

Journal of Eden Smith (1806-1859) [son of John Smith]  
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 Eden Smith's  
 Journal  
 Augs'- 21th, 1832

[1:]

of North  
 Eden Smiths Record of his proceedings <when a priest>  
 1831 September 25<sup>th</sup> I went to Stow and preached in the fore noon and distmist [dismiss] and then attended in the afternoon and preached and then Returned home and Laboured for the s[u]pport of my famley  
 September 28<sup>th</sup> I went to bostin Portage and held meeting and preachd and Returnd home and Laboured as before  
 October 6<sup>th</sup> I went <to Bosten> with my father John and we preachd and then Returnd home ~~an~~ and Laboured as before  
 November Went with Brother Harison and Wm to Stow and preachd and I Returnd home and Labured as before Went Went with br Harison and Wm to orang[e] to conferance and attend the Conferance and then Returnd home and Laboured as before

[2:]

Noveember attended meeting with my father John at brother Gadeses in north ampton and then Laboured for the Support o my famly  
 Eden Smiths Record after being ordand [ordained] an Elder November 27 I went to bath madina County ohio and Laboured as befor[e]  
 December 10<sup>th</sup> 1831. I left home in Company with brother Micha [Micah] B Welton Went to Chippaway the Distanc[e] of 13[?] miles and Stade [Stayed] with brother reed and  
 11<sup>th</sup> preached at the School hous[e] in Chippaway and in the afternoon attended meting with the brethren & atted to braking of bre[a]d  
 12<sup>th</sup> we preached in a little vil[l]age Called Dorls town and Baptised 3 Brethren  
 13 we ~~traveled 3 miles and~~ preached at [— —] at brothe[r] Re[e]ds and attended to

[3:]

to braking of bread and Conferming tho[se] that we baptiseed and

14<sup>th</sup> we traveled 3 miles and preached onst [once] at Mr fishers in chippaway

15<sup>th</sup> we traveled 11 miles and preached onst [once] in wane township at Hougs

16 traveled 7 miles and preached onst [once] and put up with a man by the name of miles [—]  
in Canaan Township

17<sup>th</sup> we traveled 15 miles into wardsworth madina County and put up for the night and had an  
apoint[ment] Giv[en] out for the next day

18 we at[tended] to our appointment and preached and then peru[se]d our Journey on to norton  
the distanc[e] of 10 miles and Called at an inn to Stay all night and we was invited in to an  
anoth[er] Room whare there was A methodist prare [preparing?] meting and was in vited to  
preach which we did

[4:]

19 we persude [pursued] our Journey on home to North ampton th[e] distanc[e] of 14 miles and I  
was verry unwell for Som[e] time

January 1 1832 I went to thom[?] dike the Distanc[e] of 16 miles and preached and Return[e]d  
home Cntinued thare [there] [unclear words]

6 left home alone went to Chippaway the distanc[e] of 23 miles Stade [Stayed]

and the 7 I preached at brother Reeds left Chippaway

8<sup>th</sup> and fel[l] i Company with Brother Aaron Smith A priest and traveled 14 miles and and  
preached tonig[h]t and Stade [Stayed] and Stade [Stayed] all night in wain to wnShip and

9<sup>th</sup> Baptised Two I left wain and Travels 20 miles to an ap[p]ointment in Nortond[?] Portage  
County and met brother Read[?] and Elder thane[?] and preached

[5:]

10<sup>th</sup> I Return[e]d home the distanc[e] of 14 miles and I was not well for some days

14 I left home with Brother Ballden an elder went to Chippaway the Distanc[e] of 23 milles

15 preached twig[t?] and baptised one

16<sup>th</sup> we went to brother Hough in Wain T TownShip and preached onSts[?]

17 baptised one and attended to Braking of bread and Conf[i]rming them by laing on of han[d]s  
for the Reception of the holy Ghost and then traveled unto Chippawey

18<sup>th</sup> held me[e]ting at brother Reed

19 we went to norton the distanc[e] of 7 miles and held meeting and preach[e]d

20<sup>th</sup> baptised one and went on home the Distanc[e] of 14 miles to northampton

21 lef home to go to Amherst to A Conferance ~~and Got to~~ the Distanc[e] of 60 miles and Got to  
Amherst the 21

[6:]

25<sup>th</sup> I attended Conferanc[e] and

26<sup>th</sup> Started for home and Got home the 29

Feb[r]uary 10 183[2] I left home in Company with my father John and we traveled 14 miles in to  
norton and Stade [Stayed] all night and left an ap[p]oint[ment] for me[e]ting

11<sup>th</sup> we went on 20 miles into wain and Gave out an ap[p]ointment f[o]r the next day

12<sup>th</sup> attended meeting and preached and the[n] went 2 miles and preached and then went 2  
miles and Stade [Stayed] all night at brother boughs



13 we went to Chippaway and Stade [Stayed] all night 14 we went to see some of the brethren and Converst [Converse] with them and others that was Des[ ] [Desirous] to no [know] the truth 15 we preached twist [twice] and by the request of the Church brother Reed was ordain[e]d an Elder and brother Christopher JohnSton Juner [Junior] was ordained a Deacon

[7:]

