

John Garrett Military Papers

Background Information

John W. Garrett, born May 14, 1838, was inducted into the Union Army on Sept. 22, 1864 at Evansville, Indiana. He served with Company I of the 38th Indiana Infantry. While it is unknown whether he fought in any battles of the Civil War, it is believed based upon his military and pension records on file at the National Archives, that he served in the Chattanooga area Nashville Tennessee area during the winter of 1864-1865. The following is a summary of the military activity in that area in 1864 and 1865.

Late in summer of 1864 Union troops under General William T. Sherman captured Atlanta held by Confederate forces under recently appointed General John B. Hood. Hood's army retreating north from Atlanta, began a series of hit-and-run raids on Sherman's supply line and railroad communications with Chattanooga. Sherman thought it would be useless to chase Hood along the railroad. Instead he dispatched General George H. Thomas back to Tennessee to take command and gave him 30,000 men under General John M. Schofield. He ordered Thomas, at Nashville, to assemble more troops in Tennessee and keep Hood out of the state. With his remaining men, Sherman began his famous march across Georgia to Savannah.

Moving north, Hood decided to invade Tennessee hoping Sherman would follow. Hood felt that he could beat Sherman in the mountains. Then he would either invade Kentucky or cross into Virginia and join Lee. His plan however was to [sic] big for his army.

Franklin, Tn. Hood might have scored a partial success if he had moved into Tennessee immediately. But he delayed his advance, and met Schofield's force at Franklin, Tenn, on November 30. Hood, an aggressive commander, had complained that his army had retreated so much under its former commander Johnson that it had forgotten how to attack. His generals now seemed determined to show him he was wrong. In six headlong charges, the Confederates lost more that [sic] 60,000 men.

Nashville, Tn. Hood had no chance of success after his defeat at Franklin. But he took a position south of Nashville and waited. In the city, Thomas had time to gather an army of 60,000. He attacked Hood in the Battle of Nashville on December 15 and 16, and won one of the most smashing victories of the war. On their long retreat to Mississippi, Confederate soldiers sang a bitter song to the tune of "The Yellow Rose of Texas."

"You may talk about your Beauregard

And sing of General Lee

But the gallant Hood of Texas

Played hell in Tennessee”

In March of 1865, while on steamboat going up the Ohio River, John W. Garrett took ill from a “cold he had caught in Nashville”. he was admitted to the USArmy [sic] Hospital at Parkersburg, West Virginia with typhoid pneumonia and rheumatic fever. He was released from the hospital and mustered out of the service on June 7, 1865. John returned to his nursery business and his home in Greene County Indiana, where he remained until his death December 2, 1919.

U.S.A General Hospital Partial Descriptive List Form Request

U.S.A. GENERAL HOSPITAL,

Parkersburg, W. Va., May 16th 1865.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that in accordance with Par 5 Genl Order No 36 A.[illegible initial] G. War Dept April 7th 1862. Partial Descriptive Lists of the following named men of the 38th Inda Vol Infantry.

Fmly [sic] Hardin Byers – Drafted unassigned [sic] In company.

[illegible] Nicholas Wyman - Drafted unassigned [sic] In company.

[illegible] John A. Althouse - Drafted unassigned [sic] In company.

Fmly [sic] Reuben Harman - Drafted unassigned [sic] In company.

[illegible] John W. Garrett - Drafted unassigned [sic] In company.

Fmly [sic] Matthias Potter - Drafted unassigned [sic] In company.

Very Respectfully,

Your Obdt [sic] Servt [sic]

M A Banks

Asst Surg U.S.V. In charge

Brig. Genl L. Thomas

Adjt [sic]-General U.S.A.

Washington D.C.

Muster and Descriptive Roll Form November 1864

G 38 Ind.

John Garrett

Appears with rank of Private on Muster and Descriptive Roll of a Detachment of Drafted Men and Substitutes forwarded [see footnote below] for the 38 Reg't [sic] Indiana Infantry. Roll dated Indianapolis, Ind. Nov. 16, 1864.

