

DEPOSITION *H*

Case of *Heater Boston*, No. *792014*

On this *5* day of *January*, 1899, at
Annapolis, county of *Prince Georges*
 State of *Md.*, before me, *N. N. Hill*, a
 special examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared

Joseph Addison, who, being by me first duly sworn to
 answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this special
 examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

I am *about 55* years of age; my post-office address is *56 Washington*
st. Annapolis Md.

I cannot say just when I first knew *William*
Boston, but I knew him before the war. He was
 raised near this place and was a slave of *Gen.*
Wells. I did not know much about him - only
 knew him when I met him. I knew his father, or
 the man who is said to have been his father, but
 did not know his mother. I do not know of
 what disease his father died.

He and I enlisted at the same time at *Camp*
Belgic, ~~in~~ *Co. F* and I in *company D.*
2nd US C Inf. Apparently he was in good health
 at that time. I did not notice that he was ailing
 in any way at *Camp Belgic*, but I noticed
 that he was troubled some with a cough while
 in the service. I think I first noticed it
 somewhere down below *Washington*, while in
Camp - there was a heavy storm and ~~was~~ all
 got very wet and some of the boys - many of
 them - were coughing around with colds after
 that. I do not know that he was in any
 hospital during his service. He was generally
 able for duty I believe. I think he attended
 sick call a few times.

We were discharged at *Federal Hill, Baltimore*,
 and I came back here to *Annapolis*, but only
 staid here three or four weeks, then went to
Baltimore where I have lived until recently.