

HENRY GEORGE MILLS
AND
ELIZA ANN HORSLEY



FAMILY HISTORY OF HENRY GEORGE MILLS AND ELIZA ANN HORSLEY



This was written by their son Harvey Lafayette Mills; the dates are taken from his records and other dates approximated.

Henry George Mills and Eliza Ann Horsley were married at Ferron, Emery, Utah 16 May 1863. They spent the first years of their married life at Joseph, Sevier, Utah near where Henry's Parents lived.

Their first child John was born 11 May 1864 at Joseph, Sevier, Utah their second child Martinus Esign 5 December 1865 at Joseph also. The first child was named John Henry instead of just John.

Henry and Eliza moved back to Ferron, Emery, Utah in January 1868 where their third child Caroline Elizabeth was born 2 February 1868. They built a home in Ferron and Eliza lived there with the children while her husband Henry worked at what every he could find to do and where he could find work.

Their fourth child David James was born at Ferron also on the 24 April 1890. Shortly after David was born they moved to Scofield Carbon, Utah where Henry had employment and lived there until November 1891. That winter the snow got so deep it covered most of the

another winter there so Henry moved Eliza Ann and the children back to Ferron in November 1891. After Henry had his little family all settled he went back to Scofield to work. Some of the children attended school in Ferron. Their fifth child Harvey Lafayette was born 15 May 1892 in Ferron.

Henry spent most of the time away from his family working until he moved his family to Sunnyside, Carbon, Utah to dig coal. Henry worked at Scofield in the Mine and in the Timber and also at Dave Eccles's Sawmill. About 1893 Henry helped move the Sawmill from near Scofield to a canyon west of Price, Carbon, Utah. Henry took his family up there that summer while he logged for the Sawmill. While he was employed there he filed on a Homestead a few miles north of the Sawmill and moved his family that fall on the Homestead. They spent that winter there on the Homestead. A few days before Christmas Henry left for Bailey to get flour and other supplies for his family. After he had been gone a day a bad storm came on and he couldn't get back as he had planned.

Eliza had to grind wheat in a little coffee grinder to have bread and food for her family to eat. Henry spent Christmas Eve under a Pinon Pine tree about eight miles from his home and family. His horses had got too tired to go any further in the snow that night. Henry arrived home Christmas night about dark. His family was happy to see him and to know he was alright. It had taken him all day to go eight miles in the deep snow.

In the Fall of 1894 Henry and Eliza Ann took their little family and moved back to Ferron wheretheir sixth child George Alden was born on the 21 January 1895. The following Summer were spent on the Homestead where Henry worked with sheep and cattle for the Miller Brothers, Eliza Ann and the children milked cows and raised pet lambs, made butter and took it to Castle Gate, Carbon, Utah and sold it to the Miners. In the Fall they would trail the cows and sheep to Deseret Lake, Emery, Utah and spend the winter. In the Spring Henry, Eliza Ann and their family would take their stock and go back to the Homestead and stay for the summer.

At Deseret Lake Henry and his family lived in a house which belong to Thomas Wells east of the lake. It was here that their son George Alden was badly burned in the Spring of 1897. That Spring Henry bought a lot in Deseret Lake Townsite from Eli Kirkum and moved into the dugout which was on the lot Henry had bought for his family. It was here their seventh child was born 16 October 1897 Grandma Davis from Cleveland, Emery, Utah found a baby girl out by the wood pile, she had come down on a snowflake to John Henry and Eliza Ann little family. They named her Vimva Pearl. This is the story the Mills children heard when they came home after they had stayed at the Marstings all night.

During 1898 and 1899 Henry and his two older boys John and Martin cut and hued logs from the canyon above the Homestead Ranch on Sealy Creek west of Price and hauled them to Deseret Lake and built a two room house on the lot by the dugout. They got logs and poles and built a long shed for their stock, with a stable for the horses on the west end, a chicken coop and a sheep pen in the middle and a cow barn on the east end of the shed. When the grain was thrashed that Fall of 1899 the straw was used to cover the shed over the north and west, and top making a nice warm place for their stock for the winter.

In the winter of 1900 in February George and his boy friend John Wells found some matches and went out into the shed where the straw was real dry to try the matches out. In a very short time they had a beautiful fire going, the whole shed was reduced to ashes. The next morning when the ashes were cold they found the setting hens and their eggs roasted on their nests where they had been setting. The buckles from the new harness where it had hung.

On the 17 April 1900 Henry took his son Harvey and they went to the Ranch once again to get some poles to make a new corral for their

stock. When they returned home Grandma Davis which every one called her had been there and left Henry and Eliza Ann their eight child a baby boy born 19 April 1900 they named him Ruben Horsley.

