***ELLEN MISKELLY – JOHN WALKER***

**Ellen married John Walker in 1848 in Carlisle. John was from a Mormon family and after having seven children all born in Carlisle they emigrated to New Zealand in 1863. A further five children followed between 1864 and 1874. Around 1880 John and Ellen along with six of their children emigrated once again this time to Utah in the USA home of the Mormon religion. Rather sadly the three youngest Fanny , Issac and Joseph all contracted Scarlett fever and died between 2nd and 21st February 1882.**

**Both Ellen and John were instrumental in helping to set up the Mormon church in Utah and did not return to New Zealand to see their other children.**

**John Died in April 1894 and is buried in Manti Sanpete Utah. Ellen who died in July 1906 is buried in the same cemetery.**

**Henry, Mary and Agnes remained in New Zealand where they married and raised families.**

**Isabella, Elizabeth, Fanny, Issac and Joseph All travelled to the USA with their parents and are buried there.**

**Johns parents Henry and Isabella Walker were members of the first Morman Handcart company trek across America. They travelled on the Edmund Ellsworth expedition leaving Iowa City on June 9th 1856. Sadly Henry died on the afternoon of Saturday July 26th 1856 when he was struck by lightning.**

**I was in contact with some of their descendants in Utah but sadly have lost touch. I have though now been able to make contact with Ron Payne a descendant of Henry Walker who now lives in Australia.**