but have not kept them. Spoke of the

great benefit of the atonemen of Christ for the human family. Which cometh to us by Keeping the Lawes of God. We Should Keep the confidence of our families & others be always telling the truth. The most joyous ways of life is keeping the commandments of God. We should not take a wrong course for anything.

If we are faithful we will enjoy the Spirit of the Lord. If the discipline of the Lord is complied with It will be for our benefit.

We have come here to obtain Eternal riches. Men should not be So engrossed that they will neglect the things of God. We should feel “father what shall I do to bring forth righteousness.” Dont work on the Sabbath day nor work so hard that you so neglect your prayers night and morning. You should pay your tithing and sanctify the Land on which you reside. It is just as simple for us to receive the reward for our good works as it is to receive our increase for the grain we Sow. Plowing Sowing & sleeping are Lawes of God. We expect a Sure return when we invest our means in the Temple we are sure of returns for it.

We want to be just as faithful in Keeping Gods commands as we we are Sowing our fields and do it with as much faith. Teach your children the principles of the Gospel. Encourage the sts. to build a meeting house. Fault finding is selfishness to keep that which we possess. He invoked the blessings of God upon the sts here their families & all they possess. In the name of Jesus Amen.

Elder Eli Bell arose & was pleased with the instructions we have recd this morning. It required us to be a practicle people. By faith we act & move continually. If we are void of faith we contrast in our feelings & do not impart of our strength & means for the building up of the Kingdom of God.

Prayed that God would increase his Spirit upon us & nothing will Stand between us & the Kingdom of God Amen.

Elder W. W. Taylor Said we are apt at times to draw a distinction between our duties or the temporal & Spiritual. Showed the necessity of reciprocating the works of those Elders that took the gospel to you that in return do your duties in the temporal way Bldg Temples &c. The Glory that we shall enjoy will in proportion to our Labors. We should not neglect those duties that will effect hundreds and thousands. In our worthyness we Should increase our families.

Exhorted the sts to take a wise course in Keeping the mandates of Heaven. Asked the assistance of God in our Labors.

Elder John W. Taylor asked the prayers of the sts. & Bore testimony of the truth of the words Spoken. Warned the Sts against apostacy & coolness & indifference in regard to the principles of the Gospel.

We should be exemplary in the Gospel during our lives let us serve God with our might mind & strength.

We are called upon to be true & faithful & true. We should be filled with faith & good works continually. Warned the Sts against poluting the ordinances of the Gospel. It by our works that we are to be judged.

The devils fear & tremble because they Know they have transgress the Labors of God.

Invoked the blessings of God upon that our garments may be spotless. The Lord will give you a testimony by faith & prayer & chastity. Said to the young let us be worthy to take the places of our parents May the Lord control each & every one of us in the name of Jesus Amen.

Elder C. O. Card Bore his testimony to the remarks of the brethren & advised all the Qurums & departments of the ward to be Kept in good running ord that the spirit of unity may prevail which may God grant in the name of Jesus Amen.

Singing Benediction by C. O. Card.

All dined with the Bp and His family Thence drove to Franklin where we held meeting at 5 PM.

Meeting opened by sing from the choir & prayer by Elder E Bell. Choir sang prayer by Elder W. W. Taylor being the first Speaker Spoke of the life & character of the prophet Joseph Smith.

Thought we all should be willing to use our abilities to forward the purposes of God and feel interested in the welfare of one anothers children. Spoke of the benefit derived from the proper training of our children Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts.

Elder John W. Taylor Said the letter killeth but the Spirit of God giveth light. If we are void of the Spirit of God we cannot teach understandingly. It was wrong to come to meeting for any other object than worship we make a great mistake A person

possessed of the Spirit of the Lord can edify. Spoke upon the first principles of the Gospel.

Testified there is the greatest wisdom among the sts. there is upon the earth. Referred briefly to the various dispensations of the Gospel. Also the advent of Elijah the prophet to turn the hearts of the children towards their fathers & vice vrsa Spoke of the work performed in temples also the great calamities to come in the Latter days.

Spoke of the prophecy of the prophet Naham. Exhorted the young to b faithful & chaste Prayed the Lord to bless the sts here in the Jesus Amen.

Pres H. J. Grant of Toole Stake<sup>63</sup> arose & endorsed all that had been said. Only in proportion to our dilligence will we be rewarded. The faithful dilligent men or women will be rewarded. It is our duty to have a Knowledge of the truth of the Gospel. Urged the parents to teach their children the principles of the Gospel. Do not Slumber & Sleep. Live in such a manner that your children will be proffited by following your examples. Spoke Spiritedly. Invoked Gods Blessings upon us in the name of Jesus Amen.

Apostle was much pleased with remarks of the brethren that had spoken. This was the first time he had visited Franklin. Did not like to pass through the settlements without seeing the Sts Though they are busy with harvest.

You have here in Idaho united with the democratic party & it is necessary that you be united You Should be united on the ticket nominated by your Co. Convention. Let every man go to the Polls and vote who has aright to. Dont neglect to go to your primary convention & get the very best men to fill your offices you can.<sup>64</sup>

A testimony of the Gospel is worth more than gold. Our lives Should correspond with our faith. We must work righteousness We cannot accomplish this work without Labor. Wives remind your husbands of their duties, not an action of our lives but what is taken an act. [account] of also that which we neglect. May peace of Heaven be upon you Amen. Singing benediction by Bp. G. L. Farrell Supered with the Bp & drove to Richmond & put up with Bros. Merrill. Elders W. Ward J. W. Taylor remaining in Franklin to take the morning train.

**Richmond, Friday, August 18, 1882—10 A.M.**  
We met with the Sts of this Place. Singing Prayer by

<sup>63</sup> In October 1880 Heber J. Grant, age twenty-three, was sustained as president of the Tooele Stake. In the October 1882 semiannual conference, he became a member of the Quorum of

the Twelve Apostles (see Gibbons, 1979, 38, 44).

<sup>64</sup> For an excellent treatment of the Mormon experience in Idaho politics from 1872 to 1892, see Wells 1978.

Elder A. C. Brower choir Sang again. Elder C O Card Spoke of the propriety of not being selfish about doing our Share when it is all that we are able to do. Our Share is to accomplish all we can in every sphere. Spoke of the principle of faith & the propriety of all doing our duties in our callings. Prayed the Lord to Bless the people. Amen.

Elder Eli Bell Spoke of the necessity of cultivates the Spirit of faith & obidience that we may be able to comprehend the principles of the Gospel.

It is by the performance of our duties that will secure the reward. Acknowledged the hand of God in in our preservation. Exhorted us to continue in their good Labors of the Gospel. Get the Spirit of it and abide in it Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts Amen.

Pres. Heber J. Grant Said we are peculiar in our views to that of the world. It has been truly said it is not our calling but our faithfulness that will obtain the reward. We should try to obtain of the riches of eternity.

We should acknowledge the hands of God in all we receive Men that have once Borne a testimony to the Gospel & have turned away are never to be trusted.

It is a deplorable condition to become So darkened in our minds that we can not acknowledge god. May the Lord bless us & lead us in the ways of truth is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

Apostle Lyman Said it was his first trip to Richmond.

Trusted that the Spirit of the Lord may rest upon us during my speaking.

When the Savior was on the earth he would have restored the Kingdom to Israel but they would not because it it was not the time, but the time for the works of the Savior.

Spoke of the schooling the Lord gave Joseph before he would let him have the plates & the prayers of the work. The organization of the church Stakes & wards. Elders are preaching abroad.

No coercion in preaching or gathering. The church is Spreading out & we will find presently that the Kingdom is established & we are its citizens. It is not our Kingdom. or church but is the Lords consequently the war that is waged against it is against God & his work. We will be rewarded according to our works. The Lord has promised us to Protect us & Sanctify the Land for our Sakes on certain conditions. It is not inough that we repent & turn to sin again in 5 minutes. We must have a great

degree of faith. Spoke of the excuses of those that deny the truth. The Holy Ghost will give us a testimony of the truth of the revelations of God. All need the Holy Ghost. The reason Some are dull is because they are destitute of the spirit of the Lord. This spirit assists the mothers in their family & household affairs. Spoke of the propriety of commencing early to train our children & Every man who has been properly married holds the Melchisedek Priesthood & has the authority to teach. Read rev. concerning teaching children. Wondered if the Sins of children did not rest upon the heads of many of the parents in richmond. All fathers should take their sons & bow down with them & teach them to pray. Would rather my sons Knew how to pray than sing songs or speak recitations. Spoke of the necessity of all doing all they can to build Temples & Tabernacles & meeting houses & all duties. All the Knowledge I possess above my neighbor in this life I will have in the resurrection. The hope of the enemies of truth is that we will neglect our children. Spoke of the neglect of Some in not having their children baptized at 8 yrs now weep over it. Dont know that their is a mother in 10 25 or 50 that dare teach their children the Gospel & Such things as they need in early life. The fathers also. The wife Should know that the husband is doing all his duties if he does not She should tremble for her Security. She should enjoy the spirit of the Lord that she may be a help meet unto the ~~Lord~~ Husband. Dont forget the meeting house even the young men & women & these Societies &c. I say to the Bps & Pres.cy of Stakes should be careful about sending impure men to the House of the Lord. Would not pay any attention to tithing receipts excep they are good & exemplary. The Bps ought to Know whether men are worthy or not. Every member have a teacher to look after them. Invoked the the Blessings & comfort of the Lord upon the Sts here.

Choir Sang Benediction by Pres M. W. Merrill.

Pres Lyman & wife dined with Bro M. W. Merrill & myself & wife with Lester Petty & family Thence we drove to Smithfield where we were Kindly rec'd by Bp G. L. Farrell and Family.

**Smith field.** 4 P.M. We met with the sts of this place Singing by the choir Prayer by Elder James Mack. Singing.

Elder Eli Bell Spoke of the increase of the Knowledge of God among the Sts. We have many things to encourage us. Exhorted the Sts to be wide

awake to their duties Prayed the Lord to bless us with understanding in the name of Jesus Amen.

Pres H. J. Grant of Toole took pleasure in meeting with the Sts as all do that is doing their duties. Men cannot set up a Standard to be guided by but can be guided by the Standard of the Lord.

Spoke of the principles of unity & obedience. We should be strict with ourselves & lenient with others. It is necessary to be Sustained with Spiritual food as temporal food. If we go to meeting desiring to be benefited. Thought the Lord had permitted the recen legislation to Stir up the Sts. to dilligence I hope & trust we may have so that we will have power over our enemies. Some through fear in Salt Lake had already forsaken their wives for fear of being imprisoned. I like a man that is true & faithful. Spoke of the great necessity of teaching their children the Gospel that they may stand the trials Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts.

Elder C. O. Card Spoke of the Blessings that will be confered upon the sts by the completion of the Temple & the meeting house. Exhorted all to act well their part in their lot & calling in Societies S.S. & Quorums asked God to bless them.

Apostle Lyman arose & Said it was his first visit here. If we are careless Stewards we will loose our reward & I am affraid this will be the Lot of ½ of the Sts compared them to the 5 wise & 5 foolish virgins. The Lord designed in gathering us out to form Society.

The country is well adapted for this. Spoke of the increase of the water supply in many places: it has increased as the people increase. The climate had moderated If we had been blessed with rain the people of the east would have overrun the Land. The Lord has brought us together that we may be educated tried & proven alo to increase. The Lord gave the prophet J. S. the Keys of gathering (by Moses); also by (Eligjah) to inspire us to build temples.

Spoke of & explained the duties of Deacons Teachers Priests Elders 70s High Priests. All should work for good order. Through men acting in the Lesser Priesthood The Bp is well Posted. Look after those men that neglect their wives and husbands and families. The Lord will approve only of that which is just. The Law of God no man can escape.

The Lord has given us the Celestial Law of mariage which we Should Keep if we wish a fullness of the Gospels A man must be a good man all his life. We must be just & equitable.

