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These letters elaborate on how Eliza Avery Clark, daughter of Hyrum Don Carlos Clark, married into the Wilford Woodruff family. Note Wilford was a dear friend to Ezra T. Clark. Avery married Abraham Woodruff, Wilford's son and apostle, as Abraham's second wife. Avery only had one child through Abraham, after Abraham's death from smallpox. Abraham's first wife Helen also died from small pox, both in 1904.

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Saturday 4

Sister Woodruffs condition remains practically the same only I think she is getting gradually weaker and will have a hard struggle to recover. I again set up all night so Bros Woodruff and Henning could rest.

Sunday 5

Our patient continues very weak and is suffering very much from a dryness of her tongue and throat. I sat up till 3 in the morning.

Monday 6

We are all about worn out caring for our patient, cooking trying to keep this old disease trap of a house in order. Sister Woodruff is apparently no better. Bro Woodruff went to hospital to arrange for her removal tomorrow.

Tuesday 7

Bro Woodruff & I sat up till 10 o'clock last night giving our patient milk and brandy for stimulants. She was delirious all the time. Bro. Henning and Juana took the second watch and at 3:45 a.m. Bro. Henning came rushing up the steps to where Bro. Woodruff and I were sleeping on the roof, and told us to come at once for sister Woodruff was dying and scarcely had we reached her bedside when she passed peacefully away after having suffered since May 23 with a most loathing and virulent form of smallpox. Her suffering has been something fearful and for her, death was surely a relief. Bro Woodruff felt terrible and Bro Henning and I did what we could to console him but of course our efforts were very feeble in so great an affection. I then went out to Santa Maria and notified Bro Pomeroy and Harris of her death and Bro Henning went to Hotel and notified Bishop Johnson and family. I then went and engaged the Layendecker undertaking establishment to take charge of the body and attend to the burial. At 7:30 a.m. I took charge of the washing and laying out of the body and was assisted by 3 men from the undertakers. It was a terrible task as the body was covered with the small pox so bad that we could scarcely touch it without taking off the skin. Later Bros Woodruff and Henning dressed the body with the clothes that Sister Johnson and Harris had prepared. I then went to the undertakers and arranged for a coffin for 60.00 A grave in the American Cemetery Number 85 for $225.00, Two cars for transporting the corpse and attending brethren and sisters at a cost of $25.00 and pall bearers, etc. for $18.00. Making a total cost of $328.00 At 4 o'clock the body was taken from the House in Humboldt to the car on Guerrero street. The accompanying Brethren and sisters entered the other car and an hour later we were at cemetery. There we all surrounded the grave and sang