

HISTORY OF CLAIMANT'S DISABILITY.

State of Maryland, County of Calvert, ss:

In the matter of his pension claim

On this 10th day of July, A. D. 1889, personally appeared before me, Clerk of Circuit Court in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths, James Wilson, aged 43 years, a resident of Hellen, in the County of Calvert, and State of Maryland, whose Post Office address is Hellen P. O. Calvert Co. Md., well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to aforesaid case as follows:

That he was a private in Co. H, 7th regiment, U. S. A., having enlisted in said organization in October, 1863, at which time he was in good health and had no injury to any of his limbs; that he continued in this state of good health until at Fort Harrison in the State of Va., after having endured a good deal of exposure to inclement weather, in the winter of 1864, he was taken with an affection of his spine; and was subsequently detailed at Baldwin, in the State of South Carolina to burn breastworks in Spring of 1865, that while in the performance of this duty, he was upon a lot of brush which fired from underneath, and it gave way carrying him down to the fire and causing the bottoms of his feet to be burned; that he was treated for said disability at hospital at City Point, Va., at about _____ and by Dr. Harris, the regimental surgeon, now deceased; that since leaving service he was first treated for said disability by Dr. John Parker, since deceased, next by Dr. Phil. Briscoe of Hellen, P. O., Md., and Dr. John Dawkins of Hellen P. O., Md.; that his physical condition on account of above described disability is such that if he works two or three days he has to stop for an entire week; that his occupation since discharge has been doing such work as he could on a farm; that since leaving the service his post office address has been up to the present time, Hellen P. O. Calvert Co. Md., that he is totally disabled by reason of the above described disability to earn his living at manual labor,

Chas. E. Mellen

James Wilson
(Signature of Affiant.)