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John and Emily Udell, circa 1867. Courtesy C. Melvin Bliven.


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Sophia Frances (Franc) Fox, older sister of Sallie Fox. All the merchants in Fort Yuma wanted to marry her. *Courtesy Genevieve Thompson.*

Sallie Fox at age sixteen. *Courtesy Mrs. C. E. Crownover.*

Sallie Fox in later years. *Courtesy Robert Power, Nut Tree, Vacaville, California.*
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Madeleine Isabelle Adeline Daly Bucknam. She was married to Ezra Bucknam in Zuni, New Mexico, by John Udell. Courtesy Dorothy B. Wilbur.


Mr. and Mrs. William Krug (Amelia Catherine Baley). Courtesy Willetta Pokorny.
Amelia Catherine (left) and America Frances Baley (right) left their names on Inscription Rock, El Morro National Monument, and later eloped with employees of the wagon train. *Courtesy Willetta Pokorny.*
Ellen Grafton Baley McCordle as an adult. She was the little girl who was lost on the desert and later found. *Courtesy Willetta Pokorny.*

William Right Baley and Nancy Funderburk Baley. *Courtesy Mary Lee Dugovic.*

Sarah Margaret Baley, eldest child of William Right Baley and Nancy Funderburk Baley. She carried her baby sister on her back from Albuquerque until relieved of her burden at the Gila River by the death of the infant. She was sixteen at the time. *Courtesy Willetta Pokorny.*

Ellen Grafton Baley McCordle as an adult. She was the little girl who was lost on the desert and later found. *Courtesy Willetta Pokorny.*
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E. O. Smith proved to be a kind friend and a good Samaritan. *Courtesy Terry Feist.*

The camel driver, Hadji Ali (Hi Jolly) and his bride at Tucson about 1880. *Courtesy Arizona Historical Society, Tucson.*

Brevet Brigadier General B. L. E. Bonneville, who, while still a colonel, was in charge at Albuquerque in 1858. *Courtesy the Library of Congress.*
Colonel William Hoffman (Old Hoffy). He forced the Mojaves to sign a peace treaty. During the Civil War he served as commissary general of prisoners. Courtesy the Library of Congress.

Brevet Major General Daniel H. Rucker. As Major Rucker, he gave L. J. Rose a letter at Albuquerque in 1858 attesting to the fine quality of Rose’s livestock. In 1891 he gave a deposition in support of Rose’s Indian depredation suit. Courtesy the Library of Congress.

Inscription Rock, El Morro National Monument, New Mexico. Author’s collection.

Miss A. F. (America Frances) Baley’s name on Inscription Rock at El Morro National Monument, New Mexico. The letter “F” is sometimes mistaken for the letter “E” because of a crack in the rock, making identification difficult because there was no Miss A. E. Baley in the wagon train. *Courtesy National Park Service, El Morro National Monument.*

Sarah (Sallie) Fox’s name on Inscription Rock at El Morro National Monument, New Mexico. Courtesy Dorothy Leland.

Gillum Baley’s signature at Register Rock No. 4 in Canyon Diablo. Courtesy Jack Beale Smith.

The Hedgpeth name on Inscription Rock, El Morro National Monument, New Mexico. Courtesy of Joel W. Hedgpeth, who states that the name was carved by William Pleasant Hedgpeth on the morning of 8 July 1858.

P.H. Williamson’s inscription on Inscription Rock at El Morro National Monument, New Mexico. Williamson was one of Rose’s hired men but traded places with Tamerlane Davis, one of Udell’s men. Courtesy National Park Service, El Morro National Monument.

Gillum Baley’s signature at Register Rock No. 4 in Canyon Diablo. Courtesy Jack Beale Smith.
“Mojave Indians” as they appeared to the Whipple railroad survey party in 1854. From Lt. Amiel W. Whipple et al., *Reports of Explorations and Surveys, to Ascertain the Most Practicable and Economical Route for a Railroad from the Mississippi River to the Pacific Ocean*, vol. 3.
S.S. Senator, the coastal steamer that took John and Emily Udell from San Pedro to San Francisco. From an oil painting signed and dated, “Joseph Lee, 1875.” Courtesy California Historical Society.

Dress worn across the plains by Permelia Baley. Modeled by author’s daughter, Carol Baley. Dress in possession of Wiletta Pokorny. Author’s collection.

The dress that Sallie Fox wore on the day of the Mojave attack and the small rubber doll that she carried with her on the journey to California. Note the arrow hole in the upper part of the dress. Sallie’s mother shortened the dress to get material for making Sallie a sunbonnet. Courtesy Vacaville Museum, a Center for Solano County History.

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