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The "Forgotten Missionary" booklet, the Story of Elder Ezra James Clark, compiled by Antone Clark

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Obituary

Ezra James Clark, who died July 14th, at Fonda, Montgomery County, New York was born March 30th 1845 in Lee County, Iowa. His parents came to Winter Quarters in 1846 and in 1848 to Utah, where he grew up to manhood beloved and respected by his friends.

He was called to take a mission to England April 6th, 1865, and started on the 23rd of May, in company with his brethren. He honorably filled his mission and returned to New York on the steamship Minnesota as first councilor to Elder John Parry, arriving July 12th and on the 14th took the train for the West. Being much fatigued, he complained of a pain inn his head and died in a few hours. His death was supposed to have been caused by sunstroke. His body was left by Captain John Parry with the authorities with means to bury him at Fonda, about 40 miles west of Albany.

He was faithful on his earthly mission and has gone to our martyred Prophet to continue it in the spirit world.

Father, Mother, cease your weeping

Faithful Ezra is not dead,

Though his mortal body's sleeping

In a low and narrow bed!

He has gone to realms of glory;

Angels led him to that land;

He will meet with Christ, his Savior

Walk with Jesus hand in hand.

Sister, Sister, let no sorrow

Find a place within your heart;

God will surely bring deliverance;

Trust-He'll do a Father's part.

Brothers, when you think of Ezra

Think how brave he fought and won.

How he will be crowned with glory.

Reign with Jesus on his throne.

Father, mother, sister, brother,

Let us come before God's throne,

Be as faithful, true and upright

Until God shall call us home.

Lucy Clark

Farmington, Aug. 23 1968

Image #1An image of Ezra James Clark's obituary,

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