

Edward Hugh Stinson Papers

E.H. STINSON PASSES AWAY Article

Civil War Veteran Is laid To Rest With All Military Honors

WAS PIONEER IN COUNTY

Came to Franklin County by Team and Wagon Route From Illinois

Edward Hugh Stinson passed away at his home on South Main Street last Friday morning at 3:00 o'clock from complications resulting from a cancer. Mr. Stinson was one of the pioneer residents of Franklin county, coming here shortly after the Civil War from Illinois and making the trip with a team and wagon. His long residence in Franklin county and Hampton had given him a wide acquaintance and a host of friends, who will regret to learn of his death.

Mr. Stinson was born January 24, 1842, in Stephenson county Illinois, and grew to young manhood there. He was the oldest child in a family of six. On August 14, 1862, he enlisted in Company I of the 74th Illinois Volunteer Infantry and for three years he served in the Union Army during the great Civil War. He participated in the battles of Perryville, Kentucky, Stone [sic] River, Mission Ridge, and Resaca, Georgia, and in many other smaller encounters. He was wounded in the left foot during the battle of Resaca, which made him an invalid for a long time. After his convalescence he was put on light duty at Nashville, Tennessee, and was later transferred to the 36th Infantry and assigned to special duty as a mail carrier at New Orleans, which duty he performed for about five months. He was honorably discharged from the Army on October 8, 1865, at which time he returned to the home of his parents in Illinois. In 1870 he made his trip by lumber wagon to Iowa and came to Franklin county, settling in Hamilton township, where he resided and farmed for many years.

On February 22, 1874 Mr. Stinson was united in marriage to Miss Marie Underkofler, and to this union were born seven children, who with their mother, survive him. The children are: Mrs. A.T. Stockdale; Mrs. Guy Booth, and Irwin H. Stinson, all of whom reside in Hamilton township; Mrs. C.F. Ralston, of Meservey; Ira W. Stinson, of Mason City; Mrs. W.E. Roche, of Bradford; and Jesse E. Stinson, of Hampton. He is also survived by one brother who resides in Illinois, and two sisters, one of whom resides in Nebraska and the other in California.

Funeral services for Mr. Stinson were held at the Methodist church, of which he was a long time member and active worker, last Sunday afternoon, May 21st, at 2:30 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. W.G. Crowder, pastor of the church. The body was laid to rest in the family lot in the Hampton Cemetery. The services at the grave were in charge of the J.W. McKenzie Post No. 81, of the Grand Army of the Republic, of which post Mr. Stinson was a member.

Taken from the May 18th, 1922 Hampton Chronicle

Edward Stinson's Career

Edward H. Stinson

Grand Army of the Republic

Company I 74th Illinois Volunteers – August 14, 1862- June 15, 1865 (2 yrs. 10 mos.)

Company C 36th Illinois Volunteers – June 15, 1865-October 11, 1865 (4 mos.)

August 14, 1862-October 11, 1865

Stones River, Tennessee – December 28 and 29 1862

Chicamauga [sic], Tennessee September 19 and 20 1863

Missionary Ridge, Tennessee November 25 1863

Resaca, Georgia (Wounded) May 14 1864

in field hospital

in Nashville General Hospital No. 18

in Brown General Hospital, Louisville, Kentucky

8 January 1865- Notification (light) duty, Nashville, Tennessee

24 February 1865- Sent on some type of guard detail for a very short time to Huntsville, Alabama. His old outfit (Co I 74th Ill) was here. He talked to his C.O. about rejoining the outfit. He could not get it done, so had to return with the guard detail to Nashville (26 February 1865).

7 June 1865 – Ordered to be mustered out with his outfit (Co I 74th Ill). When he got there, he found that they had been carrying him AWOL from 24 February 1865.

15 June 1865- Transferred to Co C 36th Ill Vol to await outcome of AWOL (S.O. No. 104)

August 1865- Detailed as a guard at Dept. Headquarters.

