

# Abdu'l-Bahá's Travels to the West

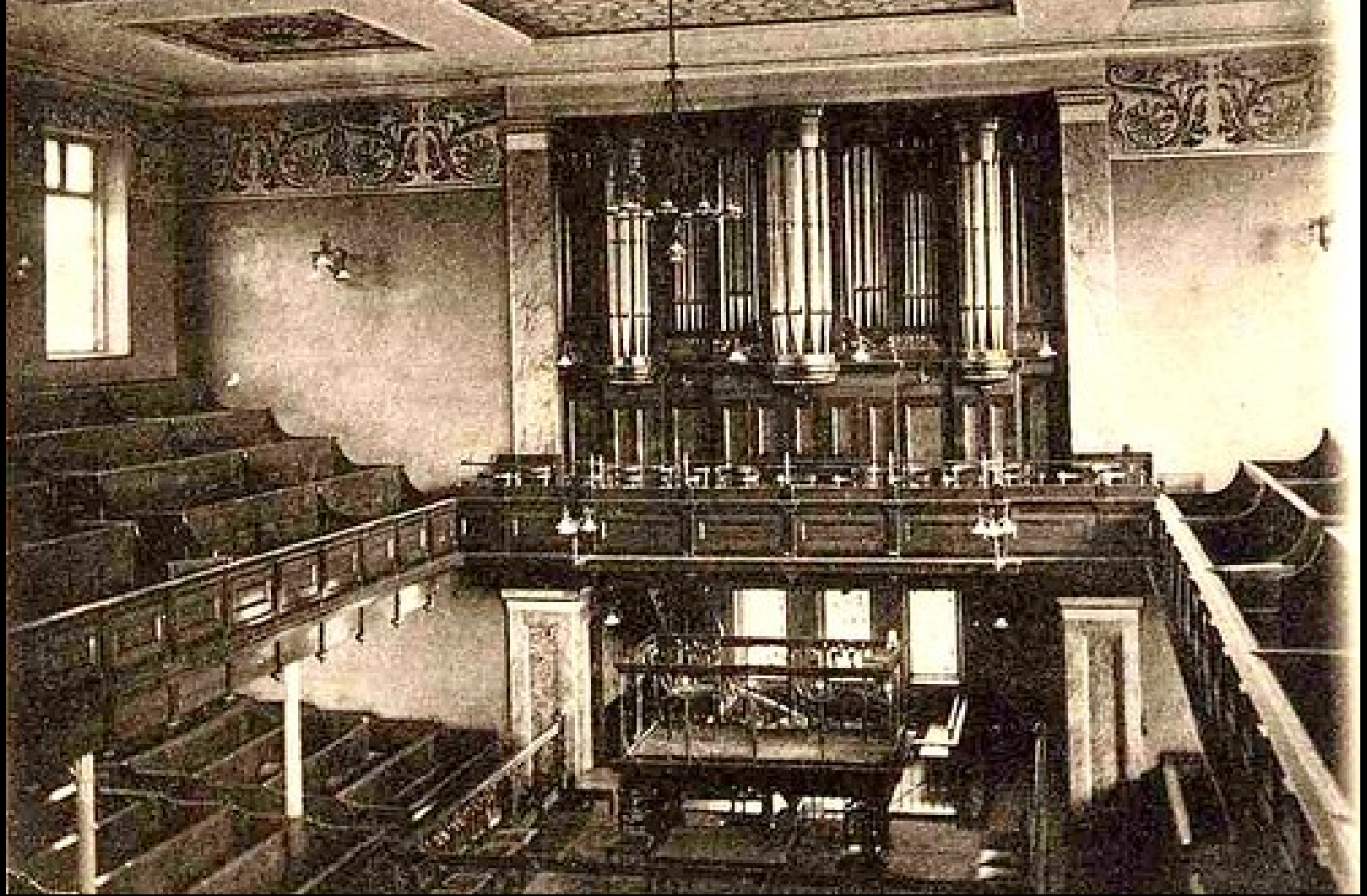
**Liverpool, England**

15 December 1912

*Unity*

# Liverpool, England

His last night in Liverpool, 'Abdu'l-Bahá spoke at the Pembroke Chapel about unity.



Pembroke Chapel, Liverpool

# Unity

*What benefit do we ever draw from separating ourselves one from another? Why should we wrangle and battle to kill each other? God is kind. Why are we unkind?*

(‘Abdu’l-Baha, in Earl Redman, *‘Abdu’l-Bahá in Their Midst*, Oxford: George Ronald, 2011, p. 275)

# Unity

*The first separating principle is religion. Every sect and community has gathered around itself certain imitations of Reality in ceremonies and forms, and as these imitations differ, contentions follow.*

(‘Abdu’l-Baha, in Earl Redman, *‘Abdu’l-Bahá in Their Midst*, Oxford: George Ronald, 2011, p. 275)

# Unity

*Each division is encompassed with thick clouds through which the Sun of Reality cannot penetrate. If these divisions should forget the differences in imitations and seek for the underlying Reality, all would be united and agreed and fellowship would be established between the organizations of mankind.*

(‘Abdu’l-Baha, in Earl Redman, ‘Abdu’l-Bahá in Their Midst, Oxford: George Ronald, 2011, p. 275)

# Train to London

The morning of 16 December,  
'Abdu'l-Bahá took the train to London.



Train in Liverpool 1912



# Train to London

In the train, Abdu'l-Bahá spoke to Isabel Fraser, who had placed articles in the newspapers, about teaching the Bahá'í Faith.

# Teaching

*You must become like a burning torch so that you maybe able to melt mountains of snow. Europe is filled with with mountains which are snowcapped all the year around. May you attain to such a degree of heat that you may melt the snow. Europe is submerged in materialism.*

# Teaching

*People are not thinking of God. All their attention is turned toward matter and nature. Like unto the cows they graze in the meadows which are overgrown with grass. They can see nothing beyond their noses.*

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