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Jan 1, 1896

Wednesday. My daughter and M McAlister, her husband, spent the day in St George. Riley is engaged in missionary labors in North Carolina; Levi M is with his family in Woodruff, Arizona. My self; wife Ann, Mary Ann, Adelaide; son Wm B and wife enjoyed a good dinner at home.

Jan 2, 1896

Thursday. I got a letter from US Attorney Gudge that he would be in St George soon & investigate Indian depredation claims; intention, including myself, if we were ready; and Attorney Kenney wrote he would take our case if his transit and board were paid from Beaver to St George & back; and 15 percent of what we got from the US Government.

Jan 3, 1896

Friday. I started to St George; changed teams two miles below Harrisburg with Martain and Clara; and stopped overnight at Washington with Israel Nielson; also a claimant.

Jan 4, 1896

Saturday. Found we could not communicate with 6 other claimants within the time set to try cases. We decided to allow 15 percent & board if he come; wrote of that affect.

Jan 5, 1896

Sunday. I arrived at home about 4 P.M. and telegraphed Atty Gudger that we could not communicate with in the time specified.

Jan 6, 1896

Monday. The glad hearts of the people of Toquerville were manifested in celebrating the day of Utah's admission to Statehood; closing with a grand ball at night.

Jan 7, 1896

Tuesday. The excitement of gold being found nearby induced Wm B, with others, to try his luck in locating a gold mine.

Jan 8, 1896

Wednesday. Wm B, with the Anderson boys, went prospecting for gold. The took Brigham Whitmore in with them; he is a man of means.

Jan 9, 1896

Thursday. My daughter, Clara Ann, was taken with flowing and extreme pain in the womb. At 8 P.M., we telegraphed Dr Middleton at Cedar City, 35 miles distant; we applied remedies and at 1 P.M. she became a little easier. Wm B rode on horseback 22 miles to Springdale for Martain McAlister, her husband, and back with him in three hours & 30 minutes. The doctor arrived about 5 o'clock A.M. and pronounced her case a miscarriage-abortion.

Afternoon, I and my wife Ann attended an olde folks party at Bro David Spilsbury's; 20 were seated at the first table. The doctor left for home at 5 P.M..

Jan 10, 1896

Friday. Wm B went to Anderson's and ground some wheat for hog feed and got the wagon repaired;

Jan 11, 1896

Saturday. Wm B got a load of stump for firewood. Clara is recovering sloley. Martain, her husband, is here with her yet. Today WW____ notified me that the US Attorney would commence investigating Indian depredation claims Monday the 13th in St George, Utah.

Jan 12, 1896

Sunday. I looked up my Indian depredation papers to investigate the case in St George this week. Clara was very bad last night and not much better today.

Jan 13, 1896

Monday. I left home with horse and buggy to attend the investigating of my Indian depredation case in St George; I stoped for the night with Israel Nielson at Washington. We made some arrangements to proceed with our case tomorrow if called. David Morris, Prosecuting Attorney of Washington Co., Utah will conduct our cases as local attorney.

Jan 14, 1896

Tuesday. Israel Nielson and myself arrived at the court house in St George about 9 A.M.; I and my witness, Israel Nielson were sworn in by the officer, HL Daggett. I, Levi Savage, took the stand and attorney Morris conducted the direct examination to completion. My testimony closed; I Nielson took the stand and closed; then J Pearce. The testimony was all given with clearness and promptitude. TK Gouger, US Assistant Attorney crossed examined, seemingly with satisfaction and no hinderance. Israel Neilson's case was bared by his father's faulty papers on sitizenship. The expert type writer was an intelligent young woman. She took the statements as they dropped from the lip of the witness. Her fee in my case waas \$7.10 and Mr Daggett's fee of \$1.50. I borrowed \$9 dollars of Brother Woodard and paid the charges. I then drove to Washington and stoped over night at Israel Nielson's.

Jan 15, 1896

Wednesday. I starte and arrived at home about 4 o'clock P.M.

Jan 16, 1896

Thursday. I wrote up my journal that was back a few days.

Jan 17, 1896

Friday. I commenced a letter to inform Wedderburn, Washington DC that my Indian depredation case was tried on the 15th inst at St George, Utah.

Jan 18, 1896

Saturday. I was at home. Wm B got a load of wood.

Jan 19, 1896

Sunday. I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. Elder John Steel and myself administered the Sacrament; this done, I spoke a short time by request of the Bp and followed by Elder John Steel.

Jan 20, 1896

Monday. At 7 o'clock this evening, Apostle Grant, A Ivens, David Cannon RB Snow and others from St George; some from Virgin City and Leads; together with the people of Toquerville, assembled at the Hall and listened to the good instructions of Elder AW Ivens and Apostle Grant.

Jan 21, 1896

Tuesday. Wm B started for Cedar City to get some wheat; he also took a few onions to exchange for potatoes.

Jan 22 & 23, 1896

Wednesday & Thursday. I mostly spent in drafting an article to John Wedderburn, Atty in Washington DC respecting the investigation of my Indian depredation claim. Wm B got home from Cedar with 850 lbs wheat and 450 lbs potatoes from Kanara; he exchanged onions for them with Wm Ford.

Jan 24, 1896

Friday. All at home as usual. Martain come down from his school this afternoon.

Jan 25, 1896

Saturday. Wm B went with Frank Jackson to their mines of late location; perhaps to relocate them. Wm brought specimens to have assayed at Salt Lake City.

Jan 26, 1896

Sunday. At two o'clock P.M. I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. By request of the Bp, Councelor M Slack read Pres Joseph F Smith's sermon in the late Des News. It was very instructive on obedience to and honoring the priesthood. I finished visiting my district this afternoon; I notified Wm Lamb's family and I Saac's family that baptisms would be administered to those who wished, on next Fast day; a week from next Thursday. Neither of these brethren were at home; I tolde their wives.

Jan 27, 1896

Monday. Choreing about home.

Jan 28, 1896

Tuesday. Wrote a letter to Aunt Ann E Collins. Wm B got a load of posts on Monday 27th and took them to the Bench.

Jan 29, 1896

Wednesday. I mailed my letter to Ann E Collins telling her that her daughter was sealed to Wm B, my son; also mailed the report of giving testimony on my Indian depredation claim. We had a splended rain last night; the first we have had this winter.

Jan 30, 1896

Thursday. I chored about home.

Jan 31, 1896

Friday. Martain McAlister come from his school, and I borrowed \$25 to send to Riley C, our son, now on a mission in North Carolina.

Feb 1, 1896

Saturday. At 10 o'clock A.M., I started for St George with team and buggy. Stopped at Lead's Coop Store and cashed the \$25 check I got of Martain last night; arrived at St George PO about 4 P.M.; bought a \$25 PO order and mailed to Riley C at Wilmington NC and stopped over night at Sister McAlisters.

Feb 2, 1896

Sunday. At 10 A.M., I started for home; called for five minutes at Bro Wakelings and 30 minutes at I Nielson's, Washington. Brother Nielson is just recovering from a severe illness; and at 5 o'clock P.M., I arrived at home.

Feb 3, 1896

Monday. I remained at home; the wind blowing colde from the north. Wm B rode his horse to the cedars & cut a few posts.

Feb 4, 1896

Tuesday. At home.

Feb 5, 1896

Wednesday. I am at home.

Feb 6, 1896

Thursday. I attended fast meeting; the wind is blowing strong and colde from the north. Wm B is cutting cedar pickets.

Feb 7, 1896

Friday. The winde is blowing colde from the north. Wm B has went for a load of wood.

Feb 8, 1896

Saturday. By request, went to Brother James Jackson's; and with a number of other brethren, administered to his son George; who is severely afflicted

with measles, fever and derange of the minde; manifested in singing, shouting; with occasional profanity and vulgar language. Dr Middleton was telegraphed & arrived about midnight; he said nothing can be done for him, but to allay the fever, quiet the nerves and good nursing; said his complaint bordered on insanity.

Feb 9, 1896

Sunday. A 2 P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. Elders Isaac McFarlin and Samuel Miles of St George were the speakers; they gave an excellent exortation showing the benefits of studying the scriptures. This after noon, Dr Middleton called and seen Clara A; she is improveing.

Feb 10, 1896

Monday. Wm B set up with Bro George Jackson a part of Saturday and Sunday night. The Dr left for home early this morning. Bro George Jackson is but little, if any better. Wm B worked at rocking the lower ditch; I gelded a pig for Bro James Williams this morning.

Feb 11, 1896

Tuesday. The winde blew colde from the north. I remained indoors moste of the day. Wm B took a load of posts to the Bench today.

Feb 12, 1896

Wednesday. Wm B spent much of the day with George Jackson; the wind blew colde from the north again today. I cleared some rubbish off the garden.

Feb 13, 1896

Thursday. Wm B worked at walling the lower ditch with rock. I cleared the garden ground of rubbish; ready for plowing.

Feb 14, 1896

Friday. Wm & I plowed the garden. Martain come from his school this evening. Ted Battie's childe died yesterday & was buried today.

Feb 15, 1896

Saturday. We killed our fatten pigs. Martain got 2200 lbs of hay, tithing of he Bishop, on Rushes account. He and Wm B hauled it and put it into our barn. Bro John Battie's childe died this morning.

Feb 16, 1896

Sunday. Wm B and wife went to St George. At two P.M., I attended John Battie's infant childe's funeral.

Feb 17, 1896

Monday. There is a strong, cool winde from the north. I remained in the house the moste of the day. Wm B returned from St George.

Feb 18, 1896

Tuesday. Wm B & David Spilsbury hauled dirt onto the newly rockd ditch in front of our lot to level the banks of the ditch.

Feb 19, 1896

Wednesday. I cut up the pigs that we killed Saturday & salted them. Wm got a load of wood; I got notice to show cause for not proveing up the labor I had done on my desert land entry, as the law requires; yet I have done so and why it is not acknowledged is a mistery.

Feb 20 1896

Thursday. I intended to have went to St George today to show cause why my desert land entry should not be canceled for noncompliance with the law. We had proven up as the law requires, but our affidavits, sent by mail, failed to reach there destination – Salt Lake City Land Office; but I had to hunt our milk cow that had stayed out two nights.

Feb 21, 1896

Friday. At 10:30, I started for St George to prove up the work done on my desert land entry as required by law, but Isaac McFarlin, the surveyor was absent and I had to awate his return until tomorrow night. I stoped for the night at Sister McAlister's.

Feb 22, 1896

Saturday. I see Frank Morse who owed me \$1.20; he had just returned from the north but was not prepared to pay me; evening, I went to McFarlin's and made arrangements with him to again execute the necessary papers for the land named above. I stoped at Brother Wakeling's for the night. He had gone to the Muddy with Brother Judd. Sister Wakeling asked me to stop for the night.

Feb 23, 1896

Sunday. I got my daughter's watch from Brother Thomson; and at 2 P.M. started for home; stoped at Israel's in Washington an hour and arrived at home about 9:30 P.M. very tired.

Feb 24, 1896

Monday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Bro JT Batty's infant childe's funeral and by request, spoke a short time on the occasion; Brother D Spilsbury and his (blank) also spoke a short time.

Feb 25, 1896

Tuesday. I commenced forking up a piece of ground for onion sets. Wm B went to St George on horse back. He will make affidavit, as the law requires, to the amount of work done on our desert land entry in the year 1896.

Feb 26, 1896

Wednesday. I planted a few onion sets. We got a letter from Riley saying his obligations were now reduced to about four dollars, which was for tracks to distribute to the people. Wm B returned from St George about 9 P.M.

Feb 27, 1896

Thursday. I set a few more onion sets. Wm B took a load of grape stakes to the Laverkin Bench. Brother Joseph Millet took dinner with us today; he is going to St George.

Feb 28, 1896

Friday. I put out a few more onion sets. Wm B took the plow to Anderson's to have a new land bar put on it.

Feb 29, 1896

Saturday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Sister Mary Naegle's funeral at Toquerville Hall. By request of the Bp, I offered the opening prayer; David Spilsbury; George, his father; and James Duffin were the speakers; each spoke at some length. The Bp then arose and read the 48th chapter of Alma in the Book of Mormon treating on the resurrection. There were a large assembly in attendance and 23 wagons and carriages, laden with the mourners and friends of the deceased, escorted the remains to the semetry where the remains were summarily deposited.

Mar 1, 1896

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M. I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. I was rather late; as I entered the room, I noticed the Sacrament was past. Brother John Steel, High Priest, was in the stand speaking & continued at some length. Soon after the Ward meeting closed, by request of the Bp, the Ward Teachers convened I council; and the propriety of voting against nominations, made by authority was argued pro & con. David Spilsbury spoke of the manner in which the presidency of the 9th quorum were dropped and I replied to him saying, that I had never been couniled to join the High Priests &c.; but President Woodruff said we had his approbation to join the high priest quorum if we wished to do so &c.

Mar 2, 1896

Monday. Wm B went with Frank Jackson to their mine that they have located. I made a shead for the hogs to sleep under.

Mar 3, 1896

Tuesday. Wm B and George Anderson started for Kelse's to get a load of posts, but the snow storm prevented them; this is the first snow storm we have had in Toquerville this winter

Mar 4, 1896

Wednesday. At 10 o'clock A.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. A few that usually attend were present. Brother David Spilsbury read a few items of George Q Cannon's sermon published in the Deseret News; after which Brother Steel, Geo Spilsbury, C. Stapely, myself (Levi Savage) and the Bp bore testimony to the truth of the Gospel; accompanied with appropriate remarks; and dismissed; a good spirit prevailed. Afternoon, I visited Isaac Duffin and Martain Slack's families; also Philelus Davis; the husbands of the two former were not at home; I exhorted all to live up to the requirements of the Gospel, in which they seemed a little deficient.

Mar 5, 1896

Thursday. The weather cool & damp under foot & I am not well; I remained indoors the most of the day.

Mar 6, 1896

Friday. I pruned a few grape vines. Martain come down from his school. Wm B prepared to go to St George tomorrow.

Mar 7, 1896

Saturday. Cattle got in the field and I drove them out and repaired the fence along the creek bank. Wm went to St George with team and buggy. I finished pruning grape vines behind the barn.

Mar 8, 1896

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M. I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. David McMullin, Senior Pres of the 9th Quorum of Seventies and (blank) Workman were present in the interest of the seventies and were the speakers; their remarks were interesting. After meeting, I visited three families in the 4th district as a teacher; I also called on and tolde John Batty that the assessment of the fourth section for the St George Tabernacle Fund was partially collected; and reported , by myself, Levi Savage, and Horase Slack.

Mar 9, 1896

Monday. Wm B come from St George. The winde blew strong and colde from the north and I remained indoors the most of the day.

Mar 10, 1896

Tuesday. The wind continues to blow colde from the north. I remained in doors mostly. My wife Ann is in bed with pain in head, neck and shoulders.

Mar 11, 1896

Wednesday. Wm B and I ploughed our garden ground the second time.

Mar 12, 1896

Thursday. Frank Jackson and his sister Adelaide started this morning to take their brother George to the Provo Asylum, as he has become somewhat demented through sickness. Wm B leveled the garden ground with a log

drege and hauled a few loads of manure into the sand hallow. I cut a few potatoes for planting. My wife has been sick for a few days, but she is better and got out of her room today.

Mar 13, 1896

Friday. I planted a few early potatoes in the garden. Wm B hauled manure onto lucern in the field; evening, Martain come from his school.

Mar 14, 1896

Saturday. This morning, the wind is blowing a gale from the north and has the apperence of a storm.

Mar 15, 1896

Sunday. At 2 P.M. I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. The Bp was abscent at St George Conference. Charles Stapely, presiding; Elder John Steel & myself administered the Sacrament.....

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.....went to the river farm; viewed the line of fence to be built and estimated the quantity of wire for the fence at 850 lbs.