1 September 1865 – Detailed as a messenger at New Orleans.

6 October 1865 – Relieved as a messenger at New Orleans.

8 October 1865 – Mustered out at New Orleans.

12 October 1865 – Ordered to Springfield, Ill. for muster out with the Co C 36th Ill Vols.

25 October 1865 - Last pay at Springfield, Ill.

5 November 1865 – Cleared of AWOL (S.O. 105)

8 March 1881 – Applied for, and received a certificate in lieu of lost discharge.

[image: copied photo of Edward Stinson (in uniform) with caption: Co. I 74th Ills Vol Infty [sic] at Murfreesboro Tenn [sic] Jany [sic] 1863. Battle Stone [sic] River Dec 28 and 29 1862]

Handwritten Paper

August 1862 to Oct 1865

Battle of Civil War

Stone [sic] River Ten Dec 28 and 29 1862

Chicamauga [sic] Sept 19-20 1863

[illegible] Rudge Novbr [sic] 1863

Resaca Georgia and [illegible] May 14 1864

[illegible words] mail from New Orleans La to San antone [sic] [illegible] Sept 1865 to Oct 8 1865

Mustered out of Service Oct 11 1865

Hampton Iowa Dec 12 1914

Came to Iowa Oct 1868

Born Jan 24 1842 [illegible] Co III

Died – May 18 1922

Card Numbers Form

2040

Stinson, Edward H.

Co. C, 36 Illinois Infantry.

Private Private

CARD NUMBERS.

1 27777106

2 27777149

3 27777194

4 1401-A-1881

5 Oak – 14- 1867

6 31957457

7 34885729

[lines 8 through 50 are blank]

Number of personal papers herein 3

Book Mark: Oak- 14- 67

1401- A- 81.

See also 74th Ill. Inf

Special Orders Number 105

Head-Quarters Department of the Ohio,

Detroit, Mich., Nov 5th 1865.

SPECIAL ORDERS No. 105

EXTRACT.

2 The following enlisted man, charged on the Muster-out Rolls of his Company with Absence without leave having been before a Board of Officers convened under the Letter of Instructions, dated War Department A.G.O. August 28, 1863, and found by the Board, Not Guilty The charges are removed and the matter be sent to the Mustering Off of the Dist [sic] for muster out

Priv Edward H Stinson

Prvt [sic] Co C 36th Ills Inf

By Command of Major General ORD,

P. Ord

Brevet Col: and A.A. General.

C.O. Dist [sic] of Ill

Handwritten Reports on Investigation on Edward Stinson

1918 S R B"L" fo [sic] 215- 1865

Springfield Ills.

October 24, 1865.

Porter. John A.

Late Lieut. 36th Ills. Inf.

Asks an investigation into the case of Pvte. [sic] Edw [sic] H. Stinson. who was transferred from Co. "I" 74th Ills Inf. to Co "C". 36th Ills Inf. on June 15/75.

His Capt [sic] in the 74th reports him absent from that Regt. from Feb 26/65. to June 7/65. whereas he was performing light duty at Bar'ks [sic] Nashville Tenn. to which he

had been assigned by a Med. Board who after an examination had pronounced him unfit to feild [sic] duty.

Chief M and D. Office Ills. Springfield. Oct 25th 1865.

Respectfully referred to the Comdg [sic] Officer Dist [sic] of Ills. Springfield. Ills. with transcript from the Muster out Roll of Co. "C." 36th Ills. Inf. so far as pertains to the within named man, and with request that an examination may be had by a Mil. Comm. of the charges against him.

He has been ordered to report to Head Qrs. Dist [sic] of Ills.

Please return these papers with action noted.

James Oakes

Bvt [sic] Brig Genl. USA.

Chf. [sic] M and D. O. Ills.

EBC (D Ills) 732 65.

