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BOOK I.

RANDALL LEWIS, Hopkinton,
R. I.

CHAPTER XIII.

By F. P. LEWIS, LISLE, N. Y.

(FROM PAGE 34.)

James Randall Lewis (16) m. Triangle, N. Y., Sunday morning March 31st, 1850, by Rev. David F. Leach, a Baptist clergyman, Mary Elizabeth, dau. Rev. David F. and Malinia Pardee Leach, born Smithville Flats, N. Y., April 14th, 1826.

He is a farmer and carpenter and a Republican, Lisle, N. Y.

They had two children:

- 39.I. Frank Pardee, b. near T., Monday, March 10th, 1851: Lisle, N. Y.
40.II. Wilfred David, b. near T., Wednesday, Sept. 21, 1853: San Jose, Cal.

Caroline Lewis, (17) m. at her home near T. Feb. 11, 1849, by Rev. Hobbs, a Universalist clergyman, HENRY, son of Benjamin and Laura Page HODGES, b. Upper Lisle, N. Y., June 30, 1827. He is a farmer and Republican; Glen Aubrey, N. Y.

They had six children:

- 41.I. Nancy Maria, b. T., Nov. 17, 1849.
42.II. Jacob, b. near Glen Aubrey, June 6, 1850.
43.III. Samantha Laura, b. near Glen Aubrey, Sept. 14, 1856.
44.IV. Luanna Elizabeth, b. near Glen Aubrey, July 24, 1860; d. Dec. 8, 1861.
45.V. Francis Henry, b. near Glen Aubrey, Sept. 12, 1862.
46.VI. Laura, b. near Glen Aubrey, Jan. 2, 1872.

Cyrus Lewis (18) m. Whitney's Point, N. Y., July 4, 1854, by Rev. Wm. Gates, a Baptist clergyman, Delilah, dau. Maurice and Betsey Niles Paddleford, b. Greene, N. Y., April 15, 1833. He is a farmer and Republican.

They had three children:

- 47.I. Freeman, b. Sept. 12, 1857.
48.II. Harriet Maria, b. Nov. 7, 1859.
49.III. Newell Samuel, b. Sept. 4, 1863.

Henry Washington Lewis (19), m. Triangle, N. Y., Feb. 14, 1858, by Rev. Wesley Peck, an M. E. clergyman, Margaret Matilda, dau. William and Julia Wiley, b. Rochester, N. Y., May 2, 1840. He is a farmer and Republican.

They had three children:

- 50.I. Luella L., b. near T., April 2, 1860; d. Aug. 23, 1862.

51.II. Elmer Jefferson, b. T., Nov. 6, 1862.

52.III. Parley Merriam, b. Barker, July 17, 1869.

Lodema Lucinda Lewis (21), m. Whitney's Point, N. Y., May 13, 1855, by Rev. Wm. Gates, a Baptist clergyman, THOMAS JEFFERSON, son William and Lydia Barnes PAYNE, b. Norwich, N. Y., May 16, 1836. He is a dry goods and lumber merchant; a Methodist and Democrat. She d. Tylersburgh, Pa., Oct. 21, 1885, of cancer. He m. (2d) at Sherman House, Jamestown, N. Y., Aug. 10, 1886, by Rev. C. H. Frampton, M. E. clergyman, Mary E., dau. Isaac and Sarah A. Whisner Hicks, b. Clarion, Pa., Dec. 7, 1856.

BOOK VIII.

JOHN LEWIS, Westerly, R. I.

CHAPTER XVI.

BY SARAH LEWIS McINTOSH, OF ALMOND, N. Y.

(FROM PAGE 27 and 34.)

Ethan Lewis (14) vol. 1 page 19, b. May 4th, 1801, Petersburg, N. Y.; (m) at Geneva, N. Y., by the Rev. Mr. Axtell, Violetta S. Payne, granddaughter of Col. Brinton Payne, of the revolutionary army.

He was the (5th) son of Abraham, Jr. and Eunice Hearn Lewis, of Petersburg, N. Y.

Ethan (14) and Violetta S. Lewis had eight children:

138.I. Samuel B. (b) Hornellsville, Nov. 12th, 1825; (d) on his return from San Francisco, at sea, Dec. 27th, 1849.

139.II. George E. (b) Hornellsville, Jan. 28, 1828.

