

# The Robert H. Wilson Papers

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## Introduction

Robert H. Wilson was born in Ireland in 1822 and emigrated to the U.S. in 1840. He was accompanied by at least two younger brothers, William and Andrew, all of whom were naturalized on the same day in 1854 in Waupaca.

The naturalization papers claim the family emigrated in 1849. Whether the date is an error or a deliberate fabrication is unknown.

They lived in New York State (Steuben County) where Robert enlisted in the 2<sup>nd</sup> U.S. Dragoons in 1846 at the outbreak of the War with Mexico. Robert enlisted for five years, serving through the entire Mexican War under Gen. Zachary Taylor and then was sent to the New Mexico territory to police the area from Apache Indians (and, no doubt, any Mexican holdovers).

The dragoons were essentially a mobile infantry force and only two regiments existed. They were the predecessors of today's First and Second Stryker Brigades. According to the unit history, they were present at most of the major engagements in the Mexican War.

One officer he served under was Lt. Henry Sibley, who later became a Confederate general during the Civil War. Sibley was also known for his development of the Sibley tent and Sibley stove. A roster of the dragoons during that time period reveals a number of officers who later gained fame in the Civil War, including Richard Ewell, the Confederate General who played a key role in the battle of Gettysburg.

After his enlistment expired in 1851 Robert came to the Town of Springwater. Why is anyone's guess. It would appear his brothers had already settled in the area, according to land transactions. Also Waushara County was just created and its land, recently taken from the Indians, was open for settlement.

In 1859 Robert met and married Sarah Wade who settled in the Mt. Morris area with her family after moving from Jericho, Vermont in 1856. She was 19 and he was 35. Over the course of 20 years, they had eight children, seven girls and one boy. Two girls died at a very young age. Mary died at the age of 3. Another daughter, Jane, their first born, apparently died in infancy. She is listed on the 1860 census report and no records exist after that. Another daughter, Lizzie, died of tuberculosis at the age of 22 in 1895—just a year after Sarah died and one year before the death of Robert. The four surviving daughters Lucinda (Hanford), Clara Woolsey, or Woolsey or Woolsey), Sarah (Terrill), Mary (yes, another Mary) (Leach) all settled in the Plainfield area. Robert E. (Elmer) was the youngest, born in 1880.

Shortly after they were married the Wilsons moved to Crystal Lake in the Town of Dayton, Waupaca County where they lived until around 1864 when Robert enlisted in the 1<sup>st</sup> Wisconsin Cavalry.

Although Robert was subject to the Civil War draft, he chose to enlist (at the age of 41) perhaps feeling comfortable in the cavalry, and served from January 1864 to the end of the war. He served in the western arena of the war, Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia. There is little in the record of engagements in which he was involved except for an injury he reported in a clash in Tennessee with Confederate cavalry under the command of Nathan Bedford Forrest. Robert claimed, in his later application for a pension, his horse reared and fell on him.

Robert returned to his family in the Town of Springwater and here the story travels on two different tracks.

Because of his service in the Mexican War, Robert qualified for a pension in 1887. All that was required was some proof that the applicant be disabled and unable to work, not necessarily service-related. He also applied for, and was approved, for a Civil War veteran's pension. However, the applicant had to show his disability was service-related and as you will see from the extensive correspondence, Robert claimed he was disabled as a result of an illness during the war which led to his deafness and other long-lasting ill effects from the fall under the horse.

As you will also see, from reading the documents, Robert claimed he was in dire poverty, and, at one point, responded to a letter by writing on the back of the envelope "because he could not afford to buy paper."

Then the authorities discovered Robert was "double-dipping", receiving two soldier's pensions, which was not allowed. He was billed for the overpayments and he again pleaded poverty. He was docked \$4 a month from his \$8 pension until the debt was paid off.

But Robert may not have been as poor as he let on.

It appears Robert and Sarah made a living off of numerous land transactions. Because of Robert's service in the Mexican War he qualified for a bounty land warrant. In the early days of the Republic, dating back to the Revolutionary War, soldiers were promised land grants for their service in lieu of the low pay. I came across many land transactions in the Waushara County Register of Deeds office involving Robert, Sarah and the Wilson brothers.

In 1865 Robert received a Mexican War bounty warrant for 160 acres of land. I am unable to discern from the documents how or when or where the warrant was redeemed. In 1859 Robert received a 40-acre parcel through some of kind of land grant (the document is in the packet). You will also see the abstract for Wilson Lake. The family dredged a cranberry bog, called it Wilson Lake and sold off the parcels.

According to the burial record Robert died at the age of 73 from a cancer on the face, (or he died of cancer of the stomach if his obituary is accurate) and Waushara County footed the bill for \$35 to cover the cost of embalming and the casket. Robert spent the last couple years of his life living with the daughters in the Plainfield area. Elmer, my grandfather, was only 15 at the time.

It is my hope others may be able to glean more information from the public documents I located. Also, I hope others can shed light on the other branches of the family, the descendants of Andrew and William and the daughters of Robert and Sarah.

You will notice many discrepancies in dates and names throughout the documents. Because all correspondence was conducted in handwriting, mistakes were common. Also, the quality of the documents vary. Some are copies of copies. Others, such as the National Archive documents, are copies made from microfilm. The only original document in my possession is the VA burial voucher.

Feel free to distribute this file as widely as possible.

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**SCHEDULE 1.—Free Inhabitants in** The Town of Dayton **in the County of** Madison  
**of** Wisconsin **enumerated by me, on the** 2 **day of** June **1860.** J. F. Malstrom  
**Post Office** Cryстал Lake

Dwelling-house— number of inhabitants	Families numbered in the order of valuation	The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1860, was in this family.	DESCRIPTION.			Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male and female, over 15 years of age.	VALUE OF ESTATE OWNED.		Place of Birth, Naming the State, Territory, or Country.	Married within the year.	Attended School within the year.	V du lit cor
			Age.	Sex.	White, black, or mulatto.		Value of Real Estate.	Value of Personal Estate.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
		Chas H Darling	2	M					Wis			
		Frances Darling	1	F					Wis			
48	42	Saml Darling	34	M		Farmer	800	200	W Va			
		Martha Darling	32	F		"			W Va			
		Margens H Darling	9	M					W Va			
		Bella F Darling	6	F					W Va			
49	43	Baily Davidson	68	M		Farmer	800	600	W Va			
		Henry Davidson	24	M		"			W Va			
		Lurak Davidson	16	F		"			W Va			
50	44	Andrew Snydam	65	M		Farmer	2000	800	Conn			
		Dennis Snydam	68	F		"			W Va			
		Lally M Snydam	35	F		"			W Va			
		Geo Snydam	28	M		"			W Va			
51	45	Fredrick Snydam	29	M		Farmer	2000	1000	Conn			
		Elizabeth Snydam	36	F		"			W Va			
		Ellen Snydam	11	F		"			W Va			
		Henry Snydam	8	M		"			W Va			
52	40	John Robinson	28	M		Farmer	1800	350	W Va			
		Adeline Robinson	27	F		"			W Va			
		Mary E Robinson	5	F		"			Wis			
53	47	Charles Beyer	37	M		Carpenter & Joiner	800	60	Conn			
		Lucinda Beyer	36	F		"			W Va			
54	48	Levi M Tucker	40	M		Farmer	1500	500	W Va			
		Alverson Tucker	38	F		"			W Va			
		Kosabel C Tucker	6	F		"			Wis			
		Francis Tucker	1	F		"			Wis			
55	49	John Phillips	50	M		Farmer	1000	100	Ireland			
56	50	H M Malstrom	53	M		Farmer	2000	1000	Vermont			
		Elizabeth Malstrom	52	F		"			W Va			
		H M Malstrom	23	M		"			W Va			
		Anna E Malstrom	17	F		"			W Va			
57	51	Elias Munro	24	M		Farmer	300	25	W Va			
		Peggy Munro	25	F		"			W Va			
58	52	Robert Wilson	33	M		Farmer	250	150	Ireland			
		Sarah Wilson	28	F		"			W Va			
		Janet Wilson	5	F		"			Wis			
59	53	J. A Bailey	37	M		Farmer	2000	300	W Va			
		Martha A Bailey	35	F		"			Vermont			
		Marion A Bailey	10	M		"			Wis			
		Mary C Bailey	4	F		"			Wis			

No. white males, 19 No. colored males, \_\_\_\_\_ No. foreign born, \_\_\_\_\_ No. blind, \_\_\_\_\_  
 No. white females, 21 No. colored females, \_\_\_\_\_ No. deaf and dumb, \_\_\_\_\_ No. insane, \_\_\_\_\_  
 16,250 5,075 No. idiots, \_\_\_\_\_  
 No. paupers, \_\_\_\_\_

Page No. 4 } Inquiries numbered 7, 16, and 17 are not to be asked in respect to infants. Inquiries numbered 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 19, and 20 are to be answered (if at all) merely by an affirmative mark, as follows.

SCHEDULE 1.—Inhabitants in the Town of Springwater, in the County of Nassau, State of Wisconsin, enumerated by me on the 11th day of July, 1870. H. C. 1740, Ass't Marshal.

Post Office: Saville

Table with columns: 1. Dwelling number, 2. Name, 3. Age, 4. Sex, 5. Color, 6. Profession/Occupation, 7. Value of Real Estate, 8. Value of Personal Estate, 9. Place of Birth, 10. Parentage, 11-17. Educational attainment, 18. Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, or idiotic, 19. Civil status, 20. Consanguineal relations.

No. of dwellings 12. No. of white females 19. No. of males, foreign born 13. " " families 11. " " colored males. " " females, " " 8. " " white males 22. " " " " females. " " blind.

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Schedule Dist. No. 4  
Enumeration Dist. No. 195

Note A.—The Census Year begins June 1, 1880, and ends May 31, 1880.  
Note B.—All persons will be included in the Enumeration who were living on the 1st day of June, 1880. No others will. Children born since June 1, 1880, will be OMITTED. Members of families who have DEPARTED since June 1, 1880, will be INCLUDED.  
Note C.—Children Nos. 13, 14, 20 and 21 are not to be indexed in respect to persons under 16 years of age.

SCHEDULE 1.—Inhabitants in Springwater, in the County of Yamoussaw, State of Ill.  
enumerated by me on the 22nd day of June, 1880.

John Egan  
T. Egan

Dist. No.	No. of Inhabitants	Name	Sex	Age	Profession, Occupation or Trade	Place of Birth	Race			Religion				
							White	Colored	Other	Catholic	Other	None		
107107		Wilson, Robert	M	17	Farmer	Ireland								
		— Sarah	F	14	—	Ireland								
		— Alan	M	13	—	Ireland								
		— Sarah	F	13	—	Ireland								
		— Mary	F	11	—	Ireland								
		— Elizabeth	F	7	—	Ireland								
108109		Brothman, Thomas	M	30	Farmer	Ireland								
		— Ann	F	28	—	Ireland								
		— Mary	F	12	—	Ireland								
		— Elizabeth	F	11	—	Ireland								
		— George	M	9	—	Ireland								
		— John	M	4	—	Ireland								
		— Alice	F	5	—	Ireland								
		— David	M	2	—	Ireland								
108110		Brothman, Thomas	M	30	Farmer	Ireland								
		— Elizabeth	F	27	—	Ireland								
		— David	M	31	—	Ireland								
108111		Kearney, John	M	30	Farmer	Ireland								
		— Ann	F	28	—	Ireland								
		— Elizabeth	F	11	—	Ireland								
		— David	M	9	—	Ireland								
108112		Carroll, John	M	31	Farmer	Ireland								
		— David	M	21	—	Ireland								
108113		Carroll, Thomas	M	31	Farmer	Ireland								
		— Mary	F	27	—	Ireland								
		— James	M	20	—	Ireland								
		— Robert	M	19	—	Ireland								
		— Hugh	M	16	—	Ireland								
		— David	M	9	—	Ireland								
		— George	M	1	—	Ireland								
108114		Carroll, John	M	31	Farmer	Ireland								
		— David	M	21	—	Ireland								
		— Thomas	M	20	—	Ireland								
		— George	M	19	—	Ireland								
		— John	M	18	—	Ireland								
		— David	M	16	—	Ireland								
		— Thomas	M	14	—	Ireland								
		— Elizabeth	F	12	—	Ireland								
		— David	M	9	—	Ireland								
		— Thomas	M	7	—	Ireland								

A Declaration for Original Invalid Pension. A

This must be Executed before the Clerk of a Court of Record or some Officer thereof having custody of the Seal.

State of Wisconsin County of Waushara 55.

On this 19th day of May A. D. one thousand, eight hundred and eighty Eight personally appeared before me Selma Clerk of the Circuit Court, a Court of record within and for the County and State aforesaid Robert H. Wilson aged 65 years, a resident of the vicinity of Saverville County of Waushara State of Wisconsin who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical Robert H. Wilson who was ENROLLED on the 18th day of January 1864, in Company K of the 1st Regiment of Wisconsin Cavalry, commanded by Capt. Charles S. Weeks and was honorably DISCHARGED at Eddfield Tenn on the 19th day of July 1865, that his personal description is as follows: Age 41 years; height 5 feet 8 inches; complexion Sandy; hair Sandy; eyes Grey

That while a member of the organization aforesaid, in the service and in the line of his duty at Camp Smith near Nashville in the State of Tennessee on or about the 1st day of March 1864, he contracted deafness under the following circumstances: caught severe cold by exposure in the tents and getting wet in the storms during the winter preceding this said date

That he is on the Milwaukee Rolls at \$4.00 per month for Disease of Chest. Interstitial Anurallgia certificate no. 360587. He claims pension for all effects of the above. That he was treated in hospitals as follows: at Nashville Tenn Hosp. No. 1 In the month of March 1864 date of treatment.

That he has not been employed in the military or naval service otherwise than as stated above, either before 186 or since July 1865 served in Mexican War from July 1846 to July 1857 (Here state what the service was, whether prior or subsequent to that stated above, and the dates at which it began and ended.)

That since leaving the service (this applicant has resided from discharge to May 19 1868, at Springwater Waushara County Wisconsin in the State of Wisconsin, and his occupation has been that of a Farmer That prior to his entry into the service above named he was a man of good, sound physical health, being when enrolled a Farmer That he is now 3/4 disabled from obtaining his subsistence by manual labor by reason of his injuries, above described, received in the service of the United States; and he therefore makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the invalid pension roll of the United States.

He hereby appoints, with power of substitution and revocation, A. W. McCORMICK & SON, of Cincinnati, O., his true and lawful attorneys to prosecute his claim. That he has not received or applied for a Pension. That his Post Office address is Saverville County of Waushara State of Wisconsin

Isaac Wade Marian Allen (Two persons who can write must sign here.) Robert H. Wilson (Signature of Claimant.)



Office,  
Washington, D. C., June 29, 1875.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 204827, and to return it herewith, with such information as is furnished by the files of this Office.

It appears from the Rolls on file in this Office that Robert O. Wilson was enrolled on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of Jan'y, 1864, at Berlin in Co. K, 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment of Wis. Cav. Volunteers, to serve 3 years or during the war, and mustered into service as a Private on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of Jan'y, 1864, at Madison Wis., in Co. K, 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment of Wis. Cav. Volunteers, to serve 3 years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. K, of that Regiment, for the months of July & August, 1864, he is reported W. Sick in Hospital near Watersville Ga. Returned for duty - 64 reported him the same Regt was stationed at Watersville Ga. Aug 18/64. The evidence that Co. was in action at Columbus Sept. Nov & Dec 64 present for duty. W.O. was detached July 19/65 reported him present & mustered out with Co. on this date.

I am, sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

*B. W. Benjamin*  
Assistant Adjutant General.

The Commissioner of Pensions,  
Washington, D. C.

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*[Handwritten initials]*

ORDER FOR PHOTOCOPIES  
CONCERNING VETERAN

(See reverse for explanation)

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War Department

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

Washington, D. C., July 27<sup>th</sup>, 1886

*Special*

U. S. PENSION OFFICE

NOV 3 1886

Respectfully returned to the Commissioner of Pensions  
 Robert H. Wilson enlisted on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of  
 July, 1846, and was assigned to Co. "H," 2<sup>d</sup>  
 Regiment of W. S. Trappan, (enlisted at New York)  
 MK for Jan'y 47 reports him: "Absent on det  
 service at Matamoros Mex Jan'y 27-47." MK for May  
 48 reports him: "Present sick in Regt at Camargo  
 Mex Jan'y 29-48." MK for Jul'y 48 reports him:  
 "Absent on det service Mex Jan'y 19-48." MK for  
 May 49 reports him: "Absent on det service at  
 Santa Fe NM Mex Jan'y 26-50." MK for July & Aug't  
 50 reports him: "Present sick" Command at Cidobilla &  
 Matamoros NM. MK for May 51 reports him:  
 "Absent on det service at Laguna NM Mex Mar 6-51."  
 He det sick on file during his name during said being  
 status of sickness in the above cases not stated. MK  
 for July 51 reports him: "Discharged at Cidobilla  
 NM July 21-51 Exp. of Service" a Ter. Not reported  
 sick on any other roll during said enlistment. Statement  
 of service in this man's case furnished Union Officer  
 Mar 14-51 (Number of claim not stated). Command  
 was stationed as follows during above period: Left  
 St. Columbus NM Sept 30-46 for Mexico; arrived at  
 Camargo Col 24-46; left there for Matamoros Mex  
 6-47; arriving there Mar 15-47; left there for Matamoros  
 Mex July 21-48 and returned to Matamoros April 7-48;  
 left there June 14-48; arrived at Camargo Mex Jan'y 21-48;  
 left there July 15-48 for Santa Fe NM; arrived there

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s Office,

Washington, D. C., June 29, 1873.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 204,827, and to return it herewith, with such information as is furnished by the files of this Office.

It appears from the Rolls on file in this Office that Robert W. Wilson was enrolled on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1864, at Berlin in Co. K, 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment of Wis. Cav. Volunteers, to serve 3 years or during the war, and mustered into service as a Private on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1864, at Madison Wis., in Co. K, 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment of Wis. Cav. Volunteers, to serve 3 years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. K, of that Regiment, for the months of July & August, 1864, he is reported sick in Hospital. He returned for duty July 6<sup>th</sup> 1864 as per the same Report was obtained at Carterville, Ill. Aug 18<sup>th</sup> 1864. He was in action at Columbus Tenn. Nov 8<sup>th</sup> 1864. Present for duty. Mustered out with Col. at that date.

I am, sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

*G. W. Benjamin*

Assistant Adjutant General.

The Commissioner of Pensions,  
Washington, D. C.

25. *[Handwritten initials]*

War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

Washington, D. C.

1888

PENSION OF  
NOV 2 1886  
WESTERN DIVISION

Respectfully returned to the

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Regiment of

Oct 10 '48; left then July 5 '49 for Camp Fort and returned  
to Santa Fe NM. Feb 14 '49; left then on expedition against  
the Apache Indians July 6 '49; arrived at Murguerra  
NM Aug 1 '49; left then May 22 '50; arrived at  
Cibola NM May 25 '50; left then July 27 '50; arrived  
at Murguerra NM July 28 '50; left then Sept 2 '50;  
arrived at Cibola NM Sept 3 '50 and then remained  
in charge of line.

Records of this office afford no further information.

Wm J. Volkmann  
Assistant Adjutant General.  
(260.)

Wm J. Volkmann

Chas. S.

Plainfield Sun  
Wild Rose  
July 7, 1893 Delayed

—The old lady Mrs. Wilson is quite sick at present with the jaundice. We wish her an immediate recovery.

Plainfield Sun  
Wild Rose  
July 28, 1893 Delayed

—The old lady Mrs. Wilson, is quite sick at the present writing and has been so now for several weeks.

Plainfield Sun  
Wild Rose  
Aug. 25, 1893

—The old lady, Mrs. Wilson, still continues on the sick list. Her many friends wish her an immediate recovery.

Plainfield Sun  
Wild Rose  
Nov. 17, 1893

—The old lady, Mrs. Wilson, who has been sick nearly all summer, was seen in town one day this week. She is a good citizen and we are glad to find her able to be around.



Plainfield Sun  
Wild Rose  
March 23, 1894

—The old lady, Mrs. Robert  
Wilson, died on Saturday, the  
10th inst.

Waushara Argus  
March 14, 1895

DIED.—At the home of her sister, Mrs. Leach, in Springwater, Thursday, March 7, Miss Lizzie Wilson, of consumption, age 22 years. She was a member of the Second Baptist church here. She was buried Saturday. She was a young lady highly respected by all her acquaintances.

Plainfield Sun  
Wild Rose  
March 15, 1895

! —Miss Lizzie Wilson, from the town of Springwater, died about the middle of last week and was buried on Saturday the 9th inst., at the Saxville cemetery, where her mother had been interred about two years ago. She was well respected by all her acquaintances.

Plainfield Sun  
April 17, 1896

—Robert Wilson died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William H. Hanford, in the town of Plainfield, on Monday, April 13th, at the age of 73 years. He was a soldier in the Mexican war and the war of the Rebellion, serving his country six years. His remains were taken to Saxville Wednesday for burial.

Plainfield Sermon  
April 24, 1896

#### Death of an Old Soldier.

Robert H. Wilson died April 13, 1896, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Hanford, at Plainfield, aged 73 years, 6 months and 10 days. He was born in Ireland, Oct. 3, 1822, and came to New York in 1840, where he learned the baker's trade, remaining there till 1846, when he enlisted in the Mexican war. He was a private in Co. H, 2d U. S. Dragoons, Mexican War; also Private in Co. K, 1st Wisconsin, Cavalry Vols. in the late war, serving 6½ years in both wars. He came to Wisconsin in the fifties and settled in Springwater. Was married to Sarah Wade the 26th of Feb. 1859, by Captain Saxe, then a Justice of the Peace. He remained in Springwater till a year ago, when he came to Plainfield and lived with his daughters, Lucinda and Sarah, since. He leaves five children, Mrs. Lucinda Hanford and Mrs. Sarah Terrill, of Plainfield, Mrs. Clara Woodsay, of Lynn, Mrs. Mary Leach, of Springwater, and Elmer Wilson, of Plainfield, besides two sisters and other relatives to mourn the loss. He had his mind until the last, and gave explicit directions in regard to his funeral and where he was to be buried and the disposition to be made of his effects.

He was taken to Saxeville for burial, his funeral sermon being preached in the second Baptist church by Rev. C. J. Johnson, April 15, 1896. The family extend their heartfelt thanks to all those kind friends who assisted at the funeral.

Peaceful be thy silent slumber,  
Peaceful in the grave so low,  
Thou no more will join our number  
Thou no more our sorrows know,  
Yet again we hope to meet thee,  
When the day of life is fled,  
And in heaven with joy to greet thee,  
Where no farewell tears are shed.

L. J. H.

April 24, 1896

OBITUARY.

Robert W. Wilson was born in Ireland Oct. 3, 1823. Came to New York in 1840 where he lived six years. He enlisted in the Mexican war served till its close and was discharged in California. He then came to Springwater, Wisconsin and soon after married Miss Sarah Wilson. He enlisted in the first Wis. cavalry and served through the rebellion. He died at the home of his daughter Mrs W Hanford in Plainfield, Wis. Apr. 3, 1896. He leaves to mourn his loss four daughters and one son, Mrs. Lacinda Hanford and Mrs Mary Leach of Plainfield, Mrs. Clara Woolsey of Lind, and Elmer of Plainfield. His wife and three children have preceded him to the other shore. He died of cancer of the stomach having been in poor health for a number of years. He had two sisters Mrs. Sam Morris of Mt. Morris and Mrs Jane Clark of Wausau. The remains were brought to Saxeville for interment beside those of his late companion and children, The funeral was held at the second Baptist church Rev. Johnson conducting the services.

Plainfield Sun  
Wild Rose  
April 24, 1896

The old gentleman, Robert Wilson, who used to live in this neighborhood until recently, died and was buried at Saxeville on Thursday, of this week.

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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

CERTIFICATE }  
No. 11.513

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas Robert Wilson, of Washburn County Wisconsin

had deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the United States, a Certificate of the REGISTER OF THE LAND OFFICE at Steam Point where by it appears that full payment has been made by the said Robert Wilson

according to the provisions of the Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for the South West quarter, of the South East quarter of Section ten, in Township twenty fourth of Range ten, East within the District of Land, subject to sale at Steam Point, Wisconsin containing forty acres

according to the official plat of the Survey of the said Lands, returned to the General Land Office by the SURVEYOR GENERAL, which said tract has been purchased by the said Robert Wilson

NOW KNOW YE, That the United States of America, in consideration of the premises, and in conformity with the several acts of Congress in such case made and provided, HAVE GIVEN AND GRANTED, and by these presents DO GIVE AND GRANT, unto the said Robert Wilson

and to his heirs, the said tract above described: To have and to hold the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities, and appurtenances, of whatsoever nature, thereunto belonging, unto the said Robert Wilson

and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In Testimony Whereof, I, James Buchanan PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these Letters to be made PATENT, and the SEAL of the GENERAL LAND OFFICE to be hereunto affixed.

GIVEN under my hand, at the CITY OF WASHINGTON, the first day of October July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight nine and of the INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES the eighty third



BY THE PRESIDENT: James Buchanan  
By J. A. Albright, J. A. Leonard Secretary.

J. N. Granger Recorder of the General Land Office.

455-152



No. 2109

1. Complete all persons subject to do military duty between the ages of twenty and thirty-five years, and all unmarried persons subject to do military duty above the age of thirty-five years and under the age of forty-five. Class II comprises all other persons subject to do military duty.

ARTICLE II.—CONSOLIDATED LIST of all persons of CLASS II, subject to do military duty in the Eight Congressional District, consisting of the Counties of Rock, Madison, Union, Franklin, and Adams in the State of Wisconsin, enumerated during the month of July & August, 1863, under direction of C. R. Meigs, Provost Marshal.

RESIDENCE	NAME	AGE LAST 1863	WRITE OR COLONED	DESCRIPTION Profession, Occupation, or Trade	PLACE OF BIRTH (Naming the State, Territory, or Country)	FORMER MILITARY SERVICE	REMARKS												
								1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Bellevue	Matthias Christy	42	White	Farmer	Belgium														
Green Bay Wis	White C. H.	38	"	"	N Y	Soldier 5th Regt 20th													
Nieland	Wiley John	38	"	Physician	N. H. Y.														
Shawano	Wells William	35	"	Farmer	England														
Waukesha	Whitely David	37	"	"	New Brunswick														
Madison	Washington John	35	Indian	"	Green Bay	Served in U. S. Army	Ch. Mexican War												
Dayton	Wilson Robert	42	White	"	Ireland														
Calumet	Wahrke Fred	35	"	"	Germany														
"	Whitney Jacob	44	"	"	Ohio														
Green Bay W. W.	Whitlock C. L.	39	"	Store Keeper	N Y														
"	Wells Christian	37	White	Merchant	Germany														
"	Whitney John	37	"	Spicer	N. H.														
"	Matthias Francis	38	"	Laborer	Belgium														
"	Wilson William	36	"	Butcher	Wis														
"	Wong J. B.	41	"	Seaman	Vermont														
"	Wingard B. Capt.	37	"	"	N Y														
"	Wase Albert	43	"	Wagon M.	Germany														
"	Wasserschbach Frank	42	"	Tanner	"														
St. Charles	Witzel John	41	"	Laborer	Russia														
"	Walter Elmer	44	"	Carpenter	N. Brunswick														

Station: Headquarters 5 Congr. Dist. of Wisconsin  
 DATE: Oct 1863  
 Colonel JAMES B. FRY, Provost Marshal General U. S. Washington, D. C.  
 Best Available Image  
 Provost Marshal C. R. Meigs

Special Schedule.—Surviving Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines, and Widows, etc.											Page
S. D.: <u>I</u> ; E. D.: <u>248</u> ; Minor Civil Division: <u>Springwater</u>											<u>3</u>
Form Schedule No. 1		NAME OF SURVIVING SOLDIERS, SAILORS, AND MARINES, AND WIDOWS.	Rank.	Company.	Name of Regiment or Vessel.	Date of Enlistment.	Date of Discharge.	Length of Service.			
House No.	Family No.							Yr.	Mo.	Days	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
92	1	Wile Georgeson ✓	Priv	D	1	One year Oct. 2 1868	July 19 1869	1	9	17	27
188	1	Robert P. Nelson ✓	Priv	K	1	One year Dec. 18 1864	July 19 1865	1	1	1	28
109	1	Thomas Prothace ✓ Margaret Covane widow	Priv	Ch	16	One year Dec. 22 1864	Dec 11 1865	2	2	19	29
Added 32	32					186	186				30
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POST-OFFICE ADDRESS.			DISABILITY INCURRED.			REMARKS.					
10			11			12					
Springwater Wis			Rheumatism								27
Ladskill Wis			Deafness and dis. of chest								28
Wild Rose Wis			shot in right lung, heart etc			Also veteran of Mexican war					29
Added Springwater											30
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State of Wisconsin,  
WAUPACCA COUNTY, ss.

Andrew Wilson

personally appeared before the subscriber, the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the State of Wisconsin,  
for said county, being a Court of Record, and made oath that he was born  
in Ireland

on or about the year 1824, that he emigrated to the United States, and  
landed at the port of New York on or about the month of  
August in the year 1847, that it is bona fide his intention to  
become a citizen of the United States, and to renounce forever, all allegiance  
and fidelity to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State, or Sovereignty whatever,  
and particularly to Victoria Queen of England  
whereof he is a subject.

Andrew Wilson

Subscribed and sworn to the 20 day of October A. D. 1854

J. B. Redfield Deputy  
P. P. Jones Clerk

State of Wisconsin,  
WAUPACCA COUNTY, ss.

Robert W. Wilson

personally appeared before the subscriber, the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the State of Wisconsin,  
for said county, being a Court of Record, and made oath that he was born  
in Ireland

on or about the year 1822, that he emigrated to the United States, and  
landed at the port of New York on or about the month of  
August in the year 1847, that it is bona fide his intention to  
become a citizen of the United States, and to renounce forever, all allegiance  
and fidelity to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatever,  
and particularly to Victoria Queen of England  
whereof he is a subject.

Robt. W. Wilson

Subscribed and sworn to the 21 day of October A. D. 1854

J. B. Redfield Deputy  
P. P. Jones Clerk

State of Wisconsin,

WAUPACCA COUNTY, ss.

William H. Willson

personally appeared before the undersigned, the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the State of Wisconsin for said county, being a Book of Record, and made oath that he was born in Ireland on or about the year 1826, that he emigrated to the United States, and landed at the port of New York on or about the month of August in the year 1849, that it is bona fide his intention to become a citizen of the United States, and to renounce forever, all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatever, and particularly to Queen Victoria Queen of England & Ireland whereof he is a subject.

William H. Willson

Subscribed and sworn to the

16th

day of

October

A. D. 1854

J. J. Thomas

Clerk

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### Headstone Photos Index - W

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<a href="#">Surname Unknown</a>												

WACHSMITH, Mary B Springwater/Hughes Cemetery, Springwater Township
WACHSMITH, Raymond J Springwater/Hughes Cemetery, Springwater Township
WADE, Emma Burr Oak Valley Cemetery, Leon Township
WADE, Isaac Hilltop Cemetery, Saxeville Township
WADE, John Wesley Burr Oak Valley Cemetery, Leon Township
WADE, Polly Hilltop Cemetery, Saxeville Township
WAID, Beatrice Hilltop Cemetery, Saxeville Township
WAID, Glen Hilltop Cemetery, Saxeville Township
WALLACE, Anna Caersalem Cemetery, Springwater Township
WALLACE, James Caersalem Cemetery, Springwater Township
WALTER, Gottlieb Burr Oak Valley Cemetery, Leon Township
WALTERS, Cora Caersalem Cemetery, Springwater Township

WILLIAMS, Susanna Caersalem Cemetery, Springwater Township
WILLIAMS, Thomas A Caersalem Cemetery, Springwater Township
WILLIAMS, Thomas C Caersalem Cemetery, Springwater Township
WILLIAMS, Thomas G Caersalem Cemetery, Springwater Township
WILLIAMS, Thomas O Caersalem Cemetery, Springwater Township
WILLIAMS, William Rev Caersalem Cemetery, Springwater Township
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WILLIAMS, William Osborne Caersalem Cemetery, Springwater Township
WILLIAMS, Wingfield Springwater/Hughes Cemetery, Springwater Township
WILLARD, Albert Sacramento Cemetery, Aurora Township
WILLARD, Ann Sacramento Cemetery, Aurora Township
WILLARD, Fremont Sacramento Cemetery, Aurora Township
WILLARD, Norman Sacramento Cemetery, Aurora Township
WILLARD, Rossiter Sacramento Cemetery, Aurora Township
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WILSON, Anna Holden Cemetery, Mt. Morris Township
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WILSON, Arden Plainfield Cemetery. Plainfield Township
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WILSON, Sarah Hilltop Cemetery, Saxeville Township
WILSON, Viola Plainfield Cemetery. Plainfield Township
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WINTER, Leona M t John's Lutheran/East Bloomfield Cem, Bloomfield Township
WINTER, William G t John's Lutheran/East Bloomfield Cem, Bloomfield Township

Katherine (Raasch) - Oct. 28, 1903 - Sep. 6, 1979	X	
TIDDENS- <u>Fred</u> - Homemade marker - no dates (Note: Now has headstones Jul 27, 1928-Nov 20, 2000)		
TIMANN- <u>Father &amp; Mother Headstones</u> <u>Charles F.</u> - died Feb. 7, 1882 - aged 87 y's, 1 mo., 20 d's <u>Angeline P.</u> - died Oct. 27, 1896 - aged 65 y's, 5 d's Head Stone - Ella (Note: This may be Nelda TIMAN)		
TROWBRIDGE- <u>Frank A.</u> - Jul. 25, 1893 - Jan. 10, 1969 - WWII <u>Leona O. (Dunbar)</u> - 1903 -	X	
VICK - <u>Alfred</u> - Aug. 4, 1895 - Oct. 23, 1998- U.S. Navy		
WADE - <u>Issac</u> - 1830 - 1912 <u>Polly</u> - wife of I.W. - died Nov. 11, 1872 - aged 66 y's, 4 m's		
WAID - <u>Glen D.</u> - 1923 - <u>Beatrice L.</u> - 1926 - 1998		
WILSON - <u>Bruce M.</u> - Oct. 8, 1927 - Dec. 21, 1998- S. Sgt. U.S. Air Force - WWII - Korea - Vietnam		
WILSON - <u>Basil W.</u> - Apr. 15, 1929 - Oct. 15, 1996- SP 3 U.S. Army - Korea <u>Catherine L. Elzey Bromwell Amador</u> - Jun. 17, 1923 -	X	
WILSON - <u>Robert H.</u> - Oct. 3, 1822 - Apr. 15, 1896 - F.S. - Pvt. Co. K - 1 Reg. Wis. Cav. - Civil War 2nd stone - died Apr. 13, 1896 - aged 73 y's, 6 m's, 10 d's <u>Sarah</u> - wife of R.H. - died Mar. 10, 1894 - 54 y's, 3 m's, 4 d's <u>Mary</u> - Sep. 1865 - 3 y's, 9 m's <u>Lizzie</u> - Mar. 6, 1895 - 22 y's, 2 m's, 19 d's - F.S.		
WILSON - <u>Anna</u> - 1888 - 1910 <u>Robert E.</u> - 1880 - 1944		
WOOD - <u>Claud A.</u> - Jan. 18, 1889 - Jul. 19, 1976 <u>Orrin A.</u> - 1847 - 1913 <u>Mary B.</u> - 1848 - 1927 Two graves no markers	X	

LOCAL LIST MONDAY DOCTOR FRAM-  
mond came to our rescue with a  
fire item, sacrificing his barn for  
an item of news. He had been  
burning rubbish near the barn and  
the fire was communicated to the  
barn, destroying the building and  
some hay and grain. The usual  
number of willing hands were  
soon at the scene of action armed  
with buckets and all did good ser-  
vice in preventing the fire from  
spreading.

—Our better halves say they could  
not keep house without Chamberlain's  
Cough Remedy. It is used in more  
than half the homes in Leeds. Sims  
Bros., Leeds, Iowa. This shows the  
esteem in which that remedy is held  
where it has been sold for years and  
is well known. Mothers have learned  
that there is nothing so good for colds,  
croup and whooping cough, that it  
cures these ailments quickly and per-  
manently, and that it is pleasant and  
safe for children to take. 25 and 50  
cent bottles for sale by Nickerson &  
Terrill.

—The jury in the Pollard-Breck-  
inridge case returned a verdict in  
accordance with justice and one  
that will meet the approval of the  
general public, in finding for the  
plaintiff in the sum of \$15,000.  
Mr. Breckinridge, it is said, pro-  
poses to appeal the case if a new  
trial is not granted. It would seem  
from the evidence adduced in the  
filthy case just closed that he  
would rather seek to hide his face  
from the world instead of keeping  
such a life of immorality and  
shame before the public. He how-  
ever seems to fail to realize the  
depths to which he has fallen and  
believes the world made up of  
such degraded and despicable crea-  
tures as he himself is.

trial for staling roosters from the  
auld soldiers. If they prove that  
it will be likely to go hard wid 'em  
so it will."

A LEADER.

Since its first introduction, Electric  
Bitters has gained rapidly in popular  
favor, until now it is clearly in the  
lead among pure medicinal tonics and  
alteratives—containing nothing which  
permits its use as a beverage or in-  
toxicant, it is recognized as the best  
and purest medicine for all ailments  
of Stomach, Liver or Kidneys.—It  
will cure sick headache, indigestion,  
consumption, and drive malaria from  
the system. Satisfaction guaranteed  
with each bottle or the money will be  
refunded. Price only 50c. per bottle.  
Sold by L. Nickerson.

Saxville.

Mrs. Vosburg has been quite sick with sore  
throat.  
Mrs. Alice Wood visited Foster Hanson's  
people Friday.  
Chris Christenson transacted business at  
Eureka last week.  
Dr. McWain was called to see Mrs. A. L.  
Holland Friday.  
Our school commenced Monday with Guy  
Mumbrue as teacher.  
Fred Saxe returned to Chicago Saturday  
much improved in health by his short stay at  
home.  
Geo. Griffin has been very sick with inflam-  
mation of the stomach but is better. Dr.  
Moffatt attended him.  
The many friends of Mrs. Eliza Wald are  
pleased to see her out again although she is  
very poorly yet.  
Rev. Colby, of Waupaca, will deliver a lec-  
ture here at the town house, Thursday, April  
26th. Come and hear him.  
Mrs. Sarah Wade Wilson died at her home  
in Springwater, March 10, 1894. Was born  
in Jerico, Vermont, and was 54 years, 3  
months and 4 days old. She came to Wiscon-  
sin in 1856 and settled in Mt. Morris. Was  
married to Robert H. Wilson, Feb. 26, 1859.  
In 1862 they moved to Dayton and lived  
there three years, then they settled on the  
farm in Springwater where she has since re-  
sided. She was the mother of eight children,  
six of whom survive her. Mrs. Lucinda Han-  
ford, Mrs. Clara Woolsey, Mrs. Sarah Terrill,  
Mrs. Mary Leach, Miss Lizzie Wilson and  
Elmer. Her husband, Robert Wilson, is an  
old soldier, and in very poor health. They  
all miss a dear mother's care. She was a  
kind wife, loving mother and good neighbor.

The sheriff from Stevens Point  
was here last Friday looking after  
witnesses needed in the Circuit  
Court.

Miss Alice Gillett is teaching the  
spring term of school at Spirit  
Land, having commenced last  
week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Smith drove  
over from Grand Rapids last Sat-  
urday and remained until Mon-  
day visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. W.  
Bovee.

A. J. Steele is again making im-  
provements on his already pleasant  
home by the erection of a com-  
fortable addition on the north of  
his residence.

A. D. Hamilton and daughter  
Edith, of Hancock, passed through  
town Sunday en route for Almond  
where Miss Edith commenced her  
school Monday. Plainfield.

Miss Laura Pierce died last Sun-  
day morning after a sickness of  
nearly two months. She was first  
taken with a severe attack of bil-  
ious fever which developed into  
pneumonia, causing her death.  
Deceased was the eldest daughter  
of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Pierce who  
reside south of this village. She  
was about 20 years of age and was  
highly respected by a large circle  
of friends and acquaintances.

Bucklin's Arnica Salve.