Where born Marion, Ohio

Age 25 y'rs [sic]; occupation Farmer

When enlisted Sept. 22, 1864.

Where enlisted Evansville, Ind.

For what period enlisted 1 years [s is crossed off].

Eyes Blue; hair Dark

Complexion Dark; height 6 ft. [blank] in.

When mustered in [blank], 186[blank].

Where mustered in [blank]

Bounty paid \$[blank]; due \$[blank]

Where credited [blank]

Company to which assigned [blank]

Remarks: Residence: 1 Cong. Dist. Madison Tp. Daviess Co. Drafted Marr.

[footnote: This roll of Drafted Men and Substitutes was made on the form intended for Volunteer Recruits.]

Book mark: Baan – 333/65 (over)

Andrews

Copyist.

Company Descriptive Book Form

G 38 Ind.

John Garrett

[blank], Co. I, 38 Reg't [sic] Indiana Infantry.

Appears on Company Descriptive Book of the organization named above.

DESCRIPTION.

Age 25 years; height 6 feet [blank] inches.

Complexion Dark

Eyes Blue; hair Dark

Where born Marion Ohio

Occupation Farmer

ENLISTMENT.

When Sept 22, 1864.

Where Evansville

By whom Capt [sic] Hynes; term 1 y'rs. [sic]

Remarks: M/in Oct 20/64 at Washington By Capt [sic] Haynes. Madison Twp – Daviess Co. 1 Cong Dist [sic] – Drafted

Janis

Copyist.

Detachment Muster-out Roll Form June 1865

G 38 Ind.

John W. Garrett

Pvt, Co. [blank], 38 Reg't [sic] Indiana Inf.

Age 25 years.

Appears on a Detachment Muster-out Roll of the organization named above. Roll dated Parkersburg, W. Va. June 7, 1865.

Muster-out to date June 7, 1865.

Last paid to [blank], 186[blank]. Pay due from Enrollment

Clothing account:

Last settled [blank], 186[blank]; drawn since \$[blank]

Due soldier \$[blank]; due U.S. \$[blank]

Am't [sic] for cloth'g [sic] in kind or money adv'd [sic] \$15.15

Due U.S. for arms, equipments [sic], etc., \$[blank]

Bounty paid \$[blank]; due \$[blank]

Remarks: Mustered Out U.S. Gen'l. [sic] Hosp'l [sic], Parkersburg, W. Va. under G.O. No. 77 C.S.A. [illegible]

Book mark: [blank]

H M Dixon

Copyist.

Hospital Form

Hospital Number [blank]

Name John W. Garrett

Age 25 Nativity American

Married or Single Married

Residence Scotland [illegible]

Post Office address of wife or nearest relative. [illegible]

Rank Pvt Co Drafted [2 illegible words]

When admitted March 23d 1865

From what source Regtl. [sic] Hospl [sic]

Diagnosis: (in surgical cases state explicitly [illegible] and character of wound or injury.)

Typho [sic] Mal Fever

General Hospital,

Parkersburg, West Va.

On what occasion wounded [blank]

Date [blank]

Nature of missile or weapon [blank]

Company Muster Roll Form for May and June 1865

G 38 Ind.

John Garrett

Pvt, Co. I, 38 Reg't [sic] Indiana Infantry.

Appears on Company Muster Roll for May and June, 1865.

Present or absent [blank]

Stoppage, \$[blank] for [blank]

Due Gov't, \$[blank] for [blank]

Remarks: Discharged by telegram orders War Dept dated May 3/65 Drafted

Book mark: [blank]

[illegible initials] Jones

Copyist.

Company Muster-out Roll Form July 1865

G 38 Ind.

John Garret [sic]

Pvt, Co. I, 38 Reg't [sic] Indiana Infantry.

Age 25 years.

Appears on Co. Muster-out Roll, dated Louisville, Ky, July 15, 1865.

Muster-out to date [blank], 186[blank].

Last paid to [blank], 186[blank]. Pay due from enrollment.