140.III. J. Fletcher (b) Elmira, May 11, 1830.

141.IV. Ethan Jr. (b) Elmira, May 23, 1832.

142.V. Eunice H. (b) Elmira, Dec. 7, 1835.

143.VI. Sarah E. (b) Elmira, Aug. 30th, 1839.

144.VII. John A. (b) Elmira, July 27, 1846 (d) Aug. 4th, 1848.

145.VIII. Edna, (b) Feb. 9th, 1848 (d) Feb. 11th, 1848.

Ethan Lewis (d) at Elmira, Aug. 15th, 1849.

He was a farmer, brickmaker and lumberman and a faithful follower of Christ, himself and wife being two of the first Methodist Episcopal society, organized and held in the old log court house, at Elmira in 1830.

It was by his generosity the 1st M. E. church was built, he having furnished all the brick and lime used in its construction and much of the lumber. He gave encouragement to its ministers and comfort to those in affliction and poverty and his death was sadly felt by all who knew him.

CHAPTER XVII.

BY EDNA LEWIS BRIGGS, WATERFORD, N. Y., ASSISTED BY CATHERINE LEWIS HALL, OXBOW, N. Y.

Asher Lewis (13) b. Feby. 29, 1792; m. Feby. 19, 1818 (1) Nancy Maria Briggs, of Williamstown, Mass., dau. of — and Bethany Samson Briggs. Her father lived until he was 102 years old, and her mother until she was 96. They had 7 children:

146.I. Catharine Jane, b. Feby. 11, 1819, Petersburg, N. Y.; m. Oxbow, N. Y., Nov. 29, 1838,

- Caleb Gardiner Hall, by Pres. clergyman.
- 147.II. Alanson Rosell, b. June 7, 1821, Antwerp, N. Y.; m. March 9, 1851, by Rev. Mr. Lamb, Margaret Jones.
- 148.III. Arch Purdy, b. May 25, 1823; m. Sept. 1845, Lucy Potter, Waterbury, Conn.; resides Milford, Del.
- 149.IV. Royal Sullivan, b. April 17, 1828; m. New Haven, Conn., 1852, Abby Peck; resides Thompson, Ill.
- 150.V. Isaac Adolphus, b. May 11, 1832; m. Antwerp, N. Y., Sept. 15, 1878, Frances Cole; resides in Morrison, Ills
151. VI. Elias DeLoss, b. June 11, 1835; m. Sept. 20, 1859, Jane Lawton; resides Redwood N. Y.
- 152.VII. Mercy Bethany, b. April 11, 1838; m. Roswell Gleason Somerville, St. Lawrence co., N. Y., Jan. 15, 1854; d. April 15, 1863.

CHAPTER XVIII.

BY REV. A. H. LEWIS, PLAINFIELD, N. J.

- Justina Cordelia Lewis (135), b. Scott, N. Y., April 10, 1834; m. Berlin, Wis., Jan. 1, 1854, Joseph C. Burdick. They had 4 children:
- 153.I. Agnes M., b. B. Jany. 16, 1857.
- 154.II. Fanny E., b. B., Dec. 30, 1862; m. John M. Root, Feb. 22, 1883.
- 155.III. Tacy L., b. B., July 8, 1870.
- 156.IV. Hattie L., b. B. Dec. 28, 1872.
- A. H. Lewis (136) b. Scott, N. Y., Nov. 17, 1836; m. Berlin,

Wis. June 2nd, 1863, by Rev. James M. Todd, Seventh-Day Baptist clergyman, Augusta, Melissa Johnson, b. Nantucket, R. I., Aug. 6, 1837. They had 6 children:

- 157.I. Addie Lena, b. B. Nov. 26, 1863; m. Dr. Wm. L. Russel, of Rochester, N. Y., Feby. 15, 1888, her father officiating.
- 158.II. Elwin Herbert, b. Westerlo, R. I., Nov. 28, 1866.
- 159.III. Grace Edna, b. Alfred Centre, N. Y., Feby. 1, 1876.
- 160.IV. Mary Anna, b. A. C., Mch. 31, 1872.
- 161.V Lulu Augusta, b. Shiloh, N. J., Oct. 18, 1873.
- 162.VI. Eva Minnette, b. A. C., Dec. 19, 1879.

