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Biographical Sketch

of

Benjamin Young Greenwood

and

Sarah Jane Julian Greenwood

by May Greenwood, their daughter

Pioneer Year 1847

Pioneer Year 1856

She sailed on the Samuel M. Fox

He was born 9 Feb 1846 in Nauvoo, Illinois

She was born 18 Mar 1849 in Winthorp, Nottinghamshire, England

Married in 1883

She died 16 Feb 1938

Benjamin Young Greenwood, son of William and Alice Houghton Greenwood, was born in Nauvoo, IL Feb. 9, 1846. When a year and a half old he came with his parents to Utah. Arriving in Great Salt Lake Valley Oct. 1847. Making him one of the original Pioneers of the State. When a youth he moved with his parents to American Fork, where he had lived all his life. As a young man he worked on his father's farm. He followed this occupation most of his life.

In the year 1866 the Indian war broke out. He was one of the first to volunteer to go to Sanpete to fight the Indians. He served from Apr. to Aug. in the year of 1866 and from May until Nov. 1867.

In the year of 1883 he was married to Sarah Jane Julian. They made their home in the Old Coop. House; To union 5 children were born.

Sarah Jane Julian Greenwood, daughter of Samuel and Sarah Kirkby Julian, was born in Winthorp, Nottingham Shire, England. Mar. 18, 1849. She lived here until she was seven years old. Coming with her parents to America in the year 1856.

Sailing on an old sail ship called the Samuel M. Fox. Taking 6 weeks to cross the ocean. She witnessed a severe storm. The women and children were put in the cabins and all the men on deck dipping water from the ship. The ship caught fire but was soon put out. She remembered the first sight of land, and how happy they all were.

The family landed in New York Harbor. Going from here to Sharon, Michigan where two of her mother's brothers lived. Staying there a short time then moved to Grass Lake Michigan. Remaining there for 6 years. During this time she ran a sewing machine in a tailor shop. Left Gras Lake, Michigan for Utah in June, 1862. Traveling on a train from St. Jo, Michigan to Florence, Missouri. Then traveled with ox teams across the plains walking most of the way. At the age of 13, she made her first dress (by hand) while crossing the plains.

Arrived the following fall in Salt Lake Valley. Here they were met by Thomas Barratt. Then coming to American Fork where she lived the rest of her life. Her mother died 2 years after arriving in the

valley, leaving her the oldest of 6 children. She being fifteen years old cared for the family a long time.

She worked in the American Fork Fourth Ward Relief Society as a visiting teacher for 20 years. She followed up dress making for many years.

Died Feb. 16, 1938 at the age of 89 years.