Those that have no oil in these will be those that have burried their tallents in the earth.

As we increase in goodness the Lord will increase our reward.

Try to out vie one another in doing the will of God. Say good words & try to nove along in harmony and peace. We vie in earthly things why not in the things of God.

Let every man try to do every thing that he does do it well. Our light Shines upon others but we have the greater light.

Our hearts Should be lifted to God in gratitude every night and morning and all the time.

Those that keep the commands of God ar our brethren & strs Let us all try to be prepared when the Bridegroom cometh.

Be Strong in the building of your meeting house & those that oil in their lamp can go into the Temple. Every dollar that is laid out in the building your meeting house will bring you 10 in in your private purses. Asked God to bless the Sts in the name of Jesus Amen. Choir Sang Benediction by Elder Geo Barker Jr.

We took supper with Bp. Farrell after which we gave the Parting hand to Apostle Lyman & wife & drove home to Logan where we arrived at 8 P.M.

[End Journal 16.]

[Editor's note: Journal 17 covers January 8, 1883, through March 18, 1883. It is 4 $\frac{1}{8}$  by 6 $\frac{3}{4}$  inches with a burgundy cover, and is written in purple or black pencil. The entries are very difficult reading at times.]

[Inside front cover.]

Priesthood 383 Doc. cov. [This entry is rotated 180 degrees.]

Parties wantin recommends, Should be Baptized & Ordained Elders House open every Thursday.

[Fly leaf.]

C. O. Card

### Logan

**Monday, January 8, 1883**—In commencing little Book I have to record that most of my time to day was consumed in looking after the Erection of a Quarantine Hospital of Logan Erected at the



<b>1883</b>			May 14	Monday	Paris Bloomington
Apr. 23	Monday	Hyde Park Smithfield	May 15	Tuesday	Paris Montpelier Soda Springs
Apr. 24	Tuesday	Richmond Coveville	May 16	Wednesday	Pocatello Shoshone
Apr. 25	Wednesday	Franklin Preston	May 17	Thursday	Pocatello Eagle Rock
Apr. 26	Thursday	Lewiston	May 19	Saturday	Return to Logan
Apr. 27	Friday	Riverdale Battle Creek	May 20	Sunday	Sacrament Meeting
Apr. 28	Saturday	Oxford Clifton	May 22	Tuesday	Temple Saw Mill
Apr. 29	Sunday	Dayton Weston	May 23	Wednesday	Petersen Saw Mill
Apr. 30	Monday	Trenton Clarkston	May 24	Thursday	Return to Logan
May 1	Tuesday	Newton Benson	May 27	Sunday	Mendon (conference)
May 2	Wednesday	Return to Logan	May 29	Tuesday	Temple Saw Mill (to locate a dugway)
May 3	Thursday	Fast meeting	May 31	Thursday	Wellsville (potatoes) Hyrum Millville Providence
May 4	Friday	Arrange Stake Conference	June 1	Friday	Return to Logan
May 5	Saturday	Logan–Stake Conference	June 3	Sunday	Wellsville to dedicate meeting house and new dam, also for conference
May 6	Sunday	Logan–Stake Conference	June 5	Tuesday	Smithfield
May 7	Monday	Hyrum Paradise	June 6	Wednesday	Temple Saw Mill
May 8	Tuesday	Return to Logan Ogden to sell tithing potatoes	June 7	Thursday	Return to Logan (irrigated at night)
May 11	Friday	Bear Lake Valley Meadowville	June 8	Friday	U. O. Steam Mill to fix a broken boom
May 13	Sunday	Bloomington			

*Sampling of Card's travel schedule for 1883*

Source: Hudson 1963, 49–55

expense of Logan City Corporation & Cache County equally.<sup>65</sup>

I also was engaged some little for Logan Temple in all making a very busy day.

**Tuesday, January 9, 1883**—To day was engaged in the same as yesterday. Went to the Quarantine Hospital this afternoon which is situated about ¼ mile south of Green Canyon.

**Wednesday, January 10, 1883**—Made 2 trips to the Hospital to day as well as doing quite an amt of Business for Temple and U.O.M & B Co.

**Thursday, January 11, 1883**—I attended to Local Business of the Temple &c until 3 P.M. Whence I again went to the Hospital and brought down a Load of men at night.

**Friday, January 12, 1883**—I attended to Local Temple & U.O. Business until noon. This

<sup>65</sup>The *Utah Journal* reported there were several cases of smallpox in Logan. Dr. Ormsby thought that Sern Petersen, a railroad worker, had brought the disease to the community. Yellow flags were placed on quarantined houses, and the Third and Fourth Ward schools were closed. Community leaders decided to build a hospital at the mouth of Green Canyon that was

going to be twenty by forty feet in size, with boarded walls, and finished off in the inside. They were going to fill it with sawdust. Then on January 16, 1883, it was discovered that Ormsby had made an incorrect diagnosis and the disease was chicken pox. Many in the community were very angry (see *Utah Journal*, January 5, 1883, 2; January 16, 1883, 2).

afternoon I drove to Richmond with my team & put up for the night with Bro. Robt. Lewis.

#### Oxford

**Saturday, January 13, 1883**—I expected to accompany Pres. M. W. Merrill from this place to Oxford but his health would not permit his going & Bro Robt. Lewis accompanied me to Oxford on our way we dined with Bp N. Porter When we arrived here we put up with Bro W. H. Horner [Homer] & family who treated us very kindly. At this place we expected to join Pres. Preston and Bp T. E. Ricks on their return from Snake river but they had not yet arrived.

**Oxford, Sunday, January 14, 1883**—Shortly after Breakfast Prests Preston & Bp Ricks called in to Bro Horners. They had come in about 3 AM & took Bed in the hotel & called here got Breakfast. We attended S.S. which was addressed Briefly by Pres. Preston Bp. Ricks & myself.

At 1 P.M. We met with the Sts. of Oxford. Singing prayer By Bp Thos E Ricks. Singing after which the Sacrament was administered.

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

C. O. Card addressed the saints upon the ordinance of the Sacrament. Its benefits. Represented the Savior as our picture in righteousness We are here to do his will as pr our covenants. In which case He promises us His spirit which we all need. Example is the best method of preaching the Gospel. We have also the records for our perusal & instruction. Faith is also a principle we should cultivate. Best work must accompany faith We shall be rewarded for all the good we do. We are the best judges of ourselves. I know of no stronger organization than the church of J.C. of L.D.S. One of the commandments given through Joseph was to teach our Families the Gospel I know of no better work for the saints of Oxford than to Labor in your S. schools.

We must not be merely Sunday saints. For the influences of the six days may swallow up those of the seventh. Neither should we be merely winter

Mormons. We should be given to reflection upon Gospel Principles at all times. Else the things of the world gain the ascendancy. Therefore "First seek the Kingdom ect." Cultivate humility, love, charity, etc. We should take pleasure in overcoming our weaknesses. The Lord has told us how to settle our difficulties. In bap. we covenant to keep all the commandments of God.

We must not depend upon any one particular principle and eschew others. Bro. Card bore testimony that the Lord had again spoken in these last days. Let us criticise ourselves & see if we are as faithful as we have been, not complaining of the loss of the gifts of the Gospel. The time will come that men will have to live by faith. Naturally speaking our work appears greater than we can do, but God will assist us. We must not work upon party principle, but for the Lord. Temple labors give much joy & satisfaction. Support all proper organizations in your midst. We can not excuse ourselves from these responsibilities. Spoke epecially of T.R. Societies, Yo. M.M. associations, etc. If we have neglected prayer return to it. Appeal to the Lord in all difficulties. Eschew evil, refrain from drink, tobacco & profanity, etc. Are not some conscious smitten because of having given support to Liquor saloons.

Follow the advice of the faithful fathers in Israel my young men. Blest the people.

[Entries return with Card's handwriting.]

Bp W. F. Fisher arose and resigned his Office as Bp of Oxford Wards Pres. Preston arose and thought it wisdom to accept the Bp. resignation as his Political duties engross his time so much that he could not attend to his duties as a Bp. Pres Preston call a vote to accept his resignation which was unanimous.<sup>66</sup>

N. R. Lewis name Was then placed in nomination & rec'd with a unimous vote. Bro Lewis Said he felt to do the best he could in the position he had been called, felt his weakness & desired the faith of the Sts. We do what we do knowing we will receive the blessings. Asked God to bless the Sts.<sup>67</sup>

Pres Preston Said it is the Right of Bro Lewis to Select 2 counsellors who should be men that will help him. The Church is so organized that each is a

<sup>66</sup>William F. Fisher was from Richmond and was called to be the bishop of Oxford in 1876. He was a store owner, installed the first telephone line to Oxford (1880), and on occasion acted as a dentist, extracting teeth (see Ricks and Cooley 1956, 62–63). Fisher, at the time of his resignation as the Oxford Ward bishop, was serving as the Oneida County attorney, and W. H. Homer

was the county sheriff. Oneida County, according to Fisher, had an "excessive criminal business" that took up much of his time (see Wells 1978, 44).

<sup>67</sup>Before his call as bishop, N. R. Lewis served in the Oxford Ward Sunday School as a teacher. He must have returned to a similar calling after he was released as bishop because he served in

mutual help According to the cov. I have made I will read from Doc. Cov. Page 423 In relation to the Priesthood Explained that the presiding authority was connected with High Priesthood. Hoped he would always be so upright that the Lord would not withdraw themselves from me. We should always magnify the priesthood we bear.

Read the rev. Given through Prest John Taylor Oct. 13/82 You will observe in this rev. that the Priesthood does not mean those that preside alone but all those that bear the Priesthood. You all should be Set your houses in order & purify ourselves. All blessings are on conditions of our faithfulness. There is no Gospel in drinking Swearing or back biting. Repentance means forsaking our evils. Our voices Should be heard in rebuking sin & teaching the Gospels.

We want a true order of Business relation & marriage relation. The Gospel was again introduced again introduced by the prophet Joseph & will continue & not be taken from the earth again.

We have much to Labor for & to encourage us in the rev. of the Gospel. We want to be pure and upright & honor God & his lawes. Call upon these elders Seventies & high priests to purify themselves if we will heed the rev. we will be blessed & protected & preserved. It has come to us thus saith the Lord. Referred to the judgements that came upon the Nephites & Lamanites for their disobedience. The wicked & ungodly will be wasted from off the earth.

May the Lord bless you & comfort you is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

We then Set apart Neriah Robt. Lewis as Bp. & Presiding officer of this ward. Pres. Preston mouth.

Notice was given of a Priesthood meeting at 6:30 P.M. Singing Benediction by Elder G. R. Welchman.

At 6:30 We met with the Priesthood of this ward After singing & prayer Prest. Preston read the Late rev. of Prest Taylor. The teachers were called upon to see if they would try to fill their callings & do their duty and honor their Calling so all expressed themselves.

Pres. Preston arose and said we all will have to do better if we retain our standing in the church. I have not made any of the commands that we are required to keep but they are of God. We should consider our offices in the priesthood very carefully.

You have 12 teachers here Now call 12 Boys and set them to work with these experienced teachers. You should gather up a Quorum of Priests and make those Part Boys.

The presidents of these Quorums are Set in order then you Should go to & Set in order the families of the Sts. We all have got to be better in the future than we have been in the past. After the testimony of the Elders then comes the judgements of God.

Pres Preston enquired unto the Standing of the S.S. Supt.<sup>68</sup>

Bp N. R. Lewis Said I solicit the aid of Bp Fisher & Counselors as well as all the Priesthood of the ward. Our aim and object should be to unite & cement together that we may have strength to battle against the powers of darkness. Exhorted the brethren to turn out to Meeting Invoked the Blessings of the Lord upon us.

Pres. Preston said in absence of the Bp & Counselors the Pres. of the teachers quorum will preside.

