Goode, Herbert and Phelps families in America

Information obtained from the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers A history that some descendent had written on John and Patience (nee Goode) Herbert John Herbert born in Bisley, Glos. May 13, 1827 Son of Solomon and Esther (nee Phelps) Herbert. When John was old enough he became an apprentice to a mason and followed that trade. After completing his 7 years as an apprentice he married Patience Goode of Cheltenham, on October 19, 1853.

About this time the Mormon missionaries were travelling in these parts, and Solomon and Esther joined the church. They saved for a year to be able to come to America and Salt Lake City. Esther died some time that year. Later, Solomon, John and Patience with their small baby left England for Utah. They came on the Sailing vessel "Sidon". After 6 weeks on the water, John and Patience's young son died on the way over and was buried at sea. (How sad would that be?) They arrived in Philadelphia and remained there about a year. Grandfather Solomon found work as a gardener in New Jersey. John visited his father as often as possible and one Sunday morning set out bright and early to walk to where his father lived. Arriving at where his father had been working he saw a newly made grave. He said how strange it made him feel. On arriving at the house he was told that is father had died a few days before. (July 20 1855) As communication was slow in those days, he had never been notified.

John and Patience found transportation with a freighter by the name of Ross, who was leaving to go to Utah, John was to drive the ox-team and Patience was to do the cooking to pay for their trip. They arrived in Salt Lake City in the fall of 1856 after a long hard trip across the plains.

He followed his trade as a mason and built many homes in the American Fork area. (This is about 15 minutes north of where I live) John and Patience had 9 children. Charles F. buried at sea. Joseph, Hyrum (twins) John W. Frank, James P, Lovina, Salina, and Esther.

This history was given by a great granddaughter of John and Patience at the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers meeting in American Fork Utah. (December 14, 1933)

Solomon Herbert 24 Nov 1795 Bisley. (John's father) Died July 20 1855 in New Jersey. Apparently he came to Salt Lake City also. He may have been on his way back to England when he died. Patience had a brother who came with them too and he died in the Mormon colonies in Mexico.

The following information was given by Patience Hansen Charlier, the great granddaughter of Patience Goode Herbert, in the "Daughters of the Utah Pioneers" meeting, December 14, 1933 American Fork Chapter.

Patience Charlier's mother was Lovina Herbert Hansen, born August 2, 1859 in American Fork, Utah.

She states in this history of Patience that her great grandmother (Patience Goode Herbert) was born in Micheldean October 7, 1826 the daughter of George and Salina Goode, and was one of a large family. As soon as she was able, she was sent out to work to earn a living. The family later moved to Cheltenham where she met and married John Herbert on October 9, 1853. Their first baby Charles was born there. Shortly after they joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saint they saved money to immigrate to Salt Lake City, and left on the sailing vessel Sidon. The little boy Charles was not feeling well when they started and when they had been on the water about three days he took Cholera and died. The little body was wrapped in a sheet and dropped in the ocean. The voyage was far from pleasant as the sea was very rough. After 6 weeks at sea they landed in Philadelphia where John resumed work as a mason.

They joined a wagon train outfitted by a man named Rose. John drove the ox-team and Patience was cook. She goes on to tell when going across the plains by wagon train that Patience baked 1500 pounds of flour. She brought over from England some lovely silk dresses that she would eventually sell to provide for the family. At the time of giving this history Patience (Charlier) had in her possession a clock that her great grandmother brought over that was still working in 1933. She also mentioned that grandmother had told her how one time the Indians had pulled open the neck of her dress to see her pretty white skin and how frightened she was. She mentions in this history that John worked on building the Prove Tabernacle.





Sarah Goode Marshall, the sister of Patience Goode Herbert. Her and her sister Maria immigrated to Utah with the first Mormon handcart company; helping to pull the handcart with Sarah's 6 children, ranging in ages from 12 down to 2. Maria Goode died on the trail leaving Sarah alone. The piece of quilt is part of one that Sarah brought over with her and was divided up by the family so that the oldest son in each family has it to hand down.

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There is a large organization out there for Sarah Goode Marshall descendents. They have connections to the Herbert family as well. One thing that needs correction is that Maria Goode did not die on the plains.

That idea came from the late in life journal writings of Delila Boice Asay (1886-1983). Aunt Lila was a sweetheart, but I think she must have assumed that Maria died because she didn't know what became of her after she crossed the plains with the Ellsworth handcart company.

The Ellsworth Company kept very good records regarding those who turned back, died and completed the trek. Maria is noted as being in the Company from the beginning, but there is nothing regarding her death.

I have spent years researching her, and just last month located her for certain. She had been married and sealed to Jonathan Pidcock Smith in August 1858 at the Endowment House.

I have seen the LDS Church Archive records myself. These are not public records. There were four Endowment Houses in Utah. Maria and Jonathan were married at the Beaver, Utah Endowment house. They can be found on the 1870 and 1880 Federal census records in Fillmore, Millard County, Utah. There is no record of them having any children.

I am working on finding their specific death dates at this time. I have several generations of Jonathans ancestoral records from Pennsylvania.

The above additional information was supplied by Betty Joe Don
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