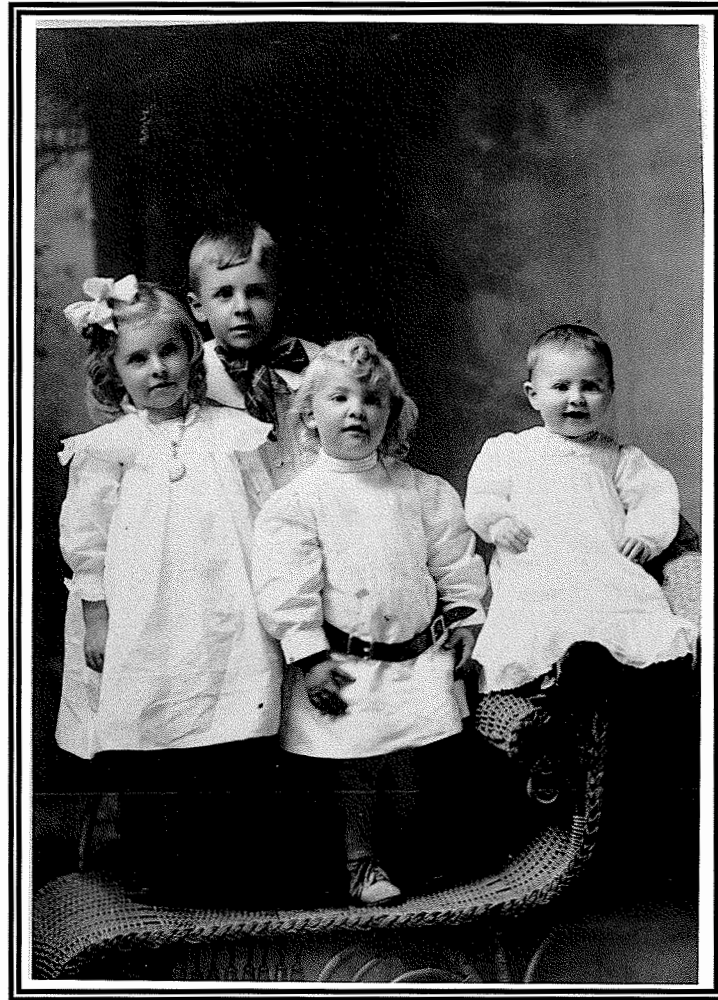


# The Children of John & Minnie Perkins 1907

*( This was taken before the birth of Louis Barry Perkins)*



**From left to right: Gwendolyn Wride Perkins; John Wride Perkins;  
Culver Perkins; Dean Bunney Perkins**

**(It was confirmed by family members that little boys, possibly up to age  
two or three, were clothed in dresses for "dressy" occasions. Maybe  
the belt on Culver confirms his boyhood.)**

Write on reverse side, name and address of person furnishing this information, or where from.

ONE FAMILY GROUP RECORD

HUSBAND'S NAME.....

Husband

NAME IN FULL John Francis Perkins  
 RESIDENCE Montpelier, Bear Lake, Idaho  
 DATE OF BIRTH 3 Jul 1879 PLACE Montpelier, Bear Lake, Id.  
 DATE OF CHRISTENING \_\_\_\_\_ PLACE \_\_\_\_\_  
 DATE OF MARRIAGE 18 Dec 1901 PLACE Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Ut  
 DATE OF DEATH 24 Sep 1909 PLACE Montpelier  
 DATE OF BURIAL 28 Sep 1909 PLACE Montpelier

Other Marriages. If he marries more than once, he should appear on separate sheet with each wife.

He married \_\_\_\_\_ times.

His Parents. If known, should appear on a separate sheet as husband and wife with their children.

His Father's name John Absolom Perkins

His Mother's maiden name Anna Marie Bunney

Name of HEIR \_\_\_\_\_ Bap. 7 Jul 1887

Relationship of HEIR to above-named HUSBAND \_\_\_\_\_ End. 14 Oct 1898

Wife

MAIDEN NAME IN FULL Minnie Nettie Wride  
 RESIDENCE Montpelier, Idaho & Payson, Ut  
 DATE OF BIRTH 23 Jan 1877 PLACE Payson, Utah, Ut  
 DATE OF CHRISTENING \_\_\_\_\_ PLACE \_\_\_\_\_  
 DATE OF DEATH 5 Apr 1962 PLACE Payson, Utah  
 DATE OF BURIAL \_\_\_\_\_ PLACE \_\_\_\_\_

Other Marriages. If she marries more than once, she should appear on separate sheet with each husband.

Names of other husbands \_\_\_\_\_

Her Parents, if known, should also appear on separate sheet as husband and wife with their children.

Her Father's name Barry Wride

Her Mother's maiden name Hannah Selman

Name of HEIR \_\_\_\_\_ Baptized 15 Mar 1885

Relationship of HEIR to above-named WIFE \_\_\_\_\_ Endowed 18 Dec 1901  
 Sealed to HUSBAND 18 Dec 1901

CHILDREN	When Born*			Where Born			When Died †			Bap.			End.			S. to P.			MARRIED TO	
	Day	Month	Year	Town	County	State or Country	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year		
M <sub>1</sub> John Wride	13	Sep	1902	Payson	Utah	Ut	1	Mar	1932	28	Jun	1911	28	May	1921				BIC	Iona Wilson 5/25/21
F <sub>2</sub> Gwendolyn Wride	16	Dec	1903	Montpelier	B.Lk	Id.	19	Aug	1942	7	Jul	1912	21	Oct	1926				BIC	Howard Wilson 6/30/26
M <sub>3</sub> Culver	22	Sep	1905	"	"	"	1	Jun	1929										BIC	
M <sub>4</sub> Dean Bunney Perkins	7	Feb	1907	"	"	"		Nov	1956	17	Jul	1917							BIC	Hazel Cannon 1926
M <sub>5</sub> Louis Barry	15	Jan	1909	"	"	"				15	Jan	1917							BIC	Dorothy Jessen 9/29/34
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Write HISTORICAL and SOURCE REFERENCES on reverse side.

\*If christening date is known and not birth date, write christening date. Prefix chr. †If burial date is known, and not death date, write burial date. Prefix bur.

# The Barry Wride Journals

according to History & Map dept of the public library, Llantrissant  
Glamorganshire is in Wales.

## **A HISTORY OF BARRY WRIDE**

**SON OF DANSON WRIDE AND ANN DAVIES**

Born 4 Aug 1833 at Miskin House Parish of Llantrisant County of Glamorgan South Wales

THE STATEMENT AT THE TOP OF THIS SHEET ALONG WITH THE FOLLOWING SHEETS OF THIS BOOKLET WERE TRANSCRIBED FROM TWO JOURNAL BOOKS WRITTEN BY BARRY WRIDE. THESE JOURNALS WERE IN THE POSSESSION OF HIS SON GEORGE THOMAS WRIDE WHO DONATED THEM TO THE BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVER SITY WHERE THE TRANSCRIPTION WAS DONE BY THE SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AND MANUSCRIPTS DEPT. WHERE THEY NOW RESIDE. THE LARGER OF THE TWO JOURNALS CONSTITUTES THE FIRST ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY NINE PAGES, THE SMALLER JOURNAL FOLLOWS WITH FIFTY TWO PAGES. FOLLOWING THESE ARE SIX PAGES TRANSCRIBED FROM LOOSE PAGES WHICH CAME WITH THE TWO JOURNALS WHICH HAD THE NOTATION OR REFERENCE AT THE TOP "pp 93-104" (These twelve pages are transcribed onto six pages with the original hand written diary page number preceding the text)

Assembled by Great Grandson W.Thomas Wride

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Juarez Mex Jan 26 1901

A Brief sketch of the life of the subject of this writing is from memory from his earliest recollection

Born August 4<sup>th</sup> 1833 in Miskin House in the Parish of Llantressant Glamorganshire England his Parents were Farmers Stock raisers Grand Parent of Fathers side came from the North of England about the year 1805 or previous This point is gathered from the fact that Father reported his birth in the County of Kent Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 1805 this place is on the South Coast of Great Brit-tian Soon after this they moved to South Wales Mother side were of the Davies's Family Grand Parent were John and Mary Davies of near Merthyr Lydfil Glamorganshire South Wales genuine Welsh by birth They were also Farmers unlike the Wride family they moved to different parts of the County from time namely the Forest Farm the Heath Cwm Barry Pen Carreg where the Old pair died and burried at Cros y pare Chapel

(Page 2 & 3)	name	Died
Grand Father	Barry Wride	Feb 8 1859
"	Mother Ann Danson Wride	June 8 1861
Their offspring		Oct 7 1863 probably Samuel
Danson Wride Born	Jan 1 <sup>st</sup> 1805	July 27 1870
Samuel Wride	" Dec 26 1806	Oct 7 1863
Peter Wride	" Nov 9 1808	July 13 1858
Ann Wride by marriage	<u>Strawson</u>	
"	Apl 1 1810	Dec 19 1847
Barry Wride	" Oct 20 1811	
Thomas Wride	" June 20 1813	
Elizabeth Wride	<u>Thomas</u> July 3 1815	

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Maria Wride Evans Nov 2 1817

John Wride 1st born Mar 26 1819 Died in infancy

Jane Wride Berryman Oct 21 1820

John Wride 2nd born Mar 7 1824

Grand Father John Davies Died 1856

" Mother Mary 1852

Their Offspring

William Davies 1805 about 1860

Margaret Davies Jones by marriage 1807 about 1868

Ann Davies Wride 1810 May 31 1865

Lewis Davies 1812 Emigrated to Ill in the year 1835

Martha Davies Thomas 1815

Thomas Davies 1818 Dec 27 1892

Daniel Davies) Twins 1820 Feb 1892

David Davies) 1820

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Third Generation Offspring of Died

Danson and Ann Wride

Mary Wride born Dec 23 1831

Barry Wride Aug<sup>st</sup> 4 1833

John D Wride Oct 10 1835

Lewis Wride Sept 23 1837 1861

Ann Wride Dec 11 1839 Aug 13 1886

Jane Wride 1<sup>st</sup> Apl 7 1842 June 1844

Peter Wride May 20 1844

William Wride May 1 1846

Jane Wride 2<sup>nd</sup> June 7 1848

Fourth Generation Offspring of

Barry Wride & Hannah S Wride	8 Mar 1913	Baptized	Bless <sup>d</sup>
Lewis W B Wride born	Sept 22 1862		by John Loveless
Annie Jane Wride	Apr 2 1864	Dec 18th 1928	" " Barry Wride
Maggie Wride	July 25 1869	Blessed July 25-67 by J.B. Fairbanks	" " Wm Whithead
Hannah Sophia Wride	Aug 1 1871	Dec. 1881	" Blessed Sept 1 1871 by H W Barnett
George Thomas Wride	Nov 7 1874	by L.E. Daniels	C Brewerton
Minnie Nettie Wride	Jan 23 1877	" Jo <sup>s</sup> Robinson	Confirmed by J B. Fairbanks Sen
Franklin M Wride	July 31 1879	Apr <sup>l</sup> 5-1881	bless <sup>d</sup> Oct 2 1879 by B Wride

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#### School Days of B. Wride

In the Spring of 1836 Mary and Barry were sent to M<sup>rs</sup> Mary Day's She taught school in her own house nearly one mile from Mirkin house in the Parish of Pendoylon teaching Juveniles to spell and read also sewing and knitting for girls recollection of these days was quite vivid as one day a great rain storm came and at night flood came in the Ely River so Call<sup>d</sup> to overflowing and we had to be hauled over in a cart and got home safe other recollections were that William Day teacher husband was blind obligating her to teach to make a living he often went to the Spring for water some distance off and yet blind We attended School some length of time

In the year 1839 We attended School at Cross Vane in a Methodist Meeting house under the tuition of one M<sup>r</sup> Richardson a Scotchman apparently a very strict one judging from the fact that he whip<sup>d</sup> and punished Severly however we made good head way in learning in writing and Arithmetic here was where we



made the first stroke of a pen on a copy book the first page was fairly executed with down strokes /// for which I had the teachers Compliments but the Second page was very poorly executed correction and help was furnished third page was some what better

In the year 1841 Attended School in Zion's Chapel a methodist meeting house under one Robert Jones a fine gentleman I made progress in simple numbers Addition Subtraction Multiplication & Division under him with great satisfaction

The following year to 43 was under the direction of John Watkins who wrote well with his left hand the right being withered and limp from a Stroke we were fairly treated but cannot refer to any particular progress made

The years to 46 following under one David Davies a Methodist preacher we remember to have made progress (Page 8) in compound numbers and Rule of three so call<sup>d</sup> in the old Arithmitic Direct and Compound Proportion Interest Simple and Compound Equation of payments Profit and Loss. Vulger Fraction and Cross Multiplication these were terms in Guy's and Walkingham's Arithmitic English Work's.

Here under the Same D. Davis I attended Sabbath School in the same Meeting house having some aversion to this S.S. twa's with some persuasion and coersion I attended his class and during this period I learned to read Welsh in another class I attended contrary to the rule of School as we were forbidden to even speak Welsh in Day School I entertained some admiration for M<sup>r</sup> Davies because of his ability in answering question in Theology on certain examinations of the combined Schools of the District he appeared to never fail (Page 9) From 1846 to 48 labored on Fathers Farm and attended School in winter under the tuition of M<sup>r</sup> Edward Hopkins a fine broke down Farmer gentleman had

been a possessor of much property he became involved in a lawsuit and lost his means and had to teach School to obtain a livelihood was educated and a fair Scholar I received much attention for some cause unknown to me I made fine progress in Arithmetic and some in grammer and writing and received lessons in letter writing and Composition I was in my fifteenth year of age, and had to leave school to labor on the farm

In May of this year 1848 the family moved to another part of the County near Cardiff call<sup>d</sup> the Graig Farm and that meant work these were my last days in the School room I labored constant on the Farm for some years in the summer of 1850 I work<sup>d</sup> hauling material with others for the building of the Heath House (Page 10) The residence of Wyndham Lewis Esqr a noted freeholder of land in that Country I made good wages that time Continued on the Farm for Some years during this period and later the Elders of the Mormon Church were around preaching the Gospel I noticed they were derided and spoken evil of and remember of Several person of my acquaintance Emigrating to America to the New Zion as it was call<sup>d</sup> and some ridiculed the idea of moving on account of religion during this period. I was some what wourldly minded but was inclined towards the Independents & Baptist persuasion but joined none but attended Sunday School of the former and read much Scripture and thought much concerning Theology and loved to hear good speakers on religious topics. delighted in lines of poetry and writings of the Bands and Attended Eisteddfod's and parties contesting for prizes for the [p.11] best compositions on given subjects in Poetic lines and rhyme travelled some distance to these gatherings

About 1855 and 6 some of my relatives joined the Mormon Church an Aunt Mother Sister often visited Fathers place and was very zealous in Mormonism and advocated her cause very sincerely I was a close listener Said but little

She and family were preparing to Emigrate in the winter of 1857 I visited their home in Cardiff several times that winter Sister Mary joined their Cause before they started I was then impressed to join and was baptized on the 27 of March and Sister Ann (Stubbs) by marriage was baptized soon after I was baptized by Elder W<sup>m</sup> Miller and also Confirmed the Same date in the tail race of what was call<sup>d</sup> the Little Mill near Cardiff and was ordained to the Office of a Priest by Sam<sup>l</sup> Roskelly Mar 31<sup>st</sup> 1857 and did my first attempt at preaching that summer and was ordained an Elder in the fall by W<sup>m</sup> Miller (Page 12) In 1858 was sent as a travelling Elder and presided over a district of three Branches Cardiff Whitchurch and Pentyrch had a good time among the Saints and the wourld and baptizing into the Church about this time or previous the American Elders were call<sup>d</sup> home on account of the troubles known as the Army under General Johnson going up to Utah to use up the Mormons twas a very interesting time in Wales we assisted in making Collections to aid the Elder's going home

The Crimean War happend during the last decade these were good times and good returns for labor great demand for Coal for Steam power War excitment gave me a great taste for reading News papers and news from the front twas call<sup>d</sup> the Russian VS England France Turkey & Sardinia Combined Sabastapol was the Russian Stronghold on the border of the Black Sea and and then the great fighting was done (Page 13) I look<sup>d</sup> for the war News with great interest. and during that period was the time that I Studied political Geography of the Earth the Situation and noted fields of war Various Cities rivers harbors and locations of all noted places I Studied the Maps of the various Countries and the wourld at large I did this evenings while laboring daily on the Farm I Studied Grammer but very imperfectly as that had been partially neglected

during my School day's. Could see at this period where many branches of Education had been neglected. during this time may be call<sup>d</sup> Youthful days & rather a wild and wreckless part of life I delighted in attending Fairs Tavarns and pleasures in general. And yet partial to Christian religion and favored the dissenters from the Old Catholic or Church of Rome as it was Commonly call<sup>d</sup> of which the Irish formed quite a strong party around the district of my early day's

(Page 14) My reference on page 12 to presiding over Cardiff Whitchurch and Pentyrch Branches was under the Presidency of Elder Edward D Miles who presided over the then Cardiff Conference whom I succeeded in the early part of 1860 at the time he Emigrated to the United States being call<sup>d</sup> at a meeting where Elder's Jacob Gates & Milo Andrus were present. I took leave from home immediately for the ministry and was received by the Saints through the Branches with a degree of respect Llanvabon I remember was the first Branch I visited Johnathan Isaac being the President I delighted at all times to visit his place he was a genial and pleasant talker and Companion and his family were kind to all travelling Elders and furnished food and lodgings

Treforest and Pontyprydd were places where a good Branch of the Church existed and presided over by Elder Thomas J Rees a staunch preacher

(Page 15) is where I always had a good time twa's a Centre for our district meetings Some 12 miles from Cardiff

Cymer Branch John Jones President and Cwmseibran Branch which was presided over at that time by Thomas J. Davies a fine old Man who Emigrated to Utah later and lived in Spanish Fork these Branches were in Rhonda Valley in the Welsh Coal Districts travelled through this region with much satisfaction and here I make record of a severe rain storm while crossing a mountain

between Cymer and Heol Vach Ystred Parish had a soaking wet call<sup>d</sup> at John Richards House had a Change of Clothes here I make reference to having what is known a Welsh flannel shirt twa's new I had never worn flannel up to this time not feeling to Complain but I never slept one moment that particular night The Coarse fiber of the woolen shirt gave me no rest pull<sup>d</sup> through without any bad effect from the drenching rain. The remembrance (page 16) of this circumstance never left me Twyn yr Odyn presided over by Jacob Thomas the people of this Small Branch were great Critics of my predecessors for Causes which gave me Some Curiosity and labor to keep thing's in harmony matters in general my visits to this part was profitable to me & gave much experience during these times

Pendoylan Branch presided over by Elder John John a sturdy strong man had lost a leg amputated had a wooden one Could travel and labor and do hard work because of his rugged Constitution he also Emigrated to Utah and lived at North Ogden and died there delighted in this part because it was near the place of my birth and early days at school and where my early playmates lived. These Branches Composed what was known then as the Cardiff Conference during this period Elders Thomas E Jeremy and Geo G. Bywater came to Wales from Utah I had [p. 17] some experience in travelling in Company with these brotheren and as Valley Elders they were considered very superior. the latter succeeded me in the Presidency of the Cardiff Conference previous or at the time of our departure to the Valley of the Mountains of Utah

One D<sup>r</sup> Joseph Morgan was appointed my Companion as travelling Elder during my ministry in this Conference he was quite a help, but in some regard a Curiosity he was a smart Young Man and very ambitious and aspiring he was employ<sup>d</sup> at D<sup>r</sup> Thomas Evans's Sergery as a D<sup>r</sup> & Surgeon he had been Converted

to Mormonism was baptized being of my first fruits by Baptism Some time previous he became tired of Office work and was provoked some by his fellow D<sup>rs</sup> on account of his religious turn of mind and therefore gave Notice to leave and did in about two Months and became desirous of laboring in the ministry of the Gospel and made application which was granted (Page 18) and thus became my Companion and travelled together Several months He was selfpossessed and spoke with some assurance and desired to succeed to the Presidency of the Conference he frequently plied Close questions on the matter which was to me very annoying at times which was conceal<sup>d</sup> on my part for the Sake Courteousness and did not desire to be abrupt and so the time pass<sup>d</sup> on to the time of Emigration in the meantime Elder G G Bywater had been appointed to the presidency he was Continued travelling Elder but finally appointed as I afterwards learned prevailed to his ambition he Emigrated to Utah and went North to Idaho but finally left the Church in the time of the New Move and apostatized and went to Bannock

(Page 19) My experience throughout the year 1860 was for a youth broad and extensive had formed an acquaintance with many very noted Elders and Some of the Apostles had met and heard Apostle Ezra T Benson in the winter of 56 & 57. when he paid a visit to Cardiff and in the fall and winter of 59 & 60 met & heard Apostle Lyman & Rich they made visits to Cardiff & Swansea and on one occasion I had the pleasure of showing them around Some of the old Castles and Parks Cardiff Castle and the grounds was a privilege not always granted to visitors but on the occasion now refered to a very liberal grant was given and in roaming around the lawns and Parks with these Apostles we violated Some of the rules in Crossing and not folowing the walks and turns we made tracks in descending off a mound and were discovered and call<sup>d</sup> to an account by the

Steward and reprimanded (page 20) but on asking pardon and being somewhat humiliated the matter was look<sup>d</sup> over and pass<sup>d</sup> by and we left feeling that we had escaped in a wonderful manner

During the early part of 1861 Bros Jeremy and G.G. Bywater Came to Cardiff they were appointed to travel in Wales with whom I formed a very pleasant acquaintance and travelled with them and visited the Branches of Conference of which I had charge however Bro Bywater was appointed and sent to Worcester to take Charge of that Conference but was at my request released to succeed to the Presidency of the Cardiff Conference the Apostles asked as to who I wantd reccommend to the position as I desired a choice person I named Bro G.G. Bywater so he was call<sup>d</sup> at once and took hold before I emigrated to America Apl 1861 during this period the matter of emigrating was uppermost in my mind and to get (Page 21) things in Shape to meet certain obligations I made several hasty trips and visits with the Elders among the Branches One with Pres<sup>t</sup> Benjamin P Evans and call<sup>d</sup> for Collections to aid him in getting him provided with his family to Emigrate to Utah it was somewhat uphill work for the Saints were poor Made one trip with Elder David John a former Counsellor to Bro B.P. Evans he being My Brother in Law husband of my Sister Mary. being Short of money myself resorted to raising funds in the Same manner Collected some but Father Came to my aid and gave Fifty pounds sterling that with some other savings fitted me out for the trip to Utah Spent some time in preparing Sacks for our baggage altho- mine went into a small Compass there were several persons preparing to Emigrate from the Conference Bro William Gwyn and family of three Children a circumstance in connection with him and family (page 22) is to me worth relating Strenuous efforts and Successful were made to prevent the Children to go one relative followed up

to Liverpool and persuaded the elder daughter to return which she did & prevailed to take the youngest which was granted A Boy of about 12 years went along and landed safe in Utah another circumstance for curiosity I will relate as I had the offer to take charge and aid Bro Gwyn as he was afflicted from the effect of a Stroke of Paralasis some time previous but was restored to a goodly extent by the healing power of the ordinance of the Gospel through the laying on of hands of the Elders of the Church I declined the offer and recommended him to Joseph A Rees who was along and needed aid to pay his way on so a bargain was effected and Rees had charge and matters went along smoothly as far as they went in the same Company to the Frontiers (Page 23) on the Missouri River but to return to Connect the history of any starting from home to Liverpool Myself and two Sisters parted with Father and Mother Brothers & Sister for the Gospels Sake The date of our departure from the Graig Farm was April 10<sup>th</sup> 1861. for Cardiff where we lodged that night Elder David John was along in the Company also my Wife Hannah then single who was joined in Wedlock to me at Liverpool on the 13<sup>th</sup> Apl 1861 by Apostle C.C. Rich at the Office 42 Islington this was a noted Circumstance in my life I had formed an association and kept Company with this Lady some time but had set no date for this union Bro Rich thought then the set time it was so arranged Arrived at Liverpool on the evening of the 11<sup>th</sup> April arranged for our Tickets the next day to Sail on the Packet Ship Manchester under the Management of Captain Trask

