

Jacob Strong



And his Wives

Sarah Hill and Alice Fish Bury Walsh



Sarah Hill



Alice Walsh

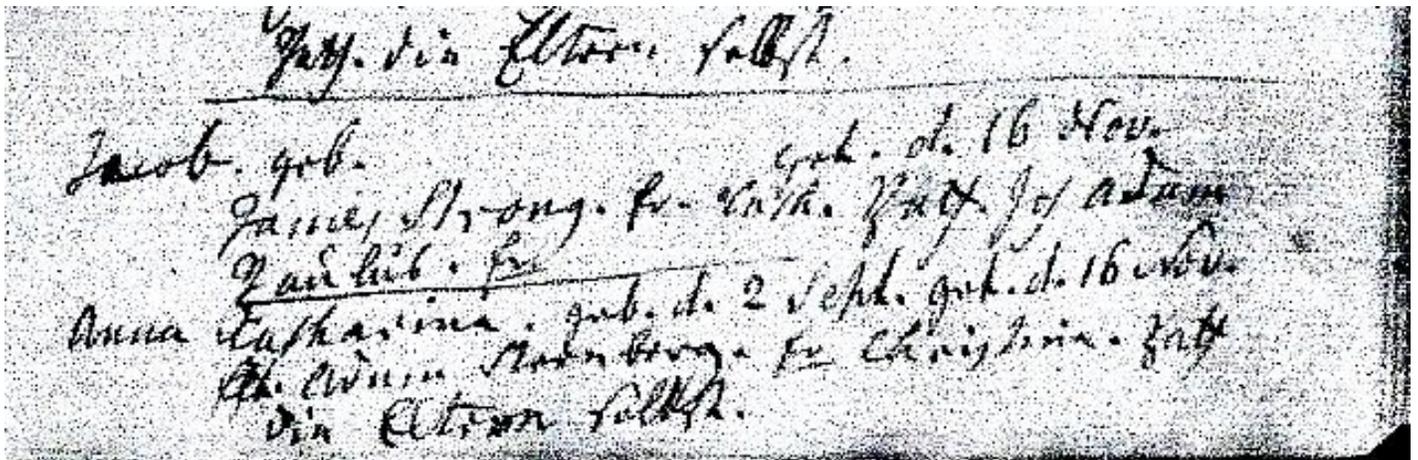
This biography researched and written by Jacob and Sarah's third great grandson Lewis W. Strong

Jacob Strong

October 9, 1799—February 18, 1872

Jacob Strong was born on October 9, 1799 in York, York, Pennsylvania. He was the fourth child born to James Strong Jr. and Maria Catherine Hauer. There were ten children born to this family. Maria Barbara b. 3 June 1793 d. 16 June 1793; Michael b. 4 October 1794 d. 8 September 1862; Elizabeth b. 16 June 1796 d. 1899; Jacob b. October 9, 1799 d. February 18, 1872; John b. 1 September 1801 d. 14 April 1879; Catherine b. 29 August 1803 d. 1868; Susanna b. 1805 d. 1855; Sarah b. 1 March 1806 d. 9 July 1833; Margaret b. 3 May 1809 d. 22 January 1889; and Mary b. 1814 d. about 1850.

No birth record has been found for Jacob, but his christening record is found below for 16 November 1800 in Canadochly Lutheran and Reformed Church in Lower Windsor Twp., York Co., Pennsylvania



