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his family and friends in Zion as well. He would note correspondence at the end of his daily entries.

Ezra's faithfulness was evident to the saints and Elders with whom he worked. Pres. Franklin D. Richards assigned the Farmington elder in March to preside over the Kent Conference, just southeast of London. Elder Clark learned of the new call when reading about it in the Millennial Star.

The new responsibility with more saints and in an area of more historical importance to England overwhelmed Ezra Thompson's eldest son.

In his journal entry of March 27, 1866, he wrote: "Found a Star on my arrival with releases and appointments and read of my appointment to the presidency of the Kent Conference to succeed Elder John Hubbard, released to return home. To be under the London District president and Bro. N. H. Felt. Knelt down and prayed that I might be able to do much good and keep faithful to my covenants."

Letter to his brother

A letter from Ezra James to his brother Timothy Baldwin also focuses on the call. The letter, dated April 8, 1867, includes the following: "I have a large and I believe good conference to repair to and did I not know that God will make me competent to fill the situation inasmuch as I put my trust in him and keep humble continually I should tremble in very deed. I know I have the prayers of God's people and hope to keep watchful and prayerful."

Moses Thatcher.

Elder Platte Lyman and Joel Grover are appinted to labor in the Kent Conference under the direction of Elder Ezra J. Clark.

Elders Edward L. Butterfield and Abiah W. Brown are appointed to labor in the Durham and Newcastle Conference under the direction of Elder James

Ezra James handled this leadership position much the same way he had in Dorsetshire-traveling, working and holding meetings whenever possible.

On Aug. 10, 1867, Elders Platte Lyman and Joel Grover were appointed to labor in the Kent Conference under his leadership. Elder Grover, who was a frequent companion, was from Farmington,