(Page 24) During our stay at Liverpool I wrote Several letter home and other places one for Publication to the Welsh Paper Call<sup>d</sup> The Udgorn Seion new Seren y Saint. it was published in said paper of our departure from the Old Country had the honor of eating a meal at 42 Islington in the Company of three



of the Apostles Amasa Lyman C.C. Rich and Geo Q. Cannon Bro's John Kay and Elder David John

On the 15<sup>th</sup> April 1861 we were fixing and arranging our luggage and tin ware for the trip

Geo Q. Cannon gave a speech and a course of instruction to the saints for their benefit on Ship Claudins V Spencer was appointed President of the Company to N.Y. Elder's E<sup>d</sup> Hanham & W<sup>m</sup> Jeffries we made his counsellors the C<sup>o</sup> were divided into five Wards or divisions. I and Bro D. John had charge of two parts to preach over

(Page 25) April 16<sup>th</sup> 1861 The Captain came on Board the Ship at 9-30 The Saints Sang a Hymn before starting then the Steam Tug Boat drew out the Ship into the Channel about 30 miles. Wind was favorable pass<sup>d</sup> the Tuskan Light House next day early morn One of the Sailors was lost in the Bay of Biscay fell from the rigging an effort to recover him was made but sea was rough case abandoned this was the only serious misshap on the voyage as I know of it would be hardly interesting to note concerning seasickness and appearances on deck of its effects. it would be of interest to note concerning the preparation of the food we had not been used to allowancing out so much meat peas rice Sea Biscuits groceries and the like and then to go to the galley to have our dishes &c cook<sup>d</sup> it required Some patience & waiting it may he said to the credit of our (page 26) Cooks that they were patient for they were abused at times for partiality as supposed by Some they were duly appointed from among our people and did the best they could as we concluded under the circumstances I will state a curious little affair after a shower of rain the deck of the ship was slippery a Lady coming from the Galley or Cook place in crossing slipp<sup>d</sup> and fell and sliding right across the Ship deck with a dish of porrage

spilt made quite a sight. I smiled at it and the woman noticed it for which I was never forgiven I think because it was refered to afterwards as being cruel on my part to be so thoughtless but I was holding to the Bull work the Ship Side to keep from falling and sliding and could hardly help myself these were the circumstances I could render no aid quite a storm and the Ship was rolling and each had to care for self (Page 27) Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April 1861

On Sea the Saints wanted a meeting they had dress<sup>d</sup> in their holy day clothes being Sabbath a meeting was Call<sup>d</sup> on deck in the afternoon I was call<sup>d</sup> to offer prayer J H. Ward preached Bro's Jeffries and Hanham made remarks Bro W<sup>m</sup> Bayliss by prayer closed

We had Calm and wind during the week rough sea waves rose high and flooded the deck at times

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Misty and Cold we were told that we were near the Banks of Newfoundland It was published previous that there would be a meeting on deck in the afternoon but being so Cold it was postponed

We had foggy and Cold weather about this time I took a severe Cold and was quite Sick and ailing It was recorded on my day journal that on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of June Came a heavy gale of wind from the west the ship heaved and roll<sup>d</sup> to that extent many became helpless The Chests and (page 28) Tin ware that were not tied & fastened kept sliding to and fro in a fearful manner children tumbling down women Sea Sick the slop pails and water Cans upsetting things were in a very unpleasant predicament and we were driven back eastward many miles during the day after wards we had Calm weather the Ship was at times nearly at a stand still then it was to us monotonous and dull no progress forward

We landed at New York on the 15<sup>th</sup> of June 1861 we were met by Apostle

Erastus Snow N V Jones Thomas Williams and others from Utah Connected with the Emigration We arranged for our passage from N.Y. to Florence fare about \$15.<sup>00</sup> Our passage through the States was slow had a good chance to view the Country and new scenary to us towns and villages very different to the Old Country much timber Wild and uncultivated at that period

(Page 29) 1861 Having had a desire for a long time to behold the Great Mississippi River this was gratified on the 21 of May by Steam Boat from Quincy to Hannibal a fine Sheet of water appeared almost Still Considered the longest river in the wourld I visited the City of Quincy at this time tis an elegant Town I made some purchases at a Store there

We had a rough ride through the State of Missouri The Q & S<sup>t</sup> Joe R.R. was new but not finished appeard to be the most uneven road for a R.R. I ever travelled on

Arrived at S<sup>t</sup> Joseph the same day and Boarded a Steam Boat there next day for Omaha & Florence 2 1/2 day's on that turbulent Stream we had a great time of it twisting and rounding about sand bars and snags and loading wood for fuel to propel the Boat this was to me a curiosity my Wife was Sick at the time had to hire Cabin passage (page 30) for her could not endure Steerage passage I stood the racket but had a hard time for Bed room on the lower deck had Some meals in the Cabin for extra pay had the privilage of attending my sick Wife who was somewhat improving and recovered Soon after our arrival at Florence on the 25 of May

Attended Meeting at the School room Elder's Jacob Gates & Claudius Spencer preached being the Sabbath Day 26 May Rented a House there to live while getting ready to start on the Plains

Paid a visit to the Camping ground on the 27 May and had a good time for

Frontiers life on the Border on the Missouri River I went on the Shore different times for fuel to Cook with and into the Thickets and Capses and gathered Some fine Hickery Goods for Whip Stocks for the driving of Cattle on the Road West pick<sup>d</sup> some Hazle Nuts (Page 31) Attended Public meeting at the School room on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> of June in the afternoon

The following week was Spent in visiting Omaha and Some old acquaintances there and making purchases for the Plains

Attended an open air Meeting at Florence Elders Jacob Gates and Milo Andrus preached there were a large number of Saints present a Steam Boat with upward of One Thousand Souls had arrived the day previous

I purchased one Yoke of spotted Cattle for 15 English Sovereigns for them a large price at that time but however they were beauties and good workers this was on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 1861

I herded Cattle on the prairie with Bro Howels sometime while getting ready to Start Westward

Sunday 16 Attended meeting at 10 A M in the New Bowery Erected by the Brothern since their arrival (page 32) Elders Martindale and Andrus preached to the Saints I wrote a a letter for publication to Bro Ajax the interpreter for the Udgorn Scion at the Office at 42 Islington Liverpool and one to G.G. Bywater who succeeded me in the Cardiff Conference

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June I went down to Omaha in Company with B Evans and D John Yoke'd my Cattle for the first time drove to town of Omaha made purchase of provission for our journey to the Vales of Utah returned To Florence in the evening

Thursday 20 Packing and loading to leave for the Camping ground Started in the afternoon had a rough night Thunder & lightning rain<sup>d</sup> in torrents look<sup>d</sup>

some what scaley to new comers first night on the Prairie we had a tent

21 Two Young fellows drownd in the Mill Pond in plain Sight they just Came from London they went in Bathing with many others (page 33) and waded into danger deep water not able to swim they Sank and no aid in time the went down the third time and were no more Attended their funeral the next day at the Cemetery this was a sad affair their Widowed Mother died brokenhearted soon afterward and was buried w them Elder E<sup>d</sup> Hanham preached their funeral Sermon

Moved out from Florence on the 23 for the purpose of organizing the Company of about 60 waggons Homer Duncan was appointed Cap<sup>t</sup> of the C<sup>o</sup> and Captains of Tens were also Appointed and started out next day the Company made a purchase of a Mule and presented it to Cap<sup>t</sup> Duncan for the work on the Plains to gather up the Cattle The matter appeared to give Satisfaction to all the Camp and a good expression was given at the meeting where a Collection was made for means to pay the expense (Page 34) Journey accross the Plains The matter of Yoking and driving Cattle was to me a new thing however not So much as it was to Some others I had been where Oxen were employ<sup>d</sup> on Farms plowing harrowing & common farm work and had been among stock all my life but Starting out on the desert a long journey at first appeared a strange employ-ment I had joined teams with Brother David John on one Waggon we were fairly loaded with provission Stove and other effects for travelling. Bedding Clothing &c and five persons I was understood and advised that able bodied person travel afoot much of the way to Spare the teams and preserve their strength for the through trip which was attended with good effect and our team pull<sup>d</sup> through all right I soon became delighted in driving Ox Team and attending to Camp matters in general aid also in the Cooking Fuel water

Setting up tent &c &c (page 35) At the Camp fire at nights we often refered to the Friends in the Old Country and to incidents on the journey here let me refer to Bro's Jo<sup>s</sup> Rees an W<sup>m</sup> Gwyn who had a goodly sum of money on his person in a belt gold sovereigns he was robb<sup>d</sup> of the Belt and money at Florence and Rees was accused of the Theft and Searched and demanded to disgorge and Confess and abused unjustly for the real theif was arrested by the officer and a goodly amounts of the Money recovered a trial of the fellow was had at law in Court but law was a weak thing on the frontiers at that early period and the proceedings was almost a farce but as stated Gwyn had Some of the money returned and had to be satisfied and Rees was exonerated but felt Justly Sore for the abuse and injury

Our experience in travelling up the Platt Valley was of some interest twa's hot and dusty many sand bluffs heavy travelling and hard on our teams (Page 36) Ash Hollow was a place of some note had a holly day being the 24<sup>th</sup> of July Call<sup>d</sup> Pioneer Day many of the Camp Cross<sup>d</sup> the river Platt for Curiosity gathered Some wild Currants to make pies had quite a treat in that line in the evening also had a Concert Singing and dancing in the open air

Nothing of particular or unusual transpired up the Platt River except bathing nearly every day and a pleasant time for travelling the next place of not was Chimney rock on the South of the river we made an effort to go it but found the distance to much to reach there we turned back a small party of us at evening distances were deceiving & further off than appeared to us for instance we started to a bluff or hill for fuel one evening and kept agoing but our objective point Seamed further off as we travelled So we turned back to Camp

(Page 37) August 1861 Laramie was the next point of interest here we Cross<sup>d</sup>

the Platt river from the North side to the South fording the Stream averaging 3 feet deep drivig team holding to the Bow of the Yoke and wading along got through in good shape Camp<sup>d</sup> there on the South and went to the Fort There were a few US Soldiers guarding the Mail route

This was my Birth Day Aug 4 1861 we gathered Some wild Currant and made Cakes and pies and had a feast call<sup>d</sup> the passover (pass over the Platt) we cross<sup>d</sup> the river Several times on the 12<sup>th</sup> we cross<sup>d</sup> this was at Dear Creek Several of the Brothern traded off some flour to the Indians for Buffalo Robes I made a purchase of one for \$5<sup>00</sup> it served a goo purpose for several years in winter for bedding we did some repairing of waggons and shoeing Cattle

The next place of note was the Sweetwater and Devil Gate

Reach<sup>d</sup> Green River on the 31<sup>st</sup> [ p. 38] Feid and fuel had been quite an object but here we were well supplied and appreciated a good fire

Ham's Fork Blacks Fork and Fort Bridger were points of interest there were several Trains of Emigrants passing and repassing East & West Some appeared in a hurry as they pass<sup>d</sup> our train toward the West

On the 10<sup>th</sup> of Sept we reach the Weber on this day we miss<sup>d</sup> one of our oxen drove with other Cattle toward the East I went back up the Emigration Kanyon 15 miles in search but Could not overtake the Company but Communicated with Some of the party and the Ox was returned to Salt Lake City

11<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>t</sup> Started early in the Mourning westward afoot to overtake the train travelled 35 miles had a hard time sore feet tired out overtook train at the foot of the Big Mountain glad to have a rest the Crossing of Creeks and streams gave me some trouble (page 39) (arrival in Salt Lake City) as night overtook me between Weber and the Big Mountain Crossing the Creek Several times.

Camp<sup>d</sup> between Big & little Mountain on the night of the 12<sup>th</sup> Sep<sup>t</sup> and arrived in Salt Lake City next day we were invited to Stay at C.V. Spencers House and slept there that night

On the 14<sup>th</sup> I moved my effects to Sister Hannah T King's House and engaged apartments and hired out to Bro Spencer to haul Wood and work for the winter

Sunday 15 Sep<sup>t</sup> 1861 Went to Meeting in the Old Bowery Pres<sup>t</sup> Wells and Kimball preached this was the first time I had seen these persons and Saw and heard Brigham Young for the first time I look<sup>d</sup> on with a degree of astonishment as I had heard much of the for some years previous and had look<sup>d</sup> forward with much interest to the time of Emigration to the Valley of the Mountains Captains of trains reported their experience on the plains

(Page 40) Sep 1861

I made but a short stay in Salt Lake City we Met Bro<sup>s</sup> Israel Evans and Benjamin Ashby who persuaded us to go into the Country there were better advantages temporal to be had so we repack<sup>d</sup> our goods and went out to Lehi the W

We lived in Bro Israel Evans Granay for some time and labored in that Town some time had some acquaintance with Elders who had been on Missions

In copying Some items from my day journal I find that I labored at repairing fences Hauling Corn digging potatoes with a spade and attending thrashing Machine and made Some willow Baskets

Attended Meeting and was invided to the stand in the forenoon being Sunday 22 Sep<sup>t</sup> 1861 I was call<sup>d</sup> to speak occupied but a short time expressing my feelings

Inspection of Arms and Militia drill I attended at American Fork [page



41] on the 26 of Sept 1861

Attended Meeting on Sunday 29 and heard Lorenzo H Hatch & Bp David Evans preach labored on until Conference time Started afoot on the 5<sup>th</sup> for Salt Lake City to Conference but soon was overtaken by Bp Evans who hail<sup>d</sup> me and Said "Wride won't you take a Ride" this remark was rather amusing but very agreeable I rode to the City free of Charge

Attended every Meeting of Conference and heard the General Authorities preach and I made many new acquaintances and lodged with Bro Daniel Daniels House He was the President of the Welsh Mission at the time of my joining the Church

Sunday 13 Oct 1861 Paid a visit to Provo Attended Meeting in the Afternoon and Prest Orson Hyde delivered a fine discourse the following day I agreed with Bishop Miller to come and live in Provo and work for him at the Tithing Office after (page 42) (Moved to Provo) returning to Lehi I gathered up my things and with my wife went to Provo borrowed a team and had to return with it the next day to Lehi and then foot it to Provo about this I wrote back to the Old Country giving my experience in America and the Valleys Commenced working on Public work for Tithing pay \$2<sup>00</sup> per day Tithing prices for produce

On the 20 Bro David John paid us a visit being the Sabbath we attended meeting three times laboring at the Tithing Office all the following week

Sunday Afir meeting 27 Oct we visited Bro Daniel Vencent place he was an old friend of my people from early day I knew him since 1840 when a boy of 7 yrs he was a man of large family at that time joind the Church early and Emigrated in 1850 his Son Thomas was a playmate at that time (page 43) during this period Welsh meetings were held on Tuesday nights which I attended D John

Moved to Provo about this time Spent the afternoon & nights of the 10 Nov 61 at his house attended Mass Quorum of the Seventies on Friday 15 Nov I wrote a letter to my Parents in Wales describing Utah Valley the Lake and of the manner and way of doing business here and bore my testimony to the sincerity honesty and devotion to the Cause of truth to the industry and diligence of the people gave them my address and desired them to write

I attended Seventies meeting in the eve of the 17 at the 4 Ward I wrote a letter to Cardiff to Elder G.G. Bywater on matters of Missionaries Sent South to raise cotton on Sunday 24 Nov J.W. Cummings and Jo<sup>S</sup> C. Snow they were fine preachers of old times I was inclined to literature about this and read up much but time would not permit constant labor for a living interfered I was much interested in a sermon delivered by J.W. Cummings (page 44) on the Code of arms of the English government namly the Lion & Unicorn handed down from the days of the Kings of Israel the Lion of the tribe of Judah and the Unicorn being an ensign of the tribe of Ephraim representing the priestly Authority These tribes will resume their position in government and will raise the same ensign in the last days

Elder Orson Hyde Preached a fine sermon on the Coming of the Son of Man in Cluff's Hall He attended a dance party the 5<sup>th</sup> Dec I danced in the same set he was slow and clumsy in step but a fine speaker and made remarks on Education at the Close of the Party and offered Closing Prayer

I wrote a letter to Uncle T. Davies on the trip to Utah over the Sea and Land I and Wife were rebaptized by W<sup>m</sup> Lewis on the 8<sup>th</sup> Dec and reconfirmed by Jo<sup>S</sup> C Snow my Wife by Bp Faucett Elder C W Penrose preached here on the 15<sup>th</sup> heard W<sup>m</sup> Wall preach on 22 (page 45) Jan 1 1862

We spent Christmas Day with Bro and Sister D John heard Apostle Geo A

Smith preach on the 29 I wrote and sent a letter to John A Lewis and old friend and Elder near home in Wales Attended a Convention to appoint delegates to Make Laws for Utah on the 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 62

I had a severe spell of illness about this time early part of Jan On the 18<sup>th</sup> of Jan I drove Carrage with Bp Miller and Isaac Bullock to the City of Salt Lake to attend a Convention to Consider and adopt a Constitution for a State government the people expected Congress would act in favor of the Matter. Spent 7 days on this trip and visited many old friends My Sister Ann was living in Service at this time with B. Young Hampton I slept there two nights at this Convention it was pass<sup>d</sup> in the Meeting that the intended new State be call<sup>d</sup> the "State of Deseret, on the Sabbath I heard Pres<sup>t</sup> Brigham Young and H.C. Kimball preach (Page 46) Spent some time visiting old friend one Benjamin Evans he presided the Welsh Mission Some time I visited Claudius V Spencer he was the Pres<sup>t</sup> of the Emigrants on the Ship Manchester in which I Cross<sup>d</sup> the Atlantic

There were Some exiting times in Provo about this period loud demands to put down the selling of whiskey and drunkenness and steating there were some theives at large & threats made to exterminate them but the Storm pass<sup>d</sup> off. about this time there was a trial before Church Authorities on a matter of trouble between Bp W<sup>m</sup> Miller and W<sup>m</sup> M. Wall grave hostility the Method & manner of proceedure was Singular to me therefore I was much interested they each had Counter Charges the result was some fine remark made by John Young. E.D. Wooley & S W Richards parties afterwards Settled amicably these men were Sent from S.L. City to see to the settlement of the matter (page 47) I heard Several of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles preach during this winter John Taylor, Geo A Smith Orson Hyde I had been very anxious to hear these

noted Characters for some time having read their discourses in the journal this Condition of things gave me much Satisfaction The topics of these times were the Emigration of the Poor Sending teams across the plains to the Missouri River to haul them to Utah The raising of Cotten in the Southern part of Utah and sending Missionaries down to (Dixie so call<sup>d</sup>) was exiting Many Sold out good Farms at a great sacrifice to fill a Mission for life in the Southern Clime and Suffered privation many of them

I witness the Ordination of a Bishop for the first time A H Scott under the hands of Apostle John Taylor we had fine times at these meetings Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> of Feb. 1862 I heard Bro J.W Cummings and Alexander Gillispie preach  
(Page 48) 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 1862

On this day I was call<sup>d</sup> to the office of a Seventy and ordained under the hands of Seeley Owen John M<sup>C</sup>Evan and David A Curtis the latter being mouth. they were the Prest<sup>s</sup> of the 20<sup>th</sup> Quorum head Quarters at Provo to which I held membership until I moved to Payson when I joined what was then known as the Mass Quorum of Seventies after some time all who held fellowship were joined into one as a preparation to reorganized I was call<sup>d</sup> to preside with H. W. Barnett first and Cha<sup>s</sup> Brewerton as Second Counsellor under the direction of Bp J. S Tanner I held this position for 3 years at which it was dessolved and the Quorum numbered 46 Quorum at Payson to which I became identified and held position until call<sup>d</sup> to join the High Priests

24<sup>th</sup> I received a note from my Sister Ann Stating that oxen Oxen were found so reported they had been put in C.V. Spencer's Charge and said to have stray'd off how that was (Page 49) [Trip hunting lost Oxen] was never told I started immediately North as an opportunity was offered to ride with A. Milton Musser to Salt Lake City the Oxen were reported be at near Plain City about 60

miles North from S.L.C. after arriving at Salt Lake City having no conveyance I started afoot with some Confidence mix<sup>d</sup> with doubt I reached a small settlement near Kays Ville where an old friend named John Criddle lived he however was not at home but I lodged there I encountered a severe wet Snow Storm the next day in travelling to Ogden I was Cold and wet I call<sup>d</sup> and was received into an Indian Wicky up to Shelter the red man was well disposed and kind under the Circumstances I had to cross the River fording it Colo I soon came to a small settlement never learnt its name twa's on the Weber near where it leaves the Kanyon I was travelling what was known as the Mountain road turned into the first house to dry my clothes and took some refreshment I felt plucky (page 50) and on I went to Ogden and lodged with one Thomas Gibbon formerly of Cardiff South Wales they treated me kind and on I went to Plain City Call at Father Gibbons place T. Gibbon's Father stay'd but a short time anxious to reach my destination but to my dismay there was some mistake the person who reported went with me to the range and hunted but in vain hunted for nearly two days around the North end of the Great Salt Lake I had a great experience in foot travel the persons name was Thomas Frier he lodged me over night Snow fell quite freely next mourning gave up the chase and was homeward bound I made a Cut from Plain City (there was no city except a few huts dirt roofs Cabins at that time I never wanted to go there any more) across the range to Kays Ward Crossing streams the best I could crossing the Weber River in a Boat twa's night and dark when I reached there saw a twinkling light I made for it and call<sup>d</sup> at a house I was cold and wet (page 51) [received a number of Citters] This was the hardest travel of my life they took me in hardly any fire had to Crawl into a few quilts on the ground hardly recovered any heat through the whole long night tired & sick I reached the City next day my shoes

was giving way I was doubtful of their holding out to reach home twa's thawing day and freezing nights sticking mud made hard travelling which I realized to a full extent I arrived at Provo on the 7<sup>th</sup> of March having been out 13 day's without one Copper of money but Cheek and Charity Calling on old friend and new ones whom I had never seen before After passing through this trip it was pass<sup>d</sup> on as the greatest experience & venture told in these day's.