In 1901 Henry went to Sunnyside, Carbon, Utah to work and he moved his family there. Henry and his three older boys John Henry, Martin and David James dug coal and Eliza Ann cooked for the boarders.

While they lived in Sunnyside Henry and some of the children attend Church once in awhile. John Pottor was the Bishop at the time. While Henry and the older boys dug coal Harvey went to school in the winter time; George went some times but he could not settle down to his studies and Miss Little didn't have time to spend with him as much time as he needed. Therefore George didn't learn to much.

In March 1903 Henry and Eliza Ann moved back to the farm east of Deseret Lake; They bought and planted 1600 Fruit Trees, different varieties and expected to have a big Fruit Farm. Henry and his family spent many hours cultivating, fertilizing and tending the Fruit Trees. The trees would bloom beautifully in the Spring and look prosperous, the fruit would set on and get about the size of a Sparrow's eggs and then they would drop off the trees on the ground. So they never got a taste of the fruit after all of their hard work.

The family started going to Sunday School and Sacrament Meeting that next Spring and Summer. Henry and Eliza Ann started preparing themselves so they could go to the Temple and be sealed, and have their children sealed to them. They got two teams and wagons in order to take feed for the horses and supplies for all of the family to go.

In November 1903 they took their lovely family to the Mantle Temple in Mantle, Sanpete, Utah. They went through the Temple 25 November 1903. Henry and Eliza Ann had their own Endowments and had all of their children sealed to them except Martin who was living in Sunnyside at the time and was also married to Mary Luella. Some of Henry's relatives met Henry and Eliza Ann at Mantle and went through the Temple with them. After they had gone through the Temple, Henry and Eliza Ann took their family and went to Joseph, Sevier, Utah where his relatives lived and spent some time getting acquainted with their Uncles, Aunts and Cousins. They spent a very happy Thanksgiving season all together.

Deseret Lake Ward was organized the 19 April 1904 Mannassa J. Blackburn was made the Bishop and Henry George Mills was set apart as the 1st. Counselor and Dan Powell as 2nd. Counselor.

On the 13 November 1904 Mrs Christensen from Cleveland came with her little black bag and left Henry and Eliza Ann a little baby boy they named him Emerson Milton. He was born at Deseret Lake.

As Deseret Lake townsite was so near the Lake dam and no room for expansion the people who lived there decided to purchase the old

townsite east and north about four miles out from the dam, some of the old settlers moved their families to new lots. After the deal was made and the survey was all done and the lots laid out Henry moved his family on one of the lots.

About that time the Uinta Reservation was opened for Homesteading and a number of the families secured claims and moved out there among these families were Bishop Blackburn and Dan Powell. Soon after they moved away Henry George Mills was made Bishop in 1906 with William Isaacbee as 1st. Counselor and Joseph Draper as 2nd. Counselor.

On the 14 February 1907 a little baby girl was born to Henry and Eliza Ann their tenth child they named her Frances Eliza, she was born at Deseret Lake.

The new town became quite a thriving little village, Henry and Eliza Ann had a new house built on their lot and moved his family into the new house in 1910. In 1914 the name of the town was changed from Deseret Lake to Victor, Emery, Utah. Henry and Eliza Ann and family lived there till 1917 when Henry and his two sons John and Marius secured a contract to carry the U. S. Mail from Price, Carbon, Utah to Emery, Emery, Utah. Henry moved his wife and the two children Emerson, and Frances to Price the other children were all married and on their own.

They lived at Price until 1920 when Henry moved his wife and the two children to the R. G. Miller property on the Huntington Creek. They milked cows and farmed and Henry worked at the Sawmill until he passed away the 10 July 1928 after a long sick spell.

