THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

CERT. NO. 832204

PENSIONER: Helen A.

Widow OF

VETERAN: Joseph L. Kopp.

CAN NO: 63337 BUNDLE NO: 2

Act of April 19, 1908, as amended by
Act of September 8, 1916.

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Cert. No. 832204

NAVY.

Helen A. DEAL

Widow of

Joseph L. Kopp

Rank Landsman

Company U.S.S. St. Lawrence

~~Regiment~~ and Quaker City

Rate per Month $12

Commencing May 1" 1917 and $25-

" Oct 6" 1917

Ending

Agency or Group No. Group 2

Issued Oct. 13", 1917

6—3387

See Inv. Cert 12783

~~Dec.~~ Nov 2-17 Pension for proof of age. Rec'd.

Clmt. advised claim is being considered with view to final settlement after settlement question & the returned page. Off will be taken up- M.R.

Clmt. for data on which to base call on Bureau Bur. as to Clmt's age in 1850 or 1860.

M.R.

FEB - 1918 A. & N. DIV.

A. & N. DIV.

(3-235.) X

NAVY INVALID.

Cert. No. 12783

Name, Joseph L. Kopp

Rank, &c. Landsman, U.S. Navy

Agency. Original Roll: Ohio

Transf'd ____, 18 , to Group 2

" ____, 18 , to ____

Issue. Class Reg 2nd, Fee, $ ____ Entered ____

Issued June 25, 1913, 18

Mailed JUN 26 1913, 18

Rate and Period, $ 13.50 from July 17, 1912, 18

& $19 from Mar. 13, 1915

& $22.50 from Mar. 13, 1920

Deductions: ____

Disability: ACT. OF MAY 11, 1912

Issue. Class ____ Fee, $ ____ Entered ____

Issued DEAD, 18

Mailed ____, 18

Rate and Period, $ ____ from ____, 18

Deductions: ____

Disability: ____

(73-20,000.)

Issue. Class ____ Fee, $ ____ Entered ____

Issued ____, 18

Mailed ____, 18

Rate and Period, $ ____ from ____ 18

Accrued Pension, ACT OF MARCH 2, 1895. Accrued Pension Order Issued Oct. 13, 1917 Payable to widow Sent to Finance Division

Deductions: ____

Disability ____

Issue. Class ____ Fee, $ ____ Entered ____

Issued ____, 18

Mailed ____, 18

Rate and Period, $ ____ from ____, 18

Deductions: ____

Disability W.O. 1100.158.

INDORSEMENTS.

APR 16 1917 J.L. Kopp to wid

DROPPED

APR 17 1917 FINANCE

CERT.

See Medical Cert 832204

Fry
12783
Navy J

DIED. Mar. 29th 1917

J. L. Kopp.

At 9:25 last night Mr. J. L. Kopp, 72 years old, well known and highly respected citizen of Bakersfield, passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Frank McSmith, wife of the constable of the sixth township. The death was caused by a paralytic stroke, which came last Wednesday. He suffered a similar stroke about eleven years ago. The body has been taken to the parlors of Dixon & Flickinger and the date of the funeral will probably be announced tomorrow.

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CET

Pension Dept.
Washington D. C.

Sirs:- Enclosed you will find notice of my husbands death. Please send me application blanks for Widows pension.

Helen A Koopf.
widow of
Joseph L Koopf.
2221 F St.
Bakersfield, Cal.

April 4th 1917.

[3—221 a.]

No. 23842

....., Ex'r.

NAVY INVALID.

Act of June 27, 1890.

Joseph L. Kapp.

P. O. Dayerstown,

Pa.

Lds. U. S. S. Lackawanna.

Service: N. Atl. Sqn. Ensign.

N.B. St. Lawrence, Michigan

Enlisted: Oct. 1, , 1864

Discharged: June 11th, 1865

Application filed: Oct. 6, , 1890

Alleges:

Claim on file.

Dec 22, 1890 J. J. McCook Clerk.

Numerical No. 460859.

Army Inv. C. 564845
D, 56 Pa. Mil. Inf.
1863.

Attorney: A. McGill.

P. O. Dayerstown,

Pa.

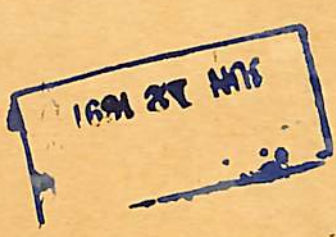
..... Recognized. ..... Contract.

..... Cert. of Dis. Searched for ....., 18 .

[1028—15,000.] 6—605

Jan 20/91 - Grand for cumb
" atty for Dist of cumb
W. C.

" 30. 91 - D Greenville
Board for Ex - S.



HELEN A KOPP
BAKERSFIELD CALIF
832204 MAY NAVY WID
2221 F ST

8-1081

DROP REPORT—PENSIONER

..... Cert. No. .....

Pensioner .....

Soldier .....

Service .....

Class ..... Group 2

LAW DIVISION

....., 192

In the above-described case a declaration filed in this Division indicates that said pensioner died ....., 19.....

H. P. WILLEY,
Per ..... *Chief, Law Division.*

DISBURSING DIVISION

OCT 25 1922
....., 192

Check No. 5351150 5870435 $30

dated Oct 4 & Nov 4 1922, Section 6

returned by postmaster with information that the above-described pensioner died Sept 30 1922 has been canceled.

E. E. MILLER,
Per H.D. *Disbursing Clerk.*

FINANCE DIVISION

Oct. 26, 1922

The name of the above-described pensioner who was last paid at the rate of $30 per month to Sept. 4, 1922, has this day been dropped from the roll because of death

.....

.....
Chief, Finance Division.

6—2249 GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

11/4 5870435

1661

F THE INTERIOR,
F PENSIONS,
DISBURSING CLERK,
TON, D. C.
IVERED IN TEN DAYS.

TO THE POSTMASTER:

The Act of August 17, 1912, prohibits the delivery of this letter to any person if the addressee has died or removed, or being a widow, is believed to have remarried; and postal regulations prohibit its delivery if the pensioner has reenlisted in the military or naval service of the United States, and require its return forthwith in any such case with a statement of the reasons for so doing, and if on account of death, remarriage or reenlistment, the date thereof if known.

WASHINGTON, D.C. SEP 30 1 - P.M. 1922

ADDRESS YOUR MAIL TO STREET NUMBER

OFFICIAL BUSINESS PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE $300

Deceased
Sept. 30 - 1922
Tyler #3


SECTION
RECEIVED
OCT 12 1922
DISBURSING OF


DISBURSING CLERK
OCT 12 1922
U.S. BUREAU OF PENSIONS

(3–221.)

V

No. 12,783

O'Brien

....., Ex'r.

ABANDONED.

by Transfer

NAVY INVALID.

Joseph L. Kapp

P. O. Hayfield

Crawford Co. Pa

Service: Ldo - USS. Quaker City

Michigan

Princeton. Potomska. St Lawrence

Enlisted: June 29, 1863

Discharged: June 12, 1865

Application filed: Mar 6, 1886.

Alleges: Sciatic rheumatism causing hypertrophy of the heart

Re-enlisted: { D 56. Pa. Mil. Inf. 1863 Army Invalid 564 845

C# 12783. 7 14552. 5-2-92 asz

Attorney: Claman

P. O. .....

..... Recognized. ..... Contract.

..... Cert. of Dis. Searched for ....., 18 .

G—511

Feb 24/99 R & P. for Service C
" " Adj. Gen. for Service.

3–871

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF PENSIONS

RECORD DIVISION

MAILS & SUPPLIES DIVISION

Briefed by M.

Orig. 1100158.

Cert. 832,204.

Claimant Helen A. Kapp

Soldier Joseph L. "

Service D 56 Pa Mil Inf

No. ____ claim, Service record ____, 191

____, Clerk.

No. claim, Alph'b record ____, 191

____, Clerk.

REMARKS: Adj.

6—1944

Chief Division.

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Army and Navy Division

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF PENSIONS

Washington, D. C., May 28, 1913.

No. Claim,

Cert. No. 12783 (Navy)

Claimant, Joseph L. Kopp,

Soldier, Joseph L. Kopp,

~~Co.~~ U. S. ~~Regt~~ Navy.

Respectfully referred to the Chief of the Record Division under Order 51.

MAY 31 1913 DIVISION

RECORD MAY 31 1913 DIVISION

L. B. Stone

Chief of A. & N. Division.

Ruth E. Estey

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Pens

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF PENSIONS

RECORD DIVISION

Briefed by G. L.

Orig. 1100,158

Cert.

Claimant Wid. of

Soldier Joseph L. Kopp,

Service

Navy

No ..... *claim, Service record* ....., 191

....., *Clerk.*

No claim, Alph'b record ....., 191

....., *Clerk.*

REMARKS: Adj. Div.

6—1914

Chief Division.

RETURN IN FIVE DAYS TO
F. McSMITH
CONSTABLE SIXTH TOWNSHIP
2221 F STREET
BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA

Mr. G. M. Saltzgaber.
Commissioner of Pensions.
Washington.
D. C.


PENSION
OFFICE
U. S.
JUL
31
1917

July 18, 1919. Mar. Aff returned to Pensions. Pltr's Atty Lawler

Recs to correct rate

3—732

Cert. No. 832204

Act of April 19, 1908 amended by Act of September 8, 1916.

Helen A

Widow of

Joseph L. Kopp

Rank Lands Usn.

Company St. Lawrence &

Regiment Quaker City

Rate per Month $ 12

Commencing May 1 1917 &

$20 from Sept 20 1917 &

$25 from Oct 6 1917

Ending

Agency or Group No. Gr 2

Issued July 11 1918, 191

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NAVY

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Ex'r. DEPENDENT.

No. 1100158

Act of April 19, 1908
amended by Act. Sept. 8, 1916.

Act of

Notified May 19, 1917

17. Clmt. for dth.,
mrge. Cohab.
To date correct.

Helen A. Kopp
2221 7 Ste.
Bakersfield Calif
wid.
Joseph L. Kopp

Service Landsman:
Princeton, Quaker City, North Carolina
~~Michigan~~, St. Lawrence, Michigan.
2056 Pa. Mil. Inf. 1863

Died Mar. 29, 1917 Bakersfield, Cal.

