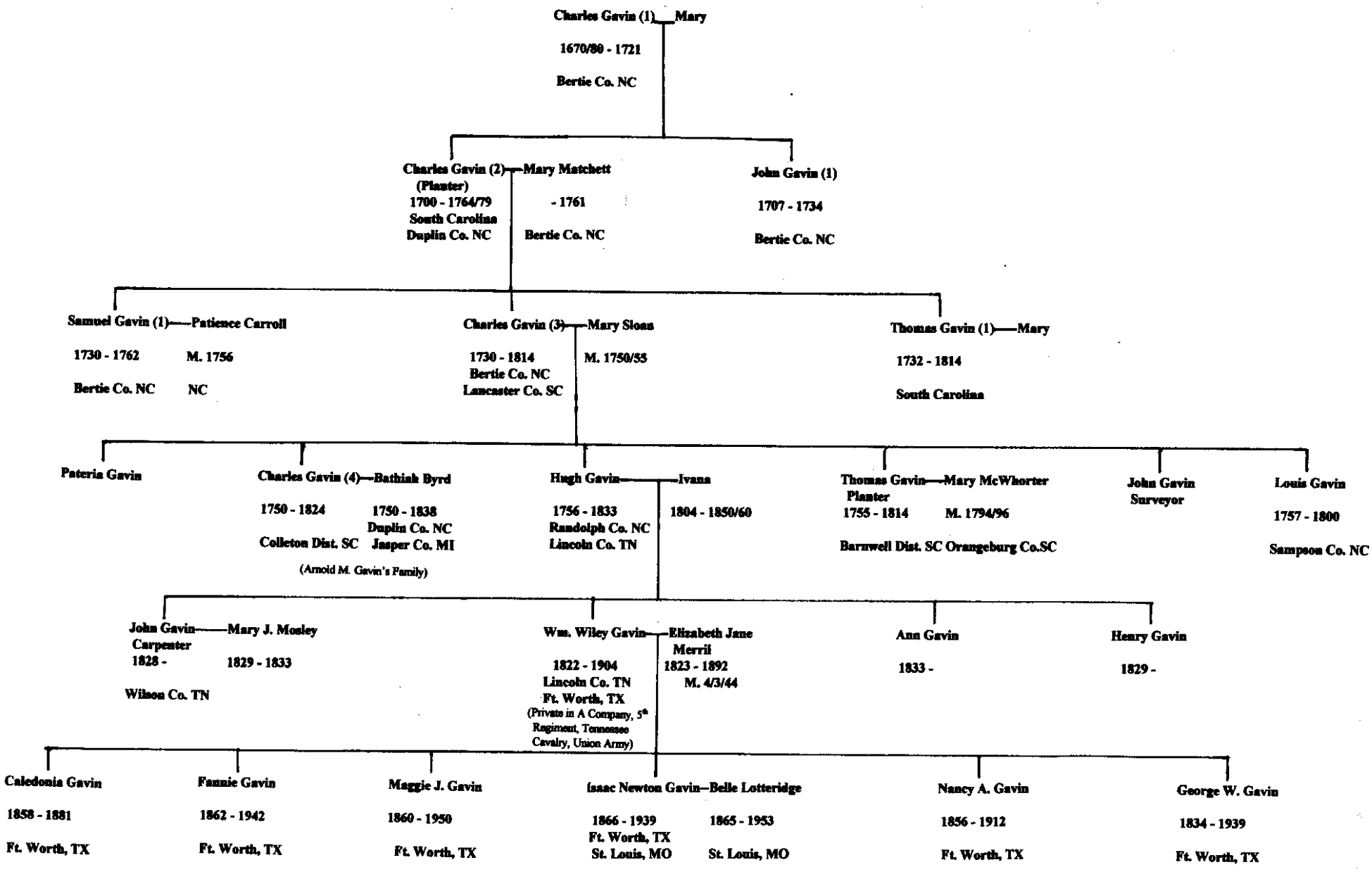
William Wiley Gavin
1822 - 1904
Fort Worth, Texas


Charles Gavin (1) — Mary
1670/80 - 1721
Bertie Co. NC
Charles Gavin (2) (Planter) — Mary Matchett
1700 - 1764/79
South Carolina
Duplin Co. NC
- 1761
Bertie Co. NC
John Gavin (1)
1707 - 1734
Bertie Co. NC
Samuel Gavin (1) — Patience Carroll
1730 - 1762
Bertie Co. NC
M. 1756
NC
Charles Gavin (3) — Mary Sloan
1730 - 1814
Bertie Co. NC
Lancaster Co. SC
M. 1750/55
Thomas Gavin (1) — Mary
1732 - 1814
South Carolina
Pateria Gavin
Charles Gavin (4) — Bathiah Byrd
1750 - 1824
Colleton Dist. SC
1750 - 1838
Duplin Co. NC
Jasper Co. MI
(Arnold M. Gavin's Family)
Hugh Gavin — Ivana
1756 - 1833
Randolph Co. NC
Lincoln Co. TN
1804 - 1850/60
Thomas Gavin — Mary McWhorter
Planter
1755 - 1814
Barnwell Dist. SC
M. 1794/96
Orangeburg Co.SC
John Gavin
Surveyor
Louis Gavin
1757 - 1800
Sampson Co. NC
John Gavin — Mary J. Mosley
Carpenter
1828 -
Wilson Co. TN
1829 - 1833
Wm. Wiley Gavin — Elizabeth Jane Merril
1822 - 1904
Lincoln Co. TN
Ft. Worth, TX
(Private in A Company, 5th Regiment, Tennessee Cavalry, Union Army)
1823 - 1892
M. 4/3/44
Ann Gavin
1833 -
Henry Gavin
1829 -
Caledonia Gavin
1858 - 1881
Ft. Worth, TX
Fannie Gavin
1862 - 1942
Ft. Worth, TX
Maggie J. Gavin
1860 - 1950
Ft. Worth, TX
Isaac Newton Gavin — Belle Lotteridge
1866 - 1939
Ft. Worth, TX
St. Louis, MO
1865 - 1953
St. Louis, MO
Nancy A. Gavin
1856 - 1912
Ft. Worth, TX
George W. Gavin
1834 - 1939
Ft. Worth, TX

Notes from William Wiley Gavin's

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1. **Elizabeth Leek Deposition**

   W.W. Gavin lived in Nashville, Tenn. many years before Civil War - in good health then.

   Enlisted in Union Army Aug 19, 1862 - Company A, 5th Regiment, Tenn. Cavalry.

   Injured in head and back in 1862 - on sick leave in Nov. 1862.

   Discharged from army in Summer 1863.

