

## Sarah Jane Empey Research

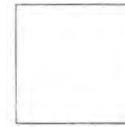
Sarah Jane Empey-1BKT-L1 is the 2nd great grandmother of Angie Sullivan.

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Willie Date of Arrival: 14 Jun 1856 Port of Arrival: New York, New York Source(s): BMR, Book #1047, pp. 120-150 (FHL #025,691); SMR, pp. 35-41; Customs (FHL #175,519) Notes: "DEPARTURE. - The ship Thornton, Captain Collins, cleared on May 3, and sailed on the 4th for New York, with 764 souls of the Saints on board, of whom 163 where from the Scandinavian Mission. This company is under the presidency of Elders James G. Willie, Millen Atwood, Jacob A. Ahmansen, and Moses Clough. Elders Willie, Atwood, and Clough arrived in England January 5, 1853; and consequently have been laboring in the ministry, in this country, nearly three years and four months. Elder Ahmansen was out among the first who received the gospel in Scandinavia. he was baptized by Elder E. Snow, when the gospel was first carried by him to Denmark. Since that time he has labored faithfully in the ministry, and held responsible positions in the Scandinavian Mission. Elders John Kelly, late president of the Cheltenham Conference, A. M. Findlay, formerly of the East India Mission, and John Chislett, who has been laboring in the Swiss Mission, also sailed in the Thornton. These brethren have all been faithful and diligent in the ministry, and have left their fields of labor to go home to Zion with our blessing, and they have our prayers for their future success and welfare." <MS, 18:21 (May 24, 1856), p.230> "NINETY-FIFTH COMPANY. - Thornton. 764 souls. The ship Thornton cleared from Liverpool, May 3rd, 1856, and sailed on the fourth for New York with seven hundred and sixty-four Saints on board, of whom one hundred and sixty-three were from the Scandinavia Mission; four hundred and eighty-four of the total number were P. [Perpetual] E. [Emigration] Fund emigrants, expected to cross the plains with hand-carts. The company was placed in charge of Elders James G. Willie, Millen Atwood, Jacob A. Ahmansen and Moses Clough. Elder John Kelley, A. M. Findlay, (formerly of the East India Mission) and John Chislett, of the Swiss Mission, also sailed in the Thornton. Soon after leaving Liverpool the emigrants were divided into seven wards or districts, over each of which a presiding officer was appointed. During the voyage Captain Collins was very kind to the emigrants, allowing them a great many extra privileges which were duly appreciated by them. He also gave the elders full liberty to preach and hold meetings on board as often as they pleased, and frequently he, together with the ship's physician, and other officers were attentive listeners to the preaching and joined in singing the songs of Zion. Considerable sickness prevailed among the emigrants of whom a number were old and sickly. Seven deaths, three births and two marriages took place on board in the following order: On the first of May, Sister McNiel gave birth to a son, who was blessed and named Charles Thornton McNiel; on the fourth Sister Jessie Ireland was married to Brother Allen Findlay, the ceremony was quietly performed in the cabin by Elder Atwood; on the sixth Sister Molton was delivered of a son, who was blessed and named Charles Alma; on the seventh Rachel Curtis, aged seventy-five years, died; on the eight, Rasmine Rasmussen, three years old, died; on the twenty-first a child was born and died a few minuets afterwards; on the twenty-eight, a boy, a year old, died. On the twenty-ninth, Sister Sarah Hains was married to Brother Samuel Cook, by Elder Willis. On that occasion all the Saints were invited to the upper deck, and the young pair was taken to the captain's deck, from where the ceremony was in plain sight of the passengers. The American colors were hoisted; Elder Willie delivered an address on the order of marriage and read the order from the Doctrine and Covenants. After it was over three cheers were given for the captain, three for the officers, three for the crew, and three for the young pair. On the second of June, Thomas Peterson, aged seven and a half years, died from the effects of a fall from the upper to the lower deck; on the fifth a girl by the name of Kay, three and a half years old, died, and on the seventh, Mary Lark, aged ten years, died of consumption. During the passage a number of meetings were held, both for preaching and amusement, and the captain was very particular in not permitting the sailors to disturb these gatherings. Before disembarking written testimonials were exchanged between the Saints, the captain and the ship's physician, expressing the good feeling and pleasant cordial understanding