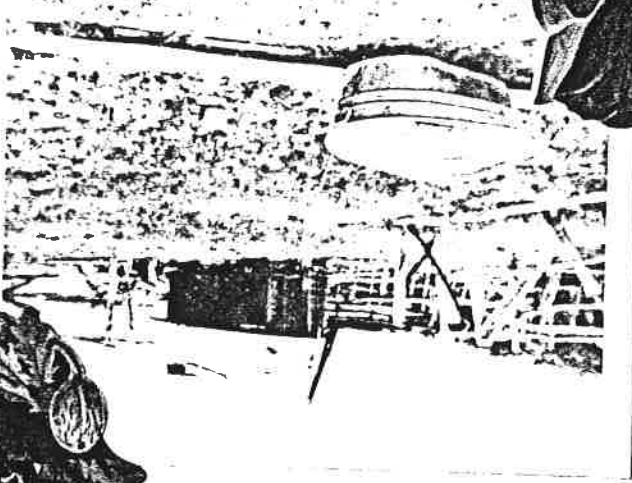
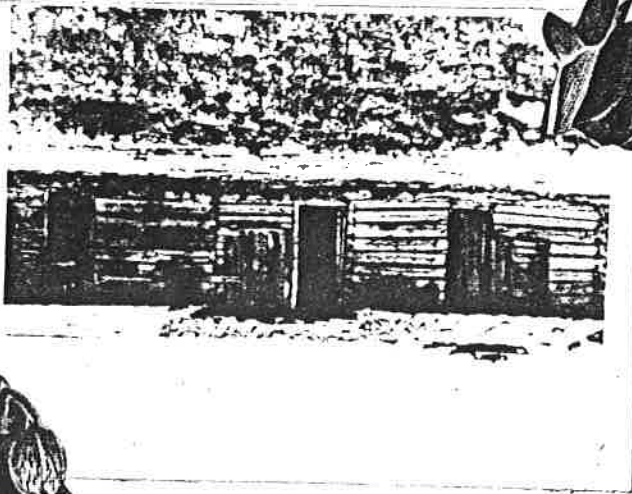
Harvey, his wife and children moved on the farm and provided for his mother Eliza Ann and took care of the property from the fall of 1928 till October 1930. Harvey turned the property over to David James because the family felt it would be better for them as Eliza Ann could help her son David with his children because his wife Bertha had passed away leaving him with a very large family to care for.

The depression of 1930 and 1932 came on and David couldn't handle the farm and his property at Deseret Lake so David asked Harvey to go back and take over and he did in March 1933. In 1937 the Federal Land Bank sold the property to Clara Miller and asked Harvey to move. Near Fall Harvey moved his mother Eliza Ann to Salt Lake City thinking she would enjoy working in the Temple. Harvey moved his family to Oakley, Cassia, Idaho the same year.

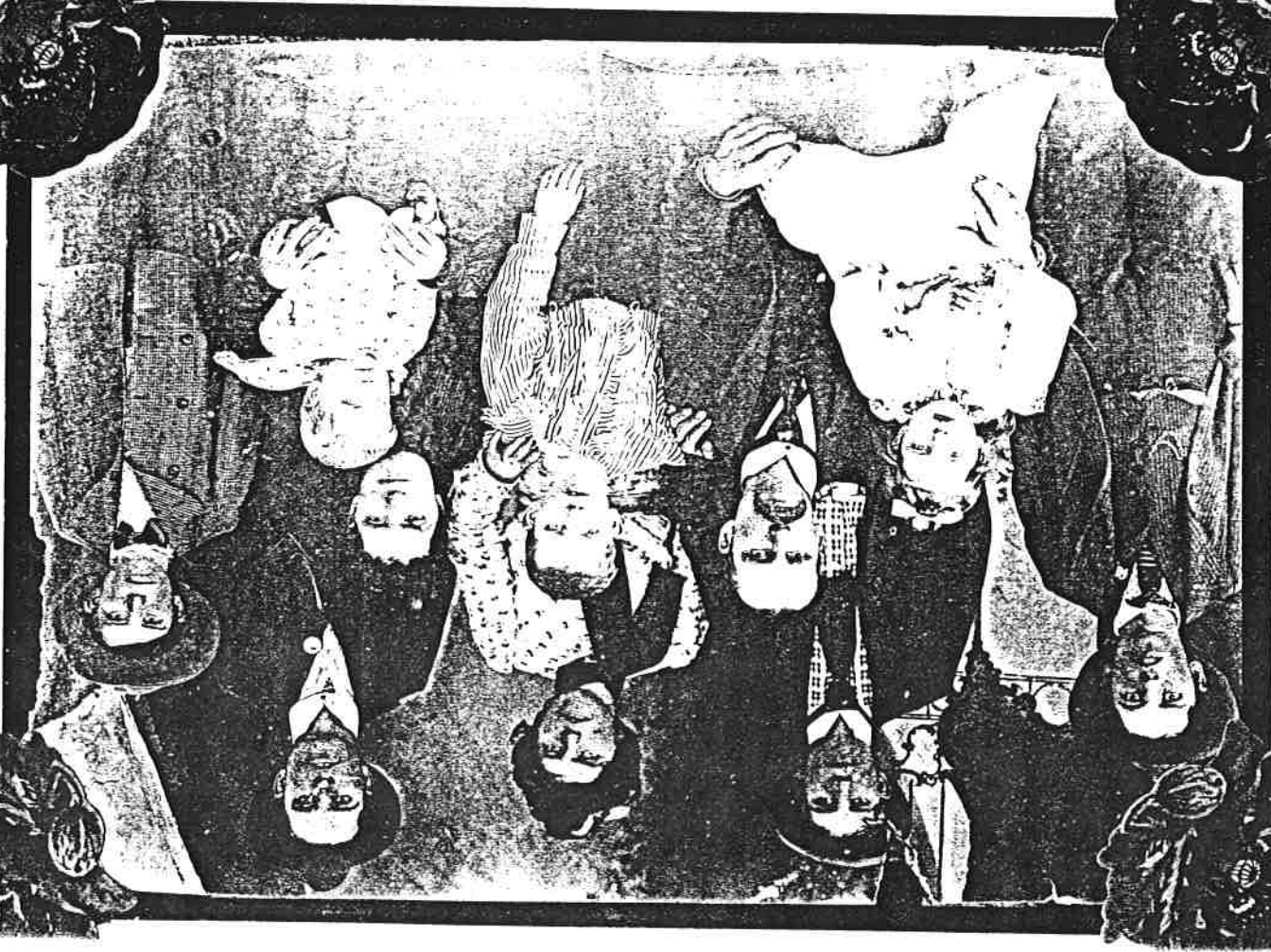
Eliza Ann lived with her children, helping those who needed her help until she was unable to work. Then her children took turns in having a place for her to live. Making life a happy one for her as they could until she passed away. Eliza Ann passed away at Price, Carbon, Utah 5 November 1939. Henry and Eliza Ann are buried in the Huntington Cemetery in Huntington, Emery, Utah.



