
**A FORMER EL PASOAN
COMMITTS SUICIDE**

**Major Samuel W. Boring, Who Was at
One Time City Marshal of This
Place, Kills Himself in California.**

California papers bring the news of the suicide at San Jose, Cal., of Major Samuel W. Boring, once city marshal of El Paso and prominent in local politics during the early eighties.

Major Boring disappeared from his home in San Jose, July 12.

The surrounding country was thoroughly examined and late on the afternoon of July 18, his body was found with a bullet hole through his head and a revolver in his hand in a brushy thicket on a hillside in Alum Fork Canyon, a few miles from San Jose.

Major Boring was born in Tennessee seventy-nine years ago, and left a wife and one daughter, who are both remembered by old residents in El Paso. He was a Mexican war veteran and a California pioneer of 1849. In 1855 he represented Nevada county in the state legislature and later was elected sheriff of that county. About 1881 he came to El Paso, remaining here four or five years, subsequently returning to San Jose, where he was elected county clerk and mayor.

When he came to El Paso in the early eighties he opened a land office. The major held the position of city marshal for several years and made a splendid officer. He was a prominent Mason. The major was a man of commanding presence and absolutely fearless in making arrests.

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