

JOURNAL E
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Josiah Edwin Hickman

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June 13, 1906, Provo, Utah: I finished Journal D Mar. 11 and have neglected to get another until now. During this interval I have been busy with my school work up to June 1. The subjects I taught this last semester were Theology B & H (Bk. of M. & Church History); Physiology (high school). I had three sections also 7 laboratory periods in this subject. Nature Study (two sections) and College Astronomy (Young's Manual of Ast. was the text bk.).

I went to Payson and delivered the graduation address to the 8th Grade graduates; also to Beaver to deliver the baccalaureate address at the Beaver Branch of the BY University. I went to Am. Fork to deliver two lectures— one on the Crucifixion of Christ and the other a memorial address (Sun. May 27).

On March 25 (9:30 a. m.) there was born to us a cute little long-haired babe, eyes blue and hair black. She weighed about 7 lbs. This is my 15th child and I love every one of them with the sincere love of a father. We have not named her yet.¹ I tell Martha every one is worth \$1,000,000. She asked me not long since for the million dollars for our last babe. I proffered to give her my cheek for the amount, but she refused it. She didn't give the reason for refusing; whether she felt she was swindling me or whether she doubted the value of my check she didn't say. The babe with her quiet yawning ways has completely won our hearts. Father, preserve her to us until her life is ripe with age and with fruitful years and deeds.

I rec'd from the Board of the Uni. \$330 for back salary. I was able to pay many urgent debts. It made me happy. Father in Heaven, I have entered into a mining scheme wherein it will cost me \$125. 00. Bro. F. W. C. HATHENBRUCK has gone out to locate claims in the Uinta Reservation. Ore which he claims is taken from there assays from \$773. 50 a ton to \$27, 000 a ton. He locates Albert Singleton and myself in (for \$250. 00) in an undivided 1/4 interest in all locations made. We also pay the expenses of another man, John Christianson, and give him 6% interest in all claims. The reason I make this detailed statement is that I promise, O Father, if Thou wilt prosper me in this to use the money for the education of my family and for sending all of them that may be called to the ends of the earth to carry the gospel of heaven; also I covenant to aid the cause of righteousness in feeding and clothing the poor and unfortunate; and that I long to aid in building up and maintaining the BY Uni. and I will use freely my means to that end if Thou wilt prosper me in this undertaking. Indeed all I have shall be on the altar at Thy call. Now, dear Father, bless me in this that I may make my name honorable in meeting all my obligations. Read my heart. Am I not sincere?

I have been given a furlough for a year on half salary (\$700.00) to go and study. I am making preparations to go. I pray I shall be successful in my undertaking.

¹ Rienna Lawisch Hickman born Mar 25, 1906 in Provo.

Fern² has been away from home nearly a yr. and she has returned for a few days visit. My heart is made glad to see her again. Dear Father, bless her and make her useful and noble in Thy cause. Dee³ has also returned home from Logan where he has been for a yr. He is now working at Benj. and is very desirous for going to school again. Father, turn him to Thy praise. Martha and five of the children have been ill with a high fever and sore throats, but are well again. I have just returned home from Salt Lake. I have seen there to attend the MI Conference (June 8, 9 & 10). We had an excellent conference. I took part in the discussions, also was put on a committee.

Sun. forenoon the officers of YM&YL associations held a testimony meeting in the Assembly Hall. An excellent spirit prevailed. Pres. Smith, while speaking upon the noble and true characters that were leading the associations, wept aloud and covered his face with his hands and handkerchief. The audience was full to the bursting point and hundreds wept also. O, Father, bless that mighty man! May my soul be in a tune with his as long as he leads this people. Bless the brethren that are with him. May all Israel be true to Thee and Thy cause, O Father.

I took dinner with J. Golden Kimball⁴ last Sat. I appreciated the privilege. He showed me where his father was buried and 59 others of the family including 7 of his wives and Bp. Newell K. Whitney. He (J. G.) loves his father deeply. I feel that he or his brother Elias will yet be a member of the twelve—perhaps both of them. I love him for his devotion and his great spiritual power.

Othello, Leon, Eugene and Georgie⁵ are all working. My children are very good and obedient.

June 21, 1906, Provo: Today is the longest in the yr. The weather is pleasant. Othello and I have been ill for two days with sore throats and fever. Eugene is just recovering from a severe attack of it. Valko⁶ is down with the same disease. It is an epidemic that is going the rounds in my family. I do not know its name nor am I certain of its cause.

I am very anxious to go to Payson tonight to attend Leslie's wedding reception. He and Jennie Dixon⁷ were married yesterday in the S. L. temple. He gets a very fine wife. He goes to Hinckley to teach school this year. He gets \$100 a month.

Since last writing I have rec'd a letter from Dr. Jno. Dewey. I also am waiting on a letter from Prof. Woodbridge of the Columbia Uni.; also one from the Pres. of the Uni. (Nicholas Murray Buttler, Ph.D., L. L. D. Litt. D.). Josephine⁸ has been very ill but is better. Francis⁹ is studying chemistry in the U of U and is much elated over his course. Fern has returned to Logan.

² Fern is the daughter of Josiah and his first wife, Ella, and is 20 years old.

³ Dee is 18 and the son of Josiah and Ella.

⁴ J. Golden Kimball (1853-1938) is in the First Council of the Seventy.

⁵ Othello is 16; Leon and Eugene are both 14; Georgie is 11.

⁶ Valko is 2 years old.

⁷ Mary Jane Dixon (1879-1910); Leslie is Josiah's youngest brother (1880-1948).

⁸ Josiah's oldest sister, Josephine Elizabeth Hickman Finlayson (1859-1938).

⁹ Josiah's brother, George Francis Hickman (1868-1958).

June 28, 1906, Provo: I have been to Payson to Leslie's wedding reception. I got off a sick bed to go. Helen and babies came June 23.¹⁰ We went to Payson to visit for a few days. I returned this morning. She goes to Levan. She has two intelligent children.

I have just completed Tolstoi's "My Confession, My Religion and Gospel in Brief." His confession reveals his early life of sin and reckless folly. His religion is the teaching of Christ. After yrs. of abject infidelity and longing for death, a new change came into his life and he loosed his religion and belief upon Christ's teachings literally. In some respects he has the exalted ideas of a L. D. Saint. When it comes to God, he believes in no personal God and disavows such a being. He claims all nations that war are in the gall of sin, etc. I have been for months reading this work as I read it at odd moments.

I have just read the 1st Vol. of Edgar Allen Poe's Works. It includes his biography; his philosophy of composition; the poetical principle introduction to his 52 poems. His poems deal with beauty, life and death. The Raven, I think, his best of all.

All of the family are well again and the epidemic seems to have run its course. I rec'd a letter from the Sec. of the Columbia Uni. stating that all the scholarships were granted for this yr. but perhaps some would be relinquished and then I would be granted one. Have written him again today forwarding recommendations. We are to have an excursion July 13 to Logan for Nebo, Utah and Alpine Stakes.

July 7, 1906, Provo: I have just rec'd notification from Columbia Uni. that I cannot receive a scholarship, for no one over 30 yrs. of age is eligible. I regret this for now I will be greatly crowded for means. Am reading Weber's History of Philosophy. The 4th of July was celebrated in keeping with the occasion. Provo had two days (4 and 5) of races. It has an excellent track just completed. Our children had a nice time on the 4th. Othello and Leon spent \$1. 50 each; Eugene spent 75c; Georgie 40c; Reginald spent 30c; Levan spent 25c; and Juanita, Lorea, and Radino spent 5c each.¹¹ I spent 50c for the children. This represents the monetary factor that made the 4th of July pleasant.

Leon is working on the bench for a Mr. Marby. He gets \$12. 50 a month and board. The other boys have no steady work at present. LaPriele and Mildred Daniels¹² are here visiting with us for a few days. They and all the rest of the family are living in Logan now. Things are quiet and I feel blue over my prospects financially. I hardly know just where I can raise the money to go east.

July 8, 1906, Provo: (Sun. evening) Martha and I with all of the babies rode out to Timpanogas, Vineyard, Lake View and the Co. Infirmery. I went to give out notices of our MIA annual excursion to Lagoon. As usual we are joining with Nebo and Alpine Stakes and also divide the

¹⁰ Helen Josephine Hansen (1881-1964), third wife of Josiah, and children Myrthus (3 years and 7 months) and Felton (14 months old).

¹¹ Levan is ten; Juanita is seven; Lorea is six; Radino is 4 years and 11 months.

¹² Lapriele and Mildred Daniels are nieces of Josiah's, daughters of his sister Annie Hickman Daniels. Lapriele is 27 and Mildred is 25.

proceeds with them. I attended meeting tonight, opened meeting and partook of the sacrament. I lectured before the conjoint of our ward last Sun. night on the "Childhood of Christ." I tried to build up that life and show the course he must have followed in part at least. There is a peculiar spirit of joy and calm emotion with me every time I speak upon that subject.

We went to the Co. Infirmary today to visit Old Bro. Hudson who has returned from Old Mexico. He went there two yrs. to spend the rest of his days with his sons, but he now returns very feeble and decrepit. He is now 78 yrs. of age. He was my teacher when I was about 9 or 10 yrs. old. He is odd and eccentric in some things but I have a warm spot in my heart for him. He was pleased almost beyond expression today to see us.

I met some three weeks ago Uncle Warren Hickman in Salt Lake. He is a broken down man— full of disease (cancer of lip, I think). He is a sad record of an ill-spent life. He was a deputy marshall during "the raid" and hunted down our people. It looks like the curse of God was upon him as it is and has been upon nearly, if not quite all, that hunted down our people. He has spent a life mostly in saloons and gambling dens. He never was married and is now homeless, childless and friendless eking out a miserable existence from hand to mouth cleaning out saloons, etc.

We have just had the estate probated and Ma made sole guardian and director of it. She will apportion it to all the children but use all of the estate as long as she lives.

This is a happy world full of sorrows, disappointments, heart aches and misfortunes. I say this happily because with all reverses there comes a joy in spite of sorrows. Yet tonight I am sad and memories of the past come hounding thru my mind and tell me of my might-have-beens and of my shouldn't-have-beens. I am pleased that I have done as well as I have, yet how little! I love my wives and children and still I am sad. A happy world full of Sorrows! Life is a problem full of doubts and unending equations—solve one and another confronts you. They are problems in which not only the reason takes part but all the senses. Man standing, as I do, at the high noon of his life sees from the gray dawn of his early morning to the present wrecks of perished ideals and about his feet are the broken vases of hope. How keen are the memories of withered flowers; how white the path of his life strewn with the ashes of blighted ambitions. The realization of all this is true humility. One standing upon the foothills that lead to the mountains of fame lifts up his eyes towards the peaks gilded with greatness and they seem just as far away as at the beginning. Like the horizon to a traveler, they seem to ever recede and ever elude the touch of the outstretched hand.

Not fame, but worth, is my desire. Could I but flood the earth with more truth, aye, plant one torch that would light the pathway of men, strike the shackles that chain the soul in sin, or pluck one thorn from a bleeding foot, time may blot out my name. Yet, I wish to do more, one success is not enough nor should one failure be a signal for discouragement. Up and on. The greater the obstacles, the better your opportunities for awakening your greatest possibilities. The desert with her formidable resistance has brought out the greatest possibilities of the Mormon people.

July 15, 1906, Provo: We had the MIA excursion to Lagoon of the three stakes—Nebo, Utah and Alpine. I think it about the largest excursion of the season. Bro. Buttle and I had it in charge. I went with it (ex.) and took Martha and the 5 smallest children. We had a nice time. Lagoon is the nicest resort in Utah.¹³

I rec'd a nice letter from Helen. Am still reading Weber's *Fist. of Philosophy*. I attended prayer circle, Sun. School, ward priesthood meeting and ward conference today. Our ward is in a good healthy condition. Last Wed. & Thurs. evenings about 12 or 15 of us men and boys turned out and fixed up the meeting house grounds.

Mildred and LaPriele are still visiting with us. Dee is going up above Thistle to work. We are all well. Othello is out of work. I have written for B. H. Roberts to come and address our MI Assn. on the "Succession of the Presidency" next Sun. night.

It is strange the various theories the thinkers of the world have had concerning God and the beginning things. Every age and almost every philosopher had a different conception. None are satisfactory to my mind and still I Confess it is impossible for me to conjecture a beginning of things. It is almost an unthinkable thing to me. The theories of men, in most part, seem childish, all far from true. It is a case of ever learning and never reaching the truth. It is no wonder that philosophers have been skeptics if not athiests. Their theories have been so blighting and erroneous. I see where the Christians got their vague and illogical theories concerning God. The philosophies of the Greeks and Romans vitiated¹⁴ the true scriptural explanation of God and His attributes.

July 27, 1906, Provo: (Thurs.) Weather very cloudy tonight. We held our quarterly conference last Sat. & Sun. Apostles John Henry Smith, Reed Smoot, and Orson Whitney were with us and spoke well. Whitney is a power. Now here comes a little side talk. I don't appreciate J. H. Smith's discourses for he speaks in too general terms. He is eloquent, but not persuasive. He is flowery in word and phrase but too vague. Smoot is too gushing, yet he holds an audience well. He will be more stable in time. Now, Mr. Journal, keep this quiet for the present. These brethren are prophets; but Whitney is prophet, poet and orator.

B. H. Roberts came as agreed and delivered a powerful sermon on the "Succession of the Presidency." He came home with me for an hour and a half before meeting. While at the depot waiting for the train after meeting, he informed me that some of John W. Taylor's prophecies did not come true. He told me that he understands that Taylor and Cowley were not only dropped from the Quorum of the Twelve, but that their apostleships were taken from them. I don't understand it that way. I think they are still apostles and I feel that sometime they will be restored to that Quorum.¹⁵ In my estimation, there are no better men in Israel than those two.

¹³ Lagoon is still operating as a theme-park today. In 1906 "Shoot-the-Chutes" was a popular ride as well as the Scenic Railway. The merry-go-round with its 45 hand carved horses started operating the same year.

¹⁴ corrupted, debased

¹⁵ Matthias Cowley resigned from the Twelve in 1905 because he held that the Manifesto only applied to the United States, while the attitude of the Church was that it applied world-wide. His priesthood was suspended in 1911 and restored in 1936, four years before his death. John Taylor also resigned from the Quorum of the twelve in 1905. He was excommunicated in 1911 and blessings were restored after his death which occurred in 1916.

I leave in the morning for Wayne Co. where I expect to be gone 10 or 12 days talking education. Francis called in from S. Lake and visited me for 3 or 4 hrs. He has completed course A in chemistry (½ yrs. course).

Hathenbruck seems to be playing the hypocrite and crook in the matter of locating us in those rich claims that he knows of. He has been out in those regions for over a month and still is puttering around near Stockmore on the reservation. Yet, we have paid him and his family over \$200.00 of the \$250.00 we were to pay if necessary. We have paid Jno. Christiansen, to go with him, over \$40.00.

I am still reading philosophy and have begun to review Fr. again for I fear I will have to have it to take out my master's degree. Othello has gone to Pleasant Grove to help wait on tables and wash dishes for 6 men who are working for the Tehuride Power Co. He gets \$15.00 a month and board. I have written to Fern. She called me up over the phone about a week ago and talked with me for a short time.

August 5, 1906, Manti, Utah: Since last writing I have been in Wayne Co. speaking on education. I left home a week ago last Fri. morning and am on my way back home. I lectured in Loa, Thurber, Teasdale, Torry, Lyman and Freemont. I tried to arrange a meeting in Koosharem but failed, due I think to my lateness in writing the Bp. I had an excellent visit with friends and relatives. I stayed three days with Deseret N. Hickman, Uncle Wm's. son. I also visited with Melvina Durfee¹⁶ and some of her children. I had not seen her before for nearly 21 years. The people treated me well and many students are contemplating coming to school from that Co.

I also visited with Ed Clark¹⁷ and family two evenings. Ed took me to the depot yesterday morning. He has absolutely quit tobacco and liquor. He says that he is a different man since quitting them. I suppose it was partially due to my labor with him that inspired him to quit for I have labored with him off and on for 4 or 5 yrs. While in Loa I went hunting chickens with Dez, Don and Kirk (his son-in-law) a few hours. I killed one and Kirk another. Pres. Gearson Bastian took Dez, Kirk and me to his big 1500-acre farm. It is a wonder. It looks like he can make a fortune off it in a few yrs.

I met Helen and the babies yesterday and had a nice visit with them. The Lord bless and protect them from harm.

