

Thaddeus Hyatt

This is a daguerreotype of Thaddeus Hyatt, an abolitionist and vigorous supporter of the Free-State party in Kansas. He was president of the National Kansas Aid Committee in 1856 and appointed Mrs. Clarina Irene Howard Nichols as a relief agent for western New York. Hyatt was not only acquainted with John Brown but started a relief fund for the Brown family after his execution December 2, 1859. In 1860-1861 he was instrumental in organizing the Kansas Relief Committee to combat another economic crisis caused by the great of drought in 1860. In August 1861, Hyatt was appointed American consul at La Rochelle, France, where he served until 1865. His interest in Europe did not end with the termination of his position as consul, and thereafter he divided his time between the two continents, crossing the Atlantic a total of 43 times before his death. In England, Hyatt became a pioneer in the cement business, building what was said to be the first concrete house in London in 1874. In the later years of his life, Hyatt resided in the United States but maintained a summer home at Sandown, Isle of Wight, where he died July 25, 1901.

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