

SAMUEL MULLINER

Biography from the Lehi Centennial History

Samuel Mulliner was born in Headdington, East Lothian, Scotland, January 15, 1809. He emigrated to America in 1832, settling near the city of Toronto, in Canada.

He was baptized by Theodore Turley, September 10, 1837. The following spring he moved with his family to Missouri, and later settled in Springfield, Illinois, November 4, 1838. He was ordained a teacher March 10, 1839. On May 6, 1839, he was ordained an elder, and a seventy, July 16, 1839.

Soon after this, he left his family and started on a foreign mission. He and his companion, Alexander Wright, arrived at Glasgow December 20, 1839. The next day they continued their journey to Edinburgh, where his parents resided. They were the first elders to go to Scotland. On January 14, 1840, he baptized a number into the Church as the first fruits of the gospel in Scotland. On the 19th, he blessed some children and administered the sacrament for the first time in that vicinity.

On that occasion he received the gift of tongues. - They were very successful in their labors and baptized a great number, among whom were his own parents.

He left Glasgow on October 2, 1840, and returned to America, arriving home December 19, 1840. He afterward moved to Nauvoo, Illinois, from which place he was again sent on a mission in November, 1842. He organized a branch of the Church at Cambria, Niagara County, New York, April 27, 1843. He was released to return home July 2, 1843.

In 1849, as he was preparing to go to Utah, he was sent on a business

mission to the East. He returned home the same year. In 1850 he came on to Utah and settled in Great Salt Lake City with his family, six in number. He bought a lot, which now is occupied by the Walker Brothers Bank, and started a tannery and shoe shop, making the first leather in the state. He built a comfortable dwelling house.

He bought a grist mill at American Fork, and soon after built a carding mill adjoining it, and also a sugar cane mill. With the latter he made molasses for the settlers. He also built a grist mill at what was known as Spring Creek, between Lehi and American Fork, where he resided most all the remainder of his days.

He gave employment to many Saints and new-comers and did much for the poor and needy. He never allowed any to suffer for the want of food or clothes if he knew it.

He died February 25, 1891, at the age of 82 years, 1 month, and 10 days.