I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st instant, to the order of Samuel Halsey. In answer, I desire to inform you that no records in my possession, having been made complete in the following particulars:

There is only that evidence of one person to prove his being present, the late Lieutenant, or the testimony of the Commanding Officer or Surgeon. The officers of those periods are the same as those of the present day.

This matter is referred to the District Judge of New York, according to the Act of Congress, the statute of his disability not being ascertained by physicians or required.

As regards his pay, he appears on the pay roll of the late postmaster, having been paid to June 7th, and left off the pay roll in December 7th. As for his merits, they correspond with the Merit in the other cases which I cannot trace his services. Besides his account, he found to be true, and would have been entitled to all the emoluments allowed to officers coming to the end of their term. He had a commission to all our agents in the office, and the Act of Congress of the 27th March, 1832, and he cannot receive anything without the Sanction of Congress in his behalf. Printed Request Made to the Secretaries of State and have the Honor to be your obedient servant,

P. Wagner
I have the honor in the absence of the accountant to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th inst relating to the claim of Samuel Hull. In answer hereto I have to inform you that as regards his pension his evidences are incomplete in the following particulars:

There is only the evidence of one person to prove his being wounded, the law regarding two or the Commanding Officer or Surgeon;

The affidavits of three freeholders are wanting to prove the continuance of disability, means of support, and mode of life;

The evidence of leaving the service.

This missive is returned to the District Judge of New York agreeable to a resolve of Congress, the state of his disability not being ascertained; a reexamination by physician is required.

As regards his pay, he appears on the muster rolls in Capt. Rosenkrantz’s company enlisted 21 April 77 for the war. Promoted Sergeant June 78 and left off the musters in Dec 78.

So far his narrative corresponds with the musters after which I cannot trace his service. Should his account be found to be a true one he would have been entitled to all the emouments allowed to soldiers serving to the end of the war had an application XXX in the office agreeably to the Act of Congress of this 27 March 92.

As it now stands he cannot receive anything without the interference of Congress in his behalf. Enclosed I return the affidavits of Thomson Stille

And have the honor to respectfully be, Peter Hagner