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Liverpool to New Orleans

Ship: [Falcon](#)

Departure: **28 Mar 1853**

Arrival: **18 May 1853**

Church Leader:

Cornelius Bagnall

LDS Passengers: **324**

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A Compilation of General Voyage Notes

"SIXTY-SIXTH COMPANY. -- Falcon, 324 Saints. The ship Falcon, with three hundred and twenty-four Saints on board, under the direction of Elder Cornelius Bagnall, sailed from Liverpool, England, on the twenty-sixth (or twenty-eighth) of March, 1853. After a successful voyage she arrived in New Orleans on the eighteenth of May. Four children died during the voyage, but the general health of the company was good. From New Orleans Elder John Brown, the Church emigration agent at New Orleans, accompanied the Saints up the river. They landed in St. Louis May 27th, and re-embarked for Keokuk the same day, arriving in the latter place in the beginning of June." "Mon. 28. [Mar 1853] -- The ship Falcon sailed from Liverpool, England, with 324 Saints, under Cornelius Bagnall's direction. It arrived at New Orleans May 18th"

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Autobiography of James Ririe

. . . On Saturday 12th of March I got notification to be in Liverpool to sail with the *Falcon* on the 28th of March. Sailing vessels were very scarce that year as the "gold fever" had broken out in Australia and all were going there.

On Saturday 19th, I left Glasgow with about 100 Saints to sail on the same vessel. I was a little sick on the way to Liverpool. I watched the luggage at night on the steamer. On the 20th we arrived in Liverpool where I found lodgings at Mrs. Gellian's. On March 21st we removed our luggage to sheds on the Bramly [Bramley] Moor Dock. I watched the luggage part of the night. That same day I went to the office and paid the other four pounds for my passage. We watched our luggage by turns until Monday the 28th of March when we sailed out of Liverpool. It was a fine day but cold.

Tuesday 29th, a cold but calm day. Some wind in the afternoon.

Wednesday 30th, the wind rose and we sailed on well.

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- [Joan AIKMAN](#)
- [John D. AIKMAN](#)
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- [Margaret R. AIKMAN](#)
- [Mathew AIKMAN](#)
- [Matthew AIKMAN](#)
- [Susan AIKMAN](#)
- [Elizabeth AIRD](#)
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Thursday the 31st, a strong gale at night. A complete storm. The trunks were rolling, tumbling, breaking. The ship was cracking, children and women crying. I never was in such a scene. I was very sick. The ship rolled fearfully. I thought we would go to the bottom. My mind was calm as a summer morning, yet I was sorry to lay down my salvation there. Yet, thought I, the will of the Lord is done. In the excitement I asked of the Lord if we should be saved or not. I got a manifestation of the Spirit that we would all be saved and that the storm would abate in two or three days and then general fair weather would ensue after that.

Friday April 1st. The storm was a little over, yet the sea still rather high and the ship rocked much at night, very much. I was very sick. I was scarce able to be up and so were most of the company.

Tuesday the 5th, my sickness abated a little, but I had a sore boil on my neck. It pained me a great deal. All things else went very well with us.

Wednesday, May 4th. This morning we were awakened by the salute that there was land in view. It was half past three in the morning. It was Abaco Island with a lighthouse up to warn ships.

All has gone on very well. The weather is fine in general. Favorable winds and general good health has been, since the seasickness has gone. It has almost all abated. Four children died. One died of teething, two of diseases in the head, one of inflammation of the windpipe. Very interesting are the meetings on Sabbath day. Also meetings on Thursday and prayers at 8 a.m. and at 8 p.m. This night, Wednesday, we sighted the Gulf of Mexico.

On Thursday the 5th we had an awful experience of thunder and lightning. [p.354]

Monday 16th. We have been in the Gulf of Mexico since the 4th. We've seen some rocks and lighthouses. Everything is much becalmed. We only this day came in sight of the lighthouse at the bar at the mouth of the Mississippi. At 3 p.m., the pilot came on board. At 4, we were in tow of a steamer. About half past 4 a second steamer had hold of us. About 5, we came in sight of land and houses. Could see the grass. A particular feeling of gratitude and joy prevailed to the Providence of Heaven in being brought safely through thus far. About 6, we scraped the bar. About half past 7 we started with another ship, both in tow of one steamer up the river.

Tuesday 17th. This morning scenes of delight passed us on each side of the river. To see the fruit fields was a beautiful experience. We arrived at New Orleans on the 17th of May, 7 weeks and two days from Liverpool.

We lay three days at New Orleans. We then took passage up the river on a steamer. We were six days and one night in getting to St. Louis. That day we changed vessels and started for Keokuk. Next night we landed at Keokuk so our sailing was done with. We lay three days at Keokuk and then started for the plains. Such bad roads I have never seen. We went 13 miles from Keokuk and layover. We lightened up and burnt boxes and goods. I threw away about 100 pounds of clothing, etc.

On Sunday, about twenty of us went across the Mississippi River to Nauvoo. We saw the ruins of the Saints' homes, the ruins of the Temple and we visited the Nauvoo Mansion. We saw Mr. Bidamon, the man who married Emma Smith. We saw Lucy Smith, the Prophet's mother, and also Emma. We also saw his three sons, Joseph, Frederick, and David. David was then in his 9th year and Joseph was 21. We also saw Mr. Bidamon's little girl about the same age as David. They were all playing together about the house. We crossed back to camp that night. This was about the first of June 1853. Near Montrose, we lightened up our loads. The understanding before we left Liverpool being, that each ten of the Ten Pound Company would have a wagon, four oxen, two cows and each could take 100 pounds of luggage besides being furnished enough provisions for the journey. But we had to take twelve in a wagon and consented to reduce our extra luggage to seventy-five pounds and if possible to fifty. There was no way to hire our extra luggage taken to the Valley so we burned our boxes and extra weight. We put our clothes in sacks. The captain of the company was Jacob Gates. There were 33 wagons in the company and 400 people. . . . [p.355]

. . . We started the 12th of February and landed in Salt lake city the 30th of September 1853. It was a rough journey, taking it all in all. . . . [p.358]

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Autobiography of Peter McIntyre

Early in the spring of 1853 (February 3rd) my youngest daughter Margaret, was married to John McKellar, and having the means thanks to our Heavenly Father, we commenced making preparations for leaving our native land for the land of Zion and on March 19th 1853 embarked at Greenock at 8 p.m. on board the steamer, "Princess," and arrived at

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Liverpool at 3 p.m. on the following day. We remained there [Liverpool] until the 28th and then took passage in the sailing vessel, *Falcon*, and proceeded to sea bound for New Orleans in the U. [United] States of America, thence to Salt Lake City, Utah, the city of refuge where the house of the Lord is to be [p.28] built on top of the mountains, according to ancient prophecies; where all the seed of Abraham will be gathered, to fulfil the promise of God to our fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Therefore, I, with my wife, Margaret Baxter, my son-in-law John McKellar and his wife, my youngest daughter Margaret, and Mary, my daughter, 5 in number; Agness who married George Marshall in Greenock, and Grace, my eldest daughter being before us, having left Greenock in September 1850, consequently I leave none of my family in Babylon, but my only son Peter, my beloved son, Archibald having been murdered at the gold diggings, San Francisco, California on leaving 128 pound sterling which I duly received; the same released me and my children from Babylonish captivity. My dear son said when he sailed from Quebec as chief officer of the Barque "Rory O' More," "I will release you and my dear sisters, and have houses and land ready for you in the land of Goshen or die in the attempt."

March 29th On board the *Falcon*, sailing towards Land's End, England. The wind east by south, with a light breeze pleasant sailing, a few seasick, all the brethren and sisters appear contented, and love and unity predominate. I feel happy and admire the power of the gospel, feeling that we are baptized into one body by the Spirit.

30th Sailing in the Irish Channel, wind east, sharp breeze, ship close hauled to wind, speed 4 knots an hour; the Saints all sick, few able to go to the cook house or eat, vomiting in every corner. My daughter Mary is my best sailor, being able to eat baked cake, bread, and flour scones. John McKellar and his wife are both bedfast, also old Sister Margaret [-]. First allowance of water served this morning.

31st Last night the wind blew heavily from the southeast; a young child died and was committed to the sea today. Wind continues with heavy rain, a very disagreeable day among the Saints, all bedfast, sick, vomiting and retching on every side. Ship steering southeast. My heart is sad. I pity my brethren and especially the sisters with young children; we must be made perfect through suffering; all will work for good. At 6 p.m. it blew a gale, all the tin dishes, and many chests broke loose, the ship rolled and pitched exceedingly, chests, pots, pans, goblets, and etc., dashed from starboard to larboard; the few who could sit or hold up their heads gazed motionless upon the scene. A brother sat beside me for a considerable time apparently alarmed, rose in heart, made an effort to ascent to the deck, but knowing the danger of such an attempt, I endeavored to dissuade him from it; however, he proceeded, but was only about two minutes above, until I observed him coming towards the hatchway and missed taking hold of the steps, by a sudden roll of the ship, he came down head foremost with all the weight, and striking the deck lay motionless, while I held him by the hand and said, "He is dead!" However, he lifted his head and looked at me so pitifully that I felt grieved for him. The mate came [p.29] with three sailors and carried him aft.

April 1st Sailing in the British Channel, this day is more favorable. A boy came down the gangway and struck his head against a chest. At 5 p.m. it blew a gale. Our cook house has been broken up last night. All the Saints are bedfast cannot get a drop of hot water to make gruel, tea or coffee; it is a day to try our faith; my son-in-law, two daughters and wife are very sick; I prevailed upon the cook to make me a little gruel for them, and they were thankful for the favor.

2nd Sailing in the head of the British Channel, this day is more favorable. The ship rolled terribly all night. The Saints continued sick, many of the sisters have become weak and low-spirited. Our cook house is being repaired, and a new system of cooking established. I, with our president visited the man who fell down the after hatchway yesterday, and anointed him with oil in the name of the Lord; he is still wrapped in his bloody cloth and not washed. I brought him some jelly and flour scones and meat to nourish him.

3rd Sailing in the Atlantic, unfavorable weather, high wind from the west, the vessel rolled very badly last night, few can go on deck. A marlin spike fell out of a sailor's hand from the main mast and wounded one of the brethren; I am told that his skull is injured; a block also struck a sister in the forehead, causing blood to flow. We are all anxious for a more favorable wind.

4th Last night it blew a gale from the northwest. This morning we felt our condition very disagreeable. At 10 a.m. a Spanish Schooner hove in sight, and hoisted a signal wishing to speak to us; our ship backed her mainsail and lay to till the schooner came alongside; of course they spoke by trumpets, wishing our captain to give him the latitude as the Spaniard had lost her reckoning. He was told three times but hardly understood English. She bore away to the eastward. We had the company of a Dutch vessel this afternoon, but soon left it behind, our *Falcon* being a good ship in a heavy sea. I have not seen some of our women on deck at all as yet. Some of our stout young men require help to leave their berths.

5th Sailing in the Atlantic. A strong wind and heavy sea. Very unfavorable weather. All the Saints are still sick. Women with little children cannot lift their heads from their pillow.

6th Cross sailing, strong gale last night till 11 a.m. The mist cleared off, the sun appeared,

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the wind abated. Came two points to North. The ship sails south two points nearer our course. We are a little refreshed by the change and hope the weather will clear up and favor us, as this [p.30] is our tenth day at sea, and we fear our voyage will be tedious.

7th Sailing in the Atlantic. Wind shifted 2 points to north. The mist cleared off at 12 o'clock. Sailing due south two points off our course. The Saints are more cheerful expecting better times.

8th The wind due north. A pleasant day. Stay sails and studding sails hoisted, steering our course 8 knots an hour.

9th Strong east wind, sailing 10 knots an hour. A child 3 years old was buried in the sea this morning.

10th The vessel rolled so bad last night that the Saints were afraid of being pitched out of their berths. Sailing this day at 10 knots an hour. The sea became calm and it was a pleasant day. We held two meetings, partaking of the Lord's Supper, enjoyed a good portion of the Spirit of the Lord, testimonies were borne with great power. Two spoke in tongues, and some prophesied that the Lord would prosper us from henceforth if faithful, and all would see Zion.

11th Pleasant sailing on a calm sea at 7 knots an hour with slack sheets. The Saints are well with few exceptions, and a good spirit prevails.

