

Hay, the County Sub

Wickliffe Cooper makes  
oath that he was on the staff of Genl. Will-  
iam Nelson on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August 1862,  
and on that day a very fine ~~black~~ horse  
was delivered to said Genl. Nelson by a  
servant who said he was sent by Mr H. J.  
Duncan: that Genl. Nelson then had his  
saddle be put on this horse & sent back  
the other to Mr Duncan's to be taken care  
of there till he should come back for  
him: that the said ~~black~~ horse was  
shot & his leg broken during the battle  
of Richmond on the following Saturday  
whilst in care of Genl. Nelson's ser-  
vant and was thereby rendered value-  
less, & doubtless had to be killed on  
account of it: that on the day he ~~was~~  
~~at~~ the horse <sup>was</sup> ~~after~~ received, he became so  
restive, that after riding him about an  
hour & a half, Genl. Nelson ~~was~~ dismount-  
ed, saying he would not ride such a  
horse; and he did not mount him a-  
gain, as far as affiant knows, though he  
remained in his possession till shot as  
aforesaid: that he was shot just as the  
hostiles was taking <sup>the</sup> horses out of the sta-  
ble in obedience to an order to take them  
towards Lancaster -

Wickliffe Cooper

Sworn & subscribed to before me this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September 1862 at New York