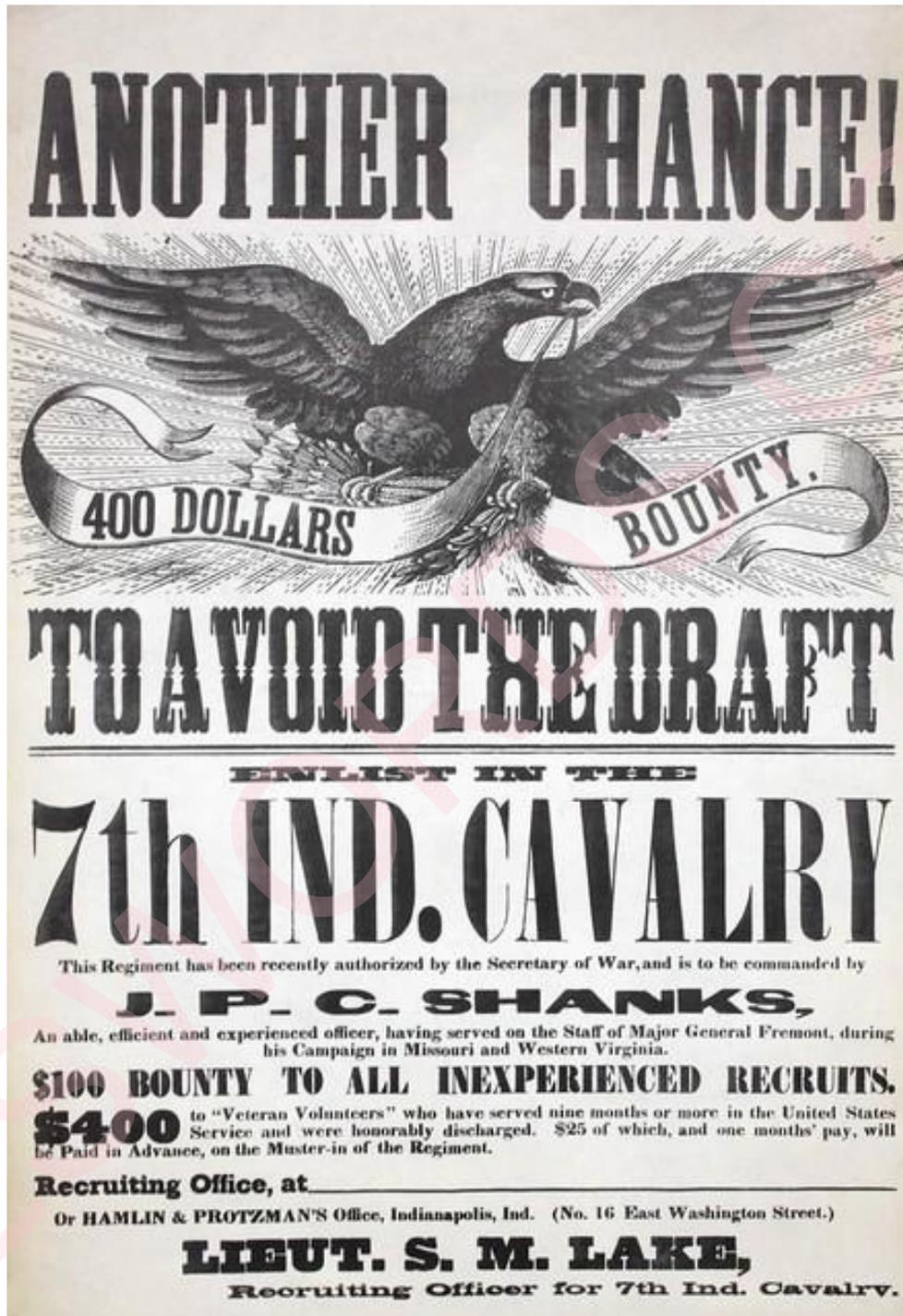


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He also transferred into Veteran Reserve Corps

He was Mustered Out on 11/11/1865

7th Indiana Cavalry Regiment



The **7th Indiana Cavalry Regiment** was a cavalry regiment that served in the Union Army during the American Civil War. The regiment was originally mustered as infantry and designated as the **119th Indiana Infantry Regiment** before being redesignated as the 7th Indiana Cavalry Regiment.

Service

The 7th Indiana Cavalry was organized at Indianapolis, Indiana, beginning February 22, 1863, and mustered on October 1, 1863, for three years' service.

The regiment was attached to District of Columbus, Kentucky, 6th Division, XVI Corps, Army of the Tennessee, December 1863. Waring's Cavalry Brigade, XVI Corps, to January 1864. 1st Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division, XVI Corps, to June 1864. 1st Brigade, 2nd Cavalry Division, District of West Tennessee, to November 1864. 2nd Brigade, Wilson's Cavalry Corps, Military Division of Mississippi, to December 1864. 1st Brigade, Cavalry Division, District of West Tennessee, to June 1865. Department of Texas to February 1866.

The 7th Indiana Cavalry mustered out of service at Austin, Texas, on February 18, 1866.

Detailed service

The 7th Regiment left *Indiana* for *Union City, Tennessee*, on December 6, 1863. It then conducted an expedition to *Paris, Tennessee*, from December 14 to December 23, 1863. It saw action at *Huntington, Tennessee*, on December 27.

Subsequent activity is as follows:

January 22–24, 1864: Its first expedition was from *Union City* to *Trenton, Tennessee*

February 6: *Bolivar* (detachment).

February 11–26: Part of Smith's Expedition to *Okolona, Mississippi*

February 20–21: *West Point*

February 21–22: *Okolona*

February 22: *Ivey's Hill*

February 25: *Hudsonville:* The Regiment was complimented by Generals Smith and Grierson for soldierly bearing and conduct during the expedition.

April 3: Near *Raleigh, Tennessee*

April 8: *Wolf River*

April 9: Near *Raleigh* (detachment).

April 10: *Cypress Swamp*

April 30-May 9: Sturgis' Expedition to *Ripley, Mississippi*

June 1–13: Sturgis' Expedition to *Guntown, Mississippi*

June 7: *Ripley*

June 10: Brice's Crossroads, near *Guntown*

June 11: *Ripley*

June 20 and 26: *White's Station*

July 2: *Byhalia Road, near Colliersville*

July 17: Action at *Port Gibson, Mississippi*

July 19: *Grand Gulf*

August 1–30: Expedition to *Oxford, Mississippi*

August 7–9: *Tallahatchie River*

August 9, 13–14, and 19: *Hurricane Creek*

August 9 and 11: *Oxford*

August 14: *Lamar*

August 28: *Colliersville*

October 4: *White Station*

October 4: Near *Memphis* (1 company).

October 20 and 24: *Memphis, Tennessee*

October 29: *Nonconah Creek* (Company F).

September–November: March through *Arkansas* and *Missouri* in pursuit of Price

October 21: Action at *Little Blue, Missouri*

October 22: *Independence*

October 22: *Big Blue and State Line*

October 23: *Westport*

October 25: *Mine Creek, Marias Des Cygnes*

October 25: At the Marmiton

December 21, 1864 to January 15, 1865: Grierson's Expedition from *Memphis* to destroy Mobile & Ohio Railroad

December 25, 1864: Capture of Verona

December 28: *Egypt Station*

January 2, 1865: *Lexington*

until June: Duty at *Memphis* and along *Memphis & Charleston Railroad*

January 19–22: Expedition from *Memphis* to *Marion, Arkansas* (detachment).

March 3–11: Expedition from *Memphis* into northern *Mississippi*

June 6–16: Moved to *Alexandria, Louisiana*

July 21: Consolidated to six companies

August 5–26: It then marched to *Hempstead, Texas*

until February 1866: Duty there and at *Austin, Texas*

Casualties

The regiment lost a total of 294 men during service; 1 officer and 47 enlisted men killed or mortally wounded, 3 officers and 243 enlisted men died of disease.

Commanders

- Colonel John Peter Cleaver Shanks: October 9, 1863 - December 8, 1864.
- Thomas McLelland Browne: October 10, 1865 - February 18, 1866.
- Major Samuel Edminston W. Simonson: Commanded at the Battle of Westport and the Battle of Mine Creek.



119th Indiana Regiment / 7th Indiana Cavalry

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The 7th Indiana Cavalry was attached to the 1st Brigade, 6th Division, 16th Army Corps, and participated in numerous expeditions, skirmishes, and battles across Tennessee, Mississippi, Arkansas, and Missouri. The regiment was noted for its discipline and effectiveness in both combat and scouting operations.

Organization & Service

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On December 14, 1863, a detachment under Major Christian Beck moved toward Paris, Tennessee, but withdrew upon encountering a strong Confederate cavalry force. The regiment was assigned to the 1st Brigade, commanded by Brigadier General Grierson, in the 6th Division of the 16th Army Corps. On December 24, 1863, the regiment participated in an expedition into Mississippi to intercept Confederate General Forrest, engaging in a skirmish near Paris.

In early 1864, the regiment fought at Egypt Station, Mississippi, and was heavily engaged near Okolona on February 22, 1864. Despite being forced to retire after a severe battle, the 7th Indiana Cavalry was commended for holding the enemy in check and saving the division's train and a battery. The regiment suffered significant casualties in this engagement.

Afterward, the unit was stationed near Memphis, Tennessee, performing scouting and railroad guard duties. In June 1864, it participated in Sturgis' expedition against Forrest, fighting at Guntown, Mississippi, and was again recognized for its performance. The regiment also saw action at La Mavoo, Mississippi, on August 18, and lost seven men to guerrilla attacks near Memphis on October 4.

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The 7th Indiana Cavalry continued active scouting and provost duty near Memphis until June 1865. It then moved to Alexandria, Louisiana, and was consolidated into six companies on June 21, 1865. The regiment was ordered to Hempstead, Texas, where Colonel John P. C. Shanks was mustered out for disability on October 10, 1865, and Lieutenant Colonel Thomas M. Browne was promoted to colonel. The regiment was finally mustered out of service on February 18, 1866.



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Report of Col. P. C. Shanks, Seventh Indiana Cavalry, of operations January 22-February 9.

COLLIERVILLE, TENN.,

February 10, 1864.

SIR: In pursuance of your orders, I submit the following report of my march from Hickman, Ky., to this place:

January 22, 8 a. m., left Hickman with 606 men, mounted, armed, and equipped, without rations, but with six teams, and ammunition in pouches only for carbines, none for revolvers except one load, under written orders to march to a point within 3 miles of Sharp's Ferry, on Obion River, or to rear of column. I camped at Childs' farm, 3 1/2 miles north of ferry at 8 p. m., having passed in the following order in their camps, Nineteenth Pennsylvania, Fourth Missouri, Second New Jersey Cavalry, having marched 33 miles.

On 23d, regiment remained in camp. I crossed, and examined bottom on south side; found soil light, river rising rapidly and over part of bottom, which is by the most practical route 1 1/2 miles in width; Second Illinois and pioneer corps were crossing; also Nineteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry.

On 24th, at 2 a. m., sent Third Battalion to cross; 6 o'clock sent Second, and 8 o'clock First Battalion of Seventh Cavalry. I went to ferry with Second Battalion, and was ordered by Col. Karge to cross and examine possibility of crossing wagons. Did so, and found it impossible. Was then ordered to go down river 6,8,12 miles to the several ferries for crossing; found no boats, and river wider, banks worse, and bottom as bad as at Sharp's. Reported at 9 a. m.; my regiment meantime had crossed and gone on. River rose 18 inches during night.

I crossed on morning of the 25th, with considerable risk, with dispatches from Col. Karge to you. Larger portion of my regiment swam their horses, and lost several horses, some arms, but no men.

On 27th, left camp with Seventh Indiana Cavalry, Nineteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and two companies of Fourth Missouri for Trenton. Camped 4 miles north of Trenton.

On 28th, marched at 7 a. m.; reported to you at Trenton at 10 a. m.; received orders to proceed with Seventh Indiana Cavalry and Nineteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry to Mount Pinson and Bolivar to repair bridges over Forked Deer and Hatchie Rivers. Camped at Muthers' farm.

On 29th, marched at 7 a. m.; procured some meal of Capt. Moore at Spring Creek, and camped at Banes' farm.

On 30th, marched at 7 a. m. and reached Mount Pinson at 10 a. m., having sent Lieut. Skinner with a company to take possession of the bridge and crossing, who found guerrillas there and drove them away. Found the river 100 feet wide and 6 feet deep. Was cloudy; threatening rain. Feared to build low bridge. Repaired old one by putting in span and abutment 50 feet and 10 feet above water. Heavy timbers drawn on wagons from woods by men.

On 31st., 2 p. m., marched for the Hatchie, leaving Nineteenth Pennsylvania to guard bridge at Mount Pinson. Camped at Dean's farm. February 1, 7 a. m. marched to ferry; arrived at 1 p. m., having sent Capt. Moore with company forward. Fired on frequently by guerrillas; took 6 en route. Found only small raft; would carry with safety 3 men and horses with hands; could make trip in six minutes. Proceeded to Bolivar, 1 mile, and procured such material as could to build flat-boat.

February 2, commenced work on boat, Lieut. Fackenthall, of Nineteenth Pennsylvania, in charge, I having detailed him for the purpose before leaving Mount Pinson. Constructed sides of boat of railroad timber spliced and bottom of doors from the depot in Bolivar; they were double stuff, painted and cross-lapped, seasoned, and did not swell to answer the purpose as expected; they were poplar, but the paint prevented swelling. Boat 40 feet long, 10 wide.

February 3, 4 p. m., launched boat with above results.

February 4, 3 p. m., drew boat out again for repairs with another bottom. Nineteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry arrived.

February 5, 4 p. m., Col. Waring, with Second Illinois and part of the Fourth Missouri, arrived. Finished boat at 9 a. m. of that day, Capt. Frank. Moore's men assisting in work. The interference of some of the Fourth Missouri with the hands at the boat caused a short delay. From the arrival of the Nineteenth Pennsylvania, Second Illinois, and part of the Fourth Missouri, the raft had been continually running, the Seventh Cavalry having crossed before their arrival. Light teams had also crossed on raft, all heavy teams being supply train.

February 6, Second Jersey Cavalry arrived in the morning and crossed, and in the evening the supply trains reached the ferry and also the remainder of the Fourth Missouri. Boat was ready, and all crossed without delay. There was no time lost on account of boat, as all crossed before supply and heavy regimental wagons arrived. February 7, a party of guerrillas attacked a forage party on Pocahontas road, 2 miles from Bolivar, under command of Lieut. Kennedy, of Seventh Indiana. He took 9 men, 8 horses, 1 mule.

February 8, 6 a. m., marched with column for Collierville, arriving February 9 at 7 p. m.

On February 2, at 8 a. m., I sent Capt. Shoemaker with 40 men to escort Lieut. Grebe with dispatches to Gen. Smith. He reached Grand Junction and learned of the enemy at La Grange. He reported to me the fact. I sent him Lieut. Skinner and 40 more men.

He then, on the morning of the 3d, drove the enemy from La Grange, and without further difficulty reported at Memphis. The result of the fray at La Grange was taking 8 prisoners, killing 2, and wounded 1, and some horses.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN P. C. SHANKS,
Col. Seventh Indiana Cavalry.
Col. GEORGE E. WARING, JR.,
Cmdg. Brigade.

Report of Lieut. Col. Thomas M. Browne,
Seventh Indiana Cavalry, of operations February 6-27.

HDQRS. SEVENTH INDIANA VOLUNTEER CAVALRY,

Camp Grierson, Tenn., March 12, 1864.

SIR: In submitting the following report of the part taken by this regiment in the late cavalry expedition to West Point, Miss., I have to regret the absence of Col. J. P. C. Shanks, who was during all that time in command, but who is now absent in consequence of illness induced by the hardship and

exposure incident to the march. Having, however, been constantly with the regiment, I hope to be able to give the important particulars of the march with reliable accuracy.

Nothing of interest transpired on the march in which this command was concerned independently of the brigade, until its arrival at the first camp beyond Okolona.

