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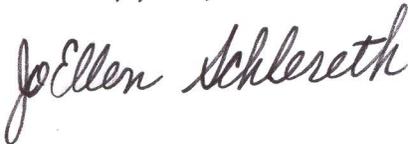
Jeremy Childs
Stones River National Battlefield
3501 Old Nashville Hwy
Murfreesboro, TN 37129

Dear Jeremy,

I am enclosing some of the records I have for Erwin Peck who was a private with Company C, 51st Illinois Volunteer Infantry. As the information from the National Archives indicate, he died and was buried at Murfreesboro. In your records, he is listed as Elor Peck. I have no reference to that name in any of my records. However, the date of death, regiment, rank, and company you have for Elor Peck, all match the information I have for Erwin Peck.

After your review, if you need more information, let me know. I look forward to knowing whether the name Elor Peck can be changed to Erwin Peck. Can the tombstone be changed?

Sincerely yours,



JoEllen Schlereth

Irwin Peck

Private, Co. C, 51 Reg't Illinois Infantry.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

Jan & Feb., 1863.

Present or absent Present

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't \$ 100 for

Remarks:

Book mark:

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Copyist.

Irwin Peck

Private, Co. C, 51 Reg't Illinois Infantry.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for Aug 31 to Dec 31, 1862

Present or absent Absent

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't \$ 100 for

Remarks: Sick in hospital. at New Albany Ind.

Book mark:

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Copyist.

Irwin Peck

Private, Co. C, 51 Reg't Illinois Inf.

Age 35 years.

Appears on a

Detachment Muster-in Roll

of the organization named above. Roll dated

Springfield Ill, Sept 24, 1862.

Muster-in to date Sept 24, 1862.

Joined for duty and enrolled:

When Aug 8, 1862

Where St Joseph

Period 3 years.

Bounty paid \$ 100; due \$ 100

Remarks:

Book mark:

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Irwin Peck

Appears on

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Present or ab

Stoppage, \$.

Due Gov't, \$.

Remarks:

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I, *Erwin Peck* born in *Waldport*
in the State of *Conn.* aged *35* years,
and by occupation a *Farmer* Do HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE to have
volunteered this *8* day of *Aug* 186*2*

to serve as a **Soldier** in the Army of the United States of America, for the
period of **THREE YEARS**, unless sooner discharged by proper authority. Do also
agree to accept such bounty, pay, rations, and clothing, as are, or may be, estab-
lished by law for volunteers. And I, *Erwin Peck* do
solemnly swear, that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the **United States**
of America, and that I will serve them honestly and faithfully against all
their enemies or opposers whomsoever; and that I will observe and obey the
orders of the President of the United States, and the orders of the officers
appointed over me, according to the Rules and Articles of War.

Sworn and subscribed to, at *Griffin*
this *15* day of *Sept* 186*2* } *Erwin Peck*
BEFORE *Thos. J. Suster* }
J. J. ...

I CERTIFY, ON HONOR, That I have carefully examined the above named Volunteer, agreeably
to the General Regulations of the Army, and that in my opinion he is free from all bodily defects and mental
infirmity, which would, in any way, disqualify him from performing the duties of a soldier.

EXAMINING SURGEON

I CERTIFY, ON HONOR, That I have minutely inspected the Volunteer, *Erwin Peck*
previously to his enlistment, and that he was entirely sober when enlisted; that, to the best of my
judgment and belief, he is of lawful age; and that, in accepting him as duly qualified to perform the duties
of an able-bodied soldier, I have strictly observed the Regulations which govern the recruiting service.
This soldier has *gray* eyes, *dark* hair, *dark* complexion, is *5* feet *11* inches
high.

Thos. J. Suster

51 Regiment of *Ill.* Volunteers,
RECRUITING OFFICER.

General Statement of *Edwin Beck Co "C" 51 Ill*

CERTIFICATE

TO BE GIVEN TO VOLUNTEERS AT THE TIME OF THEIR DISCHARGE TO ENABLE THEM TO RECEIVE THEIR PAY, &c.

