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Third Generation Ancestors |Levi Ward Hancock |Mosiah Lyman Hancock Clarissa Reed |Mosiah Lyman Hancock (Jr.) John McCleve Jr. Margaret McCleve Nancy Jane McFerren Oliver Perry Hancock John Dalton Sr. John Dalton Jr. Elizabeth Cooker Marium Dalton |Abraham Casbourne Ann Casbourne Susanna Ward John Dalton Jr. Ann Casbourne Born: 1801 Pennsylvania Born: 1832 England

John Dalton Jr. & Ann Casbourne

John Dalton Jr., son of John Dalton Sr. and Elizabeth Cooker, was born on 10 Jul 1801 in Wyoming, Luzerne, Pennsylvania. He died on 5 Jan 1885 in Rockville, Washingon, Utah.

John married (4) **Ann Casbourne**, daughter of Abraham Casbourne and Susanna Ward, on 24 Aug 1856 in Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah. Ann was born on 27 Dec 1832 in Southery, Norfolk, England. She died on 29 Aug 1925 in Chandler, Maricopa, Arizona.

They had the following children...

Margaret Dalton	11	Jul	1857	Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah
Mary Ann Dalton	11	Oct	1859	Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah
Jemima Dalton	15	Nov	1861	Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah
Marium Dalton	1	Feb	1864	Virgin City, Kane, Utah
David Dalton	25	Jul	1868	Virgin City, Kane, Utah
Ellen Letitia Dalton	22	Sep	1872	Rockville, Washington, Utah

John also married (1) Rebecca Turner Cranmer on 21 Jan 1822 in Towanda, Bradford, Pennsylvania.

He also married (2) Ann Hodgkinson on 19 May 1850 in Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah. The marriage ended by annulment, because her husband who was presumed dead returned.

He also married (3) Lydia Goldthwait, widow of Newel Knight, on 13 Aug 1851 in Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah. The marriage ended in divorce by mutual consent.

He also married (5) Letitia Williams on 1 Nov 1856 in Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah.

He also married (6) Marianne Catherine Gardiol on 1 Feb 1857 in Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah.

Ann also married (1) David Charles Williams, on 14 Feb 1855 in Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah.



Life Sketch of John Jr. & Ann

John Dalton Jr. 1801 Pennsylvania - 1885 Utah

Ann Casbourne 1832 England - 1925 Arizona

John Jr.'s childhood...

John Jr. came into this world on July 10, 1801, in Wyoming, Pennsylvania. His parents, John Dalton Sr. and Elizabeth Cooker, had nine children. John Jr. had blue eyes and black hair. His father, a patriot who fought in the Revolutionary War, was given land for service to his country, and the family moved to Wysox, Pennsylvania, when John Jr. was a child.

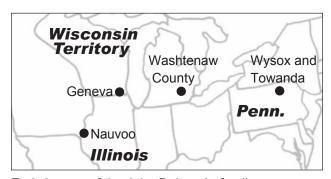
John Jr. and Rebecca...

A short distance from Wysox was the town of Towanda where John Jr. married his sweetheart, Rebecca Turner Cranmer, on January 26, 1822. Her father, John Cranmer, was also a patriot who fought in the Revolutionary War. John Jr. and Rebecca made their home in Wysox and raised their family and a nephew, Henry Simon Dalton. He was the son of John Jr.'s older brother Henry who drowned leaving a young family.

John Jr. was a skilled blacksmith as well as a farmer, loved horses, and taught these skills to his sons.

A new faith...

John Jr. gradually moved westward and in doing so found a new faith. In 1835 he moved his family from Wysox, with the Dalton clan that numbered about fifty souls, to Washtenaw County, Michigan Territory. Then three years later, he moved west again, this time to Geneva, Walworth, Wisconsin Territory, where roads



Early homes of the John Dalton Jr. family.



John Dalton Jr. helped build the original Nauvoo Temple.

were mere Indian paths. The Daltons tilled the unbroken soil, dug a well, and cut logs for a home.

John Jr. joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints on July 15, 1838. His new faith lead him to move again, this time in June 1843 to Nauvoo in Hancock County, Illinois. There was trouble all around their new home. In September 1843, the citizens of the county told the Saints to either leave peacefully or be driven out. Persecutions never ceased, but neither did the building of the city and the temple. John assisted in the construction of the temple by hauling building materials with his good horses and wagons. By April 1844, John Jr. was a Seventy. He and Rebecca were endowed and sealed in that temple in January 1846.

