

Platte D. Lyman Journal
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President of the European Mission

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This diary embraces the period from October 11, 1898 to March 8, 1901.

This is the third of three journals kept by Mr. Lyman that were permitted to be copied. One journal covers the period from October, 1875 to December, 1879, and another journal covers the period from December, 1879 to 1894.

The originals were returned to Mr. Alfred Lyman.

The original journal is written in a heavy cardboard book, leather trimmed, with heavy lined paper. The book measures 7 inches wide by 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches long by $\frac{3}{4}$ inches thick. The book is in excellent condition, and was purchased in England.

The journal is written in ink in the man's own handwriting and the pages are numbered from 1 to 272.

[Bluff Oct 11th 1898](#)

Received from the Presidency of the Church a letter notifying me that on the 5th inst I was appointed to succeed Elder Rolun Wells as President of the European Mission. And asking when I would be ready to leave Salt Lake City.

By the same mail I received a letter from Brother Franis (Francis) [copy unreadable] stating that Bro [copy unreadable] and Bro Henry [copy unreadable] Naisbitt would be my counsellors [sic] also informing me that I was expected to reach Liverpool as soon as possible. Bro Marion said that the unanimity of the Brethren and the inspiration that accompanied their action left no doubt in their minds that it was the will of the Lord. This is a great comfort and I trust will be a support to me, for I feel very keenly my imcompetence [sic] and lack of ability to successfully perform the duties of this office which was for so many years filled by none but Apostles. However I am willing to do my part to the best of my ability, and having the confidence and support of my brethren who preside over me. I hope to have that assistance from my Father in Heaven which I so sorely need, and which he alone can give. By the next mail, I answered President Snow that I would be in Salt Lake on the 27th inst. and be ready to start of the 31st.

[Bluff Thurs Oct 20th 1898](#)

I do not know if it is possible for an Elder to "get ready" to go on a mission. I have filled two foreign missions, and certainly did not "get ready" for either one of them but went at the appointed time without being able to arrange affair [sic] at home satisfactorily. It is somewhat the same now. I had not a dollar in my pocket when I was called, but I have done what I could (and it is very little) towards fixing up things about home, And have borrowed Two hundred dollars from Bro Neilson with which to pay my expenses. And at noon to day [sic] I started for Salt Lake, in company with Bro Hyrum Perkins, and my nephew Joseph P. Callister We drove 20 miles and camped for the night. It seemed to me almost brutal

to leave my family weeping, and I evince so little feeling, but it would not do for me to give way to my emotions, for we must part, and I must set my face like flint and say "good bye" as though I had no affection for them

Friday, Oct 21st 1898

Drove 25 miles to Verdure and took dinner with Bro Geo Adams, and then drove to Monticello and put up with Bro Sam Wood.

To day [sic] I met Bro Wayne H. Redd returning from a mission in the Southern States. I had but a few minutes to visit with him, but could see that he is full of the spirit of his mission and I have no doubt he has done a good work. He is a fine young man.

Monticello, Saturday Oct 22^d 1898

Met several of the Bluff people returning from conference in Salt Lake, among them my Son in law Hanson Bayles to whom I leased my sheep for 3 years, at 20% per annum. Secured passage with bro C. H. Christensen and drove to Hatch Wash and camped.

Sunday, Oct 23^d 1898

Drove to Kane Springs for dinner and from there rode to Moab with Mr J. M. Cunningham, and put up at the Maxwell House Kept [sic] by Bro John Baily, who charged me nothing for my accommodations

Moab Monday Oct 24th 1898

Started at 4:30 AM with the stage for Thompson, where I got on the train at 1 p.m. for Provo, which was reached at 8 p.m. Uncle Edward Partridge met me at the Station and took me home with him.

Provo, Tuesday Oct 25th 1898

Went with Uncle Edward on to Provo Bench and visited his farms. In the evening I met my Bro Joseph A. who had come up to see me. And with him I visited our young people who are here attending the Academy. Also visited our cousin Jos D C Young.

Provo, Wednesday, Oct 26th 1898

Joseph and I went to Salt Lake this morning and were met at the depot by our brother Marion, who had a team and buggy, and took me with him over a great part of the City, and valley, visiting with each other and our relatives and friends. Joe and I stayed over night with my Cousin Mrs. Harriet Kimball.

Learned from Bro Spence that the missionaries would not sail before, Nov 12th from New York.