which had prevailed between all concerned during the entire voyage. The captain and doctor, in trying to respond to the testimonials tendered them were both overcome by their feelings and shed tears of emotion. On the fourteenth of June the Thornton arrived at New York, and a tug boat landed the emigrants at Castle Garden, where they were kindly received by Apostle John Taylor and Elder Nathaniel H. Felt. On the seventeenth of June, the company left New York and traveled by rail to Dunkirk, N. [New] Y. [York] where they boarded the steamer Jersey City and sailed to Toledo, Ohio, where they arrived on the twenty-first. The following day they reached Chicago. While at Toledo the emigrants were treated unkindly by the railway hands. On the twenty-third the company left Chicago by rail in two divisions, one leaving a few hours after the other. At Pond Creek the emigrants learned that the bridge at Rock Island had collapsed while a train passed over it. Apostle Erastus Snow and other elders from Utah were on the train when the accident happened, but escaped unhurt. On the twenty-sixth of emigrants continued the journey from Pond Creek and arrived at Iowa City the same day. (Millennial Star, Vol. XVIII, pages 330, 478, 542, 554; Morgenstjemen Vol. III, page 21.) "<Cont., 14:1 (Nov. 1892), p.20-21>"Sun. 4. [May 1856] The ship Thornton sailed from Liverpool, England, with 764 Saints, under the direction of James G. Willie. It arrived at New York June 14th, and the emigrants, continuing the journey by rail, arrived at Iowa City, June 26th."<CC, p.56>". . . On Wednesday, April 23, 1856, under the leadership of Elder Johan A. Ahmanson, 161 emigrating Saints bound for Utah, sailed from Copenhagen per steamship 'Rhoda.' The route taken by this company of emigrants was by steamer to Kiel, by railroad to Hamburg, by steamer to Grimsby in England and by railroad to Liverpool. The company arrived safe and well at Liverpool, April 29th. On Sunday, May 4, 163 Scandinavian emigrants sailed from Liverpool per ship 'Thornton,' together with about 600 Saints from Great Britain. . . ."<HSM, p.112>

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Father's Birthplace Mother's BirthplaceWilliam BRIGGS Self M Male W 26 UT  
Farmer ENG ENGSarah BRIGGS Wife M Female W 23 ENG Keeping  
House ENG ENG Sarah A. BRIGGS Dau S Female W 4 UT UT  
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December 18, 2003 -James G. Willie Company (1856)Impey, Sarah JaneCompany: James G. Willie  
Company Gender: Female Age: 1 Notes: Source ofInformation: Journal History, 9 Nov. 1856, p. 18;  
Don Smith, e-mail communication, 29 Apr.

