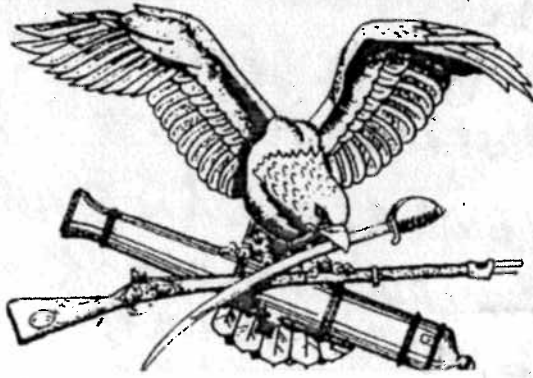




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DATE 6 JUNE 2011

TO: _____

Dear _____

Please excuse our reply to your letter with this casual note (and/or marginal notation). In trying to answer as quickly as possible, we hope you will agree that promptness overrules formality!

Here's a new one for you!

*" W. C. M. LEWIS
U. S. A "*

*That's the inscription on the ivory grips
of this circa 1840's American percussion
pepperbox revolver.*

*I'm reasonably certain it's for
William C. M. Lewis of New Jersey
a 1st Lieut of 10th U.S. Infantry 15 April 1847
who died 19 Nov. 1847. That's all I know
about him ... Info found in Heitman's
"Historical Register & Dictionary of U.S. Army"
Vol. I (pub 1903)*

over →

- 1st: would like to check to see if there
are any other W.C.M. Lewis names
listed during that same circa 1840-50 era
- 2nd: would like to acquire as much as possible
Lt. Lewis' service record and how he
may have "died 1847" ... and any
brief bio info.

As always... very much look forward to
what startling (or not so startling) info
you bring to light!

Best regards,
Norm

It appears from the records of
this office that 1st Lieutenant William
C. M. Lewis, late of the 10th Infantry, died
at Matamoros, Mexico, November 19th, 1847,
of Yellow fever.

Adj't. Genl's Office,
Feb'y. 27th 1849 }

E. D. Brown Genl.
A. A. Genl.

Review Office
April 25. 1860.

Sir,

Please report if
Lieut. Lewis received
the adl. \$10. per month
for commanding Co.,
to 19th Oct. 1847.

Very respy,

Wm Lobb

Qua. For Comr.

Pay 30

Sub 24.80

Debt 15.70

70.50

from 1. to 31. Oct. 47.

Declaration of Catharine C Lewis
in order to obtain the benefit of the
act of Congress granting Pensions
to Widows of Officers in the U. S. Army
who died in the service of the U States during
the war with Mexico.

State of New Jersey }
Essex County ss: } Be it known, That before me
Henry D Hedder a Justice of the
Peace in and for the said County of Essex
duly qualified and sworn, personally
appeared Catharine C Lewis, who being
by me duly sworn upon her oath doth
depose and say, That she is the lawful
Widow of William C. M. Lewis dec'd who
was enlisted in the Army of the United
States under the Ten Regiment Bill to serve
during the War with Mexico, and was appoint-
-ed First Lieutenant in the Tenth Regiment
of Infantry by Commission bearing date the
twenty fourth day of May A.D. 1847, but to take
effect from the 13th day of April A.D. 1847.

That he died of yellow fever, in the service
of the United States, at Matamoras in
Mexico, on or about the nineteenth day of
November A.D. 1847 as this deponent has been
informed and believed to be true, and as she

Adjutant General will show, and to w.
she begs leave to refer. -- And the said
Catharine C Lewis further saith that she
was married in due form of law in the city
of New York, whither they went unexpectedly
to her, to the said William C. M. Lewis, on the
fourth day of March A.D. 1847 by a clergy-
-man of the Presbyterian Denomination, but
whose name she did not learn or cannot
now recollect. That a certificate of their
said marriage was given by the officiating
clergyman to her said husband who
either mislaid the same or left it among
his effects in Mexico where it has been des-
-troyed, so that this deponent, although she
has frequently made diligent search therefor
has not been able to recover it. That she
has by her said husband one child, and
but one, a son, who is still living and
bears the name of his father. That she
has been since the death of her said hus-
-band, and still is living in the city of
Newark in the said County of Essex, and is
unmarried the second time.

Sworn & Subscribed before me
at Newark N.J. on the 30th day
of December A.D. 1848

Catharine C Lewis