Salt Lake City, Thursday Oct 27th 1898

Joe and I visited Aunt Emily Young at Liberty Park, And in the evening Bro Marion and I visited Bro David, S. Emery who is very sick. Afterwards we called on some of our relations. Joe and I stayed at Sister Kimballs

Salt Lake City, Friday Oct 28th 1898

Joseph and I started for Oak Creek at 7:30 a.m. Learnington at 3 p.m. Took dinner with my Sister Martha Roper, who took us over to Oak Creek in the evening. Found our folds there well, with the exception of Walkers oldest boy Clisbee, who is quite sick with heart disease. Slept at my brother Freds.

Oak Creek Saturday Oct 29th 1898

Spent the day visiting my relations.

Oak Creek Oct 30th [sic] Sunday 1898

Attended Sunday School, and two meetings and spoke twice, although, I have a bad cold, and am quite hoarse.

Oak Creek, Monday Oct 31st 1898

Visited the folks, And blessed Jodie and Nellies twins, and named them. Amasa, De and Eliza. Rain fell during the night.

Oak Creek Tuesday Nov 1st 1898

Fred, Ann, Joseph and Walter went with them to Learnington where I bid them and Martha and her family and other friends of mine goodbye, and went on to Salt Lake. Reaching there in the eveing. Stayed at Hatties

Salt Lake City, Wed Nov 2d 1898

Visited Aunt Emily, And [sic] called at the Presidents office and received some instructions from the brethren, relative to my mission

Salt Lake City Thursday Nov 3d 1898

Secured to R. R. ticket. Bought a watch and some other things and wrote letters home.

Salt Lake City Friday Nov 4th 1898

Dr Fred Clawson filled a tooth for me, and charged me nothing as I was a missionary. AT 1-15 p.m. [sic] I was set apart and blessed for my mission under the hands of Apostles Young & Lyman, and Pres Snow, the latter being mouth. The brethren have all treated me with the greatest Kindness [sic], and have expressed so many good wishes for me that I feel quite encouraged. In the afternoon 14 Elders (12 of them for Europe) met at the Temple Annex and were blessed and instructed for their missions, by Apostles Lyman and Grant, and Pres Jonathan O. Kimball

If the missionaries can but Keep [sic] in mind and live up to the teachings they have received this day, their success is assured.

In the evening I attended a grand republican rally in the Theatre. After which I wrote some letters, packed my valise and went to bed, after Midnight. Following is a list of cash gifts from my friends which with other favors received enabled me to return to Bluff \$100.00 of the money borrowed from Bro Neilsen.

Peter Allan	" 75	H J Nelisen	3.00
W H Redd	2.00	Wm Adams	1.50
L Brunson	1.00	H Perkins	2.50
J. S. Decker	5.00	Geo Adams	2.50
Aunt Caroline	"50	W. C. Lyman	5.00
Jos A Lyman	5.00	F. R. Lyman	3.00

I feel very thankful for these and all other favors I have received and pray the Lord to reward the donors for their Kindness [sic] to me

Salt Lake City, Nov 5th Saturday 1898

Rose at 5.30 [sic] and started at 7 AM changed at Ogden on the U. P. R. R. Bro Naisbett joined us here. There are now 9 Elders in our company with Mrs. Susan Duerden who is on a visit to England. Night found us in a very desolate and uninviting part of the State of Wyoming.

Julesburg, Sunday Nov 6th 1898

Daylight found us in the N.E. corner of Colorado and at Sundown we were at Omaha where we crossed the Missouri river, on the east side of which we passed a railroad wreck. About dark we left Council Bluffs for Chicago on the C & N.W.

Chicago Monday Nov 7th 1898

Reached Chicago at 7.45 [sic] A.M. and changed cars for the first time since leaving Ogden. Secured tickets over the B & C. and resumed our Journey at 10.25 [sic] A. M. Rode nearly all the day in the state of Indians and passed North Baltic in the State of Ohio just about Sundown. About 3 in the evening, as we were pulling out of Mt. Vernon Station, Ohio, The engine of our train for some unexplicable [sic] reason ran off the track and was capsized, hurting the engineer Seriously. We were detained 2 hours waiting for another engine.

Tuesday Nov 8th 1898

Rode through a corner of West Virginia, and passed Terra Alta on the summit of the Alleghenies 3000 ft above sea level and followed down the Potomac a good many miles. Passed Harpers Ferry and reached Washington at 2 p.m. Found good home-like quarters at Mrs. Bradleys 227 1st St. NW. Received a telegram from Bro Spence saying the ship will not sail from New York as we had understood but that one belonging to the same company will leave Philadelphia on the 12th. In the evening we visited the National Library which I think is the finest building I ever saw.

