

ROGERS, CHARLES THOMAS

Born at Freeport, Cumberland County, Maine, September 25, 1827.

Son of Thomas Pennell and Miriam (Brewer) Rogers (both natives of Maine)

Married, _____ at _____ on _____ 18 _____

Children, Frank, Nellie (Mrs. _____ Stone)

Listed, Territorial Census, April, 1864, 3d District (Yavapai County)
age 35, single, occupation - Photographer, resident in Arizona 5 months; the
mining district records show that he bought 25 feet on the "Accidental Lode" from
T. W. Hill on June 5, 1864; listed, U. S. Census, 1870, at Prescott, age 41,
occupation - Clerk; the following items about him were published in the Prescott
Arizona Miner;

September 24, 1870 - - C. T. Rogers, Agent of the Big Bug
Mill Co., reports that the last clean-up at that mill gave
better results per ton of ore than any previous run on Eugenia
rock. Also that water is again very low and it is reported
that the mill will have to shut down for want of fluid.

December 24, 1875 - - We took a look into the butcher-shop
of C. T. Rogers and Co. last evening, since they have finished
papering and painting, and had it not been for the beef and
mutton hanging down from the hooks we should have almost
fancied ourselves in a lady's parlor. Everything is as neat
as a pin. This evening they intend to make a fine display of
Christmas meats, which will be well worth dropping in to see.

February 19, 1877 - - C. T. Rogers of the Prescott meat market
started for Camp Verde this morning to select a large lot of
cattle beef which he will drive to this place, where they will
be slaughtered for the use of the people in town and the
officers, soldiers, etc., at Fort Whipple.

In 1878 he moved to what is now Coconino County and established a
cattle ranch with 111 as his brand; Will Barnes states that he homesteaded the
land where the town of Williams is located and was appointed the first Postmaster

on June 14, 1881; the Prescott Arizona Enterprise reported on August 7, 1878 that:

The old chief, C. T. Rogers, is fixing up for a trip to his home in the piney woods of San Francisco mountains. He will take barrels of butter and a lot of chickens.

He was mentioned in the Prescott Courier a number of times among them being on:

September 2, 1882 - - C. T. Rogers, founder and owner of the new town of Williams has leased a great many lots to persons who have started building.

November 18, 1882 - - C. T. Rogers has a fine store, well filled with goods at Williams. He also does a forwarding and commission business.

November 8, 1889 - - C. T. Rogers, a pioneer Arizonan, who sold crackers here in Prescott in 1864 for \$1 a pound, sugar for 75c, and other things in proportion, is here from Williams.

When announcing his death, the Courier stated:

C. T. Rogers was one of the early residents of Prescott. During 1879 he ran a meat market in the then Kelly and Stephens block, just south of what is now the Brinkmeyer hotel. He was in every way a worthy man and splendid citizen.

Died at the residence of his sister, Mrs. Albert Stover, in Bath, Maine, on September 25, 1903, aged 74; buried Oak Grove Cemetery, in Bath.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

The Great Register of Yavapai County - 1876-86

Barnes, W. C. - Arizona Place Names, 1935, p.488

Journal of the Pioneer and Walker Mining Districts, 1863-65, p.142

The Arizona Miner, Prescott, September 24, 1870, 3:1; December 24, 1875, 3:1; February 9, 1877, 3:2

The Arizona Enterprise, Prescott, August 7, 1878, 2:1

The Prescott Courier, April 29, 4:2, September 2, 3:2, October 14, 3:1, November 18, 1882, 3:5; November 3, 1883, 4:2; November 8, 1889, 3:8; October 16, 1903, 2:2 (obituary)

WANTED

1. Obituaries in the Journal Miner, Williams News, Flagstaff and other Arizona newspapers.
2. Additional references to him in the indexes.
3. Does the Williams news show when and why he went to Maine?