

Hyrum Washington Mikesell (Dwelling #673)



Hyrum Washington Mikesell was the child of John Aylor and Catherine D. Mikesell. He was born June 13, 1812. He met and married Ann Augusta Scott on February 21, 1839. Ann was born to Mathew and Mary Anne Bedford Scott on March 3, 1819 aboard a ship sailing for New York.



The following children were born to the couple: Mary Catherine, born on February 21, 1841; Amariah, born on December 10, 1844; and Mathew Scott, born on October 9, 1845 were all born in Nauvoo. Mary Catherine died on August 1, 1842 also in Nauvoo.

The family moved to Big Pigeon after they were driven out of Nauvoo. A daughter, Sarah Jane was born there on June 11, 1849. The 1850 U. S. Census enumerated them as Hyrum, age 35; Ann, age 32; Amariah, age 7; Mathew, age 6; and Sarah, age 1.

Another daughter, Sariah Ann, was born on October 8, 1851. Some members of the family think they may have been in Harris Grove by 1851. Hyrum is not listed in the 1851 Iowa State Census. On the 1852 Iowa State Census, Hyrum and Garrett are living next to each other. The Allen Weeks Company left from Kanesville on July 13, 1852 and among the Company were Hyrum and Ann and four children. Ann either died the day they left or shortly thereafter, leaving Hyrum with a 7-year old, a 6-year old, a 3-year old, and a 9-month old.

Hyrum married Sarah B. Jolley in February of 1853. Together they had ten children. Sarah was the daughter of Charles Franklin and Lovisa J. Heron. She was born on December 26, 1832 in Greene County, Illinois. They resided in Salt Lake City where Hyrum died on May 8, 1883. Sarah provided for her large family and died at the age of 82 on July 19, 1914. Both were buried in the Salt Lake City Cemetery.