

1465  
Rahtgens Henry

Co. C, 8 Texas Infantry.

(Hobby's Reg't Texas Inf.)

Composed of six companies of infantry, three companies of artillery, and one company of cavalry.

(Confederate.)

Private Private

CARD NUMBERS.

1	655-76426	20
2	65-31	21
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Number of medical cards herein 2

Number of personal papers herein 2

BOOK MARK:

See also

(Confederate.)

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Henry Rahtgens

Private, Co. B, 8 Regiment Texas Infantry.

Appears on a

Company Descriptive Book\*

(Register of Men Discharged)

of the organization named above.

Remarks:

Discharged by  
Surgeons Certificate of  
disability the 23<sup>d</sup> July  
1862 at Indianola  
Texas

The 8th (also called Hobby's) Regiment Texas Infantry was first organized May 14, 1862, as the 8th (Hobby's) Battalion Texas Infantry with three companies, A to C. Company D was organized June 20, 1862. Captains R. Benavides, S. Benavides, Ware and Navarro's Companies of Cavalry were assigned to this command by S. O. No. 81, Hd. Qrs. Dist. of Texas, N. Mex. and Ariz., dated February 21, 1863. This order was not obeyed by some of the companies and the regiment, as finally constituted, consisted of the 8th (Hobby's) Battalion Texas Infantry, four companies; the 4th (Shea's) Battalion Texas Artillery, two companies; Captain Navarro's Company of Cavalry; Captain Neal's Company of Artillery; Captain Ireland's Company of Infantry and Captain Pensloza's Company of Infantry. The regiment was ordered to be discharged by S. O. No. 142, Hd. Qrs. Dist. of Texas, N. Mex. and Ariz., dated May 2, 1863.

\*From copy (made in the R. & P. Office, War Department, in August, 1903,) of an original record borrowed from Mr. M. Lichtenstein, Corpus Christi, Texas—R. & P. 725284.

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A. B. Mustain

Copyist.

(Confederate.)

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Henry Rahtgens

....., Co. B, 8 Regiment Texas Infantry.

Appears on

Company Descriptive Book\*  
of the organization named above.

DESCRIPTION.

Age 32 years; height 5 feet 8 inches.

Complexion fair

Eyes grey; hair light

Where born Germany

Occupation Sailor

ENLISTMENT.

When Oct 5, 1861.

Where Indianola

By whom Capt Reuss; term y'rs.

Mustered into service:

When Oct 7, 1861.

Where Indianola

By whom Capt Shea.

Remarks: Discharged at [unclear]

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x Indianola Tex. July 23  
1862 by Surgeons certificate  
of disability.

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CERTIFICATE OF DISABILITY  
FOR DISCHARGE in the case  
of

Henry Matzgers

Private of Co. B

Shea's <sup>Battalion</sup> ~~Regt~~ of Artillery Tex

Approved & Discharged

H. P. Bee  
Brig Genl



Received (A. & I. G. Office) Aug 28

1862

# ARMY OF THE CONFEDERATE STATES.

## CERTIFICATE OF DISABILITY FOR DISCHARGE.

(To be used, in duplicate, in all cases of discharge on account of disability.)

Henry Ratzgens, a private, of Captain S. M. Reup's Company, (B) of the ~~1st~~ <sup>2nd</sup> ~~Regiment~~ <sup>Battalion</sup> of Confederate States Artillery, was enlisted by Captain S. M. Reup, of the ~~1st~~ <sup>2nd</sup> ~~Regiment~~ <sup>Battalion</sup> of Artillery, at Indianola Texas on the fifth day of October 1861, to serve during the war; he was born in the City of Rybeck in the State of Germany, is thirty two years of age, five feet eight inches high, light complexion, grey eyes, light hair, and by occupation when enlisted a Sailor. During the last two months said soldier has been unfit for duty fifty days. (Here consult directions on Form Med. Dep. Gen. Reg.)

Said soldier was employed as cook and duty man on board of a boat until the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July 1862, he is affected with ulcerating sore legs, which he has had before enlisting into the service of the Conf. States. At that time of his enlistment the sores were healed up and entirely well, but reopened again while he was doing duty on board of a boat in the City. Wash. Dist. Employ.

STATION: Camp of Observation, Indianola Texas.

DATE: July 3<sup>rd</sup> 1862

S. M. Reup, S. A. C.  
Captain Commanding Company.

I CERTIFY, that I have carefully examined the said Private Henry Ratzgens of Captain S. M. Reup's Company, and find him incapable of performing the duties of a soldier because of (Here consult par. 1134, p. 245, and directions on Form 12, p. 200, Med. Dep. Gen. Reg.) ulcerated sore legs the ulcers were healed at the time of his enlistment, but reopened after his being in the service several months.

James W. McCreary Asst Surgeon.

Discharged this twenty third day of July, 1862, at Indianola Texas,

S. M. Reup, Capt. C. S. Commanding the Post.

NOTE 1.—When a probable case for pension, special care must be taken to state the degree of disability.

NOTE 2.—The place where the soldier desires to be addressed may be here added.

Town—

County—

State—

(DUPLICATES.)

## SOURCE INFORMATION

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**Military Unit:** Eighth (Hobby's) Infantry

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**Surname:** Rahtgens

**Age:** 32

**Year:** 1861

**Surname Starts With:** R

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