## Henry Buxton

## Pioneer of 1841

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Henry Buxton Sr.

b. 17 Jan 1793 Derbyshire, England

d. 28 Dec 1869 Washington County, Oregon

buried Mountain View Memorial Gardens, Forest Grove, Washington County, Oregon

[notes from a descendant states Henry Buxton Sr was christened 06 August 1793; information given for his Donation Land Claim says 1793; the headstone gives the 17 Jan 1797 date]

m1. 17 June 1828

Frances Thomas

b.

d. 1841 Puget Sound, Washington

died shortly after arrival from injuries in fall from her horse on the way to Oregon country.

m2. 08 Apr 1843

Sarah Elizabeth Hoisington

b. 12 Jan 1804 Addison County, Vermont

d. 03 May 1890 Washington County, Oregon

buried Mountain View Memorial Gardens, Forest Grove, Washington County, Oregon

m1. Asahel Munger

m2. Henry Buxton Sr.

1828: #, Lot 206, Henry Buxton, age 34, Protestant, England, 1 unmarried man, 1house, 1stable, 1cow 1calf, 2 swine, 1 canoe,3 acres, 1/2 of Lot 206. (1828 E.5/2) Page 8 [Census of the Red River Settlement 1827-1843 by Gail Morin]

1829: #, Lot ,Henry Buxton, age 36, Protestant, England, 1 married man, 1 woman, 1 daughter (-15) 1 house, 1 barn, 1 stable, 2 oxen, 2 cows, 3 calves, 13 swine, 1 plough, 1 harrow, 1 canoe, 3 acres. (1829 E.5/3) page 6 [Census of the Red River Settlement 1827-1843 by Gail Morin]

1830: #23, Henry Buxton, age 36; England, Protestant, 1married man, 1woman, 1 son (-16), 3 total inhabitants, 1 house, 1 stable, 1 barn, 2 cows, 2 oxen, 4 calves, 7 pigs, 1 plough, 1 harrow, 1 canoe, 4 acres. (1830 E.3/4) page 3 [Census of the Red River Settlement 1827-1843 by Gail Morin]

1831: #-, Henry Buxton, age 38, England, Protestant, 1married man, 1 married woman 1 daughter (-15), 3 total inhabitants, 1 house, 1 stable, 1 barn, 3 oxen, 4 cows, 1 calf, 12 Pigs, 1 plough, 1 harrow, 1 cart, 1 canoe 4 acres, (1831 E.5/5) page 2 [Census of the Red River Settlement 1827-1843 by Gail Morin]

1832: #50 [51] Henry Buxton, age 39, England, Protestant, 1 married man, 1 unmarried man, 1 married woman, 1 son (-16), 4 total inhabitants, 1 house, 1 stable, 1 barn, 4 oxen, 3 cows, 2 calves, 4 pigs, 1 plough, 1 harrow, 1 cart, 5 1/2 acres. (1832 E.5/6) page 3 [Census of the Red River Settlement 1827-1843 by Gail Morin]

1833: #-, Henry Buxton, age 40, England, Protestant, 1married man, 1 married woman, 1 son (-16); 1daughter (-15), 4 total inhabitants, 1 house, 1 stable, 1barn, 4 oxen, 4 cows, 3 calves, 5 pigs, 1 plough, 2 harrows 1 cart, 7 acres. (1833 E.5/7) page 3 [Census of the Red River Settlement 1827-1843 by Gail Morin]

1835: #51, Henry Buxton, age 43, England, Protestant, 1married man, 1 married woman, 3 sons (-16), 5 total inhabitants, 1 house, 2 stables, 1 barn, 1 horse, 5 oxen, 5 cows, 6 calves, 7 pigs, 1 plough, 2 harrows, 1 cart, 1,canoe, 10 acres. (1835 E.3/8) page 2 [Census of the Red River Settlement 1827-1843 by Gail Morin]

1838: #71. Henry Buxton, age 46, England, Protestant, 1married man, 1 married woman, 1 son (-16), 3 male servants, 6 total inhabitants, 1 house, 3 stables, 1 barn, 3 mares, 5 oxen, 3 cows, 6 calves, 13 pigs 1plough, 2 harrows, 2 carts, 10 acres, 1Windmill &Store, (I838 E.5/9) page 5 [Census of the Red River Settlement 1827-1843 by Gail Morin]