Head Qrs [sic] Dist [sic] of Il[cut off]

Springfield Nov 9th 1[cut off]

Respectfully returned [cut off] the chief M and F. O. Ills with copf of S.O. No 105 Hd Qrs [sic] Dept of the Ohio in care of Edward H. Stinson Enclosed

James Oakes

Bvt [sic] Brig Genl [sic] [cut off]

Comdg. [sic]

Statement from John North

Springfield Illinois

Oct. 24th 1865

Bvt [sic] Brig Genl [sic] James Oakes

General

I wish to make a statement in regards to Edward H. Stinson a private of Co. "C" 36th Ills Inf Vet Vols. who was transferred from Co "I" 74th Ills Inf to the 36th Ills Inf June 15th 1865 Hoping if possible that you will make him to get his Pay and discharge

His Capt [sic] in the 74th Ills reported him absent without leave from Feb 26th 1865 to June 7th 1865 Said Stinson was wounded at the Battle of Resaca Ga. May 14th 1864 and was sent to the Hospital. At the time his Capt [sic] reported him absent without leave he was performing light duty in Barracks at Nashville Tenn [sic] He having been

examined by a Medical Board and pronounced unfit for field duty and assigned him light duty in the Barracks. He returned [next line is cut off and illegible] his company until he was transferred to the 36th Ills Inftry [sic] his Capt [sic] placed the Remarks Absent without leave from Feb 26th to June 7th 1865 on his transfer Rolls and I carried the same upon my Muster out rolls. He was Mustered out with the Regt at N Orleans and came here for final Pay and discharge Maj Josiah Tilden Pay Master asks an investigation in regard to his case. E.H. Stinson has performed all duty required of him most cheerfully and proved him self a true and worthy Soldier while in My Co and Regt Hoping that you will give him a [illegible] I am General

Your Obit [sic] Svt [sic]

John A. Porter

Late 1st Lt 36 Ills Inf

Comdg [sic] Co C

Muster Out Roll Form

MUSTER-OUT ROLL of Captain James Wilson Late [illegible] formerly Baldwins Company [C], in the Thirty Sixth Regiment of Illinois Inftry [sic] Veterans Volunteers commanded by Colonel Benjamin F. Campbell called into the service of the United States by The President at Aurora Ills (the place of general rendezvous) on the 23 day of September, 1861, to serve for the term of Three Years from the date of enrollment, unless sooner discharged; from the 30th day of April, 1865, [when Last Paid] to the Eighth day of October, 1865, when Discharged. The Company was organized by Capt [sic] B Baldwin at Young America Ills, in the month of August, 1861, and marched thence to Aurora Ills, where it arrived the 16th of August 1861, a distance of One hundred and Forty three miles.

[Editor's Note: The following will be a transcription of a table found in the document. The table has 42 columns found in the following order: NUNMBER OF EACH GRADE.; NAMES. PRESENT AND [illegible]. (Privates in alphabetical order – the first christian [sic] name to be written full length.); RANK., AGE., JOINED FOR SERVICE AND ENROLLED AT GENERAL RENDEZVOUS – COMMENCEMENT OF FIRST PAYMENT BY TIME. WHEN.; WHERE.; BY WHOM.; PERIOD.; MUSTERED INTO SERVICE. WHEN.; WHERE.; BY WHOM.; LAST PAID. BY PAYMASTER.; TO WHAT TIME.; TRAVELING. To place of residence. No. of miles.; From place of discharge home. No. of miles.; SUBSITENCE AND FORAGE. [illegible sentence]. SUBSISTENCE.; FORAGE.; AMOUNT for clothing in kind, or in money advanced. Dolls.; Cts. [sic]; VALUE OF equipments [sic], arms, etc., received from the United States, to be paid for it lost or destroyed. Dolls.; Cts. [sic]; VALUATION in dollars, of bounty Horses. Paid; Horse Equipments [sic]. Due; REMARKS 1. Under the head of REMARKS the date of an officer or soldier's joining from any [illegible] is the date of an officer's [illegible], or, being released from any command or special duty; the description of any special, extra, or daily duty, on which officers or soldiers may be; all changes of

rank, by promotion, appointment or reduction, with [illegible] of [illegible] all [illegible] stoppages, [illegible], sentences, with No., date, etc of order, etc.; in case of ABSENCE, its nature and commencement, No., date, etc., of order, and period assigned for same (to be repeated every roll while it lasts); if wounded in battle, or is injured on duty, -if sick, or confined, a remark to that effect, etc., etc., - must be carefully stated opposite to the name of the persons concerned, with everything [illegible] necessary, either to [illegible] fully the above individual of the company – to provide the paymaster – or ensure justice to the soldier, and to the United States.