   Returned to Nashville - lived with Madison M. Leek and family, #18 Washington St.

   Gave up engineering trade because of injuries in war.

   Moved to county in 1865 and set up a milling business.

   Leeks last saw him in 1871.

2. **M.M. Leek Deposition**

   W.W. Gavin was a steam boat engineer prior to war.

   Discharged from Army in 1863.

   Made several trips as engineer on Leeks steamboats.

   Moved to Texas in 1871.

4. **Captain M.M. Leek gave another deposition in Dec. 1893 - listed address as #18 Washington St., Nashville.**

5. **Deposition by son George, age 42, in Fort Worth, Texas - May 1895**

W.W. Gavin resided at 903 W. 2nd St., Ft. Worth, Texas

Superintendent of a saw and flouring mill, 12 miles southwest of Nashville for 5 years.

6. Injured in encounter with rebel cavalry in Lavergne, Tenn. Oct. 6 or 7, 1862 - Knocked into a ditch with horses - head and other injuries.

7. Description of this encounter.

8. Another encounter with rebels around Brentwood, Tenn.

Dec. 16, 1862 - Army of Cumberland moved toward Murfeesboro, Tenn - suffered cannon blasts while on courier duty - received medical attention at Carthage, Tenn.

In hospital at Gallatin, Tenn. May to Aug. 1863.

Tried steam boat engineer job after release from hosipital but gave up after 3 months.

9. Leased a mill in Brentwood, Tenn.

Moved to Ft. Worth Dec. 18, 1871.

Totally disabled after Fall, 1890.

10. Deposition by E. J. Calhoun - Met W.W. Gavin in Nashville in 1849 - were neighbors from 1849 to 1852.

W.W. moved to Shelbyville, Tenn. In 1855. Then to Lebanon, Tenn. Until he enlisted in the Army.

14. <u>Deposition by William Wiley Gavin,</u> May 10, 1895, Ft. Worth, Texas.

73 years old - Occupation, Engineer, Resided at 903 W. 2nd St., Ft. Worth, Texas.

Enlisted in Union Army Aug. 1862. - Discharged Aug. 1863.

Chief Licensed Engineer on Government boat Nashville in 1864 - Capt. Benj. Gorde.

Lived in Nashville in 1857.

Moved to Shelbyville for 2 years.

Moved to Lebanon until enlisting in Army.

Sick with fever in 1848.

15. Mentioned knowing steamboat men in Nashville - Capt. Calvin Cabler, Wm. Wyatt, Capt. Wm. Strong, Matt Leek, Benj. Gorde.

In Shelbyville, knew Newt Calhoun, Tom Sharge, Jas. Calhoun.

In Lebanon, 1854 to 1862 - engineer at flouring mill. Knew Noah Mehaffey, Joe Mosely.

Member of Masonic Lodge.

First injury in Army, Sept 1862 - struck by horse on head.

16. Oct. 10, 1862 - Levergne, Tenn. (15 miles from Nashville) - battle with pickets - head inured when struck by his carbine - knocked into ditch with horses and head injured.

Capt. Blackburn in charge - Lieut Hathaway, George Leever, David Barr, Crockett Patton, Bill Davis and one enemy also injured in incident.

17. Continuation of W.W. Gavin deposition - George Leever, bunkmate - Friends Lee Lefever, H.V. Richardson, Edw. C. Edwards, Graham, Independence County.

After General Forrest, near Brentwood, Nov. 8 - 10, 1862.

18. Battle of Stones River - Cannon fire increased head injury.

19. W.W. Gavin's ailments included rheumatism, headaches, bladder problems, back pain, dizziness, piles as result of injuries in war to back and head.

Dr. Moore, Dr. Cook and Dr. Doris treated him.

Ran mill in Brentwood from Fall 1865 to 1871

Treated by Dr. Caroll Burnam, Waverly, Tenn.

Left Nashville for Texas in 1871

Supervised erection of mills and houses in Ft. Worth in 1871.

Treated by Dr. Bell in Ft. Worth in 1878 for piles.

Stopped work completely in 1890.

Treated by Dr. Pallard, Dr. Parker, Dr. Brayls.

Knew W.C. Danner, N.T. Calhoun, Tom Clark, R.C. DeHaven.

Wife died April 1892.

Lived with Son and 3 Daughters (all single).

Salary $150 as Master Mechanic and steamboat engineer.

22. Capt. Strong, Capt. Cabler - members of firm that owned steamboats - Wm. Litterer, Chief clerk, B.S. Ray, Office clerk.

Discharged for "General Disability"

23. Joseph Mosley Deposition - W.W. lived in Lebanon, Tenn. In 1854.

Built boats in Nashville with Mosley after his discharge from Army.

24. W.W. moved from Nashville to Williamson County to run a mill.

25. Susan Leek deposition, Feb. 1896. - 55 years old, resided at 411 S. Front. St., Nashville.

W.W's brother married into Leek family before the war.

W.W. moved to Lebanon before the war.

Worked on steamboat for old man Leek, Father of M.M. Leek, Susan's husband.

26. W.W. complained of catarrah of head.

W.W's brother John at Leek house.

27. Deposition of Wm. Strong, Feb. 1896 - 81 years old, steam boater, resided at 514 S. Summer St. Nashville.

Met W.W. in 1848 - both on steamboats

Knew W.W. 12 to 14 years.

29. **Deposition of M.M. Leek, Feb. 1896 - 55 years old, resided at 621 S. Market St. Nashville.**

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CYRUS M BROWN

Rank: Privt.
Age: 22

Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks: Disch by reason of disabil

Enlisted: Aug 25 62

WILLIAM W GAVIN

Rank: Privt.
Age: 39
Enlisted: Aug 19 62

Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks: Disch by reason of disabil

RICHARD M HAWKINS

Rank: Privt.
Age: 41
Enlisted: Sep 9 62

Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks: Disch by reason of disabil

HENRY MALONE

Rank: Privt.
Age: 35
Enlisted: Aug 9 62

Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks: Disch by reason of disabil

EDWARD PENNINGTON

Rank: Privt.
Age: 36
Enlisted: Aug 4 62

Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks: Disch by ord of Maj Gen T

JOSIAH YOUNGBLOOD

Rank: Privt.
Age: 40
Enlisted: July 28 62

Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks: Disch by reason of disabil

ELIJAH YEARGIN

Rank: Privt.
Age: 36
Enlisted: Aug 9 62

Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks: Disch by gen ord No 83 W
May 8 65

