

## HULL CIRCUIT.

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THURSDAY March 18. Sister Jane Ansdale arrived at Brawby to take my appointments, that I might, according to letter from Hull, proceed to Whitby on a Mission for some time.

Sunday 25. preached at half-past nine, in the market place at Whitby, and again at half-past three. Rain came on and I was obliged to conclude. At half-past seven I spoke again in a house. The Lord was there; sinners cried out aloud for mercy. Two got liberty, and twenty-two joined society. Praise the Lord Tuesday 27, preached at Whitby. Stopped the society, and took down all their names who wished to join, and formed three classes; one of twenty-four, another of sixteen, and another of fifteen members.

Wednesday 28. At Robin Hood's Bay, about, six miles from Whitby along the sea coast. It had been given out for me to preach twice, so I preached at three in the afternoon and seven at night. We held a prayer-meeting, and the Lord made bare his arm. Sinners cried aloud for mercy; and three souls felt his pardoning love. Glory, glory be to God for ever. Friday 30. Preached at Scarbro' at seven. One soul professed to find pardon, two joined the society. Praise the Lord.

Sunday April 1. Preached at Scarbro' at ten, At two at Castle Dykes. Quality, poor, soldiers, and sailors attended and good was done. At night spoke again, but was. disturbed by rabble. We held a prayer-meeting, and fifteen fresh members joined. Praise the name of the Lord. Wednesday 4. Preached at Seamer. Sinners cried for mercy, and one backslider got restored. We called a prayer-meeting the next morning at nine, and two souls got liberty. Praise Jesus for ever.

Sunday April 22. The new. chapel was opened at Pickering. A vast concourse of people. At night brother Lazenby and sister Ansdale took the inside; and I and brother Spaven took the outside. A prayer-meeting was held at half-past eight, and two souls got liberty. Monday 23. We held a meeting in a field at Kirby Moor Side. Brother Evans and sister Ansdale were there. At night I and sister A, again held meeting. Four joined, one professed pardon, two went away in, distress, and many were affected.

Wednesday May 2. I came to Leavening to preach once more, before I left the branch. There is a glorious work in this village, and not only here but in most parts of Malton branch. This last half year there has been above four hundred members. added in this branch.

Wednesday May 9. Spoke at Flambro'. Thursday 10. Returned to the Quay, and was informed that I must preach on board a vessel in the dock. A large awning was stretched out over the deck. The vessel was crowded, and many on the shore. We had a glorious time.

Friday June 1. I went to Griesthorp. The gentleman who was the owner of the village requested I would preach before his door. I stood in the door of his coach-house.. We held a prayer meeting after, and two souls were set at liberty, and two joined the society.

September 10. Quarter-day commenced at Hull. Our increase for the last quarter, in Hull circuit, amounts to seven hundred and eleven. Two branches, Ripon and Malton, are made into circuits; and the work of the Lord is still rolling on. Oh! may he add his divine blessing to our endeavours.

Monday September 17. I attended Fordon-in-the-dales. The people busy in the harvest. About a quarter before nine they got done their day's work, and nearly all flocked to the meeting. An aged woman was conducted to the house of God, who has lately found the Lord, to the joy of her soul. She is in her eighty-ninth year of her age, and enjoys good health. Praise the Lord. This is as a brand plucked from the fire.

Sunday October 7. At half-past eight this morning, I attended a prayer and class-meeting at Haisthorp. I scarce ever was at a more affecting means of grace. Tears flowing, hearts enlarging and self-destroying, was truly the case this morning. Some cried aloud for mercy. One new member joined. In the afternoon preached at Thornton to a crowded congregation. Some seemed affected. In the evening I preached at Lisset.

Sunday Oct 28. I preached last night at Huby, and this morning to a crowded congregation at Easingwold. Many felt the divine power. In the afternoon held a lovefeast. It was dull and heavy at first; but, after some labour, it began to revive, and the power of the Lord fell upon the people. Some cried aloud for mercy. One man was set at liberty on the spot. Many more, I believe, would have got liberty, but shame and unbelief prevailed. At night I preached to a crowded congregation, and held a short prayer meeting after, and four new members joined the society. The work is just begun here, the society has been lately formed and our present preaching place was formerly a dancing room; but now it is become a house of prayer. Praise God in the highest. Amen.

Monday 29. At Haxby. The house was crowded to an extreme. I had life and liberty. Believers glorified God; sinners were affected: and one man who had been a backslider twenty years was restored.

Monday November 26. Preached at York. Much disturbance from the rabble. Yesterday brother Sampson Turner held the lovefeast here, and, I am informed, it was a precious season and that five souls found the Lord Jesus. Glory be to God for ever.

Monday December 3. We held our branch quarter-day meeting, preparatory to the general quarter-day. On examining the state of the branch, we find we have increased eighty members these last nine weeks. Glory be to God. There is likely to be a good work in this city and branch.  
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Reference

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