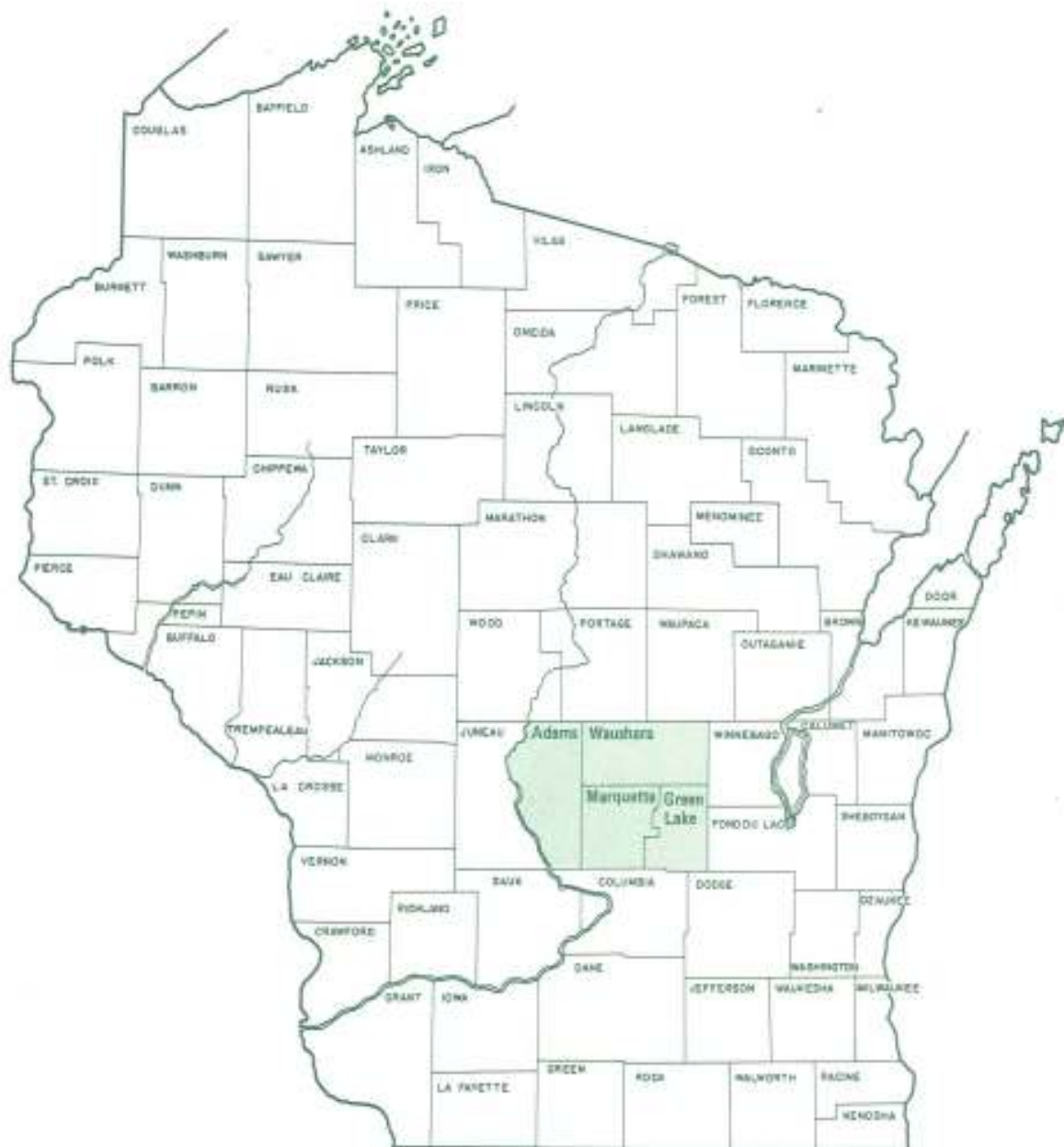
THE BEST SALVE in the world for  
cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers salt rheum,  
fever sores, tetter, chapped hands,  
chilblains, corns and all skin erupt-  
ions, and positively cures piles, or no  
pay required. It is guaranteed to  
give perfect satisfaction, or money re-  
funded. Price 25 cents per box.

FOR SALE BY Nickerson & Terrill.

—M. C. Nickerson left this morn-  
ing for Ellsworth, Wis. where he  
will visit his daughter's family.



# Abstract of Title



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No. 757

# Abstract of Title

TO  
THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE  
SITUATED IN  
WAUSHARA COUNTY

-1-

Lot Number four (4) of Goss Lakeshore Plat, Town of Springwater, Waushara County, Wisconsin, said property being a part of Government Lots one (1) and two (2), Section twenty seven (-27) Township twenty (20) North, Range eleven (11) East.

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AT THE COURTHOUSE PHONE 787-8888

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United States of America : ENTRY  
:   
-to : Dated Feb. 19, 1861  
: Government Entry Book  
Rowland Edwards : on page 141

ENTRY OF:  
Lot No. 2, containing 59.75 acres of Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N.R. 11 E.

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United States of America : ENTRY  
:   
to : Dated Oct. 5, 1855  
: Government Entry Book  
Robert G. Roberts : on page 141

ENTRY OF:  
Lot No. 1 of Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. (With other lands)

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Robert G. Roberts, only, no : WARRANTY DEED  
explanation :   
to : Dated & Ack. June 28, 1856  
: Cons-\$525.00  
: 2 witnesses  
Rowland Edwards : Rec'd. for record Oct. 25, 1870  
: Recorded in Vol. T of Deeds  
: on page 621

CONVEYS:  
Lot No. 1 in Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. (With other lands)

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Rowland Edwards, signed by : WARRANTY DEED  
Ann Edwards, by her mark, stated :   
in Ack. to be his wife : Dated & Ack. Sept. 21, 1863  
: Cons-\$350.00  
to : 2 witnesses  
: Rec'd. for record Oct. 25, 1870  
James McAuley : Recorded in Vol. T of Deeds  
: on page 622

CONVEYS:  
Lot No. 1 of Sec. 27 and Lot 2 of Sec. 27 in Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E.  
(With other lands)

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James McAuley and Henrietta : WARRANTY DEED  
McAuley his wife, signed Hattie :   
McAuley : Dated & Ack. Aug. 17, 1865  
: Cons-\$400.00  
to : 2 witnesses  
: Rec'd. for record Oct. 25, 1870  
Robert H. Wilson : Recorded in Vol. T of Deeds  
: on page 623

CONVEYS:  
Lots 1 and 2 in Sec. 27 in Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. (With other lands)

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Robert H. Wilson and Sarah : WARRANTY DEED  
Wilson his wife :  
to : Dated & Ack. Apr. 25, 1877  
 : Cons-\$850.00  
 : 2 witnesses  
Maria Vanarsdale : Rec'd. for record May 2, 1877  
 : Recorded in Vol. 1 of Deeds  
 : on page 454

CONVEYS:  
Lots 1 and 2 of Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. (With other lands)

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Mari Vanairsdale : WARRANTY DEED  
to :  
 : Dated & Ack. Apr. 25, 1877  
 : Cons-\$850.00  
Sarah Wilson : 2 witnesses  
 : Rec'd. for record May 2, 1877  
 : Recorded in Vol. 1 of Deeds  
 : on page 455

CONVEYS:  
Lot 1 and 2 of Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. (With other lands)

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Sarah Wilson : Articles of Agreement made and concluded this 27th  
 : day of April 1877 by and between Sarah Wilson of  
to : Springwater, County of Waushara and State of  
 : Wisconsin party of the first part and Maria  
Maria Vanairsdale: Vanairsdale of Saxeville, County and state aforesaid  
 party of the second part, Witnesseth the party of  
the first part for the consideration hereinafter mentioned has agreed  
and does hereby covenant, promise and agree that she doth lease and  
let unto the part of the second part all of that portion of marsh  
land situated on Lot No. 1 Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. containing  
about 10 acres be the same more or less for the purpose of cranberry  
cultivation and improvement and further agrees to furnish team to do  
all the teamwork and hauling vines and lumber for improving thereon  
and further agrees to give warranty deed in fee simple free of all  
incumbrances to the said party of the second part of an undivided  
one half after all of said marsh is set out to cranberry vines proper  
dams ditches and flumes built to properly flow said lands and the said  
second party is to have full use of and control of the water running  
from Johns Lake through and across said marsh land for the said  
Cranberry cultivation and flowage and the said party of the second  
part is consideration thereof has agreed and does hereby covenant prom-  
ise and agree that she will ditch and build a proper and sufficient  
dam on the N. line of said land and put a good and substantial flume  
in said dam this year and plat to Cranberry vines all or so much of  
said marsh adjoint to said dam as will be flowed by water by said dam  
and is to do all the labor furnish vines and all the lumber to build  
flumes with and within three years or as soon thereafter as conven-  
ient will build the second dam and will put flume therein and if  
required the third dam and flume as soon thereafter as practicable  
dind all the labor furnishing and setting vines and furnishing lumber  
and timber to build all flumes with and building the same and all  
cranberrys grown upon said land are to be gathered cleaned, barreled  
and marketed together each party to be at equal expense in picking  
and preparing same for and marketing all of said berries and each party  
to share alike in the net profit accruing from said investment.  
To the true performance of the several covenants and agreements afore-  
said each of the said parties binds herself her representatives her  
heirs and administrators and assigns in the penal sum of \$500  
firmly by these presents.

In witness whereof the said parties have hereunto interchangeably set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Sarah M. Wilson  
Maria VanAirsdale

2 witnesses  
Ack. April 27, 1877

Recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Waushara County Wisconsin on May 2, 1877 in Vol. N of Mtges. on page 459-460.

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Sarah Wilson : DEED  
:   
to : Dated & Ack. Dec. 30, 1879  
: Cons-\$200.00  
Daniel H. Hanford : 2 witnesses  
: Rec'd. for record Jan. 15, 1880  
: Recorded in Vol. 2 of Deeds  
: on page 479

CONVEYS:

5.79 acres in the SE corner of Lot 1 in Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N. of R. 11 E. said parcel containing 80 acres according to government survey be the same more or less. (With other lands) (FOR REFERENCE)

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Sarah Wilson : MORTGAGE  
:   
to : Dated & Ack. Dec. 26, 1883  
: Cons-\$100  
Mrs. Julia Tracy : 2 witnesses  
: Rec'd. for record Jan. 18, 1884  
: Recorded in Vol. Q of Mtges.  
: on page 400

MORTGAGES:

Lot No. 1 (less 5.79) Sec. 27 Twp. 20 R. 11 being about 28.26 acres Lot 2 of Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. being about 59 75/100 acres.

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Julia Tracy : SATISFACTION OF MORTGAGE  
:   
to : Dated & Ack. Jan. 21, 1885  
: Cons-Full payment  
Sarah Wilson : 2 witnesses  
: Rec'd. for record Jan. 22, 1885  
: Recorded in Vl. S of Mtges.  
: on page 57

DISCHARGES:

A certain mortgage executed by Sarah Wilson to Julia Tracy dated Dec. 26, 1883 executed and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Waushara Co. Wis. on Jan. 18, 1884 in Vol. Q of Mtges. on page 400.

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Sarah Wilson and Robert H. Wilson : MORTGAGE  
her husband :   
to : Dated & Ack. Jan. 20, 1885  
: Cons-\$150.00  
A. M. Kimball : 2 witnesses  
: Rec'd. for record Jan. 22, 1885  
: Recorded in Vol. T of Mtges.  
: on page 34

MORTGAGES:

All of Lot 1 excepting the SE 5.79 acres of said Lot and Lot 2 both lots in Sec. 27 in Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E.

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A. M. Kimball : SATISFACTION OF MORTGAGE  
to :  
Sarah Wilson and Robert H. : Dated & Ack. May 22, 1890  
Wilson her husband : Cons-Full payment  
: 2 witnesses  
: Rec'd. for record Nov. 18, 1890  
: Recorded in Vol. X of Mtges.  
: on page 58

DISCHARGES:

A certain mortgage dated Jan. 20, 1885 executed by Mrs. Sarah Wilson and Robert H. Wilson her husband which mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Waushara Co. Wis. on Jan. 22, 1885 in Vol. T of Mtges. on page 34.

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Sarah Wilson : WARRANTY DEED  
to :  
Robert H. Wilson : Dated & Ack. Dec. 30, 1891  
: Cons-\$500.00  
: 2 witnesses  
: Rec'd. for record Apr. 30, 1894  
: Recorded in Vol. 18 of Deeds  
: on page 499

CONVEYS:

Lot No. 1 (except 5.79 acres in the SE corner) and Lot No. 2 all in Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. Lot No. 1 containing 28.21 acres and Lot No. 2 containing 59.73 acres more or less according to government survey.

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Robert H. Wilson, only, no : WARRANTY DEED  
explanation :  
to : Dated & Ack. Oct. 4, 1895  
: Cons-\$100.00  
: 2 witnesses  
Robert Elmer Wilson : Rec'd. for record Oct. 5, 1895  
: Recorded in Vol. 24 of Deeds  
: on page 241

CONVEYS:

Lot 1 and 2 in Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. said to contain 98 acres more or less according to government survey.

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Robert E. Wilson, a single man : WARRANTY DEED  
to :  
Thos. H. Patterson : Dated & Ack. Feb. 18, 1902  
: Cons-\$350.00  
: 2 witnesses  
: Rec'd. for record Feb. 18, 1902  
: Recorded in Vol. 30 of Deeds  
: on page 510

CONVEYS:

Lots 1 and 2 in Sec. 27 in Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. said to contain 98 acres be the same more or less according to government survey.

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Robert E. Wilson, a single man : MORTGAGE  
to :  
Wautoma State Bank : Dated & Ack. March 8, 1901  
: Cons-\$175.00  
: 2 witnesses  
: Rec'd. for record Mar. 9, 1901  
: Recorded in Vol. 7 of Mtges.  
: on page 156

MORTGAGES:

Lots 1 and 2 of Sec. 27 in Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. containing  
88 acres more or less according to government survey.

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Wautoma State Bank by Geo. P. Walker, Cashier : SATISFACTION OF MORTGAGE. ON MARGIN  
to :  
Robert E. Wilson, a single man : Dated Feb. 20, 1902  
man : Cons-Full payment  
: Rec'd. for record Feb. 20, 1902  
: Recorded in Vol. 7 of Mtges.  
: on page 156

DISCHARGES:

The mortgage dated Mar. 8, 1901 executed by Robert E. Wilson  
a single man to Wautoma State Bank and recorded in the office of the  
Register of Deeds of Waushara Co. Wis. on Mar. 9, 1901 in Vol. 7  
of Mtges. on page 156.

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Thos. H. Patterson and Bell M. Patterson his wife, signed  
T. H. Patterson and Belle M. Patterson : WARRANTY DEED  
to :  
Julius Klusinsky : Dated & Ack. June 19, 1905  
: Cons-\$1200.00  
: 2 witnesses  
: Rec'd. for record June 20-1905  
: Recorded in Vol. 38 of Deeds  
: on page 281

CONVEYS:

Lots No. 1 and 2 of Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N. of R. 11 E. less 5.79  
acres in the SE corner of Lot No. 1.

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Julius Klusinsky, only no explanation : MORTGAGE  
to :  
T. H. Patterson : Dated & Ack. June 19, 1905  
: Cons-\$700.00  
: 2 witnesses  
: Rec'd. for record June 20, 1905  
: Recorded in Vol. 14 of Mtges.  
: on page 289

MORTGAGES:

Lot 1 and 2 of Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. less 5.79 acres in  
the SE corner of Lot 1.

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T. H. Patterson : SATISFACTION OF MORTGAGE  
to :  
Julius Klusinsky : Dated & Ack. June 19, 1908  
: Cons-Full payment  
: 2 witnesses  
: Rec'd. for record June 20, 1908  
: Recorded in Vol. 10 of Mtges.  
: on page 566

DISCHARGES:

A certain mortgage dated June 19, 1905 made and executed by Julius Klusinsky and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Waushara Co. Wis. on June 20, 1905 in Vol. 14 of Mtges. page 289.

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Julius Klusinsky (unmarried) : MORTGAGE  
to :  
Adolph Klucinske : Dated & Ack. June 19, 1908  
: Cons-\$850.00  
: 2 witnesses  
: Rec'd. for record June 20, 1908  
: Recorded in Vol. 20 of Mtges.  
: on page 104

MORTGAGES:

Lots No. 1 and 2 of Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. less 5.78 acres in the SE corner of Lot 1.

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Adolph Klucinske : SATISFACTION OF MORTGAGE  
to :  
Julius Klusinsky, unmarried : Dated & Ack. July 30, 1924  
: Cons-Full payment  
: 2 witnesses  
: Rec'd. for record July 30, 1924  
: Recorded in Vol. 29 of Mtges.  
: on page 622

DISCHARGES:

A certain mortgage dated June 19, 1908 executed by Julius Klusinsky unmarried to Adolph Klucinske which said mortgage was duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Waushara County, Wis. on June 20, 1908 in Vol. 20 of Mtges. on page 104.

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Julius Klusinsky and Jane Klusinsky husband and wife : MORTGAGE  
to :  
Henry Klusinsky : Dated & Ack. Jan. 19, 1931  
: Cons-\$850.00  
: 2 witnesses  
: Rec'd. for record Jan. 21, 1931  
: Recorded in Vol. 47 of Mtges.  
: on page 429

MORTGAGES:

Lot No. 1 and 2 of Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. less 5.78 acres in the SE corner of Lot 1 also less 1 acre of land of Lot 2 sold to John Sjunnessun.

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Henry Klusinske : SATISFACTION OF MORTGAGE  
to :  
Julius Klusinsky and Jane Klusinsky, his wife : Dated May 1936  
: Ack. May 29, 1936  
: Cons-Full payment  
: 2 witnesses  
: Rec'd. for record June 2- 1936  
: Recorded in Vol. 50 of Mtges.  
: on page 180.

DISCHARGES:



(Entry -25- continued)

The mortgage executed by Julius Klusinsky and Jane Klusinsky his wife to Henry Klusinsky dated Jan. 19, 1931 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Waushara Co. Wis. on Jan. 21, 1931 in Vol. 47 of Mtges. on page 429.

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Julius Klusinski and Jane Klusinski husband and wife : WARRANTY DEED  
:   
: Dated & Ack. May 31, 1930  
: Cons-\$250.00  
: 2 witnesses  
to :   
Olaf J. Sjunnesson and Bertha Sjunnesson : Rec'd. for record June 22, 1930  
: Recorded in Vol. 54 of Deeds  
: on page 146

CONVEYS:

Beginning at a point 67 rods S. of the Main highway running E. and W. through Section 27 Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. and 80 rods W. from the section line between sections 26 and 27 of Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. thence S. 13 rods thence W. 13 rods 5 feet, thence N. 13 rods, thence E. 13 rods 5 feet to the place of beginning said to contain one acre of land more or less and being in the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E.

Party of the second part his successors, administrators or assigns has been granted the privilege of a right of way for travel for roadway purposes from the said highway mentioned above to the land so described and also right of way to Wilson Lake across strip of land lying between land described and the lake, Also space for erection of a garage in pit adjoining land described.

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Julius Klusinsky and Jane Klusinsky his wife : MORTGAGE  
:   
: Dated & Ack. May 6, 1936  
: Cons-\$1100.00  
: 2 witnesses  
to :   
Henry Klusinsky : Rec'd. for record May 6, 1936  
: Recorded in Vol. 52 of Mtges.  
: on page 179

MORTGAGES:

Lots No. 1 and 2 of Sec. 27 in Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. excepting the following - The S. 5.79 acres of Lot No. 1.

One acre of land in the E. part of Lot 2 heretofore sold to John Sjunnesson

Also excepting the following tract-beginning at the SE corner of Lot No. 2, thence running N. 10 rods thence W. 16 rods, thence S. to the shore of Wilson Lake, thence E. along the lake shore to the place of beginning.

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Henry Klusinsky (also known as Henry Miller) signed Henry Klusinske and Henry Klusinsky : SATISFACTION OF MORTGAGE  
:   
: Dated & Ack. Apr. 9, 1947  
: Cons-Full payment  
: 2 witnesses  
to :   
Julius Klusinsky and Jane Klusinsky his wife : Rec'd. for record Apr. 14, 1947  
: Recorded in Vol. 64 of Mtges.  
: on page 98

DISCHARGES:

A certain mortgage dated May 6, 1946 executed by Julius Klusinsky and Jane Klusinsky his wife and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Waushara Co. Wis. on May 6, 1936 in Vol. 52 of Mtges. on page 179.

United States of America : PATENT. CERTIFIED COPY  
 :  
 to : Dated Dec. 1, 1857  
 : Cons-Full payment  
 Robert G. Roberts : Rec'd. for record June 9, 1945  
 : Recorded in Vol. 74 of Deeds  
 : on page 568

CONVEYS:

Lot No. 1 of Sec. 27 of Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. in the district of lands subject to sale at Stevens Point, Wis. containing 108 acres and 60.100 of an acre. (With other lands)

STATE OF WISCONSIN COUNTY COURT WAUSHARA COUNTY

In the Matter of the Estate of Julius Klusinsky (also known as Julius Klusinske) deceased.

File No. 5254

PETITION (Filed Mar. 17, 1947) duly verified of Roy Klusinsky who shows: That Julius Klusinsky (also known as Julius Klusinske) a resident of the Town of Springwater, died intestate at Wild Rose, Wisconsin on the 24th day of May 1943, owning the following described real estate situated in the county of Waushara and State of Wisconsin to-wit:

Government Lots 1 and 2 of Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N.R. 11 E. except five and 79/100ths acres in the SE corner of Govt. Lot 1, further described as follows: that part E. and S. of a line beginning 39 rods 10 feet and 10 inches North of the SE corner of Lot 1, running thence W. 24 rods, 15 feet and 8 inches-thence S. to the lake shore. Also excepting one acre of land more or less described in the deed recorded in Volume 64 of deeds at page 146.

That said estate was not subject to an inheritance tax and that petitioner is interested in said real estate as an heir,

That said decedent left surviving as him sole and only heirs at law, the following children to-wit:

- George Klusinsky
- Roy Klusinsky
- Lorraine Klusinsky
- Betty Klusinsky
- James Klusinsky
- Jane Klusinsky

That he left no other children, issue or heirs,

Thatsaid real estate descended from said Julius Klusinsky (also known as Julius Klusinske, deceased, to each of the following named children in equal shares (an undivided 1/5 interest to each) George Klusinsky, Roy Klusinsky, Lorraine Klusinsky, Betty Klusinsky and James Klusinsky, subject to dower and homestead rights of Jane Klusinsky, widow.

Wherefore your petitioner prays that the court may issue a certificate of heirship showing the descent of said real estate from said decedent.

AFFIDAVIT (Filed Mar. 17, 1947) of Roy Klusinsky who says:

That he is a son of Julius Klusinsky (also known as Julius Klusinske) deceased and that the said Julius Klusinsky (also known as Julius Klusinske) died on the 24th day of May 1943 at Wild Rose, Wis.

That at the time of his death the said decedent was seized of a fee simple interest in the following described real estate in Waushara County, Wisconsin,

Govt. Lots 1 and 2 of Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. except 5.79 acres in the SE corner of Govt. Lot 1.

That the above described property is assessed at \$2,655.00 and the reasonable market value of said property would not exceed \$4500.00.

That the said Julius Klusinsky (also known as Julius Klusinske) died intestate and that all funeral expenses and expenses of last sickness have been paid.

That the aforementioned property descends to the following named children in equal undivided shares, George Klusinsky, Roy Klusinsky, Lorraine Klusinsky, Betty Klusinsky and James Klusinsky and does not exceed the exemptions allowed by law to children.

WAIVER (Filed Mar. 17, 1947) by Wisconsin Department of Taxation by Neil Conway, Inheritance Tax Counsel who hereby admits due service of notice of hearing to determine the inheritance tax in the above estate and hereby waives the statutory time of such service and consents that said matter be heard forthwith at the convenience of the court and the public administrator.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin this 4th day of March 1947.

CERTIFICATE OF DESCENT (Filed Mar. 17, 1947)

I, Gad Jones, County Judge of said county, do hereby certify that Julius Klusinsky (also known as Julius Klusinske) a resident of the town of Springwater died intestate at Wild Rose, Wisconsin on the 24th day of May 1943, seized in fee and in possession of the following described real estate, situated in the county of Waushara and State of Wisconsin to-wit:

Government Lots 1 and 2 of Sec. 27 Twp. 20 N. R. 11 E. except five and 79/100ths acres in the SE corner of Govt. Lot 1, further described as follows: that part East and south of a line beginning 39 rods, 10 feet and 10 inches north of the SE corner of Lot 1, running thence W. 24 rods, 15 feet and 8 inches, thence S. to the lake shore, Also excepting one acre of land more or less described in the deed recorded in Vol. 64 of Deeds at page 146.

That said estate was not subject to an inheritance tax and that petitioner is interested in said real estate as an heir.

That said decedent left surviving as his sole and only heirs at law, the following children to-wit:

George Klusinsky  
Roy Klusinsky  
Lorraine Klusinsky  
Betty Klusinsky  
James Klusinsky

That he left no other children, issue or heirs, except Jane Klusinsky, widow

That said real estate descended from said Julius Klusinsky (also known as Julius Kusinske) deceased, to each of the following named children in equal shares (an undivided one fifth interest to each) George Klusinsky, Roy Klusinsky, Lorraine Klusinsky, Betty Klusinsky and James Klusinsky, subject to dower and homestead rights of Jane Klusinsky, widow.

In Testimony whereof, I, Gad Jones, Judge of said court have signed these presents and affixed the seal of the court hereto at the city of Wautoma in said county this 14th day of March 1947.

Gad Jones

Certified copy of Certificate of Descent was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Waushara County, Wis. on Mar. 17, 1947 in Vol. B-2 of Misc. Records on page 176.

ORDER (Filed May 29, 1947) finding no inheritance tax due. Attached is proof of mailing made by Boyd A. Clark, showing the mailing on May 29, 1947 of copy of Order to Wisconsin Department of Taxation, Madison, Wisconsin,



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*Willis*

*WILLIS, OSCAR F.*, private, was born in 1817 in New York State, and enlisted on October 28, 1861, in Company K, First Wisconsin Cavalry. He was transferred to Company I, March 1, 1862, and was killed in action on August 3, 1862, at L'Aiguille Ferry, Arkansas.

*Roster of Wis. Volunteers*, 1:35, 39; *Biographical Album of Green Lake, Marquette, and Waushara Counties*, 243, 244; *Road Tax, Dist. #2, 1851, Berlin, Marquette County, Wis.*, 7; *Berlin Journal*, Nov. 15, 1912; *Berlin Weekly Journal*, May 22, 1901.

*Wilson*

*WILSON, ROBERT H.*, private, was born in England, on October 3, 1822, but came to the United States and settled in New York State, probably in Oneida County. After fighting in the war with Mexico, both as a volunteer and in the regulars, he saw service in New Mexico against the Apache Indians and in July, 1851, was mustered out of Troop H, Second Regiment, United States Dragoons.<sup>9</sup> Soon after, he settled in Berlin where he worked as a butcher and a farmer. He entered Union service on January 18, 1864, as private of Company K, First Wisconsin Cavalry and spent the rest of the war in Tennessee, Kentucky, Georgia, and Alabama. Because of illness he was not with the unit at Vernell's

<sup>9</sup>"Dragoons as originally organized were intended to act as cavalry or infantry skirmishers, a hybrid corps to do duty afoot or on horseback as circumstances required. At that time, the dragoons were armed with a musketoon, carried on a sling belt when mounted, a Prussian sabre, and a horse pistol. Later they were armed with revolvers. The sabre was a nuisance when the troops were operating, as they usually were, against Indians; and much time was spent devising some means to stop the noise and jingle incident to its use. The jackets of the dragoons were trimmed with orange and there was an orange stripe on the trousers." See Hamlin, *Old Bald Head*, 12.



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*Winter**Winter*

Station and Kenesaw Mountain but was later at Hopkinsville and Elizabethtown, Kentucky, and also Fort Tyler near West Point, Georgia. He was mustered out of service on July 19, 1865, at Eddsfield, Tennessee, and returned to Wisconsin where he farmed in the Town of Saxeville, Waushara County, until his death, on April 13, 1896. He was buried in Hill Top Cemetery, Saxeville.

*Roster of Wis. Volunteers*, 1:39; Miss Ethel Jenks, postmistress, Saxeville, Wis., correspondence, Aug. 14, 1963; Mrs. Glen Peterson, Saxeville, Wis., correspondence, Sept. 11, 1963; Phillip Poulette, postmaster, Wautoma, Wis., correspondence, Feb. 21, April 11, 1963, all in Stemler files; 35 mm. microfilm copy of *Troop H of the Second Dragoons for the period 1846-1852*.

*WINTER, HENRY A.*, private, was born on November 9, 1843, in Niles, Cayuga County, New York. He received his elementary education in his native county and at Cortland Academy before entering high school at Berlin, in the spring of 1861. In October of the same year he withdrew from school to enlist as a private in Company B, Eleventh Wisconsin Infantry Regiment. The following year while serving with the unit in Arkansas, he became ill with typhoid fever and was discharged. He returned to New York and while recuperating, visited Wisconsin and Michigan before traveling to Indianapolis where, in May, 1863, he re-enlisted in Company B, Seventy-second Indiana Infantry. Winter joined the unit at Murfreesboro, Tennessee, saw action at Hovers Gap and Chickamauga, and was wounded in the Atlanta campaign. His regiment assisted in the capture of Jefferson Davis, and afterward, at Lamar House, Macon, Georgia, he talked personally with the Confederate chief. Later he was transferred to Company B, Forty-fourth Indiana Infantry, and was mustered out on September 14, 1865, at Nashville.

# WAUSHARA COUNTY,

To J. W. Gilin & Son DR

1896

April 13	Embalming body & services	7 00
" 15	One burial robe	3 00
" 1	One cloth covered casket	25 00
		<u>\$35.00</u>

For the burial of Robert H. Wilson  
A Soldier who enlisted in 1846  
in Company H second U.S. Dragoons  
mexican war

also enrolled on the 18 of January 1864  
in company K first Wisconsin cavalry  
last war

serving six years and six months  
in both wars

Died in the town of Plainfield  
April 13 1896 aged 73 years 6 months & 10 days

Invalid when he died  
died with a cancer on his face

Buried at Saville Wisconsin

For expense incurred pursuant to Chapter 385 Laws of 1887  
in the funeral expense & burial of Robert - late of Co B 42 Infantry  
Died in town of P May 1 1898 Buried in Oasis  
Cemetery in the town of Oasis Washara Co Wis

May 2 - 1898

Occupation at time of death Farmer aged 71 years

Items of expense

Embalming body	4 00
one burial robe	3 00
one casket	25 00
	<hr/>
	\$ 35 00

Total expense not to exceed \$35.00

see chapter above mentioned we the undersigned  
having satisfied ourselves by carefull inquiry into and  
examination of all the circumstances in the case, that  
the family of such deceased Robert is unable or  
will be distressed to defray the expenses of such  
funeral or burial and we further certify that the above  
items are the actual expense incurred and we  
designate J W Spin & son of Plainfield Wis as entitled  
to receive \$35.00

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ..... day of ..... 1898  
knowledge.  
Signed Town or Village Board

foregoing account is just and true, and that neither the whole or any part thereof has been paid, to the best of his  
being duly sworn, on oath says that the within and

Town Supervisors  
Chairman Job Bond  
Myron Harris  
John Greenfield

STATE OF WISCONSIN,  
COUNTY OF WAUSHARA,  
ss. }

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MEXICAN WAR.

6-3111  
NAME OF SOLDIER:

*Wilson Robert H.*

NAME AND CLASS OF DEPENDENT:

SERVICE:

RANK ENLISTED DISCHARGED

*Co "A" 1st M.S. Dragoons*

ADDITIONAL SERVICE:

DATE OF FILING.	CLASS.	APPLICATION NO.	CERTIFICATE NO.	FILE NO.	ACT.	STATE.
<i>1887 Mar. 29</i>	<i>Inf. Regt.</i>	<i>10744</i>	<i>6896</i>		<i>Jan. 29-1887</i>	<i>Wis.</i>

BOUNTY LAND:

REMARKS:

*Army Co. 3605-87 K 1st Reg. Vol. Cav.*

MEXICAN WAR  
 BUNDLE NO. 76  
 SEPTEMBER 18 1887  
 WASHINGTON

# MEXICAN WAR PENSION.

Act of January 29, 1887.

## SURVIVOR'S BRIEF.

6896  
Munawakee

Soldier, Robert H Wilson  
 P. O., Irony water Rank, Private  
 County, Waushara Company, A  
 State, Wisconsin Regiment, 2<sup>nd</sup> U.S. Dragoons

### RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY:

Name, W M Kenaday Fee, \$10, Agent \_\_\_\_\_ to pay.  
 P. O., Washington D.C. Articles filed \_\_\_\_\_, 1887.

### DATES OF SERVICE:

Enlisted July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1846 Subsequent or prior service, \_\_\_\_\_  
 Discharged July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1857 1<sup>st</sup> Wisconsin Cavalry

Length of service: 10 years days

Record evidence of service in Cof A  
 Bounty Land Claim, \_\_\_\_\_

BORN Oct 2, 1832; Age 54 Years, \_\_\_\_\_ Months, \_\_\_\_\_ Days.

Submitted for Ad June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1887, || Declaration filed March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1887.

Rate EIGHT DOLLARS per month, commencing January 29, 1887,

Chas Gingham  
Examiner.

No other pension previously applied for \_\_\_\_\_

Files Boyce  
Pension Searcher.

Bounty Land Claim 74840 - 160 - 47.

Alice Scott  
Bounty Land Searcher.

Approved for Ad June 25, 1887.  
Alvan T. Tracy  
 Reviewer.  
W M Kenaday

Approved June 27, 1887.  
Dawson  
 Re-Reviewer.  
overman

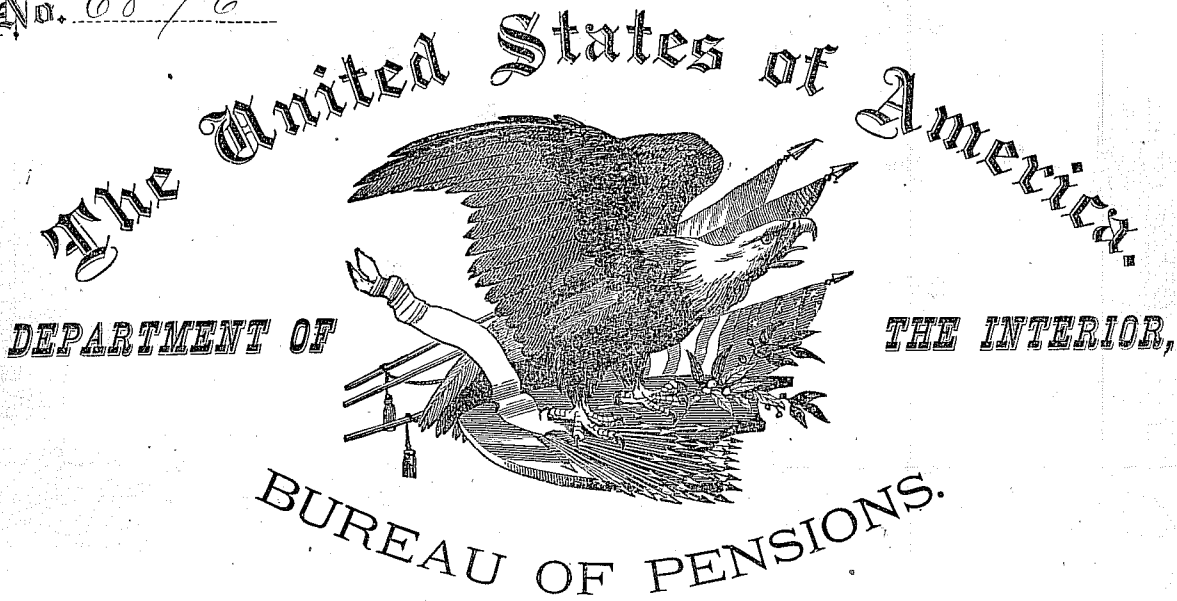
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MEXICAN WAR.

Act of January 29, 1887.

No. 6896

ORIGINAL.



SURVIVOR'S PENSION.

I Certify That, in conformity with the Law of the United States, approved January 29, 1887,

Robert H. Wilson -

late a Private Co. H. 2<sup>d</sup> Regiment United States Dragoons, is entitled to pension at the rate of eight dollars per month, to commence on the twenty-ninth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven.

Given at the Department of the Interior, this twenty eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty seven.

*S. L. Hawkins*  
Acting Secretary of the Interior.

Examined and countersigned.

*John C. Blake*  
Commissioner of Pensions.

Section forty-seven hundred and forty-five, title fifty-seven of the Revised Statutes of the United States, has been amended to read as follows:

Sec. 4745.—Any pledge, mortgage, sale, assignment, or transfer of any right, claim, or interest in any pension which has been, or may hereafter be, granted, shall be void and of no effect, and any person who shall pledge, or receive as a pledge, mortgage, sale, assignment or transfer of any right, claim, or interest in any pension, or pension certificate, which has been, or may hereafter be granted or issued, or who shall hold the same as collateral security for any debt, or promise, or upon any pretext of such security, or promise, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars and the costs of the prosecution; and any person who shall retain the certificate of a pensioner and refuse to surrender the same upon the demand of the Commissioner of Pensions, or a United States pension agent, or any other person, authorized by the Commissioner of Pensions, or the pensioner, to receive the same, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars and the costs of the prosecution.

Approved February 28, 1883.

# American War.

Cert. No. 6896-

*Robert A. Wilson*

Pensioner.

Quarterly payments to be made on the 4th of March, 4th of June, 4th of September, and 4th of December, by the

*M. S. Pension Agent at*

*Wilmington*

*Wm.*

TRANSFERRED TO

Agency,

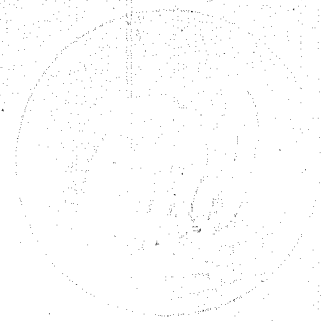
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Commissioner.

NOTE.—No sale, or transfer of any kind, of the whole or any part of the Pension payable by virtue of this certificate, is of any legal or binding force against either the Pensioner or the United States.

*W. Stephens*

Clerk.



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No. ....

B. L. No. ~~74540~~ 7160-4

# SURVIVOR'S SERVICE PENSION. MEXICAN WAR.

ACT OF JANUARY 29, 1837.

Robert H. Wilson  
Springwater - Wis.  
Co. 2<sup>d</sup> U.S. Drag.

Enlisted July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1846.

Discharged July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1857.

Age 64

Disability .....

~~no~~ <sup>own</sup> claim on file .....

June 24<sup>th</sup> 1887, Martin,  
Clerk.

Received Mar. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1887.

A. M. Kenaday  
City

Attorney.

*Reissue.*

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No. 6896.

# MEXICAN WAR

ACTS OF JANUARY 29, 1887,

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## SURVIVOR.

*Robert H. Wilson*

Rank *Priv.*

Company *H.*

Regiment *2<sup>d</sup> U. S. Dragoons.*

Agency: *Wisconsin*

Rate per month, \$ *8.*

Commencing *Jan. 29, 1887.*

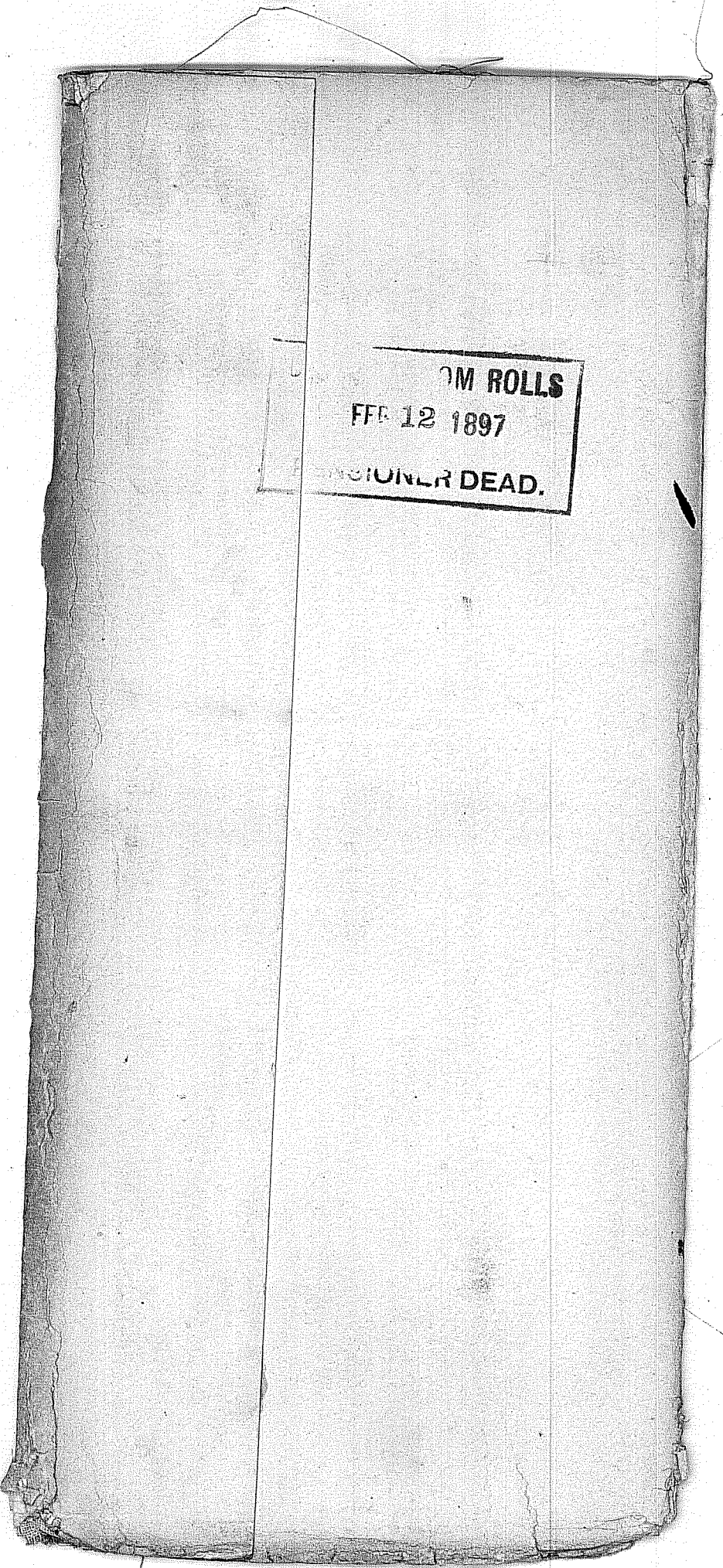
Certificate issued *Aug. 11, 1894.*

Certificate mailed *" 20, 1894.*

Fee, \$ *any more.*

*Former payments covering any portion of the same time to be deducted & accrue at the rate of \$4 per ann. from Jan. 29, 1887 to July 3, 1894 inc. for pension paid under Cof. No. 360,587 (Invalid pension)*

(Order 482-5,000.)



