Private Martin Wiggins, Company E, the 21st Wisconsin

Record of Service

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Widow's Certificate File Number WC 5308

Soldier's Last Name	First Name	Middle Name or Initial
WIGGINS	MARTIN	

Company and Regiment and State: Co. E 21ST Wisc.

Infantry ✓ Cavalry ____ Artillery ____

Widow's name (include maiden name if known): SARAH ANN WIGGINS, Nee Reed

Other Dependent (circle one) Father, Mother, Minor Child (include names of all children and the number of children): (3) SAMPSON AUGUSTUS, STEPHEN, AMANDA LORETTA

The following were found in this file:

1. 1 Original application(s) for pension
2. 1 Proof of soldier's service
3. 1 Proof of death
4. 1 Proof of marriage
5. 1 Proof of children
6. 1 Dropped from rolls

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WAR OF 1861. 5308

Brief in the case of Sarah Ann Wiggins, widow of Martin Wiggins, a Private Co E. 21 Wisconsin vols

Fond du Lac County, and State of Wisconsin,

Act of July 14, 1862

Post Office address of Applicant, Brothertown, Wis.

Claim for Widow's pension.

Declaration and Identification in due Form.

PROOF EXHIBITED.

Marriage proven by verified copy record.

Evidence of children filed.

Rolls show muster in and death fairly 29, 1863.

Is shown by certificate officer to have died above date of Typhoid fever.

Entitled to $20 per month,
Commencing Sept. 8, 1916,
Under act of Sept. 8, 1916.
Wife During Civil War service.
[illegible]
[illegible] 11-15-16

Admitted August 27 1863 to a pension of $ — 8 — per month, commencing January 29th 1863 —

Clerk —

J. D. Thompson

Name and Residence of Agent

Examining Clerk

(Exd. W.E.G.)

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WIDOW'S DECLARATION FOR PENSION.

State of Wisconsin } ss.
County of Fond Du Lac }

On this 27th day of Feb'y 1883, personally appeared before me, a ~~Judge of the~~ Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for the County and State above named, (1) Sarah Ann Wiggins who after being duly sworn according to law, declares and says that she is aged 00 years, that she is a resident of Brothertown, County of Calumet, State of Wisconsin, and that she is the widow of (2) Martin Wiggins who was a (3) private in Company (4) E commanded by Captain Gibbs of the 21st Regiment of Wisconsin Volunteers, commanded by Colonel Street, in the war with the so-called Confederate States, and that she has not been engaged in any way, or aided or abetted the existing rebellion in the United States, and that her said husband enlisted at Chilton on or about the 15th day of August A. D., 1862 for the term of 3 years and continued in actual service in said war for the term of and Died at Murfreesboro on or about the 30th day of January 1863, and the cause of his death was a severe cold &c. received while in the service of the United States.

That she was married to the said (2) Martin Wiggins on the 24th day of Jan'y 1864, at Brothertown by one Thomas Pye a Minister of the Gospel that her husband, the aforesaid Martin Wiggins died on the day above mentioned; that her name before her said marriage was Sarah Ann Reed, and that she has remained a widow since the death of her said husband, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereunto annexed. And she further states that she believes there is a public record of her said marriage and there is no private record of said marriage (5) and she has three children under 16 years old, to wit: Harrison Augustus Wiggins Born 24th July 1854, Stephen Gibbs Reed Born 25th Feb'y 1857. Ramona Loretta Wiggins Born 24th Jan'y 1863. and that Martin Wiggins was a widower when married to Sarah Ann Reed (this claimant) and had two children above named children to wit, Harrison A Wiggins and Ramona Wiggins, and the child named Reed this claimant had before she was married to Martin Wiggins

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Pension to which she is entitled by reason of the services and death of her said husband, under the Act of Congress, approved July 14th, 1862. And she hereby constitutes and appoints ~~Timothy Gibson~~ Attorney, to prosecute the claim and procure a certificate.

(6) Sarah ann wiggins

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the day and year first above written, and on the same day personally came ~~Eliza~~ Hammer and Elizabeth Hammer residents of Brothertown in the County of Calumet State aforesaid, who, being duly sworn according to law, declare that they are personally acquainted with Mrs. (1) Sarah Ann Wiggins widow of (2) Martin Wiggins, say that they were present and saw her sign her name, or make her mark, to the foregoing declaration, and were acquainted with her and her said husband before he entered the service, and know that they lived together as man and wife, and were so reputed. That she is the widow of the identical (2) Martin Wiggins who performed the military service mentioned in said declaration, and has remained a widow since his death. That their knowledge of the identity of her husband with the soldier is derived from (7) living near them in the same town, and being present at their said marriage, and that her statement to the above named children is true and correct. Their acquaintance with her know that she is the identical person she represents herself to be. They further testify that they reside as above stated, and have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

(8) Jno Hammer
Eligabeth Hammer

Sworn to and subscribed before me, and I certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of said claim; that I believe the affiants to be credible persons, and the declarant is the person she represents herself to be.

