

## DEPOSITION

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Case of James Armstead, No. 775-665

On this 19<sup>th</sup> day of Feb., 1895, at  
Baltimore, County of City  
 State of Md., before me, Jhn. R. Hardwick, a  
 Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared Charles  
Cole, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer

truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid  
 pension claim, deposes and says: I am 51 yrs. old. Laborer. P.O.  
 address 728 Wayson al, this city. I served in  
 I 39 U.S.C. Inf with James Armstead. I  
 first knew him in the army. He  
 seemed to be a hearty man when  
 he came to the regiment. I can not  
 tell you when was the first time I ever  
 knew him to be sick.

I was with my company at Smithville  
 N.C. but I can not tell you when that was.  
 I can not tell you if Chut. was sick at  
 Smithville or not nor at Ft. Casway -  
 I do remember that he was taken sick  
 and went to the hospital at Newbern N.C.  
 I can not tell you when it was, but acor-  
 ding to my recollection it was winter of the  
 year we were discharged - I was dis-  
 charged Dec. 6, 1865 at Ft. Federal Hill.

I can not tell you what he had -  
 I can not say if he had chills and  
 fever or not. I think he complained  
 of pains in his legs at Newbern, N.C.  
 I have seen him only twice since the  
 war and cant say what he has - only  
 I saw him to-day & he said he had the  
 rheumatism and wasnt able to work.  
 The other time I saw him was in  
 1891 and he then had rheumatism.

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