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## TRUTH.

There is a treasure thou may'st own,  
If thou wouldst call it thine;  
'Tis of more worth than all the gems  
That on earth's bosom shine.  
It is not hidden in the earth,  
Nor yet above the skies,  
But thou may'st own it when thou wilt,  
A lip that never lies.

The noblest names on history's page,  
By honor's laurels crown'd;  
The brightest of the shining gems,  
Amid earth's rubbish found,  
Stole not their brightness from the sun,  
Whose splendor gilds the skies,  
They won it by the power of truth,  
A lip that never lies.

What is the worth of worldly praise,  
If thou must stoop to shame,  
And steep thy lip in falsehood's dye,  
To gain ignoble fame?  
There is an easier, better way,  
To win a greater prize,  
Worth all the wealth of earth beside—  
A lip that never lies.

Say,—wouldst thou ask for shining dust?  
Or wouldst thou wish renown?  
Or could be happy if thy brow  
Did wear a monarch's crown?  
Frail mortal man but seldom gains  
The bliss for which he sighs,  
Unless he uses truth's bright charm—  
A lip that never lies.

SARAH E. CARMICHAEL.

## HISTORY

OF

## BRIGHAM YOUNG.

January 1, 1841.—I attended a conference in Liverpool, Elders P. P. Pratt and John Taylor were present. The work of God was reported to be progressing favorably in the regions round about, and also in Wales and Ireland.

Bro Willard Richards, and I wrote a lengthy article on Election and Reprobation, for the Millennial Star.

—2.—Elders Pratt, Taylor and myself went to Preston.

—3.—We attended conference, and preached to the Saints.

—4.—Bro. Pratt went to Manchester. Bro. Taylor and I visited the Saints, giving them counsel and administering to the sick.

—5.—Bro. Taylor and I went to Penwortham; bro. Taylor preached in the evening.

—6.—We went to Longton and saw bro. William Blackhurst, from America; found him unwell and administered to him: he brought us good news from our families. We returned to Preston, where we remained until the 8th, visiting among the Saints.

—8.—In company with Patriarch P. Melting, I started to attend the Clitheroe Conference; staid all night at Ribchester. We left Elder Taylor at Preston, unwell.

—9.—We went to Clitheroe and found Elder Richards. Staid at bro. Stephen Longstroth's.

—10.—We attended conference, and preached to the Saints. We had a profitable time, and remained with the brethren until the 12th, when bro. Richards went to his father-in-law's, the Rev. John Richards, minister of the Independent Church, and I went to Manchester, where I found bro. Pratt's family all well.

—14.—Went to Liverpool, and preached in the Music Hall in the evening.

—17 (Sunday).—I preached twice in the Music Hall.

—18.—Bro. Willard and I commenced reading the Book of Mormon, and preparing an index to the English edition.

—20.—I preached in the hall in the evening.

—21.—We completed the index, which was immediately put in type and finished the printing of the first English edition of 5000 copies. I preached at bro. Green's.

—24 (Sunday).—I preached in the Music Hall twice, on Election and Reprobation.

February 3.—I delivered a lecture in the Music Hall.

—6.—Elders Richards, Taylor and I met at bro. Richard Harrison's, and organized the company of Saints emigrating on the ship "Sheffield," Capt. Porter, Elder Hyrum Clark, president.

—7.—Spent the day in Liverpool. The "Sheffield" sailed with 235 Saints.

—11.—I met in counsel with Elders Richards and Taylor, and set apart the presidency over the ship "Echo," Daniel Browett, president.

I was engaged in writing letters to the Twelve and presiding elders throughout the kingdom in relation to emigration. I wrote to Elder Geo. A. Smith in relation to the Twelve returning home, and as to emigration; also informing him that the Book of Mormon was bound, and for sale at 5s. per copy, retail.

—16.—I remained in Liverpool. The ship "Echo," Capt. Wood, sailed with 109 souls.

20.—Went to Harden with bro. Burnham.

21 (Sunday).—I preached twice.

22.—I preached in the evening.

23.—I again preached in the evening.

24.—Returned to Liverpool.

25.—Attended a blessing meeting at bro. Domville's; Patriarch Melting officiated.

27.—Went to Manchester, where I preached on Sunday, 28th, at the Lombard Street Room.

March 1.—I visited the brethren.

—2.—Went to Oldham.

—3.—Returned to Manchester.

—5.—Wrote to bro. H. C. Kimball and Geo. A. Smith.

—7.—I preached in the Carpenter's Hall in the morning, and Elder Kimball in the evening.

—8.—We visited the Saints, and attended meeting in the evening at bro. Cooper's.

—10.—I wrote the following to the editor of the Millennial Star:—

"Dear Brother:—I feel anxious to address a few lines to you on the subject of family prayer (and shall feel obliged by your inserting the same in your next *Star*;) for the purpose of imparting instruction to the brethren in general.

