JOHNSON, GEORGE ALONZO, born at Palatine Bridge, Montgomery County, New York, August 16, 1824; son of ________________ and ________________ ; married, Estefana Alvarado at San Diego, California, June 4, 1859; children, George, Alonzo, Jr., Tomacita (Mrs. ________________) and Agnes (Mrs. ________________).

Came to the mouth of the Colorado River in command of the schooner Sierra Nevada, February 17, 1852; was master of the General Jesup, the second steamboat on the Colorado River, a side-wheeler 104 feet long which arrived at Fort Yuma on January 18, 1854; the next year he brought to Yuma the 120-foot stern wheel steamboat Colorado; with A. H. Willcox and Benjamin Hartshorn organized the Colorado Steam Navigation Company; listed, U. S. Census, 1860, at both Arizona City and Fort Yuma, occupation, Steamboat Captain, property valued at $16,000; Sheriff's Census, Yuma County, A. T. 1867, at Arizona City; moved to San Diego, California, about 1872 and was Collector of the Port in 1883.

Died at San Diego, California on November 27, 1903, aged 79.

Buried Old Catholic (Mission Hills) San Diego cemetery.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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