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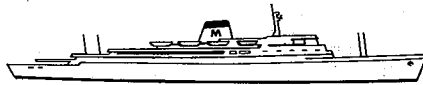
FRIDAY, July 5, 1901. At Hyrum. Was putting up window blinds, curtains, etc. Took C.C.Pratt home to Logan in afternoon, Lillian and Elva went also. I brought back load of furniture that had been shipped from Preston, in handling them lost my watch charm. It was worth \$12.00. Returned late in the evening, found all in bed.

SATURDAY, July 6, 1901. Worked around the house in the morning, went to visit Mrs. Frank Allen. After dinner there was trouble in the family about Will left by Bro. Allen. I advised them not to go to court. I took buggy and we all went up to mouth of Blacksmith Fork, Canyon for a fishing but the surrey was full with myself, wife and all the children. We had a pleasant time but got no fish. Returned home about 9:30 in the evening.

SUNDAY, July 7, 1901 - at Wellsville. Filled an appointment at Wellsville. Drove over by team accompanied by Bishop G.F.Wright and C.C.Shaw. We visited Sunday School and meeting, took dinner at Bishop Evan Owens. They have a good orderly and well-regulated school with about 250 average attendance. I spoke a short time and had good liberty for meeting the house was well filled. I occupied about one hour, had good liberty and believe made good impression. Bishop Wright and C.C.Shaw spoke short time between Sunday School and meeting. We visited high priests meeting, about 18 present. I spoke about 10 minutes. We returned to Hyrum about 6 o'clock, had supper, then Bro. Shaw and I visited College Ward and held meeting at 7:30. I spoke about 20 minutes on the subject of virtue and honesty among the young. Also related a little of my personal life. Geo.O. Pitkin endorsed all that had been said. spoke about 20 minutes on same subject. C.C.Shaw followed with a 10 minute speech on chastity and the general observance of the Gospel. We returned to Hyrum arriving about 11 o'clock.

MONDAY, July 8, 1901 My wife and I, also Irene, Willis and baby went to Logan. I put up temporary petition in C.C.Pratt's house, then attended meeting at the Temple at 2 o'clock p.m. Heard a financial report of condition of Temple which was very satisfactory to all present. The same was endorsed and ordered placed on record. After meeting I had a short talk with Pres. Merrill about the Hyrum Stake. He said don't be in a hurry to complete the organization until you get acquainted with the people. I also talked with Samuel Roskelley about organizing prayer circle at Wellsville and Hyrum, he promised to attend to it soon as we were ready. I took measurement of alter in Temple. I see my Bro. Geo. C.Parkinson and also S.H.Hall at Temple. We had a pleasant visit. George went to Salt Lake on 3 o'clock train. After meeting I finished the petition in Charlotte's house, then drove back to Hyrum.

TUESDAY, July 9, 1901. Lillian began work in store. I watered our garden, had a long talk with Bishop Wright. Made arrangements with Alf Williams for Lillian to work in his store at \$10.00 per month. She commenced today. After dinner rode to Logan with Bro.



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Newberger. Visited Charlotte short time then took train to Whitney. borrowed horse from Fred Alder and rode to Lulu's.

WEDNESDAY, July 10, 1901. At Lulu's. Went to Preston and Dr. Davis filled one tooth. Visited some of my friend. Had a long talk with Jos. G. Nelson. He promised to get money right away and settle for land sold him last Spring. He also talked of renting my land for five years. Lulu and I took dinner at C.D. Goasland. Met Geo. C. Parkinson and had long talk with him. He had withdrawn for appointment of Dep. Revenue Collector Callister who had been very mean and unfair, hence he would not accept the position. A compromise was made and George was to receive about \$3000 consideration. I stayed at Lulu's all night. We visited Bro. and Sister Benson in the evening.

THURSDAY, July 11, 1901. at Whitney. At Lulu's. I drove to Franklin accompanied by my wife and daughter Lou - called at Mother's old home and took dinner with Aunt Charlotte Parkinson. I visited Grandma Nash and Ada Parkinson. Also called at Samuel's. Father was at Preston, Frank and Samuel were at sheep camp. At 2:30 p.m. I took train for Logan. Grandma Nash was with me. We were preparing to make trip to Ogden by team. We remained at Logan stopping at C.C. Pratt's until 7 o'clock, then drove to Hyrum as Lillian and Elva have brought the horse and surry for us. While in Logan I had a long talk with Willard Maughan about the S.F. Allen estate and tried to adopt some means to keep it out of court.

FRIDAY, July 12, 1901. Hyrum. At Nellie's. Went early to see sister Boletta Allen and asked her to withdraw her petition from the court and settle their troubles about the estate among her friends outside of the court. Her sons Heber Rubin and another were present and all tried to persuade her but in vain. She became very angry and determined to have her rights in the court if it cost all she had. I left the matter in the hands of her sons who seemed to be inclined to be fair and just. Rubin however, took sides with his mother who was very reasonable. I then prepared to go to Ogden and started at 5:30 p.m. by team with Nellie, her mother, Ray, Willis and the baby. We arrived at Brigham City about 9 o'clock and stayed all night, at Geo. Graches. He is quite poor and working hard on a farm. He told me of a coal mine he had found out West near the Promitery and invited me to take an interest in it. I promised to investigate with a view of doing so.

SATURDAY, July 13, 1901. At Geo Graches in Brigham City. Started for Ogden, early about 5:45 a.m. Camped on the way for breakfast. Arrived at Sister Kershaw's at Ogden about 10 a.m. We had enjoyed the ride. Nellie and I went to Boyles and ordered some furniture. Willis and Rae went to C.C. Wests in the evening. Hitched Auntie Kershaw's horse on our surry and went downtown. He was mean and hard to handle and the folks were very much frightened.



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SUNDAY, July 14, 1901. We were in the house most all day but all had a pleasant ride in the evening. We went to the reform school, woolen factory and cemetery. Stayed at sister Kershaw's all night.

MONDAY, July 15, 1901. I took the train and went to Salt Lake City, bought some goods at ZCMI. Visited Bishop Preston's office and had a long talk with him about building an office for our stake president. He said it should be done and asked me to send estimate of cost. He also promised to send order for \$50.00 to buy books and office supplies. I also visited the President's office and saw Jos. F. Smith and George Gibbs. Bro. Gibbs encouraged me to send in an application for about \$500 or \$600 for myself as stake president. Returned to Ogden at 8:30 p.m. and stayed at Sister Kershaw's all night.

TUESDAY, July 16, 1901 At Ogden Nellie and I was downtown until about 1 o'clock trading. Then she went to Auntie Kershaw's and had a long talk with C.A. Smurthwaite. He thought we might do some business this Fall in handling grain and other kinds of produce. I then called on Mr. J.D. Dee who is vice president of Cache Valley Sugar Co. He thought if I would send in written application could get employment with the company.

WEDNESDAY, July 17, 1901 We started home early in the morning about 6 o'clock. Drove to Mantua and camped in the shade for about four hours then started for home at 4:30. Picked berries on the way and arrived home at 8 o'clock p.m. Found all well, came by way of Paradise.

THURSDAY, July 18, 1901 I was building buggy shed and received four loads of hay from Tithing office. It was very warm and I over-exerted myself until I was completely exhausted and was sick all the afternoon.

FRIDAY, July 19, 1901. My wife and I attended an old folks party. A nice program was rendered beginning at 11 o'clock at the Academy Building. Then adjourned to the meeting house where all partook of a good meal that had been prepared by some young ladies. We then retired to the grove on the public square and listened to some nice music by the band and to see some foot racing and various games. The oldest gentleman, Bro. Benson, received a pair of shoes as a prize, also the oldest lady, Sister Hyde. Mrs. Molan's mother received a dress pattern. She was 88 years. About 6 o'clock all went back to the meeting house and had ice cream. All seemed to enjoy themselves and we had a pleasant day.

SATURDAY, July 20, 1901. It was Willis' birthday. We all gave him some small presents. I worked around home all day and did some writing.