On the 17 of March I wrote a letter to Uncle David Griffith Thomas directed it to Iowa giving details of our trip to this Country advising him and family to Come along they Started from Wales 4 years previous (page 52) I received a letter from Uncle Thomas Davis of Ponl y prydd giving an account of the death of my Brother Lewis while bathing was drown'd in East Bute docks Cardiff and the death of Grand Mother Wride of Blue House also Cousin Maria of Cymer he explained the Condition of trade in England as being dull in Consequence of the cotten trade enquired concerning his friend in this Country Also a letter from Cousin Mary Ann of Llest Llanellted Vardre but Contained nothing important About this time I comenced to plan for myself for Farming and gardning I made 3 moves to rented houses did not succeed in farming could not control the high water I was flooded and crop spoiled raised a good garden and Sugar Cane on a rented block put in Some time haying and harvesting for Peter Stubbs Spent the Summer partly in his employ and the winter of 62 in Kanyon work hauling wood and logging

(Page 53) Birth of our first son

I attended closely to all meeting and was call<sup>d</sup> to speak in public several times during the year of 62 and felt fairly at home for a New Country visited the Vincent family frequently had a good time with them I was Cradling Wheat on my Birth day of this year. I did much of that kind of labor during

the Season Wife gave birth to a son on the night about eleven o'clock of the 22<sup>nd</sup> of Sep<sup>t</sup> 1862 all went off well M<sup>rs</sup> Billings attended her during that period

Received our Endowments in the house of the Lord at the same time with David John on the 5<sup>th</sup> of Dec 1862 Pres<sup>t</sup> Kimball presided Apostle Woodruff did the Sealing at Alter heard Elder C.C Rich preach at Lehi on our return from the City I made a trip to the City hauling grain to the General Tithing Office during this Month Attended a Welsh Party on Christmas day at Bro Richard Jones' house attended several parties about this time one at (page 54) Visiting & parties in 1863

Miller's Hall with Bro Evan A Richards and a party and supper at Bro Sydney Barley's and one at John G Jones' New Year Day of 1863 Visiting friends with Bro Richard rec<sup>d</sup> a visit from W<sup>m</sup> Lewis on the 4 of Jan and on the 10 at a party at Miller's Hall given to Blind Man Bro. Thomas Giles rec<sup>d</sup> a visit from Bro Stubbs and family on the 11 of Jan Bro D John & family paid us a visit on the 18 Jan I was call<sup>d</sup> to preach on the 25 of Jan touch some on the marvelous work of God in the last days as foreseen by the Ancient prophets. Attend a party and supper got up by Bro Harrison on the 4 of Feb heard David John and Elias H Blackburn preach on the 22<sup>nd</sup>

I went to Payson on the 25 of March with Peter Stubbs to see his ranch and arrang'<sup>d</sup> to take charge and moved to Payson bottoms to said ranch on the 13<sup>th</sup> of March 1863

I moved a herd of Stock to the ranch on the 17 of April 1863 and took a (page 55) (Employment of the summer 1863) discription of Marks and Brands on a Book of all the Stock On a trip to Provo on the 10 of May I was overtaken by a heavy rain storm after passing Spanish Fork I crawl<sup>d</sup> under a bank

that was caved under and escaped wonderfully from its effects but encountered another at Springville Sheltered at the Meeting house door and escaped a wetting reach<sup>d</sup> Provo in the evening

Spent the Summer of 1863 in farming on a small cale and herding Stock had much anxiety Concerning Stock for the lack of convenience in many ways the Stock scattered and had no horse to ride after them and consequently some stray<sup>d</sup> off and were lost I turned my attention somewhat to Dairying butter and Cheese making and Started a Sheep herd and herding on Shares About this time Will Selman a Brother of my Wife Came he joined in the work of herding this was Continued until the Spring of 1865 when I was call<sup>d</sup> to take a Mission to Europe

(Page 56) 1864

During the fall and winter I was employ<sup>d</sup> in hauling Ceder Post's running Ceder on the sides of the West mountain fencing in a pasture and land on the Payson bottoms on the Slough or Commonly Call dickcreek I in Company with Bros Everet Richmond and Russell Kelly labored in loafer Canyon running fence poles and hauling found places where not a tree had been Cut it was at that time a fine place for obtain fencing material it got cleaned out in time the Same parties were owning as a C<sup>o</sup> a stretch of land from the Mound to the west of the Jolly field then known by that name the Jolly claim we divided it into equal shares each owning his piece there was a long strip of hay land along the fence of the Payson meadow we gathered a goodly amount of hay off it which was then appreciated for winter provender for our Stock our water supply was vested in the Slough fed from waste water from (Page 57) (High prices for produce) Payson and Salem (or Pond town) we were short at times and had some trouble in getting supplied our drinking water was not of the best kind yet we



succeeded in raising a good crop in the Summer of 1864 we made a good dam in the Slough and Kept it in repair as a bridge there was much travel there in Summer after hay from the Slough bottoms grain was very high price that fall on Account great demand in the mines in the North in Montanna great rush to that region Wheat went as high as \$8.<sup>00</sup> per Bus and other grain correspondingly times were call<sup>d</sup> good Religion did not trouble the people greatly at the time for many work<sup>d</sup> Sunday's as other days riding horses and hunting Stock on the ranges We made Some efforts to obtain a Supply of water from Spanish Fork river but twas rather meagre C<sup>o</sup> was not strong too poor and not backing from any source for a permanent right in view

(Page 58) Land was not on the market government had made no provission by law for the Territory at this time we had but squatters rights and knew but little of what was to take place

Andrew J. Stuart our close neighbor often Stated that all the land would be Sold to the public Soon and refering to the Indian reserve then on the North or us that is would all be thrown open and put on the Market and so it was Some availd themselves and some did<sup>nt</sup> later it was all Sold. herding Cattle & sheep was push<sup>d</sup> further off Our Conveniences were not first class rather antiquated rude ploughs and implements for farming did some borrowing and loaning we had some good waggons after a time our furniture was rude & homemade We obtained Stoves soon after and were greatly appreciated Change came and Indians became troublesome our Company began to scatter & dissolve yet we held the land

(Page 59) Work in Summit Kanyon in 1865

The winter of 1864 & 5 was cold & snowey we labored in Summit Kanyon a good part Russell Kelly and Warren R Tinney had two old mills there they repaired and did much sawing of logs I and Everet Richmond furnished Some and made lumber for fencing and building purposes and sold some for provission and groceries which were Scarce at the time and high price all imported by waggon from the east except some little home manufactured good Shoes and Cloth homemade jeans was all the go for working pants and for Sunday as well In our labor of running of logs down the Slides we were subject to much danger the last of my work there was in the Spring of 1865 while hauling logs from the white pine slide on returning for a second log one day a Snow Slide came down filling the hollow below some 30 feet deep or more burying my logs axe & shovel and other effects I returned home and never returned there any more

(Page 60) refering back to some items

Reverting to the spring of 1864 among other things A Daughter was born to us on the 2nd Day of April Sister Ann Selman Richard was present at the Speaking of the lack of Conveniences I here refer to conveying the Mid Wife home to Payson 2 1/2 miles I own'd a very rude Cart drawn by a Yoke of Steers and in an awkward place upset my Cart Midwife and effects into a pond of muddy Water n<sup>r</sup> Payson it was quite dark night the sight would have been frightful if by daylight but no one was hurt except a smearing of Clothing and effects We turned the Cart right side up did our errand and returned home sometime during the night time pieces were scarce could<sup>nt</sup> tell the hour

I planted and raised a good garden and a good crop of wheat and hay and felt prospered, I in company with A.J. Stewart Surveyed an amount of land and did much fencing in the Spring and Summer of 1864

(Page 61) Call<sup>d</sup> on a Mission to Europe in Ap<sup>1</sup> 1865

Soon after the April Conference of 65 I with sever'l more were call<sup>d</sup> on Mission I did not attend this Conference but the news Came on the return of A.J. Stewart first thought came to me that it may be a Mistake but it was soon Confirmed for I received a letter direct from President Brigham Young notify- ing me of the Call and to be ready with means of Conveyance to go to Europe on a Mission and to be at Salt Lake City on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May I presented the letter to Bp J B Fairbanks of Payson Stating my Financial Condition limited in means to travel So great a journey and rather Scarcely provided for my family He reply<sup>d</sup> that he would Consider the matter and Consult the people for aid and on the following Sabbath the matter was presented before the meeting Something over fifty dollars was Collected and handed to me a few days before I started which was on the 27 of April farmed planted grain & garden until that time  
(Page 62) Starting Off

To Salt Lake City on the 27<sup>th</sup> of April 65 while Calling and visiting around in Provo on the 28<sup>th</sup> I was furnished donations from a few of the Brothern some \$34<sup>00</sup> I felt fairly equip<sup>d</sup> & thankful to be so well provided it appeared miracilous & marvelous We had provided a team and waggon between four of us viz A.K Thurber H.H. Cluff Jens Hansen & myself

On the Sabbath following 30<sup>th</sup> April we attended meeting at the Tabernacle in the Afternoon Brigham Young preached

May 1<sup>st</sup> All the Missionaries met at the Historians Office at 10 A M. on Acc<sup>t</sup> of the room being crowded Prest Young offered the use of his School House for the Meeting into which we moved and were Set apart for our various Missions

Apostle Geo A Smith was Mouth in giving my blessing A copy of which was

given me at the time of starting and a document from the Governed for protection in time of trouble at this time I also received my Certificate (Page 63) of Citizenship of the United States of America I felt very proud and well pleased in having these paper's which I always preserved and it gave me great satisfaction to Show them at times to my friends on my travels

On account of the bad roads and snow in the Mountains we were advised to postpone the time of Starting untill further notified and Matters became more favorable this gave time to be better prepared, Word came to be ready and We started on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of May through Emigration Kanyon and Big Kanyon Creek and through Parleys Park W.B. Preston was appointed & Elected to be our Captain and was a good one Careful in directing for we had some very dangerous undertakings high water Streams were over flowing rafting and fording what were then at high tide call<sup>d</sup> Big rivers We travelled through the Celebrated Echo Kanyon Yellow Creek was a bad crossing and Bear River here Bro Elias Morris fell into the stream and came nearly losing his life

(Page 64) On the Plains

Passing Fort Bridger & Black's Fork We were obliged to pay \$3<sup>00</sup> per waggon to Cross over Smith Fork over a toll Bridge Ferried our waggons over the Noted Hams Fork and Green River these Streams were exceedingly high Elder Lewis Robinson had charge of these Ferries he gratuitously pass<sup>d</sup> the whole Camp of Missionaries over these rivers his outfit appeared to me very ricketty especially his raft his ropes and Anchors were strong Bro. Robinson was a Jolly fellow and was well aquainted with many of the Elders and we had a fine time talking gave us good bye and God Speed The Sandy's were forded and pass<sup>d</sup> over without trouble and the roads became better and good. The highest point was pass<sup>d</sup> over on Sunday June 1<sup>st</sup> 65 South Pass Antelope Springs & Sweet Water

Three Crossing on the 6 June Devils Gate on the 7<sup>th</sup> Platt River on the 9<sup>th</sup> Dear Creek next day. Indians were hostile they had kill<sup>d</sup> some Emigrants and were shy and did not show out

(Page 65) Reach<sup>d</sup> Omaha

Saw a white man dead in the road scalp<sup>d</sup> top of his head or crown taken off had an arrow stuck in his side belong<sup>d</sup> to Miners Camp of Emigrants going West very exiting times Indian Warfare we were not molested however in any matter but we acted very Cautious and stay<sup>d</sup> but a short time in Camp in any place moved out at day break and guarded our teams very Closely and Careful nothing particular of note further we were Moving pretty rapid Considering the Condition of some of our horses & mules Ash Hollow was reached on the 19<sup>th</sup> of June We had heavy storms on the 23<sup>rd</sup> Grand Island on the 27<sup>th</sup> Loup Fork & Columbus on the 29<sup>th</sup> Elk Horn on the 30<sup>th</sup> Omaha on July 1<sup>st</sup> Held a meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> many of the Camp Spoke never felt better in their lives We disposed of our teams to good advantage got our Money and made ready to move on our journey Celebrated the Nations Day Independence at Omaha Took passage by Steam Boat to Wyoming met many friends going West (Page 66) We spent a few days at Wyoming with the returning Missionaries and had a fine time there they had much on their hands to find Conveyances to emigrate the Saints as no teams were sent from Utah to the frontiers that season We took passage of Steamboat (Colerado) to S<sup>t</sup> Joe pass<sup>d</sup> by Rail through Quincy and Chicago and Detroit into Canada and to Niagria Falls and remained there to see the sights and fine scenaries on that River Arrived at Albany and took train on the Hudsen RR to New York Took passage to Liverpool on the Ocean Steamer Lousiana on the 15 of July 1865 27 Missionaries went on board the ship moved out precisely at noon We had a good passage Some were Seasick Arrived at L'Pool on the 28<sup>th</sup> unloaded

our effects as S<sup>t</sup> George's landing our Trunks were examined at the Custom House Agent espied some tobacco and made a close examination one of the Elders (page 67) stated that if it were not that he was sea sick he would have smoked it all up and there would have been no trouble the Officer smiled and we pass<sup>d</sup> on after which we went to 22 harper S<sup>t</sup> and met at the Millenial Star Office in the evening Pres<sup>t</sup> Daniel H Wells who was the presiding at the time gave instructions to the Elders how to proceed in their future work in the ministry and all proceeded to their fields of labor as appointed & directed I in Company with Elder Elias Morris left Liverpool for Manchester we went to M<sup>r</sup> Price Morri's house had rather a cool reception Call at one M<sup>r</sup> Holbrook as directed by Peter Stubbs and had a good reception & dined there visited the Zoological Gardens and Slept at M<sup>r</sup> Holbrooks made a trip to Middlewich to See Some friends of P. Stubbs folks were not at home so I made way for Merthyr Tydfil the head Quarters of the Welsh Mission and met W<sup>m</sup> S Phillips & Abel Evans (Page 68) And also the President of the Mission W<sup>m</sup> D williams and Commenced our Mission work preach at Dowlais

The next day Met Uncle Thomas Davies he informed me of Mothers Death I made some visits with Uncle Thomas to Abervan and Pontyprydd and to the Graig Farm my former home Met Father in the field with the farm hand harvesting he was much effected on Seeing us probably on account of Mothers demise recently Met met Sister Jane whom we left a child had grown to womanhood Met Brother Peter and William and visited around the old plantation and former friends Call<sup>d</sup> at Mother in Law at Whitchurch and returned to Merthyr Tydfil and attended Meeting there and preached to the Saints and made a tour through the Branches in Abdare Valley Aberaman and Mountain Ash and preach<sup>d</sup> in Cwm Bach and then visited with the Elders at Treforest and Pontyprydd and a trip to Cardiff

(Page 69) My former head quarter when travelling on a former Mission preached & visited among the Saints and in Company with R.J. Davies visited his friend St Nicholas and Peterstone we had much welcome at first as friends & visitors but rather Cool as Elders & preachers of the Gospel altho they listened to our story about America and the West California & mining pursuits but had little taste for our principles and religion much enquiry was made about the Rebellion the Civil warfare in America we were pleased to answer all questions in that line and would introduce Some things about Utah returned Canto Cardiff and lodged at the Expense of John Gwyn an old friend at Mr<sup>s</sup> Parry and had Breakfast with him

Made a tour with Elders Davies and Prest Williams to Pentyrch and Lantrvd Vardre Calling at Llest on some of my relatives and had a fine reception and heard from us (page 70) On the Gospel and the gathering of the Saints in the Last Days in fulfilment of the prediction of the prophets and they argued their doctrine to us we made another tour to Aberdare and the Branches and had a fine pleasant and agreeable reception all around this is a sample of how we travelled the first part of our mission in Wales.

I made a tour with Pres<sup>t</sup> William to the West part of Wales to Swansea a Caermarthenshire and Penbrokeshire preaching a Llaelly and Haverfordwest Calling at Fraystrop a Branch of the Church where the Cousin family resided a farming district there were some fine people here from here I went to visit Bro David John Mother living at little New Castle a village Call<sup>d</sup> Fishguan had a great old time talking family Matters in Welsh her people were everything in her Conversation and especially those that had pass<sup>d</sup> away

Visited the Gibbs family a fine people at their house I wrote a letter to D John giving an account of my visit to Farhgard his former home and birth

place here I met Elders Morris and Evans I gave a sermon at this place I also preached at a place in Company with Bro Elias Morris and left for Llanelly and then to Swansea Met Bro Phillip Dell Pres<sup>t</sup> of that Conference and preached Out doors at Morristown and had good attention paid I wrote a letter from here to my family in Utah Visited Alltwen with Pres<sup>t</sup> Williams and returned to Merthyr Tydfil I frequently paid a visit to Fathers place my old home where they were kind and always made me welcome which I greatly appreciated during this period of my Mission

Met W. S. Phillips and William Jones at Mountain Ash 23<sup>rd</sup> of Aug visit Bro Litson of Ffelin Vack at Cwm'y Rhinda Vach and went to Gelly Galed Tfrwdamos. & Trebarwy and Nelson and (Page 72) Sep 1 1865

Jonathan Isaac an intimate friend and benefactor had a good time preaching whenever a Chance was presented Spent the time through these months Aug and Sept visiting Call at Graig and Cross road at Uncle Daniel Davies and lodged with him Preached at Cardiff on the 30<sup>th</sup> Aug Call<sup>d</sup> on W<sup>m</sup> Bladen at Landoff Yard and went to Caerphilly Castle to See a Sham Fight of the Glamorgan Militia of which Bro Peter was a member & soldier wonderful Curiosity Some accidents occurred two men dangerously wounded Attended a Council Meeting at Pontypryd Elders Phillips David Rees & Boden each made brief remarks I preached in the open air in the evening at Pontshoreorton Call at Penywal and Penyrheol conversed with the people call<sup>d</sup> at Blaen Lechahod conversation with Jones Family to restore them into the Church we left for Cwmsarbran and Cynllwynder and Pen Rhys and Tyla Coch lodged at David Morleys Call<sup>d</sup> at Jones Mardy & Cwmaman & Aberaman and Aberaman and Aberdare preached in Welsh at the latter place (Page 73) Preaching in the open air 15 Oct

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> of Oct 65 I went to Newport to hear the Celebrated D<sup>r</sup> Spurgeon



giving two sermons in a large open Square a melodious simple and influential orator the most noted of this period. returned to Cwm Bach and Call<sup>d</sup> on Bro David Rees and dined there visited Llanvabon Branch held meeting one in the open air & one with the Saints Visited Whitchurch Branch Call<sup>d</sup> on Mother in Law and Children and at Graig Call<sup>d</sup> on Bro Cha<sup>s</sup> Gregory and Bro Shepherd I went to Charles Vincents to Basaley by request of Bro Daniel Vincent of Provo I wrote to my family & the Vincents on this visit Preached out doors on the 15 Sabbath and to the Saints at Cardiff people were indifferent to the Gospel I & Bro Davis attended Gospel Hall a place for all Christians except Mormons we were refused an opportunity to preach barr<sup>d</sup> out because our doctrine was obnoxious to them it gave us an opportunity however to discuss right there the leader of the meeting on his round came to us requesting that we come to the Penitent seat to be pray<sup>d</sup> for this opened up a conversation regarding our faith

(Page 74) We had an opportunity of bearing Testimony concerning our Mission to them and all the world of the divinity of the Mission of the Prophet Joseph Smith Calling on them to Repent and be Baptized for the remission of their Sins in the name of the Lord directed him to the Authority required to preach the Gospel for no man Should take this honor on himself and spoke to him on the order and organization of the Church of Christ We occasionally went to hear other denominations preach for Curiosity on the 20<sup>th</sup> Oct we went to hear a Mithodist preacher at Lady Halls Church at Abercarn Visited Sirnowy & Tredegar and witness<sup>d</sup> the performance of a Dramatic Association from London at the Temperance Hall I wrote a letter home and one to Bp J. B. Fairbanks on the 26 of Oct Visited Maes y Vainor to converse with some of Bro Davis's folks I wrote by dictation for Pres<sup>t</sup> Willams for publication in the

Star Met Abel Evans and W<sup>m</sup> Jones Call<sup>d</sup> at Pontypryd Rhy d felen Attended Counsel meeting at the latter place preach<sup>d</sup> at Lantived (Page 75) Vardre at an Old Public House near the Parish Church had a good time many of the wourld were present We went to Pendoylon Branch preached at Bro W<sup>m</sup> Evans house near my Birth Place I preach at Esgybor Wen Many of my old friends came to hear our doctrine this was near my old home call<sup>d</sup> at Graig & lodged there that night Call<sup>d</sup> at Coslets house and went by train to Ystrad Dyfodog and preached at Tila Coch and lodged at the Farm went afoot over the mountain to Glyn Neath took train then to Swansea and attended Conference on the Sabbath 5 of Nov Gunpowder plot Guy Fawkes day I made an address in the Afternoon all the Welsh Elders from the Valley were present we returned to our field of labor early in the week visited Cefn Penner were well treated they are wealthy people & belong to the Church to rich and life too easy to Emigrate to poor Utah Attended a teaparty and concert on the 13<sup>th</sup> at Merthyr Tydfil preached at Dowlais next eve and visited Blaina Garth and lodged there then went to Merthyr & spent

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next day with John Evans at Troedy rhew Call<sup>d</sup> at Tho<sup>s</sup> Waters they feel hostile towards Mormonism but treated me kind preached at Llanvabon Branch & lodged at Bro Isaac's house Met Bro Davies and Pres<sup>t</sup> Williams on the 18<sup>th</sup> and preach<sup>d</sup> in Cardiff on Sabbath 19 Nov Visited the Bate Dock's Call<sup>d</sup> a Bro Phillips and Shepherd and at Whitchurch and Landoff Treforest and Pontyprydd at Uncle T Davies Conversing with all who would hear us Sunday 26 attended Counsel and preached at Pontyprydd in the afternoon and at night at Rhyd Felen lodged with Uncle T. Davies attended Prayer Meeting at Old Sister Rodericks and Call<sup>d</sup> on Old Sister Lewis Pentyrch Went to S<sup>r</sup> Nicholas Calling at Sis Humphreys at S<sup>r</sup>

Brides 30<sup>th</sup> went to Dinas bouis held meeting with the Saints and then went to Cardiff and Graig preached then on the Sabbath 3 of Dec 1865 Attended Concert at Aberdare and preached next eve in their Hall lodged at the Horse & Groom Tavern preach<sup>d</sup> in the Branches during the week

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Preach<sup>d</sup> at Dowlais on Sunday 10 Dec visit the Mardy Farm and Baptized the Eldest son Jenkin Jones he came to Utah preached at Pontygwaith to a houseful of the wourld who listened well and went to Ystrad Dyfodry preached at Tila Coch visit and preaching every night in the week spent the Sabbath at Llanfabon and had a fine time with the Saints Singing and conversing on the Gospel and Utah spent the following week in the South part of the District visiting and instructing the saints Sabbath 24 attended Council Meeting preached in the Saints Hall went to Mommouthshire travelling there among the Branches thus our time was spent travelling and preaching where & whenever Chances presented itself until the 6<sup>th</sup> of Jan 1866 Book<sup>d</sup> for Birmingham on the 4 at Nant y Bwch arrived there about 1 o clock p.m. 5<sup>th</sup> Met in General Council Prest B Young Jr Presiding who after a few remarks call<sup>d</sup> on Apostle Orson Pratt to speak also N. H. Felt they made good remarks & Counsel

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Prest<sup>t</sup> Call<sup>d</sup> on the Travelling Elders to report their labor Meeting Continued in the same way on the 6<sup>th</sup> attended District Conference on Sabbath 7 Jan David P Kimball presiding I met Uncle John Giles Wifes Uncle Mothers Brother dined supp<sup>d</sup> and lodged with him Met in Council 8<sup>th</sup> Prest<sup>s</sup> of Confer- ences reported their Labors 9<sup>th</sup> Districts Pres<sup>ts</sup> reported their labors Visited the factories the Museum and other noted places and returned via Tewks bury and Twynyn With Bro Charles Selman had the privilege of preaching

