

And Rested up and to  
night - we are telling what  
kind of a time we will  
have and how pleasant it  
will be in the country  
when we can have good  
home made Bread to eat  
and Potatoes & c Well it  
is bed time so I will  
go to Bed good night  
this is all for today

March, 5, 1898.

Well to day I got a letter  
from home and I tell you  
I was awful pleased to hear  
they were all well again  
and I got some Deeds,  
which I must go before  
a Notary Public, and sign  
and as my friend Bro  
Clark is well acquainted  
and he is a going with me  
we found the Notary Public  
all Right and signed the deed.

All O. K. And after I got  
back I found I had left  
an envelope down at the Lawyer  
Office which contained one  
dollar I went and found  
it again this ends to day

March, 6, 1898.

To day is Sunday and I  
guess it will be our last  
Sunday in Minneapolis  
and to day we are Fasting  
in the afternoon we all  
held a Sacrament meeting  
and each bore his Testimony  
and all felt good. To night  
we held another meeting  
down at 1408 we had a  
nice crowd and Bro Clark  
and Bro Peterson Addressed  
them there was some of them  
that was well pleased with  
the Gospel the way it was  
Presented to them by the Elders

After meeting we went home and had some supper this is our last-meal in this city as we are going to fast all day to morrow before we go int to Rice County we all went to bed so we can get up in the morning early to go to the Train, so good night.

Marche. 7, 1898.

This morning we got up early to go to the Train all of the other elders come to see us off, and helped us to carry our Grips to the Depot, and we had just ample time to get our Tickets and check our Baggage and get on the Train after Bidding a good bye to our dear and Friends, the Elders, after being Together and laboring for our Great-Cause, we have learned

To love each other, and look on each other as the Dearest of friends, well the Train Moved out and away we went for Rice County, after winding around through the hills we finally Arrived at Fairbault we walked up in Town and secured a Room and then went back to the Depot to get our Baggage we got it all Right. But we found it Rather heavy to Carry so we asked a man coming up with a team and he hauled them up for us so here we are in the City of Fairbault, and I will just say, it looks like a Real Pretty little Town the Population is about 9,000 People and the City is located along and on both sides of a small River, the call it Strait-River so Totring it all together it

It is quite a pretty little  
Place so here we are sitting  
here to night writing our  
journals

March 8, 1898.

To day we went out Tracting  
we Tracted awhile and at  
last we went the Mayor's  
Residence to see him as we  
had been to his Office some  
3 or 4 times we found him to  
be an old man, grey haired  
and thought he was awfully  
wise. We introduced our  
selves told him who we  
were and he said he did  
not want to hear any thing  
about us, as he already  
knew all about us and our  
Gospel. We asked Permission  
to hold meetings on the streets  
to which he gave his consent  
but he talked very insulting  
to us we next went home

and got Ready to go out  
in to the country so at 12  
o'clock we started walked  
out about 7 miles that after  
noon asked about 5 or 6 Places  
before we could get a Place  
to stop at finally we staid  
with a German Family they  
treated us very good they  
were Evangelists but they  
did not treat us well and  
we had a good night's Rest  
thus ends our first day of  
Travel in the country

March 9, 1898.

To day we are still going  
on out in the country we  
did not get dinner before  
we asked 6 or 7 times they  
are nearly all Swede and  
Norwegians in this Part of  
the Country but they just  
will not give a man any  
thing to eat but finally we

Got Dinner with an Irish  
Lady by the name of Susan.  
She gave us a good square  
meal. we are beginning to  
feel sore from walking  
so much. Well to night we  
are stopping with a man by  
the name of John F. Gibbons  
he is a Jesuit and he  
is trying to get an Argument  
out of us but we don't do  
that before we went to bed  
he got his bible and he was  
going to take our doctrine  
to the Law and the Testimony  
but he got so badly mixed  
up that he could not tell  
what he started to, and  
one of their main Elders  
from their church was there  
to and his ~~name~~<sup>name</sup> was Steadman  
so Steadman and Gibbons  
wife both told him he was  
Rang. so you see the Lord

Saved us the trouble of  
saying any thing for they beat  
them selves badly.

March 10, 1898.