JOHN MURPHY

Rank: 1 Lt
Age: 24
Enlisted: Aug 4 62

Mustered: Aug 31 62
Remarks: Pro fr 1 Lt to Maj Feb 1 6

PHILIP M RADFORD

Rank: Privt.
Age: 43
Enlisted: Aug 18 62

Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks: Pro from privt to Ser Maj

JAMES H BRATTEN

Rank: Ser
Age: 18
Enlisted: Aug 5 62

Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks:

WILLIAM A DALE

Rank: Corp.
Age: 18
Enlisted: July 29 62

Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks:

DOCTOR A DAVIS

Rank: Blkm
Age: 22
Enlisted: Aug 4 62

Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks:

JOSEPH ADAMSON

Rank: Privt
Age: 34
Enlisted: July 29 62

Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks: Died April 63

DAVID BARR

Rank: Privt
Age: 20
Enlisted: July 21 62

Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks: Died April 63

HIRAM BARRETT

Rank: Privt
Age: 21
Enlisted: July 29 62

Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks:

JOSEPH BRYANT

Rank: Privt
Age: 22
Enlisted: July 29 62

Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks: Died April 63

Age: 16
Enlisted: Dec 1 63
Mustered: Dec 31 63
Remarks:

JOHN M CAMPBELL

Rank: Privt
Age: 19
Enlisted: Sept 1 62
Mustered: Sept 5 62
Remarks:

THOMAS J CHAMPAN

Rank: Privt
Age: 19
Enlisted: July 28 62
Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks:

ALBERT G DAVIS

Rank: Privt
Age: 45
Enlisted: Aug 23 62
Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks:

REUBEN H GREEN

Rank: Privt
Age: 22
Enlisted: Aug 6 62
Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks:

GEORGE H LEAVER

Rank: Privt
Age: 38
Enlisted: Aug 24 62
Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks:

SAMUEL J MCCALIB

Rank: Privt
Age: 19
Enlisted: July 21 62
Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks:

ROBERT S NEALY

Rank: Privt
Mustered: Sept 9 62

Age: 18
Enlisted: Aug 13 62

Remarks:

GEORGE W ROBINSON

Rank: Privt
Age: 29
Enlisted: Sept 6 62

Mustered: Sept 9 62
Remarks:

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In pension Claim No 518726
of Wm W Gavin Co A 5th regiment
Tennessee Cavalry

I was acquainted with William W Gavin for many years prior to the war. We were near neighbours in Nashville Tennessee knew him as in good health at the time of his Enlistment in union army 1862 new that he was injured in head and back while in the army. He was at my house sometime in November 1862 on furlow or sick leave of absence from his regiment and was suffering from head ache, back ache and piles. After his discharge in Summer of 68 made my house his home for some time. He and my husband were old friends. I knew that he was disabled while in the army and had to give up his trade as an Engineer on account of his injuries. In 1865 he moved to the Country and Engaged in the Milling business. Saw him as often as once every month from 1865 to 1871 for he made my house his stopping place when in City of Nashville. Knew that he was all the time suffering from his injuries received while in the Union army. Since 1871 have known nothing of his health. I have no interest in the above claim

Elisabeth Leek

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In pension Claim No 518726 of Wm W Gavin Co a 5th regiment Tennessee Cavalry. I hereby certify I was well acquainted with Wm W Gavin about ten or twelve years previous to the war, That he was a first Class Steam Boat Engineer, and that he was an able bodied competent man in his trade, at the time of of his enlistment in the Union army in 1862, and that he was injured while in the Service. He was on sick leave of abscence and stopped at my farthers house about ten days and was suffering with head ache rheumatism & piles, I think it was about the 15th or 20th of November 1862, After his discharge from the army in augt 1863 he came to my farthers house and stayed until winter. after that remained in the City until fall of 1865. Made several trips as Engineer on my farthers Boats. Being unable to labour at his trade he leased a Mill in the Country and moved there fall of 1865. Met him often from 65 to 71 and he could have had Employment on our Boats as an Engineer if he had been able to labour. Since his remove to Texas in 1871 I have not seen him. I have no

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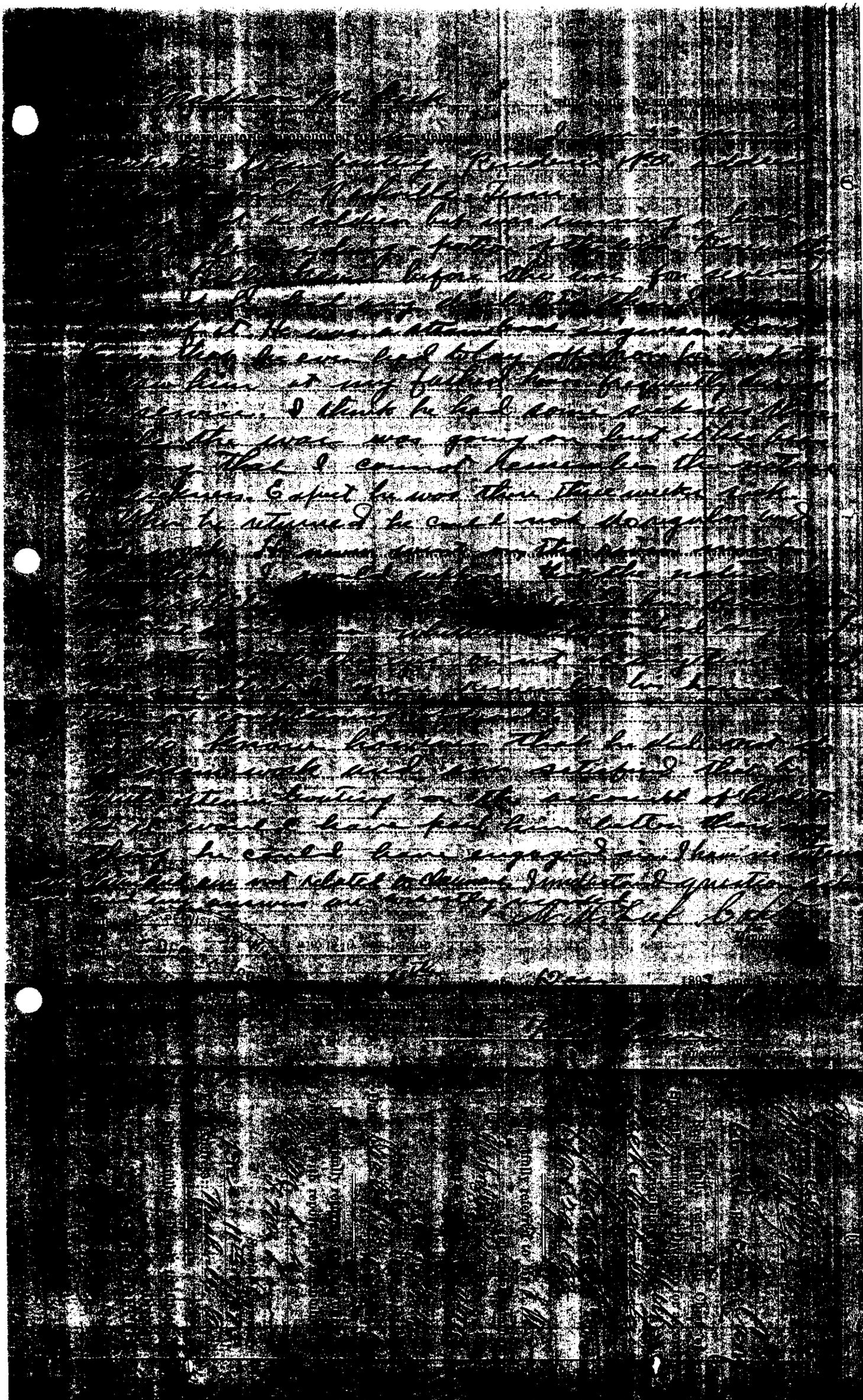
interest in the aforesaid claim
M. M. Leef

