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"re-transcribed from Mary Ann Barzee, Boice's own Manuscript!"

1962
In the winter of 1838 Mother had a dream. She thought she saw a cow and the
cow had a calf, it was dead and smelled very bad. She took the calf and threw
it away. She then went to a stream of water to wash. She saw a spring, she
could drink of it's waters. Some one told her that she had drank of it before,
then she awoke. The dream troubled her for days, but she said that she would
know the meaning of it.

Soon after this an Elder came declaring the True and Everlasting Gospel.
The first meaning she attended she knew the meaning of her dream. She said the
dead calf - (a harmless creature) - was her old faith cast aside. The washing
in the spring was Baptism and the spring was Eternal life. And she submitted to
Baptism the same hour, for the stream ran near the house. She told my Father and
led the way and my Father soon followed, then all the family.

RELIEF SOCIETY NAUVOO 1842

Female Relief Society of Nauvoo, Hancock Co. Illinois was organized the
17-March-1842. Adiah - (Ada) - Winchell, Clements was a member of this society,
she also worked for the Prophet's wife, Emma became very much alarmed about the
revelation on Plural Marriages - or- Celestial Marriages, which Joseph received
and set her mind and hand to uproot it. By counseling the Sisters that if they
knew of such things going on to burst doors. But Joseph said if any one knew of
any it going on to let him know and he would roll the ball. This talk made in a
Female Relief Society Meeting and Adiah Clements was present.

Another time Adiah -(Ada) was going home one day and she saw Emma in a
passion, she jerked his collar and talked to him about going after other women.
Once Adiah and I was staying with Emma and she pulled Eliza R Snow about by the
hair. Although she had intended to give him one or more women, she got in such
a rage about that, that she left home, went down to Quincy but she came back
again while I was still there. Then she tried to stop the Relief Society
Meetings, but they held Meetings in private homes secretly. The Prophet, some
times met with us and gave us encouragement, but finally the meeting's stopped,
Persecutions raised and with troublesome times the Relief Society went down.

The Relief Society was reorganized by Brigham Young in Salt Lake City, Utah.
Between the years of 1867 and 1870 with Eliza R. Smith, Snow as the President.
Is the First Lady. At the meeting in Nauvoo the Organization, the first Chapter of
St. Jebe was read and was printed at the Head of the Articles of Refutations
of said Society.

BIRTHDAY OF MARY ANN BARRIE, BOICE

1821 *** 1902

RESIDENT OF OXFORD, BANCOCK COUNTY, IOWA

Mary Ann Barrie, Boice - (Boyce) - a veteran of Kirtland Chie, Nauvoo, Ill

Special Correspondence by:
George Fisher - (Boyce) 9-October-1902

Another Faithful and Consistent Latter Day Saint had gone to her well
earned and deserved rest.

Sister Mary Ann Barrie, Boice died 7-October-1902 and was buried here late
this afternoon. She was the Daughter of James and Elizabeth -(Boye) Rihaym, Barrie.
Borned 4-November-1821 in Ellettsburg - Jefferson County - New York.

From the time she was six months old she lived with her parents and younger
brother and sisters in upper Canada. The Barrie family embraced the
Gospel at Holderness. In the Spring of 1838 they migrated to Kirtland, Ohio,
where on 7-May-1840 she married John Boice - (Boyce).

In 1842 they went to Nauvoo, Hancock Co. Ill, from there moved on to
Council Bluffs, thence on to Utah, settling in Spanish Fork, of the state.

In 1846 - 65 they moved to Oxford, Hancock County, Idaho. Then called Round
Valley, it was the western frontier. There was a very dry waste land only by Wolves and Indians.
She was a strong woman and went through the hard of south constant fear.
SYNOPSIS OF THE LIFE OF MARY ANN BARZEE BOICE
DAUGHTER OF JAMES AND BETSY WHITHAM
BARZEE