No other claim Navy Chan
F.C. 12783
Army Inv. Brig. 564845

May 12, 1917. Summons
Clerk.

Application filed: May 1, 1917

Attorney: None

P. O.

Cert. of Dis. Searched for , 19

6—1359

July 27/17, Clmt. for record mrge or dth proof mrge or letter from Custodian Church, that Mar. Cfc. not authenticated

3 1647.

Act of May 11, 1912.

L. Cert. 12783

Name, Joseph L. Kopp.
Bakersfield, R.D.5,
California.

Application filed July 17, 1912.

Service, U.S. Navy
Apr. 5, 1913 - Claimant
for proof of age - RLC.

3–1647.

Act of May 11, 1912.

9 Cert. 12783 (Navy)

Name, Joseph L. Hoff
Bakersfield, R.D. 5,
Cal.

Application filed July 17, 1912.

Service, U. S. Navy

May 13, 1913 – Cand. for War
Left for service – R.E.E.

May 19, 1913 – B. of N. for
descriptive list. – R.E.E.

[3–216.] Stoddard.

Gator Ex'r. INVALID.

D-56 No. 564845

Acts of July 14, 1862, and March 3, 1873.

Joseph L. Kopp

P. O. Hayfield

Crawford Co - Pa.

Service: Pri - D - 56th Pa Mil Inf

REJECTED.

Enlisted: June 29th, 1863.

Discharged: Aug 13th, 1863.

RE-OPENED.

Application filed: Mar 6th, 1886

Navy: Landsman: U.S.S. Princeton St Lawrence, Lyaken City & Michigan & North Carolina

Alleges: Sciatic rheu. resulting disease of heart.

Re-enlisted:

17/220

Navy Records OK June 21/13. DS

Attorney: Claimant

P. O.

Recognized. Contract.

Cert. of Dis. Searched for , 18 .

(3056—15 M.)

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March 25th – 92

Reaping slip to Dan Cemmer

3-16-86

30 Apr. 3d. Adj. for Reg. Dist.

1 May 18. Cert. for Ex. at Meadville, Pa

Jan 5/86 A.S. P.S.

Appr. 9/88 Ct. 40 days Cr. for Rheum. Heart dis. Pa. Letter for subsequent Exm. P.S.

June 22/88 Ct. Ex. by Meadville Pa. Board P.S.

Ohio. Dec 26/90: Ad to date Co x Reg't in which he served. 64 to 65.

Jany. 17/91. Ad Auditor for remission on board U.S.S. Quaker City Mich. and Princeton. April 10/91 — Letter of inq to Comdt. D.S.C.

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O Wander Ex'r.

[3—216.]

INVALID.

Inv Orig 17/220

No. 564845

D-56

Acts of July 14, 1862, and March 3, 1875.

Joseph L. Kopp

P. O. Saegerstown,

Crawford Co. Pa

Service: D 56th Pa Mil

Navy: Landsman; U.S.S. Princeton" St. Lawrence Drake City F. Michigan & North Carolina

Enlisted: , 18 .

Discharged: , 18 .

Application filed: June 18, 1892.

Alleges: Inv. Orig 564,845

See Navy Ctf 12,783

Re-enlisted:

Navy Record Ok. June 2, 1913. SS

Attorney: E. S. Skeel

P. O. Hayfield

Crawford Co. Pa

Recognized. Contract.

Cert. of Dis. Searched for , 18 .

(17176—30,000.)

Not 8-12-72 N

Pa. 12,783
1,709

Ohio. 14,853

Mich.

No.

3-1647. Reissue

Act of Feb. 6, 1907.

Act of June 27, 1890.

Cert. 12783

Name, Joseph L. Bopp

Application filed May 31, 1907

Service, NAVY.

ARMY AND NAVY DIV. 3-349

Div. RLC Examiner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
BUREAU OF PENSIONS.

Cert. No. 12783
Joseph L. Kopf,
U. S. Navy.

Washington, D. C., April 5, 1913

Mr. Joseph L. Kopf
Bakersfield R.D. # 5,
California

Dear Sir:

Relative to your claim for pension under act of May 11, 1912, in which you allege that you are sixty-seven years of age, and that you were born March 13th, 1845, you are advised that the best obtainable evidence of the date of your birth is required by this Bureau.

If there is a public, church, or family record of your birth, you should forward a verified copy of such record.

If there is no public or church record, and a verified copy of the family record is furnished, the officer certifying to the same should state in what year the Bible, or other book in which the record appears, was printed; whether the record bears any marks of erasure or alteration; and whether, from the appearance of the writing, he believes the entries to have been made about the dates given.

If you are unable to furnish any of the evidence indicated, you should state that fact, and the reasons why you are unable to furnish it, under oath.

Please return this letter with your reply.

Very respectfully,

J. L. Davenport,

Commissioner.

6-163

RECEIVED MAY 9 1913 FILES DIVISION

PENSION OFFICE. U. S. MAY 3 1913

OFFICE PHONE 240
RESIDENCE PHONE 1435-J

RESIDENCE
2221 F STREET

F. McSMITH

CONSTABLE

SIXTH TOWNSHIP

BAKERSFIELD, CAL., August 6, 1917.

Commissioner Bureau of Pensions,
Department of the Interior,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have your favor of July 27th. addressed to my mother-in-law, Helen A. Kopp - W. O. 1100158. Inasmuch as she is out of town at the present time, and as I am acquainted with the facts, I am writing you in regard to the substance of what you desire.

Several days before your letter was received [redacted], she had already, through her daughter, my wife, forwarded an affidavit recounting the marriage with her husband, the same being signed by three persons that were witnesses of the marriage.

Presumably this is in accordance with your letter, and if not, kindly let me know and I shall have any other matter forwarded to you that may be necessary.

Yours very truly,

F. McSmith

REE:ECT

A. & N. DIV.
I. C. 12783
Joseph L. Kopp,
U. S. Navy.

May 16, 1913.

The Auditor for the War Department,

Treasury Department.

Sir:

For use in the above-cited claim for pension under the act of May 11, 1912, please furnish this Bureau with a report of the service of Joseph L. Kopp, in Co. D, 56th Pa. Mil. Inf. He enlisted therein June 29, 1863, and was discharged therefrom August 13, 1863.

Very respectfully,

J. L. Davenport.

Commissioner.

A&N MR

Wid.Ctf. 832,204
Helen A., widow of
Joseph L. Kopp
U. S. Navy

May 27, 1918.

Mrs. Helen A. Kopp,

#2221 F St.,

Bakersfield, California.

Madam:

In response to your communication of the 13" instant relative to your above-entitled claim for reissue of pension under the act of Apl. 19, 1908, as amended by the act of Sept. 8, 1916, you are informed that further action therein awaits a report, called for this day, of certain information from the official records deemed necessary to the adjudication of the claim. When such report shall have been received, the claim will be taken up promptly for further consideration.

You are again informed, in response to your said communication, that the question of the return of your marriage certificate will be taken up for consideration after your claim shall have been settled.

Very respectfully,

Commissioner.

A&N MR

Wid.Ctf.832,204
Helen A.,widow of
Joseph L. Kopp
U. S. Navy

March 11, 1918.

Mrs. Helen A. Kopp,

#2221 F, St.,

Bakersfield, California.

Madam:

Relative to your above-entitled claim for reissue of pension under the act of Apl. 19, 1908, as amended by the act of Sept. 8, 1916, you are informed that you should state the name of the state, county, township and city or town in which you resided during the year 1850 and the year 1860, the street and number of your residence, and, if in a city, the number of ward;the names of the streets between which you lived during each of said years, the full name of your father, the maiden name of your mother and the names of your brothers and sisters who were living at home during the years in question. If you did not reside with your parents during said years, you should state the names of the persons with whom you were living at said times.

Very respectfully,

Commissioner.

A&N MR

Wid. Ctf.832,204
Helen A., widow of
Joseph L. Kopp
U. S. Navy

February 4, 1918.

Mrs. Helen A. Kopp,

#2221 F St.,Bakersfield,

California.

Madam:

In response to your communication, dated Jan. 17, 1918, and filed in your above-cited pension case, you are informed that your claim for reissue to correct rate and allow increased rate is being considered with a view to its final settlement.

The question of the return of your marriage certificate will be taken up for consideration after your claim shall have been settled.

Very respectfully,

Commissioner.

A.& N.DIV. NB:JRC

W.C.832204,
Hemem A.,widow of
Joseph L.Kopp,
U.S.Navy.

November 2, 1917.

Mrs. Helen A. Kopp,
2221 F Street,
Bakersfield, California.

Madam:

Relative to your above-cited pension case, in which your claim for pension under the act of April 19, 1908, as amended by the act of September 8, 1916, has been allowed, you are informed that, in order that your title to the rate of $20 per month from September 20, 1917, when, it appears, you may have reached the age of seventy years, to October 6, 1917, when the rate of $25 per month provided by section 314 of the act of October 6, 1917, begins, may be determined, you should furnish a verified copy of the public record of your birth or of the church record of your baptism, or, if no such records exist, a copy of the Bible or other family record of your birth, the correctness of which should be certified to, under the seal of his office, by some officer authorized to administer oaths for general purposes, who should state in what year the Bible or other book in which the record of your birth appears was printed, whether the record bears any marks of erasure or alteration, and whether from the appearance of the writing he believes the entries to have been made recently or years ago.

Very respectfully,

Commissioner.

A & N

FHF

W.O.1100158
Helen A., wid.of
Joseph L. Kopp
U.S.Navy.

July 27, 1917.

Mrs. Helen A. Kopp,
2221 F St.,
Bakersfield,
California.

Madam:

In your above cited claim for pension under the act of April 19, 1908, as amended by the act of Sept. 8, 1916, there should be furnished a certified copy of the public or church record of your marriage to the sailor, or, if no such records exist, the affidavit of the person who performed the ceremony, or the sworn statements of two credible witnesses who were present at the marriage, showing the date thereof, as called for the 1st ult.

