

HALL, JAMES LYMAN

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HALL, JAMES LYMAN, born at Keene, Cheshire County, New Hampshire, April 6, 1830; son of _____ and _____; married Catherine Odell at _____ on _____ 18____ (about 1872) who was born in Canada about 1853; children, Harley O., Jay Lloyd, Nellie, Frankie, Flora, May (Mrs. Herbert D. Derwin) and Clara F. (Mrs. J. R. Summers, afterwards Mrs. Edward J. Fenchurch).

Enlisted, age 28, at Philadelphia, Pa., March 28, 1858, to serve 5 years in the Regular Army; occupation when enlisted - Clerk; was assigned to and joined Company B, 5th U. S. Infantry at Camp Floyd, Cedar Valley, Utah Territory, August 22, 1858; stationed there until June, 1860, when he marched with the Company to New Mexico arriving at Bacon Pond, August 31; arrived at Fort Defiance, October 10, and left shortly afterwards on an expedition into the Navajo country; was at Mesa de los Vacas at the end of that month and returned to Fort Defiance, November 7, 1860; promoted to Corporal, March 1, 1861, discharged at Santa Fe, New Mexico, December 29, 1861.

After leaving the Army he was a miner, trader and butcher in Idaho, Oregon and California; came to Prescott with his family in 1877; Disturnell's Arizona Gazetteer, 1881, lists Hall and Poe, Butchers, on Montezuma Street, Prescott, A.T.; Justice of the Peace at Prescott, 1881-82 and 1885-86; Probate Judge of Yavapai County, 1884; Mayor of Prescott, 1884; Justice of the Peace at Congress, Yavapai County, 1899-1907; Comrade, Barrett Post No. 62 (3), G.A.R., Prescott; the announcement of his death in the Tempe News stated:

Mr. Hall was for 30 years a resident of Arizona, most of the time being spent in Yavapai county. For 18 years he lived in Prescott where he was Mayor for one

term. He was Probate Judge of Yavapai County for one term and was always honored and respected by all who knew him. For the past twelve years he was in the employ of the Congress Mining Company at Congress, and at the time of his death he was Justice of the Peace of that Precincts

Died at Tempe, Maricopa County, A.T., December 6, 1907, aged 77;
buried, Double Butte Cemetery, near Tempe.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Great Register of Yavapai County, 1882 to 1906.
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U.S. Census, 1850 - Westmoreland Township, Cheshire County, New Hampshire.
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The Tempe News, December 6, 1907, 4:1 (obituary).

Up in a Tree--We are informed by J. L. Hall, Esq., that a highminded hen belonging to William Coffee, the butcher, living on McCormick street, has built or rather found a nest on a flat limb where several smaller branches sprout out, leaving a sort of basin-shaped space surrounded by brush and filled with leaves and spines, in a pine tree, sixty feet from the ground, where she is laying and preparing to hatch out a brood of chickens. Mr. Coffee can easily climb the tree, as it is full of limbs, so as to look into the nest, but dare not venture out on the limb so as to reach it; consequently old banta has the better of him, and is likely to go on and hatch her brood, but when she comes to feed them on their high perch, she will probably have to call in the woodpeckers to her assistance.

The Los Angeles Republican tells us that a noted poultry dealer, named Niles, is on his way to Arizona, that he is high authority on fowls, etc., but we doubt if he has ever raised any chickens as high as Coffee's old hen.