

Transcription of faded copy of letter from  
David H. Cannon to his brother Angus M. Cannon  
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President Angus M. Cannon  
Kirk Michael, Isle of Man

My Dear Brother Angus: --

I returned from \_\_\_\_\_ at the late Conference on the evening of the 11<sup>th</sup> inst. leaving the city on the evening of the 9<sup>th</sup>. The short time we were in the City, we were quartered with Aunt Clara and daughter Alice who both done all in their power to make our sojourn agreeable, our stay was necessarily short as we closed the Temple on 30 March and reopened yesterday. You cannot tell what my feelings were to be in the City and not to find one of my Bros nor sisters, it made me feel that I was a stranger in a strange place, Mary and Miss \_\_\_\_ had just returned from the Coast where they had been for a few weeks, the latter on crutches in consequences of a fall received just before starting home. Mary wanted to go home and have us folks, Rhoda & Myself, stay with her, but \_\_\_\_\_ I could not listen, as we were comfortable as we were.

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While in the City we attended all the meetings of the Conferences, at which 3 new apostles were sustained, Jos. Franklin Richards, David O. McKay and Orson F. Whitney, - John W. Taylor and M. F. *Cosoley*, being out of accord with their quorums had tendered their resignations as members of said quorum, which it was stated, had been *arranged*.

The Conference was upheld as a good one *our* excellent spirit being \_\_\_\_\_. The above incident however, acted as a wet blanket and sent a chill through the entire assembly. G. M. *Tanner* was left out as superintendent of the Church's Schools and assistant superintendent of Sunday Schools, there did not seem to be as much *sympathy* for this latter as for the former Brethren.

On my arrival at home, your good letter of the 24<sup>th</sup> March awaited me, its perusal gave me a great deal of pleasure & I could see you and our sister Mary Alice, in my *fancy* striding about at *Cooilshalloryh*, the old \_\_\_\_\_ and upon the Town of Peet looking over \_\_\_\_ the places where our fore Fathers had \_\_\_\_\_ and where buildings are still standing giving evidence of their sturdy style and they were ahead of the times in which they lived. There is no doubt but we come of a sturdy race – as evidenced by the ones we meet from time to time. The experience will be of benefit to Geo. M. Jr. he will miss you both when he has to leave *home*, I trust that he will be *prospered* in his missionary experiences.

You speak of the mildness of the climate on the Island. I think that it will be colder later on. The late spring weather, I think will be colder. You must have enjoyed your visit to Liverpool looking over scenes of your childhood and where the earlier years of your recollection was spent, of course your appearance on this *cannot be sure of the balance of page.*

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I did not while reading of your travels and the many pleasant experiences you were having, envy you but I wished I was with you and once more look upon the scenes that were so familiar to *ourselves*. The labor in which I have been engaged now for nearly thirty years would give zest and enjoyment to the whole thing and cause me to \_\_\_\_\_ it. I read your letter to our sister Ann, her eyes fairly sparkled when I read of her deeds \_\_\_\_\_, where you as children played *hopscotch and top spinning at the time when she \_\_\_\_\_ your battles*. You speak of going to visit the continent, if you do so, there will be much to instruct as well as to please you, judging from accounts that I have had from Elders who have

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been there. I trust that in your *searches and endeavors* to obtain genealogical data you will not over due yourselves, as you are both older than you were when the Mob searched our wagons on the *benches* of the Mississippi River when we were driven from our Nauvoo, and cannot stand as \_\_\_\_\_

While in the City I visited all of your folks at Forestdale all well, there was a lady and her husband at Aunt Sarah's who is a relative of *our wives*, I \_\_\_\_\_ although \_\_\_\_\_. I also visited Sister \_\_\_\_\_ Mary Alice's daughter Mary Alice, she has a daughter who is very sick. I visited \_\_\_\_\_ she is very sick looked to me to be in \_\_\_\_\_.

Well, I must close the company has gone upstairs. Give My love to Mary Alice, to George M. Junior if he is still with you and accept the same to yourself. May the Lord bless you both and bring you *home* safely. I \_\_\_\_\_ your true loving Brother.

David H. Cannon

**Please Note:** *Italicized words* are assumptions because they could not be read. fjf