



Herman August Thorup

Skilled Craftsman

Early Life



- Born August 11, 1826 to Cristian Larsen Thorp, a harness maker in Copenhagen, Denmark
- Began his profession in the furniture and joiner trade at 14 yrs of age
 - Became an expert in French Polishing



Life Events

- Married on Feb. 25, 1847 to Marie Christine Christensen
- Investigated the church after an apostle visited Denmark and eventually was baptized a member in 1853.
- Despite insufficient funds, Herman and his family emigrated to the United States in 1868, selling all possessions and taking jobs where possible to pay the debt, including as an organ maker in Chicago, IL.
- One of the first emigrant families to travel to Salt Lake City, UT by train

Notable Accomplishments

- Helped build the pulpit in the Provo tabernacle
- Did the finishing work and spiral staircase in the Assembly Hall
- Made the beautiful east and west doors to the Salt Lake Temple
- Laid two floors in the Salt Lake temple



Lasting Legacy

- Died August 20, 1907 at 81 years of age
- Faithful priesthood holder and father of eight children
- Herman's children fulfilled missions throughout the world and served in various church leadership positions