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DEPOSITION B

Case of Ann Cole, No. 208572

On this 11 day of October, 1882, at
Baltimore, County of Baltimore

State of Maryland, before me, James M. Clements, a
 Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared Astbury Hanson,
 who, being by me first duly sworn to answer
 truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of afore-
 said pension claim, deposes and says: his age is 47 years, resides at No 8 Bethel

Court, Balto. City, Md. Was a soldier in Co "H" 30 U.S. C.T. enlisted at
 Easton, Talbot Co. Md. and served until the Regt was mustered out,
 enlisted November 9, 1863, joined the Regiment at Camp Birney
 Baltimore Md.

Question, Did you know a soldier in said Co named James Cole,

Answer, I did know two men in said Co named Cole, one
 was named Orskil and the other one was named James, James
 Cole joined as a recruit while we were in Virginia near Petersburg,
 Can't remember the date,

Question, Describe said James Cole, as you remember him,

Answer, He was a tall brown skinned man, about middle age
 was tall and slender, think he was over six foot tall,

Question, What became of said James Cole,

Answer, About August 1864, a detachment was sent from Bowling
 Green to Belle Plain, near a Rail Road, I was a sergeant with the de-
 tachment and said James Cole, was a Private, when on the march
 he was taken suddenly very ill, we took off his equipments and left
 him on the roadside near a Hospital, think it was called Marine
 Hospital, it was a large tent on the side of a hill, it was occupied by
 white soldiers,

Question, Did you leave said soldier in charge of any person,

Answer, I don't remember that we did, just left him on the road
 side about 20 or 25 yards from said hospital, he appeared to be exhausted
 and I thought he was overcome with the heat,

Question, What sort of a detachment, who commanded it,

Answer, There was about sixty men with a Wagon Train, we were
 going after forage for the Cavalry, the detachment was under Com