Washington Wed Nov 9th 1898

Went to Philadelphia (150 miles) and arranged for the passage of our party to Liverpool on the S S "Adria". Returned to Washington and in the evening done some writing.

Washington Thurs. Nov 10th 1898

Visited the White House, Corcoran Art Gallery Washington Monument, Bureau of Printing and Engraving, National Museum, American Museum, and Smithsonian Institute.

Washington Friday Nov 11th 1898

Visited the Capitol and the Navy Yard, and at 1.15 [sic] pm, Our party started for Philadelphia (p. 10) where we arrived at 4.35 [sic], Met Severin Neilsen who belongs to our party and left Salt Lake 2 days after we did. We had expected to go right on the steamer but she is not yet ready. So we put up at Greens Hotel in Chestnut St.

Philadelphia, Sat Nov 12th 1898

Done some business, and looked over the "Adria". The shipping agent paid us one dollar each for the time we were compelled to wait for the steamer.

I visited Independence Hall and saw the old cracked Liberty Bell.

Also went through the immense dry goods and notions establishment of John [copy unreadable, anmaker?], where there are 5000 clerks and sales people employed and where there must be at least 20000 or 25000 visitors and customers, all the time In the evening we went on board the steamer our accommodations seem to be very good The officers and crew are almost entirely germans [sic].

Our party is as follows (4 having joined us at Chicago) Platte D. Lyman, Henry W. Naisbett, Severin Neilsen, August Mineer S. B. Tenney, Oluf Larson. F. M. Zarbock, Joe Holland, Jos C. Poulsen. Andrew Fuhriman, John C Neilsen, Chas. D. Ahlstrom, John A. Blomquist, John A. Pearson and Mrs. Susan Duerdon.

Philadelphia Sunday, Nov 13th 1898.

This morning the Stevedores finished loading the Ship at 12 minutes to 9 we were towed out into the river and started down the Delaware river. The sky is cloudy and the air is cold with sharp breeze blowing in our faces. The Pilot left us just before dark. We are now out of sight of land, and there is a light rain falling. I posted 2 letters for home this morning and sent one to Eva to be posted by the Pilot.

At sea Monday Nov 14th 1898

Rested well last night. We have good commodious rooms, and good provisions, and all of our accomodations [sic] are good, and everything is convenient The morning is cloudy and the sea is smooth.

At sea Tuesday Nov 15th 1898

There is a strong north wind, which makes the air cold and the sea a little rough. Several of our company are touched with seasickness. Today we saw two steamers and one sailing vessel going west one steamer going east.

At Sea, Wed. Nov 16th 1898

A fine day and our sick are mending

At Sea Thurs. Nov 17th 1898

Another fine day. But rather cold with a northeast wind. Saw 2 Steamer [sic] at a distance.

At Sea Friday Nov 18th 1898

Clear and cold, with a north wind.

At Sea, Sat. Nov 19th 1898

The wind is almost due east. The air is not so cold, and the sea is quite smooth.

At 6 p.m. the steamer St. Louis passed us going east and was soon out of sight.

At Sea, Sunday Nov 20th 1898

Saw 6 steamers. We held no religious services today as we have no suitable place and no singers.

At Sea, Monday Nov 21st 1898

Three steamers were in sight at daylight, and Soon after breakfast we saw a whale about 75 ft long

At Sea Tuesday Nov 22d 1898

Cloudy in the morning, and wind steadily rising. During the afternoon the sea became very rough, and the Sailors lashed [sic] everything more securely than before. They are evidently expecting a storm.

At Sea, Wed. Nov 23d 1898

The ship rolled so that sleep was almost impossible last night. The waves are 25 or 30 ft. high. The upper or "poop" deck dipped the water frequently and the spray flies ever the whole ship like a storm of rein. All passengers are kept below and about half of our number are dreadfully seasick.

At Sea Thursday Nov 24th 1898

"Thanksgiving Day" at home. The storm does not abate, But we have been on deck some to day [sic] as it is intolerable to stay below all the time. It is impossible to walk, or stand, or even sit down anywhere on the ship without something solid to hold to. Some of the Elders still very sick have not been out of bed since the commencemnt [sic] of the storm.