On the front page of this bk. (in indelible pencil) is recorded a brief on Jim McGuire's life. It is the same old story of the deputy marshalls who hounded our people down from 1882 to 1892. The brief is as follows: History of Jim McGerry He was marshall and hounded the people down. Before he was a marshall he was well to do rancher and well thought of. Since then he has become a pauper. He was badly mashed in a R. R. wreck. After he fell from 3rd or 4th story

¹⁶ Amanda Melvina Hawes Durfee (1852-1937), Josiah's cousin, the daughter of Jason Hawes, brother of Lucy Ann Hawes Hickman.

¹⁷ Jason Edward "Ed" Clark (1862-1919), Josiah's cousin, the son of Lois Patton Hawes Clark Box, sister of Lucy Ann Hawes Hickman.

of Cullen Hotel and broke his ribs and one leg. He suffered the pangs of hell and died a miserable vagabond. Informant was Dez Hickman who knew him personally.

Pres. Bastian came to Dez Hickman's one night and he and I talked until 2 o'clock in the morning. Our ideas of the present situation are in harmony. He also arranged to have me taken all around the Co. He is a diamond in the rough. He is of polygamist parentage.

While in Wayne Co. I learned from one who was a sinful man that there was much sexual [sexual] crime amidst the young in and about Loa. That is the almost universal crime of the world and it is finding its way amidst our people to a shameful degree. Marriage is fast losing its sacredness and meaning. Divorce is common in almost every village in the land, while abortion and fetal murder are more frequent than births. Adultery and kindred evils have almost lost their meaning and the committee in N. Y. City that was called upon to readjust the calendar of crime recommended that adultery be stricken from the list for it was no more considered as a crime.

Aug. 13, 1906, Provo: (Weather very warm) I went to Benjamin last week for a day and two nights and took Juanita, Lorea, Radino and Valko with me. I went yesterday (Sun.) to Lehi and spoke in the 1st Ward in the afternoon and before all the wards in the new tabernacle at night. My subject at night was "Suppress the Divine in Man and the Beast in Him Predominates." It was a religio-psychic discussion. The spirit of the Lord was with me and the audience both in the afternoon and evening. I stayed at Bro. Ball's place. He is a fine young man. While in the city I met several of our old students and some of them went to the depot with me. I got home at eleven p.m. last night. Radino went to Lehi with me. He had a good time. Levon is in Payson visiting with his Aunt Josephine and cousins.

I was asked to go to Beaver this week and lecture for 3 days before the Teacher's Co. Inst. but it has been postponed for some time in the future. I rec'd a short letter from Fern. She is well. Also one from Othello. I have a sneezing cold which makes me feel a little stupid. I am quite appreciating St. Paul's biography by Weed. Last week I had a frightful looking mug (as the boys say) on me for 3 days due to a blind ulcer caused from an upper tooth. The doctor lanced it and I was soon relieved.

I had a sudden impression the other night that a great chastisement of misfortune and humiliation was in store for the wayward of Zion unless they turned from sinful habits. Of course, I take it, all the people will suffer also due to the fact of association. I may be mistaken, yet that was the impression.

Aug. 27, 1906, Salt Lake: I am here helping nurse Francis who is down with a severe case of typhoid. I came up last Wed. (Aug. 22). He is getting as well as can be expected under conditions. I will go home in a day or two if he continues getting along well. He also has a light case of tuberculosis which he most likely contracted while on his mission in Germany. Dr. Anderson is the attending physician. He is a brilliant young man and bids fair to lead in his profession.

I arranged for a three days' debate between Henry S. Tanner and J. F. Curtis, a Josephite missionary. The Josephite made an excellent showing for his side (a lost cause). But when he answered his arguments he flew from the subject (the legal successor of Joseph the martyr) and slashed into plural marriage, blood atonement, Adam/God theory, etc., which of course was nothing to do with the debate. Such a turn weakened his side materially. We will have the whole debate published in the near future. The meetings were held in the stake tabernacle. The house was nearly full every night. The debate was an "eye opener" to most of our people and will be attended with good. It (the debate, reporter, etc.) was over \$60, perhaps \$70. Henry made an excellent argument. He had Jos. P. Smith, Jr. aid him in collecting the evidence, also in turning to evidences during the debate. Personally, I am pleased with the debate and its results.

Leslie has had a sick spell but is better. Dee has broken his collar bone. Levon while at his Aunt Josephine's had his nail completely torn off his big toe by having a horse step on it. But he and Dee are nearly well again. I find that I can't borrow money from the teacher's fund for the present, so I will have to raise it elsewhere. I have not had my clothes off for 5 days. I sit up most of the time, especially of nights.

Have finished "History of Philosophy" by Weber. It is a masterly analysis of the different philosophies of all ages from before Plato to the present. None of them reach the truth only in part on the origin of the universe and God. They all mislead and blind the mind from the true conception of things. In our theology is the most light and truest guide- in fact, the only guide where I can get light and hope. All the other philosophies leave one with a feeling of sadness as to our origin, destiny, etc.

Henry S. Tanner leaves for an extended trip in British Columbia to visit the regions where Zarahemla was supposed to exist (or be). His trip is for the view of establishing a colony there some time. It is said (by Joel Hicks) to be an ideal country. I am reviewing my Fr. some as I expect I will have to read it in my school work this year.

Sept. 2, 1906, Provo: (Sun.) I returned home from Salt Lake the evening of Aug. 29. Francis is a little better. Leslie is well again and Lisle¹⁸ is improving. I am trying to borrow \$300 to start to school on. I went to Heber yesterday to look over the mining entries. I find Hathenbruck has not located Singleton and myself in the two last claims which we believe to be the rich claims. In fact, his son says they are the rich claims.

I bore my testimony this afternoon and spoke on Christ's Temptation before the conjoint this evening. My discussion of this subject is different from anyone else. My ideas are new and my own. Administered to Sister Jones yesterday. Leslie was here yesterday. Othello has come home. Dee came while I was to S. L. It was his shoulder that was thrown out of place and his collar bone cracked.

Oct. 3, 1906, New York City-(Think of it!): I left my home Sept. 22 and arrived here on the 25th of Sept. My trip was pleasant. I came over the Central Pacific and for about 1000 miles I traveled over the "old Mormon Trail" where they sweat the agony of toil and privation. Where

¹⁸ Lisle Finlayson (1883-1980), Josiah's niece, the daughter of his sister, Josephine Hickman Finlayson.

many closed their life's journey with faces fixed on the west. With Christian fortitude they submitted to a pauper's grave in the silence of noiseless wastes and cloudless skies. With parched lips and languid step, the journey was made. I predict that the day will come when this nation will build a monument to commemorate that peerless pilgrimage. It took the most splendid man and womanhood of this nation to make the sacrifice.

New York is a mighty city of over 4, 000, 000 people. It is situated on Staten Island. I am here for the purpose of taking out my A.M. degree. I have entered and my work begun. I am taking Experimental Psychology (two courses), Social Psychology, The Application of Psychological and Statistical Methods to Education. I have one or two more courses chosen to take— Practicum-Phil. of Ed. and Genetic Psychology given by Profs. MacVannel and Thorndike. My instructors are Drs. Dewey, Cattell and Thorndike; also MacVannel and Pres. Butter. The university¹⁹ covers blocks. The buildings are of brick (with stone finishings) or of massive stone. They are from 4 to 7 stories high. Nearly every building cost from \$400,000 upwards. The floors and stairways are mostly stone and steel. The attendance is from 3 to 4000. What astounds me is that most of the young men students and professors use tobacco and that in the buildings. There is coming a future civilization that will sweep such blighting habits from the confines of such splendid institutions.

I am now located in a room which I furnished (7 x 12 ft.). I pay \$2.00 a week for it. In this building there are 120 rooms. It is situated on 123 St. No. 459. I met with Saints and friends in their meeting last Sunday and spoke for a time. They have a splendid spirit with them. The place of worship is a lodge room. It is beautifully upholstered and decorated. It is situated at No. 157, 125th St.

I also met with the missionaries and their friends at a farewell given to Bro. Jacobs who was released to return home. For the first week I stopped at the Mount Morris Hotel and paid \$5. 00 for board and room. So far (a day & night) I am boarding myself. I find it much cheaper. I buy bread, butter, milk, bananas, and meat and eat cold lunches. They are fine and I am very contented. I am full of ambition and hope. I have not heard from home yet. I am full of prayer and the spirit of worship is with me. I am so anxious that all at home will be all right.

Oct. 6, 1906, New York: I am beginning my work in somewhat of a pleasant way. I am not having many recitations a week but I am putting in many hours of study. It is hard to force my mind into hard and unvarying attention. It wanders in a fearful manner. I didn't know how trashy mind had grown until I put it down to hard application. I am reading Baldwin's Mental Development of the Child or the Mind—a social and ethical discussion of the subject. I have been to Lewes' Study of Psychology, Theory of Mental and Social Measurements by Thorndike, Tichner's Experimental Psyc. Also a little French nearly every day.

I took my physical examination Fri. and lifted too hard on the examination and injured my back which I nearly always do when I attempt to lift very hard without being accustomed to it. Today I can hardly walk around. I went to meeting and Sun. School today and taught the Bk. of M.

¹⁹ Cornell University.

class. I have been appointed to take charge of the class. We are at 27 Chap. of Alma and will finish the bk. in 30 weeks or thereabouts.

I am renting a room of a Mr. Schadee and he and his wife are very kind to me. I have just been in and taken supper at his urgent request. In my laboratory work I am to find how far and how accurately we can judge retinal images. I find that there are from 20 to 30 Utah students here in NY studying. As yet I have rec'd no letter from home.

Oct. 14, 1906, N. York, No. 459 W 123 Street: No word from home. Laura wrote me from Castle Dale and sent me a post office order for \$30. God bless her. She has charge of the Emery S. Academy until Francis gets strong enough to take charge. I have been in school two weeks and am wading into my work with considerable earnestness. I find my memory is not very good nor my attention very tenacious. It has been quite a struggle to hold it on the subject I was studying. I see a slight improvement I believe in it. My landlady Mrs. Schadee has without price or solicitation carpeted my room, put in a bureau, a fine mirror and large lace curtains. She and her husband send in cocoa, buns, etc. They seem very kind and congenial.

I went with brother Oscar Kirkham,²⁰ Misses Ship and the two Snow girls thru the Central Park this forenoon (Sun.) for 2 ½ hrs. This Park covers 880 acres of land. The vegetation is the natural growth with trimming and care. It is threaded with footpaths and fine driveways for horsemen, carriages and automobiles. It is alive with people afoot and with conveyances. It is a dash and a show. There is a great greenhouse in the Park filled with the rarest plants of the world; plants with leaves more beautiful than flowers. It is a revelation into the plant world. The "zoo" is in this park but have not yet seen it.

I went to Sun. School and meeting today. I drank two cups of cocoa tonight with Mrs. Schadee. He and his wife came and spent the evening (10 p. m.) with me. I explained my religion to them. They seemed to listen with deep interest to the history of our people. I wrote a card to Sister Lawisch tonight. My health is good and I am quite happy.

Oct. 24, 1906, New York: (Wed, evening 11 p.m.) I am busy as a stock broker with my studies. I am grasping my work better every week. I do not get sleepy anymore. I generally study until 12 and 1:30 a.m. but I don't get up until nearly 8 a. m. and sometimes later. I recite 12 hrs. a week and have about 5 to 6 hrs. laboratory work a week; the rest of the time I am reading. My eyes hold out well and I am in the pink of health. I also take gym about 3 times a week.

The bks. that I am reading at the present time are James Baldwin's Mental Development—A Social and Ethical Discussion of the Child; Thorndike's Educational Psych. and his Mental and Social Measurements; MacVannel's Outlines and Principles of Phil. of Ed.; also his Syllabus of Phil. of Ed.; Sanford's Exp. Psyc : LeBon's The Psyc. of the Crowd. There are several other works I am reading certain topics in such as Spencer's Principles of Sociology, Dewey's Logical Theory, Bosenquet's Psyc., Weber's Hist. of Phil., etc., etc.

²⁰ Oscar Kirkham (1880-1958), Ordained Seventy in 1905; became member of the First Council of Seventy in 1941.

Last Wed. evening I attended the Post Graduate Club. I think I shall join. Dean Russell of the Teachers College delivered a very instructive address upon the German Ed. Institutions and incidentally compared them with the American school systems. Two songs were sung after which we were served a brief lunch of Cake and sherbet.

Last Sat. forenoon about 30 of us college students went to the stock exchange on Wall Street. It is a din to the onlooker, but a place where the greatest money gamblers of the world risk their fortunes. There are 1200 of the Bulls and Bears with 300 pages to do their biddings. The bidders and sellers cluster in groups (at the various stands where the different stocks are on the market), jump, shout, gesticulate, rush, push and sway back and forth like a frenzied college rush. In this melee of discord and crowding, men try (and succeed) in writing bids, figures, telegrams, etc. The session closes at 12 each day and opens again at 2 p.m. It perhaps is the most intense mental strain that the human mind can be put to. Perhaps a greater percent of these men go insane than any other class of men, simply due to this strain and social life. No wonder; it is a place where fortunes are in the balance under risk of being lost or won almost in a day.

Last Sun. I attended our S. S. and meeting. We had an excellent spirit in the Bk. of M. class. The minds of instructor (self) and class were illuminated to an extraordinary degree upon the subject at hand (Alma). If we can have that spirit with us during the yr. that class will be a most intensely interesting one. The best of my experience. Mr. Schadee and I attended a theater last Fri. night. The play was "When Kinghood was in Tower." The scene was in King Henry's court.

I am appreciating my work more each week. I believe I shall realize the promise made me by Bro. J. G. Kimball. I am still boarding myself. My main diet is bread, milk, butter, bananas, smoked fish, dates, honey, jelly, etc. Only the first three are present at each meal and for dessert I choose from the others. Mr. and Mrs. Schadee are very kind and bring in every 2 or 3 days a nice lunch to me. Cost of board per week is \$2.00.

I have rec'd letters from Mother, Charley and Eugene, Martha and another from all the children. Fern is home and Dee is in Los Angeles, Calif. I am deeply grieved over him and I have made him a special subject of my prayer ever since I came here for the Lord to turn him home again. I have asked my Father to send his angel mother to turn him and bring him back and that He would turn him from sin and folly. O, Father, let my long and sincere supplications have recognition at Thy throne. Save my son. May he yet be valiant in Thy cause. I am happy to know none of my dear ones are sick. It is now 12 M. and I will retire. By the way, Bro. Kirkham and I attended meeting last Sun. night in the Methodist Church. We went to hear Gipsy Smith—a famous preacher from England. He was converted as a boy to Christianity while he lived in a tent with his father.

Nov. 1, 1906, New York: (Thurs. night 10:20 p.m.) Another week has gone since I wrote. All is well with me except my eyes seem a little sore due to being up until after 1 a. m. for a week. I am going to bed earlier tonight than common. For that reason I came home early from the library. I read 42 pp. in Le Bon's Crowd tonight in 1 hr. and 15 min. Mr. Schadee came and took me into dinner last Sun.

I attended Sun. S. and meeting. A strange lady came in S.S. and hearing our discussion on the resurrection (as taught by Alma) she asked several questions and stating her beliefs and doubts concerning the subject. When S. S. was over, I talked with her. She said that was what she had always believed. She was there due to having our Articles of Faith given to her up in Utica. She said that she would come again for she wished to learn more of this doctrine. In meeting Bros. Beck and Howard spoke and there was a wonderful outpouring of the Lord's spirit. Bro. Howard has been released to go home. We gave him a farewell party last night. As it was Halloween night, we told ghost stories, ate almond nuts and raisins (from St. George) and apples.

I am asked to speak on the External Evidences of the Bk. of M. a week from next Sun. I wrote to Martha and the children. I rec'd a letter from Sister Lawisch. I am getting a broader grasp on my studies each week. I read a few pages of French each week to keep in touch with the spirit of the language.

Nov. 10, 1906, N. York: (Rained all day) I have been very busy this week. I have reviewed several hundred pages on the Aborigines of Am. I read one work on Cortez' conquest of Mexico, parts of Dr. LePlongeon's three works, C. Colton's, Bancroft's works on the aborigines of Am. I went thru hurriedly, four vols. I have completed LeBon's "The Crowd," Thorndike's Twins and part of Cooley's Human Nature and Society. I rec'd a letter from Francis. He is well again and in school.

