

DEPOSITION *A*Case of *Minors of Thomas B. Walker*, No. 414690

On this 15 day of August, 1897, at
near Layton, County of Union,
 State of Tennessee, before me, James H. Clements, a
 Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared Martin Butcher
 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: My age is 71 years, a farmer, P.O. address
Layton Union Co. Tenn. I knew an old man named Thomas
Walker, who was the reputed father of Mahala Cox, ne Walker
Benjamin F. Walker, and Theresa A. Walker, and other children.
 He came to this section an elderly man, as I understood at the time
 he had a wife when he came to this neighborhood, whose maiden
 name as I understood was Nash, I understood that he was a soldier
 in the late war of the rebellion, and he died early after the war.
 I don't know whether he had a former wife prior to having the
 children of the children named, but it was a neighborhood
 report that he did have a former wife, and that he had made
 a settlement with and sent her out west with the under-
 standing that he was to join her there, but never did so,
 and she never returned to him. No I don't know and never
 heard whether he was ever divorced from his first wife.
 I don't know whether his last wife ever remarried after
 his death, I don't know whether she is still living, but I
 never heard of her death. I understood your questions
 my answers are correctly recorded in this deposition as
 read over to me Martin Butcher
 Attest mark

Thomas and Grison
Daniel H. Turner

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15 day of
August 1897, and I certify that the contents were fully
made known to deponent before signing

James H. Clements
Special Examiner