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 5th day of Sept 1885. I have no interest in this claim.

C. J. Eastman
Clerk County Court Davidson Co

South Div.
Original
58/746.
Wm. W. Gavin
A & Tenn Cav.
Geo E. Lemon
atty.



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DEPOSITION

Case of Wm W. Gavin, No. 599.568

On this 18 day of May, 1895, at Ft. Worth, County of Tarrant State of Tex., before me, G. S. Arnold, a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared Geo. W. Gavin, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says: I am 42 years of age occupation, Carpenter & joiner Residence & P.O. 903 W. 2nd St. City. I have always lived with claimant I am his son. We came to Texas at the same time in 71. I can not fix any positive time of hearing my father first complain of having the piles, but have a distinct recollection that it was before we came to Texas. Neither can I remember when I first noticed my father was hard of hearing. I know the disability has grown much worse during the last five or six years. Before the war he was a steamboat engineer on the rivers in the vicinity of Nashville Tenn. After the war he followed his occupation but a short time, and then leased a saw & flouring mill about 12 miles south of Nashville, I think his eyes were affected at that time but can't say positively that it was on that acct that he gave up his occupation on the river. My father did no hard work since the war. He superintended the work on the mill for 5 years and then we came to Texas and have been here ever since. I can't recollect that my father was con-

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confined to his bed or unable to attend to his duties while in charge of the mill. Since living in Texas his disabilities have been growing worse and he was frequently obliged to quit work on account of the piles. He often complained of his head & dizziness running in the head, constipation, and at times would stagger like a drunken man. All I know of the cause was that my father said it was brought on by having a collision with soldiers during the war. He was during the night they had an encounter with some rebel cavalry and my father with others was marched into a ditch & men & horses together and he had his head hurt and was otherwise injured. I never heard that my fathers mind was affected before the war. Never heard that he was injured in any way before or after the war. He complained off & on his hips and back for a number of years and seemed to have rheumatism. He complains very much about his head. He is unable to go away from home but by remaining quiet and taking needed rest he gets along all right. I consider him able to attend to business and would consider a contract signed by him as being legal. I never knew his mind to be such as to consider him irresponsible. I would not consider it advisable to have a guardian appointed at any time, not at the present time. I consider all his sufferings due to the disabilities already described. I am correctly recorded.

Geo W. Gavin.
Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18 day of May, 1895, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

G. I. Arnold
Special Examiner.

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Reply to Call of [illegible] 4/93 (7)

PENSION OFFICE U.S. F DEC 14 1893

History of injuries received while in Union Army in 1862-63 by William W. Gavin Private Co A. 5th Tenn Vol Cavalry.

Enlisted Aug 19th 1862 at Nashville Tenn. about Sep 15th to 20th one dark night was ordered to mount in haste in adjusting bridle my horse threw his head around hitting me on left side of head knocking me down from which I suffered much but made no complaint.

About Oct 6th or 7th 1862 [In the night] a considerable force left Nashville to attack the Confederates at Lavergne Tenn. Company A was in advance we drove their Cavalry untill we came to their Infantry pickets at Lavergne they fired on us this threw our horses into some confusion very soon their Cavalry charged down the turnpike firing as they came in raising my Carbine it hung in the Boot (but even with my head in this condition we came together my Carbine was jammed against the right side of my head several of my comrades and myself were knocked off the Pike into a deep ditch horses and all together in this transaction I had my Carbine jammed against right side of head received blow on top of head injured in back and Hips was senseless carried to rear and laid in fence corner untill about daylight was [illegible] put on my horse and returned to Nash[illegible] [illegible] to stop with private family [illegible] Thomas Leak] for ten or twelve days.

[illegible] of Nashville attended me.

[illegible] 11th or 12th in day time

[illegible] Cavalry being on both sides of [illegible] were ordered southwest and pursued [illegible] from Nash' to beyond Brentwood. [illegible] the latter place all at full speed. a [illegible] on an unruly horse came angling [illegible] line landing against me knocking myself [illegible] horse against Comrade William Davis. breaking Davis left leg and injuring me in [illegible] Back and Hips it was a terrible shaking [illegible] this time have suffered from Piles as [illegible] injuries to head Back and Hips and Rheumatism my Eyesight and hearing were also bad. but at my urgent request was not sent to Hospital remaining with my Regiment.

[illegible] Dec 25th 1862 the Army of the Cumberland [illegible] towards Murfresboro Tenn. I was on Courier duty along the line of battle on the right wing was in [illegible] days engagment suffered intensely from [illegible] of cannonading remained with Regiment [illegible] all its movements untill we took up quarters at Carthage Tenn. when Dr Moore (of the Regiment) paid special attention to my case putting Seaton in back of neck with other needful remedies. was sent from Carthage to Hospital at Gallatin Tenn in May 63 remaining there under treatment till [illegible] the first of Aug 63. when I was discharged for general disability.

After discharge did no manual labor attempted [illegible] to follow my trade (as steam [illegible] Engineer [in 1864 and 65] but gave up on [illegible] of not being able to distinguish between the [illegible] of Bells [from Deafness] as well as physical [illegible] to perform necessary manual labor was [illegible] about three months.