Clothing account:

Last settled [blank], 186[blank]; drawn since \$[blank]

Due soldier \$[blank]; due U.S. \$[blank]

Am't [sic] for cloth'g [sic] in kind or money adv'd [sic] \$[blank]

Due U.S. for arms, equipments [sic], etc., \$[blank]

Bounty paid \$[blank]; due \$[blank]

Remarks: Discharged June 7 65 by telegram order W.D. dated May 18/65 Drafted

Book mark: [blank]

[illegible initials] Jones

Returns Form

G 38 Ind.

John W. Garrett

Pvt, Co. I, 38 Reg't [sic] Indiana Infantry.

Appears on Returns as follows:

May 1865 Gain, Drafted, Assigned but not reported.

June 1865, Loss June 7/65 Parkersburg Va. Mustered out of service

Book mark: [blank]

Dunton

Copyist.

Hospital Muster Roll Form for March and April 1865
G 38 Ind.

John W. Garrett

Pvt, Co. [blank], 38 Reg't [sic] Indiana

Appears on Hospital Muster Roll of U.S.A. General Hospital, at Parkersburg, W. Va., for
Mar and Apr, 1865.

Attached to hospital:

When [blank], 186[blank]

How employed [blank]

Last paid by Maj. [blank] to [blank], 186[blank].

Bounty paid \$[blank]; due \$[blank]

Present or absent Present

Remarks: Not mustered. Without Desc. List.

Book mark: [blank]

[illegible name]

Copyist.

Claim for Pension Cover Form August 1918
ACT OF MAY 11, 1912.

Amended by Act June 10, 1918

CLAIM FOR PENSION.

Certificate No. 422449

Name John W. Garrett

[illegible] Co. I 38 Reg. Ind Inf.

[illegible line]

Bureau of Pensions Questionnaire January 1915
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF PENSIONS

WASHINGTON, D.C., January 2, 1915.

SIR: Please answer at your earliest convenience, the questions enumerated below. The information is requested for future use, and it may be of great value to your widow or children. Use the inclosed [sic] envelope, which requires no stamp.

Very respectfully,

G M Sae[illegible]

Commissioner.

JOHN W GARRETT

SCOTLAND IND

422249 CIV WAR

[stamp: U.S. PENSION OFFICE. AUG 13 1915]

No. 1. Date and place of birth? Answer. [crossed out: Shermans [sic] army [sic] 14 army Corps] May 14 1838 Marion Co Ohio

The name of organizations in which you served? Answer. Shermans [sic] army [sic] 14 army Corps 38 Ind Reg Co I

No. 2. What was your post office at enlistment? Answer. Scotlind [sic] Ind

No. 3. State your wife's full name and her maiden name. Answer. Martha Hann 1st wife

No. 4. When, where, and by whom were you married? Answer. 27th day of May 1858 Esq [illegible] (I think)at North Judsen [illegible] Co Ind

No. 5. Is there any official or church record of your marriage? [blank]

If so, where? Answer. I got [illegible] at Co Seat Knox Co Ind

No. 6. Were you previously married? If so, state the name of your former wife, the date of the marriage, and the date and place of her death or divorce. If there was more than one previous marriage, let your answer include all former wives. Answer. my 1st wife died 1905 I married another [sic] woman 1907 that was a failer [sic] got divorce from her 1908 No children by 2nd wife got no wife now

No. 7. If your present wife was married before her marriage to you, state the name of her former husband, the date of such marriage, and the date and place of his death or divorce, and state whether he ever rendered any military or naval service, and, if so, give name of the organization in which he served. If she was married more than once before her marriage to you, let your answer include all former husbands. Answer. I have no present wife. My 2nd wifes [sic] Name was Dorsett do not know her 1st Name [illegible] of Marriage Do not know date of his death she was never Married but once until I married her [2 illegible words] rendered [3 illegible words] that I know

No. 8. Are you now living with your wife, or has there been a separation? Answer. Yes we was devorced [sic] in 1908

No. 9. State the names and dates of birth of all your children, living or dead. Answer. Emma Jane born in Marion Co Ohio June 29 1859 Died Mary A born Marion Co Ohio June 5 1861 William A was born Richland Co Ohio Nov 6 1863 Franklin B was born in Martin Co Ind Nov 20 1866 Calven B was born [illegible] Co Ind Aug 18 1870 [illegible name] A born in Green Co Ind Jan 24 1893

Date: Augt [sic] 9 1915

John W. Garrett

Bureau of Pensions Questionnaire January 1898

Certificate No. [illegible]

Name, John W Garrett

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D.C., January 15, 1898.