At Sea Friday Nov 25th 1898

The storm continues as bad as ever, And in every direction, the view resembles very much a "blizzard" snow storm in the tops of the mountains. The flying spray from the breaking crests of the waves looking just like the drifting snow in a furious winter storm. The worst of our sick still keep in bed, without the nerve to get out.

Off the Irish Coast, Sat. Nov 26th 1898

When I woke this morning, my first sensation was that we were in smooth water, for which I am truly thankful. We have had morning and evening prayers throughout the voyage and during the storm we have asked that we might be preserved from destruction and the Lord has mercifully answered our prayers. We are all happy this morning, even our sick folks are all out on deck and we are truly thankful to the Lord for his deliverance. The sea is smooth and the vessel is going as smoothly as possible. We are now within 3 miles of the Irish coast. At noon we stopped at the mouth of Queenstown Harbor, where we were met by a tender that brought us a Pilot, and took off some steerage passengers, and some letters which we are sending home. During the afternoon we passed entirely out of sight of land again. We have had a pleasant trip with the exception of the bad weather. The officers have treated us well, And I shall remember the voyage with pleasure, and a good feeling for all our associations together.

Liverpool Sun Nov 27th 1898

Landed at Liverpool about noon, and were met by Mr. Fleetwood agent of the "American Line" and Bros Attewall Morton, and Joseph McFarlane, of the Latter Day Saints, Publishing and Emigration Office at 42 Islington Liverpool. We were made at home 42. Presidents Wells and McMurrin are at

Newcastle attending conference, Received a letter from Annie. In the evening we all attended a meeting of the Liverpool Branch of 7 or 8 members. All the missionaries and several others spoke.

Liverpool Mon Nov 28th 1898

Received letters from Delia and Mary dated the 10th all well at home. About 2 pm Bros Wells and McMurrin Came home, and during the afternoon 9 of the missionaries started for the Continent.

Liverpool Tues Nov 29th 1898

Bros Tenney and Holland went to their field of labor in the Newcastle Conferences, and Brother [copy unreadable, erbock?] started for Germany.

Wed Nov 30th 1898 Liverpool

Done considerable writing in my journal

Liverpool Thurs Dec 1st 1898

Done some writing, and in the evening attended a meeting of the Liverpool Branch, and when we returned to 42 and found 7 Elders who had just arrived from Utah by the S. S. Russia. Received a letter from Annie who is at Verdure.

Liverpool Friday Dec 2^d 1898

In the morning, Prest Wells held a meeting with the missionaries, at which they were instructed in their duties, by Bro McMurrin, myself, Bro. Nuisbett, and Prest Wells. The Elders for England were then assigned to their fields of labor. And in the afternoon, all departed to take up their missionary work, 3 remaining in England and 4 going to the Continent. At 5.15 [sic] Bros Wells, McMurrin, and I left the Exchange Station on the L & Y RR for Glasgow, where we arrived at 10-30 [sic] and were met by Prest David O McKay and the other Elders of the Scottish conference, who conducted us to the conference house at 53 Homhead St. where we found good comfortable quarters.

Glasgow Sat Dec 3^d 1898

Called on Mr. Aitchison agent or manager of the Anchor Steam Ship Line, which carry our emigration and returning missionaries to New York. During the day the travelling [sic] Elders came in from various parts of the conference, and in the evening a Priesthood meeting was held at the conference house, when the Elders reported their labors and were given encouraging and timely instructions by the Presidency of the mission.

Glasgow Sun Dec 4th 1898

The Glasgow Semi Annual Conference convened in the North Saloon Candleriggs 11. Il Twenty Elders from America present The meeting was partly occupied by reports and presenting the athorities [sic] of the Church. I was sustained as President of the mission for the first time in this land. The afternoon meeting was occupied by Prest McMurrin and others and the evening by myself and Prests Wells & McMurrin. There has been a good attendance of Saints and Some strangers. We have been blessed with good order, and some very powerful testimonies have been borne to the truth of the gospel.

Glasgow Dec 5th 1898

Bid the Elders goodbye and Bro Wells and I rode to Ayr, and visited the birth place of the poet Burns Also his monument. "Alloway Kirk", and the "Auld Brigo Doon". After resuming our Journey we changed cars at Kilmarnack, and having 40 minutes to wait. we walked $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile to the Burns Monument, said to be the finest tribute erected to the Poet in Scotland. Here we saw the original Manuscript of "Tam o Shanter" in the authors own handwriting. At 3.30 [sic] we started again and reached Liverpool at 9.45 [sic], and found all as well as usual. 3690 people have visited the Burns Cottage in the past 12 months, 2d admission to the home and the monument make \$3000.00 a year.