SUNDAY, July 21, 1901. At MT. STIRLAND. I invited Bro. C.F. Olsen and we visited the Mt. Stirland ward. Put up our horse at Bro. Hill's. Attended Sunday school at 10 o'clock. There was about 50 present. Bro. Olsen and I each spoke a short time to the school. They have a



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nice orderly and well-regulated school. Bro. Redman is superintendent. We went to Bishop Hill's for dinner and had a pleasant time; about 2 o'clock Frank Pratt and my son Willis drove into the Bishop's yard. Frank had come down to see me and brought his mother and as I was not at home he came over to attend meeting with us. The meeting commenced at 2:30 p.m. Bro. Olsen, John H. Bankhead, Frank Pratt and myself each spoke a short time. All had good liberty and we had a splended meeting. The speakers referred to their experience as missionaries and spoke in a general way upon the principles of chastity, diligence and faithfulness in observing the principles of the gospel. Complimented the people on their beautiful meeting house and pleasant location. On returning home found Charlotte and one of sister Hadfield's daughters. We had supper and a pleasant visit for an hour and half then. They went back to Logan. Frank said he was out of employment and wanted to see if I could give him something to do.

MONDAY, July 22, 1901. Went to Logan. Took Mrs Bell's stove home, then got load of furniture and other goods from Logan depot that we had bought from Boyle of Ogden and ZCMI in Salt Lake. It was a very hot and tiresome ride. Got home about 2:30, spent the afternoon in unloading and unpacking goods. Got shafts from Blacksmith Shop. Paid him \$1.00 for repairing same and 50¢ for shingles.

TUESDAY, July 23, 1901. Nellie went with Willis to the Temple to have him baptised. Irene and the baby went along. They drove over with small buggy and old Charley. Returned about one o'clock p.m. We then prepared to go to Preston for the 24th. We decided that Lillian, Elva, Irene and myself should go. We took the horse Barney and the surrey and lead Queen behind as we had sold her to George C. Parkinson for \$70. We left home at 4:10 and arrived at Preston about 10:30. I went to Lulu's and found all well. The girl went to Aunt Esther's.

WEDNESDAY, July 24, 1901. WHITNEY. We decided to go in the canyon with Lulu and her children. We borrowed Andrew Moser's spring wagon and harness, took old Bess and Barney. Prepared picknic and bedding and started about 1 o'clock. We took dinner on Cub River near James Howarth's. Then drove up the river to Lorenzo Cuttlers place. Found young George Benson and wife, also Sister Dunkley and John Dunkley and wife. We unloaded and prepared to camp for the night. I drove over to Cutlers and got hay for horses. We found a very nice pleasant place to camp. I went in bathing with the children and road the horses through the water giving them a nice bath. We fished and picked Sarvis berries. Made one bed in wagon and one on ground and had good night's rest.

THURSDAY, July 25, 1901. After breakfast fished, picked berries, layed around in the shade having a good rest and pleasant visit until about four o'clock p.m. then drove home, arrived about 5:30, took buggy and harness back to Bro. Moser and stayed at Lulu's all night.



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FRIDAY, July 26, 1901. Drove over to Preston, collected some rents.

Paid John Larsen \$165 to make final proof on desert land entry north of Preston. Made arrangements with Frank Pratt to put down platform in sidewalk in front of my Main St. property south of Studebaker building. Also to build coal bins for Foss & Davis. In the evening quite a crowd including myself and children, also Esther and family, John Larsen and family, Sister Caroline and family, went to Bear River for a bath. Ella Lumberg and I got in deep water and were very near drowned, caused considerable excitement and spoiled the pleasure of the party. We returned home about 9 o'clock. I went over to Lulu's and stayed all night.

SATURDAY, July 27, 1901. Lulu took me back to Preston. I visited the

dentist and he changed the plate which held my lower teeth and they fit better. Lillian had a tooth pulled. Took dinner at Bro. John Larsens. I delivered old Queen to George and he paid me \$35 cash, a single buggy harness as balance due besides wagon, \$10 however was for interest. Dr. Cutler told me that Carman Benson had smallpox, and Lulu's children had been exposed. Lulu went home at once. Myself and children drove to Franklin. They went to Grandma Nash's and I visited with Samuel, Frank and Father. Then called on Bro. & Sister Nash. Found all well. Went to Priesthood Meeting and talked a short time. Left the children to drive to Logan next day and I took train for Logan. Stayed at C.C. Pratt's all night.

SUNDAY, July 28, 1901 LOGAN. At C.C. Pratt's. Nellie, Willis and the baby came over from Hyrum. I went to conference. Apostle Merrill asked me to speak. I spoke about 20 minutes. The other speakers were Elder Robins who had just returned from mission to Southern States, Apostle Merrill, Willard Maughan, Issac Smith and John Carlisle. We took dinner at C.C. Pratt's. I bought shoe brush and blacking, also bread and ice cream, cost \$1.00. After dinner all went to meeting, sat on west end of gallery. Meeting was addressed by Pres. Jos. Morrell and Apostle John H. Smith. We had a good meeting. After meeting we visited Louis Moreheard and Sisters. All treated us kindly. We then drove home to Hyrum. Stuart and Florence came down from Franklin after apples. They had driven down with buggy, the girls had also gotten home.

MONDAY, July 29, 1901. Wrote my journal from July 23rd. Visited with Stuart. All went up to Blacksmith Fork and went in bathing. Had a pleasant time and returned about 5 o'clock. Stuart and Florence started home about 6:30 this evening with four sacks of apples we gave them.

TUESDAY, July 30, 1901. I had a long talk with Bishop John Wright.

He explained his reasons for the prejudice that existed against him. Said he had trouble with the tithing clerk. He had paid him for his labor from tithing funds and charged same to poor account to the amount of about \$700.00 or \$800. The matter was brought before the church authorities and a decision was rendered requiring him to pay



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the amount back to the church which he intended to do. His reason for using this means was he thought it no harm because the clerk was a poor man and drew some support from church and he thought he should do all the work he could that he may not be considered an idler. The bishop said if he was released from the Bishopric he would like to be one of my counselors. We then took the bishops horse and buggy and him and I visited several brethren who had been recommended for high counselors as I desired to meet and converse with them. We were together until 2 o'clock then I took the water to water our lot. Bro. Andrew Anderson called to see me and he told me of his trouble and was very much dissatisfied with Bishop Bright, and he said he believed 9/10ths of the people were also dissatisfied and had no confidence in the bishop. In the evening Bro. Winger made about the same statement although personally he was on very friendly terms with the bishop and said he was a good man and had many virtues.

WEDNESDAY, July 31, 1901. Wrote letter to Pres. Snow asking for an allowance as Stake President to the amount of \$500 or \$600. Wrote several other letters; talked with Bro. Jas. Unsworth about the condition of the ward. He also thought there should be a change in the Bishopric as people had lost confidence in Bishop Wright and the whole Wright family. I administered to Sister Shaw who was very sick with cancer. My wife and sister Margaret Neilson anointed her. Had another long talk with Bro. Unsworth. Was on the street all the afternoon talking with those I met and trying to make acquaintance. Visited A.D. Rogers and examined a Washing machine which he had invented and got a patent for. He wanted me to assist him to get it on the market. In the evening Bro. Andrew Anderson came to my house and submitted list of names of those he thought would be most suitable for stake officers. In the afternoon W.M. Daines telephoned me that Ezra F. Wooley had his commission and wanted to take possession of the Post Office on the 1st of August. I wanted him to wait until Monday as I had priesthood to attend on Saturday but he was not willing to wait so I prepared to go tomorrow.

THURSDAY, August 1, 1901. I wrote to Pres. Snow asking if I should select names and he prepared to complete stake organization at our conference to be held August 25th and 26th. Then drove to Logan and took train at 11:15 for Preston. Transferred all post office accounts to Ezra F. Wooley and sold him the lock boxes and cabinet with desk, also cash drawer for \$45 to be paid \$15, each month until paid. Several families at Whitney were quarantined with smallpox. Geo. F. Benson had one of his daughter's Carman, have the disease in a very light form. My wife and children had all been exposed. The whole town was quarantined. I got permission to go over and talk to my folks at a distance. They were all well but feeling very blue. I visited with them for about one hour, they were not in need of anything. Stayed with my Brother George all night.

FRIDAY, August 2, 1901. Did some business about the town, signed deeds for store property on corner to John Larsen & Sons and place where butcher shop stands to Rogers & Hawks. ate dinner with Frank Pratt, took train at 1:50 for Logan. There I met Nellie and the girls with buggy and after doing little business at Logan drove home to Hyrum. It had been raining and roads were muddy. Found all well.