SIR:

In forwarding to the pension agent the executed voucher for your next quarterly payment please favor me by returning this circular to him with replies to the questions enumerated below.

Very respectfully,

H Clay Evans

Commissioner.

J D Leighty

U.S. Pension Agent,

Indianapolis, Ind.

First. Are you married? If so, please state your wife's full name and her maiden name.

Answer. yes Martha Garrett Martha Hann

Second. When, where, and by whom were you married?

Answer. May 27th 185[illegible] [2 illegible words] I do[cut off] know his first name

Third. What record of marriage exists?

Answer. [illegible] Co M

Fourth. Were you previously married? If so, please state the name of your former wife and the date and place of her death or divorce.

Answer. No

Fifth. Have you any children living? If so, please state their names and dates of birth.

Answer. Mary A June 5th 1861 William A Nov 6 1863 Franklin B Nov 20 1866 Calven B Aug 18 1870 [illegible name and date of birth]

[illegible signature]

(Signature.)

Date of reply [illegible], 189[illegible]

[illegible handwritten line of text at end of form]

Adjutant General's Form of Service Record May 1888
War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, May 28th, 1888.

Respectfully returned to the Commissioner of Pensions.

John Garret [sic], a Priv of Company I, 38 Regiment Ind Volunteers, was enrolled [crossed out] drafted on the 22 day of September, 1864, at Evansville, for 1 year, and is reported: on Roll for May and June 65, first on which borne, "Discharged" M.O. Roll of Co. dated Louisville, Ky, July 15/65 shows him Discharged, June 7 65 by Tel Orders War Dept. dated May 18/65 Not borne as John "W Garrett".

Records of Pro. Mar. Gen show him arrived at Draft R[illegible] Indianapolis, Ind. Oct. 21, 64 and forwarded to above Regt. Dept. Cumberland Nov. 14, 64 date and place of [illegible] not stated

The Record of this office furnish no Evidence of disability

R.C. DRUM,

Adjutant General.

By [illegible signature]

Letter Regarding Pension September 1918
September 21, 1918.

Hon. Oscar E. Bland,

House of Representatives.

My dear Mr. Bland:

In response to your letter received to-day, regarding the pension case Certificate No. 422249 of John W. Garrett, whose postoffice [sic] address is Scotland, Indiana, late of Company I, 38th Indiana Infantry, I have the honor to state that he has been since April 12, 1916, a pensioner under the general law at the rate of \$27 per month.

His application under the act of May 11, 1912, amended by the act of June 10, 1918, was received in this Bureau August 5, 1918, and I have directed that said claim be promptly considered and that you be further advised as to action taken.

Copy of my letter is inclosed [sic].

Very truly yours,

[illegible signature]

Deputy Commissioner.

Letter Regarding Pension September 1918
Civil War Division

September 24, 1918.

Hon. Oscar E. Bland,

House of Representatives,

Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Bland –

In further response to your inquiry of the 20th instant, relative to the pension case certificate number 422249, of John W. Garrett, Company I, 38th Indiana Infantry, whose postoffice [sic] address you give us as Scotland, Indiana, Box 36, I have the honor to advise you that his claim under the Act of May 11, 1912, amended by Act of June 10, 1918, has gone forward for final action and you and the claimant will be promptly advised of the result.

Very truly yours,

G.M. SALTZGABER.

Commissioner.

Carbon copy for your files.

Surgeon's Certificate August 1907
SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE.