On the morning of the 19th of February, the Second Battalion, consisting of Companies B, D, F, and H, in command of Maj. Simonson, was detailed to return and destroy the railroad depot, &c., at Okolona, and to the north of it. Pursuant to his instructions he destroyed a bridge on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad of about 300 feet in length, 5 miles north of the town; burned the depot at Okolona, 50 barrels of salt, a warehouse containing a large quantity of Confederate corn; destroyed a locomotive, captured some 50 horses and mules, and rejoined the regiment on that evening. On the evening of the same day Capt. Elliott, with Companies M and A, under instructions destroyed 23 large cribs containing Confederate tithe corn, which had been placed for convenience of shipping by the side of the railroad near Egypt Station. The quantity of corn thus destroyed was immense, but I could not venture an opinion as to the number of bushels. Capt. Elliott at the same time destroyed three trestle bridges of considerable size on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad between Egypt and Prairie Stations.

On the 20th, being advised that the advance was engaged with the enemy near West Point, the regiment was ordered rapidly forward, and, arriving upon the ground, immediately formed in line of battle on the right of the road and in good order. Remaining in this position for nearly an hour, it was ordered still farther to the right in support of the Fourth Regt. of Regulars for the purpose of ascertaining the position of the enemy, who was reported to have been recently seen in that direction. A march on the double-quick of some 5 or 6 miles brought us at dark to the place selected for the night's bivouac without our having discovered the enemy in force.

On the return to Okolona on the 21st, this regiment was placed in the column of march at the rear of the First Brigade, the Second Battalion constituting its rear guard. Toward evening the enemy appeared in considerable numbers on our right flank, and made a demonstration on our rear guard; but two companies being promptly thrown out as skirmishers to meet them, they retreated without attacking. At this time the regiment was ordered to the rear to the assistance of the Second Brigade, which had been during most of the day engaged. It was countermarched and proceeding rapidly to the rear, when the enemy was discovered in force upon our right, marching parallel with our column. Maj. Beck with a company was sent forward to feel for them, supported by another company, under the personal command of Col. Shanks, while I formed the residue of the command in line for action. Maj. Beck fired upon and drove in their flankers, when the enemy retired to a safe distance; but a further and more vigorous attack by us, and for which we had prepared, was prevented by the character of the intervening ground. The Second Brigade, arriving in the mean time, we were ordered to rejoin the command.

On this day Capt. Elliott, in command of a small detail of foragers, was attacked near the roadside by an equal number of the enemy, when the captain charged upon them with such spirit that he killed 1, wounded 2 severely, captured 6 prisoners with their arms, horses, and equipments, bringing them safely to the command without the loss of a man.

On the 22d, the regiment was again placed at the rear of the brigade, and to the rear of the train of contrabands, captured mules and horses. Upon arriving near Okolona, the enemy was discovered upon the right, moving in the same direction with ourselves in the open prairie, but keeping the embankment of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad between them and us. By the order of Gen. Grierson the regiment left the train and moved to the right, deploying Company H as skirmishers, who soon became engaged with those of the enemy. Moving rapidly forward through the center of town and to

the north side of it, the regiment formed in line of battle, the enemy forming in our front to the east, and still hugging closely the railroad embankment. The First Battalion engaged the enemy's skirmishers briskly for a few moments, and drove them rapidly back upon their line. Other regiments were soon brought to our rear and formed for our support, artillery put in position, and everything seemed to indicate that an engagement was at hand. Our regiment having been cut off from the brigade, left the rear of the train exposed and measurably unprotected; therefore, after occupying the above position for some time, we were, by Gen. Grierson's order, relieved by another regiment and directed to resume our place in the column of march.

This order was being executed, but the regiment had moved but a few miles from Okolona, when a portion of the force left in our rear came forward in the wildest disorder and confusion, it having been attacked and driven back by the enemy. The First Battalion was immediately thrown across the road in line of battle, the Second and Third forming at the same time for its support in its rear. Our officers then used every exertion to rally and reform the panic-stricken and flying troops that came pouring upon our lines. To accomplish this was impossible. Very soon the forces of the enemy made their appearance, and skirmishing commenced between them and the First Battalion. The enemy was held in check until, under orders from Gen. Grierson, we retired. The regiment fell back slowly and in good order for some distance, by alternate battalions, and then resumed its march in column. We had not proceeded far before the avalanche of stampeders again came rushing against and past our column, when we again formed in line and again met the enemy, who were at this time pressing the rear hotly and in considerable force. We charged upon them, drove them back handsomely, but becoming exposed to a severe flanking fire and being unsupported, were compelled to retire. Here we lost several men in killed and wounded, among the latter Lieut. G. R. Kennedy, of Company C, who fell leading the charge. He was left on the field. At this point we also inflicted considerable punishment upon the enemy. Retiring a short distance, we again halted, and held our position firmly until ordered back. Passing through the lines formed in our rear by the other regiments of the First Brigade and a portion of the Second Brigade, Maj. Beck, by order of Gen. Smith, with two companies of the First Battalion and Companies L and M, went out to the left to protect that flank. After going some distance and encountering no opposing force he rejoined the regiment at Ivey's farm. It was now near sundown, and the enemy was pressing hard upon us. The regiment was halted and thrown into line, a portion of it dismounted and sent to the support of the battery of the Fourth Missouri Regiment, which was in position. Soon afterward those dismounted were ordered to their horses, and Gen. Smith ordered a charge. Not hesitating a moment, Maj. Beck, with Companies A, E, and G, and Maj. Febles, with Companies I, K, and M, rode rapidly and gallantly forward upon the lines of the enemy with drawn saber. The nature of the ground prevented the effective use of the saber, by that pistol was substituted for it and did most excellent service. The enemy was driven from his position, and lost fearfully in killed and wounded; we also took several prisoners. The charge was not made without loss to us, as we left quite a number of officers and men on the field. Among the former were Capt. J. R. Parmelee and Lieut. John Douch, of Company A. Lieut. Douch was wounded mortally, but the precise fate of Capt. Parmelee is unknown. In the fight at Ivey's farm the regiment sustained the larger portion of its entire loss.

On the 23d, we were ordered back from the crossing of the Tallahatchie to the support of the Second Brigade and took position, but the enemy having previously discontinued the attack, our services were not required. We then quietly crossed the Tallahatchie. The bridge over which we crossed was burned, and the ford obstructed. Nothing more of interest occurred until the ensuing day.

On this day the First Brigade, in charge of the trains, marched on a different road from the balance of the division, this regiment being in the rear of the First Brigade. We arrived without molestation nearly

to the crossing of the Tippah River, when a small guard, thrown to protect our rear, was suddenly attacked by a considerable force of guerrillas. We lost 1 man killed, 1 wounded, and 2 taken [prisoners]. As soon as information of the attack reached the column the regiment was marched back and put in position for their reception; but they made no further hostile demonstrations, quickly withdrawing to the woods to the rear. The number of this force we could not ascertain with certainty, but a captured contraband, who had been a servant to one of its officers, put their numbers at 200. This ended the exciting and material part of the expedition so far as this regiment was concerned.

From this point we marched without interruption to our present camp, at which place we arrived with the residue of the brigade on the 27th of February.

Our loss in killed, wounded, and missing during the expedition is 84, a list of which has been sent you.

In conclusion, I feel it but an act of justice to say that under the most trying and disheartening circumstances by which this command was surrounded, both officers and men behaved themselves admirably. To the officers, both field and line, much credit is due for the coolness and alacrity with which they executed every order. Notwithstanding the disorder and confusion many times about it, the regiment at no time was disorganized or demoralized.

Respectfully submitted.

THOS. M. BROWNE,

Lieut.-Col., Cmdg.

Lieut. A. VEZIN,

Acting Assistant Adjutant-Gen.

Source: Official Records CHAP. XLVI.] THE MERIDIAN EXPEDITION. PAGE 272-57 [Series I. Vol. 32. Part I, Reports. Serial No. 57.]

Reports of Maj. John C. Febles, Seventh Indiana Cavalry, of operations March 28-30 and April 9.

HDQRS. SEVENTH INDIANA VOLUNTEER CAVALRY,

Camp Grierson, Tenn., March 30, 1864.

COL.: I have the honor to submit to you the following report of the scouting party sent under my command on Monday night, the 28th instant:

I left Camp Grierson on Monday night with 100 men, and proceeded rapidly to Coldwater River, Miss., crossed it at Pounder's Ford, and arrived at Cockrum's Cross-Roads at 11 o'clock of the same day, a distance of about 40 miles.

At Pounder's Ferry was had a little skirmish with a small party of rebels, and we captured 2 of them. From these prisoners and other sources I learned that McCulloch and Richardson's forces, under Gen. Chalmers, encamped on Sunday night at Tyro, Miss.; that five days' rations were cooked and the train sent back, and that on Monday he moved up to Tallaloosa and Tuesday passed through Holly Springs about noon, en route for Tennessee; that he would probably cross his force at Bolivar to-morrow, the 31st. From Cockrum's we proceeded toward Holly Springs until we came within about 12 or 15 miles of that place. We had several skirmishers with scouting parties from Gen. Chalmers' command.

We charged forces of the enemy, as large as 30 in number. We captured 5 prisoners, 3 horses, and 6 mules. We lost no men, nor had we any wounded. We lost 1 horse, tired out.

The enemy being so near in force we thought it not safe to move forward any farther, nor did we consider it safe to go into camp. Our horses being considerable fatigued, having traveled about 50 miles without any rest only long enough to feed, and having ascertained all we could in regard to the movements of the enemy, we turned back at about 5 o'clock and reached this camp by nearly the same route we went at 1 p. m. to-day.

I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JOHN C. FEBLES,
Maj., in Command of Expedition.
Col. GEORGE E. WARING, Jr.,
Cmdg. First Brigade.

HDQRS. SEVENTH INDIANA CAVALRY,

Near Memphis, April 9, 1864.

COL.: I have the honor to submit to you the following report of the result of the scout under my command to-day:

I was ordered by you to leave this camp with a force of 100 men at 3.30 o'clock this morning, but on account of the tardiness of the detail from the Nineteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, which made a part of the force, I was unable to leave camp until about 4.30 o'clock. I proceeded to Wolf River on the Randolph road, crossed my command on the ferry, and sent, as per order, 25 men, under command of Capt. Roberts, on the Randolph road to the Loosahatchie River with instructions to cross the river, if possible, and advance on the other side about 2 miles and return.

With the remaining 75 men I proceeded toward Raleigh, a distance of 9 miles from the ferry. Four miles on this side of Raleigh my command was fired into by a squad of 15 or 20 rebels, upon which we charged, mortally wounding 1, and in a very effective way dispersing the others. About 2 miles farther we were fired into again by 3 men, who I suppose were standing picket. We returned the fire, and they ran into the woods. Here I learned from a citizen who had just come from Raleigh that there were about 100 rebels in the town. I moved my command rapidly on, and about three-fourths of a mile from town I ordered a charge into the place in order, if possible, to surprise the enemy and capture a portion of them. Upon arriving at Raleigh I soon learned that the enemy had all left about half an hour before our arrival except 10, who seemed to be moving out as rear guard to the command. We fired upon them, and captured 2, one, I think, a lieutenant. We learned here that there was a force of about 500 at Union Depot, about 3 miles from Raleigh. We had 1 horse killed at this place. We also killed 1 of the enemy's horses and captured another.

I learned, but perhaps not reliably, that Col. Barteau was in command at Union Depot. I also learned that Maj. McDonald had a force of about 200, about 3 miles northwest of Raleigh. There is, I am convinced, no large force anywhere near Raleigh. I remained about half an hour in the place, and then returned to the ferry on Wolf River and waited for the return of Capt. Roberts from the Loosahatchie River. The captain soon returned, and reported that he had crossed the ferry at the above-named river and proceeded several miles on the other side; that he saw no enemy at all. I then recrossed the Wolf River, and arrived in camp about 1 p. m.

The road to Raleigh on which I went is small, and almost entirely through the woods; some swampy.

No casualties in my command except as above mentioned.

I am, colonel, yours, most obediently,

JOHN C. FEBLES,
Maj. Seventh Indiana Cavalry, Cmdg.
Col. GEORGE E. WARING, Jr.,
Cmdg. Brigade. Source: Official Records

CHAP. XLIV.] FORREST'S EXPEDITION INTO W. TENN. AND KY. PAGE 583-57

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Report of Lieut. Col. Thomas M. Browne, Seventh Indiana Cavalry.

HDQRS. SEVENTH INDIANA VOLUNTEER CAVALRY,

Camp at White's Station, June 16, 1864.

I herewith respectfully submit the following report of the Seventh Indiana Volunteer Cavalry as to the part taken by it in the late expedition of Gen. Sturgis to Brice's Cross-Roads, Miss., and the engagement that ensued at that place:

The regiment, 350 strong, in command of Maj. S. E. W. Simonson, joined the expedition at this camp on the morning of the 1st instant. It proceeded without serious interruption to Salem, Miss., at which place I overtook the command on the afternoon of the 4th instant. Nothing occurred of particular interest beyond the usual incidents of scouting and foraging until our arrival at Ripley on the evening of the 7th instant, at which place the advance of Gen. Sturgis was fired upon by a small party of rebels, but they, being charged, fled precipitately through the town and some two miles to the south of it, where, securing an advantageous position on the crest of a hill, which could only be approached by passing over a narrow causeway, they made a stand and for a short time obstinately contested a farther advance. A portion of the Fourth Iowa Cavalry having engaged them in a spirited skirmish of an hour's duration, and having failed to drive the enemy, this regiment was forwarded from the rear of the Cavalry Division to the front. We moved forward at once, but met the dismounted horses of the Iowa regiment on the bridge coming to the rear, which fact delayed for a few moments our advance. Arriving on the ground we were ordered to take a position on the left of the road and to move from thence forward and carry the hill. The ground upon the left was of such a character, from washes and ditches, that it was impossible to maneuver the regiment mounted. The regiment was at once formed in line, the men dismounted and moved forward to the hill, occupying it, the enemy retiring at our approach without firing upon us. It was now dark; I sent Gen. Grierson information of the situation of affairs, and by his order retired.

On the 8th instant we proceeded, with the Fourth Missouri Cavalry, to Ruckersville to the relief of Col. Karge. Meeting the colonel with his command a short distance beyond that place we returned, rejoining our forces on the same day at Ripley, where we camped for the night.