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No. 6, 896

# MEXICAN WAR

(ACT OF JANUARY 29, 1887.)

## SURVIVOR.

Robert H. Wilson

Rank Private

Company H.

Regiment 2<sup>d</sup> U. S. Dragoons

Agency: Milwaukee Wis.

Rate per month, \$8.00

Commencing January 29, 1887.

Certificate issued June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1887

" mailed June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1887

Fee, \$10.



Feb 3 - 91. P. a. to  
suspend. Third Auditor  
advised. C. W. P.

SUSPENSION REMOVED  
MAY 18 1894  
Pen. Agt. and Aud. advised,  
Order of March 12, 1894.

257  
25

June 18. 1894 to Pen 30  
days notice to elect which he  
will take, money to be made  
J. W.

# MEXICAN WAR PENSIONS.

Act January 29, 1887.

[NOTE.—The witness should strike out all the allegations of this affidavit which he does not personally know to be true.]

## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

STATE OF Wisconsin, County of Waushara, ss :

Before me, a Deputy Clerk of Court, in and for the County of Waushara, on this 24 day of March, A. D. 1887, personally appeared Frank Kamenske, who, being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says: I have known Robert H. Wilson

X for the space of 15 years, and I was requested by said Robert H. Wilson to sign my name as a witness to the declaration for pension under the Act of January 29, 1887, sworn to by him on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, A. D. 1887, and that at his request I so signed my name as witness; that the said Robert H. Wilson is the identical person who signed the foregoing declaration, and who is therein described, and who was enlisted in the company of Captain ....., in the regiment commanded by ....., in the Mexican war, as in the said declaration set out.

No. 1. That the said Robert H. Wilson actually served sixty days with the Army or Navy of the United States in Mexico, or on the coast or frontier, or en route thereto, in the war with that Nation; that I swear to these facts from knowledge obtained as follows: .....

No. 2. That the said Robert H. Wilson was actually engaged in a battle in said war to wit, in the battle of ..... at ....., on the ..... day of ....., A. D. ....., and was honorably discharged, and these facts I swear to from knowledge obtained as follows: .....

No. 3. That said Robert H. Wilson is disabled by reason of ..... which said disability was not incurred while the said Robert H. Wilson was in any manner voluntarily engaged in, or aiding or abetting the late rebellion against the authority of the United States, but was incurred on or about the ..... day of ....., A. D. ....., at ....., and this fact I swear to from knowledge obtained as follows: .....

No. 4. That the said Robert H. Wilson dependent in whole or in part for his support, and is incapacitated from the performance of manual labor, and I swear to the fact of dependence from knowledge obtained from and based upon the following facts: That I have lived a near neighbour to him for 15 years back.

No. 5. That the said Robert H. Wilson is 62 years of age, having been born on or about the 3<sup>d</sup> day of Oct, A. D. 1822, at New York City in the State of N.Y., and that I swear to these facts from knowledge obtained as follows: That I have seen a record of his birth in his claimant's possession

That I have no interest in the prosecution of this claim. Frank Kamenske

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, A. D. 1887; and I hereby certify the person who signed and executed the foregoing affidavit to be a credible person, and of good repute for truth and veracity in the community in which he lives, and that the contents of the above were fully made known to him before signing.

[SEAL.]

John Closter  
Deputy Clerk of Circuit

# THE VEDETTE.

An act granting pensions to the soldiers and sailors of the Mexican War, and for other purposes.

Section 1. That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to place on the pension-roll the names of the surviving officers and enlisted men, including marines, militia and volunteers of the military and naval services of the United States, who, being duly enlisted, actually served sixty days with the Army or Navy of the United States in Mexico, or on the coasts or frontier thereof, or en route thereto, in the war with that nation, or were actually engaged in a battle in said war, and were honorably discharged, and to such other officers and soldiers and sailors as may have been personally named in any resolution of Congress for any specific service in said war, and the surviving widow of such officers and enlisted men: *Provided*, That such widows have not remarried: *Provided*, That every such officer, enlisted man, or widow who is or may become sixty-two years of age, or who is or may become subject to any disability or dependency equivalent to some cause prescribed or recognized by the pension laws of the United States as a sufficient reason for the allowance of a pension, shall be entitled to the benefits of this act; but it shall not be held to include any person not within the rule of age or disability or dependency herein defined, or who incurred such disability while in any manner voluntarily engaged in or aiding or abetting the late rebellion against the authority of the United States.

Sec. 2. That pensions under section one of this act shall be at the rate of \$8 per month, and payable only from and after the passage of this act, for and during the natural lives of the persons entitled thereto, or during the continuance of the disability for which the same shall be granted: *Provided*, That section one of this act shall not apply to any person who is receiving a pension at the rate of \$8 per month or more, nor to any person receiving a pension of less than \$8 per month, except for the difference between the pension now received (if less than \$8 per month) and \$8 per month.

Sec. 3. That before the name of any person shall be placed on the pension roll under this act, proof shall be made, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe, of the right of the applicant to a pension; and any person who shall falsely and corruptly take any oath required under this act shall be deemed guilty of perjury; and the Secretary of the Interior shall cause to be stricken from the pension-roll the name of any person whenever it shall be made to appear by proof satisfactory to him that such name was put upon such roll through false and fraudulent representations, and that such person is not entitled to a pension under this act. The loss of the certificate of discharge shall not deprive any person of the benefits of this act,

but other record evidence of enlistment and service and of an honorable discharge may be deemed sufficient: *Provided*, That when any person has been granted a land-warrant, under any act of Congress, for and on account of service in the said war with Mexico, such grant shall be *prima facie* evidence of his service and honorable discharge; but such evidence shall not be conclusive, and may be rebutted by evidence that such land-warrant was improperly granted.

Sec. 4. That the pension laws now in force which are not inconsistent or in conflict with this act are hereby made a part of this act, so far as they may be applicable thereto.

Sec. 5. That section forty-seven hundred and sixteen of the Revised Statutes is hereby repealed, so far as the same relates to this act or to pensioners under this act.

Sec. 6. That the provisions of this act shall not apply to any person while under the political disabilities imposed by the fourteenth amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

LAST Thursday President Cleveland signed the tardy relief bill for the veterans of the Mexican war. We trust this is but the entering wedge for the relief these veterans are justly entitled to. The bill, as it passed, was accepted as a compromise, with the hope that the incoming Congress will do full justice to the few remaining veterans of the war which secured to us so rich a heritage. To A. M. Kenaday, editor of THE VEDETTE (Washington, D. C.), is due the largest share of credit for the achievement of what has been done, and to him his brother veterans will still look until full and complete justice has been secured at the hands of the Government.—*Alameda (Cal.) Encinal.*

From Comrade C. J. Richardson.  
RANGELY, ME., January 28, 1887.

COMRADE KENADAY.  
DEAR SIR: I have lost the location of all the members of Co. C, first regiment mounted rifles, Captain Samuel H. Walker, except our dear old comrade Lieutenant Thomas Claiborne, of Nashville, Tenn. I would like to know the address of the following comrades: Richard Bradford, Silas Conn, Samuel Fisher, John F. Lynch, Nicholas Burke, Washington Myers, D. M. Lowe, Thomas Tiglman, Fritz Tiglman, and any other of Co. C who may see this notice; I would be pleased to have any or all of them send me their address, so that I may correspond with them. I see by the papers the House passed the Senate amendment to the pension bill in favor of the Mexican veterans. It will do me no good, as I have been on the pension list for almost forty years, but I am glad to know that my old and tried comrades are to be paid, in part, for their "picnic" in Mexico.  
Sincerely yours, C. J. RICHARDSON.

From Arizona Territory.  
TUCSON, ARIZ., February 14, 1887.

COMRADE KENADAY, Washington, D. C.  
Now that our wiseacres in Congress have consented in a rather ungracious way to save from the poor-house the few remaining veterans of the Mexican war, I hope you will send me a few blanks to make out my application and that of a few of our comrades in this section. I confess that my "righteous soul has been considerably vexed" by having seen a number of blanks sent out here by curbstone claim agents to rob you of what you have so nobly earned from the old veterans, and two of them in their eagerness to make immediate application, believing that the pension would only run from receipt of application at Washington, to wit: Moore and McElliott, made theirs out on blanks of one Pawnbroker, claim agent; but I made them scratch out his name in the power of attorney and insert yours and send the paper to you, as I consider it an act of ingratitude on the part of any veteran of the Mexican war not to prefer you to anybody.  
By the way, I am pleased with your suggestions as to founding an educational institution in Washington for the free education of the progeny of Mexican war veterans, and will cheerfully give the proceeds of my pension to such a laudable enterprise, if all or a large portion of our comrades, who do not need this pittance for their support will do so, and I hope they will. You have a dogged determination in you that must succeed; so agitate the matter and keep the project stirred up. I enclose one dollar greenback to keep up my subscription to THE VEDETTE.  
Yours fraternally, WM. S. OURY.

From the Secretary of the Indiana Association.

INDIANAPOLIS, February 18, 1887.  
Major A. M. KENADAY,  
Secretary National Association  
Mexican War Veterans.

DEAR SIR: As Secretary, and in behalf of the Mexican war veterans of Indiana, allow me to return our sincere thanks for the energy you and General Denver have displayed in getting Congress to pass our pension bill. Both of you are entitled to the thanks of the soldiers of the Mexican war. Although it does not cover all of us, it will make many an old heart glad. If I can be of any service to you, please call on me, and I will do all I can for you in our association. You have the roll of names I sent you ten years ago. There are a few changes of post offices that I will send you soon.  
Send me a few blanks, or will those of March 17, 1884, do? If so, let me know. General Manson was in the city yesterday, but I did not see him.  
Yours, J. B. SULLIVAN,  
Sec'y M. W. Vets., Ind.

MEXICAN WAR PENSIONS

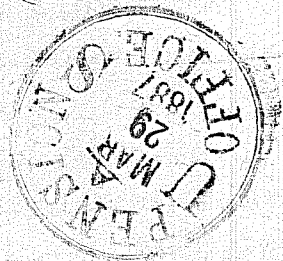
ACT OF JANUARY 29, 1887.

(SURVIVORS)

Affidavit of Witness.

Applicant.

Co., ..... Regiment.



Filed by A. M. Kenaday, P. O. Box 37  
Washington, D. C.

# MEXICAN WAR PENSION.

ACT OF JANUARY 29, A. D. 1887.

## DECLARATION OF SURVIVOR FOR PENSION.

STATE OF *Wisconsin*, County of *Waushara*, ss:

On this *24<sup>th</sup>* day of *March*, A. D. 1887, personally appeared before me (full name of claimant), *Robert H. Wilson*, a resident of *Springwater*, in the county of *Waushara*, in the State of *Wisconsin* who, being by me first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says:

I am the identical *Robert H. Wilson*, who served under the name of *Robert H. Wilson* as a *Private* in the company commanded by Captain *Hunter*, in the *Second* regiment of *Dragoons*, commanded by *Col. Harvey*, in the war with Mexico; that I enlisted at *New York City*, on or about the *21<sup>st</sup>* day of *July*, A. D. *1846* for the term of *5 years*, and was honorably discharged at *Leitchfield, New Mexico*, on the *21<sup>st</sup>* day of *July*, A. D. 1851.

That being duly enlisted, as aforesaid, I actually served sixty days with the Army or Navy of the United States in Mexico, or on the coast or frontier thereof, or en route thereto, in the war with that nation, which service was as follows: *under general Taylor*

(a.) That I am *64* years of age, having been born at *New York City*, on the *3<sup>d</sup>* day of *October*, 1822.

(or b.) That I am dependent on others than those legally bound for my support for my livelihood; that I have been so dependent since ....., and that the ..... upon whom I am dependent is ....., of ....., who has afforded me the following support: (Here describe what has been done for your support.)

(or c.) That I am disabled by reason of *Injuries received in war 1846-1865*, which said disability was not incurred while in any manner voluntarily engaged in aiding or abetting the late rebellion against the authority of the United States; but that said disability was incurred at *Pulaskie, Tenn* on or about the *28<sup>th</sup>* day of *September*, A. D. 1864, in manner as follows: *in a skirmish while a member of 1<sup>st</sup> Wis Cav*

That being so actually enlisted as aforesaid—

(a.) That I am ..... years of age, having been born at ....., on the ..... day of ....., A. D. 18 .....

(or b.) I was actually engaged in battle with the enemy in the war with Mexico, to wit: In the battle of ....., on the ..... day of ....., 18 .....

(or c.) That I am dependent on others than those legally bound for my support for my livelihood. That I have been so dependent since ....., and that the ..... upon whom I am dependent is ....., of ....., who has afforded me the following support. (Here describe what he has done for your support.)

(or d.) That I am disabled by reason of ....., which said disability was not incurred while in any manner voluntarily engaged in aiding or abetting the late rebellion against the authority of the United States, but that said disability was incurred at ....., on or about the ..... day of ....., 18 ....., in manner as

First group of facts which will entitle to pension.  
Second group of facts which will entitle to pension.

Third group of facts, &c.

I was personally named in a resolution of Congress for a specific service in said war, to wit: In the resolution of the ..... day of ....., 18 .....

(a.) That I am ..... years of age, having been born at ....., on the ..... day of ....., 18 .....

(or b.) That I am dependent on others than those legally bound for my support for my livelihood. That I have been so dependent since ....., and that the ..... upon whom I am dependent is ..... of ....., who has afforded me the following support. (Here describe what has been done for your support.)

(or c.) That I am disabled by reason of ....., which said disability was not incurred while in any manner voluntarily engaged in aiding or abetting the late rebellion against the authority of the United States, but that said disability was incurred at ....., on or about the ..... day of ....., 18 ....., in manner as follows:

That I am *not* married; that the maiden name of my wife was *Sarah Wade* to whom I was married at *Saxville* in the State of *Mississippi*, on the *26<sup>th</sup>* day of *February*, A. D. *1859*; that my wife is now *alive*, having died on the day of ....., A. D. ...., at ....., in the State of .....

That in support of my right to pension I tender herewith, under the regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior, the following evidence: *That my discharge from Mexican War is on file in the Pension Office and the affidavits of Clinton Beach and Grant Kaminski that I have received a land warrant in the year 1857*

That I am *not* a pensioner of the United State under certificate No. ...., at the rate of ..... dollars per month. That since my discharge from said service I have resided as follows, to wit: *Steuben Co. New York*

*Town of Dayton Kaufman Co. and Springwater Washburn Co. Wis.* That I am not laboring under any political disabilities imposed by the fourteenth amendment to the Constitution of the United States. [And I hereby constitute and appoint Alexander M. Kenaday, of Washington, D. C., my true and lawful attorney to prosecute my claim and to furnish any additional evidence required.]

WITNESSES:

*Clinton Beach*  
*Grant Kaminski*

*Robert H. Wilson*  
(Claimant sign here.)

STATE OF *Mississippi*  
County of *Washburn* } ss:

Before me, *John Clark Deputy Clerk*, a clerk of a court of record, on this *24<sup>th</sup>* day of *March*, A. D. *1887*, personally appeared *Robert H. Wilson* known to me as the person described in, and who signed and executed the foregoing declaration for pension, and whom I certify to be a credible person and of good repute for truth and veracity in the community in which he lives, who, being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says that he has read (if claimant cannot read, read to him and so state in acknowledgment), the foregoing declaration and knows the contents thereof, and that all of the facts therein stated are true.

[L. S.]

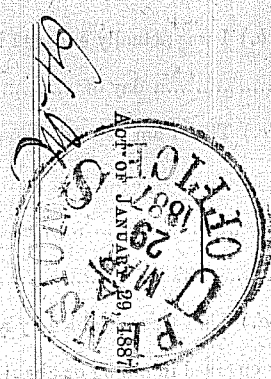
*John Clark*  
Deputy Clerk of Circuit Court

*Robert H. Wilson*  
Applicant.  
*Clinton*  
Company.  
*Grant & Beach*  
Regiment.  
Enlisted ..... 18 .....

Discharged ..... 18 .....

FILED BY  
*W. H. ...*  
A. M. KENADAY.  
P. O. Box 37, Washington, D. C.

DECLARATION OF SURVIVOR.



Mexican War Pensions.

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# MEXICAN WAR PENSIONS.

Act January 29, 1887.

[NOTE—The witness should strike out all the allegations of this affidavit which he does not personally know to be true.]

## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

STATE OF Wisconsin, County of Waushara, ss:

Before me, a Deputy Clerk of Court, in and for the county of Waushara, on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, A. D. 1887, personally appeared, Clinton Leach, who being by me first

duly sworn, deposes and says: I have known Robert H. Wilson for the space of 3 years, and I was requested by said Robert H. Wilson

to sign my name as a witness to the declaration for pension under the act of January 29, 1887, sworn to by him on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, A. D. 1887, and that at his request I so signed my name as witness; that the said Robert H. Wilson is the identical person who signed the foregoing declaration, and who is therein described, and who was enlisted in the company of Captain ....., in the regiment commanded by ..... in the Mexican war, as in the said declaration set out.

No. 1. That the said Robert H. Wilson actually served sixty days with the Army or Navy of the United States in Mexico, or on the coast or frontier, or en route thereto, in the war with that nation; that I swear to these facts from knowledge obtained as follows: .....

No. 2. That the said Robert H. Wilson was actually engaged in a battle in said war, to wit, in the battle of ....., at ....., on the ..... day of ....., A. D. ....., and was honorably discharged, and these facts I swear to from knowledge obtained as follows: .....

No. 3. That said Robert H. Wilson is disabled by reason of ..... which said disability was not incurred while the said Robert H. Wilson was in any manner voluntarily engaged in, or aiding or abetting, the late rebellion against the authority of the United States, but was incurred on or about the ..... day of ....., A. D. ....., at ....., and this fact I swear to from knowledge obtained as follows: .....

No. 4. That the said Robert H. Wilson is dependent in whole or in part for his support, and is incapacitated from the performance of manual labor, and I swear to the fact of dependence from knowledge obtained from and based upon the following facts: .....

That by living a near neighbor to him, I know he is dependent for his support.

No. 5. That the said Robert H. Wilson is 62 years of age, having been born ..... A. D. 1822, at New York City in the State of New York, and that I swear to these facts from knowledge obtained as follows: .....

by seeing a record of his birth in claimant's possession  
That I have no interest in the prosecution of this claim. Clinton Leach

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, A. D. 1887; and I hereby certify the person who signed and executed the foregoing affidavit to be a credible person, and of good repute for truth and veracity in the community in which he lives, and that the contents of the above were fully made known to him before signing.

[SEAL.]

John Clark  
D. I. C. C. A. Circuit

**From the President of the Ohio State Association, V. M. W.**

STEUBEN, OHIO, February 1, 1887.  
A. M. KENADAY.

HIGHLY ESTEEMED COMRADE: By to-day's paper I am informed that the President has signed the bill which gives the remnant of our boys who marched through Mexico a small pension, but which, to many of them, will be sufficient to insure them a decent burial at least. The fact of the Government (though somewhat tardily, as we thought,) recognizing our services in that bitter conflict in the enemy's country, which brought such grand results in honor to our flag and wealth to our nation, brings a kind of halo about the whole business which makes one glad to have been a participant in the picnic.

I hope the veterans everywhere will show their appreciation of your untiring and incalculable services for the past number of years in getting the bill through by inducing agitation of the question which has given that war a prestige and prominence that it would never have had without; it had been buried and nearly forgotten when you took hold of the matter and resurrected and gave it life. In fact, we owe everything to you and General Denver, and I am satisfied that you have made very considerable sacrifice, and my hope is that you may be able to get at least some little return out of the good fortune of those you have helped; but pension agents from every quarter are flooding the country with circulars and blanks, and I fear many will be drawn away without thinking of their obligation to you. I have written to some of my acquaintances and will write to others.

Will you please send me another blank and tell me just what is necessary to fill out?

Hoping to hear from you soon, I am, with much respect, yours,

A. J. ROBERTSON,  
President Ohio S. A. M. V.

**First Mississippi Rifles.**

The following appeared in a late issue of the New Orleans *Picayune*:

Since the passage by Congress and approval by the President of a bill granting pensions to veterans of the war with Mexico, a number of parties have been writing to Hon. Jefferson Davis and to Col. D. M. Hollingsworth for information as to how they are to proceed to get their pensions in the premises. The pension granted is \$8 per month. Applicants should address themselves to THE VEDETTE, a paper published at Washington, in the interest of the Mexican veterans. The address is, "THE VEDETTE, P. O. Box 37, Washington, D. C." The following is the information required:

[Then followed the long list of questions about service, etc., published in the last number of THE VEDETTE.]

**From Maj. A. J. Dorn.**

We are much gratified with the greeting contained in the following letter from Maj. A. J. Dorn, who organized the first association in Austin, Tex., in 1874, and served as vice-president of the National Association several years:

SENATE CHAMBER,  
AUSTIN, TEX., February 10, 1887.

Col. A. M. KENADAY,  
Secretary M. W. V. A.

MY DEAR COMRADE: I hope you will please grant me the dear little pleasure of congratulating you upon the final recognition of our services forty-one years ago. I must also be permitted to thank you for your valuable services rendered, in thus procuring the passage of the bill and its becoming a law. While not the law I would have voted for, still I consider it was best to accept it as it came from the Senate, as I have but little doubt that it can be so amended as to make it much more acceptable by the next Congress.

Hoping that you may be pecuniarily benefited by its passage, and that you may live long to enjoy it, I remain your friend and comrade till death separates us,

ANDREW J. DORN.

**Comrade John D. Pope.**

MY DEAR MR. KENADAY: I was born in 1823. I come, I think, within the provisions of the Mexican Pension bill. I was first sergeant of Company E, First Kentucky Infantry (Louisville Legion), Col. Stephen Ormsby.

I feel that you are justly entitled to the benefits arising from the presentation of the claims under that bill, and therefore write to ask that you will promptly inclose to my address, as above, the necessary blanks and instructions to claimants which may facilitate the application.

I trust that in the hour of their success the veterans will not forget that to your prolonged and determined efforts in their behalf this success is mainly due.

Very truly, your friend,

JOHN D. POPE,  
Late 1st Sergt. Co. E, 1st Ky. Inf.,  
Chief Clerk L. & N. R. Co., Law Dept.

**From George F. Brady.**

NORWALK, OHIO, February 1, 1887.

A. M. KENADAY, Esq.

DEAR COMRADE: I have been looking for THE VEDETTE anxiously since the passage of that abortion called the Mexican pension bill. I am fully aware that 'tis not your fault that we have not got a genuine service pension bill which would strike out or repeal that section of the Revised Statutes that prevents a soldier of the late war who has \$8 or more from

getting any recognition for his Mexican service.

The enemies of our service pension bill who based all their objections to our bill for the past sixteen years on the ground that the bill would pension men who were in arms against the Government in the late war have by this bill shown that they do not appreciate us Northern fellows, who came to the front, and, with the knowledge gained in Mexico, helped very materially to drill and discipline the green volunteers. Some of us have pensions, it is true, but they were earned in the late war, and not in the Mexican. I cannot understand this sort of appreciation of our service in two wars. Well, it will give some poor comrades a pension who would not otherwise get one, and that is some consolation. But now, comrade, we must start in for another campaign, the principal objective point of which must be to make this bill, by amendment, a real service pension, and have that clause of the Revised Statutes *suspended* in our case. I am one of the veterans of the two wars; besides, as some folks say, I was a soldier in peace out in Texas when that country was full of Comanches and other hostile Indians. Well, what queer Congressmen we have! They have at the same time passed a bill to give the hundred-day men of the last war \$12 per month, no matter whether the disability for which they are to be pensioned was incurred in the line of duty or not. Queer sort of justice, indeed!

I guess, comrade, your old Charger may need some oats, so I herewith send you an order for *dos pesos*, which please credit to me on my account, and I will say *adios*.

Amigo and comarado,  
GEO. F. BRADY,  
Campbell's Co. A, 11th Inf., U. S. A.

**General George W. Morgan, of Ohio.**

The following paragraph is clipped from the Mount Vernon (Ohio) *Banner*, of February 10th:

So far as known the following is a complete list of the Mexican war veterans, resident of Knox county, who are entitled to pensions of \$8 per month, under the recent act of Congress, which has received the President's signature and is now a law: General Geo. W. Morgan, Captain James E. Harle, Samuel Clark, Mt. Vernon; George Wolford, Monroe township; Jesse Headington, Liberty township; John Cochran, Harrison township; and George Wagner, of Fredericktown.

General Morgan recommends A. M. Kenaday, editor of THE VEDETTE, Washington City, as a proper person to secure pensions for the Mexican veterans.

MEXICAN WAR PENSIONS.

ACT OF JANUARY 29, 1887.

(SURVIVORS.)

Affidavit of Witness.

Applicant.

Regiment.

Filed by A. M. Kenaday, P. O. Box 37,  
Washington, D. C.

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*P.B.*  
Act of July 29, 1887

BRIEF FOR REDUCTION, DROPPING, OR CONTINUANCE.

Claimant, *Robert G. Wilson*

*Mexican War Survivor*

P. O., *Saxville*

*Saxville*

Rank, *Pat*

County, *Wauwata*

*Wauwata*

Company, *B*

State, *Wis*

*Wis*

Regiment, *2 U.S. Dragoons*

Rate, \$

per month, commencing

*January 29, 1887*

*Red. sub. paymts and recover at the rate of \$4 per month from July 29, 1887 to July 3, 1894 incl. for pension paid under cert # 360,587 - Rebellion Service -*

Pensioned for

*In lieu of Cert. dated June 28, 1887*

APPROVALS

Approved for

*continuance and recovery of erroneous payments*

Submitted

**DROPPED FROM ROLLS**

1894;

*J. Melborn*

Examiner.

FEB 12 1897

PENSIONER DEAD.

Approved for

*Continuance -*

*Also for mission to recover erroneous payments from July 29, 1887 to July 3, 1894 (inc) under Act No 060587 - Rebellion Service - for "disease of chest (intercostal neuralgia)" pursuant to Pubing #246 of May 14, 1892. See action of court date of brief of said claim herewith.*

*Aug 6, 1894; [Signature], Legal Reviewer.*

*" 7, 1894; [Signature], Re-Reviewer.*

Pensioned from

*July 29, 1887;*

1887;

for *Mexican War Service*

Last paid to

18...; at \$ *8.*



See Pensioners certified here with

ON, DROPPING, OR CONTINUANCE.

*Mex War Survivor*

Rank, *Priv*

Company, *76*

Regiment, *2 U.S. Dragoons*

encing

Pensioned for

APPROVALS.

Approved for *continuance and recovery of erroneous payments,*

Submitted *July 24*, 18*94*; *J. W. Melborn*, Examiner.

Approved for *dropping on the ground that pension is in receipt of*  
*the pension - the other, of \$360.587. as of Co K 1st Reg*  
*Calif. Rebellian Service - which latter pension he elects*  
*to obtain*

*July 27 1894* *Paine*, Legal Reviewer.  
18...; Re-Reviewer.

Med. Ex. ...., Med. Reviewer.  
18...; Med. Referee.

Pensioned from *January 29*, 18*87*; for *Mexican Survivor.*

Last paid to ... 18...; at \$ *8*

BASIS OF PRESENT ACTION.

3-149.

BRIEF FOR REDUCTION, DROPPING, OR CONTINUANCE.

Claimant, Robert H. Wilson Mex War Survivor  
 P. O., Saxeville Rank, Pvt  
 County, Maushara Company, 76  
 State, Misc Regiment, 2 U.S. Dragoons  
 Rate, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month, commencing \_\_\_\_\_

Pensioned for \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVALS.

Approved for continuance and recovery of erroneous payments,  
 Submitted July 24, 1894; J. M. Melborn, Examiner.

*1894*

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to obtain

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 \_\_\_\_\_, 18. \_\_\_\_\_, Re-Reviewer. \_\_\_\_\_, 18. \_\_\_\_\_, Med. Referee.

Pensioned from January 29, 1887; for Mexican Survivor.

Last paid to \_\_\_\_\_, 18. \_\_\_\_\_; at \$ 8

BASIS OF PRESENT ACTION.

# Brief for Reduction, Dropping, or Continuance.

Claimant, Robert W. Wilson Met Mar Sura  
 P. O., Sateville Rank, Priv  
 County, Washara Company, H  
 State, Wis. Regiment, 2, W. S. Dragoons  
 Rate, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month, commencing \_\_\_\_\_

Pensioned for \_\_\_\_\_

### APPROVALS.

Approved for Dropping; In receipt of two pensions, elects to retain medical  
 Submitted March 10, 1891; L. W. Waring, Spec'l, Examiner.

Approved for—

Approved for—

Dropping, on the ground that it is decided that he is also in receipt of a pension (Cul. 360587) as of Dec. 15 1<sup>st</sup> Wis. Vol. Cav. Rebellion service, and because he elects to retain said pension. (S. E. Ref.)

Mar. 16, 1891; \_\_\_\_\_, Legal Reviewer.  
Oct. 14, 1891; \_\_\_\_\_, Re-Reviewer.

(See claim for increase)  
 \_\_\_\_\_, Med. Ex., Med. Reviewer.  
 \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, Med. Referee.

Pensioned from \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_

Last paid to \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_; at \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### BASIS OF PRESENT ACTION.

Chief of Special Examination Division recommends \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_; \_\_\_\_\_, Chief Special Examination Division.

After legal notice, the above action is \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Woodworth there is not any  
 other Robert H Wilson here only  
 one Commissioner Black sent me  
 Mexican Certificate 6896 and  
 Commissioner Bacon took it from  
 me 3 years and 7 months ago and  
 I have not got the certificate and  
 I can't make the vouchers  
 yours. Respectfully, Robert H Wilson  
 Saxville Wis

AGENCY,

is. July 31st, 1894

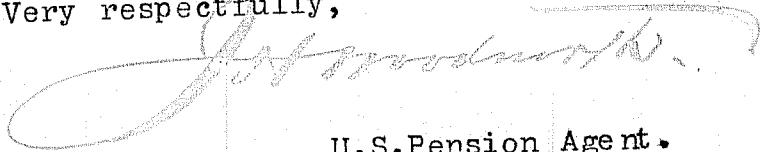
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Kindly inform me whether I shall return notice to resume  
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 on July 30th, 1894, under General Law at \$4.00 per month.

Very respectfully,



U.S. Pension Agent.

## UNITED STATES PENSION AGENCY,

Milwaukee, Wis. July 31st, 1894

Hon. Wm. Lochren,

Commissioner of Pensions,

Washington, D. C.

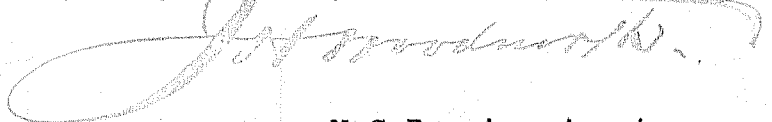
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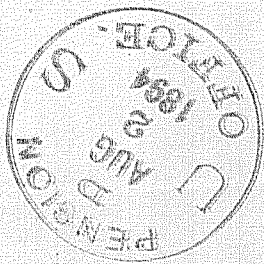
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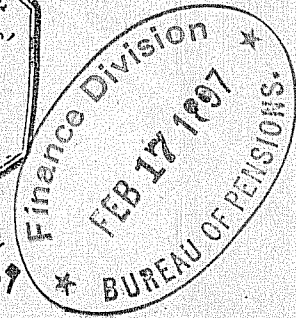
U.S. Pension Agent.

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2<sup>ms</sup> cars  
6,896. mex  
and  
360,587.



[3-405.]  
(PENSIONER DROPPED.)



# U. S. Pension Agency,

Milwaukee, Wis

FEB 12 1897, 18

Hon. D. J. Murphy

Commissioner of Pensions.

Sir:

I hereby report that the name of Robert H Wilson  
Mexican War, who was a pensioner on the rolls  
of this Agency, under Certificate No. 6,896, and who was last paid  
at \$ 8.00, to April 4, 1896, has been dropped  
because of death Apr 13/96. Plainfield, Wis.

Very respectfully,

Pension Agent.

Every name dropped to be thus reported at once.

No. 4184 [3-280.]

Magistrate and pensioner before executing this voucher should read carefully the special instructions on face and back of same.

**A** MEXICAN WAR. INVALID. **A**  
ACT, JANUARY 29, 1887.

Be it known, That I, Robert G. Wilson, do solemnly swear that I am the identical person named in pension certificate in my possession, No. 6896, dated 28 day of June, 1887, and whose name is inscribed on the rolls of the **MILWAUKEE** Agency at the rate of \$8.00 per month,

\* That I have not been employed or paid in the Army, Navy, or Marine service of the United States from 4th day of Dec., 1889, to the present time, and that my present P. O. address is \_\_\_\_\_ County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_

(If pensioner signs by mark, two witnesses who can write.)

FILL OUT P. O. ADDRESS.

(Pensioner's signature:)

Signature must be written letter for letter as it is in pension certificate.

THE PENSION CERTIFICATE MUST BE EXHIBITED TO THE MAGISTRATE WHEN THIS VOUCHER IS EXECUTED.

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_, COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_, ss:

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 189 \_\_\_\_\_; and I certify that the pensioner above named has this day exhibited to me his pension certificate, above described, and was fully identified as the pensioner named therein, and that he signed the following duplicate receipts in my presence.

(The magistrate must certify to any erasures or alterations.)

(Magistrate's signature:)

Official character: \_\_\_\_\_

1. If the first payment, insert the date of the commencement of the pension. If not first payment, the date from which the payment is claimed.  
\* When there is a change in the rate, either by an increase, re-issue, &c., note the former rate at which paid.

THE PENSIONER WILL SIGN THESE RECEIPTS IN THE PRESENCE OF THE MAGISTRATE.

Original receipt form with decorative border. Amount: \$ 24.00 March, 1899. Received of LEVI E. POND, U. S. Pension Agent at MILWAUKEE, WIS., Twenty-four 100 dollars by check No. \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, being for 3 months' and \_\_\_\_\_ days' pension due me on pension certificate No. 6896, from the 4th day of December, 1889, the 4th day of March, 1899, for which I have signed duplicate receipts.

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Roll No. 4184  
MEXICAN WAR.  
ACT, JANUARY 29, 1887.

ARMY VOUCHER No.

INV ALID.

*Robert D. Wilson*

March, 1891.

\$ 24.00

READ THIS NOTE CAREFULLY.

NOTE.—By Act of Congress approved July 8, 1870, these vouchers are furnished FREE OF EXPENSE TO THE PENSIONER, and all payments of pensions are required to be made thereon. One will be forwarded to every pensioner before the 4th day of March, June, September, and December of each year. In or after the 4th day of the months above mentioned the pensioner, with his pension certificate, will go before a magistrate and sign and execute the oaths and sign the receipts. If the pensioner sign by mark, two witnesses thereto will be required. The executed voucher will then be returned by mail to the U. S. Pension Agent mentioned below, who, upon its receipt, will forward to the sworn address of the pensioner, given within check for the full amount of pension due.

Return this voucher for payment to

LEVI E. POND,  
U. S. Pension Agent,  
Milwaukee  
Wisconsin.

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_, COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_, ss:  
I, \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk of the \_\_\_\_\_ Court of the  
County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_  
is \_\_\_\_\_, duly commissioned and qualified; that his commission was dated on  
the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, and will expire on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 189 \_\_\_\_\_,  
and that his signature within written is genuine.  
GIVEN under my hand and the seal of said Court this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 189 \_\_\_\_\_.

Clerk.

INSTRUCTIONS TO MAGISTRATES.

Magistrate should compare this voucher with pension certificate, exercising the utmost care in its execution.  
Vouchers may be executed before any official qualified to administer oaths. If he has a seal it should be affixed; if not, a certificate of the proper officer, showing the commencement and termination of his term of office, must be filed in this Agency.

INSTRUCTIONS TO PENSIONERS.

Give the magistrate the exact Post-office address (street and number) to which you wish the check to be sent, and see that it is written in its place in the voucher.  
Delay is occasioned by errors in giving Post-office address.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street: \_\_\_\_\_  
Town: \_\_\_\_\_  
County: \_\_\_\_\_  
State: \_\_\_\_\_

WRITE NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS PLAINLY HERE.

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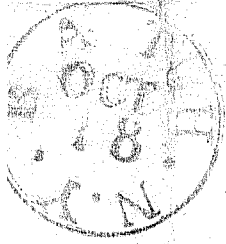
VETERAN Robert H. Wilson

1846 GRADE Private

SERVICE Co "H"

2nd Reg. U.S. Dragoons

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Hon James C. Neath  
Comdr of Pensioners  
Washington City  
D.C.

Mr. Neath  
90957  
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Pension office Dec 21. 1865

Sir

Your letter ~~and~~ <sup>dropped</sup> to the Secy of the Interior  
 relative to the Discharge<sup>from the army</sup> of Robert H. Wilson, has  
 been referred to this office. From the imperfect date  
~~now~~ for examination, ~~provided in your letter~~ we are not  
 unable to find the claim to which you refer. Should  
 Mr Wilson furnish the names of the Officers  
 under whom he served, letter of his Co., & No of his  
 Regt, & place of <sup>his</sup> enlistment & discharge. & war  
 in which he was engaged, a further search will  
 be made. ~~Applications~~ for a copy of Discharge  
 should be in writing, signed by the Soldier  
<sup>in order to comply with</sup> ~~according to~~ our rules. Very Respectfully  
 Dear J Kelly Esq  
 Milwaukee Wis  
 Carr

Department of Interior  
Washington

I wish to obtain the Dis-  
charge (or a certified copy)  
of Robert H. Wilson. His dis-  
charge bears date about  
the 21<sup>st</sup> July 1851 & was filed  
in your department on the  
spring term of a Soldiers  
warrant. He enlisted July  
21<sup>st</sup> 1846 for 5 years

Milwaukee Wis

October 31. 1865 Dear Kelley

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
NOV 14 1966  
DENVER OFFICE

74,840 160.

Pension Office

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Very Respectfully Yours.  
J. H. Barrett.

Commissioner of Pensions.

Dean S. Kelly Esq  
Milwaukee

Wisconsin,

(Woodward),

~~Mr H. H. H.~~

Milwaukee Dec 26, 65

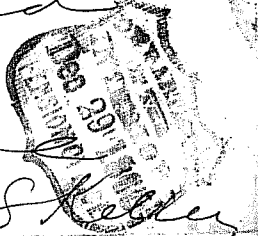
Dear Sir

Mr Wilson Enlisted July



21-1846 at 141 Washington St New York City under  
Lieutenant Sibley in Co "H" 2<sup>d</sup> Regt U.S.  
Dragoons - Captain Hunter & Colonel  
Harney - private, Discharged July  
21, 1857 in New Mexico. Served  
through the Mexican War

Yours  
Dean S. Kelley



Justin

Re<sup>d</sup> Dec 26/65 & answer I gave  
day. cr.

Robt H. Wilson 74.840.

2-1/47

Dear J Kelly,

Milwaukee Wis.

31. Oct 1865

Wants acknowledgment  
of Robt H. Wilson

~~Justin~~

Respectfully referred to  
the Comm of Pensions with  
the request that the  
request of the writer may  
be granted.

Wm O. Schuyler

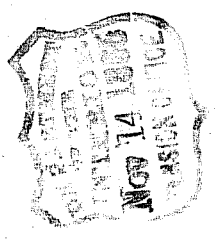
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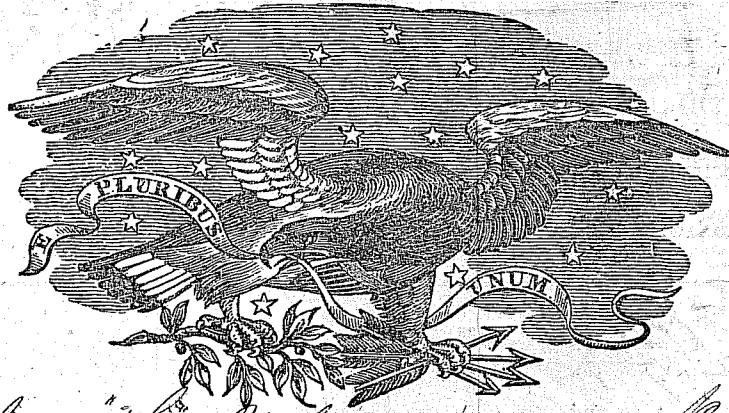
13 Nov 1865

Not on His Desk

31,110,160 Robt W.  
Cunning, Co. 11<sup>th</sup> <sup>TR</sup> <sup>OFF</sup>



TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:



KNOW YE, That, *Robert "H." Wilson* a ~~Private~~ ~~of Captain~~  
Company, "*H.*" *Second* Regiment of *Dragoons* who was enlisted  
on the *Twenty first* day of *July* one thousand eight hundred and *forty six*  
to serve FIVE YEARS, is hereby HONORABLY DISCHARGED from the Army of the United  
States, this *Twenty first* day of *July* 1845, at *Ceballos N. Mexico*

by reason of *Expiration of Term of Service* —  
[No objection to his being re-enlisted is known to exist.\*]

Said *Private Robert "H." Wilson* was born in *New York* in the State of  
*New York* is *Twenty six* years of age, *Five* feet *Six* inches  
high, *Light* complexion, *Grey* eyes, *Brown* hair, and by occupation, when  
enlisted, a *Baker*

GIVEN at *Ceballos New Mexico* this *Twenty first* day of *July* 1845.