She was born Nov 4, 1821 in Elisburg, Jefferson County, New
York. From 6 months old was reared in upper canada, lived in
Holderman where she embraced the Gospel, March 17, 1838, together
with her father's family which all emigrated to Kirtland, Ohio, in
the fall of 1839 where she was married to John Boice May 7, 1840.
Then in June 1840 with her husband and father's family emigrated to
Nauvoo, Illinois, where she shared all the persecutions with the
Saints, and being driven from their homes. At one time being forced
to hide in the woods from the mob in the absence of their husband
for 2 weeks. At the time when the Prophet Joseph and the Patriarch
Hyrum Smith was slain. In the winter of 1846, received her endow-
ments with her husband, in the Nauvoo Temple, then went to Council
Bluffs, Iowa. Then emigrated to Salt Lake City then settled on the
Spanish Fork River, Salt Lake, Utah in the fall of 1852. Stephen
Markham being Bishop where Indian depredations frequently committed
upon settlements after which they being called to settle a new valley.
They went but the Indians came upon them and formed a line on horses
before the wagons. Their number about 40 and our number about 9
men. They were armed but we were not. But by our entreaties they
they finally made a treaty with us. On certain conditions to let
us stay but this action caused us to be called away. And in the year
1865 we moved to Oxford, Idaho and in doing so my youngest brother
George Barzee who was 25 years of age and our son John Boice were
frozen to death one mile from Franklin on 23 Feb, 1865 and he was
in his 19th year of age. Then and the first day of Dec. 1870, our
son Elisha Lorenzo died being near 8 years of age then on the 10th
of Aug. 1884our son David died . He was born Feb.10, 1846, our first
born son Chester Boice died in Hancock Co., Ill. Sept. 1842 being
5 months old. The names of our children are Chester, Martin Calvin,
John Junior, David, Betsy Ann, Albert, Myron, Joseph Young Boice and
Elisha Lorenzo born under the covenant and and an adopted daughter
Alphretta again Hulda Madden endowed and sealed to John Boice in
Logan Temple Dec.9,1886.
Mary Ann Barzee Boice was on Nauvoo and saw the Prophet Joseph Smith and heard the words of his mouth from time to time and heard it rumored that he had received a revelation on Celestial marriage and that there was trouble between him and Emma about and I used to visit my husband's sisters house where she showed me a room where she said he met in council with those women who had sealed to him and since that time I have become acquainted with Eliza R. Snow Smith his wife and saw his gold watch which she carries also Percinda Huntington Smith and her sister Zina D. Huntington Smith and Lucy Walker Smith all declaring themselves to be his wives and some of them had children but I never asked them any questions about them who they were. Now after the Prophet and Patriarch were slain we as a people were in trouble not knowing what would be done in regards to a leader of the church as all or most of the twelve apostles were at that time on missions. I remember of being at meeting when Sidney Rigdon spoke and seemed much affected because of the death of the Prophet and Patriarch and carried the idea that a guardian must be appointed to lead the church on for Joseph and talked as though that responsibility would fall on him and when the Twelve Apostles came home the question was conceded and a meeting held by a very great multitude of people in the a.m. and another meeting held in the p.m. When Brigham Young arose on the stand to speak it was made known by the spirit of the Holy Ghost that brings things past present and future fell with such power on the people that they saw the mantle had fallen from Joseph upon Brigham and he was transfigured in the likeness of Joseph in speech and look that the multitude of people witnessed the same and a vote was called in behalf of Brigham Young leading the church. And we all voted unanimous votes. Mary A. Barzee Boice grand-mother to Louisa Lovina Boice Evans.

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Patriarch John Boice had a dream in Canada before emigrating to Kirtland, Ohio with the Saints about the time of the persecution in Missouri. He says I saw the Temple in that place and I saw Joseph Smith the Prophet light down by it on his feet and was dressed in a long white robe, his head a little bowed down, his arms straight down by his body his hands and feet were clear as glass had nothing on them. I thot he had come one minute before his set time as he did not raise his head in that time after which he looked up and viewed the Temple and said brethren the set time has come to favor Zion and Jackson County is ours. I will not be a man to make afraid nor a dog to bark I then awoke and marvelled because of the dream as the Prophet was then alive in Missouri just in time to meet the Saints as they had arrived to Quincy, Illinois and was about to hold the first conference after their being from Missouri and I was walking along with a Brother Hadlock and told him about the dream. Well said he you can test the truth of that dream for if it was Joseph you will know him when you see him today and soon I looked up and saw a few men talking together I beheld the side of one man's face and I said there is the man I saw it was Joseph Smith.

John Boice