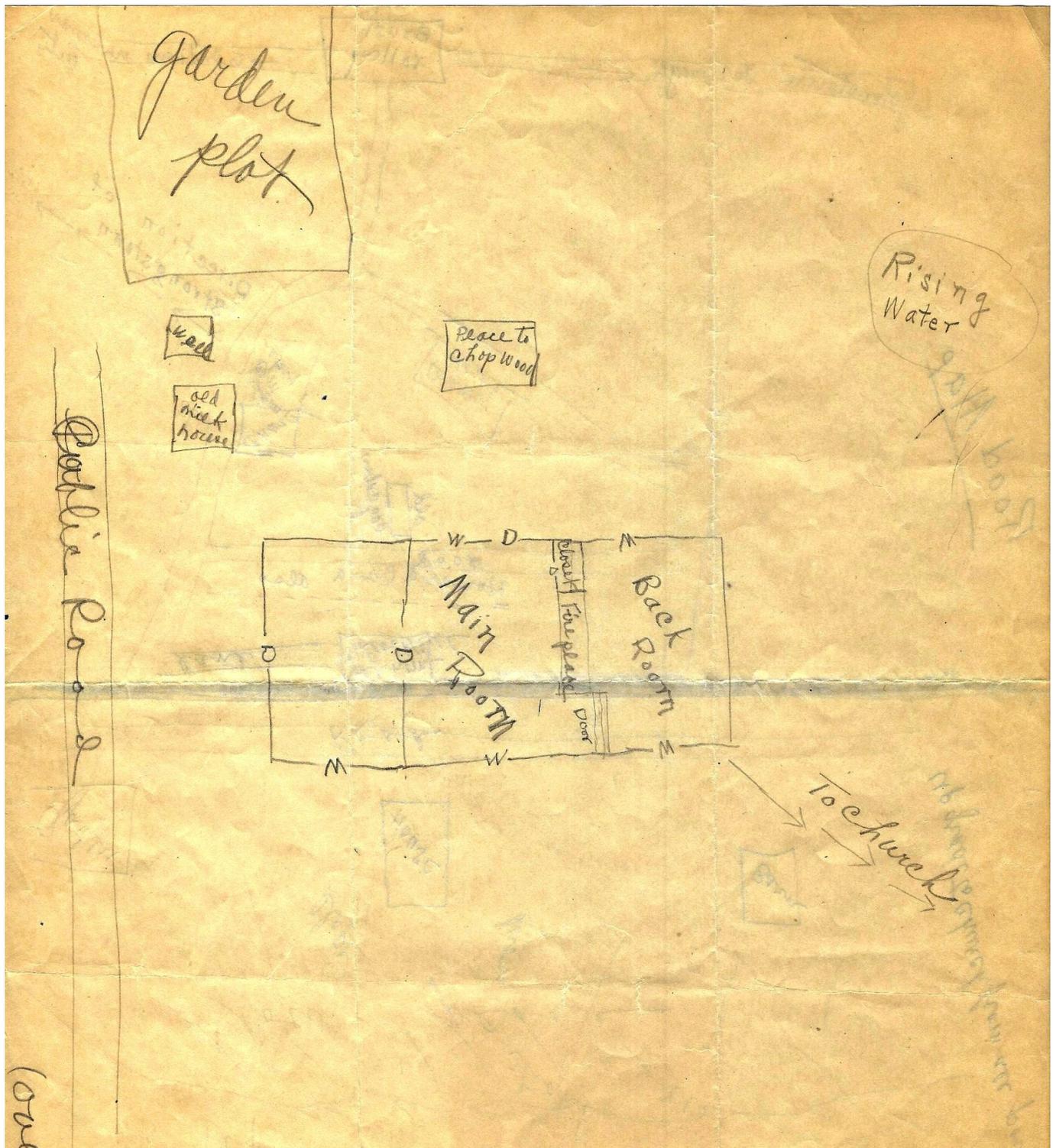
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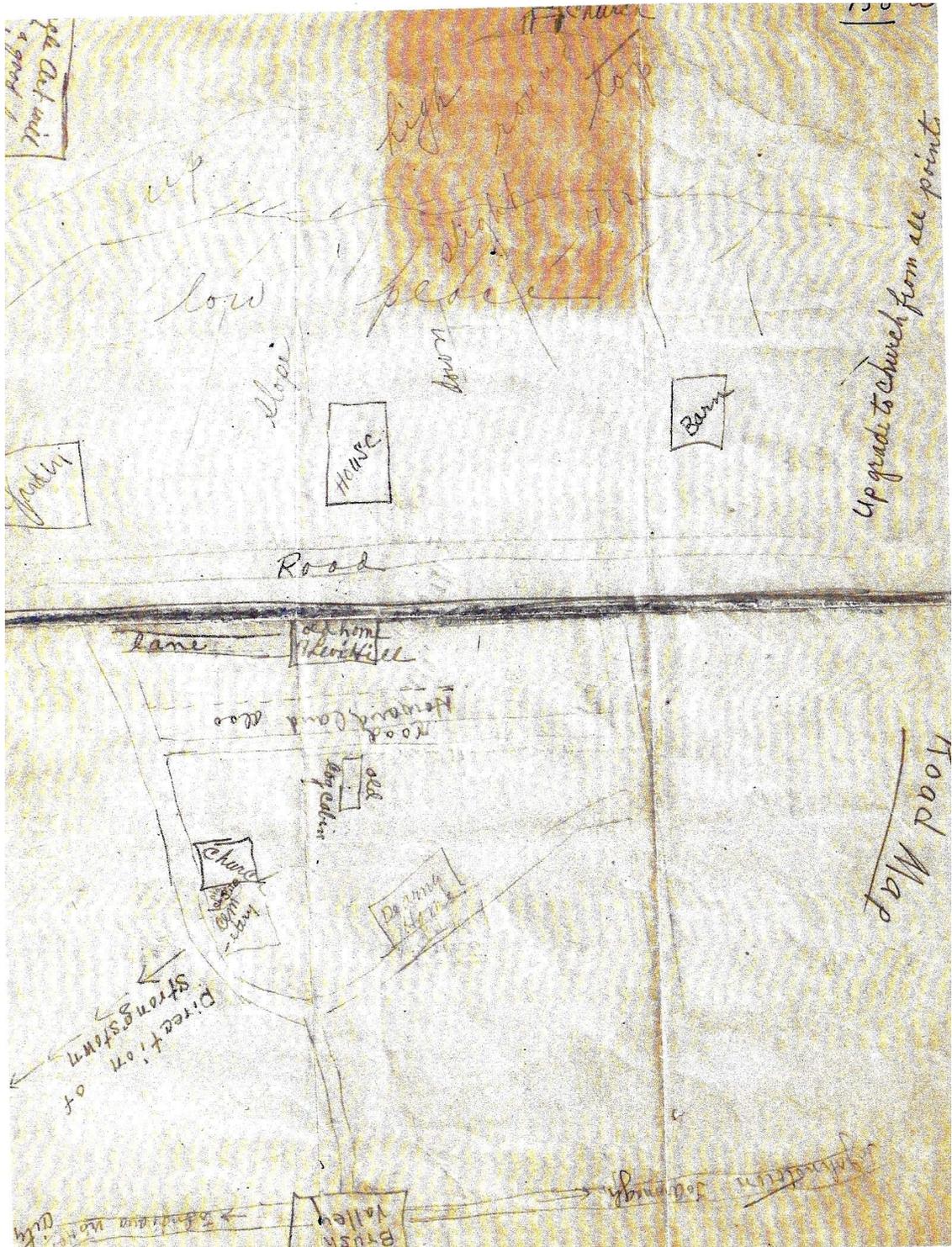
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	Date of Birth and Baptism	Child	Parents	Sponsors
[p. 22]	N 16, 1800	YA-1-4 Jacob	YA-1-4 James Strong ✓ Catharine	John Adam Paulus and wife.
[p. 24]	S 1, 1801 Je 27, 1802	YA-1-5 John	YA-1-1 James Strong ✓ Catharine	John Walok and wife Barbara.

According to Jacob himself his birth date was October 9, 1799. He used this birth date many times during his lifetime. He put this date on church records, pioneer records and in William Strong's family Bible. Not much was recorded about the youth of Jacob Strong except when the family moved from York County in Pennsylvania to Indiana County in 1819 or 1820 when Jacob was twenty years old.

Strongstown was established in 1823 when the land was patented by James Strong Jr. and James Hill. James Strong's farm and farm house appeared as sketched below and on the following page.





This is how the Strong farm would have been laid out in Strongstown when Jacob Strong was helping his father, James Strong, work the farm.