1840: #65, Henry Buxton, age 48, England, Protestant, 1married man, 1 married woman, 1 son (-16), 3 male servants, 1 female servant, 7 total inhabitants, 1house 1stable, 1 barn, 3 mares, 4 oxen, 2 cows, 10 calves, 16 pjgs, 1plough, 2 harrows, 2 carts, 1 canoe, 22 acres. 1Wmdmill. (1840 E.5/10) page 5 [Census of the Red River Settlement 1827-1843 by Gail Morin]

1841: emigrant to Columbia District from Red River Valley in Canada with wife and 1 child [Champoeg, Place of Transition p. 94]

1843: Married by J.S. Griffin at the house of Rev. Harvey Clark, April 6, 1843, Mr. Henry Buxton of England to Mrs. Eliza Munger of the US; Witnesses: Rev. Harvey Clark and family, Mrs. Charles McKay [Men of Champoeg: p.205]

ODLC: #3781 Washington; b. 1793 Derbyshire, Eng; arrived Oct 1841; settled claim 26 Oct 1849; m'd Sarah E. 12 Apr 1843 Washington Co; citizenship awarded 19 Jun 1851 Washington Co; letter from Sarah E. Buxton Apr 1873 states they never received their patent and have sold claim

Children of Henry Buxton Sr. and Frances Thomas:



- 1. Henry Buxton Jr.
- b. 08 Oct 1829 Manitoba, Canada
- d. 19 Jan 1899 Washington County, Oregon buried Mountain View Memorial Gardens, Forest Grove, Washington County, Oregon

m'd 26 Sep 1846 Tualatin Plains, Washington County, OR Rosanna Wooley b. 08 Jul 1832 Athens, Ohio d. 19 Oct 1897 Washington County, Oregon buried Mountain View Memorial Gardens, Forest Grove, Washington County, Oregon d/o Jacob Wooley and Eleanor Rose Hoover

ODLC: #3340 Washington; b. 1829 Selkirk, Hudson Bay, Canada; arrived Oct 1841; settled claim Oct 1849; m'd Rose Ann 28 Sep 1846 Washington Co; citizenship awarded 22 Oct 1851 Washington County.

1841: Henry Buxton, b. 1829 Manitoba, Canada; emigrant of 1841 [Transactions of the Oregon Pioneer Association 1877 p.78]

1845: Rosanna Wooley, emigrant to Oregon over Meek Trail in 1845; born 07 Aug 1832 Athens, Ohio; died 19 Oct 1897 Forest Grove, Oregon married 28 Sep 1846 Henry Buxton Jr.; note differences in birthdate and marriage date from other sources [Terrible Trail, The Meek Cutoff p. 258]

1846: Married by Rev. J.S. Griffin in Tualatin Plains at her father's residence, September 26th, 1846, Mr. Henry Buxton to Miss Rosannah Woolly, formerly of PA [Men of Champoeg: p.206]

"Henry Buxton Jr., a prominent pioneer and representative farmer of Washington county, Oregon, came to the Territory in 1841. He was born in Manitoba on the 8<sup>th</sup> of October, 1829. His father, Henry Buxton, Sr., was born in Derbyshire. England, in 1794, and came to America in 1821. He married Frances Thomas, of Manitoba, after reaching this country, and they resided in that province some time, and then, with their one child, removed

to Puget Sound. He was in the service of the Hudson's Bay Company there, as well as being engaged in farming. In crossing the Rocky Mountains Mrs. Buxton fell from her horse and received injuries from which she never recovered and at Puget Sound she died. Mr. Buxton then removed to Tualatin plains in Washington county, where he settled on a donation claim. Mr. Buxton married again in 1843 Mrs. Sarah E. Munger, the widow of Asahel Munger. They came to Oregon in 1839 with Rev. J.S. Griffin. Mr. Buxton remained on his claim until 1850 when he sold out and went to Forest Grove, where he purchased 300 acres of land from a squatter, and this property he afterward sold to Jerome Porter, who now owns it. Mr. Buxton died in 1870. He was a Congregationalist in his religious belief and a Republican in politics. He was a thoroughly upright man in every respect and an honorable citizen. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buxton, Sarah E., married a Mr. Charles Reynolds and resides at Seattle. Mrs. Buxton survived her husband twenty years and died in 1890.