The paper filed June 28, 1917, purporting to be the certificate of your marriage to the sailor, cannot be accepted as evidence, for the reason that it was not sworn to or otherwise authenticated by the person making same. It is proper to state that the sailor alleged, in a paper filed in his pension case, that there was a record of his marriage to you on file in the Methodist Episcopal church at Saegertown, Pa. If no such record can be found, you should forward to this bureau the letter of the custodian of said church records, so stating.

Very respectfully,

G. M. Saltzgaber

Commissioner.

FHF-BBC

A & N Division
Wid.Orig 1100158
Helen A.,widow of
Joseph L.Kppp,
U.S.Navy.

June 1,1917.

Mrs.Helen A.Kopp,
2221 F Street,
Bakersfield,California.

Madam:

For use in your abovepentitled claim for pension under the act of April 19,1908 as amended by the act of September 8,1916,there should be furnished:

A verified copy of the public record of the death of the sailor,or,if no such record exists, the affidavit of the attending physician, or, if that can not be obtained, the sworn statements of credible witnesses whowere present at the time of his death showing the date thereof.

A verified copy of the public or church record of your marriage to the sailor,or, if no such records exist, the affidavit of the person who performed the ceremony, or,if that can not be obtained, the sworn statements of credible witnesses who were present at the ceremony,showing the date thereof.

The sworn statements of credible witnesses showing whether you and the sailor were ever divorced, and whether you and he lived together as wife and husband from the date of your marriage to him to the date of his death.

All witnesses should btate their ages,post-office addresses and means of knowledge of that to which they testify.

Your given name appears in the papers on file in your claim as Helen A.,whereas the sailor,in a paper on file in his pension case, gave your given name as Angeline H. You should state your full correct given name,and the name under which

Wid.Orig.1100158.

you desire your certificate issued in case pension is allowed you.

Very respectfully,

G M Lattzgabe

Commissioner.

7268


This is to certify
that on the Nov 29th day of
1866 the subscriber
united in the bonds of
Holy Matrimony
Mr. J. L. Kopp of
Meadville Pa. To
Miss A. H. McGill
of Saegertown Pa.
at The M. E. Church
in Saegertown
G. M. Eberman
BIBLE

7268

This is to certify
that on the Nov 29th day of
1866 the subscriber
united in the bonds of
Holy Matrimony
Mr. J. L. Kopp of
Meadville Pa. To
Miss. A. H. McGill
of Sageston Pa.
at the M. E. Church
in Sageston by M. Eberman

Section A.

Reissue to correct rate and allow

3-1638.

INCREASE

Wid. Cert. No. 832,204

Helen A. Kopp, widow of Joseph L. Kopp

P. O., #2221 F. St.

~~County~~, Bakersfield,

State, Cal.

~~Application~~ Letter filed Jan. 23, 1918.

Service, U. S. Navy

MAY 27 1918 Census Bureau for report as to age in 1850 or 1860.

Clmt. advised that further action awaits response to above call. Question of return of marriage Ctf. will be taken up for consideration after claim shall have been settled. MR. A&N. Div.

Attorney,

P. O.,

County, , State,

Law Division

W.C. No. 832,204
Helen A. Kopp,
Joseph L. Kopp,
U.S.Navy.

July 18,1918.

Mrs. Helen A. Kopp,
2221 F Street,
Bakersfield, California.

Madam:

As requested, herewith is returned the certificate showing the marriage of J. L. Kopp and Miss A.H.McGill.

Respectfully,

E. C. Fiennes

Acting Commissioner.

MAF

Photostat retained.

mcky

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BUREAU OF PENSIONS

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W. O. 1100 1/8
C. C. No. 12783
~~Soldier,~~ Jos. Koch
~~Co.~~ , ~~Reg't~~ N.Y.N.

When Certificate is issued, return papers to A. and R. Division for action ~~on~~
(See slip)

J. Tidwell,
R.

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BOARD OF REVIEW.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 28, 1917.

No. Claim, 1100178,

Cert. No.

Claimant, Helen A.,

Soldier, Joseph L. Cook,

~~Co.~~ U. S. ~~Reg't.~~ Navy.

Respectfully,

After allowance, claimant should be advised that proof must be made of date of birth to establish a date of commencement for $20 rate.

Case should go to Law Div. Item for Return of papers (Mrs. C.H.)

A. A. Ashford

Chief, Board of Review.

F. Anderson,

R.

6—720

CLEARANCE SECTION

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ARMY AND NAVY DIV.

Keep on outside of case until final action is taken.

CLEARANCE SECTION

~~Invalid~~ Widow { ~~Orig.~~ Ctf. 832 204

Name Mabb

PENDING.

	CHECK.
Act May 11, 1912	
Act April 19, 1908	Act of September 8, 1916. ✓
General Laws	
Other Acts	

In case of error, bring papers to Clearance Desk.

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BUREAU OF PENSIONS

July 9, 1918

W. Cf. No. 832.204

Soldier, Joseph R. Kopp

Co. U, Reg't Navy,

When Certificate is issued, return papers to Law Division for ~~action on~~ return of marriage certificate now in envelope in brief.

John W. Hall
Reviewer

6—3163

Bakersfield, California.
July 26th, 1917.

Mr. G. M. Sallzgaber,
Commissioner of Pensions.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir;-

Enclosed you will find sworn affidavit of three persons who were witnesses to the marriage of Joseph L. Kopp and Angeline Helen M. Cull my parents.

My mother is unable to write this as she is nearly blind, with cataracts on both eyes.

A pension will be a great help to her to have cataracts removed - if not too long delayed.

Please return her marriage Certificate to her as soon as you can after it has served its mission,

Very Respectfully Yours.

Margaret Angeline Smith-

written for

Mrs Helen A. Kopp.

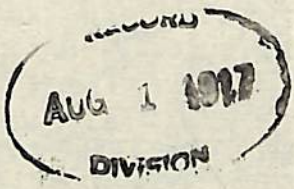
widow of

Joseph L. Kopp.

2221 F. St.

Bakersfield.

Calif.



BOARD OF REVIEW

WCP. No. 832,204

Name Helen A. Kapp

When certificate or letters of rejection shall have been mailed, send case to desk of the Chief of Division for return of personal papers. See order below.

A. A. ASPINWALL,
Chief, Board of Review.

CHIEFS OF DIVISIONS:

It is a matter of frequent complaint on the part of claimants and others that personal papers filed in claims for pension, either directly with the office or through special examiners, are not returned to them after final action has been taken, as requested.

Photographs, personal letters, family bibles, and other matter which have served their purpose as evidence, are almost without exception retained in the cases after they have gone to the admitted or rejected files, notwithstanding the fact that a request for the return of this peculiar class of evidence is in the case.

Special examiners find it particularly embarrassing in the conduct of their work, because they frequently have to give their personal guarantee that a certain paper, believed by them to be of importance in the case, will be returned to the individual when it has served its purpose as evidence.

In order that such matter may be promptly returned to the owners, it is hereby directed that in all such cases the legal reviewer shall attach a slip to the face of the brief, directing that after the certificate or letters of rejection shall have been mailed, the case shall be sent to the desk of the Chief of Division, who will, when necessary, cause a copy of the evidence or paper to be made, compared, and placed in its proper place in the case in lieu of the original.

W. A. Glasgow

Commissioner.

Reissue to correct rate
~~and allow increase~~

3—367.

W. bff No. 832,204
Navy

ACT OF APRIL 19, 1908.
AMENDED BY ACT OF SEPTEMBER 8, 1916.

WIDOW'S PENSION.

Claimant, Helen A. Kopp.
P. O. # 2221 F. Street, Bakersfield,
County, Kern; State, California.

Soldier, Joseph L. Kopp.
Rank, Landsman, U. S. S. Saint Lawrence 2nd Quaker City, U.S. Navy
~~Regiment~~,

Rate, $12 per month, commencing May 1 1917, and $20 commencing September 20, 1917,
~~and $2 additional for each child, as stated below.~~ and $25 commencing October 6, 1917.

All pension to terminate ____, 1____, date of ____
Payments on all former certificates covering any portion of same time to be deducted.

None — { Born, ____, ____ / Sixteen, ____, ____ } Commencing ____, ____

{ Born, ____, ____ / Sixteen, ____, ____ } Commencing ____, ____

{ Born, ____, ____ / Sixteen, ____, ____ } Commencing ____, ____

{ Born, ____, ____ / Sixteen, ____, ____ } Commencing ____, ____

{ Born, ____, ____ / Sixteen, ____, ____ } Commencing ____, ____

{ Born, ____, ____ / Sixteen, ____, ____ } Commencing ____, ____

{ Born, ____, ____ / Sixteen, ____, ____ } Commencing ____, ____

RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY.

Name, None
P. O., ____

Fee, $None; Bureau to pay.

ARMY AND NAVY DIV.

Re-Sub for Adm. July 9. 1918. APPROVAL John W. Culbertson
Submitted for admission, FEB 4 - 1918, 191__; M. Rice, Examiner.
Approved for reissue to correct date and allow increase.
Draw sub-payments.
Date of birth: September 20, 1847. "Census Report"
July 9, 1918 John W. Stall, Reviewer. | July 9, 1918, Elbert M. Brown, Rereviewer.

The soldier was ____ pensioned at $19 per month under ACT OF MAY 11, 1912.

Enlisted, June 29, 1863
honorably disch'd, August 13, 1863
Reenlisted, September 1, 1864
honorably disch'd, June 11, 1865
Died, March 29, 1917.
Declaration filed, May 1, 1917.
Soldier's application filed March 6, 1886.
Age 70 years on Sept 20, ~~1897~~ 1917,

Clt's app'n under other laws, None, 1____
Former marriage of neither, 1____
Death / Divorce } of former ____, 1____
Clt's marriage to soldier, November 29, 1866
Cl't ~~not~~ remarried, ____ 1____
Cl't ~~not~~ divorced, ____, 1____

7-3-18
Claimant ____ writes ____ No, M. C.