SATURDAY, August 3, 1901. Was writing in the morning. Attended priesthood meeting at 11 o'clock. Each ward was represented but rather small attendance. I spoke on a few topics, paying special attention to the proper training of the youth collecting donation to repair Logan Temple. I also introduced the idea of organizing a company to buy a machine and bore for coal, water and oil. Many favored the enterprise and a committee was appointed to get all the information possible about price of machine, the probability of getting coal, water and oil. I was chairman of the committee. After dinner Bishop Wright, Robert Baxter and myself went and looked at a coal prospect near Paradise. We saw very encouraging indications.

SUNDAY, August 4, 1901. It was Fast day so I had no breakfast but started for Millville at 9 o'clock. Willis was with me. We attended Sunday School and meeting and had a pleasant time in meeting. Quite a number bore their testimony. I had dinner at Geo. O. Pitkins, after meeting drove home and had supper at Bishop Wright's, also my wife and three oldest daughters. They treated us very kindly and we had a pleasant time. Will Wright took Lillian for buggy ride and also asked if she would go with him to dance. Monday evening. Ray Rogers and Marinda Larsen came down with horse and buggy from Preston. They stayed all night.

MONDAY, August 5, 1901. Was busy nearly all day writing. In the evening I took Elva and Irene to the dance. Lillian went with Will Wright. It was a very nice orderly dance. In the afternoon I paid the blacksmith \$1.85 for shoeing horses. I asked Alf Williams if Lillian could go to Logan and take her music lesson. He objected. I reminded him that he promised to let her off once each week when she was first engaged. I asked him if he was satisfied with her work. He said she did not satisfy their customers so I concluded to take her out of the store which I did. She quit at once.

TUESDAY, August 6, 1901. I wrote several letters. Then looked at Sister Margaret Neilson's house and lot which was for sale. She asked \$1000 for the place. I told her I would think it over. I then called on Father Linjquest. He reported that the feeling in the ward against Bishop Wright was almost universal and a change was necessary. He had no serious objection to the Bishop. Thought he was a good man but unfortunately he was not a natural Bishop and could not lead the people, they had no confidence in him. I then reported to Bishop Wright that I had orders on his office for \$350 and desired him to dispose of produce and pay me cash when he could, which he promised to do. Lillian had gone to Logan in the morning and returned about 11 o'clock with Sister Morehead and her daughters Louise and Bessie. We spent a very pleasant day together and took them back to Logan in the evening. About 8 o'clock Father Linjquist came in and recommended some men he thought would be suitable

for stake officers. We had a long pleasant chat together.

WEDNESDAY, August 7, 1901. Was busy all day making buggy shed. Bought some lumber and slabs for same. Cost \$.80. I took team and hauled it down. O.E. Johnson and Chas. Harris called in and took dinner with us. They examined our piano and we had some music and a pleasant visit. I paid Harris \$25 which was balance due on piano. About 6 o'clock was called to the telephone and Elise Alder told me that my wife Lulu and two of the children had small pox. It was a lite form and thought they would soon be better. There is about 30 cases in Whitney. Several of our neighbors called to visit us. Bishop Wright offered to take one of my girls to work in the store but I preferred to have them go to school. He also invited myself and family to go to his farm tomorrow with a picnic party.

THURSDAY, August 8, 1901. Myself and all the family went to Bishop Wright's farm at Paradise with a picnic party. We had a very nice pleasant day sitting in the shade of the trees visiting and eating. Some of the men including myself had a bath in the little muddy river. There was in the party Bishop Wright and wife, his son Fred and wife, Heber Carslile and wife and father, also Mrs. Dr. Gowen's, Mrs. Aaron Farr, Mrs. John Carslile and a host of children. We returned home about 8 o'clock.

FRIDAY, August 9, 1901. Was working around home. Hung wire door. Put mosquito netting over windows. Hung pictures in bed room and received five loads hay. C.D. Goaslind called me to telephone and wanted me to go to Nation Park. He and Geo. C. and their families were going to start next Tuesday. I could not go as our conference was coming off this month. Received three cards from Lulu's folks saying she and two oldest girls had small pox but were getting along nicely.

SATURDAY, August 10, 1901. I wrote five letters. Received one load hay. Went to postoffice, conversed a short time with Bro. Winger. Hitched team on wagon and gathered boards and sticks from the yard and hauled them to woodpile. Went up to Allens store and bought some wheat for chickens. There was no flour in any of the stores. Henry Rogers came over to see us. We visited a few hours, took dinner together. He had quit the store and we talked of going in together busying and selling hogs, grain and coal. We thought best to make no definite arrangements for the present. Geo. O. Pitkin called and wanted mt to go to Wellsville with him. Henry was going back at once so I excused myself and went with Bro. Pitkin. We met Bishop Wm. Maughan and had a pleasant visit talking about the conditions of the new stake. I asked Bishop Maughan to give me the names of about 15 or 20 of their best and most suitable men for stake offices. He promised to do so. We drove back to Hyrum and on the way had a pleasant visit with Bishop Pitkin. I asked Bro. Unsworth to go with me tomorrow to Mendon which he consented to do.

SUNDAY, August 11, 1901. Bro. Unsworth and myself started for Mendon at 8:30. Arrived at 9:40, attended school with Bishop Anderson, at 10 a.m. there was a very nice orderly school with about 175 in attendance. After 45 minutes class exercises Bro. Unsworth and myself spoke a few moments. We then went with

the Bishop and visited the high priests meeting, held in a private room. there was 11 members present. We both spoke again for a few moments, took dinner with Bishop Anderson. Went to meeting at 2 o'clock p.m. there was good attendance. The speakers were Andrew Sorrenson, Andrew Anderson, James Unsworth and myself. A good spirit prevailed and all seemed to have good liberty. After meeting many came and shook hands and treated me kindly. We visited with Bishop Anderson and Bro. Henry Hughes for short time. Administered to a baby who had hurt its back and a young girl who was sick. Bro. Unsworth drove the horse and biggie back to Hyrum and I took evening train and went to Franklin. Stayed all night with my brother Frank.

MONDAY, August 12, 1901. WHITNEY. I called on Sister Nash and found her with a bad blood-shot eye. I also met my daughter Ray. I then borrowed horse from Henry Doney and rode to Whitney. took dinner with Elise Alder, then rode up to my wife Lulu's and found that herself and the two oldest daughters were just recovering from a light attack of small pox. They were under quarentine and also Bro. Benson's family and about 15 other families in Whitney and 8 families in Preston. After visiting a short time I went to Preston. Met George C. Parkinson, Henry Rogers and C.D. Goaslind. All were well. George and Charley with their families were preparing to make a trip to the National Park by team. Expected to start tomorrow. Dr. Davis had bought Cyrus Curtis home and moved his family from my brick building but he still had his office there. Cyrus Curtis had moved to Big Timber, Mont. I rode back to Lulu's and sat out on the grass and visited with them for about 1/2 hour, then called to see Bro. and Sister Benson. They were all fairly well but others of the family were expecting to come down with the sickness soon. Came down to Elise Alder's and stayed all night.

TUESDAY, August 13, 1901. WHITNEY At Fred Alder's took breakfast and rode horse back to Franklin. Visited with Samuel, Frank and Tommy. Called on Grandma Nash, borrowed Henry Doney's horse, also Father's mare and buggie, and father drove me to Richmond where I expected to visit Apostle Merrill. We found him but he was busy and we made an appointment to meet at Logan Temple on Thursday 10 o'clock. I then took train to Logan and Father went back to Franklin. My daughter Rae was with me. She had been staying with Grandma Nash about two weeks. We met Lillian in Logan with buggie and drove home by way of Providence. Found all well.

WEDNESDAY, August 14, 1901. Wrote several letters, posted up my accounts, helped my wife to put up furniture in east room up stairs, in the afternoon took my family and went to look at piece of property that was for sale by Bro. Alvin Allen. In the evening I had a long talk with Bishop Wright about preparing for conference, also about the feeling of prejudice that existed against him. I asked him if it would not be a good idea to call the priesthood of the ward together and have an expression from them as to whether a change in the Bishopric should be made. He said it would be a good thing to do. We then visited the choir practice and talked a short time with the choir. We had a pleasant time.