On the 10th instant, at Brice's Cross-Roads, Capt.'s Branham and Shoemaker were sent forward by Col. Waring's order, with fifty men, on the Tupelo road to ascertain, if possible, the whereabouts of the enemy. While they were absent the enemy was discovered in force and in position but a short distance from us on the left hand road. The cavalry forces were moved into position. This regiment was placed, by direction of Col. Waring, on the right of the road, supporting the battery of the Fourth

Missouri Cavalry, which was upon our immediate left. The position was well selected, being in the edge of a grove, on elevated ground, in the rear of a fence, and having a large open field between us and the enemy. Over this open space the enemy would have to pass to attack us. The regiment was dismounted and placed in the rear of the fence, and skirmishers thrown out into the open field in front. The enemy occupied a very strong position on a wooded hill, immediately in front of which was a swamp, so that to have attacked them with a cavalry force only would have been disastrous. We awaited them in our position, our skirmishers and the battery in the mean time keeping up a very lively fire. Col. Waring instructed me to hold the position occupied by us to the last extremity. The men were directed to lay close to the fence and to reserve their fire until the enemy should be at short range. While this was taking place quite a demonstration was made by the enemy upon the extreme left, and by order of the colonel commanding, Capt. John M. Moore, with Company H of the 1st Cavalry Regiment, was ordered to that point. Soon after the Second New Jersey Cavalry, which was upon our right, was moved to another position, leaving this command on the extreme right of the First Cavalry Brigade. At 1.30 p. m., and after we had held this position some two hours and a half, the enemy approached our front and right in heavy force. They had two lines of skirmishers and a line of infantry supporting them. In a moment I discovered that the position could not be long held by us without reinforcements, as they would overwhelm us with numbers. At this time my command only numbered about 280, one-fourth of whom were holding horses. I dispatched an orderly to the colonel commanding asking that a force be sent to my right, but was informed in reply that he had already disposed of every available man in the brigade, and that to give me assistance was impossible. By this time the enemy were advancing rapidly and attempting to turn our right. The regiment was rallied to the right and soon the conflict became desperate. But a few yards intervened between their line and ours, and, indeed, so close did they approach us that our men in a few instances employed the butts of their carbines in resisting their advance. At this point the enemy suffered severely, as we could see many of them fall before our fire. It soon became evident that we were being flanked on our right, and that to hold our position much longer would be impossible. We had maintained our ground for near three hours, and the enemy's fire at such short range had become murderous. As our infantry were coming up and going into position we were ordered to fall back, which we did in tolerable order. While this was transpiring on the right the force of Capt. Moore was by no means idle. He was constantly engaged skirmishing with the enemy until he rejoined the regiment near the wagon train in the rear of the cross-roads. Upon leaving the field at the cross-roads, feeling too weak to continue longer in command, I turned it over to Maj. Simonson, to whose judgment, coolness, and bravery, both on the field and in the subsequent retreat, I am greatly indebted. Upon falling back upon the Ripley road Maj. Simonson was directed to take the regiment and rejoin the brigade at the rear. Arriving at the brigade, by Col. Waring's order two battalions, under the command of Capt. Wright and Hubbard, were dismounted and thrown forward in line on the crest of a hill to the left of the road. The remaining battalion, in command of Capt. Ryan, was ordered to the left to hold the enemy in check and prevent his passing our left flank to our rear. In this position the command was constantly skirmishing for about an hour, when it was ordered "to horse," under a heavy fire. From this position it marched about one mile to the rear and again formed, by Gen. Grierson's order, on the left. It remained in this position until the infantry came up, when it was ordered to fall back. It then took up the march in the rear of the brigade and arrived at Ripley at daylight the next morning. Halting there a short time to rest, it was placed in the advance and moved for Memphis. With the residue of our forces it marched all that day and night, the rear being constantly harassed by the enemy, and arrived safely at Collierville on the morning of the 12th instant.

I can not speak in terms of too high commendation of the conduct of the officers and men of this command in this engagement. To name some, when all did their duty so well, would be unjust.

Of the line officers Capt. J. H. Elliott, of Company M, and First Lieut. James Sloan, of Company E, were seriously wounded while gallantly engaging the enemy. I regret deeply that we were unable to bring Capt. Elliott back to camp, but hope that he may yet be brought safely to the command.

Our loss is as follows: Killed, 8; wounded, 16; missing, 17; a list of whom I have heretofore forwarded.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

THOS. M. BROWNE,
Lieut.-Col., Cmdg.
Lieut. A. VEZIN,
Acting Assistant Adjutant-Gen.

Source: Official Records PAGE 134-77 KY., SW. VA., TENN., MISS., ALA., AND N. GA. [CHAP. LI. [Series I. Vol. 39. Part I, Reports. Serial No. 77.]

OCTOBER 29, 1864.--Skirmish at Nonconnah Creek, Tenn.

Report of Capt. Joseph W. Skelton, Seventh Indiana Cavalry.

HDQRS. SEVENTH INDIANA CAVALRY,

Camp Howard, October 30, 1864.

SIR: I have the honor to report that being ordered to take command of twenty-four men and patrol the Pigeon Roost road as far as the Nonconnah Creek, I left camp (pursuant to orders issued from your headquarters) at 4 a. m. yesterday, and proceeded toward the creek, having one-third of my command under the charge of a reliable sergeant in advance as an advance guard, with orders to send two men in the advance of him as his advance guard, and our men under the command of a non-commissioned officer as rear guard, one man well out on each flank as flankers. When within 200 yards of the creek, two men from the advance having crossed to the opposite side, I was fired upon from my right by the enemy, concealed in the briars and cane not more than five paces from the road, and they were so effectually concealed that it was impossible for me or the right flanker to see them, having left their horses on the south side of the creek. At the same time I was fired upon, my entire advance guard was cut off from me and captured; my rear guard was routed at the first fire. I ordered a charge, but soon discovered that it would insure the capture of the whole command. I then retreated across the high embankment on my left and halted. A part of my men could not get their horses over the embankment, but dashed back up the road through the enemy that were dismounted. I then discovered about ten horsemen ride out into the road in my rear, and charge my retreating men. The above-named horsemen were posted about 200 yards down the creek. My loss is 1 mortally wounded, 1 severely wounded in arm, and 10 men missing.

I am, respectfully, your obedient servant,

JOSEPH W. SKELTON,
Capt. Company F, Seventh Indiana Cavalry.

Col. JOSEPH KARGE,
Cmdg. First Brigade,

Second Division of Cavalry. Source: Official Records CHAP. LI.] SKIRMISH AT NONCONNAH CREEK, TENN. PAGE 883-77

Identified Merrill Type-2 Carbine



This Merrill Type-2 Carbine is identified to Private James W. Pollett by its serial number: 12678. The Springfield research records show it as issued to Company A 7th Indiana Voluntary Cavalry, and the National Achieve records show it being issued to Private Pollett.

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The gun is complete and properly functions. It has the expected bumps and dings common to a gun that has seen action, and has a nice untouched patina. It has never been cleaned and has strong rifling.

Private James W. Pollett was 18 years of age when he enlisted on Aug. 5 1863 and was mustered into Company A, 7th Regiment Indiana Cavalry on Aug, 24 1863. He would later transfer to the 15th Veteran Reserve Corps on Sept. 24 1864 due to a medical condition because of being thrown from his horse during the **Okolona** engagement on Feb. 22 1864.

His Pension File documents his involvement in this engagement:

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| Names | Ranks | Company | Rank | Signature | Witness |
|------------------|---------|---------|--------|-----------|---------|
| Miller Henry A. | Private | 12573 | 138933 | / | |
| Miller George B. | Private | 12692 | 139290 | / | |
| Morganston Isaac | Private | 12678 | 138401 | / | |
| Windle William | Private | 12678 | 138401 | / | |
| Wynn James H. C. | Private | 12948 | 138971 | / | |
| Wynn John A. | Private | 12570 | 139406 | / | |
| Wynn John B. | Private | 12464 | 138626 | / | |
| Wynn John C. | Private | 12131 | 138238 | / | |
| Wynn John D. | Private | 12088 | 139785 | / | |
| Wynn John E. | Private | 12678 | 138225 | / | |
| Wynn John F. | Private | 12347 | 138795 | / | |
| Wynn John G. | Private | 12690 | 138545 | / | |
| Wynn John H. | Private | 12563 | 139305 | / | |
| Wynn John I. | Private | 12866 | 139866 | / | |
| Wynn John J. | Private | 12467 | 139631 | / | |
| Wynn John K. | Private | 12444 | 138705 | / | |
| Wynn John L. | Private | 12561 | 139629 | / | |
| Wynn John M. | Private | 12038 | 136735 | / | |
| Wynn John N. | Private | 12470 | 139787 | / | |
| Wynn John O. | Private | 12648 | 139006 | / | |
| Wynn John P. | Private | 12293 | 137702 | / | |
| Wynn John Q. | Private | 12077 | 139600 | / | |
| Wynn John R. | Private | 12337 | 139806 | / | |
| Wynn John S. | Private | 12568 | 137790 | / | |
| Wynn John T. | Private | 12409 | 139764 | / | |
| Wynn John U. | Private | 12442 | 139772 | / | |
| Wynn John V. | Private | 12073 | 137702 | / | |
| Wynn John W. | Private | 12688 | 139627 | / | |
| Wynn John X. | Private | 12356 | 139770 | / | |
| Wynn John Y. | Private | 12222 | 139182 | / | |
| Wynn John Z. | Private | 137442 | | / | |
| Wynn John AA. | Private | 138211 | | / | |

117th Regt. Artillery acknowledge to have received of Captain names.

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| | These Equipments Capt. Feb. 22/64 |
| | Saber turned over for the 25/64 Saboturned over for 25 th 1/64 |
| | These Equipments 8 Guns Capt. Jan. 7/64 |
| | Saber and Revolver turned over July 29 1864 by William Leach |
| | These Equipments 7 Guns Capt. Jan. 7/64 |
| | Equipment turned over at Capt. Station Mgt. Dec 28/64 |
| | Saber turned over Oct. 18 th 1864 |
| | These Equipments 8 Guns Capt. Jan. 7/64 |
| | Saber turned over Sept. 30 th 1864 |
| | Saber and Revolver turned over July 29 1864 by James Smith |
| | Revolver turned by James S. High July 30/64 |
| | These Equipments 7 Guns Capt. Jan. 7/64 |
| | Revolver turned over for Army Ordnance |
| | Revolver Saboturned to Saddle and Saddle Turned over for 25 th |
| | Saber turned to James Hooper Jan. 1/65 |
| | Revolver turned over July 14 1864 |
| | These Equipments 8 Guns Capt. Jan. 7/64 |

Capt. Robinson, Sept. 1864

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 John C. Carver the articles set opposite her respective

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| Miller Henry B. | Private | one | 12513 | 138933 | 1 | 1 | James |
| Miller Frank J. | Private | one | 12698 | 139290 | 1 | 1 | James |
| Morganston Isaac J. | Private | one | 12675 | 138491 | 1 | 1 | James |
| McWindle William | Private | one | 12943 | 139569 | 1 | 1 | John H. Mills |
| Mayer James H. C. | Private | one | 12570 | 139466 | 1 | 1 | James W. x Tolet |
| Mills John A. | Private | one | 12464 | 139626 | 1 | 1 | James |
| Murphy John J. | Private | one | 12131 | 138238 | 1 | 1 | James |
| Mopholder William | Private | one | 12088 | 139786 | 1 | 1 | James |
| Pierce Winfield | Private | one | 12678 | 138225 | 1 | 1 | James |
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Revolver turned ^m by James S. Bright July 30/64

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Arms turned over for Perry Brandon

Revolver Sabre & Saddle and Bridle Turned over Apr 26th

Saddle turned to James Hodges Jan 26th 65

Ed. L. Robinson, Supt. Comd^g

Revolver turned over July 19th 64

Rem. Killed ^{no} Capt. Miss. Dec 31st 64

James W. Pollett

Residence Porter County, IN.
Enlisted on 8/24/1863 as a Priv.

On 8/24/1863, he mustered into "A" Co. Indiana 7th Cavalry.
He transferred out (date not stated)

He also transferred into Veteran Reserve Corps .
He was Mustered Out on 11/11/1865

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| Porter, Lewis H..... | Porter co..... | Aug. 24..... | " " " " " " |
| Pollett, James W..... | Porter co..... | Aug. 24..... | Transf'd to V. R. C.; must'd out Nov. 11, '65. |
| Rodabaugh, Noah F..... | Porter co..... | Aug. 24..... | " " " " " " |
| Robinson, Sumner T..... | Porter co..... | Aug. 24..... | Mustered out Sept. 19. '65. |

Battle of Okolona

Chickasaw County, MS | Feb 22, 1864

Meridian, Mississippi, near the Alabama border 130 miles east of Vicksburg, was an important Confederate railroad center and military facility. Maj. Gen. William T. Sherman set out for the town from Vicksburg in early February, 1864, with 20,000 men. Hoping to augment his force with cavalry, Sherman ordered the 7,000 troopers of Brig. Gen. William Sooy Smith to move from south from Memphis February 1st and meet him at Meridian. Smith inexplicably delayed his march for ten days. When he eventually left, he encountered Confederate cavalry outposts on February 18th, 20th and 21st, and on February 22nd became engaged in a running battle with Maj. Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest's cavalry in and around the village of Okolona, halfway to Meridian. Dismounted and behind barricades, the Union cavalymen were hit hard in front and on the flanks by Forrest's men. Withdrawing to high ground, Smith reformed his troopers. During the fighting there, Forrest's younger brother Jeffrey was killed. With Confederate reinforcements, Forrest routed Smith and chased the fleeing Yankees eleven miles, eventually running out of ammunition. Smith continued his retreat and limped back over the state line to Tennessee on February 26th. Sherman burned much of Meridian to the ground, and criticized Smith for putting the expedition in danger.

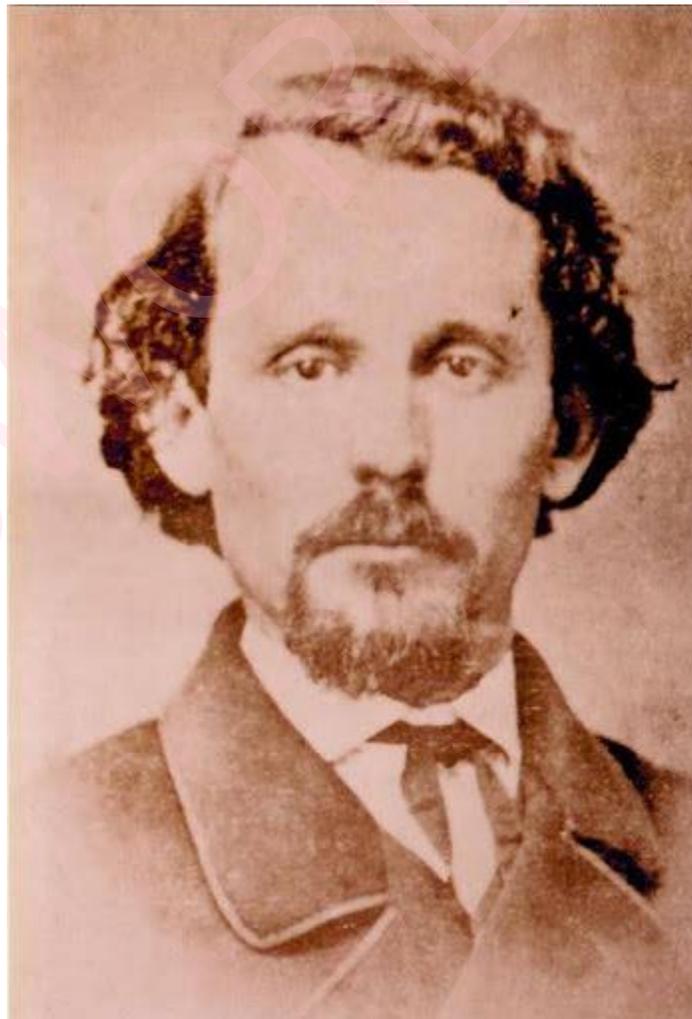
Battle of Okolona

by Jim Garrett



Sound the Charge, Dale Gallon 1989.

The Battle of Okolona and The Death of Colonel Jeffrey Forrest By Jim Garrett



Jeffrey Forrest

February marks the 160th anniversary of the Battle of Okolona, a fluid engagement of roughly 11 miles through Okolona and toward Pontotoc, Mississippi. The battle was one of Major General Nathan Bedford Forrest's signature victories, yet it was also one of his personal tragedies. His youngest brother and one of his brigade commanders, Colonel Jeffrey Forrest, died in Forrest's arms having been mortally wounded in the throat while leading his brigade.

After the Battle of Chickamauga, Bedford Forrest received his wish to be transferred out of Braxton Bragg's command in the Army of Tennessee.(1) Jefferson Davis directed Forrest to raise a cavalry department and operate under Stephen D. Lee and Leonidas Polk in the Department of Alabama, Mississippi, and East Tennessee.

