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 I have never seen the diseased parts  
 in my life but I know he  
 has always been complaining of it.  
 After he came home he told me  
 about a knot coming in the  
 lower part of his belly, I can't see  
 on which side it was and I never  
 saw it. I can't tell if it came  
 down in the scrotum or bag,  
 I did not hear him speak of a  
 knot while he was out.

Yes, I have seen a rupture as it appeared  
 through the clothing, but I did not know  
 that he was ruptured in the way or that  
 his bowels protruded, All I know  
 that is that he had a complaint of  
 the privates and since you mention it  
 I believe the Mumps was the cause  
 of his complaint — After these  
 complaints at Bermuda Hundred  
 I know Lt. got better and I do not  
 know on a matter of fact if a rupture or  
 Hernia developed while he was a soldier.

No Sir I can't remember that he had any  
 other complaint. We were bunk mates all  
 the time in the Army and came home together,  
 and have seen him two or three times a week every  
 since. No I do not remember that he contracted  
 Rheum in his legs at Ft. Totten, in 1865, the last 20 or  
 30 years he has been complaining of Rheum that is all I know about.  
 Yes, I have signed some papers  
 Witness David Foster  
 Charles A. Wilson  
 Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July  
 1896, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

W. H. Harmsberger  
 Special Examiner.