I CERTIFY on honor, that *Edwin Beck* is a *Private* of Captain *Pittton's* Company (C) of the *51* Regiment of *Ill Inf* Volunteers, of the State of *Illinois*, born in *Connecticut*, aged *35* years; *5* feet *11* inches high; *Light* complexion *Blue* eyes, *Dark* hair, and by occupation a *Farmer*, having joined the company on its original organization at _____, and enrolled in it at the muster into the service of the United States at _____ on the _____ day of _____, 1863, (or was mustered in service as a recruit, by *William C. [unclear]*, at *Springfield Ill* on the *Eighth* day of *September* 1863, to serve in the Regiment) for the term of *Three years*; and having served honestly and faithfully with his Company in *Ill*, to the present date, is now entitled to a discharge by reason of

Death at Murfreesboro Tenn
May 10/63

The said *Edwin Beck* was last paid by Paymaster *Henry* to include the *28th* day of *February*, 1863, and has pay due him from that time to the present date, and also pay for the use of his horse, (having been mounted during the time) and he is entitled to pay and subsistence for traveling to place of enrolment and whatever other allowances are authorized to volunteer soldiers, or militia, so discharged. He has received *Thirty* $\frac{33}{100}$ dollars advanced by the United States on account of clothing.

~~There is to be stopped from him, on account of the State of _____, or other authorities, for clothing, he received on entering service, _____ dollars, also, for expenses of subsistence for traveling from place of enrolment to the place of rendezvous, amounting to _____ dollars: and on account of the United States for extra clothing received in kind from _____ and for other stoppages, viz:~~

~~amounting to _____ dollars; and he has been subsisted for traveling to his place of enrolment, up to the _____ 1863.~~

~~He is indebted to _____, Supt., _____ dollars.~~
GIVEN in duplicate, at *Murfreesboro Tenn*, this *10* day of *June*, 1863.

W. M. Pittton Commanding Company.

NOTE.—Two of these certificates, (or duplicates,) are to be given to each volunteer soldier who may be discharged previously to the discharge of his company, that he may at once receive from the Paymaster the pay, &c., due him, and the captain or other officer commanding the company, will certify to the act of the delivery of the duplicate certificates; on these certificates the Soldier is "entitled to" his discharge, and should also present his discharge to the Paymaster to have the payment endorsed on it. The discharge is to be given back to the Soldier, by the Paymaster; the latter only retaining as his voucher the duplicate certificates.

RECORD OF DEATH AND INTERMENT.

Name and number of person interred. *Erwin Dick*

Number and locality of the grave . . . *No 728*

Hospital number of the deceased . . . *Genl Hospital No. 1*

Regiment, rank, and company, . . . *Inf Co "C" 51 Ill Vol. Inf*

Residence before enlistment . . . *Millford Proquois Co Ill*

Conjugal condition, (and if married, } *Married*
 the residence of the widow) . . . } *Catherine Dick, Millton Proquois Ill*

Cause of death } *Dysphoria Innumera*

Age of the deceased } *Thirty-five years*

Nativity } *Connecticut*

Remarks and references }

Date of death and burial *May 15th 1863*

Duplicates sent to the Adjutant General of the United States Army, and to the Sexton of the *Millton Proquois* Cemetery.

Memoranda:

[Attach to Family Tree](#)

Irwin Peck

United States Census, 1860

Name	Irwin Peck
Event Type	Census
Event Year	1860
Event Place	Concord, Iroquois, Illinois, United States
Gender	Male
Age	32
Race	White
Birth Year (Estimated)	1828
Birthplace	Conn
Page	84
Affiliate Name	The U.S. National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)
Affiliate Publication Number	M653

HOUSEHOLD	ROLE	GENDER	AGE	BIRTHPLACE
Irwin Peck		M	32	Conn
Catherine Peck		F	33	N. Y.
John Peck		M	8	Ill
Submit Peck		F	6	Ill
Julia A Peck		F	5	Ill
Norman Peck		M	1	Ill
Hiram Peck		M		Ill

CITING THIS RECORD

"United States Census, 1860," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MXHM-NK9> : accessed 15 December 2015), Irwin Peck, Concord, Iroquois, Illinois, United States; from "1860 U.S. Federal Census - Population," database, *Fold3.com* (<http://www.fold3.com> : n.d.); citing p. 84, household ID 586, NARA microfilm publication M653 (Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.); FHL microfilm 803,186.

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UNITED STATES CENSUS, 1860

Household ID 586
 GS Film Number 803186

Notes from Civil War (War of 1861) Military and Pension Records of Erwin Peck that I received from the National Archives.