2. All articles which are to be paid for will be stated by the captain opposite to the name of the soldier.

3. Every man whose name is on previous rolls must be accounted for on this one. The exchange of men by substitution, swapping or loaning of horses, after muster into service, are strictly forbidden. There is only one name on this table and the information will be written in the above order with semi-colons after each column. There is an illegible word written in the Names column before the line of information.

17; Stinson Edward H.; Priv; 21; Aug 14/1862; Davis Ills; Wm Irvine; 3 yrs [sic]; Sept 14 1862; Rockford Ill; Lt Tibbett; Maj McIntire; Dec 31st 1863; [blank]; [blank]; 69; 22; [blank]; [blank]; [blank]; [blank]; 25; 75; Joined by transfer from 74th Ill Vol. Infty [sic] at Nashville Tenn [sic] June 15th 1865 per S.O. Hd [sic] Qrs [sic] 2 Div [sic] 4th [cut off] Reported absent without leave from 26th of Feb 186[illegible] to June 7th 1865 Inclusive

Transportation and Subsistence or kind furnished this "C" to Springfield Ill Excepting to men discharged New Orleans La as per Remarks at Muster out of the org Organization of the "Co" for purpose of Reinlisting [sic] as Vet Vols. the names of men present and absent belonging to "Co" Reinlisting [sic] only discharge and Muster out to take up and account for all officers and Men who have ever since the first organization belonged to the Company

Mustered out to take effect October Eighth 1865.

[written at the bottom of the form along several columns]: [illegible] and D O G A.

Springfield Oct 25 1865

Official Extract

John F Cleahorn

Capt [sic] [illegible] Res Corps

Assistant

Honorably discharged and Mustered out by reason of service being no longer required and in obedience with S.O. No 62 Head Quarters Military Div [sic] of the [illegible]

[on the bottom left side of the document is another table that has the following columns: RECAPITULATION.; Captain.; 1st Lieutenant.; 2d Lieutenant.; Sergeants.; Corporals.; Buglers.; Drummers.; Fifers.; Farriers and Bk'sm [sic].; [illegible].; Privates.; Total.; AGGREGATE.; Total last muster. This chart also has the following rows: PRESENT: For duty; Extra duty; Sick; In arrest or confinement; ABSENT: Detached service; Furlough; In arrest or confinement; Sick; Prisoners of war. STRENGTH – PRESENT AND ABSENT, ALTERATIONS AND CASUALTIES SINCE LAST MUSTER. NO. JOINED By Enrollment; By Transfer; From Desertion; No. DISCHARGED Expiration of service; For Disability; No. Transferred; No. Died; No. of Desertions. There is no information filled in in this chart.]

I, CERTIFY, ON HONOR, that this Muster Roll exhibits the true state of Captain James E Wilson, "C" Company of the 36th Ill Infty [sic] Vet Vols for the period being mentioned; that each man answers to his own proper name in person; that the remarks set opposite the name of each officer and soldier are accurate and just, and that the valuation of all horses and horse equipments [sic] since the muster into service, was made by disinterested and good judges, and at fair and just rates.

(Signed) John A Porter

1st Lieut [sic] 36th Ills Infty [sic] Vet Vols

Commanding the Company

I CERTIFY, ON HONR, that I have at New Orleans La, on this Eighth day of October, 1865, carefully examined this Roll, and, as far as practicable, caused the allowances, stoppages, and remarks to be justly and properly stated; and mustered the Company for discharge, and it is hereby honorably discharged from the service of the United States.

(Signed) E T Hatch

Capt [sic] 1st La Cav Vols

[Mustering Officer. is crossed out] A.C.N. Mil Div [sic] of [illegible]

MUSTER.

Date, October Eighth 1865

Station New Orleans La

Company Descriptive Book Form September 1862
S 36 Ill.

Edward H. Stinson

[blank], Co. C, 36 Reg't [sic] Illinois Infantry.

