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GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

PERSONAL WAR SKETCH
OF

Comrade William Holmes

Who was born the 21st day of January A.D. 1843 in

Ayrshire County of Scotland and I
enlisted the service at Towanda Penn'a, as a private in Battery "K" U.S. Artillery, and held no other rank, and was mustered in August 26th 1861, and was discharged 13th of February 1864, at Bridgeport Alabama, at the expiration of the term of service.

Ire-enlisted and was discharged the second time on February 13, 1867 at Key West Florida at the expiration of term of service.

My first engagement was at Yorktown Virginia and others were Mechanicsville, Gainsville, Savage Station Malvern Hill, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Bull Run (2nd) in Virginia, Antietam Md, and Gettysburg Pennsylvania, and at Atlanta Georgia.

I was never wounded or in hospital or taken prisoner. Some of my most intimate comrades were Thomas Johnston, Alltoona Pa. Peter Scott, Lenox Pa, and Wm Tyrell, Avorstock Maine. My most important engagements were the battles before Richmond and Gettysburg.

I think Geo B. McClellan is very much underrated in history, and failed to take Richmond, because he was not properly supported from Washington.

Died February 25 1936 at Los Angeles California. Age 93. Buried in Storm Lake.

I certify that Sketch of my War Service as above written is true as I verily believe

Date Oct 4th 1905 Signed William Holmes

We certify that Comrade Wm Holmes Joined Ed Baker

Post No. 80 Department of Iowa May 1905 18

Held Offices of _____

Adjutant.

Commander.