FISHER, JOSEPH, born in Canton Argo, Switzerland, 1832; enlisted at Camp Merchant, Oakland, California, to serve three years as Private, Company D, 1st California Cavalry; occupation when enlisted - Butcher; crossed Southern Arizona with the California Column, May to July, 1863; marched down the Rio Grande and was at Fort Quitman, Texas, in September; stationed near Franklin (El Paso), Texas, until December, 1863.

Was with the Company at Fort Craig, New Mexico, until July 18, 1865, when he became part of a detachment under Captain N. J. Fitchen which went as an escort for John A. Clark, Surveyor General of New Mexico, to the newly discovered gold fields in northern Arizona.

Wounded in action with Apache Indians at Woolsey's Ranch, A. T., and died on March 4, 1866, aged 32; buried there but in April, 1892, his remains were reinterred in the National Cemetery, at the Presidio, San Francisco, California, grave 1150, west side.

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