BOOK XII.

WILLIAM LEWIS, Ship Lion, 1632.

CHAPTER XII.

BY SETH LEWIS, ULYSSES, PA., ASSISTED BY R. H. COOKE, PITTSFIELD, MASS.

(FROM PAGE 35.)

Children of Josiah (122) and Phebe (Gridley) Lewis, (Samuel, William, William.) Born Southington and Bristol, Ct.

- 162.I. Roger, b. July 17, 1738; d. Dec. 26, 1756 (or 66) bap. Southington, July 30, 1738.
- 163.II. Josiah, b. Nov. 1, 1739; bap. Sou. Dec. 9, 1739; m. May 8, 1736, Abigail Jerome.
- 164.III. Rebeck.h, b. Mar. 17, 1741, bap. April 12, Southington.
- 165.IV. Eli, b. April 15, 1743; bap. Sou. May 22; m. Jan. 31, 1765, Anna Collins; set-

- 166.V. Royce, b. Jan 23, 1745 ;
 bap. Mar. 3 ; m. Ruth Parmalee, of Bristol, Ct. ; *b. 1752 ;
 d. Dec. 5, 1821. She m. 2nd,
 Mar. 7, 1805, as 2nd wife,
 Josiah Andrews ; b. Nov. 30,
 1740, son of Lieut. Jonathan
 and Susannah (Richards)
 Andrews.
- 167.VI. Samuel, b. April 26, 1747 ;
 bap. May 17 ; d. Plymouth,
 Ct., June 1822 ac. 75. He
 m. Sarah Curtis, b. 1759 ; d.
 Plymouth, March, 1821, ac.
 62, dau. of Capt. Jotham Cur-
 tis of Plymouth, Conn.
- 168.VII. Abel, b. Sep. 16, 1749.
- 169.VIII. David, b. Oct. 7, 1751 ;
 d. June 9, 1752.

BOOK XIII.

JOHN LEWIS, Ship Hercules,
 1635.

CHAPTER XI.

By R. H. COOKE, PITTSFIELD, MASS.
 (FROM PAGE 36.)

Children of Gabriel (63) and
 Elizabeth (Hillyer) Lewis. All
 born Suffield Conn.

- 124.I. Mary Jane, b. Dec., 1811 ;
 m. Sep. 1837, Chas. Cooke, b.
 Winsted, Conn., Oct. 15, 1815,
 son of Renben and Ruth
 (Shepard) Cooke. Was a
 manufacturer in Winsted, Ct.,
 over 40 years, and removed to
 Fort Plain, New York, in
 1885.
- 125.II. Maria Rebecca, b. July 31,
 1814 ; d. Nov. 29, 1846 ; m.
 Nov. 25, 1835, Laban Parmalee,
 b. Suffield, Ct., Aug. 7,
 1809. He removed to Spring-
 field, Mass ; m. 2nd Mrs.
 Mary Ann Smith.

- 126.III. John Dixon, b. Nov. 30,
 1816 ; d. Oct. 12, 1855, un-
 married.
- 127.IV. James Shaylor, b. Aug.
 10, 1819 ; d. Nov. 10, 1863 ;
 m. Oct. 12, 1846, Esther Ann
 Spencer, b. Aug. 7, 1818, dau.
 of John and Elizabeth (King)
 Spencer.

Children of Horace and Sarah
 (92) (Lewis) Phelps :

- 128.I. Sarah Ruth, b. June 29,
 1831 ; m. Sep. 1, 1853, Josi-
 ah Jones, b. Oct. 15, 1822 ; d.
 June 13, 1863.

Child of Zardus and Hannah (93)
 (Lewis) Gillette, of Suffield.

- 129.I. Horace Lewis, d. at West
 Suffield, Conn.

Zardus Gillette had 7 children
 by his second wife.

Children of — Harmon and
 Luranna (96 Lewis) Harmon, of
 Suffield or Granby, Ct.

- 130.I. Gilbert, m. — Edgerton,
 of West Granby.
- 131.II. Edward.
- 132.III. Walter.
- 133.IV. —
- 134.V. —

Children of Elijah Kellogg and
 Mary (99 Lewis) Smith of Lisle,
 N. Y.