I attended S. S. and meeting today. I delivered the lecture upon the Ex. Evidences of Bk. of M. It was well rec'd by the Saints and visiting friends. Several were heard to say "Best I ever heard." "I wished he had talked two hrs. more," etc. I shall thank the Lord for any success and may He sanctify all I said to those who heard. Tho it was very stormy, the house was full.

I have not heard from home for over two weeks. I went down on Broadway last Tues. evening—the evening of the election to see the sights and learn the returns of the election. I also attended an excellent Vaudeville. I was delighted with the productions. New York was agog that night and perhaps over a half million people were on the Streets blowing horns, hallooing, throwing paper, shoving, feather ticklers in passerbys' faces, etc. It was a pandemonium indescribable.

Nov. 25, 1906, New York: It is now two weeks since I wrote before. Since then I have read Thorndike's Twins, Galton's Twins, Galton's Heredity and most of Wood's British Genius and parts of several other works. I have been asked to deliver here again my lecture on Ex. Evi. of Bk. of M.; also I am asked to deliver it in Newark, New Jersey. We had conference here last Sun. Brothers Geo. A. Smith and B. H. Roberts were here and spoke well to the Saints. The house was full at two of the sessions. The papers were very complimentary in their write-ups about the conference. Mrs. Week—the lady who took such a stand against Roberts and the Mormons—was present at the meeting in the afternoon and gave a fine article about what she saw and heard. She claimed the Mormons were winning their way in the hearts of the people—and

intelligent people at that—thru their eloquence, affability, gentleness and good manners, etc. Bro. Roberts delivered a magnificent address Sun. afternoon.²¹

Mon. evening about 25 of the Mormons and a few of their friends attended the Sunrise Club. Roberts was to give the address. It cost each \$1.00 for supper, after which Roberts delivered his address “Mormonism’s Contribution to Modern Thought.” He did well, yet he was not as free as he generally is. He had 45 min. to deliver his speech then the question was thrown open to the house for an hour, after which he had 15 minutes to close up his remarks. The chairman called 11 or 12 to reply to Robert’s speech. His remarks were criticized severely. They claimed he had set forth nothing new. This Club I might say is made up of evolutionists, revolutionists, socialists, democrats, Rep. etc. etc. Also Agnostics, infidels, Christians and atheists. They were from the various walks of life—businessmen, writers, reformers, doctors, lawyers, professors, judges, ambassadors, etc. That evening all the above classes were present. Some of the speakers praised the Mormons and some criticized them. On the whole, they gave more credit to the Mormons than they did to the NY people. They honored the Mormon marriage system more than they did the system of concubinage of NY. One lady said she had made a careful examination into the lives of many NY men and she found 80% of them had other women as mistresses.

I was called upon to make a reply to the other side of the house. I spoke for 10 minutes. I was full to the bursting point. When I was thru, the chairman (Mr. Edwin C. Walker) arose and explained that I was a student in Columbia Uni. doing post-graduate work and knew what I was talking about. My friends are very expressive in their appreciation of my brief reply.

I came back to my room 12:20 a.m. and sat up and wrote to Martha until nearly 2 a.m. trying to get calmed down so I could sleep. It was one of the choicest moments of my life during the supper and the discussion.

One lady (socialist) said that the Mormons honored women and reared children and cared for them, but here in NY men dishonored and prostituted women and then cut them adrift. One elderly gentleman said that our system was doomed. I would have been glad to answer him. I would have informed him that men had risen up from the beginning prophesying the doom of our people. They prophesied it in NY, then in Ohio, then in Missouri at the time they expelled the Mormons. Then they prophesied at the death of Joseph and Hyrum that that would end Mormonism; but the people lived on, then the inhabitants rose up and banished the Mormons. When the Saints passed out for the desert— as they disappeared in the west, the gentiles said again, “Mormonism is doomed at last.” But when the Saints flourished in the desert, an army was sent to wipe them out, but the doom didn’t come. When Brigham died, other prophets arose predicting the doom of Mormonism, but they increased as rapidly as any period before. Then polygamy was legislated against and the manifesto came forth and more false prophets arose with evil prophecies against Zion and her people and still God’s work triumphs. Its missions are

²¹ The following was on the inside cover of the journal —“It is a tribute to woman to be the first to recognize life-mortal and first to proclaim its immortality.” A thought from Robert’s speech.

increasing and enlarging; her stakes are growing, and still men are prophesying the doom of God's people. Let the false prophets prophesy, the wicked howl, and the heathen rage, no power on earth nor in hell can stop God's work.

I didn't feel so well this week, at least I could not study so many hrs. I am OK again and will stack up the Work this coming week. I went to Sun. School and meeting today. Mr. Schadee invited me to dinner today and his wife had an excellent dinner prepared. She is a good cook. She is an excellent little woman.

I went this evening to hear Booker T. Washington.²² He spoke in the Unitarian Church on the Negro problem. I gave a quarter to help the Tuskegee Institute which he is principal of. Perhaps there is no negro dead or alive who is his equal in intelligence and character. I went up and shook hands with him at the close of the meeting.

I rec'd \$30 from Francis and a letter from Martha.

Dec. 9, 1906, N. York: It has been two weeks since I wrote before. Last week was spent with my books and recitations. This week the same. I have not been well for 4 or 5 days and am still about sick. I had pain in my right lung, swelling in throat and palate with headache. I have taken a box of bromoquinine pills, but do not get much relief. I took Mr. and Mrs. Schadee to the theater last Fri. night to partly repay them for their kindness to me. The play was entitled "The Girl Riffles." Miss Cecil Spooner was the star actress. It proved to be one of the best plays I ever was to. It was full of pathos and humor.

I took supper last Sun. with Bro. & Sister Semour and attended S. S. and two meetings. Bore my testimony. I attended S. S. and meeting today tho "I am about all in."

Elder Worlton was called home last Tues. due to death of his father. Bro. Hunter was called to take his place, but last night he was taken down with appendicitis and most likely will be operated upon this evening. Bros. Dailey and Semour spoke this afternoon in meeting. I rec'd a letter from my dear boy Dee yesterday; he is in Baggby, Cal. cooking in R. R. camp. I was so pleased to hear from him. I shall write to him tonight.

I attended a musical last Mon. night and Prof. Brown's Bible Class last Tues. from 5 to 6 p. m. I asked a few questions; objected to accepting philosopher's interpretation of Him—the Christ. Last Wed, night I attended the "Post Graduate Club meeting and heard Prof. Calvin Thomas lecture on his sabbatical vacation in Europe.

Mrs. Schadee continues to bring me a different dish of food every 2 or 3 days. I had to refuse to eat dinner with them today. Had an examination last Wed. on Genetic Psychology.

Dec. 25, 1906, N. York: It is Christmas and I have been in the house all day reading and eating Christmas dinner with Bro. Oscar Kirkham and wife. They also had the two Miss Snows, Miss Shipp and Miss Cox to dinner. It was an excellent dinner—bread and butter, mashed potatoes,

²² Booker Taliaferro Washington (1856-1915), African-American educator and author.

gravy, duck, salad, pickles, cranberry preserves, celery, Cake, jelly, bananas and cream, tomatoes. We topped off on candy, a basket filled with shelled nuts and sugared dates. It was a choice dinner. Bro. Semour called me up over the phone this morning and asked me to take Christmas dinner with him. I was sorry I had to refuse. Two years ago I ate Christmas dinner with Laura and Bro. Brimhall in a Chicago hotel. I trust next yr. I can eat Christmas dinner at home.

Since last writing Schadee has left this place and I have taken two rooms with Bro. Kirkham on the fourth floor of this same building I had been living in. \$9.00 rent for 4 weeks.

A week ago last Sat. I spent a half day with Mrs. Pryor from 5th Ave. & Broadway. She asked to meet with me at Mrs. Eastman's to talk scripture and ask ques. about our religion. Her parents were Mormons. Her mother rejected the church and this girl or woman never was baptized. She married an army Dr. from Camp Douglass. Went to Montana. She had 3 children; two died. Her husband was drowned in Montana. She came to NY, became a professional nurse and has made lots of money. She lives with a multimillionaire (a Jewish family) as their nurse. She is to get \$10,000 at his death aside from good wages all the yrs. he has been there. She took me to Papst's Restaurant that night to supper. It is the Delmonico of upper NY. It cost her \$2.25 for our suppers. She brought me that day a lb. box of fine assorted candies. She sent me a Christmas card today. Sister Lawisch sent me a pair of socks. Those are the only two remembrances I rec'd. I sent all the family a small gift each.

I hear very little from home. I am nearly over my cold and illness. I did almost nothing in school for 10 days due to my physical indisposition.

I went to Newark, N. Jersey last Sun. evening and spoke to people who came to the LDS meeting house or hall. I spoke upon the Banishment of the Mormon People and some of the prophecies uttered during that period and their fulfillment. There were about 25 to 30 present—nearly all non-Mormons. The Lord was with me and seemed to impress deeply those present. One infidel was there and when the meeting was over, he went up to one of the elders (Bro. Lamb) and said to him, may come to my house whenever you want to. I will be glad to see you." That was the first time he was ever to our church. He had met the elders before but was very cold and indifferent. I stayed all night with Bros. Lamb and Cottam in Newark.

Bro. Lawisch is very bad so Sister L. says. As usual I attended S. S. and meeting in NY last Sun. The Sun. before I took supper with Bro. Semour and family. Apostle Grant came thru from his mission in Europe. He spoke to us in the afternoon and evening of Sun. a week ago. The next evening I spent the evening with him and some other friends at Pres. McQuarry's place. I had a nice talk with him about the situation of our people. The following are some things he said: The suggestion comes to me not to say them, so I will not. The comments were about B. H. Roberts, Smoot, Cowley and Taylor. Nothing he said was very flattering about any of them. Things are not all harmony in Zion it seems. Bro. Grant has improved wonderfully in his singing.

I have read today Pres. John G. McQuarry's article "The Atonement." It is a splendid philosophical discussion of the subject. The best I ever read. It is full of original and unique

thought. He shows a mastery of the English language far above my expectation. It is masterly in places. It is a pamphlet of 27 pp. and merits several readings.

Bro. Wallace Hunter was operated on and due to carelessness of Drs. he came nearly losing his life, but is now improving and will be out in a week or so. I was much opposed to the operation. It proved to be that his appendix was only slightly swollen and red.

I dreamed of Bro. Cowley last night; he told me he was working hard in the gospel for he didn't wish to lose his apostleship. I am in deep sympathy with him and Bro. Taylor. I will watch and hope for the day when they will take their places back in the Quorum. Some think they never will.

Dec. 30, 1906, New York: (Sun. evening) I attended Thurs., Fri. & Sat. the American Association of Science held here in Columbia Uni. The scientists from Am. and Canada were here. I met some of America's most renowned Scientists. Among that number were Dr. James of Harvard, Jas. Mark Baldwin Royce of Harvard, Dewey, Mead of Chicago Uni. (my former instructor at Mich.), Angel of Chicago Uni. I appreciated very much the opportunity and listened with interest to all papers and speeches given. Dr. James gave an hr's address before the combined societies of psychologists and philosophers. His subject was the Energy of Men or words to that effect. He said we did not know our limits for we quit our struggle at our first wind. He said that we had powers which had never been moved and hence we never knew our possibilities. He spoke of our narrowness and intolerance in subjects not our own or especially those we were opposed to. He spoke of faith as a power. He said that very few philosophers ever prayed and lamented the fact. I must get the volume of this congress when it comes out. This address of James was a breaking away from the old and heralding the new.

I rec'd letters from Martha, Baldwin and Laura. Martha sent me a \$15 check. Laura sent me two ties and \$2.00. Sister Lawisch sent me a pair of socks. I attended S. School and church today. I took dinner with Brother and Sister Kirkham.

Bro. Cottam stayed with me Fri. night and I took him to breakfast and supper in restaurants and to the theater in the evening. It was in the Savoy Theater. The play was "The Man of the Hour." It was well played. It represented the corruption in politics in N. York and the terrible stress brought to bear upon those in office who wished to be honorable.

A Mrs. Jennie C. Proctor made me a present of a fine linen handkerchief. She also gave each of the missionaries one. She has been in the church 5 yrs. She tells me an awful life of misery due to wickedness of husband, etc.

Jan. 7, 1907, New York: (Mon. evening) Last week I worked at the statistics of my graduation thesis. I put in most of 4 days and two nights, one till 2 a. m. and one 3 a. m. I am getting them pretty well underway. I have enough data for a doctor's thesis. I hope to put it together in a way that it will be commendable to me and laudatory to the people. I read a half day on my thesis in Social Psyc. It is to be "The Religious Development of the Child."

I went out to supper last Wed, evening to Bro. & Sister Seymour's. I also, with Miss Thomas, took supper with Bro. & Sister Seymour last evening. I am ashamed to go there so much but they are so urgent that I go with them. I attended meeting three times yesterday besides S. School. I talked a short time to the missionaries yesterday in Priesthood meeting. Bro. Wallace Hunter is much improved. I visited him today. I attended my classes today.

This afternoon I went and visited the Grant Monument. It cost \$600, 000 to erect the building (monument). It is erected on the grounds where Jas. Garfield often took his dinner; where Fulton watched the launching of his steamboat; where Washington fought (the) one of his battles and where the battle of Harlem was fought. In the center room, lowered about 7 ft. below the floor's level, in a large circular opening, rests the remains of Ulysses S. Grant and his wife. Off at the sides in two small circular rooms are flags of the Civil War with other relics. Also, many framed resolutions from various states and organizations. Besides these, were several volumes in memoriums or speeches delivered by noted orators. I bought a souvenir of the Grant Monument and sent it home to Martha. Had it not have been for the Civil War, most likely Grant would never have been known outside his narrow circle of friends which would have grown narrower and narrower due to his almost uncontrollable appetite for liquor. He was even dropped for a time from the command of some secondary office in the Army in the first yrs. of the war because he could not curb his appetite for liquor. But he was restored to his position due to intervention of friends and finally by hard struggle won his way to the top until he became the General of the American forces. He was unrelenting as long as the enemy stood with bayonet and breast, but when they surrendered he became as gentle as a lamb. He urged that his conquered foes take their arms and animals back to the south with them and asked no reward or ransom. He said "Let us have peace," which words form the simple and only inscription on the monument.

Jan. 13, 1907: This week passed in quiet. I didn't accomplish as much as I would have liked. I am going thru the annual catalogs of the leading universities of Am. to get the list of students from Utah who have attended them. It is a laborious task, but I will get them. I rec'd a compound letter from Martha containing short letters from nearly all of the children. All are well at home.

Bro. Seymour and I spent nearly a whole day seeing the sights in NY and Brooklyn. We visited, the Eckerbocker hotel. It is a famous 15-story building. One suite of rooms cost \$27 a night. We went from there to visit some of the big poultry packing and shipping houses. Went to wharf on Hudson and East rivers. We took lunch at my expense and then visited what is known as the slums of NY, also the Jerry McAnley Mission where reformed and rejuvenated drunkards and thieves are struggling to reform others of their class. Jerry McAnley was sentenced for 15 or 20 yrs. for murder. While in prison he was awakened to a spiritual life and when liberated, spent the remainder of his days reforming fallen men and women. I sat in the chair he used to sit in when teaching "his bums" as he styled them.

I showed the "ten minute cooker" to a firm and they are going to tell me if they can make it for me. If so, I believe I can make money out of it. Mrs. Kirkham went home this evening. I had fallen in love with her bright and interesting baby. Bro. Kirkham and I will take the flat together

for a time. I went to meeting and S. S. today. Bros. Rockwood and McQuarry were speakers this afternoon.

Jan. 20, 1907, New York: A week of joyful labor. I have been reading Geo. Coe's two works—The Religious Development of the Child and The Spiritual Life, to get data on my thesis "The Religious Evolution of the Child." This thesis is for Dr. Dewey in Social Psychology. I read Miss Naomi Norsworthy's work on the "Psychology of Mental Deficient Children." I also read Dearborne on "The Psyc. of Reading." I have read little else this last week.

Dr. MacVannel was ill and we had no class in Phil, of Ed. I had a private chat with Dr. Cattell on my future work. I told him I was much interested in Experimental Psyc. and wished to follow it when I returned. I asked for some suggestions on subjects he would recommend for me to follow out in Exp. Psyc. I told him of some ideas I had in view. I also asked for a recommendation of some of the best bks. on Psyc. I asked for a list of apparatus that he would recommend for experimental psychology. He will hand me a list soon. I learned from him that he had been Wundt's student in Germany.