12th Sailing beautifully on our course with a northeast wind, and 10 knots an hour. All the Saints cheerful. A third child buried at 10 a.m. in the great Atlantic. I rose early this morning and while leaning over the bows in meditation, we came in contact with a large shoal of porpoises; they sported all around the ship. They are a beautiful fish, though not so large as the porpoise in the Lochs of the Western Highlands of Scotland, where I used to fish for herring. The sailors tell me they are good fish for use.

13th The wind shifted last night to northwest. A pleasant day's sailing with a steady breeze, close hauled our course south by west, 7 knots an hour. We think we are nearing the West Indies.

14th Pleasant wind from the northwest, course south by west, strong sailing breeze, 9 knots an hour. The Saints all well with a few exceptions who are still suffering from seasickness. A good spirit still prevailing.

15th Still pleasant sailing. I am told that our captain intends sailing east of the West Indies to miss the heat and headwinds and it will make the voyage less by 500 miles. A warm daylight, we are only making 2 knots or 3 knots an hour. Received a week's provisions.

16th A pleasant morning, the wind changed to southeast, [p.31] light breeze, five knots an hour. All well. Omitted yesterday that we came into another shoal of porpoises; the second mate made haste to the bows with a harpoon. He hooked one, but the handle breaking he lost his prize. The porpoise here appear most beautiful, animated with life like salmon; the sailors say they are good, and will average one hundred pounds in weight. My family are all well, only Margaret a little delicate.

17th Pleasant sailing. The wind south by east. At 11 a.m. the Saints met, partook of the sacrament and bore testimony to the truth. At 4 p.m. we had a meeting on deck, enjoyed a good spirit all day, singing hymns on deck all the evening.

18th Clear sky this morning, hoisted larger sails, smart breeze south by west. Eight knots an hour. All tolerably well except a few. Margaret is still seasick. We were served with extra butter and cheese by the orders of President Samuel Bagnall over the government allowance.

19th The vessel rolled considerably this morning; smart breeze from the southwest. Heavy showers at intervals. Course southeast. At 4 p.m. the wind ceased. Heavy rain and very unpleasant.

20th Heavy rolling of the ship. At 6 a.m. the wind shifted to southeast, smart breeze, sailing 9 knots an hour till 4 p.m. As we sail a new route east of the West Indies we did not encounter the trade winds, but paid off toward the American coast and running along to New Orleans. The Saints are naturally very desirous to get upon terra firma, and will be on thorns and briers until they are. Like people who have been comfortably brought up know not the privation and danger of traveling upon sea; especially ladies who drink tea twice a day. The fourth child buried at 3 p.m.

21st A pleasant day's sailing with an east wind. 10 knots an hour all day. A clear sky and a delicious temperature. All the Saints who are well enjoy themselves.

22nd A profitable night's sailing till 8 a.m. when black clouds gathered. The wind shifted to southwest. It blew a gale with showers. Our good ship pitched and rolled, causing a few relapses and sea sickness, the most part in those who had become weak and pale.

23rd The ship rolled dreadfully all night, and all this day is logging and rolling, no wind to

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steady her. A brother from London was handcuffed by the mate last night but the captain ordered the irons to be taken off him this morning. He is confined in the storeroom. The poor fellow is possessed by evil spirits. He is married and has two fine boys.

24th A very pleasant day with the wind right ahead. [p.32] We held our sacrament meeting at 11 a.m. Evening meeting on deck at 4 p.m. Prophesied that our brother would be dispossessed of the evil spirits by fasting and anointing and laying on of hands. This was partially attended to. The captain had given him laudanum, and that might have been the cause of him sleeping and resting so well.

25th A pleasant day, a light breeze, still unfavorable for a speedy voyage, a salubrious atmosphere. The Saints generally are in good spirits. The provisions are getting to be very poor, the oatmeal and sugar especially. The English brethren cannot eat bulgur or use oatmeal, consequently they are at a great loss.

26th The ship rolled heavily this morning. At 1 p.m. a squall commenced with heavy showers and it continued until 9 p.m. The ship running under reefed topsails. The poor brother possessed by evil spirits appears to be no better.

27th A light wind. Ship's speed five knots an hour. A pleasant day. I feel my body greatly reduced and my health impaired since I left Greenock. All my brethren seem to be in a similar condition. Our rations are old and tasteless, and there is no nourishment in them. The old people feel it especially.

28th Pleasant day. Sailing with a light breeze all day. We held meeting at 4 p.m. to worship and bear testimony. There are good spirits as well as evil ones in our midst. I missed a sovereign last night.

29th A favorable wind, light breeze. A squabble occurred last night between the chief mate and the men; two of them were handcuffed, but were liberated by the captain.

30th Still a favorable wind, but made very little sail during the heat of the day. We fear that our voyage will be tedious as the season is so far advanced; but our Father is all powerful and will not leave us if we do right.

May 1st,-Sunday- The wind favorable this day. Met at 11 a.m. to celebrate the Lord's Supper and bear testimony. Preaching on deck at 4 p.m. The Spirit of God is still refreshing. We feel to rejoice as we are the 9th shipload that has left Britain or Babylon this season, and there is no more coming after us.

2nd Still a favorable fine dog wind northeast. Sailing 8 knots an hour. We encountered a large shoal of porpoises. The harpoon was brought into action, but none were captured. We expect to land tomorrow, as it five weeks this day since we left Liverpool or 35 days. [p.33]

3rd A sharp breeze right aft. Speed 10 knots an hour. If we are favored by a continuation of this breeze, our voyage will be accomplished this week.

4th We had a strong squall last night continuing till two this morning. We passed a small island at 4 a.m. Saw the lighthouse. I am told it is a barren island called Bacon's. Light breeze this day right aft. We hope to be in New Orleans on Monday the 8th inst. Saw a few flying fish this morning. They look as if they were made of silver when the sun is bright. At 8 p.m. it rained heavily and incessantly with thunder and lightning. Passed some coral rocks called Isaresac.

5th Excessively hot. Becalmed. A light breeze. At 6 p.m. we were much amused by some large porpoises. The same kind as are in my own land upon the herring fishing lochs, they floated on the surface of the water within forty yards of the vessel. Firearms were produced and several shots fired at them without effect, at which the porpoises made off.

6th A pleasant day with a light breeze right aft. Sailing six knots an hour, steering due south to avoid the Gulf of Florida. A week's provisions served out. Light winds which will make our voyage longer than we expected. Sailing along by a reef of coral rocks lying east of the Bahama Islands; excessively hot, the pitch boiling out of the seams of the deck. Two days of ordinary sailing would bring us to New Orleans, but the light breeze and the current against us we make but little progress; patience and perseverance will overcome every difficulty.

7th Smart breeze right aft. Met at 11 a.m. to partake of the Sacrament. At 4 p.m. a preaching meeting on deck.

8th Very, very hot; no wind to carry the ship on. We are still 400 miles from the Bar to New Orleans.

9th Hot, hot, excessively hot. Not a breath of wind to hold the sails from the masts. My wife, Margaret, is raging among the Saints, ridiculing me and my daughters. This is nothing new. It is hard to be falsely accused before strangers, though many will not believe her, but will see the bad spirit she has. Poor woman, I am grieved for her own sake.

10th A dead calm and another fearfully hot day; the current still unfavorable.

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11th Slight breeze north and a clear sky. Still very hot day, course northwest.

12th Very light breeze when the sun went down. The Saints are becoming anxious as the season is so far advanced. Some of our sisters, especially the English. I wonder how they will perform the journey through the mountains.

13th We had a light breeze last night, enough to hold the cloth [p.34] from the masts. Held a concert till 11 p.m. The captain was much pleased with the comic songs. The moon shone brightly and all were cheerful.

14th Light breeze. Still 100 miles from the bar. The dolphins are numerous. Walter, a Greenock sailor of the fore-chains hooked a large one by the Lida Sister though he could not hold him, having bad footing, therefore it fell off. The dolphins are animated with great life and strength. I am sorry the poor fellow lost his prey.

15th The wind blew a smart breeze last night at 12 o'clock and continued all this day. Expect to arrive at the Bar and enter the river soon. Held our meeting as usual and a good spirit prevailed.

16th Seven weeks this day left Liverpool. We hope to be in Mississippi River this night. A moderate breeze, the color of the water is changed to a light green. I, with all my brethren, am very anxious to obtain a footing on solid ground.

17th The Pilot boat boarded us at 1 p.m. a steamtug came and lashed to the ship *Falcon* at 2 p.m. Hoisted a signal for a second steam tug to take us across the bar. Crossed the bar at 5 p.m. and proceeded up the river. Took a light barque on the starboard side of steamer.

18th All joyful, gazing upon the scenery and the beauty of the "Father of Rivers," and the sugar and cotton plantations. Arrived within three miles of the wharf and hove anchor.

19th Very hot. The steamer towed us into the wharf at 11 a.m. and we soon trod on the promised land for the first time. Traveled to the Post Office, and as I expected a letter from my son, but found none. Exceedingly hot. Orders for all the chests to be on deck early, ready to be shipped in the steambot bound for St. Louis.

20th Commenced hoisting chests and luggage. I wrought till all wet with perspiration the day being so very hot. Went ashore with my wife at 12 noon, met Curry, a sailor from Greenock, went into a saloon and was treated by him, drank and ate a comfortable dinner, which we needed very much. Before I returned all of our chests were aboard of the steambot. My son-in-law, John McKellar, was at a loss not knowing what had become of us. I did not think the steamer would be so early.

21st Lay all day at the wharf till 6 p.m. Brother McGregor fell through or between this and the next steamer and was drowned. I was not aboard at the time, but I am sorry to say that drunkenness was the cause. A light-headed youth sang three comic songs the night of the Soiree on board the *Falcon*. Left the wharf at 6 p.m. on our way to St. Louis.

22nd Stemming the current up this great river, beholding [p.35] the luxuriant trees and foliage on the right and left of the great Mississippi; the huts of slaves and a few neat cottages possessed by slave holders. We consider ourselves in a new world, but know that Great Britain is the seat of slavery, that one white slave works more in one day than 4 black slaves, with less to support his body, as his wages there will not afford, because I know that I wrought many days upon bread and water, doing the work of 5 black slaves and traveled 5 miles, to work for 1/8 per day, to support my family of eight, and meal at 1/8 the small peck.

23rd Stemming the current by steam power; a sultry morning, cleared off with a fine cool breeze from the north. In looking at the grand and beautiful stream, I thought of the power of our Father's work of creation. We gain ten miles an hour. Take in wood morning and evening.

24th Still plying against the stream. This is Queen Victoria's birthday. My God will remove your diadem and take off your crown, your power will be as the potsherd and King Messiah will as with an iron rod pound all your scepters. All you kings and queens of Babylon. Come Lord, our King, come quickly is my prayer. Thou knowest what I suffered from oppression and hard labor for a morsel of bread after my sore travel, hunger and thirst in the Peninsular War. My cry to thee, Oh, Lord, is remember the cry of the poor and fulfil thy promise, destroy them who have oppressed the hireling and kept back their wages by fraud.

25th Sailing upon the river, the landscape is beautiful and pleasant. We are 400 miles from St. Louis. Called at Memphis, Tennessee.

26th A cool bright day. 200 miles from St. Louis. We expect to be there late tonight or early in the morning. I hope to meet my daughter Grace in peace. Mrs. Smith brought me my saws and hammers that I thought were lost, as I could not find them aboard of the steamer, and was sorry at the loss of them.

27th Arrived at St. Louis at 4 a.m. Had our breakfast at Brother Idows house, 127 Market

Street. My daughter Grace came in while we were at breakfast with large earrings showing that she was tinged with the spirit of pride more than the spirit of humility. Poor girl, I hope she will yet repent. I fear she lost the spirit of truth. I traveled through this great den, saw several of my old brethren, some who were elders, enjoying themselves among the flesh pots of sin, and had forgotten the covenants they had made with their God. They tried all in their power to detain me, but I left the town at 5 p.m. for Keokuk, where our people are in camp 200 miles above St. Louis.

28th Sailing to Keokuk had a miserable night. Laid down late in a berth to rest. My wife's shawl and a bottle of whiskey we got as a gift from Sister McCallum were stolen [p.36] by a gang of fiends; I reported the theft to the steward, only the shawl was dropped and recovered. We landed at Keokuk at 6 p.m. and slept in a large stone house.

29th Although it was Sunday all our luggage was carted to camp with no mention of the Sabbath. I am busy in the wood line, cutting a tent pole and making tent pins, and pitching my tent. As Brother McKellar and my daughter are left at St. Louis I have no help. Dead times back again; this night I sleep in my tent like my fathers in ancient times.