6—2240

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BOARD OF REVIEW.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS

Washington, D. C., Feby 15, 1918

No. Claim,

Cert. No. 832204

Claimant, Helen A. widow of

Soldier, Joseph L. Kopp

Co., *Reg't* U. S. Navy

Respectfully, returned to the Chief of Army and Navy Division. The testimony of a sister of the claimant as to the date of the latter's birth, based on her recollection of a record seen at some time not stated is not satisfactory. The necessary data should be obtained and a call made on the Census Bureau.

A. E. Rovell,
Revr.

Chief, Board of Review.

6—720

Army and Navy Division
JAN 26 1918
RECEIVED

Bakersfield, Cal., Jan. 17, 1918.

Commissioner of Pensions,
Bureau of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.

Re: W. C. 832204,
Helen A., widow of
Joseph L. Kopp,
U. S. Navy.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of November 2nd, 1917, I was unable to furnish a certified copy of the public record of my birth, or of the Church record of my baptism, for the reason that I am informed that at Saegertown, Pennsylvania, they were destroyed by some fire, or otherwise.

The family Bible was with several members of the family, and I have been unable to locate it.

I enclose herewith, however, an affidavit of my sister, who has seen the record, and knows my age.

I formerly sent to you the original marriage certificate, showing my marriage to Joseph L. Kopp. If you have finished with the said original certificate, I would like to have the same, as I prize it very much.

Yours respectfully,

(Mrs) Helen A. Kopp.

1 Encs.

PENSION OFFICE U. S. JAN 23 1918

Army and Navy Division
JAN 31 1918
RECEIVED

Bakersfield, Cal., May 13, 1918.

Department of the Interior,
Bureau of Pensions,
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

In re Wid. Ctf. 832,204, Helen A.,
widow of Joseph L. Kopp, U.S. Navy.

In reply to your letter of March 11th, with reference to certain information regarding the above mentioned claim, I will say that I was a resident of Saegertown, sometimes spelled Saegerstown, Woodcock Township, Crawford County, Pennsylvania, and lived on Main Street; at that time the Street had no numbers.

My father's name was Charles Dillon McGill, and my mother's maiden name was Angeline C. Martin.

The following brothers and sisters were living at home during the years mentioned by you, to-wit, 1850 and 1860;-

Mary Anna McGill
Armand Martin McGill
John Eudolphus McGill
Emily Ellen McGill
Andrew Ryan McGill
Sarah Augusta McGill
Frances Catherine McGill.

I wish to state that my mother died when I was less than a year old, and this would bring her death before the year of 1850. My father married again when I was about eight years old. This would bring his marriage to my step-mother in about 1856.

Trusting that this covers all that you desire in your letter of March 11th, and assuring you I shall be only too willing to give you any other information, if necessary, I am,

Yours very truly,

Helen A. Kopp.
2221 F St.
Bakersfield Cal.

P.S. Some time ago, within the last year, during the various correspondence that has been going on in regard to my claim, I sent you my marriage certificate, and I would like to have you return this, as it probably has no bearing on the case, as stated in your letters. Your prompt attention shall oblige,

Helen A. Kopp.

AFFIDAVIT AS TO THE AGE OF HELEN A. KOPP,

ALSO KNOWN AS ANGELINE HELEN KOPP.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA,)
: SS.
COUNTY OF Crawford.)

EMILY E. AFFANTRANGER, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

That she resides in Meadville, Pennsylvania; that she was born at Saegertown, Pennsylvania, on March 14th, 1838; that her maiden name was Emily E. McGill;

That her sister, Angeline Helen McGill, also known as Helen A. McGill, was born on September 20th, 1847, at Saegertown Pennsylvania; that her said sister married Joseph L. Kopp, and that her sister was known to write her name as Helen A. Kopp;

That this affiant's father and mother told this affiant how old each child was in the family, and that the father and mother kept a record of the date of birth of each of the children, and that this affiant has seen the original of such record, but that owing to the family scattering over the United States, that someone of the family has the original in their possession, or they may have lost the same, but this affiant states that the fact is according to her memory that Helen A. Kopp, her sister, was born on September 20th, 1847.

Emily E. Affantranger

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 5th day of December, 1917.

A. L. Boynton ALDERMAN
Notary Public in and for the County
of 1st Ward, Meadville, Pa.
State of Pennsylvania.

My commission expires Jan. 5, 1920

Army and Navy Division
JAN 26 1918

PENSION OFFICE U. S. JAN 23 1918

AFFIDAVIT OF

EMILY E. AFFANTRANGER

AS TO THE AGE OF HELEN A. KOPP,
ALSO KNOWN AS ANGELINE HELEN KOPP.

LWZ

OFFICE OF
THE DIRECTOR

"Thrive by Thrift, Buy War Savings Stamps."

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

WASHINGTON

June 4, 1918.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of May 27, 1918, "MR Section B. Act. Sept. 8, 1916. Wid. Cert. 832,274, Helen A. Kopp, widow of Joseph L. Kopp, U. S. Navy," I give below data secured from the Census records of 1850:

Woodcock Township, Crawford County, Pa., enumerated August 29, 1850.

Name.		Age.
Charles McGill		48
Mary	"	19
Armand M.	"	17
John U.	"	14
Emily	"	12
Andrew	"	10
Augusta	"	8
Frances	"	5
Angeline	"	2

1849

You are advised that the pensioner's age as returned at the Census of 1850, agrees with her statement, therefore, a search of the schedules as returned at the Census of 1860, has not been made.

Very respectfully,

Sam. L. Rogers.

Director.

Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.

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3—17.

No. 1100158 (navy)

ACT OF APRIL 19, 1908.
AMENDED BY ACT OF SEPTEMBER 8, 1916.

WIDOW'S PENSION.

Claimant, Helen A. Kopp

P. O., 2221 - F. Street Bakersfield

County, ~~Bakersfield~~; State, California

Soldier, Joseph L. Kopp.

Rank, Landsman; Co. U.S.S.

Regiment, ~~Michigan~~ St. Lawrence and Quaker City, U.S. Navy

Rate, $12 per month, commencing May 1, 1917, and $25 commencing October 6, 1917 and $2 additional for each child, as stated below.

All pension to terminate ____, 1____, date of ____
Payments on all former certificates covering any portion of same time to be deducted.

____ { Born, ____, ____ / Sixteen, ____, ____ } Commencing ____, ____

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____ { Born, ____, ____ / Sixteen, ____, ____ } Commencing ____, ____

RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY.

Name, None

P. O., ____

Fee, $None; Bureau to pay.

APPROVALS.

Submitted for Sept. 6, 1917; D W Peters, Examiner.

Approved for admission under Act April 19, 1908, as amended by Act September 8, 1916.

September 28 1917 H H Anderson, Reviewer. | Oct. 4, 1917 R. O. Rush, Rereviewer.

The soldier was — pensioned at $19.— per month under act May 11, 1912

Enlisted June 29, 1863
honorably disch'd, August 13, 1863
Reenlisted, September 1", 1864
honorably disch'd, June 11, 1865
Died, March 29, 1917
Declaration filed, May 1", 1917
Soldier's application filed July 17, 1917

Clt's app'n under other laws, None, 1____
Former marriage of Neither, 1____
Death / Divorce } of former —, 1____
Clt's marriage to soldier, November 29, 1866
Clt's not remarried, ____ 1____
Clt's not divorced, ____, 1____

Claimant — writes None, M. C.

Age 69

6—2240

3—871

RECORD DIVISION

Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF PENSIONS

Briefed by [illegible]

Claim No. 564845 Army

Certificate No. 12783 Navy

Claimant

Soldier Joseph L. Kapp,

Service Landsman, - "Princeton", "St Lawrence" "Quaker City", "Michigan" (1864-65) & NL.

Additional Service Co. D, 56 Pa. Vol. Inf. (1863).

No other claim, Pa *State records* 6/4, 1913

No claim, combination records....., 191

Also searched — Kapp

REMARKS:

No other Navy Inv. (than) as above.

Navy Record OK.

June 2, 1913.

Army Rec. O.K.

L. C. Kin[illegible]

6—1944

Chief Division.

3-915.

DECLARATION FOR WIDOW'S PENSION.

Act of April 19, 1908,

Amended by Act of September 8, 1916.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF Kern, ss:

On this 26th day of April, 1917, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the County and State aforesaid, HELEN A. KOPP, who, being duly sworn by me according to law, declares that she is 69 years of age and that she was born September 20, 1847, at SAEGERTOWN, Pa.

That she is the widow of Joseph L. Kopp, who enlisted June 29th, 1863, at Saegertown or Meadville, Pa., under the name of Joseph L. Kopp, as a Private (Rank.), in Captain McGills Company D, Fifty Sixth Regiment of Pennsylvania Vol. Malitia. (Here state company and regiment, if in the Army; or vessels, if in the Navy.) and was honorably discharged August 13th, 1863, having served ninety days or more during the CIVIL WAR.

That he also served as Landsman on the R. S. Princeton and Quaker City, from Sept. 1, 1864 to June 12, 1865. (Here give a complete statement of all other military, naval, or coast guard service, if any, at whatever time rendered.)

That otherwise than as herein stated said soldier (or sailor) was not employed in the United States service.

That she was married to said soldier (or sailor) November 29, 1866, under the name of Helen McGill, at Saegertown, Pa., by Rev. G. M. Eberman; that she had not been previously married; that he had not been previously married (Here state all prior marriages of either, and give the names and dates and places of death or divorce of all former consorts.)

and that neither she nor said soldier (or sailor) was ever married otherwise than as stated above.

(If any *former* husband rendered military or naval service, here describe same and give number of any pension claim based thereon.)

That said soldier (or sailor) died March 29, 1917, at Bakersfield, California; that she was not divorced from him; and that she has not remarried since his death.

That the following are the ONLY children of the soldier (or sailor) who are NOW living and under sixteen years of age, namely:

(If he left no children under sixteen years of age, the claimant should so state.) No children under 16 years.