Until the fall of 65 leased a mill twelve miles Southwest of Nashville (Brentwood Post office) remained there six years as proprietor. Dr H. M. Morris of Nash, had been my family Physician for many years. Consulted Dr C. Cook of Nash. two or three times for Hemorrhoids. Drs Cook and Morris have filed affidavits in Pension Office
Moved to Ft Worth Texas Dec 1876. have not at anytime been able to perform manual labor as a journeyman mechanic, have not been employed half my time at anything by knowledge of the mechanical art to has given me as much light work as I was able to perform, such as setting up, repairing and putting in motion Cotton Gins and other mill Machinery, Contracting for the Erection of Dwelling Houses, had frequently to give up jobs incomplete on account of total disability, since the Fall of 1890 I have been totally disabled for manual labor or mental efforts. My head troubles me gradually growing worse also my Back, am still troubled with Piles and Rheumatism, cannot lie on left Hip. Deafness about the same as for several years, Excessive nervousness, Cramping of my Legs with cold benumbed feeling all the time. It is impossible to give dates. facts you can get the Affidavits filed in Pension Office in my claims is best dates I can give.
Dr H. M. Pollard. [Deceased] Dr E. P. Beall and Dr C. A. Parker have filed affidavits in my claims.
Privates Gresham, Calhoun, Manner, Clark and McHaven of Ft Worth Tex. have filed Affidavits. Capt Blackburn Privates Patton, Davis and Richardson Co A 6th Texas Cavalry have filed affidavits.

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DEPOSITION

Case of William W Gavin, et No. 699568

On this 19 day of May, 1896, at Shelbyville, County of Bedford State of Tenn, before me, S. F. Hampton, a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared N. J. Calhoun, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says: I am in my 64th year; a marble workman and carpenter, I live in Shelbyville Tenn. my post office. I got acquainted with Wm W Gavin in the year 1849, in Nashville Tenn. He and I lived neighbors in Nashville from that time until 1852 when I moved to Shelbyville Tenn. But I was in Nashville frequently in 53 & 54.

In 1855 Wm W Gavin moved to Shelbyville and lived there about two years I think. Then he moved to Lebanon Tenn. where he stood until the war began or until he enlisted. I saw him one after he left here and went to Lebanon and before he enlisted but I do not recollect what year it was. He was in the 5th Tenn Cav. but I do not remember the letter of his company. My first wife was a sister of Wm W Gavin.

I never heard Wm W Gavin complain of any sickness or ailment of any kind at any time before his enlistment and never knew or heard of his being sick or disease in mind or body before his enlistment. I went to Nashville in Sept-

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1862 and was there six or eight months. The 37th Tenn Cav. was stationed in Nashville and I was at their camps frequently and saw Wm W. Gavin. He appeared to be sound and well then. I never heard him complain of anything and he looked to be well and hearty. I had only seen him 3 or 4 times since he was discharged. I was at his home twice in 1866 or 1867 I forget which. That was the first time I had seen him since the week of 1862-63. Wm W. Gavin's health was good when I saw him in 1866 or 1867 as far as I know and believe. I did not notice any change at that time in his physical appearance or mental condition from what it was before enlistment. I next saw Wm W Gavin in 1882. He was considerably broken in health when I saw him in 1882 and I thought his mind was affected. I do not remember what his physical ailment was and did not learn what caused his mental trouble. I last saw him in May 1889. His mind was more impaired in 1889 than in 1882, and his bodily health was very bad. I think he was then suffering in health. No. I, Callaan

Deponent

Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14 day of May, 1896, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

J. F. Hampton

Special Examiner.

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DEPOSITION

Case of Wm W Gavin et, No. 599568

On this 19 day of May, 1895, at Shelbyville, County of Bedford State of Tenn., before me, S. F. Hampton, a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared N J Calhoun, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says: Very badly I think he complained a good deal of his back and some of his head. I noticed in 1882 and 1889 that his hearing was impaired. I had not noticed prior to 1882 that his hearing was impaired. I never heard of Wm W Gavin getting in jump in any way at any time. It strikes me that he was complaining of piles in 1882. His eye sight seemed to be impaired in 1882 and 1889. But I do not know what caused it. The first I noticed or knew of his failing his healthy body or mind was in 1882. I do not remember of his complaining of rheumatism unless the back trouble was rheumatism.

I am satisfied Wm W Gavin was sound and healthy before and at the date of enlistment. I do not remember that I noticed any change in his bodily or mental condition in 1866 or 1867. I think I would have noticed it if there had been a change in his condition but I was not with him but a day or two in 1866 or 1867.

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I made an affidavit in this case at Nashville Penn. I made the affidavit in this case which bears my signature. My knowledge of his condition as stated in these affidavits was from information. I do not remember now that he was in any worse physical or mental condition in 1866 or 1867 than he was in 1862 or 63. He had left the book but I do not know from what cause. I have no interest in this claim. I have understood the question and my answers to them are correctly recorded in this deposition.

C. V. J. Calhoun
Deponent

Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19 day of May, 1898, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

S. F. Hampton
Special Examiner.

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N. B.—Examiners should be particular to have affiants sign on the line next below the closing words of their depositions so as to leave little or no space between their signatures and the end of their depositions.

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DEPOSITION

Case of Wm. H. Gavin, No. 599.565

On this 10 day of May, 1893, at Ft. Worth, County of Tarrant State of Tex., before me, E. J. Arnold, a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared Wm. H. Gavin, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says: My age is 73 years next Aug. Occupation Engineer Residence P.O. 903 W. 2nd St. Ft. Worth Tex. I served in the late war as private in Co. A 5th Tenn vol cav. I enlisted Aug 1862 and was discharged in Aug. 63. I was never in any other service previous to that time. Some time in 1864 I served as chief engineer on some Government boat for one month. I dont know the name of the boat, but the captains name was Benj Forde. This was at Nashville Tenn. they took me only because they were obliged to have a licensed engineer and they could get no one else. dont know what month this was. I claim pension for deafness, impaired eye-sight, injury to head, rheumatism, piles, and inflammation of the bladder. Before the war up to 1857 I lived in Nashville Tenn. I then went to Shelbyville Tenn and lived there two years. I then went to Lebanon Tenn. and lived there until I enlisted. In 1844 I had the only spell of sickness I ever had in my life prior to enlistment. I think I was sick about 20 days with some kind of fever, dont recollect what kind of fever it was

Page 7 I had a doctor his name was Dorris he is now dead he is the same doctor that treated me during the war. I dont remember what fever it was or any thing else about it. I recovered in 20 days and never knew of any ill effects. I was not sick any more until I was injured in the service. My acquaintance before the war was mostly among the steamboat men. Capt. Calvin Cabler, Wm Wyatt, Capt Wm Strong, Mat Leek, Benj Goode these men knew me well and as near as I know they still live in Nashville Tenn. I worked with these men. While in Shelbyville I knew Newt Calhoun, Tom Sharp, Jas Calhoun. I think these men still live there. I know positively that the Calhouns still live there. I think it was from 59 to 62 that I lived in Lebanon. While there I was engineer at a flouring mill, the owners are now dead. Noah McCaffe fired for me at the time. Joe Mosely knew me well and I think both of these men still live there. I think the members of my lodge (masons) would remember me. I can not now recall any of their names. When I enlisted the whole company stood in line and two doctors came along and looked at us, I remember one of them remarked when they came to me "There's a little man that will stand it all right" They did not ask me any questions. The first injury I received in the service was in Sept, 62 dont remember the exact date. It was on a dark rainy night we were ordered to mount in haste, and while adjusting the bridle the horse (he was blind in one eye) threw his head around and struck me on the left side of the head and knocked me down. I got up and mounted along with the others. I was not treated for that injury but felt

the effects ever since. I dont remember that I mentioned this to any body but two of my messmates and they are both dead.