\*This sentence will be erased should there be any thing in the conduct, or physical condition of the soldier, rendering him unfit for the Army.

C. ALEXANDER, PRINTER, August 8th, 1848.

*J. N. G. Whistler*  
*2d & Batt. H. 5 July*  
*Comd'g Post*

State  
signature  
and for the  
full faith and c

**OATH OF IDENTITY.**

~~Justice~~ of Tyrone  
County of Steuben N.Y.

On this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October in the year  
one thousand eight hundred and ~~forty~~ one personally appeared before me  
the undersigned, a Justice of the peace for the county and Town above  
mentioned, Robert H Wilson who being duly sworn according to law, declares  
that he is the identical person who was a Pioneer  
in the company commanded by Captain N. G. Hunter  
in the regiment of 2<sup>nd</sup> dragoon commanded by Col.  
H. H. H. that he enlisted on the twenty first  
day of July 1846 for the term of five years and  
was discharged at Alleghetta N. Y. on the twenty first day of  
July 1851 by reason of Expiration of term of  
service

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year above written.

M. C. Vanduzer J.P. Robert H. Wilson

I CERTIFY that M. C. Vanduzer J.P. before whom the above affida-  
vit purports to have been made is a Justice of the Peace duly authorized to administer oaths  
and that the above is his signature.



In WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal  
this seventeenth day of October in the  
year 1851 at Bath Steuben County the State of  
New York

P. P. Hubbard Clerk of the County Court

shment of the right to bounty land must be signed by the claimant, if he wishes to  
and the relinquishment must be witnessed by some one who writes a legible hand.  
or scrip can be made until after a land warrant has been issued from the Pension  
scrip, as the case may be.



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Oct 25/57

Santa Fe N.M. July 26<sup>th</sup> 1837

Paid the within named Robt. H. Wilson the amount  
due him in full including three months ex-  
tra pay on Certificate of Discharge

J. A. Cunningham

Paymaster U.S.A.

Handwritten mark or signature on the right edge of the document.

Form of Declaration for surviving Officer or Soldier.

State of New-York, }  
County of Steuben } ss.

On this seventeenth day of October A. D. one thousand eight hundred and one, personally appeared before me, Nathan Sawyer a Justice of the peace duly authorized to administer oaths within and for the County and State aforesaid, Robert A. Wilson aged twenty six years, a resident of Tyrone in the State of New York, who being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical Robert A. Wilson who was a Private in the Company commanded by Captain W. Hunter in the Second Regiment of Dragoons commanded by Col. Harney in the war with Mexico

that he enlisted

at the City of New York on or about the twenty first day of July A. D. 1846, for the term of Five years and continued in actual service in said war for the term of Five years and was honorably discharged, at Cebaltes New Mexico on the Twenty first day of July, A. D. 1851, on account of falling sick & served as will appear by his discharge hereto attached & the muster rolls of said company.

He makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which he may be entitled under the "act granting bounty land to certain officers and soldiers who have been engaged in the military service of the United States," passed Congress the 29th Sept. 1850.

Robert A. Wilson

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year above written. And I hereby certify, that I believe the said Robert A. Wilson to be the identical man who served as aforesaid, and that he is of the age above stated.

N. Sawyer  
Justice of the Peace

STATE OF NEW-YORK, }  
County of Steuben } ss.

I Philo R. Hubbell Clerk of the County Court, in and for the County and State above mentioned, do hereby certify, that Nathan Sawyer whose genuine signature appears above, is, and was at the time of signing the same a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts as such are entitled to full faith and credit; and that the aforesaid County Court, is a Court of Record, having general jurisdiction.

Given under my hand and Seal of Office, at Paris this 17 day of October A. D. 185

Philo R. Hubbell Clerk



# Power of Attorney.

Know all Men by these Presents, That I \_\_\_\_\_  
 of \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby irrevocably  
 make, constitute and appoint \_\_\_\_\_ my  
 true and lawful Attorney, for me and in my name, to demand and receive from the De-  
 partment of the Interior of the United States, the Certificate or Warrant, to which I am  
 entitled for my Military services, as mentioned in the foregoing declaration; and for good  
 and sufficient reasons, do hereby revoke and countermand any and all other powers of attorney  
 or other authority that may have been given by me for any such purposes, and vest the same  
 solely and irrevocably in my said attorney, said \_\_\_\_\_

In testimony Whereof my hand and seal this \_\_\_\_\_  
 day of \_\_\_\_\_ 185 \_\_\_\_\_



Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ }  
 \_\_\_\_\_ }

**STATE OF NEW-YORK,** }  
 COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ } ss.

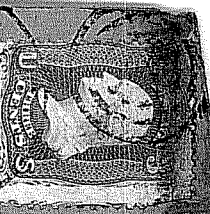
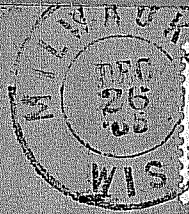
On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
 185 \_\_\_\_\_, personally appeared before me \_\_\_\_\_  
 a \_\_\_\_\_ duly authorized by law to take acknowledg-  
 ments in and for the county aforesaid \_\_\_\_\_ sub-  
 scriber to the foregoing, and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed, for the purposes  
 therein described.



Recd Mar 4, 81

90921  
 Wm. A. Miller  
 P. H. 20 St. Agony  
 Confirmed  
 J. G. D.  
 Nov 14/81.  
 W. A. Miller  
 W. A. Miller





Amos M. Barrett  
Comdr of Ordnance  
Washington  
D.C.

Sumner



90.957. ~~W.D.~~ Oct 25/55

Robert H. Wilson, pri  
Co. H. 2 Regt. U.S. Engineers  
Land

No. 100

Ad. 160 acres  
S.P.

Warrant No. 8710. ipus  
Nov. 18/55. notification  
sent to,

Wm. J. Hubbell,  
Bath,  
N.Y.

20/57

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Dec 30 - 1865 Copy of discharge sent to Sean Kelly Melwatie W

SP10744

Bath 17<sup>th</sup> Dec 1857.  
Dear James E. Heath  
Comt. of Pensions

Dear Sir

In this I  
hand you Robert A. Wilson's  
application for Bounty Land  
for Services in Mexico for  
the United States

Respectfully Yrs  
W. M. Hubbard

A. B. Why not act upon this Case at  
Sight?

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SOLDIER'S CERTIFICATE

No. 360587

VETERAN Robert H. Wilson

RANK Pvt

SERVICE K 1" Wis. vol. Cav.

CAN No. 7550

BUNDLE NO. 1

# PHYSICIAN'S AFFIDAVIT.

TAKE NOTICE.—The affidavit should, if possible, be in the handwriting of the affiant; the marginal instructions must be carefully observed before writing out the statement. All the facts in possession of affiant as to the origin and continuance of the disability should be fully set forth, and the dates of treatment should be specifically given. If the affidavit is prepared from memoranda in possession of the physician, that fact should be stated.

State of Wisconsin County of Walsh ss.

In the Pension Claim No. 204827

of Robert H. Wilson private late of Co. 16 1st Ws. Cavalry Reg.  
(Company and Regiment of service, if in the army; or vessel rank if in the navy)

Personally came before me, a Notary Public in and for  
[Official character of magistrate]

the aforesaid County and State; Dr. H. C. Vanansdte a citizen of Sayville Wis.  
whose Post Office address is Sayville, Washburn Co. Wisconsin and

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declares in relation to aforesaid case as follows:

That he is a Practising Physician, and that he has been acquainted with said soldier for about 28 years, and that

I believe him to have been a sound able bodied man previous to his enlistment  
[Here embody all the facts known to the affiant in accordance with the marginal instructions. No erasures or interlineations will be permitted unless the magistrate certifies in his jurat that they were made before executing the paper.]

I have lived within four miles of him ever since 1868 and was acquainted with him previous to that time and had a chance of observing his condition and I have been his family physician since the fall of 1868 he complained to me of trouble in his throat and lungs which he said was brought on by exposure while in the service of the Army in 64 he was also complaining of trouble in his back and lower part of his body which he claimed was the result of a horse falling on him while in service I believe his statement as to causes to be correct I have advised with him and given him medicine for his trouble from time to time for what I have believed to be chronic congestion of the kidneys and for bronchitis cough with phlegm he has been a poor man since I have known him and his condition and increasing has prevented from having the treatment that he should have had I believe that for 5 or 6 years discharge he could do 3/4 of man's labor the next five or six months and for last four or five years he has not been able to work but an hour or two at a time that is about any amount of his large family

NOTES.  
The Physician's Affidavit must show the following facts:  
1st. Whether or not he knew the soldier prior to enlistment; the length of time he has known him; how intimately, and what opportunities he has had of observing his physical condition, whether as his family physician or as a neighbor; and how near he has lived to him. If he knew that the soldier was a sound man at enlistment, he should so state, adding, if true, that had he been unsound, he would have known it.  
2d. If he treated claimant while in the service, either as his regimental surgeon or while claimant was home on furlough, that fact should be stated. The claimant's physical condition, at such times should be clearly shown, as well as the nature of his disability and dates of treatment.  
3d. If he has treated soldier since discharge, he should so state, giving the date of his first treatment, what his physical condition was at the time, with complete diagnosis of the disability; the period during which it was treated, if it should be stated, with dates, as near as possible, of the prescribed treatment.  
4th. The extent or degree to which claimant has been unable to perform manual labor during each year from discharge to the present time.

He further declares that he has been a practitioner of medicine for 18 years, and that he has no interest either direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

*H. C. Van Cannel*  
[Affiant's Signature. Give rank and service, if in the army.]

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19 day of August A. D. 1882

and I hereby certify that the affiant is a practising physician in good professional standing; that the contents of the above declaration, &c., were fully made known to him, before swearing, including the words added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect in the prosecution of this claim.

*N. W. Milliken*  
[Official Signature.]  
*Notary Public*  
[Official Character.]

L. S.

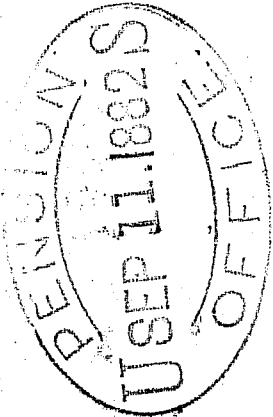
I, \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk of the County Court in and for aforesaid County and State, do certify that \_\_\_\_\_ Esq., who hath signed his name to the foregoing declaration and affidavit was at the time of so doing \_\_\_\_\_ in and for said County and State; duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 188

[L. S.]

Clerk of the \_\_\_\_\_

Note.—This should be sworn to before a CLERK OF COURT, NOTARY PUBLIC, or JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. If hereof, a JUSTICE or NOTARY, then CLERK OF COUNTY COURT, must add his certificate of character on the back before and not on a separate slip of paper.



MEDICAL EVIDENCE

AFFIDAVIT OF

*H. C. Van Cannel*

*1-30*

CLAIM OF

*H. C. Wilcox*

*204 827*

for

*Original Claim of Pension*

*[Large handwritten mark]*

Filed by

*Charles Brannon*

*702 10th St NE*

*Washington D.C.*

Printed and for sale by J. H. SOULE, Washington, D. C.

*Since the Fall of 1865*



# PHYSICIAN'S AFFIDAVIT.

RECEIVED  
MAR 1 1886  
PENSION OFFICE

TAKE NOTICE.—The affidavit should, if possible be in the handwriting of the affiant; the marginal instructions must be carefully observed before writing out the statement. All the facts in possession of affiant as to the origin and continuance of the disability should be fully set forth, and the dates of treatment should be specifically given. If the affidavit is prepared from memoranda in possession of the physician, that fact should be stated.

State of Wisconsin, County of Waushara, ss.

In the pension Claim No. 204327

of Robert H. Malcom late of

Co H 1st Wis Cav. Vol  
(Company and Regiment of service, if in the army; or vessel and rank if in the navy.)

Personally came before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for  
the aforesaid County and State, H C Vanfordale a citizen of Seyville  
whose Post Office address is Seyville Waushara Co. Wisconsin

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn declares in relation to aforesaid case as follows:

That he is a Practising Physician, and that he has been acquainted with said soldier for about 23 years, and that

I was not well acquainted with the  
[Here embody all the facts known to the affiant in accordance with the marginal instructions. No erasures or interlineations will be permitted unless the magistrate certifies in his jurat that they were made before executing the paper.]  
Claimant before the war yet I knew him

and his brothers I have been intimately  
acquainted with him since the winter  
of 1868 as I treated him some at that  
time and have been his family  
physician ever since and have  
observed his condition and  
have advised and treated him  
at intervals ever since  
I have been cognizant of his condition  
and have advised and treated him  
frequently in the last seven or eight  
years and know that his disabilities  
have become more aggravated  
especially the trouble with his back  
and hips and his kidney trouble  
is very severe at times and is a  
trouble to him all the time  
I am in no wise interested in  
this claim I know that he is not  
able to do anything toward his support  
himself and I know that if there was  
ever a soldier in the service of the U.S.  
that deserves a pension the above  
claimant is one.

Dr H C Vanfordale

NOTES  
The Physician's Affidavit must show the following facts:  
1st. Whether or not he knew the soldier prior to enlistment; the length of time he has known him how intimately and what opportunities he has had of observing his physical condition, whether as his family physician or as a neighbor; and how near he has lived to him. If he knew that the soldier was a sound man at enlistment, he should so state, adding, if true, that had he been unsound, he would have known it.  
2d. If he treated claimant while in the service either as his regimental surgeon or while claimant was home on furlough, that fact should be stated. The claimant's physical condition at such times should be clearly shown, as well as the NATURE OF HIS DISABILITY and dates of treatment.  
3d. If he has treated soldier since discharge he should so state, giving the date of his first treatment; what his physical condition was at the time, with complete diagnosis of the disability; the period during which he treated him should be stated, with dates, as near as possible, of the prescriptions.  
4th. The extent or degree to which claimant has been unable to perform manual labor during each year from discharge to the present time.

He further declares that he has been a practitioner of medicine for 23 years, and that he has no interest either direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Dr. H. C. Van Arsdale  
[Affiant's Signature. Give rank and service, if in the army.]

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25 day of February A. D. 1886

and I hereby certify that the affiant is a practising physician in good professional standing; that the contents of the above declaration, &c., were fully made known to him before swearing, including the words \_\_\_\_\_ erased, and the words \_\_\_\_\_, added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect in the prosecution of this claim.

W. B. Roburn  
[Official Signature.]

Justice of the Peace  
[Official Character.]

[L. S.]

I, J. A. P. Bird, Clerk of the County Court in and for aforesaid County and State, do certify that W. B. Roburn, Esq., who has signed his name to the foregoing declaration and affidavit was at the time of so doing a Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 26th day of February, 1886.

J. A. P. Bird Clerk of the Court

Clerk of the by Gilbert Tennant Deputy

[L. S.]

NOTE:—This should be sworn to before a CLERK OF COURT, NOTARY PUBLIC, or JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. If before a JUSTICE or NOTARY, then CLERK OF COUNTY COURT must add his certificate of character hereon, and not on a separate slip of paper.

MEDICAL EVIDENCE

AFFIDAVIT OF

H. C. Van Arsdale

CLAIM OF

Robert H. Wilson

Co. R. 1<sup>st</sup> Wisc. Cav.

No. 204827

for

Durand

FILED

MAR 1 1886

Filed by

CHARLES E. HARRMAN,

ROOM 35, GUNTON BUILDING,

Washington,

D. C.

Attention is invited to the outlines of the human skeleton and figure upon the back of this certificate, and they should be used whenever it is possible to indicate precisely the location of a disease or injury, the entrance and exit of a missile, an amputation, &c.

The absence of a member from a session of a board and the reason therefor, if known, and the name of the absentee, must be indorsed upon each certificate.

Insert character and number of claim.

Increase U.S. Pension Claim No. 360587  
(State above whether for original, increase, or restoration.)

Name and rank of claimant.

Robert H. Wilson, Rank, Pri

Claimant's post-office address.

Company K, 1 Reg't Wis Inf New London Wis State,  
[Post-office address of the Board.]  
Sawville Wis Apr 22, 1891.  
[Date of examination.]

We hereby certify that in compliance with the requirements of the law we have carefully examined this applicant, who states that he is suffering from the following disability, incurred in the service, viz:

Cause of disability.

If a pensioner, fill in the amount; if not, erase the whole line.

and that he receives a pension of Four dollars per month.

He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for Increase U.S.  
[Original, increase, restoration, &c.]

Here give the claimant's statement as briefly and as compactly as possible.

Disease of Chest & Intercostal Neuralgia & Dis of Kidneys

Upon examination we find the following objective conditions: Pulse rate, 100; respiration, 20; temperature, 100; height, 5 feet 4 inches; weight, \_\_\_\_\_ pounds; age, 64 years.

Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with pars. 5, 6, 51, 52, &c., of Book of Instructions for 1889

We find Intercostal Rheumatism affecting the Heart's action  
What-claimant-claims to be  
Kidney disease is Rheumatism of  
Smooth muscles of Dis ease of  
of Spine or Hips  
Find of great amount of  
General debility due to old age  
no other disability

Rate for EACH cause of disability.

He is, in our opinion, entitled to a Total rating for the disability caused by Rheumatism affecting Heart for that caused by Genl Debility and U.S. #4 for that caused by \_\_\_\_\_

A. H. Swenson, Pres. J. F. Corbett, Sec'y. W. H. Cauter, Treas.



SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

IN CASE OF

*Robt H Wilson*

Co. *K*, 1 Reg't *Wis Inf*

Applicant for *Increase UD*

No. *3603-87*

DATE OF EXAMINATION:

*April 22*, 1891

*W H Guernsey*, Pres.,  
*J F Corbett*, Sec'y, BOARD.  
*W H Santwell*, Regs.,

Post office, *New London*

County, \_\_\_\_\_

State, *Wis*

P. S.—Write your Post-office address plainly and in full.

*[Handwritten signature]*

Continue rec-  
ord of examine-  
tion here.

Vertical lines for recording examination details.

AFFIDAVIT FOR GENERAL PURPOSES

State of Wisconsin Manitowish County, ss.:

In the matter of the Pension Claim No. 360,587 of Robert H. Wilson

Co. K 1 Regt. Wis Cavalry Vols.:

On the 12<sup>th</sup> day of May 1891, before the undersigned authority

within and for said County and State, personally appeared Doctor S. G. Abbott

H. Wilson who, being duly sworn, states on oath that

I have been from an injury he received  
in the late U.S. Army from a horse falling on him.  
He is unable to do any manual labor - is totally  
disabled. He is often confined to his house  
& unable to go out of doors a great part of the  
time.

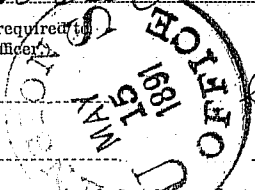
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That he testifies from personal knowledge and has no interest in this Pension Claim. 360 587

My Post Office address is W. Base

(When mark is made, two witnesses required to sign here other than the officer.)

(Signature.)



S. G. Abbott M.D.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year first above written, and I certify that affiant is respectable and entitled to credit, and that I have no interest in this claim, and that the contents of this Affidavit were made known to Affiant before signing. Witness my hand and official seal.

Chas. F. Smart

(Magistrate's Signature.)

This can be sworn before a Justice or Notary, and no certificate of Clerk of Court need be attached if said Notary will have filed in the Pension Office at Washington, D. C., a separate certificate of the Clerk of the Court, which will be sufficient for his term of office in that case. Affiant will please state the facts as fully as possible, and ALWAYS give Post Office address.

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE

--- IN ---

In said Claim No. 360, 587

--- OF ---

Robert H. Nelson

Late Co. K 1 Regt. Wis Vols.

FILED BY

**A. W. MCCORMICK & SONS,  
PENSION ATTORNEYS,**

**Corcoran Bldg, Washington, D. C.**

OFFICE OF  
CHARLES FAIRMAN,  
PENSION AND PATENT ATTORNEY,  
Room 35 Gunton Building

WASHINGTON, D. C. Oct. 24-1885.

The Surgeon General, U. S. A.  
Washington, D. C.

General;

I have the honor to request that if possible, you will furnish me with some information, relative to the case of Robt. H. Wilson late of Co. K. 1st. Wis. Cavy.

Said Wilson claims he was sent to Hospital No 1-Nashville Tenn. in March 1864, and remained there for about six weeks, that he was then sent to Camp Smith near Nashville, Tenn. with about forty five other members of the first Wis. Cavy. and that Camp Smith was their headquarters during the summer of 1864, that in Aug. 1864, these detached men were guarding a water tank, at Sec. 46-N. W. R. R. under command of Lt. Wm. Williamson, of the 31st. Wis. Inf. that on the second of Sept. 1864-they fought Wheelers Cavy. two miles from Franklin, Tenn. that on the fifth day of Sept. 1864, they were in battle at Campbellville, Tenn. and were commanded by Lt. Baker and Capt. Jones of the 1st. Wis. Cavy. that on Sept. 26-and 27th. they were in an engagement at Pulaski, Tenn. with Forrest's Cavy. that they were then commanded by Capt. Comstock and Martin of the 1st. Wis. Cavy. and at this engagement, he received an injury to his back by reason of his horse falling on him, and that he was treated therefor at Hos. No 1-Pulaski, Tenn. from about Sept. 28-1864 to Dec. 15-1864

OFFICE, OF  
 COMMISSIONER, PATENT AND TRADE MARKS,  
 AND PATENT ATTORNEY,  
 Room 35 Gunton Building

WASHINGTON, D. C.

The claimant has filed in his Pension claim the testimony of Daniel Smith, of Co. M. 1st. Wis. Cavy. R. N. Loomis and of Benj. Darling, of Co. K. 1st. Wis. Cavy. but the Pension Office refuses to accept the testimony of these witnesses or to credit the claimant's statement for the reason that, the records of the Adj. General's Office show that not only this claimant but also his witnesses were in Nashville Tenn. during the month of Sept. 1864, and that the 1st. Wis. Cavy. were in Coatsville, Tenn. Geo. during said month.

Cannot some record be found in your Office, showing the detail of this soldier and his comrades above named, to Camp Smith, Tenn. and is the order detailing such soldiers ~~un~~filed in your Office?

Also please inform me, to what Department the men stationed at Camp Smith, Tenn. reported for the months of Aug. and Sept. 1864.

Please return this letter with your reply.

Very respectfully,

*Charles G. Smith*

*John*



## WAR DEPARTMENT,

Surgeon General's Office,

Washington, D. C., Oct. 28, 1880.

Respectfully returned to Charles,  
S. Fairman Esq.,  
Room 35 Gunton Building,  
Washington, D.C.

Under the rules of  
the War Department no in-  
formation can be given from  
the records of this office,  
which may be used to base  
a claim against the Govern-  
ment or to advance or sup-  
port a claim already made ex-  
cept for the use of the of-  
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cation therefor from such office.

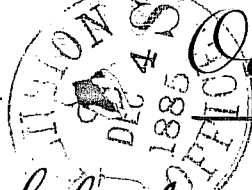
R Murray  
Surgeon General U. S. Army.

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SURGEON GENERAL'S  
OFFICE.

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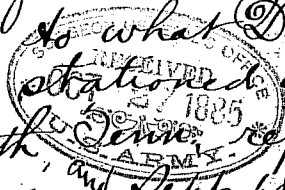
Washington, D. C.,



Oct. 24, 1885

Charles E. Fairman  
Atty.

In claim of Robt H.  
Wilson, Co 1<sup>st</sup> Wis  
Cav., asks if records  
R.R. show detail of this  
soldier and his comrades  
named within, to Camp  
Smith, Tenn., and if the  
order detailing such soldier  
is on file in R.R. Also  
asks to what Depot the  
man stationed at Camp  
Smith, Tenn., reported  
for Aug. and Sept. 1864.



## WAR DEPARTMENT,

Surgeon General's Office,  
Washington, D. C., *Dec 3<sup>d</sup>*, 1885.

Respectfully returned to the Commis-  
sioner of Pensions.

*The records of  
this office, do not  
show the detail of  
Robert H. Wilson Co. K.  
1<sup>st</sup> Wis. Cav. or any of  
his comrades named  
within to Camp Smith,  
Tenn., nor is the order  
of such detail on  
file.*

*By order of the  
Surgeon General  
D. L. Armstrong  
Surgeon U. S. Army.*

Washington D. C.  
Oct 25-1885

Hon Commissioner of Pensions,  
Sir.

I have the honor to  
request, that a call be  
made on the Surgeon Genl  
U.S.A. for the information  
called for in this letter,  
and that this letter may  
be returned to me,

Very respectfully

Charles F. Johnson

Respectfully referred  
 to Surgeon General  
 for his action and  
 consideration with  
 request if not in  
 consistency with course  
 of business to advise  
 this Bureau as to  
 matters required  
 within.

W. L. ...

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PENSION OFFICE  
 OCT 18 1885

Mr no 20482 <sup>Smy</sup> <sub>76</sub>

Robert H. Nelson  
N. 1. Mic. Car-

3605-87

# INVALID PENSION.

Claimant, Robert H. Wilson

P.O., Saxeville  
County, Waukegan  
State, Wisc.

Rank, Priv.  
Company, K.  
Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Wisc. Vol. Cav.

Rate, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month, commencing \_\_\_\_\_

Disabled by \_\_\_\_\_

### RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY:

Name, \_\_\_\_\_ Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_, Agent \_\_\_\_\_ to pay.  
P.O., \_\_\_\_\_ Articles filed \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_

### APPROVALS:

Submitted for ad. June 4, 1894. W. W. Morrow, Examiner.

Approved for \_\_\_\_\_ Approved for \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, Legal Reviewer. \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, Medical Referee.

Enlisted Jan. 18, 1864  
Discharged July 19, 1865. Last paid to \_\_\_\_\_, at \$ 8<sup>00</sup> Mex. War.  
Pensioned from July 18, 1882, at \$ 4<sup>00</sup>, for dis. gen. (intercostal neuralgia)

Original declaration filed June 9, 1875; alleged sprain back and spine (ruptured)  
Sup. " July 18, 1882 " disease of kidneys and chest,  
inc. ruptured. Oct 17 1891 (?)

Pensioned at \$ 8<sup>00</sup> Mex. War Serv. from Jan. 24, 1887  
Suspended Feb. 3, 1891. Suspension removed May 12, 1894  
Dec. filed May 25, 1888. alleged deafness from cold near Nashville Tenn. Mar. /64

Arrears allowed from \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, at \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### PRESENT CLAIM.

Declaration filed July 21, 1887. Int. to side disease kidneys & deafness.  
Affidavit May 25, 1888. Deafness as above.  
1890 cold in head, bronchitis and deafness. Mar. /64

# Increase INVALID PENSION.

Claimant, Robert H Wilson  
 P.O., Luxeville Rank, Private  
 County, Wausau Company, K  
 State, Wisconsin Regiment, 1st Wisconsin Vol Cavalry

Rate, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month, commencing \_\_\_\_\_

REJECTED.

Disabled by \_\_\_\_\_

### RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY:

Name, A W. Mc Cormick Fee \$ 10, Agent \_\_\_\_\_ to pay.  
 P.O., Washington D.C. Articles filed \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_

### APPROVALS:

Submitted for <u>See Sept 11</u> , 18 <u>91</u>	<u>James O'Hall</u> Examiner.
Approved for <u>Disease of chest (intercostal neuralgia)</u>	Approved for <u>Disease of chest (intercostal neuralgia)</u>
<u>Remo suspension, &amp; deduct payments as clerical survivor from Jan. 29, 1887, at \$8.00 per mo. per Act. G. 896. and draft name from rolls on said Act. See list for dropping therefrom.</u>	<u>4/18. No increase</u>
<u>Oct. 14</u> , 18 <u>91</u> <u>Langdon</u> , Legal Reviewer.	<u>Whitney</u> <u>Houston</u> <u>Oct. 17, 1891</u> , <u>Dr. S. Ingram</u> , Medical Referee.

Discharged July 19, 1865 Last paid to \_\_\_\_\_, at \$ 4  
 Pensioned from July 18, 1862 at \$ 4, for Disease of chest

Original declaration filed June 9, 1875; alleged Severe sprain of the spine & lower part of the back  
Original filed July 10, 1862 - Disease of chest  
Claim for Honor of Spine. Rejected Aug 25, 1886 & used 20. 1887  
(Mgt. Sec. Mexican War Mech 29 "1885" allowance June 28. 1887  
at \$8.00 per month - ~~at \$8.00 per mo~~ Suspended July 3, 1891  
aff. dec. filed Apr 25, 1876 (Opp) Disease of chest  
orig. dec. filed May 25, 1861. - Deafness  
 Arrears allowed from \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, at \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### PRESENT CLAIM.

Declaration filed July 21, 1887 Increase / and injury to spine because of the stiffness & deafness. W. Mc Cormick  
Writes



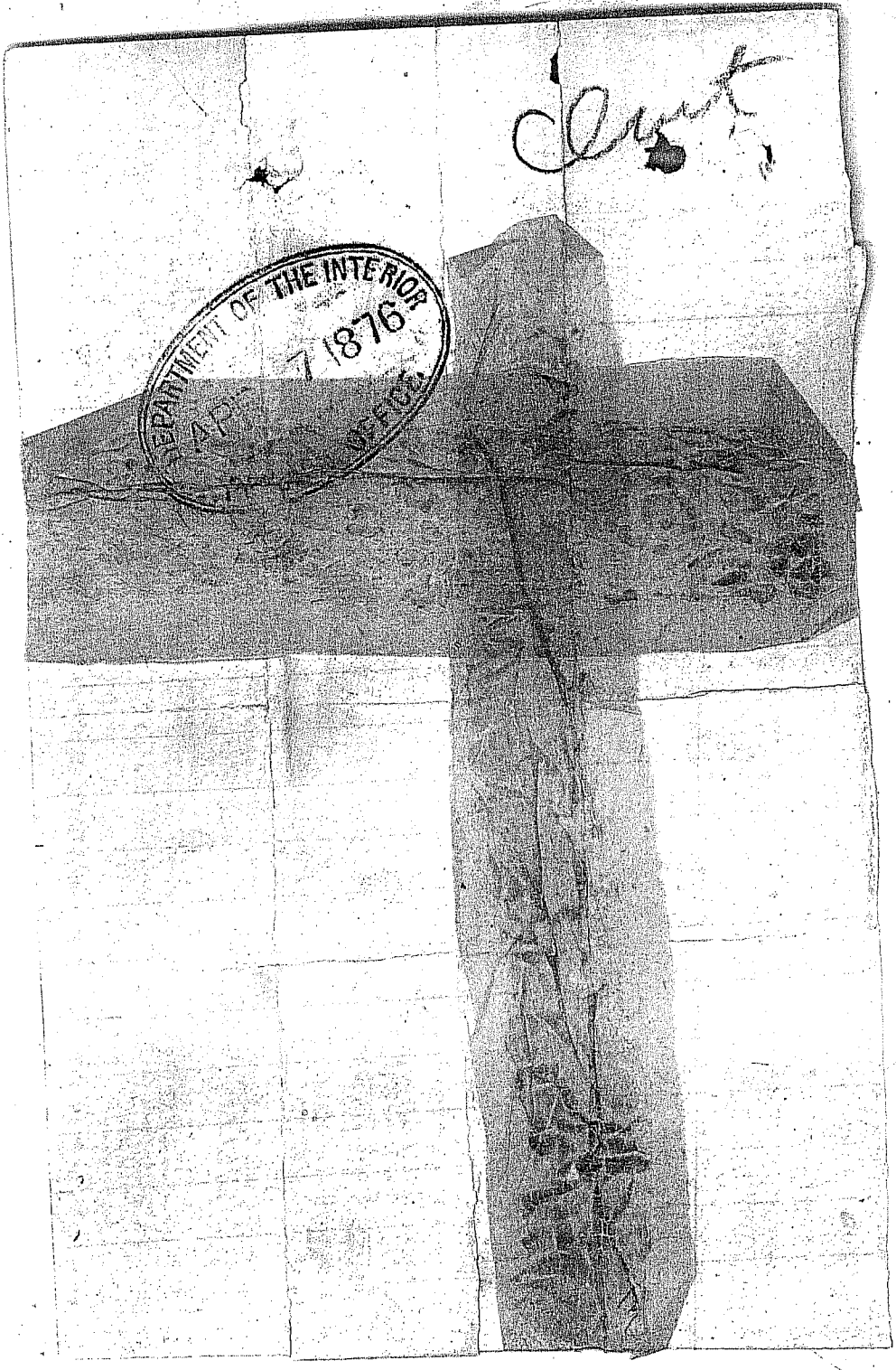
Solville Wisconsin  
 I Robert H. Wilson Do solemnly  
 swear that I was not treated in  
 the Regiment for my Disability  
 any more than this I got medicine  
 from the Regimental Surgeon  
 a number of times I cannot tell  
 how often I would not go on the  
 Sick Report Robert H. Wilson  
 Co. H. 1<sup>st</sup> Wis Cav.

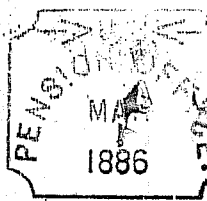
The above affidavit was  
 subscribed and sworn to  
 before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of  
 April A D 1876

J. P. Westcott  
 Justice of the Peace

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
APR 7 1876  
OFFICE





Sayreville Feb 25 - 1886  
 I Robt. H. Wilson of Co. K: 1<sup>st</sup> Regt  
 Cav. Vol. Person Claim no 204827)  
 Do testify to the following facts  
 as relates to my physical and  
 financial condition  
 1<sup>st</sup> That I am sick and have  
 not been able to do any work  
 for the last seven or eight  
 years only little chores which  
 I was obliged to do  
 and there are frequently days  
 together that I am unable  
 to be out of bed.  
 2<sup>nd</sup> In regard to my means of  
 support I have only what  
 comes off a little sandy poor  
 farm of which my wife has  
 a title but has been obliged to  
 give a mortgage so as to have  
 immediate help and it cannot  
 last much longer as the  
 demands on the place are  
 now two hundred dollars and  
 the place would not sell  
 for more than four hundred  
 dollars I have no other means  
 of support or help except  
 a little delicate girl  
 who can by working in  
 small ways  
 She can and may  
 ought to do.

The last seven or eight years only little chores which I was obliged to do and there are frequently days together that I am unable to be out of bed.

2<sup>nd</sup> In regard to my means of support I have only what comes off a little sandy poor farm of which my wife has a title but has been obliged to give a mortgage so as to have immediate help and it cannot last much longer as the demands on the place are now two hundred dollars and the place would not sell for more than four hundred dollars I have no other means of support or help except

little delicate girl I can by working on small wages. She can and may do ought to do.

Robert H. Wilson

Present

STATE OF WISCONSIN, } ss.  
WAUSHARA COUNTY

I, J. N. P. Bird, Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for said County,

certify that..... N. B. Coburn..... Esq., before whom the annexed instrument in writing

proved or acknowledged, and whose name thereto appears, was at the time of the date thereof a Justice of Peace wif and for said County duly commissioned and qualified, and authorized to take the same; that I am well acquaint with the handwriting of the said Notary, and believe the signature thereon purporting to be his to be genuine.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Court at Wautoma

this Twenty Sixth day of February A. D. 1886

J. N. P. Bird Clerk.

By Gilbert Somers Deputy.

give a mortgage so as to have  
 immediate help and it cannot  
 last much longer as the  
 demands on the place are  
 now two hundred dollars and  
 the place would not sell  
 for more than four hundred  
 dollars. I have no other means  
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 a little delicate girl  
 I can earn by work in  
 small ways.  
 She can and will do  
 anything to do.

Robert H. Wilson

STATE OF W  
 WAUSHARA  
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Personally came before the undersigned  
 Justice of the peace in and for Waushara  
 County and being personally acquainted with  
 said Robert Wilson he does testify to  
 the above

W. B. Coburn Justice of the Peace

Div. 204827  
Robt. H. Wilson  
Co. H. 1<sup>st</sup> Wis. Cav.

filed by  
Charles E. Fairman.  
Washington, D. C.

State of Wisconsin County, of Washburn ss.

On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September 1890, before the undersigned authority within, and for said County and State, personally appeared Robert H. Wilson Applicant for increase of pension who, being duly sworn, states on oath that Robert H. Wilson of Co. K 1<sup>st</sup> Regt. Wis. Cav. Vols. from exposure in the line of his duty in the U. S. Service\*

at or near Nashville in the State of Tennessee on or about March 1864, contracted disease called a severe cold in his head & Bronchitis

very much disabling him at the time and affecting his hearing before discharge in July 1865. and has been defective in his hearing from that date to the present time. until he has become quite deaf.

and that I am unable to furnish Commissioned Officers of my Co. or Reg. other than that of Comrades furnished

That he testifies from personal knowledge, having been a private of Co. K [State rank at time and Company.]

1<sup>st</sup> Wis. Cav Regt. of Vols., and serving with said soldier at the time.

That he has no interest in this Pension Claim.

My Post Office address is Bayville, Washburn Co, Wis.

When mark is made, two witnesses required to sign here other than the officer.

(Signature.)

Robert H. Wilson

Late Co. K Co. 1<sup>st</sup> Regt. Wis. Cav. Vols. [Here state your rank at final discharge.]

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year first above written, and I certify that said affiant is respectable and entitled to credit, and that I have no interest in this claim, and that the contents of this Affidavit were made known to Affiant before signing. Witness my hand and official seal.

H. W. Millstone  
Notary Public

This can be sworn before a Justice or Notary, and no certificate of Clerk of Court need be attached if said magistrate will have filed in the Pension Office at Washington, D. C., a separate certificate of the Clerk of Court, which will be sufficient for his term of office.

If the officer knows that the disease continued to affect him till discharged, or that he was treated by the Regimental Surgeon, or in Hospitals, please state the facts.

This must be executed by some commissioned officer (or first sergeant of his Company,) if one can possibly be found who knows the facts. If not, have two comrades testify to the above, using th's blank. Always give Company and Regiment, and Post Office.

Notarial certificate on file with the Commissioner of Pensions

State of \_\_\_\_\_ County of \_\_\_\_\_, ss.

I CERTIFY that \_\_\_\_\_ before whom the foregoing affidavit was made is a \_\_\_\_\_ duly authorized to administer oaths, and the within is his signature.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

189\_\_\_\_\_

Clerk of the \_\_\_\_\_ Court of said County.

The Clerk's Certificate need not be executed if a certificate is filed separately in the Pension Office for the term of notary's office.

*Handwritten notes and signatures in the middle section of the document.*

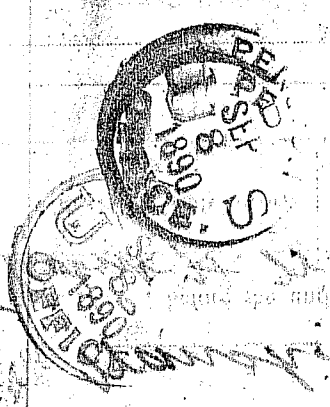
ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE

IN \_\_\_\_\_  
Invested Claim No. 360587

OF \_\_\_\_\_  
Robert M. Wilson

Late Co. \_\_\_\_\_  
- Regt. 1st. Inf. Cal. Vols.

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FILED BY  
A. W. MCCORMICK & SONS,  
PENSION ATTORNEYS,  
Fike's Opera Building, CINCINNATI, O.



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Cert. No. 360 587

Name, Robert H. Wilson

Rank, Pvt.; Service, N 1 Wa Inf

Original Roll: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency Transf'd \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_

“ \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_

Issued \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_

Mailed \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_

Date and Period, \$ \_\_\_\_\_, from \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_

Issue, Class, Fee, \$, Entered

Deductions: \_\_\_\_\_

Disability: \_\_\_\_\_

Issued \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_

Mailed \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_

Date and Period, \$ \_\_\_\_\_, from \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_

Issue, Class, Fee, \$, Entered

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Disability: \_\_\_\_\_

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Invo of 360.587

(3-551.)

This form of fee contract is prescribed by the Commissioner of Pensions and approved by the Secretary of the Interior, July 8, 1884, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved July 4, 1883.

TO BE EXECUTED IN DUPLICATE WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COST TO CLAIMANT

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT

Whereas I, Robert G. Wilson, late a ... in Company 16, of the 1 Regiment of Wis Cav. Volunteers, war of 1861-5, having made application for pension under the laws of the United States: 360 587

Now this agreement witnesseth: That for and in consideration of services done and to be done in the premises, I hereby agree to allow my agents, A. W. McCORMICK & SONS, of Cincinnati, O. the fee of twenty-five dollars, which shall include all amounts to be paid for any services in the furtherance of said claim; and said fee shall not be demanded by or payable to my said agents, in whole or in part, except in case of the granting of my pension by the Commissioner of Pensions; and that the same shall be paid to them in accordance with the provisions of Sections 4768 and 4769 of the Revised Statutes, U. S.

E. T. Hughes, D. H. Jones (Signatures of two witnesses.)

Robert G. Wilson (Signature of Claimant.) Sawville Wis (Post-Office Address.)