Mormonism to M<sup>r</sup> Parker Wifes Uncle 12<sup>th</sup> Call<sup>d</sup> at Goucester went to see the Cathedral proceeded to Cardiff Spent a few days at Fathers place and visited in the neighborhood Some time 18<sup>th</sup> Call<sup>d</sup> at Cefn Tre banwg & Cwm Clydach Coal Works and preached in the Long Room Adare Inn and lodged there Calling at Bro David Morley's and Bro Ja<sup>s</sup> Peard 22<sup>nd</sup> Met Prest Williams & W.S. Phillips Visited Aberdare & Cwm Cynon Valley Sabbath 28 Met Council Bro Phillips

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presiding I spoke three times this day rather unusual Continued my labor in the Branches in Glamorganshire going to Dinas bonis preaching at Bro Heaths house on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of Feb. then visiting J. Gwyn and John Chugg's wrote a letter for John to his Bro W<sup>m</sup> Gwyn at Brigham City preach<sup>d</sup> to the Saints on the Book of Mormon being Sabbath 4<sup>th</sup> Feb. 66 travelled with some of the Valley Elder through the Branches around Merthyr and Dowlains and made a tour through Monmouthshire and then returning to Aberdare preached twice in Merthyr on Sabbath 18 Feb On the 20<sup>th</sup> I was Appointed to Preside over the Monmouth Conference left Bro R.J. Davies at Aber Nant Station and then visited Mountain Ash & Pontyprydd went to Cardiff Whitchurch and Graig On the 24 I went to my field of labor as appointed by train to Rhumney then to Tredegar Attended Conference at Tabor Inn Abel Evans had been appointed Pres<sup>t</sup> of the Mission he was present and several of the Elders who (Page 80) March 11 Address<sup>d</sup> the Saints and people W<sup>m</sup> Lewis former Pres<sup>t</sup> & W<sup>m</sup> T. Jones accompanied me through the District I spoke in Welsh to the Saints at Rhumney and in Blaina G went in English lodged at Bro Watkin Morgan house also at Aber tallery and Tredegar and visited the saints at BrynMawr Llanelly Gilwern and Beaufort Went down to Machen the few saints were about to Emigrate gave them some Counsel on Sabbath 11<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> Attended a Wesleyan meeting being a day of Fasting and Prayer. I

made my regular rounds until Sunday 25 Met B. Young Jr & Apostle O. Pratt and Abraham Hatch and the Welsh Elders had a fine Conference on the Sabbath the Apostle gave a fine sermon I was appointed clerk of the meeting and sent a lengthy report to the Star and twa's published. I went with Elder Griffith Roberts to Rhumney and lodged at Edward Parry house and visited around with Bro Roberts and met in Council on Sunday April 1<sup>st</sup> 66

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Bro G Roberts preach in the afternoon I made remarks relative to the debts of the Conference next day I and Bro Roberts we to Coley Farm to See Some of his friends and returned to Merthyr to hear Elder Abel Evans deliver a lecture on the usages of the American Indians I returned to my field of labor I dilivered a lecture on the Morals of the people of Utah in a large Hall in Tredegar on the 12<sup>th</sup> I vivited the Iron Master of Rhymney Works to explain My Mission & desired to engage a place to preach & lecture in the Town I met Elder John Parry at Merthyr Tedfil on the 13<sup>th</sup> and went to Pontypryd lodged at Uncle Davies he drove me in his Carriage to Graig for a visit and also to Cross road visited my firends a few days and covereded on religious matters purchased a few articles to forward to Utah with the Emigration After my visit I returned to Mormouth Sabbath 22 Attended Monthly Counsel & preached and advised among the Saints

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Went by train with the Emigration to Liverpool met many acquaintances I had a busy time attending luggage and helping to move and weigh & fix for the voyage getting tickets I aided Mrs Parry of Blaina as she had a large amount of bgage & trunks I returned home Vea Middlewitch Calling at M<sup>r</sup> Steels for Peter Stubbs they treated me very kindly and lodged me one night left Middle-

wich by Mourning train Via Crew Shrewsbury Hereford Newpor & Cardiff I tood Cold on this trip and was unwell housed up for some days I travelled and preached in the Branches & conversed wherever opportunity offered a privilege 10, 11, 12<sup>th</sup> Visited the people at Victoria Blaina and Crumblin gave a discourse at Tredegar on Sabbath 13<sup>rd</sup> On the 16 I met W<sup>m</sup> Lewis formerly of Swansea where he had labored in the office for the Welsh Mission. I call<sup>d</sup> on Mr. Bychan head Clerk in the Office of the Iron Works to obtain freedom to preach he refused giving my writings for the reson that he had [p. 91] June 1866 no authority to act in the matter but had no objections to our doing the best we could Pres<sup>t</sup> Abel Evans paid a visit to our District and accompanied us around the Branches with some profit counselling for about a week Sabbath 27 Counsel meeting preached in the Afternoon I went to Cardiff by train and preached in the evening having call<sup>d</sup> again on my friends returned to head quarters at Tredegar June 1 66 and made a Circuit trough my field of labor preaching and conversing giving out Books &c Bro John Parry made a visit and preached to the Saints on Sabbath 17 June Attended Counsel at Tredegar Spoke at length in the forenoon & afernoon Spoke in Welsh one the first principles, and on 21 spoke at Blaina in Bro Greenlands house rec<sup>d</sup> letter from the Emigrant from New York on the 23 Sabbat 24 Attended Monthly meeting & Counsel at Victoria did the preaching after report were made Wet weather preaching out doors preached to the saints at Tredegar on 28<sup>th</sup> & writing up journal and letters [p. 92] July 1 1866

At Tredegar preaching in the evening on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July as we were Commencing to preach at Pontlottyn we were interferred with by the Police & stop<sup>d</sup> rather than violate the rule or Law we dismiss<sup>d</sup> by Prayer and returned to Camp went to to Cardiff on the 4<sup>th</sup> and to Gracgou 5<sup>th</sup> visited Sister Coslet

at Pear Tree Cottage and to Canton where I met Uncle John D Rees just arrived from the Valley we lodged together at J Chugg House Spent Some time with him talking about friends & relatives and visited John Gwyn much inquiry about W<sup>m</sup> Gwyn his Brother living at Brigham City who came also mission

7<sup>th</sup> Took train for Llanelly Conference Met Pres<sup>t</sup> Abel Evans Elias Morris and Richard J Davies I gave a discourse in Welsh and also in English in afternoon remained there and preached next evening in both languages in the Hall to the Saints attended a funeral of one of the Saints & visited the Branches and preach<sup>d</sup> and made a trip to Caermarther Town and preache<sup>d</sup> there

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April 1867

I left Brynmawr for Pontlottyn with Bro's Jenkin Edwards & Edward Parry Slept at Pontlottyn

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>

I Spent the day at Rhymney I attended Saints meeting in the afternoon Spent the evening at Pontlottyn Slept there that night

Monday 15<sup>th</sup>

I went with Bro. Jenkin Edwards to Merthyr I met Bros John Parry Elias Morris & R. J. Davies I Slept there that night at the Conference house Jenkin Edwards returned home

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>

I Spent the day with the Brotheren E. Morris & R. J. Davies came to Send me as far as Dowlais or Pendarren on my return home to Pontlottyn I Sent to Liverpool for Jenkin Edwards's money he was preparing to Emigrate to the States

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>

I Spent the day at Pontlottyn I left with Bro. E. Parry for Tredegar in

the evening to purchase some things for E Parry who had by this time made up his mind to start off with Jenkin Edwards for the U.S. America and leave their families until they could send for them I slept at Tredegar at D. Crumps house Bro. Parry returned to Pontlottyn

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Apl

I went to Ebbw Vale to tell the Saints about our District Conference which was to be held at Aberdare I returned to Tredegar attended Saints meeting -- in consequence of not having an answer from the office concerning the money I wrote again this day

Friday 19<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Rhymney spent the day among the Saints Jenkin Edwards & E. Parry began to feel very anxious about their money and felt like being off M<sup>r</sup> Croft Grocer came to E. Parry's house to settle concerning a debt that was due to him from E. Parry they settled the matter E. P. to pay £2 - then and the ballance to be paid monthly by Sister Parry

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> Ap<sup>l</sup>

I spent the forenoon at Pontlottyn the Brotheren felt very uneasy concerning their money So I went to Merthyr to see Bro. J Parry he gave me some directions and said he would write to the office I returned to Pontlottyn in the evening and slept there that night

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>

I went to Tredegar to a District Counsel Met the Brotheren from Tredegar and Rhymney Branches we released Jenkin Edwards from the Presidency of the Branch and appointed James Edwards in his stead I spoke concerning tracking preaching &c we met in the afternoon and evening I preached at each meeting more particular on the duties of the Saints Slept at Daniel Crump's -- house I rec<sup>d</sup> a letter from the office with a P.O. order for the money for Jenkin



Edwards

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Ap<sup>l</sup>

I raised the money £19 at the Tredegar Post office and delivered them to Bro- Edwards in the forenoon I went to Rhymney I left Bro- Edwards and E Parry who were calculating to leave on the following morning (which they did) I went to Merthyr to a Tea party & concert and had a good time I met the following Bro's there J. Parry E. Morris J.D. Rees and R.J. Davies I slept at the Conference House with J Parry

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>

I left Merthyr in company with J.D. Rees R.J. Davies & Elias Davies for Aberdare visited Some of the Saints and went in the evening to Mountain Ash to a concert held in the Workman's Hall I enjoy<sup>d</sup> it much for the pieces were well Sang and acted I slept at Bro. John Evans House with R.J. Davies & E. Morris--

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Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>

I left Mountain Ash in company with J.D. Reese to See W<sup>m</sup> Gwyn but call'd to See Uncle T. Davies at pont y prydd we went to Saints meeting held at H. Thomas's house we preached there we Slept at Uncle T. Davies we had a good time conversing together

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>

We left Pont y prydd by train for Cardiff in the forenoon and then to Cadoxton to see Bro. Gwyn we happen'd luckyly to meet him at John Williams we invited him to go for a walk and went to an Inn had a room and talk'd about his matter and situation at some length partly to our satisfaction he promised to come to the Conference to Aberdare on the 12<sup>th</sup> of May to report himself we left for Denis bowis and slept at Bro Heath's house

Friday 26<sup>th</sup>

We went to visit M<sup>r</sup> Surage at his residence at Cogan we had a long conversation with him and family on the principles of the Gospel they felt more interested on account of having a Son in the Valley they made many inquiries concerning Some of their neighbour that had left for the Valley some years ago. we left for the Graig calling at Cardiff and Cross roads we Slept at the Graig that night

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> Ap<sup>l</sup>

Bro. J.D Rees left for Cross road's I remained at the Graig that day and left in the evening for Rhymney I slept at Pont-lottyn

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>

I went to Ebbw Vale to Counsel I spoke to the Brotheren concerning their duties in the fornoon I met in the afternoon and evening I spoke at each

meeting I spoke in the evening on Election and Predestination and gave my reason why and for what cause did the Lord elect certain men to fill certain positions because of their faithfulness and fidelity in their preexistence I spoke at some length on this principle I returned to Tredegar in the evening and slept at D. Crumps house

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Ap<sup>l</sup>

I spent the day at Tredegar I left for Rhymney attended prayer meeting at James Edward's house I went to Pontlottyn and slept there that night

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day writing up my Journal &c I wrote a letter to R.J.D. to Lanely Caermarthenshire I slept at Pontlottyn

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May

I spent the day at Pontlottyn I went to Saints meeting in the evening I spoke in the Welsh language to the Saints I returned to Pontlottyn slept there that night

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

I left for Blaina calling at Tredegar and Ebbw Vale I dined at Bro- W<sup>m</sup> Frances's House I called at Brynmawr attended prayer meeting at Bro- John Williams's I spoke at some length at the close of the meeting on the mods of worship &c I slept at Bro- C. Jones's House

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>

I left Blaina for Crumlin call'd at Bro- Shearn's Aberbig walked to Crumlin Spent the evening at Bro- Thomas's and slept there that night

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>

I went to Abercarn call'd at Bro- Merryfields's dined at M<sup>r</sup> Jones I then call'd at Lewis Morgan (deceased) children House and at Sister Birchell and

returned to Crumlin to Bro- Thomas's House Slept there that night  
 Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>

I left Crumlin in Company with Bro- Thomas for Aberbig to preach in the open air met the Blaina Saints who were preaching when we arrived I spoke afterwards there were Some listening very well we held Saints meeting in the afternoon we preached in the open air at Abertillery at 5 p.m. there was pretty good attention I returned to Tredegar in the evening slept at Bro- Crumps--

Monday 6<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Rhymney with Bro. J. Davies who came to send me I spent the evening at the Machine with J Edwards and at Pontlottyn Slept there that night

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>

I Spent the day writing & reading making up the Conference acc<sup>ts</sup> to send to Liverpool I slept at Pontlottyn that night

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>

I Spent the greater part of the day at Pontlottyn attended the meeting at Tho<sup>s</sup> Rees's House in the evening I spoke on the duties of the Saints in the building up of the kingdom to Seek it first and its righteousness and all other things would be added unto them I slept at Pontlottyn

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>

I Spent the forenoon at Pontlottyn writing up my Journal I went to Tredegar in the afternoon attended meeting with the Saints slept at Y Bordga St<sup>t</sup> at Bro Crump's House

Friday 10<sup>th</sup>

I Spent part of the day at Tredegar visiting the Saints I returned to

Rhymney in the Afternoon I Slept at Pontlottyn

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>

I went to Merthyr in Company with J. Davies & D Crump of Tredegar for the purpose of going to Conference to Aberdare the following day. I met all the Bros- from the Valley C. W. Penrose an F Anderson arrived in the evening we had a good time together I Slept at the Conf- house

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>

I went in Company with the Brotheren by train to Aberdare Met F D Richards in the Temperence Hall I was appointed reporter for the Conference the Conferences were reported in the fornoon Several of the Brothern preached in the Afternoon and evening spent the evening with the brotheren slept at the Pelican Inn

Monday 13<sup>th</sup>

I left Aberdare with Some of the Brotheren also my Sister Jane for for Merthyr Spent the day with the Brotheren we all went to See a play Call'd Christys Minstrels this name I had heard of and read of many times but never Saw them acting until this time we enjoy'd ourselves well Slept at the Conference house

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May

Bros F. D Richards & Penrose left at noon I began to rewrite the report for publication Spent the day at the Conference house and Slept there that night

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>

Continuing the report spent the day at Merthyr F Anderson left for Bristol in the fornoon I took a walk with Bro. J. Parry around the Park in the evening I slept at the Conference house

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>

I completed the report Sent it to Liverpool I left Merthyr in the evening for Pontlottyn slept there that night

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 67

I spent the day at Pontlottyn writing &c slept there that night

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>

I went to Tredegar and Ebbw Vale visiting the Saints Slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crump's

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>

I met with the Brotheren in Branch Council I spoke on the duties of the Brotheren we settled some difficulties that existed between W<sup>m</sup> Williams and J Davies Br<sup>ch</sup> Pres<sup>t</sup> I met with the Saints in the afternoon I spoke on observing the Counsels of the Priesthood I returned to Pontlottyn in the evening

Monday 20<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Pontlottyn writing reading &c and slept there that night

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>

I went to Tredegar in the afternoon Met Pres<sup>t</sup> J Parry according to promise and held meeting there

May 1867

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

I and J Parry visited Some of the Saints and went to Victoria had a meeting at Bro- D. D. Jones' house slept at Bro- Thomas Price's house

Thursday 23

We went to Blaina held a meeting at Bro- J. Barnes's slept at Bro. C Jones'

Friday 24<sup>th</sup>

We returned to Rhymney visited Some of the Saints held a meeting at Bro. Tho<sup>s</sup> Rees slept at Pontlottyn

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>

We went to Merthyr met Bro- E Morris & G. F Gibbs Spent the afternoon then returned to Pontlottyn

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>

I and Bro. J Parry went to Victoria to Counsel at the roon all the Branches were to meet five of the Branch Presidents were present the Conference was represented in a fair condition after giving a little instruction to the Brotheren Bro Parry gave further instructions we also met in the afternoon and evening Bro. Parry preached at Some length each time we had a day of mutual intercourse and benefit and pretty good attendance we returned to Tredegar slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crump's

Monday 27<sup>th</sup>

Visited the Saints in their houses went to Victoria to Concert in the room at Briery Hill we had a very good concert comic and Sentimental singing good attendance returned to Tredegar slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crump's

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>

Bro J Parry left for Merthyr I left for Pontlottyn

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup>

Writing making up the Account for the Month to send to Liverpool I went to Brynmawr on foot to Saints meeting I spoke for a short time to the Saints I

slept at Bro Issac Rees Beaufort

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Tredegar preached to the Saints in the room Slept at Bro Daniel Crumps House

Friday 31<sup>st</sup>

Spent the day at Tredegar I went to Pontlottyn in the evening and slept there that night

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June

I spent the day at Pontlottyn writing slept there that night

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>

I left to meet the train at Ebbw Vale for Crumlin I met the Brotheren from Blaina we preached out doors in the morning and evening I spoke each time at some length in the evening we also held Saints meeting to administer the ordinance &c the Blaina Brotheren left by train I Slept at Bro Thomas's

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>

I visited the folks at Abercarn also Bro Merryfield Robert Jones I returned to Crumlin slept at Bro H. Thomas's

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>

I left for Blaina preached in Saints meeting slept at W<sup>m</sup> Parry House

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>

Visiting the Saints in the Branch I Slept at Bro C. Jones House

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>

Spent the day at Bro. Jones's attended meeting with the intention of preaching out doors but it was wet we held meeting in Bro Grenland House prayer meeting I spoke at the close on the duties of Saints



Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June

I returned to Pontlottyn calling to See Several of the Saints at Ebbw Vale and Tredegar slept at Pontlottyn I rec<sup>d</sup> a letter from John Harford

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>

I wrote a letter to Bro. E. Parry for his Wife in Welsh and a few lines for myself to him I left in the evening for Merthyr and by the last train for Swansea J. D. Rees & R J Davies was there awaiting my arrival I Spent the evening with them comfortably slept at 10 Bathurst St

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>

Met in Conference at 11 A M in the room the Conference buisness was transacted Pres<sup>t</sup> Parry made Some very appropriate remarks E. Morris R J Davies and I preached in the afternoon we also made Some remarks in the evening J Parry occupied the greater part of the time E. Morris also made a few spirited remarks I slept at N<sup>o</sup> 10

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June

We visited the Mumbles being Whit Monday there were a number of visitors the Cars were loaded we held a meeting in the evening the Sermons were Short and Spirited

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>

I left in company with Bro E Morris from Swansea to Ely calld at Uncle David Spent the evening at the Graig also visited my Bro in Laws Joseph Selman an Bro C Grigong's Slept at the Graig

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>

We left for Cardiff in the afternoon Calling at the Cross Roads Sister Jane and Cousin Martha came to Send us to the Cross Inn we attended Saints meeting in the room had a good time met several old friends slept at Canton

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>

We left for Landoff Station took train to Walnut Tree Bridge Call to See Bro Richard John who was very Sick we administered to him but he was very weak we left via Pentyrch for Lantevet Vardra we preached N<sup>r</sup> the Cross Inn E. M. in Welsh and I in English & some in Welsh we left for Treforest slept at Bro Henry Thomas's

Friday 14<sup>th</sup>

We paid a visit to Uncle T. Davies and spent the most part of the day with him we left in the evening for Nelson we preached on the Cross I in English and E. M. in Welsh slept at Bro W<sup>m</sup> Morgan's

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>

We left Nelson call'd at Bro. Edwards and went to Mountain Ash on foot then by train to Aberdare spent a while at Bro. Boden we then left for Merthyr we in to see Woombwell's Managerie there was a good selection of Animals the largest Eliphant was exhibited that I ever saw previous Lions and Leopards acted well with Sambo their keeper We slept at the Conference house

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June

I Spent the day with Bro E Morris and the Saints at Merthyr in Counsel in the fornoon Saints meeting in the afternoon preaching in the evening I spoke at each meeting in English E M in Welsh we attended an appointment to preach out by the Iron Bridge after one of the Brotheren Spoke we were interupted to some antiMormons and the meeting dispersed we slept at the Conference House

Monday 17<sup>th</sup>

We left for Coby Farm attended an appointment to preach out doors we had pretty good attention slept at Cwm y felin Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> we spent part of the day at the Coby Farm Bro Morris and I left Coby with the Engine and seperated

at Bargoed pits I for Rhymney and E M. for Merthyr I attended a meeting at Bro. Edwd Roberts his infant child having died the day previous I made Some remarks to the saints I slept at Pontlottyn

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 1867

I spent the forenoon writing a letter to my wife attended funeral in the afternoon E Roberts's child to Ebbw Vale and attended an appointment to preach out doors at Tredegar I spoke in English D Morgan in Welsh I slept at D.C.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Tredegar went to Ebbw Vale in the evening preached to the Saints in D. D. Jones's house on their duties and fithfulness I returned to Tredegar slept at D. Crumps house

Friday 21<sup>st</sup>

I spent part of the day at Tredegar returned to Pontlottyn in the afternoon slept there that night

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>

I wrote two lengthy letters to America one to Aunt Martha and one to Bro. J. Harford slept at Pontlottyn

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 1867

I left for Ebbw Vale met the Officers in Counsel at Belle Vue room Briery Hill we counselled about preaching out doors distributing Tracts also concerning making excuses to Shrink from duty but reasoned that they could not be justified in the Sight of God We met in the afternoon I preached at length on being ashamed of the Gospel before the wourld they were almost of the Same Spirit as the wourld and the Savior would be ashamed of them when he would come in his Glory and so would his faithful Saints because that the Gospel would exalt and purify them and put them in possession of that refinement that

would qualify them to abide the presence of holy beings while the world and those of the Spirit of the world would be destitute of those qualifications and consequently not prepared to enter among Holy beings they will be ignorant and therefore those that will be Sanctified and educated by the principles would be ashamed of them. we preached further on the principles of the Kingdom of the last days and the marvelous work accomplished

I returned to Tredegar spoke a short time in the room and then preached out doors near the Station to a good Congregation of people slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crumps house

Monday 24<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Tredegar attended meeting at Bro- J Davies in the evening slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crump's House

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>

I left for Blaina attended Saints meeting in Bro. J Barnes's slept at Bro. C. Jones's

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day among the Saints at Blaina attended out door preaching in the evening near C. Jones's house I spoke at some length on the first principles of the Gospel the Gathering and on the Book of Mormon bearing testimony to the truth we had a pretty good meeting C. Jones and H Greenland bore testimony Jones for the first time in His life out doors I slept in his house that night

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June 1867

I went to Llanelly & Gilwern to visit the Saints I returned in the evening to Ebbw Vale to Saints meeting I made some remarks to the Saints I returned to Tredegar slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crumps house

Friday 28<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Tredegar returned to Pontlottyn in the evening

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup>

Spent the day writing a letter to Bro. T Gammon D. John and P. Stubbs  
slept at Pontlottyn

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>

I went to Tredegar to Counsel Spoke on the Same topics as in the Counsel  
at Ebbw Vale the Sunday previous attended meeting in the afternoon and evening  
I preached at some length by the Clock on the steps to a large Congregation  
there was pretty good attention on the principles of the Gospel &c slept at D<sup>l</sup>  
Crumps

Monday July 1<sup>st</sup> 1867

I wrote a letter for Bro- Crump to his Bro & Sis in America I went to  
Ebbw Vale in the afternoon and returned to Rhymney in the evening slept at  
Pontlottyn

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>

Marking up the acct<sup>s</sup> to send to L'pool writing up my Journal &c I and  
Bro. Edw<sup>d</sup> Roberts preached out doors near the Square Rhymney had good atten-  
tion I slept at Pontlottyn

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>

Spent the day at Rhymney attended Saints meeting at Bro. L Rees's I spoke  
to the Saints present on their duties

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Rhymney I attended the Independent Association at Twyn  
Carno. I left for Tredegar in the evening attended Saints meeting I slept at  
Daniel Crump's house

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 1867

I spent the forenoon at Tredegar I returned to Pontlottyn in the afternoon  
Stay'd there that night

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day writing & reading

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Rhymney I preached out doors twice and Saints meeting  
once also attended Branch Council at T. Rees's

Monday 8<sup>th</sup>

I spent the greater part of the day at Pontlottyn I went to Tredegar in  
the evening slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crump's house

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>

I left Tredegar for Blaina attended Saints meeting at James Barnes house  
slept at Bro. C. Jones's house

Wed 10<sup>th</sup> I spent the day at Blaina I went to Brynmawr preached  
there in the evening slept at Bro. C. Jones house

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 1867

I spent the day at Blaina slept at M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Parry's house

Friday 12<sup>th</sup>

I went to Crumlin and Abercarn to visit the scattered Saints I slept at  
Bro. Henry Thomas's house

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>

I returned by train via Hengoed to Rhymney Bro. John Parry Came by train  
in the evening we slept at Pontlottyn

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>

We met at Conference at Tredegar in the Talbot room Bro E Morris came in

the afternoon we had good meetings during the day we returned to Pontlottyn in the evening

Monday 15<sup>th</sup>

Spent the day at Pontlottyn Bro- E. M. left for Merthyr I and J Parry attended meeting at Rhymney we spoke on the duties of the Saints slept at PontL

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 1867

We went to Blaina attended meeting at Bro J Barnes slept at C. Jones's.