THURSDAY, August 15, 1901. AT TEMPLE. I went to Logan with horse and buggy. See Geo. O. Pitkin at Logan. I told him I was going to meet Apostle Merrill at the temple at 10 o'clock. He said the day you was sustained as president of Hyrum Stake Bro. Merrill asked me how I would like to be your counselor and I wish to tell you that I am seeking no office and in making up your list of stake officers I shall not feel bad if I am left out. Still if you want me I will do the best I can. I called to see Lorenzo Hanson but he was not at home. I then went to the temple and met Bro. M.W. Merrill, at 10 o'clock and we had a long talk about the organization of the Hyrum Stake. I submitted a list of names that I had selected for stake officers. He read them over carefully. We discussed them for some time and he said it was a good selection and he could endorse all on the list but as it was not complete he asked me to select others if I could in time for conference that the stake may be completed. I reported that there was a strong feeling of prejudice against Bishop Wright of Hyrum and the ward was in bad condition. He advised me to call the priesthood of the ward together and get an expression from them as to whether they would sustain Bishop John F. Wright or if they wanted a change. I asked him if he could be present, he said he could not be there but told me to go ahead and I would get along all right and come back and report to him next Wednesday. I came home in the evening and met with the Bishopric in the tithing office. They appointed committee to clean up around the public square and prepare for conference, also a reception committee to see that all people coming to conference are provided with food and lodgings. Bro. Orson M. Wilson was present. I introduced the idea of calling a priesthood meeting of the ward for the purpose of getting an expression from them as to whether they would sustain the present bishopric or have a change. All present thought it would be an excellent thing to do and the meeting was appointed for Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. There was some bad feelings between the Bishop and his counselors, especially Bro. Ole Rose which was made manifest during the meeting and after some discussion they asked each other's forgiveness and parted with good feelings. Meeting then adjourned and I pronounced the Benediction.

FRIDAY, August 16, 1901. Discussed plan of stake office. Sister Molen came down and invited myself and wife to go and spend the day with Bro. & Sister Pitkin. We consented and I hitched on to my surrey and all rode together. Before going Bro. Chas. Barreitt, the architect from Logan called and we went to the tithing office, found Bishop Wright and looked over the building with a view of adding other rooms for the stake president's office. Bro. Barreitt recommended a basement and a two-story wing 18 x 20 inside with hall and porch to be built on west side of present building. He promised to submit plan and estimate of cost in a few days which would be sent to Bishop Preston for approval. We then drove on to Millville and spent a pleasant day with Bro. Pitkin and family and returned about 7:30 in the

evening. I invited Bro. Pitkin to attend our priesthood meeting Sunday evening which he promised to do. The weather was cloudy and cold.

SATURDAY, August 17, 1901. I wrote some letters in the morning and after dinner drove to Wellsville and had a long talk with Bishop W.H. Maughan. By my request he gave me a list of names of what he considered the best men in his ward for stake officers. I then drove to Logan to see Lorenzo Hansen but he had not returned from Salt Lake. So I returned home, Willis was with me and on the way we stopped and picked choke cherries on Blacksmith Fork. We got home about 7 o'clock, received letter from Thos. Hull appointing convention of officers of YMMIA September 22, 1901. I sent written notice to all wards in this stake appointing the meeting here at 10 and 2 o'clock. It was cool and cloudy all day.

SUNDAY, August 18, 1901. At Hyrum - attended Sunday School and found a good attendance and quite an interesting school but the house was dirty and poorly kept. I spoke short time, about one o'clock Sister Molin and her mother called at our house and Sister Molin and I went to meeting. There was a good attendance. C.F. Olsen and James L. Jensen were the speakers. I gave notice of the priesthood meeting and desired all to come as it was to consider important matters for the interest of the ward. I told them the principal business was to get an expression from the people as to whether they would sustain the present bishopric or did they want a change. All was urged to come. This same notice was given out at Sunday School and Danish meeting. After meeting Bishop Wright and wife, also Sister Molin came to our house to take dinner and spend the afternoon as they had previously been invited. We had a nice meal with ice cream and spent a very pleasant time together. Bro. Pitkin came in about 7 o'clock. About 7:30 all went home and Bro. Pitkin and I went to meeting. I keenly felt the importance and responsibility of presiding over the meeting. Bro. Pitkin said he never felt so concerned about a meeting as we all feared there would be trouble, that the people would get angry and give vent to bitter feelings as there was a strong feeling of opposition against the bishop. I went out alone and poured out my soul to the Lord and earnestly pleaded for help and wisdom that I might control the people and that we may have a profitable time together. I then felt calm and all fears left me. I returned to the meeting house and called the brethren to order. The choir sang, Father Linquist opened by prayer. The choir sang again. I then spoke a few words in kindness asking all to be careful in all they may say that no persons' feelings might be hurt. I called all high priests to stand on their feet, also all Seventies, then the Elders, then the members of the lesser priesthood, and all who held no priesthood was asked to retire. Several went out - there was 25 H.P.'s, 38 Seventies, 46 Elders, and 10 of the lesser priesthood. All was called up on front seats. I then talked about 10 minutes upon the importance of all present to act like men of God, be free from personal spite and in all that is said and done and remember it should be for the very best interest of the whole ward. A good quiet spirit prevailed and I had good liberty.

And George O. Pitkin endorsed all that had been said and done and talked very good on the same subject. Bishop Wright then spoke in a very kind and feeling manner stating that he had tried to do the best he could and his conscience was clear before the Lord. He desired the Brethern should be careful and not wound his feelings, said he had known for a long time that there was a bad feeling of prejudice against him. Next speaker was Jas. Unsworth. He thought a change in the Bishopric would be a good thing. Bro. Ole Rose was next speaker. He also thought we should have new Bishop, then Bro. Peter Rose said he had no personal feelings against the Bishop but knew the people were not satisfied, the ward was in bad shape spiritually, they were going back and the ward was dead. He was sure a change was needed. Many of the leading brethern spoke in the same way all speaking in the most kind and considerate manner stating that Bishop Wright did not have the faculty of drawing the people to him but held them from him, he did not have that kind fatherly interest in the people that was expected in a bishop, did not think the people properly knew him, neither did he know the people. There was a breach between them that could not be healed up and it was growing worse (privately the people charged Bishop Wright with being selfish and grasping for money taking advantage of them in financial deals and at times was shifting and unreliable and that his wife interfered and knew too much about public affairs). Some of the brethern thought the ward should be divided as it was too large for one man. After hearing from about 20 of the leading men all but one recommended a change but spoke very kindly and a good spirit still prevailed. A vote was called to see how many would sustain the present Bishop and how many wanted a change. More than 3/4 voted for a change. A vote was then called to see how many was in favor of dividing the ward. About 90 percent voted for two wards. I then asked the brethern to express their choice of two men for Bishops (when the time should come for their appointment) and four men were appointed to give each man a slip of paper that he should write the names of his choice upon it, then they were gathered up and I brought them home. I thanked them very kindly for their good order and was pleased with the spirit of the meeting, Bishop Wright made a few remarks in the spirit of kindness and the choir sang, meeting adjourned, benediction by Geo. O. Pitkin.

MONDAY, August 19, 1901. George O. Pitkin had stayed with me all night and this morning we counted the votes of last night and read the minutes and passed upon them. He expressed himself as being exceedingly well satisfied with the meeting. We then made up a list of stake officers, was very busy carefully discussing and considering this important matter until about 11 o'clock, then Bro. Pitkin went home. I went uptown and found many on the street discussing the meeting of Sunday evening and all seemed well satisfied with the result. They thought we had a grand meeting. Father Linquist said it was the best meeting of the kind he had ever attended. I telephoned to Lorenzo Hanson of Logan and made an appointment to meet him Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. Was repairing pasture fence in the afternoon and fixing corral gate. Had a long talk with Bishop Wright. He felt bad and was talking considerable on the streets. I advised him to be very careful what he said and not to talk

about his removal from the Bishopric but go on same as if nothing had happened and that when the stake was organized he could be used in the high counsel. He promised to cease talking and try to feel right. In the evening Father Lilinjuist called in and we had long talk about the meeting. He was well satisfied. He said in making two wards he would recommend his son H.F.Lilinjuist and A.A.Allen Jr., as the best men for Bishops. It rained nearly all day.

TUESDAY, August 20, 1901. I was home helping my wife prepare for conference. Hauled straw to fill three bed ticks. Afternoon was uptown. Hired two men to cut all my wood for \$3.50. Paid Bishop Wright \$75 tithing. It was cloudy all day and some rain.

