

James D. Brooks,

Ctf. No. 555,350.

Pvt. Co. B. 9th U.S.C. Inf.

P.O., #115 E. Welcome Alley, Baltimore, Md.

Alleges:

Rheumatism and disease of the head and eyes, the result of sunstroke.

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Salisbury Md., January 27th 1896.

Hon. Commissioner of Pensions,

Washington, D.C.

Sir:--I have the honor to return the papers in the above entitled claim, which was submitted for special examination to determine the merits.

The case was sent to this district to obtain the testimony of Daniel Brittingham, alias Britman, who now resides at Easton, Talbot Co., Md. James Bell, Marion Station, & Jeffrey Smith, Habnab, Somerset Co. Md. . Benj. Handy, Fruitland, and Arrick Barkley, Eden, Wicomico Co. Md. Andrew Camper Camper Easton, Talbot Co. Md., and Henry Ashby, Locust Mount, Accomac Co. Va.

In addition to the above I obtained the depositions of Comrade Levi Finney, Savageville Va., Walter Kellam, Pungoteague, Harrison Hayman, Princess Anne, Md.

2 In my opinion the claim is without merit, and recommend further