Wednesday 17

Visited the Saints attended a preaching meeting at C. Jones' Garn Fach had a good meeting slept at M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Parry's

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>

We returned to Ebbw Vale held meeting at D. D. Jones's house I slept at P Lewis's

Friday 19<sup>th</sup>

We returned to Tredegar attended meeting returned to Rhymney

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>

I rec<sup>d</sup> one Letter from D John and one from my Quorum good news I slept at Pontlottyn

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>

I went to Tredegar preached to the Saints in the afternoon and evening

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 1867

Spent the day at Tredegar attended prayer meeting at Sorowy at Bro Mason's house slept at Bro D Crump's

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>

I went Beaufort visited some of the Saints on the way slept at Bro Isaas

Rees's house

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>

I went to Victoria attended a Branch Counsel I spoke on the duties of the officers and the carlessness of some in the Branch I slept at Bro D. D.

Jones's house

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day visiting the Saints attended Saints meeting at Brother P. Lewis's and slept there that night

Friday 26<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Rhymney slept at Pontlottyn

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July 1867

I spent the day reading & writing slept at Pontlottyn

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>

I went to Victoria met the Brotheren in General Counsel of the Conference I counseled the Brotheren against drunkenness running in debt among the Saints and neighbours its consequences I also spoke on cleanliness as a great duty that should be observed among the Saints I attended Saints meeting in the afternoon preached out doors at 5 P M and 7 1/2 P M I slept at P. Lewis's house

Monday 29<sup>th</sup>

I went to Blaina and Brynmawr went to see the Grand Gala in the Park I slept at Bro I Rees Beaufort

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Pontlottyn visited the Saints out way slept at Pontlottyn

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July 1867

I spent the fornoon at Pontlottyn I went to Bro J Edwards in the after



noon attended meeting in the evening slept at Pontlottyn

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> August

I went to Tredegar to Saints meeting met Bro. Millet of Abersychan I returned to Pontlottyn

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>

Writing up my Journal in the forenoon I went to the Graig in the evening and slept there that night

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup>

I left the Graig in the forenoon for Cardiff calling at the Cross Roads and at Cousin John Thomas's in the evening I met the Brotheren who had come to Conference I Spent the evening with them slept at Bro. Hancocks that night

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Aug 1867

I met the Brotheren in Conference There were present F. D. Richards of the Twelve W. B. Preston J Parry E Morris J. D. Rees R. J. Davies F. C. Anderson J. Lawson J. S. Lewis N. Pratt of the Valey Elders the forenoon meeting was used in representing the District counselling &c F.D.R. Spoke nearly 2 hours in the afternoon on different topics and principles of the Church W B Preston Spoke in the evening I was also call'd to bear testimony of the truth also J Lawson and F. D Richards made some closing remarks I slept at Hancocks this being My Birth Day

Monday 5<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Tredegar according to a request made by some of the Brotheren to the funeral of Sister Elizabeth Parry buried at Briery Hill Ebbw Vale I slept at P.Lewis's

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>

I attended the funeral of Sister Williams buried at the new Church

Beaufort I then went to Blaina attended meeting there at Bro Barnes's house I slept at Bro C Jones's

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day visiting the Saints slept at Bro C. Jones.

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Tredegar attended Saints meeting then slept at Bro Crumps House

Friday 9<sup>th</sup>

I left for Crumlin slept at Bro. H. Thomas's house

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Crumlin slept there that night

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>

Attended saints meeting at Brother Merryfields house preached on the Square at Abercarn in the evening returned to Crumling slept at H. T.

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August 1867

I left Crumlin for Abergavenny to see Sister Powell Son in the Asylum and to consider the propriety of his Emigration thought it best in Consequence of his insanity and confused state to let him be in the Asylum I stay'd at Gilwern that night at Sister Powell's

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>

I went with Siter Powell to the junction at Abergavenny to see them off then I returned to Pontlottyn by train calling at Brynmawr

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>

Spent the day writing &c at Pontlottyn went to meeting but no attendance and no preaching in Consequence I slept at Pontlottyn

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>

I left for Merthyr in the afternoon met Bro. J Parry attended meeting in the evening slept at the Conference house

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>st</sup> 1867

I spent the day at Merthyr in company with the Brethren met Elias Morris in the evening and N Pratt & J. S. Lewis from the Valley I slept at the Conference house

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>

I spent part of the day with the Brethren at Merthyr returned to Pontlottyn in the evening

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>

Attended meeting at James Edwards preached out doors in the evening and in Bro Edwards afterwards I slept at Pontlottyn

Monday 19<sup>th</sup>

I went to Tredegar in the afternoon attended prayer meeting at T Jones Georgtown slept at D Crumps

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>

I left for Blaina attended Saints meeting at Bro. B. Bartlett's house slept at Bro. C. Jones house the Blaina works was at this time entirely stop'd quite a panic in the place

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>

I visited W<sup>m</sup> Parry's returned to Rhymney in his trap in the evening Met John S. Lewis Missionary from the Valley held meeting at Bro. James Edwards returned to Pontlottyn

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup>

I went in Company with Elder John S. Lewis on a tour through the Confer-

ence attended meeting at Tredegar in the evening slept at Bro D Crump's house

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Attended meeting at Ebbw Vale I returned to Tredegar I baptized five persons there slept at D Crumps house

Saturday spent the day at Ebbw Vale visiting the saints sp<sup>t</sup> at Vie

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>st</sup> 1867

Attended Counsel at Briery Hill in the fornoon we gave Some Counsel to the Saints in relation to their duties attended Saints meeting in the afternoon at the same place the were good attendance of the Brotheren in the mourning we returned to Tredegar in the evening we spoke at some length on the blessing to be derived through strict obedience to the Gospel Laws even ling life and strength of mind to increase and improve to old age &c

we slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crump's house

Monday 26<sup>th</sup>

Visiting the saints at Tredegar attended prayer meeting at George Shearn's house slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crumps

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>

We spent the day at Tredegar and Sorohwy visiting the Saints left for Blaina attended Saints meeting at Bro Bartletts house slept at C. Jones.

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> Aug

We left for Beaufort attended Saints meeting at Bro. J. Rees's house good attendance Considering it being a Small Branch slept there that night

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>

Attended meeting at D.D. Jones Victoria Slept at Bro. P Lewis's house

Friday 30<sup>th</sup>

We Returned to Pontlottyn slept there that night

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup>

Spent the day at Pontlottyn Slept there that night

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Sept

Attended out door preaching on the Square My Bro. Will was present who had come to pay me a visit attended saints meeting in the afternoon and preaching on the Square at Pontlottyn I occupied the whole meeting slept there that night

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept

I and Bro. J. S Lewis left for Merthyr met Bro J Parry at the Conference house I left them in the afternoon on a visit to Lanelly to Bro. R.J. Davies who I met at the Station I slept with him at the house at Sandy Gate

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>

Spent the forenoon visiting writing &c at Lanelly left for Carmarthen in the afternoon held meeting at Bro I Jones had a good time I spoke in Welsh & English we slept at an Inn in the Town

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>

We attended the National Eisteddfod in the Pavilion built for the purpose there was some good singing playing on the Piano Forte speeches &c with the adjudication by the different judges on the composition choirs &c there was some dissatisfaction manifested by some of the Competators we slept in the same place as the night previous Carmarthen was visited by many strangers on this occasion

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>

We spent the day viewing the town Scenarios &c we left in the evening for Whitland to fill an appointment but Bro. Davies's letter of notice did not

arrive by time to acquaint the folks so we did not preach we slept at an old Bro.s house there.

Friday 6<sup>th</sup>

We left for Haverfordwest to meet M<sup>rs</sup> John of New Castle who came according to my request on the next morning we slept at M<sup>rs</sup> Powell's in the town we visited Fraystrop in the afternoon

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> 1867

I met M<sup>rs</sup> John had considerable conversation with her about her Son David who is in Utah I met Bro W<sup>m</sup> White Pres<sup>t</sup> of Conference we returned to Llanelly in the evening

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup>

We attended Counsel at Llanelly Saints meeting in the afternoon preaching at Felin Pole in the evening also in a house afterwards I done considerable preaching this day at each meeting slept with Bro Davies

Monday 9<sup>th</sup>

We spent the day at Llanelly visiting &c we intended going by an excursion train to Aberystwyth but lost it there fore we enjoy'd ourselves the best we could at Llanelly we attended prayer meeting in the evening at Bro Jones

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>

We went to Fan Galh preached there at Bro. Thomas's and also slept there

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> 1867

We returned through Kidwelly to Wainbaglan preached to the saints and slept there that night

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>

We returned to Llanelly attended meeting and preached to the saints slept with Bro Davies

Friday 13<sup>th</sup>

Visiting the Saints in the forenoon we left for Swansea in the evening met J. D. Rees at the Station we had a jolly time old friends meeting slept at 3 Oistermouth Road

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>

We spent the day at Swansea with J. D. R. and Bro N. Pratt who left in the afternoon for Merthyr slept at N<sup>o</sup>. 3.

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>

Attended Counsel in the room saints meeting in the afternoon & preaching meeting in the evening at each service I had the privilege of speaking slept at N<sup>o</sup> 3 with J. D. Rees

Monday 16<sup>th</sup>

We spent the day at Swansea attended Prayer Meeting in the evening slept at N<sup>o</sup> 3

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>

Bro. R. J. Davies left for Ianelly I and Bro Rees left for Morryston held meeting at Bro. Davis returned to Swansea

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>

Spent the day writing &c we attended Saints meeting in the room I spoke at some length there

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>

We left for Neath had a good meeting with the Saints we had great freedom in speaking I slept at Bro J Thomas Sen JDR returned to Swansea

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Sep 1867

I went to Britton Ferry returned to Neath slept at Bro J. Thomas Sen

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>

I spent the day at Neath left for Pile in the evening met J. D. Rees slept at a Tavarn at Mynydd Cynffig

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup>

We left in the morning for Maesteg to hold Camp meeting the Brotheren came from Neath & Pile I spoke in the forenoon and saints meeting J. D. Rees & others spoke in the evening we slept at an Inn that night

Monday 23

I left Maesteg with J. D. Rees to Bridgend I left there by train to Cardiff J. D left for Swansea I stay'd with my Bro Peter part of the forenoon went to the Graig in the afternoon call'd at Whitchurch to see Joseph Selman slept at the Graig that night

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> Sp<sup>t</sup> 1867

I went to Treforest to see Uncle Thomas slept there that night

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>

I met Bro. E. Morris & N. Pratt spent the forenoon with them I left for Rhymney in the evening attended meeting at Bro. James Edward's slept at Pontlottyn

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>

I went to Tredegar attended meeting with the Saints slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crump's

Friday 27<sup>th</sup>

I went to Llanelly slept at Bro- George Thomass house I wrote a letter for them to their parents in the Valley

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Tredegar to the funeral of the child of Bro. J Gouts I spoke a little at the Semetry on the occasion slept at Bro D<sup>l</sup> Crump's house



Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> 1867

I attended Counsel at Ebbw Vale there was good attendance from the Branches I attended Saints meeting in the afternoon preached at Tredegar in the evening slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crump's

Monday 30<sup>th</sup>

Making up the Acc<sup>ts</sup> for the Offie attended prayer meeting at Moroni Reess house in the evening slept at Pontlottyn

Tuesday Oct 1<sup>st</sup>

I went to Blaina to meeting at Bro- C. Jones slept there that night

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup>

I went to Crumlin held meeting with the Saints I spoke in Welsh slept at Bro. H. Thomas's house

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>

I returned to Pontlottyn via Blackwood Bedwelty Church slept at my lodgings

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct

I went by train to Newport met Bro. E Morris we went by the Excursion train to London we arrived there at 7 p.m. we met Several of the Brotheren we slept at the Conference house 30 Florence St<sup>t</sup> Islington

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup>

We went in company with E Morris Heber Young & Bro. Grover to see the House of Parliment Westminster Abbey and St<sup>t</sup> Pauls Cathedral travelled by Buss through the chief parts to see the City Slept at the Conf house

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>

We met in Conference I and Bro. E. M. spoke in the afternoon we had good meetings there were present C. W. Penrose M. Thacher. H Young W. S. Grant W

Richards E. J. Clark. Grover. P Lyman C. P Liston. Pace. Holbrook G Roberts E Morris it was well attended in the evening & afternoon we slept at the Conf-house

Monday 7<sup>th</sup>

We paid a visit to the British Museum Hyde Park and around to see G Roberts at the Pickrings we attended concert in the Same room as the Conf - we had pretty good times slept at the Conf - house

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup>

We went to see the Tower of London and the National Gallery M. Thatcher E Morris and myself slept at the Conf - house

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>

We went to see the Chrystal Palace at Sydenham we paid a visit to Brother G. R. lodgings G. R. did not enjoy good health so he was staying in the Country beyond the Chrystal Palace we returned to a meeting at Whitchapel Branch slept at the C-house

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>

We went to see the Zoological gardens in regents park and in the evening we attended meeting at Gower Street Branch slept at the Conf house

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1867

We left London for Bristol met F C Anderson. Burrige and Gibbs at the Conf-house we slept there that night

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>

We visited Clifton the Suspension Bridge and other places to see some folks whose relatives are in the Church we returned to the Conf house

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>

We attended Conference meeting the business was done in the forenoon I and

E. Morris & N. Pratt spoke in the afternoon Bro Lawson & F. A Brown in the evening we slept at the Conf - house

Monday 14<sup>th</sup>

Spent the day at Bristol attended a Sosial party in the evening at the same room as Conf - was held we slept at the Conf. house

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> 1867

We returned in company with N Pratt to Cardiff by Boat attended meeting in the evenig with the Saints slept at Canton

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>

We left Cardiff for the Graig we left Bro. Pratt at the Station we left the Graig in the evening for Rhymney I left Bro. E. Morris at Walnut Tree Junction I slept at Pontlottyn

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>

Writing up my Journal I went to Tredegar in the evening to Saints meeting gave a brief sketch of my visit to London & Bristol slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crump house

Friday 18<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Tredegar visiting the Saints I returned to Rhymney in the evening rec<sup>d</sup> a Letter from Pres<sup>t</sup> J Parry Slept at Pontlottyn

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> Oct 1867

I spent the day at Pontlottyn writing reading &c

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup>

I left Pontlottyn For Tredegar to Councel I pointed out the duties of the officers and exorted them to perform them I spoke at some length in Welsh & English in the afternoon refering to the duties of the Saints I returned to Rhymney in the eveing I preached to the Saints in Bro. Barnes's house slept at Pontlottyn

Monday 21<sup>st</sup>

I spent the day reading & writing

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>

I wrote a letter to my family and posted it in the evening I went to Blaina preached in Saints meeting I slept at Bro. C. Jones's house

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup>

I went to Brynmawr and Beaufort visiting the saints slept at Bro J Rees's

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> 1867

I returned to Rhymney I attended a Lecture delivered by a Rev<sup>d</sup> C. White at Jerusalem Chapel it was very interesting on "Men and manners" I slept at Pontlottyn

Friday 25<sup>th</sup>

I went to Tredegar and returned to Rhymney I attended the Penny Readings the first time in my life I slept at P lottyn

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day reading & writing

Sunday 27

I went to Ebbw Vale to Counsel it was very wet small attendance on account of the weather I preached in the afternoon returned to Tredegar in the evening preached there to the saints

Monday 28<sup>th</sup>

This day Joel Mears was married I took dinner with them at Tredegar I returned to Pontlottyn to prayer meeting at Bro. W<sup>m</sup> Evans house slept at P-lottyn

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> Oct

I spent the day at Pontlottyn reading and writing visiting the Saints in

the afternoon & evening

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>

I attended Saints meeting at Bro Barnes in the evening

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> I went down by Train to Heingoed I call'd at M<sup>r</sup> Hodge's house he treated me very kindly I then left for Abercarn and Crumlin spent the evening at Bro H. Thomas's house

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov

I went to see I. Whimpy's family who was about Emigrating to America I left in the evening for Blaina I slept at M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Parry's house

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>

I went to Brynmawr to meet the mourning train the said family left for Liverpool I returned to Pontlottyn calling at Ebbw Vale & Tredegar

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov

I spent the day at Rhymney attended Saints meeting at Bro. J Edwards's I spoke at some length to the Saints also in the evening at James Barnes house I slept at Pontlottyn

Monday 4<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Pontlottyn I attended prayer meeting at Bro. H Greenlands house I gave some instructions and encouragements to to the young to commence praying I slept at Pontlottyn

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>

I spent the forenoon at Pontlottyn reading and writing slept there that night

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>

I went J. Edwards in the afternoon attended Saints meeting in the evening slept at Pontlottyn

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>

I went to Ebbw Vale attended Saints meeting in the evening slept at Bro Phillip Lewis's house

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Nov 1867

I returned to Rhymney slept at Pontlottyn

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Pontlottyn

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>

I went by train to Abersychan Conference Attended meeting in the afternoon I met Pres<sup>t</sup> F. D. Richards J Lawson G W Burrige and the Elders of the Conference we had a good and refreshing time F.D.R. preached in the afternoon a lengthy discourse I spoke in the evening followed by Bro Burrige and F. D. Richards I slept at Pontypool

Monday 11<sup>th</sup>

I went in Company with the Brotheren with Bro. F. D. Richards to the Station who left for L'pool we returned to Aversychan had a Social party Singing reciting &c by the children we had a pretty joyous time I slept with Bro J Lawson at the Union Inn

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Nov 1867

I left in Company with Bro. Willit for Aberbig Station he left for Ebbw Vale I for Blaina this day Levick the Iron Master of Blaina was buried I spent the afternoon at M<sup>r</sup> Price's house and slept at Bro. C. Jones's house that night

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day and slept at Bro C. Jones's house that night

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>

I went to Brynmawr and left for Tredegar by train visited the Saints at Sirhowy I spoke to the Saints in the room in the evening slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crump

Friday 15<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Rhymney slept at Pontlottyn

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day writing reading &c I slept at Pontlottyn

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> 1867

I met the Brotheren in Counsel for this district it was a very stormy cold day but the Brotheren came inspite of the unpleasantness of the weather from Tredegar we had a good Council the Brotheren felt well I attended meeting at Bro Edwards in the afternoon and at Bro Barnes in the eveing slept at Pontlottyn

Monday 18<sup>th</sup>

I spent my time at Rhymney until Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>

When I left for Ebbw Vale attended meeting at Bro. D. D. Jones's house I spoke at some length there slept at Bro P. Lewis house

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>

I went to Brynmawr and Blaina I slept at Bro C. Jones's house

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>

I spent the day at Bro C. Jones and visiting the Saints sp<sup>t</sup> at C. J.