_____, born _____, 1_____, at _____

_____, born _____, 1_____, at _____

_____, born _____, 1_____, at _____

_____, born _____, 1_____, at _____

_____, born _____, 1_____, at _____

That the above-named child_____ of the soldier (or sailor) {is / are} _____ now receiving a pension, and that such child_____ {is a / are} member___ of her family and_____ cared for by her.

That she has not heretofore applied for pension, the number of her former claim being _____; that said soldier (or sailor) was _____ a pensioner, the number of his pension certificate being 12,783.

That she makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States under the provisions of the ACT OF APRIL 19, 1908, as amended by the ACT OF SEPTEMBER 8, 1916.

Identify- (1) F. M^c E. Smith (Signature of first witness.)

Helen A Kopp (Claimant's signature in full.)

PENSION MAY 1917 U. S. OFFICE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
County of Kern. } ss.

I, F. E. SMITH, County Clerk of the County of Kern and Clerk of the Superior Court of said County, the same being a Court of Record, having by law a seal, do hereby certify that J. W. McGrath before whom the foregoing declaration was taken and who subscribed his name to the certificate of the proof or acknowledgment of the annexed instrument was, at the time of taking such proof, acknowledgment or affidavit, a Notary Public in and for the said County and residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn and authorized by the laws of said State to take and certify affidavits and the acknowledgment or proof of deeds or other written instruments to be recorded in said State; and further, that I am well acquainted with the handwriting of such Notary Public and verily believe the signature to be the said certificate of proof, acknowledgment or affidavit, is his genuine signature. I further certify that the instrument is executed and acknowledged according to the laws of the State of California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at my office in Bakersfield, Cal., this 26th day of April, 1917.

F. E. SMITH, Clerk.

By Ina M Williams Deputy.

PENSION MAY 1917 U. S. OFFICE

DO NOT DETACH THIS CORD FOR GENERAL REFERENCE

3—915.

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That she makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States under the provisions of the ACT OF APRIL 19, 1908, as amended by the ACT OF SEPTEMBER 8, 1916.

(Identifying witnesses.)

(1) F. McL. Smith (Signature of first witness.)

2221 F. Street, Bakersfield, Cal. (Address of first witness.)

(2) Chas A Barnhart (Signature of second witness.)

1020 Truxton Ave., Bakersfield, Cal. (Address of second witness.)

Helen A Kopp, (Claimant's signature in full.)

2221 F. Street, Bakersfield, Cal. (Claimant's address in full.)

SUBSCRIBED and sworn to before me this 26th day of April, 1917, and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration were fully made known and explained to the applicant before swearing, including the words _____ erased, and the words _____, added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

[L. S.]

F. McL. Smith (Signature.)

Notary Public in and for the County of Kern, State of California. (Official character.)

6—5211

My Commission expires February 15th, 1919.

RECEIVED MAY 1 1917 U. S. PENSION OFFICE

Army No. 56 4 945 Bad
Pen

3—015.

Act of April 19, 1908,
Amended by Act of September 8, 1916.

DECLARATION FOR WIDOW'S PENSION.

Claim No. [redacted] OK

Number 1127763

Claimant [redacted]

Soldier Joseph [redacted]

Service Co. [redacted] Quarter City

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INSTRUCTIONS.

This form is to be used ONLY by or in behalf of a widow who desires to claim pension under the Act of April 19, 1908, as amended by the Act of September 8, 1916, above named, on account of the service of an officer or enlisted man who served ninety days or more in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps during the Civil War.

Declaration and testimony in support of same to be executed before some officer authorized to administer oaths for general purposes. If such officer is not required by law to have and use a seal, his official character, signature, and term of office must be certified by the proper State, county, or city officer under his official seal, unless a certificate has been filed in the Bureau of Pensions for general reference.

RECEIVED MAY 8 1917 DIVISION

AN ACT

To increase the pension of widows, minor children, and so forth, of deceased soldiers and sailors of the late civil war, the war with Mexico, the various Indian wars, and so forth, and to grant a pension to certain widows of the deceased soldiers and sailors of the late civil war.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

* * * * * * *

SEC. 2. That if any officer or enlisted man who served ninety days or more in the Army or Navy of the United States during the late civil war, and who has been honorably discharged therefrom, has died, or shall hereafter die, leaving a widow, such widow shall, upon due proof of her husband's death, without proving his death to be the result of his army or navy service, be placed on the pension roll from the date of the filing of her application therefor under this Act at the rate of twelve dollars per month during her widowhood, provided that said widow shall have married said soldier or sailor prior to June twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and ninety; and the benefits of this section shall include those widows whose husbands, if living, would have a pensionable status under the Joint Resolution of February fifteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-five; July first, nineteen hundred and two, and June twenty-eighth, nineteen hundred and six.

SEC. 3. That no claim agent or attorney shall be recognized in the adjudication of claims under the first section of this Act, and that no agent, attorney, or other person engaged in preparing, presenting, or prosecuting any claim under the provisions of the second section of this Act shall, directly or indirectly, contract for, demand, receive, or retain for such services in preparing, presenting, or prosecuting such claim a sum greater than ten dollars, which sum shall be payable only upon the order of the Commissioner of Pensions by the pension agent making payment of the pension allowed; and any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this section, or who shall wrongfully withhold from the pensioner or claimant the whole or any part of a pension or claim allowed or due such pensioner or claimant under this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall, for each and every such offense, be fined not exceeding five hundred dollars or be imprisoned at hard labor not exceeding two years, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Approved April 19, 1908.

Section 3 of the act of Congress, approved by the President September 8, 1916, reads as follows:

SEC. 3. That any widow, as described in section two of the Act approved April nineteenth, nineteen hundred and eight, who married the soldier or sailor prior to June twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and five, shall have title to pension under the provisions of said section of said Act, to commence from the date of filing her application in the Bureau of Pensions after the passage of this Act: *Provided, however,* That where a pension has been granted to a soldier's or sailor's helpless or idiotic child or children, or child or children under the age of sixteen years, his widow shall not be entitled to pension under this section, unless the pension to such child or children has terminated, or unless such child or children be a member or members of her family and cared for by her, and upon allowance of pension to the widow, payment of pension to such child or children shall cease.

6—5211

Declaration accepted as a claim under act April 19, 1908, amended by act Sept. 8, 1916.

Chief Law Division.

Per [redacted]

2221 F. Street,
Bakersfield, California,
June 22, 1917.

Hon. Commissioner of Pensions,
Bureau of Pensions,
Department of the Interior,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Replying to your favor of the 1st inst., entitled "A & N Division Wid. Orig 1100158, Helen A., widow of Joseph L. Kopp, U.S. Navy".

I enclose herewith a certified copy of the public record of the death of my husband, Joseph L. Kopp, by the Deputy Registrar of Bakersfield of the Board of Health of the State of California, as the same appears of record in the office of the Board of Health, showing the facts in relation to his death, and also a statement of the attending physician.

I have not a verified copy of the public or church record of my marriage to Joseph L. Kopp, but I have the original Marriage Certificate issued to Joseph L. Kopp and myself at the time of our marriage on November 29, 1866, which I herewith enclose, and the same is the original one made. The Pastor of the M.E. Church at Saegertown, Pa. was G. M. Eberman, and his whereabouts is unknown to your Petitioner.

I also enclose the sworn statement of Frank McMillan Smith, my son-in-law, and of his wife, my daughter, in effect that Joseph L. Kopp and myself lived together continuously as husband and wife, and lived together as such to the date of his death.

In response to the statement that my name is Helen A. Kopp, and that my husband gave my full name as Angeline H. Kopp - my full name was Angeline Helen McGill. On account of being called Helen, and not wishing to write my name "A. Helen Kopp", I wrote my name "Helen A. Kopp", and have used this form for years, although I was originally named in the other order, to-wit: Angeline Helen.

I desire, however, that my certificate be issued in the name of "Helen A. Kopp", on account of the fact that I prefer this name and this order.

Possibly the Pastor of the M. E. Church at Saegertown, Pa. has a record of our marriage.

Would it be possible, after your examination of the marriage certificate enclosed, that the same be returned to me, as I prize it, and as I have kept it for these long years. You will note that there is an Internal Revenue Stamp cancelled on this Certificate.

Trusting to hear from you at an early date, I remain,

Yours very respectfully,

Helen A Kopp.

4 Encs.

No 125

California State Board of Health

Bureau of Vital Statistics

STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

State Index No. .....

Local Registered No 109

[If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number, and fill out Nos. 18a and 18b.]

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County of KERN

Town of B or

City of Bakersfield. (No....., ... St. ..... Ward)

2 FULL NAME Joseph L. Kopp

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX: Male

4 COLOR OR RACE: White

5 SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED (Write the word): married

5a HUSBAND OF

5b WIFE OF

6 DATE OF BIRTH: 3 (Month) – 13 (Day) – 1845 (Year)

7 AGE: 71 yrs., ... mos., 16 ds. IF LESS than 1 day, ... hrs. or .... min?

8 OCCUPATION
(a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work: Retired
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer): .....

9 BIRTHPLACE (State or County): Germany

PARENTS

10 NAME OF FATHER: Joseph Kopp

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or County): Germany

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER: unknown

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or County): Germany

18a LENGTH OF RESIDENCE
At Place of Death ....11..... years, ... months. (Primary registration district.)
In California .....11..... years, ... months.

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
(Informant) F. Mc Smith
(Address) 2217 St. Bakersfield

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Filed....., 191...., ... Subregistrar.
Filed 3/31, 1917, R G Ballagh Registrar or Deputy.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH: Mar (Month) 29 (Day), 1917 (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Mar 23, 1917, to Mar 29, 1917, that I last saw h..... alive on Mar 28, 1917, and that death occurred, on the date stated above at .... m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH * was as follows: .. ..

Cerebral Hemorrhage

arteris sclerosis

(Duration) ....yrs. ....mos. ....ds.

Contributory Senumal Pneumonia

(Duration) ....yrs. ....mos. ....ds.

State whether attributed to dangerous or insanitary conditions of employment .....

(Signed) J. M. Mc Namara M. D.

3/31, 1917. (Address) Bakersfield.