I worked all day yesterday with Dr. Thorndike (till 11 a. m.) and some students on Mental and Social Measurements. I have been going thru the Annuals of Uni. of Mich. to get the names of all the Utah students that have attended there during the last 10 yrs. I have started upon the Annuals of Harvard, Stanford, Uni. of Mich., Cornell, Columbia and 2 or 3 others. It is a big task for I write each name and address.

Kingston of Jamaica has been nearly totally destroyed by earthquake and fire. The loss of life is about 1700 and property loss of over \$30,000,000.

I attended S. S. and meeting today. I went this evening to hear the Hon. Wise lecture upon Robert E. Lee. It was good. I shook hands with him and he told me a joke about a Negro's dream. This story was to illustrate that everyone got a fair deal except the Negro. Mr. Wise is a short, muffled chopped, heavysset man of about 57 yrs. of age in whose veins still burn the love and ardor of the south. After the lecture we were served to a small cup of chocolate and cake. Bros. Kirkham, Anderson and myself went out and visited Grant's tomb and the Hudson River. I learn that the mud in the bottom of the river is 500 ft. deep.

Feb. 3, 1907, .New York: (Sun.) Since last writing I have passed all my examinations and the first term is closed. I have had the pleasure of hearing Dr. Wm. James on Pragmatism or pragmatic philosophy. It is to deliver 5 more. He takes a new ground in philosophy. It is the most common-sense philosophy I ever heard from any philosopher. He rips open the weakness in rational and empirical philosophy.

I went with some of the saints over to Newark, NJ to an evening's entertainment given by the elders from there (Lamb & Cotham). I attended MIA last Fri. evening. Mrs. Frances Prior came and visited me yesterday and took Bro. McQuarry, wife, Sister Segmiller and self to the matinee and from there to supper at Pabst's restaurant. Each meal is \$1.00. She is a kind woman and I

believe will join the church. I have spoken of her elsewhere in this journal. I attended S. S. and fast meeting today.

I have searched the records or catalogs of Harvard, Cornell, Michigan, LeLand Stanford, California, Wisconsin, Yale, John Hopkins, Columbia, Missouri, Iowa and Chicago Universities to get the names of all Utah students who have attended these universities. From most of them I got the record for the last 10 yrs. back. I find a larger percent of polygamist offspring (of the total number of each class) has attended these institutions.

I rec'd a letter with \$75 in it from Francis and Laura (\$50 for F. and \$25 for L.) I wrote to Martha and the children at home, also to Eugene and Fern who are at Benj. I also wrote Francis and Laura.

Feb. 10, 1907, N. York: (Sun.) The week passed peacefully. I did not accomplish much. I delivered 1 hr's address (or spoke one hr.) on a research thesis last Thurs (which I was one semester completing). The thesis work was How do We Judge Size at a Distance? Is it thru retinal image, visual angle, or thru judgment of distance, intervening objects or whatnot?" I succeeded in proving some points which had never been proved before. Dr. Cattell said that my subject was a difficult one, yet I had produced some interesting facts not discovered by anyone else. I discussed my research work before a small class of post-graduates. I feel well pleased over my results.

I attended Bro. Wallace Hunter's farewell party last Thurs. evening held at Bro. McQuarry's. I also attended mutual improvement meeting Fri. night. I was paid a visit by Mrs. Frances Pryor Sat, afternoon. She goes to Bermuda in a few days with her "ward", an old millionaire (Straus) Jew who pays her a large wage for taking care of him. They are to be back in the spring.

We had an excellent S. S. class today. The subject was on Christ's appearance to the Nephites. I also spoke part of the time this afternoon. The house was full and we had a number of visitors. Bro. Joseph spoke first. The exercises were very impressive. A strange lady came up to me at the close of the meeting and asked why I did not tell that story all over this land. She said that people were hungry for such truth. Bro. Eastman and Miss Gates each rendered a solo—very fine indeed. In fact, the spirit of the Lord was upon speakers, singers and listeners.

I went tonight with Elder Kingston to administer to Bro. & Sister Chapman's little child that lies near death's door with tuberculosis meningitis. Drs. say it can never recover. We stayed to supper. I spent a half hr. this evening singing with Bro. Oscar Kirkham. We had a prayer for the recovery of the little child above mentioned. (Later: The little child died.)

I wrote to Francis. Rec'd letter from Othello, Leon and Juanita. I got an estimate upon the cooker. Buzzins & Co. will charge \$200 for the first model and not more than \$5. 00 for the wholesale rate for the others. This seems too high. Will try another firm.

Feb. 17, 1907, New York: I did not accomplish much this week tho I was busy all the time. The little child died and I preached funeral sermon by special request. The funeral services were

held on Fri. at the home of the parents (Bro. & Sister Chapman). There were 4 rooms full of people, most of them not of our faith and very bitter toward our people. Mrs. Chapman's people are Catholics. One of her Sisters said it was the curse of God upon her. Bro. & Sister Chapman were to meeting today and said to me that the people were deeply moved over my speech. One Catholic lady said that when she died she wished me to come and pray over her. Another young lady went home and told her mother that she was going to join the Mormon church. Another one said no one can speak ill of the Mormons to her from now on. I am so pleased the spirit of the Lord impressed the listeners with His spirit for I was oppressed thru what I felt was an opposing power present. I am daily grateful for the Lord's blessings and mercies.

I went with Bro. Semour yesterday afternoon to his and then we went down in NY and saw many interesting scenes. We tried to get to see two firms about the cooker but not in. Go again tomorrow. I attended S. S. meeting today.

I went last Wed, evening to Cooper Union and heard Ambassador Choate lecture on Abraham Lincoln. It was an excellent lecture. He had delivered the same one in Eng. and Scotland. It was printed and in bk. form and he read the speech. It was extremely clear cut and impressive. He (Choate) is about 68 or 70 yrs. of age. He claimed that 47 yrs. ago that same night Lincoln delivered a political address from that same platform on which Choate spoke. Bro. Kirkham and I went last Mon. to hear and see the "Chorus Girl" played. I was impressed very much with part of the play.

I have finished reading Elbert Hubbard's "Man of Sorrows." He does not understand the life and mission of the Savior. He has beautifully told what he has to say, but he has signally failed to interpret that mighty life and genius. "To know Jesus Christ and the Father who sent him, is life eternal."

I have read two numbers of the Philistines. I am putting in 2 hrs. a day now learning German words It is an experimental test on memory and the rate of improvement. We have 1200 to work on.

Mar. 4, 1907, N.Y.: (Mon.) It has been two wee!-s since I last wrote. Since that time I have nearly finished the statistical portion of my thesis on Polygamist Offspring versus Monogamist Offspring. I am to take the findings to Dr. Cattell tomorrow. I have had one conference with Thorndike on this subject and was to have had another today but we postponed it as he is not feeling well.

I find that the polygamist offspring on the whole are a little heavier, a little taller and are a little more intellectually endowed than the monogamist offspring. I find that a greater % of the polygamist offspring attend higher institutions of learning; that a greater % have held state and national positions; that smaller % die; that greater % have distinguished themselves; that fewer of that class is deformed or demented in any way than the monogamist offspring. Also that there are fewer criminals of that class than of monogamist and that a greater % of polygamist offspring have been on missions. This last point indicates that the polygamist offspring on the whole are

of a higher moral and religious character I also find that a far greater 7c of them have attended foreign institutions within the last 10 years.

Since last writing I have succeeded in getting Buzzini & Co. to make the cooker (three Sizes) for \$3. 00, \$3.50 and \$4.00; this includes the inside vessels. It will cost me \$200 to get the first one made. Then it will cost from \$10, 000 to \$20, 000 to get the first batch made. The proposition now is how can I raise the money!

I wrote home to Martha and the children. I also wrote Dee and Fern. Dee is in Nevada and Fern is in S. L. working in the telephone office as "hello girl" for \$27.00 a month.

I lectured last night by special request in our church (Hawthorn Hall) at 151 W. 125 St. The subject (Banishment of the Mormon People and some of the prophecies and their fulfillment during that banishment) was the first of a series that are to be delivered. I did not feel the freest last night. I bore my testimony yesterday afternoon in fast meeting. Bro. Kirkham and I have rented 3 rooms of our apartment and we live in the other two. It reduces our rent to \$7. 00 a month.

Mar. 18, 1907, NY: (Mon.) Spoke in Brooklyn a week ago Sun. on the Internal Evidences of the Bk. of M. Not many were out due to a big snowstorm, yet I was full of the spirit of the subject. One gentleman came up after the meeting and told the brethren that he was ready for baptism.

I had an excellent conference with Dr. Cattell on my thesis. He paid me the compliment of having done an enormous amount of work on the subject and that my figures showed that the world had misjudged the people and their practice of that principle of marriage. He has asked that I discuss my thesis before the post-graduate class in psychology. This is a surprise to me but I will take delight in doing so. The Dr. had shown a true Spirit of a man with me and my work. I have completed all my statistics on the subject and am now writing the thesis. Hope to have it done within two weeks.

I have completed my memory test of 1200 German words. The object was to find out how many of the 1200 I could learn in studying them 36 hrs. Studying an hr. at a time. I wrote 1080 of the twelve hundred in my final test. Of a surety, some of the 1080 will be wrong. So I suppose I will not have many more than 1000 correct. To begin with I knew 120 of the 1200, so I have learned about 900 words in 36 hrs. Some learned that many in 20 hi's, but that was an enormous feat of memory.

Have not heard from home for a month. It looks as tho they care little whether I wrote or that they write to me. I have hastily read several books of late along the line of my thesis.

Mar. 24, 1907, New York: (Sun.) It has been very warm. Yesterday almost a summer heat. Today cooler and rainy. I delivered an hr's talk on my thesis "A Comparison of Monogamic and Polygamic Offspring" before the advance class in Psychology. It seemed to be well received. Many questions were asked. Dr. Cattell said he could see why there was such a fine class of

young people was because of great ancestors made so thru persecution, etc. One lady asked why there were so many cripples in S. L.? She said that she had been told that by friends who visited there. I said that about half of the people there were gentiles and further, one never saw the cripples there one meets here in N. Y. I have the first draft of my thesis and will spend most of this coming week in filling out, polishing, etc.

Mrs. Pryor called to see me yesterday and brought me some beautiful specimens of coral and sea shells from Bermuda Isles where she has been for a month. She also brought a nice lunch and paid me a nice visit for three hrs. Bro. Kirkham and I went to a vaudeville last night. I am out of money. I thought last week that I was going to have "the cooker" put on the market by a well-to-do man and thereby make considerable money out of it, but it fell thru.

We had a good Sunday School and meeting today. The church is to start a new paper in Independence, Jackson Co., Mo. It will be called the Liahona. The first issue comes out Apr. 6. It will virtually be for spreading the gospel.

I went to hear Elbert Hubbard last Sun. night in Carnegie Hall. It cost me 50 to sit in the 3rd circle. His lecture was one of his heart-to-heart talks. At the close of his lecture I went up and shook hands with him.

I rec'd letters from Fern, Eugene, and Ma. Martha doesn't write.

Apr. 7, 1907, New York : It has been two weeks since I wrote. Have rec'd letters from Francis, Martha and Laura. Laura sent me \$15.00. I failed in my plan with the cooker in having it made. A party who was to take hold of it backed out due to death of wife.

I have my thesis on "A Comparison of the Monogamic and Polygamic Offspring" completed. Dr. Lyman Wells has asked to have me go over my thesis with him as he wishes to learn my results. He says that Dr Cattell had been telling the professors in the Seminar about it and was quite complimentary over it.

Dr. L. Wells and I walked about 35 blocks together last night or rather late yesterday afternoon. We visited the battleship Newark as it was anchored, or docked, in the Hudson River. We discussed Mormonism nearly the whole of our 1 ½ hrs. walk. I went to a vaudeville a week ago last night. Last Sun. I attended two meetings and Sun. School. Today I attended one meeting (fast meeting) and S. S. I bore my testimony.

I took dinner this afternoon with the missionaries. Agestina furnished the dinner. He is one of our converts.

I read my thesis to a graduate student from New Hampshire. His name is Wiggins. He urges me to have it published. Dr. L. Wells says if I will let him he will present the thesis before the editor of Harper's Weekly. He thinks they will be glad to have part of my thesis at least and will pay 2c a word for it.

I wrote to Martha and Fern. Francis tells me that Supt. Horace Cummings has asked the Board to raise his (Francis') wage to \$1250 a year. He is very much pleased with Francis' work and the progress of the school. I have two more theses to write. Refer to Journal of Clippings for comments on the thesis (graduation) written in Deseret News—letter from New York. I will write to Ma and Eugene tonight.

Apr. 25, 1907, New York: As usual I neglect to write my thoughts and deeds. I know anyone is doing good can write his thoughts and acts. The world does not see enough of man's truer inner self. If our thoughts were known more in detail, we would have a truer psychology. I have sometimes thought I had conquered myself except in thought. I realize perhaps as keenly as anyone living that thoughts are the mills that grind out deeds and words. I therefore have tried more or less from adolescence to control even my innermost thoughts. With all my effort, to this day I occasionally find myself at war with someone, wholly imaginary, until I am really angry. Or again I find my mind entertaining as a mere spectator, malicious or sexual thoughts—not as a wisher or partaker in such deeds—but as an idle and half morbid eavesdropper in imagination's highly colored scenes. When I catch myself even allowing such thoughts to enter the great white way of my brain, I immediately feel to reprimand my grosser self. Daily I petition that my thoughts may be pure. I take it that when evil thoughts can stalk thru my brain like Lucifer in the Bk. of Job, I have not the spirit of God with me. Blessed be the day when evil cannot eternally swarm in our brains like microbes in unsterilized milk. Blessed be the day when I will not allow the idle toying of unbidden thoughts to enter my consciousness and watch them with a half pleasure, tho not acknowledged; but may they be as unattractive as the sight of a garbage pile. Since last writing I have done no known evil. I repent daily that I cannot be better than I am. I don't think I have put on clean garments for the last 17 years without first asking God each time that I might be pure in thought, word and deed while I wear them—that evil would have no power over me. I think I never take the sacrament but that I have the prayer in my heart that I can be pure in thought and deed until I commune again in the Lord's supper. Well, so much of inner self and the real battlefield.

I am out of money; my feet are on the ground; ray soles have been worn thru for nearly three months. I wear cardboard paper in the bottom of my shoes. I am not complaining but merely recording conditions concerning my soul & soles. I sometimes wonder if the Lord wishes me to come and study again, for it is perhaps even harder in some respects upon my loved ones at home. Yet some influence urged me here and I have been happy while here with all the sacrifices I have and am making. I believe good will come of it for I am better able to take hold of my work again.

I have completed my thesis on Polyg. offspring and have had it copied by Bros. Kingston and Ford. They have done good work for me. They struck off five copies. I have sent (took) one copy to The North American Review for them to look over and see if they wish to publish it. I will get an answer by Mon. I desire to get the whole of it published that it might form the greatest argument for the defense of plural marriage that has ever been produced. So far, all I have asked of the Lord concerning it has been granted. I understand it is causing considerable comment among students and profs. I learn that some prof. has said that it has caused more comment than any thesis in 25 yrs at the Uni. The President of the Sun Rise Club has asked me

to deliver my thesis, or most of it, before that Society. This is the Club Roberts delivered his address before (see pp. 36-8). I will be given 45 min to open up the subject and 15 min. or longer to close. It is to be May 6. I have a prayerful reverence in my heart that the Lord will let His spirit rest, upon the hearers on that occasion that they may be led to the defense of the Lord's people hereafter. I will know more in the future.

I have finished my thesis for Social Psychology (Dr. Dewey's class) and handed it in. I am a little afraid that it will be criticised for its crudities. The title is "The Religious Development of the Child." It contains about 3400 words. I have just finished Dr. G. S. Hall's first vol. on Adolescence and expect to finish the other one within three weeks.

Supt. Cummings has written me urging that I take charge of the Beaver Branch of the BYU. He says that Pres. Brimhall had asked him to. I replied to him and said I would go if so desired and would waive aside all my personal objections. I asked if they could afford to give me \$1800 a year. I told Supt. Cummings if they still wanted me I would leave here about May 10 or 12 so to be there at the close of the school. Have not received his reply.

I spoke last Sun. night in Newark, NJ to a full house (biggest they have ever had in their meetings). I discussed the Internal Evidences of the 13k. of M. Bros. Laush and Cottam were telling me last night that it has caused a wonderful spirit of inquiry. One lady could not sleep all that night. The words that were uttered rang thru her head all night. They say that it is the topic of conversation among the many listeners of that night. I had earnestly asked the Lord several times before going over there to cause that awakening in the minds and hearts of the hearers. My petitions seem to have been answered— it is not alone (perhaps due only in a small part) to my prayers but to the humble and devoted elders who have been pouring out their souls in that city for months and months for this awakening. Father, bless them and may they gather many sheaves in their years of gleaning. I speak in Brooklyn next Sun. night on the External Evidences.

