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Born: 17 Feb 1830 Grainger, TN
Married: 5 Aug 1850 Eliza Acuff
Died: 21 Aug 1899 Madison, MO
Parents: John Dotson & Mary Wilson

Occupation: Farmer

Family:

Wife: Eliza Acuff

Children:

Samuel

Calvin

Mary

Tom

Joel

Melissa

Sarah

Martha

Isaac

Military Service:

Served as a 3rd Lieutenant in the 12th Battalion, Company G, Tennessee Cavalry during the Civil War enlisting on 27 July 1863, captured 30 April 1865, and was released 16 June 1865 after taking the oath of allegiance to the United States.

Above information provided by J W Dotson's wife, Eliza, when she applied for Widow's Indigent Pension for her husband's service filed on 21 July 1908. See documents beginning on page 3.



STATE OF TENNESSEE, *Greager* COUNTY.

To any regular Minister of the Gospel having the care of souls, or any Judge or Justice of the Peace for said County:---Greeting:

I, *Edward Tate* Clerk of the County Court for the County of *Greager* aforesaid, by virtue of the power in me vested by law, do license you, or either of you, to celebrate the Rites of Matrimony between *John M. Dotson* and *Eliza Huff* by uniting them together as Husband and Wife.

Given at Office, in *Kitter* the 5th day of August Anno Domini, 1850, and of American Independence the *Twenty fifth*

Edward Tate Clerk.
By Wm J. Dotson

H. Berry, Pr. Knoxville.

*Marriage
License
Bond
For W. Dotson
to
Eliza Huff
In 5th Augt
1850*

No. 2012 ACCEPTED

**Widow's
Indigent Pension.**

Name Eliza Watson

Filed July 21. 08

Widow of J. M. Watson
G. 12 Tenn

Approved _____

ADDRESS & POSTOFFICE, NASHVILLE

Church Hill
Harrisburg

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

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WAR DEPARTMENT

Address: "The Adjutant General,
War Department, Washington, D. C."

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON. July 24, 1908.

Respectfully returned to the

President,
Tennessee Board of
Pension Examiners,
Nashville.

Nashville Tenn.
July 21. 1908

J. W. Dodson
Co. G, 12th Regt. Tenn. Cav.
S.A.

Tennessee
Board of Pension Examiners,
By Geo. P. Guild, Pres.

Requests herewith service
of the above named
for pension. W.D.M.D.

It is shown by the records that
John W. Dodson, 3d lieutenant, Company
G, 12th (Day's) Battalion, Tennessee
Cavalry, Confederate States Army, en-
listed July 27, 1863. He was cap-
tured April 30, 1865, and was released
June 16, 1865, on taking the oath of
allegiance to the United States Gov-
ernment.

J. H. ...
The Adjutant General.

Questions for Applicant.

STATE OF TENNESSEE,

Hawkins County.

Eliza Watson

of said State and County, desiring to avail herself of the pension allowed to Indigent Widows of Tennessee Soldiers, under Act of General Assembly, approved April, 1905, being Chapter 202 of the Acts of 1905, hereby submits her proof, and after being duly sworn true answers to make to the following questions, deposes and answers as follows:

1. What is your full name and where do you reside? (Give State, County and Postoffice) Eliza Watson, State of Tennessee, Hawkins Co. Church Hill
2. How long and since when have you been a resident of this State? all my life
3. When and where were you born and what was your maiden name? Born in G. Prager Co. Tenn. Eliza Acuff
4. When and where was your husband born—state his full name, and when and where were you and he married, and who performed the marriage ceremony? (Attach certified copy marriage license in every case.) Born in G. Prager Co. Tenn. James Wesley Watson. Born in Feb. 17, 1832. Married 20 August 1850 in G. Prager Co. Tenn. Anderson Watson
5. When and where and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist or serve during the war between the States? Enlisted 18.61 in G. Prager Co. Company of 12 Regiment
6. How long did your husband serve in said Company and Regiment? as long as the War lasted
7. When and where did your husband's Company and Regiment surrender? at War near Bristol after its surrender
8. At the time and place when his Company and Regiment surrendered? He was
9. If not with his command at surrender, state clearly and specifically where he was, when he left command, for what cause and by what authority?
10. Was your husband a pensioner or an applicant for pension, under the laws of Tennessee? He was not
11. When and where did your husband die? in Hawkins Co. Church Hill died 21 Aug. 1891
12. At the time of your husband's death, were you living with him as his lawful wife? I was
13. How many children did you have by your said husband? Give sex and age at this time. Ten children four Boys and four girls. Two dead
14. What property, real or personal, or income do you have or possess, and its gross value? Real estate valued 2.00
15. What property, real or personal, did you possess at death of husband or did he leave you, and what disposition, if any, by sale or gift, have you made of the same? No change

16. Have you a family? If so, who composes such family? Give their means of support? Have they any lands or other property?
My family is all married and are living with one of my sons James Bradley

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 26 day of June, 1908
H. L. Lane, Notary Public
of Hawkins County.

Eliza Watson

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Supervisor's Dist. No. 1

Enumeration Dist. No. 90

Note A.—The Census Year begins June 1, 1870, and ends May 31, 1880. Note B.—All persons will be included in the Enumeration who were living on the 1st day of June, 1880. No others will. Children BORN SINCE June 1, 1880, will be OMITTED. Members of Families who have DIED SINCE June 1, 1880, will be INCLUDED. Note C.—Questions Nos. 23, 24, 25 and 26 are not to be asked in respect to persons under 10 years of age.

SCHEDULE I.—Inhabitants in the 7th Civil District, in the County of Hawkins, State of Tennessee, enumerated by me on the 1st day of June, 1880.

Geo. J. A. Stephenson

Table with columns for Name, Sex, Age, Birth, Education, etc. Contains entries for families such as Hillman, Dotson, Bragg, and Bradley.

NOTE 1.—In making entries in columns 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 to 25, an affirmative mark only will be used—check /, except in the case of divorced persons, column 12, when the term "D" is to be used. NOTE 2.—In column No. 19 will only be asked in cases where a previous occupation has been reported in question 10 or in question 11. NOTE 3.—In column No. 24 will only be asked in cases where a previous occupation has been reported in question 10. NOTE 4.—In column 25 an enumeration in the name of the mother may be used, as in Ex. A, p. 12.

1880 Census: John W Dotson, wife: Eliza and children. John Calvin was married and living on his own by 1880.