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September 15, 1983

1. Erwin was born in Connecticut.
2. Catharine was born 8 September 1826 at Areadia, New York.
3. Erwin and Catharine L. Wright were married on 8 April 1849, at Shalersville, Portage County, OH by Stephen Nead (Neard?), a Methodist preacher.
4. Submit Vennum was present for the births of John B. (26 July 1851), Submit (26 March 1853) and Julia A. (16 Feb. 1855) in Iroquois County, IL. The above are children of Erwin and Catharine.
5. Elizabeth Vennum was present for the births of Norman A. (my great-grandfather) (26 November 1858) and Hiram N. (22 February 1860) in Iroquois County. They are also children of Catharine and Erwin.
6. Erwin's residence before enlistment: Milford, Iroquois Co., IL.
7. Erwin was a Private in Company C (Infantry), commanded by Captain Pelts or Pitton, of the 51st Regiment of Illinois Volunteers, commanded by Colonel L. P. Bradly. He was enrolled in service as a recruit at Springfield, IL on or about the 8th Aug. 1862 for the term of 3 years. He was mustered in September 24, 1862, at Springfield, IL.
8. When Erwin enrolled, he was 35 years old and a farmer. He had grey or blue eyes, dark complexion (at the time of his death, his complexion is listed as light), and 5'11".
9. Company Muster Rolls:
Aug. 31 to Dec. 31, 1862, absent-sick in hospital at New Albany, IN
Jan. and Feb., 1863, present
March and April, 1863, absent-sick in hospital at Murfreesboro since April 26, 1863
May and June, died in Military Hospital, No. 1, at Murfreesboro, Tennessee

Notes on Erwin Peck continued-

10. He died at Military Hospital No. 1 at Murfreesboro, Tenn., on or about 15 May 1863 of Typhoid Fever after 9 months of actual service.
11. He is buried at the Murfreesboro Cemetery, #728 (Number of the grave).
12. He was 35 at the time of his death.
13. Catharine was 36 years old, a resident of Belmont Township, Iroquois County, IL at the time of Erwin's death.
14. At the time of Erwin's death the children were:
John B. Peck--aged 12 years old next July
Submit Peck---aged 10 years in April last (?)
Julia Ann Peck--aged 8 years old last Feb.
Norman Atwood Peck--aged 4 years last Nov.
Hiram Nelson Peck--aged 3 years Feb. last
15. On 16 June 1863, Catharine, a resident of Belmont Township, applied for a Widow's Pension.
16. A letter dated 29 Aug. 1863, from the Adjutant General's Office, Washington, DC, was sent to Catharine saying he had received her application for Pension. The letter stated there was no evidence that Erwin was enrolled in Company C, 51st Regiment of Illinois Infantry. There was evidence of service. "He is reported a Private and died in hospital at Murfreesboro, Tenn."
17. A letter dated 11 Jan. 1864, from the Paymaster General's Office to Catharine states "that Erwin Peck, Private, Co. C, 51st Illinois was enrolled Aug. 8, 1862 and mustered in September 24, 1862. Last paid to 28 Feb. 1863."
18. A letter dated Feb. 15, 1864, from the Surgeon General's Office, Washington, DC. The letter stated it "is reported to this office by Ass't Surgeon W. P. McCulloch (that Erwin) died May 15, 1863 at Hospital No. 1, Murfreesboro, Tenn. of Typhoid Fever.
19. On 17 Feb. 1864, Catharine's attorney, George B. Joiner, Middleport, IL, sent Catharine's Pension application with the following proof:
 - Certified copy of her marriage record
 - Testimony of identifying witnesses of Catharine's widowhood
 - Evidence of Service and Death

Notes on Erwin Peck continued-

20. Catharine's Pension Certificate No. 15041 was issued March 1, 1864.
21. On 19 Oct. 1867, Catharine was 41 years old. She applied for an increase of pension. At that time she was a resident of Freedom, Portage County, OH.
22. Catharine applied for an increase of widow's pension on March 27, 1868. At the time, her mailing address was Shalersville, OH.
23. On April 27, 1868, Catharine L. Peck was a resident of Shalersville, Portage County, OH. She was applying for a transfer of pension payment from the Springfield, IL, Pension Agency to the Ohio Pension Agency at Cleveland. She was receiving \$8.00/month plus \$2.00/month for each child. She had received the pension in Illinois from May 15, 1863 to March 4, 1868.
24. On 8 Aug. 1874, Catharine was living in Mantua Station, OH.
25. On 25 Oct. 1916, Catharine wrote to the Commissioner of Pensioners for an increase of Pension provided by the first section of Act of 8 September 1916. At this time, Catharine was 90 years old. She was living in Milford, IL at the time.
25. Catharine L. was dropped from the roll (Pension) because of her death, 28 Jan. 1920.