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Jan. 1891  
Thurs 1 The Elders having received an invitation to spend New Years at Mrs. James Boyce's, at 8:30 A.M. we got aboard the train for Kurgan, arrived at 9:45. We then walked the remaining distance 2 miles. On our way we called on Mr. Robinson, found them all in good health and pleased to see us. After making them a short visit, we continued our journey to our destination. We were received with a hearty welcome. And but a few moments had expired before some food was prepared for us, and shortly after, the Robinson girls came up and a nice dinner was prepared for all. After dinner I was nominated chairman and having no program made out I prepared one as we went along. In the first place we sang a hymn and opened by prayer, a number of good songs were sung, intersperced with Recitations and short speeches, then followed games, dancing, etc. Those present expressed themselves as having one of the best times they ever had, our only regret, was being deprived of the company of Elders Benson who was not able to be there, having a bad leg we remained all night.

Fri. 2 After spending the forenoon with Mr. Boyce, we then spent the afternoon with Mr. Robinson and family, and Mr. Isaac Lud. conversing principally upon the gospel. While at Mr. Robinson's, Miss Bella Staddock came in and joined in our gospel conversation by which we could see that they were quite satisfied with the

gospel. During our visit we were informed that Miss Anna Becket, Mr Boyce's niece had been over taken in a fault, having been seduced by a Mr John Dickson, upon learning this we were filled with sorrow. He held a meeting in the evening and remained all night.

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup>

As the people are always ready to accuse the Morians of wickedness and as we had so frequently stopped with Mr Boyce, where Miss Becket was living, we concluded in order to prevent any accusation against us to make the matter known to Mr Boyce which we did. That the guilty party might be exposed and let the people know who was in fault. Mr Boyce on learning of the fact, became so much enraged that we had a hard matter to prevent violence as he seemed determined to kill the man. Robert and Ellen Boyce also was raging, they began beating the girl, but was soon prevented, after a hard struggle we managed to get them under control and reason with them, telling them in our best judgment the best course to pursue. Not to commit murder and thus make a bad matter worse. But to go and have the man arrested and expose him to the public that people that people might know who to avoid in the future, and make

him a public example. After getting them reconciled to some extent we walked to Lurgan, returned by train to Belfast, got a bath and at 5 P.M. met in Priest-hood meeting, at which the Elders reported their labors during the month of Dec. After which the Bible class was held. Bro. Ireland delivered an interesting lecture on Prophecy which was quite instructive.

Sunday 4 - At the usual time I attended meeting in the morning. After meeting visited Sister Megarrath to whom I administered the sacrament and attended meeting again in the evening.

Mon. 5 I remained in the office all day visiting with the Elders and giving some instruction before they departed to their fields of labor. By request of Elder Benson, we anointed his leg which was badly afflicted and administered to him. He and Eld. Douglas concluded to remain till to-morrow while Elders McCarty, Frew, Critchlow, and Stapley took their departure.

Tues. 6 I attended to some business in town in the morning and in the afternoon began to work at my yearly reports. Eld. Douglas and Benson went to their field in Cambridge.

Wed. 7 I was employed in the office all day making up my reports. In the afternoon Sister Simpson and McComell

called in to see me, took dinner with me and in the evening accompanied me to the meeting at Pres. Gibson's which was well attended by saints and there were three strangers present. I was called on to speak and occupied most of the time treating on the first principles of the gospel. The remainder of the time was occupied by Pres. Gibson.

Thurs. 8. I continued to labor in the office making my reports, until evening when I went to visit Liv Magrannahan found her feeling first rate.

Fri. 9. I finished up and sent off to Liverpool my reports, and in the evening visited a lady who had sent for me, by the name Frangan. I found that she was badly afflicted with Rheumatism, I stopped and talked with her and Mrs. Rozen for about 2 hours on the gospel and left them some tracts. On leaving I was requested to remember them in my <sup>Prayer</sup>.

Sat. 10. I posted up my books and attended some correspondence, and attended a meeting in the office in the evening at which there was a fair attendance of the Saints. Pres. Gibson delivered a short lecture on chemistry giving us some useful information substance of which all creations are composed, showing that nothing consumed but is merely changed to act in another sphere etc.

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spent the evening with Sis. Mcgranahan making my farewell visit with her.

On the evening of May 1 1891 I set sail for Liverpool on my return home. Before taking my departure from the shore of England I took a trip to London visiting some few of the relatives of my step-mother who lived in and near London. I also visited the Saints who met at meeting Sunday. I spent a week visiting the principal noted places of interest in the great City. After spending a few days in London I returned to Liverpool and set sail for home.

Our voyage was pleasant had nice weather and arrived in New York safely. The Elders and a small company of Saints were held for 3 days in New York on account of two young girls confessing that they believed in the principle of polygamy in connection with other principles of the Gospel. Finally they were compelled to return to Liverpool while the remainder of the company were allowed to continue the journey home via Norfolk going by steamer from New York to Norfolk. After 4 days travel by train through the Southern States and up by way of Denver and Cheyenne I reached Smithfield Cache Co. Mt.

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in safety, where I met my wife and two babies Elizabeth P. and Mahel Hale at the home of my Father. They were in good health. After visiting a day, in company with my wife and children I continued on our journey to Swan Lake to the home of my wife's parents where we remained a short time while I sheared sheep at a camp near by. We then went to our own home in Orford Ida. where we lived during the summer and in the fall I secured a position in a store in Preaton where I worked for about 8 months when I was laid off owing to the depression of business and great money panic. I then had sold my home at Orford paid all my debts and was taken sick with Typhoid Fever which kept me bedfast for 6 weeks, having a very close call my life only being spared by the power of God through the Priesthood. After being unable to work but little for nearly a year I found myself financially embarrassed I went to Soda Springs and sheared sheep for a month making \$80<sup>00</sup>.

When I again returned home being

troubled greatly with rheumatism. After taking a thorough treatment of sulphur for 3 weeks I was entirely cured and I then took up carpenter work a trade I had picked up sufficiently to be considered a handy man with tools. I went to work on a grainery first and did a few rough jobs, when I went to work for Wm Carter on a house as a helper.

The carpenter failing to come to take charge of the work, he placed the responsibility on me. I continued working and with his assistance we finished the job. I then secured a position as carpenter on the Onida Stake Academy which was in course of erection where I worked until the fall of 1894, when we moved to Marysville Idaho in what was then known as Fall River district. I took up a Quarter Section of land and being in a new <sup>country</sup> we had long hard long winters, in connection with the rest of the poor people had a hard struggle to make a living.

After joining the ward - I was Pres. of Y.M.M.S.A., asst ward clerk, teacher in S.S. and ward teacher - after a year I was Ward clerk until Jan 9 - 1909. when I was chosen at the organization of the Yellowstone Stake as a member of the High Council and on



Jan 9. 1909

that day was set apart by Apostles. George  
T. Richards and David C. McKay the latter  
being mouth which took place in Parker  
Turd. Sacramento Co. (others)

Daniel G. Miller Pres.

Marion J. Kere 1st coun.

James E. Fogg. 2<sup>nd</sup> ..

H. C.

Alternates

Elmer L. Robinson

Elmer Davenport

Melvin M. Hammond

Charles H. Barnes

W<sup>m</sup> D. Williams

James J. Willard

Frank H. Mason

David R. Sinclair

W<sup>m</sup> Cammeron

Ed Ellingson

Henry A. Grover

Christian Murri-

W<sup>m</sup> L. Flint

Joseph S. Ruggel

John R. Crapo

Alma H. Hale

David E. Miller

Joseph Orr