Well To day we rode out  
from Wilton not knowing  
where we were going but we  
set out and after traveling  
about 2 miles straight north  
as we were told, we left  
the Road and we cut off  
through the fields and the  
first man we asked for some  
dinner gave it to us the first  
one we asked to stay all  
night told us yes and we  
went and saw one of the Trustees  
of the School house who gave  
his consent to us holding a  
meeting there to night we  
are stopping with some very nice  
folks Nathan Atherton by  
name and his wife is keeping  
house for him her name is

we went to the school house where we were to have meeting but the storm had kept people from going, and I will say right here, the storm never struck us very much. But passed at a mile away and went to the south of us, we never had any meeting so to night we are staying with Mr Castle again. This is all today.

April 9 1878

we had breakfast and left Mr Castle's about 8 o'clock and started for Richfield about 8 or 10 miles away and walked to Mr Frank Bartons where we had dinner and found our letter which we had written him, had been sent to the wrong P.O. so we cannot hold meeting to night as it is not advertised so we will have

to wait till tomorrow evening to get to hold meeting, it seems some of the people here doubt about us to hold meetings while others say if the marmons could hold meeting none of the Rest shall. One man told us this him self so it looks like we are making some friends here any how and here is where the minister lectured against us so now we are now sitting in Mr Crutshank's house writing on ~~my~~ with my Journal on my knee. Maybe we will stay here all night. We will if we get a chance. We had a splendid good meeting and a fine crowd considering to weather and we are staying all night with Mr Crutshank.

April 10, 1898.

Today is Sunday and  
Easter Sunday at that we  
had Breakfast and then  
we went out and visited  
Mr Thos. Horton and had  
Easter dinner with them  
It chanced of considerable  
and was nice and warm  
we come back and set  
and talked with Mr  
Kwik Shanks he told us  
when they Younger Bro and  
the James Bro was here  
wanting to Rob the Northfield  
Bank they heard out to him  
to work for him at harvest  
time he says they were great  
workers altho he addept it  
was Bob Younger that was  
here and the only worked  
one day and laid over  
Sunday and there was another  
one of them come and stopped

but he did not work well  
In the evening we had  
another meeting had a  
nice crowd and I Really  
do think there is some of  
them who are going to  
Investigate - We have here  
them several strong testimonys  
they avow us to come  
back again we are  
stopping at the same place  
as last night.

April 11, 1898.

After Breakfast at Mr Kwik Shanks  
we set out for Wolcott a distance  
of about 8 miles it was quite  
warm and we had to rest and  
rested and had a drink of  
water several times along the  
Road, and I will tell you  
right here several ways  
of how we can get about it  
Wolcott visiting meetings  
we got the keys to the school

Was Mrs. W. A. Benham

they were nice folks

Finally we went to bed very tired some what

March 11, 1898.

Well To day after walking about 8 miles one of the Trustees would not consent to us having the house. So now we can go on it has been snowing and the Road is just awful. But we pulled out and after a walk of about 3 or 4 miles we saw a nother school house so we Inquired and found who the trustees are and now we have the consent of all three so we are stopping with some people by the name of Thos. Hoctor they seemes to be awful nice people this is all till

March 12, 1898.

To day we are doing nothing only just waiting for night to hold our meeting I have been writing a letter home but I dont know when I will get to Post it. The People here have treated us Right-Royal and we have had a good days Rest now we have come back from holding meeting and we had the little house just full and they were all pleased with what was said to night so we are going to stop tomorrow and hold meeting again and we are stopping at the same place where we did last night they just treat us fine the man dont belong to any church

March, 13, 1898.

To day is Sunday so we  
are going to meeting with  
the lady here where we are  
stopping she is a Baptist we  
we went and Mrs Hortop  
asked the Minister if we  
could get the house to speak  
in the Evening but he said  
no and after meeting was  
out the People said we  
could have the School  
house. but he would  
<sup>not</sup> give it out so we did but  
to wasent he mad he was  
just wild, but we had  
our meeting in the evening  
and had a good Turn  
out and the old minister  
gave out he would speak on  
the moranous the next Sunday  
but he never let us hear him  
well it done him no good  
as the way he acted has

Caused a split in thier  
church and it made us  
some good Friends and  
they are going to Turn the  
Minister off and get another  
one to suit them

March, 14, 1898.

To day we come in to town again  
we had a ride we went to the P.O. I  
had 6 letters and my hymn book  
and a cake that my dear wife  
sent to me

March 15-1898

we went out in to the country  
again but it was not very  
Favorable and we come home  
again after walking about 18 miles  
we was awful tired.

March 16, 1898

To day we never went out  
but we Rested up and ans.  
letters. There is nothing  
much to write about so I  
will close the old Book today,