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> 1867

I left Blaina in company with the Brotheren for Ebbw Vale to Council where we talk'd considerable about the Conference Book Debt the Brotheren agreed to square it up by the end of the year 67 we met in the afternoon in Saints meeting the Brotheren bore testimony and express'd their determination

in relation to the future we had a good meeting in the evening I spoke at some length on the principles of the Gospel and the people in the Valleys of mountains some gave their names for Baptism I slept at Bro P. Lewis's house

Monday 25<sup>th</sup>

I left for Tredegar attended Prayer meeting Francis Argust & Eliza Jane Prothers got married they had a little feast in the evening several of the Saints assembled in the houses n<sup>r</sup> the place they felt quite merry over it I slept at Bro Daniel Crump house

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> Nov 1867

I wrote a letter to Sister Jane in the morning I left for Blaina in the afternoon attended Saints meeting in the evening at Brother John Williams's house I slept at Bro C. Jones's house

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>

I went to Brynmawr & Beaufort attended Saints meeting at J. Rees we had a good meeting I slept there that night

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>

I left for Ebbw Vale attended meeting at Bro. P Lewis's I compared the Doctrine of Christ with the false doctrines of the present age tracing the Springing forth of the various denomination of Christianity and bore testimony to the divinity of Joseph Smith being sent of God and that Brigham Young is call'd to continue the same work sp<sup>t</sup> there

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> 1867

I returned to Pontlottyn Calling at Tredegar J. Davies came with me but returned the same evening I slept at Pontlottyn I attended the Penny Readings

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Pontlottyn reading and writing up my Journal President



J Parry & Elder N Pratt arrived here in the evening on a visit around the Conference they Slept here that night

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup>

I went to a Branch Council at Bro James Edwards we settled satisfactorily some variance among the Elders I met Elders Parry & Pratt at Tredegar in the Afternoon at Saints meeting we received very good instruction relative to the duties of the Priesthood and Saints also in the evening we held a preaching meeting Bro Parry & Pratt preached I made some remarks at each meeting I slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crumps the Brotheren at Bro. Williams's

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec 1867

We spent the day at Tredegar attended prayer meeting in Sister Sansom's house Sister Sansome delivered a good prophecy of exhortation and warning to the Saints stating the future state of things if they did not repent and the calamities coming on the nations Bro Parry gave some good instructions on the duties of the Brotheren & Sisters and what was required at their hands I slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crumps

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>

We went to Blaina in the afternoon held meeting at Bro. C Jones's Bro Parry spoke at some length there were some strangers present some of them left at the close of his remarks Bro. Pratt bore testimony I slept at Bro. J Williams's

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>

We spent the day at W<sup>m</sup> Parry they treated us very kindly we held saints meeting at Bro J Williams's I slept with Bro N Pratt at W<sup>m</sup> Parry's house

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> 1867

We returned to Ebbw Vale held saints meeting at Bro. David Jones we had a

good meeting there I slept there with Bro N Pratt J. Parry went to P Lewis's

Friday 6<sup>th</sup>

We returned to Rhymney held a meeting at Bro J Barnes we returned to Pontlottyn to lodgings

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>

Spent the day reading and writing visited some of the Saints houses in the evening

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup>

We went to Ebbw Vale by the afternoon meeting we had two good meetings in the room Bro. Parry gave excellent instructions at each meeting I spoke at each meeting slept at D Jones's

Monday 9<sup>th</sup>

We returned to Tredegar spent the day among the Saints in the evening we attended to the ordinance of Baptizing Rachel Daughter of J Davies Pres<sup>t</sup> of Branch she was confirmed by J Parry at the close of the prayer meeting I slept at D<sup>l</sup>. C we administered to some that were afflicted

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>

We returned to Pontlottyn and went to Merthyr in the afternoon with Brotheren Met Bro E. Morris I slept with him at the Conference house

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Merthyr returned to Rhymney in the evening to meeting at Bro. J Barnes's house Bro. E. M came with me to Dowlais I left the other Bros at Merthyr slept at Pontlottyn

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>

I left in the afternoon for Tredegar attended saints meeting I spoke at some length there on the duties and obligations of the saints to each other

Friday 13<sup>th</sup>

I visit some of the saints in Company with Bro J Davies I returned to Pontlottyn in the evening I administered to Moroni Rees who had a sad accident in the cole mines

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>

Very wet day I stay'd in writing and reading and writing up my journal I wrote a letter in the evening to my Aunt Martha in Chicago I slept at Pontlottyn

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>

I spent the forenoon at Pontlottyn I went to Saints meetings in the afternoon to James Edward's I spoke on the lack of faith among the Saints in the Branch I attended preaching meeting in the evening I slept at Pontlottyn

Monday 16<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day reading & writing

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>

I went to Tredegar slept at Bro. R. Williams

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> 1867

I went to Ebbw Vales slept at P. Lewis

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>

I went to Beaufort Brynmawr Llanelly & Blaina I slept at Bro. C Jones

Friday 20<sup>th</sup>

I continued my travels visiting the Saints to Crumlin Abercarn & Risca I slept at Bro. Geo Evans's

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>

I went to Newport I met Bro. J Lawson he returned with me to Bassally I left him there for Risca I slept at Bro. Geo. Evans's

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup>

I left Risca by train for Tredegar I met the Brotheren in Counsel we excommunicated quite a number for neglect of duty and transgression we talked considerable during the day by way of encouragement to the Saints the Subject of Emigration was also treated on to some extent exorting the Saints to be economical with their mean and deposit for that purpose I spoke in the afternoon and also in the evening on the kingdom of God comparing the kingdom in the days of the Apostles with the latter day kingdom the times of its establishment its duration to stand forever and subdue all other kingdoms and ultimately triumph over all the earth I slept at Bro. R. Williams

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>

I spent the fornoon at Tredegar I wrote a letter to Bro. J Parry stating the condition of affairs here since he left I returned to Pontlottyn in the afternoon I wrote to Bro. D D. Jones Victoria concerning the concert

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>

Writing up my journal in the fornoon Bro John S Lewis came in the evening from North Wales we slept at Pontlottyn

Christmas Day 25<sup>th</sup> December 1867

Spent the fornoon at Pontlottyn I left in company with J. L. Lewis for Tredegar to our Christmas Concert we had very good times good order and peace went of satisfactory and was quite a Success Bro Joseph Lawson came up from Newport I slept with Bro. Alfred Jones at the King's Head Inn

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>

We spent the day at Tredegar in Company with the Brotheren attended Saints meeting at Tredegar I slept at Bro- John Meredith Son house

Friday 27<sup>th</sup>

Bro. Lawson left for Newport I and J S Lewis left for Rhymney we went to the Penny readings at Rhymney in the evening slept at Pontlottyn

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>

Spent the Day at Pontlottyn reading and writing slept there that night

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> 1867

We left for Ebbw Vale to attend Counsel we spoke on the duties of the Brotheren Several were Excommunicated for neglect and slander we attended Saints meeting in the afternoon we spoke some on the Word of Wisdom We preached on the Latter Day Kingdom in the evening Bro J.S. Lewis spoke some at each meeting we slept at Bro D.D. Jones's house we attended to the confirmation of five individuals this day

Monday 30<sup>th</sup>

We visited Some of the Saints and returned to Tredegar in the evening we attended Prayer meeting at Bro Browns house we Congratulated the Saints at the close of the year and commencement of the new and wishing a good time during the year 68 we slept at Bro. R Williams's house

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup>

We returned to Rhymney we attended Saints meeting at Bro Barnes's house we preached at some length on the Word of Wisdom we returned to Pontlottyn slept there that night

Wednesday Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 1868

I was making up the Accounts for the Conference Statistical report &c writing up my journal in the fornoon I went in company with Bro. J. S. Lewis to Merthyr to Concert we met at the Missionaries at the Conference house We stay'd up all night in the Conf house

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>

We spent the day at Merthyr we had a very pleasant time together we attended saints meeting at the White Lion room the Brotheren spoke short bearing testimony to the truth I slept at the Old Star Inn with Uncle J. D. Rees

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>

I left Merthyr in company with J. D. Rees and R J Davies for Pontypryd we left Bro Davies at the Station and I went with J.D.R. to Uncle T. Davies's house we spent the evening there slept at the Bush Inn Treforest

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>

We left for to visit our friends I went to the Graig and the Cross Roads in the evening We slept at the Graig

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>

We spent the day at the Graig Uncle Thomas Davies came to see us We left in the evening for Cardiff meeting Met Bro R. J. Davies we spoke each of us I slept with R. J. Davies at Canton

Monday 6<sup>th</sup>

I went in Company with Uncles J D Rees and Daniel Davies in a trap to Cadoxbow to see W<sup>m</sup> Gwyn our visit was satisfactory we returned to Cardiff I slept with my Brothers at Crichton P<sup>r</sup> Cardiff J. D. Rees went to the Cross Roads

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 1868

I spent the forenoon at Cardiff I wrote a letter to Bro G Roberts to London and one to J Davies Tredegar I went to the Graig with Peter in the afternoon slept at the Graig

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>

I spent the forenoon at the Graig I left in the afternoon for Rhymney Jane came to send me to the Station I call'd at Sister Cosletts house Jennet came with Jane to the Station I slept at Pontlottyn I rec<sup>d</sup> 3 letters from Utah one from my wife one from E. A. Richards and one from Tho<sup>s</sup> Davies

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>

I left for Tredegar in the afternoon Uncle J. D. Rees came to meet me we spent the evening in Saints meeting slept at Bro. Richard Williams

Friday 10<sup>th</sup>

We returned to Pontlottyn Bro Rees left for Merthyr in the Afternoon I spent the evening at Pontlottyn and slept there

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> 1868

I made up the Quarterly and half yearly reports and sent them to L'Pool I wrote a letter to my Wife to the Valley I also wrote one to my Sister Jane slept at Pontlottyn that night

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>

I attended Branch Counsel at Rhymney we raised a collection for the Liverpool Presidency and cleared off the Welsh Books Debt a good feeling prevailed I attended saints meeting at Bro. Edwards house and a preaching meeting at Bro. J Barnes in the evening I spoke at some length on the principles of the Gospel of salvation we spent the day very satisfactory slept at Pontlottyn

Monday 13<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Pontlottyn posting up the Emigration Book and auditing the Rhymney Branch Book we found them corresponding we held a prayer meeting at Sister Parry's house after prayer I made some remarks to the Young folks to

conduct themselves in a proper manner and to be wise and prudent in all their steps that the world may not have ought to say against us I slept at Pontlottyn

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>

Posting up my Journal in the forenoon Spent the day at Pontlottyn slept there that night

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>

I went to Blaina to visit the Saints to lay before them items in relations to fasting and a collection according to directions rec<sup>d</sup> from Bro. John Parry I slept at Bro. C Jones

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>

I went to W<sup>m</sup> Parrys house they were very kind to me I spent the day there it being very wet M<sup>r</sup> Parry made much enquiries about Emigration I slept there that night

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> 1868

I returned to Tredegar it was very Stormy and wet I got quite a soaking on the Mountain I slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crumps

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Rhymney slept at Pontlottyn

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>

I went to meet my Sister to the Station She came to pay me a visit we went to Tredegar dined at Bro J Davies's house we attended Saints meeting in the afternoon we had the gifts of tongues & prophecy I laid some instructions before the Saints as I re<sup>c</sup>d them from Pres<sup>t</sup> J Parry we had a good meeting in the evening I slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crump's my sister at T Jones



Monday 20<sup>th</sup>

Spent the forenoon at Tredegar returned to dinner to Pontlottyn my Sister left in the evening home I slept at Pontlottyn

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> 1868

I spent the day at Pontlottyn reading and writing I wrote a letter to D John & one to P Stubbs with a note to Mary which I posted the following day I slept at Pontlottyn I attended a grand concert at Rhymney this evening

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>

I left for Beaufort but did not have a meeting I went to visit the Saints at Brynmawr I slept at Bro Isaac Rees's

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>

I visited some of the Saints at Ebbw Vale attended Saints meeting at Bro. P Lewis's house we laid the same instructions before the saints in relation to Fasting it look firstrate the saints felt well I slept there that night

Friday 24<sup>th</sup>

I went down to Crumlin to see Bro H Thomas I went in the evening to Abercarn and Risca slept at

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> 1868

I spent the forenoon at Risca I returned to Bro. H Thomas to sleep that night he was glad to see me they were in very low circumstances but felt good in Spirit

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>

I went from there to Ebbw Vale to Counsel in the forenoon we talk'd over matters and affairs relative to our duties and the officers felt well we had a good meeting in the afternoon I spoke at some length on the principles of the Gospel and the fulfilment of prophecy delivered by J. Smith I went to

Beaufort with J Rees. we had a good meeting there also I slept at Bro. J Rees

Monday 27<sup>th</sup>

I returned by Surhowy to Tredgar I visited Some of the Saints and rec<sup>d</sup>  
the Monthly acct<sup>s</sup> of J Davies I attended prayer meeting afterward at Bro.  
Shearn slept at Bro D<sup>l</sup> Crump's house

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Jan 1868

I returned to Rhymney visited some of the Saints in the evening slept at  
Pontlottyn

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup>

Making up the Monthly acc<sup>ts</sup> to send to Liverpool posting up my Journal  
reading &c I attended meeting at Rhymney slept at Potlottyn

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>

I went to Tredegar in the afternoon attended meeting with the Saints  
slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crumps house

Friday 31<sup>st</sup>

I spent the fornoon at Tredegar I left by the Buss (Stage Coach) to  
Merthyr in the afternoon I met Bro J. Parry Elias Morris N. Pratt. and J. S.  
Lewis I spent the evening there and slept at the Conf house

Saturday February 1<sup>st</sup>

I spent the day with the Brotheren at Merthyr returned to Rhymney in  
company with J. S. Lewis in the evening slept at Pontlottyn

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1868

I went with J. S. Lewis to Tredegar attended Branch Counsel to settle a  
difficulty between Some of the Brotheren in the Branch after hearing both  
sides at some length I spoke to the Officers in Counsel which terminated in  
pretty a feeling and very satisfactory attended Saints meeting in the after-

noon and preaching meeting in the evening we had good meetings we slept at Bro R Williams

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>

We visited Some of the Saints at their houses Bro. J. S. Lewis left to visit his friends I left for Ebbw Vale attended Prayer Meeting I spoke on Fasting and assisting the poor I slept at Bro J. Lewis's

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>

I left for Blaina attended meeting at Bro C. Jones' house I spoke on the principle of Fasting we had a good meeting I slept at Bro. C. Jones' house Gam Nant y glo

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> Feb 1868

I returned to Tredegar we baptized 5 persons in the pond on the Mountain slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crumps

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Tredegar visiting the Saints attended meeting in the evening we confirmed the persons baptized the night previous

Friday 7<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Pontlottyn then left by train to New Tredegar Met J. S. Lewis we visited some of his friends at that place and Bedwellty thence to Bargoed we slept at a Public house

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>

We left Bargoed to Flour de luce and Hengoed visiting some who had been in the Church and desiring to Emigrate we then left for Black Wood Slept at old man Daniel Williams' house

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>

We left for Crumlin Branch held meeting in the afternoon at H Thomas'

house also in the evening Bro. Thomas had a fit was possessed by evil spirits after midnight we were call'd out of bed to administer to him he was releived and went to work in the mourning

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Feb

We left for Risca calling at several houses friends and saints we slept at Bro. George Evans' house

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>

We left Risca for Caerphilly via Bedwas calling at Machen to see Amy Smith who is in the Church but her husband is not we held a little meeting at Bro. J. Chapman' house there was a good feeling there and great freedom to speak we slept there that night

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>

We returned to Rhymney attended meeting at J Barnes that night we slept at Pontlottyn

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>

We left for Merthyr Met Pres<sup>t</sup> J Parry and E. Morris at the Conference house I left in Company with E Morris to Neath we had a good meeting there the Saints felt fine we slept at the Vale of Neath Inn

Friday 14<sup>th</sup>

We got measured for clothing at Bro J. Thomas's we spent a good part of the day there we left in the afternoon for Glyn Neath to see one of the old Saints who is seldom visited we left for Merthyr by the last train slept at the Conference house

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>

I left in the afternoon in Company with Pres<sup>t</sup> J. Parry for Pontlottyn slept there that night

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>

We attended district Counsel in the forenoon Saints meeting in the afternoon preaching meeting in the evening the little room was very full during the day and good feeling prevailed slept at Bro. R. Williams

Monday 17<sup>th</sup>

We left for Ebbw Vale held meeting at Bro. J. Lewis and slept there that night

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>

We attended meeting at Blaina slept at Bro. C. Jones' house

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>

Attended meeting at Llanelly slept at Bro G Thomas's the Cheif topics of the meeting was prepare for Emigratin maying our debts to the Gentiles Brother Parry gave some very necessary counsel to the saints which was well rec<sup>d</sup> by the Saints

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>

We left Llanelly up the Nsk Valley visiting some of the old saints we found them as well as could be expected considering the seldom visits they received from the Elder of Israel we found some old saints near Talybont we slept at Ty yn y Cwm at Sam<sup>l</sup> Williams' house we had some work to bring him into good spirits

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Feb 1868

We visited John Price in the Parish of Slanfrenach he was in pretty good feelings we left there for the Poor house Brecon Town to see a couple of saints there they were scantily fed and clothed we perceived and found by their expressions to us we returned by train Bro Parry for Merthyr and I for Pontlottyn

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>

I spent the forenoon writing and reading I left for Crumlin to attend to Baptizing according to promise I baptized 5 persons and confirmed them at Bro H. Thomas. house. Trainant

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>

I left for Victoria by train to Counsel met Bro. E. Morris we had good times several wanted their places who had been in the Church years ago among whom was Anirin L Jones son of Dewi Elved Jones and one of the Josephites who was tired of his course and wished to return to the fold we call'd a vote they were admitted to return by baptism we held saints meeting in the afternoon and preaching meeting in the evening Bro. E. Morris spoke lengthy in each meeting we had good times we returned to Tredegar slept at Brother Thomas Jones' house

Monday 24<sup>th</sup>

Attended meeting at Tredegar slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crump's house

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>

Attended meeting at Blaina slept at Bro C. Jones' house

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>

Attended meeting at Rhymney slept at Pontlottyn

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>

Bro E. Morris left for Merthyr I wrote a list of names of persons over 13 years old in the Church to send to Bro J Parry to send to Liverpool for Emigrating I also made up the accounts of the Month and writing up my journal I went to Tredegar in the evening attended meeting with the saints slept at Bro Crump's

Friday 28

I returned to Pontlottyn after visiting Some of the Saints slept there

that night

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Pontlottyn reading and writing slept there that night

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 1868

I attended counsel at Twyn Carnos in relation to Branch matters John Grimly was Suspended for creating disturbance among the Saints and raising against the Priesthood I went to Merthyr in the afternoon attended Saints meeting there in the White Lion Room Met Bro. E. Morris & J. S. Lewis I attended meeting in the evening with them I and Bro E Morris preached in the evening we slept at the Conference house

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>

I spent the forenoon assisting Bro E Morris to get up the list of names for Emigrating I visited some of the Saints in the evening Slept at the Conf-house

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>

I spent the day writing I wrote a letter to my Wife & family I went in the evening to see the American Panorama Slept at the Conf house

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>

I left Bro E Morris at Merthyr I went by train to Pontyprydd to see Hyrum my Brother in Law to advise him in relation to Emigration I also went to see M<sup>rs</sup> Davies wife of Bro T. Davies Ystrad he Emigrated in 66 to the Valley he desired me by letter to Call to advise her to go after him she rec<sup>d</sup> my counsel well I returned to Treforest to My Uncle T. Davies's My Aunt got offended about our conversation on Emigration and left us in contempt I did not see her after that visit although I slept there that night

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 1868

I left with my Uncle in the trap for Caerphilly I call'd to see Bro. Chapman but he was not at home I also call'd at Griffith Abraham's N<sup>r</sup> the Pickadilly they appeard very kind and well disposed My Uncle drove me as far as Ton Gwyn lais he was well disposed I call'd at Sister Cosletts Charley Selman Came to meet me to talk about Emigration he deposited £5 towards it I went to the Graig Met Father & Jane and Gennet in good feelings I slept there that night W<sup>m</sup> Was very kind & good humored

Friday 6<sup>th</sup>

I spent the forenoon at the Graig I left for the Cross Road in the afternoon talked considerable to Cousin Martha & Aunt on the principles of the Gospel I call'd at M<sup>r</sup> J Richards in the evening I had a long conversation with M<sup>r</sup> Ed<sup>wd</sup> Edwards on the subject of slavery in America and the the feelings manifested by British subject during the American war and the feelings now manifest in return by the Americans he felt much defeated on many points we talked some on the affairs of Utah during the Champaign of 57-8 & 9 and the present state of things there I returned to the Graig to sleep that night

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>

I left the Graig with Jane for Cardiff I done some business there call'd at Bro. Gardener house I went to Merthey by the last train I lef Jane a Landoff Station when I arrived at Merthyr Station there were waiting me E Morris J. S. Lewis and J. Thomas Tailor Lanelly I went with them to the Conf-house and slept there that night

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup>

I went with the Brotheren to Aberdare to Counsel met many of the old friends I attended meeting in the afternoon and evening at each meeting I



spoke at some length we had good meetings and well attended the people seem to be very lively anxious to realize the pleasure of Emigrating I slept at Bro Brown's house

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 1868

I spent the day at Aberdare Bro E. Morris & J. S. Lewis left the night previous for Merthyr I went in the evening of this day by train to Pontypool by invitation from Bro Lawson to a concert I spent the evening with them at Abersychan slept at Pontypool at M<sup>r</sup> Naish's house

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>

I visited around Pontypool in the forenoon returned on foot to Crumlin in the afternoon. by train to Blaina in the evening I attended Saints meeting at Bro. C. Jones's and slept there that night

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>

I spent the Day (which was very wet) at Bro C Jones I went in the evening by train to Tredegar visited some of the Saints in Company with Bro. Mason Slept at Bro Crumps

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>

I visited the saints wrote a letter to Thomas Rees late of Tredegar who Emigrated to the States I went in the evening to Victoria to meeting had good times good freedom to speak I slept at Bro J. Lewis's house I settled with Bro. Jones to have a social party on Monday after Conference

Friday 13<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Pontlottyn I rec<sup>d</sup> a letter from my family all was well I rec<sup>d</sup> one from E. A. Richards and one from T. Watkins and one from Pres<sup>t</sup> F. D. Richards I wrote to T. Watkins and J. Glover in relation to Emigration Slept at Pontlottyn that night I also rec<sup>d</sup> a letter from Sister Jane and one from

Bro J. D. Rees inviting me to Swansea Conf.

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>

Writing up my Journal &c I left for Merthyr in the evening I met Bro. E Morris and Bro. J. S. Lewis at the Conference house I slept there that night

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>

I left Merthyr in Company with Bro Elias Morris and John S Lewis for Swansea Conf- where we met Pres<sup>t</sup> J. Parry R. J. Davies Nephi Pratt & Uncle J. D. Rees Pres<sup>t</sup> of the Conference the Branches were represented in the forenoon the Authorities of the Church presented to be sustained by the people and Pres<sup>t</sup> J. Parry gave some good counsel to the Saints the afternoon was occupied by N Pratt R. J. Davies. & E Morris. I was call'd to open by prayer the evening was occupied by J. S Lewis J. Parry & B. Wride. it was a good Conference and good feelings prevailed I slept at my Aunt Maria's house Uncle J. D. Rees baptized Cousin Evan Wride and Cousin Martha Jones

Monday 16<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Swansea we went to the Station to send Sister Jane and cousin Evan & Martha who left for Cardiff by the evening train I attended prayer meeting with several of the Brotheren J. Parry left for Merthyr in the afternoon I slept at the Conf-- house with Uncle J. D. Rees

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Merthyr calling at Neath at J. Thomas tailor I left Bro. E. Morris & J. S. Lewis at Aberdulais I met Bro J. Parry again at Merthyr I slept there that night

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Merthyr I left in the evening for Rhymeny went to Saints meeting returned to Pontlottyn slept there that night

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>

I spent the forenoon at Pontlottyn I left for Tredegar in the afternoon attended saints meeting I compared the future prospects of the Saints with that of the world I slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crumps house

Friday 20<sup>th</sup>

I spent the forenoon at Tredegar I left for Crumlin from Ebbw Vale by train in the afternoon slept at Bro Henry Thomas

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>

I left via Blackwood and Pengam for Pontlottyn I met Pres<sup>t</sup> J. Parry and John S Lewis we slept at Pontlottyn

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup>

I left in the morning with the Brotheren for Ebbw Vale to Conference the Branches were represented in the forenoon and the Authorities of the Church were presented to be Sustained by the faith & prayers of the saints Pres<sup>t</sup> J Parry gave some good counsels to the Saints the Afternoon was occupied by Bro- Will<sup>m</sup> Park from Hereford Conference and Bro J Parry the evening meeting was occupied by J. S. Lewis. B. Wride & J. Parry (in Welsh) we had a pretty good Conference I slept in the Belle Vue Inn with Bro. Park.