By January 1864, Forrest had recruited and conscripted new troops from Mississippi and West Tennessee and had a force totaling about 4,000. While headquartered at Como, he trained and organized his command into four brigades – with Jeffrey Forrest commanding the 4th Brigade – and three batteries of artillery. (2)

Major General William T. Sherman formulated a plan while headquartered at Vicksburg in December 1863 and January 1864 to march in force across central Mississippi to the rail town of Meridian, laying waste and destruction to the land and Confederate supplies. To maximize the destruction of the Mississippi "breadbasket" and the vital Mobile & Ohio rail line, Sherman directed a strong cavalry force from Memphis to march southeast and link-up with his infantry in Meridian. This combined force would then give Sherman flexibility to continue the march to the industrial center around Selma, Alabama.(3) Sherman's 20,000 infantrymen left Vicksburg on February 3rd with the objective of rendezvousing with the Memphis cavalry force in Meridian on the 10th. This proved impossible since the cavalry force under Brigadier General William Sooy Smith didn't leave the Memphis area until the 10th. As Smith's 7,000 cavalrymen rode southeastward, they were shadowed by Forrest's men who had been alerted of the concentration of cavalry units in Memphis.(4)

Smith marched his force out of the Memphis area on separate routes toward the Tallhatchie River crossing at New Albany. He also directed an infantry brigade move from Memphis to the Tallhatchie at Wyatt as a diversion in hopes of drawing the Confederate forces away from his main body. Not yet convinced of Smith's real objective, Forrest's brigades were screening as far west as Grenada and Panola (just above present-day Batesville). Once Smith's troops crossed the river at New Albany and headed toward Pontotoc, Forrest was satisfied the objective lay in either Okolona or Meridian. He then ordered his dispersed brigades to consolidate at West Point.(5)

Smith moved through Pontotoc and Okolona, and down the Mobile & Ohio, leaving a path of destruction behind him.(6) His troops reached West Point on February 20th. Jeffrey Forrest's Brigade engaged the Federals but withdrew west of town since Forrest's command had not yet concentrated. Smith, in the meantime, had grown very anxious and considered he was walking into a trap.(7) He decided to end the expedition and head back to Memphis, validating Sherman's opinion of him – "I deem General W. Sooy Smith is too mistrustful of himself for a leader against Forrest."(8) The next day he ordered the force to turn around and move back towards Okolona. Smith directed a force from the 2d Iowa Cavalry and 6th Illinois Cavalry to attack Jeffrey Forrest's defensive positions at Ellis Bridge and hold the Confederates while he initiated the retrograde. As the Federals withdrew, Bedford Forrest seized the initiative and, with his escort and two companies under Captain A. H. Tyler, pursued Smith on the route to Okolona. Smith's rear guard made at least

two stands to slow Forrest down and bought time for Smith to make it to the outskirts of Okolona where his troops spent the night of the twenty-first.(9)

The following day, February 22, 1864, Forrest wanted to destroy Smith's force before it reached the Pontotoc Road where Smith could take advantage of the defensive positions afforded by the rolling hills and wooded ridges. His plan called for Jeffrey Forest's Brigade (when the unit arrived from its position west of West Point) to attack from the west, Colonel C. R. Barteau, commanding two regiments of Tyree Bell's Brigade, attacking from the east and Forrest pushing up the center with a detachment of roughly 400 cavalrymen. As the day began, Forrest opened the Battle of Okolona by forcing Smith's rearguard back toward Okolona. Forrest then noticed a significant force of approximately 2,500 Federals (Colonel Benjamin Grierson commanding McCrillis' Third Brigade) had moved in front of Barteau. Forrest took his escort and moved over to Barteau's command. Once he arrived, he told the men to "mount up" and then led one of the regiments in a charge against Grierson's left while Barteau led the other regiment against the center and into the town of Okolona. As the battle began, Forrest's full brigade under Colonel Robert McCullough and his brother Jeffrey's brigade arrived, providing Forrest a total of approximately 2,500 cavalrymen.(10)

Smith's First Brigade under Colonel George Waring had moved onto the Pontotoc Road before Forrest's men launched their attack. Grierson's men gave ground and collapsed. Grierson, however, was able to reform and stubbornly fought a "leapfrogging" delaying action as they, too, reached the Pontotoc Road.(11) As Waring approached high ground near Prairie Mount about six miles north of Okolona, he stopped and formed his brigade in a defensive position to allow Grierson to pass through and then slow Forrest's pursuit. Now having two full brigades at his disposal, Forrest had McCullough's Brigade advance against Waring's troops on the western side of the road and Jeffrey Forrest's Brigade advance on the east. Both brigade commanders were wounded in the attack. McCullough received a painful wound in the hand but kept fighting while Jeffrey Forrest was mortally wounded by a Minie' ball that severed his carotid artery.(12)

Accounts offer differing versions of how Bedford Forrest learned his youngest brother had been wounded. One recounts that Forrest saw Jeffrey fall from his horse.(13) Another believes he was informed by staff of the wounding.(14) Historians, however, agree Forrest immediately rushed to his brother, knelt down and cradled Jeffrey's head while repeating his name.(15) Jordan and Pryor quote a regimental commander as later recounting, "The moment was too sacred for angry passions to have sway, and, catching its inspiration, I ordered the men to cease firing that all might join in sympathy with our suffering General. After nature had triumphed for a while, he rose up, and, casting aside those reflections which had unmanned him for a few moments, by a strong mental effort, Forrest was himself again."(16)

Forrest was most likely more than himself – overtaken with grief and anger. Jeffrey Forrest was the last child in the Forrest family, having been born after his father's death. By most accounts, Bedford was a father figure, and the twenty-five-year-old Jeffrey was his favorite brother.(17) Most all sources recount that the general then mounted his horse, ordered his bugler, Gaus, to sound the charge and led the attack on Waring's First Brigade himself.(18)



Southern Steel, Don Troiani 1985

The renewed onslaught of Forrest's troopers unnerved Waring's men. They fled the position to join the rest of Smith's troops farther north on the Pontotoc Road. Most historians believe after the Federal rout at Okolona they made two determined stands against their pursuers on the road to Pontotoc. The first, most agree, was at Prairie Mount. The second stand by Smith's men seems to have been either at Ivy's Hill or just north of Troy at "Rutledge's Place."⁽¹⁹⁾ Regardless, Forrest's troops had routed Smith's forces and relentlessly pursued the Federals along an eleven-mile stretch until darkness and exhaustion overtook them. Casualties for the engagement from Ellis Bridge to the evening of February 22rd were an estimated 383 Federals killed, wounded and missing while Forrest lost a total of 163.⁽²⁰⁾ A third casualty list stands out. Two horses were killed from under Bedford Forrest along the pursuit route, a fact which shows the determination and ferocity of the fight on both sides⁽²¹⁾— a fight which would be continued by men named Grierson, Waring, Barteau, Morton and Forrest at a Crossroads some forty miles north in just over three months.

Co. A 7th Indiana Cavalry

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Pollett James H
Co. A, 7 Indiana Cavalry.

Private | *Private*

CARD NUMBERS.

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| 1 | <i>26310629</i> | 26 |
| 2 | <i>26310731</i> | 27 |
| 3 | <i>26310830</i> | 28 |
| 4 | <i>26310927</i> | 29 |
| 5 | <i>26311021</i> | 30 |
| 6 | <i>26311116</i> | 31 |
| 7 | <i>26311216</i> | 32 |
| 8 | <i>26308608</i> | 33 |
| 9 | <i>28684739</i> | 34 |
| 10 | <i>3688-B-1877</i> | 35 |
| 11 | <i>33262963</i> | 36 |
| 12 | <i>31287380</i> | 37 |
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Number of personal papers herein *0*

Book Mark: *3688-B-77*

See also *Vet Res Corps*

P | V. R. C.
7 Cav. | Ind.

James W. Pollet

Pri., Co. A, 7 Reg't Ind. Cav.
Appears on a

Roll of Officers and Enlisted Men

belonging to the 7th Cavalry Reg't of
Indiana Vols., United States Army,

that are unfit for active field service, on account of
wounds or disease contracted in line of duty, but
that are fit for duty in the Invalid Corps. Roll dated

Fort Pickering, Tenn., Oct. 12, 1864.

Age 18 y'rs; eyes Blue; hair Brown

Complexion Light; height 5 ft. 8 in.

Where born Indianapolis, Indiana

Occupation Farmer

When enlisted Aug. 5, 1863

Where enlisted Valparaiso,

For what period enlisted 3 years.

When mustered in Aug. 24, 1863.

Where mustered in Indianapolis,

To what time last paid April 30, 1864.

Bounty paid \$25.00; due \$15.00

Clothing account 5.34 14 mos. 7 days.

Due U. S. \$50.00; due soldier 100

Length of time in hospital

Nature of disability Scrotal Hernia

How long disabled 6 months.

Character in hospital

Remarks Descriptive List forwarded.

Book mark:

Number of rolls

2085

(514)

Hinsley

Copyist.

P | 7 Cav. | Ind.

James W. Pollet

Co. A, 7 Reg't Indiana Cavalry.

Appears on

Company Descriptive Book

of the organization named above.

DESCRIPTION.

Age 18 years; height 5 feet 10 inches.

Complexion Lt

Eyes Blue; hair Brown

Where born Indianapolis, Ind

Occupation farmer

ENLISTMENT.

When July 6, 1863

Where Valparaiso,

By whom John B. Fobles; term 3 y'rs.

Remarks: Transf. to V.R.C.

Sept 24/64

(388g)

D. P. Davis

Copyist.

P | 7 Cav. | Ind.

James W. Pallett

Plt., Capt. Febles' Co., 7 Reg't Ind. Cav.*

Age 18 years.

Appears on

Company Muster-in Roll

of the organization named above. Roll dated

Indianapolis Ind. Aug 24, 1863.

Muster-in to date Aug 24, 1863.

Joined for duty and enrolled:

When July 6, 1863.

Where Valparaiso

Period 3 years.

Where enrolled:

County Porter

District 9

Bounty paid \$25.00; due \$100

Valuation of horse, \$100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$100

Remarks: Premium Paid \$2.00

* This organization subsequently became Co. A, 7 Reg't Ind. Cav.

Book mark: 3688-B-1877

J. J. Baker

P | 7 Cav. | Ind.

James W. Pallett

Plt., Co. A, 7 Reg't Indiana Cavalry.

Age years.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll*

for Enrollment to Oct. 31, 1863.

Joined for duty and enrolled:

When July 6, 1863.

Where Valparaiso

Period 3 years.

Mustered in:

When Aug. 24, 1863.

Where Indianapolis

Present or absent Present

Stoppage, \$100 for

Due Gov't, \$100 for

Valuation of horse, \$100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$100

Remarks: Bounty paid, \$25.

* 42- First current roll. No muster-in roll of this company on file.

Book mark:

Orborne

P

7 Cav. | Ind.

James W. Collett
Privt, Co. A, 7 Reg't Indiana Cavalry.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for *Nov. 9 Dec*, 1863.

Present or absent *Present*

Stoppage, \$.....100 for

Due Gov't, \$.....100 for

Valuation of horse, \$.....100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$.....100

Remarks:

Book mark:

Osborne

P

7 Cav. | Ind.

James W. Collett
Privt, Co. A, 7 Reg't Indiana Cavalry.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for *Oct. 31, 63 to Feb. 29, 1864.*

Present or absent *Absent*

Stoppage, \$.....100 for

Due Gov't, \$.....100 for

Valuation of horse, \$.....100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$.....100

Remarks: *On detached service at Memphis, Tenn. since Feb. 11, 64.*

Book mark: *3688-B-77.*

Osborne

P | 7 Cav. | Ind.

James H. Pollet
Pri, Co. A, 7 Reg't Indiana Cavalry.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for Mar 1864, 1864

Present or absent Present

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't, \$ 100 for

Valuation of horse, \$ 100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$ 100

Remarks:

Next roll on file Aug. 1864,

From Second Auditor's Roll.

Book mark:

Russell
Copyst.

P | 7 Cav. | Ind.

James H. Pollett
Pri, Co. A, 7 Reg't Indiana Cavalry.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for July 1864, 1864

Present or absent Present

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't, \$ 100 for

Valuation of horse, \$ 100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$ 100

Remarks:

Transf'd to Invalid
Corps Sept 23/64

NEXT ROLL ON FILE DEC. 1864,

From Second Auditor's Roll.

Book mark:

Russell
Copyst.

P

7 Cav. | Ind.

James W. Collette
Pot., Co. A, 7 Reg't Indiana Cavalry.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for Nov. & Dec., 1864

Present or absent. Absent

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't, \$ 100 for

Valuation of horse, \$ 100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$ 100

Remarks: Absent sick since Sept. 10, 64.

Book mark:

Osborne

P

7 Cav. | Ind.

James W. Collett
Pot., Co. A, 7 Reg't Indiana Cavalry.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for Jan. & Feb., 1865

Present or absent

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't, \$ 100 for

Valuation of horse, \$ 100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$ 100

Remarks: Trans. to V.R.C. Sept. 24, 64.

Book mark:

Osborne

Not home on record of Co.

P | 7 Cav. | Ind.

James W. Pollet
Pr. Co. A, 7 Reg't Indiana Cavalry.

Appears on

M. and D. Roll of Men Transferred

from the organization named above by consolid'n.

Roll dated Sept 19, 1863.

Present or absent

Company to which transferred

Remarks: Transferred to Vet.
Reserve Corps. Sep. 24/64.

Book mark:

Sachman

J. | 7th Cav. | Ind.

James W. Pollett,
Co. A, 7th Reg' Ind. Cav.

NOTATION.

Book mark: 3688. B. 1877.

War Department,

Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, April 23, 1877.

Was transferred to
M.C. (Co. K, 15th Reg't),
Oct. 20, 1864, because
of serotal hernia.

[Signature]

15th Veteran Reserve Corps

1758
James
Collett James W

Co. *B*, **15** Vet. Res. Corps.

Private Private

CARD NUMBERS.

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| 1 | 31083380 | 26 |
| 2 | 31084020 | 27 |
| 3 | 31084046 | 28 |
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| 5 | 31099917 | 30 |
| 6 | 31100018 | 31 |
| 7 | 31100119 | 32 |
| 8 | 31100218 | 33 |
| 9 | 31100313 | 34 |
| 10 | 31100371 | 35 |
| 11 | 31100462 | 36 |
| 12 | 31083303 | 37 |
| 13 | 31086342 | 38 |
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Number of personal papers herein 0

Book Mark: 374.642 R.P.
3688-B-1877

See also 7 Ind bar.

P | 15 | V. R. C.
7 Cav. | Ind.

James W. Collet
Appears with rank of Pvt. on
Muster and Descriptive Roll
of a detachment of men assigned
to Co. K forwarded

for the 15 Reg't Vet. Res. Corps. Roll dated
Camp Douglas, Oct. 20, 1864.

Where born Indpls Ind.
Age 18 years; occupation Farmer
When enlisted Aug. 5, 1863.

Where enlisted Valparaiso Ind.
For what period enlisted 3 years.

Eyes Blue; hair Brown
Complexion Light; height 5 ft. 8 in.

When mustered in Aug. 24, 1863.
Where mustered in Indpls Ind.

To what time last paid Apr. 30, 1864.
Bounty paid \$ 25¹⁰⁰; due \$ 75¹⁰⁰

Clothing account: enlistment
Last settled 1863; drawn since \$ 65¹⁰⁰

Date of first muster Oct. 31, 1864.
Co. and Reg't from which transferred Co. A
7 Ind. Cav.

Remarks: Assigned to Co. pers. O.
105 dated H. I. 15 Reg't

Book mark: 3688-B-1877. over

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P | 15 | V. R. C.
7 Cav. | Ind.

James W. Collett
Appears with rank of Pvt. on
Muster and Descriptive Roll
of a detachment of men assigned to
Co. K forwarded

for the 15 Reg't Vet. Reserve Corps. Roll dated
Chicago Ill, Oct 20, 1864.

Where born
Age years; occupation

When enlisted, 186 ..
Where enlisted

For what period enlisted years.
Eyes; hair

Complexion; height ft. in.
When mustered in, 186 ..

Where mustered in
To what time last paid, 186 ..

Bounty paid \$¹⁰⁰; due \$¹⁰⁰
Clothing account:

Last settled, 186 ..; drawn since \$¹⁰⁰
Date of first muster, 186 ..

Co. and Reg't from which transferred Co. A
7 Ind Cav

Remarks: No descriptive lists. Assigned
to Co. K 15 Reg't V. R. C. per S. O. No

Book mark: over

M Houston

JAN. - 5.

31083380

1894.

V. R. C. Oct. 20/64.

No descriptive
list furnished.

JAN. - 5.

31084046

1894.

105 dated Hd 2nd
15 Regt V. R. C. Oct 20/64

MHC

P

15

V. R. C.

James W. Pollett

Pvt., Co. K, 15 Reg't Veteran Res. Corps.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for Sept. 1 Oct., 1864

Present or absent Present

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't, \$ 100 for

Co. and Reg't from which transferred

Remarks: Assigned to Co. per S.O. no. 105, dated H. D. 15 Reg't V.R.C., Oct. 20, '64.

