

Ogden, Weber Co. Utah,
August 7th, 1903.

A blessing given by John Smith,
patriarch, upon the head of Arias Guy
Belnap, son of Hyrum and Anna Constant-
ia Belnap, born in Hooper, Weber Co. Utah,
September 6th, 1893.

Brother Arias Guy Belnap:

Notwithstanding thy youth thou art
numbered among the sons of Zion of whom
much is expected for thy pathway is marked
out and thou art chosen to labor in the
ministry, live up to thy privileges, honor
thy parents and thy covenants and thou
shalt see much of the world, thy voice shall
be heard upon islands in the sea and
when necessary thou shalt prophecy, for
as you are taught while in thy youth the
way of life and salvation, when you grow
older, thou shalt walk in the way of the
Lord and be an instrument in his hands
in gathering scattered Israel. Thou art
of Ephraim and entitled to the blessings
of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Thou
shalt teach and exhort the Saints at home

thou shalt labor much among thine
 associates in the interest of improvement,
 thou shalt hold positions of trust and
 responsibility among the people and as
 a common judge in Israel thou shalt be
 called into counsel and when doubts cross
 thy mind thou shalt ask the Father in
 humility for the gift of discernment, and
 thy decisions shall be in justice and
 equity, thou shalt in due time secure
 unto thyself a companion who shall be a
 helpmate unto thee, and thy name shall
 be handed down with thy posterity in
 honorable remembrance from generation
 to generation. Be prudent in thy daily
 walk, guarded in thought and expression,
 for the adversary has great power in the
 earth, and it is his mission to lead astray
 where possible the sons and daughters of
 Zion. Thou art chosen of the Father to look
 to the interest of the younger, therefore be
 prudent and the older honor thy judgement
 and the younger shall rejoice in thy teachings,
 for wisdom shall be given thee above
 many of thine associates. This blessing
 I seal upon thee 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 many of thy
 kindred and friends, even so. Amen.