Mr. Buxton Jr., who is the subject of this sketch, came with his father to Oregon in 1841. He resided with his father until 1847, when he went to Forest Grove and took up a farm, one and a half miles northwest from Forest Grove, where he built a cabin on his own account, putting up with all the hardships and privations that the Oregon pioneer at that date underwent. This property he has since farmed for forty-five years, and by hones, persistent industry, has made it one of the finest and most desirable farms in the State.

Just previous to moving to his farm in 1847, Mr. Buxton was married to Miss Rosanna Wooley, of Ohio, the daughter of Jacob and Ellen Wooley. They came to Oregon in 1845. Mr. and Mrs. Buxton have had thirteen children, of whom eight are living. Rebecca, the eldest, married Mr. Terry Kimzey; Edward is a manufacturer in Forest Grove and has four children; H.T. is a prosperous farmer in the county and has three children; James T. resides in Forest Grove, is married, has two children, and he owns and operates a general machine shop, and employs several workmen; Wm. T. is a farmer residing in this country, is married, and has three children; Mary Ellen was married to K. O. Stevenson in 1878, and died in 1888, leaving four children; Charles E. died in his thirtieth year; Jacob S. has one child, and resides on the home farm; Carrie Frances is the wife of Edward H. Harrison, and resides at McMinnville, and has four children; Nellie married John R. Griffin in 1885 and died the following year, and left an infant that soon after followed her; Austin T. is at college; the last little girl died when five months old.

Mr. Buxton added to his first farm until he now has 400 acres in one body. He has been raising fine shorthorned cattle, and in every was is a progressive and enterprising farmer and business man. He has dealt in real estate on his own account, and is a stockholder in the Forest Grove Fruit and Vegetable Cannery, and is one of the directors of it. Has twice been elected County Commissioner, and takes pleasure in the thought, that in 1855, he helped organize the first school district in the neighborhood. At its organization he was made clerk, and for sixteen years in succession he served in that capacity. He also was its director seven times. In 1873 he moved into Forest Grove for a while, that his children might enjoy the higher education offered by the Pacific University. Mr. Buxton has the honor of having helped cut the first wagon road to Portland, and over it drove the first load of produce, pork and beans. The wagon was drawn by oxen, and it was in 1846 that the trip took place.

In 1887 Mr. Buxton and his estimable wife sold their interests in Forest Grove, and returned to the farm to enjoy in retirement the fruits of their earlier years of toil. Such, however, was not to be the case, for at the general election in 1892, without solicitation on his part, he was elected to represent his county in the Legislative Assembly, thus showing the high esteem in which he is held by his fellow citizens, and the confidence reposed in him.

After a few years on the farm, the cabin gave place to a better house, and in 1889 a fine residence was completed on the property, and Mr. Buxton on his sixtieth birthday moved into it, October 8, 1889. The family had a reunion and the meeting was a very enjoyable event. They thought of all the trials passed through, and the memory of them only served to render brighter the present prosperity.

Mr. Buxton was a Democrat until the attack on Fort Sumpter. He then became an ardent Republican, and he has since continued true to that party. He was but a boy of twelve when he came to Oregon, but he has enjoyed none of the advantages of education that the young men of the present day have, and what he obtained was principally through the severe school of experience. He deserves much credit for his success as it is all due to his personal efforts.

Mr. and Mrs. Buxton have been married forty-five years, yet they are still young looking people. They make a representative pair of Oregon pioneers, and are justly proud of what Oregon has grown to be. Their lives have

been such that the State may well be proud to number them among the inhabitants of that growing portion of the Northwest.