Before joining the Church, John Jr. used tea, coffee, tobacco, and drank whiskey after supper as was the English custom. After joining the Church, he heard the Prophet Joseph Smith's sermon on the Word of Wisdom. He laid his tobacco pipe, tea, coffee, and whiskey on the shelf and never touched them again.

John Jr. and his family were driven from Nauvoo in February 1846 and crossed the frozen Mississippi River. Two of John Jr.'s sons, and the nephew he raised, joined the Mormon Battalion. This left John Jr. with three teams of horses and loaded wagons without any

drivers. John Jr. stayed behind and turned the teams of horses, wagons, and all that was in them over to President Brigham Young to use as he thought best. President Young used these fine horses on the first pioneer journey to Utah.

In May and June 1848, before John Jr. arrived in the Salt Lake Valley, vast numbers of crickets came down the mountain sides. Every soul joined in the battle. They dug trenches around the fields for water to drown the crickets. They beat the crickets back with clubs and brooms, and used fire. There seemed to be no way to stop the menace. Then the heavens filled with gulls which devoured the crickets for several days until the crickets were destroyed. The pioneers gave thanks for this miracle of the gulls.

Brigham Young led a second company of pioneers across the plains in 1848, and John Jr. and his family were among them. They left in May and entered the Salt Lake Valley on September 20, 1848. Food was scarce when they arrived, yet President Brigham Young told John Jr., "Never turn anyone away hungry, and you will never want for flour."

Ann's childhood...

Ann Casbourne was born in Southery, Norfolk, England, on December 27, 1832, to Abraham Casbourne and Susanna Ward. The family experienced death and poverty. Of twelve children, Ann was one of the five who reached adulthood. She grew to four feet and six inches and weighed only eighty pounds.

She was eighteen years old when her parents took



Frozen Mississippi. When John Jr. was driven from Nauvoo, he crossed the frozen Mississippi River.

t would not be possible for us to really understand what the lives of the people of that day were like, nor the difficulties they encountered just to survive. . . . Their circumstances formed them into men and women who could conquer a continent and provide a way for their posterity to enjoy a world of which they had no way of comprehending.

—Naomi Dalton Pearson & Ellen Dalton Davis

the family to America in hopes of improving their financial condition. They sailed in 1851 on the ship *Hibarnium*. During the voyage, there was a terrifying, twenty-four hour storm. It became even more terrifying when a merchant ship rammed the *Hibarnium* and tore a hole in her. Sadly, the merchant ship went down with all on board. But the badly disabled *Hibarnium* was saved by the courageous efforts of her captain and crew. Years later, Ann told the story of the ship wreck to her grandson, Oliver Perry Hancock, who in turned told it to his children.

After landing in New York, the family settled in St. Louis. Here Ann's father found work in a brickyard, but became fatally ill from working in the excessive heat. He sent for a religious man—a co-worker—to pray for him. Then Ann's father turned to her and said, "This man believes in the true Church of Christ. Live an honest and upright life, for there is a great work for you to do." This greatly inspired young Ann, and she diligently lived up to the counsel of her dying father throughout her life. The religious man was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints—a Mormon.

In 1852 not long after her father's death, Ann and her mother listened to a sermon by Orson Pratt. Ann was baptized the next day with the consent of her mother. Ann was the only one of her family to join the Church.

David and Ann...

In April 1854, Ann bid farewell to her family and courageously set out alone with the Saints traveling west. She joined Captain William Empey's company. She cooked and washed for the Church teamsters to pay her way. Among them was David Williams. They fell in love and promised to marry when they got to Salt Lake. They arrived on October 24, 1854. David



Ann Casbourne met David Williams while crossing the plains. A pioneer company in route to the Salt Lake.

was ordained a Seventy on December 29, 1854; he and Ann married February 14, 1855. For seven months, they enjoyed the bliss of perfect happiness.

Then David was killed on September 3, 1855, while working at a sawmill in Big Cottonwood, Utah. While carrying lumber from the circular saw, David accidentally let the board he was holding touch the top of the saw. He held it too tightly and was thrown directly upon the saw which carried him over its top and threw him eighteen feet cutting and mangling him. He only lived about twenty minutes.