You should never wait for a president or Bp to await to preside there is always a President in the Meeting according to the Grade of Priesthood. We should learn to observe the order of the Priesthood Asked the teachers of the ward to see that there is no evil in the ward and Let the Sts attend their meeting The teachers are directly called to see that there is no evil in the ward. You should have good careful oversight of your dances and cary out the instructions of Pres Taylor advise in relation to dancing. Pres Preston gave much good instructions concerning dancing &c. Bp Ricks gave an act [account] of his trip in compy with Pres Preston to Snake River. Said if you had remained in a village farm you would be better off than you are now. Would like to see L.D. Sts Settle Snake River Valley.

Singing Dismissed by Elder Willis Lemon.

Remained over night again with Bro. Horner [Homer].

### Clifton

**Monday, January 15, 1883**—At 9 A.M. We bade our hosts adieu & drove to Clifton where we met with the Sts at 10 A.M. Singing Prayer by Bp Dixon Singing. Bp Thos E Ricks arose and addressed the

the Sunday School for more than twenty-five years (see Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 243).

<sup>68</sup>The Sunday School superintendency at the time of

President Preston's inquiry included John Lloyd, Charles Croshaw, David Boice, and secretary William Rhodehouse (see Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 242–43).

Sts. upon the principle of tithing referred to the rev on.

We should look about ourselves & see that we do our duties. Invoked the Blessings of the Lord upon the Sts and officers here.

Bp. N. R. Lewis was the next Speaker Said that obedience is better than Sacrifice. We should be obt to those that preside over us & pray for them. We should be humble & Seek for the Spirit of God for our Guidance. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts. When we become blind to our own faults we become Liable to find fault with others. Amen.

Elder C. O. Card read a Letter from Pres John Taylor & J. F. Smith in regard to our new Settlements. He spoke of the necessity of Gathering together in villages. Keep the word of wisdom &c. Invoked the Blessings of God upon the Sts.

Pres. Preston arose & said he was pleased with the improve. upon your houses. You can continue until you get seats.

Spoke of the necessity of building up your town & enjoy the benefits of living in villages This comes in contact with our prepossessed notions. If the people had lived together as they started out to do they would have been worth 100 Dol to where there is one. Spoke of the advantages of our of the older settlements. I have before predicted that there will yet be a good settlement here & you can begin to see daily how it is to be brought about.

We have made covenants that we would assist to perform this great work. We have got to Set this Quorums in order and purify ourselves. Referred to the late rev. Said it was of great importance. Spoke of the Law of the United order revealed in Mosiriri. The Sts did not hearken to it consequently they were driven by their enemies. Advised the Sts to get lots and build in town. The Lord would like to train us to live in towns & Cities. The Sts frequently Say they cant do much in a Scatered in Societies associations Schools &c. Your children are growing up in ignorance in consequence of your Scatered conditions We are not capable of cultivating a very large tract of Land Some of the brethren Set their families down & go to the Ry You should come to your meetings in time & at the time appointed.

May the Lord bless you & prosper you. Gather in & take up those City lots & improve. God bless you Amen.

Singing benediction by Elder T. C. D. Howell. We all dined with Bp H Dixon & family. Bp Lewis left us at this place & returned home & we

proceeded to Dayton where we met with the Sts of this place at 2 P.M. as per appointment Singing Prayer by Elder Georgison Singing.

Pres Preston arose & said himself & Bro Ricks were just returning from Snake River Valley & then proceeded to & read a letter from Pres Taylor & J. F. Smith in relation to the Settling of new places.

I thought I would read this letter as it applies to Dayton as well as Snake River Valley. It is very important for us to live in villages. In towns & Cities you find the greatest advantages. When you are in your Scattered condition you cant attend you meetings & Schools. We may think we need large tracts of Land to provide for future posterity. But it is a mistake for we are call to come together in villages. We will crucify the flesh & try to do right. Spoke of the covenants we have made to observe the Lawes of the Gospel. The Lord calls most Earnestly upon his Priesthood to set themselves & quorums aright also set our houses in order.

He then read the rev. given Oct 13 1882 through Pres John Taylor. As he read the rev. he pointed out the blessings & privileges that the Lord referred to in said revelation.

He desired the Sts here to select a town site & have it properly laid out in Blocks & gather to gather & improve them. Have your schools Meetings. The Gospel teaches us to be one. Scattering abroad does not bring this about. If we will be obt we will enjoy the promised blessings. May the Lord bless & Prosper you is my prayer in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Bp T. E. Ricks had been interested in the remarks of Pres Preston & can Bear testimony to them. We are told to do by the Servts of God & should do it. We can have better opportunities in a town to educate our children. Our School teachers should be of our faith. We are required to teach our children the principles of the Gospel & then they are not so liable to go astray. Do our duty to ourselves & our families. Referred to those who have married out side of the Church & they are miserable though they possess much property. Exhorted the Sts to be faithful and obedient. If we have neglected our duties return to them. It is prayer time return to the Lord & he will hear us. May the Lord bless you & our officers is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

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

Councilor C. O. Card Bore his testimony to what Prest Preston & Bp T E Ricks said it would be well

for us enquire in to our Spiritual welfare as well as our temperal the Lord has promised if we would turn unto him he would turn unto us Spoke of the verious organizations of the Priesthood Spoke of the gathering to gather of the people in towns & vilages.

Spoke of the Law of tithing and if we did not pay our tithing this would not be a land of zion unto us Spoke of the Sabath Schools and the Education our Children received there preparing them to cary the gospel to the world.

Spoke of the Indians receiving the gospel receiving Dreams & visions &c. preparing them to receive the gospel.

Spoke of partaking of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and the Blessings associated conected with thad ordir.

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Invoked the blessings of the Gospel upon the Sts. Bp A. A. Allen appreciated the counsel & advise of the brethren. Thought if the Sts would gather together as we are advised.

Thought you should have a Relief Society organized here. Sister Louisa Boyce was unanimously sustained as pres. of the Relief Society of Dayton. Sister Lucy Chadwick first & Mary Ann Kiddy as 2nd Counsellors. Were unanimously sustained as such. They were then Set apart under the hands of Bps Allen, Rick and myself. The Pres, by myself as mouth first coun. By By Bp Ricks the next by Bp Allen. Bp All spoke of the importance of observing the fast day & paying your offering and pray on those days. Observe the Law of tithing & come & settle it. Spoke of the Temple Offering.

Singing Dismissed by Elder Stephen Callan.

After Meeting we all took Supper with Bro Pool & family Thence to Weston where we arrived a few minutes after 6 P.M.

**Weston.** At 6:30 P.M. we met with the Sts of this place choir Sang prayer by Elder John Maugham Singing. Elder Andrew McCombs who had recently returned from a special Mission to the Southern States. Was thankful for the opportunity I have in the gospel. Said the Lord comforted him on his mission thought he had done some little good. It excited much curiosity in the people whom he visited to See a mormon Elder. He had traveled 1500 miles on foot & held 130 meetings. Found many honest good people. He advised the young & middle aged to attend S.S. and qualify themselves to preach the

Gospel. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts.\* He Labored in Middle Tennessee & was absent 16 months.

Elder Ricks next spoke Said it had been Several yrs since he was here. We live in a day that had been long looked upon by the ancient prophets with pleasure. We live in a day when the Kingdom of God is being established upon the earth. The more we have been persecuted, the faster the work of God increases. We are here to Serve the Lord. We will defend our homes & familyies & sustain. He refered to the rev. recently Given through Pres John Taylor it teaches us to be one and purify ourselves &c. We Should pay our tithes & do right We should not querrel with our neighbors nor do wrong if we do the Lord will let our enemies Scourge us. Prayed the Lord to bless us all & assist us is my prayer. Amen.

Pres Preston then read a letter address him & his counselors in relation to the Settling in villages from Pres Taylor & J. F. Smith. While this letter was given particularly for Bro Ricks Ward it applies with equal force to other Settlements. Call attention to the time when your town was larger than it is now. The letter I have read concides with my views. Refered to the time when the Sts in this valley wer very poor but had prospered greatly by living in vilages. Many are Land poor in consequence of trying to hold so much land.

Spoke of the great advantage of living in villages to educate our children in Sunday & day schools. Quorum meetings Societies & associations &c &c c&c.

Many apologize for not going to meetings on act of your Scattered condition.

Who sent you onto ranches. You have not improved financially nor morrally or intellectually. Reminded the Sts of their prayers offered in their native Lands to gather with the Sts. not to Scatter out.

Spoke of the New Jerusalem that is to be built for us. Do you think you will need a ranch out Side[?] I think not. Weston would improve much faster to gather together. I trust the Sts will look at this carefully & Keep the counsels of the presidency of of the church.

This is a gathering dispensation & we do not want to loose Sight of the objects in view. You should inform your Bp when you wish to go away that you may not be lost sight of. Advise with your Bp & receive his advise. Illustrated the necessity of going recommended to new settlements. We want to hold fast to faith of the Gospel. We settle in towns

that we may be better able to Keep the Commands of God & we can better protect ourselves. Related a little experience on their Snake river trip. Good Land timber and water & a good place for Sts & come good kind people then. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts here Amen.

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Councilor C O Card referred to Practical Working of the Gospel of Christ Spoke about Baptism and the necessity of the Same also faith of as being essential unto us. To enable us to act our parts.

Spoke of prayer Said we oftened prayed for the authorities that the Lord would bless them with wisdom to teach us how to build up his Kingdom and when the word of the Lord was given we should obey the Same.

Said when we rejected the Word of the Lord Amen to the Priesthood.

What have we accomplished nearly nothing it is all lost.

Exhorted the Saints to settle our difficulties as the Lord had given unto us &c Referred to the Labors on the Temple and the Labor of Love. Spoke of the fears of our Enemies in political affairs.

[Entries return with Card's handwriting.]

God Bless you all in the name of Jesus Amen. Singing Benediction by Bp T. E. Ricks.

**Tuesday, January 15 [16], 1883**—We bade our friends at Weston adieu about 9:45 & drove to Trenton where we met with the Sts of this place. Singing prayer by Elder James Harmison Singing.

C O Card first addressed the Sts upon the principles of unity the necessities of living in Villages that they would be convers to meetings & Schools. We should not try to build up ourselves on any one principle but try to build upon the whole rock of rev. Observe the Law of tithing that Zion may be a Zion to us attend your Schools & all try to do your duties. Invoked the blessings of the God upon the Sts here. Amen.

Bp. Thos E Ricks read Pres Taylor's Letter to Pres Preston & Counselors & Bp Ricks & said he thought it applied to the Sts here.

Said The prophet Joseph predicted that we would go to the Mts & build up villages & farm between We are now asked to gather together in

villages that we may lay a foundation for blessings. Referred to the Late rev. which commands the priesthood to be one to set our Quorums & houses and in order. We are promised if we will keep Gods commands he will bless & protect us.

Try to overcome our faults and difficulties. Invoked the blessings of God up on the Sts.

Pres Preston arose & said he was glad to meet with you. Reminded the Sts that the Lord would have no objections if you made good seats & comfortable ones. You are living in a scattered condition Your Bp. Should see if he cant find a place for a City or town plat.

I am satisfied you can raise many vegetables You should See that your children are properly Educated & trained. You have to much range for your children Spirit of the Gospel teaches us to gather together. We pray for the Servts of God that they may be inspired with the will of God concerning us and his will now is for us to gather in villages. Gave his experience in Settling Logan City and its surroundings all with Small parcels of Land 20 or 25 or 30 acres to each family.

Settlers who have taken ¼ secs. have not prospered so much He advised the Sts here to cut up the Large parcels of Land into 20 & 40 acres and gather together that you could Succeed in your Schools & meetings. Brethren and sisters that Scatter abroad do it on the own responsibilities. Our children are of more importance to us than flocks herds & Lands.