Mr. Buxton has been a Master Mason since 1861, and has served three times as Master of his lodge. Mrs Buxton is a member of the Methodist Church, while Mr. Buxton is liberal in his views in matters of religion." [An Illustrated History of the State of Oregon by Harvey K. Hines 774-6]

"BUXTON, HENRY--Born on the Red River, British North America, six miles north of the United States line, in October, 1829. He arrived in Oregon in 1841, coming with the famous Red River immigration of that year. He now lives at Forest Grove and cultivates a farm. Has eleven children, and has been a resident of Washington county for forty4wo years. The political significance of the Red River immigration has been elsewhere touched upon, but Mr. Buxton has contributed the following facts as to its actual experiences. The parties composing the expedition numbered some sixty, and were mostly of mixed blood English, Indian, Scotch, and French. The leader was James Sinclair. They set out under an agreement with the Hudson's Bay Company to remove from their habitations in British North America to Puget Sound, there to engage in agricultural pursuits upon land to be set apart for them, and they were to have houses specially prepared against their arrival. They came by way of Fort Pitt and the Saskatchewan valley to Forts Carlton and Edmonton. crossing the Saskatchewan and Assiniboine, and surmounting the Rocky Mountains at Devil s Pass, so-called, at the head of Red Deer River. These were routes never before traveled, and of course abounded in difficulties. They had set out with carts drawn by animals, but abandoned these and resorted to packing when at the eastern foot of the Rockies. Coming by way of Lake Pend d Oreille and crossing the rivers Flat Bow, Spokane and Snake (at Riparia), they struck the Columbia near Fort Walla Walla, and proceeded down it to near their objective point. The colony, however, did not succeed. The lands were found to be unsuitable, and quite disadvantageous in comparison with the fruitful plains of the Willamette; so, while a portion of the colony tried faithfully to carry out their agreement, the most of them drifted off to other sections, mostly choosing the Willamette valley as their abode, where a few survivors may yet be found, amalgamated with the American population, and identified with them by community of tastes and interests." History of the Willamette Valley by Himes & Lang 606-7

**HENRY BUXTON.**—As we trace out, one by one, the variety of sources from which our pioneers are derived, and see the commingling of all lines of nationality and all kinds of business in our cosmopolitan population, we are more than ever impressed with the great problem which we, as a people, are working out, and the great destiny which we have.

The subject of this sketch, of whom an excellent portrait appears herewith, is a representative of the Hudson's Bay Company régime in Oregon, and is one of the now few living members of the company by which the great fur monopoly sought, though in vain, to meet the incoming tide of American immigration with its own weapons. On this account, as well as his well-known high qualities of mind and character, Mr. Buxton occupies a unique and interesting place among the pioneers of Washington county. Mr. Buxton's father was born in Derbyshire, England, in 1792. In 1821 he went to Manitoba, and became an employé of the Hudson's Bay Fur Company. He was there married to Frances Thomas, the daughter of one of the factors of the Hudson's Bay Company. From this union, the subject of our sketch was born of the 8th of October, 1829.

In the year 1841, the astute officials of the fur company, foreseeing the inevitable collapse of their power from the encroachments of American settlers, determined to head off the danger by founding a The Red River Colony settlement of their own. of 1841 was the result. Mr. Buxton was a member of that colony. The first design was to go to Puget Sound. In 1842, however, Mr. Buxton, Sr., moved to Tualatin Plains, bringing his son Henry, then thirteen years of age, with him. The first place taken up was on the East Plain near the present town of West Union. At that time there were living on the plains, Colonel Jo Meek, Doctor Robert T. Newell, Doctor William Geiger, Reverend J. S. Griffin, Reverend Harvey Clark, A. T. Smith, Joseph Gale, C. Walker, W. M. Doty, G. W. Ebbert and Caleb Wilkens.

In 1850 the Buxton family moved to the beautiful farm near Forest Grove, now known as Spring Brook Farm, one of the ideal farming places of the county. The father died in 1870. The son has resided on his farm, with the exception of a period

of about fourteen years, between 1873 and 1887, in which the family residence was at Forest Grove.

Mr. Buxton was married in 1846 to Rosanna Wooley, who was a member of a pioneer family of 1845. The children of the family are Rebecca Kimzey (deceased), Edward, Thurston, James T., Mary E., Stevenson (deceased), William T., Charles E., Jacob S., Carrie Harrison, Nellie Griffin (deceased), Austin T. and Rosa M. (deceased).