[Insert character and number of claim.] Increase Pension Claim No 422,249

[Name of Claimant.] John W. Garrett Company I 38 Reg't [sic] Ind. Inf.

[Claimant's post-office address.] Scotland, Greene Co. Indiana.

[Address of Board.] Bedford, P.O. Indiana State.

(Date of Evaluation.) August 21, 1907

[Names of disabilities.] Deafness, disease of throat, head and ears, Rheumatism. He receives a pension of 10.00 dollars per month.

[Here give the claimant's statement (as briefly and as correctly as possible in regard to the date of origin and cause of his disabilities and the manner in which they affect him.) He makes the following statement in regard to the origin of his disabilities and date when first discovered by him: Had deafness since 64: left ear worst: ears roar and itch all the time: get worse: throat and head trouble began 64: throat sore, hoarse, can't speak for months at a time: get worse: had rheumatism since 64: worst in knees and back though I have it all over at times: gets worse.

Birthplace, Marion Co. Ohio; age 69 years; height 6 ft.; weight, 165 pounds; complexion, fair; color of eyes, blue; color of hair, light now gray; occupation, was farmer; permanent marks and scars other than those described below, none

We hereby certify that upon examination we find the following objective conditions: Pulse rate (Sitting, standing, after exercise.), 75, 88, 128 intermittant [sic]; respiration (Sitting, standing, after exercise.), 23, 25, 29; temperature 98 1/5

]Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with Book of Instructions, and make a separate paragraph for each disability. Facts within the knowledge of the Board, or any member thereof, relative to the cause of any disability found should be stated. Whenever a disability is shown or is believed to be due to or aggravated by vicious habits, the opinion of the board must be so noted. When not due to such habits this fact must be stated. When rates are recommended solely on subjective evidence the strongest [2 illegible words] must be given thereof.] Deafness, disease of throat, head and ears: tonsils rough, left enlarged, uvula is elongated: Schneiderian membrane ulcerated, muco-purulent matter in left nasal cavity: Eustachian tubes contracted: External canal and drum each ear dry, drums depressed: with right ear occluded hears loud conversation at only 4 feet: with left occluded hears ordinary conversation at only 4 feet. Rating 14/15.

Rheumatism: crepitus in each shoulder, motion impaired [sic] 1/4 in each: phosphatic deposits in all finger joints: muscles of back tender and stiffened: motion impaired 1/4 in hip and 1/3 in each knee, ankles stiffened and ham string tendons contracted: other joints, muscles and tendons in fair condition. Rating 12/18.

Heart: apex seen plainly [sic] in 5th space in nipple line: area increased to left, extends from right sternal border to 1 1/2 inches to, left of nipple: negative above downward: action intermittant [sic], irregular, fast there is dilatation [sic] without compensation: no edema nor murmur: there is dyspnoea [sic] after exercise, cyanosis of lips and

extremities: chest measures 33, 34, 35½ inches in forced expiration, at rest and forced inspiration, lungs negative. Rating 17/18.

General Condition: nutrition fair, skin sallow, dry, muscles soft, palms show no evidence of manual labor, tongue broad, covered with gray fur, tremulous liver and spleen negative: stomach dull and tender, tympanitic over colon, rectal cutlet negative. Rating 8/18.

Urine: 1026: pale red, strongly acid, no sugar nor albumen.

No other disability found.

Mo evidence of vicious habits.

[illegible signature] Pres. [illegible signature] Sec'y. E.E. [illegible] Treas.

[typed in right margin: Marginal entries must never be made. Single surgeons will use this [illegible], changing "we" to read "I".]

Surgeon's Certificate January 1891

Attention is invited to the outlines of the human skeleton and figure upon the back of this certificate and they should be used whenever it is possible to indicate precisely the location of a disease or injury, the entrance and exit of a missile, an amputation, etc.

The absence of a member from a session of a board and the reason therefor, if known, and the name of the absentee, must be indorsed upon each certificate.

[Insert character and number of claim.] (State above whether for original, increase, or restoration.) Increase, Pension Claim No. 422,249.