It was about the 10th of Oct, 62 am not positive as to the exact date, at Levergne Tenn about 15 miles from Nashville my company was in advance after night the pickets fired in on us and a squad of cavalry rushed in on us and a man struck me on the head with something. It was while they were coming toward us, I was in the act of pulling my carbine from the boot and was holding it up aside of my head when they rushed in on us and besides being struck on the head with something else, my carbine was struck against the right side of the head and my whole side was injured. There were a number of us knocked into the ditch with our horses. I was knocked senseless and just before day light they took me some distance to the rear. I think it was about 12 oclock we started back to Nashville. I was able to ride back, Capt. Blackburn was in charge. Those that were thrown into the ditch with me were* Lieut. Hathaway,+ Geo Leever,+ David Barr and one of the enemy. These men are now dead so I am told. I think Crockett Patton and Bill Davis were there. After I reached Nashville I was permitted to go to a friend by the name of ~~L~~ Thomas Leek and was with him ten days. I was not treated during this time and not until I went back to the regiment.

* [illegible]

\+ Both killed during service

W W Gavin Deponent.

Deponent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11 day of May 1895, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

G. S. Arnold

Special Examiner.

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DEPOSITION

Case of Wm. St. Gavin, No. 599.568

On this Continued day of Continued, 189 , at Continued, County of Continued before me a [illegible] Office, personally appeared Continued, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer [illegible] interrogatories propounded to h during this Special Examination of aforesaid [illegible] claim, deposes and says: Geo Leever was my bunk mate he is now dead. Lee, Lefever, H. V. Richardson were intimate friends at the time. I dont know the address of these men. Edward C. Edwards of Graham Independence Co. Ark. knew me well at the time and was familiar with my accident. While I was staying at the home of my friend Leek I suffered from pain in my head back & [illegible]. When I was struck on the head it bled [illegible] but I dont know that it fractured the skull. It was not badly cut. From there I went back to the regiment but was excused from duty. I of course moved about with the regiment when necessary. I was never free from pain. It was about the 8th or 10th of Nov. 62 while we were after Gen. Forrest near Grentwood a soldier on an unruly horse came angling into line and struck me on the left side and knocked me against ~~[illegible]~~ comrade Wm Davis breaking his leg. The blow shook me up terribly. When I got into camp that night I discovered that my bowels had come down, and I suffered from the piles ever since. The Leeks knew about my having the piles because I stopped there frequently. The comrades I think knew of it but I cant now mention names.

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of any that I am positive knew it.
It was about the 20 of Dec that the sur-
geon ordered me to go to the hospital.
Geo Lever was sent with me we were unable
to find the hospital and returned to camp.
The next day the regiment left camp to take
part in the battle of Stone river. I begged
the captain to take me along and he al-
lowed me to go. We took part in the battle
and it was during the engagement the firing
of the battery in close proximity to where I
was, increased the injury to my head.
I remained in the regiment suffering
from exposure, and from the sound
of cannon, (my head growing worse all the time)
until the latter part of March or the beginning
of April while in camp at Carthage.
Dr. Moore examined me and put a [illegible]
in the back of my neck to relieve my
head, my hearing and eye-sight [illegible]
become impaired by this time. Dr. Moore
was killed later on. They then sent the sick
to Gallatin and compelled me to go along.
As near as I can recollect this was in May
63. I can't recall the name of the doctor
that treated me there. I remained there in
the hospital until I was discharged in August
I was there under constitutional treat[illegible]
[illegible] remember the name of the [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] My head was bad [illegible]

W W Gavin

[illegible]

G S [illegible]

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Wm. W. Gavin, No. 599-568

On this [illegible] day of [illegible], 189 , at [illegible] County of [illegible]

[illegible] personally appeared [illegible] who, being by me first duly sworn to answer [illegible] interrogatories propounded to h[illegible] during this Special Examination of aforesaid [illegible] claim, deposes and says: I remember of taking considerable [illegible] and they put plasters on my back. all my disabilities date from my injuries, as the injury to hip & shoulder resulted in rheumatism. I was unable to mount my horse after my injury and my comrades assisted me. Ed. Edwards. Bell Davis, and in fact all of them helped me and could not help knowing of [illegible] disabilities. Dr. Moore also treated me for the piles when he treated my head. I always thought the piles was the result of injury to back. I had inflamation of the bladder of and on ever since my injury I attribute that to injury to back also. The fall in the ditch among those horses broke me up badly. After my discharge I went back to my old home in Nashville. I was unable to follow my occupation as an engineer and did a little work at odd jobs. Dr. Cook & Dr. Dorris treated me after the service. Dr. Cook removed an apolypus from my nose and also prescribed for the piles. Dr. Dorris treated me for rheumatism & piles. They treated me until I left for Texas in 71. In the fall of 65 I went to a place near Brentwood about 12 miles from Nashville to take charge of a mill and remained there

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until 71. This was in the country [illegible]
never said much about my [illegible]
and made no complaint [illegible]
doctor visited me [illegible]
[illegible] a near neighbor and [illegible]
in my family I talked to him about my
troubles [illegible] although he did not [illegible]
I don't know where he may [illegible]
it is Waverly Tenn. [illegible]
with me for 12 years but he is now dead.
I have been living in Ft. Worth since 1871.
When I came to Ft. Worth, I superintended the
erection of several mills and dwelling houses
fixed up cotton gins etc. I could do this only
from time to time by spells and was finally
obliged to give it up entirely. Dr. Bell was the
first doctor that treated me [illegible]
[illegible] operated on me [illegible]
and treated me for piles in [illegible]
It was in 1878 April 24 [illegible]
Bell was called to my house [illegible]
piles, my bowels had come down and I was
obliged to call the doctor to replace them.
I had done this many times before myself
but on this occasion they were inflamed so
much that I was unable to do it and had
He operated on me twice since for the piles.
to call in the doctor. My diary also shows that
he was called upon me the same evening.
He testified in my claim. I have [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] to [illegible]