30th Keokuk Camp by the great "Father of Rivers." I took a look upon this goodly land and remember the poor and oppressed scattered in the barren wilderness. I feel truly thankful to the Lord, I enjoy a tolerable good measure of health, and pray that God will gather his people from the four corners of the Earth unto Zion.

31st Still in camp, gathering wood and musing upon the banks of the river, very anxious that y daughters would come up from St. Louis, as a part of the Saints expect to move tomorrow to Sugar Creek, and I wish to go there also.

June 1st Still musing and gathering wood. Received my wagon this day. I cannot leave with those that are going as I have received none of my oxen yet.

2nd Staying in camp at Keokuk. Changeable weather; heavy showers of rain with thunder and lightning every night.

3rd Still roving on the banks of the Mississippi in appearance of moving forward. Brother Syon started out for Sugar Creek, I could not go with him as I want my oxen.

4th Very hot indeed at noon, though cool in the morning and evening. A few of the Saints intend to remain here, or go back to St. Louis, being faithless of accomplishing the journey.

5th- Sunday- Meeting at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. A few of the Keokuk people stood and listened quietly. A Jewish preacher in the evening in the camp, he advanced many true ideas of the condition of Christendom, and of the kingdom of God being established without delay; he also had many erroneous ideas as well.

6th Had heavy rain again last night with thunder and lightning. Many are in doubt whether to go backward or forward; human nature is weak. Lord, strengthen thou me, that I may endure to the end of this journey.

7th Still very changeable weather. Some of our elders are reported to have become tired of Mormonism, and intend to remain here.

8th Heavy showers and cold at night, but very hot at noon. [p.37]

9th Our milk kine came this day, but I got none, although I was to have 2 cows, 2 yoke of oxen and 1 wagon for forty pounds sterling; I pay three pounds, six shillings over and get no cow, as the price of cattle has advanced owing to the extra demand. They take advantage of the Mormons. I received my oxen this day, and they appear to be good and accustomed to the yoke. I expect to leave Keokuk soon. My dear girls, with John McKellar, my son-in-law arrived tonight from St. Louis, I was greatly pleased and very thankful.

10th Tremendous storm with the most awful thunder and lightning last night. I have never before seen anything to equal it. I had a very peculiar dream last night of my daughter Agnes. (George Marshall's wife.) I am preparing to leave here tomorrow.

11th We left Keokuk at 8 a.m. . . [p.38]

. . . After leaving Kanesville we traveled to North Ferry and crossed the Missouri River. Traveled under Brother Shurtliffe with 18 wagons, 1,00 miles to Salt Lake City. . .

. . . We arrived in Salt Lake City on Sept. 22nd 1853 and camped on the Public Square. . . [p.40]

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Cornelius Bagnall Emigrating Company

James Jack, Secretary

Liverpool, Bramley Moore Dock on board the *Falcon* March 25th 1853. Friday evening past 7 o'clock.

Meeting called to order by President [Cornelius] Bagnall. Hymn sung "Come, Come Ye Saints," etc.

Prayer by President [Cornelius] Bagnall.

The president then said that the reason this meeting was called was to get their sanction to the appointments that Brother S.[Samuel] W. Richards had made and as they all knew that it was necessary that some should be appointed to take charge of this company he would leave it with this meeting to give their approval or disapproval of Brother Samuel's appointments.

It was then moved by Elder James McNaughton seconded by William Ross that Elder Cornelius Bagnall should take the presidency of this company to the Great Salt Lake Valley. Carried unanimously.

President Bagnall then moved that Elders James McNaughton and James Caffall should be his counselors, seconded by James Curray, carried unanimously.

President Bagnall then said that it would be necessary that they should have a clerk to take minutes of all their proceedings and he should move that Priest James Jack should be appointed. Seconded by Elder James McNaughton. Carried unanimously. President Bagnall then said, "Brethren and sisters [p. 1] I realize the high and important station to which I am called and of myself I am weak yet by the strength of God and of my brethren which have been appointed with me along with you, my brethren and sisters being united together we shall be able to preserve order and harmony all the way and I would just say to the brethren take no undue liberties with the sisters, and you sisters live humble and pure before God and I shall be watching over you all the time and if I should see any indecent conduct in any of you brethren or sisters I care not who they may be I shall reprove it and that perhaps sharper than you would like. I do not wish that any iniquity should be in our midst but that the Spirit of God should be with us all the time and I shall have to make some other appointment but as it is getting late I shall dismiss the meeting at present as we shall have plenty of time afterwards. Hymn was then sung, "Guide us O Thou Great Jehovah" &c.

Prayer by Elder James McNaughton.

Saturday March 26th, 3 o'clock afternoon. The clerk was instructed to get the names of all the priesthood on board with the different offices which they [p. 2] held and to call a council meeting at past 4 o'clock. Council met past 4 o'clock when President Bagnall said the reason he had called this meeting was to know what number of his brethren had the priesthood of God upon them and he was pleased to see such a number of his brethren that had been accounted worthy to receive the priesthood of God, that they might counsel together and devise measures for the comfort of all the Saints on board and that his great desire was to take up this people to Zion with the Spirit of God always with them that they might be free from all iniquity and that when we reach the land of Zion we may stand before the heads of the Church blameless.

Elder Curtis E. Bolton came into the meeting at this time and being called upon to speak said that he always rejoiced in meeting with the Saints of God and that we had a first rate company on board and prophesied in the name of Israel's God that if we lived faithful and prayerful before God we should have a very short passage and that the winds should be in our favor all the way.

President Bagnall then said that he wished to establish a time for calling upon the Lord in prayer and for public worship on Sabbath and he wished some of the brethren to state their feelings [p. 3] on the subject when several of the brethren spoke. And it was moved by President Bagnall, seconded by Elder James McNaughton that the Saints rise at 6 o'clock and that 7 o'clock he appointed for calling on the Lord in prayer. It was also moved by President Bagnall, seconded by Elder James Caffall that we hold public worship twice on Sabbath and that the hours for the present be from 11 o'clock till 1 o'clock and from 5 o'clock till 7 o'clock when it was carried unanimously. Moved by President Bagnall, seconded by Elder James Caffall that there be no cooking on Sabbath but that the cook supply us twice with boiling water, carried unanimously. Moved by Elder James McNaughton, seconded by President Bagnall that Elder James Caffall and myself go round the berths and appoint some of the young brethren to carry the meat from the passengers to the cook, get it cooked and carry it down to them, again carried.

Saturday evening March 26, 8 o'clock. Meeting called to order for prayer by President Bagnall. Hymn sung, "Come Let Us Sing" and evening hymn, etc. Prayer by President Bagnall. Elder James McNaughton then instructed them about the meetings to be held tomorrow. [p. 4] Baptism, Name--Arthur Thornton Parish of Maybole, County of Air Scotland. Born 19th May 1838. Baptized 26 March 1853 by Elder William Aird. Confirmed by Elder Bagnall, McNaughton, & Caffall.

Sabbath morning March 27th, 7 o'clock. Meeting called to order for Prayer by President Bagnall. Hymn sung, "Lord in the Morning Thou Shall Hear" &c. Prayer by Elder James

Caffall.

Sabbath forenoon 11 o'clock. Meeting called to order by Elder James McNaughton. Hymn sung, "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken." Prayer by Elder James McNaughton. Hymn sung, "Come All Ye Sons of God Who Have Received the Priesthood." President Bagnall then said, brethren & sisters we have met this morning under circumstances that I never met under before and I am happy to see the spirit that prevails amongst you. We are the children of God and we have to work out our own salvation with fear and trembling. When we read the Old Testament and see what the children of Israel in days of old had to go through before they could obtain salvation, how they were called to leave the land of Egypt and travel through the wilderness to the Land of Promise and when we see them [p. 5] at the Red Sea encompassed by the Egyptians on the one hand and the sea on the other how they were delivered by the power of God and they were bound to acknowledge that salvation was from the Lord, yet when we find them traveling through the wilderness when their food was getting done how they murmured and repined against the Lord, and how they would have slain their leader had not the Spirit of God been round about him, how that the Lord sent then manna from heaven and that they ate even angel's food and they were again led to acknowledge that salvation was from the Lord yet, after all his manifestations to them, how they murmured and complained against him, but brethren & sisters we are not to be like the Israelites of old. We are called to leave the land of our nativity and go to a land that God has set apart for the gathering of his people, that they may escape his judgment which he is to pour out upon the wicked and those who will not obey the gospel and if we get trials to endure, let us not murmur but let us hear them like Saints of the most high God. We have obeyed the principles of life and salvation, so far and it is only through [p. 6] suffering that we can be made perfect, but let us, brethren & sisters, have faith in God and he will bless us. If you see a child that has faith in his father and does all things that he is told and looks unto him and has his affections and confidence concentrated in him will not that father bless his child? Yes, verily, brethren & sisters he will. How much more so then will our Heavenly Father bless us if we have confidence in him and live humble before him and keep his commandments. Do not look at our trials brethren & sisters as a great mountain that we cannot get over but just look at them as we used to do when we went a-courting. It did not matter whether it rained or snowed or anything else we were prepared to go through every trial for the joy that was before us enabled us to surmount all difficulties. So brethren & sisters, let the joy and happiness which we expect to find when we reach the land of Zion bring us up above all thing that we may have to pass through and the power and Spirit of God shall be with us all the time, and my prayer is brethren and sisters that the Spirit of God may be continually in our midst and that love and harmony may be with us all the time even so amen. [p. 7] Elder Richard Atwood being then called upon to speak said that he had listened with great pleasure to the words that had flowed from the lips of his brother, their president and he had faith and confidence in him and exhorted the Saints to listen to his instructions and counsel at all times and he would lead us in the way of life and truth, and brethren & sisters we are entering as it were into a new existence, and if we have trials let me say in the words of Elder Taylor, God sends us a double portion of them that we may be purified and made fit to inherit Celestial Glory. We are standing on the vessel that is to convey us from the shores of Babylon to the happy land of Zion and may we be enabled to endure all trials and sufferings that we have to pass through is my prayer in the name of Jesus Christ Amen.

Hymn Sung "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow." Prayer by Elder James Caffall. Sabbath evening 5 o'clock. Meeting called to order by President Bagnall. Hymn sung, "Oh Happy Home, Oh Best Abode." Prayer by Elder Joseph Addage. Hymn again sung, "Earth is the Place Where God Shall Reign." [p. 8]

Elder James McNaughton being called upon to speak said, brethren and sisters, as I am called upon to address you I desire that the Spirit of God may be with me and that you may extend your faith and prayers in my behalf that I may be led to speak upon things which may be appropriate on the present occasion. I was much pleased with the remarks of our president in the forenoon and thank and praise God that we have such a man to preside over us, and brethren & sisters let us uphold him not only in our faith and prayers but also by our works. Let us one and all cooperate with him and give heed unto his counsels and instructions and we shall reach our desired haven in peace. And brethren and sisters in order that no disease may get amongst us we will require strictly to observe the principle of cleanliness and we trust that this principle will be strictly observed by you all, for you are all aware that the Spirit of God will not dwell in unclean tabernacles and we wish to retain that spirit with us all the time, and as we have established a time for calling upon the Lord in prayer we wish all to attend to that. The sisters in some cases are to be excused where they have a number of children to attend to, but if the brethren and husbands have the Spirit of God they can infuse that [p. 9] spirit into their wives and children so that all may go on in peace and harmony together and my sincere prayer is that you may abound in all good things in the name of Jesus, amen.

Elder James Caffall being called upon rose and said brethren & sisters being called upon by our president I arise to address you but if I had my own way of it and according to my own feelings I would rather have sat and heard some of the rest of the brethren address you. Yet I have learned to be obedient to those that are over me, and not my will but theirs be done. And brethren and sisters, it is only through this great principle that ever we can be exalted in the Kingdom of God. I have been 8 years in this church 4 years of which I

have traveled and proclaimed this gospel and exhorted the Saints by precept to gather up to Zion. And all the time I have prayed that I might be enabled to show them by example and the time has come. Thanks and praise unto God when I can show them example as well as precept, and brethren and sisters, if we want a quick passage we must observe cleanliness and good order in order that the Lord may bless us and when we get to Zion and there receive some of our [p. 10] privileges we will be amply repaid for all the trials and sufferings that we may have to wade through and if we are determined to be happy and go through everything that may come in our way why, we will just have power to do it. We have men here who hold the oracles of God and in a measure the keys of heaven and if we live humble they will just have power to open the heavens and shower down blessings upon us. And I want that when we read the Star [MEANING THE MILLENNIAL STAR] in years to come that we can read that this company went up to Zion first rate, and exhorted the Saints not to murmur but to keep their spirits in subjection to them and that the husbands should look after their children and not let them in the way of the Sailors but that all might be peace and harmony on board. And my prayer is that you may be blessed and that the winds may be in our favor to waft us to the happy shores of Zion in the name of Jesus Christ Amen.