[Name and rank of claimant.] John W. Garrett, Rank, Private, Company I 38th Reg't [sic] Ind. Vols. [Post-office address of the Board.] Worthington Ind. State, [Claimant's post-office address.] Scotland Ind. [Date of examination] January 14th, 1891.

We hereby certify that in compliance with the requirements of the law we have carefully examined this applicant, who states that he is suffering from the following disability, incurred in the service, viz: [Cause of disability.] Disease of throat and rheumatism and resulting general disability and that he receives a pension of [If a pensioner, fill in the amount; if not, erase the whole line.] six (6) dollars per month.

[Here give the claimant's statement as briefly and as compactly as possible.] He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for [original. increase, restoration, etc.] increase, because of increase of disabilities. I am become hard of hearing especially of my left ear, which I believe to be a result of disease of throat, I am not able to labor more than one half of the time, I can perform very little hard labor.

[Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with pars. 5, 6, 52, 52, etc., of Book of Instructions for 1889] Upon examination we find the following objective conditions: Pulse rate, 92: respiration 24: temperature 98.5: height, 6 feet 0 inches;

weight 162 pounds: age 55 years. Pharynx, larynx and nares inflamed, uvula and tonsils enlarged. Mucous membrane of nares denuded in patches. Hearing: Right ear normal. Left ear 70/40. External auditory canals normal. Right drum normal, left thickened and dark. Secretions scanty. Thorax measurements, Rest, 37, expiration 36.5, inspiration 38.5. Bilateral measurements equal. Percussion, No abnormal sounds. A harsh bronchial respiration heard over both lungs. Pain, on pressure and on movement of pectoral muscles, muscles of shoulder and in shoulder joint. Pain in cervical and occipito-[illegible] muscles on moving the head and stooping. Pain on pressure and on stooping or twisting the body in the lumbar muscles. Crepitus of shoulder, hip and knee joints. No enlargement of joints, contraction of tendons or restriction of movement. Hears ordinary loud conversation fairly. [Rate for EACH cause of disability.] He is, in our opinion, entitled to a 6/18 rating for the disability caused by dis. of throat, 6/18 for that caused by rheumatism and [blank] for that caused by [illegible] rating for general disability, it being insufficient.

W R [illegible], Pres. W.B. [illegible], Sec'y. J W A Farrell, [illegible]

N.B. – Always forward a certificate of examination whether a disability is found to exist or not.

Surgeon's Certificate July 1888

Attention is invited to the outlines of the human skeleton and figure from the back of this certificate, and they should be used whenever it is possible to indicate precisely the location of a disease or injury, the entrance and exit of a missile, an amputation, etc.

The absence of a member from a session of a board and the reason therefor, if known, and the name of the absentee, must be indorsed upon each certificate.

[Insert character and number of claim.] Original Pension Claim No. 646362

[Name and rank of claimant.] John W Garrett, Rank, Private Company I, 38 Reg't [sic] Ind Vol (Post office address of the Board.) Worthington Ind State,

[Claimant's post office address.] Scotland Indiana (Date of examination.) July 11, 1888.

We hereby certify that in compliance with the requirements of the law [see first footnote below] we have carefully examined this applicant, who states that he is suffering from the following disability, incurred in the service, viz: [Cause of disability.] Disease of throat and lung, loss of voice and rheumatism

[If a pensioner, fill in the amount; if not, erase the whole line.] [crossed out: and that he receives a pension of, dollars per month.]

Pulse rate per minute, 80; respiration, 20; temperature, 98 3/5; height, 6 feet 3/4 inches; weight, 159 pounds; age, 50 years.