Book mark:

Gruber

(858)

Copyist.

P

15

V. R. C.

7 Cav.

Ind.

James W. Pollett

Appears with rank of Pvt on

Muster and Descriptive Roll

of a detachment of Men assigned from 1st Batta to forwarded for the 15 Reg't Vet. Reserve Corps. Roll dated St. Louis, Mo, Oct. 18, 1864.

Where born

Age years; occupation

When enlisted, 186

Where enlisted

For what period enlisted years.

Eyes; hair

Complexion; height ft. in.

When mustered in, 186

Where mustered in

To what time last paid, 186

Bounty paid \$ 100; due \$ 100

Clothing account:

Last settled, 186; drawn since \$ 100

Date of first muster, 186

Co. and Reg't from which transferred Co. A,

7 Ind. Cav. Wals.

Remarks:

Book mark:

Osborne

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15

V. R. C.

P 7 Cav. Ind.

James W. Pollett

Pvt, Co. *K*, 15 Reg't Veteran Res. Corps.

Appears on

Company Muster and Descriptive Roll
of the organization named above. Roll dated
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 5, 1864.

Where born *Indianapolis, Ind.*

Age *18* y'rs; occupation *Farmer*

When enlisted *Aug. 5, 1863.*

Where enlisted *Valparaiso*

For what period enlisted *3* years.

Eyes *Blue*; hair *Brown*

Complexion *Light*; height *5 ft. 8 in.*

When mustered in *Aug. 24, 1863.*

Where mustered in *Indianapolis*

To what time last paid *Apr. 31, 1864.*

Bounty paid, \$ *25*¹⁰⁰; due, \$ *75*¹⁰⁰

Clothing account:

Last settled *no settlement*, 186*3*; drawn since \$ *65*³⁴₁₀₀

Date of first muster *Oct. 31, 1864.*

Present or absent *Present*

Co. and Reg't from which transferred *A,*
7 Ind. Cav.

Remarks: *Assigned to Co. per S.O. no. 105,*
dated H. & Dr. 15 Regt. V. R. C., Oct. 20, '64.

Book mark :

Gruber

15

V. R. C.

P

James W. Pollett

Pvt, Co. K, 15 Reg't Veteran Res. Corps.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for *Nov. & Dec.*, 1864

Present or absent *Present*

Stoppage, \$ *100* for

Due Gov't, \$ *100* for

Co. and Reg't from which transferred

Remarks:

Book mark :

Gruber

15

V. R. C.

P

James W. Pollett
Pvt Co. K, 15 Reg't Veteran Res. Corps.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for *Jan & Feb*, 1865

Present or absent *Present*

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't, \$ 100 for

Co. and Reg't from which transferred

Remarks:

Book mark:

P H Allen

(858)

Copyist.

15

V. R. C.

P

James W. Pollett
Pvt Co. K, 15 Reg't Veteran Res. Corps.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for *March & Apr*, 1865

Present or absent *Present*

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't, \$ 100 for

Co. and Reg't from which transferred

Remarks:

Book mark:

P H Allen

(858)

Copyist.

15

V. R. C.

P

James W Pollett
Co. K, 15 Reg't Veteran Res. Corps.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for May & June, 1865.

Present or absent Present

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't, \$ 100 for

Co. and Reg't from which transferred

Remarks:

Book mark :

R H Allen

(858)

Copyist.

15

V. R. C.

P

James W, Pollett
Co. K, 15 Reg't Veteran Res. Corps.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for July & Aug, 1865

Present or absent Present

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't, \$ 100 for

Co. and Reg't from which transferred

Remarks: Detailed
at soldiers
rest

Book mark :

R H Allen

(858)

Copyist.

P

15

V. R. C.

James Pollett
Co. K, 15 Reg't Veteran Res. Corps.
Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for Sept. 6th, 1865

Present or absent Present

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't, \$ 100 for

Co. and Reg't from which transferred

Remarks:

Book mark:

R. L. Allen
Copyist.

(858)

P

15

V. R. C.

James Pallett
Appears with rank of private on

Muster and Descriptive Roll*

of a detachment of Co. K, 15 Reg't Vet. Reserve Corps who elected to be discharged. Roll dated Springfield, Ills., Nov. 18, 1865.

Where born Indianapolis, Ind.

Age 18 y'rs; occupation farmer

When enlisted Aug. 5, 1863.

Where enlisted Valparaiso

For what period enlisted 3 years.

Eyes blue; hair brown

Complexion lt; height 5 ft. 8 in.

When mustered in Aug. 24, 1863.

Where mustered in Indianapolis

To what time last paid June 30/65

Bounty paid \$ 25 100; due \$ 75 100

Clothing account:

Last settled Dec. 31, 1864; drawn since \$ 14 30 100

Date of first muster, 1863.

Co. and Reg't from which transferred

Remarks: To be mustered out

*This roll was made pursuant to G. O. No. 155, dated A. G. O. Oct. 26, 1865, for the purpose of indicating the number and names of men of this organization who desired to be mustered out of the United States' service.—R. and P. 374,642.

Book mark:

J. F. Hamilton
Copyist.

(856m)

P. | 15" | V. R. C.
7 Cav. Ind.

James Pollett

Pvt., Co. K, 15th Reg't Vet. Res. Corps.

Age 18 years.

Appears on a

Detachment Muster-out Roll

of the organization named above. Roll dated

Springfield, Ill., Nov. 11, 1865.

Muster-out to date Nov. 11, 1865.

Last paid to June 30, 1865.

Clothing account:

Last settled Dec. 31, 1864; drawn since \$ 14³⁰/₁₀₀

Due soldier \$ 14⁹⁵/₁₀₀; due U. S. \$ 100

Am't for cloth'g in kind or money adv'd \$ 100

Due U. S. for arms, equipments, &c., \$ 6⁰⁰/₁₀₀

Bounty paid \$ 25⁰⁰/₁₀₀; due \$ 75⁰⁰/₁₀₀

Remarks: Transf'd to V.R.C. from Co. A,
7th Ind. Cav., per G.O. no. 3, A.S.O., Jan'y 28, '65.

Mustered out in compliance with
G.O. no. 155, A.S.O., Oct. 26, '65.

& The C. M. Officer, Dept. Ohio, calls
attention to the fact that James Pollett
has due him on settlement of clothing acct.

\$ 42.09 not \$ 14.95
+ as on roll.

Book mark:

Gruber

P. | 15" | V.R.C.

James M. Pollett,
Co. K, 15th Reg't V.R.C.

NOTATION.

Book mark: 3688. B. 1877.

War Department,

Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, April 23, 1877.

See also Co. A, 7th Ind.
Cav.

Copyist.

Pension File

DECLARATION FOR ORIGINAL INVALID PENSION.

Herald Print, Grinnell, Iowa.

STATE OF Iowa COUNTY OF Marshall ss.

On this 28 day of June A. D. One Thousand, Eight Hundred and Seventy seven, personally appeared before me E. R. Jones Clerk of the District Court, a Court of Record within and for the County and State aforesaid, James Pollett, aged 30 years, a resident of the Town of Gilman County of Marshall State of Iowa who being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical James Pollett who was enrolled on the 5th day of August 18 63, in Company A of the 7th Regiment of Infantry commanded by Capt. J. R. Parmelee and was honorably discharged at Springfield Ill. on the 8th day of November 18 65; that his personal description is as follows: Age 30 years; height five feet eight inches; complexion fair; hair dark; eyes blue.

That while a member of the organization aforesaid, in the service and in the line of his duty, at Oxaloma in the State of Mississippi on or about the 22nd day of February 18 64, he was thrown from his horse during an engagement with the enemy and the result of the fall was a rupture or hernia which has been up to the present time a source of constant trouble and suffering and hazard to life

That he was treated in Hospitals as follows:-
Nears in Hospital - Has treated in our Regimental Camp near Fort Pickering Memphis Tenn by Regt Surgeon - and transferred to Co K 8th Reson Corps for CS O No 3 A.S.O. Jan 28th 1865
That he has not been employed in the Military or Naval service, otherwise than as stated above,

and further declares that he cannot obtain the affidavits of his Company Officers to the facts herein stated - as they were captured by the rebels just prior to his receiving the injury as above described - and so had no personal knowledge of his facts -

That since leaving the service this applicant has resided in the County of Marshall State of Iowa and that his occupation has been that of a farmer and teamster. That prior to his entry into the service above named, he was a man of good, sound, physical health, being when enrolled a farmer. That he is now partially disabled from obtaining his subsistence by manual labor, by reason of his injuries above described, received in the service of the United States, and he therefore makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the Invalid Pension Roll of the United States.

He hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation, J. Canney of Gilman State of Iowa his true and lawful attorney to prosecute his claim. That he has never received no applied for a Pension. That his Postoffice address is Gilman County of Marshall State of Iowa
James Pollett

Attest:
S. P. Puel
Wm. H. H. H. H.

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Iowa }
County of Marshall } SS.

In the matter of Application of James Pollett
late private of Co A 4th Regt Ind Cav, Individual's
Pension—
Personally came before me, a Notary Public in and for
aforesaid County and State, James Pollett
citizen of the County of Marshall, State of Iowa, well known to
me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case, as follows:

That he could not obtain the testimony
of a commissioned officer of his Company
to the facts of the time, place and cir-
cumstances under which the injury which
produced the hernia as stated in his
aforesaid Application was received—

That at the time above named there
were with his Company in the field only
the Captain and 1st Lieut and that both
of said officers were captured by the enemy
in the same action and a few minutes
previous to his receiving said injury—so
they knew nothing of the time, facts and
circumstances of his receiving said injury.

He states further that he had no
family physician previous to or at the
time of his enlistment—his health being
constantly good so that he needed no phy-
sician—

[Three large, stylized handwritten marks resembling the number '3' or 'Z' are written on the lines.]

.....further declare that.....no interest in said case, and.....not concerned in
its prosecution.

Attest—when any affiant signs BY MARK, (2 persons.)

[Two empty lines for attesting marks.]

Signature
of
Affiant.

James Pollett

X



I, James Pollitt, late private
Co A 87th Regt. Ind. Cav. Vol.
herby certify that I was not treated
in any military or other hospital
for the Hernia contracted as de-
scribed in my Application for
Invalid Pension.

That said ^{hernia} kept growing gradually
and constantly worse after the injury
while in the line of duty - and in
the month of September ad 1864 it
was reduced by the Surgeon of my
Regt. at our Regimental Camp
near Memphis Tenn -

I was then pronounced unfit
for duty and relieved from duty and
soon after transferred to Co "K"
15th Regt. Vet. Reserve Corps.

James Pollitt

Territory of Dakota }
County of Beadle } ss

On this 13 day of May A.D. 1885
personally appeared before me ^{S. on West.} a
Notary Public of the County and
Territory aforesaid, James Pollett and
40 years a resident of the Wolsley
of Beadle County of Dakota
and Territory of Dakota who being duly
sworn according to law declares that
he is the identical James Pollett
who was a private in Co "A" 4th Regt
Ind. Cav. Vols and that he is an
applicant for Original Invalid Pension
the number of his claim being 222,291

He further states that on or about
the 10 day of February A.D. 1864, I had
caught up with my Regiment, at
Collinsville, Tennessee, having been
previous to that time on detached service,
That on the evening of the 10th of
February 1864, my horse was given
into my charge, and I took my place
with the company to which I belonged.
On the morning of February 11th 1864,
Our Regiment was ordered on the
"Meridian Road" ~~Miss~~ - After receiving

the order aforesaid, the company of which I was a member was ordered into line and found to be short of horses, lacking one horse of enough to mount the entire company. The orderly sergeant asked the Captain who should be left behind; the Captain replied "Pollett". I was the smallest and youngest member of the company. The Captain directed me to issue ammunition to the company, which I did, the company being in line at the time.

After completing the distribution of ammunition, I went to my Captain and asked permission to go with the company; - I had been left behind so often, I wanted to go with the Regiment. - I then was directed to serve the company with ammunition, before doing so, I requested the Captain to allow me to go with the company, which he refused, - after the ammunition was distributed I again went to my Captain and asked to go

with the company. This time the request was granted and I was directed by my Captain to go and get my horse, which I did, receiving him from the person to whom he had been assigned, when I was directed to remain behind, on detached service, and took my place in the company ranks the soldier from whom I received my horse remaining behind in

my place.

When I was designated as the one to be left, my horse was given to John Tran-berger, I think this is the correct spelling of his name — at that point the orderly sergeant made out his report, and

Tranberger was spotted as on the raid and I was left behind. That after I was given my horse the call "Bore & Saddle" sounded in at least three minutes after and there was no time for the orderly sergeant to change his report, this is why the report shows me as on detached service during this raid. On this raid our orderly sergeant was taken prisoner and died in Andersonville, Prison, so he never had an opportunity to correct the report made on the morning we started on the raid.

When we returned from said raid our company was under the command

of our fourth sergeant, all the superior officers of the company having been killed or captured.

I went with the company on said raid and was present at the fight at Okolona, Miss. on or about Feb. 22-1864

We retreated after that fight, and were pursued nearly to Colliersville, Tenn. but we did not halt until we reached Memphis, Tenn. which was about the 26th of Feb-1864. The Regiment were scattered, badly after this return, and part of my company were at a small near Memphis, and part were in Fort Pickens, or some such name, nearby. We remained there about 3 or 4 days. I was with the company at that time ~~what~~ was left of it. From there we went to a ~~Camp~~ near Memphis, which we called Camp ~~Fort~~ Brown, and remained there a long time, I being with the company all this time, and remained with them until transferred to Veteran Reserve Corps.

I had been on detached service from Dec. 1863, until I joined my company at Colliersville, Tenn.

James Pallett

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day May 1885. I am not interested in the prosecution of this ^{claim} S. M. West,

Notary Public.



Perceiving and attested
County of Bradley, Ga.

I hereby certify that
S. M. West before whom

the foregoing affidavit was made is true, and was at the time of the execution thereof, a Notary Public in and for the County of Bradley Dade, Ga., duly authorized to administer oaths: and that his signature & name is genuine.

ORIGINAL INVALID CLAIM.

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Soldier.

P. O.,

County,

State,

Rates, \$

Milwaukee
James Pollett
Walsey Orange Heights, Wis.
Bradley Alachua
Dakota

Pt.

Company,

Regiment,

7th Ind. Cav.

per month, commencing

Nov. 12 - 1863

and \$8. - from April 3, 1884

Pensioned for

Right inguinal hernia

RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY:

Name,

P. O.

J. Carney Iowa
Gilman Iowa

Fee

Agent

yes

to pay.

Articles filed

yes

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APPROVALS:

Submitted for

adm: May - 15th, 1886

C. Montague

Examiner.

Disabled by

Hernia

*Approved for right inguinal hernia
& claim for hernia of left side
rejected on the ground of alleged
inability to show same due to
the service.*

Approved for

*Right Inguinal Hernia
1/2 total to April 3, 1884, and
total thereafter*

Jan. 20th, 1887,

W. A. Derison,

Legal Reviewer.

March 25, 1887,

*John [unclear] [unclear]
[unclear] Reviewer.*

Medical Reviewer.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Enlisted *July 6*, 1863, service from _____, 18, in _____
Mustered _____, 18, to _____, 18, in _____
Discharged *Nov. 11th*, 1865
Declaration filed *July 10*, 1876 Not in service since *Nov - 11th*, 1865

BASIS OF CLAIM.

*Was captured by being thrown from his horse
during the engagement at Okalona, Miss.
Feb. 26/64 - was transferred to V. R. C.*

Filed June 17/86. That he was captured on both sides.

No. M. C.

Claimant writes

A. L. JONES.

F. P. JONES.

JONES & JONES,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,

OFFICE:
Cor. Main and Washington Sts.

Valparaiso, Ind. ~~June 15~~ 1885

Genl J. G. Black

Commissioner of Pensions
Washington D. C.



Dear Sir

Capt John W. Parmelee resides at Indianapolis Ind. Address him in care of Parmelee & Norton Attorneys at Law. The Captain spends much of his time in Colorado and may be in the west now. A letter to the above address however will reach him.