Last night we (Saints & friends) gave a farewell party to Miss Thomas of Ogden who goes home after being here 3 yrs. She has been studying vocal and instrumental music and has made great progress. She has been an indefatigable laborer in the S. S. and meetings here in our branch of the church. The entertainment was well attended and a rollicking program was given including a half hr. mock trial. I was master of ceremonies and kept the thing humming until lunch, after which we closed. I am figuring again with parties concerning the cooker.

I visited last week the mining display under the direction of Bro. Woolley. It was excellent. I also visited the play of Ben Hur last Sat. I was brought to tears in the last scene due to its deep and suggestive pathos.

May 5, 1907, New York: (Weather cold and a little stormy.) The North American Review returned my article with thanks. I have left it with the Century for them to look over. I will know what the outcome will be in a few days. I am on the 2nd Vol. of Hall's Adolescence. These two volumes are the most profound teachings upon the psychology of youth ever written. He can well be said to possess an oceanic mind. It is truly inspiring to read his works, tho I can't

agree with him in some phases of his work. He is too evolutionary and contrary to revealed truth. I have been writing my thesis on "How we Judge Size—A Research on Vision." Dr. Cattell desires me to write it and leave him a copy for he thinks part of it will do to publish.

I spoke in fast meeting today. There was an excellent spirit present. Many bore excellent testimonies. I felt impressed to predict that henceforth the elders would have better success than they have had in the past. Father, I felt the inspiration to utter the words; wilt Thou now fulfill my words for the advancement of Thy cause. The president of the mission, dear Father, has asked that the prediction be recorded; do Thou fulfill it that Thy name may be glorified. Fill my soul, O Father, with Thy divine light that I may be a prophet in Israel and the future may be revealed to me as the unrolling of a scroll. My soul is full of peace and love tonight and I am full of blessings for my fellow beings. I do earnestly pray that this beautiful spirit will always abide with me.

Bro. Chas. Seymour has invited the Saints and friends to meet at his place Fri. night to honor brother Kirkham and myself before we leave. Sister Eastmon arose and paid me a very beautiful tribute in meeting this afternoon for the work I had done and the wonderful lessons (as she put it) I had taught from the Bk. of M.

I am just a little shaky over my talk in the Sun Rise Club tomorrow night. I am still without money and I have borrowed \$15. 00 from friends here. I spoke in Brooklyn last Sun. night to a very good and respectable audience on the External Evidences of the Bk. of M. A splendid spirit prevailed. A half breed Lamanite lady was there and she was much interested in my discussion.

May 12, 1907, New York: (Sun. 7 p.m.) This is most likely the last Sun. I will ever spend in New York for I leave next Tues. (if all is well) for home. Well, I met with the Sun Rise Club last Mon. evening and the victory was mine. The president gave me an hr. to deliver my lecture in and then 15 min. for rebuttals after he had turned the discussion over to the house for 45 mm. Fifteen persons were called upon to reply to my speech (17, but two refused, saying they could make no reply). They (the 15) argued more for me than against me. Bros. McQuarry and Oscar Kirkham were the only two who were called upon from our side of the house. They both made excellent speeches and it won the audience. Some of the running comments were: Bishop says: "I don't know anything about subject." Miss Burr said that I didn't tell what women thought of it. There are more men than women and if good men took good omen, thought allright. Welker didn't know whether my figures were true or not. Man is a polygamist animal. Regretted this principle could not be carried on for benefit of science a few generations longer to let the world see its results. He praised my work and thought it wonderful, if true. Mrs. Reader spoke fine and believed it fine for man, but what of the women? Will it work as well for them. She honored the Mormon people for their sincerity and purity in that principle. It is not only the Mormons who practice polygamy, for it is everywhere. The difference is the Mormons acknowledge and care for and rear children by them (wives) and does not cast them off when they did not suit. Mrs. Haynes says women do not accept it. Men practice it here tho they only marry one and are off 2 and 3 nights a week with some other. The ques. is "Who are the others?" No wonder polygamists are good; no chance or temptation to do wrong said Mrs. Haynes.

Mr. Handy said that I failed to take notice that strong people entered that principle and hence difference in strength, size, etc. He said the law of love not amidst those families. He also said more men than women. Pres. Walker answered him on this saying that Prof. Hickman showed polyg. offspring were larger thruout tho lived same environment as monogamists, etc. Mr. Tucker asked if women entered of own free choice. If so, it was no one's business. Miss Hicks says we can't tell which marriages (mong. or polyg.) will be greater success until women have economic equality.

Eugene Smith said there were no polygamic children for all had but one father and one mother (this was his humor). The polygamist offspring must have superior environments to be greater. If people are satisfied with it, they should be permitted to practice it. It is a shame the government stopped it said Mr. S. Reason could give each son a farm these people had all land they wanted without price, etc. The people were cowardly to give up this principle which they believed was true. That showed their weakness. Hartman (a lawyer) said I swamped them with statistics. Said whole system was despotic, yet praised them for their energy. Admired B. Young for what he did. Said height and wt. not test of character, etc. The Mormons have produced no thinkers, etc.

Dr. Bertha F. Johnson thinks plan a good one. Thought it was grand for the desire for children. Their idea of rearing children as virgin Mary did was grand, etc. She paid a pretty tribute. She asked if they were as willing to tolerate others in their religious beliefs as they were to be tolerated in their own. Jas. F. Morton said that the only ones who opposed the speaker Prof. Hickman began by saying they knew nothing of the subject and then proceeded to attack the people thru their prejudice. He praised our people and complimented speaker and said no one had brought a real argument against the speaker nor his subject. Several other rambling thoughts. An English lady of great refinement said nice things about the speaker and asked if I would tell the prin. the Presbyterians accepted of our religion.

Some said that they thought they knew something about the principle of polygamy and its results, but they now find they didn't. Others said when called upon (amidst other things) that they could not go behind my figures for I had the facts and argument and theory could not offset them. The chairman Mr. Ed C. Walker opposed every ridiculous argument put forth against polygamy or the Mormons. So completely had one or another answered opposing arguments made to my speech that I had little to answer in my 15 min. rebuttal for almost every adverse thought advanced was more or less demolished by one of their own side. When I went in I had an idea they would part my hair in the middle and skin me from head to foot and yet I knew that they would have to know what they were talking about for I knew more at that moment concerning the status of the Mormon people and the results of polygamy than any other living soul. They were on the whole very courteous and complimentary toward me and my argument. There were 170, or thereabouts, at the supper. The lecture always follows the supper. Each plate 75c. There were 22 or 23 of our saints and friends there at the supper. About 10 or 12 of our missionaries were present.

It was to me and our people an evening of rejoicing and victory. After the lecture was over, the whole company gathered around the elders and saints and quizzed and talked for nearly an hr. after the meeting was over. Tho we began supper at 7 p.m. we didn't get away until after 12 o'clock. The occasion was held in the Café Boulevard. The elders "got busy" passing tracks and explaining the gospel to the eager enquirers. This Society is composed of the famous agnostics of NY. They are not orthodox either in religious conception, morals, social or political affairs.

Before leaving the Columbia Uni. Dr. Cattell told me that the faculty had voted to give me the A. M. degree.

May 25, 1907, Beaver, Utah: Since last writing many events have been crowded into my life. I went to Coney Island with Mrs. Pryor and saw the wonders that are created for the entertainment and admiration of the millions who go there every year. The trip to the moon was the strangest and most weird experience I ever had.

I again taught the gospel to Mrs. P. and promised her if she would enquire of the Lord for light that He would give it. I told her that if she would come to meeting the next day, I felt to promise her that at the close of the meeting she would know God's will concerning her joining the church. She went home and prayed and fasted. She came to meeting and at its close she went to the presiding elder (Bro. Dailey) and asked for baptism and requested that I baptize her. So the next day we went to the Hudson River (155 St.), I baptized her and Elder Dailey confirmed her. When we were thru with the confirmation, she was in a flood of tears and overjoyed with the spirit of the Lord. I am reverentially grateful for this blessing for by the spirit of the Lord I converted and baptized her. She was much opposed to the church when I went there. Her life had been a strange and varied one. She was born in San Bernardino, Cal. Her parents, when she was a babe, came to Nephi. Her father was an ardent Saint and over zealous and rather cruel. He and his wife parted and she became bitter toward the gospel and instilled it in her children. As a result, 3 or 4 of the children turned from the gospel. Mrs. P. was never baptized; was thrown upon the world; married an Army officer (surgeon) and moved to Wyoming and afterwards to Montana. Her husband was drowned about 17 yrs. ago.

June 18, 1907: I left N.Y. May 13, and arrived home on Sun. the 19th. I was very happy. I found all of the folks well. I remained home a few days. Went to Benjamin and visited Ma and Eunice.²³ I went to Beaver on the 23rd of May and remained there a week visiting the school and making an inventory of things, laying plans for the coming year.

I went to Salt Lake June 3rd and attended the convention of Church School Teachers for four days. On the last day of the convention, Jos. Nelson, Manager of the Saltair Resort, put train and resort at our (teachers) disposal; he also banquetted them. Martha and I did not stop for banquet for we wished to see Peter Pan played by Maud Adams. To do so we had to buy tickets for the upper circle and stand at the doors until opened in order to get a good seat. It proved an excellent play of childhood fancies and fairyland. Since then I have been home fixing up the circular, resting, reading, etc. I am making out a brief outline for the external proofs for the Bk. of M. which is to be used in the Church Schools.

²³ Eunice Lettie Hickman Ricahrdson (1865-1946), Josiah's sister.

I spoke in the Old Tabernacle a week ago last Sun. afternoon and in our own ward in the evening. Bp. Poulton's little boy, Ralph Waldo, died last night about 12 M. from injuries he received from being thrown from a horse about two weeks ago.

All is peace at home, but not all is well with Helen and children. I can't fully tell what the future will bring.

June 27, 1907, Provo: I was one of the speakers at little Ralph W. Poulton's funeral. My line of remarks was that God placed this world and its inhabitants in a kingdom of mortality and placed certain laws to govern it and them. Those laws work unmindful of time or events and anyone breaking those laws or running counter to them will meet the retribution predicated upon the broken laws. There are higher laws—spiritual—which may be interposed if the occasion justifies it. Often in the world's history God has suspended the temporal laws that protection might be given to individuals and nations, e. g., Miracles in Egypt, raising of dead, protection of Hebrew children from fire, Jesus walking on water, etc. The protection of our elders in this age are an example of it. But only occasionally does the occasion warrant the intervention of God's higher law.

If it were not for law and its unerring workings, we could never know and appreciate truth. All law is God's law and hence to blame the law and become rebellious towards it or God's "decree" is to criticise God's will and wisdom. To do so is to oppose law; to reject light, life and progress. Hence, the Lord says, "I am displeased with none save those who will not acknowledge my hand in all things. The taking away of little Ralph is but the regular working of the laws of gravity and the power of momentum. The great jar produced concussion, deranged fearfully certain parts of the body until the spirit of Ralph and the faith of the Saints could no rightly adjust the deranged or injured parts. Hence, inflammation and disease set in until the spirit of Ralph could not endure and control his body longer; hence life activity, as manifest thru the body, ceased and the spirit released its hold upon mortality. The body now will need to be readjusted and taken up again in its immortal condition before the spirit can again manipulate and forever control its bodily environment.

God could, and often does, warn and forewarn his children of pending events (read Woodruff's Journal of such occasions). I believe that if we lived more by faith there would be fewer accidents for we would be impressed by coming events. If our Father wishes us to go at any time or by any method, we may be permitted to go blindly to our death. The longer I live, the more I believe that everything being equal, the more we avoid danger the longer we will live. True, be as careful as we may we meet death in very unexpected way.

Sister Clayton died of kidney trouble a week ago last Sat, and was buried last Fri.

I went to Springville last Sun. night by special request from Bp. Hill and spoke to the combined wards. My subject was the External Evidences of the Bk. of M. Bro. Jos. A. Buttle and wife took Martha and I over to Springville. I went to State Mental Hospital yesterday to see Uncle Warren

Hickman who is there dying with cancer of lip, throat, leg, etc. I am reading Hall's 2nd Vol. of Adolescence. I did not finish it before I left Columbia Uni.

The check (draft) I sent to Dean Perry of Columbia Uni. was returned not having reached him. I have sent it back with more accurate address. It is to pay for degree. I am not getting the teachers I thought to get. We are offering our place for sale at \$1900.00. Leslie and Laura were here last Sat. Laura, Martha and I went to opera Fri. night. Tues. night we (Martha and I) went to see Bob Cunningham in his original tricks or "stunts. Leon and Eugene went to S. Lake today and Lagoon on an excursion. It is 11 p.m. and they are not home yet. Wrote to Pres. White, Bros. Durham and Luke today.

July 23, 1907, Provo: It has been nearly a month since I have last written. Have rec'd word from Dean Perry of Columoia Uni. stating my letter and draft rec'd and degree would be awarded in Oct. It would have been sent in June if draft had not been returned to me thru the stupidity of mail service.

Bro. Rasmussen, my neighbor, died and I was one of the speakers at the funeral. Ex-bishop Johnson of 1st Ward (now belongs to 6th Ward) now a patriarch has asked me to speak at his funeral. He has asked Bro. Brimhall also. He says we are the two he wishes to speak. I promised I would if I were within 200 miles.

I spoke in Provo 5th Ward by special request 1st Sun. of this month. I have been asked by five different places to deliver the 24th of July Oration. Mapleton asked me first so I cut out or refused Heber and Provo (2nd, 5th and 6th Wards). I went to visit Ma and relatives at Benj. last Sat. evening and Sun. I spoke in Benj. Sun. evening. Ma and all are well.

I have been painting most of time for two weeks. I painted brick and wood work. The house now looks fine. I have raised the price on the house \$100. 00 (\$2000. 00 now). I leave for Beaver either tomorrow afternoon or next morning. I drive the school team to Beaver.

I have been to S. Lake twice last week on business concerning school. The circular is being printed. I do not know yet whether we will get the appropriation asked for. We have had two hired girls within two weeks. Levon²⁴ cut a hole in his scalp ½ inch long. Rienna²⁵ is just beginning to walk but she can't crawl or creep. She can't talk any. She used words "dibby, dibby, divy. dain;" "biggy, buggy, dain." She knows what it means but we are not quite certain as to their phraseology nor specific meaning. I have never seen before a little child with such a wealth of hair.

Eugene is working for \$1. 25 a day; Leon gets \$25. 00 a mo.; Othello gets \$20. 00 a month and board. Georgie and Reginald make between them about \$25. 00 a month.²⁶

24 Lavon is age 11.

25 Reinna is 16 months old.

26 Eugene and Leon are both 15; Othello is 17; Georgie is 12; Reginald is 10.

I learned thru Ma and Uncle Jackson Stewart that Grandpa Elijah Haws was born in Indiana; Grandma Catharine Haws was born in Maryette, Ohio. They were married in Beardstown, Ill. They moved to Iowa in 1838 near Columbus not far from Des Moines River. They moved to Nauvoo in Nov. 1844 and left in May 1846 and moved to Council Bluffs and lived there 8 yrs. and then came to Utah.

Aug. 4, 1907, Beaver, Utah: It is the Sabbath and the day is beautiful. I left Provo July 25; I drove the B. Branch team thru, arriving here the evening of the thirtieth. Martha and the three babies—Radino, Volko and Rienna²⁷ came with me to Nephi. We went to Payson 1st day, Nephi the next. We were in a big storm the last evening at Nephi and we all slept in the covered wagon. The streets ran with water. The next morning we found our wagon in water. Rienna the next morning fell out of the wagon on her face and stomach. She went into her ears in mud and water. I rushed around and picked her up. She fell from the side of the wagon missing wheel and brake. She looked awful in her little gown in that mud and water. Martha and the children took the train back to Provo. The two boys had a fine time driving and riding the horses. The next day I drove (after reaching Nephi) to Sevier Bridge—now a reservoir. There was a great storm late that afternoon, one of the largest ever known at Sevier reservoir and that region. I got there late that night. The next day I drove to Holden, but passing thru Scipio I stopped and spoke in the afternoon meeting. After which I administered to Ex-Pres. Thompson and Mrs. Wm. Thompson, Bp's. wife. The next day I drove to eight or ten miles this side (south) of Kanosh. I camped about 10:30 p.m. It was a beautiful starlight night with serene stillness, so silent was the desert that I could hear the blood beating in the drum of my ears, no buzz of an insect, call of a night bird or other desert life; but something before 12, while I was sitting out on my wagon tongue, a most sublime display of the desert's primeval life. The following describes the scene and my impressions: "Midnight on the Desert" (Later: It is published and can be found in Journal of Clippings.)