State of Wisconsin, County of Wausau, ss:

Be it known, that on this, the 20th day of June, A. D., 1888, personally appeared Robert G. Wilson the above named, who, after having had read over to him in the hearing and presence of the two attesting witnesses the contents of the foregoing articles of agreement, voluntarily signed and acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

[L. S.]

Charles F. Smart (Official Signature.) Notary Public

AND NOW, to wit, this 25th day of June, A. D., 1888, we accept the provisions contained in the foregoing articles of agreement, and will, to the best of our ability, endeavor faithfully to represent the interest of the claimant in the premises, we hereby certify that we have received from the claimant above named the sum of no dollars, and no more, nothing dollars being for fee, and the sum of no dollars being for postage and other expenses. And that these agreements have been executed in duplicate without additional cost to the claimant, as required by law, in excess of the fee above named, the said agents making no charge therefor.

A. W. McCormick & Sons (Signature of Agent.)

Witness our hand the year and day above written.

State of Ohio, Hamilton County, ss.

Personally came Mr McCormick, of the firm of A. W. McCORMICK & SONS whom I know to be the person he represents himself to be, and who, having signed above acceptance of agreement, acknowledged the same to be their free act and deed.

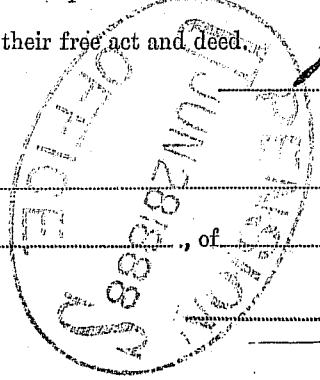
[L. S.]

M. B. Thomas (Official Signature.)

N. P.

APPROVED FOR ... DOLLARS and payable to

... of ... the recognized attorney.



Commissioner of Pensions.

This form of fee contract is prescribed by the Commissioner of Pensions and approved by the Secretary of the Interior July 8, 1884, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved July 4, 1864.

TO BE EXECUTED IN DUPLICATE WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COST TO CLAIMANT.

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT.

WHEREAS I,

*Robert H. Wilson*

late of *Private*

*No.* of the *1st* Regiment of *Wis. Cav.* Volunteers,

*at 1865* having made application for pension under the laws of the United States.

AGREEMENT WITNESSETH: That for and in consideration of his services done and to be done in the premises, I hereby agree to allow my agent, CHARLES E. FAIRMAN, of Washington, D. C., the fee of TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS, which shall include all amounts to be paid for any service in furtherance of said claim; and said fee shall not be demanded by or payable to my said agent, in whole or in part, except in case of the granting of my pension by the Commissioner of Pensions; and then the same shall be paid to him in accordance with the provisions of sections 4768 and 4769 of the Revised Statutes.

*F. G. Nelson*

*C. C. McCarley*

[Two Witnesses' Signatures.]

*Robert H. Wilson*

[Signature of Claimant.]

*Sayreville, Waukegan Co. Wis.*

[Post-office address.]

State of *Wisconsin*, County of *Waukegan*, ss.

Be it known that on this, the *30* day of *July*, A. D. 188*4*, personally appeared *Robert H. Wilson*, who, after having had read over to *him* in the hearing and presence of the two attesting witnesses the contents of the foregoing articles of agreement, voluntarily signed and acknowledged the same to be *his* free act and deed.

[L. S.]

*N. W. Maffett*

[Official Signature.]

*Notary Public*

And now, to wit, this *9* day of *August*, A. D. 188*4*, I accept the provisions contained in the foregoing articles of agreement, and will, to the best of my ability, endeavor faithfully to represent the interest of the claimant in the premises. I hereby certify that I have received from the claimant above-named, the sum of *One* dollars and no more *100* dollars being for fee, and the sum of *One* dollars being for postage and other expenses. And that these agreements have been executed in duplicate without additional cost to the claimant, as required by law in excess of the fee above-named, the said agent making no charge therefor.

Witness my hand the year and day above written.

*Charles E. Fairman*

[Signature of Agent.]

State of *Vermont*, County of *Franklin*, ss.

Personally came CHARLES E. FAIRMAN, whom I know to be the person he represents himself to be, and who, having signed above acceptance of agreement, acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

[L. S.]

*A. W. Beach*

Notary Public

APPROVED FOR \_\_\_\_\_ DOLLARS and payable to \_\_\_\_\_

of \_\_\_\_\_

recognized attorney

Commissioner of Pensions

NOTICE TO CLAIMANT

This contract is permissible under the law but not compulsory.

READ THE FOLLOWING COPY OF THE STATUTE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled

SEC. 3. That section 4785 of the Revised Statutes is hereby re-enacted and amended so as to read as follows

SEC. 4785. No agent or attorney or other person shall demand or receive any other compensation for his services in prosecuting a claim for pension or bounty land than such as the Commissioner of Pensions shall direct to be paid to him, not exceeding \$25, nor shall such agent, attorney or other person demand or receive such compensation in whole or in part until such pension or bounty land claim shall be allowed: Provided, That in all claims allowed since June 20, 1878, where it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Pensions that the fee of \$10, or any part thereof, has not been paid, he shall cause the same to be deducted from the pension and the pension agent to pay the same to the recognized attorney.

SEC. 4. That section 4786 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows

SEC. 4786. The agent or attorney of record in the prosecution of the case may cause to be filed with the Commissioner of Pensions duplicate articles of agreement without additional cost to the claimant, setting forth the fee agreed upon by the parties, which agreement shall be executed in the presence of and certified by some officer competent to administer oaths. In all cases where application is made for pension or bounty land, and no agreement is filed with the Commissioner as herein provided, the fee shall be \$10 and no more. And such articles of agreement as may hereafter be filed with the Commissioner of Pensions are not authorized, nor will they be recognized except in claims for original pensions, claims for increase of pension on account of new disability, in claims for restoration where a pensioner's name has been or may hereafter be dropped from the pension rolls on testimony taken by a special examiner, showing that the disability or cause of death, on account of which the pension was allowed, did not originate in the line of duty, and in cases of dependent relatives whose names have been or may hereafter be dropped from the rolls on like testimony, upon the ground of non-dependence, and in such other cases of difficulty and trouble as the Commissioner of Pensions may see fit to recognize them. Provided, That no greater fee than \$10 shall be demanded, received, or allowed in any claim for pension or bounty land granted by special act of Congress, nor in any claim for increase of pension on account of the increase of the disability for which the pension had been allowed. And provided further, That no fee shall be demanded, received, or allowed in any claim for arrears of pension or arrears of increase of pension allowed by any act of Congress passed subsequent to the date of the allowance of the original claims in which such arrears of pension or of increase of pension may be allowed.

And if in the adjudication of any claim for pension in which such articles of agreement have been or may hereafter be filed it shall appear that the claimant had prior to the execution thereof paid to the attorney any sum for his services in such claim, and the amount so paid is not stipulated therein, then every such claim shall be adjudicated in the same manner as though no articles of agreement had been filed, deducting from the fee of \$10 allowed by law such sum as claimant shall show that he has paid to his said attorney.

Any agent or attorney or other person instrumental in prosecuting any claim for pension or bounty land who shall directly or indirectly contract for, demand or receive or retain any greater compensation for his services or instrumentality in prosecuting a claim for pension or bounty land than is herein provided, or for payment thereof at any other time or in any other manner than is herein provided, or who shall wrongfully withhold from a pensioner or claimant the whole or any part of the pension or claim allowed and due such pensioner or claimant, or the land warrant issued to any such claimant shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall for every such offense be fined not exceeding \$500, or imprisoned at hard labor not exceeding two years, or both in the discretion of the court.

Approved July 4, 1884.

THE AGREEMENT

No. 4607

CLAIM OF

Robert H. Wilson

CO. H. 15th REG'T. ILL. VOL. 15, 1861-1865

FOR PENSION.

Handwritten signature/initials

Filed by

CHARLES E. FAIRMAN,

ATTORNEY,

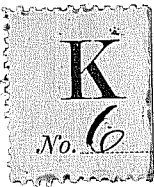
Washington, D. C.

State of Wisconsin  
 Washburn County } ss

Robert H. Wilson being duly sworn as Oath says that on or about the 28<sup>th</sup> day of September 1864 he was injured by the fall of his horse onto him while in the line of his duty in the service of the United States Army (he being a member of Company K First Wisconsin Cavalry) near Pulaski Tennessee that he was sent to the Hospital at Pulaski Tennessee, remained at the Hospital a short time and went to his Company and met them at Camp Smith on the Cumberland River but was suffering quite severely from his injury during the remainder of his service

Robert H. Wilson

4 Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 1875  
 O. L. Bump  
 County Judge



affidavit of  
OVC  
as to engine  
Chants aff.

Ins. Pms claim

Chs. 204.827

Robt N Wilson

Testimony as to origin  
of disability

# Power of Attorney.

Know all Men by these Presents, That I, Robert H. Wilson

late of Company (1) 11. 1<sup>st</sup> Wisconsin Cavalry Reg.  
do hereby constitute **CHARLES E. FAIRMAN**, of Washington, D. C., my  
attorney, with full power of substitution, hereby revoking and annulling  
all former authorizations to prosecute to completion my claim for  
pension filed \_\_\_\_\_ and numbered (2) 204,827

Wm Leonard aty at Washington Dc being my former  
aty. and said are having been rejected

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal, this 28<sup>th</sup>  
day of January 1882

B. W. Barnes

Wm. Jorgenson  
TWO WITNESSES.

Signature,

Robert H. Wilson

Address,

Saxville  
Waukeshau Co.  
Wisconsin

State of Wisconsin

County of Waukeshau

ss:

Signed and sealed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of Jan before me, and I  
certify that the contents were made known to him before signing.



A. W. Miller  
Notary Public

- (1) Put in the Company and Regiment in which you served.
- (2) Give number of claim.

NOTE.—If executed before a Justice of the Peace or Notary Public not having a seal, the official character of the Justice or Notary should be shown by the certificate of the County Clerk.

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Power of Attorney.

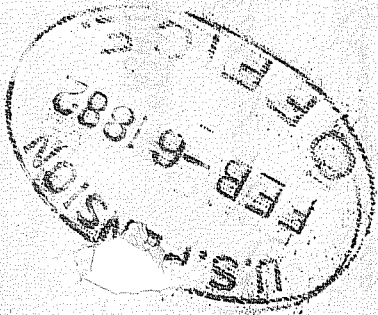
No. 204827

Robert H. Wilson

Co. H. 1st Wisc. Cav.

Invalid Pension

*[Handwritten signature]*



—FILED BY—

Charles E. Fairman,

702 10th Street N. E.,

WASHINGTON, D. C.



## AFFIDAVIT FOR GENERAL PURPOSES.

State of Wisconsin Wausau County, ss.:In the matter of the Pension Claim No 360587 of Robert H. WilsonCo. K / Regt. Wis Vols.: Car.On the Sixth day of June 1892, before the undersigned authority within and for said County and State, personally appeared Robert H. Wilsonthe claimant who, being duly sworn, states on oath that

in the early spring of 1864 claimant with others were sent to a waiting camp near Nashville Tenn to be sent to Cleveland Tenn to the Regiment. We had few comforts and much exposed he contracted a severe cold greatly affecting his head throat and lungs he became totally disabled and in March 1864 he was sent to Hospital and while in the Hospital his comrades or the recruits who were in the Camp were sent forward to join the Regiment 1<sup>st</sup> Wis. Cav. and to be assigned affient, really did not know when he was sent to the Hospital whether he should be assigned to Co. K or not. Hence as there were no Company K officers present in Camp he cannot furnish the evidence of the origin of this cold affecting his head and ears that he has furnished the testimony of Sargent Orin Gray as to the origin of the cold referred to, in said affidavit there may be a little discrepancy as to date but as to the facts in the main is true.

Then he respectfully asks the Hon. Com. to accept the evidence of Soldiers in other Companies of the 1<sup>st</sup> Wis. Cav. to corroborate the testimony of Sargent Gray

Robert H. Wilson (Seal)

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That he testifies from personal knowledge and has no interest in this Pension Claim.

My Post Office address is Seyville Wis

(When mark is made, two witnesses required to sign here other than the officer.)

(Signature.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year first above written, and I certify that affiant is respectable and entitled to credit, and that I have no interest in this claim, and that the contents of this Affidavit were made known to Affiant before signing. Witness my hand and official seal.

*Notarial Seal on file  
in Commission of Pension Office.*

*N. W. Milliken*  
(Magistrate's Signature.) *Notary Public*

This can be sworn before a Justice or Notary, and no certificate of Clerk of Court need be attached if said Notary will have filed in the Pension Office at Washington, D. C., a separate certificate of the Clerk of the Court, which will be sufficient for his term of office in that case. Affiant will please state the facts as fully as possible, and ALWAYS give Post Office address.

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE  
JUN 10 1892  
Invalid Claim No. 360587

OF

*Robert H. Nelson*

Late Co. K 1 Regt. Wis Vols.

FILED BY  
A. W. MCCORMICK & SONS,  
PENSION ATTORNEYS,  
Concoran Bld'g, Washington, D. C.

State of Wisconsin County, ss.:  
In the matter of the Pension Claim No. 360587 of Robert H. Wilson  
Co. K Regt. 1st Wis Cav Vols.: war 1861-5

On the 20<sup>th</sup> day of June 1888, before the undersigned authority within and for  
said County and State, personally appeared Robert H. Wilson  
who being duly sworn, states on oath that he ~~first became acquainted with the physical condition of the~~  
~~said~~ is the above claimant ~~after his return from the army~~  
~~about~~ 18 ~~and found him suffering from disease called~~  
~~\_\_\_\_\_~~  
~~from which he knew him to continue to suffer each year up to about~~ 18  
That he ~~treated him for said disease at intervals from about~~  
~~\_\_\_\_\_ 18 to about \_\_\_\_\_ 18~~ That it is believed  
~~the above originated in the U. S. Service.~~

~~The progress and symptoms of this disease have been as follows:~~

and that the Regimental Surgeon nor  
any of his assistants did not treat me  
while in the service for deafness  
because my ears were not sore and  
did not think it necessary.

Robert H. Wilson

Sworn to and subscribed to before  
me the day and year above written  
I certify that the above claimant is  
respectable and entitled to credit  
any that I made from which the content  
of this affidavit before executing the same.  
Witness my hand and Official Seal  
Chas. A. Smart  
Nature Public

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That in affiant's opinion he was disabled for hard labor to a\* \_\_\_\_\_ degree on an average during the above period, and to a\* \_\_\_\_\_ degree at present by the above, as near as he can judge.

That he testifies from personal knowledge and has no interest in this Pension Claim.

My Post Office address is \_\_\_\_\_

Physician's Signature.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year first above written, and I certify that affiant is respectable and entitled to credit, and that I have no interest in this claim, and that the contents of this Affidavit were made known to Affiant before signing. Witness my hand and official seal.

(Magistrate's Signature.)

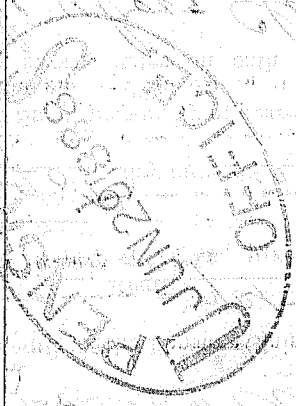
This can be sworn before a Justice or Notary, and no certificate of Clerk of Court need be attached if said magistrate will have filed in the Pension Office at Washington, D. C., a separate certificate of the Clerk of Court, which will be sufficient for his term of office. The doctor will please give as full a statement as possible, with dates of treatment, and if he knows the soldier was free from these diseases at enlistment, will please add that fact, and state of what Medical College he is a graduate, if any. \*Here say 1/2, 3/4, or total. It is very important that an OPINION as to the rate be given. Total gives \$8.00 a month pension. If he can do no work \$30.00 per month.

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE

Invalid Claim No. 860 S 1

Robert W. Wilson

Late Co. K 1 Regt. Wis. Cav. Vols.



A. W. MCCORMICK & SON,  
PENSION ATTORNEYS,  
Pike's Opera Building, CINCINNATI, O.

ORIGINAL INVALID CLAIM.

Soldier, Robert K Wilson  
P. O., Saxeville Rank, Pvt "  
County, Waushara Company, Ko  
State, Wis Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Wis Cav  
Rates, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month, commencing \_\_\_\_\_

**REJECTED.**  
AUG 31 1886

Pensioned for \_\_\_\_\_

RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY:

Name, Charles E Fairman Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_, Agent \_\_\_\_\_ to pay.  
P. O., City Articles filed \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVALS:

Submitted for Rejection, Aug 24<sup>th</sup>, 1886, E. V Benton, Spcl Examiner.  
Disabled by \_\_\_\_\_

*W.P.* Approved for Rejection for injury to spine Approved for \_\_\_\_\_  
& back: no record or medical  
treatment in service. The evidence  
fails to satisfactorily prove the alleged  
injury. The record shows that claimant was not at Pulaski  
 Tenn. in Sept or Oct 1864 but was absent sick at  
Nashville. For disease of 1<sup>st</sup> Div & 2<sup>nd</sup> Regt  
under order of 2. See Sup. Medical Report  
attached.  
Aug 25, 1886, S. Ormond, Legal Reviewer. \_\_\_\_\_, 188 \_\_\_\_\_, Medical Reviewer.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Enlisted \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_ service from \_\_\_\_\_  
Mustered \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, in  
Discharged \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_  
Declaration filed \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_ Not in service since \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_

BASIS OF CLAIM.

ORIGINAL INVALID CLAIM

Soldier, Robert H. Wilson  
 P. O., Daxville Rank, Private  
 County, Waukaha Company, K  
 State, Wisconsin Regiment, 1 Mo Cav  
 Rates, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month, commencing July 20/65

Pensioned for \_\_\_\_\_

RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY:

Name, Charles E. Fairman Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_, Agent \_\_\_\_\_ to pay.  
 P. O., Present Articles filed \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVALS:

Submitted for Rec'd Feb 20, 1886 H. Smith, Examiner.  
 Disabled by injury to back & spine - disease of kidneys & chest.  
525 June 2/86 Collapse of H

Approved for \_\_\_\_\_ Approved for \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_, 188 \_\_\_\_\_, Legal Reviewer. \_\_\_\_\_, 188 \_\_\_\_\_, Medical Reviewer.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Enlisted January 18, 1864 service from \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mustered so 19, 1864 18 \_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, in \_\_\_\_\_  
 Discharged July 19, 1865  
 Declaration filed June 9, 1875 Not in service since July 19 decl. 1865  
so so July 18 1882

BASIS OF CLAIM.

Pulaski Inn received sprains of back & spine while on a rest less horse.

Decl filed July 18/82 claims pension for disease of kidneys and chest.

Reject for disease of kidneys and chest order 92. No PA  
Club notes

Agency

Certificate No.

Original

INVESTIGATED CLAIM.

Claimant

Robert H. Wilson

Rank

Private

Co.

K 1

Regt.

Wisconsin Cavalry

Rate, \$

commencing

Disabled by

Claimant's P. O.

Saxeville

Manushara

County, State of

Wisconsin

Attorney

William Leonard Eng Box 612 Washington D.C.

Fee, \$

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Articles of Agreement filed

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Submitted for

rejection

21 June 1876

1876, by

Morris Kitcham, Examiner.

Approved.

Approved.

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Reviewer.

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Medical Referee.

IMPORTANT ITEMS

Enlisted 18 January 1864. Mustered 19 January 1864  
 Discharged from the service 19 July 1865.  
 Original application filed 9 June 1875.  
 Claim completed 25 May 1876.  
 Certificate surrendered 187.  
 Last paid at \$ 18.

Served in the military or naval service of the United States since discharged 19 Feb. 1865.

Be rejected the ground that the said is in fact to furnish information. D. B. B. July 18 1876

FORMER ACTION.

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PRESENT ACTION.

Alleges disability from

A slow sprain of spine or lower part of the back, caused in the management and while on a restless horse, in an action with the enemy near Pulaski Tenn. on or about 28 September 1864.

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MEMORANDA.

Adjutant General reports claimant in hospital at date he alleges contraction of disability. He is unable to furnish medical evidence of treatment in clinic, and there is no hospital record of treatment. Can't furnish medical evidence of existence



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# EXAMINING SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

IN THE CASE OF AN ORIGINAL APPLICANT.

No. of Application, 204827

State: Wisconsin County: Portage

Post Office: Amherst May 22<sup>nd</sup> 1876

I hereby certify, That I have carefully examined Robert H Wilson, late a Private Co. "K", 1<sup>st</sup> Reg't, Wis. Vol. Cav. in the service of the United States, who is an APPLICANT for an invalid pension by reason of alleged disability resulting from injury caused by fall of horse

Applicant's service.

Degree of disability.

In my opinion the said Robert H. Wilson is totally incapacitated for obtaining his subsistence by manual labor from the cause above stated.

Origin.

Judging from his present condition, and from the evidence before me, it is my belief that the said disability did originate in the service aforesaid in the line of duty.

Probable duration.

The disability is Permanent

Particular description.

A more particular description of the applicant's condition is subjoined:

Height, 5-7 1/2; weight, 120; complexion, fair, age, 54; pulse, 65; respiration, 18

Claimant states that his horse fell upon him at or near Pulaski. - He has a "chronic nephritis" (both kidneys) has a great deal of pains and straining during micturition. Has prolapse of Rectum, at times to the extent of several inches. - General health is poor - looks very weak & emaciated. - in days that some days he can do a very little light work

but cannot lift any weight. There is no evidence of spinal injury except occasional headache and pain near the left hip joint.

W. F. Strull  
Examining Surgeon.

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1 SURGEON CERTIFICATE 1



*Robert A. Wilson*

Co. *K*, *1st* Reg't, *Wis. Cav.*

APPLICATION FOR PENSION.

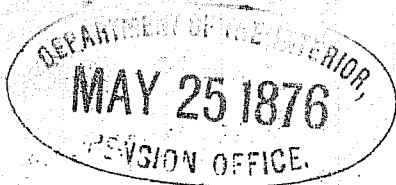
No. *204727*

DATE OF EXAMINATION,

*May 22<sup>nd</sup> 1876*

*W. F. Atwell*

*Examining Surgeon.*



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H. W.  
J. J.

Department of the Interior  
PENSION OFFICE

Washington, D.C. April 20, 1875.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 12<sup>th</sup> instant, addressed to the President of the U.S. by him referred to the Hon. Secretary of the Interior, and by the Secretary referred to this Office, you are informed that you do not state - nor does it appear from the records of this Office that you have ever applied for a pension. If you desire to make an application in due form, you can do so using the enclosed blanks, and on receipt thereof, the case will be considered.

Very respectfully,

Mr Robert H. Wilder.

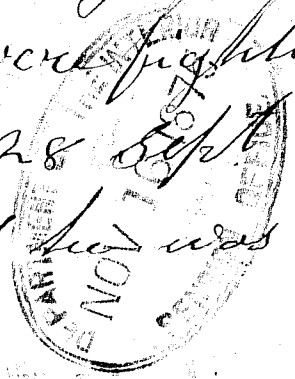
Sawville.

Wausau Co.

Wisconsin.

J. J. Fockey  
Acting Commissioner

I Daniel Smith of the town of  
Sawville Co of Waukesha and State of  
Wisconsin Do swear that it was a private  
in Co M. T. Wis Cav and I know that  
R. H. Wilson of Co K 1. Wis Cav.  
was injured by his horse being  
unmanageable and falling on him when  
we were fighting forrest's law on or about  
the 28 Sept 1864 near Pulaski Tennessee  
and he was left back in the hospital



Daniel <sup>He's</sup> Smith  
not present

The foregoing affidavit was sworn and subscribed

to before me this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September 1875.

Isaac O. Westcott  
Justice of the Peace

Affidavit as to  
Circumstances of  
Wm. J. Smith  
W. 209.807.

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Note. The Claimant used back of letter he being  
short of paper

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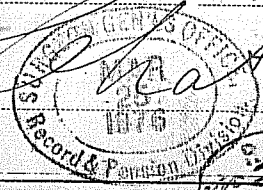
Invalid DIVISION.

Department of the Interior,  
PENSION OFFICE,  
Washington, D. C., 22 March, 1876.

Respectfully returned to the  
Surgeon General  
who will please examine the  
records of hospitals at  
Asheville Tenn and report  
what the same may afford  
relative to claimant and  
the disability for which  
treated.

The Adjutant General reports  
him sick in hospital at  
Asheville Tenn July, August  
September and October 1864  
Robert H. Wilson No 204.827.

Wm A. Gill  
Commissioner.



Original

WAR DEPARTMENT,  
*Surgeon General's Office,*  
Record and Pension Division,  
WASHINGTON, D. C., *Apr. 6*, 187.....

Respectfully returned to the Commis-  
sioner of Pensions, with report enclosed.

BY ORDER OF THE SURGEON GENERAL:

*J. J. Woodward*  
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. A.

Per

*V. P. Kirkham*  
(87)

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WAR DEPARTMENT,  
Surgeon General's Office,

RECORD AND PENSION DIVISION,

Washington, D. C., April 6, 1876

(TRANSCRIPT FROM RECORDS.)

It appears from the records filed in this Office, that P. H. Wilson, 1<sup>st</sup> Wis., was sent to G. H. from Camp Smith, Can. Depot, Ash Grove, Penn., Mech. 8, & Co. date admitted & diagnosis not given. Priv. Robert H. Wilson, Co. D, 1<sup>st</sup> Wis. Can. was admitted to G. H. Ash Grove, Penn., Mech. 7, & Co. with Bronchitis, & returned to duty Mech. 21, & Co. The records of Med. Dir's Off., Ash Grove, Penn., for & Co. furnish no additional evidence in this case.

By order of the Surgeon General:

Vol. 39

No. 214

Per

J. P. Woodruff  
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. Army.  
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V. D. Rice

(NOTE.—This transcript should not be detached from the accompanying papers. If additional information is desired relative to the case, the papers should accompany the application therefor.)

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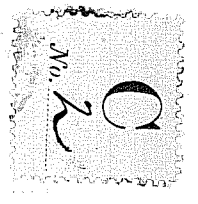
PENSION OFFICE,

24 June, 1879.

Sir:

In the invalid claim, No 204824, of Robert H. Wilson  
late a Private Co. K

1 Regiment of Wisconsin Cavalry, it is requested that you  
will furnish this Office, from data given below, a record of his treatment.



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 SPECIAL EXAMINATION  
 DIVISION  
 JSB

(Special)  
 Department of the Interior  
 PENSION OFFICE



✓ Washington, D.C. July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1886  
 Adjutant General U. S. A.  
 Sir.

In a special examination, now in progress, to determine the general merits of the claim for invalid pension no. 204,827 of Robert H. Wilson late Priv. Co. K, 1<sup>st</sup> Wis. Cav., it has been ascertained that the soldier also served in Co. H, 2<sup>nd</sup> U. S. Dragoons from July 21<sup>st</sup> 1846 to July 21<sup>st</sup> 1851.

I have the honor to request a full military and medical history of the soldier in this prior service.

Very respectfully

J. C. Black  
 Commissioner.

U.S. PENSION OFFICE  
SPECIAL EXAMINER'S DIVISION  
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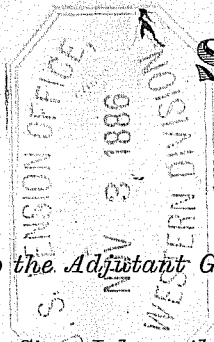
WAR DEPARTMENT,

**SURGEON GENERAL'S OFFICE,**

RECORD AND PENSION DIVISION,

Washington, D. C., *July 25<sup>th</sup>, 1886*

To the *Adjutant* General, U. S. Army.



Sir: I have the honor to return herewith the papers received from your office in pension claim No. *204. 827*, with the information that the name of the soldier in question does not appear on the following named records on file in this office:

*Fort Columbus, n. y. July to Sept. 30. 1846.*

The following named records are not on file in this office: *Monterey, Matamoros, Acamargo, Morelos, 2<sup>d</sup> Regiment, Mexico.*

*Santa Fe n. m. prior to '62, Albuquerque, n. m. prior to '62,*

*Libolletta n. m.*

*Medical records of the Regiment (21<sup>st</sup> U.S. Dragoons)*

Remarks:

By order of the Surgeon General:

*D. J. Tope*  
Surgeon, U. S. Army.

No. *402. 055*

per

*W. J. W.*

# EXAMINING SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

IN THE CASE OF AN ORIGINAL APPLICANT.

No. 204827

Name of claimant, Robert H. Wilson

Rank, Priv

Company, K

Regiment, 1st

State, Wis. Vol. Cav

EXAMINING SURGEON'S ADDRESS:

Post office, Fond du Lac

County, "

State, Wisconsin

Date of examination, Nov 1st, 1882

Cause of disability and the degree.

*We* hereby certify That *we* have carefully examined this applicant, who claims that while in the service of the United States, at or near a place named \_\_\_\_\_, and while in line of duty, on or about the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, he incurred injury of back, spine & kidneys and dis. of throat & chest, and that in consequence thereof he is \_\_\_\_\_ disabled for earning his subsistence by manual labor.

Particular description.

He states that he is 60 years of age, that he weighs 124 pounds, and that he is 5 feet 8 inches in height. His pulse-rate per minute is 88, his respiration 18, and his temperature 98 1/2.

Give the rational and physical signs so fully that how and why and how much the claimant is disabled shall clearly appear. When there are neither structural changes nor physical signs in support of the claim, that fact should be stated. Rating should be made in compliance with the "Instructions."

The examination reveals the following facts:

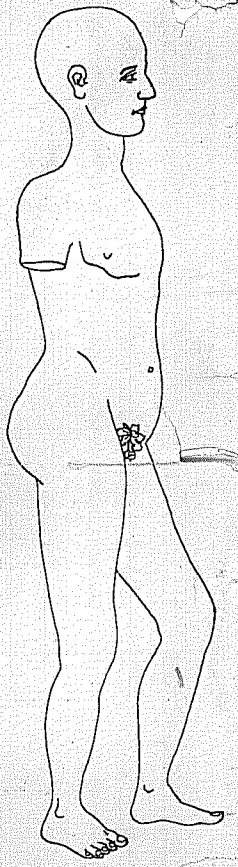
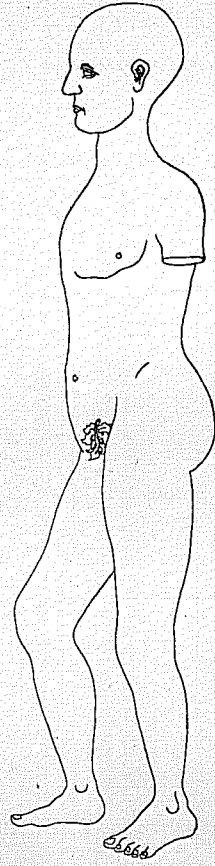
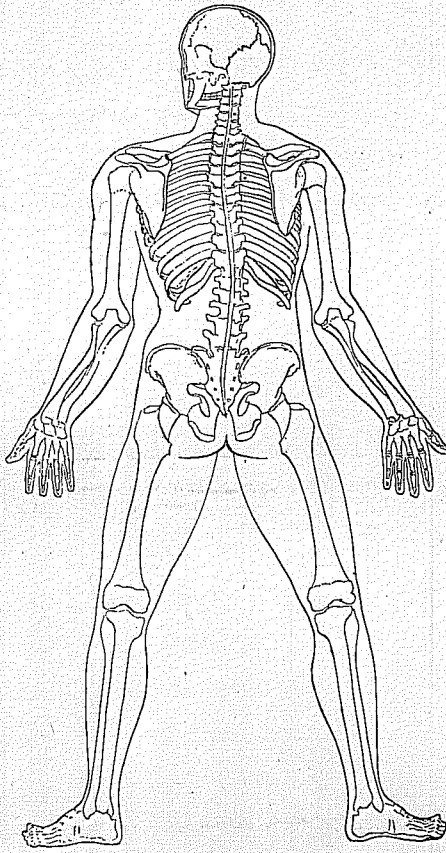
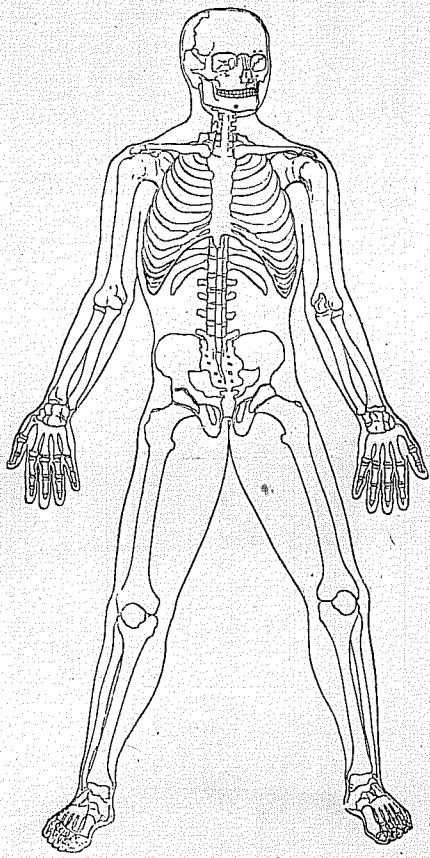
*Claimant has right lateral curvature of spine in dorsal region to the extent of two inches. We find no other evidence of injury to back or spine. He has congestion of throat and elongated uvula. He has no disease of lungs. Chest somewhat deformed from the spinal curvature. No disease of kidneys.*

It must be borne in mind that the duty of the Surgeon is to give an opinion as to the proportionate degree of disability, as 1/4, 1/2, total, &c., through the grades, without any regard to the fact that the claimant is entitled to make such a full particular description as will afford to this Office the ground for intelligent opinion and action in rating.

From the condition and history of the claimant, it is our opinion the disability was \_\_\_\_\_ incurred in the service as claimed, and that it is not aggravated or protracted by vicious habits.

*We* find the disability as above described to entitle him to 1/4 of his pay.

*J. Henry Mendenhall*  
Examining Surgeon.



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**SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE**

IN CASE OF

*Robert H. Wilson*

*Co. H, 1st Regt Wis Cav*

**Application for Pension**

*No. 204827*

Date of Examination: *Mar 1 1882*

*1882*

*William E. Ylbery*

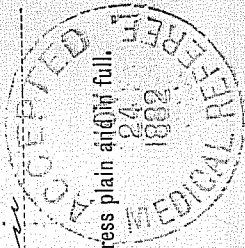
*Johny Wood*  
Examining Surgeon.

Post Office, *Grand du Lac*

County, *Ill*

State, *Illinois*

**PENSION**  
U. NOV 20 1882 S.  
**OFFICE.**



P. S.—Write Post Office address plain and in full.

# ORIGINAL.

(FOR BOARD.)

Claim No. 204, 827

Name of the claimant, Robert, H. Wilson

Rank, Private

Company, M. Wis. Calv.

Regiment, 1st Wis. Calv.

Post-office address, Saxville

ADDRESS OF THE BOARD:

Post office, Stevens Point

County, Portage

State, Wisconsin

Date of examination, March 17, 1886

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that in compliance with the requirements of the law\* we have carefully examined this applicant, who claims that while in the service of the United States at or near a place named Polasky, Wis., and while in line of duty, on or about the 28

day of September, 1864, he incurred injury to back and spine. Disease of Kidney and Chest.

and that in consequence thereof he is disabled for earning his subsistence by manual labor

His pulse-rate is 80 per minute; his respiration 20; his temperature 99 3/5; his height is 5 feet and 6 inches; he weighs 120 pounds, and states that he is 44 years of age.

Touching the cause and degree of the disability for which he claims a pension, he makes the following statement:

Horse fell over him. Was confined to hospital about six weeks. Back was very painful. Back pains him considerable at times when attempting to walk much. Has trouble with his bladder, must pass urine very often, as well at night as during day. Again at times is unable to pass urine. Is unable to perform manual labor.

The examination reveals the following objective facts in support of his statements:

Appearance of skin pale. Body emaciated. Muscles flabby. Tongue large, flabby fissured slightly coated. Percussion and auscultation of lungs and heart fails to reveal any abnormality. Percussion and Palpation of Liver, Spleen and Splenic fails to reveal increased area of dullness or tenderness. Has lateral curvature of spine, concavity left, beginning seventh cervical vertebra down to last lumbar vertebra. Considerable tenderness on pressure of processes. Muscles of back very much atrophied. Has tenderness of intercostal spaces of chest walls; Pectoral muscles very much emaciated. Test of Urine by Nitric Acid and Heat reveals no Albumen. Fehling's test of his Urine and Cupric Sulph for Sugar reveals no sugar. Sp. gr. 1.025. Was excess of Phosphates. Prostate Gland slightly enlarged. Transversely but not tender. Walls of bladder normal. No cystitis. Palms of hands are soft showing

From the existing condition and the history of this claimant, as stated by himself, it is, in our judgment, probable that the disability was incurred in the service as he claims, and that it has not been aggravated or prolonged by vicious habits. He is, in our opinion, entitled to a

rating for the disability caused by Curvature of Spine, for that caused by \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ for that caused by \_\_\_\_\_

the sum of which aggregates Total Equivalent to Ankylosis of Neck or ankle

\* See the back.

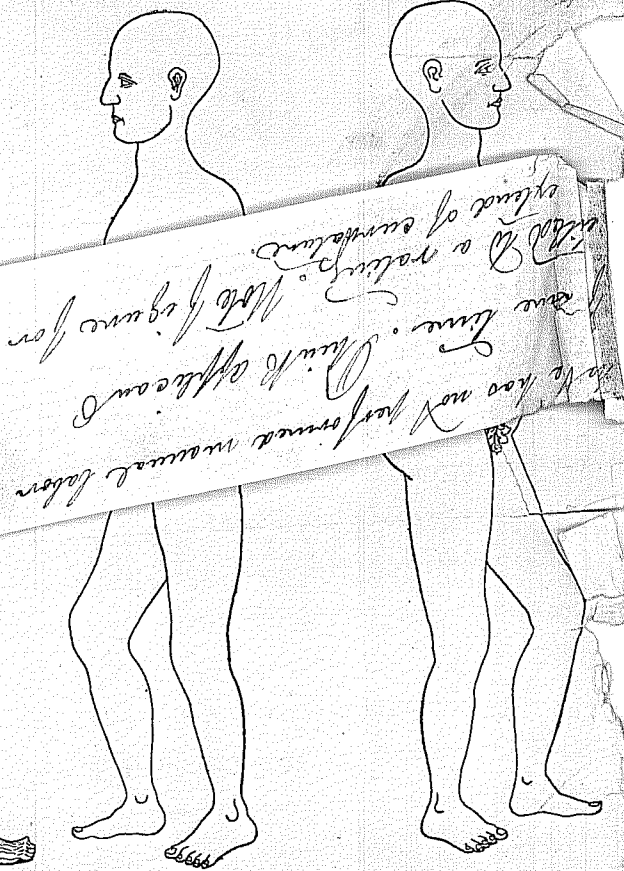
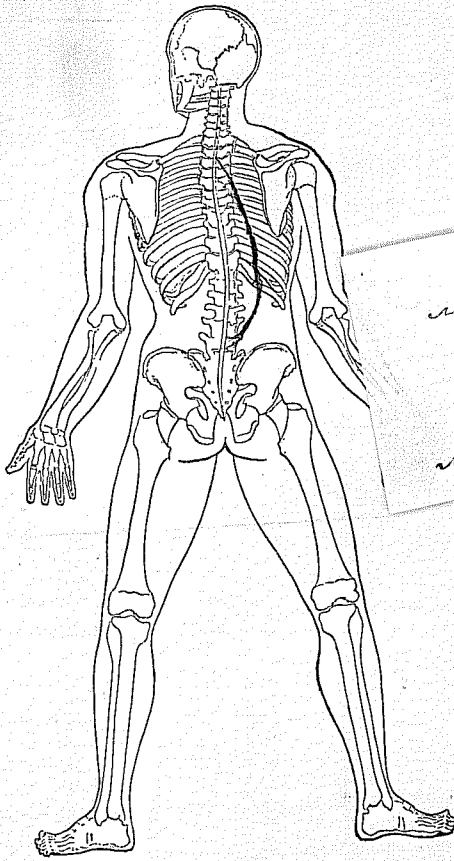
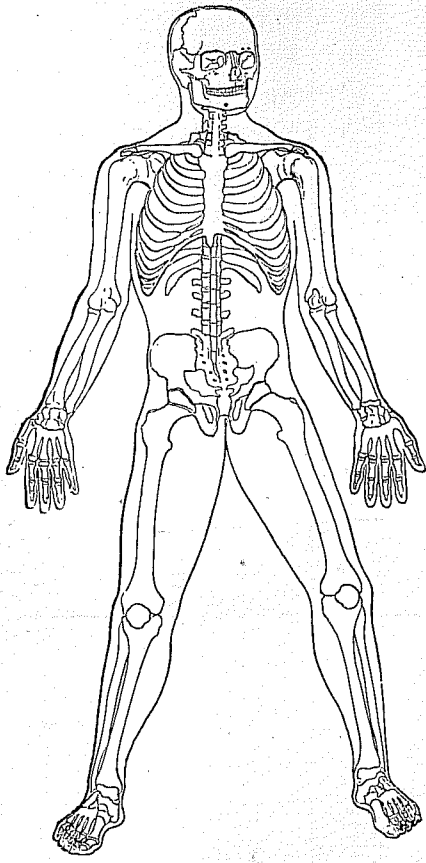
Geo E. Moffat, Pres.,  
W. C. Meyer, Sec'y,  
D. H. Woodward, Treas., } BOARD.