Mar 22, 1896

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. Elder ER Lamb & L Savage administered the sacrament; Hesh Duffin & David Spilsbury and the Bp reported proceedings of the late St George Conference; meeting closed, I finished visiting my teachers district.

Mar 23, 1896

Monday. This is my 76th Birthday; I sowed some black seed Prizetaker Onions; afternoon, Elder Steel gave me a social call and I returned the compliment this evening.

Mar 24, 1896

Tuesday. I worked in the garden.

Mar 25, 1896

Wednesday. I finished sowing the Prizetaker onions. Wm B got a load of grape stakes today.

Mar 26, 1895

Thursday. The wind blew a gale from the south with a slight sprinkle of rain. I wrote a letter to my sister Emaline. Wm B hunted for the olde cow, but failed to finde her. Martain finished his school in Springdale today and come home this evening.

Mar 27, 1896

Friday. We had the water today and Wm B tended it; also set a few grape roots. The water is now on turns.

Mar 28, 1896

Saturday. I planted a little early sweet corn in the garden. Martian went home this morning. Wm B took a load of grape stakes to the Laverkin Bench. Today is my wife Ann's 79th birthday. The sisters of the relief society gave her a surprise party this afternoon; we also had a small sprinkle of rain.

Mar 29, 1896

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. Elders Edwin Lamb and James Duffin were the speakers; we had a good meeting. I had a social chat with Brother John Steel at his house.

Mar 30, 1896

Monday. A freezing colde winde from the north, we think has finished the ruin of our fruit for this season. Wm B took a load of grape stakes to Laverkin Bench.

Mar 31, 1896

Tuesday. The weather continues cool with a cool breeze from the north.

Apr 1, 1896

Wednesday. I attended an investigation of water rights before an arbitration board of three; viz Wm A Bringhurst, Bp; and Martain Slack Sr of Toquerville; and (blank) Angel of Leads. Roan Spilsbury and others, plaintiffs & Tom Willis, defendant; Levi M Harmon of Toquerville was atty for plantiff and James Wilder of Silver Reef for the defence. Decision taken under advisement until Saturday the 4th.

Apr 2, 1896

Thursday. At 10 o'clock A.M., I and my daughter Clara walked to fast meeting together while her mother and auntie come after. There were more than usual attendance and a good spirit prevailed. Brother Spendlove and wife called and took dinner; they are on their way to visit their children in Tropic.

Apr 3, 1896

Friday. Wm B went to the Laverkin Bench with the team and moved about a thousand feet of lumber onto the ditch to repara it. In the afternoon, Regula Naegle's house burned; It took fire in the kitchen, which being lumber, was soon consumed; with an adjoining bedroom and all their contents. The citizens of Toquerville, male and female, thronged to the seen and prevented with ditch water; applied with buckets, the wine sellar building, being built of rock, which stoped the fire; the roof was consumed and inside; with the furniture saved; but so badly damaged it was worth but little if any thing.

Apr 4, 1896

Saturday. Wm B went to Washington field; he found Brother Wilkin, who had rented the land, absent, but his wife had hired help to water it.

Apr 5, 1896

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. Elders Allen, who arrived this morning from his mission to the Southern States Mission; and Heber Naegle, who arrived from his German Mission some two weeks since, were the speakers. Elder Naegle spoke only a few minutes; Elder Allen spoke an hour; their remarks were interesting. After meeting, I attended Teachers Council; a number of items were investigated; Elder Lev M Harmon said the teachers had not visited him lately; he though the altercation he had with Brother Levi Savage, my self, his teacher was the cause; I said that was not the cause, for on that occaision, Brother Harmon asserted that I was a disagreeable, insulting, quarrelsome olde man; and he wanted nothing more to do with me in any shape or form whatever; but he apologized and I shall visit him again. Martain come with team to move his wife and affects to St George.

Apr 6, 1896

Monday. I chored about home.

Apr 7, 1896

Tuesday. I chored about home. Martain worked at making the cupboard & packing his householde goods and loading them into his wagon to move to St George.

Apr 8, 1896

Wednesday. Martain hired neighbor William's team and wagon and put part of his goods in it; I drove William's team; Mary Ann, Clara's mother, rode with me; we left home at half past 10 A.M. and arrived in St George about 8 o'clock P.M.

Apr 9, 1896

Thursday. 9 A.M., I lifted & paid the \$9 note that Geo Woodard held; paid Seth Pymm 25 cts due him for exictuing March payment voucher; and at 10:30, left for home; took dinner with I Nielson at Washington; then started, the wind blowing a gale from the south; I arrived at home about 6 P.M.; all well, but very tired.

Apr 10, 1896

Friday. I wrote a letter to Ann Collins. Wm B put a fence across the (blank) for hogs.

Apr 11, 1896

Saturday. I chored about home. Will hunted for the olde cow, but failed to finde her; we think she has a calf.

Apr 12, 1896

Sunday. I remained at home; wrote to Contributor Company; saying on Feb 8th, I wrote that I had thoroughly canvassed the Town of Toquerville in the interest of the Contributor, &c.

Apr 13, 1896

Monday. Wm B and George Anderson went to the river farm & commenced setting posts for the wire fence.

Apr 14, 1896

Tuesday. I finished pruning my black raspberries; George Anderson & Wm B set fence posts on the river farm.

Apr 15, 1896

Wednesday. We took the water today noon; I tended it. Will and George went to the river farm to set fence posts, but Will returned after noon and went to Anderson's for a load of fence posts.

Apr 16, 1896

Thursday. I wrote a letter to Pres AH Lund, Liverpool, England; asking to purchase the first and second volumes of the Latter-day Saints Journal of Discourses.

Apr 17, 1896

Friday. I chored about home, not feeling well. Wm B and George Anderson set fence posts on the river farm.

Apr 18, 1896

Saturday. I have been troubled with kidney complaint for years not able to do heavy work and frequently none at all. Will and George Anderson repaired a portion of the river field ditch; the colt, being too young to work the mother, we got neighbor William's horse.

Apr 19, 1896

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended Ward meeting; two young missionaries of Santa Clara Ward were the speakers; they have lately returned from the Switzerland mission, but spoke good English.

Apr 20, 1896

Monday. I chored about home.

Apr 21, 1896

Tuesday. Myself and family that were at home attended Belle Spilsbury's wedding feast; they also gave a ball at night.

Apr 22, 1896

Wednesday. The boys finished cleaning the river field ditch. I tended the water at home.

Apr 23, 1896

Thursday. W, B and George Anderson finished repairing the ditch, put in a small dam at the head and got a good irrigating stream on to the plowed land; I am feeling much debilitated; not able to perform anything like work.

Apr 24, 1896

Friday. Wm B started to Cedar City to get the fence wire for our river field. I wrote Wm H Maul for seeds; the Irish Daisy Potato, wonder peas and the long stump root carrot.

Apr 25, 1896

Saturday. Wm Jackson got our carriage to take Miss Keet to St George & fetch Clara's mother, Mary Ann. I gave him a letter to poste to WH Maul for garden seeds; he is to buy 85 cts worth of PO stamps & enclose in the letter before mailing it.

Apr 26, 1896

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. Elders M Slack and George Spilsbury were the speakers. After meeting, Elder Allen and myself visited the 4th district in the capacity of Ward Teachers; we found the Saints professing good faith in the gospel and had no serious complaints to offer. This evening, Wm B got home from Cedar City with 8 hundred pounds of wire to fence our river field.

Apr 27, 1896

Monday. This morning, Wm B and Geo Anderson went to the river field and stretched the wire on the posts they had set for the fence. The weather is cool and cloudy, but no rain yet.

Apr 28, 1896

Tuesday. Wm B went to Cedar Mountain with Frank Jackson. I and Geo Anderson completed the wire fence on the river farm; but the work was to hard for me.

Apr 29, 1896

Wednesday. I went to the river farm with horse and buggy; then rode the mare and see James Duffin at his home. George has a large ditch of water running on the farm.

May 1, 1896

Friday. May Day; was enjoyed by the young folks of Toquerville in a picnic party in the shade of a large cottonwood tree on Ash Creek below J Duffin's house; of my family that participated were; Mary Ann; Adelaide; Maud, my son's wife; and myself. We had a very pleasant time. I am not well, being afflicted with my olde complaint.

May 2, 1896

Saturday. The girls; Mary Ann and Adelaide, transplanted the three rows of tomatoes which I prepared yesterday. After noon, Elder John Allen and I finished visiting 4th district as Ward Teachers.

May 3, 1896

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall.. By request of the Bp, James Duffin read Joseph's Smith Sermon on Church discipline. Evening, Teachers Council convened and a charge had been written against Wm Jackson for getting drunk, disturbing the peace and abusing his family. It was decided to require reconciliation of him.

May 4, 1896

Monday. Wm and George plowed the olde orchard we had lately cleared. I went to Andersons and brought a plow for the boys to use on the river farm.

May 5, 1896

Tuesday. Wm B and George Anderson commenced plowing the river field.

May 6, 1896

Wednesday. I had the water and tended it on the lot and field here; but the labor and getting my feet wet injured my health.

May 7, 1896

Thursday. I am not well, but 10 A.M., I attended Fast meeting; several bore testimony to the truth of the gospel; Sister Lora Higby, in her remarks, showed some dissatisfaction as to the manner in which her husband was prosecuted for assault and battery upon young John Allen.

May 8, 1896

Friday. Last night we had a good heavy rain; it is the first we have had of much account since last fall. The boys returned from the returned from the river field this evening, having most of their plowing done. George went home; I had a talk with Wm Jackson and advised him to comply with the Bp's decision in the case of his getting drunk and abusing his family and others. Afternoon, Wm and George come from the river farm and George went home; the ground was rather wet to plow.

May 9, 1896

Saturday. I remained quietly at home, not feeling well.

May 11, 1896

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. President McArthur and Erastus B Snow, counselor, both of St George were present on the stand. After usual opening ceremonies and Sacrament past, Pres DD McArthur arose and introduced the subject of sustaining or rejecting, by vote of the Saints present, the declaration favoring the observance of certain church discipline of long standing. The vote was taken and the said declaration

unanimously sustained. They also gave good instructions for the Saints to observe. After meeting, Elder J Allen and myself, visited three families as Ward Teachers.

May 11, 1896

Monday. Wm B and George Anderson went to the river farm to finish plowing and to plant sugar cane.

May 12, 1896

Tuesday. They finished plowing and sent our team home at evening.

May 13, 1896

Wednesday. I had the watering and done the watering; my back is very weak yet; I can do no hard work.

May 14, 1896

Thursday. I am scarcely able to be around, yet I try to do some light work. On the evening of the 12th, Wm Theobald gave me the most severe cursing at my gate for kindly asking him to try to prevent his stud horse from jumping the fence into my pasture and getting to my mare; he indulged in the name of God and the Savior in the most profane way. On the same occasion, at Wm Jackson's, he not only profaned, but used the most nasty, obscene language he could invent.

May 15, 1896

Friday. Wm Theobald come to me and apologized for the abuse he gave me the other evening. This evening, I went to the Bishop, Wm A Bringham with Wm Theobald; and there he confessed his wrong and promised to try to reform. The bishop will consult his council on the matter.

May 16, 1896

Saturday. Wm B and George Anderson finished watering their land just planted.

May 17, 1896

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. Elders J Steel and M Slack were the speakers. I, Levi Savage, made the closing prayer.

Evening, I went to Brother John Steel's and he gave me a dose of medicine for kidney complaint which of late has troubled me very much.

May 18, 1896

Monday. I chored about home.

May 19, 1896

Tuesday. I went to St George with horse and buggy. Maud, my son Wm B's wife went with me to visit her folks there. I stoped over night with M McAlister and his wife, my daughter Clara. They have a nice house and well to do for young married folks.

May 20, 1896

Wednesday. I hired \$25, twenty five dollars, golde coin, of George Wooderd and paid it to Martain McAlister for that amount I had borrowed of him and sent it to Riley. This afternoon, I was attacted with a small and frequent discharge of urine attended with severe pain.

May 21, 1896

Thursday. This morning I arose having been troubled all night with this frequent and painful discharge of urine. At 9:15 A.M., I started for home; stoped a few minutes at Nielson's in Washington and arrived home about 4 P.M. feeling much exhausted with my journey.

May 22, 1896

Friday. I remained quiet; my complaint being little, if any, better. Wm B commenced to make the frames for the two wire doors to our two rooms; he also helped his mother and auntie clean the rooms.

May 23, 1896

Saturday. I repaired the harrow and Wm B harrowed the olde orchard ground, lately broken up.

May 24, 1896

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. After usual sermonies, Elder Levi Harmon, by request of the Bp, took the stand and gave an instructive discourse; after meeting, Elder John Allen and myself visited Bros J Williams and P Davis and families as Ward Teachers; we found them both rather indifferent to some of the requirements of the gospel.

May 25, 1896

Monday. Will and George tended to the water on the river farm. I am yet afflicted with a lame back and a frequent and painful discharge of urine. I spent moste of the day sorting beans for planting.

May 26, 1896

Tuesday. Will & George finished watering the crop on the river farm the second time. The cane seed is coming well.

May 27, 1896

Wednesday. Wm B cut some lucern for Wm Jackson; then went with our team to cut lucern on the Laverkin Bench. I tended the water at home.

May 28, 1896

Thursday. After noon, set out 160 tomatoes; 80 of them were the new Stone Tomato.

May 29, 1896

Friday. This afternoon, we had a nice fall of rain of about 30 minutes. Last night, we saw for the first time for months, slight flashes of lightning and the rumbling of thundering; but the storm clouds went round us until today. I

planted three rows of sweet corn this afternoon. The shower of rain is very welcome.

May 30, 1896

Saturday. Wm B went to St George with team and buggy; howed a little in the garden; I am not very well.

May 31, 1896

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. By request of the Bp, Elder John Steel and I, Levi Savage, blessed & administered the sacrament; then Counselor Slack read a few passages from the bible and gave a good, but short discourse; then by request of the Bp, I made a few remarks; Soon after the close of the services, I went to Sister Spilsbury's and returned to her the 1st volume of the journal of discourses which I had borrowed of her some time ago. Wm B returned from St George with his wife late this evening.

Jun 1, 1896

Monday. I howed a little in the garden. Wm B made ready to go to Cedar Mountain to shear sheep for Frank Jackson and to make some improvements on his home stead there.

Jun 2, 1896

Tuesday. Will took our three horses to the mountain with him.

Jun 3, 1896

Wednesday. I tended the water, also delivered the pig that Sister Dodge bought of me yesterday for \$2 cash. The one I owed neighbor Williams, I delivered yesterday.

Jun 4, 1896

Thursday. I attended Fast meeting at the Hall at 10 o'clock A.M. Afternoon, Elder John Allen and myself finished visiting, as Ward Teachers, the Saints in the 4th district. We found no serious difficulty between brethren; and all profess trying to live their religion.

Jun 5, 1896

Friday. I planted a little sweet corn.

Jun 6, 1896

Saturday. I finished planting the olde orchard ground to white flint corn.

Jun 7, 1896

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. Elders Brimhall and Woolf were the speakers; by their previous appointment. They are BY Academy Teachers at Provo. They gave some excellent instructions. Soon after the close of the Ward meeting, I met in the Ward Teachers Council and reported that Brother J Allen and myself had fully visited the 4th

district. The Betty Stapely case was mentioned, but no definite course to perceive respecting the matter was decided upon.

Jun 8, 1896

Monday. I planted the Wonderful Pea got of Wm H Maul.

Jun 9, 1896

Tuesday. I howed my onions.

Jun 10, 1896

Wednesday. I had and used the water on the lot and field.

Jun 11, 1896

Thursday. Attended items about home.

Jun 12, 1896

Friday. Attended to home affairs.

Jun 13, 1896

Saturday. Mary Ann and Adelaide went to St George Conference with Elder John Allen; he had our wagon to go with. I howed my onions; George Anderson watered the cane crop on the river farm.

