

State of Maryland }
 County of Talbot } ss:

On this 7 day of May 1890, personally appeared before me, a Clerk of Circuit Court in and for the ~~County~~ State aforesaid, Joseph Gale who being duly sworn according to law doth upon his oath declare, that he is unable to ascertain the whereabouts of any Commissioned Officer of his Regiment; but he would respectfully substitute to the Hon. Pension Commissioner, the Affidavits of two Comrades of his Company who were present at the time he was injured - He would also state that he was not treated in any Genl. U.S. Hospital, nor does he know where to find the Surgeon of his Regiment; - he would also state that before his enlistment he was a perfectly sound man, not requiring the services of a Physician for years before he enlisted, with the exception of being treated by one, while he had the Small Pox, - and which Physician has removed from Talbot Co., Md. and he can not ascertain where he has gone to, - And that the evidence given is

the very best he can furnish to answer Pension Office Circular of 21st Dec. 1869, ^{and he has been unable to pay a Physician to attend him since his discharge}

Witnesses
 Hugh S. Hambleton

Peter Higgins

Joseph X. Gale [Seal]
 Mark

Sworn & Subscribed to before me this 7 day of May 1890, and I certify that the affiant is a Credible Colored man, that this paper was read and explained to affiant before signing his name to the same, and I have no interest in this affidavit.

John Dagg, Clerk Circuit for Talbot County