I lost the burr off one wheel but it didn't come off until I got within 200 yds. of the Fort. Couldn't find burr, bought one and with help got wheel on and got in camp at 7:30 p.m. Have been busy since getting things to moving here. The work had not been done and it took several days to get it underway. We are preparing to whitewash inside and out, paint woodwork and roofs, put in floors, doors, windows, mapboards, etc.

I attended priesthood yesterday, wrote to Martha, Mrs. P., Helen (my wife) and a number of my teachers. Was up till after 12 M. Everything is arranged for our trip thru Wayne, Piute and Kane Cos. On the 24th of July I delivered the oration per agreement in Mapleton and the audience became very demonstrative. Many flattering things were said after meeting. I left immediately for home after taking a dish of ice cream and drinking a glass of soda water.

Aug. 9, Junction, Piute Co: Bro. Maeser and I left Beaver yesterday between 9 & 10 and arrived in Circleville at 7:30 p.m. — 50 miles. We held no meeting but went to party and talked with a number of young people; also took 4 or 5 min. in dance and explained our school, etc. We put up at hotel and paid \$1. 50 for accommodations. We drove over here about 1 p. m.; have rested and slept a little. We hold meeting tonight.

²⁷ Radino is 5 years 11 months; Valko is 3 years 9 months.

Aug. 14, 1907, Glendale, Kane Co., Utah: After leaving Junction, went to Kingston. We (Bro. Maeser and I) spoke there; then we went Sun. to Panguitch (40 mi.). We spoke in afternoon and Mon. Aug. 12 spoke in Hatch in evening. We came to this village yesterday afternoon and spoke last night. We are stopping here with J. S. Carpenter.

Aug. 18, 1907, Mt. Carmel, Utah: We left Glendale and went to Orderville and stopped later in the evening. I came on to Mt. Carmel and spoke in the evening to a good sized and interesting audience. My soul was full that evening and the people were full of joy. Bro. Maeser joined me next morning and we went to Kanab and we spoke there that evening and awakened a new feeling in Ed. the next night spoke in Fredonia, Arizona and the Lord was surely with us, and the people were made happy and interested; several will come from there to school. We rode back to Kanab that night and yesterday we came here (M. C.) and spoke again here last night. Bro. M. gave a fine speech.

Sept. 18, 1907, Beaver: Bro. Maeser and I spoke in S. S. next morning and we left for Orderville. He went on to Glendale and I stopped at Orderville and spoke in the afternoon and evening. We left next morning for the north. We stopped next night in Hillsdale and spoke to the good people there. Next day we went to Tropic but no meeting being appointed for us we stayed at hotel and spoke next evening in Cannonville. The next day Pres. Lyman and Apostle Richards spoke in Cannonville and we (Bro. M & I) attended. The next evening we went back to Tropic and spoke to a large audience. Pres. L. & Richards attended meeting. We returned to Panguitch and attended two days conference at request of Pres. R. Bro. Maeser spoke ½ hr. Sun. forenoon and I spoke after him for ¾ hr. Sat, night I spoke before the officers of the young men on "leadership." Sun. evening Pres. L. asked me to speak again before the general conference of the young people.

Bro. M. and I left at 4:45 a. m. next morning and arrived here at 1 p. m. Martha and two of the little boys (Valko & Radino) came the same day; they stayed for 4 ½ days and I took them as far as Fillmore. We held meeting in Kanosh, Meadow and Fillmore. Bros. Woodhouse and Durham went with us. Bro. Woodhouse played his coronet and Bro. Durham accompanied him. Bro. D. also sang and played instrumental pieces. They both, as well as Martha, spoke in Kanosh. Bro. Durham spoke in Meadow. We were asked to remain after the afternoon meeting and speak at the funeral of a little child. I spoke and the brethren played and sang. We held meeting in Fillmore Sun. evening. We had a very large house and an attentive one. We all stopped at Sister Robinson's where Martha and I boarded in 1888 & 9. Quite a contrast! Then she and I were not married—now she is mine and a mother of six children. Yes, a mother to 13. Then she was young and without much experience of life. Now, older grown and my love for her is deeper and truer than then. God bless her for her noble and sacrificing life. She and children went on to Provo.

Since returning from Fillmore, I have been busy preparing for school. Sept. 9 school began. We have registered 130 students and still more to register and others coming.

Bro. Durham and I went to Minersville last Sun. and spoke in the afternoon and evening. I spoke here in the first meeting of the polysophical last Fri. night. We finished organizing S. S. today. We are having MIA work (classes) in S.S. We also intend to organize evening meeting. Bro. M. will take charge tonight. I go and speak in Beaver, east ward, tonight. Martha telephoned last night that 7 or 8 of the children will start Mon. evening for Milford. I start a team for them tomorrow morning.

We are having all the buildings whitewashed on outside and preparing to paint roofs red. I am causing many other changes in conditions of affairs. O, Father, be with me in this work. May I have great success in this work which I have been called to do. I have bought 200 shares at 50c a share in a mine in Nevada and am preparing to buy 500 more. I am boarding at Skinners.

Oct. 17, 1907, Beaver: It has been a month since I last wrote. We now have over 200 students. I have delivered two lectures, one here and one in Beaver east ward. All the school went down to Beaver two weeks ago last Sun. evening to attend the meeting. We crowded the house to its utmost. The meeting was turned over to us and several teachers spoke. The students are coming nearer to fulfilling duties than before. Some have also broken rules of school, but have come to me and promised faithfully not to break their promises again.

I went to conference in S. L, It was an excellent one from my standpoint. I enjoyed it very much. Bro. Anthony W. Ivins was chosen an apostle. He seemed to be a favorite of all for that position. His call found a special response in my soul. While at conference I worked hard to put on foot the movement for a new building. I cannot tell just what the results of my efforts are or will be. I attended the special priesthood meeting on Mon. Oct. 7. I stayed overnight with Pres. Nephi L. Morris and wife; also took three meals with them. I arranged a lecture course (10 lectures) for our polysophical society. I went to Provo and spent a day and night. I also went to Benj. and visited mother. She was well and everything seems prosperous.

We have settled all our accounts in Provo except the \$200.00 I owe Knight. We rented our house to Josephine for \$15. 00 a month. We sold our cows to her for \$75. 00. The calves we sold to Simon Eggertson for \$32.50. We had conference here last Sat, and Sun. I delivered a lecture on "The Child" before the Sun. School session and Sat. evening. I was ill at the time and was sick for 2 or 3 days. All my family are here now but Dee. He is in Arizona.

Nov. 17, 1907, Beaver: I have been so busy with teaching my own classes as well as those of Bro. Daniel Pack's, accompanied with affairs of school that I have again neglected to write in my journal. Since last writing we have had Founder's Day Oct. 25. The entire school marched to town. Prof. Ernest Partridge came down and delivered an address. Prof. Reinard Maeser delivered a choice oration on the history of the 10 yrs. of this school's existence. I delivered a short closing address. The school was enthusiastic and there were uproarious calls and yells. It was a "yeller day."

In the afternoon we had indoor sports for the public to witness. From 5 to 7 p.m. we had a great banquet for all on the grounds. The school offered (gave) a splendid ball. Every person that came was admitted. But we soon discovered that drunkards and questionable characters were in

and out of the ballroom. Some were drunk on the outside and no policeman to take them off. I asked them several times to leave but they didn't go, so I collared them one at a time and hustled them off. When I returned, I was informed that there were a number in the house who were swearing over what I had done and over the action of the floor manager. I had them pointed out to me and asked them to leave the house, but the whole clique said one would not go unless all went and that they would take their time. I said that all would go and collared a saloon keeper (Hardy) and proceeded to help him out. I no sooner attempted this when 10 or 12 of his gang jumped me, and in two seconds there was a first class "rough house" and about 25 or 30 were in the melee. Biff, bang, whack, like the clattering of horses feet. It didn't take long to clear the house and the grounds for I grabbed my man and took him a "hiking" off the grounds and came back and proceeded to serve all his clique the same. True, some of them were pretty badly banged up and have carried the scabs for over three weeks. The Beaver people are elated over the affair. Ex-president Jno. R. Murdock says I shall have a pension for cleaning out the gang. It is said that these fellows (toughs) have never had such a cleaning out before. Things have gone smoothly since then. I had 9 or 10 of them arrested. Two girls were included in the number. I understand that they (the vanquished) are all full of praise for me and my prowess. They have it that I can lick any man they can bring. Let them think so and it will help the cause of peace which I am trying to establish. Prof. Partridge was in the fracas and was a gallant fellow and seemed most happy in the mix-up.

Dec. 25, 1907, Beaver: It is over 5 weeks since I wrote. Sickness and death have distressed my home. Thru a lady who brought the scarlet fever to the school, my children were exposed and five (Levon, Radino, Rienna, Lorea and Valko) had the fever; and our lovely and loving, God-sent Rienna died Dec. 1 at 8:25 a.m. O, our hearts were broken; our spirits crushed, and our hopes shattered! She was sick one week to the day. She did not cry in all her sickness—so patient and gentle in all her affliction! It seems I can hardly reconcile myself to her going. I feel that if it could have been otherwise, she would not have died. I cannot write my keen sorrow and my wordless soul anguish. O, Father, show me Thy hand in my baby's death. Am I to blame in anyway? I exhausted all my faith. Indeed, I did not have a great outpouring of it as the Lord generally gives me during the sickness in my home. My baby is gone to our Father's celestial kingdom. She will escape this life's sorrows and misfortunes. Father, help me to see your hand in this, our great grief. I cannot change heaven's plans; I wish to walk by faith. Father, make me brave. Help me to ward off sin, disease and death from me and mine. Thou didst show me twice in dreams that my baby was dead—once about 4 weeks before her death and again 3 or 4 days before she took sick. Was it foreordained that she was to die at this age? O, God, let the angels bear up my child and comfort and bless her while Thy spirit bears us up here below. She was so beautiful with her long black hair. It is so hard to have her taken from us; for my love for her has stamped and interwoven itself in every living fiber of my being. Rienna was 20 months old and was our sunshine and our comfort. Father, I thank you that you sent my child to us. Our joy with her angel presence while she was with us sweetens our bitter grief. Her life a day, her death a night, leaves with us a hallowed memory undimmed with time. May our lives grow sweeter and more charitable thru her tender short life's visit to our home. O, Father, I thank you for those you have given me. May I keep those remaining with me at present. May my cup be full in the joy of their goodness and greatness here on earth.

Dec. 27, 1907, Beaver: We have recorded in our school 231 students and four not recorded. We expect more after holidays. I have spoken twice in special meetings; once on Thanksgiving and again at our last Sun. evening's meeting. We had a special meeting commemorative of our Lord and Savior. Then I built up the imaginary childhood of the Christ from the standpoint of psychology. I sincerely believe that his life was closely similar from the standpoint of reason and the great outpouring of the Lord's spirit while speaking upon that subject. Our assembly hall was crowded and perfect silence reigned in the audience. Many were heard to say that it is the best meeting they ever attended. My speech on Thanksgiving day was the gratitude manifest by this nation for God's blessings in prosperity in advancement of science, invention and other national and individual blessings from the time Columbus—touching these distant shores—knelt and kissed the earth in gratitude. I began by saying "Ingratitude is the meanest of the vices. It is the refuge of the pessimist; the rancor that laves his cankered soul. Gratitude is the memory of the heart and without it man becomes detestable. Gratitude is the reward of appreciation. It receives with a benediction and gives with a blessing. Ingratitude never sees the real value, underestimates the gift, and forgets the giver. Gratitude willingly shares the bread of poverty; ingratitude sits alone at the table of luxury while from his lips fall the crumbs of discontent. Gratitude loves and worships God and man and is happy; ingratitude worships self and is dissatisfied.

Jan. 24, 1908, Beaver: I left for a trip thru the Co. with Pres. White, Tolton and Prof. Maeser for purpose of raising means to aid in building the new school building. It appeared that we will be able to raise nearly \$15,000.00 in 5 towns in this Co. We have petitioned the General Board to aid us in getting assistance from other stakes of Southern Utah. We are having a hard time in getting cooperation from the Gen. Board. They are willing but are fearful lest we cannot raise the money and will leave the building on their hands and they will have to foot the bill.

I attended State Teachers Convention at Provo Jan. 1-3. Drs. Suzzello and Gordy were lecturers. Gordy is a "has been" in my estimation. Suzzello is excellent. I visited my mother while north. I was asked to speak at the funeral of brother Merrill's little child. I gave a lecture in Milford on my way north. I returned home Jan. 4. The next evening (Sun.) we held a big educational gathering. The house was packed. As a result we have awakened a great spirit of enthusiasm. We established a 4-week Farmer's Course and we have from 75 to 80 who have joined it. In this course we have opened courses in farming and cattle raising; domestic science and domestic art. I am giving six lectures a week on Psyc. and Theology (Bk. of M. from scientist's point of view). About 80 attend the classes. This is proving the most popular educational course ever put forth in Beaver. I trust it will be opening the door in educational work which shall continue to unfold until an established habit shall be formed wherein married people will attend school as students.

An epidemic of measles has struck our town and the school has been quarantined against the city and vice versa. We as a result closed school the latter part of this week. If no new cases break out, the quarantine will be removed Sun. evening. (Later: It was raised.) Our Scientific Society is doing good work. Miss White and Rev. Anderson have delivered their papers since holidays.

Three of our children—Leon, Juanita and Radino—are down with measles. Leon is quite sick. Dee came home day before yesterday. He has been in Nev., Kansas, Oregon, Calif., Old Mex. and

Arizona since he was home last. He came home broke and had only poor clothes. He telephoned me from Milford stating his condition. I phoned back to Bro. J. W. Burns to fit Dee out and send me the bill. He did so; it was \$30.50. He (Dee) is now willing to go to school for which I am reverentially glad. I pray, O Father, that he will never return to sin and folly again.

Mar. 8, 1908, Beaver: (Sun.) School is moving smoothly. Some are leaving for spring work. The farmers' course is now over and all seem delighted over the results. I held my classes 6 weeks instead of four. At the last lecture the people had a fine lunch and a very clever surprise on me. I was presented with a fine spring rocker and a beautiful plush rug. Their spokesman (Bro. Totton) made some very flattering remarks—too good to record. The farmers' course was a huge success.

Pres. J. T. Tolton and I went as delegates from our school to present our needs before the Gen. Board. A committee was appointed to listen to us. As a result the First Presidency and Gen. Board have granted, as I suggested, that 4 or 5 of these southern stakes be organized (be formed) into an Academy District. They are Millard, Beaver, Parowan and Panguitch and probably Kanab stake. They are asking these stakes to put up our \$50,000 for a building. The Gen. Authorities have voted \$15,000 to aid in its erection. This is, I feel, in direct answer to the fast and prayer held by our school some two months ago.

Our Polysophical Lecture Course is proving a great success. Packard (cartoonist and lecturer) swept the people off their feet. He had the largest house ever assembled on these grounds. His subject was "Uncle Sam's Folks." He is surely a great cartoonist. I made a date for him in Milford, but have not heard from the results as yet.

We have made enough to pay all expenses of the course. Our Scientific Society is doing a good work. Since last writing, papers have been given by Luke, Van Buren, Miss Christen, Miss Thompson and Miss Evans. These lectures are to be printed in the Beaver Weekly Press and afterwards are to be bound in pamphlet form.

We offered a prize of \$5.00 for best school song; \$2.50 for next best. Laura got the second prize. Mrs. Maeser wrote the best poem, but was not suited for song. Miss White took first prize. Laura's was best from a literary standpoint but it lacked in some elements that a college song needed. I just rec'd \$100 from Charlie which I sent it to Jesse Knight to apply on my note. I sent my Thesis "X-Rays etc." to Chicago to Journal of Sociology. I do not know whether it will be published or not. Beaver Stake in priesthood meeting yesterday voted to raise \$15,000.00 to apply on the new building.

The following is Georgie's song put in the contest for the prize, He is my 11 year old son.

Poem

Once there was a little school in a village
Who had to struggle from morn till night and from year to year.
Studying all the time we had from morn till

Night and from month to month.