(9) David Babcock, Clerk of Court
Court Fond du Lac Co
Wis

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OF _____ } ss.
County of _____

I _____ Clerk of the County Court in and for the County and State above named, do hereby certify that _____ Esq., before whom the foregoing declaration and affidavits were made, and who has thereunto signed his name, was, at the time of so doing, an acting _____ in and for the County and State above named, duly commissioned and sworn, that all his official acts, as such, are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereto is genuine.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court, at _____ in said County, this _____ day of _____ A. D. 186

Clerk.

INSTRUCTIONS.

1. Claimant's name.
2. Soldier's name.
3. Soldier's rank.
4. Alphabetical title of Company.
5. Proof of Marriage.—Record evidence if possible must accompany the application of a widow. If there is a County, Town or Church record of the marriage, the Clerk who has custody of the Record of Marriage, must certify to a true copy thereof, and make oath thereto before a Judge, Notary Public, Commissioner, or Justice of the Peace. The fact that the Judge, &c., is such, must also be shown by Certificate and Seal of a Court of Record, annexed to said copy, in the same way that the application and witnesses' affidavit are authenticated. If there is no public, but a private or family record containing the marriage or the births of children, such private record should be sent to me. It will be returned when used. Testimony in cohabitation and general repute as man and wife will not alone be sufficient proof of the marriage, unless the claimant is unable to present either public or private record evidence, or the testimony of persons who were present, and so states in her declaration.
6. Claimant's signature.
7. Witnesses will here state in what manner they derive their knowledge of the soldier's identity, and if they or either of them were present at the marriage, it should be here stated.
8. Witnesses' signatures.
9. Magistrate's signature.

APPLICANT'S POST OFFICE ADDRESS:

Name, Sarah Ann Wiggins

Town, Brothertown

County, Calumet

State, Wisconsin

Forwarded by Timothy Gibson, of Taychedah Wis

WIDOW'S CLAIM FOR PENSION.

Act of 14th July 1862

Mrs. Sarah Ann Wiggins

Widow of Martin Wiggins

Co. E 21st Reg't

Wisconsin Volunteers.

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Adjutant General's Office,

Washington D. C.,

April 13th 1863.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 14,735, and to return it herewith, with such information as is furnished by the files of this Office.

It appears from the Rolls on file in this Office, that Martin Higgins was enrolled on the 14th day of August, 1862, at Chilton Wis in Co. E, 21st Regiment of Wisconsin Volunteers, to serve Three years, or during the war, and mustered into service as a Private on the 5th day of September 1862, at Oshkosh Wis, in Co. E, 21st Regiment of Wisconsin Volunteers, to serve Three years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. E of that Regiment, for the months of January & February 1863, he is reported Died January 29th 1863 at Murfreesboro.

I am Sir very respectfully
Your obedient servant
Saml Breck
Assistant Adjutant General.

The Commissioner of Pensions
Washington D. C.

Memoranda
Name of applicant Sarah Ann Higgins
Address Brothertown, Calumet Co, Wis.

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State of Wisconsin }
Calumet County } ss

I, John P. Heine, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Calumet County, hereby certify that William H. Scott, whose name is subscribed to the ~~foregoing~~ annexed certificate is the Register of Deeds of Calumet County duly elected and qualified, and further I am personally acquainted with the hand writing of said Register of Deeds and believe the signature attached to the foregoing to be genuine.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court at Chilton this 26th day of February A.D. 1863

John P. Heine
Clerk of Circuit Court.