Hymn. "Be It My Only Wisdom Here," etc. Prayer by Elder James McNaughton.

Monday morning March 28th, 7 o'clock. Meeting called to order by President Bagnall. Hymn sung, "The Morning Breaks the Shadows Flee." Prayer by President Bagnall. [p. 11] Monday 1/4 past 10 o'clock we left the Bramley Moore Dock. The Saints singing "The Shepherds Have Raised Their Sweet Warning Voice" &c. "Guide Us Oh Thou Great Jehovah" &c "Come, Come Ye Saints no toil nor labor fear" &c. "Behold the Mountain of the Lord" &c. At 2 o'clock we got out to sea when all the names of the passengers on board were called over, and then was one of the name of Edward Gardner who was amissing. He has got 2 boxes on board the *Falcon*.

Monday Evening 1/4 to 8 o'clock. Meeting called to order for prayer by President Bagnall. Hymn sung, "Glory to the My God This Night." Prayer by Elder James Caffall. Monday evening 1/4 past 8 o'clock married on board by Elder James McNaughton: William Lloyd, born Karmarthen, Wales, August 9th 1823 to Ann Thomas, Monmouth shire, Wales, born 24 May 1831.

Tuesday morning March 29, 1853, 7 o'clock meeting called to order for prayer by Elder James McNaughton. Hymn sung, "Wak'd From My Bed of Slumber Sweet." Prayer by Elder James McNaughton.

Tuesday forenoon 11 o'clock married on board the *Falcon* by Elder James McNaughton: William Burton, born Staffordshire, England, 30 May 1832 to Elisabeth Peat, born Worster, England, 16th August 1832. [p. 12] At the same time by Elder James McNaughton: George Summers [Somers] born Herefordshire, England, 24 May 1831 to Mary Ann Gittins, born Herefordshire England 15 August 1833. Hymn sang, "O Lord Do Thou in Heaven Seal" &c.

Tuesday 2 o'clock. The passengers got provisions sent out to them of tea, sugar, & pork.

Tuesday evening past 7 o'clock meeting called to order for prayer by President Bagnall. Hymn sung, "Redeemer of Israel our only delight." Prayer by Elder William Ross.

President Bagnall then exhorted the Saints not to on deck to make a noise after 8 o'clock as the sailors went to bed at that time. But that the captain was favorable and would allow them the privilege of the deck to hold their meetings on Sabbath and that he would do himself the pleasure to come and hear them. He had also been speaking to him about the provisions as some of the Saints had come to him with complaints that they had not got the quantity allowed them, and the captain said that he thought it wisdom not to give them over flush at the beginning as they might make a long voyage of it for anything that he knew, and in that case they [p. 13] might come off short in the end, but that it did not matter a fig to him as he held in his possession an order from S.W. Richards to deliver up all the provisions that was over when they arrived at New Orleans to the passengers. President Bagnall also said that he wished 2 elders to take turns of watching below all night, as they would have lamps burning all the time and that he wished them to see that the Saints kept their beds and that decency and decorum was observed amongst them. Elders James McNaughton and James Caffall then went round the ship and appointed stewards for a certain number of berths to see that the passengers got their meat cooked regularly.

Wednesday morning Mar. 30th 1853. Water served out to the passengers at 7 o'clock. Nothing particular occurred today, prayers at past 7 o'clock evening.

Thursday morning Mar. 31st 1853. Water served out to the passengers at 6 o'clock. At 7 o'clock meeting called to order for prayer by Elder James McNaughton. Hymn sung, "The Morning Breaks the Shadows Flee." Prayer by President Bagnall. [p. 14]

At 1/4 to 6 o'clock morning the child of William and Sarah Steward died aged 14 months old, parents: Kendal Branch of the Preston Conference. The child's name is Isabella. She was put overboard near the mouth of the Irish Channel at 20 minutes to 12 o'clock same

day.

Thursday evening past 7 o'clock meeting called to order for prayer by Elder James McNaughton. Hymn sung, "Guide Us Oh Thou Great Jehovah." Prayer by Elder James McNaughton. About 8 o'clock a man of the name of Richard Meredeth [Meredith] from the Herefordshire Conference fell down the hatchway of the ship and got his head severely cut and otherwise bruised. The sea has been very rough today and the wind is against us. Mostly all of the passengers sick.

Friday morning April 1st 1853. Meeting called to order for prayer at 7 o'clock by President Bagnall. Hymn sung, "Awake My Soul and With the Sun." Prayer by President Bagnall. Afternoon the passengers were served with oat and flour meal, rice and biscuit.

Evening meeting called to order for prayer by President Bagnall. Hymn sung, "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow." Prayer by Elder Rich Atwood. [POSSIBLY, Ro. Harrison Atwood] [p. 15]

Saturday morning April 2nd, 1853. Meeting called to order for prayer by President Bagnall. Hymn sung, "Glorious Things Are Sung of Zion." Prayer by President Bagnall.

Afternoon passengers were served with (each) 1 pounds butter, 1 pound cheese, pint of vinegar being part of the provisions provided by S.W. Richards over and above the ship's allowance.

Evening meeting called for prayer by President Bagnall. Hymn sung, "Let Us Pray Gladly Pray" &c. Prayer by Elder William Stewart. The sea still very rough winds always against us.

Sabbath Morning April 3rd, 1853. Water served out to the passengers at 7 o'clock. At 11 o'clock forenoon council meeting called by President Bagnall.

Counsel met when President Bagnall said that he wished to make more proper arrangements about cooking the provisions and in preserving cleanliness as a feeling of disaffection prevailed amongst some of the brethren and that several complaints had been made to him about partiality being shown to the Scotch Brethren and he wished to get the wisdom of his brethren upon the subject [p. 16] that they might devise the best measures for giving satisfaction to all. Some of the brethren then made complaints about not getting things cooked for their dinner in time and so forth. When Elder James McNaughton said that he was a Scotchman but that he would feel ashamed of murmuring about such trifles and of giving a description about how his family had been used, and that they did not come here to speak about the past but to make the best arrangements for the present and future and exhorted them to cultivate the Spirit of God so that love and unity might be in our midst and that if ever a feeling of disaffection came into their bosoms to quash it at once and give it no room there, that we might have power with God and that he might hear and answer our prayers that the winds and waves might be in our favor.

After hearing the brethren' minds upon the subject it was moved by President Bagnall, seconded by Elder James Caffall, that the ship be divided into 6 wards, 3 on the one side of the vessel and 3 on the other, carried. Moved by President Bagnall seconded by Elder James McNaughton, that one elder be appointed for each ward and that he may have power to call as many more as he may think [p. 17] necessary to assist him. Moved by President Bagnall that Elders William Walker, William Davis [Davies], and Richard Atwood be appointed presidents of the first, second and third wards and that Elders John Vest, James Muir and Hugh Priestly [Prestley] be appointed presidents of the fourth, fifth and sixth wards, seconded by Elder James McNaughton carried. Moved by President Bagnall, seconded by William Stewart that the provisions be all cooked together as much as possible that all the Saints be served with their meals about the same time, carried. President Bagnall then said that he would leave it with those who had been appointed over the different wards to arrange amongst themselves what they thought best should be cooked on the different days and exhorted them to instill into the hearts of the Saints the Spirit of God so that they might live in peace and unity one with the other.

Elder William Davis [Davies] then moved that President Bagnall with his two counselors be exempt from all other duties but counseling together for the comfort of the Saints and that the other appointed see that all their instructions are carried into effect. Seconded by Elder William Walker, carried. [p. 18]

The meeting was then dismissed by prayer by Elder James Caffall. The presidents of the different wards then counseled together and it was agreed by them that hot water should be served out in the morning at 8 o'clock to all who wanted it every day and also in the evening and that those who wanted oatmeal cooked should get it done immediately after, and that on Monday a general dinner of rice should be cooked together, and that on Tuesday oatmeal should be cooked for dinner, and on Wednesday pork and potatoes, and on Thursday rice again and on Friday oatmeal and again on Saturday pork and potatoes and that the same order should be observed on Sabbath. As before nothing but warm water twice a day.

It was also agreed by them that all should have an equal privilege that they should begin with No. 1 ward on Monday and No. 2 ward on Tuesday and so on all the week with all the

cooking that should be done besides the arrangement made for dinner. It was also thought wisdom by them that all the baking that had to be fired in the ovens should be done for the one side of the vessel the one day and that the other side should get the privilege the next, that there might be general [p. 19] satisfaction in all the ship.

Sabbath evening 6 o'clock. Meeting called to order by Richard Atwood. Hymn sung, "Be it My Only Wisdom Here" & c. Prayer by Elder Richard Atwood.

President Bagnall then said, "Brethren and sisters, I do not intend to preach to you tonight as we have no convenience and can scarcely stand with the heaving of the vessel but only he wished to let them know some of the arrangement they had made this forenoon for their comfort. He then instructed them in regard to the appointments that had been made and exhorted them to give heed unto the instructions of those that had been placed over them that peace and comfort might be in their midst and that the blessings of God might rest amongst them. As yet the winds have been against us but are we in a state to receive blessings. Jesus Christ says, "if ye are not one ye are not mine." Well, we have not been one but a feeling of dissatisfaction has prevailed amongst us but brethren and sisters, let us be determined from this time henceforth to be united that the winds may be changed in our favor and that we may be speedily wafted to our [p. 20] desired haven which is my sincere prayer in the name of Jesus Christ, amen. Prayer by Elder James McNaughton. Sabbath evening past 7 o'clock.

Meeting called for prayer in three different parts of the vessel, 2 wards joining together.

Monday morning April 4th 1853. Meetings called to order for prayer at 7 o'clock by the different presidents of the wards. In the forenoon the clerk was called upon to make a minute in regard to James McGregor who had refused to obey counsel inasmuch as he was desired by Elder Hugh Priestly [Prestley], president of the 6th Ward of the vessel to assist in carrying out the resolutions adopted by the council of the 3rd instant. And inasmuch as James McGregor from the Glasgow Conference was appointed by the president of his ward to assist in carrying provisions to and from the cook to the passengers and in emptying the slop pails, refused to do it, he was asked his reason, and the one he gave was that it was too mean and degrading for any man to do such things. His president exhorted him if he wished to be exalted in the Kingdom of God he had got to be humble, but he [p. 21.] [WRITTEN IN LARGE WORDS ACROSS THE PAGE, James McGregor has since repented and acted in his office] said he would not do it but that he would act upon his own agency and responsibility. Evening prayers in the different wards as usual. The sea is still very rough, winds contrary to us, but the Saints in general are better of seasickness.

Tuesday, April 5, 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening in the different wards as usual. Nothing particular occurred today but a general feeling of harmony prevailed, there are more order on board and a feeling of unity is more manifested amongst the Saints.

Wednesday April 6th 1853. Meetings for prayer as usual morning and evening. The winds are more favorable today and the sea much calmer.

Thursday April 7th, 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening.

Remarks, At 9 o'clock all the passengers were called to come on deck by the captain of the ship. Orders that they might secure the hatchways of the vessel properly so that no smell might come from the hold. Afterwards all the boxes were lifted by the different stewards and the [p. 22] place below all properly cleaned and washed out. In the evening Richard Meredith who got his head cut was quite insensible and had to be tied to keep him in his bed. He has been very badly attended to. The conduct of his wife and son towards him has been quite disgraceful.

Friday April 8th, 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening as usual.

Remarks. The winds are still favorable to us. Provisions were served out to the passengers of oat and flour meal, rice, biscuit, pork, sugar, tea and salt.