WEDNESDAY, August 21, 1901. Went to Logan early in the morning, met Lorenzo Hansen. Asked him if he would accept the position as my counselor. He said he was engaged in the creamery business, was running 5 creamery and thought he was benefiting the people and should not be disturbed but if he was called would not refuse. Said he would always be willing to help in a financial way and would come right to the front. I then met Apostle M.W.Merrill at the temple and reported the priesthood meeting that was held in Hyrum. He indorsed all that had been done and was well pleased. We again discussed the names of brethren to fill the various stake offices. We decided on Geo. A. Pitkin as first counselor and thought we should have a Scandinavian from Hyrum for 2nd counselor and suggested H.F.Lilinjuist and Bro. Jas. Unsworth for clerk of stake. We were not quite decided on these parties so Bro. Merrill asked me to get my counselors together and then make up a list of our choice and it would be all right with the apostles. I had dinner at the Temple, then did a little business downtown and started home about 5 o'clock. Overtook Geo. O. Pitkin and reported to him what I had done and also what Bro. Merrill had said. He promised to come to Hyrum tomorrow and assist in making up the list. I called at Bishop Rusche's and he paid me \$15 as temple donation. I arrived home about 7 o'clock, the folks had all gone out riding. About 9 o'clock it was very dark and cloudy and for several hours there was heavy thunder and lightning but no rain.

THURSDAY, August 22, 1901. I was uptown attending to some business until about 11 o'clock, then Bro. Geo. Pitkin came and we went together with his horse and buggy and had a long talk with Orson M. Wilson, getting his opinion as to the most suitable man in this ward for stake clerk, also for Pres. Y.M.M.I. association. We also talked with H.F.Liljquist on same subject. We also desired to become acquainted with these men to see if they could be used for bishops or some position in the stake. We then had dinner at my house and then drove to Paradise and talked with Bro. Umphries and Bishop Oldham on same subject. We returned about 7 o'clock. Bro. Pitkin drove home and I called and talked with Father Lilijquist. He was well pleased with the result of our priesthood meeting and thought all the people felt well satisfied.

FRIDAY, August 23, 1901. Repaired gates and fences, wash surrey, drove to Wellsville with wife ad children, bought some butter and cheese at dairy, drove around the town. Had a chat with Bishop W.H.Maughan about stake officers. I asked if he would accept place in high counsel if there was room. By telephone I learned that John H.Smith would attend our conference. (weather was fair).

SATURDAY, August 24, 1901. I went to Logan to meet the Brethern who were coming to attend our conference. Apostle John H. Smith and Golden Kimbal came but Bro. Kimbal remained in Logan with his Bro. Elias who was going to bring him over tomorrow morning. I came home with Bro. Smith. We had a pleasant chat on subject. I reported the condition of the wards and what I had done. He endorsed all I had done, thought the course taken with Bishop Wright was best thing we could do. Arrived home about 1:30 p.m., had dinner and visited Sister Shaw. She was feeling some better. We went onto the public square and met the Bishop and several leading men of the ward. Went to the office and looked over the tithing record, returned home and discussed the names of stake officers but did not make up an entire list as he wished to see Apostle Merrill first. After supper Lillian played a few pieces on the piano and Elva recited for us. We spent a pleasant evening and retired to bed at 10 o'clock. Fine weather all day.

SUNDAY, August 25, 1901. Apostle John H. Smith and I attended Sunday School at 9 o'clock. He spoke a few moments and school adjourned at 10 o'clock and conference opened at once singing, prayer by Patriarch Henry Hughes. Singing. I made a brief speech of welcome followed by Geo. O. Pitkin, A.A. Allen, Jr., H.F. Lilinjuist, A.M. Israelson, I.C. Thoreson, W.H. Maughan, Sr., E.R. Evans, Bishop Samuel Oldham, Bishop John F. Wright and Apostle J.H. Smith. All spoke with a good kind spirit, hearing testimony to the truth of the gospel and expressing a willingness to live up to their profession. Meeting closed with singing and benediction by H.C. Jackson. Bro. Smith, J.G. Kimball, Elias Kimball and Geo. O. Pitkin all had dinner at my home. We talked over the list of names I had selected for officers.

2 p.m. singing, prayer by O.N. Lilinjuist and the meeting was addressed by J.G. Kimball and M.W. Merrill. Both spoke on the subject of chastity and virtue among the young, Singing and benediction by Bro. Smith who had supper at my house. We visited and administered to Sister C.C. Shaw who was very sick with cancer of the stomach. We then visited Bishop Wright. An evening meeting was held at 7:30. Singing by the choir, prayer by _____. The meeting was addressed by quite a number of brethern who were being considered for stake officers. Also Bro. John Henry Smith and J.G. Kimbal spoke on mutual improvement and the vital importance of protecting the young against intemperance of and immorality. This meeting was under the auspices of the M.I.A. Singing and benediction by _____.

MONDAY, August 26, 1901. Apostle Smith, Geo. O. Pitkin and J.G. Kimball discussed the names selected for stake officers. This had also been done whenever there was any spare time during the whole conference and several times Apostle Merrill was with us. I was undecided who to take for 2nd counselor and stake clerk. Bro. Smith strongly recommended I.C. Thoreson for counselor and Willard Israelson for clerk. We attended meeting at 10 o'clock. I presided with singing and prayer. The meeting was addressed by several more who were being considered for positions in the stake, also by Apostle Merrill who spoke on the observance of the Sabbath day and law of tithing. Bro. G. Kimball also spoke and referred to the young buggy riding at

NIGHT, GIRLS SITTING ON YOUNG MEN'S laps. Said it was wrong and should not be done. The young have too much liberty and are too reckless in their associations with the opposite sex. Singing and benediction. We held another counsel meeting on the stand and there was present J.H.Smith, M.W.Merrill, J.H.Kimball, Jos. Morrell and myself. We again carefully went over the list of names of those being considered for stake positions and finally settled on the list. It was only then that I decided to accept I.C.Thoreson as 2nd counselor and Willard Israelson as stake clerk. They were not exactly my free choice but circumstances and conditions and the strong suggestions of Bro. G.H.Smith seemed to indicate the wisdom of selecting these brethren. We took lunch with the committee at the academy.

2 p.m. Singing and prayer. J.H.Smith spoke on the importance of receiving and sustaining the brethren whose names would be presented this afternoon for their vote as stake officers. Said there was so many good men we could not find positions for all. He then presented the following names. Brethern - W.C.Parkinson, Pres., Geo.O.Pitkin, 1st couns. Ingwald C.Thoreson 2nd couns. Willard A.Israelson, stake clerk.

Members of High Counsel - John F.Wright, O.M.Wilson, James Unsworth, E.P.Christensen, Neils J.Neilson, Ole H.Rose, A.A.Allen, Sr. David Murray, John H.Maughan, P.O.Hansen, Andrew Sorensen and Ole Olsen.

Alternates - Isaac Sorensen, Michael Johnson, R.W. Shipley, N.J.Hartwigen, C.C.Shaw, Geo. H.Bradshaw.

High Priests Quorum - Andrew Andersen, Pres., Wm.H.Haslam, 1st Couns. Jas. Jensen, 2nd couns.

Supt. Sunday Schools - Chas. Bailey.

Supt. - YMMIA - Wm. H.Maughan, Jr. Pres., E.P.Oldham, 1st couns., Warren J.Wright, 2nd couns.

Relief Society - Mary Howell, Pres.

YLMIA - Annie M.Ralph, Pres.

Primary Association - Jane E.Molin, Pres.

Religious class - C.F.Olsen, Supt.

The Bishoprice of Hyrum was honorably released and the ward was divided into two and H.F.Liljenquist was sustained as bishop of first ward, and A.A.Allen, Jr., as bishop of 2nd ward. All the above were sustained by unanimous vote. Bishop Samuel Oldham objected to I.C.Thoresen on the ground that he was not in accord with the authorities of the church. Apostle Smith asked Bro. Thoresen to express his feeling on that point and he desired to be in harmony and expected to in the future. I made a few remarks endorsing the spirit and action of the conference, thanking the choir and committies for their faithful and efficient labors, commended all that had been said and done to the kind consideration of the Saints and hoped much good would result from our most excellent conference which would now close. There was about 1500 people present on Sunday and about 1000 to 1200 on Monday. After singing and benediction Pres. Smith closely questioned all the above officers, organized the high counsel, required all to observe the word of wisdom, keep the Sabbath day holy, pay an honest tithing, refrain from profanity and be good consistent latter day Saints. All who

were present were set apart by Apostle M.W.Merrill, myself and Jos. Morrell. Conference adjourned for three months. Bro. Smith went to my house and we spent a pleasant evening with the family.

