James THOMAS Montgomery County, Indiana Crawfordsville Journal, Dec. 5, 1885

On Tues. morning, Dr. W. H. Hurt of Waynetown, received a dispatch that his brother-in-law James Thomas, had been murdered in New Mexico. Mr. Thomas was the driver of a notion wagon and a week or two before his body was found, which was on the 26th of last moth, he had started out on one of his trips in company with another man. This man had evidently committed the murder as the horses, wagon and the entire stock were missing and no traces could be found. Mr. Thomas was formerly a resident of this County and his mother now lives at Pleasant Hill. The Dr. has written to New Mexico for fuller particulars.