Jacob Strong met the daughter of James Hill, Sarah, sometime during this time period. They fell in love and were married on February 28, 1822. This date comes from Jacob himself. No actual marriage certificate has been found thus far. We do have Nauvoo Temple Index Cards for Jacob Strong and Sarah Hill which lists their marriage date as stated above. This information would have been supplied by Jacob and/or Sarah Hill Strong.

C INDEX CARD TO		Nauvoo		TEMPLE RECORDS	
No.	No.	Book	B	Page	
	2773			361	
Name in full	Strong- Jacob				
When born				9 Oct. 1799	
Where born	?			USA	
When died	19 Jan. 1874			-lvg.---	
Father	James Strong (1765)				
Mother	Catherine Howard				
When Married		to	Sarah Hill *		
Children					
Heir	Self			Rel.	
When baptized	20 Oct. 1836	When endowed	30 Jan. 1846		
When sealed	Husband	To	15 Sep. 1927		
	Wife	Parents			
Remarks					

C INDEX CARD TO NAUVOO ENDOWMENT RECORDS			
Nauvoo Endowment Register	Book	Page	No.
	1	236	3
Name	Hill- Sarah <i>File # 12623008</i>		
Born	1 Sep 1806		
Where	Little York, York, Pennsylvania		
Died	19 May 1884		
Father	James Hill		
Mother	Barbara Emmert		
Married	28 Feb 1822	To	Jacob Strong
Baptized		Witness & Anointed	30 Jan 1846
Endowed	30 Jan 1846	Sealed	

Sarah and Jacob had seven children from their union. The first five were born in Strongstown, Pennsylvania and the last two were born in Nauvoo, Illinois. Sarah b. 8 December 1822 d. 9 May 1884; Susan b. 3 May 1825 d. 17 July 1856; William b. 30 October 1837 d. 24 December 1888 ; Lucinda b. 15 October 1831 d. 21 December 1837; John Albert b. 7 December 1838 d. 18 October 1846; James Thomas b. 2 September 1841 d. 7 January 1912; and finally Hyrum b. 28 September 1845 d. 22 August 1911.

Their oldest child Sarah was born in 1822. William Strong (her brother) lists her birth date as Dec. 5, 1822. In the Brush Valley Lutheran Church record (below) her birth date is listed as November 5, 1822. Take your choice as to which is correct.

"Brush Valley Lutheran Church" by Paul Miller Ruff, Fan Lake City, Utah. Book: 974.889/B1 K2

Notes

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Name: Sarah

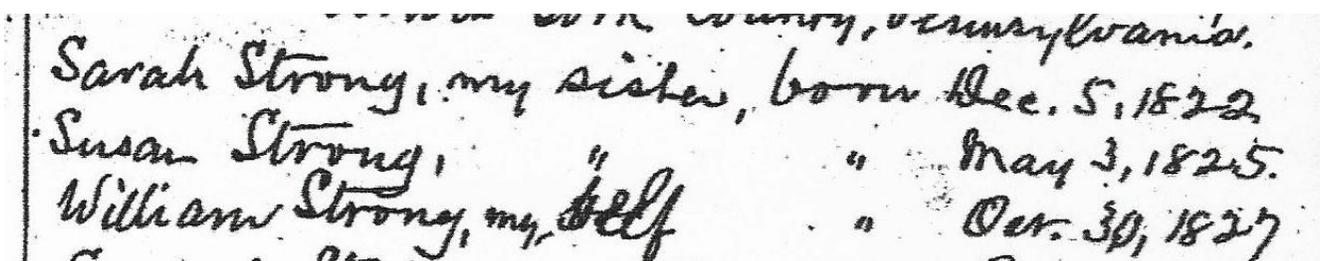
Birth date: 05 Nov 1822

Baptism date: 26 Jun 1823

Parents: Jacob Strong and Sarah

Sponsors: James Hill's wife Barbara

Susan's birth records in Pennsylvania have not been found, her brother William did record her birth date in his family Bible. See below:



... with county, Pennsylvania.
Sarah Strong, my sister, born Dec. 5, 1822.
Susan Strong, " " May 3, 1825.
William Strong, my self " Oct. 30, 1827.

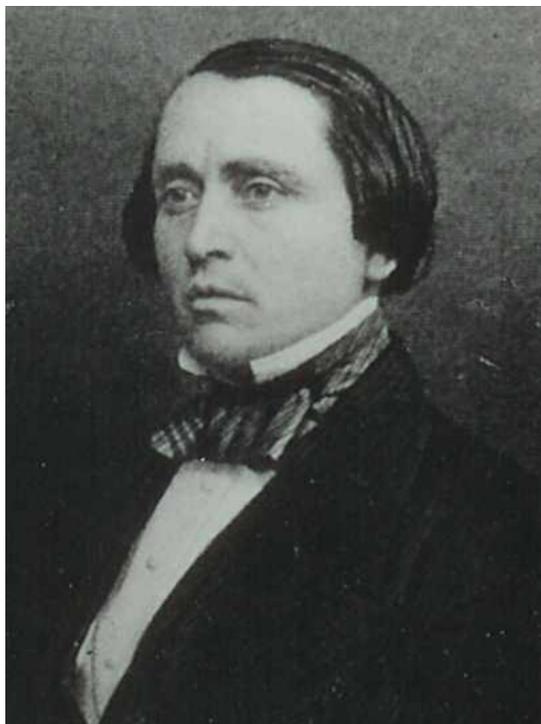
No birth record for William has been found either. This is the best recorded birth record we have of the birth date of William Strong.

The births of all of Williams brothers and sisters were recorded by him in his family Bible. The record page of the births of his siblings is below.

