

HISTORY OF DOLPHUS BABCOCK.

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DOLPHUS WAS BORN UNDER THE NAME OF ADOLPHUS, WHEN HE CAME TO MANHOOD HE LEFT OFF THE A AND WENT BY THE NAME OF DOLPHUS. DOLPHUS WAS BORN IN MIDDLEFIELD, HAMSHIRE CO, MASS. TO DANIEL AND JERUSHA TAYLOR BABCOCK, ON 23 FEBRUARY 1800. WHEN DOLPHUS WAS SIX DANIEL AND JERUSHA MOVED TO MINA, NEW YORK.

IT WAS IN MINA WHERE DOLPHUS GREW TO MANHOOD, AT THE AGE OF SEVENTEEN DOLPHUS TOOK UP LAND AT MINA, HE BUILT A LOG CABIN, HE LIVED AS A BATCHLOR FOR THE NEXT FOUR YEARS. THEN IN EIGHTEEN TWENTY ONE DOLPHUS MET JERUSHA JANE ROWLEY, IT WAS IN THE SAME YEAR THEY WERE MARRIED, JERUSHA WAS THE DAUGHTER OF JOHN AND ROMANN WESTLAND ROWLEY. JERUSHA WAS BORN IN SCHENECTADY, SCHENECTADY COUNTY, NEW YORK, THEY LIVED IN MINA UNTIL 1833 THEIR FIRST FIVE CHILDREN WAS BORN THERE.

DOLPHUS AND JERUSHA WAS CONVERTED TO THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATER DAY SAINTS IN 1833 AND MOVED TO CALDWELL, ILLINOIS, DOLPHUS WAS FIRST BAPTIZED IN 1835 BY ELDER JOHN GOULD AND CONFIRMED BY JOHN GOULD. THEY HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED MANY TIMES SINCE THIS DATE CAME FROM THE HIGH PRIEST QUORUM OF SPANISH FORK. HE WAS BAPTIZED JUST SIX YEARS AFTER JOSEPH SMITH, JOSEPH WAS BAPTIZED IN 1829. THEIR SIXTH CHILD WAS BORN AT CALDWELL. SHORTLY AFTER NAUVOO WAS COMPLETED IN 1840 THEY MOVED THEIR FAMILY THERE, TWO MORE CHILDREN WAS BORN IN NAUVOO, THEIR FIRST ENDOWMENTS WAS DONE IN THE NAUVOO TEMPLE ON THE THRID DAY OF FEBRUARY EIGHTEEN HUNDRED AND FORTY SIX, THE DAY BEFORE THE FIRST SAINTS LEFT NAUVOO. THE FIRST SAINTS LEFT NAUVOO THE FOURTH DAY OF FEBRUARY EIGHTEEN FORTY SIX, THEY CAMPED ALONG THE BANK OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER.

THE BABCOCK FAMILY HAD A IMPORTANT DECISION TO MAKE, THE DECISION WOULD PUT A HARDSHIP ON THIRTEEN MEMBERS OF THE BABCOCK FAMILY WHAT EVER WAY IT MIGHT BE, THE QUESTION AT HAND WAS: SHOULD THEY STAY IN NAUVOO AND TRY TO SALVAGE THEIR EARTHLY BELONGINGS THEY HAD WORKED SO HARD TO GET?, AND TAKE THEIR CHANCES WITH THE RAIDERS, THIS WOULD MEAN GIVING UP EVERY THING THEY BELIEVED IN, EVEN THEIR BELIEF IN GOD, THE ONLY OTHER ALTERNATIVE WAS TO GO WITH BRIGHAN YOUNG ON THIS VENTURE IN SEARCH OF A LAND WHERE THEY COULD WORSHIP GOD IN THEIR OWN WAY WITH OUT THE FEAR OFFERSECUTION, TO THE LAND OF OPORTUNITY? IN THE END THE LATER WON OUT, THEY SADLY LEFT NAUVOO RE-