*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths from Violent Causes, state (1) Means of Injury; and (2) whether (probably) Accidental, Suicidal, or Homicidal.

18b SPECIAL INFORMATION only for Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or Recent Residents.

Where was the disease contracted, If not at place of death?.....

Former or usual residence .....

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL: Union Cemetery — Date of Burial: 3/31 1917

20 UNDERTAKER: Dixon & Flickinger — ADDRESS: Bakersfield

STATE OF CALIFORNIA. Board of Health, Bakersfield District.
Bureau of Vital Statistics

This is to certify that this is a full, true and correct copy of the Death Certificate of Joseph L. Kopp on file in this office as a permanent record and of which I am the legal custodian.

In testimony whereof, witness my hand and seal, at Bakersfield, California, this 11th day of June A. D., 1917.

J. E. Graffius
Auditor

J. E. Graffius
Deputy Registrar of Bakersfield

U. S. REVENUE JUN 28 1917 OFFICE

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ACT OF JUNE 27, 1890.

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Certificate No. 12783

Name, Kopp - Joseph L.

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C., January 15, 1898.

SIR:

In forwarding to the pension agent the executed voucher for your next quarterly payment please favor me by returning this circular to him with replies to the questions enumerated below.

Very respectfully,

H. Clay Evans

Commissioner.

First. Are you married? If so, please state your wife's full name and her maiden name.

Answer. Angeline Helen; Maiden name McGill

Second. When, where, and by whom were you married?

Answer. Nov 29th 1866, at Saegerstown Pa. by Rev G. M. Eberman

Third. What record of marriage exists?

Answer. Clergyman's Certificate only

Fourth. Were you previously married? If so, please state the name of your former wife and the date and place of her death or divorce.

Answer. Was not previously married

Fifth. Have you any children living? If so, please state their names and the dates of their birth.

Answer. Mary McGill Kopp; born Dec 27. 1868

Margaret Angeline Kopp; born Aug 12th 1872

Joseph L. Kopp

(Signature.)

Date of reply, Feb 16th, 1898

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF PENSIONS

WASHINGTON, D. C., *January 2, 1915.*

SIR: Please answer, at your earliest convenience, the questions enumerated below. The information is requested for future use, and it may be of great value to your widow or children. Use the inclosed envelope, which requires no stamp.

Very respectfully,

G. M. Saltzgaber

Commissioner.

JOSEPH L KOPP
BAKERSFIELD CAL
12783 ACT MAY NAVY
2221 F ST

PENSION APR 16 1915 U. S. OFFICE.

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No. 1. Date and place of birth? *Answer.* Born March 13th 1845 — Germany.

The name of organizations in which you served? *Answer.* U. S. Navy.

No. 2. What was your post office at enlistment? *Answer.* Saegertown, Crawford Co., Pennsylvania.

No. 3. State your wife's full name and her maiden name. *Answer.* Angeline Hellen Kopp — nee Angeline Hellen McGill.

No. 4. When, where, and by whom were you married? *Answer.* November 29th 1866 — at Saegertown, Crawford County, Pennsylvania, by Rev. Geo. M. Eberman, pastor of M. E. Church.

No. 5. Is there any official or church record of your marriage? Yes.

If so, where? *Answer.* In Methodist Episcopal Church record, Saegertown, Penna.

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No. 6. Were you previously married? If so, state the name of your former wife, the date of the marriage, and the date and place of her death or divorce. If there was more than one previous marriage, let your answer include all former wives. *Answer.* No.

No. 7. If your present wife was married before her marriage to you, state the name of her former husband, the date of such marriage, and the date and place of his death or divorce, and state whether he ever rendered any miltary or naval service, and, if so, give name of the organization in which he served. If she was married more than once before her marriage to you, let your answer include all former husbands. *Answer.* Not previously married.

No. 8. Are you now living with your wife, or has there been a separation? *Answer.* Am living with my wife.

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No. 9. State the names and dates of birth of all your children, living or dead. *Answer.*

Henry McGill Kopp — born Dec. 27th — 1868

Margaret Angeline Kopp — born Aug. 12th 1872.

Date April 10th 1915.

(Signature) Joseph L. Kopp

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WE, the undersigned, were present and witnessed the marriage of JOSEPH L. KOPP and ANGELINE HELEN McGILL at the Methodist Episcopal Church at Saegertown, Crawford County, Pennsylvania, November twenty-ninth, Eighteen Hundred Sixty-six (Nov. 29th, 1866).

Name C W Yost Address Saegertown Pa Age 67

Mrs Tamzin Sherman Saegertown Pa. 64

Mrs Elizabeth Bell. Meadville Pa 68

Sworn and subscribed to by C. W. Yost Mrs. Tamzin Sherman and Mrs. Elizabeth Bell before me a Notary Public in and for Crawford County and State of Pennsylvania Witness my hand and Notarial seal this 12th day of July A.D. 1917.

Lewis H. Landerbaugh
Notary Public.

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JANUARY 21, 1919.

Marriage Lic.

To be returned

AFFIDAVIT OF MARGARET ANGELINE SMITH.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,)
: SS.
COUNTY OF KERN.)

MARGARET ANGELINE SMITH, being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says:

That I am the daughter of Joseph L. Kopp and Angeline H. Kopp, also known as Helen A. Kopp; that I am forty-four years of age; that my husband's name is Frank McMillan Smith, and that I reside at 2221 F. Street, in the City of Bakersfield, County of Kern, State of California;

That my father, Joseph L. Kopp and my mother, Angeline Helen Kopp, also known as Helen A. Kopp, were never divorced, and that they lived together as husband and wife from the date of their marriage until the date of the death of my father; That my means of knowledge, is that I lived with my parents until I was married, and since married have seen them most every day, or within short intervals of time, and also from the fact that both my father and my mother visited at my house.

Margaret Angeline Smith.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 22nd day of June, 1917.

J. R. McGrath

Notary Public in and for the County
of Kern, State of California.

PENSION OFFICE U. S. JUN 28 1917

AFFIDAVIT OF FRANK McMILLAN SMITH.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,)
: SS.
COUNTY OF KERN.)

FRANK McMILLAN SMITH, being first duly sworn, according to law, deposes and says:

That he resides at 2221 F. Street, in the City of Bakersfield, County of Kern, State of California, and that the same is his Post Office Address; that he will be forty-four years of age on June 25th, 1917;

That he is the son-in-law of Helen A. Kopp and Joseph L. Kopp, and that he married Margaret Angeline Kopp, who is now affiant's wife, and that he has been married for eighteen years;

That during all of said time, to-wit: from the date of his marriage until the death of Joseph L. Kopp he was personally and intimately acquainted with the said Joseph L. Kopp and Helen A. Kopp, also known as Angeline Helen Kopp, and the said parties lived together as husband and wife, and that they were never divorced, and lived continuously together as husband and wife, and were husband and wife at the date of the death of the said Joseph L. Kopp.

That this affiant was intimately acquainted with Joseph L. Kopp and Helen A. Kopp, by reason of the facts heretofore stated, and saw them nearly every day during the period hereinabove mentioned.

Frank McMillan Smith

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 22nd day of June, 1917.

Notary Public in and for the County
of Kern, State of California.

U. S. PENSION OFFICE JUN 28 1917

ATTACH
TO BRIEF FA[illegible]

It being shown by War Dep't report dated Oct. 27, '90 that the Organization (Pa. Emergency Militia of 1863) to which the soldier belonged was not mustered in the service of the United States the claim is submitted for consideration with a view to rejection

W.N. Reynolds
Chief Middle Division.

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Cert. 12783

Act May 11, 1912

ACCRUED PENSION

Class Invalid (Navy)

Pensioner Joseph L. Kopp

Date of death March 29, 1917 Certificate not filed.

Claimant Helen A. Kopp (widow)
2221 F. Street
~~Bakersville~~ Bakersfield,
California

Attorney none

Address

The fee of $ none allowed on issue of
to
of to be paid when
payment is made on accrued.

Submitted Ad. Sept. 6, 1917, D. W. Ruiz, Examiner.

Approved for admission.

Pay Widow as above.

F. E. Anderson, Reviewer, September 28, 1917.
R. O. Reed, Rereviewer, Oct. 4, 1917

M. C. None Claimant — writes.

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PENSIONER DROPPED

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF PENSIONS

APR 17 1917, 191

Certificate No. 12783

Class ACT OF MAY 11, 1912

Pensioner Joseph L. Kopp

Soldier

Service Navy

The Commissioner of Pensions.

Sir:

I have the honor to report that the name of the above-described pensioner who was last paid at $ 19, to Feb 4, 1917 has this day been dropped from the roll because of death Mch 29-1917

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VVVI F. Ad. Cap

Very respectfully,

Chief, Finance Division.

NOTE.—Every name dropped to be thus reported at once, and when cause of dropping is death, state date of death when known. 6—2249

PLATE DESTROYED

Canceled MAY 4 1917

Dated

Check No. 4319028

4319028

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Reissue

ACT OF MAY 11, 1912.

Cert. No. 12783

AS AMENDED ~~BY ACT OF~~ MARCH 4, 1913.

Claimant, Joseph L. Koff,

P. O. ~~Bakersfield, R. D. #5,~~ 2221 F. Street

County, Kern,

State, California

Rank, Landsman,

Service, U. S. Navy.

Rate, $ 15.50 per month, commencing July 17, 1912

$19 commencing March 13, 1915

$22.50 commencing March 13, 1920

ATTORNEY OR STATE REPRESENTATIVE.

(Order April 25, 1907.)

Name, None

P. O.,

Fee, $; Agent to pay.

Articles filed , 19

APPROVAL.

Submitted for Adm., June 7, 1913, Ruth E. Estey, Examiner.

Approved for Admission Rate $15.50 per month; age 67 years.

Reissue from Act February 6, 1907

Date of Birth March 13, 1845

Length of pensionable service: — years, 10 months, 26 days.

Deductions in service from any cause: — years, — months, — days,

on account of

June 17, 1913, J. M. D. Stewart, Legal Reviewer. June 21, 1913, M. Thorne, Re-Reviewer.