I can see many good reasons why our president should write Such a letter to us. Everything that pertains to our welfare temporally or Spiritually pertains to the Gospel & God will consummate his work. We are brought here that we may learn more perfectly of the work of the Lord. The Sts. were driven from Mo. & Ill. because they were not obt to the Lawes of the Lord that the Lord may smile upon us & sustain us. May the Lord bless you and your Bp is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

Sang Dismissed by Bp. John Jardine.

After dining with Bro A. MCombs & family He accompanied us to Clarkston.

#### **Clarkston**

We met with the Sts of this place at 6:30 PM Singing by the choir.

Prayer by Elder Wm V. R. Cerbine Singing. Elder Andrew MCombs first addressed the Sts felt it was his duty to be obt and comply with the advice of the Servts of God. Dilated upon the principle of

faith. Baptism & Laying on of hands for the gift of the Holy Ghost. Spoke of the necessity of the young understanding the principles of the Gospel. We should contend for the faith that was once delivered to the Sts & commence to day. Exhorted the young to attend to the S.S. Felt thankful for the blessings of the Gospel. We should learn to love one another & be one. Spoke of the darkness that rest upon the winds of other nations Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts.

Elder C. O. Card read communication from Pres Taylor & J F. Smith. Bp Thos Ricks followed with appropriate remarks. Made a report of his & Pres Prestons travels in the Snake River Valley (Bannock Ward) had been traveling nearly 2 weeks. Where we have traveled the Sts feel well. The young are doing well in their associations.

Spoke of Zions Camp & the rev. on consecration. Spoke of the Expulsion of the sts from Mo. & the Settling of Nauvoo. The martyrdom of Joseph & Hyrum. Building of the Temple at Nauvoo. Spoke of the stubbornness of the Sts. & they were driven from Nauvoo to these Mts. Spoke of the Succession of the Priesthood & obedience Referred to the rev. given through Pres Taylor Oct 13/82. We Should purify ourselves & be one. We should not Scatter abroad but counsel and advise with our Bp. & he will tell us what to do try to do better than we have done. Obey the rev. Prayed the Lord to bless & Sustain the Sts Amen.

Pres Preston Said we have been traveling around nearly 2 weeks have had a pleasant trip for the season of the yr. Sts & siners have treated us very Kindly. There is a good country in Snake River Valley & a few Sts. scattered through it. Spoke of the good Soil & timber. We are here to learn more fully of the things of God & the judgements of to come. We wish to have our young to qualify themselves to take of the responsibilities of the Kingdom. He felt that his children should have a better oppertunities than we have had that there may be improvement in our generations Spoke of reading the *Bible* & Book of Mormon and the vast amt of Knowledge we can glean therefrom. We desire our children should be better informed than ourselves.

We find our lives are short & we have no time to loose or idle away. We should not Sacrifice the things of God for the the things of the world. We must become informed to in the things of the Kingdom & should put ourselves in a way to get it & not Scattered. We should read the *Bible* Book of

Mormon & Doc & Cov. Read the Book of Mormon & see what the Lord is going to do with the Lamanites. See what our relationship is with them. It is very important we understand these things. We should learn how to live together and associate together in our dances. Discountenanced round dances owing to the place of its origination being of immoral reputation. We should conform to the instructions Given by Pres. Taylor. Observe order in all our dances.

We should learn to be polite & Kind. We should not have excessive swinging. Gave much good instruction in relation to dancing. Teach your children how to entertain company at home & receive them Kindly & with ease.

In yrs to come if the nation in which we reside wish a wise representative they will have to get them from among these boys that cant be bought nor sold We trust we are raising this kind. May God bless & prosper you is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

Elder C. O. Card Bore testimony to the remarks of the brethren Exhorted the Sts to be faithful in all their callings Seek to do right & read the Scriptures & store your minds with Knowledge. Magnify the Priesthood you bear. God bless the Sts.

Choir sang Benediction by Henry Yates.

We Stayed over night with Bp. John Jardine.

**Newton, Wednesday, January 17, 1883**—About 9 A.M. we Bade Bp Jardine & family adieu & drove to newton where we met with the Sts of this place at 11 A.M. Singing by the Choir prayer by Elder Andew MCombs. Singing.

Elder C. O. Card Spoke upon the blessings of the priesthood Aronic & Melchisedk. We Should teach our children to appreciate the blessing of the Holy Priesthood. We should teach the Scriptures & Strive to understand them. Spoke of the wickedness of the surrounding nations Referred to the Jaredites & Nephites being cut off for their wickedness It will be so with our nation except they repent. Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts.

Bp T. E. Ricks referred to the Late rev. thought it encouraging.

Settle our own difficulties. Referred to their trip to Snake Riper. Thought the Sts were on the improve. Found good Land & water in abundance. Blessed the Sts in the name of Jesus Amen.

Pres. Preston Said the remarks of the brethren are true. Said the road between here & Clarkston is very crooked. You have spoiled the road & I wish

you to make it Straighter in stead of more Crooked. He appointed Bps Rigby and Jardine Andrew Anderson & Wm Griffin a committee to Locate these roads & apply to the Court by petition & have them properly Located & recorded. Pres Preston read the Letter addressed him & counselors by Pres John Taylor & J. F. Smith. Spoke to the Sts in regard to moving and taking recommends to the wards where they expect to Locate. I have read this letter for the benefit of those that wish to move out.

Referred to the rev of Oct 13/82 I have been in the church 25 yrs only recently have I heard the Servts of God Say thus Saith the Lord The Lord calls on us to be faithful purify ourselves. Referred to the rev. given in Mo. in regard to united order & Consecration. Our enemies made the Sts Sacrifice if not consecrate.

The rev. we have recd is an answer to our prayers for we ask the Lord to reveal His mind & will unto us. Spoke of the blessings of faith & authority of the priesthood. Read rev. given in Sep. 1832 in relation to the priesthood and the Covenant thereof. We should Sanctify ourselves & set our families in order. Our enemies have deprived us of our rights to some extent & will to a greater extent except we turn to the Lord.

The great question is will you & I be found faithful to our covenants. Educate the children Boys in the Gospel. that they may go forth & promulgate it. Am pleased to behold the improvement also to See the fine children. We should not Set our hearts upon our property.

The Lord has commenced to use up his Kings and priests even a nation of them. Keep your children learning Something. That the Lord may bless & prosper you is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen. Choir Sang Benediction by Henry Yates.

We dined with Bp Rigby & returned home.

**Thursday, January 18, 1883**—I attended to the Temple Business also the U.O. business during the day. ~~Attended a meeting of the board of the U.O.M & B Co in the eveng.~~

**Thursday Friday & Saturday, January 19 & 20, 1883**—I attended to Temple & U.O.M.B. Co. Business until late each night.

**Sunday, January 21, 1883**—In consequence of the Small Pox in our town we had no meetings I Stayed at home & passed my time in reading Book of Mormon & the news papers.

**Monday & Tuesday, January 22 & 23, 1883**—I attended to the business of Temple & U O M & B Co the past 2 days dividing my time between them.

**Wednesday, January 24, 1883**—Attend to the usial run of Business of Temple & Company & attended a meeting of the Board of the U.O.M. & B. Co. which held until nearly 1 AM nex morning.

**Thursday, January 25, 1883**—Attended to my usial run of business during the day.

**Friday, January 26, 1883**—At 4:35 A.M. I took train for Ogden where I arrived about 9 A.M. Spent the day in business for the U.O.M & B. Co. Took train at 6:30 P.M. for Salt Lake & arrived Shortly After 8 PM in Salt Lake City & put for the night at the Continental hotel. Met Mr. J. A. Stephens of the firm of Steel Johnson & Co Omaha & sold him 20000 flour & during the day I sold For Bros of Ogden 40000# & 20000 Oats the Latter on 30 Ds time the former on act.

Thus ended another very busy day of 17 or 18 hours.

**Salt Lake, Saturday, January 27, 1883**—This morning I went to the 2nd Ward of this City to find Bro D. Weggland [Weggeland] to see him about painting the inside of the Temple<sup>69</sup> Also visited the presidents office but all were away but the Clerks. Spent about 2 hours at the Coop. with Supt. Wm Jennings on U.O.M & B Co. Thence returned to Brigham City where I arrived Late in the evening and went to a concert in their Tabernacle. Stayed over night with Bp. A Nichols.

**Sunday, January 28, 1883**—I attended meeting at the Box Elder Stake Conference at 10 AM & 2 P.M.

Addressed the Sts in the morning & listened to discourses of Pres D H Wells Apostle F. D. Richards & Bp Henry Hughes also Pres O G Snow.

At 8 OC PM took train & arrived in Logan with my family at 11 P.M.

<sup>69</sup> Dannie Weggeland came to Salt Lake City in 1862 and began working with C. C. A. Christensen, painting scenery for the Salt Lake Theatre. He also did other landscape work and was eventually commissioned to paint scenes for Latter-day Saint

temples. He became one of Utah's prominent art teachers. He is called by historians Thomas G. Alexander and James B. Allen "the father of Utah painting" (1984, 84, 114).



**Monday & Tuesday, January 29 & 30, 1883**—I attended faithfully to the business of the temple & U O M & B Co the Last 2 Ds Had a pleasant chat with Apbostle M Thatcher this evening.

**Wednesday, January 31, 1883**—I attended to the business of the Temple & U O M & B Co during the day. Met with the Board of the U.O.M. & B. Co. this evening and resigned the office of Manager of Said Co & C. W. Nibley was appointed to fill the vacancy.

**Thursday, February 1, 1883**—Attended only to the Temple business to day. The weather was very cold with heavy East wind.

**Friday, February 2, 1883**—I attended to the Temple Business until nearly noon when I accompanied Pres. Preston & Bp T. E. Ricks to Bro. Henry Flamm<sup>70</sup> whom Pres Preston Set apart as first counselor to Bp T. E. Ricks of the Bannock Ward in the Cache Valley Stake of Zion I superintended the repairs of the Canal that had been Broken 2 Ds before gathered hands &c to consummate the repairs.

**Saturday, February 3, 1883**—I attended to the repairs of the Canal to day Early & Late.

**Sunday, February 4, 1883**—I continued the work on the canal as it was freezing So hard we thought it wise to continue our work which we did.

**Monday, February 5, 1883**—This Morning I resumed my Temple Business and continued through the day & Met with the Cach Co. Central committee in the evening which adjourned at 9 P.M.

**Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, February 6, 7, & 8, 1883**—I attended to Local Temple Bus & assisted the clks of the Temple in getting out reports also wrote on the last date to The Temple committee. At noon I dined with the hands at the Temple at which time I delivered a Brief address upon the necessity of Punctuality cleanliness & faithfulness of duty to our Temple Labors that we might hasten the completion of the house of the Lord. At 11 P.M. I took train for for Mont Pelier [Montpelier] Bear

lake for the purpose of meet at their conference on the 10 & 11 Inst.

**Friday, February 9, 1883**—At 4:30 I arrived at ~~Pace Town Quarry~~ McCannon where I had to await the train several hours put up at H. O. Harkness hotel until the arrival of the Train. At 7 P.M. two men were Brought here from 28 miles East who had been thrown from the track while pushing a hand car in the same drection in the drifting Snow. The train not arriving I put up for the night at Mr. Harkness' hotel.

**Saturday, February 10, 1883**—I remained here until 1 P.M. when our East bound freight arrived & I got on Board for Mont Pelier. Took supper at Soda Springs at 6 P.M. Thence to Mont Pelier where I arrived at one A.M.

**Sunday, February 11, 1883**—Stoped until morning with Bro E. Burgoyne and family who recd me very Kindly.<sup>71</sup> Took Breakfast after which his son took me to Paris where I joined the Sts of this stake in conference.

Dined with Pres. Budge Attended meeting again at 2 P.M. Addressed the Sts.

Called on Pres. Rich between Meetings. Called on P Lindsay & family also met with my cousin Sarah Beach Lindsay.