Jun 14, 1896

Sunday. George Anderson was called up at 12 o'clock last night and authorized to arrest Owen Hait for entering James Stapely's house at late hours at night; supposed for licencious purposes; Hait is supposed to be in Colob Mountain. Not feeling well, I did not attend meeting today, but visited Brother James Jackson who has been nearly helpless for several months.

Jun 15, 1896

Monday. Wm B returned this evening from Cedar Mountain where he sheared sheep for Frank & William Jackson; he also planted a few potatoes on his home stead there. Adelaide returned about 10 P.M. with Brother Allen from St George. Clara being unwell, her mother, Mary Ann, stoped for a few days with her (Clara).

Jun 16, 1896

Tuesday. I went to Leads to see Frank Dalton about the shoes he promised to make for Riley two weeks ago. Dalton had gone to Parowan to doctor his wife and get leather at Cedar City. I requested his daughter to ask him to kindly let me know, when he returned, when the shoes were ready for me. His daughter thinks her fathers will get home tomorrow. The weather is very warm; the merkery stands at a 110.

Jun 17, 1896

Wednesday. We had the water on the lot and field; and Wm B helped me about the watering.

Jun 18, 1896

Thursday. I howed in the garden. Wm B got a small load of wood from down the Virgin River. Frank Dalton sent the shoes he made for Riley this afternoon.

Jun 19, 1896

Friday. I mailed Riley's shoes to him at Cedar Rock, Franklin Co., N.C.; commenced watering the crop in the river field. I wrote to Riley that I sent his shoes.

Jun 20, 1896

Saturday. Wm B spent the day watering the crop in the river field.

Jun 21, 1896

Sunday. At two P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. After the Sacrament was served, a report of the late conference at St George was given in the remarks of three or four elders; who attended said conference. After meeting closed, Elder John Allen and I, Levi Savage, as Ward Teachers visited several families in our, the fourth district; found all desiring to honor the gospel.

Jun 22, 1896

Monday. Wm B and I, Levi Savage, weeded the corn and tomatoes in the garden with horse and cultivator.

Jun 23, 1896

Tuesday. Wm B cut Wm Stapely's lucern on his Laverkin farm. I howed in the garden.

Jun 24, 1896

Wednesday. We had the water; Wm B tended it in both garden and field. I howed some in the garden.

Jun 25, 1896

Thursday. I sharpened a few stakes for tomatoes.

Jun 26, 1896

Friday. I went to St George to see my daughter Clara; her health is poor. I arrived there at about 4 P.M.; I found her more comfortable than I expected, yet far from being well. I stoped with her over night. Her husband, Martain McAlister is helping white wash and paint the temple. Mary Ann, Clara's mother is here with her.

Jun 27, 1896

Saturday. Brother Pymm, St George, cashed my \$36 pension check; this is June payment. Dr Afflect prescribed medicine for my urine alements for which I paid the druggest \$1.10. Clara's mother will stay with her a while longer. I drove to Washington and stoped over night with Israel Nielson.

Jun 28, 1896

Sunday. After breakfast, I started for home; bought 75 cts worth of Utah made whiskey at Grapevine Springs; and arrived home about 4 P.M., much fatigued.

Jun 29, 1896

Monday. Wm B worked on the ditch. Not feeling well after my trip to St George, I remained quiet the most of the day.

Jun 30, 1896

Tuesday. William B went to the river field. I worked at terricing the tomatoes. The weather is very warm and dry and not well and I am not well; I do but little work.

Jul 1, 1896

Wednesday. We had the water and I tended it both on the lot and in the field. Wm B used the water on the river farm.

Jul 2, 1896

Thursday. I wrote a letter to Mrs AE Collins; also worked in the garden. Wm B and George Anderson planted white beans on the river farm.

Jul 3, 1896

Friday. The boys finished planting the beanes on the river farm.

Jul 4, 1896

Saturday. We celebrated the national birthday by forming a procession; marched to the Hall and seated; respectable congregation. Here we enjoyed ourselves with music, readings, recitations, speakers and toasts. I was unexpectedly solicited to make a speech from the stand to the audience; this I complied with, tho ill prepared for the occasion; not having been notified that such would be proffered me. The remainder on the day was spent in the harmless amusements; the little folks was given a dance this afternoon.

Jul 5, 1896

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall.; singing & prayer and Sacrament past; Councelor Slack came to the stand and read in the Deseret News George Q Cannon's late, lengthy and instructive sermon; one or two others made short speech each and meeting adjourned; and the Ward Teacher's Council meeting convened; and reported their last months labors.

Jul 6, 1896

Monday. I finished weeding my onions. The weather is very warm yet.

Jul 7, 1896

Tuesday. I tresseled tomatoes; Wm B & George Anderson finished cultivating the crop on the river farm.

Jul 8, 1896

Wednesday. I tended the water on the lot and field. Wm B drove up his mare and colt and my two pintos to put them on the mountain range.

Jul 9, 1896

Thursday. My yesterday's work was too hard for me; I was troubled all last night with diarrhea. I am not able to do anything today.

Jul 10, 1896

Friday. Wm B cut the lucern; it is very light.

Jul 11, 1896

Saturday. By request of Bro J Allen, I went to his house before breakfast; and with John Batty, administered to Brother Allen's sister-in-law. She has lately come from England. Martain McAlister; his wife, my daughter Clara; and her mother arrived here about 12 o'clock tonight.

Jul 12, 1896

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Ward meeting. By request of the Bp, I spoke a short time to the audience; I was the only speaker.

Jul 13, 1896

Monday. Today the people of Toquerville voted a fence law to continue some 5 years. I and Wm B voted against it; they also elected school trustees for this district, Toquerville.

Jul 14, 1896

Tuesday. William B and Frank Anderson went to the river farm; I forked a little in the garden.

Jul 15, 1896

Wednesday. We had the water on the lot and field.

Jul 16, 1896

Thursday. We had a heavy thunder storm that done much damage to roads and water ditches.

Jul 17, 1896

Friday. Wm B went to the river and brought up a wagon box full of drift wood. I prepared a few more stakes for tomatoes.

Jul 18, 1896

Saturday. Wm B started to look for the olde cow at river sand banks; but learning from Wm Batty that he seen her in Foresythe's Canion a month ago, he returned home. He & I then staked tomatoes; we want 200 more stakes to finish.

Jul 19, 1896

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended Ward meeting; Elder Allen and I administered the Sacrament. Hamilton Wallis and family, lately returned from Calafornia were received into the ward. Elder Beard, Hamilton Wallis and J Steel were

the speakers. After meeting, Elder Allen and I visited the 4th district as teachers; we found all the families absent except three; a part of whome were also absent.

Jul 20, 1896

Monday. Wm B cleaned/worked the public ditch; I tresseled a few tomatoes.

Jul 21, 1896

Tuesday. Wm B cleaned our ditch; I tresseled a few grape vines.

Jul 22, 1896

Wednesday. Wm B started this morning to his home stead on Cedar Mountain. Soon after he started we had a heavy thunder shower.

Jul 23, 1896

Thursday. I let the water (a small stream) run all last night and today on my lucern; I also tresseled tomatoes.

Jul 24, 1896

Friday. The bishop nor anyone else seemed interested enough to advocate the Celebration of Pioneers and Mormon Battalio Day; therefore, we had none. Martain McAlister, just from St George, says the people are celebrating the day there.

Jul 25, 1896

Saturday. We had a light shower this forenoon; afternoon I staked a few more tomatoes; Martain returned home.

Jul 26, 1896

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended Ward meeting. Towards morning we had a heavy thunder shower. I have used all the material I had for tresseling my tomatoes and have not quite finished them.

Jul 27, 1896

Monday. I spred our small stack of hay to dry; it was spoiling from the recent heavy rains that fell here.

Jul 28, 1896

Tuesday. I restacked the hay.

Jul 29, 1896

Wednesday. I endeavored to water my garden, but the stream was too scant to accomplish it; about sundown, the stream increased slightly & I turned it on the lucern in the field for the night.

Jul 30, 1896

Thursday. The stream was so small that it took me all day to water my lot; not being well, I was much exhausted.

Jul 31, 1896

Friday. I am not well; yesterdays work rendered me unable to do anything today; often required to pass urine with unpleasant sensations; frequently

dripping in small quantities. Wm B got home from his home stead on Cedar Mountain about sundown. He brought a ton of coal from Kanara coal mine.

Aug 1, 1896

Saturday. Not being well, I remained quietly at home the most of the day.

Aug 2, 1896

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. Elders Langford Brothers of Rockville, as home missionaries, were the speakers. They gave a good lecture on the word of wisdom and other items of interest. Soon after ward meeting closed, the Ward Teacher's Council convened; Councilors C Stapely and M Slack presiding; Bp not present. The subject of the wayward were discussed and as usual closed without adopting any rule to restrict the evils.

Aug 3, 1896

Monday. Wm B & Geo Anderson worked at repairing the river field ditch; which is badly damaged by the late rains. I finished weeding my onions again.

Aug 4, 1896

Tuesday. I wrote a letter to Levi M; Wm B and Geo Anderson worked at repairing their ditch; got the water to the field, but not in.

Aug 5, 1896

Wednesday. I had the water on the garden during the day and turned it on the lucern in the field at night. The boys, Will & George watered the beens and some of the cane today.

Aug 6, 1896

Thursday. At 10 A.M., I attended Fast meeting at the Hall; a good spirit was manifested. All the family but Sister Savage & myself went with Will & George to view the river field today; they returned about sundown.

Aug 7, 1896

Friday. The weather is very warm and I remained quietly at home.

Aug 8, 1896

Saturday. I answered Brother Alanson's letter saying I would write him a sketch of great grandfather's history; also that of grand father's.

Aug 9, 1896

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. President McArthur and Councilor D Cannon, just from St George, were the speakers. They gave excellent instructions in the propriety of the saints living up to their profession. Soon after meeting closed, Elder J Allen and I visited a portion of our 4th district as Teachers.

Aug 10, 1896

Monday. I was about home.

Aug 11, 1896

Tuesday. Wm B went up the sandy to dig stump to boil molasses with. I borrowed Brother Healer's sythe and cut some of the lucern on the lot.

Aug 12, 1896

Wednesday. I used the water on the lot and field. Ned Battie's cow got into my field.

Aug 13, 1896

Thursday. The weather is very warm. Clara had another spell of flowing yesterday; she is better today.

Aug 14, 1896

Friday. Wm B took a load of wood to the river field for boiling molasses; also brought a load of drift wood home.

Aug 15, 1896

Saturday. We cut our lucern in the home field. Martain McAlister, of St George, come with his two horse buggy to take Clara, his wife, home if she is able to ride.

Aug 16, 1896

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. Elder George Spilsbury was the speaker. Sister Lemons and daughter made a social call at Elder Allen's which prevented him and me from ward teaching this afternoon.

Aug 17, 1896

Monday. We raked and hauled our hay into the shead. Ras Anderson helped haul one load.

Aug 18, 1896

Tuesday. I howed in the garden. The boys worked at reparing the river field ditch, which is badly damaged by the late floods.

Aug 19, 1896

Wednesday. Today I should have the water on my lot here, but the flood broke the ditch which prevents me.

Aug 21, 1896

Friday. Through over work in watering yesterday, I am not able to do anything today.

Aug 22, 1896

Saturday. I am still unwell. The boys finished watering their crop on the river today.

Aug 23, 1896

Sunday. I am not able to attend meeting today, being troubled with the bowel complaint for the last three days.

Aug 24, 1896

Monday. I am not able to do anything to day. Will got Frank Jackson a load of wood to pay for the one he borrowed.

Aug 25, 1896

Tuesday. I howed a little in the garden; the days are warm; the nights cool.

Aug 26, 1896

Wednesday. I am not very well, but I worked some in the garden.

Aug 27, 1896

Thursday. I had the water on the garden and field. This afternoon, Wm B started to St George with his wife; he will leave her there with her mother; through her confinement, which is near; during the night it commenced to rain and continues; now noon with slight intervals; it is of grate benefit to crops & range.

Aug 28, 1896

Friday. Noon; it has not cleared up yet.

Aug 29, 1896

Saturday. Wm B took his wife to her mother in St George to be confined there. They left here about 2 o'clock P.M. It rained heavily before they had time to get there.

Aug 30, 1896

Sunday. I remained at home being badly afflicted with the diariah; it commenced over a week ago; it reduces my strength much.

Aug 31, 1896

Monday. Adelaide went to St George with Vilate Kliman. Wm B got home from St George this evening.

Sep 1, 1896

Tuesday. I am yet not able to do anything like work. I penciled a part of Great Grandfather John Savage's biography, to copy and send to my brother Alanson in Oregon, as he has requested it.

Sep 2, 1896

Wednesday. William worked on the river field road with others. I wrote a portion of a biographical sketch to send to my brother Alanson; it is a sketch of G Grand Father John Savage's life.

Sep 3, 1896

Thursday. Today, I finish the sketch; Wm B attended the water on the garden and field. Adelaide picked a large quantity of tomatoes.

Sep 4, 1896

Friday. I commenced to form a list of family names to be sealed to our parents and grandparents.

Sep 5, 1896

Saturday. This morning, Wm B started with grapes and tomatoes to sell in the northern settlements.

Sep 6, 1896

Sunday. Not being well; troubled with the bowel complaint, I did not attend ward meeting; I remained at home.

Sep 7, 1896

Monday. I wrote a letter to Riley.

Sep 8, 1896

Tuesday. I inclosed 20 cts in stamps to Riley; also a letter Adelaide wrote to him; and mailed it. I howed a little in the garden.

Sep 9, 1896

Wednesday. I howed some in the garden today, but I am not able to do much.

Sep 10, 1896

Thursday. I attended meeting; an appointment of Apostle Liman at Toquerville Hall at 10 A.M. Apostle Liman & Pres Wooley of Kanab; they gave some excellent instructions; the weight of Apostle Liman's discourse was to inspire the Saints to righteousness. They are on their way to St George Conference. Mary Ann come home this afternoon with Brother Stapelies folks. She has been helping Clara; Clara's health is improving. Bro Wm Spendlove's daughter and babe stoped for the night.

Sep 11, 1896

Friday. Sister Rebeckah Wm Berry comes this morning and engaged Mary Ann and Adelaide to bottle some tomatoes for her.

Sep 12, 1896

Saturday. We took the water this morning. My folks said the would tend it and I went with Brother John Steel, in his buggy, to St George Conference; we arrived there about 3 P.M. and put up at Martain's, my son-n-law; his wife, my daughter Clara, is not well.

The Sunday School Conference was in session, but soon adjourned to 10 o'clock tomorrow AM.

Sep 13, 1896

Sunday. I attended conference in St George Tabernacle. Apostle Lyman, in the afternoon session (the Sunday School occupied the forenoon), gave some excellent instructions; and his remarks were listened to by the congregation with profound attention. In reference to selecting elders for missionary labors among the nations of the earth; he said, in substance, that the presiding of stakes, and of quorums, and the bishopric of wards; were now

authorized and required to make careful and wise selection of elders as per instructions by higher authority, &c.

Sep 14, 1896

Monday. I attended the conference and listened with interest to the remarks of returned missionaries. And to the instructions of Apostle Lyman upon varied and important items pertaining to the interest of Zion; and the saints at large. At 5 P.M., we left and arrived home about 11 o'clock at night; all well.

Sep 15, 1896

Tuesday. Wm B and George got a good irrigating stream on to their crop in the river farm. They had to build a dam across the river to force the water into their ditch.

Sep 16, 1896

Wednesday. Wm B started with (blank) hundred tomatoes to sell in the northern settlements.

Sep 17, 1896

Thursday. I chored about home not able to do much.

Sep 18, 1896

Friday. I gathered the onions.

