

In the matter of the Pension Claim No. 150605 of Nicholas Warthan father of Emanuel Warthan late Private Co. "G" 3rd Minnesota Regiment - J. W. Powers of New Hampton, Iowa, being duly sworn, says; that he became acquainted with said Nicholas Warthan, Cornelia Maria Warthan his wife and their family, in the year 1857, and was at their house frequently when he first came to the County, they living at that time a couple of miles north of the present Village of New Hampton - that when he first knew them the said Nicholas Warthan was already an aged man (he was over 90 years old at the time of his death some 7 or 8 years ago, affiant does not remember the exact date) and unable to earn his subsistence by manual labor, could only perform a little light-labor, that his wife the said Cornelia M. Warthan though many years his junior was a woman past middle life and not-able to labor for the support of herself and husband - that their said son Emanuel Warthan was their dependence for support, that he was an industrious young man and labored for their support - ever after he first knew said family until he enlisted into the service of the U.S. in 1864 - That their said son Benjamin a younger son, they placed no dependence upon, he was married Sept-7th 1862 and has had a large family and a hard struggle with poverty since his marriage - The youngest child Mary L. Warthan was married to J. B. Gardner (usually called Babel Gardner) Sept-9. 1860 and has a large family and has been always in exceedingly

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indigent circumstances - The other daughter
Susan E. Warthan used generally to work out
around a house servant to support herself
until her marriage to Nicholas Binder July 29, 1869.
that they have also a large family, are in moderate
circumstances and are not in a condition to support
the said Hermita M. Warthan widow of the late
Nicholas Warthan and mother of the said Emanuel
Warthan the deceased soldier of said. That the
said Hermita Warthan is now aged and infirm,
and has been for many years a cripple, is ex-
ceedingly deaf, and her eyesight dimmed by age,
and is in a state of absolute destitution, and
deserving of a pension on account of her said
son Emanuel, for he was her dependence for
support; That he has no interest in said claim
for pension and his Post Office address is
New Hampton, Lehigh County Iowa

J. H. Powers

Subscribed and sworn to before this 12th
day of July A. D. 1880, and I certify that I
have no interest in the prosecution of said
claim for Pension

J. H. Powers
U.S. District Court

Court, + names
of children +
parents in law