

DEPOSITION

Case of James G. Montgomery, No. 380,524

On this 14th day of May, 1886, at
Seatonville, County of Seaton
 State of Tenn, before me, F. W. Gallbraith, a
 Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared
J. W. Morgan, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer
 truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says:

Answer J. W. Morgan age 52 years.
 Residence and P.O. Seatonville
Seaton Co Tenn.
 was formerly U.S. Dep. Marshal and
 Special Dep collector of Internal Revenue.

I know the claimant James G.
Montgomery; he was for a while
 in the 6th Tenn. Cav and afterwards in Co C. 2^d Tenn
Infantry as I understand.

I was in Co E. 7th Tenn Cav.

I was promoted out as a Lieut
 of Co B. 7th Tenn Cav.

2 Do you know anything about any
 wound claim recd prior to or
 during the war.

A I do not. I wrote a letter to
 the department some years ago
 stating that my information
 was that he was shot before
 the war at Jennies Branch near
Scotts Hill. I talked with
Special Examiner Forbes about
 the matter and I probably told
 Mr Forbes the same thing. I

also stated that I had no personal knowledge of the case; it was mere neighborhood talk; I never saw him in the service that I recollect of.

Jessie Brown died years ago.

I had no motive in writing to the department except to inform them of what I had heard. Montgomery killed a man named Haraway and the story may have started by some of his enemies.

Q Do you know of any person having knowledge of the fact alleged as regards his being wounded at Jessie Brown's or any other place before he entered the U.S. Service.

A I do not. I have only heard the story and the talk in the neighborhood.

Q Do you remember to have heard the talk about his being shot before he was before he applied for a pension?

A No sir, not before he applied or I understood he applied.

Q So there is anything in the letter of July 20th 1883 written by you to the Chief of Pensions of which you have personal knowledge concerning the alleged wounding of Montgomery.

A Nothing of which I have personal knowledge.

Q Do you know Baz Morgan?

A Yes sir; he has not been in this country since the war. If so I don't know it. J. H. Morgan

Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14th day of May 1886, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

F. W. Galliatte

Special Examiner.