Having traveled through many branches of the church in England, I have found it to be a general custom among the brethren I visited, that when any of the traveling elders are present, they wait for the elder to go forward in family prayer, instead of attending to that duty themselves. That is not right; and I would say to them that it would be better for them to understand their duty on this subject.

My dear brethren, remember that the Lord holds all of us responsible for our conduct here. He held our father Adam responsible for his conduct, but no more than he does us, in proportion to the station we hold. The kings of the earth will have to give an account to God for their conduct in a kingly capacity. Kings are heads of nations, governors are heads of provinces; so are fathers or husbands governors of their own houses, and should act accordingly. Heads of families should always take the charge of family worship, and call their family together at a seasonable hour, and not wait for every person to get through with all they may have to say or do.

If it were my prerogative to adopt a plan for family prayer, it would be the following:—Call your family or household together every morning and evening, previous to coming to the table, and bow before the Lord to offer up your thanksgiving for his mercies and providential care of you. Let the head of the family dictate; I mean the man, not the woman. If an elder should happen to be present, the head of the house can call upon him, if he chooses so to do, and not wait for a stranger to take the lead at such times; by so doing we shall obtain the favor of our Heavenly Father, and it will have a tendency of teaching our children to walk in the way they should go, which may God grant for Christ's sake. Amen.

BRIGHAM YOUNG.

—11.—Elder Kimball and I went to Liverpool, where we met Elders Richards and Taylor, and appointed Thomas Smith and William Moss to take charge of the Saints about to sail on the ship "Alesto." In the evening attended a blessing meeting.

—12.—Attending to the brethren about to sail for America, and in the evening attended a blessing meeting at bro. Mitchell's.

—15.—Attended blessing meeting at bro. Domville's.

—17.—The "Alesto" sailed with 54 Saints

With bro. R. Hedlock I visited the Saints in Harden: he preached in the evening. Staid all night with bro. Joseph Ellis.

—20.—Went to Overton, and on Sabbath, 21st., preached in the morning, and in the evening at bro. Price's; had a large congregation.

—22.—I preached; congregation attentive.

—23.—I walked fifteen miles to Chester, and from thence by railway to Liverpool.

—25, 26, and 27.—Bro. Richards and myself were detained at the Liverpool Post Office, as witnesses in the case of "The Queen vs. Joseph Holloway," for not delivering letters in due season. We were also engaged packing and sending off Books of Mormon to pay those who had loaned us money to carry forward the printing and binding.

—31.—Elder Richards and I attended the Liverpool Conference.

April 1.—Bro. Richards and I went to Manchester, where we found bro. Kimball, Hyde, Woodruff and Smith, and had a happy meeting at 47 Oxford Street.

—2.—Bros. O. Pratt and John Taylor arrived in Manchester, and we went into council. I copy the minutes:—

"Manchester, England, April 2, 1841.

This day Elders Brigham Young, Heber C. Kimball, Orson Hyde, Parley P. Pratt, Orson Pratt, Willard Richards, Wilford Woodruff, John Taylor and Geo. A. Smith, of the quorum of the Twelve, met together at the house of brother James Bushaw, coachman, No. 4, Gray Street, near Oxford Road, in this city, in council, after having been separated and dispersed in various countries. To meet once more in council, after a long separation, and having passed through many sore and grievous trials, exposing our lives and our characters to the slanders and violence of wicked and murderous men, caused our hearts to swell with gratitude to God for his providential care over us. Elder Young opened the council by prayer. Elders B. Young, H. C. Kimball and P. P. Pratt, the committee appointed about a year ago to secure a copyright of the Book of Mormon, in the name of Joseph Smith, jr., presented the following certificate:—

"Feb. 8, 1841. Then entered for his copy, the property of Joseph Smith, junior, 'The Book of Mormon; an account written by the hand of Mormon, upon plates taken from the plates of Nephi,' translated by Joseph Smith, junior. First European, from the second American edition. Received five copies.

GEORGE GREENHILL.  
The above is a true copy of an entry in the register book of the Company of Stationers, kept at the hall of the said company. Witness my hand, this 17th day of February, 1841.

GEORGE GREENHILL,  
Warehouse-keeper of the Company of Stationers."

The quorum voted, that they accepted the labors of said committee.

Resolved, That as the quorum of the Twelve have had nothing to do with the printing of the Book of Mormon, they will not now interfere with it; but that the said committee settle the financial or business matters thereof with Joseph Smith, junior, to whom the profits rightly belong.

Resolved, That Elder Amos Fielding be appointed to superintend fitting out the Saints from Liverpool to America, under the instruction of P. P. Pratt.

Resolved, That brother G. J. Adams go to Bedford and Northampton, and labor in that region.

Adjourned till to-morrow at 10 o'clock, a.m.; Elder Kimball closed by prayer.

ORSON HYDE, Clerk."