Appears on Company Descriptive Book of the organization named above.

DESCRIPTION.

Age 21 years; height 5 feet 5 inches.

Complexion Light

Eyes Blue; hair Brown

Where from Illinois

Occupation [blank]

ENLISTMENT.

When August 14, 1862.

Where Rockford Ill

By whom Lt Tibbotts; term 3 y'rs. [sic]

Remarks: Transferred from Co. "I" 74 Ill. Vols. to Co C 36th Ill. Vols. by SO No 104 By command of Brvt. [sic] Maj. Gen Elliott June 7/65 J.E. Jacobs A.A.G.

G W H

Copyist.

Company Muster Roll Form for May and June 1865

S. 36 Ill.

Edward H. Stinson

Pri [sic], Co. C, 36 Reg't [sic] Illinois Infantry.

Appears on Company Muster Roll for May and June 1865.

Joined for duty and enrolled:

When Aug 14, 1862 [see footnote below]

Where Davis, Ill [see footnote below]

Period 3 years. [see footnote below]

Present or absent Present

Stoppage, \$[blank] for [blank]

Due Gov't \$[blank] for [blank]

Remarks: [blank]

[footnote: See enrollment on card from muster-in roll.]

Book mark: [blank]

A H Davis

Copyist.

Company Muster Roll Form for July and August 1865
S. 36 Ill.

Edward H. Stinson

Pvt., Co. C, 36 Reg't [sic] Illinois Infantry.

Appears on Company Muster Roll for July and August, 1865.

Joined for duty and enrolled:

When Aug 14, 1862. [see footnote below]

where Davis, Ill [see footnote below]

Period 3 years. [see footnote below]

Present or absent not stated

Stoppage, \$[blank] for [blank]

Due Gov't \$[blank] for [blank]

Remarks: Transferred from 34th Ill. Vols to Co. as per Special Orders No. 104 Hd. Qrs.
2nd Div. 4 A.C. pursuant to orders from War Dept.

[footnote: See enrollment on card from muster-in roll.]

Book mark: [blank]

A H Davis

Copyist.

Returns Form 1865
S 36 Ill.

Edward H. Stinson

Pvt, Co. C, 36 Reg't [sic] Illinois Infantry.

Appears on Returns as follows:

June 1865. – Transferred from 74 Ills. Inf. June 30/65, New Orleans, La.

Aug. 1865. – Absent on detached service, detailed as guard at Dept. Hdqrs. Aug 20th,
1865.

Sept, 1865. – Absent on detached service, detailed as messenger [sic] at Hdqrs Dept.
Aug. 20th/65.

Book mark: [blank]

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Copyist.

Notation Form March 1881

S 36 III

Edward H. Stinson

[blank], Co. C, 36 Reg't [sic] III Vols

NOTATION.

Book mark: 1401.A.1881

War Department,

Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, March 8, 1881.

Application for certificate in lieu of lost discharge. One certificate [blank] furnished.

Burrhus

Copyist.

Notation Form 1867

S 36 III

Edward H. Stinson

[blank], Co. C, 36 Reg't [sic] III. Vols

NOTATION.

Book mark: Oak-14-1867

War Department,

Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, Jany [sic] 5, 1867.

Charged in muster out roll of Co with absence without leave and having been before a Board of Officers and found by the Board, not guilty of the charges of absence without leave the charge is removed per S.O. 105 Headquarters Dept. of the Ohio Nov. 5, 1865.

[illegible signature]

Copyist.

Handwritten Note from James Oakes
EBC (illegible) 688.65

Proceedings of a Military convened at Springfield Ills. Oct. 26th 1865.

Case of Edward H. Stinson

Pvt Co "I" 36th Reg Ills V. Infy [sic]

Head Qr. Dist [sic] of Ills Springfield. Oct 27. 1868

Approved respectfully forwarded to Bvt [sic] Col O H Heart AAG Dept of the Ohio for the actions of the Dept Commander

James Oakes

Bvt [sic] Brig Gen USA

Comdg [sic]

[illegible notes written on the paper to the left of the above one]

Military Commission Proceedings Transcript 1865

Edward H. Stinson

Grand Army of the Republic

Proceedings of a Mil. Commission in session by virtue of the following order:

Headquarters District of Ills.

