

# BIDWELL, THOMAS J.

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BIDWELL, THOMAS J. \_\_\_\_\_

Born at \_\_\_\_\_ Missouri, \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_.

Son of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Married Frances V. Bishop at Yuma, A. T., December 7, 1873.

Children \_\_\_\_\_.

Listed, Territorial Census, 1864, at <sup>over #8-</sup> ~~La Paz~~, age 30, born in United States, resident in Arizona one year, occupation, Miner; Sheriff's Census of Yuma County, at Bradshaw Ferry, 1867; U. S. Census, 1870, at Ehrenberg, Yuma County, A. T., age 37, born in Missouri, occupation, Revenue Collector, property valued at \$500.

Member from Castle Dome, 2d District, H. of R., 1st Territorial Legislature, 1864; Member from Yuma County, H. of R., 5th Territorial Legislature (Speaker), 1868, and reelected to 6th Legislature, 1871; Justice of the Peace, La Paz, A. T., 1868-69; Deputy Collector and Inspector of Internal Revenue, Arizona City, October 1, 1869 to March 1, 1870; Probate Judge and ex-officio School Superintendent of Yuma County, 1872-73; Joint Councilman from Yuma and Mohave Counties, 7th Territorial Legislature, 1873.

Postmaster at Signal, Mohave County, A. T., from March 11 to November 12, 1878, when the office was discontinued.

One of the original locators of the Tombstone townsite, April \_\_, 1879.

Died at San Francisco, California on July 8, 1880, ~~18~~\_\_.

Buried \_\_\_\_\_ Cemetery, Gold Hill, Storey Co., Nevada

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