- 135.I. John Lewis, b. Sherburne,
 March 11, 1826 ; d. Triangle,
 N. Y., Sep. 21, 1872 ; m. Sep.
 10, 1857 Roxanna Walter.
 She d. Triangle Sep. 3, 1872.
- 136.II. (Dr.) George Kellogg, b.
 Lisle, N. Y., Dec. 14, 1827 ;
 m. June 12, 1873, Rebecca
 Delbanco, of Brooklyn, N. Y.,
 b. Mobile, Ala., Dec. 16,
 1851, dau. of Leo and Eliza-

beth (Montgomery) Delbanco. He resides in Brooklyn and is a distinguished physician.

- 137.III. Caroline Louise, b. Lisle, June 30, 1830; d. Dec. 9, 1863, unmarried.
 138.IV. Mary Esther, b. Feb. 12, 1833. Resides at Lisle.
 139.V. Lucy Helen, b. May 20, 1836; d. Washington, D. C., Sep. 24, 1869 unmarried.

BOOK XIV.

JOHN LEWIS, Westerly, R. I.

CHAPTER XX.

BY LADD J. LEWIS, NASHVILLE, TENN.

(FROM PAGE 37.)

Jonathan 2d (98) and Sarah (Barber) Lewis had seven children as follows:

- 136.I. Daniel, born July 12, 1745; died Dec. 16, 1809.
 137.II. John, born Nov. 10, 1747; died April 13, 1833. He was a miller, and called "Cothammer John"; m. Amy Sheldon. He was ancestor of M. S. Lewis, Providence, R. I.
 138.III. Jane, born Aug. 23, 1749; died unmarried Oct. 17, 1781.
 139.IV. Simon, born Feb. 20, 1751; died in infancy.
 140.V. Jonathan 3d, born Aug. 15, 1752; died May 9, 1814. Is my direct ancestor and my records will be confined to his descendants.
 141.VI. Benjamin, born Aug. 9, 1755; died May 5, 1814. He was a colonel in Revolutionary Army; m. Deliverance Cleveland.
 142.VII. Isaac, born Oct. 6, 1757; died in infancy.

Jonathan 2d (98) and Patience (Tourgee) Lewis had 3 children as follows:

- 143.I. Patience, who married James Potter.
 144.II. Charity, who married Nathaniel Barber.
 145.III. Eleanor, who married Azias Barber.

Have no farther record of Patience (143) and Charity (144.)

Eleanor (145) and Azias Barber raised a family, one of whom (Sarah) married John Ladd, my great grand father.

Daniel (136) married 1st Lydia Poppo and their children were as follows:

- 146.I. Isaiah, m. Diana Sherman and had a son David.
 147.II. Moses, m. Tillinghast.
 148.III. Simon, m. Rhoda Wood.
 149.IV. Lydia.

Daniel (136) married (2d) Mary Hamilton, their children were:

- 150.V. Freeborn.
 151.VI. Daniel, m. Phoebe Maguire; their son Daniel m. Hannah Slocum of Warsaw, N. Y.
 152.VII. Ann.
 153.VIII. Polly.
 154.IX. Elizabeth, m. Daniel Lewis (128.)
 155.X. Sally.

Benjamin (141) and Deliverance Cleveland Lewis had 8 children:

- 156.I. Amos.
 157.II. Jason.
 158.III. Benjamin.
 159.IV. Clark.
 160.V. Cynthia.
 161.VI. Annis.
 162.VII. Ruth.
 163.VIII. Hannah, married Ben-

jamin Locke.

John (137) and Amy Sheldon Lewis had 5 children :

- 164.I. Benjamin.
- 165.II. John.
- 166.III. Sabra, m. O. Brayton.
- 167.IV. Amy.
- 168.V. Eason.

Benjamin (164) married _____ and raised a large family and as far as known as follows :

- 169.I. Jeffrey.
- 170.II. Oliver.
- 171.III. John.
- 172.IV. Jason.

CHAPTER XXI.

By J. R. LEWIS, BATTLE CREEK,
MICH.