The blow to Ann was terrible when her sweet husband was brought back to her a corpse. Ann was carrying their unborn child. Comfort came when David's spirit came to her. He told her that the Lord had a great work for him to do on the other side, but if it were possible, he would be with her during her trial. On November 19, 1855, Ann gave birth to their baby girl and felt the comforting influence of her husband. She named her Ann Susanna—her name and the name of her dear mother who was many hundreds of miles away in St. Louis, Missouri.

John Jr. meets Ann...

With her baby strapped to her back, Ann gleaned on the Church farm managed by John Jr. that was six miles outside of Salt Lake City. John Jr., saw her in the field and gave her a job working in his home.

While there, Ann learned of the words spoken to John Jr. by President Brigham Young back during the cricket year. Ann saw the promise of those words fulfilled as they fed the hungry and never turned any away. Even though Ann took every bit of flour out many times, the flour bin always had sufficient to make bread which they divided with any who came their way. This continued for some time until flour was more plentiful.

John Jr. was a righteous man, worthy to be entrusted

with the care of Ann and her nine month old baby girl. On August 24, 1856, at their wedding in the Endowment House, John Jr. was proxy for David Williams so that Ann could be sealed to David, her first love. David and Ann's dream of being sealed was realized on the day John Jr. and Ann were married for time. They had six children.

John Jr. settled in various places. In 1858 he and two other pioneers discovered a canyon that later became known throughout the entire world for its spectacular beauty—Zion's Canyon. Then in 1862 John Jr. was called to the Cotton Mission by Brigham Young. He took his families to southern Utah and settled near Virgin City, Kane, Utah.

Even though they suffered many trials and privations, including Indian troubles, they were happy and congenial. His families lived side by side with each wife in her own home. However, their small settlement near Virgin City eventually came to an end as did the coexistence of the families of John Jr.

The Daltons moved to Rockville, Utah, where his sweetheart Rebecca was buried in 1875. Shortly after her death, persecution of the Church began anew, including unjust sentencing, fines, imprisonment, and murder over the issue of plural marriage. By 1880 nearly every paper in the United States devoted space to the Mormon question. Ann moved that year to Arizona with her son-in-law, Charles Brewer, husband of her daughter, Ann Susanna Williams. John Jr. remained in Rockwell, with his last wife, Marianna Gardiol, a handcart pioneer, where he died January 5, 1885, at the age of eighty-three.



Monument to the 1848 Miracle of the Gulls on Temple Square in Salt Lake City.

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John Dalton Jr. in the 1870 Census in Virgin City, Kane, Utah, with his families side by side. His sweetheart Rebecca in his household, and other wives Ann Casbourne, Marianne Gardiol, and Letitia Williams.

Ann lived the remainder of her days in Arizona, including several years in Pinedale where she was the Postmaster. She spent her last days in Chandler, Arizona, at the home of her daughter, Mary Ann Dalton Smith. To the very end, she loved Stake Conference and had her male descendants carry her tiny frame to the front row of the Mezona. She died August 29, 1925, in her ninety-third year at Mary Ann's home. At the time of her death, she had over 300 living descendants.

Tribute to John Jr...

John Jr. was a righteous man of great faith and was thoughtful and kind. He willingly gave of his goods and followed the words of the prophets. He was a Seventy for over forty years. He did whatever was asked of him by his Church including rescuing the first pioneers who went ahead of Brigham Young's first company. He accepted a call by Brigham Young to settle for a difficult life in the wilderness of Southern Utah. He willingly left the comforts of Salt Lake City to fulfill this call. He did work for his ancestors and those of his wife Ann in the St. George Utah Temple.

Tribute to Ann...

Ann gave up everything for her religion and loved her Savior and His words with all of her heart. She had faith to be healed from a numb palsy stroke. Even though her hands were crooked, she was very industrious. Ann was a giant in courage, cheerfulness, and endurance. She was young at heart all of her life and knew how to be happy. She served faithfully in her later years in various positions in the Church. She was a great example to her posterity and passed down to them her stories of faith and courage.

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1877—John Dalton Jr. was baptized for his father, grandfathers, and his Casbourne father-in-law. His wife, Ann Casbourne, was baptized for her mother and both grandmothers in the St. George Utah Temple.



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When John Dalton Jr. became a Seventy, important genealogical data was recorded back then that today is much appreciated by his posterity. He was ordained in 1844 by G. A. Smith in Nauvoo.



Back from left: Marium, David, and Ellen Dalton. Front: Mary Ann Dalton, Ann Casbourne, and Jemima Dalton.