Tuesday Dec 6th 1898

Spent the day writing and getting hold of some points of the business of the mission. In the afternoon, Bro Naisbett returned from Halifax, where he has been visiting relatives for a few days.

Liverpool Wed Dec 7th 1898

Bros Wells and McMurrin are busy packing and getting ready to leave, and I have been writing home. We spent the evening at Bro Haltons.

Liverpool Thursday Dec 8th 1898

Received letters from home, all well. At 3.30 p.m. Bros Wells & McMurrin, Started for Utah on the Steamer "Canada" of the Dominion Line. We all went down to see them off.

Liverpool Friday Dec 9th 1898

In the house all day writing letters and my Salutatory as Editor of the "Millennial Star". and as President of the European Mission. and at 10.30 [sic] pm. Bro Naisbitt and I started for Belfast, on the S.S. Magic.

Belfast Saturday Dec 10th 1898

The boat pitched considerably at times during the night so that I did not rest well At 9 am we reached Belfast and were met by Bro. [copy unreadable] J. Krell who took us to the Conference house at 5 My Ladys Rd. where we ate breakfast, and met Pres A.A. and the other Elders of the Irish Conference, Also Elders Smith and McQuarrie of the Scottish Conference After Breakfast we took a walk through Ormean Park, and visited the Queens College and Museum and Park and ornamental grounds. In the evening we held a priesthood meeting at the Conference house and had a good time.

Bro Naisbitt and I slept at Brother Samuel Kingsburys where we were made very comfortable.

Belfast Sunday Dec 11th 1898

The Irish Conference convened today at 11 am in the Whitehall Buildings Ann St. Meetings were also held at 2.30 and 6.30 pm. The attendance of both saints and Strangers was fairly good. Bro Naisbett spoke in the afternoon and I spoke in the evening.

Several others spoke during the day, and the unbelievers who have been present have had an opportunity to learn something of the Gospel. We have had a good attention. There were 11 Elders present from Utah.

Belfast Monday Dec 12th 1898

Sat with the Brethren for a group Photo, and in the afternoon went through the Belfast Co rope works which cover 50 acres of ground and employ 3000 hands mostly women and girls, and a good many boys. There [sic] a good many rooms, some of them of a mile long, and filled with fine machinery, or the finished goods, or the raw material which is drawn from nearly every part of the Known world, and which in return receives back the twine, rope, or nets made here.

The product comprises, everything from fine wrapping twine up to the heavy 3 inch cable, including Sash or window cords or cotton braided by a very ingenious machine of American invention. In the evening we held a meeting of the missionaries at the conf. house and Bro Naisbett and I instructed them further in relation to some of their duties. Also transferred Elders McMuarrie to Scotland and Knoll to London to visit and labor with their relatives, and appointed Elder P. Lonsdale, Allen to preside over the Irish Conference, which appointment the brethren all promised to sustain.

The Elders are earnest in their work, and I have been agreeably surprized [sic] to find the prospects for the work in Ireland so good and the prospects for conversions so good as they appear to be.

At 8 pm Bro Naisbitt and I bid the Brethren and Belfast good bye [sic], and went in the boat for Liverpool.

Liverpool Tuesday Dec 13th 1898

We had a quiet trip, and good nights rest and reached Liverpool at 7 am and were at 42 in time for breakfast, found all well, spent the day in writing.

Liverpool Wed Dec 14th 1898

In the house all day, reading and writing, in the evening, I received letters from Albert, Mary and Joseph.

Liverpool Thurs Dec 15th 1898

Reading and writing in the house nearly all day. In the evening attended a meeting of the Liverpool Branch and latter [sic] met 13 missionaries and one visitor from Utah and adjoining States.

Liverpool Friday Dec 16th 1898

Instructed missionaries and signed letters of appointment for 8 who will labor in England.

In the afternoon the brethren for Scandinavia & Germany (6) departed for their fields of labor. I wrote several letters, and have been busy all day.

Liverpool Saturday Dec 17th 1898

Busy in the house all day, and towards evening, Bro Naisbitt and I, with Elders [copy unreadable] & Bateman, who have been assigned to the Liverpool Conference went to Wigan 19 miles distant where we met, conf Prest Amos M. Merrill and the Elders laboring with him and held a Priesthood meeting at the house of Bro Griffiths

Bro Naisbitt and I staid [sic] at the house of a non-mormon by the name of Bissek and paid a shilling each for our bed-Nice people.