BIRTHS.	
Jacob Strong, my father,	born Oct. 9, 1799
Sarah Strong, my mother,	" Sep. 1, 1806
both in York County, Pennsylvania.	
Sarah Strong, my sister,	born Dec. 5, 1822
Susan Strong,	" May 3, 1825.
William Strong, my self	" Oct. 30, 1827
Suecinda Strong, my sister	" Oct. 15, 1831
John Albert Strong, my brother	" Dec. 7, 1835
all born in Strongstown, Indiana Co., Pennsylvania	
James J. Strong, my brother,	born Sep. 2, 1841
Henry Strong,	" " " Sep. 28, 1845
Both born in Nauvoo, Hancock Co., Ill.	
— " —	
Harriet Louisa Strong, daughter of William and Martha B. Strong,	born April 23, 1853, at Ogden Weber County.
Sarah Elizabeth Strong, daughter of William and Harriet Neely Strong,	born Nov. 24, 1857, at Springville, Utah County.
Harriet Suecinda Strong,	born July 7, 1859
Mary Lodenne	" March 7, 1861
William Hill	" Feb. 21, 1863
Emmeline Jane	" Feb. 6, 1865
Louis Napoleon	" Dec. 6, 1867
Heber Parley	" Jan. 13, 1869

at Sacredale, Miller Co., Mo.

In 1836 Jacob Strong appears on a taxation list for Brush Valley Township. This is also a momentous year for the Jacob Strong family. The family becomes acquainted with a young missionary in the area named Erastus Snow. Erastus was only 17 at the time and converted the family to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. They were baptized and confirmed by him on October 20, 1836.

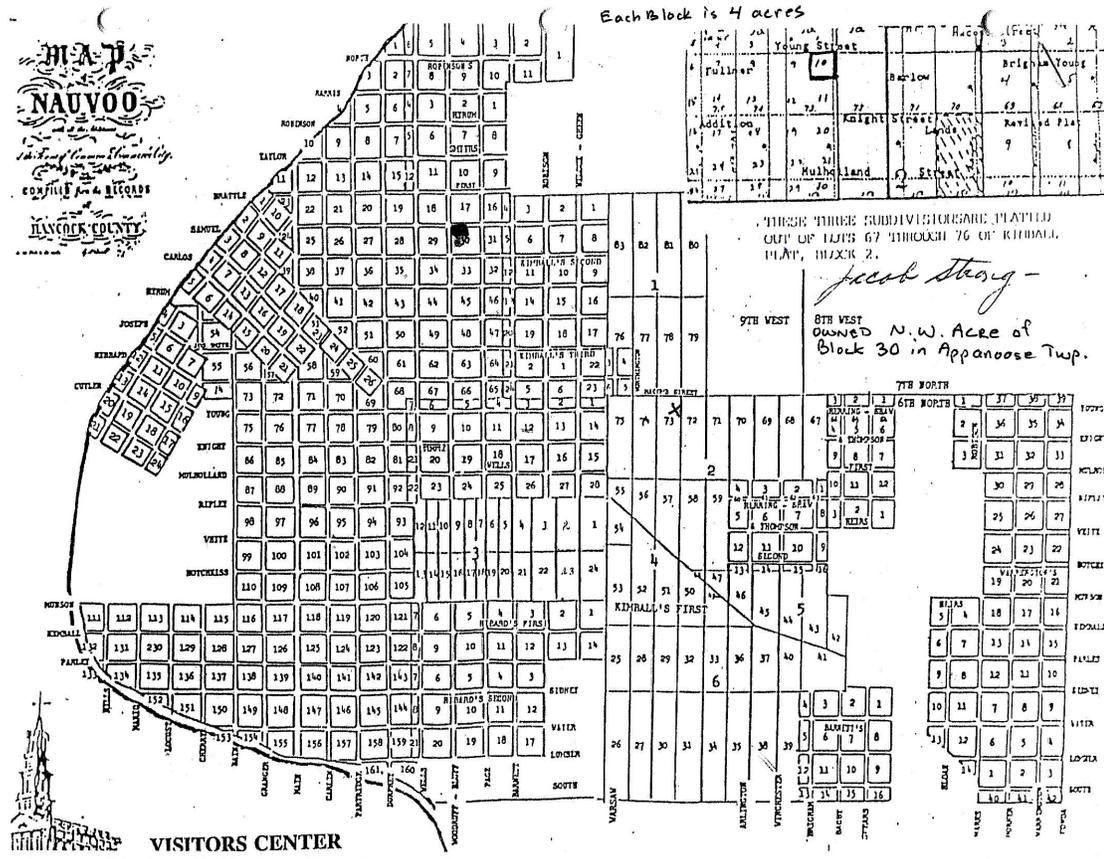


Erastus Snow

Jacob and Sarah and their children were very active in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He apparently also served as a missionary for the Mormon Church in the area. In "A History of Brushvalley Township" by Elaine L. Ross the following is found. *"About the time of the early circuit riders, a Mormon Missionary from the Church of the Latter Day Saints, Jacob Strong, passed through Brush Valley Township and for a time stayed near the present Lutheran Church. In 1839, Strong lived at the Howard farm just down the hill east of the church. No permanent church was established in Brush Valley by the Mormons."*

This is also the year that Jacob and Sarah Strong and family emigrated to Nauvoo, Illinois. They set out from Pennsylvania on September 24, 1839 and headed west for a new life with their new church. They arrived in Nauvoo, Illinois on March 18, 1840. Here they bought land, built a home, and would live for the next six years with the rest of the Saints.

Jacob and Sarah were both very busy after they arrived in Nauvoo. One of the first things that had to be done was to buy land to farm on and land on which to build a house. Local land records indicate their house was located in Appanoose Twp. on the Northwest corner of plot 30. The house is no longer there.



Map of Nauvoo, shows location of Jacob and Sarah's house in relation to the Temple

Jacob also owned ten acres of land east of Nauvoo that he farmed. He probably had a house on that property as well. There is an account of William Strong walking home from the Temple the night he received his Endowments, a distance of about four miles from the Temple.



During this time period Jacob and Sarah were both doing baptisms for the Dead in the Mississippi River. Following is a list of people Jacob did that work for.