Springfield July 11, 1865

Special Order

No. 150

Par 4 A Milt. Commission consisting of Capt. G.W. Carter 15R. Vol. Res. Corps. is hereby appointed to meet as occasion may require to investigate the cases of enlisted Soldiers charged with desertion and absence without leave and to determine whether they are or are not cleared of such charges.

By Command of Brig. Genl. John Cook

(Signed) B F Smith A.A.G.

Springfield October 26, 1865

The case of Edward H. Stinson, Pvt. Co. "C" 36th Ills Vol Infy [sic] who is charged on the Muster out roll of his company as "Reported Absent without leave from February 26, 2865 to June 7th 1865" was taken up. The accused as duly sworn and he made the following statement in his own defence [sic].

My name is Edward H. Stinson, Private Co. "C 36th Ills. Vol. Infy. [sic] The 14th day of May 1864 I was wounded at Resaca Georgia. I was sent to the hospital by the Captain commanding my company, which was then Co "I" 74th Ill. Infy. [sic] I was wounded in the left foot. I was sent from the hospital in the field to Nashville Genl [sic] Hospital No. 18 and from there to Brown Genl [sic] Hospital Louisville Ky. On or about the 8th of Jany [sic] 1865 I was examined by a Medical Board and transferred to Fortification duty at Nashville where I arrived the 29th of January. While I was on duty at Nashville I saw the Captain of my Company and he asked me how I came there, and I told him and also told him that I would be glad to go to my Company if he could get me away.

He went with me to the Colonel commanding the Barracks and asked to have me ordered to my Company and after the Colonel inquired who I was and how I came there, he said I could not go away from there without an order from the War Dept. I remained there on duty until about the 24th of February 1865. I was detailed to go as guard to Huntsville, Ala. My Regt. was at Huntsville so I went over by permission of the Sergeant Commanding the Guard to go to see my Company and to stay during Sunday the 25th for we were not able to start back until Monday. When I got to the Company my Captain asked me if I had come to stay and I told him I was down with a detail. He said I might stay and he would send for my descriptive List. Then he sent a man up with me to find the Sergeant who had charge of our guard, and tell him I was going to stay with my company. When I found the Sergeant he said he could not allow me to stay but that I must go back with him to Nashville which I did the next day the 26th of February 1865.

I remained on duty at Nashville until the 7th day of June 1865.

When I got there the muster rolls were all prepared, but my name was crossed off, and the Captain said I could not be mustered out until I proved that I had been on detached service and regularly detailed. I then went to Col. Faulk Comdg. the barracks and got a certificate that I had been on duty since the 29th day of January 1865, and that I was sent there by the Medical Board appointed by the War Dept. I also got a discharge from the barracks showing that I was ordered to report to my Command for Muster out. Those papers were sent to Genl [sic] Thomas Comdg [sic] the Dept. and I was transferred to the 36th Ills Infy [sic] to await the action of the Dept Commander in my case. Those papers never came back. I was mustered out with the 36 Ills Infy [sic] at New Orleans, La.

J.A. Goodrich being duly sworn testified as follows:

I am acquainted with the accused. I formerly belonged to the 36th Ills Infy [sic] Co. D. and was chief clerk at the Exchange Barracks Nashville at the time the accused reported for duty. He came there by orders of the Medical Board appointed by the War Dept. The accused was on duty from sometime in January 1865 to sometime in June 1865 at the barracks. It was necessary that an order be issued by the Secretary of War to relieve a man from duty at the Barracks who had been sent there by the Medical Board.

The accused was relieved and ordered to his Command for muster out by virtue of the War Dept order which mustered out all troops whose terms of service expired prior to the 1st of October 1865.

The Commission after mature deliberation on the evidence [illegible] is of the opinion that the accused Edward H. Stinson Private Co "C" 36th Ills Vol Infy [sic] is cleared of the charge of Absence Without Leave.

G.W. Carter

Capt. and Pres Mil. Com.