TUESDAY, August 27, 1901. I took Bro. Smith to Logan where took train to Salt Lake. I did a little business and returned home. Was busy until late in the evening writing and reading.

WEDNESDAY, August 28, 1901. The stake presidency and clerk met at tithing office at 10 o'clock. a.m. meeting was opened by Prayer by W.C.P. We read minutes of all stake meeting held since I was sustained as president of Hyrum stake. Made some corrections and accepted and ordered them placed on record. We also discussed the labors of stake clerk. Decided to hold high counsel meeting at 2 o'clock first Saturday in each month and the president's meetings at 3 o'clock each Saturday except first when we would meet with High Counsel. I.C.Thoresen was appointed to see the two new bishops and ask them to hold meetings conjointly in the old meeting house and preside alternately. It was thought it would be beneficial to transfer all tithing accounts from Bishop Wright as soon as possible as many would not pay tithing while it was in his hands. This was expressed by Bro. Thoresen as being the feeling of many of the people. I was appointed to write Bishop Preston on this matter. I.C.Thoresen was appointed to assist the clerk in beginning our new stake record and getting such items as is necessary to embody in the beginning of the record. We all decided to visit Wellsville on Sunday next as a prayer circle was to be organized there.

THURSDAY, August 29, 1901. Myself and family drove to Logan. Lillian went to get music lesson. My wife to visit the Morehead girls and do some shopping. I to see Bro. Merrill and look over stake records and get some information from Jos. E.Wilson on keeping records. We returned quite late in the evening.

FRIDAY, August 30, 1901. We all went up on little Muddy to get choke cherries, found very few, had dinner on the river near Paradise, returned early and I went to the sugar factory to see David Eccles as he was there which I learned by telephone. I tried to get employment, he said as soon as the factory was ready to run if there was an opening, he would be glad to give me a position. He advised me to take some stock in the factory, say about \$2000. I told him I would consider the matter. I returned home about 7 o'clock - it was fine weather.

SATURDAY, August 31, 1901. I wrote my diary since Aug. 26th. Had a long conversation with Bishops H.F.Liljenquist and A.A. Allen who called to see me about their labors. They had not yet decided on counselors. We discussed the dividing line between the two wards and the wisdom of deviding into three wards. They thought two was enough for the present and that the tithing account should be transferred from Bishop Wright at once. Went to Logan and called on Apostle Merrill at the Temple. Before leaving home had received letter from Rubin Allen, also plat of Hyrum city. Took it to Bro. Merrill and we discussed the advisability of dividing the ward into three and concluded it would be the best. He advised me to call a ward priesthood meeting and present the matter before the people and said if agreeable to divide Hyrum into three wards and select another bishop and

he would come over Saturday, Sept. 7th to Priesthood meeting and set them apart. On my way home I called on Geo. O. Pitkin. He favored dividing Hyrum into three wards (was fine weather).

SUNDAY, Sept. 1, 1901 At Hyrum, attended Sunday school at 10 o'clock. Meeting at 2 p.m. The house was well filled, it was Fast day and many bore their testimony, a good spirit prevailed. H.F. Liljenquist presided; after consulting I.C. Thoresen we decided to call priesthood meeting tonight at 7:30 and a notice was given to that effect. At 7:30 p.m. about 100 members of the Hyrum ward holding the priesthood met and W.C.P. presided. I.C. Thoresen and Bishops Liljenquist and A.A. Allen Jr., were also present. A good kind and peaceful spirit prevailed. After hearing from about 20 of the leading brethren on the subject of dividing the ward into three, a vote was called and all were unanimously in favor of the three ward division. A ballot was then taken by all who lived in the north west ward to see who they wanted for bishop. Meeting adjourned, benediction by _____.

MONDAY, Sept. 2, 1901. I was busy at home picking and boxing fruit until three o'clock, then stake presidency and clerk met at tithing office, all were present. Prayer by I.C. Thoresen. We read and approved the minutes of last meeting, also the minutes of priesthood meeting held Sunday evening. Myself and Thoresen reported some information we had got from Bro. Jos. E. Wilson of Logan relative to keeping stake records. I read the letter received from Rhulen Allen, also exhibited town plat and reported that I had shown same to Apostle Merrill and he favored dividing Hyrum into three wards and advised calling priesthood and get expression from them on this subject. We selected Neils J. Neilson as Bishop of three wards. Benediction by Willard Israelson.

TUESDAY, Sept. 3, 1901. Drove to Logan, took 275 pounds of apples, plums and pears and shipped same to my wife Lulu at Whitney. Also took Irene and Nettie Smith who went by train to Franklin. Lillian was with us and visited Pres. Kerr at the A.C. college to see about arranging for Lillian and Elva going to school. We was busy looking for boarding place until 2 o'clock. Such places were scarce near to A.C. and prices were from \$3 to \$4 per week. We could get same accommodations near the BY College for \$2.50 per week. While in town we met my sister Charlotte, her daughter Clara and David Crocket were to be married tomorrow. I also met Samuel's daughter Nessie, Her husband and children who were down on a visit. I also met Sister Birtha who was in a hack and I suppose on her way to my sister Lucy. We reached home about 5 o'clock and at once began to water my lot. Was busy until about 7, then had supper and at 7:30 we had a counsel meeting of the stake presidency. Bros. Thoresen and Israelson were present. Meeting opened by myself. We read the minutes of our quarterly conference and after some changes they were approved and we also selected Bro. A.M. Israelsen as member of the High Council to fill the place of Neils J. Neilson. Meeting adjourned, benediction by I.C. Thoresen.

SUNDAY, Sept. 8, 1901. Isaac and I went to Sunday school. Met Dr. J.M. Fanner and Prof. Luiford. They gave us some good talk in school - they took dinner at my house. 2 p.m. - meeting opened as usual. The speakers were O.M. Wilson, Bishop Wright. As home missionaries Dr. Fanner and Prof. Luiford in the interest of the B.Y. College. Prof. Kerr and G.F. Cane, Jr., were also present, all went to my house to supper - we had a pleasant visit.

7:30 p.m. - Evening meeting was held and Prof. J.F. Case and Wm. Kerr addressed the meeting in the interest of the A. College. weather was fine.

MONDAY, Sept. 9, 1901. My wife Nellie and children Elva, Willis and Frank, also myself, drove to Franklin with surrey and two horses. Had about 100 lbs. peaches which I took to Whitney for Lulu, also a few tomatoes and plums. We arrived at Franklin about 9 o'clock in the evening. Stayed at I.B. Nash's all night, found all well. It was quite cold on our way. I saw Bishop Wright at Logan and had a long talk about the tithing at Hyrum and also explained why he was not taken into the stake presidency. He was feeling bad but felt much better after our talk.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 10, 1901.- FRANKLIN . I left Nellie and the children at Franklin and drove to Whitney. Found my family all well but Clara who was getting better from small pox. The whole family had been sick with it but were better and expected to clean up and renovate in a few days. I unloaded the fruit and drove to Preston/ put team up at Chas. D. Goaslind's; also had dinner there in the afternoon, was busy collecting rent and interest, also meeting and visiting with old friends. Went to Whitney, took over to my family five pair shoes and sack sugar. Had supper at Sister Bensons, drove back and stayed all night with C.D. Goaslind.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 11, 1901. PRESTON. Was busy with dentist having teeth repaired and visiting friends and doing some business. Had long talk with Jos. G. Nelson. He had done poorly with crop on my land and wished to be released from contract of buying land, also said the wheat crop would not pay thrashing expenses. I released him from the land deal and told him if he thought he was entitled to all the wheat he could have it. I drove to Lulus and visited outside for few minutes, then drove on to Franklin. Arrived about 8:30 p.m. Stayed all night at Grandma Nash's. Earl Goaslind rode in with me from Preston.

