

## **Henry Elisha Perry**

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Isn't the name, Henry Elisha an unusual one to give a little boy-especially the last half of it? But this little boy had a brother named Orrin Alonzo and another named Lorenzo, and his father's name was Gustavus Adolphus, so with names like those in the family, he probably didn't mind his name, since he was always called by the first part, Henry, anyway.

Henry was born in the state of New York, many years ago. Besides the two brothers, he also had three sisters.

A history of his family tells a very interesting story. It says that when Henry was a very little boy, the family was prepared for the Gospel message by a stranger who visited their home. He talked to them of ancient prophecies and said that before long the Kingdom of God would be established again on this earth. He also told them they would soon behold an ancient record containing the Everlasting Gospel.

Needless to say, this good family was ready to receive the Gospel when L.D.S. missionaries came to them in 1832.

Coming across the plains to Utah, Henry and his brother Alonzo, were often assigned the task of getting buffalo for meat because they were such good marksmen.

Henry was a quiet, gentle man greatly loved by his family.

His full name was Henry Elisha Perry. He was a grandfather of Owen and Theron Hall and great-grandfather of L. Tom Perry, an Apostle.

Henry Elisha Perry (born 1827, died 1875).