Jacob Strong Family Genealogical Society
Organized March 28, 1916

Salt Lake City, Utah,

Nauvoo 1841 Baptisms by Jacob Strong

Grandfather Shults	-----	gd. son
Barbary Kitch	- - - - -	Nephew
Elizabeth Keeth	- - - - -	- - - - - cousin
John Keeth	- - - - -	- - - - - Cousin
Grandfather Howard	- - - - -	gd. son
Henry Shults	- - - - -	Brother-in-law
Francis Strong	- - - - -	Nephew
Philip Strong	- - - - -	Nephew
Sarah Strong	- - - - -	Brother Sarah b. 1 March 1806 - d. 1833

In 1842 Jacob and Sarah Strong and family appear on the Nauvoo Stake Census, They were in the Nauvoo 2nd Ward.

arah Hill 1842 Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois, United States 1842 Nauvoo Sta — FamilySearch.org

Handwritten list of names from a 1842 Nauvoo census document. The names are written in cursive and include:

- Jacob Strong
- Sarah
- Susanna
- William
- John
- James
- Rosina
- Emmaline

To the right of the list, there are handwritten notes: "Robert Lau", "2 Ward", "I am Ho", and "am Par".

On July 27, 1845 Jacob was ordained to the 29th Seventies Quorum in Nauvoo.

Jacob Strong
in the Seventy Quorum Membership,
1835-1846

Name:	Jacob Strong
Birth Date:	1799
Birth Place:	Pennsylvania
Death Date:	1874
Death Place:	Utah
Father:	James Strong
Mother:	Catherine Howard
Wives:	Bury, Alice Fish (3); Hill, Sarah (7)
Quorum:	Q29
Nauvoo Data:	City of Joseph (Nauvoo Ward 2); Endowed Nauvoo Temple 1/30/46 (Seventy)
Post-Nauvoo Data:	Salt Lake City UT
Sources:	M42:167; N572; S113; Q29+

While living and working in Nauvoo during this time period the Strong family was helping to build the beautiful Nauvoo Temple. According to James T. Strong, son of Jacob and Sarah, "January 19, 1841, the Saints were commanded, by revelation, to build a temple at Nauvoo, and the family contributed liberally for that purpose." Since money was scarce and hard to come by for Jacob and Sarah they probably were like the many others in Nauvoo who gave one day in ten as a tithing to build the temple. Jacob was very good with his hands and had many other talents as well. Jacob and William would have done all they could to contribute to the building of the temple. Sarah with her older daughters would have contributed by way of time and materials to help out as well.

On June 27, 1844 Joseph Smith and his brother Hyrum were murdered at Carthage Jail, Illinois. The governor of Illinois had promised Joseph and Hyrum they would be protected by the Illinois militia if they went to Carthage to appear in court and to answer charges that had been leveled against them. Instead the militia was withdrawn and the armed mob with blackened faces was allowed to attack the jail. Opponents of the church assumed that killing the Prophet and his brother would also kill the newly founded church. Instead it brought resolve to the Saints in Nauvoo and around the world to carry on with the great work Joseph had begun. Their pictures appear on the next page.



Joseph Smith

Hyrum Smith

The members of the church worked hard to complete the Temple that they had been building in Nauvoo. It was dedicated May 1, 1846



On May 8, 1846 the Jacob Strong family fled from the city of Nauvoo. They left behind their eldest daughter Sarah who had married a non-member of the LDS Church, William Wilson. She and her husband had decided to stay in Nauvoo. Hyrum Strong, youngest son of Jacob and Sarah, was barely 8 months old at the time the Strong's and other Saints had to leave the city.



Painting depicting the saints leaving Nauvoo

The Saints from Nauvoo, including the Jacob Strong family, suffered greatly in their trek across Iowa. The group finally settled at Council Bluffs near the Missouri River. While encamped at Council Bluffs the military arrived asking the church to give them a contingent of 500 men to join in the War against Mexico. Jacob was designated to go, but apparently was too ill. In his place his oldest son William, who was barely 18, was sent instead. It was not recorded what illness Jacob was suffering from, only that he was too ill to volunteer.

While William served in the Mormon Battalion, Brigham Young asked that the members of that Battalion send part of their wages back to the church and to their families to help support the struggling Saints. William, always a man of his word, sent money to Jacob whenever he could. On the following page is a record of one of those monetary transactions.

