

Samuel Rose Parkinson Family Tree

The original of this family tree picture, 4 by 5 1/2 feet, was presented to Samuel Rose Parkinson by his children on his 73rd birthday, April 12, 1904. In 1911, on his 80th birthday, it was altered to include all of his two hundred and nineteen descendants born up to that time. His death date (and those of his wives) was added later. On his 134th birthday anniversary, April 12, 1965, his descendants numbered 2,186 -- a number too great to be easily depicted in such a representation as this.

The trunk of the tree represents Samuel; the three main limbs, his wives Arabella, Charlotte, and Maria; smaller branches, his children and married grandchildren; red apples, unmarried grandchildren; golden apples, great-grandchildren.

The picture, which now hangs in the Pioneer Memorial Museum in Salt Lake City, was in the custody of his granddaughter Elna Parkinson Haymond for forty-five years.