Sep 20, 1896

Sunday. Sunday School Conference occupied the hall or tabernacle this forenoon; but I was too late in attendance to partake of the sacrament. At 2 P.M., the stake conference convened and I was in attendance. We had some excellent instructions from Apostle Lyman and others; conference adjourned until tomorrow at 10 A.M. My daughter Clara is scarcely able to be around. I had a bed in the house and Elder Steel slept in his carriage.

Sep 21, 1896

Monday. I attended conference both in the forenoon and afternoon. Bishop Andrews gave a fair report of the St George Ward; and it was the only ward reported at this conference. Elder Wells of St George, late returned missionary of the Southern States, gave an interesting account of his labors there; and an interesting account of a little mobbing in Texas where he and his partner got five lashes each; with a new inch rope doubled. The lecture of Apostle Lyman's remarks during the conference was to induce the saints to renewed diligence in the requirements of the gospel. He also gave away marks for the observance and guidance of the saints in their varied duties; said in substance that iniquity should be suppressed; and he blessed the judges, jurors and lawyers who in the late cases here (of Hait and Booth) had shown their courage to sentence crime. He spoke in high terms of President Woodruff's courage, to alone, announce the discontinuance of plural

marriage; said baptisms should be given only to those who manifested a humble heart and contrite spirit; said presidents of stakes and bishops of wards should visit the saints in their jurisdiction; and with their council should often meet and deliberate upon matters of the stake and ward; for there were always some things that require their attention. In reference to politics; said it was right that our brethren of the two great political parties had tangled; for if they had not quarreled, we would not have got statehood; but, he said he wanted it distinctly understood that the church had no politics; it never had any, nor never would have any. We had a very good conference. Elder Steel and I started home about 5 P.M. and arrived about 11 o'clock at night.

Sep 22, 1896

Tuesday. I remained at home, not very well.

Sep 23, 1896

Wednesday. Wm B and George are preparing for molasses making.

Sep 24, 1896

Thursday. At home.

Sep 25, 1896

Friday. At home.

Sep 26, 1896

Saturday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Ward meeting. The report of the late St George Conference was reported by Councilor Charles Stapely; myself, Levi Savage; and the Bp. A letter from my son Riley and one from a sister, late convert of Riley's, was read in meeting; and listened to with marked interest. We had a good meeting. At 5 P.M., Elder Allen and I visited a few families as Ward Teachers. The dates seem right, but some repetitions have occurred in writing.

Sep 28, 1896

Monday. I am not very well. I spent most of the day writing up my journal. We had a heavy shower of rain this morning just before daylight.

Sep 29, 1896

Tuesday. I cut some of the corn on the lot; also done a little writing and branded the colt.

Sep 30, 1896

Wednesday. I finished cutting the corn.

Oct 1, 1896

Thursday. At 10 o'clock A.M. I attended Fast meeting; a good spirit prevailed. This afternoon, Brother Allen and I finished our last month's ward teaching; we found but few of the saints at home. I carried the corn off the land and shocked or rather ricked it. The bowel complaint troubles me yet.

Wm B and George set their mill yesterday & today for making molasses on the river farm.

Oct 2, 1896

Friday. Wm B got George Anderson's buckboard and took his mother to St George to stop with Clara a while as Clara is not well. This morning I gave Sister Foresythe \$2 to deposit in Cedar Coop Store to settle my account there.

Oct 3, 1896

Saturday. I had and tended the water on the lot and in the field. Will and George brought a small load of bagers from their cane mill this evening. They have made about 80 gallons of molasses.

Oct 4, 1896

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended Ward meeting; Elder David McMullin of Leads and ex-Bp Cottom were the speakers; their remarks were interesting. Reading Apostle Richard's late discourse in the Deseret News by Councilor Slack; meeting adjourned; I met in Teacher's Council.

Oct 5, 1896

Monday. Wm B returned from St George; says that Clara's improveing and Maud, his wife is usually well. I wrote a half sheet to be sent to Moroni, my youngest brother in Samaria, Idaho.

Oct 6, 1896

Tuesday. Wm B and George Anderson went to the river farm; Will set their mill and boiler for making molasses. They will remain until the last of the week. My complaint seems better today; and Adelaide and I wrote a few lines to Riley; sent him 24 cts in PO stamps.

Oct 7, 1896

Wednesday. Mr West, agent for the Ogen (Ogden?) Standard called to settle with Wm B for that paper; as Wm B was absent, I gave him, West, my note for \$4.25 payable on the 1st of January 1897. Mr Davis of Kanara gave us 159 lbs of potatoes for 159 lbs tomatoes. I gave Mr West 50 cts for the Ogen Standard till the 7 of March 1897. Brother Holey oak & his two daughters from Parowan stoped here about 12 noon; we were at dinner; they have come to traid for a few grapes and tomatoes; they get honey for some grapes of Vilate Spilsbury & some from Roan Spilsbury. They let us have a thousand shingles for \$3 and took it in tomatoes at two cts (lb).

Oct 8, 1896

Thursday. At 11 o'clock A.M., Brother Holey oak and daughters started for home in Parowan; seemingly well pleased with their visit and traid for fruit.

Oct 9, 1896

Friday. I chored about home.

Oct 10, 1896

Saturday. Geo got 12 molasses barrels from (blank) of Rockville. He drove my pinto mare with his wagon to get them. Wm B & he both come home at night.

Oct 11, 1896

Sunday. I had the water today and tended it. I did not go to meeting.

Oct 12, 1896

Monday. At home not well. Wm B and George returned from the farm with 5 barrels molasses on one wagon and cane seed on the other; drawn by our two young mares.

Oct 13, 1896

Tuesday. The boys, Will and George returned to the field this morning. I chored about home; put up Theobald's fence.

Oct 14, 1896

Wednesday. I chored about home. Brother Peter Anderson brought Sister Savage a small flask of whiskey for medical purposes; again put Theobald's fence up to keep cattle out of my place.

Oct 15, 1896

Thursday. Watched and prevented throwing down Theobald's fence again.

Oct 16, 1896

Friday. I drove cattle to prevent them from throwing Theobald's fence down.

Oct 17, 1896

Saturday. Brother John Steel called for me to go to Leads Convention with him, but I had been sick all night with diareah and could not go.

Oct 18, 1896

Sunday. Today we had the water; I tended it.

Oct 19, 1896

Monday. I chored about home.

Oct 20, 1896

Tuesday. I went to the river field; found the boys getting along well with their molasses making.

Oct 21, 1896

Wednesday. I made a crib and put the cane seed in it which the boys had dumped on the ground at the corrall.

Oct 22, 1896

Thursday. It had the appearance of rain yesterday and I worked hard at securing the cane seed. I was sick all last night with the diarrhea not able to do anything today.

Oct 23, 1896

Friday. I remained at home not able to do anything.

Oct 24, 1896

Saturday. The boys finished making molasses last night.

Oct 25, 1896

Sunday. I kept to my bed nearly all day.

Oct 26, 1896

Monday. I occupied the bed most of the day. This evening, our folks attended a Republican Speaker, Mr Glenn Miller at Toquerville Hall. His remarks were for present voting purposes & was well liked by the audience.

Oct 27, 1896

Tuesday. This morning we awoke and found it had rained considerable & was still coming. At 8 o'clock A.M., Wm B got a telegram from Maud, his wife in St George saying come. Wm started without breakfast. Pine Valey Mountain has a mantle of snow this morning.

Oct 28, 1896

Wednesday. I chored about home.

Oct 29, 1896

Thursday. I cut and piled Maul's Wonderful Pea.

Oct 30, 1896

Friday. I chored around home; I commenced a letter to Riley.

Oct 31, 1896

Saturday. I was about home.

Nov 1, 1896

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. The remarks of Pres Wilford Woodruff and a number of the apostles were read by Bishop Bringhurst and Councilor Slack. Soon after the dismissal of the Ward Meeting, I met in the Council of the Ward Teachers; the report of the teachers showed some disturbing of the peace rowdyism; in one case, a holdeup at the mussel of a gun.

Nov 2, 1896

Monday. Will and Hiram Jackson each hauled a load of baggus for us from the river field.

Nov 3, 1896

Tuesday. Today, I, Levi Savage; wife Ann; Adelaide; and son Wm B voted for Wm J Bryan for President of the United States to be enaugerated in March 1897. Wm B cut our last crop of lucern today.

Nov 6, 1896

Friday. Wm B hauled the hay. I chored about home.

Nov 7, 1896

Saturday. I paid 10 good squashes for tithing; and four Fast day donations delivered to John Batty a clerk; I also paid James Jackson ½ thousand shingles which I had borrowed some time ago. Wm B went to St George.

Nov 8, 1896

Sunday. Not being well, I remained at home and commenced to write to Sister Ann E Collins.

Nov 9, 1896

Monday. I wrote a lengthy letter to Sister Ann E Collins.

Nov 10, 1896

Tuesday. I put the olde sow in the field and the hog for fatning in the pen. Wm B returned from St George; left all well there.

Nov 11, 1896

Wednesday. Wm B hauled a load of baggus from the river field.

Nov 12, 1896

Thursday. I chored about home. Wm B hauled a load of baggus from the river field.

Nov 13, 1896

Friday. Will hauled baggus; I am at home.

Nov 14, 1896

Saturday. Will hauled load of baggus.

Nov 15, 1896

Sunday. Wm B prepared to go to his place on Cedar Mountain.

Nov 16, 1896

Monday. Wm B started for Cedar Mountain on horse back and pack animal.

Nov 17, 1896

Tuesday. I rode to the river field and watered our horses that we had in the field; on my return, I met Mr _____ who wanted to trade a young, balky horse for a horse that would pull. I said I had one that I would let him have; so rode again the four miles to the river field; got and traded my olde, good pulling black horse for his balky black horse; also let him have my mare to work 6 miles to Belleview.

Nov 18, 1896

Wednesday. I rode to the river and watered the horses.

Nov 19, 1896

Thursday. Wm returned from Cedar Mountain forenoon.

Nov 20, 1896

Friday. Being not well, I remained in the house nearly all day. Wm B worked his pole tax with team and wagon, hauling wood refuse onto the road from our yard.

Nov 21, 1896

Saturday. I carried the corn stalks into the shed. Wm hauled the last load of baggus from the river field.

Nov 22, 1896

Sunday. Pres McArthur and David Cannon, of St George, held Ward Conference in Toquerville Hall at 1 o'clock P.M. There were a good assemblage of the saints; and the ward authorities and officers of the different associations were presented for the saints to sustain by their votes; which done and excepted as unanimous. The brethren, of instructions given, were the exhorting the saints to faithfulness.

Nov 23, 1896

Monday. Wm B found the (?) sent us from Cedar Coop were a size too small for our wagon, so he put in an olde one we had; and put the wagon box with beans in on the wagon again to go to Anderson's to clean the beans.

Nov 24, 1896

Tuesday. Wm B went to Andersons and cleaned beanes he and George raised on our river farm this summer; there were 505 lbs all tolde.

Nov 25, 1896

Wednesday. Wm B went to the river field with the team; led the two mares & colt and put them in the field; and returned with a load of wood. It has rained at intervals nearly all day, closing just before sunset with a heavy shower.

Nov 26, 1896

Thursday. Wm B plaid the violin for the Children's dance this afternoon and for the adults this evening. I rode to the river field and watered the horses.

Nov 27, 1896

Friday. Wm B and Adelaide went to St George with team and wagon; they took a small grist of wheat to Washington Mill. I watered the horses that are in the river field. I turned 5 horse stock out that had got in.

Nov 28, 1896

Saturday. The wind blew colde from the north and I remained in doors nearly all day.

Nov 29, 1896

Sunday. I got Benja's saddle and rode to the field on horse back; watered horses and turned 7 head of horn stock out of the field. I rode around the field in the line of the fence, but found no place where it seemed they got in. The wind strong and colde from the north all day.

Nov 30, 1896

Monday. Wm B and Adelaide arrived from St George about 8 o'clock P.M. They say Clara's case is critical; her water has broke and it is fearful that she may loose her childe.

Dec 1, 1896

Tuesday. Wm B went to the river field on horse back; took our two mares and colt out of the field and drove some five miles onto the range and left them there. We had a very uncomfortable worry about him. Soon after brakefast, I started to look for him; I met him just coming into town; all well. He had stoped overnight at Judd's on the Laverkin Bench.

Dec 2, 1896

Wednesday. Wm B put the tithing molasses in the barrel ready for delivery.

Dec 3, 1896

Thursday. Wm B brought a small load of wood from the river. Afternoon, he got a cow to milk of Roan Spilsbury for the feeding of her calf; she would not let the calf suck. I chored about home.

Dec 4, 1896

Friday. Wm B worked on the wood road above Tome Willis'. I chored about home.

Dec 5, 1896

Saturday. Wm B has gone to work on the Laverkin wood road again. The cow we have just quit milking, I drove on foot, two miles, onto the range; but she come back soon.

Dec 6, 1896

Sunday. In accordance with late change of the Fast day meeting by the Presidency of the Church; at 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Fast meeting at the Hall. There were a large assemblage of the saints. Pres Snow started to answer (blank) Morris & others inquiries respecting Brother Moses Thatcher's disfellowship from the Quorum of the Apostles was read. A number bore testimony to the truth of the Gospel and a good spirit prevailed throughout.

Dec 7, 1896

Monday. Wm B worked on the wood road. Adelaide and I wrote and mailed letters to Riley, in one envelope. I enclosed 26 cts worth of PO stamps.

Dec 8, 1896

Tuesday. Wm B got Wm Jackson's hog and put with ours in our field; then went for a load of wood up the Laverkin. Last evening, a man applied for supper and lodgings; after brakefast this morning, he settled his bill with a pare of second hand specticles as he had no money, he said.

Dec 9, 1896

Wednesday. Wm B got a load of wood. I wrote a letter to Jesse N Smith, Snowflake, Arizona.

Dec 10, 1896

Thursday. This morning, I got a telegram that my daughter Clara was confined with a daughter. At 2 o'clock P.M., I mounted my horse and arrived in St George (26 miles) at 6 o'clock P.M. I found Clara improving yet in much pain. We administered to her and she rested tolerable well during the night. The babe is supposed to be a seven month's child; yet it seems perfect in every particular.

Dec 11, 1896

Friday. I arranged for Surveyor McFarlin to prove on my river land entry during the conference. We administered to Clara again and she seems to be improving.

Dec 12, 1896

Saturday. This morning, Clara & child seems still improving. At 12 o'clock noon, I started home; stopped half an hour at Israel Nielson's and arrived home at 6 o'clock P.M.; all well, but much fatigued with riding.

Dec 13, 1896

Sunday. At 11 o'clock, Wm B and Adelaide started for St George with team and buggy. I remained at home with the wife, resting. Yesterday, Wm B bought half of a beef of Roan Spilsbury with molasses.

Dec 14, 1896

Monday. I wrote to Mrs Davis Savage inquiring for the locality of Sidney Rigdon Savage.

Dec 15, 1896

Tuesday. I wrote Davis Savage to enclose with the inquiry for the locality of Sidney Rigdon Savage.

Dec 16, 1896

Wednesday. I chored about home. We expected Will to come home today, but he failed to come.

Dec 17, 1896

Thursday. Wm B brought his wife and baby girl home today. Adelaide remained to help Mary Ann with Clara's affairs. Clara and child are improving, but the child does not nurse much yet.

Dec 18, 1896

Friday. I wrote a part of a letter to Riley. Wm B cut up the half of a beef that he bought of Roan Spilsbury.

Dec 19, 1896

Saturday. Two P.M., I met Bp Wm A Bringhurst on the street. He tolde me that yesterday he noticed a message being sent to Manti saying Clara's baby is dead and that Clara was very low. The Bp requested me not to tell my folks in St George that he had tolde me. I thought he was very ungenerous in waiting 30 hours or more before telling me.