SUBJECTIVE SYMPTOMS.

OBJECTIVE SYMPTOMS.

Here give rating for each cause of disability, and state the aggregate.

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*Handwritten note:* The figures for the kind of exercises which I have performed would show the time. I think appears to me to have been a matter of a few minutes.



PROVIDED FURTHER, That all examinations shall be thorough and searching, and the certificate contain a full description of the physical condition of the claimant at the time, which shall include all the physical and rational signs and a statement of all the structural changes. [Excerpt from Section 4, Act of Congress approved July 25, 1882.]

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**SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE**  
(FOR A BOARD)

IN CASE OF

*Robert A. Wilson*

Co. *A*, 1<sup>st</sup> Reg't *Wis. Cal.*

**Application for Pension.**

No. *204, 887*

Date of examination: *March 17/86*

*O. C. Meyer, M.D.*  
Examining Surgeon.

Post office, *Theresa, Pa.*

County, *Portage*

State, *Wisconsin*

P. S.—Write your Post-office address plain and in full.



No. 10, (3-061.)

Slith

West

Division.

65579  
Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Nov. 12, 1890.

Respectfully requested of the ADJUTANT  
GENERAL U. S. A. a report from the records of his  
Office as to the presence or absence, on or about  
Mch. 1st, 1864,

of Nels Jorgenson,  
of Co. G, 1st Wis. Vol. Cav.,  
and John Hart, of Co. E,  
1st Wis. Vol. Cav.

of  
and the station, at that date, of the

New Dis. \_\_\_\_\_

Claim No. 360587

Robert H. Wilson

Co. K, 1st Wis. Vol. Cav.

*James J. Hamlin*

Commissioner.

**War Department,**

Record and Pension Division,

Washington, **NOV 14 1890**, 18 .

Respectfully returned to the

**Commissioner of Pensions.**

The rolls show that

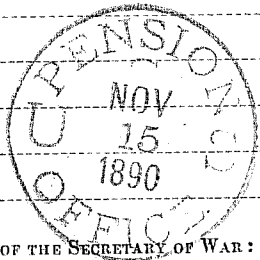
*Nels. Jorgenson Co. I*

*John Hart Co. E*

mentioned in the preceding endorsement were present during the period named in that endorsement except as follows:

*Jorgenson enrolled Oct 2 63. not taken upon rolls until Oct 31 64. Hart enrolled Jan 1 64. joined Co as a recruit. Mch 29 64.*

During the period named the station of the company and regiment was as follows:



BY AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

*J. O. Amundson*

Captain and Ass't Surgeon, U. S. Army.

Per

*West* Div.  
*Slith* Ex'r.

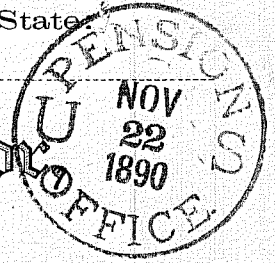
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State

Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C., Nov. 12, 1890.



Sir:

Please be so kind as to inform this Bureau, BY INDORSEMENT ON THE BACK OF THIS LETTER, as to the standing in the community, and the general reputation for truth, of *John Hart*

of *your place*, affiant in *new Disability* pension claim No. *360587*, of *Robert H. Wilson*, of *Co. K, 1st Reg't Wis. vol. inf.*

Your early reply will be thankfully received as substantial assistance to this Bureau in arriving at the truth and justice of the case.

Very respectfully,

*Geo B Raum*

Commissioner.

*Post master,*

*Wied Rose,*

*Wis.*

Wild Rose vis Nov 18. / 90  
To the Hon. Com. of Pensions. John Hart of this  
Town is trustworthy and his word is considered  
good

Yours &c W. E. Humphrey P.M.

[3-489.]



*West* Div.

*Slith* Ex'r.

New Dis. No. *360587*

*Robert H. Wilson*

Co. *K*, 1<sup>st</sup> Reg't *Wis. Vol. Cav.*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

WASHINGTON, D. C.,

Return this letter with your reply.

*Nov. 12*, 1890.

Sir:

To aid this Bureau in the adjudication of the above cited claim, please furnish a statement in your own handwriting, setting forth all the facts within your personal knowledge relative to the incurrence of *deafness by claimant.*

In your reply, please be as specific as possible in respect to dates, and describe as clearly as you can the nature, symptoms, and extent of the disability.

Your immediate answer, indorsed upon the back of this letter, will be appreciated.

Very respectfully, *Gen B Raum*

Commissioner.

*John Hart,*

*Wild Rose,*

*Wis.*

Wild Rose <sup>Wis</sup> Dec 4<sup>th</sup> 1890

My Dear Sir  
 I have been acquainted with  
 Robert H. Wilson for more than 30 years  
 worked with ~~the~~ him before we were  
 in the army he was a ordinary rugged  
 man able to do a good days work  
 never knew him to be sick or under  
 the doctors care until we were at  
 Nashville Ten on or near the middle  
 of march 64 while in Camp Smith  
 he was very sick I think with  
 fever so bad that he did not know  
 any one and I dont think he knows  
 or did know when he went to the ospital  
 I have seen <sup>him</sup> quite often since we was  
 discharged he is a very poor sickly  
 man not able to do any work he is  
 not given to intemperance nor any  
 bad habits

Yours Truly John Hart

Attention is invited to the outlines of the human skeleton and figure upon the back of this certificate, and they should be used whenever it is possible to indicate precisely the location of a disease or injury, the entrance and exit of a missile, an amputation, etc.

The absence of a member from a session of a board and the reason therefor, if known, and the name of the absentee, must be indorsed upon each certificate.

Insert character and number of claim.

Name and rank of claimant.

Claimant's post office address.

Increase Pension Claim No. 360,589  
Robert H. Wilson, Rank, Private  
"K" 1st Wis Cav, 1st Div, 2nd Dep, Wisconsin State,  
Sawville, Wis. 28th September, 1887  
(Date of examination.)

We hereby certify that in compliance with the requirements of the law\* we have carefully examined this applicant, who states that he is suffering from the following disability, incurred in the service, viz:

Cause of disability.

Disease of chest, intercostal neuralgia, injury to side, kidneys and deafness.  
Four dollars per month.

If a pensioner fill and that he receives a pension of

x in the left side and left kidney, and that he has had, and still has much trouble to pass urine; that in the early winter months of 1864, owing to exposure to wet, he incurred a severe cold, which caused severe deafness in both ears, from which he never recovered.

o the chest, are symmetrical. There is no tenderness upon percussion over the left kidney. The urine is straw color, normally acid in reaction, specific gravity 1024, and free from albumen, sugar and sediment. He finds pretty severe deafness of both ears. The pensioner cannot hear a watch tick when held against either ear. The only abnormal condition found in either ear is a slight bulging of the membrane of the left ear.

to make such a full particular description as will afford to this Office the ground for intelligent opinion and action in rating.

action is markedly irregular, every second or third beat being followed by an intermission. No disease or pathological condition of any of the valves or other structures of the heart. The local of cardiac dullness, and the point of the apex beat are normal. He finds no physical evidences of an injury to the left side and kidney. There are no disagreeable swellings, deformations or contractions in any part of the left side of opposite sides below.

From the existing condition and the history of this claimant, as stated by himself, it is, in our judgment, probable that the disability was incurred in the service as he claims, and that it has not been prolonged or aggravated by vicious habits. He is, in our opinion, entitled to a

Rate for each cause of disability. If prolonged by vicious habits, the word not should be erased and the reason for the erasure given.

rating for the disability caused by intercostal neuralgia 1/25 for that caused by curvature of spine, and etc. caused by injury to side and kidneys, and Special caused by severe deafness of both ears.

\* See the back. Here state whether for original, increase, restoration, or renewal or for a re-rating.

W. W. Riley, Pres. J. J. Gomers, Sec'y. J. M. Holmes, Treas.

N. B. - Always forward a certificate of examination whether a disability is found to exist or not.

Attention is invited to the outlines of the human skeleton and figure upon the back of this certificate, and they should be used whenever it is possible to indicate precisely the location of a disease or injury, the entrance and exit of a missile, an amputation, etc.

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Name and rank of claimant.

Claimant's post office address.

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Cause of disability.

Disease of chest, intercostal neuralgia, injury to side, kidneys and deafness.

If a pensioner, fill in the amount; if not, erase the whole line.

and that he receives a pension of Four dollars per month.

Pulse rate per minute, 52; respiration, 17; temperature, 98 1/2; height, 5 feet 5 1/2 inches; weight, 110 pounds; age, 65 years.

Here give the claimant's statement as briefly and as compactly as possible.

He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for Increase of Pension. That the disease of the chest and intercostal neuralgia for which he is pensioned had grown worse, that he asks a rating for injury to his left side, left kidney and deafness which he incurred in the service, that the injury to his side and kidney was incurred near Pulaski Tenn on the 28th Sept. 1864 through his horse falling upon him, that ever since the occurrence of the accident, he has had more or less pain.

Here give a full symptom picture of the case, embracing all the physical and rational signs, but confining it to the present condition of the claimant.

Upon examination we find the following objective conditions: The general appearance of the pensioner indicates rather poor health, he is fairly nourished, and his muscular system is flaccid and not well developed. We find physical evidences of disease of the chest. There is a slight lateral curvature of one and one half inches in the dorsal region of the spine. All percussion notes and respiratory murmurs are clear, distinct and normal over all parts of both lungs. The chest measurements are 30-31 and 32 inches. The abnormal approximation of the ribs of the left side, the result of the spinal curvature, causes some intercostal tenderness upon pressure. The heart's action is markedly irregular, every second or third beat being followed by a rest. We discover a pathological condition of any of the valves or other structures of the heart. The area of cardiac dullness and the point of the apex beat are normal. We find no physical evidences of an injury to the left side and kidney. There are no discernible swellings, depressions or contractions in any part of the left side, opposite sides, below.

It must be borne in mind that the duty of the Surgeon is to give an opinion as to the proportionate degree of disability, as to total, &c., through the grades, without any regard to dollars and cents, and to make such a full particular description as will afford the ground for intelligent opinion and action in rating.

From the existing condition and the history of this claimant, as stated by himself, it is, in our judgment, probable that the disability was incurred in the service as he claims, and that it has not been prolonged or aggravated by vicious habits. He is, in our opinion, entitled to a 1/25

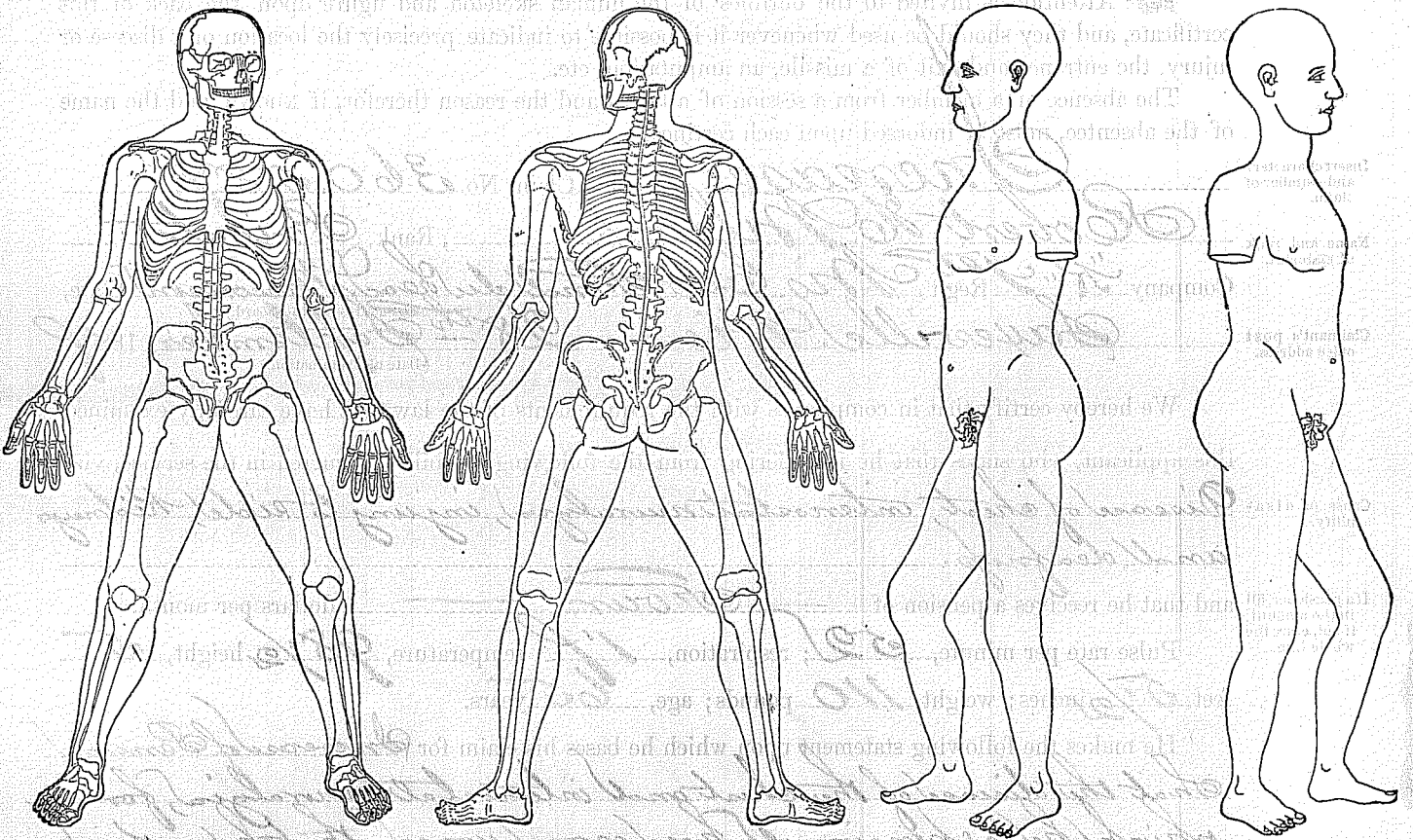
Rate for each cause of disability. If prolonged by vicious habits, the word not should be erased and the reason for the erasure given.

rating for the disability caused by intercostal neuralgia 1/25 for that caused by curvature of spine, and etc caused by injury to side and kidneys, and Special caused by severe deafness of both ears.

\* See the back. † Here state whether for original increase, restoration, or renewal or for a re-rating. W. Wiley, Pres. J. S. Jones, Sec'y. Wm. Collins, Treas.

N. B.- Always forward a certificate of examination whether a disability is found to exist or not.





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**SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE**

IN CASE OF

*Robert G. Williams*

Co. *1st Regt. Min. Cav.*

Applicant *for Increase.*

No. *360.584*

DATE OF EXAMINATION:

*September 25th 1887*

*Wm. J. Wiley*, Pres.

*W. J. James*, Secy.

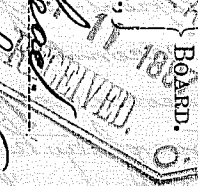
*Wm. Williams*, Treas.

Post office, *Small Lake, Pa.*

County, *Monaca*

State, *Wisconsin*

P. S. Write your Post-Office address plainly and in full.



PROVIDED FURTHER, That all examinations shall be thorough and searching, and the certificate contain a full description of the physical condition of the claimant at the time, which shall include all the physical and rational signs and a statement of all the structural changes. [Extract from Section 4, Act of Congress approved July 25, 1882.]

Attention is invited to the outlines of the human skeleton and figure upon the back of this certificate, and they should be used whenever it is possible to indicate precisely the location of a disease or injury, the entrance and exit of a missile, an amputation, &c.

The absence of a member from a session of a board and the reason therefor, if known, and the name of the absentee, must be indorsed upon each certificate.

Insert character and number of claim.

Increase of U.S. Pension Claim No. 360887  
[State above whether for original, increase, or restoration.]

Name and rank of claimant.

Robert A. Wilson, Rank, Pvt.

Claimant's post-office address.

Company K, 1 Reg't Wis Cav New London Wis State,  
Saxville Wis [Post-office address of the Board.]  
[Date of examination.] Oct-7, 1891.

We hereby certify that in compliance with the requirements of the law we have carefully examined this applicant, who states that he is suffering from the following disability, incurred

Cause of disability.

in the service, viz: Dis of Chest & Intercostal Neuralgia  
Dis of Throat, Deafness, Dis of Kidneys

If a pensioner, fill in the amount; if not, erase the whole line.

and that he receives a pension of Four dollars per month.

He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for Inc U.S.  
[Original, increase, restoration, &c.]

Here give the claimant's statement as briefly and as compactly as possible.

[Blank lines for claimant's statement]

Upon examination we find the following objective conditions: Pulse rate, 100; respiration, 20; temperature, 98.4; height, 5 feet 4 inches; weight, 112 pounds; age, 70 years.

Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with Book of Instructions.

Heart's action is very rapid & rhythm very irregular. There is a bellows murmur on 2nd sound of heart at Mitral Valves. Heart size normal. There is a general rheumatic condition of the whole muscular system, with atrophy of lumbar muscles, making it impossible for claimant to stand erect or to pick up anything from the floor without extreme difficulty. Intercostal muscles on right side extremely tender on pressure. There is a general condition of chronic inflammation of mucous membrane of nose & pharynx & larynx. Mucous membrane of auditory canal dry & covered by hard crust. Can only hear conversation when mouth is placed near the ear. Applicant is poorly nourished & greatly debilitated.

Rate for EACH cause of disability.

He is, in our opinion, entitled to a rating for the disability caused by Dis of Chest & Intercostal Neuralgia 8/18 for that caused by Dis of Throat & Deafness and 8/18 for that caused by Genl Debility.

W. J. Guernsey, Pres. J. F. Corbett, Sec'y. W. H. Cantwell, Treas.

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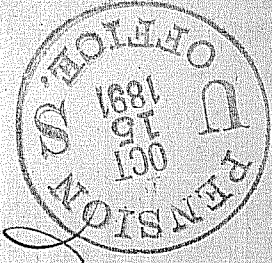
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Continue record of examination here.

Has failed greatly during the last six months since he was examined before by this board  
No other disability is found



**SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE**

IN CASE OF

Robt. A. Wilson

Co. K, 1 Reg't Wis Cav

Applicant for Inc v U S

No. 360887

DATE OF EXAMINATION: Oct-7, 1891

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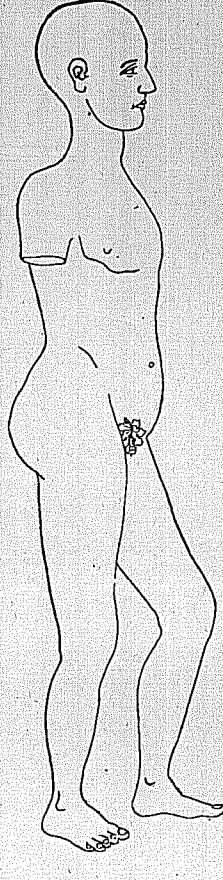
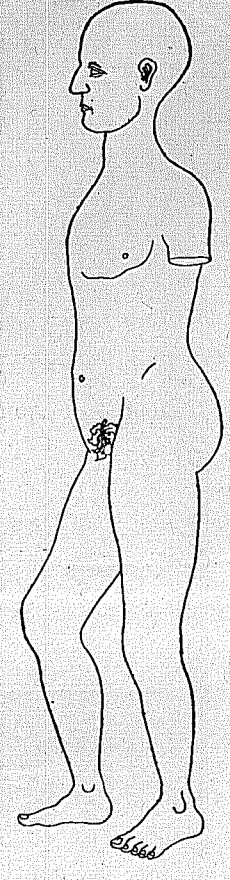
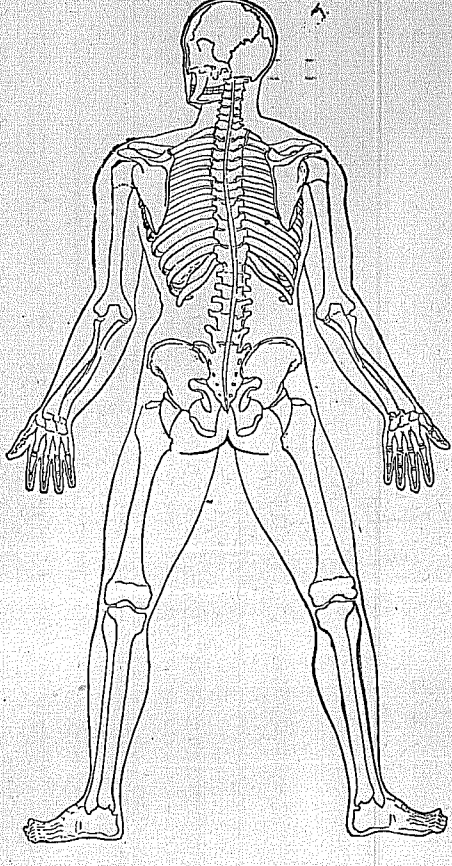
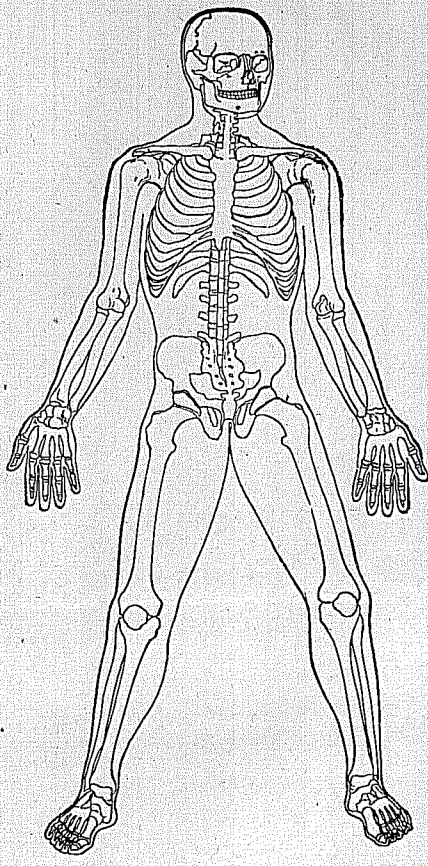
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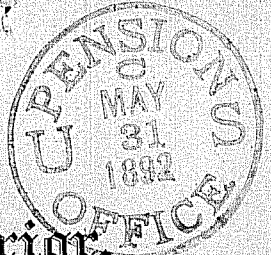
State, Wis

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R. A. B.



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(3-055.)

*West* Div.  
*Don* Exr.  
*Mc. & W. No. 36087*  
*Robt. H. Wilson*  
Co. 1 Regt. *Wis. Cav.*

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C., *May 13*, 1892

Return this letter with your reply

SIR:

Referring to your testimony on file in the above-cited claim, will you kindly furnish this Bureau with a more circumstantial history of claimant's disability on account of *deafness* than is embodied in your affidavit. Please state the date of your first treatment of claimant, the period of time he was under your observation or professional care, and to what extent during said period he was, in your judgment, incapacitated for the performance of manual labor, by reason of said disability.

Your early reply will be appreciated.

Very respectfully,

*Guen B. Raum*  
Commissioner.

*H. C. Vaynsdale, M.D.*  
*Lasville,*  
*Wis.*

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 Saffordville May 27-1892

Dear Sir

In reply would state  
 that I do not for the last five  
 years or thereabouts know any  
 thing of the Claimant - only  
 by hearsay as he does not come  
 to this town any more

But I believe him to be more  
 entitled to aid from the govern<sup>mt</sup>  
 than any other soldier in this  
 vicinity - having served through  
 the Mexican War and also I think  
 4 years in the Civil War

and I believe his disabilities  
 were in consequence of his services  
 for the government

Hoping this will be all that is  
 required from me as I have no  
 memorandum of affidavits I am  
 Respectful

Dr W R Percival

(3-606.)

**Bureau of Pensions,  
BOARD OF REVIEW.**

Chief of the Certifying Division:

*After issue of the certificate in  
this case please return the papers  
to Adjudicating Division for action  
upon the other disabilities, under  
ruling of May 1, 1885.*

*Langham*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, 189

Reviewer.

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Service \_\_\_\_\_

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## Bureau of Pensions.

Robt. H. Nelson  
 72 1 Wisconsin Cavy  
 360.5-87. Ch

Respectfully resub-  
 mitted to Board  
 of Review for al-  
 lowance of claim  
 for increase - dis-  
 ease of chest and  
 intercostal neuralgia  
 the only claim  
 which appears to be  
 pending at present  
 is for deafness - and  
 if claim can be  
 returned to my



Check when action is  
taken upon ~~income~~  
I will make the  
necessary calls to  
Complete claim -

J. S. Hall

Sept. 11 - 91 -

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 Law Division  
 C.A.M.

March 10, 1891.

Ctfs.Mex.War 6,896,  
 & Inv.360,587,  
 of  
 Robert H. Wilson,  
 Late Pvt.Co."H" 2 Drag.Mex.War  
 & Pvt.Co."K" 1 Wis.Vol.Cav.,  
 late War.

"" "" ""

Respectfully referred to the Chief of the Board of Review, for consideration and dropping from roll, on Mexican pension, on ground that pensioner is in receipt of two pensions. Pensioner has elected to retain the Inv.Ctf. (see rep.Sp.Ex.Waring herewith), and has surrendered Mexican War Ctf.6,896. He has been overpaid the sum of \$184.66, but is unable to refund same, on account of his great poverty.

As soon as action of dropping is completed, the papers should be referred to the Chief of the Finance Division, to the end that such instructions as may be proper may be sent to the proper U.S.Pension Agent, to continue suspension on Inv.Ctf.until enough shall have accrued to recoup the \$184.66 over-payment above indicated.

The Sp'l Examiner recommends an early reconsideration of

his Invalid claim, on the ground that the evidence filed therein justifies a higher rate of pension than the \$4.00 per month which was granted to him for disease of chest and intercostal neuralgia.

It is suggested that action be taken in this matter at as early a date as practicable.

*W. B. Bailey*  
Chief Law Division.

# ORIGINAL INVALID CLAIM

260.587  
W. H. M. C.

Soldier, Robert H. Wilson  
 P. O., Laxville Rank, Private  
 County, Waushara Company, K  
 State, Wis. Regiment, 1 Wis. Vol. Regt.  
 Rates, \$ 4 per month, commencing July 18, 1882

Pensioned for Disease of chest (Intercostal neuralgia) ✓

### RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY.

Name, Charles E. Lammann Fee, \$ 25; Agent C to pay.  
 P. O., City Articles filed Aug 15, 1884.

### APPROVALS.

Approved for disease of chest Ruling 97  
 Submitted May 20, 1887; H Smith, Examiner.

Approved for Disease of chest Approved for Disease of chest  
Former rejection for injury (Intercostal Neuralgia)  
to spine and back referred to 1/3  
claim for disease of kidneys  
referred under ruling 97

May 19/87 W. H. M. C., Legal Reviewer. John Carpenter, Med. Ex'r, Carpenter, Med. Reviewer,  
May 20, 1887, W. H. M. C. Re-Reviewer. May 20, 1887, John Carpenter, Med. Referee.

### IMPORTANT DATES.

Enlisted ✓ Jan 18, 1864. service from \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mustered " 19, 1864. 18, to \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, in \_\_\_\_\_  
 Discharged ✓ July 19, 1865.  
 Declaration filed ✓ June 9, 1875. Not in service since July 19, 1865.  
" " July 78, 1872.

### BASIS OF CLAIM.

Pulaski Tenn. recent sprain of back and spine while on a restless horse  
filed July 1882 claim pension for disease of kidneys & chest ✓

B Declaration for the Increase of an Invalid Pension. B

State of Wisconsin }  
County of Washburne } SS.

On this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty seven personally appeared before me

Robert H. Wilson  
aged 64 years, a resident of Springville Post Office  
County of Washburne State of Wis

who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is a pensioner of the United States, duly enrolled at the Milwaukee Pension Agency at the rate of \$ 4.00 per month, by reason of disability incurred in the military service of the United States while (1) in Co. K 1<sup>st</sup> Reg. Wis. Vol's

that his present physical condition is such that he believes himself entitled to receive an increased pension; and that his present Pension Certificate is No. 360, 587, and for disability called Disease of Chest

He further declares that he is disabled in the following manner, to-wit: (2) He thinks he ought to have a higher rate for his intercostal neuralgia.

He also asks pension from date of discharge for injury to his side, Disease of Kidneys and deafness all included in his original claim.

He claims pension for all effects of the above, and believes he should have \$ 24.<sup>00</sup> a month pension for the future; that he appoints A. W. McCORMICK & SON, of Washington, D. C., his true and lawful attorneys to prosecute his claim; that his residence is as above, and his post-office address is Safeville

(Attest.) Two Witnesses who can write:

D. H. Jones  
E. J. Hughes

Robert H. Wilson  
(Claimant's Signature.)

Also personally appeared Daniel W. Jones residing at Wild Rose Wis and Ebbes T. Hughes residing at Wild Rose Wis, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say they were present and saw

Robert H. Wilson, the claimant, sign his name (or make his mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of said claimant and the acquaintance with him, that he is the identical person he represents himself to be; and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

D. H. Jones  
E. J. Hughes  
(Signatures of Witnesses.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Eleventh day of July

A. D., 1887, and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, etc., were fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, including the words Springville

erased, and the words placed above the line added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

SEAL.

Chas. H. Smart  
(Signature.)

Notary Public  
(Official character.)

1. Company and Regiment, if in the Army; and Vessel, etc., if in the Navy.  
2. Set forth extent of present disability as result of disability for which pension was originally allowed; how far incapacitated for manual labor, or dependent upon the personal aid or attendance of others.  
3. Declarations of Increase may be sworn before a Notary or Justice, but the Certificate of Clerk of Court should be had in each case, if before a Justice. (SEE OVER.)

# INABILITY AFFIDAVIT.

State of Wisconsin, County of Waushara } ss

In the matter of the Amulid Pension Claim, No. 204.827  
of Robert H. Wilson Co. 1st Wis. Cav

ON THIS 4<sup>th</sup> day of December A. D. 1887; personally appeared before me, a  
Notary Public in and for the aforesaid county, duly authorized to administer oaths,

Robert H. Wilson a resident of Springwater  
in the County of Waushara and State of Wisconsin

whose Post Office address is Saxville, Waushara Co. Wis. and  
well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn declares in relation to the aforesaid case

as follows: That he is unable to comply with the requirements of the Pension Office as to the testimony of  
a Commissioned Officer showing when where and the  
circumstances under which any injury to back and spine  
was received

for the reason that neither Lt. P. B. Lamoreaux or Capt. Chas. R.  
Sticks were with the detachment when he was in-  
jured, and that he does not know the whereabouts  
of the officer who was present and in command  
at the time his injuries were received

That he is unable to prove his condition from date of discharge up to the year \_\_\_\_\_ by medical testimony,

for the reason that \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

He respectfully requests that the testimony of Counselor R. W. Leonard and Benj.  
and of Lt. Lamoreaux herewith presented  
Darby, now on file be accepted in lieu of testimony of a Com-  
missioned officer.

Robert H. Wilson  
[Signature of Affiant.]

[If Affiant signs by mark, two persons who can write sign here.]

STATE OF Wisconsin, COUNTY OF Waushara ss.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant, and I certify that I read said affidavit to said affiant including the words

erased, and the words

and acquainted him with its contents before he executed the same. I further certify that I am in

nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution; and that said affiant is personally known to me

and that he is a credible person.

N. W. Milliken  
[Official Signature.]  
Notary Public  
[Official Character.]

[L. S.]

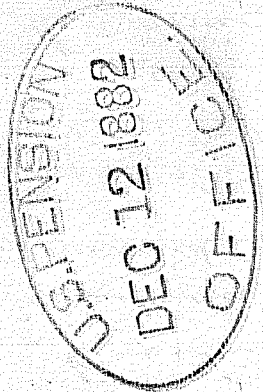
I, \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk of the County Court in and for aforesaid County and State, do certify that \_\_\_\_\_ Esq., who hath signed his name to the foregoing declaration and affidavit was at the time of so doing \_\_\_\_\_ in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 188

[L. S.]

Clerk of the

Note.—This should be sworn to before a CLERK OF COURT, NOTARY PUBLIC, or JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. If before a JUSTICE or NOTARY, then CLERK OF COUNTY COURT, must add his certificate of Official character hereon, and not on a separate slip of paper.



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ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

CLAIM OF

Robert K. Ireland

Co. H 1st Wis. Cav.

AFFIDAVIT OF

Original Receipt

# 204,827

W. W. P.  
Notary Public

Filed by

Chas. G. ...

702 10th St NE

Washington D.C.

# PROOF OF DISABILITY.

NOTE.—This affidavit must be executed by a Commissioned Officer, if possible; but, if not possible to secure such evidence, then two of the soldier's comrades should testify.

State of Wisconsin County of Waushara, ss.

ON THIS 4<sup>th</sup> day of May, A. D. 1883, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths, Daniel Smith aged 53 years, a resident of Saxville in the County of Waushara and State of Wisconsin and \_\_\_\_\_ aged \_\_\_\_\_ years, a resident of \_\_\_\_\_ in the County of \_\_\_\_\_ and State of \_\_\_\_\_

who, being duly sworn according to law, state that he is acquainted with Robert H. Wilson applicant for Invalid Pension; and know the said Robert H. Wilson to be the identical person of that name who enlisted or volunteered as a private in Company K 1<sup>st</sup> Wis. Cav. Regiment of Wisconsin Cavalry Vols., and who discharged [Died or was discharged.] at Edgefield Tenn. on or about the 19<sup>th</sup> day of July 1866 by reason of General Order War Department [Here insert the reason of the soldier's discharge, if known; if not known, so state, or, if he died, so state.]

That the said Robert H. Wilson while in the line of his duty, at or near 3 miles from Palaska Tenn. in the State of Tennessee, did, on or about the 28<sup>th</sup> day of September 1861 become disabled in the following manner, viz:

while on his horse and engaged in battle with the  
[Here state the time and place and manner in which the wound or other injury was received. Describe the wound or injury, the part of the body wounded or injured, and all the circumstances attending it. If sickness, state time and place when contracted, what caused it, the name of the sickness, and how it affected him.]  
Enemy. (Forests Cavalry) his horse became frightened  
& unmanageable. Rared up with him on his back & fell  
over on him and apparently injured him  
across his back & hips. and he was ordered back  
to the rear & then taken to the Hospital, where he  
before removed for several weeks & treated for said injury

That the facts stated are personally known to the affiant by reason of his being present [Here state whether affiant was with the command at the time the claimant contracted his disability, or whether his knowledge was otherwise obtained. All the facts engaged in same battle at the same time, and known to affiant relative to the soldier's medical treatment for his disability while in the service should be stated, giving time place, if possible.]  
and was in Company "B." Same Regiment and was  
engaged in same battle at the same time, and  
was only a short distance from him and  
saw him when his <sup>horse</sup> fell over onto him

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And deponent further states that he is ..... well acquainted with the claimant having known him for at least Twenty Years ..... and further that his ..... knowledge of the facts above stated are ..... derived from said acquaintance, and from having served as private ..... of C.

about B. .... of the 1<sup>st</sup> Wisconsin Regiment of Cavalry ..... Volunteers, from the 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1863, to the 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1865

And deponent further states that the claimant was a sound and an able-bodied man at and prior to enlistment, so far as he ..... knew, and that he is ..... totally disinterested in this claim.

O. W. Wood  
C. S. Milliken

Daniel X Smith  
mark

If affiants make mark, two witnesses who write sign here.

[Signatures of Witnesses.]

State of Wisconsin County of Waushara, ss.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant and I certify that I read the said affidavit to said affiant and acquainted him ..... with its contents before he ..... executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution; and that said affiant is ..... personally known to me, and that he is a ..... credible person.

N. W. Milliken  
(Magistrate's Signature.)

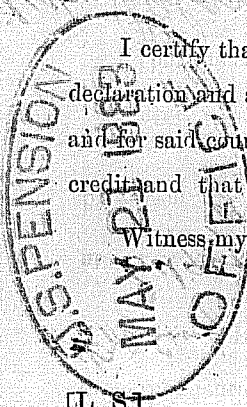
[L. S.]

Notary Public  
(Official character.)  
Notarial Certificate on file in the Office of the Commissioner of Pensions

OF COURT NOTARY PUBLIC OR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. If before a JUSTICE or NOTARY, then CLERK OF COUNTY COURT must add his certificate of Official character hereon, and not on a separate slip of paper.

I certify that ..... Esq., who hath signed his name to the foregoing declaration and affidavit was at the time of so doing ..... and for said county and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this ..... day of ..... 188 .....



[L. S.]

Clerk of the ..... Court.

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

CLAIM OF

Robert H. Wilson  
Co. 10<sup>th</sup> Wis. Cav.

No. 204, J. 27

PROOF OF DISABILITY.

Invalide Service

Filed by

Charles C. Garrison  
No. 2 South Street N. C.

Washington D. C.  
Printed and Sold by W. H. Moore, 511 Eleventh Street, Washington, D. C.

# PHYSICIAN'S AFFIDAVIT.

TAKE NOTICE.—This affidavit should, if possible, be in the handwriting of the affiant; the marginal instructions should be carefully observed before writing out the statement. All the facts in possession of affiant as to the origin and continuance of the disability should be fully set forth, and the dates of treatment should be specifically given. If the affidavit is prepared from memoranda in possession of the physician, that fact should be stated.

State of Wisconsin  
County of Waushara ss.

In the Pension Claim No. 360 587

Robert H. Wilson late of

Company 2nd Brigade 1st Division Regiment First Volunteers,  
Personally came before me a Notary Public in and for the aforesaid  
(Official character of magistrate.)

County and State Dr. S. G. Abbott a citizen of Physician  
whose Post-Office address is Wild Rose Wis and

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn, declares in relation to aforesaid case as follow:

That he is a practising physician, and that he has been acquainted with said Soldier for about 5 years, and that she is a constant sufferer from intercostal Neuralgia, chronic  
(Here embody all the facts known to the affiant in accordance with the marginal instructions. Noasures or interlin- eations will be permitted unless the magistrate certifies in his jurat that they were made before executing the paper.)

### NOTES.

The Physician's Affidavit should show the following facts:  
1st. Whether or not he knew the soldier prior to enlistment; the length of time he has known him; how intimately, and what opportunities he has had of observing his physical condition, whether as his family physician or as a neighbor; and how near he has lived to him. If he knew that the soldier was a sound man at enlistment, he should so state, adding, if true, that had he been unsound he would have known it.  
2d. If he treated him while in the service, either as his regimental surgeon or while soldier was home on furlough; that fact should be stated and his physical condition at such times should be clearly shown, as well as the nature of his disability and dates of treatment.  
3d. If he has treated soldier since discharge he so state, the date of

irritation of the Kidneys & pain in the side. He says was caused from a horse falling on him in the Army Service. He has severe deafness in both ears. He has been in this condition ever since I knew him. He is totally disabled from performing any labor. In regard to his ears I should consider him  $2/3$  or  $3/4$  disabled.

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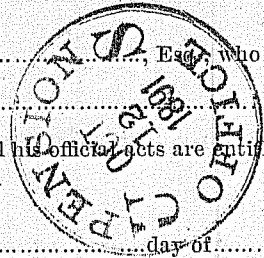
*H. S. ... M.D.*  
(Affiant's Signature, Give rank and service, if in the army.)

**SWORN** to and subscribed before me this *2nd* day of *Oct* A. D. 18*91*

and I hereby certify that the affiant is a practising physician in good professional standing; that the contents of the above declaration, &c., were fully made known to him before swearing, including the words \_\_\_\_\_ erased, and the words \_\_\_\_\_ added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect in the prosecution of this claim.

*Chas. F. Smart*  
(Magistrate's Signature.)  
*Notary Public*  
(Official Character)

I certify that \_\_\_\_\_, each who hath signed his name to the foregoing affidavit was at the time of so doing \_\_\_\_\_ in, and for said county and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereunto is genuine.



Witness my hand and seal of office, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 18

[L. S.]

Clerk of the \_\_\_\_\_

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**Medical Evidence**

Affidavit of

*# 3611587*

Claim of

*Robert H. Wilson*

*K-1*

Co. \_\_\_\_\_ Regt. \_\_\_\_\_ Vols. \_\_\_\_\_

No. \_\_\_\_\_

for

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THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

SOLDIER'S CERTIFICATE

No. 360587

VETERAN Robert H. Wilson

RANK Priv.

SERVICE K 1" Wis. Vol. Cav.

CAN No. 7550

BUNDLE NO. 1



I Robert H. Wilson Do solemnly swear that about the 1<sup>st</sup> march  
1864 I was sent to N. Hospital ward 1. in Nashville Tennessee with a  
cold in my throat and after to Camp Smith there to guard a  
water tank at sec. 46 N. W. R.R. Tennessee under command of Lieut.  
Williamson of the 31<sup>st</sup> wis Infantry then back to Camp Smith then  
sent after reb genl. wheelers Cav. and we fought there about 2 miles  
from franklin Tennessee <sup>or about</sup> the second sept 1864 also <sup>or about</sup> at Camelsville  
then then to Athens Alabama and to Florence on the Tennessee River  
then back to Nashville we were under command of genl. Renssels  
and Capt. Cornstock and James P. 1<sup>st</sup> wis Cav. in the latter part  
sept. 1864 we went to pulaski Tennessee to meet the reb genl.  
Joinses Cav. and we fought there about 3 miles from pulaski  
and I got hurt and was sent to the hospital in pulaski  
this is all the hospitals that I have been in

Robert H. Wilson Co K  
1<sup>st</sup> wis Cav.

