I was born in Stackholm, Sweden Dec 7-1869 of humble parents who belonged to the Lutherian church, also my ancestors as far back as we have been able to trace them.

My Father and grandfather worked at the occupation of tailors.

Mother's father was a bookbinder, we have been unable to trace our ancestors further than our grandparents as my grandfather was found by fishermen strapped to a board and floating on the waters of the North Sea.

His name was written on his clothing he was about three or four years old. His name being German it is thought be was of German descent. He was reared by Swedish people.

My parents joined the church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints when I was but a little child and came to Utah after being in the church one year.

I was very anxious to be baptized before leaving the old country so was baptized when but seven years of age.

We left Stockholm the 16th of June 1877 and arrived in Salt Lake City July 16th the same year. The next day we went to Grantsville, Tooele County and remained there until March 1879. We then moved to Logan where we stopped for five weeks. From there we moved to Smithfield and remained until Sept. of the same year, when we left for Ogden, and lived the first winter in the Second Ward later removing to the First Ward where we lived for about two years and then moved to the Fourth Ward. I was then thirteen years old. I have resided here with the exception of a few years spent inexile.

As a young lady I was of a religious turn of mind. I attended Sunday school, Mutual, Sacrament and fast meeting very regular and was also a member of the choir as long as that organization existed under the leadership of Prof. Edwards.

At the age of seventeen I made it a matter of prayer as to what course I should take in choosing a companion for life. Imagine my surprise when I received three testimonies showing to me plainly and with out a doubt that it was His desire that I should obey the law of Plural Marriage. I always believed it to be true but had no desire to enter into it.

But after receiving these testimonies and showing me who the man was I felt I dared not do otherwise, so on the 7th of Feb. 1888 was married to Hyrum Belnap at Logan, Utah, at the age of eighteen.

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On account of the raid on the church at that time because of laws being enacted against polygamy they had to marry in secret as the one found marrying the parties would get one year in jail and \$1000 fine so we were married in a little house near the temple where they had erected an alter and prepared a place for that purpose and the partys performing the ceremony stood behind curtains so we should not know who did it and hence

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