

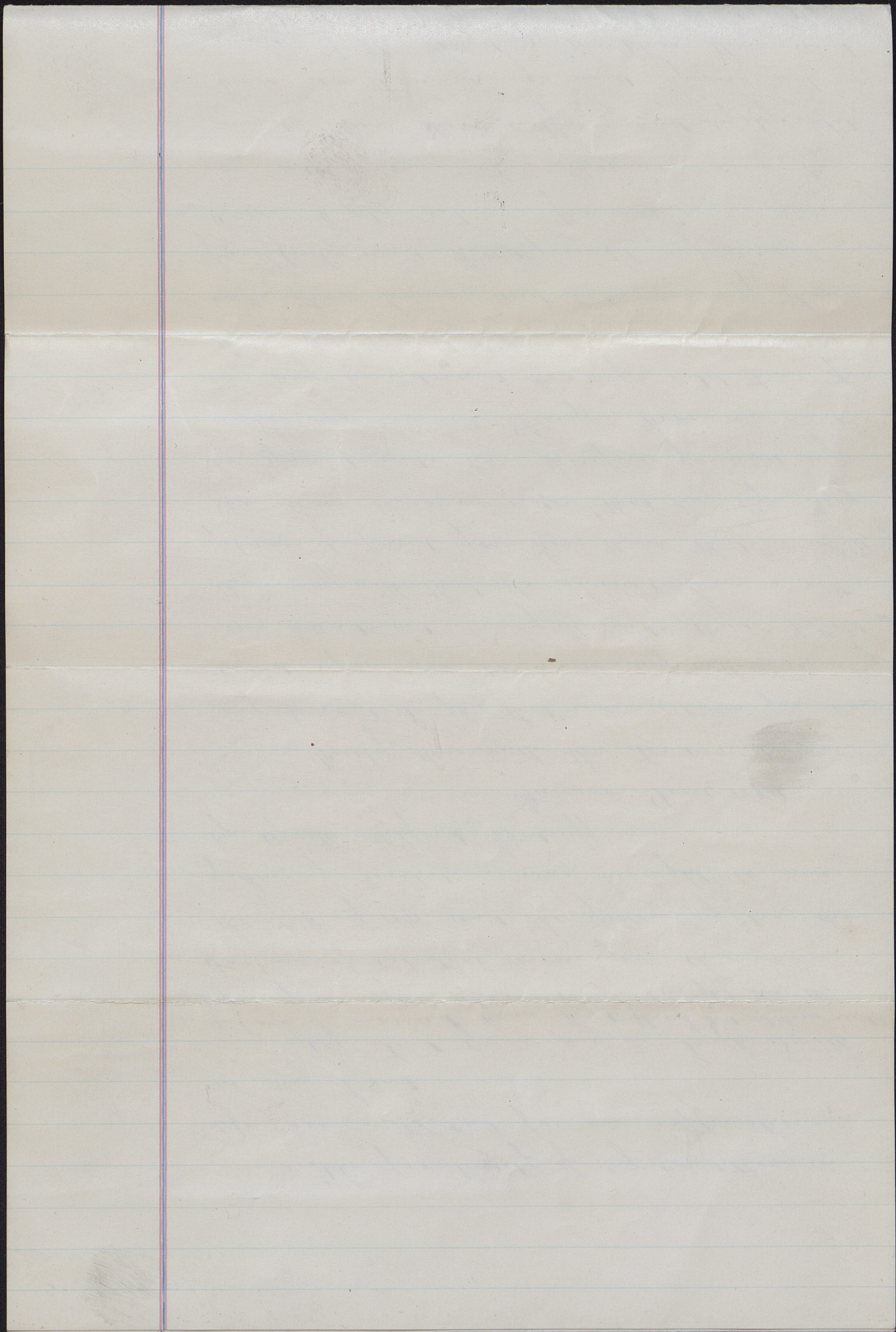
The peculiarity of my condition in life seems to call for an explanation at my hand

The Lord gave me to Joseph Smith before I married Orson Hyde, this I did not know until ten years after, when Joseph taught me the doctrine of Celestial marriage. This was in the fall of 1841 and the following Dec, the following revelation was brought to me by Apostle Wilford Woodruff. -

Manoo Dec 1, 1841

Verily thus saith the Lord unto you my servant Joseph, that inasmuch as you have called upon me to know my will concerning my handmaid Nancy Marinda Hyde; behold it is my will that she should have a better place prepared for her, than that in which she now lives, in order that her life may be spared unto her; therefore go and say unto my servant Ebenezer Robinson and to my handmaid his wife, - Let them open their doors and take her and her children into their house, and take care of them faithfully and kindly until my servant Orson Hyde returns from his mission, or until some other provision can be made for ~~their~~ welfare and safety. Let them do these things and spare not and I the Lord will bless them and heal them, if they do it not grudgingly







saith the Lord God; and she shall be a blessing unto them; and let my handmaid Nancy Marinda Hyde hearken to the council of my servant Joseph in all things whatsoever he shall teach unto her, and it shall be a blessing ~~upon~~ her and upon her children after her, unto her justification saith the Lord."

Ebenezer Robinson and wife received me and mine and gave us shelter until another place was provided. — I followed the council of the prophet Joseph as above instructed and cherish in my heart the hope of realising the fulfilment of the promises and blessings herein contained. —

A few years before Mr. Hyde departed this life, he told me that Joseph Smith before our marriage, requested him not to marry me, but gave no reason for the request.

Nancy Marinda Hyde



