The State of Iowa }
County of Fayette } This day personally appeared before me C. Perry an acting Justice of the Peace John Shearn who being sworn according to law says that he is the identical John Shearn who served as a private in Capt William Castlemans company in the Black Hawk Campaign in the fall Year 1842 and that he served under said Company was discharged he makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the pay and bounty for said services

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 30 March 1855

John Shearn

C. Perry J.P.F.C.

The State of Iowa }
County of Fayette } this day personally appeared Elphalet N. Crawford and Peter V. Shaw who being sworn according to law says that we know that John Shearn whose name as signed to the above certificate is the identical John Shear who served in Capt William Castlemans Company and that they are acquainted in his application for pay.

Peter V. Shaw

Sworn and subscribed Elphalet N. Crawford
before me this
the 30 March 1855.

C. Perry J.P.F.C.

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