THURSDAY, Sept. 12, 1901. Nellie and the children went to Preston with Barney and I.H. Nash's small buggy. I remained at Franklin and visited friends and relations. Leward Parkinson returned from Brigham City and reported that he met Stuart Parkinson on this road near Mantua and he had a runaway with his team, hurt Stuart's hand, nearly killed one of his horses in wire fence. He hired horse from the Bishop and drove on to B - City. My girls Irene and Ray were with Stuart but they both came home with Lenard, they were not hurt. Stuart's mother was in bed with young babe and felt very bad about the accident. I telephoned for Stuart to remain at my house until I came and brought them a horse. Nellie and Elva drove to Preston. I visited with father and others of the family and in the evening attended

a wedding party given at Maria's in honor of her son Edmond and Ada West who were married at the Logan Temple the day before. There was about 50 relatives and friends present. A grand supper was served at 8 o'clock after which the evening was spent in games, recitations, songs and speeches. All seemed to have a pleasant time and a good feeling prevailed. I stayed all night at Sister Nash's.

FRIDAY 13, 1901. I was picking plums at Grandma Nash's until 12 o'clock when Nellie and Elva came in from Preston. After dinner we got Henry Doney's horse and drove to Hyrum. Ella Lumberg came with us. We left Franklin at 2:45 p.m. and arrived at Hyrum at 7 o'clock. Found all well. Our cow had a calf. Stuart was waiting for his horse to go home. He had left the horse that was hurt at Mantua and borrowed a horse from a traveler coming this way, to come to my place. It was cloudy but no rain. The word came that Pres. Wm. J. McKinley was dead.

SATURDAY, Sept. 14, 1901. I was busy writing until 9:30 a.m. Then visited Sister Martha Neilson and told her I could not buy her place at the price he wanted - \$1100. I offer her \$300 for 1/2 her lot and all her sons' lot. I then visited Sister John F. Wright and had a long talk with her about the way the Bishop had been released. She felt very bad and thought her husband had not been fairly dealt with. She was laboring under many misunderstandings and false impressions which I tried to correct. She felt better when I left, at 3 o'clock to Stake Presidency met at the tithing office, all present, minutes of last two meetings read and approved. We decided to recommend Willard Israelson to receive the tithing of the three wards of Hyrum. We also discussed the matter of how the public square and meeting house and academy should be divided among the three wards. It was the prevailing opinion that the center part of the square running south and north should be reserved for stake tabernacle and that the meeting house and academy should be used by the first and third wards until they could build meeting houses in their wards, then they should be owned by the three wards and used for amusement hall and high school. We decided to meet again Monday Sept. 16th at 2 o'clock and invite the three new bishops and their counselors to be present. Meeting adjourned. Benediction by Wm. Israelson. At 7:30 I met with Bishop W.J. Hill and Robert Baxter at my house to prepare a report of the committee appointed to investigate the advisability of organizing a company to bore for coal and water. We looked over a number of letters and catalogues and finally decided to recommend to organize a company.

SUNDAY, Sept. 15, 1901 Bishops Allen, Liljenquist and Neilson, called to see me and we talked over the matter of them selecting counselors and they gave me the names of those selected. I attended meeting at 2 o'clock and the speakers were Lorenzo Peterson, C.C. Peterson, Alva Allen, Ira Williams, James J. Hansen and myself. The following names were presented at Counselors to the three Bishops of Hyrum wards. A.M. Israelson and Alva Allen, counselors to Bishop Liljenquist, Lorenzo Peterson and C.C. Peterson, counselors to A.A. Allen, Jr. Jas. J. Hensen and Ira Williams as counselors to Bishop N.G. Neilson.

All were unanimously sustained. C.C.Shaw and Bro. Christensen were home missionaries and also spoke short time. At 7:30 meeting convened at the meeting house. Bishop Liljenquist presiding. Jas. Hansen, A.M.Israelson and I.C.Thoresen were the speakers.

MONDAY, Sept. 16, 1901. I was busy digging cellar and writing; in the afternoon the stake presidency and the three new Bishops and their counselors all met at the tithing office at 2 p.m. Opening prayer by Geo. O. Pitkin. Sister Mary A.Hansen was set apart as secretary of the primary associations of this stake by W.C.P., and Bro. Yorgen Peterson was ordained a high priest by G. O.Pitkin. They then retired and we questioned the brethren who were there to be set apart as Bishops, counselors. Also gave them some instructions with reference to the duties of their calling. We then set them apart as follows: A.M.Israelson ordained a high priest and set apart as first counselor to Bishop H.F.Liljenquist by W.C.Parkinson, Elam Allen ordained high priest and set apart as 2nd counselor by Geo. O.Pitkin, Lorenzo Peterson set apart by I.C.Thoresen and C.C.Peterson by W.C.P., to be counselors to Bishop Allen. Bishop Neilson and Couns. was left until some of the apostles could ordain the bishop. We then discussed the question of appointing the stake clerk. Wm. Israelson to receive the tithing of the three wards of Hyrum, Bishop Neilson and Bishop Liljenquist hesitated about consenting to this arrangement but it was finally decided by unanimous vote that Bro. Wm.Israelson should handle the tithing as suggested, giving the bishops 2 percent and the balance to go to the stake and to Bro. Israelson for handling the tithing. We then discussed the question of providing meeting houses for the three wards and it was decided that the first ward should use the academy and the third ward the meeting house for the present, the 2nd ward use the Dist. School house and do the best they could until they can build, all were instructed to build soon as possible. H.H.Peterson was indorsed as chorister of stake choir. The three new bishops were appointed as a committee to confer with the old Bishop and learn the financial condition of the wards and when ready advise me and I would call another meeting of the presidency and the three bishops. Meeting adjourned, benediction by A.M. Israelson. Bro. Thoresen, Bishop Neilson and myself went to Jas. J. Hansen's and administered to his wife. It was fine weather.

TUESDAY, Sept. 17, 1901.- AT LOGAN. I went to Logan to see Bishop Preston. He was not there. I did some business in town, called at Sister Christiansen and saw room we had engaged for our girls while going to school. I had my horse shod and paid \$1.50, visited the sugar factory to see David Eccles. He was not there. I returned home about 7 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 18, 1901. On seeing the Governor's proclamation and also request from Pres. Snow that tomorrow should be a legal holiday and memorial services should be held in honor of Pres. W.J.McKinley. I was busy notifying the people and making preparations for services at 11 o'clock tomorrow. Bros. C.F.Olsen and I.C.Thoresen was asked to prepare to deliver addresses. In the evening assisted Bro. Peterson to repair our pump and paid him \$2.25 for same.

THURSDAY, Sept. 19, 1901 - Memorial Day. Memorial services held at 11 a.m. Singing by the choir, The Silent City. Prayer by Bishop H.F.Liljenquist, singing Nearer my God to Three. C.F.Olsen addressed the meeting, reviewing the great and noble work done by our martyred president, paying many high tributes of respect to this great and good man. His speech was spirited and replete with choice gems of thought which brought tears to the eyes of many in the meeting. Singing by the choir, Oh My Father, though that dwelist. I.C.Thoresen was the next speaker. He asked the sympathy and faith and prayers of those present, endorsed the remarks of previous speaker, read from the Doctrine and Cov. revelations on government (Sec. 134). He believed all men should lay aside their partisan feeling. After election and support the officers elected by the majority, said the man who had taken the life of our president had committed the unpardonable sin. Said Pres. McKinley would be judged as one of the honorable men of the earth. He read part of the revelation from the Doc. & Cov. referring to the different degrees of Glory, Pres. McKinley will receive the glory of the Sun. He invoked the blessing of God upon the widow of Pres. McKinley and his relatives and friends and may God bless the nation and all lovers of liberty. Choir sang a piece entitled He Has Gone. Benediction by Jas. Unsworth. In the afternoon I was going to Logan to get Lillian who had been to Franklin and Preston on a visit. The folks were all going over for a ride, when we got to Hyrum post office we met Nephi Larsen and his wife coming over to visit so we came back home and stayed until 5 o'clock, then all drove over to Logan. Nephi and wife were well and he had enjoyed his mission and glad to get home. We drove to depot and got box fish sent to us by Chlopeck Bros., Portland, express \$1.40. We called at several places to find boarding place for Stuart Parkinson, also called on H.G.Christianson who had promised to take our girls. They also promised to take Stuart for \$2.50 per week. We found Lillian at Pearl Cards and arrived home about 8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, Sept. 20, 1901. Did some work around the yard, wrote to F.C.P., then went to tithing office and transferred tithing from John Wright to Willard Isarelson, in the afternoon I drove around town and took orders for coal and tried to buy wheat, hogs, veal and C., sold nearly car coal. Called on Sister Molin, also on Bro. Baron and looked through his woolen factory. He said he was in debt but was doing fairly well. His sister had been caught in some of the machinery a few days before and was quite sick. I see Sister Whitehead from Franklin. She reported that Martha Nash's cookhouse and all its contents were destroyed by fire a few days ago. We got word that H.J.Christiansen concluded not to take our girls to board.