The above Affidavit was subscribed and  
Sworn to before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April  
A D 1876

Isaac O. Westcott

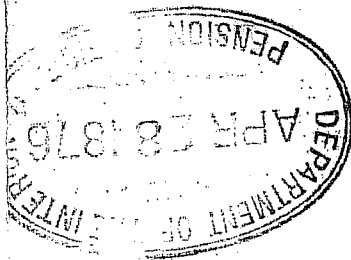
Justice of the Peace

Hosp <sup>with</sup> **K** in  
which <sup>No. 3</sup> **3** ted.

Claim of  
Robt. H. Wilson

~~of~~  
Pension No. 274,827.

*[Handwritten signature]*  
1876



Special  
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War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1883

Respectfully returned to the Commissioner of Pensions

Robert M. Wilcox, a private of Company K,  
1<sup>st</sup> Regiment Wisconsin Cavalry Volunteers, was enrolled on the  
day of \_\_\_\_\_, 186 \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,

and is reported: on Roll for Sep. Oct. 64 absent sick in Hosp  
at Nashville Tenn. Return for Sep. 64 reports him absent  
sick in Wisconsin

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No additional information relative to where  
abouts during Sept. 64. Records fail to show  
furlough Aug. to Oct. 64 or that he was  
on detached service as alleged. The  
records of the commands in which this  
regiment served from July to Dec. 64,  
and records of Camp Smith near Nashville  
Tenn. are incomplete. No books of Ex-

MB  
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change Barracks Nashville Tenn. on file.  
Company return Sept. 64 shows him absent sick  
at Nashville.

*W. Parker*

Assistant Adjutant General.

*J. Kelly*

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# GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Missouri County of Wauzeka 55

In the matter of the Invalid Pension claim No 204, 827 of Robert H. Wilson  
ON THIS 24th day of July A. D. 1882, personally appeared before me, a

Clerk of Circuit Court in and for the aforesaid county, duly authorized to administer oaths.

Robert H. Wilson aged 60 years, a resident of Spring water

and State of Missouri

John C. Wier

years, a resident of

in the County of \_\_\_\_\_ and State of \_\_\_\_\_ and

whose Post Office address is \_\_\_\_\_

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation to the aforesaid case

as follows: I am the claimant in the above entitled claim  
[NOTE.—Affiants should state how they gain a knowledge of the facts to which they testify.]

that I claim pension on account of Injury to back spine and kidneys also for disease of chest that I was treated in Hospital at Pulaski Tenn for my disability in Hospital No 1 that I was attended by Dr Jones who prescribed

me it was the opinion whether the medicine used caused my case to be reported wrong or not I am unable to say but there should be some record of my disability in the records of Hospital No 1 Pulaski Tenn

While in me at the Hospital at Pulaski Tenn detailed a cook Dr Jones treated me for the disease in my chest any gave me Squirrels and Whiskey he used to come to the back house every day and prescribe for me

I was in Hospital No 1 Pulaski Tenn from about September 1864 to about 15 November 1864 and in Hospital No 1 at Nashville Tenn from about 15 March 1864 to 15 April 1864

I request that a careful examination be made of the records of these hospitals to see if a record of not all of my disability can not be found

\_\_\_\_\_ declare that \_\_\_\_\_ no interest in said case and \_\_\_\_\_ not concerned in its prosecution

Robert H. Wilson

STATE OF Wisconsin, COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant, and I certify that I read said affidavit to said affiant including the words \_\_\_\_\_ erased, and the words \_\_\_\_\_ added and acquainted him with its contents before me executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution; and that said affiant is personally known to me and that he is a credible person.

[L. S.]

Stephen M. McMillan  
[Official Signature.]  
Clerk of Court  
[Official Character.]  
By J. H. Bissel deputy clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the County Court in and for aforesaid County and State, do certify that \_\_\_\_\_ Esq., who hath signed his name to the foregoing declaration and affidavit was at the time of so doing \_\_\_\_\_ in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office, \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1887

[L. S.]

Clerk of the \_\_\_\_\_

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CONDITIONAL EVIDENCE  
CLAIM OF

Re: Mc. Wilson  
Co. 1st Wis Cav  
Arnold's Successors

AFFIDAVIT OF

No 204. 827

Stephen M. McMillan  
Clerk of Court

John W. Fairman

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**AFFIDAVIT FOR GENERAL PURPOSES.**

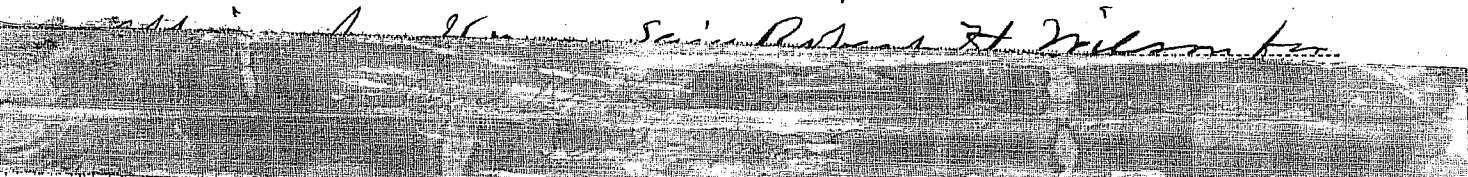
State of Wisconsin, Manitowish County, ss.:

In the matter of the Pension Claim No. 360587 of Robert H. Wilson

Co. 16, 1<sup>st</sup> Regt. Wis Cav Vols.:

On the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1891, before the undersigned authority

within and for said County and State, personally appeared L. S. Meekison and  
H. V. Soren who, being duly sworn, states on oath that



and in the region of his back, he was  
of his side as he has frequently informed the officers  
the result of an injury he received while in the  
U.S. Service. Also he has some trouble with his kidneys  
and is also devoid of hearing in both ears. He is  
also often confined to his room with above  
named troubles. And the past winter he has  
been laid up all winter. The man is now  
and has been ever since his return from the  
Army unable to do any continuous manual  
labor. And that he now is and has been  
for several years unable to perform any  
manual labor.

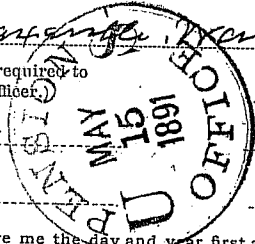
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That he testifies from personal knowledge and has no interest in this Pension Claim.

On ~~My~~ Post Office address is Sauage, Washburn Co. Wis

(When mark is made, two witnesses required to sign here other than the officer.)

(Signature.)



C. S. Milliken  
L. A. Gayer

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year first above written, and I certify that affiant is respectable and entitled to credit, and that I have no interest in this claim, and that the contents of this Affidavit were made known to Affiant before signing. Witness my hand and official seal.

Notary Public  
N. W. Milliken  
Notary Public  
(Magistrate's Signature.)

This can be sworn before a Justice or Notary, and no certificate of Clerk of Court need be attached if said Notary will have filed in the Pension Office at Washington, D. C., a separate certificate of the Clerk of the Court, which will be sufficient for his term of office in that case. Affiant will please state the facts as fully as possible, and ALWAYS give Post Office address.

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ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE

Robert H. Miller

IN Robert H. Miller

Invalidated Claim No. 349,507

OF

Late Co. K 1 Regt. his Vols.

FILED BY

**A. W. MCCORMICK & SONS,**  
PENSION ATTORNEYS,  
**Corcoran Bldg, Washington, D. C.**

**AFFIDAVIT FOR GENERAL PURPOSES.**

State of Wisconsin Waushara County, ss.:

In the matter of the Pension Claim No. 360587 of Robert W. Wilson

Co. K 1 Regt. Wis Vols.: Cava

On the Sixth day of June 1892, before the undersigned authority within and for said County and State, personally appeared Nels Jorgenson

who, being duly sworn, states on oath that

affiant

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~~to K-1-Wis. Cav. appeared in camp near Nashville while we were awaiting transfer to our command which was at Cleveland Tenn. while we were in camp as mentioned above we were greatly exposed and Robert W. Wilson contracted a severe cold which so affected his head throat and lungs he was sent to hospital~~

affiant did not see said Wilson again about or shortly after Battle of Nashville date cannot now recall but remember said Wilson then appeared hard of hearing and complained of his head and in the summer of 1865 while in Camp near Nashville said Wilson still was hard of hearing and appeared like an invalid

Nels Jorgenson {Seal}

That he testifies from personal knowledge and has no interest in this Pension Claim.

My Post Office address is Springwater, Waukegan, Co. Wis

(When mark is made, two witnesses required to sign here other than the officer.)

(Signature.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year first above written, and I certify that affiant is respectable and entitled to credit, and that I have no interest in this claim, and that the contents of this Affidavit were made known to Affiant before signing. Witness my hand and official seal.

Notarial Seal on file with Commission of Pensions

*A. W. McCormick & Sons*  
(Magistrate's Signature.) Notary Public

This can be sworn before a Justice or Notary, and no certificate of Clerk of Court need be attached if said Notary will have filed in the Pension Office at Washington, D. C., a separate certificate of the Clerk of the Court, which will be sufficient for his term of office in that case. Affiant will please state the facts as fully as possible, and ALWAYS give Post Office address.

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE  
JUN 10 1897  
Invidious Claims No. 360587  
OF

*Robert H. Wilson*  
Late Co. K 1 Regt. Wis Vols.

FILED BY  
A. W. MCCORMICK & SONS,  
PENSION ATTORNEYS,  
Concoran Bldg, Washington, D. C.

State of Wisconsin County of Washburn, ss.

On this 4th day of June 1888, before the undersigned authority within and for said County and State, personally appeared Nels Jorgensen late Private

Co. I, 1st Reg. Wis. Cav. Vol. who being, duly sworn, states on oath that Robt. H. Nelson of Co. K 1st Regt. Wis. Cav. Vols.

from exposure in the line of his duty in the U. S. Service\* from exposure & catching a severe cold at Camp Smith at or near Nashville, Tenn. in the State of Tennessee 1864, contracted disease called dyspepsia

very much disabling him at the time that myself & him together with other comrades belonging to different companies of our Regiment were on detached service from the Regiment at the time and were exposed to great hardships owing to the cold, rain & wet nights and having to lay on the ground for rest and sleep. That then and there this applicant contracted a severe cold and contracted disease called dyspepsia which has always affected him ever since and that I have always been personally acquainted with him ever since. We live both in the same township only about three miles apart. That he testifies from personal knowledge, having been a private of Co. I, 1st Regt. Wis. Cav. Vols., and serving with said soldier at the time.

That he has no interest in this Pension Claim.

My Post Office address is Springwater, Washburn County, Wisconsin.

[When mark is made, two witnesses required to sign here, other than the officer.]

[Signatures.]

Late Private Co. I 1st Regt. Wis. Cavalry Vols. Nels Jorgensen

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year first above written, and I certify that each affiant is respectable and entitled to credit, and that I have no interest in this claim, and that the contents of this affidavit were made known to affiants before signing. Witness my hand and official seal.

Certificate as Notary on file with the Commissioner of Pensions

N. W. Miller, Notary Public

This can be sworn before a Justice or Notary, and no certificate of Clerk of Court need be attached if said magistrate will have filed in the Pension Office at Washington, D. C., a separate certificate of the Clerk of Court, which will be sufficient for his term of office. If the officer knows that the disease continued to affect him till discharged, or that he was treated by the Regimental Surgeon, or in Hospitals, state the facts. It must be executed by some commissioned officer (or first sergeant of his Company,) if one can possibly be found who knows the facts. If no comrades testify to the above, using this blank. Always give Company and Regiment and Post Office. State what he was doing at the time.

State of \_\_\_\_\_ County of \_\_\_\_\_, 83.

I CERTIFY that \_\_\_\_\_ before whom the foregoing affidavit was made, is a \_\_\_\_\_ duly authorized to administer oaths, and the within is his signature.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 18\_\_\_\_

Court of said County.

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ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE

Invalid Claim No. 360 587

*John H. Wilson*

Late Co. X 1 Regt. Min. Cav.

Vols.

PENSION OFFICE JUN 29 1883

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# GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

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State of Wisconsin, County of Waushara, ss.

In the matter of Robt H Wilson of Co R 1st Wis Caval

ON THIS 25 day of Feb A. D. 1886; personally appeared before me a

Justice of the Peace in and for the aforesaid County duly authorized to administer oaths, John Crandall aged 49 years, a resident of Salemville in the County of Waushara and State of Wisconsin

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to aforesaid case as follows:

That I live within 3 1/2 miles of the

[NOTE.—Affiants should state how they gain a knowledge of the facts to which they testify.]

Claimant have known him personally for the past 32 and know that he has become more and more destitute as his age and Disabilities have made him entirely dependent on his family and what little other Substances he had to support himself which have become nearly exhausted. I am in no wise interested in this claim except to see justice done to an old and as I believe deserving Soldier.

H Post Office address is Salemville Waushara Co Wis

I further declare that I have no interest in said case and am not concerned in

its prosecution.

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John Crandall

[If Affiants sign by mark, two persons who can write sign here.]

[Signature of Affiants.]

STATE OF Wisconsin COUNTY OF Waushara

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant, and I certify that I read said affidavit to said affiant, including the words Erased erased, and the words \_\_\_\_\_ added and acquainted them with its contents before the executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution; and that said affiants are credible persons.

W. B. Coburn  
[Official Signature.]

Justice of the Peace  
[Official Character.]

[L. S.]

J. A. D. Bird

Clerk of the County Court in and for aforesaid County

and State, do certify that W. B. Coburn, Esq., who has signed his name to the foregoing declaration and affidavit was at the time of so doing a Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 26th day of February, 1886.

J. A. D. Bird Clerk of the Court  
by William Serrant Deputy

[L. S.]

NOTE.—This should be sworn to before a CLERK OF COURT, NOTARY PUBLIC, or JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. If before a JUSTICE or NOTARY, then CLERK OF COUNTY COURT must add his certificate of character hereon, and not on a separate slip of paper.

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

CLAIM OF

Robert H. Wilson  
C. R. "Unc. Carr"  
Inv. 24827

AFFIDAVIT OF

John Crandall

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## Adjutant General's Office

Washington, D. C. May 29<sup>th</sup> 1876

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 207 827, and to return it herewith, with such information as is furnished by the files of this Office

It appears from the ~~Books~~ Records on file in this Office that Rush. M. Lomas was enrolled on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 186\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, in Co. \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ Regiment of \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteers, to serve \_\_\_\_\_ years or during the war, and mustered into service as a 1st Lt on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 186\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, in Co. M, \_\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment of Wisconsin Heavy Volunteers, to serve \_\_\_\_\_ years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. M, of that Regiment, for the months of Sept 4, Oct, 1864, he is reported 1st Lt "Absent on Det. service at Nashville Tenn. since May 1<sup>st</sup> 1864." so reported on Return for Sept. 1864. Muster Roll of Co. M 1<sup>st</sup> Wis. Cav. for Sept + Oct. 1864 Reports 1st Lt Benjamin Darling "Absent sick in Hosp. Nashville Tenn." - so reported on Return for Sept. 1864. Sometimes known as Benjamin E. Darling, Co at Cartersville Ga. during Sept. 1864. No evidence of Co having been in action at Pulaski Tenn Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup> 1864. The name of Samuel Smith is not borne on Rolls of Co. M 1<sup>st</sup> Wis. Cav.

I am, sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

E. W. Benjamin  
Assistant Adjutant General.

The Commissioner of Pensions,  
Washington, D. C.

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A. G. to verify

H. Niedecken & Co.  
Stationers,  
Milwaukee.

State of Wisconsin }  
Wausara County } 15

Personally appeared before me H. H. Olson Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for said County and State Benjamin E. Darling who first being duly sworn says he was a private - No. 16. 1<sup>st</sup> Wisconsin Cavalry Regiment that Robert H. Wilson was a private of the same Company. That on or about the 28<sup>th</sup> day of September A.D. 1864 while in the line of his duty near Palestine Tennessee while riding his horse on said duty his horse became frightened and reared up fell over backward upon the said Robert H. Wilson and injured him very much from appearance and he was lame & injured in spine & back and was unable from said hurt to go duty for some six weeks or more, and was taken to the General Hospital at Palestine Tennessee & there treated for his injury for several weeks duration and I further state I am not interested in the prosecution of this claim.

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Benjamin E. Darling

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1876. & I certify that the said Benjamin E. Darling is a respectable person and entitled to credit and that I am not interested in the prosecution of this claim.

H. H. Olson  
Clerk

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Benjamin C. Darling  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
JAN 22 1876  
PENSION SERVICE

Absent  
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on court

INVALID (Series 13)

360587 Cert

Name, *W. H. Wilcox*  
Rank, *1st Lt*; Service, *U.S. Army*

Agency: Original Roll, *U.S. Army*  
Transferred, 18... to

Issued, *May 23* 18...  
Mailed, *23* 18...  
Rate and Period, \$... from *July 10* 18...

Deductions:

Entered Disability: *Discharge of Honor*  
*interior of military*

Issued... 18...  
Mailed... 18...  
Rate and Period, \$... from... 18...

Deductions:

Entered Disability:

114-25,000

Feb 3-91. P.A. to suspend  
Third Auditor advised E.W.P.

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SUSPENSION REMOVED  
MAY 1894  
Pen. Agt. and Aud. advised,  
Order of March 12, 1894.

June 18 1894 To Rem 30  
days notice to elect which  
he will take and of being  
ang. 24/04. P.A. to drop 3 and  
show order. Allowance is  
May 18 1894. Cf. No. 6896.  
H.M.O.



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LAW DIVISION.

In the matter of the appeal of

Name, *R. A. Wilson* Department of the Interior,

Service, *R. 1st Div. Civ.* BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Case Number, *360.587* Washington, D. C., *Aug. 21*, 188*7*

SIR:

Herewith are transmitted the papers in the above claim, together with the decision of the Secretary of the Interior, under date of *the 22<sup>nd</sup> ult.* upon the appeal had therein.

*Your attention is invited to the fact that the action of the office is affirmed*

Very respectfully,

*James Board*

Law Clerk.

*M. A. A. Reynolds*  
*Chief*  
*Reuben R. [unclear]*

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## War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, February 5, 1886.

Respectfully returned to the Commissioner of Pensions.

Daniel P. Smith, a Private of Company C,  
1 Regiment Wisconsin Cavalry Volunteers, was enrolled on the  
day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1864, at \_\_\_\_\_,

and is reported: on Return for Mar 64. gained  
as recruit Mar 27. 64 at Cleveland Tenn  
Roll for Mar & Apr 64 reports him present.  
same to Oct 31. 64. Roll for Nov & Dec. 64 not  
on file. Returns for May. July. Sept. Nov & Dec  
64. do not report him absent. Subsequently  
transferred to Co. M same Regt. Provost  
Marshal Genl. Records show that this man  
was received at Wis Draft Rendez Dec. 21. 63 &  
sent to 1st Wis Cav. Dec 23. 63. Date & place of  
delivery not stated. Station Jan 31. 64 Maryville  
Tenn. Feb. 29. 64 Madisonville Tenn. Mar 31. Apr 30. 64  
Cleveland Tenn. May 31 & June 30. 64 In the Field Ga. July  
31 64 Atlanta Ga. Aug. 31. & Sept 30. 64. Cartersville Ga.

OFFICE OF  
CHARLES E. FAIRMAN,  
PENSION AND PATENT ATTORNEY,  
Room 35 Gunton Building.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 14th., 1886.

Hon. L. Q. C. Lamar,  
Secretary of the Interior;

Sir:-

I have the honor to appeal from the decision of the Commissioner of Pensions in the claim for Invalid Pension (No. 204,827) of Robert H. Wilson, late private of Co. "K", 1st. Wisconsin Cavalry; and to request that the facts in the same, as shown by the competent evidence filed, receive your careful attention.

After having been recently special examined, this claim was rejected on the 2nd. day of Sept., 1886, that portion which was based on injury to spine and back being rejected because the records show that the claimant was absent sick at Nashville, and not ~~at~~ at Pulaski, Tenn, where he alleges that his injury was incurred.

The claimant has submitted evidence which shows conclusively that although he was in hospital at Nashville some months previous to the time he received his injury, he was duly discharged therefrom, and, instead of rejoining his regiment, he was detailed to go on an expedition against Forrest's cavalry, and while on the said expedition, received the injuries for which he claims pension.

OFFICE OF  
CHARLES E. FAIRMAN,  
PENSION AND PATENT ATTORNEY,  
Room 35 Gunton Building.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Page 2nd.

It seems to me to be entirely unjust, and a misinterpretation of the meaning of the Pension laws, to refuse this claimant a Pension merely because he is so unfortunate as to be the victim of an erroneous record, especially when his statements are corroborated by credible comrades whose credibility cannot be disputed.

The remaining portion of this claim (based upon disease of kidneys and chest) was rejected upon the same date, because a recent examination failed to show that the claimant was disabled thereby.

Medical evidence on file in this case shows that the claimant suffered from these disabilities immediately after his discharge from the service and continuously since, and thus corroborate the statements of the claimant that they existed in the service, and the fact that a recent examination fails to show disability in a pensionable degree, it is not conclusive proof that such disability has never existed, and the evidence submitted in this case shows plainly and incontrovertibly that the disabilities existed at the time of the soldier's discharge, and exist at the present time.

Requesting your careful attention and favorable consideration of this claim, I remain,

Your obedient servant,



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*Apprentice*

*J. H. [unclear]*  
Ex'r. INVALID.

No. *204827*

Acts of July 14, 1862, and March 3, 1873.

ILL.  
IOWA.

*Robert Wilson*

P. O. *Saxville*

*Mustan A. [unclear]*

Service: *C. K. 1. [unclear]*

WIS.  
MENN.  
NEBR.  
KANS.

Enlisted: *Jan 18*, 18*62*

Discharged: *July 19*, 18*62*

NEV.  
COLO.  
CAL.

Application filed: *June 9*, 18*70*

OREGON.  
IND. TY.

Alleges: *Injury to back spine.*

N. MDX.

*Source of kidney checked for July 18/62*

DAKOTA.

Re-enlisted:

WASH.

UTAH.

Attorney: *Chas. E. [unclear]*

P. O. *[unclear]*

Recognized

Cent. of Dis. Searched for

(16645-16,000)

Feb 26/83 Letter to Capt. Mason  
re: execution of having  
clerk while on duty

" " A. J. for full m...

" " Atty. Fanning of  
Conn. de.

" " Atty. Fanning for  
R. M. Loomis.

May 11/83 *Atty. Fanning*  
Atty. Fanning for further report.  
*Atty. Fanning*

" " A. J. returned for further  
report, enclosing statement from  
Loomis.

" " A. J. to verify Lieut. Loomis.

" " Clerk informed in response to his letter  
of Apr. 27/83 that claim exists above  
and also evidence of Dr. Ketchum  
whose address is furnished. *Atty.*

May 27/83 Atty. to verify accounts  
Loomis

June 1st: Atty. claim  
inadmissible evidence  
was filed.

Apr. 11/85: Clerk - put in O. Loomis  
that better info is required.

May 20/85: Return to clerk.

Board



Acts of July 14, 1862, and March 3, 1873.

**REJECTED.**

*116*  
*204827*  
Robert H. Wilson

P. O. *Saxeville*  
*Waukena County*

Serv' *Co. K* *Wis. Cav'y.*

Enlisted: *18 January* 18*64*

Discharged: *19 July* 18*65*

Application filed: *9 June* 18*65*

Alleges: *Injury to back*

*Spine & disease of*  
*kidneys & heart & the arm*  
Re-enlisted: *Sept 24 1872*

*Chas. E. Fairman*  
*Pres't*  
*Wm. Carter*

Attorney: *Box 612*  
P. O. *Washington*

Recd



For a settlement  
See inside jacket

Rejected 25 July 1876.

No record of disability  
and clear status under path  
that he is unable to furnish  
necessary evidence (that is the  
evidence required by this office)  
to connect disability with service.  
Atty so informed

Rejected

Sept 1876. Report to Secy

" 21/76. Rejection affirmed by Secy

" 22/76. Claimant so informed.

Jan 10/77. Writ inf'd that it is aff'd.

Jan 19. Report to Secy.

" 22. " Rejection affirmed

" 23. " Claimant inf'd.

May 19/82  
7.76. m.

Hon. R. Guenther that  
the claim was rejected July 18/76  
+ Com. so notified and no material  
evidence has since been  
presented

Oct. 18/82  
Chas. E. Fairman  
7.76. m.

Officers affidavit  
Address of Capt.  
P. B. Lamoreau  
Ex Board at J.  
Ex. 11/82

Nov 26/83 -

Letter to Captain West  
his recollection of  
eminent cases  
at that time  
A. G. for full m.  
Atty for course on  
Atty in 18/83

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Ex'r. INVALID

No. 210482

Acts of July 14, 1862, and March 3, 1873.

Special

REGISTERED

Robert H. Wilson

P. O. Saville

Massena Co. N.Y.

Service: 6th Cav

Enlisted: Jan 18, 1864

Discharged: July 19, 1865

Application filed: June 9, 1875

Alleges: ~~...~~ back & spine (disease of kidneys)

Re-enlisted: check filed (in file)

REVIEW

Attorney: Chas. E. ...

P.O. ...

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Recognized, FEB 23 1886

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IOWA.

Mar 6<sup>th</sup> 1886. Stevens Point

Wis.

9/1/86 Note date and cause of rejection

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OREGON.

IND. TY.

N. MEX.

DAKOTA.

WASH.

UTAH.

2/1/87 Check date of rejection of spine etc.

100 days circular for kidneys & chest.

2/10/87 Check in response to letter from Pres. U.S. Date & answer to with history all right

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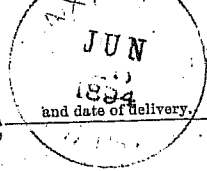
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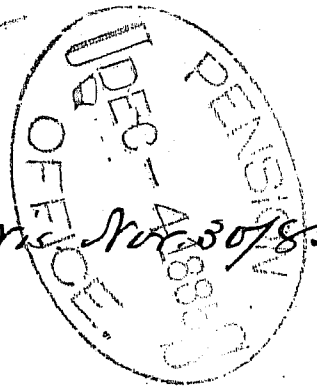
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Saxeville, Hancock Co. Wis. Nov 30/85  
 John C. Black  
 Commissioner of Pensions  
 Washington Dc. Sir

In reply to yours of Nov. 12 inst  
 in relation to original pension claim of  
 Robert H. Wilson late of Co. 72. 1<sup>st</sup> Wis.  
 Cavalry. I beg leave to reply to your  
 inquiries as follows. "Sir"  
 I was left in No. One Hospital at  
 Nashville Tenn. on or about the  
 month of March 1864 Sick and said  
 Corporal Wilson was there at the same  
 time also Sick. About the latter  
 part of April 1864. I was transferred  
 from said Hospital to Camp Smith  
 about 3. miles from Nashville Tenn.  
 and said Wilson was transferred  
 to said Camp Smith about the same  
 time. That from said time we were  
 on detached service from our Regiment  
 and nearly all the time together  
 until about the month of September  
 following. That on or about the  
 latter part of September 1864 we were  
 sent from Camp Smith to Paducah  
 Tenn. under command of Captains  
 Comstock. & Munton who both belonged

to our said Regiment. Near Palatka  
 Tenn. at or about the 28<sup>th</sup> Sept, 1864  
 while he as well as myself while on line  
 of duty and while skirmishing with  
 Forrest's Cavalry. Said Wilson got  
 hurt by his horse reared up while he  
 was on his back & fell on & on a tree  
 and hurt his back, & he was sent  
 back to the Hospital. I was present  
 at the time and in line of duty  
 & saw him hurt. That I went on  
 with other troops & rejoined our Reg.  
 and did not see him for several  
 weeks after.

further that my acquaintance  
 with said Pvt H. Wilson dates  
 back prior to the enlistment of  
 him & prior to my being drafted  
 into the U.S. Service in the late  
 war.

Signed in presence  
 of us this 30<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1865  
 by his word

*his*  
 Daniel X Swille  
 made

St. W. Milliken

A. P. Jensen

Subscribed & sworn to before me  
 this 30<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1865

St. W. Milliken  
 Notary Public  
 Washington Co. Wis.

Notarial Certificate  
 on file in office of  
 Commission of  
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## CHAPTER L.

### REGIMENTAL HISTORY—FIRST CAVALRY.

REGIMENTAL ROSTER—MOVE TO ST. LOUIS—TO CAPE GIRARDEAU—OPERATIONS IN SOUTHEAST MISSOURI—RAID INTO ARKANSAS—DISASTER AT LA ANGUILE PERRY—HELENA—RETURN TO CAPE GIRARDEAU—ATTACK ON CAPE GIRARDEAU—ORDERED TO TENNESSEE—IN ROSECRANS' ARMY—BATTLE OF CHICAMAUGA—ANDERSON'S CROSS ROADS—OPERATIONS IN EAST TENNESSEE—IN THE ATLANTA CAMPAIGN—CAMPAIGN OF 1865—ASSAULT AND CAPTURE OF WEST POINT—CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES—PURSUIT OF JEFFERSON DAVIS—HIS CAPTURE—MUSTER OUT—RETURN HOME—STATISTICS.

COLONEL Edward Daniels, in the Summer of 1861, was authorized by the War Department to recruit and organize one battalion of cavalry in Wisconsin. He was subsequently authorized to raise two more companies. The Governor, in October, was authorized to complete the regiment, by the organization of six additional companies. The location of the rendezvous was changed from Ripon to Kenosha, and the regiment took up its quarters at Camp Harvey. Here its organization was perfected, and the muster into the United States service completed on the 8th of March, 1862, and the regiment left the State on the 17th, for St. Louis, with the following roster :

#### COLONEL—EDWARD DANIELS.

*Lieutenant Colonel*— — — — —; *Majors*—*First Battalion*, OSCAR H. LA GRANGE; *Second Battalion*, HENRY POMEROY; *Third Battalion*, WILLIAM H. TORREY; *Adjutant*—CHARLES W. BURBANK; *Quartermaster*—J. C. MASON; *Commissary*—HERMAN J. SHULTIES; *Battalion Adjutants*—*First Battalion*, RICHARD L. GOVE; *Second Battalion*, EDWIN F. BROOKS; *Third Battalion*, GEORGE O. CLINTON; *Battalion Quartermasters*—*First Battalion*, JOHN TAYLOR; *Second Battalion*, WALLACE W. LA GRANGE; *Third Battalion*, S. H. RAND; *Surgeon*—HORATIO N. GREGORY, *First Assistant Surgeon*—CHARLES H. LORD; *Second Assistant Surgeon*—HENRY W. CAUSDELL; *Chaplain*—REV. GEORGE W. DUMMORE.

<i>Co.</i>	<i>Captains.</i>	<i>First Lieutenants.</i>	<i>Second Lieutenants.</i>
A	Thomas H. Mars,	Levi Howland,	William J. Philips,
B	Henry S. Eggleston,	Frank T. Hobbs,	John T. Consaul,
C	James W. Decker,	Alexander B. Burrows,	Charles F. Huxford,
D	Nelson Bruett,	Fernando C. Merrill,	George W. Frederick,
E	Richard H. Chittenden,	Augustus J. Hunt,	Thomas W. Johnson,
F	John Hyde,	Newton Jones,	Henry W. Getchell,
G	Nathan Paine,	Stephen V. Shipman,	Joseph E. Mosher,
H	Lewis M. B. Struth,	James M. Comstock,	William S. Cooper,
I	William M. Hoyt,	Joseph H. Morrison,	William G. Cooper,
K	Algernon S. Seaton,	Gilbert D. Coyle,	Joseph E. Atwater,
L	Henry Harnden,	Hiram Hilliard,	Talbot C. Ankeny,
M	Thomas J. Connatty.	George W. Barter.	John A. Owen.

Arriving at St. Louis, on the 19th of March, 1862, they were quartered at Benton Barracks. Here they completed their outfit, and on the 28th of April, the regiment moved down the Mississippi on transports to Cape Girardeau, Mo.

The Regimental Adjutant, Charles W. Burbanks, was mustered out on the 25th of March, and Lieutenant S. V. Shipman, acted as Adjutant.

Colonel Daniels was placed in command of the post, and assigned to the district of Southeast Missouri. On the 10th of May, a force of six squadrons proceeded to Bloomfield, fifty miles from Cape Girardeau, and took possession of the place. Major Pomeroy was placed in command of the post and was appointed Provost Marshal. From this time until the regiment left Southeast Missouri, they were engaged in scouting in various directions, repeatedly encountering the enemy. Ten miles south of Bloomfield, a rebel camp was broken up, and a few days after the rebel Colonel Phelan, and about 100 of his followers were captured. An expedition was made to Chalk Bluffs, on the St. Francis River. On the 14th of May, the river was crossed and the enemy's camp was found two or three miles beyond, and a skirmish occurred in which the regiment lost three killed, and four wounded, among them Lieutenant William J. Philips, of Company A, who was mortally wounded.

The casualties as reported, were:

**KILLED OR DIED OF WOUNDS.**—*Company A*—Lieutenant William J. Philips and Private William McClaughrey. *Company D*—Private Solomon Howard—3.

**WOUNDED.**—*Company A*—Privates Charles Ence and Thomas Tafe. *Company C*—Private J. O. Tuttle. *Company D*—Lieutenant F. C. Merrill—4.

On the 21st of of May, a detachment under the command of Colonel Daniels, proceeded to Kennett, in Dunklin County,

where they learned that a steamer loaded with supplies was lying in Little River, at Hornersville, ten or twelve miles distant. Colonel Daniels pushed forward and succeeded in capturing the boat with about fifty prisoners, and a valuable cargo of sugar, molasses and other stores. On the 1st of June, Dr. H. N. Gregory was killed by a shot from a rebel sharpshooter at Chalk Bluff.

Not content with confining his operations to the district to which he was assigned, Colonel Daniels took the responsibility of making a raid into Arkansas. The regiment was concentrated at West Prairie, about thirty miles south of Bloomfield. About sixty men were left at Cape Girardeau, under command of Lieutenant Shipman, who had been appointed commandant of the post by order of the Department commander. About fifty men were left at Bloomfield, under the command of Captain Hyde. A few men also remained to guard the stores left at camp on West Prairie.

On the 12th of June, Major La Grange was commissioned Lieutenant Colonel, and Captain Henry S. Eggleston, Major.

The regiment left West Prairie on the 9th of July, with three pieces of artillery, and reached Chalk Bluff that evening, crossed the river and encamped. While crossing, one of the boats sunk with the cannon, and one man lost his life, Private Streeter, of Company C. The cannon was recovered next day.

The route pursued by the regiment was along Crawley's Ridge, a remarkable geographical feature of the country, having its northern termination in the hilly region Northwest of Cape Girardeau, and running in a southerly direction, inclining a little easterly between the St. Francis and White rivers, for about 250 miles, and terminating in a bluff at Helena, Ark.

From Chalk Bluff, on the 10th, Captain Harnden, of Company L, was sent in advance with about one hundred men, and reached Oak Bluff, or Scatterville, about daylight of the 11th, and surprised a force of 125 rebels, killing eight, and capturing fourteen prisoners, with a large number of rifles, and several horses and mules. The march was continued by way of Scatterville, Gainesville, Greensboro, Jonesboro, Harrisburg and Wittsburg, to Madison, without meeting the rebels in any considerable force. On the 16th, the regiment reached Jonesboro, when Captain Harnden was detached with thirty men to Cache River bridge and

captured ten men and a Lieutenant Colonel, Inspector General of the rebel forces in that part of Arkansas. The regiment reached Madison on the 22d, and captured the steamer Carl with several prisoners.

From Madison, Colonel Daniels proceeded to Memphis over land, where he found orders from the Department commander at St. Louis, inquiring by what authority he had left the post and district assigned him, and ordering the immediate return of the regiment. Colonel Daniels returned to Madison, and on the 28th, took passage in the steamer Carl, for Helena, and never rejoined the regiment. The First and Second Battalions, marched to La Anguille Ferry on the 28th, and reached Marianne, eight miles beyond, on the 29th. A heavy train of baggage wagons, escorted by the Second Battalion, under Major Eggleston, had moved several miles in the rear during the march. The train left Wittsburg on the 2d of August, marching to La Anguille Ferry, and camping on the north shore of the stream, where, on the morning of the 3d of August, they were surprised about daylight, by an overpowering force of the enemy, and but little resistance could be made. The Chaplain of the regiment, Rev. George W. Dunmore, was killed while dressing himself.

The list of killed, and those who died of wounds, we take from the Adjutant General's record.

*KILLED OR DIED OF WOUNDS.—Staff Officer—Chaplain George W. Dunmore. Company B—Sergeant William P. Ware, Corporals M. J. Bushnell, F. W. Hazard and E. F. Mead, Privates Bradley Brown and Samuel Banker. Company E—Private William F. Mills. Company F—Private Edward Oehmer. Company I—Privates O. F. Willis and Adrian Horton. Company K—Private Philander Truesdell. Company L—Privates Nicholas Friddle and Carey C. Webb. Company M—Private Enoch Young—15.*

Fifty seven were taken prisoners, and also twenty men of a Union Arkansas company, six of whom were afterwards shot by the rebels at Little Rock. Nearly 100 negroes who were following the train were captured, many of whom were shot down in cold blood.

The train consisted of twenty wagons laden with supplies, three ambulances, and two wagons with ammunition, also all the regimental papers, which were all captured by the rebels. The regiment under the command of Lieutenant Colonel La Grange, moved in immediate pursuit of the enemy as far as

Rough and Ready. Returning next day to Marianne, on the 5th, they marched to Helena, arrived there on the 6th, and reported to General Curtis.

When between Wittsburg and Madison, on the 29th of July, Captain Porter, of Company I, was ordered to detach twenty-two men and gather the sick who had been left on the march, and return with them to Bloomfield. When near Jonesboro, Captain Porter reports that he attacked a rebel camp, drove the enemy and took several prisoners, and other spoils. Proceeding to Jonesboro on the 2d of August, he took possession of the Court House, which in the night was surrounded by about two hundred rebels, who after a sharp fight, compelled him to surrender. They were soon paroled, and with those able to move forward, pushed through the woods to the Mississippi River at Osceola.

The casualties in this affair as reported by Captain Porter, were:

**KILLED OR DIED OF WOUNDS.**—*Company I*—Privates Edward Stanley, John Somby, Frank Obermire, Benjamin Rattelle, Peter Schuck, Jeremiah White and Wm. Abells, who was murdered by the rebels next day, near Scatterville—7.

**WOUNDED.**—Privates George R. Williams and Nelson Nickerson—2.

Eight of the detachment were missing, and eight were taken prisoners and paroled.

On the 10th of August, the regiment was assigned to General Vandever's brigade, and moved out and camped on the Clarendon road until the 23d of September, engaged in scouting, having several men wounded.

On the 27th of September, the First Battalion, under Lieutenant Colonel La Grange, arrived at Cape Girardeau, the Third Battalion arrived a few days after, having rescued the steamer Forest Queen from a band of guerillas at the mouth of the Obion River. The Second Battalion arrived on the 29th of September, and encamped with the rest of the regiment one mile from town. On the 3d of October, the regiment moved to Greenville, Mo., leaving 400 sick at Cape Girardeau.

On the 23d of July, the squad left at West Prairie, were attacked, and Corporal E. W. Houck, of Company B, was mortally wounded. The most of the stores at that point were safely moved to Bloomfield.

In the latter part of July, the rebels made a spirited attack on Bloomfield, which was admirably defended by the little force under Captain Hyde. We find Job Warren, of Company E, reported killed at Bloomfield, on the 1st of August. They made another attack on the 11th of September, when Captain Hyde was compelled to evacuate the town, and retire to Greenville. Abner J. Keller, of Company E, is reported killed. A force of 500 men was sent from Greenville, and the place was retaken, but was held only a short time, the whole force returning to Greenville.

Adrian Horton, of Company I, died of wounds, August 5th, 1862, and Henry Van Valen, of Company H, died of wounds, September 12th, 1862, and C. M. Skinner, of Company A, died of wounds, October 26th, 1862.

From Greenville the regiment moved to Patterson, about thirty miles from Pilot Knob, and was brigaded in General Benton's Division of the Army of Southeast Missouri. During the winter the regiment encamped at West Plains, Pilot Knob, and St Genevieve, and engaged in scouting duty, and in the spring, the regiment was nearly all concentrated at Cape Girardeau.

Colonel Daniels never returned to the regiment, and finally resigned. Lieutenant Colonel La Grange was commissioned as Colonel, and Major Pomeroy as Lieutenant Colonel, on the 5th of February, 1863. On the 11th of December, 1862, Captain Thomas H. Mars was commissioned as Major, vice Major Eggleston, deceased.

In April, General Marmaduke advanced into Southeastern Missouri, and moved forward to attack Cape Girardeau. On the 24th, Company E, under command of Captain S. V. Shipman, was stationed to guard a bridge across Whitewater River, about sixteen miles from Cape Girardeau, on the Bloomfield road. One column of Marmaduke's army numbering about 3,000 men, approached. A body of about 300 men moved above the bridge some distance, crossed the river, and took possession of the only road through the swamp in rear of Captain Shipman's position. The enemy's whole force then moved against the bridge, which Captain Shipman found it impossible to hold. He therefore attempted to retreat to Cape Girardeau under cover of the darkness. Falling into an ambuscade set by the enemy, Captain

Shipman ordered his men to cut their way through, himself and Lieutenant Ogden leading the charge. In the attempt Captain Shipman was severely wounded, having his thigh bone badly shattered by a pistol ball, and was taken prisoner, with several of his men. Lieutenant Ogden, with twenty-two men, succeeded in cutting their way through and escaped to the Cape. Captain Shipman was paroled and sent into Cape Girardeau, under a flag of truce, where by superior surgical aid, his life was saved without amputation of the limb.