Chorus

Once there came a stir of horror which we
As a band of students and a happy band were we.

We had a happy band of students which we never had before
And once there came a time we were happy
With joy and we had the biggest band
We ever had before.

I am asked by Bro. Keeler to send in answer to the request, "What did Dr. Maeser do for you.

This is my reply: Until I met Dr. Maeser I was a restless dreamer. Tho often his severe criticism and galling fire of displeasure cut cruelly deep, yet they awakened within me an ultra-determination that defied adversity and battered down the steel bars of stupidity. With all, he kindled a sacred fire within my soul; thru his voice I heard the call from Sinai.

Mar. 22, 1908, Beaver: Sunday—clear and pleasant. The presidencies of Beaver, Parowan, and Panguitch Stakes met Mar. 12 and organized a new Academy Board forming a board of seven members: Pres. White, president, Pres. Cameron, Steel, Jones, Tolton, Tanner and Bp. Richards members; Pres. White, Tolton and Tanner are the executive committee. The presidents of Parowan and Panguitch stakes could not tell what their people would do, but would take up the matter with their public. The board decided to change the name of the Academy from B. B. B. Y. U. to "The Academy of Southern Utah." (Later it was changed to Murdock Ac.)

We banquetted the visiting brethren and held an informal program. The young ladies band played in public for the first time. Since then, brother Cummings has remained here with me writing his work on Nature Study. I am to speak tonight on the Temptation of Christ. We are to have a big educational meeting tomorrow evening in Beaver.

Mar. 29, 1908, Beaver: (Weather pleasant but little cold.) I delivered my lecture on "The Temptation" and the Lord blessed my effort for the people were full of gratitude and blessings saying it was a revelation to them. Some said that they had never been wrought on so before. I am grateful to the Lord for the blessing for it was not I that did it. See Journal of Clippings. We had our big educational meeting and the house was packed. Pres. White, Supt. Cummings and I spoke. See clippings.

I have learned, with regret, that there are a few of our students who are speaking against the teachers and especially myself, saying I am not sincere and I am not honest, etc. I thought above all things I was sincere. By the time brother Luke was thru with this student (Bro. LaSelle Allen) he believed that it was he who was without the spirit of God and promised to repent. Since then I have talked with him and he feels he is to blame and will do better.

Apr 12, 1908, Beaver: (Pleasant weather.) Martha and I went to conference at S. L. There were many good things said: temperance, peace, the power of Mormonism, and its mission to the world were the things dwelt upon. I met Francis there; paid him \$25.00; this makes in all \$75.00 I have paid him since I came home. While in S. L. Martha and I attended a theater and two vaudevilles. I attended the special priesthood meeting on Tues. The instructions were on tithing, recommends, temple work, meeting houses and their costs, etc.

I met with the new Academy Board in S. L. Pres. Woolley decided that their stake would join this academy district but I would have to come down and work the towns. Millard Stake did not agree to come in. The Presidencies feel a little fearful of presenting the matter to the people and wish brethren from this stake and this school to come and aid them. Bro. R. R. Tanner, Woodhouse and myself are to go into Parowan Stake and present this matter of the new building to the people. We will be gone 3 ½ days.

I arrived home last Wed. Martha went to Provo and will not be home until next Wed. Some sickness is among our students. Pro. Geo. Atkins left for home this forenoon because of sickness. Bro. Thos. Caffell (a missionary student) leaves for home in the morning. He has to go to gather his stock. Our students are doing good work. Perhaps not a student uses tobacco nor drinks.

I am engaging new teachers for next year. I had a conference with Rosenbaum while in S. L. on the cooker. I have had all of Baldwin's rights assigned to me. The patent is at last applied for and is, I believe, granted. We may get out a foreign patent. I took dinner with brother M. F. Comley. He desires me to take his boy Moses with me next yr. I learn from various sources that our school is receiving a great deal of praise. Pres. Ben E. Rich of Southern States Mission told me on the Street in S. L. that he found that more and saner doctrine in the elders who had been under me than any other man.

May 10, 1908, Beaver: Went to Parowan Stake with R. R. Tanner and the boys' silver band; there were 16 of them. We have two bands, one of boys and one girls band. We held meeting in Paragona, Summit and Cedar City. Bro. Tanner and I met with the High Council and Presidency. They voted to raise the \$5, 000 for the new school building. We were all treated well, tho the editor of the Iron Co. Blade dug us for coming there trying to get money. In every town we held meeting, the people voted to stand their share of the assessment.

Pres. Tolton and myself took the girls' silver band to Panguitch Stake and held meetings in Panguitch, Kingston and Circleville. The people were much elated over the band and Panguitch voted to raise \$8, 000 if Millard Stake did not come and \$6, 000 if they did. We also went to Junction and the band played for ¾ of an hr. The reason we did not hold meeting is that they had a case of diphtheria. We were gone 4 days (Sat., Sun., Mon. & Tues.). We had a very nice trip and a very successful one. On both trips I delivered special lectures. While in Panguitch I had a long talk with the Panguitch Editor Mr. Fred Eldridge. He read to me parts of his book he is writing in defense of the Mormons. Tho not a Mormon, he had a high esteem for them. The work promises to be an excellent defense—the best I have heard coming from a non-Mormon.

We held the last meeting of the Scientific Society Fri. night. Laura gave her paper on the "Laws and Characters of the Drama." It was a very good paper. I feel that our society has been a decided success. There have been 18 papers read during the year. We are having all of the papers published and put in pamphlet form.

I am asked to deliver two addresses, one at MIA annual conference in S. L., also one before the annual church school convention; both are to be given in the early part of June. We now have the promise of \$43, 000 toward the new building. Everything is in readiness to begin to haul stone and excavate for the building. We have accepted Maeser's and Liljenburg's plans.

May 24, 1908, Beaver: A week ago yesterday Bro. Woodhouse and self took the boys' silver band to Milford and held a big meeting there Sat. night. We returned Sun. playing in Minersville on our return. We held meeting in Adamsville in afternoon and came to Greenville and played there for ½ hr. I remained and spoke in evening to a crowded house. Last week was final examination.

May 31, 1908, Beaver: We had a very successful commencement. Most of the students passed their examinations. We had 74th yr. graduates. This is the first time that the school has offered a 4th yr. course. The students who graduated from 4th yr. H. S. were C. F. VanBuren, Geo. Luke, Etta McMullin, John Evans, Margaret Mansfield, Arnold Lome and Alice Hearst. Three took special certificates in music (Piano Forte) and one in the theory of music; two took special certificates in 3 yrs. woodwork. Prof. E. S. Hinckley came and delivered the graduating address instead of Pres. Brimhall. Dr. Jno Sundwall delivered the commencement address. He and Prof. Hinckley stayed with me. Sun. afternoon we held a stake meeting after which we had a sacred concert on the campus. Over 600 people were here. Perhaps the largest gathering ever on the grounds.

We dedicated and broke ground for the new building last Mon. at 10:20 a. m. President White offered dedicatory prayer and ex-president Murdock broke the ground after having delivered a short speech. Work began immediately on the foundation, plowing and scraping out the excavation work. I am in great hope that the work will not cease until the building is complete. We are paying single hands from \$1. 75 to \$2. 00 per day; men with teams \$4. 00 per day, but in every case each is to donate 1/4 of their wages to the building.

Bros. C. F. Van Buren, Byron Oder, Geo. Luke, Daniel Pack and Alfred Durham go off to study from 1 to 4 years. Bro. Durham goes for one year on half salary. Laura will not return for she wishes to teach nearer home. Miss Hopkins, our domestic arts teacher, is not going to return. Our new teachers who take the place of our outgoing teachers are Profs. F. W. Merrill, J. F. Day, Hyrum Schneider, Geo. Durham, J. P. 7 lay, Brasher and Miss Yardley. Our faculty is being toned up more each year, tho some of our outgoing teachers are hard to surpass in the state Three of our incoming teachers are degreed men.

I examined 19 pupils of the city schools who were either incorrigible or were several yrs. behind their grade. I found most of them either defective in sight or hearing. They all were either below

normal in motor activity or rate of perception. Most were under normal in visual and audile memory.

Miss Libbie Leany, one of our noble students, is still ill with rheumatism and heart trouble. She has been sick for over 3 weeks. I learn that we closed up with as many students this year as they had at any one time previous to last yr. Our enrollment for entire yr. was 345. We closed up with about 180 or 185. I believe that every student in my theology class testified that he knew the Bk. of M. was true—some did not belong to the church. One, Arnold Lome, got a testimony of the gospel and has asked me to baptize him. This testimony was a fulfillment of a prediction I made last fall on him. It fills me with gladness to know the spirit of God works in the hearts of our children. I am told two ladies were converted to the gospel this winter thru my discussion (Internal & External Evidences) of the Bk. of M. There were about 13 or 15 in my theology class who believed nothing in the Bk. of M. when they began studying it, but were converted during the yr.

It is Sunday today and we have had neither S. S. nor meeting, but Bros. Maeser, Durham and myself decided to hold S. S. after this each Sunday as we will have about 65 or more here on the grounds this summer. I leave next Wed, for S. L. and will be gone nearly two weeks at conventions and with work on the B. B. annual. I am to aid Dr. McGregor tomorrow with an operation; this will make three I have aided him with in the last two months. The other two were Mrs. Gale and Miss Barton. They were very serious cases.

Valko has whooping cough; otherwise we are all well. Dee is rapidly changing for the good. I am pleased with his progress. Georgie graduated from the 6th grade. He is or has been taking guitar lessons. He is ambitious and says he will, yet be the President of the U. S. He is a splendid child. Eugene graduated conditionally from the 8th grade.

A word about the manual work of our school (wood, iron, domestic science, art and art work) was excellent in the extreme. Bros. Fillerup, Salmeider, Day and Geo. Durham go off to study this summer; also Miss Ollerton and Miss White and Miss Thompson.

July 5, 1908, Beaver: I aided Dr. McGregor in the operation (gave the chloroform) on Mrs. Stapley. She has recovered. I left for Salt Lake June 3 and was there about two weeks. While there I got the Annual of the Academy mostly out and put in printer's hands. I have 9 new cuts in the Annual (one is a cut of the new building). It is said to be the most beautiful school building in the State and will be by far, the most beautiful building in Southern Utah.

While in Salt Lake I delivered my two lectures per agreement in the Bearett Hall. One was on "How to Teach the Bk. of M." (before Church School Conv.); the other was on "Physical Education" before the MIA Conference. Both were well rec'd. It was voted to have mine published; also the one Bro. Brimhall gave on "Tithing." While in S. L. I attended Dr. Sundwell's lectures on the cell-nerve and brain cells. He gave 9. They were excellent. I got some excellent points from them. He is one of Utah's brightest scientists.

While there I met Helen. I agreed to give her freedom if she desired it and she did. I regret this deeply. She is not wholly to blame and I do not condemn her. God bless her and the babes.

Bros. John G. McQuarrie and H. H. Cummings came home with me and Bro. C. stayed 10 days writing on his bk. I have engaged Bro. McQ. to take charge of the missionary class and aid in Woodwork. We have rented every room on the campus and turning people away because no rooms for them. We are urging the work on the building, but so far have only the footings (base to grade line) in and even some of the crosswalls are not in yet. It has taken several hundred perch of rock. The work has been done well so far. We expect to have more masons next week.

We celebrated the 4th in a very fitting way. I was the orator of the day. (See Journal of Clippings for comments.) Races and sports were had in afternoon and fireworks in evening. They were good. Today is the Sabbath and fast day. We had S.S. and are to hold fast meeting at 1:30 p.m. We rec'd \$1,000 from church toward our new building. I went with Bros. J. F. Tolton and H. H. Cummings to Paragonah to attend Stake Conference and urge people to aid on building.

I baptized Juanita and Lorea July 2 (Thurs.) here in the creek. Bro. H. Maeser confirmed Juanita and Bro. Alfred M. Durham confirmed Lorea. This was done at the water's edge. Martha and some of the children were present.

July 12, 1908, Beaver: I have been most of week working and directing the men on the building. We have now completed the footings of the building. It is very solid. We have the foundation nearly completed of the northwest wall. We expect to have more masons next week.

Fern went away against my will and married, so I learn, Sheridan McGarry of this town. He proves to be a smoker and drinker. He does not belong to the church and I fear Fern will rue it bitterly. I hope he proves himself a man and an honorable one. The bitter cup that parents drink is to have children turn from the home teaching and with ingratitude step down into folly.

I have a disagreement with Horace Skinner and it almost came to blows; was ashamed of it and the next morning (Sun.) I went down and apologized and he was as happy as I to apologize and forgive.

Last Tues. morning July 7 at 3:35 a.m. there was born to us a fine black-headed baby boy.²⁸ He weighed 9 lbs. He is healthy and vigorous. He seems to be extra bright and advanced over babes of his age. O, Father, preserve him to us until he is ripe with age and great in deeds. Let not death nor sin drag him from us. I have written my mother of our babe and the following is a copy of the letter:

“There came to our home July 7 a beautiful black-headed stranger. A human being cast upon the shores of an unknown world. I stood upon the cold rockbound beach and I saw this refugee, from an unseen world, cast naked upon our shores. I picked him up and wiped the water from his face and pulled the seaweeds from off his body. Full of disconsolation, fear and pain, he

²⁸ Thorval Lawisch Hickman born July 7, 1908.

wailed the cry of the lost, but I comforted him as best I could. Sympathetic hands clothed and fed him; he now seems comforted but says nothing. It is evident that he cannot understand our language nor we his. I have not tried to pry into the mysteries of his language. However, Martha has been trying to open a conversation with him. Should you read in the papers of some lost sailor, write to that country and tell them' one was half drowned at gray dawn and picked up by the natives of a far off land, and they are tenderly caring for him, but refuse to release him to return to his primeval home."

We held S. S. today. The theology class is discussing the Pearl of G. Price.

Aug. 14, 1908, Upper Kanab: Since last writing I have been to S. L. to see about school and new building. We got a larger appropriation for our school than any other year (\$12,500). The note held by BYU of the Beaver Branch board is to be cancelled without pay. This is due to the fact that the BYU had requested the board to give a note for the privilege of using the Fund Day Collection that had accrued at the Beaver Branch. Supt. Cummings informs me that our request for appropriation was cut down less proportionately than any other church school.

While in S. L. I engaged 6 more masons and stone cutters. They came down with me. It is now costing us about \$100 a day for workmen. While north I went to Benj. and saw Ma and folks for about 18 or 19 hours. I stopped off at Provo and saw Sister Lawisch and others. I found them all well. I spoke in Beaver between 2 and 3 weeks ago to the meaning and effects of the Word of Wisdom I have been aiding on the building every day that I was on the grounds.

I went to Parowan, Summit and Paragonah a week ago to urge the people to pay their assessments on the building. We (Bro. Maeser and self) raised between 2 and 3 hundred and the people promised to send more soon. Bro. M and I are going thru Panguitch and Kanab Stakes for the same purpose. We scared up a few hundred in Panguitch. We came last night to Hatch and the people are ready to put all their apportionment in lumber and haul it over to Beaver. We are to speak here tonight (Kanab). Pres. Chamberlain is to be here with us. We are to go thru the entire stake. I am a little concerned about whether this stake is coming in with their share of their apportionment which the Pres. felt they would if we decided to erect the new building. Our trip over here looks a little gloomy as the people are not much in sympathy with the move. I hope the Lord will impress the people to give and that freely toward this building. The roads have been very rough due to storms that have been falling nearly every day for two weeks or more. We are reading the "Crisis" by Churchill. It is a very clever novel and well written. It is the events of 1855 to 1864 or 5 portrayed true to history, dressed in fiction's garb.

I left the folks well. I rec'd letters from Fern and her husband. They are in Meridian, Idaho and are thinking of coming back to Utah to live. She writes very beautiful letters and asks that I forgive her for going off as she did.

I am depressed over my family affairs for the waywardness of Dee and Fern's marrying out of the church. I pray God to aid me in drawing my children to me and my teachings. I sorrow for Helen and babies. Father, am I a failure? Can you help me in my struggle that they and I shall not fail?

The building is moving faster than anytime before. I do hope we can collect means rapidly enough that the building will not cease until it is complete. We are crowded for rooms. Many are asking for rooms for their children, but so far can't get them. May something impress someone to put up rooms there for rental.