Dec 20, 1896

Sunday. Morning, I found Clara apearntly improveing, but lamented her bereavement much. I gave her consoling and comforting words; she controlled herself with propriety. At 2 P.M., I attended to some miner business. I dined with Brother Wakeling & family before the afternoon meeting.

Dec 21, 1896

Monday. Clara seems to be improveing; at 10 A.M., I left for home; stoped half and hour at Nielson's in Washington and arrived at home at 6 P.M.; all well but very tired.

Dec 22, 1896

Tuesday. Adelaide unexpectedly come home with Brother McFarlin. She says Clara is still improveing.

Dec 23, 1896

Wednesday. I give a gallon of molasses as fast day offering.

Dec 24, 1896

Thursday. Wm B plaid the violin last night for those that hauled wood for the poor, yesterday; I put the two pigs in the pen this afternoon; we intend to fatten them for summer meat.

Dec 25, 1896

Friday. Christma passed without and snow on the ground. Wm B plaid the violin for the Children's Dance this afternoon. The adults enjoyed the dance at night. The Indians from up the river made music for them.

Dec 26, 1896

Saturday. I rode to St George on horseback and stoped at Martain McAlister's; I found my daughter Clara improveing in health. I also sent 20 lbs onions & 12 ½ lbs of beans by Ben Forsythe to leave at M McAlisters to pay Bro Orten for a pare of shoes he is making for me.

Dec 27, 1896

Sunday. I got up this morning not well; my bowel complaint was very bad. I took dinner at Brother Wakeling's, but did not feel well enough to go to meeting.

Dec 28, 1896

Monday. I got a \$2.50 PO order to cancel my Deseret News subscription fee; also a \$2.50 PO order to pay for the 17th volume of the Contributor; paid Bro Orten \$1.75, the cash part for the shoes he is making for me; and gave \$1 to Seth Pymm for to acknowledge my Deseret Land papers when McFarlin gets them ready. At 12 o'clock noon, I left for home where I arrived soon after sunset; all well, but very tired.

Dec 29, 1896

Tuesday. I settled my store account of \$2.80 with Wm A Bringhurst. Wm is greasing the harness today.

Dec 30, 1896

Wednesday. Wm B greased the harness.

Dec 31, 1896

Thursday. Wm B rode to the river field and see that the field had been opened and teams and sheep drove through. He then rode & overtook Mr Hapgood with a large herd of sheep; he said Hapgood said that Mr Slack Sr and some of his boys opened the gate on the north and drove team and wagon across the field to and through the fence on the south; and said, I (Hapgood) will make an affidavit to this if it is wanted of me. Wm B then returned home having rode over 40 miles today. Wm Jackson & his sister Adelaide went to St George.

Jan 1, 1897

Friday. Wm B plaid the violin for the Children's party this afternoon. I visited Brother J Steel.

Jan 2, 1897

Saturday. I chored about home.

Jan 3, 1897

Sunday. I attended Fast meeting at 2 P.M., and by request of Wm B and approval of the Bp, I blessed my son Wm B's infant daughter, giving her the name Alberta; Elders Steel and Stapely assisted.

Jan 4, 1897

Monday. I chored about home.

Jan 5, 1897

Tuesday. I had a sociable chat at his (?) house; in the afternoon; forenoon, I cleared a portion of the last years tomatoe ground of the tressed stakes and ribs. Last night, Wm B plaid the violin for the young men's Baseball Dance in Toquerville Hall.

Jan 6, 1897

Wednesday. I cleared some of the tressel stakes off the garden.

Jan 7, 1897

Thursday. I chored about home. At 7 o'clock P.M., by request of the Bp, Wm A Bringham, a special teachers meeting convened at Toquerville Hall which I attended; to investigate and learn whether there was sufficient evidence to sustain a charge against Wm Lamb for an attempt to commit a rape upon Sister Wm Marshal, about a year ago. I have not learned the decision; my opinion is, it can't be sustained.

Jan 8, 1897

Friday. Elder John Allen and I visited the saints in the 4th section as teachers in Toquerville Ward. We also collected donations for the St George Tabernacle Fund.

Jan 9, 1897

Saturday. I settled my tithing with Bp Wm A Bringham. Wm B started to St George to confer with David Morris, prosecuting attorney on the matter of Martain Senior and son Martain, throwing open our fence and driving team and wagon through our field. He soon returned having met Attorney Morris who said he would be at our place on the 11th.

Jan 10, 1897

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. After the usual opening ceremonies, Elder ER Lamb and I, Levi Savage, administered the Sacrament; the Bp then read a nice letter sent to him and the saints of Toquerville Ward by my son Riley, who is on a mission in North Carolina. Councilor M Slack then arose; exhorted the saints to faithfulness, referring to Elder Riley's good letter. At the close of the meeting, the Teacher's Council convened and a fair report was given by the Teachers who had visited the saints in their respective sections; then ensued an irregular discussion concerning district school affairs in Toquerville. Adjourned to 2nd Sunday in February.

Jan 11, 1897

Monday. I was at home. At 7 o'clock P.M., the Ecclesiastical Board met in the Hall. By request of Pres Wm A Bringham, tho not a member, I made the opening prayer; as there were no business presented for the action of the board, the meeting soon adjourned. A goodly number of the young men of the mutual society had assembled as per appointment and their meeting soon opened. By singing and prayer; and Elders D Morris & S Miles of St George, addressed the assembly, giving excellent instructions. Elders Morris and Miles put up with me for the night. We spent the time in sociable chat till bedtime, then retired.

Jan 12, 1897

Tuesday. It was raining when we got up this morning and had rained nearly all night. Elders Morris and miles started for their home in St George soon after brakefast. After the chores were done, I commenced to write to my brother Alanson. There were light rain at intervals nearly all day. Maud's baby is not well, having taken a little colde. I wrote to my brother Alanson.

Jan 13, 1897

Wednesday. Cloudy with light rain.

Jan 14, 1897

Thursday. I commenced a letter to Sister Ann E Collins. Wm B returned from St George; says dear Clara's health is still improveing; will visit her fathers house as soon as the weather permits.

Jan 15, 1897

Friday. It rained gently, with intervals, nearly all day. After choreing, I spent the day mostely in writing a letter to my brother Alanson and one to daughter Clara; also my journal. About sunset, it snowed mixed with rain.

Jan 16, 1897

Saturday. I chored about home and commenced to write to Riley. It rained nearly all day.

Jan 17, 1897

Sunday. I finished my letter to Riley. A gale from the north last night & today has cleared the sky.

Jan 18, 1897

Monday. Chored about home.

Jan 19, 1897

Tuesday. I was about home. Wm B worked at making a pack saddle.

Jan 20, 1897

Wednesday. By request of Brother Ted Batty, I and his brother John administered to his infant twins (son and daughter) this evening; they are afflicted with severe colds.

Jan 21, 1897

Thursday. I am about home. Wm B went to the river field and repared the gate and fence that Martain Slack Sr and others opened and drove their teams through. This evening, I and Elder John Batty administered to Ted Battie's twin son; and blessed and named both the twins this evening at their home. Elder John Batty sayed that Bp Wm A Bringhurst said the infants might be blessed and named at home them being very ill.

Jan 22, 1897

Friday. Wm B commenced to plow the river field.

Jan 23, 1897

Saturday. Wm B plowed in the river field. At about 5 P.M., Martain McAlister arrived from St George bringing his wife, our daughter Clara, & her mother with him.

Jan 24, 1897

Sunday. Soon after brakefast, Martain returned home. At 2 P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. Elders Richard Parker and Ira Bradshaw, home missionaries from Virgin City, were the speakers; they gave an excellent exhortation encouraging the saints to faithfulness. By request of the Bp, I gave the closing benediction.

Jan 25, 1897

Monday. Wm B went to plow on the Bench with our team, for Sam Judd. I chored about home.

Jan 26, 1897

Tuesday. I penciled a letter to be copied to Sec Rogerson of Pioneer Jubilee at SL City, Utah 1897. Elder J Steel suggested a short (blank) to be enclosed; all will be copied & mailed tomorrow.

Jan 27, 1897

Wednesday. Clara copied my letter to Sec Rogerson this morning and I mailed it.

Jan 28, 1897

Thursday. I finished shelling my sweet corn and stowed it in a barrel to keep it from the mice.

Jan 29, 1897

Friday. It rained last night ad is damp today. James Jackson's son Lafayette, in his twelveth year was playing ball and threw his hands to catch the ball; he fell, lighting on his back and rolled onto his side or face; he only gasped two or three times; there was no one present that knew the cause; of late he seemed a little delicate.

Jan 30, 1897

Saturday. Wm B returned from plowing for the Laverkin Company; he did not use our team as T Judd had engaged one from St George.

Jan 31, 1897

Sunday. At one o'clock P.M., I attended the funeral of Lafayette Jackson, the 12 year olde son of James Jackson. He fell dead on the 29th as above. The Hall was filled to it full capacity. By request of Wm A Bringhurst, Bp, Elder Spilsbury was the first speaker; then I, Levi Savage, spoke at some length; then D Spilsbury spoke a short time; then the Bp read a few verses from the Book of Mormon and made a few comments up on them. There were 15 vehicles followed the remains to the cymetry.

Feb 1, 1897

Monday. I commenced a letter to Riley C.; it rained gently and steadily all day today.

Feb 2, 1897

Tuesday. It rained some last night and continues at intervals today. I finished my letter to Riley C.

Feb 3, 1897

Wednesday. The weather is pleasant over head, but rather soft under foot. Wm B is making a pare of legins for himself; I am writing to Aunt Ann E Collins.

Feb 4, 1897

Thursday. Wm B went to get some medison for his infant daughter who is afflicted with bowel complaint; a flux.

Feb 5, 1897

Friday. I wrote a letter to Ann E Collins.

Feb 6, 1897

Saturday. I wrote a letter to my sister Emaline.

Feb 7, 1897

Sunday. Today is general fast day; and at two o'clock P.M., I attended the fast meeting at the hall. There were a good assemblage of the Saints; there were more sisters in attendance than brethren; by request of the Bp, Elder John Steel and myself (Levi Savage) administered the Sacrament. There were only a few that bore testimony, but a good spirit prevailed.

Feb 8, 1897

Monday. Fair and fine

Feb 10, 1897

Wednesday. A heavy colde gale blew from the north.

Feb 11, 1897

Thursday. Wm B hauled manure out of the corral into the field.

Feb 12, 1897

Friday. The weather is fine. I penciled some of great grandfather Savage's biography to send my brother Alanson.

Feb 13, 1897

Saturday. Elder Naegle and I finished our visit as ward teacher to the Saints of the 4th district; found all well.

Feb 14, 1897

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended the ward meeting at the hall. Elder Charles Workman, one of the Presidents of the 9th Quorum of Seventies; of Virgin City, was present; in the interest of the seventies. He was the first speaker

and was followed by Elder Levi Harmon, also a seventy. Both gave excellent exhortations encouraging the Saints to faithfulness.

Feb 15, 1897

Monday. Wm B repaired our olde plow. I chored about home; also drafted, with pencil, some of the account of our fore fathers to my brother Alanson.

Feb 16, 1897

Tuesday. Wm B got a load of wood and lost his ax while coming home.

Feb 17, 1897

Wednesday. At home; weather fair.

Feb 18, 1897

Thursday. Rainy.

Feb 19, 1897

Friday. This morning, the ground was covered with 2 inches of snow.

Feb 20, 1897

Saturday. The snow in the valey nearly all disappeared today. Frank Jackson helped us kill our two little porkers today. They will way about two hundred each.

Feb 21, 1897

Sunday. When we arose, the snow was about four inches deep and at 2 o'clock P.M. it is still snowing. None of the family went to meeting today. Clara prepared a copy of our family names for adoption to our parents.

Feb 22, 1897

Monday. This morning we found 4 inches of snow on the ground. This prevented the olde folks party, which the young folks- the mutual, had arranged for them. I am afflicted with catareh (catcarch?), depress and cold.

Feb 23, 1897

Tuesday. I am not very well; the snow and mud makes it bad getting around.

Feb 24, 1897

Wednesday. I prepared a few items of family history for recording.

Feb 25, 1897

Thursday. At home as usual; Wm B hauled out some manure.

Feb 26, 1897

Friday. Wm B got a load of wood; he found the ax that he lost when he got the other load of wood.

Feb 27, 1897

Saturday. Wm B plowed in the river field today. Martain McAlister arrive from St George this evening; he has come to take Clara, his wife, home.

Feb 28, 1897

Sunday. At two o'clock P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall; There were a good audience. Wm B Savage and Heber Naegle were the first

speakers; then Councilor Slack; and the Bp. William B Savage read the program for the olde folks party tomorrow.

Mar 1, 1897

Monday. At 10 o'clock A.M., the carriage drove to the gate and took myself and Sister Savage, my wife; and drove us to the Hall where the young ladies and gentlemen association had arranged for the social gathering of the olde folks of Toquerville. Here we enjoyed ourselves in singing, speaking, resightings as any desired to do; until about 2 P.M. when the company were requested to cross the street to the dining hall (the olde Coop Building); and partook of a sumptuous feast, eligently prepared by the young folks. Dinner being over, we returned to the Hall and continued our amusements until five P.M. when we were driven to our homes; having spent a joyful day in the Olde Folks Party at the liberality of the young folks. The young folks had a dance in the evening and gave the proceeds to the missionaries abroad (\$16); \$4 each.

Mar 2, 1897

Tuesday. Martain McAlister took Clara, his wife, to their home in St George; she has been here some six weeks. Wm B plowed the garden today.

Mar 3, 1897

Wednesday. When we arose this morning, we found the ground covered with 3 ½ inches of heavy snow; but it disappeared during the day.

Mar 5, 1897

Friday. Still cloudy; Wm B rode to the Laverkin Bench on business; he arranged with Sam Judd the location of the ditch to carry the waste water of the Bench to river bottom land; below the cliff.

Mar 6, 1897

Saturday. I remained at home; Wm B went to the river farm and sowed a half acre of wheat; the day was damp.

Mar 7, 1897

Sunday. It rained the moste of last night and continues wet today; so none of the family attended fast meeting today.

Mar 8, 1897

Monday. Wm B worked on the ditch to convey the surplus water of the Laverkin Bench to his Rio Virgin bottom land. Roan Spilsbury and his brother, Dave, called and said "you are preparing to take the water on to your land."

Mar 9, 1897

Tuesday. Wm B plowed in the river filed to sow wheat.

Mar 10, 1897

Wednesday. A young man named Carrigan, stoped here last night and went to the river field with William B today.

Mar 11, 1897

Thursday. Wm B and Carrigan went to the river field to work today.

Mar 12, 1897

Friday. Wm B went to the river field and sowed wheat; I finished pruning the grapevines on the lot yesterday.

Mar 13, 1897

Saturday. Wm B went to St George to arrange for the entering of 40 acres of land; a part of which lies in Rio Virgin bottom below Laverkin Bench.

Byron Carrigan, who Wm B hired a few days, forked up some of the garden ground on the lot.

Mar 14, 1897

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall; Councilor Stapely and Slack presiding; High Priest John Steel and myself (Levi Savage) administered the Sacrament; Elders Wm A Bringhurst Jr & Wm Jackson were the first speakers; & were followed by Councilors Slack and Stapely. We had a very good meeting. Wm B returned from St George this evening; on the 13th, he sent a St George PO order of \$2.05 to Wm H Maul for garden seeds.

Mar 15, 1897

Monday. Wm B plowed in the river filed for wheat. The weather is cloudy and showery.

Mar 16, 1897

Tuesday. Wm B finished sowing wheat in the river field.

Mar 17, 1897

Wednesday. Wm B and Carrigan, his hired hand, both worked on the ditch in Toquerville; I sowed a few beets.

