

DEPOSITION 6.

Case of Chas. A. Wilson, et al., No. 576.648

On this 4th day of September, 1897, at
Centreville, County of Queen Anne
State of Maryland, before me, L. G. Walsh, a
Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared William
H. Smith, 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: I am about 53 years of
age, residence and post-office address as
above, occupation, house servant, further,
I am not related to Chas. A. Wilson, the
claimant, and am in no wise interested
in the prosecution of his claim for pension.
I have lived in this neighborhood all my
life. I never knew this claimant before his
army service. I got acquainted with him
very soon after he came back from the
army, within six months, or so, I think.
Yes, I have known him intimately from that
time to the present, and have seen him fre-
quently all during that period, near about
every day, or so. No sir, I have never worked
with him. No sir, I have not been in the
habit of visiting his house; the only way that
I have seen him is meeting him on the
street. No sir, I did not know that there
was anything the matter with the said
claimant, physically, when I first got ac-
quainted with him. I did not know it
until he told me. Well, not long after I
got acquainted with him, I met him one day
and he was limping and noticed he had
his shoes out open, and I asked him what
was the matter, asked him if his feet were