Saturday April 9th, 1853. Meeting for prayer morning and evening. Remarks. Died at 20 minutes past 5 o'clock morning the child of Hendry [Henry] and Emma Elisabeth Kendal, [Kendall] from the Newburgh Branch of the Reading Conference. The child was born in May 1850, and his name was Richard Fredrick Kendal [Kendall]. Put overboard at 30 minutes past 7 o'clock same morning. Prayer at the time by Elder James McNaughton, ship in latitude 45.4 longitude 15. - Forenoon the clerk was instructed by President to call a council meeting of all the priesthood on board at 4 o'clock. [p. 23] Council met at 4 o'clock when the meeting was opened by singing the hymn, "Come All Ye Sons of God" &c. Prayer by Elder James Caffall.

President Bagnall then said, brethren, I am happy in being again privileged to meet you in council and I can say that we are better than we were last meeting but still there is room for improvement. There is some little things amongst us that ought not to exist. I have heard certain complaints about things being amissing. I will will [SIC] not take upon me to say that there are any dishonesty amongst us but this I will say that they are either lost, strayed or stolen. But as we are so confined for room they may have been mislaid or knocked about and probably will cast up some day or other yet. But Brethren I wish to lay

before you some things that are on my mind. I thought of organizing a school for the children and as we have got the cloth for the tents on board which I would like to see commenced too as soon as possible, I thought that if the school did no more good than keeping the children out of the way for 3 or 4 hours every day it would always be so much gained. Several of the brethren spoke their feelings on the subject when it was moved by Elder William Davis, seconded, Elder James McNaughton that a school [p. 24] be organized and that the hours be from 10 till 12 forenoon and from 2 till 4 afternoon. Elder William Aird was then appointed to take charge of the school and Elder Hendry [Henry] John and Teacher John Bagnall to assist him and that they commence their labors on Monday first.

President Bagnall said that he would like to see the tents commenced too on Monday likewise and that Elder William Ross would take the charge of them as he had received some instructions concerning them as well as he himself and that he would keep a book and enter down the names of all who wished to help in making them and what they had done. Some of the brethren then made remarks about one or two of the sisters that had been seen on deck communicating with the sailors after they should have been in beds. When President Bagnall said that if the like should occur again let the parties be noted and brought to books and let all the Saints be told that there is no allowance for anyone to be on deck after 9 o'clock.

Elder James Caffall said that he would like to see a testimony meeting through the week as he thought it would do good and assist the Saints to keep the Spirit of God more amongst them.

President Bagnall said that he would leave that to the 6 elders that had been appointed over the [p. 25] different wards and also the meetings on Sabbath, that they might counsel together and arrange amongst themselves what they thought would be best for the comfort and edification of the Saints. The sacrament of the Lord's supper was then spoke about and if it was possible to get it dispensed on Sabbath first. The meeting was then dismissed by President Bagnall. It was then agreed amongst the different presidents of the wards that there should be meetings on Sabbath at each end of the vessel that No. 1, 5, 6, wards meet at one end with Elder William Walker as their president and that No. 2, 3, 4, wards meet at the other, with Elder Richard Atwood as their president.

Sabbath April 10th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening as usual. At 11 o'clock forenoon meeting was called to order by Elder William Walker. Hymn sung, "Twas On That Dark and Solemn Night." Prayer by W. Walker. The sacrament was then administered by Elder James McNaughton and James Muir when Elder Walker said brethren & sisters you have again made a covenant to serve God and to love one another, and exhorted the Saints to obedience in all things as that was one great principle whereby we should be exalted in the Kingdom of God. That wives should be obedient to their husbands [p. 26] and that children should be obedient to their parents and let us all be obedient to those that are placed over us that peace and harmony should be in our midst and that the blessing of God may be with us.

President Bagnall was then called upon to speak when he said, brethren and sisters I have rejoiced much in your midst this forenoon and in the remarks that have fallen from the lips of my brother, we often pray that the Kingdom of God may come & that his will may be done on earth as it is in heaven. My brother has been teaching you some of the principles that if you put them in practice will bring about this great and happy result. As you honor God and his servants so God will honor you for the blessings of God comes through his priesthood which he has upon the earth and brethren and sisters, let us cultivate a spirit of order for this is the hinge that heaven turns upon and without order no Kingdom of God can ever exist worlds without end and my prayer is that the blessing of God may rest richly upon you that you may be preserved in health and strength and that the destroyer may have no power over you. I crave this for you in connection with myself in the name of Jesus Christ, amen. Hymn sung, "Come All Ye Sons of God" &c. Prayer by Elder James Muir.

Sabbath 4 o'clock meeting was called to order by [p. 27] Elder William Walker. Hymn sung "The Morning Breaks the Shadows Flee." &c. Prayer by Elder James Muir. The meeting was then addressed by Elders William Walker and James McNaughton upon their duties to their God and to one another and the Spirit of God prevailed much in our midst. The first mate of the vessel was in the meeting most of the time. Hymn sung at the close of the meeting, "How Are Thy Servant Blest." Prayer by Elder W. Walker.

Monday April 11th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. Remarks. Nothing particular occurred today. The winds are still in our favor and a general feeling of satisfaction prevailed on board.

Tuesday, April 12th 1853. Meetings for prayer. Morning and evening. Died at 15 minutes to 10 o'clock forenoon the child of Hendry [Henry] and Emma Elisabeth Kendal [Kendall] from the Newburgh Branch of the Reading Conference, born May 1852. Put overboard at 20 minutes past 11 o'clock same day. The child name was Lorenzo Hendry Kendal [Henry Kendall]. Prayer at the time by Elder James Caffall. Ship at the time Latitude 45. - Longitude 25. -

Wednesday April 13th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. Remarks. The

Saints are very busy today [p. 28] making the tents and covers for the wagons.

Thursday, April 14th 1853. Meetings for prayers morning and evening. Remarks. All the passengers were called to be on deck at 9 o'clock that the place below might be all properly cleaned and washed out which was done by the different stewards.

At the meeting for prayer in the morning it was intimated that a testimony meeting would be held at each end of the vessel. The Saints to meet the same as on Sabbath, the Spirit of God prevailed much in our midst and many testimonies were to the work of God which was truly soul cheering.

Friday April 15th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. Remarks. The passengers were all served with provisions of oat and flour meal, rice, pork, sugar, tea, biscuit and salt. They also got 2 pounds of sugar which was allowed extra by S.W. Richards over and above the ship's allowance.

Saturday April 16th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. Hours altered from 7 o'clock morning and evening to 8 o'clock morning and evening. At 4 o'clock a council meeting of all the priesthood on board was called by President Bagnall.[p. 29] Council meeting was called to order by President Bagnall, hymn sung, "The Morning Breaks the Shadows Flee." Prayer by Elder James Caffall.

President Bagnall then said brethren our assembling together is to know what things are transpiring amongst us. One thing I have to speak about is the Saints being off the deck at nine o'clock. I have seen the captain this afternoon and it is his wish that all the children be off the deck at 8 o'clock and that all the rest be off the deck at 9 o'clock for the present and let the Saints be instructed in this thing by the different presidents of the wards as early as possible and I would move that Elder James Caffall and Richard Atwood be appointed to go round the deck at 9 o'clock and see that no person be loitering about after that hour. Seconded by Elder W. Walker. Carried.

And if there be any who refuse to come down at that hour let their names be taken and if we have not power over them, we have only to give them into the hands of the captain.

Moved by James Ristie [Ririe,] Seconded by William Davis [Davies] that we have the residue of the provisions provided by S.W. Richards over and above the ship's [p. 30] allowance served out to us on Monday first, carried. A meeting to be held on deck was then spoke about and it was moved by Elder W. Walker, seconded by Elder J. [James] McNaughton that President Bagnall ask the captain if we can hold a meeting on deck tomorrow, carried. The meeting was then dismissed by prayer from James McNaughton.

Sabbath April 17th, 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening.

At 11 o'clock the meeting was called to order for public worship by Elder W. Walker. Hymn sung, "Arise my Soul Arise." Prayer by Elder Robert Logan.

President Bagnall being called upon to speak rose and said brethren and sisters I rise to say a few words to you as I may be led by the influence of the Spirit of God. I feel this morning to praise the Lord with all my heart that we are just in the position we are in this morning and when I look around upon your faces I just wish I may behold you all in Zion. And I exhort you all to let your light shine before all men and let the Spirit of God influence all your actions and live humble and faithful before God, and those that are placed over you, and if there is a spirit in this ship who will not do that they will soon find that [p. 31] they have got into hell instead of heaven and will find their way out amongst us the first opportunity but brethren and sisters I have your welfare at my heart and I pray that the blessing of God may be with us all in the name of Jesus Christ, amen.

The ordinance of bread and wine was then administered by Elders Bishop and Aird.

Elder W. Walker then bore his testimony and left the meeting in the hands of the Saints. When a number of the brethren and sisters bore their testimony to the work they were engaged in and a spirit of love and unity prevailed in our midst and the spirit and power of God was much amongst us. Hymn sung at the close of the meeting "O Zion When I Think on Thee." Prayer by Elder James Muir.

At 4 o'clock a meeting was held on deck when the Saints were addressed by Elders James McNaughton, James Caffall and President Bagnall upon the great advantages and blessings that were to be gained by gathering to the land of Zion. The captain of the vessel, the officers and part of the crew listened very attentively all the time. [p. 32]

Monday April 18th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. Remarks. The butter, cheese and vinegar provided by S.W. Richards was served out to the passengers. The weather has been very warm today.

Tuesday April 19th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. A council meetings of the 6 elders of the different wards was called when it was moved by Richard Atwood, seconded by William Davis [Davies] that William Walker preside over this meeting, carried. Moved by Richard Atwood, seconded by W. Davis [William Davies] that Hendry Welsh [Henry Walsh] be appointed to see that all get their water in turn and that there be no

confusion.

Wednesday April 20th 1853. Meeting for prayer morning and evening. Died of the croup. The son of John and Emma Mason from the Burslen Branch of the Staffordshire Conferences. The child's name was John Mason. Born on the 28th December 1848. Died at 5 minutes to 6 o'clock evening put overboard at 25 minutes to 7 o'clock same evening. Ship in latitude 38 - Longitude 46 as given by the first mate. Vessel past us at the time Latitude shown by them 50 - Longitude 20. - [p. 33]

Thursday April 21st 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. Remarks. All the passengers were called on deck at 9 o'clock and the place below all properly cleaned and washed out by the different stewards. At 4 o'clock the prayer meeting was called to order by Elder James McNaughton. Hymn sung, "How Are Thy Servants Blest O Lord." Prayer by President Bagnall. Elder W. Walker then said that they had met this evening to bear testimony to the work of God, to pray on sing of the songs of Zion as they might feel led by the good spirit and exhorted the Saints to live humble and obedient before God that he might continue his blessings towards us. He then left the meeting in the hands of the Saints when a number of the brethren and sisters bore their testimony to the work they were engaged in and a spirit of obedience and unity prevailed in our midst.

Friday April 22nd, 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. Remarks. The passengers received their allowance of oat and flour meal, rice, pork, biscuit, sugar, tea and salt. Priest William Rockall [Rockell] showed symptoms of Insanity. He has struck and kicked some of the brethren had the ordinance administered to him this evening. And was handcuffed by the second mate. [p. 34]

Saturday April 23, 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. Priest William Rockall [Rockwell] was again administered to this morning and had to be removed to the hospital to keep him from injuring the brethren and sisters. In the evening he is still very bad.

Sabbath April 24th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening as usual. At 11 o'clock meeting called to order for public worship by Elder Walker. Hymn sung, "The Morning Breaks the Shadows Flee." Prayer by Elder James Muir.

The sacrament was then administered by Elders Bishop and Aird. When a number of the brethren and sisters bore their testimony and the Spirit of God was much amongst us and was manifested by speaking in tongues of which the interpretation was given by President Bagnall which was in regard to William Rockall [Rockell] and he felt like fasting for him and wished all the priesthood to do the same. Another Brother again spoke in tongues and was interpreted by President Bagnall, that the Lord would accept of our fasting and restore our brother to his right mind and health and strength, and it was his mind that they should fast till 9 o'clock and then administer to him. The meeting was dismissed by prayer from Elder James McNaughton. [p. 35] At 4 o'clock a meeting was held on deck when the Saints were addressed by Elders Cowdy [Cowdy] and Mason & Logan. After the prayer meeting at 8 o'clock a council meeting of all the elders who had been fasting was called by President Bagnall. . . They then prayed together and afterwards went and administered the ordinance to him and rebuked the disease in the name of the Lord.

Monday April 25th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. Remarks. William Rockall [Rockell] has been much better today and has been able to be on deck most part of the day.