Enlisted June 29, 1863; honorably discharged August 19, 1863.

Enlisted September 1, 1864; honorably discharged June 11, 1865.

Enlisted , 18 ; honorably discharged , 18

Length of pensionable service: 0 years, 10 months, 26 days.

Pensioned at $ 12 per month, under Act of February 6, 1907.

PRESENT CLAIM, ACT OF MAY 11, 1912.

Declaration filed July 17, 1912.

Age shown by evidence 67 years; date of birth ~~alleged~~ accepted March 13, 1845.

Claimant does ✓ write.

No , M. C.

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ARMY AND NAVY DIV.

ACT OF MAY 11, 1912.

DECLARATION FOR PENSION.

THE PENSION CERTIFICATE SHOULD NOT BE FORWARDED WITH THE APPLICATION.

IF A PENSIONER, DO NOT FAIL TO GIVE CERTIFICATE NUMBER.

State of California
County of Kern } ss.

On this 11th day of July, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and twelve, personally appeared before me, A. L. Miller. County Clerk of Kern County Calif. within and for the county and State aforesaid, Joseph L. Kopp, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is 67 years of age, and a resident of Bakersfield county of Kern, State of California; and that he is the identical person WHO WAS ENROLLED at Buffalo under the name of Joseph L. Kopp, on the first day of September, 1864, as a Landsman, in Quaker City U.S. Gunboat and R.S. Princeton
(Here state rank, and company and regiment in the Army; or vessels, if in the Navy.)
in the Navy.

in the service of the United States, in the civil war, and was HONORABLY DISCHARGED
(State name of war, Civil or Mexican.)
at Philadelphia, on the 12th day of June, 1865.

That he also served as Private in Company D. Fifty sixth regiment
(Here give a complete statement of all other services, if any.)
Pennsylvania Vol. militia, was enrolled June 29th 1863 discharged August 13th 1863.

That he was not employed in the military or naval service of the United States otherwise than as stated above. That his personal description at enlistment was as follows: Height, 5 feet 5 inches; complexion, florid fair; color of eyes, grey; color of hair, Brown; that his occupation was ~~Sawgerstown, Pa.~~; that he was born in Germany Mar 13th 1845

That his several places of residence since leaving the service have been as follows: Sawgerstown Pa. — Bakersfield Calif. Santa Maria Calif. — Bakersfield Calif.
(State date of each change as nearly as possible.)

That he is a pensioner under certificate No. 12783

That he has not applied for pension under original No. 12783

That he makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States under the provisions of the act of May 11, 1912.

That his post-office address is Bakersfield R.D.5 county of Kern, State of California.

Attest: (1) Margaret Angeline Smith
(2) Edna H. Smith

Joseph L. Kopp
(Claimant's signature in full.)

Validity accepted as to execution
S. A. Lindsey,
Chief, Law Division.
DC

SUBSCRIBED and sworn to before me this 11th day of July, A. D., 1912, and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, etc., were fully made known and explained to the applicant before swearing, including the words ----------, erased, and the words ----------, added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

[L. S.]

A. L. Miller
(Signature.)
County Clerk of Kern County, California
(Official character.)
By Bedell Smith Deputy County Clerk

RECEIVED JUL 17 1912 U. S. PENSION OFFICE.

CLAIM FOR PENSION

ACT OF MAY 11, 1912.

Certificate No. 12783

Name, Joseph L Kopp

Service,

INSTRUCTIONS.

This form may be used for original pension or increase of pension.

Declaration and testimony in support of same to be executed before some officer of a court of record having custody of its seal, a notary public, justice of the peace, or other officer authorized to administer oaths for general purposes. If such officer is not required by law to have and use a seal, his official character, signature, and term of office must be certified by the proper State, county, or city officer under his official seal, unless such certificate has been filed in the Bureau of Pensions for general reference.

Published by The National Tribune, Washington, D. C.

AN ACT

GRANTING PENSIONS TO CERTAIN ENLISTED MEN, SOLDIERS, AND OFFICERS WHO SERVED IN THE CIVIL WAR AND THE WAR WITH MEXICO.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled:

That any person who served ninety days or more in the military or naval service of the United States during the late Civil War, who has been honorably discharged therefrom, and who has reached the age of sixty-two years or over, shall, upon making proof of such facts, according to such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may provide, be placed upon the pension roll and be entitled to receive a pension as follows: In case such person has reached the age of sixty-two years and served ninety days, thirteen dollars per month; six months, thirteen dollars and fifty cents per month; one year, fourteen dollars per month; one and a half years, fourteen dollars and fifty cents per month; two years, fifteen dollars per month; two and a half years, fifteen dollars and fifty cents per month; three years or over, sixteen dollars per month. In case such person has reached the age of sixty-six years and served ninety days, fifteen dollars per month; six months, fifteen dollars and fifty cents per month; one year, sixteen dollars per month; one and a half years, sixteen dollars and fifty cents per month; two years, seventeen dollars per month; two and a half years, eighteen dollars per month; three years or over, nineteen dollars per month. In case such person has reached the age of seventy years and served ninety days, eighteen dollars per month; six months, nineteen dollars per month; one year, twenty dollars per month; one and a half years, twenty-one dollars and fifty cents per month; two years, twenty-three dollars per month; two and a half years, twenty-four dollars per month; three years or over, twenty-five dollars per month. In case such person has reached the age of seventy-five years and served ninety days, twenty-one dollars per month; six months, twenty-two dollars and fifty cents per month; one year, twenty-four dollars per month; one and a half years, twenty-seven dollars per month; two years or over, thirty dollars per month. That any person who served in the military or naval service of the United States during the Civil War and received an honorable discharge, and who was wounded in battle or in line of duty and is now unfit for manual labor by reason thereof, or who from disease or other causes incurred in line of duty resulting in his disability is now unable to perform manual labor, shall be paid the maximum pension under this act, to wit, thirty dollars per month without regard to length of service or age

That any person who has served sixty days or more in the military or naval service of the United States in the War with Mexico and has been honorably discharged therefrom, shall, upon making like proof of such service, be entitled to receive a pension of thirty dollars per month.

All of the aforesaid pensions shall commence from the date of filing of the applications in the Bureau of Pensions after the passage and approval of this act: Provided, That pensioners who are sixty-two years of age or over, and who are now receiving pensions under existing laws, or whose claims are pending in the Bureau of Pensions, may, by application to the Commissioner of Pensions, in such form as he may prescribe, receive the benefits of this act; and nothing herein contained shall prevent any pensioner or person entitled to a pension from prosecuting his claim and receiving a pension under any other general or special act: Provided, That no person shall receive a pension under any other law at the same time or for the same period that he is receiving a pension under the provisions of this act: Provided further, That no person who is now receiving or shall hereafter receive a greater pension under any other general or special law than he would be entitled to receive under the provisions herein shall be pensionable under this act.

SEC. 2. That rank in the service shall not be considered in applications filed hereunder.

SEC. 3. That no pension attorney, claim agent, or other person shall be entitled to receive any compensation for services rendered in presenting any claim to the Bureau of Pensions, or securing any pension, under this act, except in applications for original pension by persons who have not heretofore received a pension.

SEC. 4. That the benefits of this act shall include any person who served during the late Civil War, or in the War with Mexico, and who is now or may hereafter become entitled to pension under the acts of June twenty-seven, eighteen hundred and ninety; February fifteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and the joint resolutions of July first, nineteen hundred and two, and June twenty-eighth, nineteen hundred and six, or the acts of January twenty-ninth, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven; March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and February seventeenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

SEC. 5. That it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Pensions, as each application for pension under this act is adjudicated, to cause to be kept a record showing the name and length of service of each claimant, the monthly rate of payment granted to or received by him, and the county and State of his residence; and shall at the end of the fiscal year nineteen hundred and fourteen tabulate the record so obtained by States and counties, and shall furnish certified copies thereof upon demand and the payment of such fee therefor as is provided by law for certified copies of records in the executive departments.

APPROVED: May 11, 1912.

Bakersfield, California.
Apr. 28th, 1913.

Mr. J. L. Davenport,
Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

In regard to your request for verified record of my birth the enclosed affidavit is the best proof I can furnish, except to state that I was born in Wurtemburg, Germany, March 13th, 1845 and that a record of my birth was made in a prayer-book and that I have seen this book. It belonged to my mother. When I last saw said prayer book it was about 10 years ago, in my Sisters house Meadville, Pennsylvania.

Joseph L Kapp

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 28th day of April 1913
J. Lightner.
NOTARY PUBLIC
In and for the County of Kern, State of California

PENSION OFFICE. MAY 3 1913 U. S.

P. S. - Since making this application under certificate No. 12783, my address has been changed from Bakersfield, R. D. #5 to No. 2221 F. St. Bakersfield, California.


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SPECIAL NOTICE.—The civil officer before whom this affidavit is executed should be careful to fill in all spaces, both in the caption and jurat.

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Pennsylvania, **County of** Crawford, **ss:**

In the matter of .....

.....

ON THIS 21 day of April, A. D. 1913, personally appeared before me Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths Mary Becker aged 62 years, a resident of Meadville in the County of Crawford, and State of Pennsylvania whose Post-office address is 365 S. Main St., Meadville, Pa. well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to aforesaid case as follows: I am a sister of the soldier, Joseph Leon Kopp. My mother had a record in a book of the date of my birth as well as the date of the birth of my said brother, Joseph Leon Kopp, and of the rest of the children or our family. At the time of my mother's death this book passed into the hands of my sister, Mrs. William Thomeir of this city. My said sister, Mrs. William Thomeir, has been deceased for nearly three years. The children of the said Mrs. William Thomeir have made a search for the said record containing the dates of our births aforesaid, but have failed to find it. I am satisfied however, that my said brother, Joseph Leon Kopp, is now 68 years old as I am 62 years old and I have heard my father and mother say that the said brother aforesaid was six years older than I was. I will be 63 years old on the 19th day of next June. I believe and have always believed that my said brother was six years older than I was because of having heard my parents at different times say he was six years older than myself.

