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by day and by night and warn thee of danger, ward of the shafts of the adversary which may be hurled at thee, and thou shalt also have the gift of healing the sick by the laying on of hands. In due season thou shalt have a companion to suit thy condition and thy posterity shall be numerous and bear thy name in honorable remembrance from generation to generation. It is thy privelege to be numbered with the hundred and forty four thousand who shall stand upon Mount Zion Saviours of men. Thou shalt live to a good old age and shall gather the riches of the earth around thee. The Lord knoweth the secrets of thy heart and if thou will be obedient to his laws every righteous desire of thy heart shall be granted thee. Thou shalt comfort the hearts of the widow and orphan.

This blessing I seal upon thy head in the name of Jesus Christ and I seal thee up unto Eternal life to come forth in the morning of the first resurrection with all thy fathers

house, Even so, Amen. (Recorded in Book F.

Ogden City, Weber County, Utah Aug. 7, 1903

A blessing by John Smith, Patriarch upon the head of Hyrum Belnap son of Gilbert and Adaline Belnap, born in Ogden City, Utah, March 24, 1858.

Brother Hyrum Belnap according to thy desire I place my hands upon thy head to confer and seal a blessing upon thee which shall be a guide and a comfort unto thee in time to come, and I ask God the Eternal Father to endite thy blessing, for thou art numbered among the sons of Zion who were chosen at their birth to be messengers of life and salvation among the people at home and abroad and from early youth you were true to thy trust, obedient to thy parents and in honor to the priesthood did labor among the people did teach and exhort the younger, and in thy journeyings abroad did learn much of the ways of the world, for the Lord through thy guardian angel did often guide thy course, direct thy mind, and give the strength of memory to counsel in righteousness among the people, and I say unto thee in thy reflections thou shalt gain knowledge through the experience of the past and thereby counsel in righteousness among the people. By reflection thou shalt realize that thy mission is not yet finished neither thy race run. Therefore look forward to the future with a prayerful heart and an

mind and thou shalt see things as they are for the vision on thine understanding shall be opened and when necessary thou shalt have the gift of discernment, for it is thy province to detect error and also evil,. It is thy duty to defend the opressed, to protect the innocent, and as a common judge in Israel it is thy duty to pass sentence upon the guilty, thy decisions shall be in justice and equity for when doubts shall cross thy mind thou shalt ask the Father in humility for wisdom and thy petitions shall be heard and answered. Thou shalt be prospered in thy labors temperal, Shall complete thy mission and with thy posterity thy name shall be handed down in honorable rememberance from generation to generation as it is now written in the Lambs Book of Life. For the Lord is pleased with thine integrity, has accepted thine offering thus far and for thy sacrifice thou shalt verily receive thy reward and with all thy fathers house thou shalt receive thine inheritance and among