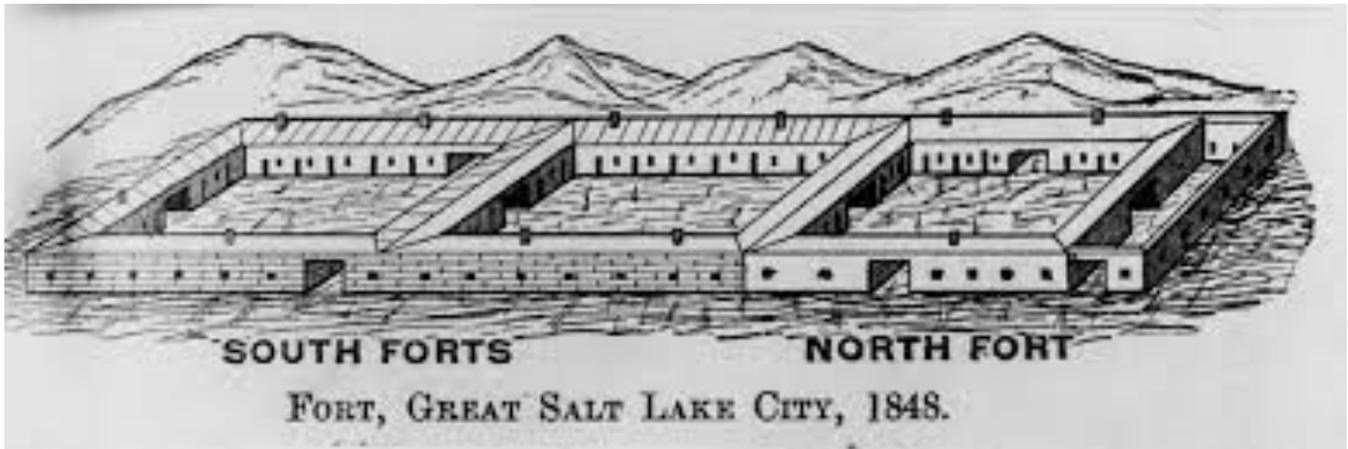
L. C. Mormon Battalion		Amount	Names of persons the amount Subscribed (is to be paid over to)	Amount
21	Simon Dike	20.00x	Mary Ann Dike	1.00
22	Daniel Berritt	15.00x	Elizabeth Berritt	4.00
23	Robert Peyton	15.00x	Elizabeth Peyton	4.00
24	Robert Harris	15.00x	Mariah Harris	4.00
25	Lever Roberts	15.00x	Harriet Roberts	4.00
26	John Coit	15.00x	Elizabeth	4.00
27	Richard Stater	15.00x	Ann Stater	4.00
28	William Park	25.00x	James McLelland	2.00
29	Abraham Day	20.00x	Elmira Day	4.00
30	Newman Bullock	20.00x	Sarah Bullock	4.00
31	Henry Standage	18.00x	Sophronia Standage	4.00
32	Isaac Harrison	20.00x	Sabine Ann Harrison	4.00
33	Harlem McBride	13.00x	Betsy McBride	4.00
34	William T. Felt	" x	" "	5.00
35	Joseph Stearn	25.00x	Care of John A. Woolf	1.00
36	William Strong	10.00x	Jacob Strong	
37	John W. Bury	10.00x	Martha Bury care of S. Murley	
38	Alva Phelps	25.00x	Margaret Phelps	4.00
39	Jonathan Campbell	25.00x	Miss Charita Campbell care of L. B. Smith	
40	David Smith	15.00x	Amos J. Smith care of S. A. Smith	5.00 for S. A. S.
41	Stanford Porter Jr	30.00x	Stanford Porter Sr	1.00
42	Henry Perkins			4.00
43	Shadrach M. Quinn	50.00x	Amos P. Stone	" "
44	Luther W. Hayes	10.00x	George Hayes says this is his	
45	George Cummins	10.00x	Sarah Cummins care of S. W. Smith	
46	Sam Campbell	25.00x	Beromi Campbell	
47	Sam Black	35.00x	Elizabeth Black care of Giddens Ward	2.40
48	Jonathan Pugh	25.00x	Elizabeth Pugh care of S. T. Pugh	3.00
49	Thomas Karam	25.00x	Ann Karam care of S. Pugh	3.00
50	Oliver H. Karam	25.00x		75.00
51	Andrew Lytle	30.00x	Frank Lytle care of H. Knight	
52	Matthew Goldwell	15.00x	Bessilla Goldwell	
53	Sam Sully	53.00x	Oranda Sully care of S. W. Berritt	
		723.00		

Monetary donation record from the Mormon Battalion

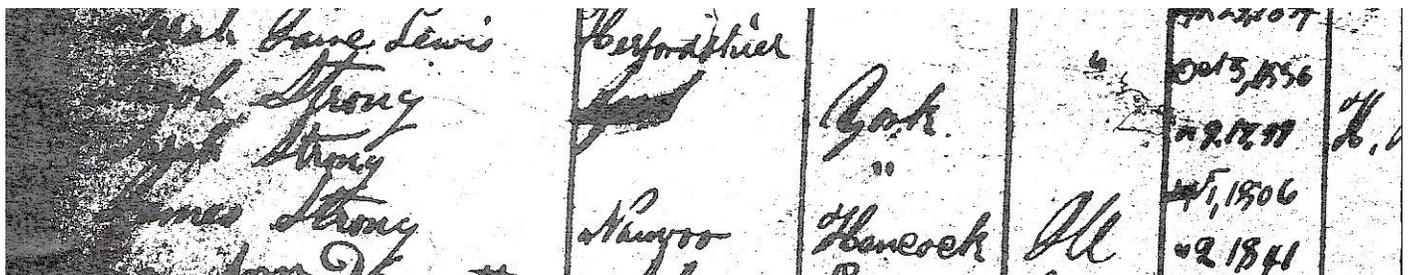
While settled in Winter Quarters (Council Bluffs) John Albert Strong, born 7 December 1838, died. There is no record of what this young man died of, but it was likely due to the harsh living conditions, exposure to the elements, lack of food and wide spread diseases. He died on 18 October 1846.

The Strong's stayed in Council Bluffs until July 10, 1849 when they all departed for the Great Salt Lake Valley. They traveled with the Silas Richards Company and were plagued with many hardships during their trek west. William Strong, their eldest son, having been honorably discharged from the Mormon Battalion in 1848 went to Salt Lake City. He heard his family was making their way to Salt Lake City so he hitched up a wagon and went east to meet them. He assisted them on their journey to Salt Lake, they encountered at least one very bad snow storm while heading into the valley. The company arrived in the Salt Lake Valley on October 29, 1849.

After their arrival into the Salt Lake valley, being so late in the year they had to stay at the old Pioneer Fort which was located on 3rd West and Fourth South.



In the Spring of 1850 the family moved to the Tenth Ward. The entire family lived in the Tenth Ward boundaries for years. This is the area where Strong's Court is located. As was the custom of the day, members of the church were rebaptized for various reasons. Sarah and Jacob Strong were rebaptized after their long journey into the Salt Lake Valley on June 2, 1850.



On June 18, 1851 Jacob was ordained an High Priest by David Pettigrew while living in the Tenth Ward. This Ward house was built by returning Mormon Battalion members and is sometimes referred to as the Mormon Battalion Ward.



Tenth Ward, Salt Lake City, Utah

In 1851 Jacob was also recorded as paying a full property tithing for the year from 1850-1851. The receipt for that property tithing is below.

*This certifies that Jacob Strong has paid his Property
Tithing in full in accordance with vote of conference
once Sep. 10. 1851
S. L. City
Feb 19. 1852*

*W. Clayton, Recorder
per H. B. Clauson*

On June 15, 1852 Jacob received his Patriarchal blessing. It was given to him by the church Patriarch John Smith in Salt Lake City.