Mar 18, 1897

Thursday. Wm B and Carrigan, his hired hand, both worked on the ditch in town. I cleared the rubbish off the lucern on the lot; also put brush on the beets I had sown to prevent the hens scratching the seed out.

Mar 19, 1897

Friday. It rained considerably last night and lightly all day today. I wrote a letter to Emaline concerning our (the children) being sealed to our father and mother. Wm B dragged the lucern; and Carrigan, the hired man, spread the manure on it.

Mar 20, 1897

Saturday. I snowe some; I remained indoors the moste of the day.

Mar 21, 1897

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall; after singing, I (Levi Savage), by request of the Bp, made the opening prayer. Elder George Naegle, by request of the Bp, occupied the time in speaking to us; we had a good assemblage. Elder Naegle gave a very interesting account of his late mission to Germany; from which he has just returned; also exhorted the Saints, and young folks in particular, to faithfulness. We had a very good meeting. After meeting, I went with Brother Steel to his home and stoped a short time; then I called on Mr Crosby and got a book; written by TBH Stenhous titled "the Rocky Mountain Saints"; but his frequent comments and misrepresentations are calculated to excite unjust prejudice and do injury to the Priesthood generally; and to President Brigham Young in particular. Mr TBH Stenhous was once an elder of the Latter Day Saint faith, but he & his wife apostatized & become very bitter.

Mar 22, 1897

Monday. The wind blew hard and colde from the north. I remained indoors moste of the day. Last night, the 21st, the sky became clear and we had ice in the ditches this morning. We fear our fruit is much injured.

Mar 23, 1897

Tuesday. Last night it also froze harder than the night before. This is my birthday; I am 77 years olde; it don't seem possible that I am so olde; I have past over a number of hazardous shouls during these 77 years. Yesterday evening, Wm B, with Frank Jackson, went up the Laverkin to hunt deer.

Mar 24, 1897

Wednesday. This evening, Will returned; said the company of three had killed four deer.

Mar 25, 1897

Thursday. This evening, the young folks had a dance for the benefit of Wm A Bringhurst Jr; he is called on a gospel mission to Calafornia. He will start this coming April; Wm B played the violin for the dance.

Mar 26, 1897

Friday. Yesterday, I cut a few seede potatoes; and Carrigan, the hired hand, and I planted them on the lot; Mr Hill, stoped with us last night; he is selling rug mashines through the country.

Mar 27, 1897

Saturday. I and my wife Ann went to St George with James William's two horse buggy. We took our own team; we stoped an hour at Israel Nielson's; fed the team and took dinner and had an agreeable chat. I called at the Coop store and cashed my \$36 pension check. We arrived at Clara's, St George, about sunset; all well.

Mar 28, 1897

Sunday. I learned from HL Daggett, county cleark, that Peter Anderson had made no arrangements to secure me on the bonds I gave for his school trusteeship; tho a few days ago, he gave me to understand that he had and said, "all was right." I paid Isaac McFarlin \$4.25 for former services done on my Deseret Land entry; also engaged him to continue the necessary work to completion at the end of this year. I attended meeting at the Tabernacle; at the close of the meeting, Judge Wooley tolde me he received Mary A Savage's note I sent him; saying that Sidney Rigdon Savage was in Utah Territory some years ago; and married Archibald Gardner's daughter; and was living on the River Jourdan, Salt Lake County the last she knew of him. I took dinner with Brother Wakeling and family; I called at Professor Savage; and seen Sister Foremaster who is very sick; also visited Sister McAlister.

Mar 29, 1897

Monday. Clara and I bought a few articles at Booths Store and I started for home about 10 A.M. I had a lunch with Brother Wakeling and others at Washington Factory; when about half way to Harrisburg, a cold wind and snow met me from the north and I stoped over night with Hiram Laney at Harrisburg.

Mar 30, 1897

Tuesday. After brakefast, I faced a colde north wind and got home about 1 o'clock; all well.

Mar 31, 1897

Wednesday. I wrote up my journal. Will goes to shear sheep for Will Jackson.

Apr 1, 1897

Thursday. Carrigan, the hired man, with others, worked on the river road; I chored about home.

Apr 2, 1897

Friday. Carrigan smoothed ground for onions and commenced digging the outdoor cellar.

Apr 3, 1897

Saturday. I sowed the onions, including Maule's Yellow Globe Denver onion.

Apr 4, 1897

Sunday. This is general fast day and our family at home observed it (fasted); and at 2 o'clock P.M., we all attended fast meeting at the Hall; the house was well filled and a good spirit prevailed.

Apr 5, 1897

Monday. I sowed the Lobberick's Stump root carrot; afternoon, Heber Naegle and I finished visiting the Saints on the 4th section, in the capacity of teachers.

Apr 6, 1897

Tuesday. Afternoon, Brother Heber Naegle and I finished visiting the Saints on the 4th section. JT Batty's small boy died this morning with dropsy of the heart.

Apr 7, 1897

Wednesday. At 10 o'clock A.M., I and family attended JT Batty's little boy's funeral at the Hall; there was a large assemblage in attendance; the sun shone bright, but the wind blew cold from the north.

Apr 8, 1897

Thursday. I worked a little in the garden; William finished shearing sheep for Jacksons and come home.

Apr 9, 1897

Friday. I sowed the Mortgage Lifer Oats.

Apr 10, 1897

Saturday. I sowed the Tageur Peas and the Excelsor Peas.

Apr 11, 1897

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended ward meeting at the Hall. By request of the Bp, I made the opening prayer; Elder Cottom of St George and Counselor Slack were the speakers.

Apr 12, 1897

Monday. I sowed the stump carrots and the half long smooth parsnip; afternoon, I watered the small seeds that I had planted.

Apr 13, 1897

Tuesday. Having worked too hard yesterday, I done but little today.

Apr 14, 1897

Wednesday. We expected the Spilsburies would present a petition to the county court for a county road through our river field, but Wm B returned from the court in St George today; he said the court set and finished their business yesterday, but no petition for a road through our farm was presented to the court.

Apr 15, 1897

Thursday. I wrote a letter to cousin George Savage of Oregon; laid it by and can't find it.

Apr 16, 1897

Friday. I wrote a letter to cousin JC Savage, of Oregon, saying I have him all I have of the history of our grand progenitors; and mailed it. I also worked a little in the garden.

Apr 17, 1897

Saturday. I wrote to cousin George Savage of Oregon.

Apr 18, 1897

Sunday. I had to use the water, so I did not go to meeting today.

Apr 19, 1897

Monday. I wrote and mailed a letter to Sister Emaline requesting he to be sure to forward to brother Matthew, the Utah Pioneer Jubilee documents which I have just sent to her; that were directed to him in my care.

Apr 20, 1897

Tuesday. Will and Carrigan helped Thom Judd and Isaac McFarlin survey; or lay out a town, yesterday and today, on the Laverkin Bench. Will and Carrigan come up this evening, but returned to the river farm.

Apr 21, 1897

Wednesday. I cleaned our ditch making it easier to water soon. Wm B and hired man worked reparing the field ditch.

Apr 22, 1897

Thursday. Will and hired man finished reparing the field ditch. I worked at cleaning the home water ditch. Will & his man come home early and we finished it. We moved them into the place I had prepared for them in the barn.

Apr 23, 1897

Friday. The only weak pig of the olde sow's was dead this morning. We took the water on the home place at 12 o'clock this morning; Wm and I tended it.

Apr 24, 1897

Saturday. Wm B, wife and baby started for St George this morning; I chored about home.

Apr 25, 1897

Sunday. At 2 P.M.; I, Mary Ann & Adelaide, my wives; attended Ward meeting at the Toquerville Hall. After the usual opening seramonies and the Sacrament past; by request of the Bp, I was the first speaker. I spoke at some length of the literal fulfillment of many of the Prophet Joseph's predictions; which should be a conclusive evidence to all, both great and small, of the divine mission of the Prophet Joseph Smith. Elder Levi Harmon was next invited to the stand; he gave a good exertation making favorable mention of some of my remarks.

Apr 26, 1897

Monday. I set out three rows of dark raspberry roots; I have lost my spectacles & lead pencil; how they got out of my pocket I don't know.

Apr 27, 1897

Tuesday. Will, his wife and child got home from St George at 4 P.M.; all well.

Apr 28, 1897

Wednesday. I set a few grape cuttings to root. Yesterday, Moroni Spilsbury, Hans Anderson and Levi Harmon; filed a complaint with Justice WW Hammond, to the county court of Washington County; against Wm B Savage and myself (Levi Savage; for obstructing, with fence, a road that crosses our river farm.

Apr 29, 1897

Thursday. We took the water on our place here at 12 o'clock last night; Wm B tends it today. This morning, Wm B tolde Moroni Spilsbury that if the court ordered the road opened, he would not move the fence; but they, of course, could open the fence sufficient for wagon and team to pass; but he would prosecute for all trespass and damage done by loose stock or other wise.

Apr 30, 1897

Friday. I went to St George with team and buggy to bring Grandma home from Clara's.

May 1 1897

Saturday. The weather being bad, we remained at Clara's.

May 2, 1897

Sunday. We started for home this morning; stoped at Israel Nielson's and took dinner, then drove home where we arrived at 4 P.M. Having taken colde, I am very unwell.

May 3, 1897

Monday. Brother Thomas Judd stoped with us for the night and endeavored to reconcile the parties who are opposed to my fencing the road on the south side of the river. Roan Spilsbury, Hans Anderson & Levi Harmon made the complaint.

May 4, 1897

Tuesday. I signed Wm P Nebeker's petition to President McKinley for Nebeker to be appointed a position in the US Land Office; in SL City, Utah. I am not well; scarcely able to be around.

May 5, 1897

Wednesday. I have a severe attack of an influenza that seems prevalent.

May 6, 1897

Thursday. I am still confined to the house with my ailments.

May 7, 1897

Friday. Not able to be out; Wm B is watering the wheat on the river farm.

May 8, 1897

Saturday. We had the water on the lot and field; Wm tended to it.

May 9, 1897

Sunday. I am still very unwell; I remained at home.

May 10, 1897

Monday. I am informed that GM Spilsbury, Hans Anderson, Levi Harmon and Wm Duffin; the complainants against me for locking the highway, in fencing my river farm; had telegraphed the prosecuting attorney, D Morris, to know the cause of his delay in prosecuting the case. I therefore wrote an agreement, saying that I would open my field sufficient for wagons to pass through on the olde track; provided they withdraw the charge, etc. I showed it to the Bp then gave it to GM Spilsbury. What they will do with it, I don't know.

May 11, 1897

Tuesday. I howed a little in the garden; it being the first work I have done since I brought my wife, Grandma, from daughter Clara's, at St George, a week ago.

May 12, 1897

Wednesday. D Morris, prosecuting attorney for Washington County, effected a reconciliation with GM Spilsbury, Hans Anderson and others who are anxious for a road through my river field. This was done by my agreeing to fence the way sufficient for wagons to pass through on the olde track; completing it by the last of September; and was agreed to before Justice WW Hammond; of Toquerville, Washington County, Utah; May 11, 1897.

May 13, 1897

Thursday. I borrowed 50 lbs flour of Levi Harmon.

May 14, 1897

Friday. I howed a little in the garden; Will finished watering the wheat on the river farm yesterday. The women folks are cleaning house two days past.

May 15, 1897

Saturday. I am not well, but I howed a little in the garden; Will got a bit of wood with the team.

May 16, 1897

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. Councelor Slack and Stapely administered the Sacrament. Elder John Steel was the first

speaker; after which the Bp read a chapter in the Book of Mormon. Counselor Slack then followed with comments and exhortation; I gave the closing benediction. We had to use the water on our garden this forenoon.

May 17, 1897

Monday. I was not well.

May 18, 1897

Tuesday. I am feeling better today and done some howing in the garden.

May 19, 1897

Wednesday. When I arose this morning, I took the ax to cut a stick of wood for the stove; suddenly, a streak of pain took me in the back and I come near falling to the ground. I lay the ax down and went into the house. I suppose I worked to hard yesterday.

May 20, 1897

Thursday. I am afflicted with a lame back; not able to do anything; I howed a little in the garden.

May 21, 1897

Friday. I am afflicted with lameness in my back; not able to do anything.

May 22, 1897

Saturday. I copied some of the history of great grandfather John Savage to send to my nephew, JC Savage, Salem, Oregon.

May 23, 1897

Sunday. Wm B and Frank Jackson took our range horses to Cedar Mountain today; Will drove the team.

May 24, 1897

Monday. I am still afflicted with a lame back. It seems to improve slowly.

May 25, 1897

Tuesday. Here was a general cattle drive here today; my olde cow was drove up, but turned out again before I got to see her.

May 26, 1897

Wednesday. I paid Wm Jackson a male pig, over four weeks, for the use of his hog. I also propered to pay one to the Bp for tithing because he had nothing to feed it.

May 27, 1897

Thursday. I am still afflicted with a lame back. Yesterday P.M., our olde cow come home. We suppose someone took her out of the northern bound herd at Bellevue.

May 28, 1897

Friday. I made a partial separation of the pigs from the sow with a view to wean them.

May 29, 1897

Saturday. I am just able to chore around a little.

May 30, 1897

Sunday. I remained at home. The young women folks went to meeting. Elders Garres and Seegmiller of St George, home missionaries, each made a short speech.

May 31, 1897

Monday. I shorted some beans for seed; Wm B finished watering the river field of wheat.

Jun 1, 1897

Tuesday. Martain and Clara A, his wife, arrived from St George to attend the Strawberry entertainment at Sister Bringham's tomorrow afternoon.

Jun 2, 1897

Wednesday. According to previous arrangements; Sister Savage, my wife; and I, Levi Savage; attended a Strawberry Supper at Sister Susan Bringham's. There were about forty; we had a very pleasant time and a sumtuious supper about 6 P.M.

Jun 3, 1897

Thursday. I sorted a few seed beans. Martain and Clara did not go home; they remained here during the day.

Jun 4, 1897

Friday. Martain and Clara started home this morning. I sent my pension voucher, for this June payment; by Martain to FL Daggett, Co. Cleark, St George; for him to execute and mail to pensions office, San Francisco, Cal. I sorted a few more beans.

Jun 5, 1897

Saturday. I planted a few rows of sweet corn in the garden.

Jun 6, 1897

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended monthly fast meeting at the Hall; there a goodly number in attendance, but mostly females of the young class; two dishes of Sacrament was taken to the sick who were not able to come to the Hall; a number bore their testamonies; a good spirit prevailed.

Jun 7, 1897

Monday. I chored about home.

Jun 8, 1897

Tuesday. I was bout home, not well; Wm got a load of wood.

Jun 9, 1897

Wednesday. We had the water and Wm tended to it.

Jun 10, 1897

Thursday. Wm B took a 25 gallon barrel of inferior molasses to H Stocks for him to make into whiskey. I sorted a few beans for seed beans; also took the vinegar out of a leaky barrel and put it into a sound cask.

Jun 11, 1897

Friday. I finished sorting seed beans; Will watered wheat in the river field.

Jun 12, 1897

Saturday. I planted some sweet corn in the garden; Wm B attended to the water on the wheat on the river farm. The atmosphere indicates rain, but none falls yet.

Jun 13, 1897

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. Elders H Duffin and ER Lamb were the speakers. At the close of the meeting, I met with the Bp's council in Teachers Council; there were few Teachers in attendance and a megar report of the teachers visiting the Saints of their respective sections.

Jun 14, 1897

Monday. I howed a little in the garden and planted a little sweet corn. Wm B plowed the land for beans. The Duffins brought Will Theobald's cow from Peter Anderson's for us to milk.

Jun 15, 1897

Tuesday. We had the water; afternoon, Wm B went to Virgin City to borrow \$35 in money; he returned at 11 o'clock P.M., sick with pain in the stomach and bowels.

