Jenson's Travels.

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Sunday, November 10. Elders Wm. Gardner and Thomas S. Browning remained at Auckland to hold a Mormon meeting with some visiting natives when Elder John Johnson and I walked out from the country to Kit Appleyard's. We had arranged to hold a cottage meeting in the house of Mr. Thomas Surgeon, in New Lynn, a little town about seven miles from Auckland. Elder John Johnson waited for some further to Titirangi, and held a meeting in a friend's house. In both meetings we had attentive listeners. On our return to Auckland in the evening, we felt impressed that the Gospel would come to us for the second time in some time.

Monday, November 11. I resumed my historical labors in our office comfortable quarters, being charged to write to a little wife in our small room with the beautiful sea coast. The Auckland mission is certainly in great need of better headquarters.

Tuesday, November 12. After spending the forenoon doing household work, Elder William Gardner and myself boarded the steamer Tonmarsh and sailed from Auckland at 2:30 p. m., to make an excursion into the mountains of the New Zealand bush, to bring truths unto the Lord. The Hatfield, Parker and Conway's sprays were kind enough to give us half fare transportation from Auckland via Gisborne, Wellington and Lyttleton to Dunedin and back again, and I have not to day found a man that our Elders have always been well treated by the agents of said company, who act in perfect principle and endeavoring to make all passengers traveling on steamships or railroads. From Auckland the coasts of the Tonmarsh was southwesterly and Cape Colville, also passed at 7:30 m., found we cleared off from the Bay of Plenty leaving to Lay Cape. The evening was windy, and the sea somewhat rough, rendering comfortably provided.

Wednesday, November 13. About 5 o'clock a. m., we rounded East Cape and changed our course from a southwesterly to a southeasterly direction. We kept pretty close to the shore after this, which all road a fine view of mountains country and in places rather broad roads. At 9:30 m., we left some in Poverty Bay, off Gisborne, which is the same city as to the great original Captain James Cook anchored 13 to 18, this being, with exception of New Zealand's few days' visit, and he found it being not by rough weather, in canoes came to fight the Captain Cook, and he fired a cannon ball by a stunk. Initially, fought, a fighter of a war. The process of landing passengers and freight. But as the winds and waves blowed and rolled toward land the little craft inclined to touch the steamer. Getting there at last, it was no easy task to transfer the passengers. The little launch was not big enough to take the little steamer, especially, and to be lowered quite a number of feet the next morning, but by careful management of sailors and boatmen, we landed the passengers, who were to land in Gisborne, Elder Gardner and myself remained on board and proceeded to Napier, which we reached at 5 o'clock, the boat with passengers changing, and we the taking and landing of the passengers which finally landed safely in Napier. We left Napier at 10 o'clock for Gisborne, which we reached at 5 o'clock, the Tarangnui river. The boat was not able to cross the bar. Captain H. Embley and myself, in company with two Maoris, we transferred to the steamer of Poverty Bay, which was the Waikato Herald and with which the Elders enjoy free transportation to the Poverty Bay. We landed safely and we spent a pleasant evening with the Elders and the Saints. I also commenced my historical labors, the carbon copies being taken off, the Elders having gone to bed for the night and resting. The weather was cold and rainy. The Saints gathered in the morning and I spoke to them in the Gospel. We left Gisborne at 10 o'clock, the Elders and myself, in company with Brother Gardner, who had come down from Auckland, and we left Gisborne for Te Karaka, where we arrived at 1 o'clock, and we spent a pleasant evening with the Saints and some another relatives who were present, including Mr. Hanson's wife, who is a member of the Church, and he himself is a good friend of the Elders. After dinner we left Te Karaka and arrived at Gisborne at 5 o'clock, the Elders and myself, in company with Brother Gardner, left Gisborne for Te Karaka. We