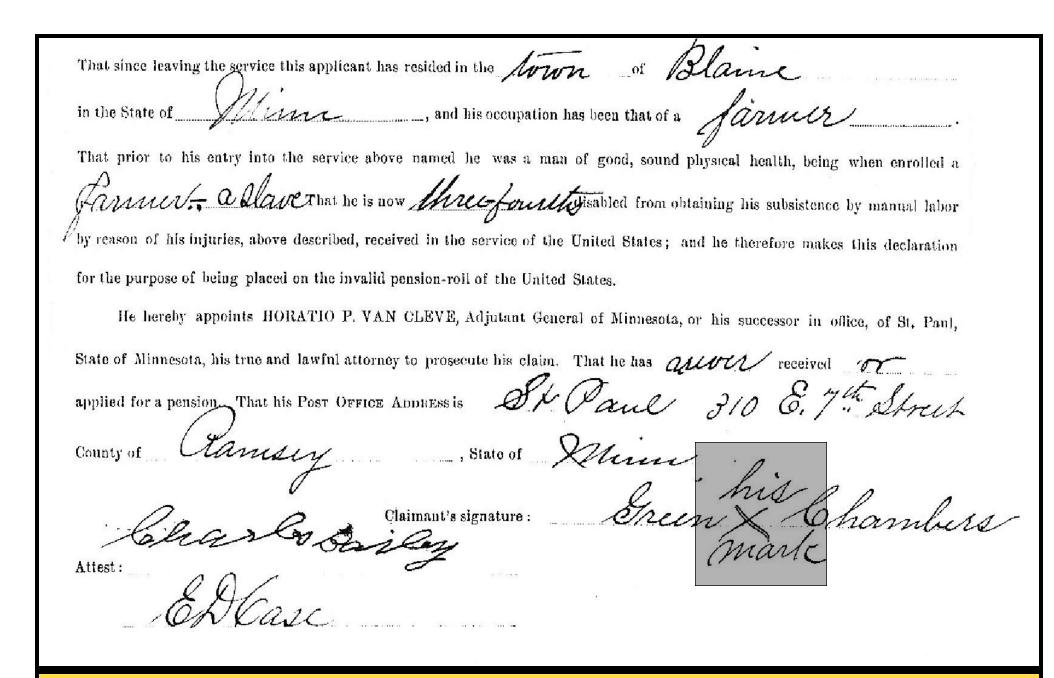
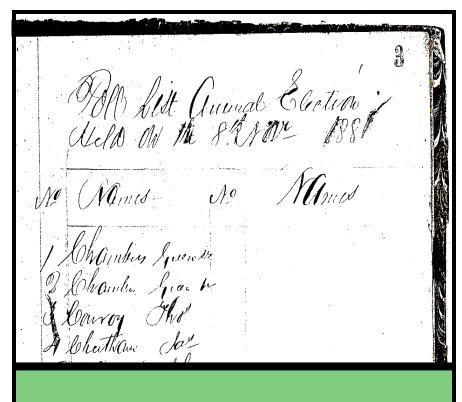
Treen Chambers

From Slavery to Freedom in Anoka County





Excerpt from request Green Chambers made in 1882 for a military pension. This document shows his residency in Blaine Township and a mark representing his signature on the declaration. Using an "X" for a signature (in box) would indicate that he was illiterate.



Poll List for Annual Election of November 8, 1881. Green Chambers and his son, Green Jr., show up as #1 and #2 on the alphabetical roster.

Green Chambers died of "old age" at the age of 85, living at 890 Juno Street in St. Paul.
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH. ST. PMIL, MINN. Name Male, Essaie, age Where Born (nativity) Kintus 1898 White, Colored, Mined Race. Date of Death, day 6 month 7 year 98 Cause of Death (street) 899 Place of Death (street) 899 Parentage (nationality) 6 1991 Single, Married, Widowed. Occupation 6 1991 I hereby certify that I attended the person above named, and that 61ed on the above mentioned date.

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Certification
of enlistment
in the Union
Army. This
shows that he
was owned by
Frank
Chambers,
who was
reimbursed by
the US Army
for Green's
service.

WM Corel M. D.

CHAMBERS TIMELINE 1813 Born a slave in Barron County, Kentucky Married wife Charlotte (Lottie) Simmons

1855 First of 5 children born Sarah – ca. 1855, George – ca. 1857, Green Jr. – ca. 1862 Names and fates of other children are unknown 1864 (Sept) Enlisted as Private with Union Army – Munfordville, KY 1865 (July) Discharged from Union Army after injury, as a free man 1865 (Sept) Arrived in St. Paul via Steamboat 1865 First permanent resident in Blaine Township 1869 Purchased 160 acre farm - SE 1/4 of Section 24 1875 (Oct) Farm foreclosed by Sheriff - \$677.70 owed 1875 Relocated to undetermined location in Blaine Township 1880 Owned 18 acres of tilled land, 80 acres of woodland 1883 Surgery for tumor removal 1884 Moved to Wabasha Street in St. Paul 1884 (Dec) Lottie dies of pneumonia 1890 Listed in City Directory as Railroad Porter – 890 Juno St 1898 (July) Died of "old age" on July 16 Buried at Oakland Cemetery - in "African Section"

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