

Obituary

Charles T. Watson

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News has been received of the death at Ballston Spa, N.Y., May 9, of Charles Thomas Watson, formerly of Bath, but who has lived for many years in Georgia.

Mr. Watson was the son of Sewall and Ansten Little Watson and was born at Castine, Maine, April 28, 1839. He was educated in the common and high schools of native State. At the commencement of the Civil War entered the United States service as a private in Co. A, Third Maine Infantry Volunteers, on June 4, 1861. He was appointed first lieutenant and quartermaster of the regiment June 20, 1862. He was mustered out by reason of expiration of term of service June 28, 1864, having served in the field, for the period named, in the Third and Second Corps, Army of the Potomac, occasionally acting as quartermaster of the brigade. He was appointed assistant quartermaster of the volunteers with the rank of captain, Aug. 20, 1864, and major, U.S. Volunteers, by brevet, June 4, 1866. He was mustered out of the U.S. service July 17, 1867.

Major Watson served as assistant quartermaster in charge of depot at Harrisburg, Pa., and as chief quartermaster and disbursing officer of the Freedmen's Bureau for the State of Georgia. He was appointed by the War Department special agent and disbursing officer of the Freedmen's Bureau for Georgia, July 17, 1867, these duties terminating about two years later. He was deputy U.S. marshal for the District of Georgia in 1869 and 1870, assessor U.S. Internal Revenue, first district of Georgia, 1870-1871, and clerk to the State School Commissioner and keeper of public buildings of the State of Georgia in 1871-1872, since which time he has been in business in that state.

He was a member of Ohio Commandery, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and past commander of the Department of Georgia, also a number of various Masonic orders and past Grand Commander of the Knights Templar of Georgia.

He leaves one sister, Miss S. A. Watson, and one brother, W. H. Watson of this city.

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