16 we went in to norton 5 miles and at to the ap[p]ointment that we maid [made] and preached 17 we went on home 14 miles 19 attend me[e]ting with the Church in north ampton and then Laboured threa [there] the [unclear word] week for the support of my famley [family] 26 attended meeting with Church in the same place and agane [again] laboured as before March 4 1832 4 attended me[e]ting with the Church at Northampton and again went to Labering and the 7 I was taking sick and was verry sick until for sometime 24 I got so that I could Ride a lit[t]le and went to Chippaway 25 went with Brethern Semer Brunson

[8:]

and Luke Johnson 3 miles and held meeting 26 I visited Som[e] of the members and held meting at broth[er] Bradens 27 attend meeting at brother Georg[e] Johnsons with the brethren and by the Request of the Church David franston[?] was ordained A priest and Georg[e] Johnston A teacher 28 I Retur[n] but wasnot able to Labour Aprile 17 I moved my family to Chippaway 20<sup>th</sup> held meting with the brethren 23 I Started with Brother Reed an Elder to Conferanc [Conference] and went to my fathers in Northampton the Distan[c]e 23 miles Stade all nigh[t] and the 24 we went to orang[e] the Distance of 25 miles 25 attended Conferanc at brother burnets

[9:]

26 we went to Shalersville and held meting with the brethern this day we traveled 20 miles 27 we Traveled 23 miles to northampton 28 we Returnd home to Chipaway th[e] Distan[c]e of 21 miles 29 attended meting with the Church and then Laboured for the Sport [Support] of my famley May 4<sup>th</sup> Left home in Companey with brother Georg[e] Johnston a teacher and went to Stark County and Gran township the Distan[c]e of 11 miles and preached 5<sup>th</sup> Returnd home and I went with Brother Reed to wain township <14[?] miles> and Stade [Stayed] all night 6<sup>th</sup> held meting and Returnd home an Laboued for my famley 12 I went 5 miles with Som[e] of the brethern frank king and preached an Retund home

[10:]

13 went with brother Reed to montville the Distan[c]e of 10 miles and preached and then Returnd home and laboured as befor[e] 20 Went with bro[t]her Aaron Smith to Gren township and preached and Returnd home and Labor as before

27 went to Frankling township and Retd [Returned] home  
 June 3<sup>th</sup> went with Brother Reed and Aaron Smith to Green township 11 <miles>  
 held meeting and baptised one Returnd hone [home] and laboured as before  
 10 attended meeting in the Church and Baptised one and laboured what I Could threw [through]  
 the week  
 17 attended meeting with the Church and laboured threw the week

[11:]

24 attended meting with the Church and laboued [a]s before  
 30 left hone [home] with brother Georg[e] Johnson and went to Talmage and Stade [Stayed] all  
 night the Distance of 18 miles July 1 we went 5 miles and held meting and then went on 8 miles  
 and Stade all night I went to kirtling the Distance of 40 miles and Stade until the 4 left kirtling  
 and Came to north ampton the Distanc[e] of 40 miles 5 we persued [pursued] our Journey on  
 home 23 miles and I Laboured as before  
 8 I attend with the Church and preached and baptised one Labored threw [through] the week  
 15 attend with the Church two metings and labored threw [through] [the—] the Week  
 22 attenend 1 meting with Church

[12:]

and Baptised one and Labour threw [through] the Week 29<sup>th</sup> Went to wain and held meeting  
 the Disstanc[e] of 14 miles Returd home and laboued as before  
 August 5<sup>th</sup> I attended meting with the Church and Laboured threw [through] the Week  
 12 I went [ ] miles and met brother march at New portage and preached and the eturnd  
 [returned] hone [home] and Laboued until the 15<sup>th</sup> Brother Stephen Burnet and my Self Left  
 Chipaway and traveled 13[?] miles Slate Township and Stade all night  
 16<sup>th</sup> it Rained verry hard till in the afterno[o]n and We Started about 2 oclock and went 2 miles  
 to A little vil[l]age Cl[a]ld Greentown and told the people our bisness [business] and they Give  
 out an[?] apointment

[13:]

and we attended and preached and Stade All night and til[l] after bre[ak]fast this morning 17<sup>th</sup>  
 Went onto RanDolph the Dis of 15 miles and Saw a man and told him our Bisness [Business]  
 and he invited us to Go to the hous[e] with him aand he Gav[e] out an Apointment and we  
 attended and preached  
 18 We traveled on north two miles and Cald [Called] with A prisbyterian [presbyterian] Priest  
 and told him Concerning the Bo[o]k of mo[r]mon and Concerning the Gosple [Gospel] of Jesus  
 Christ and he Calle[d] for proof for the Book of [Mormon] and we cited him to the Bible and he  
 Said he did not Receiv[e] that and we told the Cituation [Citation] he was in and what he must do  
 left him and went on our way and went into

[14:]

to thorne Dike the Distanc[e] of 10 miles and Stade all night 18 we tride [tried] to get a meeting  
 and we was told that the Probibility [Probably] was that we Could Get a meeting on the after  
 noon but we Could not and I left broth[er] Stephen on Sunday the 19 and I traveled  
 4 miles to tamag [talmage] and Stade all night with Brother Weltons  
 20 <augt> I traveled to Chippway Chipaway Ohio

18 miles 21 augt. 1832 Eden Smith

I am knowing to some of the  
within & beli[e]ve the remainder

David Frampton

Recd 25 augt. 1832

George Johnson

& approv[e]d