W. M. [illegible]

[illegible] read [illegible] by [illegible]
[illegible] and I certify that the contents were fully made known [illegible]

DEPONENT G. S. [illegible]

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DEPOSITION

Case of Wm. St. Gavin, No. 599.568

On this Continued day of Continued, 189 , at , County of State of , before me, , a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared , who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to h during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says: time since the service, but could only superintend and over see work. Dr. Pollard lived near by me and treated me at times. he is now dead. Dr. Parker treated me several times but I can not now remember the dates, he has left the city and I dont know where he is now. Dr. Broyls operated on me twice for piles and prescribed for me on various occasions, I cant remember the dates. W. C. Danner, N. T. Calhoun, Thomas Clark, R. C. Dehaven, these men knew me pretty much ever since I have been here or almost that long and know of my disabilities.

My wife died in April 92. I am living here with a son and three daughters, all single. The fever I spoke of having before the service lasted about 20 days. I dont know what it was and dont know what brought it on. I had been putting up machinery in a mill at the time it came on. I dont know that it was caused by heat and overexertion. I dont think it affected my head. I never had an accident nor contracted any injury before I went in the service. I was very active and had extraordinary strength. When I went in the service I was in excellent health and commanded about $150.00 per month as master mechanic and steamboat engineer.

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Capt. Strong and Capt. Cabler were members of the firm owning the boats. I already gave you their names. William Littleton was chief clerk of that line of boats. B. S. Ray was office clerk of the same line. These men may still be living in Nashville. The disabilities of which I suffer most at the present time are piles. It was just a few days since I had a natural passage from the bowels. I suffer much from pain in the back and head. The doctors told me it was a concussion of the brain. I suffer from deafness, dimness of vision, rheumatism, and inflammation of the bladder. I consider my disabilities due to the injuries I received and from exposure while in the service. I have no particular witnesses that I desire examined. The Cooks knew me well before the war and after, until I left Penn. When I need my discharge from the service the surgeon asked me whether I wanted a pension, stating that if I did he would mention some specific disability. I told him I did not want a pension and he then said he would make it "discharged by reason of general disability". He did not state just what he thought was the matter with my head but said "you may outgrow it but I doubt it". I can not remember his name. I have heard you read my statement and it is correct.

W. W. Gavin
Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11 day of May, 1895, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

G. S. Arnold
Special Examiner.

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DEPOSITION N

Case of Wm W Gavin Cy No. 599568

On this 24 day of Feby, 1896, at Lebanon, County of Wilson State of Tenn, before me, L. J. Taylor, a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared Jos T. Masley, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says: I am 57 yrs old: Carpenter: Lebanon, Tenn.

I first got acquainted with the claimant about 1854. He made his home in Nashville at that time and I lived here in Lebanon.
His brother married one of my sisters way before the war and that caused me to form his acquaintance.
I worked with him some before the war.
My self and his brother worked together and he would work with us some times.
He came here to Lebanon before he Enlisted in the army and was living here at time he Enlisted.
He came here at least 3 years before he Enlisted and may be four. He was an Engineer.
After he came here to Lebanon, I was with him nearly all the time. Was very well acquainted with him.

Q Do you recollect of anything ailing him before he enlisted in the army?

A I cannot say that I do, and he was always complaining. I cant say that I knew of his having any disease, but he was always complaining of not feeling well.
I never considered him to be a stout man, He was a very small, little man.

Q Do you remember of his complaining of his head?

A No sir, I do not remember what he complained of, but he was always complaining of not feeling well.

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When he came out of the army he moved his family back to Nashville
I do not recollect ever hearing him say why he was discharged from the army, but after he was discharged me and him happened to meet at Nashville before the close of the war.
The first thing we did was to build a boat there at Nashville, We worked together building that boat and that was before the war ended. After that we ran on steam boats for a while he as engineer and I as Carpenter
A while after the surrender he moved out several miles from Nashville into Williamson Co, and began to run a mill. I went out there and staid with him a year or two and some time after that he went to Texas. I dont know the date that he went to that mill and cannot tell when he went to Tex. He came here to see me 2 or 3 months before he went to Texas and that was last time I ever saw him.
He was still complaining all the time I was with him after he came out of the army, but I cannot recall any particular thing that he complained of.
I did not hear him complain so much before the war, but I did not consider him a healthy strong man before the war.
He complained of feeling bad a good deal more after he came out of the army than he did before.

L S Mosley
Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24 day of Feb, 1896, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

L. J Taylor
Special Examiner.

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DEPOSITION N

Case of Wm W. Gavin Cy No. 599568

On this ..... day of ....., 189 , at ....., County of .....

State of ....., before me, ..., a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared Jos. S. Mosley con, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says: No I cannot tell any particular thing that I heard him Complain of after he came out of the army.

I heard him say I frequently while we were running on the boat that he would like to go home and stay because he was feeling so bad. and then I used to hear the boys on the boat talk about how hard he was to get up out of bed. He was not lazy either, it was because he felt bad.

I do not recollect hearing any thing said about his having a catarrh of head either before or after the war.

I never noticed that he was hard of hearing, or that his Eyes were sore while I knew him. I do not recollect ever hearing him Complain of his hearing, or Eyesight being Effected.

I have heard his statement concerning his disabilities but it does not refresh my recollection.

I do not recollect ever to have heard him Complain of his back or head, or of rheumatism.

I do not recollect ever hearing him speak of having been hurt by a horse while he was in the army.

I do not recollect Ever hearing him Complain of piles or of any Kidney or bladder trouble

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In fact while I recollect that he complained a good deal after the war and did not appear to be a stout healthy man, I cannot tell what particular thing he complained of at all. He complained worse after the war than he did before he Enlisted.

I never knew of his mind being effected in any way while I knew him.

I have understood questions and my answers are correctly recorded.

D S Wrolley
Deponent

Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24 day of Feby, 1896, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

L J Taylor
Special Examiner.

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DEPOSITION M

Case of Wm. W. Gavin Cy No. 599568

On this 10 day of Feb, 1896, at Nashville, County of Davidson State of Tenn, before me, L. J. Taylor, a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared Susan Leek, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says: I am 55 yrs old: Housekeeper: No 411 S. Front St, Nashville, Tenn,

I knew the Laimant a long time before the war, but I cannot tell when I first got acquainted with him.

