

**Hermogene S Balcom**  
**31st WI Infantry, Field & Staff**

Born: ca 1820

Enlisted: July 14, 1864 as an Assistant Surgeon, from Manitowoc, WI.

Promotion: July 14, 1864 to 2nd Assistant Surgeon

January 19, 1865 to Assistant Surgeon

Mustered Out: July 8, 1865 at Louisville, KY

Edwards' 1868-69 Manitowoc City Directory: Balcom, Hermorgien, physician, boards State corner 8th

Manitowoc Pilot, January 4, 1870, Thursday: H. S. BALCOM, M.D.: Physician and Surgeon. Particular attention paid to the treatment of difficult and critical cases, and to consultation. Also, Examining Surgeon for Pension. Office in the building formerly occupied by Kuehn & Co., bankers. Orders left at T. & J. Robinson's Drug Store will be promptly attended to."

1870 June 1 Census: WI, Manitowoc County, Manitowoc, Ward 4: Herman Balcom, 50, Male, Physition(sic), born New York

Died: January 19, 1872; buried, April 9, 1872 in Manitowoc, WI

Buried: Evergreen Cemetery, Manitowoc, WI

Gravesite: E2-47-6: "H. S. Balcom/Asst. Surg'n/31st Wis. Inf."

Manitowoc Tribune Vol. 18 No. 52, Thursday, April 11, 1872, Page 4 Column 2:

Sorrowful News -- It will be three weeks to-morrow, when our community was startled by the report that Dr. Balcom, who had lain sick for some time at the residence of Mr. J.E. Platt, had mysteriously disappeared from his bed room during one of his delirious attacks and was nowhere to be found. The report proved true, all the efforts of his many friends to find him, or at the least some traces of him were unavailing until by mere accident, last Monday afternoon, a son of Mr. Avey Smith, being out hunting pigeons on his father's farm, came upon the lifeless remains of the lost man, lying beside a fallen tree. The friends of the deceased were immediately informed and the body was brought to town, where upon inquest before Don A.

Shove, Police Justice, the verdict was rendered that the deceased came to his death by exposure. Dr. Balcom was one of the best educated and most successful physicians of our City, his loss is severely felt and will be long remembered by those whom he has benefited professionally, but especially by his personal friends who had the best opportunity to appreciate his character. May Peace which he could not find here, be with him now and forever. The funeral services were held at the residence of the Doctor's most faithful friends Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Platt, and were most solemn and interesting. Rev Mr. Haff reading the service and Rev. Mr. Stevens giving a short but very interesting sermon. The large rooms were crowded with former patients and mourning friends of the deceased, showing fully how high he was respected."

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Asst Surg Co. , Regt. 21"  
Wis Infy  
Cemetery City  
City or Town Manitowoc  
County and State Manitowoc, Wis  
Grave  
Date of death Mch 18-1872  
Headstone supplied \_\_\_\_\_, 1.00  
by W.H. F. S. Green  
Contract dated Sept 27-1866

Headstones Provided for Deceased Union  
Civil War Veterans, 1879-1903