Private John W. Traubarger resides at Plymouth Ind.

Truly & C

Brazillia Harner
for A. L. Jones

Territory of Dakota }
County of Beadle }²²



James Pallett being duly sworn according to law doth and say that he is the identical James Pallett who made application No. 22229 for a pension from the United States Government, and that upon receipt of Acting Commissioner W^m E. H. Leav's letter of June 23rd 1885 he made due and diligent search for John Trauberg in order to secure his affidavit to the facts requested in said letter, that he went to Plymouth ^{Ind.} in person in search of the said John Trauberg and inquired of various persons there including (Comrade) James A. English of Company A, 7. Regt Ind. Cav. who helped him search for John Trauberg, he learned from his inquiries that they had not been at Plymouth Ind. since his discharge from Plymouth he went to Crown Point Ind. and inquired of

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1st Lieut. Dauch, of Co A, 7
Reg't Ind. Cav, and he did
not know any thing of the said
John Traubarger, that he also went
to Valparaiso Ind, and
made inquiries of Compaqs
there for the said, John Trau-
barger and could not learn
anything of his whereabouts for
the above reason is unable
to furnish the affidavit
of John Traubarger as he does
not know himself and can-
not find any one else who
does know anything of John
Traubarger since he was dis-
charged from his regiment.
Do

James Pollatt

Sworn to and subscribed before
me this 5th day of January
1886.

witness my hand
and seal this date
and day above given

Geo Woodbury
Clerk Dist Court in and for
Beadle County Dakota Territory
by E. Kane
deputy



Western Div.
James Pallett Ex'r.
Solid No. 22,291
Col. 7 Reg't Ind. Cav.

Department of the Interior
PENSION OFFICE



Washington, D.C. June - 28 - 1885

Return this letter with your reply.

Sir:

The present P.O. address of John Traubarger, your former comrade, is Plymouth, Ind. An affidavit from him, should be furnished, if possible, corroborating your statement in reference to your taking his horse and going on the "Oklahoma raid," while he was left behind.

Very respectfully
Wm. E. McLean
Acting Commissioner

James Pallett
Gillman
Iowa
Marshall Co.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
SURGEON GENERAL'S OFFICE,

RECORD AND PENSION DIVISION,

Washington, D. C., *August 24, 1885,*

To the Adjutant General, U. S. Army.

Sir: I have the honor to return herewith the papers received from your office in pension claim No. *222,291*, with the information that the name of the soldier in question does not appear on the following named records on file in this Office:

The following named records are not on file in this Office:

Medical records of 7th Ind. Cav, or 15th V.R.C

Remarks: *All cellaneous medical records referring to 15th V.R.C, do not cover dates in question*

By order of the Surgeon General:

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No. *367 391*

per *LWB*

B. F. Pope
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. Army.

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GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Indiana } SS.
County of Union }

In the matter of James Pollett late of Co. A. 7th Ind Cav
Applicant for Original Pensions

Personally came before me, Eliph of the Union Circuit Court in and for
aforesaid County and State, John A. Partridge
citizen of the County of Union, State of Indiana, well known to

me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case, as follows:

That he is the identical John A. Partridge
who was Captain of Company A 7th Indiana
Cavalry, 119th Regiment Indiana Volunteers; that
he was present and in Command of his said Com-
pany on the 22nd day of February 1864; that
the said claimant James Pollett was a
private of his said Company at said date, and
that said James Pollett was, according to said
affiant's best information, recollection and belief,
present with his said Company, and in the line
of his duty on said day; that in an engage-
ment with the enemy on said day near Colo-
lona Mississippi on said day the said James
Pollett was thrown from his horse and received
severe injury thereby; that this affiant was
captured by the enemy on said day, shortly
after said injury was received by said James
Pollett, and did not rejoin his said Company and
Regiment until in the month of January 1865-
and does not know whether the records of his said
Company show whether the said James Pollett was
present and in the line of his duty on said day or
whether they show that he was not present but that af-
fiant is confident that said James Pollett was
present, in the line of his duty and sustained injury
on said day aforesaid, and that if said records show
otherwise that they are in that respect erroneous

See Claimant's affidavit

Affiant further declare that he has no interest in said case, and is not concerned in its prosecution.

Attest—when any affiant signs BY MARK, (2 persons.)

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Signature of Affiant.

John A. Partridge

222,291

War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, Aug. 26, 1885.

Respectfully returned to the Commissioner of Pensions.

James K. Pollett, a Private of Company "A",
7th Regiment Ind. Cav., Volunteers, was enrolled on the

6th day of July, 1863, at Valparaiso for 3 years,

and is reported: on Roll for Nov. and Dec. '63 (first
on file), present. Jan'y. and Feb'y, '64 absent on

detached service at Memphis, Tenn since Feb'y. 11
'64. Mar. and Apr. '64 present, and same to Aug,
21, 1864. No Returns on file.

"He was transferred to V.R.C. (Co. "K" 15 Regt.)

Oct. 20, '64 because of scrotal hernia."

Mustered Roll of Co. "K", 15th Regt, V.R.C.,
(to which transferred,) for Sept. & Oct, '64, presents,
and so borne on all later rolls to Oct. 21/65.

He was Mustered out with a Detachment
of Co. as Pvt. James Pollett, November 11th 1865,
at Springfield, Ills. per G.O. No. 155, A.G.O., Oct,
26th 1865.

Thomas Ward
Assistant Adjutant General.

W. M. W.

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The records of this office fail to show when or when Hernia was contracted, for which transferred to V.R.C.

Morning reports returns of Co. 9 7th Sud. Cav. & Co. 15th V.R.C. furnish no additional information.

F. R. King
No Hospital records of 7th Sud. Cav. or 15th V.R.C. on file.

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Wm. M. Ward
Assistant Adjutant General.
W. M. Ward

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H. P.

Assistant Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., Dec 16th, 1876.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 222,291., 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 James W. Pollett was enrolled on the _____ day of _____, 1864, at _____, in Co. _____, _____ Regiment of _____ Volunteers, to serve _____ years or during the war, and mustered into service as a Private on the _____ day of _____, 1864, at _____, in Co. A, _____ 7th Regiment of Ind. Cav. Volunteers, to serve _____ years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. A, of that Regiment, for the months of Jan'y & Feb, 1864, he is reported Absent on detached service at Memphis Tenn since Feb 4/64. No roll of Detachment for Jan'y & Feb 64 or Return for Feb 64 on file. Co was in action at Chalona, ^{Miss} Feb 22/64. Company Morning report book for Feb'y 1864 not on file. Other Co & Regt records do not show whether he was or was not in action Feb 22/64.

I am, sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

G. W. Benjamin
Assistant Adjutant General.

The Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.

[Handwritten mark]

Washington, D. C., 15th of July, 1870

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 222,291, 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 James W. Pollett was enrolled on the 6th day of July, 1863, at Valparaiso, in Co. "A", 7th Regiment of Indiana Cal Volunteers, to serve 3 years or during the war, and mustered into service as a Pvt on the 24th day of Aug, 1863, at Indianapolis, in Co. "A", 7th Regiment of Indiana Cal Volunteers, to serve 3 years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. "A", of that Regiment, for the months of Jan & Feb, 1864, he is reported "Absent on detached service at Memphis Tenn since Feb, 11, 1864." "Apl 64 Present (Co was in action at Okalona Feb. 22, 64) Nov & Dec 64 "Absent sick since Sept 16, 64" "Jan & Feb, 65 - Transferred to Vet Res. Corps. No evidence of disability as alleged.

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Name not borne on rolls of Co. "B"
Det. Muster Out Roll of Company B 15th Reg. Vols
which transfer to Det. pro. 1864 dated Nov 11, 1864 - transfer
him Mustered Out that date in 4th Reg. Vols. Act No.
1865. Cause of transfer Serials 47-11-1864

I am, sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

W. Benjamin

Assistant Adjutant General.

The Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.

W. W.

Certificate No. 353582Name, James Pollett

Department of the Interior,

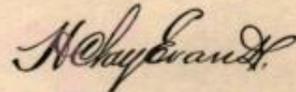
BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

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,



Commissioner of Pensions.

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

Answer. Yes. Silva May Pollett. Silva May Foster.

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

Answer. May 30-1894. Fayetteville Ark. J. J. Cury (J.P.)

Third. What record of marriage exists?

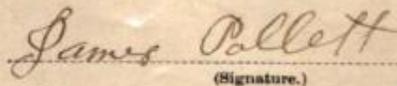
Answer. Marriage Certificate.

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. Yes. Mahulda Pollett. Died at Spring Dale Ark. ^{Feb. 24-1897}

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

Answer. Yes. William Harrison Pollett, Nov-6-1891, Emma May Pollett, Feb-22-1896, Frances Emaline Pollett, Oct-1-1897.

Date of reply, May 4th, 1898.


(Signature.)

OATH OF IDENTITY.

I, the Town of in the State of



On this day of in the year
one thousand eight hundred and sixty personally appeared
before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace for the County
and above mentioned, who was
identical's, in the Company commanded by

..... in the Regiment
commanded by

that he enlisted on the day of

or the term of and was discharged
..... on the day

..... by reason of

sworn and subscribed to before me the day and year above written.

I certify that: before

whom the above affidavit purports to have been made, is a Justice
of the Peace duly authorized to administer oaths, and that the
above is his signature.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed
my official seal, this day of

L. S. In the year
at in the State of

Clerk of the



B DECLARATION FOR THE INCREASE OF AN INVALID PENSION. **B**

THE PENSION CERTIFICATE SHOULD NOT BE FORWARDED WITH THE APPLICATION.

State of Arkansas }
County of Washington } ss:

On this 14th day of August, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty-Eight

personally appeared before me, a Notary Public

within and for the county and State aforesaid, James Pollett, aged 46 years,

a resident of the Town of Springdale, county of Washington

State of Arkansas, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is a pensioner

of the United States, enrolled at the Noville, Tenn. Pension Agency at the rate

of \$8.00 dollars per month, by reason of disability from "Right Inguinal

Hernia" incurred
(Here name the disability for which pension was granted.)

in the military service of the United States while a Private in Co. "A"

of 7th Indiana Cavalry Vols.
(Military or Navy.) (Here state rank, company, and regiment, if in the Army—vessel, if in the Navy.)

That he believes himself to be entitled to an increase of pension on account of Left Inguinal

Hernia. For time, place and circumstances
(Here state the reasons for applying for increase. If on account of increase in the disability for which already pensioned, that should be described. If on account of disability for which not pensioned, the location of the

of origin of disability I respectfully refer to papers
wound or injury, the name of the disease, and the time, place, and circumstances of its origin, and the names of hospitals where treated in the service, should be fully

and proof already on file in my original claim
stated. The dates of treatment should be given as nearly as possible.)

for pension, No. of my certificate being 353,582.

that he appoints _____, of _____

county of _____, State of _____, his true and

lawful attorney, to prosecute his claim. That his POST OFFICE ADDRESS is Springdale

county of Washington, State of Arkansas

Claimant's signature: James Pollett

Attest: J. P. Roberts

C. W. Allbaugh

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Claremore, Oklahoma.
June 6, 1918.

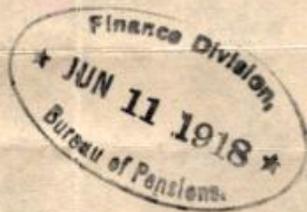
Commissioner of Pension,
Department of Interior,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

This is to advise you that James Pollett of this city, who is a pensioner under re-issue pension No. 353582 died at this city on the 31st day of May, 1918, and I am so advising you in order that the department may be made acquainted with the facts.

Respectfully,

Mrs Mary Pollett
Widow.



EXAMINING SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

IN THE CASE OF AN ORIGINAL APPLICANT.

No. of Application, 222291

State: Iowa County: Marshall

Post Office: Marshalltown, Sept. 25, 1876

I hereby certify, That I have carefully examined

James Pollett, late a Private in
Co. A, 7th Regt, Ind. Cav.

Applicant's service.

in the service of the United States, who is an APPLICANT for an invalid pension by reason of alleged disability resulting from double Inguinal Hernia

Degree of disability.

In my opinion the said James Pollett is Three Fourths incapacitated for obtaining his subsistence by manual labor from the cause above stated.

Origin.

Judging from his present condition, and from the evidence before me, it is my belief that the said disability did not originate in the service aforesaid in the line of duty.

Probable duration.

The disability is Permanent

A more particular description of the applicant's condition is subjoined:

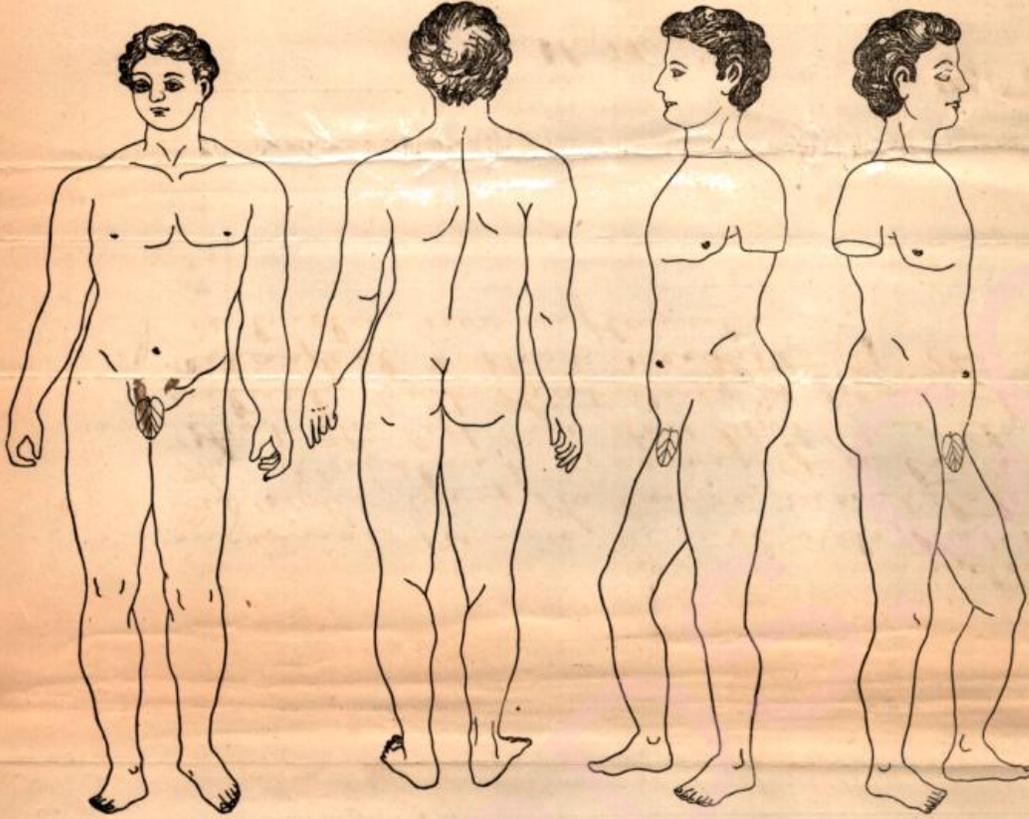
Particular description.

Height, 5ft. 11"; weight, 149; complexion, Ruddy; age, 33; pulse, 80; respiration, 17

Inguinal Hernia of both sides - on the Right side much the largest passing into the Scrotum unless constantly wearing a Truss - On the Left side he never has worn a Truss but when at work hard and lifting it troubles him very much. On the Right side has been strangulated. Suffers pain on this side especially to the back

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James Lang M.D.
Examining Surgeon



SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE 1

IN CASE OF

Alfred Pollett

Co A, 7th Reg't, Iowa Conf

APPLICATION FOR PENSION.

No. *222291*

DATE OF EXAMINATION,

Sept 25 1876

James Long MD
Examining Surgeon.

Post Office, *Marshalltown*

County, *Marshall*

State, *Iowa*

P. S.—Write Post Office address plain and in full.



1 SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE
(FOR A BOARD)

IN CASE OF

James Powell

Co. A., 7th Reg't Ind. Cav.