Rev. Griffin Lewis (10) and Hannah Rogers Lewis had six children :

- 173.I. Philena, b. Nov. 22, 1802 ; m. Mar. 20, 1825 *Abel Baldwin*, (son of Jude and Eleanor Baldwin) in Huntsville, Pa., by J. O. Bogardus, J. P. ; d. Aug. 15, 1860.
- 174.II. Dillie O., b. Apr. 21, 1804 ; m. Sept. 20, 1822, *Palmer Bronson*, (son of Levi Bronson) by Eld. Joel Rogers, in Huntsville, Pa., resides Berrien Springs, Mich.
- 175.III. Amy G., b. Nov. 12, 1806 ; m. Sept. 15, 1833, *Thomas O. Bogardus*, (son of Jacob E. and Phebe Bogardus,) in Huntsville, Pa., by Simeon F. Rogers, J. P. ; d. May 10, 1882.
- 176.IV. James, b. May 14, 1810 ; d. in Detroit, Mich., July 18, 1878, interred at Battle Creek, Mich., unmarried.

177.V. Jonah Rogers, b. Nov. 23, 1812 ; m. (1) Dec. 25, 1833, Caroline E., dan. of J. E. and Phebe Bogardus, in Lehman-ent., Pa., by Simeon F. Rogers, J. P. ; d. June 29, 1877 ; m. (2) Mrs. Mary Robinson, dan. of Mordecai and Cathrine Chase, in Otsego, Mich., Sept. 10, 1880, by Eld. Temple, resides in Battle Creek.

178.VI. Hannah Rogers, b. Aug. 2, 1815 ; m. Jan. 21, 1833, Thomas Worthington, (son of Joseph Worthington,) in Plymouth, by Noah Wadaw, J. P. ; d. Oct. 4, 1837.

Debroah (Bk. 25-8) m. Haynes instead of Harris.

BOOK XXVI.

THOMAS LEWIS, Va., Ky., Mo.,
1818.

CHAPTER I.

By A. D. LEWIS, CANTON, MO.

My grand father Thomas, was my earliest known ancestor. He moved in an early day from Va. to Ky., and in 1818, moved to Mo. when it was an unbroken wilderness, which in part accounts for my lack of earlier history.

- 1. Thomas had 5 children, all are now dead.
 - 2.I. Aaron J.
 - 3.II. Thomas J.
 - 4.III. Dobney F. d. s. p., Woodville, Miss.
 - 5.IV. Valentine, has a son in Dakota.
- Aaron J. Lewis (2) had 4 children :
- 6.I. John T. Atty., Gainesville, Tex.
 - 7.II. Aaron D. banker, Canton, Mo.

- 8.III. Geo. T. Farmer ———
 9.IV. James P. Atty, Great Falls
 Montana T.
 Thomas J. Lewis (3) had children:
 10.I. Thomas, Palmyra, Mo.
 11.II. Geo. T. ———
 12.III. Glover. ———
 13. IV. James.

BOOK XXVII.

JARIAH LEWIS, Westerly, R.I.,
 1780.

CHAPTER I.

By S. C. LEWIS, FRANKLIN, PA.

There is a tradition in my family that my ancestor with two brothers, came from the north of England, to Bermuda and thence to R. I. The motto on our Coat of Arms is, "With God, Everything": shield red; griffin rampant.

1. Jariah was my great grand father; m. Lydia Maurette 1780. He was a captain in Revolutionary war; was killed in sawmill accident in St. Albans, Vt., about 1806.

They had 6 children:

- 2.I. Russel.
 3.II. Chittenden, b. Hampton, Vt., Sept. 8, 1799; m. Harriet H. Burton at Malone, N. Y., Oct. 5, 1822; b. St. Albans, Vt. He was named by his grandmother, who was a sister of the first governor of Vt. The Gov. gave his namesake a pair of steers. He lived in the place of his birth at Plattsburg, N. Y., until his marriage when he moved to Malone, N. Y., and in 1834, went to Cleveland, Ohio, where he died May 14, 1886 in his 87

year. His recollection was that his father came from Westerly, R. I., when a young man. He told me that the family records were destroyed by fire when he was a small lad; that he had often seen his father's sword, cocked hat and commission with its big seal.

- 4.III. William.
 5.IV. Jariah.
 6.V. Clorinda.
 7.VI. Olive.

The sons lived in northern N. Y., and Vermont, and the daughters died in Ohio and Michigan.

Chittenden (3) and Harriet Burton Lewis had 4 children;

- 8.I. Sanford J., m. Cleveland, O.,
 April 9, 1845, Sarah H. Otis.
 9.II. Catherine N.
 10.III. Edgar H.
 11.IV. Elmira C.