[Here give the claimant's statement as briefly and as compactly as possible.] He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for [see second footnote below]

Original At Parkersburg West Va [sic] during the spring of 1865 contracted Pneumonia Since then his throat and lungs have troubled him. Contracted rheumatism at the same time which been gradually growing worse

[Here give a full complete picture of the physical and rational signs, but confining it to the present condition of the claimant. It must be borne in mind that the duty of the Surgeon is to give an opinion as to the proportionate degree of disability, as $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$, total, etc., through the grades, without any regard to dollars and cents, and to make such a full particular description as will afford to this Office the ground for intelligent opinion and action in rating.] Upon examination we find the following objective conditions: [illegible]-pharyngeal [illegible] at times Extruding to the Larynx causing hoarseness and loss of voice. The tonsils are enlarged and the mucus membrane of the throat thickened and granulated. Rheumatism of the right pectoral and intercostal muscles and tender [illegible] in the back of the great sciatic nerve Claims that the pain in the hip caused him a great deal of trouble We could find no physical signs or symptoms of lung disease [illegible] of body [illegible] All other organs normal

[Rate for each cause of disability. If prolonged by vicious habits, the word not should be erased and the reason for the erasure given.] From the existing condition and history of this claimant, as stated by himself, it is, in our judgment, [blank] probable that the disability was incurred in the service as he claims, and that it has not been prolonged or aggravated by vicious habits. He is, in our opinion, entitled to a 2/18 rating for the disability caused by disease of Throat, 6/14 for that caused by Rheumatism, and [blank] caused by [blank]

[footnote: See the back.]

[footnote: Here state whether for original, increase, restoration, or renewal, or for a re-rating.]

L.T. [illegible], Pres. H R Foote, Sec'y. I.C. [illegible], Treas.

N.B. – Always forward a certificate of examination whether a disability is found to exist or not.

Handwritten Affidavit of James Denny

I James J. Denny private in company H 38 Reg Ind Infantry went out in service with Said Soldier John W Garrett and known to him to be afflicted [sic] with sore throat [illegible word crossed out] hoarseness of voice unable to speak above his breath while in service while I was with him. And about the last of March 1865 he was taken down and sent to hospital at Parkersburg Va [sic] and I did not see said Soldier till he was discharged about July 1865 and have seen said Soldier frequently Since and have known that he was afflicted with said diseased (Rheumatism and disease of throat) that disabled him at times for buisness [sic] and manual labor and is Still afflicted with said diseases

J.J. Denny

Handwritten Affidavit of Rhuben Hariman
[2 illegible words] Nov., 26, 18[illegible].

Commissioner Black,

Dear Sir,

In reply to the written will say on going up the Ohio river about the middle of March 1865 said John W Garrett was taken sick and was left at Parkersburg West Virginia at Hospital, I also was sick and was left with him. While there he took cold and he lost his speech and it was for two or three weeks that he could not talk a bove [sic] a whisper. and he also complained of Rheumatism. We were both discharged at same time and while coming home which was about the first of June 1865 he was still complaining of Rheumatism. And said, John W. Garrett has frequently been at my house and still complains of rheumatism and of his throat. you can turn to my affidavit and see I am no scholar and this is written by my daughter by my consent.

Yours Truly

Rhuben Hariman

Affidavit of Edwin Armstrong and James Auld September 1888

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

For the testimony of EMPLOYERS or NEAR NEIGHBORS of soldier, (other than relatives) who have known him before his enlistment, or since his discharge and return from the army.

State of [illegible], County of Morrow, SS.

In the matter of the application for pension of Invalid Pension Claim [illegible number] John W Garrett Co I 38 Ind Vols.

ON THIS 27th day of September A.D. 1888; personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths Edwin Armstrong aged 44 years, a resident of Iberia in the County of Morrow and State of Ohio whose Post Office address is Iberia, Ohio, James Auld aged 50 years, a resident of Marion [crossed out] Tully Tp. in the County of Marion and State of Ohio whose Post Office address is Iberia Ohio well known to me to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn, declares in relation to the aforesaid case as follows: That we have been well and personally acquainted with John W. Garret [sic] for from his boyhood up to 1863 or 1864. and that We were neighbors and worked together at his father's and at our father's places and he was always considered a good able bodied hand – Never knew of his having Rheumatism throat trouble, loss of voice or any other disease, during our acquaintance with him as above stated including a period of ten years or more.