Wigan Sunday Dec 18th 1898

During the day we attended 3 meetings of the Liverpool conference in the Public Hall King St. Wigan, and had a very good time although the attendance has been very light, which is somewhat disappointing to the Elders who have gone to considerable expense in hiring a hall and advertising the meetings. After the meeting we returned to 42.

At Wigan I met [copy unreadable] Norton a missionary from Central Arizona who arrived here on Nov 9th last, and is now thoroughly imbued with the idea of going home. I talked with him in relation of the matter and tried to show him the folly of his course, but I could make no impression on him. He complained of poor health and hard circumstances, all of which may be correct, But he is indulging in the use of cigarettes, and seems to be utterly destitute of the missionary spirit.

Liverpool Monday Dec 19th 1898

Busy in the house all day reading and writing.

Liverpool Tuesday Dec 20th 1898

Began a letter to Prest Snow. In the house all day. Bro Norton sent a letter to the office Stating his intention of going with the Elders who will leave on the 30th. Poor boy he does not realize what a mistake he is making.

Liverpool Wed Dec 21st 1898

Done some writing, And read Hall Caines "The Christian"

Liverpool Thursday Dec 22^d 1898

Done some writing. Called on Mr. Roberts of Ramsden & Co Brokers. Then came back through the Market. All the shopkeepers and dealers are making a great display for Christmas.

In the evening Mr Worten and I went to the Branch meeting house but there was no one there so we held no meeting

Liverpool Friday Dec 23^d 1898

Reading and writing. Received an invitation to spend Christmas with the Saints at Bradford in the Leids Conference. The weather is getting colder and is now dry and clear, and still above the freezing point. Bro Morten went to Ayside

Liverpool Saturday Dec 24th 1898

Was busy about the house until afternoon, and then we scattered out for Christmas. Bro Naisbett went to Halifax, Sister Dutchison to Newcastle, Sis Bereham to Macclesfield and Bro Holther and I to Bradford and several other Elders who are laboring here. In the evening the Saints met in the Termperance Hall and had a pic-nic [sic] and a social entertainment, consisting of

of the death of my Brother-in-law Jos. C. Owens who died on the 1st of Feb at Woodruff, Arizona. Prest. McMurrin started for Holland on a general tour of the Continental Missions.

Liverpool Fri Mch 1st 1901

Spent the day in the house reading and writing letters.

Liverpool Sat Mch 2-1901

Wet and disagreeable. Spent them in doors. Bros [copy unreadable] and Jenkins came up from Birmingham, and spent the afternoon and evening with us. (p. 271)

Liverpool Sun Mch 3d 1901

Wet, attended Sunday School in the forenoon. 10 present, and meeting in the evening 13 present.

Liverpool Mon Mch 4 1901

Wet. Busy all day in the house.

Liverpool Tues Mch 5 1901

A rather pleasant day. Made a report to the [copy unreadable] (Bro Lund) of all the Presiding officers in the European Mission.

Liverpool Wed Mch 6 1901

Wrote several letters, and in the evening attended meeting in the Hall ten present.

Liverpool Thurs Mch 7 1901

Cold and rainy. Got letters from home also a friendly note from Prest [copy unreadable] Smith, and Bro [copy unreadable] and I crossed over to [copy unreadable] and witnessed the unloading of [copy unreadable] grown cattle and 140 sheep from [copy unreadable] by the Dominion S.S. [copy unreadable]. We were surprised to see the good condition of the stock, afterward visited the [copy unreadable] where 6000 cattle [copy unreadable] stabled and fed also visited the slaughtering pens.

Liverpool Fri Mch [copy unreadable] 1901

A fair day. Received a telegram from Bro Haynes urging me to come to Birmingham to see Bro [copy unreadable]. Went down in the evening and found him some better than he has been, but still a very sick man. His trouble is principally with his [copy unreadable], still I have [copy unreadable] that he will be able to go home.

Birmingham Sat Mch 9th 1901

Left [copy unreadable] 1.25 [sic] pm and went to Sheffield where I met Bro Naisbitt and went onto Hull, where we found all well.

Hull. Sunday Mach 10 1901

A beautiful day. Conference convened in a fine respectable hall at 10 am and 2.30 and 6.30 pm [sic], all meetings were well attended and very orderly. Many strangers were present and the good spirit was abundantly bestowed on both speakers and hearers. This has been a day of rejoicing and no doubt much good has been done. This is one of the most prosperous conferences in the British Mission.