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Claim of Sarah Ann Wiggins Widow of Martin Wiggins of C E 21st Reg Wis Vol

Ann Wiggins

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Registration of Ma

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1. Full name of husband,	Martin Wiggins
2. Name of the father of said husband,	Ezekiel Wiggins
3. Name of the mother of said husband,	Elizabeth Wiggins
4. Occupation of said husband,	Farmer
5. Residence of husband,	Brothertown
6. Birthplace of husband,	Oneida Co New York
7. Full name of the wife previously to marriage,	Sarah Ann Reed
8. Name of the father of said wife,	John Reed
9. Name of the mother of said wife,	Mary Reed
10. The time when the marriage was consummated,	January 24th 1861
11. The place, town or township, and county, where the marriage was consummated,	Brothertown
12. The color,	Dark Indian decent
13. By what ceremony consummated,	Religious minister of the gospel
14. Name of person pronouncing marriage,	Thomas Peep
15. Residence of person last named,	Brothertown
16. Name of person signing the certificate,	Thomas Peep
17. Date of certificate,	January 24th 1861
18. Date of registration,	April 8th 1861

Registers Office
Calumet County

I W. H. Dick Register of deeds in and for said County do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Records of the Registration of Marriages in this office
Dated February 26th 1863

W. H. Dick
Register of deeds

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Milwaukee

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PENSIONER DROPPED

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF PENSIONS

OCT 19 1916, 191

Certificate No. 5308

Class WIDOW

Pensioner Sarah Ann Higgins

Soldier Martin "

Service Co 21 Wis

The Commissioner of Pensions.

Sir:

I have the honor to report that the name of the above-described pensioner who was last paid at $ 12, to JUL 4 1916, has this day been dropped from the roll because of death, Oct 3-1916

Very respectfully,

[signature]

Chief, Finance Division.

NOTE.—Every name dropped to be thus reported at once, and when cause of dropping is death, state date of death when known. 6—249

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No. 5308

DEAD.

Wisconsin

Sarah Ann Wiggins

Widow of Martin Wiggins

Rank Private

Company "E"

Regiment 21st Wis. Vols.

Milwaukee Agency.

Rate per month, $8

Commencing 24th Janry 1863.

Certificate dated 31st Aug. 1863.

and sent to Claimant,

Brotherton,

Wis.

Act 11th July, 1862.

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Sept 20 [illegible] Letter [illegible]

[illegible] by former wife [illegible]

Aug 29 70. Letter Agt To include both children Marriage. death of mother. Birth of wards. who has had car cers Etc Return Certif. Dom & P.O. add Etc.

DROPPED

OCT 19 1916

H.G.

OCT 28 1916 W. J. Reed adv

Oct 4/16 ck canceled & amt payable only as remit

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Entitled to $20 per month,
Commencing Sept. 8, 1916,
Under act of Sept. 8, 1916.
Wife During Civil War service.

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W.B.G.

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DUPLICATE JACKET

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Cert. No. 5,308

DEAD

V.R.

Sarah Ann Wiggins
widow of
Martin Wiggins

Rank Pri.

Company E.

Regiment 21st Wis. Vols.

Rate per Month $ 8

Commencing Janry 29, 1863

Ending

Agency or Group No. } Milwaukee

Issued Aug. 31, 1863 ~~191~~

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Increased to $12. per month from March 19, 1886 by Act of that date. (See over)

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Cert. made for endorsements

DUPLICATE JACKET made Nov. 15, 1916
V. T. L.
Cert. Div.

See Inc. to $20, ACT SEPTEMBER 8, 1916, shown on inside jacket and face-brief.
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ENDORSEMENT
DISALLOWED
FEB 6 - 1917

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5308

No. 14,735

ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.

Sarah Ann Wiggins, Columbia Co, Wis, Wid of Martin Wiggins, Pri in Co "E" 21 Wisconsin Vols died at Murfreesboro Tenn Jany 30, 1863, given coed

Pension Office,

Mch 18, 1863

Respectfully referred to the Adjutant General, for official evidence of service and death.

Jos H Barrett
Commissioner.

Received, March 6, 1863.

Claimant

Brothertown

Wisconsin

Attorney.

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Jany 22. 74. Pen Agt. returning vouchers of Guard with instructions that "deposition of widow for children ~~of~~ by former marriage" may be waived. File letter with vouchers.
Dilly

Feb. 16. '74. — Hon. P. Sawyer
infd of allowance of claim
Hickox

April 10th J. H. Haight
enclosing blank vouchers for widows execution. should assume the prior remarriage.
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B.

Arrears under Acts Jan 25th
Mar 4 1879 rejected
May 17 '79 L.S.C.