Made a Brief settlement with Pres. Osmond who had chge of the Bear Lake T.O. Thence to Bloomington where I took supper with Bro. J. E. Hart & wife with whom I remained over night.

**Bloomington, Monday, February 12, 1883**—I bade my friends of this place good Bye & drove to Meadow Ville where I took dinner & remained & looked after the Temple Oxon about 2 hours.

Thence to Lake town where I attended meeting & addressed the Sts. Stayed over night with a Brother Weston who treated me very Kindly.

**Tuesday, February 13, 1883**—We bade our friends of this place adieu & I Joined Pres Budge and Bps Lee & McKennon & drove to Randolph & dined with Bp McKennon Thence East of Woodruff 4 or

<sup>70</sup> Henry Flamm, from June 1876 to October 1877, presided over the Swiss and German Mission of the Church. He served as a counselor to Thomas E. Ricks, the first bishop of the Rexburg Ward. Flamm died August 19, 1913. It was said of him that he

was one of the best-known and much-beloved elders in Idaho (see A. Jensen 1914, 214, 64 [supplement]; Beal 1942, 202).

<sup>71</sup> Born in 1835, Edward Burgoyne came to the Bear Lake Valley as a pioneer in 1864 (see Rich 1963, 45).

5 miles to Bp Lees Ranch where we were very hospitably received by Bp Lees family.<sup>72</sup>

**Wednesday, February 14, 1883**—Thence we went conveyed by Bp. McKennon to Evanston where we dined together & parted Bp Mc. returning hom & Pres. Budge & myself took train for Ogden where we arrived safely at 5:30 PM.

Here I parted with Bro Budge & took train for Logan Where I arrived about 11 P.M. Tired & weary.

**Thursday, February 15, 1883**—After adjusting my clothing and taking a bath I went to the Temple to resume my Labors. Wrote to Pres F. D. Richards and attended to other Business during the for the Temple &c.

**Friday, February 16, 1883**—To day I attended to Temple and other business of importance.

**Saturday, February 17, 1883**—This morning I called on Pres. Preston and advised with him in regard to Temple & Stake business. We concluded it best to call the Temple Carpenters & Painters together (in consequence of the Shortness of the funds) & see how many would be willing to work during Mch [month of March] on donation and Labor tithing which I did at 12 M. I Stated the points to the Brethren and 42 responded & Said they were willing to work that is all but a few would put in the whole of Mch & the Bal ½ rather than see the work on the house of the Lord retarded a good feeling prevailed and all felt well about the move. The work promised to be done in Mch by these good work men amts to the goodly sum of \$2501.20.

**Millville, Sunday, February 18, 1883**—At 9 A.M. I accompanied Pres Preston Elders J. A. Leishman & L. R. Martineaux to Millville.<sup>73</sup>

At 10 AM met with the Millville S.S. where we found about 100 Schollars & teachers convened in response to the good work. After the General exercises & Questions were asked in regard to the Sacrament or Lords Supper.

Pres Preston Said that as per Pres. B. Young's communication of July/77 the Bp & his counsellors

were to administer the Sacrament in the S.S. probably that we may have their presence & influence in the S.S. Spoke of the importance of using the revealed form of prayer if those that act dont understand the prayer should read it that it may be done correctly and carefully. We Should follow strictly the Lawes of the Lord that they may not be changed. So with Baptism & other ordinances. We are all but children in the Gospel, the oldest not excepted. Was pleased to meet with the S.S. You should Study hard to get an education & continue that you may be Bright men & women.

Invoked the Blessings of the Gospel upon the school. Amen.

Elder L. R. Martineaux arose & expressed his pleasure in meeting with this school. He viewed with great pleasure his S.S. days.

It was important that we all Study & become intelligent It is qualities of mind and heart that make good men.

Suggested to the boys that have good habits and are morral will become men sooner than otherwise. Discouraged the Idea of Smoking & of use of tobacco. Joseph Smith was called of God & revealed from God good principles for our guidance. We should employ our spare time in Studying the divine mission of the prophet Jos' Smith. Spoke of men that broke off from our church that had tried to establish churches but ther Labors shad not been extended among many nations.

Spoke of the Introduction of the Gospel among the Lamanites rejoiced in being here & in the blessings of the Gospel.

You should not use liquor nor encourage the use of it. Invoked the blessings of the Gospel upon the Sts & the School Amen.

Pres Preston Said that this house is large enough for the children to come to meeting in the after part of the day. The prophet Said the children Should attend meetings as well as the S.S. The success in in the S.S. is acquired by following the suggestions of those whose right it is to dictate. Follow the revelations. Please remember this for it is correct. I trust your teachers & Supt will remind you of these duties occasionally School sang Benediction by Elder John Anderson.

<sup>72</sup>William H. Lee became bishop of the Woodruff Ward on August 26, 1877, and he was also president of the ward's United Order. Archibald McKinnon was bishop of the Randolph Ward and vice president of that unit's United Order (see Rich 1963, 137, 187).

<sup>73</sup>The Millville Sunday School had 21 officers and teachers and 239 students. At the time of Card's visit, Henry Chandler served as superintendent, and Ola Olsen and Frederick Yeates were his assistants (see Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 134).

Millville—1 P.M. We met with the Sts of this place. Singing by the choir Prayer by Elder R. Jessop<sup>74</sup> Singing & Sacrament.

Elder James A. Leishman arose & Expressed his pleasure in having the privilege of meeting with the Sts here having been deprived for some time of his meetings in Logan in consequence of the small pox. Referred to meeting with the S.S. this morning. Spoke of the weakness of Some who were lead to think that Gospel as taught by the L.D. Sts. were about the Same as other denominations which he thought incorrect. Spoke of the true records we have in the holy Scriptures. Referred to the apostacy of the Jews & the divine mission of our Savior.

Referred to the excellent example of our Lord and Savior. Dwelt upon the doctrines of the Gospel & the ancient organization of the church. Spoke of the Comforter Sent as referred to by the Savior. Spoke for some time upon the first principles of the Gospel.

Spoke of the Confering the Holy Priesthood upon man in the days of the Savior.

Referred to the mode of reformation introduced by Martin Luther & others drew comparison between the church of Christ & those made of Men.

Men rely upon themselves & not upon God as they Should. Man made Systems are named after men not giving God the Glory as they should. Spoke of the first rev. of the prophet Joseph Smith & the great importance of his mission.

He Spoke of the great necessities of the young getting a testimony of the truth of the Gospel. The great & grand educator is the Gift of the Holy Ghost. We must observe all the Lawes and ordinances of the Church of God if we wish to be recipients of the Gospel. We cannot be saved in our sins but need the light of the Spirit for our guidance and adapt ourselves to the living church. Felt well in bearing his testimony to the truth of the gospel & the hope of Eternal life. May God help us to appreciate his work & do his will which is our mission. Amen.

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

Counselor C. O. Card spoke: Pleased to meet again with the Saints in Millville. Enjoyed the Sunday

School this morning. The important work before us demands our continued attention. Fifty years ago the Church was composed of a very few members, but the work has spread rapidly. We should be practicle Saints. Practice the laws and ordinances of the Gospel. A great deal is required of the Saints but God in His justice has promised never to make a requirement of His people save He prepares a way for them to perform the same. Missions have been established among many nations of the Earth. About 20 missionaries are about to depart to the Southern States to preach the Gospel. They must go and work in faith; for without that we cannot do anything to spread the Truth Do not think too much of the things of the world. But devote our attention more to the work of God. Take time to do good. Teachers in the Church should learn their duty and perform it among the Saints. Be careful to retain and preserve Confidence among each other. Establish unity in action and faith. Observe the pattern laid down by the word of God to settle difficulties among yourselves. There is no time for us to idle away the time we have at our command. We must continually labor to inspire ourselves.

Spoke at some length on the subject of the Temple, and stated that more support was necessary to carry on the work and asked to make an Extra Exertion to aid the work. May we do good receive a reward in God's Kingdom. Amen.

Prest Preston spoke: Bore testimony to what the brethren preceding him had said. The Sunday school this morning called his attention to the instructions of our late President Young concerning the training of our children. He suggested that Bp. Pitkin read to the Saints the letter of instruction issued by the late President Young. Called the attention of the people to the fact that in Logan some evil-disposed persons had come to Logan and began to dispose of Liquor unlawfully and they boast of more support out-side of Logan than from the people of Logan. He spoke at some length on the subject of supporting such dens and urged the people not to sympathise with them. Also spoke upon the subject of the Temple. While in Salt Lake last week he (Prest. Preston) laid the matter of the Temple before Prest Taylor who stated that he desired the Saints to put forth renewed efforts to continue the work. Else in the near future some of the hands would have to

<sup>74</sup>Richard Jessop served in the Millville Sunday School for more than twenty-five years. In the early days of Millville history, he had gone east and brought Mormon pioneers to the Great

Basin (see Millville History Book Committee 1990, 14; Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 134).

be discharged and the work cease till the people were ready to resume the work. Nearly all the Hands now employed on the Temple have freely volunteered one month's services without any pay which will amount to nearly \$3000.00 for March, besides affording a little time to obtain aid from other sources.

Spoke concerning the deliverance which God has and is performing in behalf of the Saints in the national Congress. Very mirraculous has been the success of the Saints in getting able statesmen to raise their voices in our favor. Judge Black has been inspired by God to speak for human rights. God is in all these things. Admonished the Saints old & young, male & female to be honest & honorable, and good Latter day Saints. Amen.

Counselor C. O Card, Bp. Geo. O. Pitkin & Elder Geo. Bigloir blessed a baby with a father's blessing. Elder Jas. A. Leishman, Counselor Card & Bp. Pitkin consecrated a bottle of olive oil.

[Entries return with Card's handwriting.]

Singing. Benediction by Elder L. R. Martineaux.

We returned to Logan about 5:30 P.M. Busied myself in writing a Telegram (rather lengthy) to Pres Wm Budge also a communication to the *Utah Journal*, that the Sts of the Temple disct may be inspired to give us more help on the Logan Temple.

**Monday, February 19, 1883**—This morning I took train to Brigham City where I arrived about 8 AM took Breakfast with Pres. L. Snow with whom I advised about the Logan Temple remained in this place visiting with Pres O. G. Snow & Bp A. Nichols in order to inspire a little energy in behalf of the Logan Temple & by the aid of Pres L. Snow I think we did dined with Bro L. S. Thence to Ogden by train where I arrived at 5 P.M. and had an encouraging interview with Apostle F. D. Richard in relation to the Logan Temple. Remained with him over night & was received very Kindly by him & his wife Jane S. J.<sup>75</sup>

**Tuesday, February 20, 1883**—I remained in Ogden through the day attending to Temple & other business until 7 P.M. when I took train for home where I arrived about 11 P.M.

**Wednesday, February 21, 1883**—This morning I went to the Temple where I attended to the

necessary Temple Biz. Submitting acts of over three hundred in Cash I rec'd from Brigham City and a little from Ogden with the prospect of more to follow. Very busy all day. 21

**Thursday, February 22, 1883**—I attended to the duties of Superintending the Temple. (had brief visit with Pres Preston over Stake matters)

**Friday, February 23, 1883**—I attended to the usial run of Temple business.

Wrote a letter to pres John Taylor concerning a for the Temple that we had failed in digging.

**Saturday, February 24, 1883**—The morning I repaired to the Temple to attended to the necessary Labors.

I again visited the temple in all its Parts & attended to the business until the hands ceased Labor. Thus ends another busy week.

**Sunday, February 25, 1883**—This morning at 9 A.M. I accompanied Pres Preston & Elder Joseph Thatcher to Providence. Left them here & drove to Millville & changed an appointment from P. 9M. to 3:30 P.M. Today

Then I returned to Providence & Joined The Brethren that stoped here. I addressed the School upon their duties as Schollars in regard to being Punctual & attentive & mannerly.