HIND AND WENT IN SEARCH OF THEIR PROMISED LAND. IT WAS AFTER FEBRUARY OF EIGHTEEN FORTY SIX THEY LEFT NAUVOO, FOR LORENZO AND AMY ANN MARBLE BABCOCK (THE OLDEST SON OF DOLPHUS) HAD THEIR FIRST SON WHICH WAS LISTED AS BEING BORN 27 FEBRUARY 1846 AT NAUVOO, ILLINOIS, THOUGH THE SON COULD HAVE BEEN BORN WHILE CAMPING ON THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER. THOUGH THIS IS JUST SPECULATION ON MY PART, THE LATER DAY SAINTS WAS CAMPED THERE FOR A TIME REPAIRING THEIR EQUIPMENT BEFORE THEY MOVED ON. THE NEXT I FIND THEM THEY ARE AT WINTER QUARTERS (COUNCIL BLUFF) THIS WAS PRIOR TO JULY 1846 RECORDS SHOW THEY WERE THERE AT THIS TIME, BUT AT THE TIME OF WRITING I FIND NO RECORDS STATING WHEN THEY LEFT COUNCIL BLUFF. THE OLDEST DAUGHTER OF DOLPHUS AND JERUSHA, (SOPHRONIA) DIED IN COUNCIL BLUFF 26 AUGUST 1847 AS DID HER SMALL SON WHO WAS BORN ON THAT DAY. THE BABCOCKS ARRIVED IN THE GREAT SALT LAKE VALLEY WITH THE ABRAHAM O. SMOOT COMPANY 29 SEPTEMBER 1847, AFTER THEIR ARRIVAL THEY SET UP HOUSE KEEPING IN THEIR WAGON. THEIR LAST CHILD WAS BORN IN THIS WAGON BOX HOME, WILLIAM HENRY WAS BORN 15 JULY 1848, THE BABCOCKS ARRIVING AT THAT TIME WAS AS FOLLOWS: DOLPHUS BABCOCK, JERUSHA BABCOCK, JOHN BABCOCK, ALBURN BABCOCK, LUCY BABCOCK, PAMELIA BABCOCK YOUNG. THERE WAS OTHERS WHEN THEY LEFT NAUVOO, BUT I CAN NOT SAY WHEN THE OTHERS ARRIVED, EXCEPT LORENZO WHO WILL BE IN ANOTHER SKETCH.

DOLPHUS GOT GOLD FEVER, HE LEFT HIS FAMILY IN CHARGE OF BRIGHAM YOUNG AND WITH OTHERS WENT TO CALIFORNIA, HE LEFT FOR CALIFORNIA IN EIGHTEEN FORTY NINE, HE WAS GONE ABOUT TWO YEARS. WHILE HE WAS AWAY JERUSHA DIED IN SALT LAKE, SALT LAKE COUNTY, UTAH, SHE DIED 25 SEPTEMBER 1850, SHE HAD CONTRACTED CONSUMPTION BECAUSE OF THE HARD-SHIPS SHE SUFFERED WHEN CROSSING THE PLAINS FROM NAUVOO TO SALT LAKE.

WHEN DOLPHUS RETURNED HE GATHERED HIS FAMILY TOGETHER AND MOVED TO PALMYRA, UTAH WHERE THE TOWN OF SPANISH FORK NOW STANDS. HE TOOK UP FORTY ACRES AND STARTED TO RAISE HIS FAMILY WITH OUT A MOTHERS CARE. HE LATER MARRIED HANNAH ALICE CHAPMAN, HANNAH HAD BEEN MARRIED BEFORE TO JOSEPH GOODWORTH. DOLPHUS HAD ONE CHILD WHO THEY CALLED HANNAH ALICE, THEY DID NOT GET ALONG WELL TO GEATHER. THEY WERE MARRIED 25 MAY 1851 AND HANNAH ALICE WAS BORN 8 APRIL 1859 SHORTLY AFTER THIS HANNAH TOOK THEIR DAUGHTER AND RAN OFF WITH A MAN FROM A WAGON TRAIN. HANNAH ALICE DAUGHTER MARRIED EDWARD CAMPBELL, THEY HAD ONE CHILD, ALVA CLAYDES BORN 11 MAY 1901 AT SODA SPRINGS IDAHO.