Jun 16, 1897

Wednesday. I wrote a letter to JC Savage, Oregon concerning the date of Uncle Israel Savage's death. Yesterday afternoon, a squall cloud appeared in the NW; it soon cleared a way to the north; the air become cool; this morning the air seemed much like frost.

Jun 17, 1897

Thursday. Wm B cut the lucern; the first we have cut this season; I planted a little sweet corn in the garden.

Jun 18, 1897

Friday. I worked a little in the garden; Wm B planted the white beans; the nights are cool.

Jun 19, 1897

Saturday. I chored about home.

Jun 20, 1897

Sunday. Adelaide and I went to St George; took a little refreshments a Israel Nielson's and arrived at our daughter Clara's in St George about sundown.

Jun 21, 1897

Monday. I done a little traiding at the store; took dinner; Adelaide stops with Clara a while. I started home, giving Miss Seegmiller a free passage to Toquerville where we arrived about sunset.

Jun 22, 1897

Tuesday. Not being well from the affects of my ride yesterday, I remained indoors the moste of the day.

Jun 23, 1897

Wednesday. At 12 A.M., I just drove WW Hammond's cow out of my field again.

Jun 24, 1897

Thursday. Wm B with his two horse buggy, started for Milford where he takes the cars for the land office in SL City; on his homestead land business. Yesterday, Mr Slack, Steel and Chauncy Spilsbury, the commity of arrangements for the celebrating the fourth of July, called and notified me that they had appointed me to take charge of the company of vetrans; gave me a list of names and desired me to notify them.

Jun 25, 1897

Friday. I howed a little in the garden and notified a few of the veterans for the celebrations of the fourth of July.

Jun 26, 1897

Saturday. I was about home, not very well.

Jun 27, 1897

Sunday. We took the water on the lot at 12 in the morning. Wm Theobald was engaged to help me; he came after a late brakefast and done well; during the night, the water got out of the ditch and flooded the street and corral; it made it bad milking the cows.

Jun 28, 1897

Monday. I was sick all last night with pain in my stomach; I took a little medicine which relieved me some, but I kepted to my bed the moste of the day. Elder John Steel called last evening and told him I thought I would not be able to take charge of the company of veterans on the fourth.

Jun 29, 1897

Tuesday. I am feeling some better.

Jun 30, 1897

Wednesday. I finished in person or by proxy, all those named for veterans for the fourth; called upon ER Lamb and took dinner with him.

Jul 1, 1897

Thursday. About 10 A.M., Wm got home from SL City; having been successful in his land business (homestead of a 160 acres on Cedar Mountain.

Jul 2, 1897

Friday. Choring about home.

Jul 3, 1897

Saturday. As above.

Jul 4, 1897

Sunday. Not well; system needed strengthening. I took my breakfast and at 2 P.M., I attended fast meeting at the Hall; a number bore testimony; George Anderson was ordained an Elder; a good spirit prevailed throughout.

Jul 5, 1897

Monday. We celebrated the 4th today the 5th because the 4th come on Sunday. The procession was formed in front of the building; once occupied, owned by the Toquerville Store. I, Levi Savage, was assigned the command of the Representation of Veterans of 1776. The procession marched as far as the post office thence returned to the Hall. The program was good and well rendered.

Jul 6, 1897

Tuesday. I planted white beans and a few hills of early sweet corn.

Jul 7, 1897

Wednesday. I howed a little in the garden.

Jul 8, 1897

Thursday. We had the water; this afternoon, Wm B went to the river field and will commence to cut his wheat tomorrow morning; I cut my oats.

Jul 9, 1897

Friday. I bought another sythe whetstone of the Bp.

Jul 10, 1897

Saturday. Helped a little with cutting.

Jul 11, 1897

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended Ward meeting at Toquerville Hall. Elder E Wooley, late from Anarber was the speaker; he gave an interesting account of his studies and experience with his associates while there; also of the beautiful city and its refined peoples. Councilor Slack made a short reply to some of his remarks.

Jul 12, 1897

Monday. I cut apples for drying.

Jul 13, 1897

Tuesday. I also cut apples for drying

Jul 14, 1897

Wednesday. I prepared to attend the Utah Pioneer Jubilee in Salt Lake City during the week of the 24th of July 1897.

Jul 15, 1897

Thursday. My wife Adelaide and I, with horse and buggy, started for Milford, 90 miles distant, to take the train for Salt Lake City to attend the Jubilee. We stopped for the night with Elizabeth Ashdown; she treated us very kindly; here we bedded together for the first time for 8 years; as the law forbid us acknowledging ourselves to be husband and wife.

Jul 16, 1897

Friday. We drove 40 miles to Minersville and put up with Brother Bowman.

Jul 17, 1897

Saturday. Brother Bowman charged me 75c. for two beds, four meals and horses to hay; which I paid and left for Milford, 15 miles distant. We changed our clothes, took dinner at 50c. per meal & took the train for Salt Lake City at 9 P.M. There were not passenger cars to accommodate all; so some took boxcars 60 miles to Oasis where they exchanged for passenger cars; we arrived in SL City about 10 A.M. of the 18th. I was furnished free board and lodgings by the Jubilee Committee at Mrs Gosset's; where we were honored and kindly treated. We much enjoyed the festival throughout; and took the train for home at 6 o'clock P.M. on the 27th; and on Wednesday the 28th, we arrived in Milford about 10 A.M.; settled our bill \$2.50 with Mr Tanner for 10 day horse keeping; and drove to Minersville and put up for the night with Sister Murdock; and olde acquaintance.

Jul 29, 1897

Thursday. We drove to Cedar City and stopped for the Ashdown's. Here we learned that Brother Smith's wife was killed and two other women badly hurt, coming down the mountain today on a load of logs. The brake broke and the team and wagon went off the dug way.

Jul 30, 1897

Friday. We arrived home today about 7 P.M.; all well.

Jul 31, 1897

Saturday. I rested. This afternoon, Will, with his wife and child & Clara's mother started for St George with team and buggy.

Aug 1, 1897

Sunday. I watered the garden and field beans.

Aug 2, 1897

Monday. I wrote a letter to Levi M.

Aug 3, 1897

Tuesday. I wrote a letter to Ann E Collins. Will got home last evening about sundown and started this morning with his wife & childe; and two of the Wakeling boys; team and wagon, for his homestead on Cedar Mountain. We had a rain yesterday and last night.

Aug 4, 1897

Wednesday. I chored about home.

Aug 5, 1897

Thursday. Chores about home; Weather warm and showery.

Aug 6, 1897

Friday. I wrote a letter to Riley C.

Aug 7, 1897

Saturday. I helped the women folks with their fruit drying.

Aug 8, 1897

Sunday. I attended Ward meeting at Hall. Elder Levi Harmon was the first speaker; by suggestion of Councelor Slack, gave some account of the late Pioneer Jubilee, which he attended; which he done very well; said it was a great place to induce one to spend money &cts.; by request of the Bp, I gave a concise version of the Jubilee; then Bp spoke very well of it. This afternoon, Martain brought Clara's mother home from St George; Clara is reasonable well.

Aug 9, 1897

Monday. I howed a few beans & helped the women with the fruit drying. The weather is very warm.

Aug 10, 1897

Tuesday. I helped with the fruit and hauled a few beans.

Aug 11, 1897

Wednesday. I done a hard days work at howing beans. Last evening I had a talk with Moroni Spilsbury about allowing teams to pass through my river field; I said I had not obstructed the highway; for the road was still good for teams to pass on the south side of the river; and cross at the upper ford; I said evidences are plain to be seen in every settlement in the country that roads are moved to facilitate farming interests; then why should I be the only one prosecuted for obstructing the highway; thus austracized and not allowed priviliges in common with my fellows. M Spilsbury said he would talk with the others who participated in the complaint. This evening, I talked with Hans Anderson about the matter; he being one of the complaintants. He did not seem austere over the matter.

Aug 12, 1897

Thursday. I chored about home.

Aug 13, 1897

Friday. I took the water at 10 o'clock A.M. I watered the garden and a part of the beans and tried to finish them by moon light; but I could not control the water; I went to bed about 10 o'clock at night, very tired; I soon took an attack of severe purging and vomiting; it continued until near morning and left me very weak.

Aug 14, 1897

Saturday. I took nothing to eat and kept to my bed all day.

Aug 15, 1897

Sunday. I rested fairly well last night, but am very weak and have a poor appetite; I kept to my bed all day.

Aug 16, 1897

Monday. I feel much better today; I am doing a little writing.

Aug 17, 1897

Tuesday. I prepared a petition requesting the citizens of Toquerville not to require me to open my field for the public road; until a committee may pass upon it after viewing the situation.

Aug 18, 1897

Wednesday. Will cut the lucern; it is the first crop we have cut this season.

Aug 19, 1897

Thursday. Will got his buggy repaired at Andersons; George done the work. I tended the water on the lot.

Aug 20, 1897

Friday. At 2 P.M., I attended missionary meeting at Hall. By request of the Bp, I gave the opening prayer. Elders M Harmon, Woodbery and J Duffin were the speakers; they gave us an excellent exhortation. Sisters Woodbery and Walker were present; Sister Walker stopped with us over night.

Aug 21, 1897

Saturday. I am not well; remained about home; done a little writing.

Aug 22, 1897

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended Ward meeting at Hall. Brother ER Lamb and I administered the Sacrament; after which Elder AE Dodge, & David Spilsbury were the speakers; the meeting was thinly attended.

Aug 23, 1897

Monday. I had an interview with the Bp about the complaint against me for obstructing the highway on the Rio Virgin bottoms; he declined doing or saying anything about the matter except it was brought in the form of Bp's court. I also had an interview with Hans Anderson and Moroni Spilsbury about the matter; they are two of the complainants; and said they could let

me keep my enclosure if others could & did not seem anxious to enforce the matter. Will got his wheat threshed today; had 37 bushels.

Aug 24, 1897

Tuesday. I chored about home.

Aug 25, 1897

Wednesday. I sit to have my photo taken. Will gathered some fruit to take to the north; baby set for her picture.

Aug 26, 1897

Thursday. This morning, Will started with fruit to sell in the northern settlements. I again set for my photo as yesterdays sitting was a failure. It has the appearance of rain.

Aug 27, 1897

Friday. I got the proof sheet of my photo I am getting now.

Aug 28, 1897

Saturday. I endeavored to get our hogs brought from the river, but failed; they have crossed the river into Dave Spilsbury's field.

Aug 29, 1897

Sunday. Not feeling well, I did not attend meeting. As per agreement made last night, Ben Foresythe and Frank Jackson brought our hogs from the river field; they brought eight shotes and the olde sow; on of the shotes got away; they will likely get it soon.

Aug 30, 1897

Monday. I helped the women folks with the fruit drying.

Aug 31, 1897

Tuesday. I tended the water on the garden and field. I wet the field bean, but the water being so scarce, the lucern got but little.

Sep 1, 1897

Wednesday. Yesterday I worked to hard; I am not able to do anything today, but cut a few peaches.

Sep 2, 1897

Thursday. Wrote to Auditor Morgan Richards, SL City; asking him to record mark and brand for me.

Sep 3, 1897

Friday. Mailed my pension voucher for Sept payment to FL Daggett to execute and mail to pension agent, San Francisco. Will got home; all well.

Sep 4, 1897

Saturday. I chored about home.

Sep 5, 1897

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended fast meeting at Hall; a good spirit prevailed. At about 5 o'clock P.M., Brother James Jackson departed this life after lingering illness of two years or more.

Sep 6, 1897

Monday. This morning, Wm B started to Washington Mill to get a grist of wheat floured. At 3 P.M., I attended Brother James Jackson's funeral at the Hall; the neatly trimmed coffin containing the corpse was in place when I entered the Hall. My wife, Mary Ann placed a wreath of flowers on the lid of the coffin as she passed it. The Bp requested me to speak first; I spoke of my long and intimate acquaintance with Brother Jackson; his sterling integrity to the Gospel and of other of his good qualities. Elder Geo Spilsbury followed; then Elder James Duffin; and then Bp Wm A Bringhurst; all giving a good report of our departed brother and speaking comforting words to the bereaved; tho it was a breezy time, a long procession followed the remains to its last resting place.

Sep 7, 1897

Tuesday. Wm B returned with his grist.

Sep 8, 1897

Wednesday. I wrote a letter to Riley; also sent him my photo; mailed at the time the letter was mailed.

Sep 9, 1897

Thursday. At 10 o'clock A.M., I attended meeting at Hall. It was Apostle Liman's appointment; He (Liman) and JG Kimble were present; also Pres McArthur and E Snow and others; as I stepped out to the stand and shook hands with the brethren, Apostle Liman gently drew me to him; and said to me in a low voice; would you like to be ordained a High Priest? I answered, that is with you Brother Liman; just as you desire, he said, then we will ordain you. After about three hours and a good surrounding of Elders; E Snow, JG Kimble & Apostle Liman, I was assigned a chair; and Apostle Liman, in connection with other leading brethren, placed his hands on my head and ordained me a High Priest. He also sealed upon me all the blessings, power and authority that had been heretofore conferred upon me. Brother AE Dodge was also ordained a High Priest by Apostle Liman immediately after my ordination. I attended the session of the school teachers institute this afternoon.

Sep 10, 1897

Friday. I was about home. Wm B loaded his wagon with fresh fruit and molasses for the northern traid.

Sep 11, 1897

Saturday. Will started with fruit to sell in the northern settlements about 1 p.m. We had a fine shower this evening.

Sep 12, 1897

Sunday. I wrote to Sister Ann E Collins; saying I had my photo taken lately and would mail one to her on the same day I mail this letter to her; I also wrote to brother Alanson; said I would mail to him my late taken photo on the day I mailed his letter.

Sep 13, 1897

Monday. I helped the women folks gather peaches; also built a scaffold for drying fruit near the corral.

Sep 14, 15, 16, 1897

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. I helped with the fruit.

Sep 17, 1897

Friday. I cut peaches all day; wife Ann cut and spread what we both cut.

Sep 18, 1897

Saturday. I had the water and used it on the lot and field.

Sep 19, 1897

Sunday. Not being well, I remained at home.

Sep 20, 1897

Monday. I mailed a letter and my lately taken photo to my son Levi M; the Bp of Woodruff, Arizona; also the same to my sister Emaline; brother Alanson; & Sister Ann E Collins. Last evening, Wm B got home from Beaver having done well in the sale of his fruit. Evening, Adelaide and I attended a lecture on education, delivered by Elder Cluff of Provo.

Sep 21, 1897

Tuesday. I was about.

Sep 22, 1897

Wednesday. Wm B, with team and buggy, went to Henry Stox and got three, 3½ gallons of whiskey owing him on the molasses he had to make the whiskey. This afternoon, I was taken, while at dinner, with a chill and a burning fever, and soon turned to a severe case of pleuracy.

Sep 23, 1897

Thursday. I am still suffering severely with the pleuracy. Carragin with his horse, put up with us for the night.

Sep 24, 1897

Friday. I kept to my bed nearly all day, tho manifestly improveing.

Sep 25, 1897

Saturday. I went to St George with horse and buggy; stoped at daughter Clara's overnight; very tired by the ride.

Sep 26, 1897

Sunday. At 10 A.M., I attended Sabbath School at the Tabernacle; and at 2 o'clock, I attended the general ward meetings; after which I visited Sister Nephi Savage; found all well, but her mother, Sister Foremaster who is very febel; also visited Sister McAlister. At the close of the afternoon meeting, Pres Fossit informed me that Apostle Liman reported at the late conference that he had, on the 9th of Sept 1897, ordained me (Levi Savage) and AE Dodge, High Priests, which was endorsed by the vote of the late conference in St George; and our names were enrolled in the High Priests Quorum Book.

Sep 27, 1897

Monday. I got my pension check cashed and other items attended to; and started home about 11 A.M.; Sister Wakeling accompanying me. We arrived safely before sunset.