He lived here in Nashville when I knew him before the war.

His brother married into my family way before the war, and that caused me to get better acquainted with him.

I was very well acquainted with him before the war, Visited his family & requently ~~in all~~ he lived here in the City, in Lebanon, and I thought a great deal of him. He moved to Lebanon before the war

If there was anything at all ailed him before the war I did not know anything about it. When he left the army he moved back here.

I married in the Fall of the year 1865, and in the Spring before I married in the Fall I came down here and staid at his house for some time, over a month, I did not know of anything ailing him during the time I staid at his house, I do not recollect of his being sick or complaining of anything during that time.

He was working then on a steam boat for old man Leek, father of Mr. M. Leek and my husband.

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The next year after the war I moved from Lebanon to this City, and at that time Mr Gavin had moved out here in the Country and was running a mill, but he used to come to our house and put up frequently.

I Recollect that at that time he Complained of a Catarrah in his head. That was about the year after the war. He came to our house and had been to see a doctor up town and he said that the doctor told him he had Catarrh of head. I know his brother John was at our house the same time and John told him that all his head needed was cleaning out. He Staid at my house about a week that time, and the doctor was tending on him. I forget what doctor it was.

I do not remember hearing him say what caused him to have Catarrh.

I do not remember of his complaining of his hearing or Eyesight at that time.

I do not Recollect of his complaining of rheumatism, or of his back or Kidneys or of any bowel diserder. It has been so far back that I cannot recollect of anything ailing him Except his Complaining of catarrah while he was at my house that time.

I have heard above read and am correctly reported therein.

L C Leek
Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10 day of Feby, 1896, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

L. J. Taylor
Special Examiner.

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DEPOSITION J

Case of Wm W. Gavin Cy No. 594568

On this 8 day of Feb, 1896, at Nashville, County of Davidson State of Tenn, before me, L. J. Taylor, a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared Wm Strong, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says: I am 81 yrs old: Steam boating: No. 514 S. Summer St, Nashville, Tenn.

I got acquainted with the claimant first about 1848. At that time I lived near him here in this City, and he and I both followed Steamboating. He was an Engineer on the boats, and he and I frequently run on the same boat.

I was well acquainted with him at that time, and he and I were associated together then I wrecken for 12 or 14 years.

Q Was there anything ailing him when you used to know him before the war?

A Nothing that I know of.

He was a sound man before he went into the army as far as I know.

He got discharged from the army on account of getting something the matter with him. He staid about the city here right after he got out of the army and I learned then that he had been discharged on account of disability.

There was something the matter with his back. He got something the matter with his back while in service.

I dont know what ailed his back.

He complained of his back down about his loins and of his hips like. He got his back hurt someway I think.

I dont recollect hearing anything said

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about his having a Kidney disease, or of his having rheumatism

It is my impression that he got his back hurt.

I do not know how long he lived around here after he came out of the army, He left here I think some time in the sixties.

He and I did not run on the boats any together after he came out of the army, but we were acquainted,

I dont think he did much work after he came out of the army. He was crippled up pretty badly,

Q I do not recollect of any thing else ailing him

Q Did you ever know of anything ailing his head that is of his being flighty, or of his Eye or hearing being effected?

A No sir, I never knew of his having any trouble with his head, Eyes, or hearing at any time.

His hearing and Eye sight were good after he came out of the army as far as I know.

I do not recollect hearing him complain of piles, or of inflammation or trouble in his bladd

He was in good health as far as I know before he went into the army and after he came out he seemed to be crippled up and complained of his back, That is all I recollect concerning him.

I dont recollect ever hearing of his having a spell of fever before the war.

I have not seen him since he left here.

I am not related and have no interest.

I have heard above read and am correctly reported therein

Attest:

Wm his X mark Strong

Deponent.

A. K. Doss Mrs. N. B. Doss.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8 day of Feb, 1896, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

L. J. Taylor

Special Examiner.

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DEPOSITION A

Case of Wm W. Gavin Co. No. 399568

On this 10 day of Feb, 1896, at Nashville, County of Davidson, State of Tenn, before me, L. J. Taylor, a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared M. M. Peek, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says: I am 53 yrs old; Steam Fitting; No. 621 S. Market St. Nashville Tenn.

I have known the claimant ever since I was a boy. He lived here in this city when I first got acquainted with him. I was tolerable well acquainted with him before the war only. I used to haul him wood out to his house and knew him when I saw him but had no special acquaintance with him before the war.

I did not work with him any before he enlisted in the army, but he lived here and I knew him up until about the time the war came up.

I do not recollect of anything ailing him before he went into the army, so far as I know he was a sound man before he enlisted in the army.

He was sick during the war at my fathers house for a right smart time but I do not recollect what ailed him.

I do not know what time it was that he was at my fathers sick, but it was before he was mustered out of the service I think he was on furlough at that time. His family I think was living in Lebanon at that time.

I cannot tell more anything about

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what ailed him when he was at our house sick. I dont know whether he had gotten injured or whether he had some disease. It has been so long that I cannot tell what ailed him, or how he complained at all. I was not at home all the time then would just drop in at night & and occasionally.

He lived around the City here for a few yrs after the war, and then he moved out here in the country a piece and run a mill for a few years and then he went I think from there to Texas but I cannot tell when he went to Texas.

He ran on my Fathers boats some after the war but I did not run on the boat with him. I had no special association with him after the war, but would see him very once in a while.

He would be about my Fathers house occasionally While he lived out here in the country he used to stop at my Fathers house when he would come to town, and I would see him occasionally during that time.

Q What was his physical condition while you knew him after the war?

A He was not very "stout" after the war and could not do as much work as he could before that, but I cannot tell what he complained of, or how he was effected at all.

M. M. Lusk
Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10 day of Feby, 1896, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

L. J. Taylor
Special Examiner.

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DEPOSITION H

Case of Wm W Gavin Ct No. 599568

On this ____ day of ____, 189 , at ____, County of ____ State of ____, before me, ____, a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared ____ M. M. Leek ____, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to h during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says:

Q Did you know of his head being effected in any way, or of his eye sight or hearing being effected?

A No I did not. I cannot tell what ailed him. I do not recollect hearing him complain of rheumatism or Kidney or back trouble. I cannot tell how he was effected now at all.

About all I can recollect concerning his disabilities at all is that he was sick at my fathers house a while during the time he was a soldier, and after the war he did not appear to be as strong as he had been formerly, but from what cause I cannot say.

I am not related and have no interest.

I have heard above read and am correctly reported therein.

M. M. Leek
Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10 day of Feb. 1896 and I certify that the contents were fully made known to the deponent before signing.

L. J. Taylor
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