The casualties as reported, were :

KILLED OR DIED OF WOUNDS.—*Company E*—Privates Henry Barden, Chas. M. Durant, Warren A. Gale and S. V. Corbin — 4.

On the 25th, Marmaduke attacked Cape Girardeau with great vigor, and after a time, demanded its surrender, which General McNeill refused, and the fight was resumed. A second demand for its surrender was made, but it was again refused. In the mean time General Vandever was on the way to reinforce General McNeill, upon ascertaining which fact, Marmaduke fell back to Jackson, where he was attacked by General Vandever on the 27th, and soon began his retreat. General McNeill endeavored to reach the bridge over the Whitewater, to intercept him, but the rebel General succeeded in reaching the bridge first and destroyed the greater part of it. On the 28th, Major Torrey, with four companies of the regiment, had the bridge repaired by 11 o'clock, A. M., when McNeill's forces crossed and resumed the pursuit. The bridge over the Castor River, was also destroyed by the rebels. The stream was forded, and General McNeill advanced towards Bloomfield, where a severe skirmish ensued lasting all day. The enemy finally retreated across the St. Francis at Chalk Bluff, upon which further pursuit was abandoned, and General McNeill's forces returned to Cape Girardeau. The First Cavalry took an active part in the defence of the town and was in the advance in the pursuit, its conduct eliciting the warmest commendations from the commanding General. Sergeant Mitchell O'Neill, of Company C, and Christian Bjornson, of Company G, were reported as killed at Cape Girardeau; George P. Bates, of Company G, was killed at Castor River, and Corporal William Fenton, of Company H, at Bloomfield.

In the Spring of 1863, General Rosecrans was authorized to increase his cavalry force, and sent an order to the First Wisconsin Cavalry to report to him at Nashville. The regiment accordingly embarked on the 1st of May, at Cape Girardeau, and proceeded to join the Department of the Cumberland, reaching Eddyville, Ky., on the 4th, where they disembarked and marched to Clarksville, crossed the Cumberland River, and moved thence by way of Nashville to Triune, Tenn., where they were assigned to the Second Brigade, First Division, Cavalry wing of the Army of the Cumberland. The regiment was employed in picket duty till June 15th, when the cavalry advanced, and on the 19th, had a skirmish at Middletown. The regiment accompanied the cavalry column which captured Shelbyville and a large number of prisoners. After the evacuation of Tullahoma by General Bragg, the regiment moved with Major General Stanley's cavalry column to Huntsville, Ala., where they remained, with the exception of a short time at Fayetteville, until the 15th of August, at which time they moved to Larkinsville, Ala., and camped.

Accompanying the movements of McCook's Twentieth Corps, to which Stanley's cavalry division was attached, the First Cavalry left Larkinsville on the 31st of August, and reached Stevenson on the 2d of September, crossed the Tennessee River, ascended Sand Mountain, and took the advance in McCook's movement down Wills' Valley, to intercept the retreat of Bragg, from whence the whole corps was recalled by General Rosecrans and ordered to concentrate on Chicamauga Creek. On the 19th the regiment had an engagement with the rebel cavalry, about four miles south of Crawfish Springs, compelling the enemy to fall back across Chichamauga Creek, while a flank movement by a portion of the regiment compelled them to retire still further, by which the safety of the train was secured. Private Northrup, of Company G, was wounded in this affair.

They bivouacked in line at Crawfish Springs, and next day took an active part in the cavalry movement on the extreme right of our line during the battle of Chicamauga. In the afternoon they moved towards Chattanooga, followed by the enemy's cavalry, and camped in line nine miles from the town. On the 21st, they were engaged in skirmishing all day, holding their position until the morning of the 22d, when they were ordered to Chattanooga, and crossing the river, encamped on its north bank.



On the 26th of September, Major T. H. Mars resigned, and Captain Nathan Paine was appointed Major.

On the 1st of October, the effective force of the regiment encamped with the brigade at Jasper, Tenn. Next day, while on the march, it was ascertained that the rebel General Wheeler's command, had burned a Government train near Anderson's Gap. The First Wisconsin, then leading the brigade, was ordered forward. Moving with great rapidity the advanced guard of the regiment under command of Captain Smith, overtook the rebel rear guard and promptly attacked it. The enemy retreated steadily, skirmishing constantly with the advance guard of the regiment, which pursued him closely for about two miles, capturing eleven prisoners and liberating a number of our men, whom the enemy had previously captured. About a mile from the train, they encountered Martin's brigade, which the advance engaged and held until the arrival of the main body of the regiment, upon which four companies were dismounted and pushed forward as skirmishers, a mounted company protecting each flank, and the remainder of the regiment held within supporting distance. Advancing in this order, the skirmishers taking advantage of the nature of the ground, and moving rapidly from cover to cover, drove the enemy, who sustained a loss of twelve killed, and a considerable number wounded, a distance of two miles. Near this point, the enemy, in attempting to form, was thrown into confusion by the fire of our skirmishers, and at the proper moment, the reserve charged and scattered his wavering ranks in the wildest disorder. Thirty-seven of the enemy were killed and wounded, and forty-two made prisoners, the latter including a portion of the staff of General Wheeler, who himself narrowly escaped capture. In this affair, the regiment sustained a loss of Sergeant Forsyth, of Company D, severely, and three others slightly wounded. The retreating rebels were pursued two miles further when the regiment went into bivouac, remaining until the 4th of October, when they joined in pursuit of the rebel cavalry.

Marching by way of Dunlap across the Cumberland Mountains they reached McMinnville, from whence they proceeded by way of Rogersville and Athens, to Huntsville, Ala., and on the evening of the 13th, took part in the skirmish at Maysville, with a

portion of the force of General Rhoddy, whom they pursued next day in the direction of Lamb's Ferry. On the 16th they marched to Salem, and next day encamped near Winchester, where they remained until the 20th of November, at which date they moved to Murfreesboro, Tenn. From this point, they moved by the way of Crab Orchard Gap into East Tennessee, and arrived on the 16th of December, at Knoxville. They continued their march by way of Strawberry Plains, to New Market, where slight skirmishing with the enemy took place on the 23d. During the night, Captain Harnden, with Company L, forced back the rebel pickets, and on the following day the regiment, under the command of Major Torrey, took part in a severe engagement in which the rebels were driven across Mossy Creek. They participated in several other engagements in this vicinity, successfully resisting the enemy's attempts to establish his line beyond the stream.

The casualties as reported, were:

KILLED.—*Company H*—Private Jasper Talbot. *Company L*—Private Chatham Crook—2.  
WOUNDED.—*Company L*—Private B. Shook and L. Stewart—2.

On the 14th of January, 1864, they marched to and encamped near Dandridge, and were engaged next day with the enemy, losing one man wounded. In the action of the 17th, the enemy was at first forced back, but being assailed subsequently by greatly superior numbers, our regiment was compelled to retire. Captain La Grange, *Company D*, was mortally wounded.

The casualties as officially reported:

KILLED OR DIED OF WOUNDS.—*Company G*—Privates James Clark and J. C. Brall. *Company D*—Captain W. W. La Grange. *Company E*—Private Arthur Morgan—1.

WOUNDED.—*Company A*—Corporal H. S. Chase and Private Charles R. Dodge. *Company B*—Sergeant N. Fields. *Company C*—Privates James Seaton and Edward Dwyer. *Company F*—Private Horace G. Stockton. *Company G*—Lieutenant William Langdon and Private Patrick Moran. *Company H*—Sergeant Clement H. Stockland and Corporal Phillip Dolan. *Company I*—Private William Sherman. *Company K*—Private Lewis Kress. *Company M*—Sergeant Henry G. Hubbard and Private W. Otter—14. Missing, 16.

Eli Braid, of *Company L*, died of wounds, January 17th, 1864.

During the night they marched towards Knoxville, through which they passed on the 19th, encamping on the Sevierville road. On the 2d of January, Major Torrey, was sent to Nashville to procure horses, and Major N. Payne was left in command

of the regiment. From the 21st of January, 1864, to March 12th, the regiment remained in East Tennessee, engaged in scouting duty, being stationed at different times at Sevierville, Marysville, Motley's Ford and Madisonville.

Lieutenant Colonel Pomeroy having resigned on the 11th of February, Major William Torrey was commissioned Lieutenant Colonel, on the 1st of March.

George E. Cardeman, of Company E, and Albert L. Hinman and William Slater, are reported as dying of wounds April 14th, 1864.

The regiment on the 12th of March, encamped at Cleveland, Tenn., where their numbers were augmented on the 26th, by the arrival of Lieutenant Colonel Torrey, with three hundred and fifty-four recruits, and fifty-six returned convalescents, increasing the aggregate strength of the regiment to one thousand and fifty-eight. Lieutenant Colonel Torrey took command of the regiment. While stationed here, details from the regiment were constantly employed in scouting parties, from which small numbers were frequently captured by the enemy. On the 11th of April, a picket post was surprised, and Lieutenant Caldwell, and nineteen men of Company L, were captured.

At the commencement of the Atlanta campaign, the regiment, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Torrey, moving with the Second Brigade, Colonel La Grange commanding, of the First Cavalry Division, left Cleveland, Tenn., on the 3d of May, and skirmishing constantly on the advance, arrived on the 7th, at Varnell's Station, Ga., on the Cleveland and Dalton Railroad, ten miles from the latter place. A. J. Keller, of Company E, was killed on the 3d of May. On the 9th of May, Colonel La Grange was ordered, with the Second Brigade, to develop the strength of the enemy on the railroad, three miles south of Varnell's. It was found that nearly the entire command of General Wheeler, supported by a division of infantry, occupied a strong position, and after a severe engagement, the brigade returned to Varnell's. In this affair, our regiment lost; Colonel La Grange, Captain G. O. Clinton and Lieutenant Sandon, captured by the enemy. The latter officer was also wounded. Major Paine was badly injured by a fall from his horse and Lieutenants Warren and Crocker were wounded.

The following partial list of casualties we find reported :

**KILLED.**—*Company C*—Private Ichabod Howland. *Company F*—Corporal Ellhu Newton. *Company G*—Private Joseph Gesser. *Company H*—Sergeant Samuel M. Greenwood. *Company L*—Private George H. Weaver—5.

**WOUNDED.**—*Company B*—Saddler George Bailey. *Company D*—Lieutenants James Crocker and John W. Warren, Privates George W. Bowers, Frederick Davely and Charles Rothe. *Company E*—Sergeant Charles Russell, Privates William Dent, Hiram G. Walker and Alden Youngman. *Company F*—Sergt. Peter Schlick, Privates Anthony Chesner, Caspar F. Knowles, George W. Thompson, Geo. W. Lord and Bethiel Bentley. *Company I*—Private John Downey. *Company K*—Privates Thomas J. Lynch, George Potter and J. L. Stevens—20.

**MISSING.**—*Company B*—Captain George O. Clinton, Corporal John Skeels, Privates D. E. Bates, Edgar W. Baldwin and H. K. Foot. *Company E*—Corporal Stephen D. Hall, Privates D. Appleton, John Hart, Bailey Butchins, Charles Kelleps, Thomas Lynch, William Negas, William Moel, Philo D. Payson, Eddress G. Van Scooter, James Van Doren, Alfred Wright and Nelson Fetteamore. *Company G*—Lieut. Wm. Sandon—18.

Jared L. Stevens, of *Company L*, died of wounds, July 12th, 1864.

At the battle of Resaca on the 15th, the regiment occupied the extreme left and had four men severely wounded, as follows :

*Company A*—Privates Nelson H. Brown, David N. Bell and Charles A. Euce. *Company I*—Private Henry C. Tarbox—4.

On the 17th, Lieutenant Colonel Torrey went to the rear sick, and Major Paine assumed Command of the regiment. On the 20th, Major Paine being wounded, and disabled by a fractured arm, was sent to the hospital, and Captain Harnden, of *Company L*, took command of the regiment. On the 21st, the regiment had a heavy skirmish with the enemy, losing nine men missing.

On the 26th of May, five companies, with a portion of the Fourth Indiana, charged a brigade of rebel cavalry at Burnt Hickory, capturing forty-seven prisoners. In this action Captain Harnden was badly wounded while leading the charge, and Captain Seaton then took command of the regiment.

The casualties were :

**KILLED.**—*Company E*—Private James Coddington—1.

**WOUNDED.**—*Company L*—Captain Harnden, commanding the regiment. *Company A*—Private Goodwill A. Foss. *Company C*—Private Bristol Farnsworth. *Company E*—Private James Johnson. *Company I*—Private Eli Horton—5.

On the 1st and 2d of June, they participated, without loss, in the demonstration on Johnston's right, and on the 4th, a portion of the regiment drove out a small body of rebels, and occupied Ackworth. With the brigade, they dislodged the rebel force holding Big Shanty, on the 6th, and subsequently advanced with

the army to Lost Mountain. On the 1st of July, they marched from Lost Mountain to Howell's Ferry, on the Sweetwater. With the subsequent advance of the army, they crossed the Chattahoochie on the 22d. William Gerrets, of Company G, is reported killed on the 23d.

On the 27th, they re-crossed the river as part of General McCook's force for operations in rear of Atlanta. They again crossed the Chattahoochie next day, six miles below Campbelltown, where the regiment was detached from the main body and ordered to Campbelltown. Two miles east of the place, on the Fairbourn road, they attacked the advance of the rebel General Armstrong's division, and after a severe engagement, were compelled to retire with the loss of Major Paine, commanding regiment, killed, and Lieutenant Warren, wounded and captured, with nine men killed, wounded and missing. During the raid, the regiment lost forty men and officers, reported mostly as missing.

Major Paine was mortally wounded while making a charge. He fell from his horse saying, "I am shot—FORWARD." He fell into the hands of the enemy and was taken to a house near by where he died.

Major Paine was a brave and efficient officer, and a thorough gentleman.

Lieutenant Colonel William H. Torrey, who was then in command of the brigade, was killed on the 30th of July. To Colonel Torrey great credit is due for so disciplining the regiment as to make it one of the best cavalry regiments in the service. He was one of the bravest of officers, and his fall was deeply felt by the brigade which he commanded. In the regiment the deaths of Colonel Torrey and Major Paine, were greatly lamented.

Corporal J. T. Parsons and Private Ellis Brown, of Company C, were reported killed.

Acting as guard to the pontoon train and battery, they returned on the 31st, to Marietta, ten miles south of which place, they were afterwards stationed to cover the return of stragglers from General McCook's command, until the 7th of August, when they received marching orders. On the 12th, they arrived at Cartersville, where they remained, employed in forage and scout duty, until the 17th of October, when they again marched, arriving on the 19th, at Calhoun. While at Calhoun, the whole available

force of the regiment was constantly engaged in scouting and foraging, losing a number of men by the guerillas. Here the escort of a wagon train, commanded by Major Harnden, whilst foraging on Pine Log Creek, was fiercely attacked by a band of guerillas, who were thoroughly routed, and the band broken up.

They left Calhoun on the 4th of November, when they were ordered to Louisville, Ky. Here the regiment lay in camp being reorganized, remounted and rearmed with improved weapons, until on the 4th of December, under the command of Major Harnden, they set out in the direction of Nashville, then besieged by the rebel forces under General Hood. Upon arriving at Bowling Green, on the 12th, the regiment accompanied the movement of the Second and Third Brigades, which were ordered to proceed by forced march to Hopkinsville, where a force of the enemy was reported 2,000 strong, consisting of cavalry and artillery, under command of General Lyon. They arrived in front of Hopkinsville on the 15th, and next morning drove the enemy from the town, capturing two pieces of artillery and fifteen prisoners. Our regiment lost five men wounded :

WOUNDED.—*Company E*—Privates William H. Minniek, Henry S. Birch and James Higgs. *Company F*—Private J. B. Ayres. *Company K*—Private Jervis B. Miller—5.

They then pursued the enemy to Elizabethtown, overtaking about 400 of General Lyon's force at that point. Colonel La Grange, with twenty men of the regiment, at once charged upon the rebels, capturing eleven prisoners, when the pursuit was abandoned.

The campaign being closed, the regiment finally went into winter quarters at Waterloo, Ala., where they remained until the 10th of March, 1865, when they moved across the Tennessee River to Chickasaw, and on the 22d of March, took up their line of march for the interior of Alabama, and crossing the Black Warrior River at Jasper, on the 31st, arrived at Montavallo.

On the 6th of January, 1865, Major Harnden was commissioned Lieutenant Colonel, and Captains Shipman and Howland, Majors, and on the 25th of February, Captain Newton Jones was commissioned Major.

On the 1st of April, the Second Brigade was detached from the main column, and ordered to move to the right. One battalion of the regiment, under command of Major Shipman,

moved forward in advance to Centreville, where they put to flight a small force of the enemy, capturing fifteen prisoners. Upon being joined by the balance of the brigade, they crossed the Cahawba River at Centreville, and bivouacked for the night at Scottsville, having marched upwards of forty miles during the day. Early next morning they encountered Jackson's division of rebel cavalry, and after a severe engagement, lasting two hours, during which, Thomas H. Deming, of Company E, was killed, and two captured, they fell back towards Selma. They subsequently marched in various directions a distance of nearly two hundred miles, and on the 6th, arrived at Selma, where they rejoined the main column and remained two days. Crossing the Alabama, on the evening of the 9th of April, the brigade leading the marching column, had advanced about five miles from the river, when they met the enemy, and a running fight commenced in which the rebels were rapidly driven back, over a distance of about twenty-five miles, the brigade entering Lowndesboro at dusk. On the evening of the 12th, they occupied Montgomery, which was surrendered to the brigade, and continuing the march had advanced but two miles from the capitol, when they were fired upon. The First Wisconsin, and Seventh Kentucky, were then detached from the brigade and attacked the rebels, who had erected barricades about two miles apart. In the running fight which occurred as the rebels withdrew in their front from one barricade to another, the First Wisconsin was the only regiment actually engaged, and captured one hundred prisoners, sustaining a loss of one killed and five wounded.

The following casualties on the 14th, were reported by Lieut. Waterman:

*KILLED.*—*Company C*—Sergeant Wm. A. Carson and Private George Condiman—2.

*WOUNDED.*—*Company A*—Private Andrew J. Pearson. *Company E*—Sergeant Edward Culver. *Company F*—Private Carl G. Metzner. *Company L*—Second Lieutenant J. L. Aekley, First Sergeant Walter Carpenter, Corporal D. B. Turner and Wm. Taunton—7.

Passing through Tuskegee and Auburn, they reached West Point, Ga., at noon on the 16th of April. The brigade immediately assaulted and captured Fort Tyler at this place, with its garrison of two hundred men. Our regiment, dismounted, carried one side of the fort. They were the first to cross the ditch, and for twenty minutes, lay on the embankment within ten feet of

the enemy waiting for the other regiments assigned to the attack to attain position. At the appointed signal, they sprang up, when the garrison displayed the white flag. Loss, seven killed, including Lieutenant Vosburg, and fourteen wounded, including Lieutenant Colonel Harnden, slightly.

The following casualties at West Point on the 16th of April, were reported by Lieutenant Waterman, Adjutant of the regiment:

**KILLED.**—*Company A*—First Lieutenant Sheldon E. Vosburg, Privates Washington Dolph, Godfrey Gurgis and Valentine Brant. *Company H*—Privates Edgar Wyman and John Ferguson—6.

**WOUNDED.**—*Field Officer*—Lieutenant Colonel Henry Harnden. *Company A*—Sergeant Charles R. Dodge, Privates Jeremy H. Smith and Lewis Clark. *Company B*—Private I. B. Jackson. *Company C*—Corporal James T. Lyons, Privates William Bond, William Mehring and Herbert Fassbinder. *Company D*—Sergeant J. L. Fredericks and Private Edward Weldon. *Company H*—Sergeants Josiah T. Foster and Azram Knapp. *Company M*—Sergeant N. L. White and Corporal William Grassman—15.

Sergeant Farrell, of Company K, was the first man to enter the fort. On the 17th, they crossed the Chattahoochie at West Point, and on the morning of the 21st, arrived at Macon, Ga., where they went into camp.

General Wilson, in his report, speaks highly of Lieutenant Colonel Harnden's management of the regiment, and recommended him for promotion.

The last active duty which this regiment was called upon to perform in the closing scenes of the rebellion, has already become historic by its association with the capture of Jefferson Davis, President of the so called Southern Confederacy.

In compliance with orders from the division commander, a detachment of 150 men of the First Wisconsin, under command of Lieutenant Colonel Harnden, left Macon on the evening of the 6th of May, and proceeding by way of Jeffersonville, in Twiggs County, where Lieutenant Hewitt, with thirty men, was detached to guard the cross roads, reached Dublin, in Lawrence County, fifty-five miles from Macon, on the evening of the following day, and encamped near the ferry across the Oconee River. At Dublin, Lieutenant Colonel Harnden ascertained that a train of light wagons and ambulances, with a number of led horses, had crossed the ferry during the day, taking the Jackson road, and subsequently learned that Davis and his wife were with the train. Leaving Lieutenant Lane, with forty-five men, to



guard the ferry and patrol the roads, the balance of the detachment started in pursuit at daybreak on the 8th, and on reaching Turkey Creek Bridge, learned the exact course the train had taken, and pushed forward, under the direction of a guide, to the site of their camp of the previous night, between the forks of Alligator Creek. At this point they were but four hours behind the train, and after feeding the horses, the pursuit was resumed, across the main Alligator Creek, and through a swamp, to Gum Swamp Creek, in Pulaski County, where the trail became too indistinct to follow in the darkness, and the detachment bivouacked for the night. Next morning they were again in motion at three o'clock, and crossing Sugar and Cypress Creeks, proceeded to the Ocmulgee River, the bank of which they followed, in the dense swamp, to Brown's Ferry. Here an accident to the ferry boat, caused a delay of two hours in crossing the river, after which they pushed forward to Abbeville, which place the train had left at ten, in the morning, taking the road to Irwinville, in Irwin County. Promptly dispatching his command in that direction, Lieutenant Colonel Harnden went to meet Colonel Pritchard, of the Fourth Michigan Cavalry, who was in the vicinity, and whom he informed of the proximity of the train which he had pursued for such a distance, and that his command had gone forward in pursuit. Declining his offer of additional force, on account of the difficulty of procuring forage, Lieutenant Colonel Harnden left Colonel Pritchard at Abbeville, to which place he had been ordered, and moving rapidly forward, rejoined his command, which, about ten miles from the town, discovered the camping ground of the train, so recently left that the fires had not yet been extinguished. Colonel Harnden continued the pursuit through the pine woods, until nine in the evening, when, feeling certain that the train was close at hand, and that an attack in the darkness might afford an opportunity for some of the party to escape, he halted his command, with orders to be ready for an early start. At three in the morning of the 10th of May, he again gave the order to move forward. The command had proceeded about a mile, when the advance guard, commanded by Sergeant Hussey, was ordered to halt, by a party of men partly concealed behind trees. Supposing he had run upon the rebel pickets, Sergeant Hussey attempted to retreat,

when a heavy volley was fired upon the party, wounding three out of his seven men. Colonel Harnden then moved forward a squad of ten men, who were met with a similar volley, whereupon he deployed his whole force, and advanced rapidly, driving back the opposing force, one of whom was captured, proving to be a member of the Fourth Michigan Cavalry, under command of Colonel Pritchard. All firing of course ceased, and upon explanation, it was shown that Colonel Pritchard, after his interview with Lieutenant Colonel Harnden at Abbeville, had selected a number of his best mounted men, pushed rapidly forward on the run, and thence by way of House Creek, back to Irwinville, which he reached before the arrival of the train. He had then sent a small force, dismounted, around to the rear of the train, and as he moved upon it with his principal force from the Irwinville side, Lieutenant Colonel Harnden encountered his dismounted men, as above related. While this unfortunate collision was in progress, a portion of Colonel Pritchard's force captured the train. In this affair our regiment lost three severely, and several slightly wounded.

The reward offered for the capture of Jeff. Davis will probably be divided, by the War Department, between the forces of Lieutenant Colonel Harnden and Colonel Pritchard. Colonel Wilson, commander of the cavalry corps, in a letter, says:

Lieutenant Colonel Harnden is entitled to an equal share of the credit for the capture of Jeff. Davis, and is in no way responsible for the unfortunate collision which occurred.

Lieutenant Colonel Harnden then returned as rapidly as possible to Macon, where he reentered camp on the 13th of May.

The regiment left Macon, Ga., on the 6th of May, and marching northward, by way of Forsyth, Dalton and Ringgold, arrived on the 2d of June, at Chattanooga, Tenn., from which they resumed the march on the 7th, encamping on the 15th at Edgefield, Tenn., opposite Nashville. At this place, the First Wisconsin Cavalry was mustered out of service on the 19th of July, and shortly afterwards, paid and disbanded.

After the regiment went to Tennessee, Colonel La Grange was almost constantly in command of a brigade, and distinguished himself in several brilliant actions, and gained the reputation of

being one of the very best cavalry officers in the service, and was brevetted Brigadier General on the 13th of March, 1865.

Lieutenant Colonel Harnden was brevetted Colonel, and afterwards Brigadier General, and Major Shipman, Lieutenant Colonel and Colonel.

*Regimental Statistics.*—Original strength, 1,124. Gain—by recruits in 1863, 295, in 1864, 597, in 1865, 164; substitutes, 83; by draft in 1863, 202, in 1864, 76; veteran reenlistments, 61; total, 2,602. Loss—by death, 366; deserted, 91; transferred, 67; discharged, 634; mustered out, 1,444.

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## Preface

This document is a work of many hands and is intended to be a living reference for the soldiers who serve today as well as a record of the service of those who have preceded them.

Special recognition is given to William Heidner and the others who were part of the original team who assembled this book at the direction of the Colonel of the Regiment.

In this publication we attempt to preserve and present the essence of what it is to be a 2d Cavalryman. By this effort we wish to carry on the traditions of this special unit and at the same time record the new chapters and pages of history written by today's Dragoons.

We intend this to be a living document updated in accordance with the bi-annual schedule of 2d Cavalry Association reunions as well as the experiences and deployments of the Regiment.

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## **PART I**

### **HISTORY OF THE SECOND DRAGOONS**

The Second Dragoons are the oldest mounted regiment on continuous active service in the U.S. Army. From its formation in 1836 to fight in the Second Seminole War, to its numerous deployments to the Middle East, the Regiment has distinguished itself in major campaigns: the Indian Wars, the Mexican War, the Civil War, the Spanish-American War, both world wars, and the Persian Gulf War. Along the way members of the Regiment served gallantly in action, and 20 were awarded Medals of Honor.

### **THE BIRTH OF THE REGIMENT**

To respond to the increasing trouble in Florida during the Second Seminole War, President Andrew Jackson issued an executive order 23 May 1836 forming the Second Regiment of Dragoons. Congress appropriated \$300,000 for the Regiment, and the headquarters were established in June 1836 in Washington, DC.

Colonel David Emmanuel Twiggs was the First Colonel of the Regiment. Nicknamed "Old Davey" or the "Bengal Tiger," his troops claimed that he could "curse them right out of their boots." Lieutenant Colonel William Selby Harney was second in command, and later became the Second Colonel of the Regiment. His temper was as fiery as his flaming red hair, and although brutal on the field of battle, his imaginative and conscientious leadership helped to shape the character of the Regiment. Twiggs and Harney set the initial tone of the Regiment and fostered many of its enduring qualities.

Recruiting began immediately. Companies A and I were organized in the Fort Myer Virginia area. Company B obtained recruits in Virginia and Louisiana, Harney's home state, while Company C recruited from Tennessee. Companies B and C were not listed on the Regiment's active returns until April 1837. Company D was organized from a detachment of the First Dragoons in Florida and saw service there immediately. Companies E, F, G, and H recruited mostly from New York, and Company K was recruited from New Orleans and activated in March 1837.

In April 1837, the Regimental headquarters was moved to Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, where a "School of the Trooper" was organized for the remaining companies, numbering over 400 new recruits. The new troopers were excited to get their training under way. As fast as the "green" horses were received they were introduced to their new riders, equally "green" at horsemanship. It was said that their "ambitious mounting in hot haste" frequently resulted in their immediate dismounting. Veterans noted that their "quickness of time and variety of motions" were unparalleled in mounted tactics.

## THE SECOND SEMINOLE WAR

Even before the arrival of the Regiment for its first assignment, the men who became Company D had their first encounter near Micanopy, Florida. They drew "first blood" as members of the Regiment in July 1836 in a spirited engagement at Welika Pond, near Fort Defiance, Florida, on 10 June 1836.

In December 1836, the first four companies sailed from New York to Charleston, South Carolina, for immediate service in Florida. Company I joined them in Charleston, and Harney took command. The Regiment arrived at the mouth of the St. John's River, Florida, in January 1837 and marched to Fort Mellon on Lake Munroe, arriving on 6 February. This post fell under attack only two days later, embroiling the companies almost immediately in the war.

On 9 September 1837, three companies of the Second Dragoons and two of Florida volunteers surrounded an Indian village. At first light, the force captured the village, including the important chief, King Phillip.

This action represented a shift in tactics. Garrisons had previously waited in forts and responded when attacked, only to find that the Seminoles had melted back into the Florida Everglades. Though some experts doubted the wisdom of employing mounted troops in that terrain, the Second Dragoons pioneered the practice of taking the battle to the enemy. The Indians responded by signing what would be a short-lived peace treaty.

Chiefs Coacoochee and Osceola, however, did not sign the document and persuaded the rest of the members to return to the Everglades and continue the fight. This pattern of warfare would be repeated so often that a poet wrote:

“And yet ‘tis not an endless war,  
as facts will plainly show,  
Having been ended forty times  
In twenty months or so.”

Harney would go to any length to defeat the enemy. In March 1838, the Regiment took delivery from Samuel Colt of 50 Patterson Patent revolving carbines. Legend has it that Harney purchased these weapons with his own money. Fifty selected troopers were equipped with this new carbine and formed a Regimental corps of sharpshooters. Some say that the sharpshooters were so successful that Harney bought 50 more carbines in 1839. Thus, the Regiment earned its reputation both for daring new tactics and the use of new technology.

The Regiment earned one red and black battle streamer for its participation in the Seminole War.

## FORT JESSUP, LOUISIANA

As the war with the Seminoles began to wind down, the Regiment was repositioned in Louisiana, which formed part of the eastern frontier of the Louisiana Purchase. This was the Regiment's first posting in the state of Louisiana. In October 1842, Companies A, D, E, F, and G were ordered to move to Fort Jessup, Louisiana, and Fort Towson, Arkansas. The remaining companies worked to improve their positions and to scout for the last band of hostile Indians in Florida. Upon completion of their tasks in Florida, these companies went to Louisiana, where the entire Regiment assembled. Headquarters were at Fort Jessup and additional postings were to the Arkansas Territory and Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

In August 1842 Congress passed a resolution to dismount the Regiment as a cost-saving measure, and it was reconstituted as a Regiment of Riflemen. The Secretary of War noted in his report of 1842 that dismounting the Regiment saved very little money. It was also pointed out that the distances along the frontier and the mounted Indian tribes of the area necessitated more mounted formations. In March of 1843 the Regiment was re-mounted and again designated as the Second Dragoons.

Fort Jessup was home to the Dragoons for four years. They patrolled the border between the United States and the Republic of Texas while providing security along the famous El Camino Real, which took travelers from Natchitoches, Louisiana, to Nacogdoches, Texas. Life for the Regiment at Fort Jessup was a nice change from the deprivations of service in Florida. Twiggs established a steam-powered sawmill at the fort to begin an extensive building program. (Visitors to the historic site of Fort Jessup, six miles east of Many, Louisiana, can see some of the original buildings of this frontier post.)

Following a period of temporary duty in Europe, one Captain William J. Hardee briefly armed several of the Dragoon's companies with lances. An Inspector General's report said at the time that the unit was the "best drilled" outfit in the entire Army.

In 1836 the Republic of Texas was established after fighting for its independence from Mexico. For the next decade, Mexico refused to recognize Texas's independence and made sporadic attempts to recover its lost province. The country along the border was in constant turmoil as a result of these extremely ruthless raids. On March 1, 1845, Congress resolved to admit Texas into the Union. The Mexican Government promptly broke off diplomatic relations with Washington.

President James K. Polk continued to hope that the situation could reach a negotiated settlement. Not only did he wish to resolve the issue of the annexation of Texas, but he also wished to purchase additional Mexican territory extending all the way to the Pacific Ocean. Negotiations were further complicated by a long unresolved dispute regarding the southern border of Texas. Spain and Mexico maintained that the southern boundary was the Neuces River, while the Texas and the United States claimed that the Rio Grande River was the international border. In anticipation of hostilities, Brevet Brigadier General Zachary Taylor assembled an "Army of Observation" at Fort Jessup.

## WAR WITH MEXICO

In July of 1845, General Taylor's force began moving to Texas. Most of his force embarked from New Orleans bound for Corpus Christi, Texas. The Second Dragoons were the exception, choosing to proceed over land from Fort Jessup to Corpus Christi. They made the 501-mile march in 32 days, and reported to General Taylor in fine shape, contrary to some predictions from others outside the command. In March of 1846 General Taylor was ordered to move his force to the Rio Grande River in order to repel any invasion. General Taylor's force departed Corpus Christi to establish a base of operations at Point Isabel. The vanguard of his force, led by a squadron from the Second Dragoons and Major Ringold's Flying Artillery, subsequently moved to establish Fort Texas along the Rio Grande River. This position was directly across from the Mexican city of Matamoras, near what is now Brownsville, Texas.

The Dragoons began an aggressive schedule of mounted patrols along the Rio Grande. Acting as the eyes and ears for General Taylor and maintaining security along the flanks, the Regiment became well acquainted with the area and some of the local ranchers. On 25 April 1846 General Taylor received word that the Mexican Army was crossing the river above and below his position. Two companies of Dragoons moved to the lower crossing while Companies C and F went to reconnoiter the upper crossing. The next day one of the Company's native guides returned to camp claiming that the units had been attacked by a large force of Mexicans near La Rosia and that "all had been either cut to pieces or captured." The two companies of Dragoons, numbering 60 men, were surrounded and ambushed by over 500 Mexican cavalry. They sustained nine dead and two wounded. Thornton was pinned to the ground when his horse was shot dead in mid-air as he cleared an eight-foot wall of chaparral in an attempt to charge through the enemy. The entire command, now under Captain William Hardee, was captured and taken to Matamoras. This battle gave President Polk the excuse he needed to invade Mexico.

During a counter-attack at Palo Alto on 8 May 1846, the Regiment was largely responsible for forcing the enemy to the east and exposing its left flank. The next day at Resaca de la Palma, General Taylor ordered Captain Charles A. May to silence a battery of Mexican cannons that had been blocking the Matamoras Road. May said, "I'm going to charge them," as he led his squadron (Companies D and E) through the American infantry lines and into the fire from the Mexican artillery. May overwhelmed the battery and captured a Mexican general. May's order of the day, "Remember your Regiment and follow your officers," has become the Regiment's motto.

Another hero of the Mexican war was Sergeant Jack Miller, whose small patrol was ambushed by a force five times its number near Monclova in November 1847. The Dragoons were going for their carbines when Miller shouted: "No firing, men! If 20 Dragoons can't whip 100 Mexicans with the saber, I'll join the Doughboys and cart a fence rail all my life." The Dragoons charged and killed six Mexicans, wounded thirteen, and captured seventy. Casualties in Miller's unit were limited to only one man wounded and three mounts lightly scratched.

On 29 June 1846, Colonel Twiggs, the First Colonel of the Regiment, recently promoted to Brigadier General after ten years in command, passed command of the Regiment to his successor, Colonel Harney. Harney remained in command for the duration of the Mexican War. Congress later awarded Twiggs a sword with a jeweled hilt and a gold scabbard as a tribute to his gallantry at Monterey. The Regiment's service proved invaluable in every major campaign of the war, and it is one of perhaps two regiments in the Army to have had elements participate in every battle. The Regiment added 14 green and gray campaign streamers to the Regimental standard during the war with Mexico.

### **THE NATION EXPANDS WEST**

After the Mexican war, the Regiment moved west to secure the country's newly acquired territories for the influx of settlers. In June of 1849 troopers from Company F under the command of Major Ripley Arnold established an encampment along the banks of the Trinity River in Texas, which they named Fort Worth in honor of General William J. Worth, whom the Regiment had served with during the final years of the Seminole War. This area is now known as "the fort that became a city," Dallas/Fort Worth.

The Regiment spent the pre-Civil War period fighting Indians and securing the routes that brought settlers into the new territories of the United States. In 1854, the Second Dragoons took part in a campaign against the Sioux Indians and soundly defeated a sizable Brule Sioux force near Ash Hollow, Nebraska, without incurring a single loss. This action forced the Sioux to sign a peace treaty.

In late 1857, in response to reports of harassment and abuse of Federal officials from Mormon settlers in Utah, a battalion formed from the Regiment was sent to put down Mormon resistance to U.S. authority as part of a 2,500 man expeditionary force. Expecting a confrontation, the Mormon leader and Utah governor, Brigham Young, mobilized the Utah militia, but agreed to terms just before the expeditionary force reached the state. This long and arduous winter march is immortalized in the Don Stiver print, "Never a Complaint."

On 14 June 1858, Harney was promoted to Brigadier General and Philip St. George Cooke was appointed the Third Colonel of the Regiment. During this time Colonel Cooke published the definitive manual on cavalry tactics, which was used by both sides in the Civil War.

In July 1860, the President of the United States ordered Harney to St. Louis to take command of the Department of the West. Once there, however, the combination of the onslaught of political events and his own political naiveté ruined him. Although he was a brilliant cavalryman, Harney, as a political neophyte, could not negotiate the tangle of political affairs in Missouri. Suspected of Southern sympathies by the powerful Blair-Benton faction in Missouri, local politicians demanded his removal, and President Lincoln relieved him of his command in May 1861. On 1 August 1863, Harney was placed on the retired list. He was promoted to brevet Major General on 13 March 1865 in recognition of his long and faithful service. President Lincoln later admitted that Harney's removal was one of the biggest mistakes of his administration. Harney went on to serve several Indian commissioners and became known as

"the nation's greatest Indian expert." He died in Orlando, Florida, on 9 May 1889. In his honor, the Sioux gave him a title he would have cherished, "Man-Who-Always-Kept-His-Word." A single thread runs through all that he did and tried to do – a fierce desire to serve. His epitaph in Arlington Cemetery captures his humility and dedication to the Regiment. It reads simply, "Harney, Second Dragoons." In 1985 Fort Leavenworth named its new gymnasium after this distinguished cavalryman.

At the opening of the Civil War, now Brevet Major General Twiggs surrendered all Union forces and stores in Texas to Confederate General Ben McCulloch. Twiggs was promptly dismissed from Federal service, and on 22 May 1861 received an appointment as a Major General in the Confederate Army. At that time, he was the senior general officer in the Confederate service, but the former Dragoon was too old to take the field.

Both the Union and Confederacy thought that Colonel Cooke would support the Southern cause. His son, John R. Cooke, became surgeon general of the Confederate Army and the husband of his favorite daughter was no less than J.E.B. Stuart. Some even said that he "may pull a Twiggs," referring to the surrender of the Union forces. Still, his loyalty to the Constitution remained steadfast. In November 1861 he was appointed Brigadier General and placed in command of a cavalry brigade in Washington. During the Peninsula Campaign, he commanded the cavalry reserve, a division consisting of two brigades.

### **THE CIVIL WAR YEARS**

In 1861 the Second Dragoons were recalled to the east to fight in the Civil War. Because of the continuous turmoil on the plains, the Regiment was full of combat veterans. Thomas John Wood was appointed as the Fourth Colonel of the Regiment, and was almost immediately promoted to Brevet Brigadier General and placed in charge of a Brigade of Volunteers. Wood fought the entire war with the Army of Tennessee, seeing action at Chickamauga and Missionary Ridge outside of Chattanooga. Many illustrious company grade officers commanded the Regiment, most notably Captains Wesley Merritt and Theophilus Rodenbough.

The Dragoons' designation was changed to Second United States Cavalry Regiment on 3 August 1861. Company C was the last unit to fight as Dragoons during the Battle of Wilson's Creek, Missouri. The Second Cavalry fought as part of the First Cavalry Division of the Army of the Potomac and participated in numerous campaigns in Virginia and the battles of Antietam, Chancellorsville, Fredericksburg, Gettysburg, Manassas, Spotsylvania, and Cold Harbor.

During the battle of Fredericksburg, Sergeant Martin Hagan and a handful of troopers held off a Confederate cavalry brigade belonging to J.E.B. Stuart's corps, allowing the Union Army to withdraw across the river. Hagan accomplished this mission without the loss of a single man, horse, or major item of equipment, and for his gallant action he was awarded the first Medal of Honor of the Second Dragoons. Sgt Hagen is not listed as a recipient of the Medal of Honor by any of the agencies tasked to track these things. The Regiment has several sources that indicate that he was the Regiment's first recipient. The Regimental Museum staff has asked the National Medal of Honor Historical Society to clarify this.