I am very anxious to trace my ancestry. Can any reader of our paper give me any light?

Lewis Fragment.

No. 5.

By R. H. COOKE, PITTSFIELD, MASS.

The will of Thomas Olcott of Hartford, Conn., dated November, 1653, leaves one pound to "brother Will Lewis Senior" This is (without doubt) William Lewis (the first) of Book XII, who landed at Boston, Sep. 16, 1632, for he did not go from Hartford to Hadley until about 1659. It would indicate either that Olcott's sister was Lewis's wife, or that Lewis's sister was Olcott's wife. The ship Lion, Capt. Mason, in which William Lewis came, had 123 passengers,

including 50 children. It sailed from England June 22, 1632, arriving in Boston Sep. 16. Chas. J. Hoadley, Esq., of Hartford, furnished a copy of the Olcott will to the *N. E. Gen. Hist. Register* several years ago.

The Old Colonial Records at Hartford, Conn., give this interesting item :

"The Welchman Lewis fined for pilfering." This was in 1645. In 1648-9 there was a Walter Lewis, who was a servant to Mrs. Hollister. Each, if they were not identical, probably left no descendants.

The following is on the records of Pittsfield Mass., Oct. 1, 1769 :

"Phineas Frost of the Equivalent and Abigail Lewis Agissent to Pittsfield Intend Marriage."

"The Equivalent" is now Dalton but "Agissent to Pittsfield" is vague. At the time of arranging boundaries "equivalents" were not uncommon.

Letters.

LADD J. LEWIS, Nashville, Tenn. May 12: I will take 5 copies Vol. 1. if republished. I inclose records.

H. M. LEWIS, Brooklyn, N. Y., May 13: I subscribe for Vol 1. and Vol. 2.

A. D. LEWIS, Cashier, Canton, Mo., May 10: I inclose subscription and copy of records. My grandfather Thomas moved from Va., to Ky., and 1818 to Mo. We have relatives at Shreveport, La. and Woodville, Miss. Address Isaac Lewis, Kahoka, Mo.

DR. A. Lewis, Solomon City, Kan.: I inclose subscription. Send proposed by-laws. We can organize a large and honorable Lewis association.

WM. J. LEWIS, Cawker City, Kan., May 12: I inclose subscription for Vol 2. I will take 1 copy Vol. 1. Send on by-laws and I will try and organize an association.

DR. G. C. LEWIS, Fairbury, Ills., May 12: I inclose subscription for Lewis paper. I will take 1 copy Vol. 1. if reprinted. I was born in Ohio and am the youngest of 12 children. Father came from Pa., and mother from Va.

WM. L. CAMP, West Winsted, Conn. May 14: I subscribe for Vol. 2. Before adoption my name was Lewis, son of Seth.

B. FRANK LEWIS, Pennington, N. J., May 16: Circular No. 2. received. If I can be enlightened, I will subscribe and organize a Lewis association.

JOHN T. LEWIS, Clinton, La., May 10: If you are still publishing a Lewis paper, I desire to become a subscriber.

DR. R. F. LEWIS, Lumberton, N. C., May 14: I inclose subscription for Vol. 2. Please send proposed by-laws. My ancestor's came with John Smith to Va. I fully agree with Judge Lewis in saying, "it is an important part of our education to learn about our forefathers."

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My Overland Excursion.

By W. D. Lewis, San Jose, Cal.

CHAPTER VIII.

SAN JOSE, Cal., Apr. 16, 1888.

You will observe that I write from my new home, and I hardly know how to picture the happenings of each succeeding day, as each seems more beautiful and charming than its predecessor. To-day is as perfect as I ever experienced; the temperature at 84 to 88 degrees in the shade with a breeze is as comfortable as in your state at 70 degrees. The air is teeming with the perfume of roses which grow to perfection. Look in any direction I may and I gaze at their beauty; inhale their fragrance; and revel in their variety and profusion.

The public improvements in and about this queenly city are noticeable; chief among which is the *VENDOME*, our new hotel, rapidly approaching completion. It is situated in a beautiful six acre *park* filled with trees and flowers, and like its surroundings will be of magnificent proportions and architecture.