During his long residence here, Mr. Buxton has become identified with almost every interest of this county, having been county commissioner two terms, 1876–78 and 1880–82, a town trustee of Forest Grove three years, and a member of either the school board of Forest Grove or his present home district during almost the entire thirty-eight years of his residence. In politics he has been a Republican. After a long and active life, Mr. Buxton is now spending his later years in the wellearned enjoyment of his large property, and in the pleasure of experimenting in stock, fruit and other features of an intelligent farmer's life. His place is one of almost unsurpassed natural beauty; and he designs to add to it the embellishments of art. Besides his home place, Mr. Buxton owns a large ranch north of Forest Grove, known as the East View Farm. Mr. Buxton's sons have followed in his footsteps, and have become known as men of rare energy and usefulness.

Many interesting reminiscences could be gathered from Mr. Buxton. Among other things, he was one who worked on the first wagon road from Tualatin Plains to Portland, in June, 1846, and in November of that year. On that road he hauled the first load of produce ever brought to Portland on wheels, the wagon being drawn by three yoke of oxen, and containing nine slaughtered hogs and twenty-three bushels of beans.

[History of the Pacific Northwest Vol II p.238-9]

Funeral of Henry Baxton.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Jan. 21.—The funeral of the late Henry Buxton took place this morning, under the auspices of the local Masonic lodge. The honorary pall-bearers were: L. E. Smith, John Caples, T. G. Todd, M. E. Dilley, William Kane and Phil Beal. The active pallbearers were: J. T. Buxton, J. S. Buxton, H. T. Buxton, Ed Buxton, and Austin Buxton, sons of the deceased, and Ed. Harrison.

[Oregonian, Portland, Oregon Jan 22, 1899 p11]

Children of Henry Buxton Jr. and Rosanna Wooley:

- 1. Rebecca Buxton
- b. 02 Sep 1848 Washington County, Oregon
- d. 28 Apr 1887 Grant County, Oregon buried Prairie City Cemetery, Prairie City, Grant County, Oregon m. Terry Wayne Kimzey
- 2. Edward Buxton
- b. 28 Jul 1849 Washington County, Oregon
- d. 04 Jul 1933

buried Mountain View Memorial Gardens, Forest Grove, Washington County, Oregon

"EDWARD BUXTON. As one of the keen, enterprising manufacturers of Corvallis, and a citizen of sterling worth and character, Mr. Buxton is well deserving of honorable mention in this biographical work. As junior member of the firm of Sheasgreen & Buxton, he is actively identified with one of the largest and best known manufacturing establishments of the kind in Benton county, and indirectly connected with the building interests of all parts of the country, the products of the Central Planing Mills and Box Factory, the plant of this firm, being shipped to all sections of the United States, although more especially used in Oregon and the near-by states.

A native of Washington county, Ore., Edward Buxton was born July 28, 1850, in Forest Grove, a son of the late Henry Buxton. His Grandfather Buxton, who was born and reared in Yorkshire, England, was employed by the Hudson Bay Company to come to Manitoba with the first colony sent over, the ship in which he emigrated being frozen in Hudson Bay throughout the winter. Arriving in Manitoba, he operated a grist mill near Winnipeg until 1841, when he came to Oregon, settled on Tualatin Plains, taking up land, which he improved. Later he began farming about a mile west of Forest Grove, still later locating in Forest Grove, where he resided until his death, at the age of seventy-six years.

Born in Manitoba, Canada, Henry Buxton lived there until twelve years old, when he came with his parents to Oregon, coming with ox carts as far as the Rocky Mountains, when the country became so rough that the oxen and few horses had to be packed with the goods and many of the party were forced to walk a part of the remaining journey. He assisted his father in clearing a homestead, and on reaching man's estate began farming on his own account, buying a right and having it recorded. Continuing in his chosen vocation, he met with both profit and pleasure in his work, carrying on general farming near Forest Grove throughout his life. He married Rosanna Wooley, who was born in Ohio, a daughter of Jacob Wooley, who crossed the plains in 1845 with his family, and settled on a farm in Tualatin, Ore., where he spent his remaining days. Of the twelve children born of their union, Edward is the oldest child of the six boys and one girl now living. The father and mother both died in Forest Grove several years