Application for Pension.

No. 222291

Date of examination: *July 28th 1886*

D. H. Custer
Examining Surgeon.

Post Office, *Yonkers*

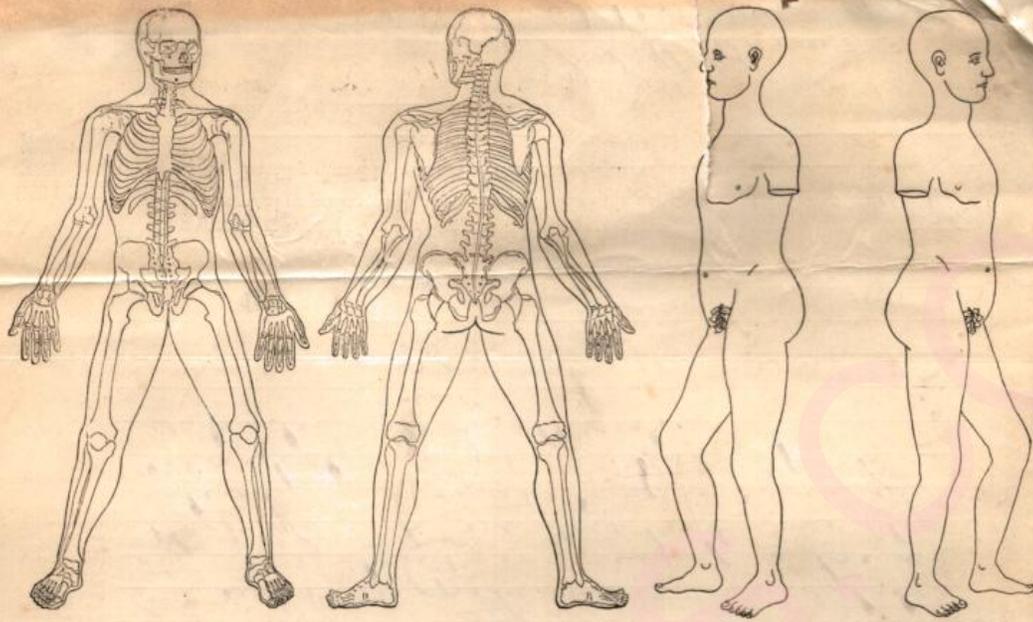
County, *Rock*

State, *N. Y.*

P. S.—Write your Post-office address plain and in full.

PROVIDED FURTHER, That all examinations shall be thorough and searching, and the certificate contain a full description of the physical condition of the claimant at the time, which shall include all the physical and rational signs and a statement of all the structural changes. [Extract from Section 4, Act of Congress approved July 25, 1882.]

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Indianapolis Ind
19th June 1850-

Mr. John C. Black
Commissioner of Pensions
Washington D.C.
Dear Sir

Your communication
of the 16th inst, relating to the claim of
James Pallott, late of Co. A. 7th Ind. Cavalry
No 222291 is just received, I am of
the opinion that the circumstances
related by Mr. Pallott as set forth
in your letter are substantially
correct. I feel quite sure that he was
with us on the Meridian raid in the
month of February 1864, ^{paid on duty on Feb 22nd 1864} and while it is
impossible to be very exact after this
 lapse of time I have a dim recollection
respecting the occurrence.
12 Our regiment left Richmond
some time in the month of Jan'y
1864 and marched through to Collins.

vill Tenn, when it joined the forces assem-
bled, at the latter place, for the purpose of
proceeding on this raid. Upon leaving
Nickman, my recollection now is, we
shipped our baggage etc. by steambot
to Memphis Tenn, and that a detail
was made to take charge of it, I think
Mr. Pallitt was one of the detailed
party, and that the party, or most of it
at least, came out by the Memphis
& Charleston railroad and joined us be-
fore we left Collinsville, and that he
(Pallitt) was of the number. Pallitt
was a good faithful soldier, was consci-
entious and of most excellent habits
and I have no doubt but that any
statement he would make would
be entitled to belief. We had very brisk
fighting all day the 22nd day of May
1864 and I had the misfortune to fall
into the enemy's hands late in the
evening of that day. I did not succeed
in getting back to my regiment until
sometime in the latter part of the
following June and therefore I am not

able to state any thing definitely
respecting his injury. As I now
recollect Pallett was quite a small
man and seemingly of delicate health
and that, being short of horses that were
fit for such an expedition, I desired to
mount my strongest man, but that Pal-
lett volunteered so much anxiety to
go that I finally yielded to it, and
gave my consent. My 1st Supt. John
Douch was wounded and taken prisoner
at the same time I was captured and
I think some Supt., of the regiment, was
assigned to the command of my Company.

Who this Supt. was, has now escaped
my mind, but, if he could be found, I
have no doubt but that he could throw
some light upon the case. I remain
Dear Sir

Very Respectfully Yours
M. R. Ramsey

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Louisiana }
County of Porter } ss.

In the matter of Application of James Pollitt
late private Co. A 7th Regt. Inf. Cavalry 1st Div. U.S. Army

Personally came before me, Clerk of the Circuit Court, in and for
aforesaid County and State, Benjamin Horner, of the County of
Citizen of the County of Rapides, State of Louisiana, well known to

me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case, as follows:

That they were acquainted with the
said James Pollitt previous to and at the
time of his enlistment into the United States
Service and know that he was at that
time in good health and free from hernia
or rupture.

They also state further that they were
present at the time he received the injury
which produces hernia as stated in the
Application of said James Pollitt and the
Commissioned Officers of his company - of
which said affairs were also members -
were captured by the Enemy just pre-
vious to his receiving said injury.

[Large decorative flourish]

They further declare that they have no interest in said case, and are not concerned in
its prosecution.

Attest—when any affiant signs BY MARK, (2 persons.)

J. H. Skinner
Benjamin Horner
O. M. Meese

Signature
of
Affiants.

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Benjamin Horner
J. H. Skinner

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Valparaiso Ind

April 26th 1885

I was with James Talbot
until after the fight
Oklona with And now
he was captured and
was transferred to the 15th
regt. V. R. C. but I can't
remember whether it was
done in that engagement
or not but I have doubt
it and now it is done
yours truly

J. H. Skinner
Valparaiso
Ind

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State of Indiana }
County of Porter }
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In the Matter of the Invalid Pension claim
of James Pollett No 222,291.

Before me the
undersigned Clerk of the Porter Circuit
Court, the same being a cause of record
in the County and State aforesaid this
day came Bergillia Horner whom I
certify to be a credible person and
who after having been duly sworn
deposes and says that he was a
private of Company "A" 7th Regiment of
Indiana volunteer Cavalry in the
war of the rebellion; that the claimant
James Pollett was a private in said
Company and Regiment; that affiant
went with the Regiment on the expedition
which started from Gallsville Tennessee
in the month of February 1864 into the
State of ^{Miss}issippi and which expedition
is known as the "Okolona raid", and
that to the personal knowledge of affiant
the said James Pollett was with the Regiment
on said raid and throughout the whole
time the Regiment was on said
raid. And affiant further says
that he has no interest in the

prosecution of this claim.
Witness ^{his} ~~Ed. Thomas~~ Bergillia ^{mark} Horner
^{W. J. Luederbach}
Subscribed and sworn to before me at
Vespersville Indiana this 17th day of
December 1885.

Witness my hand and the seal
of said Porter Circuit Court.

J. R. Draper
Clerk Porter Circuit Court



James P. Allen
222291



A. L. JONES.

F. E. JONES.

JONES & JONES,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,



Valparaiso, Ind. April 30th 1885

Genl J. C. Black

Commissioner of Pensions
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir

Referring to your letter of Inquiry of the 17th Inst concerning James Pallett of Co A 7th Ind. Cav. I would say that I remember distinctly that he was with the Company on the Okolona trip and was in the fight of Feb'y 22nd 1864. I also remember that Pallett received an injury of some kind while on that trip and that he was afterwards troubled with a rupture; but I cannot now recall the particulars of his injury nor whether he received it at the time of the fight at Okolona. But I do distinctly remember that he was sick when we returned to Memphis from that trip and I afterwards saw his rupture. He was sent to Hospital soon after

the Regiment got back to camp and
never came back to the Regiment
but was transferred to the Cavalry
Corps as I now remember.

The above are the facts in
reference to Pallett as nearly as
I can now recall them.

Truly &c

Bragillia Horner
pr A. L. Jones

The above was written by me
at Mr Horner's request, he
being unable to write by reason
of a crippled hand

A. L. Jones
Late R. D. M. 7th Ind Cav

May 22, 29
James H. Pallett,
A. V. Ind. Cav

P.O. Valparaiso

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State of Indiana }
County of Porter } ss

In the Matter of the Invalid Pension
claim of James Pallett No 222,291 }

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Before me the undersigned clerk of the Porter Circuit Court the same being a court of record in said county and State this day came John R. Mills Francis Foley and George H. Bundy who being duly sworn each for himself says that he was a private in Company "A" 7th Regiment of Indiana Volunteer Cavalry in the war of the Rebellion; that the claimant James Pallett was a private in said company and Regiment. That affiants went with the regiment on the expedition which started from Gallipolis Tennessee in the month of February 1864, into the State of Mississippi and which expedition is known as the "Okolona Raid", and that to the knowledge of each of the affiants the claimant James Pallett was with his company and Regiment on said raid and throughout the whole time the regiment was gone on said raid. Affiants further say that they have and neither of them has any interest in the prosecution of this claim.

John R. Mills
George H. Bundy
Francis ^{his} Foley

Witness my mark of Francis Foley
C. J. Leuderbach
Maryford Spinner



Subscribed and sworn to by each of said affiants before at Valparaiso Indiana

This 19th day of December 1888.

Witness my hand and the seal of
the Porter Circuit Court.

J. R. Drapier
Judge of the Porter Circuit Court



James Talbot
222291



DECLARATION FOR PENSION.

THE PENSION CERTIFICATE SHOULD NOT BE FORWARDED WITH THE APPLICATION.

State of OKLAHOMA, County of ROGERS ss:
On this 17.th day of June, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and Twelve, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public James. Pollett, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is 68 years of age, and a resident of Claremore, county of Rogers, State of Oklahoma; and that he is the identical person who was ENROLLED at Valparaiso Indiana, under the name of James. Pollett, on the 6.th day of July, 18. 63, as a Private, in Company A 7 Regiment Indiana Volunteer Cavalry Civil (Here state rank, and company and regiment in the Army, or vessels if in the Navy.) in the service of the United States, in the war, and was HONORABLY DISCHARGED (State name of war, Civil or Mexican.) at Springfield, Illinois, on the 12.th day of November, 18. 65. That he also served (Here give a complete statement of all other services, if any.)

That he was not employed in the military or naval service of the United States otherwise than as stated above. That his personal description at enlistment was as follows: Height, 5 feet inches; complexion, Fair; color of eyes, Blue; color of hair, light; that his occupation was Farmer; that he was born September the 27.th, 18. 43, at Indianapolic, Indiana

That his several places of residence since leaving the service have been as follows: to Indiana, Iowa, Arkansas to Iowa, South Dakota, Florida, Arkansas, Missouri, Calaforna, Arkansas, Missouri, California, and Now in Oklahoma (State date of each change, as nearly as possible.)

That he is a pensioner under certificate No. 353582. That he has applied for pension under original No. Age Act

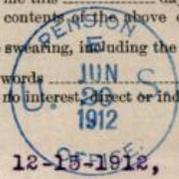
That he makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States under the provisions of the act of May 11, 1912. That his post-office address is Claremore, county of Rogers, State of Oklahoma

Attest: (1) Andrew S. Finkhorst (2) James Pollett (Claimant's signature in full.)

SUBSCRIBED and sworn to before me this 17.th day of June, A. D. 1912, and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration were fully made known and explained to the applicant before swearing, including the words erased, and the words added, and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

My Commission Expires 12-15-1912, W. J. Dodson, Notary Public, Claremore, Okla.

IF A PENSIONER, DO NOT FAIL TO GIVE CERTIFICATE NUMBER.



Validity accepted per Chief, U.S. Pension Office

DO NOT DETACH FROM DECLARATION.

RECEIPT for declaration under the act of May 11, 1912, based upon service in Company A 7 Regiment Indiana Volunteers Cavalry, Pension Certificate No. 353582

J. L. DAVENPORT, Commissioner of Pensions.

Fill in the above spaces with the information called for, and plainly write the name and full post-office address of the claimant on the following lines.

JAMES. POLLETT, CLAREMORE, ROGERS COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

Card sent.



DECLARATION FOR WIDOW'S PENSION.

Act of April 19, 1908,

Amended by Act of September 8, 1916.

STATE OF Oklahoma COUNTY OF Nowata

On this 30th day of September, 1918, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the County and State aforesaid, Mary Pollett, who, being duly sworn by me according to law, declares that she is 58 years of age and that she was born May 7, 1860 at Wayne County, Indiana

That she is the widow of James Pollett, who enlisted _____ at _____, under the name of James Pollett as a Private (Rank.) in Co A. 7 Regiment, Indiana

(Here state company and regiment, if in the Army; or vessels, if in the Navy.)

and was honorably discharged _____, 1, having served ninety days or more during the CIVIL WAR.

That he also served _____ (Here give a complete statement of all other military, naval, or coast guard service, if any, at whatever time rendered.)

That otherwise than as herein stated said soldier (or sailor) was not employed in the United States service.

That she was married to said soldier (or sailor) May 15th, 1913, under the name of Mary Hubbard at Claremore, Okla by _____; that she had _____ been previously married; that he had been previously married applicant was married to Henry Adams in Helix, Okla (Here state all prior marriages of either, and give the names and dates and places of death or divorce of all former spouses.) was divorced from him, and restored to her maiden name of Hubbard. Her husband James Pollett had been married before once his wife died.

and that neither she nor said soldier (or sailor) was ever married otherwise than as stated above.

(If any former husband rendered military or naval service, here describe same and give number of any pension claim based thereon.)

That said soldier (or sailor) died May 31st, 1918, at Claremore, Okla that she was not divorced from him; and that she has not remarried since his death.

That the following are the ONLY children of the soldier (or sailor) who are NOW living and under sixteen years of age, namely: (If he left no children under sixteen years of age, the claimant should so state.)

Henry Pollett, born July 11, 1902, at California

born _____, 1 _____, at _____

That the above-named child _____ of the soldier (or sailor) is not now receiving a pension, and that such child _____ (is a) (are) member _____ of her family and is cared for by her.

That she has not heretofore applied for pension, the number of her former claim being _____; that said soldier (or sailor) was _____ a pensioner, the number of his pension certificate being 353552 Reissue

That she makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States under the provisions of the ACT OF APRIL 19, 1908, as amended by the ACT OF SEPTEMBER 8, 1916.

(Two witnesses and identify-
ing witnesses.)

(1) J. J. James (Signature of first witness.) Mary Pollett (Claimant's signature in full.)
Claremore Okla (Address of first witness.) Claremore, Okla (Claimant's address in full.)

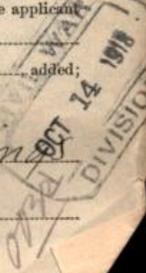
(2) W. M. Hall (Signature of second witness.)
Claremore Okla (Address of second witness.)

SUBSCRIBED and sworn to before me this 30th day of September, 1918, and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration were fully made known and explained to the applicant before swearing, including the words _____ and the words _____ added;

[L. S.] _____ and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.



Nathaniel Jennings (Signature)
Notary Public (Official character.)



My Commission expires the 12th day of August 1917

Claremore, Ok. 16, 1908

I have examined the family bible in which the
birth date of James Pellett is given as October 22,
1843. It does not appear to be erased as far as anyone
can tell as it is very old. The fly-leaf is worn
out so that I am unable to state when the book was published

My commission expires Dec. 11, 1911.

A. Sundstrom

Notary Public



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Termonly of Waco }
 County of Beadle }
 I James Pollett, first being
 duly sworn on oath, depose
 and say that I am the
 identical person named
 in Pension Claim No 222,291,
 and that I was and am now
 registered on both sides.