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>

I went with J. S. Lewis to see some folks at the Cwm we attended Concert in the evening at the same room the singing went off well slept at the Bell Vue

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>

Bro J Parry & J. S. Lewis left for Merthyr I and Bro Park spent the day at Tredegar I went to hear M<sup>r</sup> Robert Parry Lecturing (Robin Ddu Eryru) he lectured on the subject of the Young men's Christian Association I slept at

Bro Crump's

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>

I left Tredegar in Company with Bro. Park for Rhymney and Back to Tredegar Bro Park left by train for Newport I spent the evening at Bro George Shearn slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crumps

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Tredegar attended Saints meeting Sister Sansom spoke rec<sup>d</sup> the gift of prophecy exorting us to faithfulness and to esteem our privilages and be more earnest with the work and not slight the Lord by our Conduct metioned concerning the perilous times coming and the awful calamities awiting the nations that they should wail and mourn and go from shore to shore to find a servant of God but could not find one I spoke on the same subjects at some length in English & Welsh showing the duties of the Saints to come to more unity settling matters without wrangling and carring tales about. I slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crump's

Friday 27<sup>th</sup>

I spent the fornoon at Tredegar returned to Pontlottyn and slept there that night

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>

Corresponding and writing up my Journal I slept at Pontlottyn

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup>

I went to Tredegar in the morning to Branch counsel I spoke on Branch matters and gave some instructions to the Officers met in saints meeting in the afternoon and preaching meeting in the evening I spoke on the Great work accomplished by the saints in the face of the great opposition they had to encounter showing that our leaders were wise men and inspired of God to bring

about his work I returned to Pontlottyn and slept there that night

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> 1868

I spend the day reading & writing attended prayer meeting in the evening at Bro Moroni Rees's slept at Pontlottyn

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup>

I went to Blaina to Saints meeting in the afternoon I spoke on the gloomy aspect of the world and the bright prospects of the Saints in the future and present I slept at Bro. C Jones Garn Vach

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April

I went to Brynmawr in the afternoon attended Saints meeting in Bro W<sup>m</sup> Crickett house I spoke on nearly the same subject as the night previous returned to Brother C Jones Garn and slept there that night

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>

I went to Ebbw Vale attended Saints meeting I assisted in the confirmation of eight persons I spoke some on that principle and the duties of the saints word of wisdom &c sp<sup>t</sup> at P. Lewis's

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 1868

I went in Company with Bro P. Lewis up through Breconshire we held meeting at Sam<sup>l</sup> Williams' house we baptized John Jones Talybout P Lewis officiated I confirmed him in the meeting we spoke in Welsh slept there that night

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>

We went over the Mountain to John Price's house we baptized him and Sam<sup>l</sup> Williams in the afternoon in the River and Confirmed them also by the River the water was low so we officiated in the laying on of hands on a Rock in the bed of the River we walked to Talybout Station and rode by train to Dowlais

Top I left Bro. P. Lewis there he went home and I to Pontlottyn

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>

I attended Saints meeting at Bros David Evans's house and preaching at Bro J. Barnes in the evening we made a subscriptions for Bro J. Parry sp<sup>t</sup> at P..

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> 1868

I spent the day at Pontlottyn attended prayer meeting at Sister Parrys house slept there that night

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Pontlottyn writing reading &c I wrote a letter to Brother T. J. Davies respecting his family and their feelings concerning Emigration he Emigrated in 66 I also wrote a note to W<sup>m</sup> Howells to the Valley respecting the portion of His family at Flour de lus I wrote some invitations to some of my relatives to attend our annual Conference at Merthyr on the 19<sup>th</sup> inst<sup>t</sup>

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>

I went to Brynmawr attended meeting there Slept at Bro J Rees

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>

I attended meeting at Tredegar Slept at Bro Crumps

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April 1868

I returned to Pontlottyn slept there that night

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>

Spent the day at Pontlottyn slept there that night

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>

I went to Ebbw Vale to the afternoon meeting and also the evening meeting I preached at each and had a good time Slept at Joseph Fowles's House

Monday 13<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Tredegar visiting the Saints attended prayer meeting at Bro David Morgan's I spoke a while near the close of the meeting we had a good meeting I slept at Bro D<sup>l</sup> Crumps house

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>

I went to Blaina to Saints meeting slept at Bro C. Jones's

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> 1868

I went to Brynmawr attended meeting at Bro. W<sup>m</sup> Williams Clydach Bridge I spoke in Welsh and English I went to Bro C. Jones's Garn to sleep that night

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>

I attended meeting at Ebbw Vale preached to the Saints Slept at Bro P. Lewis House

Friday 17<sup>th</sup>

I went down to Crumlin. Abercarn and Trinant Slept at Bro. H Thomas house

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Rhymney Slept at Pontlottyn

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>

I went to Merthyr to Conference I met all the Travelling Elders of Wales and Pres<sup>t</sup> F. D. Richards and C. W. Penrose from Liverpool I was appointed reporter for the Conference each Conference Pres<sup>t</sup> was call'd to report his Labour I reported the Mornmouthshire Conference I was also call'd to engage in Prayer in the afternoon F.D.R. and C.W.P. preached in the afternoon and evening a somewhat singular occurrence took place in the evening. Some wicked disposed person ignited a rag and burnt Some pepper which Caused the Cry of "fire" It created a great excitment in the Hall and the audience made a rush

towards the door that is a great portion of them it was some time before Silence could be restored a great cough ensued from the burnt pepper which was distinctly smell'd all over the Hall luckily no serious accident occur'd with this exception peace and order prevailed through the day and the evening meeting closed peaceable which was a great satisfaction to us I slept at the Star Inn

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> 1868

We spent the day writing &c we had considerable amusements Music &c during the day many visitors came we had an excellent Concert in the evening at the Saints Hall I slept at the Star Inn Merthyr

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>

Pres<sup>t</sup> F D Richards and C. W. Penrose left for L'pool and several more left for their fields of Labour I was working the report of the Conference Slept at the Conference House

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>

I completed the report and Sent it to Liverpool I slept at the Conference house

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>

I wrote a letter to my Wife to Utah giving a report of Conf and party I returned to Pontlottyn in the afternoon I went to Tredegar to Saints meeting in the evening I spoke to the Saints on matters spoken in Conference slept at Bro D<sup>l</sup> Crumps house

Friday 24<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day visiting the Saints at Tredegar slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crumps

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day visiting the saints slept at Bro D<sup>l</sup> Crumps house



Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>

I went to Ebbw Vale met in general Counsel Some were call'd to the Priesthood we gave general instructions according to the instruction contained in the "Star" and what we received at or after Conference we had very good meetings we ordained these brotheren in the afternoon and gave some instructions as we were directed by the Spirit which appeared very satisfactory we read the Editorial of the Star to the Saints I returned with the Tredegar Saints and preached at that place in the evening I returned to Pontlottyn afterwards

Monday 27<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day reading & writing attended prayer meeting a Sister Rees's Pontlottyn

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>

I wrote a letter to Uncle John D Rees's family in Utah and making up the Acc<sup>ts</sup> for L'pool I left for Tredegar in the evening slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crumps house

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup>

I went to Brynmawr Branch I baptized two persons and confirmed them I slept at Bro J. Rees's house

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>

I went down to the Graig to see Father & Sister Jane slept there that night

May 1<sup>st</sup> 1868

I spent the day at the Graig and Cross Road slept at the Graig

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>

I returned to Pontlottyn and received a message from Bro. Parry to meet him at Merthyr I proceeded forthwith in company with Elder N. Pratt I met Bro

Parry and E. Morris. I slept at the Conference house

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>

I attended a District Counsel at Merthyr in the forenoon I occupied a portion of the afternoon and evening preaching slept at the Conference house

Monday 4<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Merthyr Brother J. D Rees came there on business in the evening I slept there that night

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Pontlottyn

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> 1868

I attended meeting with the saints at Rhymney I spoke of the troubles that the saints had endured since the raise of the Church and of their patience in adverse circumstances difficulties and sad disappointments which was quite a lesson to us at the present time and that disappointment should only fortify us against trying times

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>

Spent the day at Pontlottyn

Friday 8<sup>th</sup>

Spent the day at Pontlottyn

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>

Writing up my journal letters &c

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day with the Saints at Tredegar preached in the afternoon and evening in the room returned to Pontlottyn

Monday 11<sup>th</sup>

Spent the day writing & reading

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>

I went to Blaina to saints meeting

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 1868

I went to Brynmawr to Saints meeting slept at Bro. J. Rees

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>

I went to Ebbw Vale addressed the Saints in Bro. P. Lewis's

Friday 15<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Pontlottyn

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>

I went down to the Graig Spent the evening there

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>

I went to the Counsel at Cardiff Met Bro's E Morris and Nephi Pratt I addressed the Saints in the afternoon and evening Slept at Canton

Monday 18<sup>th</sup>

I spent the Day at Cardiff with Peter attended meeting in the evening Slept with my Bro. Peter

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>

I went with E Morris & N Pratt to Whitchurch call'd at the Graig and Cross Road attended meeting at Bro C Grigovey sp<sup>t</sup> at the Graig

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> 1868

Spend the in company with Bro. Morris we went to Cardiff through Milling Griffith Landoff & Canton we preached in the room to the Saints I returned with Jane to the Graig

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>

I went to Great House to visit my Uncle John Wride who I had not seen for upward of seven years I returned to the Graig in the evening

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>

I returned to Merthyr calling at Uncle T Davis Pontyprydd met Bro's J. Parry E Morris and N. Pratt at Merthyr I slept there that night

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>

I in company with Bro. J. Parry went to Pontlottyn

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>

We went to Tredegar to Counsel we attended three meeting we had good times considering the disappointment in relation to the emigration which was the subject mostly treated upon I left for Pontlottyn

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> 1868

I went to visit the Saints near Brecon concerning Emigration matters returned to Pontlottyn in the evening

Tuesday 26

I went to Tredegar Spent the day there Slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crumps house

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Rhymney attended meeting with the Saints

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>

I went to Tredegar I addressed the Saints we had a counsel to settle a difficulty between Sister Williams and Bro F Argust Slept at D<sup>l</sup> Crumps

Friday 29<sup>th</sup>

I went down to Pantyr esk near Abercarn Slept at M<sup>r</sup> David Lewis I saw Jennet Morgan she was rather disappointed in not going off

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Pontlottyn writing up my Journal Letters &c in the afternoon

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May 1868

I went to Victoria to Counsel met in the room at Briery hill talked on the disappointment concerning Emigration preaching out doors turning their attention to depositing in the J. E. Fund met in the afternoon we had a good meeting with the Saints I returned to Tredegar in the evening my Sister Jane paid me a visit she stay'd at Tredegar that night I returned to Rhymney Pontlottyn

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June

I went to Tredegar and in the afternoon I went in company with Bro. J. Davies and others by excursion to Black Wood Pic-Nic we had good recreation and pleasure we returned to Tredegar in the evening

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>

I went with the Emigrating Saints to Brynmawr they left in good spirits I returned to Rhymney that evening

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>

Spent the day at Pontlottyn reading & writing I attended meeting at Brother Barnes

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> 1868

I went to Victoria attended meeting in the evening at Bro D. D. Jones's slept at Bro. P. Lewis's house

Friday 5<sup>th</sup>

I went to Blaina to visit the Saints and down to Crumlin in the evening slept at Bro H. Thomas'

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup>

I returned via Argoed & Tredegar to Pontlottyn to Rhymney

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>

I received notice by Bro. N. Pratt from Bro J Parry that I was to return home with other Elders on the 24<sup>th</sup> I spent the day with N. P. at Rhymney and Tredegar we had good meetings among the Saints teaching on the word of wisdom and the duties of the Saints

Monday 8<sup>th</sup>

I went in company with N. P. to Merthyr I met Bros J. Parry and E Morris there we talked matters over concerning Emigration &c Bro J. P. left for Swansea I returned to Pontlottyn I met Charles Selman who had come to stay until Emigration

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>

Writing up my Journal &c spent the day at Pontlottyn

Wednesday 10

Spent the day at Pontlottyn

Thursday 11

Spent the day at Tredegar

Friday 12

I went to Merthyr met Bros Parry Morris & Pratt slept at the Conference House

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>

Returned to Pontlottyn

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>

I went to Blaina preached in the afternoon and evening slept at Brother John Williams's house

Monday 15<sup>th</sup>

I returned via Tredegar Pontlottyn to go by train to the Graig this

evening I rec<sup>d</sup> the List of releases and appointments in which I saw my name among those released to return home slept at the Graig

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>

I went to the Cross Roads met J. D. Rees and Uncle T. Davis we had a long talk about Emigration returned to the Graig

Wednesday 17

I rode to Cardiff in the Trap with Sister Jane & Cousin Martha to buy some things to go home to the Valley returned to the Graig in the evening we met Bro. Peter he came to send us a little through Town

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>

I left by train for Pontlottyn and went to Merthyr afterwards slept at the Conf House I met Bro E Morris

Friday 19<sup>th</sup>

I met Bro Parry I left at noon for Abercarn to see about those about to Emigrate I went to Crumlin in the evening slept at Bro H. Thomas's

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>

I returned to Pontlottyn slept there that night

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> 1868

I went to Ebbw Vale to Counsel I preached in the afternoon and evening I took for a text in the evening Babylon slept at Bro Crumps

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>

I spent the day at Tredegar attended prayer meeting in the evening I returned to Pontlottyn afterwards

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>

I met Bro Levi W. Richards my Successor the first time that I saw him to my knowledge after a few hours conversation concerning Book Keeping &c we left

Via Tredegar to Blaina and attended meeting there with the saints slept at Bro J. Williams

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>

I went in company with Bro Levi W. Richards to Llanelly and returned to Brynmawr attended meeting with a few saints we slept at Bro J Williams Blaina we also visited Gilwern this day

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>

We went to Ebbw Vale attended meeting at Bro P. Lewis's with the Saints we slept there that night

Friday 26<sup>th</sup>

We returned to Pontlottyn

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>

Spent the day at Pontlottyn

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>

We went to Tredegar attended meeting in the afternoon and evening and returned to Pontlottyn

Monday 29<sup>th</sup>

I went to Tredegar in the morning and went by Daniel Williams Cwm Pen-Maen and then to meet the Saints coming from Merthyr Aberdare & Swansea to L'Pool Met J Parry J. D. Rees & N Pratt I went with them to Pontypool Road I spent the day with Uncle J. D. Rees and N. Pratt I returned to Tredegar in the evening slept at B D Crump's

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>

I spent the day at Tredegar writing Letters &c returned in the afternoon to Pontlottyn



Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 1868

I went over to Merthyr in Company with Bro. Levi W Richards We met Bro's E. Morris N. Pratt J. D. Rees & J. S. Lewis at the conference house they had just returned from L.pool E. M. & J. S. L. - they informed us that the saints arrived safe at L'pool and felt fine on board Bro J Parry was appointed President of the Company we slept at the Conference house

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>

We spent the day at Merthyr we went to Aberdare in the evening slept at the Iron Bridge Hotel

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> L. W. Richard went with N Pratt to Aberaman and Hirevain I went to Merthyr at noon I met L. W. R and N. P. again I and Bro Richards left for Pontlottyn

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>

Spent the day at Pontlottyn

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>

I went in company with L. W. Richards to Ebbw Vale dined at Bro John Davies Tredegar I spoke considerable in the afternoon and evening I spoke on the Book of Mormon in the evening I added my testimony in Welsh this was the longest time I ever occupied in public speaking being 1 hour and 10 minutes that is at one time we returned to Tredegar in the evening slept at Bro- Tho<sup>s</sup> Jones Georstown

Monday 6<sup>th</sup>

We spent the day at Tredegar it being a notorious day with the Sunday Schools Marching we attended Prayer meeting in the evening at Bro J Davies house we slept at Bro Thomas Jones's

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>

We visited the Saints at Tredegar audited and looked over the Books Emigration Acc<sup>t</sup> &c to transfer them to my successor L. W. Richards we found them to agree we returned to Pontlottyn in the evening

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>

Writing up my Journal and preparing to start for home Luggage &c. &c.

July 1868

Our movement homeward to Utah was fraught with much interest for a number of my relatives were going along my Sister Jane had been baptized and was leaving home single and Father was to be left rather lonely with my Brother William who was unmarried it was rather touching to the feelings to part under these circumstances but there were other things that help<sup>d</sup> out Cousin Evan Wride and Wife who was a Cousin on Mothers side were baptized and were going Uncle Thomas Davies C<sup>o</sup> Surveyor was with and under peculiar moving out and others in the U.S. with I was corresponding were preparing taking all matters into Consideration things were moving very favorable My Brother in law Charles Selman had already started on a previous Steam Ship for New York leaving his Wife She refusing to go and relative to this condition of things something singular happened at Liverpool just previous to our Ship pulling a policeman accosted me on deck and demanded to know where Charley Selman was I told him he had left on a previous Ship for the U.S. he doubted the statement and demanded a clean breast I made the same statment & brought proof by a similar statment from some of the Elders who knew of the Circumstance but the officer hesitated for some time and said that if he could not be shown up he would Order the Ship Stoppd for some time and searched the testimony of a number prevailed with him that it was so as stated and he left us wishing us good bye

and God Speed and was satisfied that things were as stated and the Ship moved out and we had a pleasant voyage I was appointed in Charge of the lower deck and attended service every night before bedtime and had some good preaching other Elders coming to assist much interest and respect shown towards those so appointed

The Steam Ship Colerado reached the Harbor and Port of New York on time making the voyage in about eleven days there were a Number of the Valley Elder's there preparing Tickets So there was no unnecessary delay the baggage had to pass the Custom house many of the Saints Emigrants took a strole through the City to take in the sights We proceeded up the Hudson Valley R.R. through Troy Albany Rochester to Niggria Falls remained there one day So that all See the Great Falls On Ariving at Chicago our Folks were there waiting I had previously Telegraphed to them of the time the Emigration Train would arrive then they responded and we had a fine meeting quite a number of relatives on the Train on we sped after a short delay to Omaha where we remained some time and made purchases for home use Stoves provissions & wares of different kinds after some days we moved over the U.P.R.R. to Denver and then to the Camp's of the Church Train Waggon's Mules & Oxen by whom we were hauled to Salt Lake City Uncle Thomas Davies joined with Evan Wride and purchased a Waggon and a span of Mules for Conveyance & David Thomas and family Six of them in a Church Waggon with Robert Davis of Salem as Teamster I & folks with George Burr of Payson they refused to haul any further than to the City except for pay Money So I had to see Bishop Hunter had some acquaintance he soon ordered our Baggage haul<sup>d</sup> to Payson so we had no more trouble Call'd Provo went ahead of the teams and met My Wife and Annie Jane our Daughter on the Bench watching to meet us we had a pleasant greeting and went

home glad to have a rest from travel

Arriving Home Sep<sup>t</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 1868

Arriving home after an absense of Three years and four and a half months and going to work at manuel labor appeared rather queer at first but soon got renewed for the work Canyon work was the first thing hauling wood for fuel from Payson Canyon and fall work on Farm Plowing after slow Cattle appeared Slow work I was Call<sup>d</sup> on the Sabbath after arriving home to preach & report which was done satisfactory at Payson and at a Stake meeting at Provo Pres<sup>t</sup> A. O Smoot gave me a good Eulogy as a reporter & speaker on the occasion as he made a few brief remarks Uncle Tho<sup>s</sup> Davis made some Criticism my attitude and jestures after the meeting. During the Spring and Summer of 1869 I made a fair Success at farming and raised a good crop of Wheat Corn Hay and Vegetables and had made a good start towards building a Hauling Rock in Spring also Farming and getting out timber for house Sleepers and joint Contracted off Some land and fence to John E Betts for Adobies and George Pickering put up a three room<sup>d</sup> house we lived in one of the rooms during writer plastered the ballance the following Spring I had Contracted Some debts by so doing and labored hard for some time to pay off Carpenters and Masons during the fall of 68 and winters of (1869, 1870) during this period I was offered a school at Salim but could not agree on the terms so the matter of School Teaching was abandoned for ever. having no particular taste for that work but delighted in Sabbath School work and taught a Class during this period a Book of Mormon Class in Douglass' Hall which was our meeting house at the time it was afterwards Sold to W<sup>m</sup> Douglass near his Store I Continued farming on my old Homestead on the Bottoms and entered a Quarter Section and paid the Government for it and built a house near the Slough the land became almost worthless owing to the rise of

mineral alkali destructive to to Crops then I turned my Attention to Salem Field and purchased Some land there having received some money as a legacy from the Old Country Father having died that year July 29. The first 5 acres I purchased of Jo<sup>s</sup> Race for \$115<sup>00</sup> turned out to be good land but questionable at the time Some time afterward I was Elected President of the Salem Canal C<sup>o</sup> and held the position for 10 years and sign<sup>d</sup> many Certificates for Water during that period I was reElected by Acclamation several times and organized the Board into Com<sup>s</sup> for work and succeeded against much disadvantage in regulating Water Gates and bring the people to observe rules and Laws on the Water Question and Contending with other Canals on the Prior right Question

1871 & 72 During this period I became interested in School matters and was Elected a School Trustee in Connection with James Finlayson and Thomas H Wilson in January 23<sup>rd</sup> 1872 and was appointed secretary of the District we were engaged in finishing the Rock School house so call<sup>d</sup> and on March 24<sup>th</sup> 73 votes at 1% tax to build a School house in the 4th Ward so call<sup>d</sup> and School matters took quite a stride forward and in the fall started a high School in the upper room of the City Hall with J. L. Tounshend as tutor and made a great move forward T. B. Lewis had taught the previous winter and started Considerable intrest in Education the question of location was the discussion and topic and division arose and decided by Casting vote the women of Payson at this period took an interest and spoke in the public meetings on the proper government and instruction that should prevail and that parents should support the teacher & and direct that their children should submit and become subordinate & yeald to the rules adopted.

1874

In a meeting held Jan 19<sup>th</sup> 1874 an Election for School Trustees was held J.

