

Company I, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry

HILL, Thomas S. 22 Aug 1862 Thomas J. HILL

Private Hill was age 28 when he entered service. [Question on his age.] Captured 3 May 1864 near Snaggy Point on the Red River, Louisiana; mustered out 7 July 1865 at Camp Chase, Ohio. [2736 - Thomas was also in Co C, 22nd US Infantry. Thomas reenlisted 4 Nov 1869 and was honorably discharged 4 Nov 1874.

Although the 22nd spent time in the west in Indian Wars, it seems that Hill's company remained in Michigan. See this book. [History of the Twenty Second United States Infantry, 1866 - 1922.](#)]

Father: George HILL

Mother: Elizabeth ????

Birth: Mar 1826 PA

Marriage: Mrs. Joannah [JONES] NEWTON, 12 Jan 1875, Stark Co OH.

Death: 18 Jan 1903, Delaware, Delaware Co OH.

Cemetery: Oak Grove, Delaware Co OH. Tombstone photos at [Find a Grave](#). Flagholder present at grave. [Delaware County Civil War Burials](#)

Johanna is also buried there. 1830 - 10 May 1907

Pension Index: Thomas J. HILL, C 22nd US Inf and Co I 120th OH, filed in 1890 in OH. Invalid pension 2 July 1890, Application 792223, Certificate 889451, filed in OH. Widow Joannah. 2 Mar 1903, Application 7[or 9]79535, Certificate 554636, filed in OH.

Pension Card: Thomas died 18 Jan 1903 at Delaware OH. Thomas' widow Joannah was the previous widow of Oren W. NEWTON of Co I 120th OH Inf.

Pennsylvania, Births and Christenings: Thomas Jefferson Hill was christened 23 Apr 1826 at Zion Evangelical Lutheran church, Jonestown, Lebanon, PA. Born 21 Mar 1826. Father George Hill, mother Elizabeth.

1850 Census, Columbus Ward 5, Franklin Co OH, Dwelling 260, Family 302: George Hill, age 54 PA, cigar maker; Elizabeth, age 48 PA; Thos J, age 23 PA, shoemaker; Hannah, age 26 PA; Peter, age 21 PA, cigar maker; Elizabeth, age 17 PA.

Not actually married to Joanna at this point in time: 1860 Census, Delaware, Delaware Co OH, Dwelling 1718, Family 1725: Thomas J. HILL, age 36 PA, cigar maker; Joanna, age 29 PA; Francis M, age 7 OH; Josephene, age 4 OH; Edward N, age 3 OH; Warren NEWTON, age 24 MA, carpenter.

widow and children 1870 Census 4th Ward Massillon City, Stark Co OH, Dwelling 79, Family 79: Frances NEWTON, age 39 PA, keeping house; Frances [male], age 18 OH, cigar maker; Josephene, age 14 OH; Edward, age 12 OH; Charles K or H, age 7 OH; William W, age 2 OH. All listed with last name NEWTON. But only William and Charles were NEWTONs.

1880 Census, 3rd ward Delaware, Delaware Co OH, page 517: Thomas J. HILL, age 53 PA, cigar maker, parents born PA; Johana, wife, age 49 PA, parents born PA; Frank M., son, age 28 OH, cigar maker; Charles H, son, age 18 OH, cigar maker; William, son, age 11 OH. [William is William NEWTON, son of Johana and Oren NEWTON.]

1890 Special Schedule, South Washington St, 3rd ward, Delaware Co OH: Line 2, House 232, Family 20: Thomas J. HILL, #232, Co I 120th OH Inf., in Prison at Camp Ford, 120 days, looks like his disability was scurvy. Remarks: in prison at Camp Ford, Tyler TX 120 days.

1900 Census, 232 South Washington St, Delaware, Delaware Co OH, page 108: J. Thomas HILL, age 74 PA, born Mar 1826, married 54 yrs, cigar maker; Joana, wife, age 68 PA, born July 1831, married 54 yrs, 5 children/5 still living, parents born PA; William, son, age 33 OH, single, born July 1866, day laborer.

Death record: Thomas J. HILL died 18 Jan 1903 at Delaware, Delaware Co OH. Age 78. Born 1825 in PA. Cigar maker. Married.

Son's Ohio Death Record: Edward M. HILL, died 21 Feb 1938, Canton, Stark Co OH. [Residence 707 10th St. N.W., Canton OH] Married. Age 80 y, 5 m, 22 d. Retired cigar maker. Burial, Seville, OH. Father Thomas HILL. Mother Johanna JONES. Spouse, Alberta HILL.

Son's Ohio Death Record: Frank M. HILL, died 16 Sep 1925, Brown Twp, Delaware, OH. Residence same. Age 72. Single. Cigar Maker. Born 1853, Delaware OH. Burial Oak Grove. Father Thos. J. HILL, born Delaware, OH. Mother Johanna JONES, born PA. Informant, C. S. NEWTON of Delaware OH.

Pension information from Debbie Ferdetta:

[2732] Johannah HILL's address in Delaware County OH was 233[232] S. Washington St.

[2737] Joannah filed for pension 2 Mar 1903 after Thomas died 18 Jan 1903 at Delaware, OH.

[2738] Pensioner, Joannah, died 10 May 1907.

