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Mrs. Mills: Dear Madam in answer to  
yours of the 10<sup>th</sup> will say that John M.  
Bizeman was killed by Blackfoot Indians  
Ats 18<sup>th</sup> 1867. on the Yellowstone River  
near present Hunter's hot springs. He was bur-  
ied on the spot & taken up some four years  
after & buried in the Bizeman Cemetery  
& erected a plain marble stone at his grave  
Inscribed name - age & nature of Georgia  
killed by Indians. & from whom the town takes  
its name. He was 34 years of age 5' 11" tall  
in height. Weighed about 180 lbs. Fought a team  
of wagons across the plains. 1864. Via Wind river  
crossed the Big Horn above the Canons & came down  
Delahs fork to Rock creek. My Rock creek on to



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Still water. To the yellowstone of Bridges  
came on up the yellowstone to where  
now Livingston now stands over the  
Range to Bozeman. He was single  
man & had no relatives in Montana.  
He had a commanding appearance  
Hair & whiskers light brown

Good Reputation. Jovial in his  
disposition. Dr. Jim Bridge brought a train  
through the same year. but passed up on the  
East side of the Big Horn mountains. crossed the  
Big Horn river old fort Smith used to be. Went  
up Shields River & entered Gallatin valley  
through the canyon where the government fish  
hatchery is now located. I am not a description  
writer but could give some more facts about  
the Bozeman trail. by prolonging this letter  
but I trust you will find some one that  
knows more than I do & can put it to your  
uses to better advantage. I had some  
thrilling trips through that country. but as  
you see by this letter I am still alive.  
May you succeed in your  
effort. Respectfully  
Walter P. Story