SATURDAY, Sept. 21, 1901. I wrote to Samuel to try and sell carload of coal for me. Also sent I.B.Nash \$10.00 to help pay for loss sustained by his fire. I went to Logan to see Apostle Lund, asked him to come and hold meeting at Hyrum and set apart our new bishopric in the 3rd ward. He advised me to bring them to Logan next day as he could not get time to come here. I tried to see Bishop Preston but he had gone to Salt Lake City.

SUNDAY, Sept. 22, 1901. I went with Bishop N.G. Neilson, Jas. J. Hansen and Ira Williams to Logan, attended Scandinavian conference and at noon Apostle Lund sustained and set apart the bishopric. We then returned home and attended YMMI convention which was addressed by Prof. Willard Done. He was at my house all day and until Monday morning. We had a pleasant time.

MONDAY, Sept. 23, 1901. I prepared to go to Whitney. We drove to Logan with surrey. Bro. Done, Lillian, my wife and I took train for Whitney and remained there until Friday morning, cleaning well and repairing pump, also making pig pen, getting coal, visiting folks at Preston.

FRIDAY, Sept. 27, 1901. Lulu drove me down to Franklin in buggy and then returned home. I visited Frank and Samuel, Bro. Nash, etc. then took train for Logan. Found Nellie and the children. We drove home and arrived about 7:30 o'clock.

SATURDAY, Sept. 28, 1901. Attended priesthood and high counsel meetings, in the evening visited sample room and my wife and Lillian selected quite a stock of dry goods for both families.

SUNDAY, Sept. 29, 1901. Geo. O. Pitkin and myself went to Wellsville. A prayer circle was organized there in the morning by Bros. R. Skelly and Morgan. We had a very pleasant time. We attended meeting in the afternoon. Many bore testimony and the visitors all spoke a few moments. A good spirit prevailed and we had a pleasant time together. After returning home I went to Logan to take Lillian and Elva to school. Bro. Shaw went along for company. We attended meeting at Logan and heard a splendid lecture by B.H. Roberts on the subject of the Dispensation of the Fullness of Times. Returned home about 10:30. It was a pleasant moonlight night.

MONDAY, Sept. 30, 1901. Nellie and I went to Logan as she wanted to get a dress made to go to conference. Met the girls, they were feeling well satisfied with school and with their boarding place. We had dinner at my sister Charlotte's. I also met my sisters Belle, Lucy, Loney and Hazel, also Walter Monson and my brother Eddie. We took a few peaches, apples and tomatoes over for Charlotte, we returned home about 5 o'clock.

TUESDAY, Oct. 1, 1901. Was busy repairing pig pen, making feed manger, doing some business up town and attended teacher's meeting in the evening. Was also preparing to go to conference. Fine weather.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 2, 1901. We were up early preparing to go to Salt Lake City for general conference. We had sent by telephone for Sister Nash to come down to take care of the children while Nellie went to conference. We had weaned Frank and left all the children. Lillian stayed out of school to help Grandma. We left home about 11 o'clock and drove to Logan by team. Sister Allen rode over with us. We had lunch at Charlotte's. Nelli got new dress made at Mrs. Bowins. Also got old hat trimmed. I got Lillian's watch. It cost \$1.25 for repairs. Charlotte went with us to Salt Lake. Also Willis. We met Sister Nash. We met many old friends on train. Arrived at Salt Lake about 7 o'clock p.m. Stayed all night at the Hampton House. Got supper at J. Gallagers.

THURSDAY, Oct. 3, 1901. We did some trading in the morning and went to the fair in the afternoon and evening. Moved our lodgings to the St. Elmo Hotel.

FRIDAY, Oct. 4, 1901. Attended conference at 10 o'clock. Pres. Snow was absent as he was sick. Pres. Jos. F. Smith presided. Singing. Prayer by _____. Singing by choir. Pres. Smith said there were evils among us that should be stamped out, the breaking of the Sabbath, using profane language, violating word of wisdom and the disregard of the priesthood. We do not desire to encourage the scattering about of our people outside the church organizations. When saints want to seek new home they should counsel with the authorities that they may locate with the colonies of the saints.

SATURDAY, October 5, 1901. Conference convened at 10 a.m. Pres. Jos. F. Smith presiding. Singing - prayer by Pres. L.W. Schurtliff. Singing by the choir. The main body of the house was filled and many were in the gallery. Antone H. Lund was the first speaker. I enjoyed the remarks of our brethern yesterday and felt that they were inspired of the Lord. These conferences are a good thing, let us be what we profess to be. We should rejoice in the fact that we have the living oracles of God to teach us. We have greater evidences of the truth of the Scriptures than any other people. The Book of Mormon is proof of the truth of the Bible. He defended the doctrine of continuous revelations. Many books of the Bible have been lost. Many will yet come forth. We should study the scriptures, especially in the long winter evenings. Too much dancing is not good. It leads to light mindedness. Record keeping is an important matter in the church. He spoke on the importance of keeping perfect records in all the stakes and wards. All ward records should be inspected on same day of ward conferences. Geneological records are very important. I am pleased with the condition of the church. I believe a stricter discipline in the church would be a good thing. M.W. Merrill bore testimony to the truth of the Gospel. Spoke on the importance of the people reforming in regard to the evils spoken of yesterday by Pres. Jos. F. Smith. Cannot we devise some means in the stakes and wards to lessen these evils. Our city and town counsels should assist in this matter. Our ward teachers should be more thorough and efficient in their labors. It is not a good thing for men to go off seeking homes away from the borders of the church without advice and counsel. The Lord designs that we should be a power in the land and we should concentrate our efforts and be united and sustain the priesthood and follow their counsel. Let us see to it that we lend our efforts to bring about righteous among the people. Spoke of the importance of Temple work and encouraged the people to attend to this labor. John W. Taylor read from the Doc. & Cov. Sec. 84, spoke on subject of Revelation. Each person is entitled to revelation for his own guidance and this will never conflict with the inspiration that come from the authorities of the church. He bore strong testimony to the divine mission of the Prophet Jos. Smith. I testify that God lives and that Jesus Christ is his Son. The Lord is gathering Israel from the four quarters of the earth. I prophesy that the time will come when the Christian denominations will acknowledge that Christ and his Father are personal beings, the time will come when our

Elders will go into all the world and enough will be gathered to redeem their dead. I know this Gospel will be preached to all nations and the time will come when the Apostles will be scarce in Zion as their place is to hear witness of Christ to the nations of the earth. Jos. F. Smith announced that General Priesthood meeting would be held here this evening. Singing by choir and congregation 166 - we are promised that if the weather remains favorable we will have Pres. Snow with us this afternoon. Benediction by W. Budge. 2 p.m. Pres. Jos. F. Smith presiding. Singing page 269, by choir and congregation. Prayer by Jos. L. McMurrin - singing on page 64, Now the Mighty God appearing. J. F. Golden Kimball was the first speaker. There is only one course of safety for our young people and that is to teach them in early youth the principles of the gospel. Spoke on the importance of guarding the youth of Zion, very few Elders who go to the nations of the earth fall into sin, why is it we cannot say the same of boys at home. I know we have prophets and apostles. I want to prophesy that the time will come when the people of the south will see the time when they would as soon see a Mormon Elder on their streets as an angel. Spoke with power on the necessity of guarding the young. He spoke on the subject of prophesy. B. H. Roberts spoke on the growth of the church. Said in latter years the church had grown in number as fast as former days. He believed there was much inspiration in the church today as ever. He read from the Book of Mormon a vision of the Prophet Nephi. Spoke on the new miracle strength of this people. We will still have storms of persecution come against this people. They have not all passed. We are now having a period of rest. Let us take this opportunity to become more firmly rooted in the faith. When you urge the youth to attend meeting they complain of the dryness and unfruitfulness of the services to the Seventies. I say there should be some change. A hymn from the choir - Hail to the Brightness of Zion Glad Morning. Geo. Teasdale spoke of the Great plan of redemption and the Covenants and obligations we have taken. We should all be in good standing and full fellowship.

PRES. SMITH read several notices, choir sang the Doxology. Benediction by _____. In the evening Nellie, Willis and myself, also Father and Maria went to the Opera at the Old Theater. We had supper at Sister Roses.

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