OLIVE COMSTOCK NEWELL

BIRTHDATE: 1808/1809 Williamstown, Oswego, New York
DEATH: Feb 1846 West of Mississippi River
PARENTS: Thomas Comstock and Olive Hamilton Comstock
PIONEER; Died on the way
SPOUSE: Almon Newell MARRIED: 1829
DEATH: 1887 Mona, Sanpete Co., Utah
CHILDREN: Elliot Alfred, 1830, Orris Comstock, 1834, Cealy, about 1838, Sarah Olive, 1844

Olive Comstock was born 1898 or 1809 in Williamstown, Oswego, New York. Her parents were Thomas Comstock born 7 May 1775 in Smithfield, Rhode Island and her mother Olive Hamilton Comstock born 13 Oct. 1781 at Williamstown, New York

Olive Comstock married Almon Newell in about 1829. He was born 28 June 1800 in Amboy, Otsego, New York. His parents were Moses Newell and Mahitable Griffin Newell of Otsego, New York.

In 1835 near Amboy, New York they heard of and joined the Church. Taken from their history. “We have been unable to trace the route they took to Nauvoo, Illinois, we can only imagine they followed the trails which were prescribed by the Prophet, going by wagon train whenever necessary, or using the river boats as often as possible. We know the journey was very hazardous and certainly uncomfortable. They enjoyed a very short time of peace and rest. They were forced to cross the Mississippi River in the bitter cold of February, and find what shelter they could on the other side. It was during this trying time that Olive died, 1845-1846. We have no record of the cause, but many of the pioneers had pneumonia and many others of cholera.

Almon was left homeless and alone to care for their 3 children. He married a widow, Rachel Bunn Lundy Jerman with 2 children Daniel and James Alonzo Jerman. From this marriage a son, Geraldus Newell was born.

Almon arrived in Salt Lake Valley in 1851 or 1852. Records show him a member with his family in the Provo 2nd Ward in 1852. He died 1887 at Mona, Sanpete, Utah.

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