Henry and Eliza Ranch House
at Huntington, Emery, Utah



Sheds for the Cattel on the Ranch



Henry George and Eliza Ann Mills Family

Back Row - - John Henry, Martus Emign, Caroline Elizabeth
Harvey Layette

Front Row - - Vimva Pearl, Henry George (Grandfather) David James,
Eliza Ann (Grandmother) Reuben Horsley, George Alden

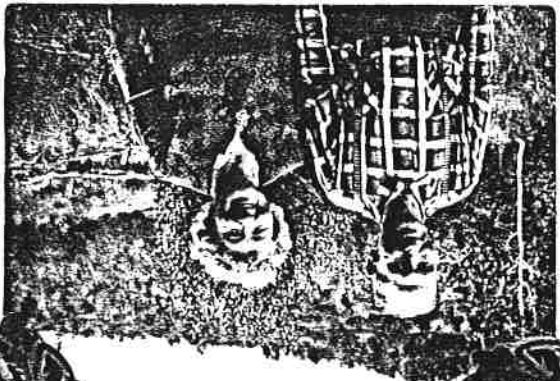


Emerson Milton



Frances Eliza

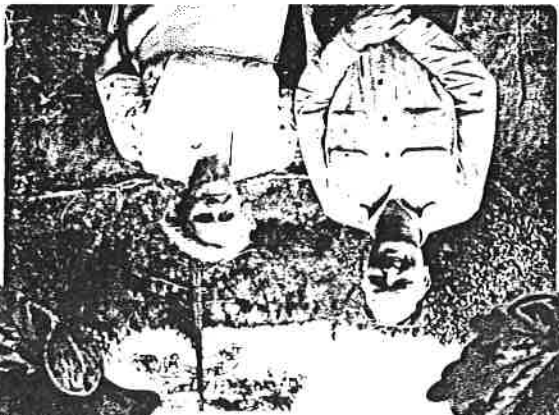
Harvey & Verna
MILLS



George, Emerson, Pearl, Harvey
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Emerson & Florence
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LIFE HISTORY OF HENRY GEORGE MILLS



This life story of Henry George Mills was written by his son Harvey Lafayette Mills. Written from memory with dates taken from his records.

Henry George Mills was born on the 13 November 1861 at Sussix, England. The first child of George Henry and Caroline Boxall Mills.

One evening in November 1926 as Harvey rode with his father Henry in his Camp Wagon from White Siding, to Price, Carbon, Utah. Harvey asked his father what he remembered about England, Henry told his son Harvey the following story.

Henry remembered the many beautiful flowers and the beautiful homes, Henry's mother telling him they might have been living in a home like them if it wasn't for gin.

