

CHIPMAN DIED

After Several Days Of Intense Agony.

Confirmation of the death of J. B. Chipman, for ten years an El Paso policeman, has been made. Arthur Calloway, an employe of the Pillares Mining Co., now in the city, says that Chipman died in great agony over a month ago at the company's mines in Chihuahua, where he was watchman. He was ill for many days with acute stomach trouble, and from the first refused medical aid of any sort, declaring that he preferred to die.

He became weaker and weaker, his sufferings increasing in intensity, his cries of agony thrilling with anguish his comrades who could in no way succor him.

Death came at 4 o'clock in the morning, and on the same day he was buried on the top of a mountain near the company's camp.

Chipman's was a familiar figure to El Pasans, and the shooting scrape in which he lost his left arm in '87 created intense excitement at that time. It seems that a member of the merchant police named Simon walked into John Wood's place, then located north of the present Pomeroy Transfer Co.'s stables on Oregon street, and entered the gambling room. In the outer room, the "Acheson Kid" was playing pool, exposing a murderous looking 45 Colt's in his pistol pocket. Simon saw this and grabbed it. Quick as a flash the "Kid" turned and drew another gun, a 41, thrust into his belt in front, and shoved it in the officer's face.

Simon gave up the 45, and found no trouble in backing away. The "Kid" then with one gun leveled at the officer, the other on the barkeeper At Woods, made for the door. As he stepped outside he met Chipman, realize, from his star that he was an officer, and out loose with both guns.

Chipman unsuspecting held his left arm with the hand leisurely grasping lapel of his coat. His hand below the elbow was chattered, and "Kid" made for the river and escaped.

He was never captured and his identity eve is uncertain. Seven years ago at a hold-up in east El Paso, two men were killed by the express messenger, one of whom, because of a missing finger, was supposed to be the "Kid"—but he was subsequently shown to be another man.

Chipman served continuously on the police force for ten years until about a year ago, when he became watchman for the Pillares Mining Co. He was 48 years of age and unmarried.