Pres. Preston then arose & adressed the school. Said we should ordain a Deacons Quorum from among these Boys. You should come to Meeting in the afternoon as Well as attend S.S. in the morning. You will not think of Staying out of Day school in the afternoon because you went in the fore part of the day. You would not think or your parents would not of your working in the forenoon & playing every afternoon every day. Invoked the Blessings of the Lord upon the School in the name of Jesus Amen.

Singing & Benediction by Elder J W Thatcher.

**Providence—1 P.M.** We met at this hour singing by the choir. Prayer by Elder Fred Thenrer [Theurer] Singing after which the Sacrament was Administered.

Elder Joseph W. Thatcher arose & said the plan of Salvation was of God & not of man.

Spoke of the Transgression of Adam & Eve our first parents & ther straying from the Lord & of the

<sup>75</sup> Franklin D. Richards's wife, Jane Snyder Richards, served as the first stake Relief Society president in the Church's history

(see Derr, Cannon, and Beecher 1992, 130).

Great atonement of of the Savior. Spoke of the ancient order of the Church which was necessary 1800 yrs ago & are necessary to day & they will produce the same effect.

Was surprised while traveling abroad to see Learned divines & to see how little they comprehend of the Gospel & the *Bible* though know it Seemingly by heart. Spoke of the toils and travelings of the Sts in this our day.

Spoke of the mission of the 12 Apostles in all the World to teach what Jesus had commanded them to do. Discoursed upon the principles of faith, quoting Scripture to in support of his argument. Also repentance, Baptism illustrating these principles by figures and quoting scripture in support of the same.

The Latter principls Should be administered by one holding the authority of the Holy Priesthood as well as the Confirmation of the Holy Ghost. Exhorted the young to Study the principles of the Gospel & treasure them up. Said the people of the Southern States were very poor & many children from 6 to 8 yrs of age had to Labor in the field.

We all have a work to perform no people are more Blessed than the Latterday Sts. The Kingdom of God is progressive.

God will bless us for all of our good efforts. When we pray we must pray in faith not doubting. Bore testimony that God was with this people he had seen the Sick healed &c. Prayed that God would bless the Sts for Christ's Sake Amen.

Pres Preston arose & expressed his pleasure in meeting with the Sts. One of the Great necessities is to have a most thorough organization of the priesthood &c.

The adversary does not like organization. We should have order in all things. Sunday Schools Should study the rules & suggestions to S.S. Pres. Preston read a paragraph of the rev. given through Pres. John Taylor Oct 13 1882 pertaining to the Priesthood & its organization &c.

The house of the Lord is a hous of order a perfect order of Government. The prophet Joseph Smith Said he taught the Sts good principles & they govered themselves. The rev. Given is a step in advance.

Spoke at Some length upon the organization of Stakes wards & quorums. Read from Doc Cov. Page 392 chap. in relation to the organization Deacons,

Teachers, Priests, Elders, High priests & advised the brethren composing to read this rev. & Study it. An High Priest can act in all the Lesser offices of the priesthood read again from Doc. Cov. Page 384. We should try to find something for all to do. Spoke of the necessity of ordaining our boys to teachers Priests & have them visit the Sts & read to them of the revs if they can not think of anything to say.

It is well for them to read the Scriptures to our families. The office of a priest will admit of their doing this & explain. Bp M. M. Hammond was sustained as Pres of the Priests Quorum of Prov. Ward.

Wm Fife was sustained as Pres of the teachers Quorum Datus Hammond was sustained as Pres of the deacons Quorum. You should have another Quorum of Deacons Quorum in Providence.<sup>76</sup> The rudeness of the young may be accounted for by our not giving them enough to do. Read from Doc. cov Page 292. Spok of the principle of forgiveness. Referred the Late rev. & urged the filling up of the quorums. Set all the Priesthood to work governing themselves Deacons Teachers Priests Elders &c. Persuade those adicted to the use of Liquor to leave it off The young Ladies can do more than any one else towards break up of Liquor Saloons if they will get up a healthy sentiment against it by not associating. Set good examples befor the young. Sanctify ourselves by Keeping the Lawes & ordinances of the Gospel.

The teachers visits all as members of the church & do their dutyies as officers. The deacons should assist. At the hour appointed for all to be at meeting, we will be in order & not have to be called to order. May the Lord bless us with wisdom to perform our Labors & with a disposition to do good is my prayer in the name of Jesus Amen.

Singing Benediction by Bp M. M. Hammond.

### Millville

Pres. Preston arose and gave some good instruction to the Elders Assembled in regard to order efficiency &c. Read from E.E.) [Card's reference here was written above the line.] Doc Cov. Pge 384 in relation to the callings of the Melchisedek & Levitical or Aaronic Priesthood.

Have many explanations as he read verse by verse no one need at err. Warned the Elders against Breaking their covenants. Bp Geo O. Pitkin Acts in a dual capacity as a Spiritual & Temporal advisor. &

<sup>76</sup>William Fife arrived at Spring Creek, later Providence, in April 1859 (see Ricks and Cooley 1956, 39).

you should be helps to him. We have in our covenanted to do this.

God has promised to answer our prayers in righteousness. Warned them against drunkenness and profanity. The Law is perfect we are weak & infallible read again from the Late rev. to Pres John Taylor.

Spok of the fruits of a rebelliousness. As these Quorums of Providence & Millville have been combined also with a portion of Hyrum Ward We have thought it best to have a Quorum in Prov. Also one in Millville as We find already a presidency in each. It is the duty of the Presidency of the Stake to make the changes in the Presidency of the Elders Quorums. The resignation of Wm H. Lowe was accepted (He had previously been chosen to be first Counselor to Bp M. M. Hammond. Henry Bullock was sustained as president of the third Quorum & Alma Mathews & Thomas S. Pridey as counsellors. Richard Jessop as President of 4th Quorum of Elders. Henry Chandler first & Walter C. Humphreys as 2nd Counselors, also Sustained.<sup>77</sup>

I trust the brethren will Soon be able fill up their Qurums. Boys & Girls Should get married when old enough Mariage Should be encouraged in the community.

There is a great deal of foolishness about this Sparking Business where it is prolonged. Discouraged the reading of fiction.

Bp. Geo. O. Pitkin was sustained as president of the Priest Quorum of Millville If you cant find enough young men for this quorum take the High Priests & Elders.

Send your Boys with experienced men to visit and read the Scriptures & revelation to the people & Export them. Our Enemies are Seeking to rob us of all our rights & all we possess but the Lord will protect us if will do our duties. Call the members of your Quorums together & instruct them.

Teach your Quorums good principles & they will govern themselves. Teachers visit the Sts & see that no iniquity is there also the Priests visit the Sts & instruct them. Put your Boys in these quorums of the Lesser Priesthood.

The Lord can not Save people in their ignorance they Should become learned in the principles of the Gospel We expect Bps. Pitkin & Hammond will fill up these Quorums at once & not delay Teach your children the Gospel & traditionate them in it. Amen. Singing Benediction C. O. Card.

After meeting we returned to Logan.

**Monday, February 26, 1883**—I attended to the usial run of Temple Business.

**Tuesday & Wednesday, February 27 & 28, 1883**—I attended to the usial temple Business during the day.

**Thursday, March 1, 1883**—I attended to fast meeting in the 2nd Ward. The first for 2 months. J. R. Edwards J. [John] C. Greaves & Simpson Pearsons were cut off the Church<sup>78</sup> for engaging in the Liquor trafic in contrevention of both the Laws of God & the Land.

**Friday, March 2, 1883**—I again attended to the usial routine of Temple business.

**Saturday, March 3, 1883**—I attended to the Temple Bus until 11 A.M. Then I attended to ~~Temple~~ & other Priesthood meeting where we had Excellent teachings from Apostle M. Thatcher & the Presidency of the Stake on the prohibition of the Liquor trafic.

#### Hyrum

**Sunday, March 4, 1883**—This morning Pres. Preston Elders C. O. Card F. W. Hurste C. W. Nibley & F Turner drove to Hyrum.

<sup>77</sup> Henry Chandler, who owned a sawmill in Millville, is credited—along with Abel Garr—with constructing the first church house in that community, which he completed in 1881. He served as superintendent of the Millville Ward Sunday School, and Walter C. Humphreys was his first assistant. In 1900 the Sunday School honored Chandler for all his work. Richard Jessop had been the secretary of the Sunday School, and both Chandler and Jessop served in the Sunday School for more than twenty-five years. Walter C. Humphreys came to Millville in the 1860s because Brigham Young called him to settle there. In 1874 he was asked to go to St. George to help build the temple there (see Millville History Book Committee 1990, 14; Deseret

Sunday School Union 1900, 134).

<sup>78</sup> J. R. Edwards owned a saloon, and after his excommunication from the Church he did much to assist in the establishment of the Trinity Methodist Church in Logan. At the turn of the twentieth century, Edwards was hired by the Thatcher Brothers to manage their opera house. In 1913 John C. Greaves was elected to the Preston city council. At the time Card wrote, Greaves's saloon was on the corner of First South and Walnut Streets in Logan. Simpson Pearson is listed as a publican who lived between First and Second Streets in Logan (see F. Peterson 1997, 150; Ricks and Cooley 1956, 126; Somers 1993, 61, 67).

At 10 AM we first visited the Theological Class in their new rock school house. Pres Preston addressed them very encouragingly. Thought this Class a step in the right direction. Thought all could be taught as one Class. We have just furnished 20 Missionaries to go on Missions. He could see in this class where we can soon get another 20 Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Class & school Amen.

Elder F. Turner arose and gave his experience in attending school Thought good results could be obtained in Grading the S.S. You Should make your aim high & then try to reach it. You should be energetic in improving your ability You Should try to enjoy the light of the Spirit of the Lord. That we may be able to grasp the principles of the Gospel. Felt well & desired to encourage the school in doing well. Blessed the class &c Amen.

We also visited a Branch of this Class in the Hyrum Tithing Office. Elder C. O. Card addressed this class briefly upon the importance of studying your lessons during the week. & Encouraged them to continue to meet together.

Thence we went to the Main S.S. held in the meeting house. Elder C. W. Nibley addressed them the principle of chastisement. Also Spoke of doing right to parents and all god people. Serve the Lord & he will bless you. He says he will have to chastise the wicked nations by sending famine & plagues &c which we should try to avoid by Keeping His commandments.

Elder F Turner arose & Expressed the pleasure he had in meeting here with the S.S. It is that which you remember & practice that will do us good & reward us for our Labors in the S.S. Tried to impress the principle of obedience. You should answer respectfully your parents & teachers and in fact everybody. Asked if there were any here if that were 8 yrs. old that had not been baptized one responded. S.S. Teachers Should see to this. You should also Study the suggestions in the class registers. Make all you class lessons a Study through the week. Be punctual in your attendance Invoked the blessings of God upon the School Amen.

1 P.M. We Met with the Sts of Hyrum Sing by the Choir prayer by Elder H. Shaw of Paradise. Singing & Sacrament.

Pres. Preston arose & read a portion of the last Epistle Issued by Pres B. Young July 11 - 1877 in relation to the organization of Quorums.

He said these instructions written have only been partially carried out. Read a clause from the rev. given through Pres T. Oct. 13 - 83 pertaining to the above subject.

This prompting of the Lord has caused us to start out anew. There has been 11 Quorums of Elders Organized. You have nearly enough Elders in Hyrum to make 2 Quorums.<sup>79</sup>

It is the duty of every Elder to identify himself with his Quorum. The present Quorum is #5 the new one will be the 14th The president of the 5th Q will make a recommend to all on his Q roll for all but 96 to the 14th H. K. Hanson Pres Lars K. Larsen as first & Elisha Campbell as his 2nd Counselor. S. F. Allen<sup>80</sup> Pres of 14 Quorum. Lars P. Christiansen 1st Mads Rasmussen as 2nd Counselor. This Presidency of the 14th Quorum will incorporate in their Quorum. Then enquire into the standing of every Member. Read from Doc. Cov. 384 Page Sec 10 in regard to the duties of Priests. It is not Lowering the dignity of a High priest to officiate in the office of the Lesser Priesthood. Bp S. M. Molen was then sustained by an unanimous vote as president of the Priests Quorum. Spoke of the important duties of the Priests & the good they can do in visiting the Sts. Read the revelations to the Sts & Keep the Sts posted in their duties.

