



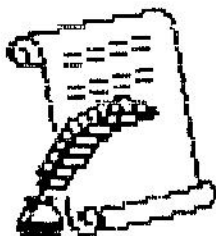
BLESSING GIVEN TO

JAMES KEARL

BY JOHN SMITH —

CHURCH PATRIARCH

on Feb 12, 1876



Grantsville, Utah. Feb. 17. 1867 (age 32 years)

A blessing given by John Smith, Patriarch upon the head of James Kearl, son of John and Elizabeth Kearn, born in Brockenhurst, Hampshire, Eng., Oct. 12, 1835. Brother James, in the name of Jesus Christ, I place my hands upon thy head to pronounce and seal a blessing upon you, which will be according as the Spirit may inspire, and I say unto thee, prepare thy mind, and be firm in thy thoughts of the future, that the Lord may inspire every sentiment which shall be said, for thou art of the house of Israel and through thy lineage, thou art entitled to all the blessings of the Redeemer's Kingdom, and also all the gifts and privileges there unto, and in as much as thou art faithful in yielding obedience unto the calls of the servants of God, thou shalt be blessed in thy basket and store and in thy possessions and be an instrument in the hands of the Lord, in accomplishing a good work upon the earth, for you left your native land as it were in thy youth and crossed through the mighty deep for the Gospel's sake, therefore, thou shalt in no wise lose thy reward for the Lord knoweth the integrity of thy heart and will bless thee accordingly. Thou hast a mission to perform in the gathering of souls in the ministry and many shall rejoice in the sound of thy voice inasmuch as thou wilt live humbly before him, who is the giver of every good and perfect gift. Therefore I say unto thee, live thy religion and prepare yourself for the events which are to come, this, with all thy former blessings I seal upon thy head, and I seal thee up unto Eternal Life to come forth in the morning of the first resurrection. Even so Amen.



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