

James Sibree Anderson
5th WI Infantry, Co A

Born: December 25, 1841 Glasgow, Scotland

1852: Emigrated to United States

1860 Federal Census: WI, Manitowoc County, Manitowoc Twp/John Anderson, father:

James Anderson, 18, M, Lumberman, b Scotland

Enlisted: April 20, 1861 as a Corporal from Manitowoc, WI, 20 years old

Wounded: June 27, 1862 at Gaines' Mill, VA

Mustered Out: July 27, 1864

1870 Federal Census: WI, Manitowoc County, Manitowoc Ward 4/James & Harriet Anderson:

James Anderson 28 M Student -- -- Scotland

Married: 17 July 1873 to Eva M. Mills

1875-76 Manitowoc City Directory: Anderson, J.S., attorney and counsellor at law, 8th north of York, res corner 4th and State

1880 Federal Census: WI, Manitowoc County, Manitowoc Ward 2:

James S. Anderson, 38, Married, Attorney, b Scotland

Ever Mills Anderson, 37, Wife, Married, Keeping house, b Wisconsin

Chd: Minnie Harey Anderson-6, Joseph Mills Anderson-4, b Wisconsin

1885 Soldiers & Sailors of the Late War, Residing in Wisconsin, 20 June 1885: J. S. Anderson, Pvt, A 5 WI, P.O. Manitowoc

1890 Veterans Schedule, Manitowoc County: Anderson, James S., Corporal 5 A, post office Manitowoc/wounded leg, head and shoulder.

1892 March 8: James applied for a pension from state of WI.

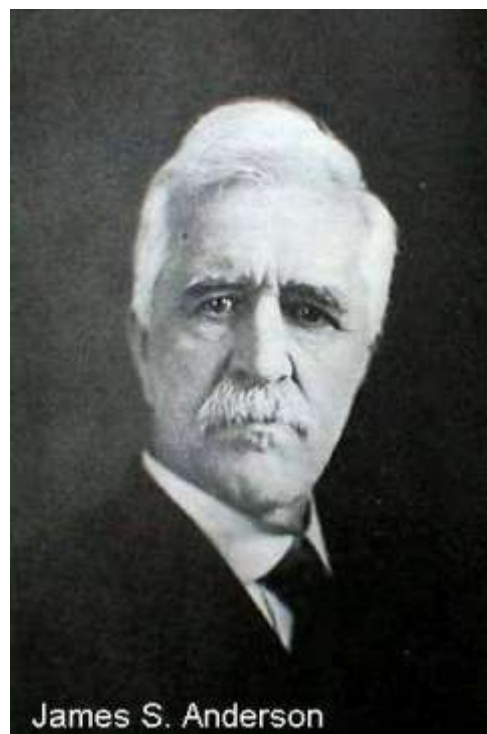
1895 Veteran Census of Manitowoc County: Anderson, J.S., Corporal, 5th A Infantry, post office Manitowoc

Der Nord Westen, 15 Dec. 1904: "Judge Anderson from here gave a speech in Milwaukee last Wed. evening at a meeting of the Loyal League on the topic of the participation of the 6th Army Corps at the Battle of Gettysburg. Mr. Anderson was with the 5th Wisconsin Infantry Regiment that was part of that brigade."

1905 1 June, WI State Census: Manitowoc County, Manitowoc Ward 2:

J. S. Anderson, Head, 62, b Scotland, Atty at Law, Owns home free

Eva Anderson, Wife, 58, b Wisconsin



Chd: Jene Anderson, daughter, 29, Single, b Wisconsin

Wisconsin Census Enumeration, 1905 June 1, Ex-Soldiers & Sailors Residing in WI:
Anderson, J. S., Corporal, Co A, 5th Infantry, Post office Manitowoc

1910 Federal Census: WI, Manitowoc County, Manitowoc:

James S Anderson, Head, 68, Marrl 36 yrs, B Scotch, Immig Yr 1850 Naturalized,
Lawyer, Member Union Army

Eva M Anderson, Wife, 64, Marrl 36 yrs, 2births/2living, b Wisconsin

1920 Federal Census: WI, Manitowoc County, Manitowoc Ward 2:

James S Anderson, Head, 75, Male, b NY(?), Lawyer/General Practice

Eva Anderson, Wife, 73, b Wisconsin

Chd: Jean Anderson, daughter, 45, Single, b WI, Teacher/High School

Died: July 9, 1927 at age 86

Buried: Evergreen Cemetery, Manitowoc, WI

Gravesite: 4-185:

1927 June 6: Widow, Eva applied for a pension from WI

Soldiers' And Citizens' Album Biographical Record Grand Army Of The Republic 1888
Pgs 574-575: JAMES S. ANDERSON, a prominent lawyer and citizen of Manitowoc,
Wis., . . . was born December 25, 1842, in the vicinity of Glasgow, Scotland. When he
was 10 years old he came to America with his parents, John and Harriet (Sibree)
Anderson, landing at the port of New York in July, 1852. In September following,
the family removed to Wisconsin, locating at Manitowoc. . . He (the father) always
counselled his son against army life but when told that he had enlisted in defense
of the Union, he expressed himself as gratified and stated that he would do the
same himself if he could lay off 20 years. Mr. Anderson was one of the first to
enlist from Manitowoc, enrolling April 20, 1861, at the first war meeting held in
that place under the State call for troops. The company was mustered as Company A,
in the 5th Wisconsin Infantry, and . Anderson served with the command through all
its campaigns and was only absent from the regiment about 48 hours when wounded.
The roster of his battles includes every fight and skirmish in which the "fighting
fifth" was engaged and, after passing through the preliminaries of barrack life at
Madison, the transfer to the Division of the Potomac, the experiences in the winter
quarters, the advance against Manassas and the subsequent marching, the reconnois-
sance at Hampton and skirmish at Young's Mills, and the heavy battle of Williams-
burg, he was wounded in the part of the battle of Gaines' Mill known as Golden's
Farm. He was afterwards under rebel fire at Savage Station, White Oak Swamp, Mal-
vern Hill, Crampton's Gap, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Mary's Heights, Chancellors-
ville and Gettysburg and was on the detached service with his regiment at New York
to aid in the enforcement of the draft. He returned to the seat of war and was
next in action at Rappahannock Station and afterwards at Mine Run, where he was one
of two men wounded. He was next in the battles of the Wilderness, was wounded at
Spottsylvania C. H., fought at Cold Harbor and Ream's Station, and in other ac-
tions. . . At Williamsburg, May 5, 1862, he was mounted and on vidette duty and was
captured by rebel cavalry, and hurried toward their infantry line, but he made a
dash for freedom and effected his escape under a hot fire from revolvers and car-
bines. On the night of the 5th of May, 1864, when the right wing of the 6th Corps
had been driven in General Sedgwick came to the line held by the regiment just af-
ter the firing had ceased, and was anxious to ascertain the exact location of the
rebel line, which was in rifle range in the immediate front. In order to determine
what he wished to know, it was necessary to draw the rebel fire. Mr. Anderson, who
was then a corporal, was detailed by Major Totten commanding the 5th, with a squad
of six men, to perform the service, they advanced into the darkness where Mr.
Anderson placed his men as a thin skirmish line on each side of him and advanced
cautiously into the thicket until he could hear the subdued murmur of voices. He

ordered his men to shelter themselves behind trees and to lie close to the ground. He advanced a few steps and, with a ringing order to charge, he threw himself to the ground firing his rifle and making all the noise he could. A sharp rebel musketry fire followed which soon ceased, not being answered. Mr. Anderson received honorable discharge and was mustered out July 27, 1864, at the expiration of his period of his enlistment. He returned to Manitowoc when a little more than 21 years of age, after serving over three years as a soldier. He engaged in business, but found himself disabled from active labor and entered Lawrence University at Appleton, where he completed a college course of study and afterwards fitted himself for a professional career. He was admitted to the Bar in 1872 and established his business at Manitowoc. He is prominent as an advocate and has attained a foremost position as an attorney. He was married July 17, 1873, to Eva M., daughter of Hon. J. T. Mills of Grant county, Wis., and their children are named Joseph M. and Jeanie Harriet. Mrs. Anderson is a lady of attainments and abilities and in 1882 became joint owner and editor of the Lake Shore Times. For four years they continued its publication, Mrs. Anderson doing a part of the editorial work. Mr. Anderson found that the care and responsibility of a reliable and influential journal interfered with the duties of his profession and their connection with the publication ceased. Mr. Anderson was the moving spirit in the establishment of G.A.R. Post 18, which was the first instituted on the Lake Shore north of Milwaukee. He was its first Commandeer and served three terms. He had officiated as Alderman, Court Commissioner and City Attorney and also served as Police Judge of Manitowoc. In addition to the organization of the Post at Manitowoc, Mr. Anderson has been instrumental in the institution of several others in different parts of the State."