Tuesday April 26th 1853. Meetings for prayers, morning and evening. [p. 36]

Wednesday April 27 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. Remarks William Rockall [Rockell] is still keeping better.

Thursday April 28th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. At 4 o'clock the prayer meeting was called to order by Elder Walker. Hymn sung "O Zion When I Think On Thee." Prayer by Elder James McNaughton. Elder Walker then said that he still rejoiced in this work and exhorted the Saints to bear their testimony to the knowledge that they had received, when the time was occupied by the Saints in singing and bearing testimony.

Friday April 29th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. Remarks. A supply of weeks provisions of oat and flour meal, rice, pork, biscuit, sugar, tea, and salt was served out to the passengers.

Saturday April 30th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. Remarks. All the passengers were called on deck at 9 o'clock and the place below was smoked by the sailors and afterwards washed out by the different stewards. At 10 o'clock a council meeting was called of the 6 presidents over the different wards. [p. 37] Council met when it was moved by Elder Attwood [Ro. Harrison Atwood]. Seconded by Brother Millineus [Molyneaux] that Elder Walker preside over this meeting. The meeting was then opened by prayer from Elder James Caffall.

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Elder Walker then exhorted them to be obedient to the priesthood as it was by obedience that they would be exalted in the Kingdom of God. . . .

Council meeting of all the priesthood on board called by President Bagnall at 4 o'clock. Opened by prayer from Elder James McNaughton.

President Bagnall then said that he had nothing new to bring before this meeting but that he would sit down and give place to any of the brethren who might have any observations to make praying that the blessing of the Lord may be with you all in the name of Jesus, amen. [p. 39] Elder Caffall said that he had one thing to lay before this council and that was about the extension of time in the evening as it appeared to be the general desire of the Saints. The rest of the brethren were quite agreeable inasmuch as the captain would allow us.

When it was moved by Elder Caffall, seconded by Elder McNaughton that President Bagnall ask the captain for the extension of an hour in the evening, carried. President Bagnall said that he had seen the captain yesterday and having a favorable opportunity asked him about this matter and his answer was that he would be quite agreeable to let us stop till 10 o'clock inasmuch as we did not sing after 8 o'clock and be as quiet as possible after 9 o'clock so that the sailors might have no reason to complain to him about being disturbed while they were in bed.

Elder McNaughton then brought before the meeting about giving the captain a note of commendation from us as being a good and humane man and as favoring us as a company of emigrants to the Great Salt Lake Valley. President Bagnall said he was happy that Elder McNaughton had brought this before the meeting. When he was talking to the captain yesterday he had spoke to him about this and asked him if it would be of any use to him. [p. 40] He seemed quite pleased and said he would think himself highly honored by the same. He had also spoke to him about the 2 boxes of Gardner that we had on board and had not the owner of them. The captain said the best way would be to open them and see that nothing in them were spoiling as the excise officers would open them when we got to New Orleans. Moved by Elder Walker, seconded by Elder Davis [William Davies] that President Bagnall in connection with his counselors be appointed to open them and take the charge of them. Moved by Elder McNaughton, seconded by Elder Attwood [Atwood] that the captain be presented with an memorial from us for his kindness in attending the sick and other privileges, carried.

Moved by President Bagnall, seconded by Elder Walker that the first and second mates be presented with a memorial in connection with the captain, carried. The following were named to form a committee for drawing up the memorial.

President Bagnall, Elders McNaughton, Caffall, Walker, Ross, Attwood [Atwood], Davis [Davies], Aird and Mason moved by President Bagnall, seconded by Brother Millinews [Molyneaux] that these be appointed as a committee and that the clerks be appointed to draw it out. [p. 41] Elder Walker spoke about a concert being got up some five day before we got to New Orleans, but the sailors coming in at this time interrupted us and the meeting was dismissed in the name of the Lord by President Bagnall. At at [SIC] meeting of the presidents of wards it was moved by Elder McNaughton, seconded by Elder Davis [Davies] that President Bagnall be presented with a memorial on the same day as the captain. Carried unanimously.

Sabbath May 1st 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening.

At 11 o'clock meeting called to order for public worship by Elder Walker. Hymn sung, "Behold the Mountain of the Lord." Prayer by Elder Caffall.

The sacrament was then administered by Elders Bishop and Aird and the meeting left in the hands of the Saints when the time was occupied by their bearing testimony and singing of the songs of Zion and a spirit of love and obedience prevailed much in our midst. Meeting dismissed by prayer from Elder Walker.

At 4 o'clock a meeting was held on deck when the Saints were addressed by Elder Attwood [Atwood] on the priesthood of God also by Elder Walker. [p. 42] And President Bagnall on the duty of wives to their husbands and how they should honor them and be obedient to them in all things. Meeting dismissed by Prayer from Elder McNaughton.

Monday May 2, 1853. Prayers morning and evening as usual. Nothing particular occurred today. The weather is fine and the wind very favorable.

Tuesday May 3rd 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening.

Wednesday, May 4th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. Nothing particular occurred but a general feeling of satisfaction prevailed amongst the Saints.

Thursday May 5th 1853 Meetings for prayer morning and evening. The passengers were all called on deck at 10 o'clock and the place below smoked by the sailors afterwards cleaned and washed out by the different stewards.

Friday May 6th 1853 Meetings for prayer morning and evening. In the forenoon the passengers were all served with a week's allowance of oat and flour meal, rice, biscuit, pork, tea, sugar, and salt. [p. 43]

Saturday May 7th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. At 4 o'clock the committee which was appointed on the 30th of April met when the clerk was called upon to read the memorials he had drawn up for the captain and mates. It was moved by President Bagnall, seconded by Elder Walker that the captain's and second mate he accepted, and that the first mate receive an acknowledgment of our good feelings towards him for all his kindness to us, verbally carried. Moved by Elder Attwood [Atwood], seconded by Elder Davis [Davies] that President Bagnall in connection with his counselors be appointed to present them on Tuesday first, carried. The meeting then separated.

Sabbath May 8th 1853. Meetings for prayers morning and evening. At 11 o'clock meeting was called to order for public worship by Elder Walker. Hymn sung, "This Earth Was Once a Blessed Place." Prayer by President Bagnall. The sacrament was then administered by Elders Bishop and Aird. The meeting was then left in the hands of the Saints when they bore testimony to the work of God and we had a time of rejoicing one with the other. Meeting dismissed by prayer from Elder Walker.

Meeting was held on deck at 4 o'clock when the Saints were addressed by President Bagnall. [p. 44] At the close of the meeting a vote of thanks to the captain was moved by Elder McNaughton, for his gentlemanly conduct towards us during the voyage. Second by Elder Caffall and was heartily responded to by the Saints.

Monday May 9th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. Meeting of the committee together with the presidents of the different wards was again called when the motions of Elder McNaughton of the 30 April was again brought before the meeting in regard to President Bagnall's memorial. Moved by Elder Attwood [Atwood] seconded by Aird that Elder Walker be appointed to draw it up, carried.

Moved by Elder Walker, seconded by Attwood [Atwood] that Elders McNaughton and Caffall receive one likewise separate and apart from President Bagnall, carried.

Moved by Walker seconded by Elder Vest that Attwood [Atwood] and Ross be appointed to draw them up, carried. Moved by Elder Davis [Davies], seconded by Elder Muir that a meeting of all the Saints be called tomorrow at 4 o'clock to get their sanction. The meeting then separated.

Tuesday May 10th 1853. Meetings for prayers morning and evening. The captain and mate were presented with their memorials this morning according to appointment. Of which the [p. 45] following are copies. To All Whom This May Concern.

This is to certify that having decided in our council that a memorial should be presented to you for your gentlemanly and praiseworthy conduct to us as a company of Latter-day Saints sailing from Liverpool to New Orleans en route to the Great Salt Lake City we have much pleasure in doing so.

In addition to your arduous duties as captain you have at all times shewed the gentleman the father and the friend for you have throughout the voyage manifested much anxiety for our comfort and welfare to such a degree as has most agreeably surprised us for it is our candid opinion that no company of emigrants were ever so happy or had so much attention shewn them by a person of your station.

Our people to an individual feel to tender you our best and warmest acknowledgments for such a line of conduct, for when they were sick you visited them and paid unremitting attention to their comfort. These and other marks of kindness from you call forth in us deep feelings of gratitude and respect and your name and generosity will ever have a warm place in our affections. [p. 46]

And we pray God our Father to bless you, and give you health and many happy days, and make you the medium of much good in your day and generation, hoping you may bring many other companies, making them as happy as you have made us and we, Sir, shall ever be your most respectfully.

On behalf of the company on board the *Falcon* comprising 300 souls. May 9th 1853.

Signed by the Committee To A. T. Wade, Captain. To All Whom This May Concern.

This is to certify that we whose names are undersigned forming a committee on behalf of the company of Latter-day Saints en route to the Great Salt Lake City feel much pleasure in presenting this testimonial of our feelings to Mr. George Robert Little, mate of the ship *Falcon* for his courtesy and gentlemanly conduct to us during our passage from Liverpool to New Orleans.

We would not feel justified in parting from Mr. Little without expressing our heartfelt and grateful thanks for the many act of kindness rendered from him to us on the passage. Indeed we feel it a duty incumbent us as well to the public as to that gentleman to manifest our entire approbation of his [p. 47] unremitting attention to those of our company who were afflicted with sickness and his general praiseworthy conduct towards us.

We beg to assure Mr. Little that he will ever be remembered by our company with feelings of gratitude and esteem and our prayer is that God may abundantly bless him together with

all his interests and associations in life. To Mr. G.R. Little, May 9th 1853 Signed by the Committee

At 4 o'clock the meeting of the Saints was called to order by President Bagnall. The clerk was then called upon to read the memorials which had been given to the captain and second mate which he did. Afterwards he read an acknowledgment which had been received from the same parties of which the following are copies — Mr. C. Bagnall Dear Sir.

The certificate of thanks you have given me for what you are pleased to term my kindness &c has been received with deep gratitude and although I cannot claim to have done one iota [p. 48] for you as passengers more than what I consider my duty still I am very much pleased to find that the manner of doing my duty has pleased you and tended to render you comfortable.

In return I can truly say that I have taken more pleasure with my present passengers, have been aided more by them in carrying out my wishes with regard to Sundry matters, have found universal among them that kind of cheerful obedience to all rules which makes government easy and pleasant. Indeed I have been better pleased with them on all occasions than I have been with any other that I ever brought.

I feel to thank you for the pains you have taken to maintain order and cleanliness amongst your people, thereby promoting in a very great degree the health we have all been blessed with during the passage thus far.

I hope the remainder of your long journey will be prosperous and that you may all be so happy as to arrive safely among your friends at Great Salt Lake City.

Please return my thanks to all the members of your council and committee.

Yours very truly,

Signed A. T. Wade 9/5/1853. [p. 49]

Ship *Falcon*, Bath Sailing from Liverpool to New Orleans Mr. Cornelius Bagnall President of the Latter-day Saints

Sir.

You will oblige me very much by returning my heart felt thanks to your council and Committee for the highly esteemed character they have presented me with this day of our Lord May 9th 1853, and of which I feel highly gratified within my own self to think I have the good will of such righteous gentlemen as the council and committee of Latter-day Saints are composed of and which I can cheerfully say that I have never seen a more comfortable or a more righteous or a better disciplined people than the Latter-day Saints had been on board the ship *Falcon* on her passage from Liverpool towards New Orleans and furthermore people that I would exhort myself to the uttermost when I thought I could do them good.

To conclude with I hope you will have a pleasant comfortable passage to the Great Salt Lake and that you will want for nothing and I hope the Lord will bless you all and protect you from all danger.

Signed George Robert Little 2nd Officer of the said ship *Falcon* Of the Port of Bath A.T. Wade Master [p. 50]

It was then moved by Elder McNaughton, seconded by Elder Attwood [Atwood] that President Bagnall should receive a memorial from us, carried. Moved by President Bagnall, seconded by Elder Cowdey [Cowdy] that Elders McNaughton and Caffall receive one likewise, carried. Moved by President Bagnall seconded by McNaughton that the 6 presidents of the different wards receive a memorial from us also Elder Stewart, Steward for the passengers, carried unanimous.

Moved by Elder Caffall, seconded by Elder Attwood [Atwood] that Brother James Jack who has acted as clerk receive memorial from us, carried.

Moved by McNaughton, seconded by Elder Aird that the stewards receive a vote of thanks which was heartily responded to.