James Pollett

Subscribed and sworn to before
me, by James Pollett this the
14th day of June A. D. 1886

R. D. Whorton
Notary Public Dak.
Certificate on file.

DECLARATION FOR PENSION.

THE PENSION CERTIFICATE SHOULD NOT BE FORWARDED WITH THE APPLICATION.

State of Indian Territory
County of Northern District, SS.

On this 28 day of February, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and Seven
personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the county
and State aforesaid, James Pollett who, being duly sworn according to law,
declares that he is 44 years of age, and a resident of Claremore
county of Northern District, State of Indian Territory; and that he is the
identical person who was ENROLLED at Valparaiso, Indiana under the name of
James Pollett, on the 6th day of July, 1863,
as a Private, in Co. A, 7th Indiana Volunteer Cavalry
(Here state rank, and company and regiment in the Army, or vessels if in the Navy.)

in the service of the United States, in the Civil war, and was HONORABLY DISCHARGED
(State name of war, Civil or Mexican)
at Springfield Illinois, on the 12th day of November, 1865.
That he also served 9 months less 8 days in 99th Indiana Infantry
(Here give a complete statement of all other services, if any.)
making in all about 33 months

That he was not employed in the military or naval service of the United States otherwise than as stated
above. That his personal description at enlistment was as follows: Height, 5 feet 3 inches;
complexion, light; color of eyes, blue; color of hair, light; that his occu-
pation was Farmer; that he was born 22nd October, 1843,
at Indianapolis Ind

That his several places of residence since leaving the service have been as follows:
Valparaiso Ind. Marshalltown Iowa 1866 Howard Dakota
(State date of each change, as nearly as possible.)
1881. California 1893. Carthage Aug 1904 Claremore June 1905

That he is _____ a pensioner. That he has _____ heretofore applied for pension
Certificate # 353582.

That he makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United
States under the provisions of the act of February 6, 1907.

That his post-office address is Claremore, county of Northern District
State of Ind. Territory

Attest: (1) E. R. McKee,
(2) Clara Shook
James Pollett
(Claimant's signature in full.)

Also personally appeared E. R. McKee, residing in Claremore I.T.
and Clara Shook, residing in Claremore I.T., persons whom I
certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say that they were
present and saw James Pollett, the claimant, sign his name (or make his mark)
to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of the claimant
and their acquaintance with him of 1 years and 1 years, respectively, that he is the identical
person he represents himself to be, and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

E. R. McKee
Clara Shook
(Signatures of witnesses.)

SUBSCRIBED and sworn to before me this 28th day of February, A. D. 1907,
and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, etc., were fully
made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing,
including the words _____, erased,
and the words _____, added;
and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.



A. J. Demmon
(Signature.)
Notary Public
(Official character.)

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Original No.

Certificate No. 353583

RE-ISSUE

ACT OF FEBRUARY 6, 1907.

Claimant, James Pollett
 P. O., Claremore Claremore Rank, Private
 County, Logans Company, A
 State, Oklahoma Regiment, 7 Indiana Vol. Cav.
 Rate, \$ 12 per month, commencing March 4, 1907

STATE REPRESENTATIVE.

(Order April 25, 1907.)

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Name, _____
P. O., _____

APPROVAL.

Submitted for Adm. May 5, 1908. J. E. Rogers, Examiner.
 Approved for Adm. May 5

Age over 62

Rate \$12 per month

Reserve to allow under act of February 6, 1907. Deduct and payments and drop name from rolls under general law

May 6, 1908 H. S. Smith Legal Reviewer. May 7, 1908 F. H. Jeff Re-Reviewer.

Enlisted July 6, 1863 honorably discharged Nov 11, 1865

Enlisted _____, 18 ; honorably discharged _____, 18

Enlisted _____, 18 ; honorably discharged _____, 18

Pensioned at \$ 8 per month, under general law.

PRESENT CLAIM, ACT OF FEBRUARY 6, 1907.

Declaration filed March 4, 1907
 Date of birth alleged, Oct 22 1843
 Age shown by evidence 62 years.
 Claimant does _____ write.

J. S. Davenport, M. C.
COW

H. Jennings
ATTORNEY AT LAW
Claremore, Okla.

June 4, 1913.



Commissioner of Pensions,
Department of the Interior,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

RE REMOVAL DIVISIONS, INC. CTF., 353, 582, JAMES
PALLET, COMPANY A, 7, IND. CAV.

Replying to your favor of the 28th ulto. in reference to the above matter in which you call my attention to the fact that in my application, or claim for pension, June 20, 1912, I am made to state that I was born on the 22nd day of September, 1843, while in a declaration filed under date of February 6, 1907, I make a statement that I was born October, 22, 1843. In explanation of this matter I desire to say that the error occurred through the Notary Public who filed up the claim for me, as I distinctly told him my birth was on the 22 day of October, 1843, but he seems to have got it mixed and I did not notice it before I signed the application. The correct date of my birth is October 22, 1843.

In your letter you ask me to comply with the requirements contained in a certain accompanying circular letter, but I have to advise that no such circular letter was enclosed, consequently I do not know exactly what is needed and if you will forward me any other papers needed in the matter I will at once have them properly filled and returned them to you.

Respectfully,

James Pallett



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Reissue

ACT OF MAY 11, 1912.
and March 4, 1913

Cert. No. *353582*

Removal

Claimant *James Odlett*

P. O., *Bellevue*

County, *Rogers*

State, *Oklahoma*

Rank, *Private*

Service, *A*

7 Ind. Cav 15 Ill. A. C.

Rate, \$ *17* per month, commencing *June 20, 1912*

123 - commencing October 22, 1913

130 - commencing October 22, 1918

ATTORNEY OR STATE REPRESENTATIVE.

(Order April 28, 1907.)

Name, _____; Fee, \$ _____; Agent to pay.

P. O., _____; Articles filed _____, 19 _____

APPROVAL.

Submitted for *Adm. June 13, 1913*, *J. A. Miller*, Examiner.

Approved for *Admission* Rate \$ *17* per month; age *68* years.

Reissue from Act February 6, 1907

Date of birth October 22, 1843

Length of pensionable service: *2* years, *4* months, *6* days.

Deductions in service from any cause: *none* years, _____ months, _____ days,

on account of _____

June 19, 1913, Overfallam *June 25, 1913, H. M. Miller*
Legal Reviewer. Re-Reviewer.

Enlisted *July 6*, 18*63*; honorably discharged *November 11, 1865*

Enlisted _____, 18 _____; honorably discharged _____, 18 _____

Enlisted _____, 18 _____; honorably discharged _____, 18 _____

Length of pensionable service: *2* years, *4* months, *6* days.

Pensioned at \$ *12* per month, under *Act of February 6, 1907*

PRESENT CLAIM, ACT OF MAY 11, 1912.

Declaration filed *June 20*, 1912

Age shown by evidence *68* years; date of birth *accepted October 22, 1843*

Claimant does _____ write.

Western Division
Ctf. No. 353,582
James Pollett
Co. A. 7th. Indiana
Vol. Cavalry.

Rogers

State of Oklahoma) ss.
County of Rogers.)

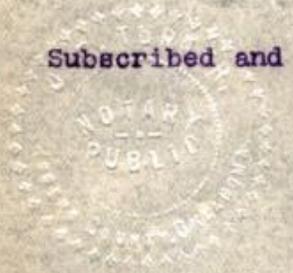
Personally appeared before me, J. E. Turner, a Notary Public, in and for Rogers County, State of Oklahoma, James Pollett, who upon his oath deposes and swears that he was a private Soldier in Company A. 7th Regiment, Indiana Volunteer Cavalry, and my certificate number is 353,582 and calls for a Pension from the 12th day of November, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty Five, (1865). I, James Pollett further swear that I was never enlisted nor did I serve in the 99th. Indiana Infantry, and that I was only with the Indiana Infantry and worked as an Office Boy.

James Pollett (SEAL)

Subscribed and Sworn to before this 20 of March 1908.

J. E. Turner

My Com. Ex. April 15th 1908.



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Claremore, Oklahoma. March 5th, 1929.

Department of Interior of United States of America

Washington D.C.

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Gentlemen:-

I write you relative to certain rights in Pension Department. In looking up some old papers, relative to my father (James Pollett) Pension, I found what is called REISSUE under act of February 6-1907.

I find out that James Pollett drew from the Government \$12.00 per month pension from March 4th, 1907, until his death, - May 31st, 1918. 1918 - 5--31 At the time of his death I was fourteen years, ten months and 20 days old as per statement herein.

As I understand it the minor child or children draw, or did draw under this act a certain amount from the Government, until they reach the age of 16 years.

I am able to supply the proof of that date of the death of my father, - and the date of my birth, and according to my calculation, I would be entitled to the pension allowed minors for one year, - one month, and ten days.

If necessary will send you voucher No. 353582. There is another number (1563), which I do not understand.

Will thank you for any further information, relative to this cause, and am willing to co-operate, by furnishing any information you might desire, if possible to do so.

Will thank you for an early reply. Very Truly,

Henry Pollett

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J. B. WHITT
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
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Pension Department,
Washington,
D. C.
Gentlemen;

James Pollett, was a soldier in the Civil war of 1861 and was drawing a pension at the time of his death May 30th 1918 at Claremore, Rogers County, Oklahoma. At the time of his death there was one month's pension due him from the United States Government. At the time of his death he had \$30.00 in Bank and his funeral expense was \$86.00 and he had no other property out of which to pay the ballance of \$56.00 after paying the \$30.00 in Bank on the Funeral Expense. I as a neighbor before the undertaker would furnish proper burial out fit had to sign a note to the Undertaker Herbert Moore for \$56.00, and I believing that some more money would be paid from the Government on the expense thought I would not lose the \$56.00. I paid the \$56.00 and have nothing ~~XXXX~~ in return. I want you to advise me as to whether or not this debt will be paid by the United States Government. I feel that it should be bourn by all the people and not me alone.

Yours very truly, *H. J. Etchison*
H. J. Etchison.

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PENSIONER DROPPED

**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF PENSIONS**

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Certificate No. 353.582

Class ACT MAY 11, 1912.

Pensioner James Pollett

Soldier

Service A. 7th Cav

The Commissioner of Pensions.

Sir:

I have the honor to report that the name of the above-described pensioner who was last paid at \$ 23, to May 4, 1918 has this day been dropped from the roll because of death May 31-1918

JAMES POLLETT
CLAREMORE OKLA
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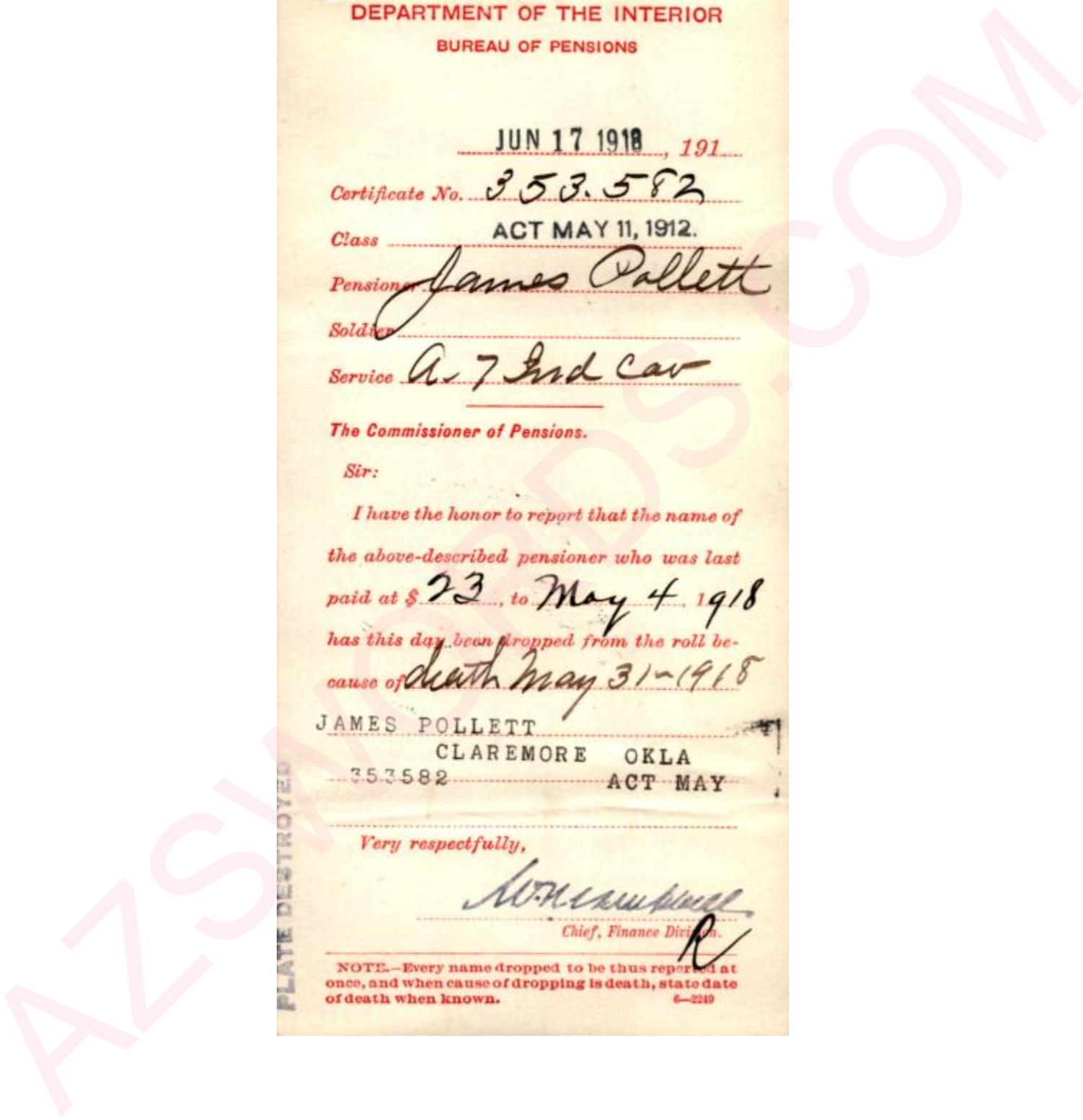
Very respectfully,

W. H. Campbell
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.

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PLATE DESTROYED



1 Ref

3-367.

No. 1129055

ACT OF APRIL 19, 1908.
AMENDED BY ACT OF SEPTEMBER 8, 1916.

WIDOW'S PENSION.

Claimant, Mary Pollett Soldier, James Pollett
 P. O., Blairmore Rank, Private; Co. A
 County, Rogers; State, Oklahoma Regiment, 7 Indiana Cav
 Rate, \$12 per month, commencing _____, and \$ _____ commencing _____, 19 _____,
 and \$2 additional for each child, as stated below.

All pension to terminate _____, 1 _____, date of _____
 Payments on all former certificates covering any portion of same time to be deducted.

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Jan. 11, 1919

CIVIL WAR

RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY.

Name, _____ Fee, \$ _____; Bureau to pay.
 P. O., _____

APPROVALS.

Submitted for Ref Nov 12, 1918; W. J. Jones, Examiner.
 Approved for rejection on the ground of no title under act April 19, 1908,
amended September 8, 1916, for the reason that claimant ^{was not} married ^{to} soldier
prior to June 27, 1905. (Other points not considered.)
Dec. 4, 1918, J. H. Scott, Reviewer. Dec. 13, 1918, J. H. Dalton, Rereviewer.

The soldier was pensioned at \$ 23 per month under Act May 11 1912
 Enlisted, July 6, 1863 Clt's app'n under other laws, no, 1
 honorably disch'd, November 11, 1865 Former marriage of both alleged, 1
 Reenlisted, _____, 1 Death } of former 1st wife M. M. H., 1872
 Divorce } " " 2nd wife M. M. H., 1872
 honorably disch'd, _____, 1 Clt's marriage to soldier, May 15, 1913
 Died, May 31, 1915 Clt not remarried, _____, 1
 Declaration filed, October 3, 1918 Clt not divorced, _____, 1
 Soldier's application filed, July 10, 1876

Claimant _____ write. _____ M. C.