Read from P. 125 Doc. cov. duties of Priests. We all should work in our order. We wish all things to be don according to the Lawes of God. Spoke at some length upon this very important subject. Asked the Bp of this ward to proceed at once to organize the Quorums of Deacons Teachers & Priests. Boys can act as a teachers. Teach our children to pray & they will not forget it.

These Elders should read & Study the revelations: Called the attention of the Quorum Prests to the rev. on Page 392 to sit in Council & instruct of their Quorums read again "Who is faithful (P. 282) to obtaining these 2 Priesthoods become the Sons of Moses & abraham[?]" &c. Spoke at Some length on the blessings of the Priesthood & the fulness thereof.

Read again from the rev. given Oct. 13/1882. We should purify ourselves & our Quorums &

<sup>79</sup> When an elders quorum has more than ninety-six members, the quorum is divided and a new one created (see D&C 107).

<sup>80</sup> S. F. Allen had served as the superintendent of the Hyrum Ward Sunday School (see Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 126).

families & set them in order & the Lord will bless us. Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts Amen.

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

C. O. Card was the next speaker. Approved the remarks of Pres Preston. Said we should give more attention to our spiritual callings. Encouraged our boys in their duties in the Priesthood. The Priests and Teachers should read and expound the scriptures to those they visit. The Lord desires us to be a thinking people—an educated people. Urged the education of the children that they might be able to fulfill the duties God may call them to. Said Hyrum should send a number of the young brethren and sisters to the B.Y. College at Logan. Counseled the Sisters to give attention to their meetings. And all to assist.

[Entries return with Card's handwriting.]

Attend S.S. with your children & turn have them attend meeting with you.

Invoked the assistance in all our Labors. Amen.

Elders C. W. Nibley had been interested in the remarks of the Brethren (Pres Preston & Card).

There is no excellence without Labor. The duty of educating of our Children devolves upon us as parents.

We should not neglect to embrace the golden opportunities we have. We have no need to go to Salt Lake City or to the U.S. to get an education. As a rule I think they will do better in the B.Y. College than elsewhere. Our children Should be better educated than ourselves. Our best Missionaries are those that are the most intelligently educated. It is our duty to educate our children to day that they may be intelligent.

Those that are bro't befor police courts are the ignorant as a rule. Spoke of the prohibition of Liquor saloons. Let us turn our boats up stream & work against the crime of intemperance. The Sts of H. Should help us in Logan. I feel it is a shame that Sts. should support a liquor traffic in any degree. Those that drink & love to associate with the drunken or sell will not have the fellowship the Sts. Do not let us trifle with these things at the cost of our standing. We will not connect with this license system. Amen.

Pres Preston Said we are trying to deliver our brethren from temptation by Prohibition. We had better keep the Liquor in the grain. He would like to know the names of those in Hyrum that visit the illicit Saloons in Logan. I cannot endorse recommends for them.

Crime is tracable to the use of Lique to a great degree. He had very little charity for those that will put the cup to their Brother's lips. Smallpox is nothing as in comparison to the Liquor traffic tried to be pushed upon us. We expect to find and know all who supports the Liquor dealers. Amen.

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

The following named brethren were then set apart to the offices to which they had been elected.

S. F. Allen to preside over the 14th Quorum of Elders. Pres. Preston mouth.

L. P. Christiansen by Pres. C O Card as 1st Counsellor to S. F. Allen.

Mads Rasmussen, by Bp Molen to be 2nd Counsellor.

Lars K. Larsen, by Pres. Preston, as 1st Counsellor to H. P. Hansen of the 5th Quorum of Elders.

Elisha Campbell, by Pres. C. O. Card, to be second Counsellor to H. P. Hansen.

[Entries return with Card's handwriting.]

Pres Preston thought there ought to be 10 or 12 of the young men you have here should attend the B.Y. College. Spoke favorably of the institution & its founder it is money well spent to send our children to this school.

Song Benediction by Elder F. W. Hurste.

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

**Paradise Evening, 6:30**—Elders C. O. Card of the Presidency Elder and F. Turner: Met with the Saints for the purpose of reorganizing the Elders Quorum of the Ward. Prest C O. Card read the late Revelation of Prest John Taylor followed by remarks bearing upon the necessity of the different organizations being completed. C. C. Houseley was called and set apart as Prest of the 15th Quorum of Elders, C. O.



Card mouth, with Sam Oldham<sup>81</sup> and Gideon Olsen as Counsellors, Bishop Orson Smith was also sustained as Prest of the Priest Quorum. The Brethren of the Priesthood of the Ward was advised to set all of their Quorums in order.

[Entries return with Card's handwriting.]

Invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the Sts. Amen.

Elder Fred Turner arose & said in as much as Elders will be faithful & humble the Lord will make them adequate to the task. We should be dilligent in search of of Knowledge & understanding. The Devil one is ever the alert to do harm.

Referred to his late visit in the East & the wickedness he saw Which contrast caused him more to appreciate his home. We should consider we are blessed. Spoke of the necessity of teaching their children the principles of the Gospel. Read Some from Doc. Cov. Page 251 verse 25. You should imbue their hearts with love of the Gospel. Spoke of the great curse of infidelity. Teach your children to pray as soon as they can talk. As young men we should try to have the moral courage to own that you are a L D St. before strangers. The Gospel is given to us to become conversant with. Spoke of having a conversation with a gentleman about Polygamy. The Gent thought the young men should turn against polygamy. I told him if he could come and & erect a better habitation than we will discontinue not til then. You should teach morality at home.

We want to attend to our duties & the Lord will be on our sides. Prayed the Blessings of the Lord to be worthy in the name of Jesus Amen.

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

C. O. Card read from the Epistle of Prest Young. Spoke upon the sin of Intemperance. Showed the evils attending by indulgence. Encouraged the Saints to lend of their help in completing the Logan Temple.

[Entries return with Card's handwriting.]

Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts & their substance Amen.

We remained over night with Bp O. Smiths family.

**Monday [Tuesday & Wednesday], March 5 [6 & 7], 1883**—We Bro Turner & myself returned home. I attended to Temple & other Local business during Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday.

**Thursday, March 8, 1883**—I attended to the usial run of business.

**Friday, March 9, 1883**—I attend to the Local Biz. of the Temple & attended a meeting of the Sts in the West Field Branch of of the 2nd Ward & Preached to them & read them the rev. given through Pres John Taylor Oct 13 1883 [1882].

**Saturday, March 10, 1883**—I attended to the usial Temple & other Business Attended a lecture given by Mr. Phil. Robinson in the Base of the Tab in the eve.

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

**Wellsville, Sunday, March 11, 1883**—Pres. C. O. Card accompanied with Elder J. A. Leishman arrived in Wellsville a short time after 10 A.M. Pres. Card proceeded to the High Priest Meeting then assembled, and spent the forenoon in that meeting making such remarks as were propted by the holy spirit Bro Leishman met with the Sunday School and witnessed the exercises of the same with great satisfaction and occupied a short time in addressing the school upon the progress of the Church and the truth of the Gospel.

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**2 P.M.** President Merrill having arrived in the forenoon was present at the meeting Meeting was opened with the usial customs & the Sacrament administered.

Elder J. A. Leishman and desired the faith of the Sts. Prests M & C. thought it best for him to read the Late rev. which he did and declared it was of God. Spoke of the organization of the priesthood & the purification of Same as well as the sts at Large. Spoke of the purpose of for which we had been gathered from the World.

<sup>81</sup> Samuel Oldham also served as the superintendent of the Paradise Ward Sunday School and from 1893 to 1895 was

superintendent of Cache County Schools (see Deseret Sunday School Union 1900, 136; Ricks and Cooley 1956, 324).

Spoke of our weakness of forgetting the things of God. Thought we were blessed with God's inspired servants to teach us. Spoke of the Stubbornness of the children of Israel when led by Moses and their Idolatry. Now there is Idolatry & numerous other Sins. Spoke of the Utah war (as it is called) in 1886 [Card's date was an error. The Utah War was 1857–1858]. Spoke of the civil war that followed the Utah. The wicked can not go any further than the Lord is willing Spoke of the numerous friends arising in behalf of the Sts & pleading our cause. All for which I am willing to acknowledge the hand of the Lord in it. God has cursed those that opposed the Gospel. Felt we should humble ourselves & purify ourselves. We have great reasons to rejoice for these things. Spoke of the preservation of the Sts. in their travels from their Enemies to these Mts. Bore testimony to the work of God upon the earth. We support every Laudible measure Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts Amen.

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

Elder C. O. Card next spoke and expressed his satisfaction at the remarks we have listened to and at hearing the revelation read. And remarked that he had not come with no special message but to more fully put the quorums in order and read from the Book of Docs & Covenants respecting the priesthoods having attended the High Priests meeting he had referred to this subject He spoke of the propriety of the High Priests exercising their calling among the people to instruct them in the doctrines of the Gospel. He set forth the propriety of the priests studying the Scriptures and the principles of the Gospel. He set forth the order of the Lesser priesthood and spoke of the importance of every one acting in their lot and calling and magnify the same and infer the organization of these lesser priesthood quorums, that our young men may be trained in the duties required of these quorums and grow up in the knowledge thereof that these young men may be for the magnifying the higher Priesthood, he read from the Circular of Pres. Young respecting the meeting together of the children in our meetings and urged this duty upon the parents he treated upon the subject of unity of the various quorums and organizations of the Church he counseled faithfulness to the covenants we have made and God will fight our battls.

Pres. Merrill next addressed the saints, and remarked that he had been unwell for some time and was yet convalescent he spoke of the blessings of the Lord that are around us. He referred to the sin of Liquir drinking among the young men and middle aged of the saints. He spoke of status of our young men he had found integrity in a great many of of them he felt to extend his sympathies for our young men and many others. He been in this valley 23 years to day & he found by reviewing his life that he had not done exactly right in all things. He advocated unity in all our quorums the Lord has been with this people notwithstanding our weaknesses. Still he desires that we put all evils from us. He gave suggestions suitable for the teachers to adopt in the exercise of their duties by way of injoining upon the Saints the secular duties of society by beautifying our homes and surroundings he deprecated the folly of fashions and style, and vanities of the world and urged the sts to faithfulness and continued attention to our duties Amen.

[Several scribes and different handwriting appear with individual speakers.]

**Mendon, March 10 [11], 7 P.M.**—Pres. M. W. Merrill presiding. Bp. W. Hughes made a report of the different quorums of Mendon Ward pursuant of them he spoke in respect to the elder quorum and stated that during the Presidency of Elder Moses Thatcher an elders quorum was organized but there were not sufficient elders to form a quorum but thro some reason the Presidency of the elders quorum were not sustained at the Quarterly conference, he reported the standing of the quorum of the Lesser priesthood & explained the various meetings held in different parts of the ward.