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A. & R. DIV.
DEAD

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...ntary No. 5308

Wisconsin

Agency Milwaukee

DEAD

...oymona 23 January 1869

~~widowscase inside~~

MINORS BY FORMER MARRIAGE OF

Martin Wiggins

...ch Private Co. G

...t 21 Wisconsin Vol

...e per month for each child until arriving

...e age of 16 years, $ 2

...mmencing 25 July 1866

...ing 23 Jany 1869

...tificate dated 24 December 1873

...t to 2 Jan 1874

...s July 14, 1862, & July 27, 1868.

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Wallgren, Clerk.

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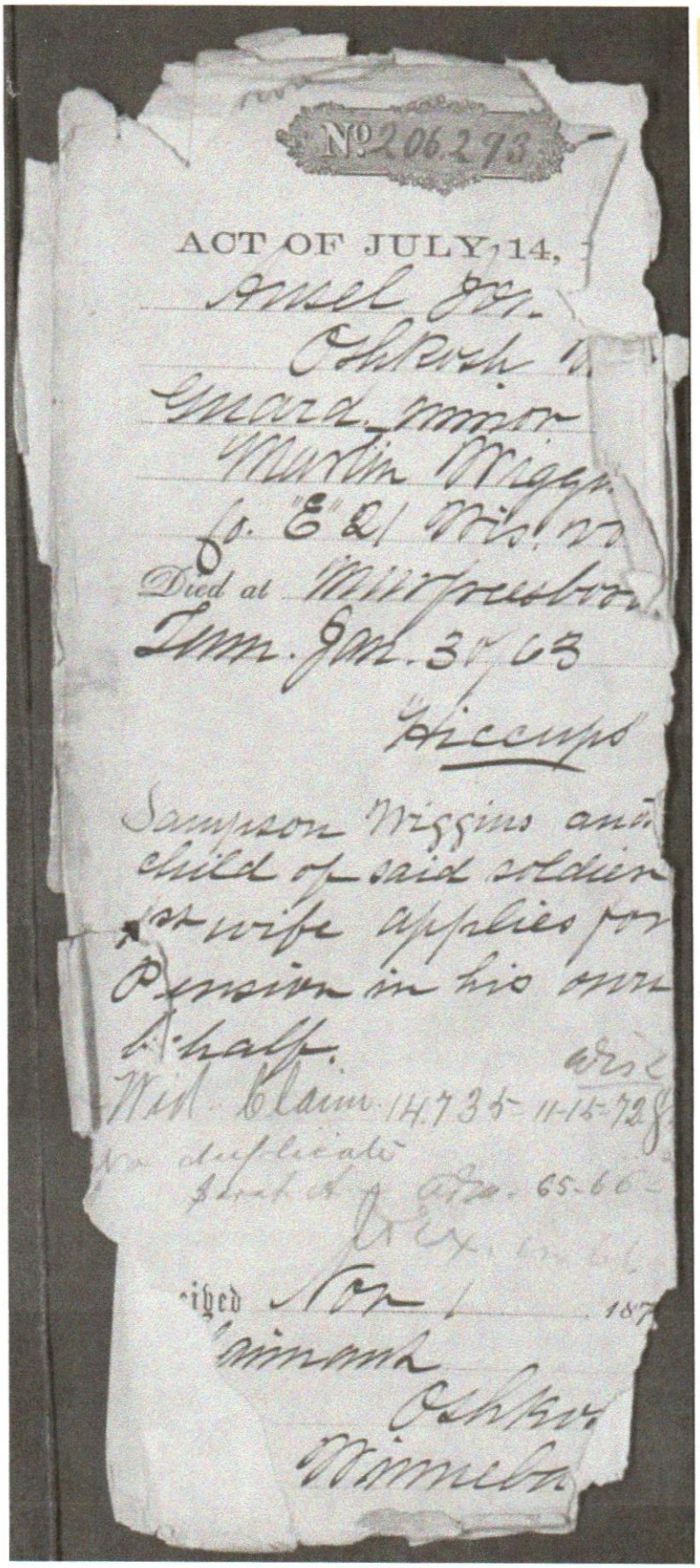

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ACT OF JULY 14, 1

Ansel Jon
Oshkosh
Guard minor
Martin Wiggi
Co. "E" 21 Wis. V

Died at Murfreesboro
Tenn. Jan. 30/63

"Hiccups"

Sampson Wiggins and
child of said soldier
1st wife applies for
Pension in his own
behalf.