Finlayson was left out and J. P. Wimmer Elected with T. H. Wilson & B. Wride during this Administration we built a House 36 feet by 24 on the West of town the Jurisdiction of Trustees was discussed & explained as the Law read on School matters legal matters was refered to Rob<sup>t</sup> Collet an Attorney another Tax was agreed on & assess<sup>d</sup> & Collected in 1875 J. P. Wimmer was building Com. when this house was opened for School W<sup>m</sup> Patten became teacher he got in a scrape Connected with Chicken stealing and was dismiss<sup>d</sup> this matter Created an excitement and John Finlayson was appointed to teach there I was continued Secretary right along and made a lengthy and minute record At a meeting held May 7<sup>th</sup> 1875 It was moved that a School House be erected in the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward near the Grist Mill Carried It was moved that B Wride act as Building Com to Superintend its erection & J. P. Wimmer Secretary I was engaged in taking the school census in 1876 and a new Election took place in March 13 of that year I was reElected at this meeting T. H Wilson left and Charles Brewerts Elected had a great discussion at this meeting two of the Trustees were call<sup>d</sup> to take Missions to the Southern States Wimmer and Brewerton T. E. Daniels & J. S. Taylor were Elected to fill the unexpired term I made remarks on accepting the Bond or rather to release Bonds men and and the acceptance by the Citizens of the resignations of Trustees I made enquiry as to how the people felt about purchasing the Independant School house on the hill to build a Central House for Payson The matter was refered & held under advisement there was a feeling forming stating that although more buildings were not necessary now but would in future for Seminary purposes I was reappointed Secretary about this time and a meeting was hed in our residence on Dec 11<sup>th</sup> 1876 and other Com's were made and another meeting was held in our residence Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> 1877 for the purpose of purchasing furniture & considering other necessary matter to be

up to the advancing times on Education

At a meeting Aug 3 1877 the free School system was discussed earnestly and a Mass meeting was call<sup>d</sup> for the purpose of voting a tax for the payment of Teachers and that Notice be publishe in the Enquirer (Provo Paper) and that a recommendation be read to the public I was engaged in getting this up with T. E. Daniels

At a Mass Meeting Apl. 23<sup>rd</sup> 1878 being Chairman of this meeting stated the object of the Meeting & read the Notice Calling it and Sec J. S. Taylor read the document got up recommending the system of Taxation for the payment of Teachers and the amount suggested as required A Motion was had and discuss<sup>d</sup> Some opposed it but there was a strong majority in its favor and strong points were made on the advanced Condition of Education

1879

At a meeting of the School Trustees Mar 15. 79 being made Secretary J. S. Taylor was made Assessor and Collector J. L. Townshend was made a Com. to Secure articles of agreement with the Board of the Independent House to effect the purchase and transfer the title to the District and report this was done later in the year or fall Feb 9. 1880 Being made Chairman of the Meeting for date the recomendation to purchase the House and ground and assesment of 1\2% Tax to pay for the property was Carried and the Election of the Same Trustees was also unanimous & S Marsh was made Assessor and Collector After the changes in the School Law regarding Election of Trustees for one two & three years so that afterwards one would come in every year to hold office for three years I was Elected first under the new Law and was reElected until 1886 when I retired being appointed Clerk at T office

## School Matters

At a mass Meeting held in the Tithing Office Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> 1872 for the purpose of Electing School Trustees I was Elected one of the Board and relected Successively until 1886

Many Changes were made during that period I was appointed Secretary of the Board and held that office many years first appointment made was on 24 Mar 1873 My fellow Trustees were James Finlayson and Thomas Wilson at a Meeting held Jan 26<sup>th</sup> 1874 the subject of school government and Education and the enforcement of the Law on the matter was freely discusse<sup>d</sup> and good feelings prevailed and success and great improvment followed

At an Election held Jan 19<sup>th</sup> 1874 John P Wimmer was Elected in place of Ja<sup>s</sup> Finlayson The new School House in the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward was Dedicated by J B Fairbanks and many Speeches were made complimenting because of the advantage of the present above the past in regard to the Education of the Youth

At a meeting held Apl 6<sup>th</sup> 1874 the Matter of Assessing a tax was pass<sup>d</sup> on to build another School House also the matter of changing the location which was finally refered to the School Trustees About this time H. W. Barnett was made the Assessor and Collector I was allowed 2 Dollars for the work of being Secretary and T. H. Wilson for work as Building Committee

At a School meeting held on the 7<sup>th</sup> of May 1875 It was decided to build a School House in the first Ward near the Grist Mill I was on Motion made Sup<sup>t</sup> to build it and direct the labor J. P. Wimmer was made Secretary and T. H. Wilson was made Assessor & Collector the job was completed in time for the opening of the Schools in the fall and Dedicated by David Lant at the opening Charles Brewerton was made School Trustee on Mar 13<sup>th</sup> 76 but soon resigned to fill a mission and T. E. Daniels appointed in his stead about this time the



Matter of furnishing Maps and Texts Books was discuss<sup>d</sup> quite freely

Free Schools talk<sup>d</sup> off

At a School Meeting held Nov 28 1876 J. S. Taylor & T. E. Daniels were Elected So frequent were the Changes made that I was expecting to be out any time but was Continued at this meeting I appeal<sup>d</sup> to the opinion of the public on the matter of purchasing the Independent School House to become part of the School District the response was in favor and would be a good investment and that the Citizens would be pleased to pursue Such a course I made further remarks stating it was not needed just now but looking to the future Such a place would be suitable for Seminary purposes. I was reappointed Secretary We held regular Com Meetings at my house on April 3<sup>rd</sup> 1877 The Subject of Free Schools was introduced and discussed and Calling a Mass Meeting and to Consider the matter of paying Teachers by Taxation this was in a Com Sitting So a Meeting was call<sup>d</sup> and published in the News Paper and posted for the 23<sup>rd</sup> of April 1877 and much pains was taken to acquaint the people Concerning Taxing for the payment of Teachers

Result of Mass Meeting Apl 23 77

After Some preliminaries Secretary read a document recommending Taxation for the payment of Teachers a 1% for the purpose Some of the wealthier Citizens opposed the measure vehemently saying that parents should Educate their own children great debate ensued and a lively time W<sup>m</sup> Douglas Geo Patten O Simons and W. H. Huish being of that number. The County Superintendent made a speech in favor of taxation and that every child Should be Educated and that the property Should do it and none Should continue in ignorance but should be considered Free Schools was only a question of time it would be fully established and gave reasons for such conditions and belief

The motion in favor of the proposition was amended to 1\2% of 1 was made and appeared to prevail the house was divided on the question an estimate of the amount of Money required to run the Schools was made and reported An approximate estimate an agreement appeared to take to try 1\2 So the amendment was Carried and the Chair So decided this was a very lengthy Session and many were tired and weary about this time District No 15 was changed to No 6 Thomas E Daniels was made Collector and \$1434.<sup>86</sup> was collected for the purpose that year At a meeting held Jan 28 1878 Joseph L Townshend was Elected one of the Board 3\4 of 1% was voted to pay Teachers

In Nov of 78 a high School was Started and Conducted Successfully and matters went on very agreeable & raised to a higher Standard

In 1880 I was reelected with J. L. Townshend and J. S Taylor and were ReElected at a subsequent time

J L Townshend resigned in 1881 and C Brewerton appoint to fill the vacancy

The Central School house was started in 1882 2% was voted and assessed took 3 years to complete the building 2% was Levied in 1884 Salaries of Teacher were raised to \$50. per month

In 1885 I was Chairman of Trustees J. S. Page J<sup>r</sup> Sec and was Elected for 3 years as School Trustee J S Taylor Treasurer Tuition rates fix<sup>d</sup> F<sup>es</sup> R \$1.75 2 & 3 readers \$1.50 4<sup>th</sup> \$1.75 5<sup>th</sup> \$2<sup>00</sup> J. B. Fairbanks allowed Commission for Collecting \$170.<sup>00</sup>

1886 I resigned being appointed Tithing Clerk during this year J. J. McClellan was Elected Jan 5 1887

1888 Albert Beazer was engaged Principal this year at \$75. pr Month and J. J. Walser as Music Teacher

1891 D H Christianson advance salary to \$100<sup>00</sup> per Month. Assembly Hall was rented during this year Hyrum Lemmon was Elected during this year

Geo W Decker was engaged as principal in the year 1893 Compensation of Trustees \$240.<sup>00</sup> for services past year Treasurer Bond approved \$3000. Moral & religious Classes held after School hours

In 1894 D.H. Christenson was engaged at \$90. pr Month Compensation of Trustees \$250.

In 1895 Allowed Compensation of Trustees \$275.

1897 School Trustees petitioned City Council for Building Cite on East Bench 1\2 Block 9 Plat Granted 5 years to build

Fred N Poulson engaged to teach May 26

Annual Report Income \$7498<sup>65</sup>

Millie Stark was Elected Trustee & Secritary

Compensation of Trustees \$290<sup>00</sup>

Total Enumeration of pupils 942

Value of School property \$12500.<sup>00</sup>

Total including Furniture & aperatus \$16200<sup>00</sup>

In 1898 Insurance policy taken \$5000<sup>00</sup>

Compensation of Trustees \$300<sup>00</sup>

Otto Erlandsen was Elected Trustee

In 1899 L A Colvin was elected Trustee

Annual Statement Income \$7783.<sup>00</sup>

Disbursments \$6000<sup>62</sup>

Compensation of Trustees \$300<sup>00</sup>

School Stationary Music Charts & Music

Books Ordered to be free to High Grades

Quarantine Measures Closed Schools for three weeks Teachers paid Salaries in full

1900 Mar 17 Voted Mills 7% Decided location East Bench Bonding District \$10000<sup>00</sup> to erect New School Building 8 rooms R. C. Watkins to build it

#### City Council Matters 1873

I was nominated without opposition and Elected a Counsellor & member of the Town Council in 1873 and was Elected successively for seven term and served on Committes on Streets and on Ordinances several times and was appointed City Sexton during the whole period and from 1879 to 1883 was Alderman of the City during which period I tried Seventeen Criminal Cases Charged against different persons for Stealing drunkenness disturbing the peace and violating the Prohibition Ordinance against Selling Liquor the influence against the latter was kean and every Sceme was resorted to in order to evade the penalty and ride over it which made it very difficult to try such cases and find a virdict and make it Stand in the higher Courts to which an appeal was had and guilty parties discharged after Conviction bringing high expense against our City

In two criminal Cases I empaneled a Jury which was considered intricate for one not more versed in the Statutes and Law than my experience admitted which made me rather timid to proceed under the circumstances the results appeared Satisfactory after Four years acting as magistrate I chose rather to retire but was againg Elected a Councilman two terms making 14 years in the service of the City the advancement of Payson during this period was considerable in the regulation of the water the division of the stream Overseers & water masters had much to contend over in giving each one his portion in due season In which Capasity I served some time and in the making and repairing

streets and opening and making new ones I assisted in revising the Ordinances and Laws of the City and amending of the City Charter in planting trees I assisted and had charge of the planting of all the trees in the City Cemetery and the watering of them and acted as City Sexton for the period of 16 years

The year 1877 is remembered as a serious time the epidemic of Diptheria raged fearfully and the people were ignorant in its treatment a large number succom<sup>d</sup> to this malady during the year named as many as four Children were Carried from one family in more than one instance having to do with the interment causes this reminder a large number of the Old Citizens and pioneers pass<sup>d</sup> off during my official work in this line this reference appears as a repitition and will be pardoned as the writer was desirous to name & remember and transmit this condition down to the generations to come

In the fall of 1882 I and wife with Bro Sam<sup>l</sup> Marsh and Wife made a trip to Saint George to do Some Temple work for Parents and other relaties and was baptized for and in behalf of a number of persons Bro David John and Sister Mary were working in that Temple at that time our trip Southward was Via Nephi Lavan Gunison Salina Richfield Monroe Marysvale Circle Valley following the North Fork of the Sevier river bearing Southward to Iron County through the Kanyon arriving at Paragoonah Camping there with a person who had been on a mission to South America with P. P. Pratt on Chille Shore went through Parawan and Ceder City Kanarra and after passing this place a few miles we realized a sudden change in the Climate to be much warmer all through Washington County to st<sup>t</sup> George our return trip was Via Beaver City bearing Eastward to Sevier Valley and down Silver Creek Kanyon to Saint Joseph City and Elsenora to Richfield arriving home about Christmas during this period was a successful time for farmers times were prosperous & water plentiful having purchased some

land in Salem field so call<sup>d</sup> the first five acres after the original five was purchased of W<sup>m</sup> Depew in 1878 I relate a circumstance here of Son Geo. T being about 4 years old he rode in the waggon along to the field and while working ploughing taking off my vest in which was my time piece watch put it on the waggon, Geo T took it and opened it took off the hands and in trying to replace them bent them up then shut up the Cases and replacd in the vest pocket as though nothing had happened until noon in looking up the time all was discovered & admitted with some curiosity done by one so young and was often refered to for some length of time My first experience on this peice of land was very discouraging being a dry season light crop of corn was raised the land was foul & results meagre but improved greatly afterwards by Cultivation and plenty of water applied the following Seasons Sold in 1890 to Patrick Simmons for \$550.<sup>00</sup> The next patch purchased was north of it jouning the Salem Road of J. J McClellan this was a fraction of 5 1\2 acres for \$260<sup>00</sup> proved to be only medium quality but improved some and was Sold in 1900 for \$600<sup>00</sup> Much labor in hauling manure and close attention was expended on this land & some good crops raised which Caused the rise in its price with the upward tendency in the rate of land at the time made the deal Some what profitable at this time I made some Bank investments

Going back to the early 80's reference was made to prosperous times along that period good crops of vegetables was raised & good prices Contract for potatoes were made at the Tintic mines with the Centenial Company in which I participated through the Agent & Manager of that Celebrated mine at Eureka and had good returns for several years having received a check of \$500.<sup>00</sup> on one occasion for potatoes including Freightage hauling &c during this period I was engaged to take Charge of the Tithing Office and Yard On the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May

I. M. Coombs former Clerk died soon after four person were examined as to their ability condition circumstances & time to apply to such work as clerking in T. Office the result was as told. I took Charge on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 1886 Hay and Lucern Hauling was greatly on the move at the time I labored quite hard during all the Summer and fall in receiving grain and vegetables and raised a good crop on Farm and ship<sup>d</sup> products to Tintic Mines Bro Thomas Helis of Santaquin was engaged to assist in making up the Annual report of Tithes Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 1887 for which he was paid Forty Dollers in Money W<sup>m</sup> Bean Stake Clerk Ballanced and Audited the Books in June previous the Acc<sup>ts</sup> were rather Complicated with old debts and accounts I was continued in this office about six years until Mar 1 1892 in which I resigned My partner in life having died Dec. 29<sup>th</sup> 91 and Lewis a Son being on Mission at the time in Wales I thought proper to turn my attention to farming gardning and Stock raising Lewis W returned home from his Mission in Oct 1892 met him at S.L. City on the 6<sup>th</sup> at Semi Annual Conference I made a trip to Logan Temple to do some work previous to this time in 1889 and stay<sup>d</sup> at Elder Saml Roskellys place and call<sup>d</sup> at Wellsville returning at Mary Selma Mirmesly Wife Sister returned by R.R. Met Lewis & Wife at Brigham City returning from their tour by Team rode with them to Willard Call<sup>d</sup> at Richard J Davis' House attended meeting on the Sabbath and was call<sup>d</sup> to preach responded and had a pleasant time

Having been call<sup>d</sup> and Elected a Member of the Co-op Board Merchantle Institution two terms I profited much in the knowledge of the running of that Institution of running the business of Merchandising and the like Milling Dairying and Cheesemaking which proved a failure in Payson result of poor management & lack of economy I acted on the business Committee with Jo<sup>s</sup> S. Tanner one term while Franklin Fairbanks was manager of the Store it became

a regular wreck and was purchased and turned into a private C<sup>o</sup> Store under the Management of T. H. Wilson Jr and has made good returns ever since now 1903.

We go back to the early 90's and give our experience of Banking as stated a few pages foregoing Payson Exchange Started in 1891 I took to the Amount of \$500<sup>00</sup> and became a member of the Board Soon after it was Incorporated and was reElected until now the present writing 1903 This investment has been a good Support in the payment of taxes and other Current expenses requiring Cash. Having had the honor of serving on the Auditing Committee two terms with Director Ja<sup>s</sup> Finlayson gaining much experience and knowledge in Banking. The Company had just pass<sup>d</sup> through a change of Presidents T. G. Wimmer resigned and sold his Stock W. S. Tanner appointed to succeed him Snell Bro's had purchased Stock in Bank and one Cyrus Snell made Cashier & Geo Snell made Director Considered in a safe financial condition

Returning Now to my Missionary work in the Utah Stake I was call to travel in Company with Soren P. Christenson of Salem as a County Missionary to preach on Sundays in all the Wards in the Stake travelling by RR at half rates after visiting all around we made a Second tour to several of the Wards had a very sociable time and remembered with much pleasure this mission was made in the early 70's

I was call on a similar Mission by the Stake Presidency with J. S Taylor at a later period in the 80's and visited nearly all the Wards several of the larger Towns had been divided and required a greater number of visits to reach all and a later mission Similar one with John Tanner and had a very agreeable time. one trip spending four day's lost our team returning from Camp Floyd Ceder Valley had to hire a team to hitch to our vehicle to reach home our horses had preceeded us we refered to this incident at different times it



happened West of Utah Lake At another time we had a hard trip to Mapleton Ward Snow was deep over the Bench Crusty and broke through hard on team this was in the early 90's we had a rainy time on this trip and got wet and cold. Soon after this Political matters became rife and exciting I declared for Republicanism while the greater part of Payson declared for Democracy and the fight. or Campaigning Commenced on party lines the latter greatly in the Majority previous to this State of things twas Radical and Peoples Party between these party Conditions it was a queer and serious crisis and religion seen to be forgotten and division and party lines followed rigidly altho' Locally Democracy prevailed but in State matter Republicanism carried party lines seem to be advisable and became more settled and later Rep became the strongest party and later still the Political Question became dormant

I spent the winter of 1899 and 1900 in Old Mexico with my daughter Annie Harris twas there I heard of Queen Victoria demis in the early part of the new Century first

I visited Doublan during winter and call<sup>d</sup> on Several old acquaintances who had gone from Payson returned in the Spring of 1900

James and Jeremial died Soon after my return I regretted their departure very much

I paid my first visit to Idaho the summer of 1901 with Bro James H. Hart of Bloomington a buggy met us at Montpelier and went with him home through Ovid and Paris had a good time met his wife my Cousin Lizzie Thomas, formerly of Cardiff I stay<sup>d</sup> with them a few weeks and visted Montpelier and my old friend Edward Burgoyne and slept<sup>t</sup> 3 nights at his house

Visited the Towns of Boxelder and Ogden in returning call<sup>d</sup> on several old acquaintances at these places I paid another Visit to Montpelier in 1903 to my

Daughter Minnie home She was Married to John T Perkins having taught School at that place two terms or two years on the 26 of May I rec<sup>d</sup> a letter from my Daughter Maggie that her Daughter had drown<sup>d</sup> in a water ditch near their house at Benjamin I prepared immediately to return and attended the funeral the childs name was Hannah after her Grandmother's.

[Writings of the Son of Barry Wride written in the same journal]

This is November 5 - 1943. It is the anniversary date of the fire that burned out our barns and the years harvest as well as "Gunpowder plot" on Guy Fawkes day in old England It was just two days before my twelfth birthday Nov 7- in the year 1886.

It was a great day in my boyhood.- The entire yard of stacks, granery, pig pens, barns and sheds was a black ruin when the cows came home that night In reflecting about it I am constrained to write a few of my memories and opinions of my father Barry Wride as a continuation of his own writings contained in this book. I am confident that he would like it so-

He was 41 years old when I was born so my earliest memories of him would be when he was in his prime at 45.

My recollection of the watch affair which he refers to when I was four years old is clear. The wagon was parked beside the road near the McClellan five" acre piece His watch which was a Key wind closed silver one was in his vest and left on the spring seat. When the discovery was made that I had opened the face and taken off the hands, he was not greatly disturbed He did not whip nor scold but rather considered that he had a smart son who was starting out rather young in learning mechanics This illustrates his

character as I remember it His tolerance and paternal pride bordered on a fault It is the way he dealt with all the children and was also seen in his contacts with men and women of the town

I distinctly remember his attitudes and conversations with men as I often intruded and looked up into their faces (and was sometimes chided and pushed aside) He was not stern and opinionated about matters but with kindly and lofty demeanor he conversed for hours with his friends and neighbors. It seemed to me that he had time to talk with everyone high or low.

Since he was a farmer I was in a wagon or on a horse's back as early as I can remember anything He practiced the ways of the English farmer at which work he spent his boyhood. He took great pride in plowing a straight furrow, in making a symmetrical stack of hay or grain and in thatching the top with rushes taken from the slough. He liked to excel in the quality of his products or of his animals When registered and pedigreed milk strains of cattle began to be imported his was among the first to own some of the best Jersey and Durham cows. "Old Betsy" was a choice mare that he bought from Uncle David John for \$150<sup>00</sup> That was a lot of money in those days for a horse but she paid out well. She gave us several fine colts. One of them was "Meg". One spring we got a pair of French Coach colts from these two mares. They grew up to be a pride to the family and an evny of many lovers of fine horse flesh. We called them "Rod and Frenchy" When I went to Canada, father let me have them in trade for the house that I built on the hill. He imported choice trees and vines from nursery stocks and sought out choice seeds for planting Especially he took pride in raising potatoes and one fall I remember he supplied the Blue Rock Mine in Eureka with 500 bushels. He owned one of the first self rake reapers in our town and did some custom cutting for the

neighbors. I remember the grain fell onto a table and was automatically pushed off at intervals in piles suitable for Tying in bundles by the men who followed. Before this time I have seen him "cradling grain". A cradle was a scythe with arms attached to catch the grain so that it could be dropped in an orderly way so that it could be gathered and tied up with a band of the "self" straw. He was an expert at both and he taught me how to make a "band" and tie a bundle.

He was a large and strong man and could work hard when he needed to but he seldom rushed. I wouldn't say that he worked hard or long hours at any time. He seemed fairly satisfied with his lot and station. Before I was ten years old he took up the work of tithing clerk and caretaker which was vacated at the death of I. M. Coombs. My brother Lew and I carried on the farm work. He was married and had his living from the products and I attended school at home and later had some of the animals to pay my way at college.

The affairs of the home are also clearly in my memory and continued rather constant until when I was just past 17 my mother died. He observed family prayer faithfully. When breakfast was ready we all gathered around the table and knelt down. I often bowed at the same chair that he did and looked into his face. He was nearly always "mouth". He prayed a routine prayer which was customary in public as well as private meetings. My impressions are that he was entirely sincere and I cannot remember that his actions ever belied his tongue or his prayer. His standards of manly virtue and chastity were such that I am persuaded that his young manhood was equally circumspect. I rejoice in the fountains of my existence. I never knew him to break one of the Ten Commandments. He loved God with a life long devotion. He loved his parents and his people and made no arrangements to work on the Sabbath day of the Lord.

As I view it, he was as guileless as any saint that I have known I have never heard anyone question his reputation or insinuate the slightest infraction of the moral law. He was constant to mother

It seems that he never questioned the divinity of the Church nor the authority of its leaders. He left the responsibilities of his fathers farm to engage in preaching the gospel shortly after he joined the Church in Wales When the call was made to gather to Zion in far away America he broke all ties He had a hard time to make a start in Utah and before he scarcely had a shelter for his wife and child he was called by Pres Brigham Young to take a mission back to the old country for three years He didn't hesitate but started without "purse or script" He responded willingly to all the calls and duties of an elder in the church, in administering to the sick, to ward teaching, to meeting going, fasting, paying tithing and home missionary service and appointments

This is July 7. 1958.

I have been reading my grandfather - Barry Wride - Journal. It is most complete up to an including his trip to Mexico in 1900 & 1901

In 1905 he made a trip to Canada to visit our family. We had moved to Raymond Alberta Canada in 1903.

We have a very sparse history of events of my grandfathers life for the next 8 years He died in Payson Utah 8 March 1913 at the age of 79 years.

Salt Lake City Apl 9<sup>th</sup> 1901

Patriarchal Blessing given by E A Richards upon the hear of Barry Wride  
Son of Danson Wride & Ann Davies Born Aug 4 1833 at Miskin House Parish of  
Llantrisant County of Glammorgan South Wales

Bro Barry Wride In the name of Jesus Christ and by virtue and authority  
of the Holy Priesthood in me Vested I lay my hands upon thy head and pronounce  
upon thee a patriarchal blessing that thy mind may be prepared for future  
events and that thine heart may be Soothed and Comforted and thy intellectual  
faculties be kept clear and bright to the end of thy days which yet shall be  
many thou hast been predestinated before the wourld was to come forth in this  
dispensation of the fullness of times to fulfill a honorable mission upon this  
Earth and to this end thou shalt live to fulfill thy destiny the Lord hath  
witnessed thy trials through the Vicisitudes of this life and hast embraced  
the Gospel with a humble and honest heart and he is pleased with thine  
integrity therefor Dear Brother give heed and study the still small voice of  
the Holy Spirit and be earnest in prayer and it shall breethe to thy soul  
peace and plenty all the day long and the remainder part of thy days shall be  
the happiest inasmuch as that thou shalt not lack of the Comforts of life and  
in many instances thou shalt have great cause to rejoice in the Holy one of  
Israel Thou art of Israel through the loins Ephraim Entitled to the blessings  
of the New and Everlasting Covenant Also an heir to the Holy and Melchesidic  
Priesthood and have a right to reedeem thy Fathers household and thy name  
shall go down from generation to generation in honorable remembrance of thy  
fidelity to the Priesthood Thy guardian angel shall guard thy footsteps and  
be on thy right and on thy left protecting thee by day and by night and  
watching thy slumber and Verily thou shalt live to enjoy the fruits of thy

labors in the day thine eyes shall witness almighty changes in the triumph of truth and the building up of the Kingdom of God and the Establishment of Zion

He will Command his Angles to take Charge concerning thee that no evil shall befall thee that peace and joy quietude and tranquility predominate in and around thine habitation I Seal this blessing upon thy head and Confirm all former blessings which has been pronounced upon thee and seal thee up to Eternal life to Come forth in the mourning of the first ruserrection to enjoy kingdoms dominions principalities and powers and a Saviour to thy kindred in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ Even So Amen

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