"Manchester, April 3, 1841.  
This day the quorum of the Twelve met pursuant to adjournment. The President called upon Elder Hyde to open by prayer. The quorum then signed a letter of commendation to the churches in England, for Elder Hyde.

The business of publishing the *Star* and Hymn Book was then taken into consideration. Bro. John Taylor moved that those who have had the care and superintendence of publishing the *Star* and Hymn Book, should dispose of them according to their own wishes, and dispose of the proceeds in the same way; seconded by Elder Orson Pratt, and carried by a unanimous vote. Moved by Elder Young, and seconded by Elder Kimball, that Elder Parley P. Pratt conduct the publication of the *Millennial Star* as editor of the same, after the close of the present volume. Resolved, that Elder P. P. Pratt reprint the Hymn Book, if he deem it expedient. The Hymn Book is not to be altered, except the typographical errors. The above resolve was moved by Elder Geo. A. Smith, and seconded by Elder W. Woodruff; carried unanimously. Conference adjourned.

ORSON HYDE, Clerk."

—4 (Sunday).—I attended meeting at the Carpenter's Hall, in company with the quorum of the Twelve; there were nine of us present, who individually bore testimony to the Bible, the Book of Mormon, and to Joseph Smith

being a Prophet of the Most High God. I staid with bro. Walker at Salford.

—5.—The quorum of the Twelve met, and resolved that the 17th day of April be appointed for the apostles who are going to America to set sail from Liverpool. It was also resolved that the Twelve do business at the conference as a quorum, and call upon the church as a conference to sanction the same.

—6.—Attended conference with Elders Heber C. Kimball, Orson Hyde, Parley P., and Orson Pratt, Wilford Woodruff, Willard Richards, John Taylor and Geo. A. Smith. There were represented 5814 members, 136 elders, 303 priests, 169 teachers and 68 deacons. Elder John Albiston was ordained to the office of patriarch; ten high priests and twelve elders were also ordained: we had a good time.

—7.—Attended council with the Twelve; we blessed Elder O. Hyde, who was on his mission to Jerusalem.

—9.—We visited the Zoological Gardens, fourteen of the American brethren were present.

—11 (Sunday).—Forenoon, Elders W. Woodruff and P. P. Pratt preached; afternoon, communed with the Saints.—Evening, Elder O. Pratt preached, and was followed by Elder Kimball and myself.

—12.—With Elders Kimball and Woodruff I went to Elder Pratt's.

—13.—I walked through Manchester, it being the fair, with Elders Woodruff and Smith. We saw a great variety of curiosities, a man nearly eight feet high, weighing 450 lbs., and a pig 1200 lbs., a living skeleton, a great variety of wild beasts, an elephant, said to be the largest in Europe; lions, leopards and tigers, all in one cage, with their keeper in the midst of them playing with them; he would make them all lay down and lay on the top of them.

—14.—We wrote an epistle to the churches, which was signed by nine of the Twelve.

—15.—Elders O. Pratt, W. Richards, Geo. A. Smith, Levi Richards and myself, having bid the Saints in Manchester good-bye, went to Liverpool, and arrived in time to attend a tea party at the Music Hall, where 200 Saints were seated at table together. I addressed the meeting a short time, and was followed by several of the Twelve. At the close of the party the Twelve met a few moments, and agreed to sail on Tuesday.

—18 (Sunday).—We met with the Saints in Liverpool, and the Twelve occupied the day in preaching and bearing testimony to the people.

—19.—We spent the day in getting our baggage on board, intending to draw out into the river, but the wind, being unfavorable, we remained on shore.

—20.—Elders H. C. Kimball, O. Pratt, W. Woodruff, J. Taylor, Geo. A. Smith, W. Richards and family, myself and a company of 130 Saints went on board the ship "Rochester," Capt. Woodhouse, at Liverpool, for New York. We gave the parting hand to Elders O. Hyde and P. P. Pratt, and a multitude of Saints who stood upon the dock to see us start. We drew out into the river Mersey, and cast anchor in sight of Liverpool, where we spent the day and night.

It was with a heart full of thanksgiving and gratitude to God, my Heavenly Father, that I reflected upon his dealings with me and my brethren of the Twelve during the past year of my life, which was spent in England. It truly seemed a miracle to look upon the contrast between our landing and departing from Liverpool. We landed in the spring of 1840, as strangers in a strange land, and penniless, but through the mercy of God we have gained many friends, established churches in almost every noted town and city in the kingdom of Great Britain, baptized between seven and eight thousand, printed 5000 Books of Mormon, 3000 Hymn Books, 2500 volumes of the *Millennial Star*, and 50,000 tracts, and emigrated to Zion 1000 souls, established a permanent shipping agency, which will be a great blessing to the Saints, and have left sown in the hearts of many thousands the seeds of eternal truth, which will bring forth fruit to the honor and glory of God, and yet we have lacked nothing to eat, drink or wear: in all these things I acknowledge the hand of God.