Moved by Walker, seconded by McNaughton that the cooks receive a vote of thanks which was also heartily responded to. Moved by Elder Ross, seconded by Elder Muir that President Bagnall in connection with his counselors he appointed to draw up these memorials, carried. Moved by Elder Davis [Davies], seconded by Elder Caffall that Elder Richard Attwood [Atwood] be appointed to organize a guard over our luggage and take the charge of them when we get to New Orleans, carried. The meeting was then dismissed by President Bagnall. [p. 51]

Wednesday May 11th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. The place below was smoked out today afterwards washed and cleaned by the different stewards.

Thursday May 12th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. Remarks. In the evening a concert was held on deck commencing at 7 o'clock and was continued until 11

o'clock. We had a first rate meeting many of the songs of Zion were sung and all on board seemed pleased and satisfied with the nights amusements.

Friday May 13th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. Remarks. The passengers were all served with a weeks allowance of oat and flour meal, rice, biscuit, pork, tea, sugar, & salt.

Saturday May 14th 1853. Prayers morning and evening as usual. Remarks. President Bagnall and also Elders McNaughton and Caffall were presented with their testimonials today by Elder Attwood [Atwood]. Of which the following are copies.-- [p. 52]To All Whom This May Concern. Greeting.

We whose names are undersigned composing a committee on behalf of a company of Latter-day Saints en route to the Great Salt Lake City have much pleasure in presenting this testimonial of our warmest feelings and affections to our well beloved brother, Elder Cornelius Bagnall late Elder of the London Conference, England who was by S.W. Richards appointed President of the Saints on board the ship *Falcon*. Sailing from Liverpool to New Orleans which appointment he has discharged faithfully as a man of God, as an elder and a father to those he has had the honor to preside over for the every days transactions on board the ship has brought him out in bold relief, showing he was the most likely person in the company to fulfill such an important appointment, and without particularizing we have great pleasure in saying that his daily walk, judicious administrations, wise teachings, issuing from him from day to day as a servant of God, has caused the hearts of the Saints to rejoice and so raised him high in the estimation of his brethren in the priesthood as also the Saints over whom he has had the oversight. And the voice of the entire company is that God our Heavenly Father may bless him, and his, at all times and bring them and his happy party safe to Zion in peace, without a blemish or a spot. Even so amen. May 13th 1853. Signed by the committee. [p. 53]To All Whom This May Concern. Greeting.

We whose names are undersigned composing a committee on behalf of a company of Latter day Saints en route to the Great Salt Lake City, have much pleasure in presenting this testimonial of our warmest feelings and affections to our well beloved brother, Elder James McNaughton, counselor to President Bagnall and forming one of the Presidency on board the ship *Falcon* during the passage from Liverpool to New Orleans. We feel highly gratified and esteem it a privilege to express the feelings of the Saints over whom you in connection with your brethren in the presidency have so ably and wisely presided.

Dear Brother James, the fatherly care, and unremitting attention to the wants of those, over whom you have had the watch care, together with the wise and judicious teaching you have poured forth from the time to time coupled with the many acts of kindness we have experienced at your hands cause us to pause and feel that words are inadequate to express the feelings of love and affection we entertain towards you.

Accept then dear Brother the warmest feelings of our grateful hearts on this occasion - : May the Lord God of Joseph bless you until you are satisfied with the fullness there of crowning you with every exaltation that a faithful [p. 54] servant of God could wish or desire is our prayer in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ-even so, amen. To Elder James McNaughton. Signed by the committee. May 13th 1853.

The testimonial of Elder James Caffall is the same except the name. -

Sabbath May 15th 1853. Meetings for prayer morning and evening. At 11 o'clock the meeting was called to order for public worship by Elder Walker. Hymn sung, "Lo the Gentile Chain is Broken." Prayer by Elder Mason.

The sacrament was then administered by Elders Bishop and Aird. The Saints then bore their testimony to the great work they were engaged in and a spirit of Love and obedience prevailed in our midst. At 4 o'clock a meeting was held on deck when the Saints were addressed by President Bagnall and Elders Logan, Aird and McNaughton.

Monday May 16th 1853. Meetings for prayers morning and evening. Remarks. At 15 minutes to 3 o'clock afternoon a pilot came on board. [p. 55] At 30 minutes past 5 we crossed the bar being pulled by 2 steamers.

The testimonials of the 6 presidents of wards was presented to them today also Elder Stewart's and Priests James Jack's by Elder McNaughton of which the following are copies. To Elder William Walker President of the 6th Ward on board the ship *Falcon*.

Dear Brother - We the servants of God having been employed on board the *Falcon* in devising and providing for the comfort and well being of the Saints committed to our charge, feel as we are about to leave here to return you our heartfelt gratitude for the kindness you have shown and for the promptitude you have manifested in the carrying out of those measures calculated to bless them, both temporally and spiritually.

You have on all occasions been unremitting in your attention to their needs for which the Saints feel to bless you and pray God our Father to bless you with every needful blessing for the benefit conferred. We concur with our hearty Amen. On board the *Falcon* May 16th 1853. Signed (by the first Presidency of the Vessel.) [p. 56] The rest of the presidents are

all the same except the names -

To Priest James Jack, clerk of a company of Saints on board the ship *Falcon*.

We return to you, our sincere thanks for the laborious services you have rendered in discharging the duties of secretary for this company of Saints in journeying this far on our way to Zion.

Your office and duty as recorder is an important one. Not only to this company but also to Posterity - for they with us will read that such a company crossed the Atlantic on board the ship *Falcon* and from the full and minute account you give in your record will it be seen, the close organization of this people, the real and intense interest the Saints manifested to bless and benefit each other in all things.

We pray God the Eternal Father to bless and reward you for your work of faith and love.

Signed on behalf of this company of Saints on board the *Falcon*. May 16th 1853. Th

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Diary of James Leatham

Monday 28th. There was a couple married after we sailed, although unknown to me, but I was informed afterwards. [p. 46]

Monday 28th, March. This morning was appointed for us to sail from Liverpool, so I got up and wrote two letters, went and posted them, & when I returned about 10 a.m. the ship soon began to move out. The Saints was engaged in singing the songs of Zion &c while the sailors was heaving out the ship. We got clear through the gates about 5 minutes past 2 o'clock p.m. when the steamer tugged us out a few miles and then left us, moving along at 4 or 5 miles an hour and continued so till we went to bed.

Tuesday 29th. This morning I got up about 6 o'clock for prayers but after getting my clothes almost on I felt very sick and had to return to my bed again. I vomited considerable and being at the fore end of the ship [p. 47] I was brought down to about the center to sleep with Brother [James] Livingston for convenience of him waiting on me, and where the ship did not heave so much. I continued sick all that day and dept vomiting now & then. I understood that there was two marriages this day but I was unable to attend them.

Wednesday 30th. I continued sick all this day and could eat nothing but drank water & vomited it up again. Weather was still very tame.

Thursday 31st. I was still sick. I could take no meat. This day a child died aged 11 months. In the evening the wind began to rise & about 7 o'clock all in a sudden the ship commenced [p. 48] to rock & dart at such a rate and the tins tumbling back & forward, and also the boxes, for there was few of them tied for we was not looking for a storm, & when the chests began to tumble, them that was not in bed nor prepared for had to rush into bed clothes & all. Brother Livingston came running into the bed beside me while I lay sick. Shoes & all on, & Sister Widdison had went to her bed in the same way, the hoses was put on and left us all in the dark while the chests continued to dash from one side of the ship to the other in great fury. In the waves was dashing over the ship & was running in at the seams of the boat at a [p. 49] considerable rate which terrified some of the women & children. It continued in this way till about morning when it got a little tamer.

Friday 1st April. In the morning the hahas [UNCLEAR] was took off and they began to get up and everyone was seen looking for their property among the water & confusion of boxes, tins &c. Some chests was broke and their content scattered, many of which was never got, and a great many of the tins had to be thrown overboard. I was still unwell & had not the pleasure of seeing all the sports of the day, but it still continued to be course that day, and the apparatus for cooking was all destroy [UNCLEAR PROBABLY, destroyed] so that we could get nothing cooked, I having took no. [p. 50]

Monday 11th April. This morning I felt a little better, got up & washed & shaved myself. We had fine weather sailing at the rate of seven miles an hour. I stepped out of bed all day for the first since I left Liverpool. In the evening I was called to offer up prayer which I did and then retired to rest.

Tuesday 12th. This morning I got up about 6 a.m. in tolerable good health, and felt my heart full of joy & thanksgiving to my Heavenly Father for his kindness with me. I got washed & met as usual to prayers at 7 a.m. About this time there was to been seen at the fore end of the ship a great many fish jumping out of the water & the first mate wounded one of them with a spear and they [p. 51] shortly disappeared, before I had the pleasure of seeing them. About 10 a.m. there was a child died belonging to the English people and was put overboard in about an hour after. This child was the second that died belonging to the same parents. We had a shower of rain but afterwards brought about a fine day with a good wind, but in the evening it got very tame so that we was scarcely moving out of the place when we went to bed.

Wednesday 13th. We had a good wind and going very well. This day I felt rather unwell [-]

to the change of climate & in the evening had to go to bed.

Thursday 14th. This morning I still felt unwell & was so all day. Still I was able [p. 52] to be on deck & sewed a piece of the tent cover. This day we saw a drove of fish porpoises swarming around the ship. The mate wounded one upon which the rest shortly disappeared. This day we had a good wind and was going pretty quick. We had a prayer meeting at 4 o'clock but I could not attend for getting sick at the end of the ship. At night I felt a little better.

Friday 15th this morning I felt a good deal better & tried to make myself useful in getting our food cooked & this day was very calm so that we moved but very slowly along.

Saturday 16th this day I felt well & to rejoice. We had good wind & going first rate. [p. 53]

Sabbath 17th. This morning I felt first rate. It was a beautiful morning and we enjoyed ourselves reading the stories & till 11 o'clock a.m., when we convened together in the fore end of the ship for preaching & dispersing the sacrament &c, the Spirit of God rested on them that addressed the meeting. After sacrament the Saints bore testimony and much of the Spirit of God was felt by all present. At 4 o'clock we had preaching on deck. Several of the brethren spoke with much spirit & power. The ship captain & some of the crew was present.

Monday 18th. It was rather courser this day & I did not feel very well. [p. 54]

Tuesday 19th & Wednesday 20th. I still felt unwell it still being rather course. 20th a child died aged about 4 years.

Thursday 21st. I felt a good deal better this morning at 9. Dull. We had all to get on deck while our berths was inspected & washed out. This I sewed a piece of the tent cover and tried to enjoy myself although I did not feel altogether well.

Friday 22nd. This morning I felt still not so well. About the middle of the day the wind rose very high and tossed us about considerable & I felt sick and then vomited up all that was on my stomach and was very unwell and had to go to bed in the after- [p. 55] noon, but got up again at half past 8 p.m. & felt a little better it being a little tamer. This day Brother Brothal, for him who was in possession of the evil spirit had got handcuffed & the elders had administered him but not effectual.

Saturday 23rd, a fine day with a good wind I was well all this day and went on watch from 12 at night till 3 in a.m.

Sabbath. 24th a fine morning with a good wind & I felt well in health. At 11 a.m. we met in the fore end of the ship & administered the sacrament. The Saints bore testimony & all felt to rejoice under the instruction that was given. The president requested the priesthood to join with [p. 56] him in fasting before the Lord that the evil influence that was upon Brother Rockwell [Rockell] might be removed by their administration which many of them did. We had preaching on deck at 4 p.m. when several of the elders addressed the meeting to the joy of the Saints. The captain met & some of the ship crew was present. In the evening the elders met in council . . . They then united in prayer and went & laid hands on him in the name of the Lord and administered to him, but he was little better that night. [p. 57]

Monday 25th. This morning I felt well, we had a fine day & pretty good wind, but in the evening it got very damp & foggy.

Tuesday 26th. Rather courser this morning & I felt not quite so well. About the middle of the day it got very stormy. The sail was almost all taken down & the rain fell in torrents & it continued so all day with very short intervals. I felt a little sickish & unwell all that day but managed to be up all the time. Many of the brethren & sisters was sick & vomiting. I was called at 8 o'clock to offer up prayer with the Saints which I did.

Wednesday 27th. Very calm this morning & I felt very well. About the middle of the day the wind rose and blew us along first rate. [p. 58] In the evening it got very wet & the wind very low so that it was about a standstill. We saw a great deal of lightning this night as well & last night, Brother Rockwell [Rockell] was still unwell. I stood on guard with him from 6 to 9 p.m. The president & several of the elders administered to him but had not yet effect, half [-], 10.

