

The British Mission.—The following are from the *Milennial Star*:

"Merthyr, January 30, 1875.—On January 7th, 1875, we left Liverpool to pay a visit to our relatives and friends before entering upon our several duties, in the fields of labor assigned us, Bro. Snelgrove, for Yorkshire, Bro. Binder to London, and myself, Gloucestershire and Monmouthshire. I arrived at Sydney at 9 o'clock p.m., and learned that I would have to walk eight miles to Coleford, or wait one day for the coach. An old gentleman, thinking I was a stranger in the country, told me that if I would accept of a ride in his fly he would take me to Clearwell, 5½ miles on my journey. I thanked him for the kind invitation and accepted, and in a few minutes we were very comfortably seated inside, and traveling at a rapid rate towards Coleford; on the way he asked me many questions about my home in Utah, and how we managed our municipal affairs, &c., &c., and felt much interested in us as a people, when I told him that I lived in a city that contained between 2,000 and 3,000 inhabitants, and we did not have one drinking house in all the city. The team drove up to Clearwell Vicarage at 10.15, when he told me that he was the vicar; he then told the driver to take me on to Coleford and take good care of me, which he did, landing me at my cousin's at 10.45 p.m.

"I have visited a great many of my relatives in Gloucestershire, and bore my testimony to them of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

"I arrived here on Wednesday evening and met Bros. Hughes, Williams and Thomas, all enjoying good health and doing a good work; they have baptized eight persons since Saturday last. I visited my relatives in Aberdare on Thursday in company with Bro. Hughes; they received me very kindly, and did all in their power to make me comfortable, but did not care to go to our meetings, nor to hear anything about us, or our principles. We bore a faithful testimony to them, and bid them good-by. We attended a meeting of the Saints in Aberdare on Thursday evening, and confirmed four out of the eight baptized. We had an excellent time and enjoyed much of the spirit.

"President Hughes has urged it upon me to attend a meeting in Merthyr to-morrow (Sunday), after which I shall make my way to Nottingham as quick as possible, as I feel very anxious to be at work in the field of labor assigned me.

"GEO. L. FARRELL."

"Birmingham, Feb. 5th, 1875.—Since the county of Northampton has been attached to this conference, and Elder V. L. Halliday has been appointed to labor here, I have assigned the counties of Stafford, Worcester and Hereford for Elder John Henry Smith to labor in, and Elder Halliday in Warwick and Northampton. I recently met the latter at Northampton, where we held two meetings, and accompanied him to see some Saints in the country, some ten or twelve miles distant, at Wellingborough, Irchester, Norton and Daventry. There are at present but a family or two at each of those places in the Church, and no meetings have been held in those localities for a considerable time past; inasmuch as Northampton is the nearest Branch to them, I advised their names to be enrolled on the records of that Branch. We also held meetings in Leamington and Coventry.

"There are quite a few making calculations to emigrate this coming season; the most of them, I think, are helped by their friends in Utah. I find a great many Saints who have been in the Church from an early day in this Conference, very many of them might have been emigrated years and years ago, if they had felt so inclined, but now they find their families have increased upon their hands, and that it is no so easy to emancipate themselves as it once was; there is another class, who have no one to blame but themselves, because they yet linger in this country; the only difficulty with them is, they have not economised their means, not but what they have had money enough to emigrate time and time again; the consequence is they find themselves yet in old Babylon, and the prospects are not so bright before them at present.

"Myself and the brethren with me do our best to disseminate the principles of the gospel, preach wherever an opportunity is offered to us, and also through the distribu-

tion of the printed word as we travel from place to place.

"R. V. MORRIS."

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A French writer says that handsome chins are exceedingly rare among Americans, which prompts an exchange to remark that this is due to the fact that so many give nearly all their time to the cultivation of cheek.

A Welsh clergyman in an obituary of a brother minister states that "he died in his harness, and his buckles were undone as noiselessly as the angel unbarred and unlocked the prison in which Peter was confined."

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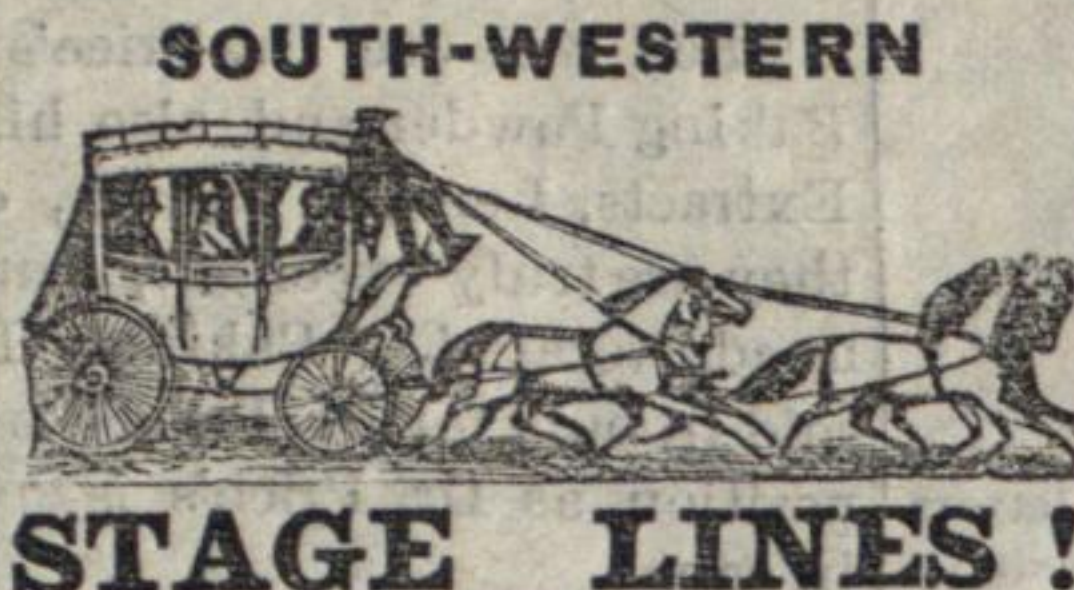
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