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end of his thumb, while the uncle, James Gibson says that in a day or two after the injury was received, he went in to see Chit, saw the injured parts and they were badly swollen,

I don't believe the testimony of either Sampson or Gibson is entitled to credence, I am of the opinion that the claim is without merit, Would recommend further examination at Baltimore, Md. for testimony of Orderly Sergt. Jno. C. King as to origin.

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