Thursday 28th. Rose at 8 this morning. I felt well in health. It was very wet, but soon faired and we had a fine day.

Friday 29th. All well. The wind was very calm and the day was very warm & in the evening it was so calm that we was not moving out of the place. This day several ships was to be seen around us. [p. 59]

Saturday 30th. All well. The wind was now began to rise a little better and blew us along it being right behind us. In the afternoon the wind rose higher & we was going about 9 or 10 knots an hour. At 4 a.m. we had a council meeting at which some useful items of business was done. It was also agreed that we present the captain of the ship & the 1st & 2nd mates with a memorial testifying of their kindness to us &c. It was thus agreed that we be allowed another hour on deck at night, till 10 instead of 9.

Sabbath 1st May. All well with a fine morning & the wind still on our favor going about 10 knots an hour. At 11 a.m. we met in the fore end of the ship dispensed the sacrament and had much [p. 60] good instructions from the elders who spoke & those that bore testimony. Much of the spirit of God was poured out upon the meeting & all felt to rejoice. We met on deck at 4 o'clock. I was called to open by prayer. The Saints was then addressed by several of the elders to the rejoicing of the Saints.

Monday 2nd. I rose half past 6, all well, it was a fine morning. The ship was still going at 10 or 11 knots an hour. This morning we saw many fowls flying in the air which we thought was a sign of land. We was also visited with many porpoises who came with great speed to our vessel as if fond to see us. The passengers also came running to see them [p. 61] being so long without visitors was glad to see them in the absence of better. We continued to go on well the remaining part of the day.

Tuesday 3rd. All well. The wind still in our favor. As the day broke up the wind rose higher and we was going very quick and heaving considerable & I felt rather squeamish & unwell & in the afternoon went to bed a little but rose again and felt a little better the remainder of the evening. I came on at 12 p.m. to watch the ship below.

Wednesday 4th. This morning at a little past one o'clock a.m. while on watch was to be seen a light right ahead of us. It was a lighthouse on land which was joyful news to all of us. [p. 62] Several of the brethren & sisters came on deck to see it. I went to bed at 3 again but the brethren that stopped up some land at the place where the light was about 5 o'clock but they soon passed it. At about 10 a.m. we could see land on the other side south side but soon disappeared again. The wind was still in our favor & sailing very well. In again some rocks that we saw on the south side. At night it commenced to rain & lightning to fly. The rain continued to fall all night in torrents far to surpass anything we was accustomed to in the old country. The thunder & lightning also continued at a awful first rate all night almost without intermission.

Thursday 5th. This morning [p. 63] the wind was very calm, occasioned by the rain the night before and the sun was very warm. After breakfast, at half past 9 a.m. we had all to come on deck and bring our beds with us to be aired. While our berths was smoked out, it was very hot on the deck and little or no wind so that we was moving little all day. We saw a great many large black fish today that almost half out of the water. The mate fired several shots at them but could not shoot any of them. We saw dolphin fish also. We had no meeting today owing to the heat. At night I was called to open the meeting by singing & prayer, which we prolonged a little owing to having none that day. [p. 64]

Friday 6th. Some of the brethren at 6 a.m. this morning went into bathe, it being very calm & warm still, but the wind rose a little and we went on somewhat quicker. In the afternoon the wind rose still higher and we went on first rate. About 6 p.m. there was a ship passed us just a few rods from the stern. Both ships hoisted their colors & the passengers saluted each other with a cheers repeatedly. Prayers as usual at 8 o'clock.

Saturday 7th. All well. This morning many of the brethren was out & got bathed. The wind from 4 a.m. began to get lower until we was going but very slow in the forenoon, & it was very warm. This morning we saw some rocks, on the south side. About night the wind got a little higher & we moved on better. [p. 65]

Sabbath 8th. This morning we got up at half past 4 a.m. and got a bath & at 11 a.m. we met in the fore end of the ship. We had teachings from the elders the sacrament was dispensed & the Saints bore testimony and the spirit of God was poured out upon us and we all rejoiced together. We again met on deck at 4 o'clock, and was addressed by President [Cornelius] Bagnall [Bagnall] & J. [James] McNatin [Mc Naughtan]. A vote of thanks was given by the Saints to the captain for his kindness to them and the interest he manifested in preserving their health &c &c. We had a good breeze all day.

Monday 9th. A good morning with a fine breeze, but it began to get lower till in the evening it was very calm & had been very warm all day. [p. 66]

Tuesday 10th. It was still very calm & we was not moving out of the places & it was exceeding warm. Many of the brethren went into the sea to bathe & in the afternoon I went in also & I swam away before the ship &c and after stopping in a good while I got pulled up with a rope. The evening was still very close & warm & we stopped late on deck as it was very suffocating below & some of them slept on deck & some of them brought up their beds. Others slept on chests & on the floor below it was so very warm in the beds.

Wednesday 11th. It was still very calm & very warm this morning and one of the boys was in bathing at the fore end and letting [p. 67] go & swimming away. The ship got before him & he could not get the rope again but the 3rd mate threw him one at the stern as he passed and he got up & this put an end to their bathing. This day all our berths swept and washed out. In the afternoon we had a meeting at which was read the memorials that was presented to the captain & 2nd mate for their kindness to us. Both of their replies was read also which was very satisfactory to us. A memorial was also read which was to be presented to the president & one to each of his counselors, which received the sanction of the meeting. Memorials was also to be presented to the president of each ward and a vote of [p. 68] thanks was given to the stewards, cooks &c. We also had some good instruction

with regard to landing & the arrangements of the goods. After meeting the wind got a little higher and we moved on fine.

Thursday 12th. Was very warm with very little wind. This day was appointed for the concert to come off as had been before agreed to, so all the names was taken that could sing or recite, and we came together on deck about 7 p.m. and there enjoyed ourselves in singing & c till 11. The evening was very calm.

Friday 13th. Very calm & warm in the evening got a little stronger which we was glad of. [p. 69]

Saturday 14th. We had a better wind and was moving on first rate. All well.

Sabbath 15th. We had a fine wind & held our meeting & all as usual.

Monday 16th. We got the tug & crossed the bar and went on up the river.

On Tuesday 17th we anchored at night in sight of New Orleans, and landed the next day.

Thursday 19th. We got our luggage aboard the steamship St. Nicolas," then went down the river a small distance to get more cargo, and sailed the following day.

Friday 20th. In passing the ship *Falcon* we gave her three cheers. . . [p. 70][NO ACCOUNT OF JOURNEY TO SALT LAKE CITY CONTAINED IN THIS JOURNAL]

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Journal of James McNaughtan

Good-Friday March 25th 1853. James Walker McNaughtan & his wife & a friend called, or rather came on board the ship *Falcon*. They expected to have met Brother Crawford & his wife Mary Ann. I went up to town with them. He very kindly gave me or bought for me 2/6 worth of biscuits for the baby Lorenzo. Brother Rollins & his wife paid us a visit in the evening 10 o'clock.

Saturday March 26th 1853. 10 o'clock a.m. I went to the watch-maker first to President W. W. Richards to get his note of introduction to him. He had it ready. He charged me [-] after a little conversation he reduced it to [-]. It is a good lever jeweled, & engraved, "Holiness to the Lord" & my name Deseret, & the keys of the priesthood. I paid him [-].

Monday March 28th 1853. We left Liverpool 12 o'clock noon & as we were leaving the docks [APPARENTLY A FEW WORDS ARE MISSING HERE.] Tugged out by the steamer, took us out a long way. It was a pleasant day & a fair wind. But the wind did not long continue in our favor, for we had a headwind for some 9 days. On the evening of the 31st we had a severe gale or storm & what it most frightful below was that on account of many or nearly all the tins were untied so that at every roll of the vessel the [p. 38] tins & the boxes slipped from side to side, & made a most alarming noise. The same day Brother Stewart's child died & was committed to the deep, at 12 o'clock noon. Monday night, March 28th, I married a couple from Wales, William Lloyd & Ame [Ann] Thomas.

Tuesday March 29th 1853. 11 a.m. I married William Burton to Elizabeth, George Summers [Somers] to Maryan Gettins [Mary Ann Gittins]. Meetings were established - prayers were made morning & evening. Brother Samuel W. Richard for Bagnale, [Bagnall] Caffle, [Caffall] & I to his office 15 Wilton Street Liverpool on Thursday evening, March 24th 1853. He gave Brother Bagnale [Bagnall] from London the presidency of this company: I & Elder Caffle [Caffall] his 2 counselors.

On board the ship *Falcon* my wife on the morning of the 12th of April, 1853, began to be exceedingly ill & continued to be ill in her bowels with diarrhea - for several days. It seemed that all the medicine the captain had was powerless to resist the disease or check the purging. I made use of a mixture from Brother Walker--what he used in St. Louis, in case of cholera or such like. Its bases is Cayenne. She was somewhat better by that. I gave her a second dose & was still better. I did not fail to have the ordinance administered by a number of elders, & by the prayer of faith & the wisdom we possessed my wife began to mend for which do I thank & praise thee, O my God.

Sunday March 20th 1853, we met downstairs, had the sacrament administered - a.m. At 4 p.m. we met on deck for the first time. Weather was most beautiful. I being desired by President Bagnal [Bagnall] I addressed the meeting for some considerable time. The captain was present paid marked attention. He seemed to be a feeling, kind & good hearted man & was very kind to my Mrs. when ill for such "The Lord bless him."

We left Liverpool on the 28th of March 1853, and arrived at New Orleans, on the 18th of May 1853, being a passage of seven weeks and two days. During this time there were 3 marriages and 4 deaths of children. Meetings for sacrament & testimony were held on the middle deck, & on the upper deck we had a more public one in the p.m. We had first-rate times in those meetings. The Lord certainly recognized us & blessed us. Also every morning & evening at which time we had prayers. The weather in the latter part of our

journey was very mild & pleasant. The greatest difficulty we had to combat on board the *Falcon* was cooking. The convenience being so limited but even in this matter we got along much better than we had even anticipated.

A.T. Wade. Captain. Sanguville, Maine U.S.

Thursday May 19th, 1853. St. Louis, at 9 o'clock Brother James McGregor from the Glasgow Conference fell overboard & was drowned. He was intoxicated. Some of the Brethren were present, & made every exertion to save him but failed.

Friday May 20th 1853. at 6 o'clock p.m. we sailed from New Orleans for St. Louis on board the steamer, "St. Nicolas." Elder Brown our Emigrating Agent accompanying us.

Friday May 27th 1853. At 30 minutes past 4 a.m., we arrived at St. Louis. Met with our agent, Elder Eldrige, [PROBABLY, Eldridge] & got all our luggage on board the Packet "Die Vernon" then sailed for Keokuk at 4 p.m. same day.

Saturday May 28th, 1853. 4 o'clock p.m. we arrived at Keokuk & after seeing Elder [Isaac C.] Haight, Wheelock, & Lyon we stopped all night at the depot.

Sabbath May 29th 1853. Early in the morning wagons were sent down from the camp & took up our luggage to the camping ground. Here we had the unspeakable pleasure of being in the camp of Brothers Barnes & Allen, from Hull and of seeing their families. What a meeting!

Sabbath June 5th 1853. Meetings were held for public worship at the camp ground, at past 10 a.m. & at 4 p.m. The Saints were addressed by Elders Harmon, & McNaughtan.

Sabbath June 12th 1853. Meetings were held on the ground at past 10 a.m. Addressed by Brother Haight in the afternoon by Elders Haight & McNaughtan. In the evening a testimony meeting was held where many of the Saints bore testimony. These were good times, on both Sabbaths. The Lord truly blessed us.

Monday June 13th 1853. A month's provisions were served out. Flour, bacon, sugar, soap & saleratus; each wagon a washtub, bucket, [-] pan, baking kettle, a whip & a hatchet between 2 wagons.

Wednesday June 15th 1853. In the morning got everything packed up, our oxen yoked, hitched on and moved off at past 9 o'clock a.m. Camped in the afternoon after traveling 9 miles. Elder Harmon leading the company. . . . [p. 39]

. . . October 16th 1853. Our train & also captain Brown's got into Great Salt Lake City. It being Sunday the meeting was convened in the Tabernacle notwithstanding we were met by many of the natives & old acquaintances. . . . [p. 40]

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