Reared on the home farm, Edward Buxton remained beneath the parental roof until seventeen years old, completing his early education at the Tualatin Academy. Having an aptitude for mechanical pursuits he learned the carpenter's trade in Forest Grove, and was there engaged as a carpenter and builder until 1878. The ensuing two years he was employed in the planing mill owned by Adams & Jones, in McMinnville, going from there to Portland, Ore., where he remained successfully engaged as a contractor and builder for ten years. Returning to Forest Grove in 1890, he operated a planing mill there for five years, then located in Corvallis as a contractor and builder. In 1899 Mr. Buxton purchased the interest of James Gray in the Central Planing Mill and Box Factory, as mentioned in the sketch of F. P. Sheasgreen, on another page of this volume, becoming junior member of one of the most enterprising firms of Benton county, and has since carried on a thriving business.

Mr. Buxton married, while living in Forest Grove, Elizabeth Roderick, a native of Illinois, and into their household four children have been born, namely: George H., a machinist in the Portland Iron Works; Daisy A., wife of George O. Sloan, proprietor of the Forest Grove Hotel; Harry E., a carpenter in Corvallis; and Minnie, a nurse in the Good Samaritan Hospital, at Portland, Ore. Politically Mr. Buxton is a firm believer in the Republican party, supporting it by all the means within his power, and while a resident of Forest Grove served as city recorder two terms. Fraternally he is a member of Holbrook Lodge, No. 30, A. F. & A. i\I., of Forest Grove; and of the Eastern Star Chapter, of Corvallis. He is also a member of the Native Sons of Oregon." [Portrait and Biographical Record of the Willamette Valley 1169-70]

- 3. Henry Thurston Buxton
- b. 14 Apr 1852 Washington County, Oregon
- d. 30 May 1933 McMinnville, Yamhill County, Oregon

buried Mountain View Memorial Gardens, Forest Grove, Washington County, Oregon

BUXTON—Henry Thurston, aged 81 years, at his home in McMinnville, May 30, husband of Maud Buxton, and brother of Mrs. Carrie Harrison of Portland. Funeral services will be held Friday, June 2, at 2 P. M. from the Chapel of the Forest Grove Undertaking company. Interment Forest Grove cemetery.

[Oregonian, Portland, Oregon, May 31, 1933 p8]

- 4. James Thomas Buxton
- b. 16 Mar 1854 Washington County, Oregon
- d. 27 Apr 1928

buried Mountain View Memorial Gardens, Forest Grove, Washington County, Oregon

"J. T. BUXTON, owner and manager of one of the largest blacksmith enterprises in Forest Grove, and one of the most popular and successful business men of the town, was born on the old farm two

miles west of Forest Grove March 16, 1854, and lived there until his nineteenth year. He was educated in the public schools and at Tualatin Academy, and in 1873 removed to San Diego county, Cal., where he served an apprenticeship of three years to Hadelberg, a blacksmith. In 1877 he returned to Forest Grove and started in business with A. Lee, and soon after bought a half interest in the blacksmith business of A. Lee, on the hill, and a year later became sole owner of this large and paying business. Since 1892 he has conducted the enterprise independently, and his shop is one of the most popular and well patronized of any in the county. Mr. Buxton is a thorough master of his trade, and his excellent workmanship, manifest desire to please, and personal agreeableness, have combined to secure an enviable business and social position in the community.

A Republican in politics, Mr. Buxton has on many occasions left his forge to assist in the election of a friend, although he has never sought official recognition for himself. Nevertheless he has been a useful and progressive member of the city council on several occasions, and his service has always been characterized by excellent judgment and disinterested devotion to the welfare of his fellow townsmen. In Forest Grove he was united in marriage with Phariba Bailey, who was born in Ohio, and who has borne him two children, Rena and Maud.

In his paternal connections Mr. Buxton is identified with the pioneership of Oregon, his father, Hon. Henry Buxton, claiming distinguished connection with the first work of the Hudson Bay Fur Company in the northwest. His grandfather, another Henry, was born in England. There were a large number of children born to the father and mother of J. T. Buxton, of whom seven sons and five daughters attained maturity, six sons and one daughter of whom are living Edward is a manufacturer of Corvallis; Henry T. is a farmer near Forest Grove; J. T. is a blacksmith in Forest Grove; Jacob S. is a resident of Forest Grove; and A. T. is a farmer of this section.

