GOEBBERG, HYMAN

Born at Petroskov Russian Poland, 1815.

Son of and .

Married Augusta Drachman at Los Angeles, Calif. on , 1852.

Children: Aaron (who came to Phoenix in 1875 to open a store later known as Goldbergs), David, Amelia (Mrs. Longa Migel), and Rebecca (Beckie) (Mrs. Longa Zeekendorf).

First visited Arizona at La Paz in 1863 where his brother Isaac had established a store not long after the discovery of placer gold near there; on June 5, 1869, the Tucson Arizonian printed this item:

"Mr. H. Goldberg, brother of Mr. I. Goldberg of this city, arrived here on Sunday from California. He has a large stock of merchandise now en route for Tucson."

Listed, U. S. Census, August, 1870, at Arizona City (Yuma) age 50, occupation - Retired Merchant; elected as a Democrat to represent Yuma County in the lower house of the 8th Territorial Legislature at Tucson, 1875; the following account of his life appeared in the Phoenix Weekly Herald of November 1, 1889:

"At an early age he left home, spending some years in Posen, Berlin and England. About 45 years ago he reached New York and engaged in the merchant tailoring business. Thence he moved on to New Orleans, where the California excitement of '48 found him. In company with a band of eager fortune seekers he proceeded through Mexico overland to San Francisco, which he reached in '49.

"For a time he engaged in placer and quartz mining and at different times was located in Sacramento, North Fork, Marysville and various mining camps. He made several fortunes and was burnt out more than once. In time he resumed the mercantile business and prosecuted the same at Los Angeles and San Bernardino. The latter place has really been his home and headquarters for over thirty years.

"In 1868 he took a drove of cattle to Tucson. For twenty years he has operated in Arizona; in Florence, La Paz, Eureka, Yuma and Phoenix. He resumed prospecting at Tombstone, in the early excitement there."
"He was an Odd Fellow, Mason, member of the Legion of Honor and of the I. O. B'nai B'rith, in good standing with them all. Few men survive the ups and downs of life in new, wild countries to Hyman Goldberg's age. Not many leave a character so spotless, beloved and respected wherever known."

Died at Phoenix, Maricopa County, A.T., October 31, 1889, aged 74; buried Cemetery, San Bernardino, California.

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