MAHAR, THOMAS: Born in Tipperary, Munster, Ireland, 1832, son of and .

Enrolled August 16 at LaPorte, Plumas County, California, and mustered in, age 30, at Camp Downey, Oakland, California, August 30, 1861, to serve 3 years as private, Company F, 1st California Infantry; occupation when enrolled, miner; appointed Company Musician immediately after muster; went with the Company to Southern California and arrived at Fort Yuma in December, 1861; left Fort Yuma May 15 and marched via the Pima Villages to Tucson, arriving June 27, 1862; left Tucson July 23rd and marched via Apache Pass and reached Mesilla on the Rio Grande August 15; remained until September 28 when the march was resumed to Fort Craig and arrived there six days later.

Stationed at Fort Craig until October, 1863, when he left there with the Company for Fort Wingate; with 58 men of the Company commanded by Captain H. M. Benson he marched from Fort Wingate via the Little Colorado River to establish Fort Whipple, A. T., arriving at the site of the post, now known as Del Rio, on December 21, 1863; moved with other troops to the present site of Whipple Barracks, near Prescott, in May, 1864.

Listed Territorial Census, April, 1864, 3rd District (Yavapai County), age 32, born in Ireland, occupation, soldier, honorably discharged at Fort Whipple, A. T., August 29, 1864; engaged in mining and was one of the original owners of the Ticonderoga Lode; thrown from his horse, fracturing his skull, which resulted in his death at Prescott, A. T., September 12, 1867. Burial City Cemetery.
SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Orton, R. H. - Records of California Men in the War of the Rebellion, Sacramento, 1890, p. 359.
Probate Court of Yavapai County, Docket No. 25. Dated 9/14 2-1

WANTED
1. Any references to him in the A. A. Johns file.
2. Is there a War Department headstone at his grave?

There was a scrub horse race in town on the fourth of July. Tom Maher's horse "Pea-nuts" was the winner. Betting was lively, but not on a large scale, the betting ranging from a bit to ten dollars. There was considerable fun, but the pea-nuts at Bower's store went faster than any of the horses.

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Thomas Maher

Thomas Maher, a well known character, died here on Thursday. He came here in the California Volunteers, and since he left the service, has been engaged in mining, chiefly on the Ticonderoga lode, of which he was one of the original owners. About two weeks since while riding on horseback the animal became unmanageable, and he was thrown and his skull fractured, from which injury he died.

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