JACOB STRONG. PATRIARCHAL BLESSING GIVEN JUNE 15, 1852, AT GREAT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, BY PATRIARCH JOHN SMITH.

Great Salt Lake City, June 15th, 1852. A blessing by John Smith Patriarch upon the head of Jacob Strong Son of James and Catherine Strong, born October 9th 1799 Little York, Pennsylvania.

Brother Jacob In the Name of Jesus of Nazareth I place my hands upon thy head and seal upon you the blessing of A father thou art of the blood of Abraham through the Loins of Joseph and a Lawfull heir to the Priesthood which shall be confirmed upon you in fullness in due time which will give you power to heal the sick and do any mirecl that will be for the health of thy family or the gathering of Israel. No power on Earth shall Stay thine hand you Shall Break Chains of Iron, Cause Prisson walls to fall to the ground for what So ever you ask your heavenly father ill do it for you your Children Shall increas and become very many, Be Saviors on mount Zion and Shall take vengeance upon the ungodly for Slaying the prophets of the Most High you Shall if you desire it to see Israel gathered from the four Quarters of the Earth you Shall See your desire with Regard to your Energys have part in the first Resurrection with all your fathers house and Inherit A kingdom that shall Never be taken from you Even So Amen

In 1856, Jacob and Sarah were finally able to be sealed together in the Endowment House in Salt Lake City by Brigham Young. They were sealed on April 18, 1856.



Young Sarah	Feb 7	1799	York Pa	Pa	Young Sarah	April 18	1856	Wm Phelps
John H	Feb 1	1806	York Pa	Pa	Young Sarah	April 18	1856	Wm Phelps
John H	Feb 16	1801	Manchester Vermont	Vt	Young Sarah	April 18	1856	Wm Phelps
John H	Feb 8	1798	near North St. Clair Co	Pa	Young Sarah	April 18	1856	Wm Phelps
John H	Feb 2	1830	Manchester Vermont	Vt	Young Sarah	April 18	1856	Wm Phelps
John H	Feb 17	1831	Manchester Vermont	Vt	Young Sarah	April 18	1856	Wm Phelps
John H	Feb 3	1828	Manchester Vermont	Vt	Young Sarah	April 18	1856	Wm Phelps

A history was written by the Emma Jane Duncan and William Jacob Strong family which detailed some of what went on in the life of Jacob Strong during this time period.. The following account is taken from that history.

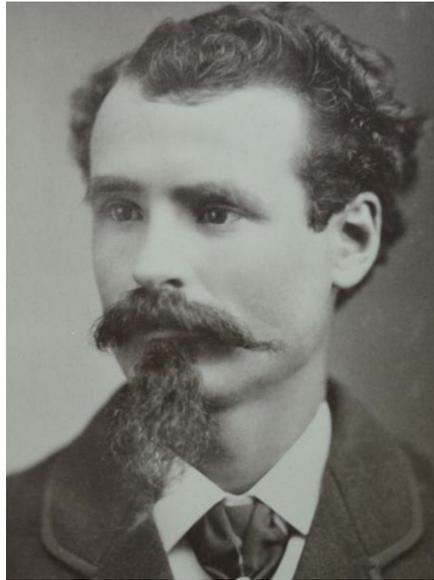
Eighteen fifty-six was a truly calamitous year in Utah. The crops of the past two seasons had failed with a resulting scarcity of food, a scarcity that equalled the shortage from the cricket plague of 1848. The crop failure of 1854 had resulted from a visitation of grasshoppers. They returned the next year in many parts of Utah, devouring every green thing visible. To this was added the devastation of a terrible drought. After the two years of crop failure came the winter of 1855-56, one of the most severe ever known in Utah. The snow buried the cattle range, causing thousands of animals to die from cold and hunger. During the early months of 1856, the suffering of the settlers was especially severe. As in 1848-49, many were driven to digging roots in order to exist until harvest time.

It was during the time of crop failures in Utah that Alice and William Walsh, who had joined the Church earlier, sailed from Liverpool to Boston, and then continued their journey on west to Utah. When the handcart company that included Alice Walsh and her two surviving children arrived in the Valley on November 30, Brigham Young allotted a certain number of survivors to each ward, including the Tenth Ward, where Jacob and Sarah lived. Bishop Pettigrew asked them to care for one of these families. Jacob and Sarah consented but asked permission to choose the family that they accepted into their home. When this request was granted, Jacob and Sarah went to the school house where the families were gathered. Upon entering the building, Sarah noticed a woman, whose feet were badly frozen, with two small children. Sarah and Jacob chose to assist this family -- Alice Walsh and her children, Sarah and John.

Jacob and Sarah were happy to accept Alice and her two children into their home and help them survive. Jacob grew to love Alice and on March 5, 1857 Jacob took Alice to be his plural wife. One can only guess as to how polygamy worked in these early households. Harriet Strong Speirs related one story about the dynamics between Jacob, Sarah and Alice. "One day Sarah Strong was sitting on the porch of their home when Jacob was doing something out front. Alice came up and began to talk to Jacob and he began to flirt with her. Sarah watched for a while and then silently got up and got a bucket of cool water. She quietly got off the porch and poured the bucket of cold water over the head of Jacob." Hopefully good humor and understanding prevailed most of the time with this great family.

On July 24, 1857 the people of Salt Lake Valley were celebrating the tenth anniversary of the arrival of the pioneers into the valley when word came that General Harney, with 2,000 infantry and additional cavalry and artillery had been ordered to Utah. Brigham Young ordered that all those in the northern settlements should evacuate South to safer ground. Jacob, Sarah, Alice and children left Salt Lake City and moved sixty miles south to Springville, Utah. According to John Walsh, recorded in a letter sent to his sister Lucinda from his mission field in Glasgow, Scotland, the family stayed in Springville from 1858 to 1859. They were very poor and life was very hard for them and the other settlers.

In 1862 Jacob Strong bore his testimony of the Prophet Joseph Smith and the truthfulness of the gospel. His testimony was recorded by his step-son John Walsh.