ALVA MARRIED EARL FRENCH. FIVE YEARS AFTER ALVA GLAYDES WAS BORN HANNAH ALICE BABCOCK CAMPBELL DIED IN SODA SPRINGS, IDAHO, 10 JULY 1906.

SHALL WE NOW RETURN TO PALMSPA, UTAH? AFTER DOLPHUS ACQUIRED HIS FORTY ACRES HE PAID HIS NEIGHBORS IN FOOD AND GRAIN WHICH THEY NEEDED, TO BUILD A FENCE AROUND HIS PROPERTY. IT WAS CONSTRUCTED WITH MUD, IT WAS FOUR FEET HIGH AND EIGHTEEN INCHES THICK, ON TOP OF THE FENCE HE PLANTED MOCK ORANGE TREES.

FORTUNE SEEMED TO FAVOR THEM, THE NEXT YEARS CROPS WERE IN ABUNDANT, BUT THE WINTER WAS HARD CAUSING A GREAT LOSS IN LIVE STOCK. ON THE FARM HE BUILT A ADOBE HOUSE WITH THREE ROOMS DOWN STAIRS AND TWO ROOMS UP. DOLPHUS PLAYED A BIG PART IN SETTLING OF THE TERRITORY IN THE SPANISH FORK AREA, HE LIVED A LIFE OF FULLFILMENT, WITH A DEDICATION TO HIS GOD THAT NO OTHER MAN COULD CHANGE. PROOF OF THIS LIES IN THE HARDSHIPS THEY ENDURED ON THEIR VENTURE FROM NAUVOO TO SALT LAKE, AND EVEN BEFORE THEY LEFT NAUVOO.

DOLPHUS DIED IN SPANISH FORK, UTAH COUNTY, UTAH 15 MARCH 1872 THERE HE WAS BURIED.

ISSUE OF DOLPHUS AND JERUSHA.

SOPHROHIA BORN 14 JULY 1822 AT MINA, NEW YORK MAR. DOMINIOUS CARTER, DIED 26 AUG. 1847 AT COUNCIL BLUFF, IOWA. LORENZO FOLLOWING. ELIZA BORN AT MINA 8 OCT. 1828 MAR. JOHN GROVES. GEORGE BORN AT MINA, NEW YORK 7 FEB. 1831 MAR. MOLLY EASTON DIED 11 FEB. 1902. LUCY BORN AT MINA, NEW YORK 30 NOV. 1832 MAR. WILLIAM WOOD 4 MAR. 1849 DIED 16 DEC. 1863 AT MINERALVILLE, BEAVER COUNTY, IDAHO. PAMELIA BORN CALDWELL, ILLINOIS 6 OCT. 1837 MAR. JOHNSON BEYON BRANCH YOUNG 10 MAR. 1853 DIED AT MONA 5 JULY 1916. ALBERN BORN AT NAUVOO, ILL 28 JAN. 1841 MAR. MARY CONOVER, DIED 2 JAN 1917 AT MOORE, BUTTE, IDAHO. JOHN BORN AT NAUVOO, 13 DEC. 1842 MAR. HARRIET MC KEE DIED 24 APR. 1868 AT SPANISH FORK, UTAH, BURIED THERE. WILLIAM BORN AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 15 JULY 1848 MAR. MARY JANE PARSONS 21 DEC. 1868 DIED 17 MAR. 1928 AT SENGVILLE, UTAH BUR. THERE.