Elder C. O. Card expressed his gratification at the report made by the Bp and read the revelation from Oct 13 1882 and remarked the revelation just read, was ~~the~~ of the utmost importance to us a people, it was a synopsis of the gospel, it contains a vast field for reflection it required the purification of the whole Church from the Pres. down to the last and least member in the Church. He set forth the union that is required in the revelation just read. He spoke of the reform necessary among the sts. He admonished the sts to put away all evil from us and the we would be entitled to the blessings he has promised. During the past year the hand of the Lord is apparent in our deliverance from our enemies. The wrath of man has been turned aside, and we remain intact

he set forth the necessity of Keeping up a proper organization of the various quorums, and show the relative positions of the various quorums to each other as helps and governments in the Church. He set forth the inestimable union that will accrue to the faithful to them that magnify the priesthood that may be conferred upon them. He urged the necessity of studying the Scriptures and other Books illustration of the doctrines of the Church and alluded to to many who come into the Church who sometimes conclude they are saved simply because they were baptised into the church overlooking the important fact they must grow from grace to grace and from step to step for measure of perfection to perfection. He dwelt upon the instructions of the circular respecting the appointive priests to preside over the several districts of a ward and set forth the order to be observed that the Bps are authorized to appoint from the elders and High Priests quorum to preside in these districts which they do because they hold the lesser priesthood. He spoke of the Law of Tithing, and set forth what that is. He urged the Sts to be faithful in all things and observe that we set right any difference that may be existing among the saints and set forth the manner that all such should be adjudicated.

Pres. M. W. Merrill next addressed the Sts. and remarked that this meeting is the first evening meeting that he has attended for more than a year on account of poor health and stated his Satisfaction at the remarks he had heard from Bro Card. He spoke of the more complete organization of the elders quorum of this ward as the Pres. and one Counsellor being absent, he urged the putting away all evil from them and instructed the Sons of Mesiah as an example of faithfulness insomuch as to secure the blessings of the Lord it is those who keep the Laws of the Lord are those who keep his Laws. He showed the necessity of avoiding all evil speaking & wrangling and set forth the fallacy of following the suggestings of our unwise feelings. He dwelt upon the perfection of the organization of the Church none such is to be found among men only as it is to be found in the Church of Jesus Christ he counselled the Sts to be Kind to each other, he alluded to the fact of many of our elders being sent to the nations who go trusting in the Lord he referred to the natural tendency of mankind to look after the riches of the world to the neglect of the eternal riches of the Kingdom. No one is prescribed in his career he has the latitude that he possibly can exercise. All have the opportunity of doing all the

good we can so as to be entitled to the blessings of the Lord.

He spoke of the fallacy of being stickling about technicalities and casualties that arise apparent out the regular run of things to be obedient to to proper disciplines and instruction of those who preside over us, and urged the necessity of observing the counsel which has been given in regard to round dancing, and dwelt at some length upon the proper training of our children to teach them to pray and inculcate in them the Gospel of Jesus Christ. He depicted the evils that accrue to our children who grow up devoid of the teaching of their parents he counselled the young men to study and qualify themselves for the labor of preaching the gospel to the nations. God Bless you Amen.

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Elder J. A. Leishman arose & said we had been listening to good instructions this evening.

There never was a people any more Blessed than we except those of Enoch.

Gave Some of his early reflections in regard to the Gospel: A brief history of its introduction to him, Spoke of his childhood study of the Scriptures. Spoke of the effect of our early training upon us all, and very highly of the blessings of the Gospel. Also the same in the Days of Jesus & the Apostles. The Lord again has Spoken to man & given us again the Gospel. Spoke of the pilgrim fathers. There is nothing mysterious about the Gospel it produces the same result in all its dispensation. Spoke of the maltreatment of the Sts by our enemies.

We as a people have a better standing than a year or so ago. You have had good instruction from the Presidency this eve. Spoke of the vague Ideas of the world in relation the Sts. The time has come for for the Sts to purify themselves from every evil. Advocated the Idea that good mothers would raise good families. We should turn our faces like flint against the evils of the world.

Zion will yet rise and shine. Spoke of the Building of temples as one of the greatest blessings of the Gospel.

Invoked the blessings of God upon the Sts. Amen.

Singing. Benediction by Bp. H. Hughes.

Pres Merrill & Elder Leishman took train for home at 10:30 P.M. & I remained over night with Bp. Hughes.

**Monday, March 12, 1883**—This morning I drove to Logan & attended to Temple & Stake Business during the after noon. At 7 PM I met with the 12 Quorum of Elders in the 2nd Ward School house. Where Wm H. Thain was unanimously sustained as Clerk of Said Quorum. Then Bp Ballard & myself Set apart John A. McCallaster as first & Joseph W. Thatcher as 2nd Counselors to Pres Joseph Quinny of the 12 Quorum.<sup>82</sup> I then addressed the Quorum in relation to their duties also refering to the Late rev. through Pres. John Taylor. Pres Quinny John A McCallaster & J. W. Thatcher expressed their willingness to try to do their duties.

Bp. Ballard addressed the Elders felt encouraged, thought the Elders would be more faithful in their duties.

**Tuesday, March 13, 1883**—I attended to Temple Business during the day with the exception of assisting the engineer and Scy of the Logan & Smithfield canal to Locate a ditch from their canal to the City Lots South of the Logan Cemetery.

**Wednesday, March 14, 1883**—I attended to temple & other Biz to day. Went to the U O Steam Mill about 1¼ miles east of the Temple. Wrote Some letters &c.

I met with the young Ladies Y.M.I.A. in the evening and addressed & encouraged them all I could in the ways of right.

**Thursday, March 15, 1883**—Attended to usial Business through the day & attended a little sociable at the house of my wife S. J. P (her Birthday).

**Friday, March 16, 1883**—After passing the day at the Temple I met with the Lesser Priesthood in the 2nd ward Logan and addressed them upon their duties.

**Saturday, March 17, 1883**—I passed quite a busy day day at the Temple and in the evening prepared for my journey to Hyde Park on the morrow.

**Hyde Park, Sunday, March 18, 1883**—This morning in Company with Bro. Ben Ramsel we drove to Hyde Park and joined Pres M. W. Merrill at their S.S. at 10 A.M. After the usial lessons and exercises which were very interestings Pres M. W. Merrill arose & said when he was a boy he had not the

privilege of the S.S. but now we have the great Blessings of S.S. & that in the best part of the S. day.

The attending of S.S. it makes you better children and people. Many of the boys here will yet go to the nations to preach the Gospel, then you will be greatful for the instructions rec'd here. May of you will hold responsible positions.

Encouraged the young to apply their minds to the different Subjects taught. While you are young your minds are more active & you should cultivate them. A humble an honest man will have a good influence at home and abroad. The humble & faithful are ever sought after.

Was pleased with the singing & good order that prevails here.

There are good positions for all in the Kingdom of God. Your children are favored & you should be obt. to your parents & Kind to all.

You should shun round dances in your parties & be ready to administer if necessary at the to the sick. Shun evil. Invoked the blessings of God upon the School.

His Son Alma Spoke a few encouraging works. Was pleased with the School exercises God bless you. Amen.

Elder C. O. Card was pleased with the School. Impressed the necessity of being studious at home.

Cultivate the principle of faith & pray for the Sick. Blessed the School in the mame of Jesus Amen.

At 1 P.M. we met with the Sts of Hyde Park after the opening exercises and Sacrament Pres. Merrill arose & said agreeable to the Late rev. Given through Pres John Taylor (Oct. 13/82) we were arround to assist in Setting them in Order. We wish to have a full presidency in H. Park of the 7 Elders quorum The Lord does not speak to his people without he means what he says. All the quorums Should be fully organized. The Lesser Priesthood are the aids of the Bp.

The Organizations the Lord has given us are most perfect. We have use for all the quorums. [Handwriting changes as clerk records Card's speech.] Prest C. O. Card said there is a Councillor in Newton to this the 7th Quorum of Elders & there is to be a Quorum organized in Newton, Clarkston & Weston.

~~Prest C. O. Card~~ Bro John Griffin of Newton was honourably released from being said Councillor to Prest. B. Hymas by a unanimous vote. Elder E.

<sup>82</sup> Joseph Quinney was an accountant who worked for ZCMI (see Somers 1993, 68).

M. Thurman was sustained as first councillor & Elder Thomas Duce was sustained as second councillor to Prest. Benj. Hymas<sup>83</sup> of the 7th Quorum of Elders of the Cache Valley Stake of Zion by a unanimous vote of the Saints. Elder Edward M. Thurman was set apart as 1st Councillor by Prest. M. W. Merrill & Elder Thos. Duce was set apart as 2nd Councillor by Prest C. O. Card.

Prest C. O. Card then read the late Revelation to Prest John Taylor. Said each Quorum is a help to the other. The twelve Apostles are called upon to labor among the Lamanites & the Seventies were called upon to assist them. The other Quorum was to assist each one above it. The Lord has called upon us to prove our Quorums & is no respecter of persons & starts at the head.

Dont want to judge each other too harshly but act as men of God. We must not stop here but set in order the Priests Quorums. On motion of Prest M. W. Merrill Bp. R Daines was sustained as Prest of the Priests Quorums of Hyde Park. It was his duty to set in Order the several Quorums of this ward.

The Priests should take the Rev. & read to the saints.

Read that the High Priest had the chance to act in the calling of all offices from the Deacon to the High Priests. Gather together your young men & fill up your quorums.

The Deacon will learn the duty of the Deacon & also partly that of the Teachers. It was a great joy with The Prophet Joseph when he received the Aaronic Priesthoods. Read from Doc & Cov. in regard to the receiving of the priesthood When we are ordained to serve priesthood we dont want to sit down & not magnafy that priesthood. The Lord wants us to magnafy our talents. Why should we make light of receiving some priesthood but rather extol it. The Teacher is to purge evils from the midst of the Saints & can one who do evil do so. No. If they find some who are not worthy of their calling remove them. Pay your Tithings & Offerings. Are you willing to do your duties. We have ample room to preach ~~set our fam~~ the Gospel to our families at home. Let us return to our God & he will bless us. That he may be our God. Should not set our hearts on things of this world too much. Saw this morning quite a numerous offspring at Sabbath school. The

children should attend meeting as well as Sunday school. Exhorted the Brethren of the Quorums to be prayerful & study their duties. All take time to attend to your duties. Prest M. W. Merrill said he was thankful for the privelege of being able to get around better. Didnt have much faith in Doctors or medicine. The Lord in this organization did not make provision for professional Doctors. He had an assurance that if he did not Employ Doctors he would be well. The late Prest Young said in fifty years a community who employed no doctors would outnumber one that did by five to one. The Lord is the best Doctor. Related the late J. M. Grants method of with the teachers & recommended it. When going to teach the people we should go in humility & be prayerful. We should sujst any thing we see necessary to be done in a kind spirit. He instructed us in our temporal welfare about beautifying our homes &c.

This people is to become the Joy of the whole earth. The Priesthood should obey the law of the Lord. The Celestial Marriage law is as binding as it ever was. The Laws of the Lord is all important. Riches does not make us good men but it is ~~the~~ our faith &c. We pray secretly that the Lord may reward us openly. The prompt Deacon will make a good Teacher, Priest & ~~& vice-vers~~ When the ancient people of the Lord wanted to do anything especially they inquired of the Lord. There is an opportunity for all to work that will. God has favor the young Men of Zion they being born heirs to the Priesthood. The Lords gives the increase. Encouraged the Relief Societyies in their labors for good in this ward [Entries return with Card's handwriting.] and blessed them that they might be comforted.

After meeting we separated to our homes.

In the evening I attended meeting in the 2nd Ward of Logan After meeting opened W. H. Hopkins & Geo. N Smith came before the Sts & asked forgiveness. The former for intemperence and profanity & the Latter for habitual drunkenness. The Sts unanimously forgave them on conditions of repentance & rebaptism. I delivered a brief address on the callings of the Aaronic Priesthood.

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<sup>83</sup> Edwin M. Thurman, early in the history of Hyde Park, was called by Bishop Hyde to learn to play the fife and after doing so became a member of the community band. Thomas Duce had recently served a Church mission to Great Britain and in 1890

served a four-month prison term for unlawful cohabitation. Benjamin Hymas was also arrested for unlawful cohabitation but was acquitted by the district court in Ogden because "of his absence from home" (Kirby 1997, 34, 64, 92).

Persecution Escalates and Conferences Continue

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