I shall soon commence the erection of a house on my place near this city; and in the meantime will continue my journey to the southern section of this state and visit Los Angeles, San Diego and Pasadena.

FRESNO, Apr. 18, 1888.

Tuesday morning I left home for my southern tour. We proceeded north to Niles where we changed to the train from San Francisco, to Lathrop where we connected with the main line for Los Angeles. About six miles east of Niles we passed the small but fertile valley of Sunal, where Charles Hadsell owns a ranch of more than a thousand acres, from which he supplies the famous Palace Hotel, at San Francisco with butter; and still pursuing our eastward course we soon passed through the Livermore valley and over the Coast range, and about noon entered at the western side of the great San Joaquin valley, where everything seemed blighted from the drouth. The grain in the immense fields was not over eight inches high and was as brown

as the stubble after harvest: and I was informed that a full crop was not produced every year, and would only average one, in four years. After lunch at Lathrop we boarded the Los Angeles express and as we sped southward I noticed that all crops seemed nearly destroyed for want of rain. The heat and dust, and parched earth seemed more than a match for the weary pilgrim and stranger. This city has about six thousand inhabitants and is where the great irrigation system is being perfected. The water in the main canals, comes from the foot hills 18 miles away, and it is expected that the supply is sufficient for all demands upon it. This necessarily occasions much extra labor and expense, for nothing can be grown without it; and the question of its success and healthfulness is one left for the future to solve.

The heat in this valley is intense, sometimes reaching 120 in the shade, and averaging 108. To day with the heat at 90 degrees, I took a long drive in the country, and saw some large vineyards—mostly of the raisin grape—which is the principal industry. A two-thirds interest in one place of 960 acres with 640 acres bearing wine grapes, the remainder to be set next winter with its winery, cooperage and buildings, was recently sold for a million dollars.

I go to Tulare to-night, where I will take the morning train for Los Angeles and remain over Sunday. Forty miles away can be seen the snow capped *Sierra Nevadas* which present the extremes—cold there—heat here.

CHAPTER IX.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 20, 1888.

Upon our arrival here last evening we were greeted by that most unhappy of sounds,—an alarm of fire! and from the station looking down the street a few rods away we saw a large building facing us, on fire. No effort was made to reach our hotel, but all remained fascinated by the work of destruction. It soon became evident, that this was no ordinary fire, as the steamers and hose carts

of the entire department came rumbling up from all directions with the speed of the wind.

The thick black smoke, the lurid tongues of flame, the explosion upon explosion as the fire reached the different tanks sending the smoke and flames still higher, told us only too plainly it was a store house for oil, gasoline and like inflammable substances, made a scene as grand as it was wierd and dangerous. You would have laughed long and loud, could you have seen the crowd (which included me) *run* out of reach of the burning oil which after being carried high in air at each explosion, dropped in sheets of flame and in streaks of chain lightning.

Well, in my last I left you at Fresno, where I saw some pretty places but none to compare favorably with San Jose.

From Fresno we ran down to Tulare a distance of 50 miles and encamped for the night. On our way from Tulare and nearly to Los Angeles, the most of the country I saw was a dry, barren waste, said to be good land if water was accessible, which is true of the whole of the San Joaquin valley. To have a crop they must irrigate.

At Calienta we were in a little valley hemmed in on every side by seemingly impassible mountains for beasts much more so for the iron horse with his load of human freight. From the extreme left of the valley our train run around a half circle to the north and commenced the ascent, winding around the mountains, describing the letter S many times. In looking back we could see the track over which we had come, on one, *two*, and *THREE* shelves of the rock, below us; and see many of the *twenty* tunnels through which we had passed, one being over two miles in length. We made one complete circle which is called the *loop* where we could look, below and upon our devious way, or far above where earth and sky met 4,025 feet above the sea; and then we went through the noted Tehachapi pass at the summit, and downward to Mo Jave at the northern extremity of the desert of that name where we dined; and where the Atlantic and Pacific railway passes east forming one of the great transcontinental lines. At Lancaster we commenced the ascent of the Coast range, reaching the highest point near Alpine and in a couple of hours passed Sangus Junction where passengers change for Santa Barbara. Here for the first time since entering or leaving the San Joaquin valley, we saw green fields of grain which promised an abundant harvest. A further ride of 32 miles brought us to this world renowned city.

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