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http://www.xmission.com/~nelsonb/nmsrch.cgi on August 14, 2003 -Surname: briggs First:  
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ShipsTranscribers GuildShip ThorntonPage 2, link back to Page 1 belowFrom Liverpool, England to  
New York, June 15, 1856DISTRICT OF NEW YORK - PORT OF NEW YORKI, Charles Collins Master  
of the Ship Thornton do solemnly, sincerely and truly affirm that the following List or Manifest,  
subscribed by me, and now delivered by me to the Collector of the Customs of the Collection District  
of New York is a full and perfect list of all the passengers taken on board of the said Ship Thornton at  
Liverpool from which port said Ship Thornton has now arrived; and that on said list is truly designated  
the age, the sex, and the occupation of each of said passengers, the part of the vessel occupied by  
each during the passage, the country to which each belongs, and also the country of which it is  
intended by each to become an inhabitant; and that said List or Manifest truly sets forth the number of  
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Manifest of all the passengers taken on board the Ship Thornton whereof Charles Collins is Master,  
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crowded, that only enough could be carried to see them through their journey. Mrs. Empey went without food many times to enable her children to have the necessary food. After reaching the Salt Lake Valley, Sarah Jane's mother married Daniel Collette in 1857. They had one daughter, Eliza Ann, born to them. Sarah Jane's mother died at Plain City, Utah, the 31st of August 1859, and was buried in Smithfield, Utah. After Sarah Jane's mother died, Sarah Jane's father's brother, Shadrack Empey took the three children and prepared a home for them and his family in Lehi, Utah. Annie married Samuel Southwick shortly after the home was completed and this left Sarah Jane among five boys. Her uncle and step brothers treated her as if they were their very own. She was so tiny and loveable. Sarah Jane was granted practically the same as her stepbrothers. She has a fair education and was a very talented woman, especially when it came to needlework. 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Just at that moment, when Sarah Jane thought she could go no further, James stopped and began looking around. Sarah Jane immediately threw herself into some nearby bushes, and lay there breathlessly. Pretty soon she heard the sound of approaching horses. She looked up just in time to see one of the Indians grab her brother and ride off with him. She lay there in the bushes for what seemed like ages, sick at heart and too afraid to leave her place of safety. At last, however, she regained her courage and started back home. There she told her uncle about James' fate. He began searching for James immediately, by tracing the horses tracks he followed the tracks to a small river. By the bank of the river, Sarah Jane's uncle could tell there had been a struggle because of the upturned dirt and large amounts of blood present there. No one was able to find out for sure what had happened, but Sarah Jane was of the opinion that her brother had been scalped and thrown into the river. In the year of 1875, Sarah Jane was married to William Briggs, on April 19, in the endowment house in Salt Lake City. She lived in Lehi, Utah with her devoted husband until July 13, 1884, then they moved to Lewisville, Idaho. At Lewisville they lived on an 160 acre farm. On this land they built a beautiful brick home. Thirteen children were born to them. The first child was Sarah Ann, on the 13th day of January 1876. She was born at Lehi, Utah. She married Frank Goody of Lewisville, Idaho. They had one child. The next child was a boy, William Amos, born the 13th of November 1877 at Lehi, Utah. He married Clara Jane Goodwin of Menan, Idaho. Another son, John, was born the 31st of May 1879, at Lehi, Utah. He married Ina Nevada Davis. A daughter, May, was born the 1st day of May 1882 at Lehi, Utah. She married Orren Grant Fillmore. Samuel was born the 4th day of February 1884 at Lehi, Utah. He married Elizabeth Kinghorn of Lewisville, Idaho. On the 25th day of November 1885, a set of identical twins were born at Lewisville, Idaho, Ella and Effa. Ella married William Elmer Horton. Her twin sister Effa died on the 5th day of November 1905, of pneumonia, which she contracted while attending school at Ricks College, at Rexsburg, Idaho. Another daughter, Hannah Maud, was born the 23rd of February 1888 at Lewisville, Idaho. She married George Alma Berrett of Menan, Idaho. Grace was born the 30th of April, 1890 at Lewisville, Idaho. She married Abraham Ballantyne of Rigby, Idaho. They were divorced and later on she married Benjamin Hamilton Nokes of Pocatello, Idaho. Jennie was born the 18th of April, 1892 at Lewisville, Idaho. She married Peter LaVern Kadsen of Rigby, Idaho. On September the 2nd, 1894, another boy was born, James, but he died the 6th of September. He lived only four days. The last child to be born to this couple, was Jesse. He was born the 22nd of November, 1897 at Lewisville, Idaho. He married Alta Frazier of Woodruff, Utah. After the older boys had become strong enough to take care of the farm, Mr. Briggs placed the responsibility of the farm on their shoulders. He bought a share in the Utah Idaho Sugar Company and went to work for them. In the year of 1910, the Briggs family moved from the farm into a still lovelier home in Rigby, Idaho. In this home Mrs. Briggs spent many happy hours with her devoted husband and her lovely family. Mrs. Briggs was very fond of working in her flowers and garden. Almost every Sunday she picked flowers and placed them in the church, during the spring and fall. She was a very active woman, and during the early days of the community she befriended many less fortunate than she. She was an ardent worker and member of the Latter-Day Saint church. Mrs. Sarah Jane Empey Briggs' husband was killed in an automobile accident the 12th of January 1922, near Roberts, Idaho. Before that time, all of the children had married and moved to various places. Mrs. Briggs spent the remainder of her life caring for her home, visiting her children, taking care of the sick and needy, working in her garden, and working in the church. She died January 16, 1935, and was buried beside her husband in the Pioneer Cemetery of Lewisville, Idaho.

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