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two Elders from Utah came to Westman Island to
preach what was called Mormonism. I soon invited
them to my house with the intention to prove that the
doctrine was false but I failed to do so but to my
surprize they proved to me that I did not have
true religion as Lutherian. This Elders name was Lope
Johnson and Magnus Bjarnason they were the first Mis-
sioners that came from Utah to Iceland. They came
very often to my house during that summer and fol-
lowing winter explaining the Gospel to me and my
Family so on the ninth of May 1874 Elder Ma-
gnus Bjarnason Baptized me with two others a few
days after this my mother took sick so we ne-
arly lost all hope that she could live. We called on
Magnus to pray for her which he did and she
got well at the same hour a few days after
my mother was Baptized and I together with
others was confirmed on the 29 day of May and
same day I was Ordained an Elder by Elder Lope
Johnson the sacrament was administered for
the first time and a Branch of the Church
of Christ was organized with eight Members. In
Meeting I was set apart to preside with two other
Elders for assistants over the Branch. In follow-
ing June the Elders went home to Zion leaving the
Branch in very weak condition. We then commen-
ced to hold public Meetings every Sunday in our
little dwelling house our neighbours and others
came to hear us and soon a few became converts
to the Gospel. I Baptized three sisters on the 16th
of August one of them was my wife, we
sent \$5.00 to Latter day Saints Office in Copenhagen
for Books as most of the Saints could read the
Danish language. The Lord strengthen our Faith by the
manifestation of his power and many received dreams