Sep 28, 1897

Tuesday. Late night we had a heavy rain; the moste we have had for more than three months past. I quietly remained at home not feeling any worse for my journey.

Sep 29, 1897

Wednesday. I picked a few white field beans for seeds, that had ripened early; today we got a letter from my son Levi M bearing the sad news of the sudden death of my son, Levi M's oldest son of 12 years; caused by the kick of a horse in the temple; he only live a few hours after.

Sep 30, 1897

Thursday. I wrote a letter to Levi M acknowledging the receipt of his bearing the sad news of the death of his son.

Oct 1, 1897

Friday. This morning, Wm B and Frank Jackson started for the Severe River with fruit and molasses to exchange for grain.

Oct 2, 1897

Saturday. I bated the cows in the field and picked a few early white beans.

Oct 3, 1897

Sunday. This is general fast day; & at two o'clock P.M., I attended meeting at the Hall. There were a fair congregation. The Bp and his counselor, M Slack administered the Sacrament; a number bore testimony to the truth of the work; a good spirit prevailed; by request of the Bishop, I gave the closing benediction.

Oct 4, 1897

Monday. We had a heavy shower of rain this morning. I hearded the cows and patched my gloves.

Oct 5, 1897

Tuesday. I chored about home.

Oct 6, 1897

Wednesday. I chored about home. It rained heavily last night and showered the most of the time during the day.

Oct 7, 1897

Thursday. I herded the cows in the field.

Oct 8, 1897

Friday. The weather is still showery; I herded the cows in the field.

Oct 9, 1897

Saturday. It is still showery; I herded the cows.

Oct 10, 1897

Sunday. At two o'clock P.M., I attended Ward meeting at Hall; at the close of said meeting, I attended Teacher's Council Meeting. There were no reports made of Teachers visiting the people and no Teachers Council convened before last June. I desired to be released from the Teacher's duty as my health was poor; but my desires were not granted.

Oct 11, 1897

Monday. I herded the cows in the field till afternoon; then wrote to Martain to buy me some scrip to pay taxes with if he could.

Oct 12, 1897

Tuesday. I chored about home.

Oct 13, 1897

Wednesday. About home.

Oct 14, 1897

Thursday. It commenced to rain about 11 A.M. and continued gently during the day.

Oct 15, 1897

Friday. I chored about home.

Oct 16, 1897

Saturday. I chored about home. The weather is fine.

Oct 17, 1897

Sunday. At 2 P.M., I attended meeting at Hall; the audience was unusually small. Elder John Allen was the first speaker; and I, Levi Savage, was the second speaker; exhorting the Saints to faithfulness.

Oct 18, 1897

Monday. When we arose this morning, we found a light frost on some of the herbage; the first we have had this season.

Oct 19, 1897

Tuesday. I was at home; herded the cows in the field.

Oct 20, 1897

Wednesday. I attended to usual home affairs. The weather is warm and fine.

Oct 21, 1897

Thursday. I attended to every day home affairs & wrote a part of a letter to Levi M.

Oct 22, 1897

Friday. I hearded the cows and got some wilde sage leases to send to Riley, at his request to use on his hair, to prevent it falling out. Wm B returned this afternoon from trading in the northern settlements; having done tolerably well; he brought home 1800 lbs of flour.

Oct 23, 1897

Saturday. I chored about home. The weather is showery.

Oct 24, 1897

Sunday. I remained at home as the weather is damp and cool.

Oct 25, 1897

Monday. I pulled a few beans and hearded the cows in the field at the time.

Oct 26, 1897

Tuesday. A colde, heavy gale blew from the north all last night and continued during the day. Wm B went to the Virgin River for a load of driftwood for the home fire.

Oct 27, 1897

Wednesday. The wind is blowing a colde from the north. This is my granddaughter Alberta's birthday. I gave her Aunt Adelaide a dollar to buy her a birthday present; she bought for her a butiful chiney cup, saucer & plate; that she may keep as a birthday present from her grandfather Levi Savage.

Oct 28, 1897

Thursday. The wind blew heavy & colde from the north. I remained indoors not very well. The wind not slackened. Wm B finished pulling the beans and hauled them; one of the Jackson boys helped haul them.

Oct 29, 1897

Friday. Wm B worked on the road. I worked too hard yesterday and took a little cold; not able to do anything today. Two light colored cows that has been getting into my field for some time past, I locked in my corrall today; I don't know the owner.

Oct 30, 1897

Saturday. Last night, our women folks, just before they went to bed, put out some stricknine cheese to kill mice which had become very troublesome.

This morning, my granddaughter Alberta, one year & three days olde, picked up a small piece of the stricknine cheese that was accidently dropped on the floor and put it in her mouth. Her mother immediately took it out of her mouth; antadotes were administered and operated slightly; there were no affects of the stricknine seen and the childe appears all right; but surely she was meraculsly preserved. Wm B and his mother, Mary Ann; feeling the child was in danger, started for St George where they arrived in good time.

Oct 31, 1897

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. After opening sevices, Councilor Stapely and I administered the Sacrament; by request of the Bp, John Batty gave a lengthy report of the several meetings he attended lately in St George.

Nov 1, 1897

Monday. Wm B killed two small pigs that we have fed for the purpose. Dave Spilsbury got our team & wagon & let Will take two of his to ride; and bring our loose horses from the mountain range.

Nov 2, 1897

Tuesday. Wm B starts this morning to bring our horses from the mountain range.

Nov 3, 1897

Wednesday. I picked up a few beans that lay on the ground, exposed to threatnings; also cut and salted the meat of the two pigs we killed Monday: one 65 lbs, the other 54 lbs.

Nov 4, 1897

Thursday. I wrote a letter to my brother Alanson.

Nov 5, 1897

Friday. I am not well.

Nov 6, 1897

Saturday. Still not feeling well; chored about home.

Nov 7, 1897

Sunday. This being our general fast day meeting, at 2 o'clock P.M., I and wife Adelaide repared to the Hall; after usual opening services were over, Elder James Duffin & myself; by request of the Bp; administered the Sacrament. The congregation was small; a few bore testimony to the truths of the gospel; a good spirit prevailed.

Nov 8, 1897

Monday. Bought note paper of the Bp, and envelopes; called and had a social chat with Bro John Steel. Left my shoe at Brother Alger's for him to repara. I am feeling usually well.

Nov 9, 1897

Tuesday. Last night I was taken with a pain in my bowels and had to go to the outhouse two or three times during the night; and today, my bowels trouble me; and I am not able to do anything.

Nov 10, 1897

Wednesday. Wm B started for Circleville on the Severe River to trade for bread stuffs. I am feeling better this morning and threshed a few beans today.

Nov 11, 1897

Thursday. This morning I got, of Bp Wm A Bringham, a check for \$11.25 which I mailed to Collector Ashby Snow (by Martain McAlister) to cancel my this years tax.

Nov 12, 1897

Friday. I threshed beans.

Nov 13, 1897

Saturday. I finished threshing my beans.

Nov 14, 1897

Sunday. I attended Ward meeting at the Hall. Wm and John Gardner, from Pine Valey; and Sandburg from Washington, Utah, were the speakers as home missionaries. Their exhortations on the first principles of the gospel were excellent and spirited. By the Bp's request, I pronounced the benediction. Soon after the close of the ward meeting, I met with the ward teachers in council; no reports were given by the teachers; only five teachers and the bishoprick present.

Nov 15, 1897

Monday. The wind blew a cool gale from the north all day and night; I remained indoors the most of the day.

Nov 16, 1897

Tuesday. I finished picking up the beans that were scattered in threshing.

Nov 17, 1897

Wednesday. I chored about home.

Nov 18, 1897

Thursday. I bought of the Jew Store, at Stapely's; a pair of pants, a vest and a pair of suspenders; for \$2.50; also used a little water on the onions to soften the ground so I could pull them. Yesterday, Brother John Steel loaned me \$1.10 to subscribe for the Montreal Paper, the Hearold.

Nov 19, 1897

Friday. I wrote and mailed a letter to Riley C with a \$5 bank bill greenback and 25 c PO stamps in it; also a letter to my brother Alanson in Oregon.

Nov 20, 1897

Saturday. I commenced to make a hog trough, but did not finish it.

Nov 21, 1897

Sunday. I remained at home; done a little writing.

Nov 22, 1897

Monday. I finished making my large hog trough.

Nov 23, 1897

Tuesday. I chored about home.

Nov 24, 1897

Wednesday. Afternoon, the weather became showery. Wm B got home from Circleville with flour & meat he had bought, about 7 P.M.; it being very dark and rainey.

Nov 25, 1897

Thursday. Wm B was authorized by Justice WW Hammond to arrest Elmer Duffin; for attempting to commit a rape on John M Allen's 16 year old daughter.

Nov 26, 1897

Friday. Prosicuting Attorney David Morris of St George arrived and put his horse up with me, Levi Savage; and at about two o'clock P.M., commenced investigation of the case above mentioned in Toquerville Hall. I listened to the evidence of the prosecution; there was no rebutting evidence offered and the young man was held under \$500 bonds to await the action of the District Court in the case.

Nov 27, 1897

Saturday. The young man, Elmer Duffin, not being able to procure bonds; Wm B started with him to deliver him to the officers of St George; Frank Jackson driving the team. Both Wm B and Frank were well armed to resist any interference that might be attended.

Nov 28, 1897

Sunday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I and Adelaide attended Ward meeting at the Hall. Elders Chidester of Washington and Miller of St George; two young home missionaries, were the speakers. We had a good meeting. High Priest John Steel and myself administered the Sacrament. While the first speaker, Elder Chidester was addressing the audience, the Bp was called to go and administer to Brother Foresythe; and the Bp requested me to go with him which I did. We found Brother Foresythe very low and in much pain. I anointed him; he got easier immediately; we returned to meeting. In the evening, Brigham Lamb called in; we chatted over the rough times in Utah's early settlements. Wm B returned from St George about 9 o'clock in the evening having delivered his prisoner, Elmer Duffin, to the Marshal and see

him secure in the County Jail. Adelaide also got home about 9 o'clock from the missionary evening meeting.

Nov 29, 1897

Monday. I dug the few beets we had grown this summer.

Nov 30, 1897

Tuesday. I pulled some of the onions. Wm B got a load of wood. Brother Thomas Judd stoped with us for the night; he is going up the river in the interest of the agricultural business.

Dec 1, 1897

Wednesday. I and my wife Ann, by invitation, went to Brother Charles Stapely Seniors at 2 o'clock P.M.; on the occasion of their son William's marriage with Miss Barton of Parowan, Utah. There were a very respectable company assembled on the occasion. Bp Wm A Bringhurst of Toquerville, officiated in the marriage ceremony; after which the company partook of a sumptuous feast.

Dec 2, 1897

Thursday. I mailed Dec. voucher to Daggett for execution; also Wedderburn's card to David Morris; and finished gathering my onions. Afternoon, the wind blew heavy and colde from the north with slight flakes of snow.

Dec 3, 1897

Friday. I wrote to Lyme of NY for a knife and a linen hankerchief - total 65 cts. The wind blew hard and colde from the north.

Dec 4, 1897

Saturday. The wind still blowing. Dec 5, 1897

Sunday. Chored about home; cleaned out the olde manure of the hog pen. I worked at reparing the hog pen.

Dec 6, 1897

Monday. At 2 o'clock P.M., I attended fast day meeting at the Hall; there were a good congregation; a number bore testimony to the truths of the gospel.

Dec 7, 1897

Tuesday. I finished reparing the hog pen.

Dec 8, 1897

Wednesday. I put five young hogs in the pen to fatten for family use. Last evening, I visited Sister Regular Naegle, Levi Harmon and Rozan Naegle as ward teacher; found all trying to live up to the requirements of the gospel. Elder Levi Harmon, my companion in Ward Teaching, said he and Heber Naegle would visit all the other members of ours, the 4th district, this week

so as to be able to make proper report of our fourth district at our Teacher's Council Meeting next Sabbath.

Dec 9, 1897

Thursday. This morning, by request, I went to Brother Augustus E Dodge's and gave evidence as to the inquires Brother AE Dodge received in US Cervice Mormon Battalion, Mexican War of 1846-7. The evidence was taken by US Commissioner Fitch of Denver, Idaho. Brother John Steel and M Slack soon were also there for the same purpose.

Dec 10, 11, 1897

Friday & Saturday. I chored about home and arranged the hog trough for more convenient feeding. Wm B worked thee days this week for Dave Spilsbury.

Dec 12, 1897

Sunday. Wm B started this morning for Parowan and perhaps Beaver to collect wheat and potatoes on fruit debts. My wife Ann is and has been ill with influenza & cough; I am also affected with it. A few days ago,, the grey mare and colt I got of John T Batty, Frank Jackson brought from Cedar City.

Dec 13, 1897

Monday. I got Matthew Batty to take Hans Anderson's pig home. I bought 2.5 feet of rope to catch and brand the colt I got with the mare of John T Batty; but deferred branding at present. I also bought a packet of tea and one of coffee as my wife, who is unwell, said she would like a cup of coffee; and also requested me to get a packet of tea.

Dec 14, 1897

Tuesday. I got two Indian women to clean some of my beans. I gave them their dinner and two pans full of flour for their work.

Dec 15, 1897

Wednesday. I remained indoors the moste of the day, not being well; done a little writing. Yesterday, the 14th, David Spilsbury's barn containing 20 tons of hay was all consumed by fire. It was set on fire by his four year olde boy and Ham Wallis' five year old boy playing with matches in the manger; no harnesses nor animals were injured; the youngsters who started the fire escaped without harm.

Dec 16, 1897

Thursday. At 1 o'clock P.M., I attended meeting at the Hall. Pres David Cannon of St George gave a short instructive exertation; then young Apostle Woodruff gave excellent instructions, urging parents to be enerjetic in careing for their children and the young; to head the Teachings of their parents and gardians. Good attention was observed by the large audience. Miss Burk, a friend, gave us a call this evening.

Dec 17, 1897

Friday. Pleasant.

Dec 18, 1897

Saturday. As usual, I chored about home. We found snow on the ground when we arose this morning; fine snow filled the air during the day.

Dec 19, 1897

Sunday. Fine snow still fills the air. I remained at home; done a little writing.

Dec 20, 1897

Monday. The wind arose last night, strong and colde from the north; cleared away the snow clouds and continues during the day; I remained indoors except chore time; done some writing.

Dec 21, 1897

Tuesday. The wind continues strong and colde. Wm B got home this afternoon with a load of wheat and potatoes; also a \$75 clock bought of Harry Hall of Beaver.

Dec 22, 1897

Wednesday. I chored about home; helped Will unload the potatoes.

Dec 23, 1897

Thursday. I am about home. The weather is fine.

Dec 24, 1897

Friday. I was at home. Will got a little wood from the river and plaid the violin for the children's dance this afternoon; also for the adults tonight.

Dec 25, 1897

Saturday. I intended to have gone to St George today and to have taken Christmas supper with my daughter Clara Ann, but ill health prevented me. I kept to my bed a portion of the day.

Dec 26, 1897

Sunday. I am still unable to be up much of the time.

Dec 27, 1897

Monday. I started for St George about 11 o'clock A.M. and arrived at sunset; all well; found Clara enjoying good health; also her mother, husband and hired girl.

Dec 28, 1897

Tuesday. I intended to make final proof on my desert land entry, but Surveyor McFarlin advised me to abandon the Desert Land Entry and buy the 40 acres of the State direct; said he thought it safer, cheaper and less trouble. So we let it remain for the present; found my bonds for Peter Anderson were annulled at the proper date.

Dec 29, 1897

Wednesday. Engaged Martian to select a lot in St George burring ground and started for home about 11 o'clock A.M. and arrived about 7 P.M. very tired.

Dec 30, 1897

Thursday. At home.

Dec 31, 1897

Friday. Decided to take Adelaide to Clara's at St George tomorrow, if the Lord wills.