Henry Buxton, one of the earliest and most prominent of the sound region pioneers, was born in Manitoba, in October, 1829. His father, also Henry, was born in Derbyshire, England, in 1792, and in 1821 went to Manitoba in the employ of the Hudson Bay Fur Company. In 1841 the officials of the company, fearing a collapse of their power from American encroachments, determined to found a settlement of their own, the result being the founding of the Red River colony. Mr. Buxton became a member of this company, but instead of accompanying it to Puget Sound, according to the original intention, he removed to Tualatin Plains in 1842, bringing with him his son, Henry, then thirteen years of age. In 1850 the family removed to what is now known as Spring Brook Farm, where the father died in 1870, and where the son continued to live for the remainder of his life, or until his death in January, 1899.

Henry Buxton, Jr., filled many positions of trust and responsibility in the community, and his name was honored by every man, woman and child to whom his pleasing and interesting personality became known. He was identified with many of the earliest developments of this county, and he worked on the first wagon road between Portland and Tualatin Plains in 1846. Over this primitive thoroughfare he hauled the first load of produce ever brought to Portland on wheels, the wagon being drawn by three yoke of oxen, and containing nine slaughtered hogs and twenty-three bushels of beans. He was a Republican in politics, and held many offices in the state, reflecting distinct credit upon one and all. For two terms, or between '76-"78 and between '80-'82, he was commissioner; town trustee of Forest Grove for three years; and during the nearly forty years of his residence here was on some one of the school committees. The farm upon which so many years of his life was spent was unsurpassed for beauty of adornment or fertility, and the successful owner spent his time in experimenting in fruit, stock and other departments open to the intelligence and resource of latter day agriculturists. He married, in 1846, Rosanna Wooley, member of a pioneer family of 1845, and who died in 1898. Mr. Buxton was a Mason fraternally, and variously associated with the social and business associations in which the county abounded at that time." [Portrait and Biographical Record of Portland and Vicinity 721-2]

- 5. Mary Ellen Buxton
- b. 1856 Washington County, Oregon
- d. 1887 Washington County, Oregon

buried Mountain View Memorial Gardens, Forest Grove, Washington County, Oregon m. K. O. Stevenson

- 6. William T. Buxton
- b. 22 Feb 1858 Washington County, Oregon
- d. 21 Jun 1925 Walla Walla County, Washington

buried Mountain View Cemetery, Walla Walla, Walla Walla County, Washington m. Lucendia Todd

## William T. Buxton.

WALLA WALLA. Wash., June 21.—(Special.)—William T. Buxton. 67, died today at his home here after 28 years' residence in Walla Walla. He was born in Forest Grove, Or., and had spent all his life in the northwest. He was a charter member of the local Moose lodge. His widow and three children survive.

[Oregonian, Portland, Oregon, June 22, 1925 p.16]

- 7. Charles Elmer Buxton
- b. 22 Apr 1860 Washington County, Oregon
- d. 21 Jun 1891

buried Mountain View Memorial Gardens, Forest Grove, Washington County, Oregon

- 8. Jacob Siegel Buxton
- b. 1862 Washington County, Oregon

d.



"Jacob Siegel Buxton of Forest Grove, Washington county, was born in 1862. His parents were Henry and Rosanna (Wooley) Buxton. The Buxton family came to Oregon in 1841 as members of the Red River Colony and Jacob Buxton's grandfather was an Englishman in the employ of the Hudson Bay Company in Manitoba

as early as 1821. He was one of the first settlers of Tualatin Plains where he took up his residence in 1841, when his son Henry was fourteen years of age. In 1850 the family removed to the Forest Grove section, where they operated what was known as the ideal farm of the county. Henry Buxton assisted in building the first wagon road from Tualatin Plains to Portland in 1846 and he hauled the first load of produce ever brought over that road to Portland. Three yoke of oxen made up his team and the produce consisted of nine slaughtered hogs and twenty-three bushels of beans. On almost every page of the early history of Washington county the name of Buxton appears. Henry Buxton served two terms as county commissioner, thirty-eight years as school director and trustee

and held many minor offices. He was also for one term a member of the legislature from his district.

