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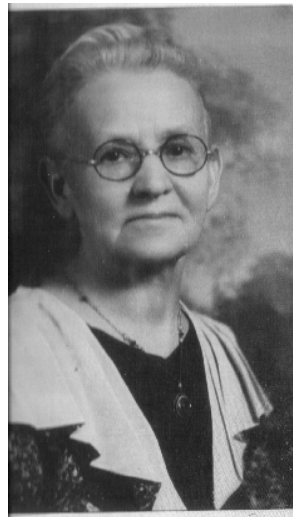
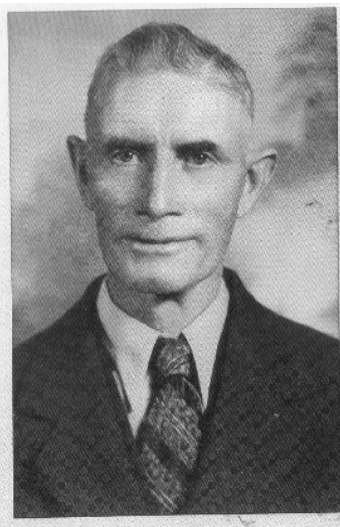
Dedicated to Bringing Together the Posterity of Samuel Linton & Ellen Sutton

Family Historian Mary Ann Linton Morgan's Research Found

As many of you are aware, Mary Ann (daughter of Samuel Linton/Ellen Sutton) was a zealous family historian and genealogist until her death at age 86. Many have wondered what happened to all of the research Mary Ann conducted over the years. Recently, we found cousin James Tanner (Mesa, AZ), a descendent of Mary Ann Linton Morgan who has in his possession all of the paperwork, notebooks and genealogy left by Mary Ann.

There is an enormous amount of information that James Tanner has carefully (for the past 15 years) scanned and transcribed. It is exciting to find more cousins and share information. As new information becomes available from these records, we will publish the information in this family newsletter. If you have any specific questions, please contact Colette McCullough at colettem@lintonfamily.org.

Samuel Linton, Jr: 5th Child of Samuel Linton & Ellen Sutton



Each month we continue to highlight the children of Samuel Linton and Ellen Sutton. This month we would like to share information about Samuel Linton, Jr. (b. 1867) Today, his posterity has grown to 20 grandchildren and 72 great-grandchildren. Bio-sketch submitted by Ray Linton of Salt Lake City, Utah (grandson of Samuel Linton/Elizabeth Jenkins).

Samuel Linton Jr. was born on January 7, 1867 in Nephi, Utah to Samuel Linton Sr. and Ellen Sutton. Both Samuel Sr. was and Jr. were farmers and worked for David Broadhead on a large farm seven miles south of Nephi. David Broadhead was the first man to grow "dry land wheat" on the Levan ridge.

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Samuel Linton, Jr. and wife Elizabeth Jenkins.

*Ida and Leonard
(photo taken
about 1899).*

Samuel Jr. married Elizabeth Jenkins on October 29, 1890 in the Manti Utah Temple. To this union were born five children: three girls and two boys (Ida, Leonard, Rulon, Margaret & Eva). Samuel served a mission in the Louisiana Territory from 1896 to 1898. Wife Elizabeth took their two young children, Ida and Leonard, and went to live with her parents James and Margaret Jenkins. During the mission years, Elizabeth worked at the co-op store to support her and the children, as well as Samuel on his mission.



When Samuel returned home, he was hired by David Cazier to run his farm. There was a house built there and that is where the family lived for several years.

Samuel & Elizabeth later leased David Broadhead's ranch. In the summer, their family lived on the ranch with seven other families that had homes there. It was like a small community. There was not a city water system, so some of the families had cisterns and wells or water from the canyon springs. On David's farm there was a 10-acre peach orchard that grew beautiful fruit. Hayfields fed cattle and horses in the winter and large grain fields which were later harvested with a header. The grain was stacked in large stacks and then threshed with a threshing machine run by steam. At this time and during haying season, many men were hired and food was furnished to them by Elizabeth. It was very hard work but the children were very happy and had a lot of fun with all the other children that lived there. Each Sunday, the family would attend church meetings in Nephi, and then spent Monday doing their washing with a wood washer driven by an electric motor.

Samuel also worked for the Grace Brothers during harvest time. This was done by a combined harvester pulled by 20 horses and these were driven by Jack Blackett. Later, Samuel owned a farm of his own and at harvest time they camped there rather than driving back and forth to town. Elizabeth would fix a hot dinner and take the children out to have a hot dinner with the men, which they appreciated very much. Every Monday morning they packed a grub box with enough food for a week.

While at the Dog Valley Farm, Samuel owned some fine machinery consisting of three tractors, plows, a harvester and other machinery to farm with. Each spring, he would take his children to the farm to pull rye out of the wheat so his seed wheat would be clean and free from rye. He always had beautiful horses and cows. At the time of the 1st World War, the government men came through the country buying horses for the field artillery. Father sold them a team of beautiful black horses and our favorite riding horse. This really broke Rulon's heart as this beautiful mare was a race horse and so smooth to ride. It was our pride and joy.

Four Linton Children:

This photograph was taken about 1906. From left to right, Rulon is standing, Ida is the eldest daughter in the center. She is holding her little sister Margaret. Eldest son, James Leonard is seated. The 5th child, Eva, was not born until 1909.

Samuel Linton was appointed City Marshall and served in this capacity for five years. While he was marshall there was a man named Jack Thomas who lived at Mills, Utah. He was a cattle buyer and he loved to go on a binge and be drunk for days. He had a beautiful diamond ring and he would bring this ring to Samuel to keep for him until he sobered up. Samuel had to check on men in jail and provide their meals. Elizabeth fixed many meals for Samuel to take to the prisoners. Samuel rode a horse and also a bicycle to get around town.

Later, Samuel and Rulon (his son, born 1900) bought a farm at Dog Valley. They also ran the Brough farm and fed cattle for the Broughs during winter. Rulon also worked on the new roads built through Ferner and Dog Valleys. He hauled cedar wood for kindling, and oak and maple from the canyons which was sawed into stove lengths for fuel to cook and heat with. Later, Samuel and Rulon hauled coal from the mines in Carbon County.



Samuel always raised a beautiful garden with many lovely vegetables and had many varieties of fruit trees. He grew apples and sugar beets on the two acres he had on 5th East. The family always generously shared their crops with other families. Margaret and Rulon had to help top the beets which he sold to the sugar factory. While working on the Dog Valley farm, Samuel suffered a severe accident. He was run over with the wheel of a big grain drill. It ran over his head causing a bad wound in the back of his head. Infection set in and nearly died. But through the power of the priesthood and good nursing by Ida, Margaret and Leonard, his life was spared. He retired shortly after this, sold his farms and machinery and was a temple worker in the Manti Temple.

After Elizabeth's death (30 Dec 1937), he met Agatha Farnsworth, a very lovely lady from Richfield, Utah who worked in the temple. It was love at first sight. Samuel had been very unhappy and lonesome since his wife's passing. So they courted for a short time and were married 8 Oct 1941. They lived in Manti in a small house across the street from the temple. Both of them were temple workers. They were a very happy couple and were loved very much by their families.

Samuel had a bad heart and passed away very suddenly on 1 Apr 1944 at the age of 77 years.