Aug. 22, Tropic, Garfield Co., Utah: Since leaving upper Kanab, Bro. Maeser and I went to Glendale, Orderville, Mt. Carmal, Kanab and Fredonia. We spoke in each town and each town (people) voted to pay their share toward the new building. Still some are opposed to giving for the new building. But some gave in nearly every town even before the allotments were made. Kanab Stake had decided at least in some towns that they would not come in this Academy district, but by Pres. Chamberlain going thru the entire stake with us, we converted the people to join and pay their allotments.

We finished the "Crisis", also the Aug. vol. of Pop. Science Monthly and Cosmopolitan. We have made our time quite profitable reading and discussing different subjects. We came back to Mt. Carmal and Bro. M. remained in Mt. C. and spoke and went on to Glendale and spoke again to the people. My subject was the new message of Mormonism to the world and the attack upon it and results.

We then came yesterday to Hillsdale and held meeting there last night and came here today and are to hold meeting here tonight. Later (Sun. 23): We had our meeting and the people were warmed toward the building and some gave money last night. The spirit of the Lord was with our speaking and it rested upon the people. I am much gratified over the results of the meeting. I predicted if they gave that the Lord would bless them fourfold for all they gave. He would bless them spiritually, peace would come to their homes, etc. We are stopping at Mrs. Halstrom's hotel.

Aug. 27, 1908, Junction: We spoke in Cannonville, Henryville and Escalante. We went Mon. from Henryville to Escalante. The roads were very bad. In many places the road was washed out entirely for a mile. In such cases we had to travel up the creek bed. The mountains are romantic being mostly of Jura-Trias rock and the permean layer. The road from Escalante to Coyoto was over very high mountains which were wildly corroded. Much timber covered the mountains. We traveled 55 miles Tuesday to hold meeting in Coyoto but the Bp. had not notified people nor did he remain home. The people finding out what he had done were much vexed over his conduct. They say he serves nearly everyone the same way. The people should have had a leader not a block to stay their progress. We held no meeting there but met in a private home and talked to some few of the young people who gathered there.

We held meeting in Kingston yesterday afternoon. There was a good attendance and a good spirit prevailed. The Junction people did themselves proud last night. They filled their meeting house and we had an excellent meeting. Bros. Maeser, Luke and I spoke. After the people gathered to John Morrills on the lawn where Chinese lanterns lighted up the grounds. They had games, songs, recitations, etc. Then they served all with punch and lunch. It was after 1 a. m. before we left for our beds. The people are much in favor of our school.

We cannot furnish near all rooms applied for. I could have rented about 60 more rooms if we had them. I have written to Martha several times since I left home. We go to Circleville for tonight and next day to Panguitch.

The burden of my remarks thru out the trip is the value of character: the necessity of putting into our lives in youth the things we wish to follow and do in after life. I urged that the period of adolescence was the period of the greatest spiritual awakening as well as the period of the greatest criminal awakening. I gave examples to prove my point. I have reviewed in brief my interview with Alvin Heaton (age 17) the murderer of Miss Mary Stephens. I interviewed him about 3 ½ hrs. and found that the deed was a sequence of his former life. Bad company was the awakening and source of his sad life; an unbridled imagination and seditious thoughts. I said to him that I lectured to the young a great deal and I asked if he had anything to say that I could tell the youth that they may be warned against sin. He said, "Warn them against disobedience (use of tobacco) to parents, being out of night and self abuse. In fact," said he, "warn them against all sin. O, it is sad! to see one so young doomed to sorrow and an irreproachable wrong. I would to God that he could awaken and find it all a dream. He has riot a criminal face, but a well balanced head. He comes from good parents. In my interview with him, I found that thoughts and acts led up to this act. It was not one jump from innocence to damning crime, but a gradation of wrongs. Up to the committance of the deed, he had thought or cared but little for his wrong doing. His thoughts were for self and unmindful of others. His mother taught him to pray but had turned from it for several years."²⁹

We are stopping with Bp. Morrill and will leave for Circleville this afternoon where we are to hold meeting tonight.

Sept. 6, 1908, Beaver: Bro. Maeser and I went next night to Circleville and held meeting. That is the town which had almost to the man turned their appropriation down. The next morning Pres. Lyman and Apostle Grant held meeting with the people and asked the people to pay on the building. We went from there to Panguitch where the quarterly conference was held. Pres. Cameron resigned and Jas. Houston was chosen the new president with Henry and Haywood as his counsellors.

Bro. M. and I spoke at conference. I again talked, amidst other things, about the new building. In the evening, at priesthood meeting, Bros. Lyman and Grant spoke very forcefully for our new Academy building. The hearts of the brethren there were warmed toward our school. Sunday morning Bro. M. and I started home and found our folks fairly well. While there I had very pleasant talks with Bros. Lyman and Grant.

²⁹ This was a well publicized case in Utah. Alvin Heaton planned and killed Mary Stephens when she insisted that she could make him marry her. He met her in an isolated place and shot her in the back and buried her. Later when her body was found, Alvin became the main suspect. He later confessed, but still was tried, found guilty and sentenced to a life sentence of hard labor. In 1917 he was pardoned and let out of prison. In 1924 he was killed in an automobile accident.

If we had 100 more rooms here we could rent them. I have written to the First Presidency to see if they can aid in building some more living houses. The new building is moving slowly for we have only 3 professional stone cutters and 6 masons. John Evans and I (with help of J. F. Day) have been getting out our financial statement for past yr. It is no easy job.

Attended S. S. and meeting today. We had our baby blessed today. I was mouth with Jas. N. Connell and his father Jas. Connell to aid me. We named the baby Thorval Lawisch Hickman.

I have started to write a series of articles for the Era. I hope they will be an inspiration to the people that read them.

Sept. 20, 1908, Beaver: It is Sun. evening and all is well. School began Mon. with an excellent opening. We have registered 140 and others are on the grounds. This is 1/3 more than we had the first week last yr. Everything bids fair for a most prosperous year. We have 20 teachers. Among the new ones are F. W. Merrill, J. P. May, J. Frank Day, Geo. Durham, Belle Yardley, Hyrum Schneider, Leis E. Brasher and Jno. G. McQuarry. We are still making improvements. The building is progressing slowly.

We held Sun. Sch. and meeting today. Bro. Merrill is chosen as Supt. of S. S. We hold no afternoon meeting except on fast Sun. but we hold an evening sacramental meeting in the evening. The financial report of the school was not satisfactory tho it was kept but not in as compact and logical form as desired.

Leslie Hickman came up for a few hrs. last Fri. to visit us. He is doing well with his brickyard. Bro. McQuarry and I were the speakers in meeting tonight. We held a big educational meeting in Beaver last Sun. evening.

Oct. 11, 1908, Beaver: Since last writing school has begun and we have a 1/3 more than we had this time last yr. There are now about 220 in attendance. We have twenty teachers. I have been to S. L. and attended semi-annual conference. It was a stormy week and the attendance was not quite as large as some others. The principal theme was the word of wisdom. At the special priesthood meeting considerable instructions were given concerning recommends to temples and who should have them. Young people who do not go thru temple should be married by Bps. or counsellor. Urged that we do not duplicate names of towns in same state. Suicides must not be buried in temple robes unless they were so thru insanity. Converts of the world should be given recommends to temple without long (3 or 4 yrs.) and faithful standing. I was gone nearly a week. Bro. McQ. and I came home in an automobile Thurs. Oct. 10.

While in S. L. I prevailed upon the Studebaker Co. to give the school a fine No. 140 four spring white topped buggy of 1 ½ in. Also an excellent set of new doubled stitched harness. The gift amounts to \$225. 00. We appreciate the gift very much. I think the Consolidated Wagon & Machine Co. in S. Lake will supply our farm with farm implements. Bro. Merrill succeeded in getting companies to give a cream separator, Babcock tester, churn and the use of a new disk. He succeeded in getting R. R. Tanner to give the school two Hereford cows for the school. There are other gifts that promise to come our way.

On the road to S.L. I stopped off at Benjamin for all of us Bros. and Sisters had planned a great surprise for Ma. We succeeded for the surprise was most complete. We had a day of rejoicing and feasting. We gave Ma a fine book case and secretary, also 25 or 30 bks. While there we administered to Aunt Lydia Haskell.³⁰ She had been stricken for some months with a paralytic stroke of one side. She could walk with difficulty and could only raise her right arm part way to her head. Leslie annointed her and I confirmed the annointing. Within an hour after the administration she could walk without limping or difficulty. She also could raise her hand to her head and even put her hand right on top of her head. She could talk better. In fact she was (& felt) as tho she was well. She had been fasting that day for the purpose of having us administer to her.

I took dinner one day while in S. L. with Dr. Jno. Sundwall. I got a human brain and spinal cord for my class in psychology. In our conversation, he said that it is known that the object of life is production. The body is made up of germ cells and somatic cells. As soon as the germ cells are gone, decay and decline begin. That seems from the physical point the soul aim of life. The higher the intelligence the more one is willing to live his life for others. The lower the mind level the more one lives for self.

Oct. 20, 1908, Beaver: We had quarterly conference last Sat. & Sun. Nearly all of our studentbody and faculty attended Sat, forenoon and filled the house. There were only about 70 from all of Beaver Co. besides our students. Excellent instructions were given. Apostles Heber J. Grant and Geo. Richards were present. I spoke about 25 minutes on the 29 Chaps. of Isaiah Sun. forenoon. Sun. after we held an afternoon meeting here at the school and in Beaver. In the evening we had the young peoples conference at the school.

I have found out some of my teachers have been talking about me and indirectly running down the school. I called in Bro. Albert Fillerup today and asked him to either resign from his position or retrace his steps. He humbled himself, confessed his wrong in undermining school, and promised never to do so again. There is another teacher or two whom I shall call to account. I have got to have men to aid me and not tear down or we will fail in this work. Father, I need your Spirit.

I received a letter from Pres. Cluff and also \$25 check to apply on the new building. He is to give \$75 more. He has donated to the library over 1000 volumes and intends to continue in this line. The new building is not up entirely to the first story. A big snowstorm is on and has been snowing off and on for 5 days. The snow lies about 6 in. Perhaps over a ft. has fallen and it is not over yet. I have promised to write for the Era and have sent in my first two articles. My subject is "The Tragedy and Triumph of Youth."

Dec. 1, 1908, Beaver: It is now 41 days since I last wrote. Since then I have had a reckoning with some of my teachers and a very careful humbling of most if not all. A vote was taken that hereafter we as teachers would not speak ill of others or of each other. A better spirit prevails. We have had considerable trouble with some students who lie, use tobacco and drink. Some of

³⁰ Lucy Ann Hawes Hickman's older sister, Lydia Catherine Hawes Haskell (1835-1912). She is age 78 here.

them are Blaine Sevy, Silas Owens, Jesse Syrett, Quincy Houston, Lehi Christensen, Homer Taylor, Leo Lewis, Dee and others. I hardly ever find a smoker that will not lie. Scarcely ever do I find one who prays or is in anyway religious. We are bringing pressure to bear upon them so they must get in and work or get out. Quincy and Blaine have gone home to stay. I am afraid neither will amount to anything in this life.

I was wrought upon by the spirit of God some few weeks ago before the student body. It was a rebuke and an uplift combined. A number of the young men and women wept due to the influence of the occasion. It had a clearing effect upon teachers and students. One of my teachers said she never before understood the full value of education and the aim of education and life. She was wonderfully wrought upon, more than ever before in her life and she vowed her allegiance to this institution. Since then I gave a discussion one Sun. evening (2 wks. ago) on the "Word of Wisdom from the Scientist's Point of View." It impressed the people very much. Two or three young men who use tobacco said the lecture was a perfect revelation to them. My heart is full of gratitude for my Father's blessings.

Two weeks ago I went to Greenville with Dr. McGregor and McQuarry by special request to reply to the Josephite minister (Curtis). I took I Nephi 13 and II Nephi 3 Chap., Sec. Doc. & Coy. 120 to prove the Josephites are not God's church but were of the church of the devil, etc. etc. The Sunday following Pres. Tolton asked that I go back and speak again. I took with me Dr. McGregor and F. W Merrill, also Mrs. Merrill and Martha. Inasmuch as the Josephites had been hammering on polygamy, we answered him. I took up most of the time. We were all blessed. Dr. McGregor told some persons that he would have paid his fare to Chicago and returned rather than to have missed what was said that night.

I have just written another 2000 word article for the Era. It, I believe, is better than the others. I am to write a paper on Positive Moral Training to be read before the State Teachers' Association to be held Dec. 21-3. We have started the Winter Course and give two nights a week in Beaver for those who can't come up here. Bros. McQuarry and Merrill hold the night sessions for 8 weeks and the day Miss Evans, and I take the succeeding 8 weeks. We are asking all to come and only those pay who wish to.

I have been since June 20, 1906 filling this Journal. Many things have transpired in my life during that period which have been eventful. Some things were starting. Others were of joy and satisfaction. Other things have been deep sorrow, too deep for words. The waywardness of Dee and the leaving home of Fern and finally her marriage to an outsider and the death of our beautiful and lovely Rienna. Father, thru it all I have gained wisdom and drunk grief. My life seems eventful to me and mixed with deep satisfaction yet humiliation. O, Father, how do I stand in your eyes? Could some hand write an answer here that I might know. Have I gained more than I have lost? O, Father and God, my soul hungers for Thy spirit. Send to me comforting visions. Hasten the day when what has been prophecied on my head shall come true. Send to me, O my Father, angels that I may talk to them as intimate friends. I ask that I might have greater light and greater power for good. My Lord and my God, give me intelligence, wisdom, inspiration and power. Clothe me as with a gifted mantle or endowment that I may lift up my fellow men; that I may draw men to me that I can elevate and inspire them. Make me a mighty

factor for good in this school. May no young man get away from my teachings and the impress that I gave him. May I win the love of the righteous men and women. May I seek all I ask that Thou may be glorified in the earth and heaven. May my soul grow as broad and as light as eternity. Let my mind reach into heaven. Give to me the endowment of the prophet and the seer. Let not my soul be in darkness. Illumine the future before mine eyes that I may see the kaliedoscope of events as they come rushing out of the now hidden future. Come and be my soul and comfort, my light and my fount of knowledge. Make my name honorable among men. (Amen)

J. E. Hickman

The principal books I have read while I have been writing this journal: Some of the works have not been read word for word from beginning to end but nearly everyone has been:

1. 1st Vol. of Poe's Works
2. Finished Tolstoi's Confessions, Religion, etc.
3. History of Philosophy by Weber
4. Weed's Biography of St. Paul
5. Blood Atonement and Origin of P1. Marriage by J. S. Smith, Jr. pp. 102
8. The Crowd by LeBon
7. Cortes' Conquest of Mexico
8. John Fiske's "The Personality of God"
9. Galton's Hereditary Genius
12. Ward's "British Genius"; Corumanon on Spelling
13. Thorndike's "Mental & Social Measurements (I have read it about 4 times)
14. The Future Life by Jno. Fisk
15. Genetic Psychology by Thorndike
16. Bosenquet's Philosophical of the State
17. Read Dearborne's Psychology of Reading

18. Eternalism, a Theory of Infinite Justice by Orlando J. Smith
19. His Mother's Portrait by M.G. Pearce
20. Geo. Coe's two works on the Spiritual Development of the Child & of Man, Their titles are "The Education in Religion"
21. The Spiritual Life
22. Thompson's Sex Difference
23. Little Journeys- -Eernelon & Nume Guyon
24. The Man of Sorrows by Hubbard
25. Polygamy vs Polygamy by Chas. Stuart
26. Lieut. Gunnison's Brief History of the Mormons
27. Mrs. Stenhouse's Mormonism
28. Reviewed again E. W. Riley's "Founder of Mormonism"
29. Reviewed in brief Prof. Thomas' "Sex & Society"
30. Adolescence 2 Vols. by G. S. Hall

Sept. 21, 1906, The Childrens Height: This is tape measure (tape short 3/8 in.):

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Valko	3 ft. 2 in.	
Radino	3 ft. 7 in.	3 ft. 9 1/4 in.
Lorea	3 ft. 9 1/2 in.	3 ft. 11 in.
Juanita	4 ft. 5 1/2 in.	4 ft. 8 3/4 in.
Levon	1	
Reginald	4 ft. 9 in.	4 ft. 8 3/4 in.
Georgie	4 ft 7 1/2 in.	4 ft. 9 1/2 in.
Eugene	5 ft. 3+ in.	5 ft. 6 1/2 in.
Othello	5 ft. 1 3/4 in.	5 ft 3 3/4 in.
Leon	5 ft. 9 3/8 in.	5 ft. 10 3/4 in.
Dee	Ft. 11 3/4 in.	