Jacob Buxton was educated in the common schools of Washington county, in the Tualatin Academy and the Pacific University. When he reached his majority he took up farming on the old homestead. Spring Brook Farm, where he remained until 1892, engaging at that time in business as a funeral director. Under the law passed in 1892 he took and passed the state examination as an embalmer and he has since followed that vocation in Forest Grove. Painted in ivory white and surrounded by lawns and flowers, his home and the mortuary chapel adjoining it occupy a prominent place on Pacific avenue, close to the business district of the city. The interior of the chapel is in all respects modern and complete, being divided into parlors, private rooms for mourners, reception rooms, operating and embalming rooms and business office. Mr. Buxton serves not only the residents of Forest Grove and vicinity, but all sections of the county.

In 1883 Mr. Buxton was married to Lilly M. Hampton, a daughter of Amos Hampton, who was one of Forest Grove's live wires in his day. He was the proprietor of a hotel and the postmaster of the town and later served in the latter capacity for twelve years in Newport, Oregon. Mr. and Mrs. Buxton had one child, Jessie Agnes, who was a graduate of Pacific University and a talented and ambitious young woman. Capable, with a promising future, her death on May 30, 1920, was a staggering blow to her devoted parents, particularly as she had planned to assist her father in his business and would have become a licensed embalmer in July, 1920.

Mr. Buxton is a member of the Oregon Funeral Directors' Association and has for four years been a trustee of that organization. He has also served as a member of the city council of Forest Grove. He is affiliated with the Masonic order and is a past master. He is also an Elk and a past chancellor of the Knights of Pythias. As a Woodman of the World he has for many years been the treasurer of the local lodge. As a business man and a citizen constructively interested in his section of the country no man occupies a higher place than Jacob S. Buxton." [History of Oregon by Charles H. Carey 3:518-21 port]

BUXTON—Jacob S., aged 67 years, died at his home at Twin Rocks. Or., Dec. 7. Husband of Lilly M. Buxton, brother of Edward Buxton and Mrs. E. R. Harrison of Forest Grove and Thurston Buxton of Mc-Minnville, Or. Notice of funeral later.

[Oregonian, Portland, Oregon, December 9, 1929 p.13]

- 9. Carrie Frances Buxton
- b. 29 Jul 1865
- d. 21 Mar 1951

buried Mountain View Memorial Gardens, Forest Grove, Washington County, Oregon m. Edward R. Harrison

HARRISON — March 21, Carrle, 4818 N Yale, mother of W. L. Harrison, city: Arlene F. Harrison, San Francisco: June Lawyer, Fay Wilcox, Ben W. Russell F., Harry E., city. Friends invited to attend funeral services Monday, 10 am, in the Conservatory Chapel of A. J. Rose & Son, SE 6th and Alder, Interment Forest Grove, Or,

[Oregonian, Portland, Oregon, Sunday March 25, 1951 p.7]

- 10. Harrison Buxton
- b. 1866 Washington County, Oregon

- 11. Nellie Mae Buxton
- b. 23 Oct 1867 Forest Grove, Washington County, Oregon
- d. 21 Jun 1886 Washington County, Oregon

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Neilie J., wife of J. R. Griffin, postmaster, and daughter of Henry Buxton, died of consumption on Monday at 8 P. M. The funeral took place at 10 Å. M. to-day, and was very largely attended. She leaves a husband and one infant child. Her age was but 18. "Neil," as we knew her, was born and reared in the Grove, and as she grew in years, every day seemed to develop a character marked for its loveliness. With her womanhood came that modest bearing which, coupled with popular ways, made her a general favorite among all. The tenderest sympathy of many friends are extended to the sorrowful husband in this the grief of his early years.

[Oregonian, Portland, Oregonian June 26, 1886 p4]

- 12. Austin Todd Buxton
- b. 21 Mar 1872 Washington County, Oregon
- d. 17 Sep 1918

buried Mountain View Memorial Gardens, Forest Grove, Washington County, Oregon

Buxton, Austin T. The Centennial History of Oregon by Joseph Gaston 2:938

- 13. Rosie Maud Buxton
- b. 23 May 1873
- d. 20 Oct 1873

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