[2739] Pension application for Thomas alleges that he had scurvy. Applied 2 July 1890.

[2741-2] Dated 11 Apr 1903: Rose L. BURROUGHS and Ida A. LUNLEY testified that they knew the couple

and that the widow had not remarried.

[2743] Thomas J. HILL married Mrs. Joannah NEWTON, 12 Jan 1875, Stark Co OH.

[2745] Testimony of A and S. BREYFOGLE and John NULL, dated Apr 1903: Joannah has a small property and "a simple minded son living with her who works on odd jobs and aids in supporting his mother."

[2747] F. M. Murry, M. D., was present at the death of Thomas on 18 Jan 1903. hemorrhage of the bladder

[2749] Joannah: "That source of support is what little her unmarried son living with her earns by odd jobs.

And her son is weak minded and not strong. There is no one in law bound to support her. She also receives some aid from the Soldiers' Relief Fund. In addition to above her household goods constitute all she owns."

[2751] Thomas reenlisted 4 Nov 1869 and was honorably discharged 4 Nov 1874.

[2756] Dated 27 Dec 1898. Affiants Hannah MOLES, age 60, and Nathan MOLES, age 59, of Massillon, Stark Co OH: "That they were both well and personally acquainted with both Johannah Hill and Oren W. Newton for several years prior to their marriage, March 16", 1866, and from their acquaintance with them know that neither of them were married prior to that marriage, although the said Johannah did live for a number of years with one Thomas J. Hill and passed as his wife. They were not legally married, however and just before the war broke out they separated and each went his and her own way. Her maiden name was Johanna Jones. After they [Johanna and Newton] were married they lived in various places, and of that marriage there was born only one child, William W. Newton, who was born in July 1868. At the time of the death of Oren W. Newton they lived in the City of Massillon, Ohio. He died the last of July 1869, and was buried in the cemetery at that city. He died of consumption. He had suffered from lung trouble ever since he had come from the army. To affiants knowledge, he did not have the appearance of having any such troubles before his enlistment. Affiants have known the claimant, William W. Newton, all his life and know that he is the only child of that marriage and that he is still living."

[2766-7] Dated 2 Jan 1899, in Delaware county, Joanna testified: "That no public record exists of any marriage or divorce of herself and Thomas J. Hill prior to her marriage to the said soldier [Oren Newton], and that no ceremony of marriage did in fact take place. That when she was quite young, about the year 1847, she and Thomas J. Hill mutually promised each other that they would live together, and in accordance with that promise, and relying upon the statement of Thomas J. Hill, and she knowing no better, they did live together until about the time the war broke out, when they mutually agreed to separate, and did separate, each going his or her own way. That she did not live with the said Thomas J. Hill again until she was legally married to him on the 12" day of January, 1875. That when she made her application, she did not disclose to her attorney any of the above facts, nor did she disclose to him any of the above facts until after she received the Call of date of Nov. 9", sent herewith, and that after telling him all, she determined to lay all the facts before the Pension Department, in order that no fraud might be perpetrated, for none has ever been intended.

That she is unable to comply with the requirements of No. 7, for the reason that her son, the said William W. Newton, was born in Cleveland, Ohio, and that there is no Public Record of his birth that she has any knowledge of. that there is no church record of baptism. That she does not know the name of the attending physician, other than her husband who was a physician, nor the female attendants. and that the only record of his birth is the record made in her Family Bible, which is as follows, - "William Warren [NEWTON] was born 1868 on the 12" day of July," which record was made soon after his birth. "

[2777] Christian RIDDLE, age 45, Delaware OH, testimony: "the said Christian Riddle is a cigar manufacturer by occupation, that he worked with the said T. J. Hill from A.D. 1857 to 1860, and that the said T. J. Hill has been in his employ the greater part of the time from A.D. 1875 to and at the present time, here in Delaware, Ohio, in the capacity of cigar maker. That he the said Christian Riddle has seen and talked with the said T. J. Hill almost daily during the above mentioned latter period of time: that for the past 5 or 6 years, he, the said T. J. Hill, has suffered and is now suffering from general disability; in particular, from a numbness, or partial paralysis of his right side and right limbs, which in a large measure prevents the use of that side and those limbs and rendering action with them slow painful and difficult; that he the said T. J. Hill, in consequence of said general debility, and the particular condition of right side and limbs above mentioned is unable to do more than one half the work at his trade that a workman, in sound physical condition could ordinarily do and that, with much more physical pain, effort and exhaustion, than an able bodied man would suffer in performing twice the amount of work. His kind of work being 'piece work,' he can earn only in proportion to what he can do."

[2781-2] Robert S. BRADY, age 33, of Delaware testifies: Brady worked with Hill for Riddle and Groff cigar making business. Mentions scurvy as one of Hill's afflictions. HILL ceased to work in the cigar business in August 1890.

[2787] Thomas HILL testified that he had contracted scurvy and bladder disease while being held prisoner at Camp Ford in Tyler TX.

[2793] Hill's captain in the 22nd Regular Infantry was Joseph BUSH.

[2811] Co C, 22nd regiment US Infantry: 2 Dec 1869 HILL was at Newport Barracks, KY. Discharged 4 Nov 1874 at Fort Brady, MI, as a private.

[2814] Verifies that HILL and Joannah had 3 children: Frank, Josephine, and Edward.