Henry remembered spending time on the beach near the Ocean with his sisters Ellen Charlotte born the 14 October 1866, Mary-ann Elizabeth born 12 October 1863. Henry liked to spend time with the Sailors. He wanted to be a Sailor himself. But his parents George Henry and Caroline Boxall Mills decided to come to America and told Henry he had to come with them.

George Henry, his wife Caroline and his son Henry George and three daughters Ellen Charlotte, Maryann Elizabeth, and Margaret Kate born 20 February 1871. Margaret was one year old when they came to America. They came to America in 1872.

George Henry settled at Centerville, Davis, Utah; Where Henry's Uncle Richard Mills lived at the time. While they lived here a son was born to this wonderful family William Thomas born 10 August 1873. Every thing went well for the family in this land of America. On the 6 November 1875 a daughter was born they named her Rose Ann. Later on George Henry moved his family to a place on the Weber River near Ogden, Weber, Utah.

Henry Long to go back to England, To see the big Ocean and to watch the waves and to see the ships and talk to the Sailors. In the Spring of 1876 or 1878 George Henry moved his family to Vaca, Joseph, Sevier, Utah now called where they spent the rest of their lives. It was here in Joseph that three more children came to join this great family. Charles Albert born 28 May 1878, Louis

IV. born 10 September 1882 and Joseph Earl born 20 September 1885.

Henry George worked for Cattlemen for the next several years until the Fall of 1882 when he was sent to help take a herd of cattle to Castle Valley to feed through the winter.

They located the cattle near Ferron, Emery, Utah where Henry's uncle John Peckett Horsley and family lived.

Naturally Henry spent much of his spare time with his uncle's family because he was away from his own family. Henry and his

cousins, the Horsley Girls. Henry liked to go to the parties the young folks held on the week ends. It was at one of these parties that

one of the young folks suggested in a joking way that they all go to Castle Dale, Emery, Utah and get married. Laughing it off they went

on with the fun of the party. The parents where the party was going on had heard their remarks and took it serious and they took off to

notified the parents of the girls that they had better get to the party quick and stop their daughters from eloping. The young folks were

surprised to see their parents coming to the party. John Peckett Horsley was one of the father's who went to the party to get his daughters.

On their way home John told his daughter Eliza Ann and Henry George if they wanted to get married he had no objections, but he wanted it

done respectfully, not by eloping. Henry and Eliza told John they were only joking along with every body at the party. Henry and Eliza

had never thought of getting married before that night.

In a very short time Henry and Eliza began to prepare to get married. They were married 16 May 1883 in Ferron, Emery, Utah.

They lived the first years of their married life near Henry's Parents.

Henry George Mills died 10 July 1928 at his home in Huntington, Emery, Utah after a long illness at the age of 67. He was

buried in Huntington Cemetery.

LIFE HISTORY OF ELIZA ANN HORSLEY



This is a sketch of some of the events in the life of Eliza Ann Horsley written by her son Harvey Lafayette Mills.

Eliza Ann Horsley was born the 24 February 1865 at Nepht, Juab, Utah. Eliza Ann was the first child of John Peckett Horsley and Frances Jane Mills. Eliza Ann lived with her parents as they moved from place to place where her father could get work. They moved to Dereret, Millard, Utah, to Centerville, Davis, Utah, Paragonah, Iron, Utah, then to Mantz, Sanpete, Utah. Where John helped build the Temple. Then John moved to Joseph, Sevier, Utah where they lived the United Order for about five years. Then John decided to move his family to Ferron, Emery, Utah again.

John was a Brick Maker and a Brick Mason so he moved his family to many places where he could get a contract to build any buildings. Eliza Ann learned to sand the doby molds and carry them off and lay them out to dry for her father. Eliza Ann worked many days carrying dobses helping to make bricks for the buildings. Eliza Ann learned to milk cows at a very young age. She enjoyed milking cows, setting and sclding the milk and churning the cream in to butter, working the butter and moulding it into beautiful pounds. This was all done by her hands, with the old dash churn at first. Then John her father got Eliza Ann a barrel Churn which she turned by hand also. Eliza continued to milk cows and make butter until 1928 when her own family took over and relieved her of the job.

Eliza Ann learned to live the United Order from her parents, and she taught her family to share what they had with others and that one should sell as if he or she were the buyer; And not pan off onto some one that which was no good. To give an honest measure and deal fairly with every one.

Eliza Ann married Henry George Mills 16 May 1883 at Ferron, Emery, Utah. She lived a very happy life, was loved very much by her family. She had many friends who loved her also.

Eliza Ann died 5 November 1939 at Price, Carbon, Utah at the age of 74. She is buried in Huntington Cemetery beside her husband in Huntington, Emery, Utah.