

Cincinnatus Morrison, a representative California pioneer and a worthy citizen of San Benito county, was born in Marion county, Indiana, May 22, 1826. His father, Ephraim Morrison, an early settler of Louisa county, Iowa, lived on the Mississippi river between Muscatine and Burlington. Cincinnatus was reared on a farm. In 1850 he came across the plains to California, making the journey via the Carson river route. At Green river he traded his team for horses, packed his effects thereon, and walked the remainder of the distance to Hangtown. He farmed near old Mission San José until about 1873. In July of that year he located near Paicines, on the Tres Pinos creek, where he still lives under the shadow of his own vine and fig tree. He has one of the prettiest and most fertile spots in all this section of the country. Grapes grow to perfection here, and from them He produces the finest quality of wine. Here Mr. Morrison and his old friend and cousin, Henry J. Dennis, enjoy life as men can only in the sunny quietude of a California valley home.

Mr. Dennis is a native of Indiana, born April 23, 1828. He came to California as early as 1852, has seen much of pioneer life, and expects to spend his remaining years in this beautiful San Benito country.

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