John Walsh, son of Alice Walsh Strong and William Walsh

“As near as I can remember, it was in my Tenth year. I am now Seventy Five years old on this date (Aug. 22, 1927) I was at Fast Meeting, which was then on Thursday, in the old Tenth ward adobe meeting house in Salt Lake City, Utah. I heard Jacob Strong testify in that Fast Meeting, that he knew the Gospel was true and Joseph Smith was a prophet, which made a great impression on my mind, young as I was.

“When we were alone putting in some alfalfa in the North end of the lot where Mother lived, joining on the West side of James T. Strong's lot, I asked him how he knew the Gospel was true, and he said, one day when he was in the East, Nauvoo, he doubted the work, and doubted the Divine Mission of the prophet Joseph Smith, and it so prayed upon his mind that he went out in the woods to pray. As he knelt down in humble prayer he asked God, the Father, to give him a testimony of the truthfulness of the Gospel, and the Divine Mission of the Prophet Joseph Smith, and while he was praying, supplicating God for this testimony, a voice said to him, ‘Jacob Strong arise, as Jesus Christ, the Son of God, revealed this latter day work to the prophet Joseph Smith, and called him to be a prophet, Seer and revelator, and to carry on and spread this Glorious work for the Salvation of the human family.’ And he said I have never doubted this work from that day to this.”

Times were very tough for the pioneers in the valley during this period. In 1868 the grasshoppers returned to the valley eating everything in sight that was edible. Many of the settlers reverted to digging sego lily bulbs to stay alive. The Strong family suffered with many others. Many in the Strong family sought employment with the railroad to earn money so they could survive. William, James T and Hyrum Strong along with John Walsh and John Albert Mower all worked on the railroad to help support the Strong family. Jacob was too old and in too frail of health to participate.

In 1869 Jacob, Sarah, Alice and others in his family enjoyed the excitement of the completion of the transcontinental railroad at Promontory Point, Utah. The completion of this railroad would make it so much easier for immigrants coming from the East and the West to enter into the valley.



Meet of the rails, Promontory Point, Utah 1869

About this time period a picture was taken of the home the Strong's occupied in the Tenth Ward area. The woman sitting on the front porch was Mrs. Butler, who cared for Sarah Strong sometime after Jacob had died.



Sarah Hill

John Walsh also wrote down his impressions of Jacob Strong's personality and character. "Jacob Strong was a good man, honest, a hard working man and a true Latter Day Saint." It was also recorded by Jacob's grandson Alvin C. Strong that "Jacob Strong was a splendid character, gentle, kind, big hearted and charitable. He was a man of few words never bothering his neighbors about his business or family affairs. Jacob was a natural genius, although he was a farmer by trade he was able to adapt himself to conditions and do the necessary. He never tired of work, arising at day-break and working vigorously in the field until breakfast was served. In the early days of their lives in Utah they had very little machinery therefore, planting, harvesting and thrashing of grain was done by hand. Flax and hemp were among the things grown by Jacob Strong and from these Sarah and he made thread and rope. He

used to make shoes for the children from boot tops which were discarded by the adults. Having no nails he manufactured pegs out of maple wood and used thread which Sarah made from flax. Hinges, upon which doors were swung, he also made out of maple wood. It can be said of Jacob (and Sarah) Strong ‘they were the man and woman of the hour, being able to master the situation; nothing being impossible to them.’

Before his death Jacob used one of his many talents to build a chest for James T. Strong, his son. This chest has been handed down through the generations from James T Strong to his son Alvin C. Strong, then to Alvin's daughter Ramona Strong Phillips and then to her daughter Susan Phillips.



Jacob Strong died 18 February 1872 in Salt Lake City, Utah. He is buried in the Salt Lake City Cemetery at Plat F Lot 14 in Book 11. Below is his obituary.

DEED.

JACOB STRONG, in the 10th Ward, Salt Lake City, of old age, on Sunday morning, Feb. 18th, aged 72 years, 4 months and 10 days.

Deceased was born in York county, Penn., Oct. 9th 1799, was baptized in Strongstown, Penn., in 1833; went to Nauvoo in 1840 and was with the Saints in their troubles at the expulsion from that place; arrived at Council Bluffs in 1843, and in Salt Lake City in 1849.

He has a number of sons and daughters who have been around him for years; his grand-children are also numerous, and he has four great-grand-children living.

He was a man universally liked and respected for his temperate life and kind deportment. Last fall he garnered a crop of his own sowing and a week ago to-day he cast his vote for the "Constitutional" party.

Below is a picture of his tombstone in the Salt Lake City Cemetery..



Record of deaths for
Salt Lake City, 1872

No.	Name	Age	Sex	Place of Birth	Date of Death	Time of Death	Cause of Death	Funeral	Interment
5046	John Morant	70	M	England	Jan 1	10:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5047	Mrs. Sarah Ann	72	F	England	Jan 2	11:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5048	Mrs. Sarah Ann	72	F	England	Jan 2	11:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5049	Dr. Hamilton	72	M	Scotland	Jan 3	12:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5050	McCallough	72	M	Scotland	Jan 3	12:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5051	Thompson	72	M	Scotland	Jan 3	12:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5052	Lewis	72	M	Scotland	Jan 3	12:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5053	Thompson	72	M	Scotland	Jan 3	12:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5054	Ball	72	M	Scotland	Jan 3	12:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5055	Waller	72	M	Scotland	Jan 3	12:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5056	Summers	72	M	Scotland	Jan 3	12:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5057	Waller	72	M	Scotland	Jan 3	12:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5058	Richard	72	M	Scotland	Jan 3	12:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5059	Mary	72	F	Scotland	Jan 3	12:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5060	Richard	72	M	Scotland	Jan 3	12:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5061	Mary	72	F	Scotland	Jan 3	12:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5062	Richard	72	M	Scotland	Jan 3	12:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5063	Mary	72	F	Scotland	Jan 3	12:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
5064	Richard	72	M	Scotland	Jan 3	12:00	Old age	Wm. E. G. G.	12
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