John Wells, Corporal, Co. B, 10 MS Infantry, C.S.

1838 (abt)  Wells was born to parents John and Anna Wells in Natchez, MS. John and Anna were immigrants from England.

1850  July 16: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Natchez, Adams, MS showed 12 year old John living with his parents and siblings. His father, John, was a master painter.

1860  June 21: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Natchez, Adams, MS showed 22 year old John living with his parents. On this census John is listed as a painter, as well as his father. His father owns one slave.

1862  March 8: Enlisted in the C.S. Army in Natchez, MS.

May to December: Company Muster Rolls. Present.


March & April: Company Muster Roll. Present.


September to December: Company Muster Rolls. Present.


May 1 to August 31: Company Muster Roll. Absent. Remarks “Absent sick wounded July 28, 1864 and sent to hospital Thomaston, GA descriptive roll furnished. Promoted from Private to 2nd Corp July 1, 1864”

November 30: Wounded at the Battle of Franklin.

December 17: Captured at Franklin.

1865  March 7: Forwarded from Nashville to prison in Louisville, KY.

March 8: Received at prison in Louisville, KY and sent on to Camp Chase, OH.


1880  June 5: The U.S. Federal Census enumerated in Natchez, Adams County, MS showed an unmarried John Wells as a house painter. He was listed as being disabled.

1886  August 24: John Wells died in Galveston, Texas.
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Special Telegram to the Statesman.

GALVESTON, August 24.—John Wells, a one-legged painter, was found dead on the bunk in his shop on Center street, near Market, at 2:30 this afternoon. He was a slave to morphine, and took an overdose from which death resulted. Wells was a native of Natchez, Miss., a man about 45, unmarried, and was quite an artist in his trade.

At the outbreak of the civil war he enlisted in the confederate service, and by gallantry on the field, won a captain’s straps, losing a leg at the bloody battle of Franklin, Tenn. He was a man of fine education, excellent attainments; had studied law, and had it not been for his intemperate use of the baleful drug, would have made an excellent citizen.

Private subscriptions for the relief of the storm