Wid. Claim 14.735 11-15-72 Disc

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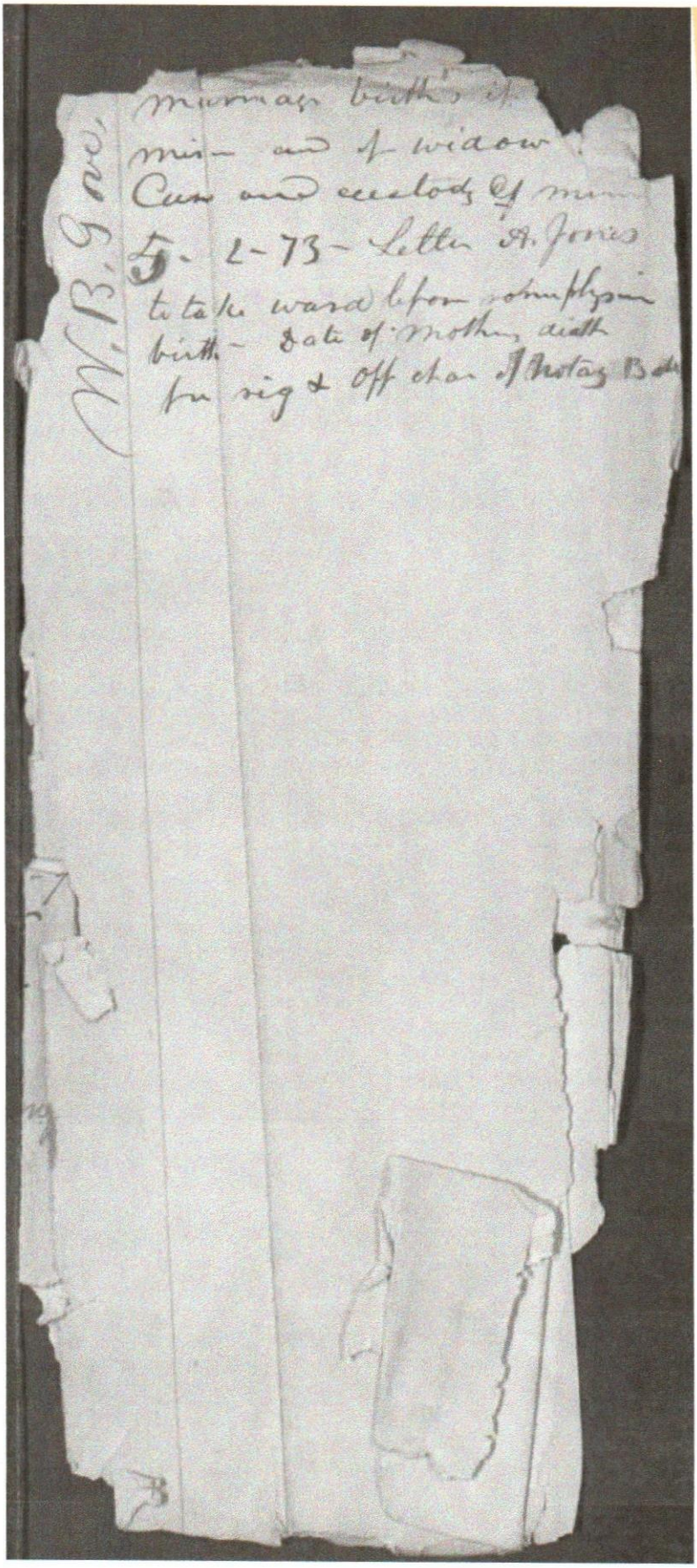

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State of Wisconsin }
County of Calumet } ss

Sarah Ann Wiggins being duly sworn on her oath says

1st She is the Widow of the Soldier Martin Wiggins who enlisted in the United States Service on the 15th day of August A D 1862 in C & H. this Vol. and who died at Murfreesborough Tenn. Janry 12th 1863

2nd That She was married to said Soldier on the 24th day of January A D 1861

3rd That the family bible left by said Soldier now in my possession shows a record of the death of his former wife Mary R. Wiggins, which took place at Brothertown in said County on the 11th day of September A D 1857

4th That said family bible record also shows that Raymona Wiggins was born of said Parents Martin Wiggins and Mary R Wiggins on the 24th day of January A D 1863

5th That said family bible record also shows that Sampson Wiggins was born of said Parents Martin Wiggins & Mary R. Wiggins on the 24th day of July A D 1860.

6th That said Soldier left surviving him no children under sixteen years at his death other than Raymona Wiggins and Sampson Wiggins

7th That She has no Care or Custody of either of said heirs (except Raymona Wiggins for about one year and a half) since the death of said Soldier

And further Deponent saith not

(over)

Sarah Ann Wiggins