

Frances Amelia Kimberley Turley

From the original Sexton Records:

Name: Francis Turley

Age: 47y 2m 8d

Wife of Theodore Turley

Deceased: Aug 30th, 1847

Disease: Scurvy

Birth Place: Birmingham England

Birth Date: June 22, 1800

No. of Grave: 20 with her daughter and grandson

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Birth Place: Birmingham, Warwickshire, England

Death Date: August 30, 1847

Cause of Death: Scurvy

Burial Place: Winter Quarters Grave #20

Father's Name: Thomas Kimberely

Mother's Maiden Name: Sarah Hitchens

Spouse's Name: Theodore Turley

Which Winter Quarters Ward or Iowa Branch was the family: Winter Quarters Ward 15

Where was the family in the 1850 U. S. Census? Theodore was a gunsmith and listed as family #65 in Great Salt Lake, Utah Territory.

Which Pioneer wagon train took the family west? Theodore went west with the Silas Richards Company in 1849

Any interesting facts or stories that might have been submitted.

[From the Biography and Autobiography of Theodore Turley by Ella Mae Turley Judd] As the story goes, Frances was a very brave girl who had decided she would never marry a coward. One of her suitors was on guard duty. In order to test him she got a gun, concealed herself in one of the nearby trees and fired seven shots. She did not marry that man. Later when she was ready to get married she called all of her suitors in and lined them up behind a curtain with their hands out. She chose Theodore's hands because they were not soft and because they showed character. When the couple emigrated to Canada they were converted to Mormonism. She died at Winter Quarters where her husband Theodore also lost five other members of his family. Amasa

Lyman* said of her in 1839: "I boarded with Brother Theodore Turley's family. Sister Turley was most kind and unremitting in her attention to my comfort. Under her treatment I regained my health and remained until March 1839 when I went to Quincy, Illinois." Once when the mob were stealing stock in Far West, Frances told her father to give her Old John and she climbed on him with a loaded blackwhip (handle loaded with buckshot.) She rode into the herd and got the stock and hit one of the mobbers with the blackwhip. She brought back the cows and the bull. Another time she took her father and his friends to a meeting in Nauvoo in a sleigh and on her return the buffalo robe blew up in front of the horse, causing him to run away. She jumped on the horse and brought it to a stop. A man who watched the procedure joked with Theodore and offered him a thousand dollars for Frances. Theodore was very indignant.

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