(NOTE.—Affiant should state how he gains a knowledge of the facts to which he testifies.)

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I further declares that I have no interest in said case and am not concerned in its prosecution.

.....

Mary Becker

(Signature of Affiant.)

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(If Affiant signs by mark, two witnesses who can write sign here.)

STATE OF Pennsylvania, COUNTY OF Crawford, ss

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above named affiant, and I certify that I read said affidavit to said affiant, including the words .....

..... crased, and the words .....

..... added, and acquainted her

with its contents before she executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution; and that said affiant is personally known to me and that she is a credible person.

Grace Monteveen
(Official Signature.)

Notary Public

[L. S.]

Notary Public
(Official Character.)

Com. Exp. Jan. 7, 1917

☞To be executed before a Court of Record or some officer thereof having custody of its seal, a Notary Public, or Justice of the Peace, whose official signature shall be verified by his official seal, and in case he has none, his signature and official character shall be certified by a Clerk of a Court of Record, or a City or County Clerk, unless such certificate is already on file in the Pension Office, when such fact should be stated.

Division .....

Pension .....

No. .....

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

CLAIM OF .....

AFFIDAVIT OF .....

FILED BY .....

Printed and for sale by John F. Sheiry, Claim Blank Printer, Washington, D. C.

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Original No. ✓

Certificate No. 12783

ACT OF FEBRUARY 6, 1907.

Reissue

Claimant, Joseph L. Kopp

P. O., Santa Maria

County, Santa Barbara

State, California

Rank, Landsman

~~Company~~, USS Saint Laurence. Quaker City and Princeton US Navy

Regiment,

Rate, $ 12 per month, commencing May 31. 1907

STATE REPRESENTATIVE.

(Order April 25, 1907.)

Name, —

P. O.,

APPROVAL.

Submitted for Ad, Oct 19, 1907, E P Clayton, Examiner.

Approved for Admission

Age over 62.

Rate $12 per month

Pension allowed under act of February 6, 1907. Deduct subsequent and dishonorable rolls under act of June 27, 1890

Oct 22, 1907, E P Clayton, Legal Reviewer. Oct. 23, 1907, F. H. White, Re-Reviewer.

Enlisted June 29th, 1863; honorably discharged August 13th, 1863

Enlisted September 1st, 1864; honorably discharged June 11th, 1865

Enlisted ____, 18__; honorably discharged ____, 18__

Pensioned at $ 10 per month, under Act of June 27 1890

PRESENT CLAIM, ACT OF FEBRUARY 6, 1907.

Declaration filed May 31, 1907.

Date of birth alleged, March 13. 1845

Age shown by evidence 62 years.

Claimant does ✓ write.

Sylvester C. Smith

No, M. C.

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ACT OF FEBRUARY 6, 1907.

DECLARATION FOR PENSION.

THE PENSION CERTIFICATE SHOULD NOT BE FORWARDED WITH THE APPLICATION.

State of California
County of Santa Barbara } ss.

On this 23rd day of May, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and Seven, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the county and State aforesaid, Joseph L. Kopp, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is 62 years of age, and a resident of Santa Maria county of Santa Barbara, State of California; and that he is the identical person who was ENROLLED at Meadville Pa under the name of Joseph L Kopp, on the 29 day of June, 1863, as a Private, in Co D. 56 Regiment Penn. Vols. Militia
(Here state rank, and company and regiment in the Army, or vessels if in the Navy.)

in the service of the United States, in the Civil war, and was HONORABLY DISCHARGED
(State name of war, Civil or Mexican.)
at Pittsburg Pa, on the 13 day of August, 1863
That he also served as Landsman on U S Ss, "St Lawrence" Quaker City and Princeton from Sept 1- 1864 to June 12 1865
(Here give a complete statement of all other services, if any.)

That he was not employed in the military or naval service of the United States otherwise than as stated above. That his personal description at enlistment was as follows: Height, 5 feet 5 inches; complexion, fair; color of eyes, Gray; color of hair, Brown; that his occupation was Shoemaker; that he was born March 13th, 1845, at in Germany

That his several places of residence since leaving the service have been as follows: Saegerstown Pa, Meadville Pa, Cornwallis W. Va Bakerfield Cal and Santa Maria Calif
(State date of each change, as nearly as possible.)

That he is now a pensioner. That he has — heretofore applied for pension and is a pensioner under Ctf 12783 Act June 27-1890
(If a pensioner, the certificate number only need be given. If not, give the number of the former application, if one was made.)

That he makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States under the provisions of the act of February 6, 1907.

That his post-office address is Santa Maria, county of Santa Barbara State of California

Joseph L Kopp
(Claimant's signature in full.)

Attest: (1) Margaret A. Smith

(2) Percie Jenkins

Also personally appeared Margaret A. ~~Kopp~~ Smith, residing in Santa Maria Cal and Percie Jenkins, residing in Santa Maria Cal, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw Joseph L. Kopp, the claimant, sign his name (~~or make his mark~~) to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of the claimant and their acquaintance with him of 30 years and one years, respectively, that he is the identical person he represents himself to be, and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Margaret A. Smith
Percie Jenkins
(Signatures of witnesses.)

SUBSCRIBED and sworn to before me this 23 day of May, A. D. 1907, and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, etc., were fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, including the words Kopp, erased, and the words Smith, added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

[L. S.]

C. U. Smeaton
(Signature.)
Notary Public in and for the County of Santa Barbara State of California.
(Official character.)

PENSION OFFICE U. S. MAY 31 1907

Validity accepted
S. A. Cuddy,
Chief, Law Division.
per JTH 6 31 07

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ACT OF FEBRUARY 6, 1907.

CLAIM FOR PENSION.

Certificate No. 12763.

Name, Joseph L. Koppe.

Service, ...

.....

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INSTRUCTIONS.

This form may be used for original pension or increase of pension.

Declaration and testimony in support of same to be executed before some officer of a court of record having custody of its seal, a notary public, justice of the peace, or other officer authorized to administer oaths for general purposes. If such officer is not required by law to have and use a seal, his official character, signature, and term of office must be certified by the proper State, county, or city officer under his official seal, unless such certificate has been filed in the Bureau of Pensions for general reference.

AN ACT

GRANTING PENSIONS TO CERTAIN ENLISTED MEN, SOLDIERS, AND OFFICERS WHO SERVED IN THE CIVIL WAR AND THE WAR WITH MEXICO.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled:

That any person who served ninety days or more in the military or naval service of the United States during the late civil war, or sixty days in the war with Mexico, and who has been honorably discharged therefrom, and who has reached the age of sixty-two years or over, shall, upon making proof of such facts according to such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may provide, be placed upon the pension roll, and be entitled to receive a pension as follows: In case such person has reached the age of sixty-two years, twelve dollars per month; seventy years, fifteen dollars per month; seventy-five years or over, twenty dollars per month; and such pension shall commence from the date of the filing of the application in the Bureau of Pensions after the passage and approval of this Act: *Provided*, that pensioners who are sixty-two years of age or over, and who are now receiving pensions under existing laws, or whose claims are pending in the Bureau of Pensions, may, by application to the Commissioner of Pensions, in such form as he may prescribe, receive the benefits of this Act; and nothing herein contained shall prevent any pensioner or person entitled to a pension from prosecuting his claim and receiving a pension under any other general or special act: *Provided*, that no person shall receive a pension under any other law at the same time or for the same period that he is receiving a pension under the provisions of this Act: *Provided, further*, that no person who is now receiving or shall hereafter receive a greater pension under any other general or special law than he would be entitled to receive under the provisions herein shall be pensionable under this Act.

Sec. 2. That rank in the service shall not be considered in applications filed hereunder.

Sec. 3. That no pension attorney, claim agent, or other person shall be entitled to receive any compensation for services rendered in presenting any claim to the Bureau of Pensions, or securing any pension, under this Act.

APPROVED: *February 6, 1907.*

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Cert. No. 12,783

ACT JUNE 27, 1890.

Increase INVALID PENSION.

Claimant, Joseph L. Kopp,

P. O. Rural Free Delivery No. One

County Bakersfield,

State California,

Rank Sergeant

Company K, St. Lawrence Drake Post

and Regiment Princeton, U. S. Navy

Rate, $ ---- per month, commencing ----

Claimant notified Sept. 16, 1905

REJECTED.

Pensioned for ---- inability to earn a support by manual labor

RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY.

Name Augustus McGill, Fee, $2

P. O. Jeegerstown, Pennsylvania Agent to pay.

APPROVALS

Submitted for Admission Sept 8 1905. G. W. Peterson, Examiner.

Approved for Disease of throat, stomach and bowels, rheumatism and impaired vision old and disease of heart, lungs, kidneys and urinary organs, catarrh of head and general debility (new allegs May 31. 1905, and impaired hearing (order 1).

Sept. 9, 1905 G. W. Peterson. Legal Reviewer.

, 190 , W. M. Div. Re-Reviewer.

Approved for disease of throat, stomach and bowels, impaired vision and general debility.

Aggregate of disabilities shown, permanent in character: $ 10

No increase.

Medical Examiner.

September 12, 1905 Thos. Houston, Medical Reviewer. Medical Referee.

army, Enlisted June 29, 1864; honorably discharged August 12, 1865

navy, Enlisted Sept. 1, 1864; honorably discharged June 11, 1865

Pensioned at $ 10 per month. ~~Last paid to~~ for disease of throat stomach and bowels, rheumatism and impaired vision,

PRESENT CLAIM, ACT OF JUNE 27, 1890.

Declaration filed May 31, 1905, alleges Increase of disability from pensioned causes, and for heart and lung disease, catarrh of head, disease of kidneys, urinary disturbances and general debility,

Claimant does ---- write.

Certificate not filed. No. M. C.

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O. W. and N. Div.

No. 130.

Act of June 27, 1890.

Declaration for the Increase of an Invalid Pension.

State of California, County of Kern, ss:

On this 18th day of May, A. D. one thousand ~~eight~~ hundred and ~~ninety~~ (1905), personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the County and State aforesaid, Joseph L. Kopp, aged 60 years, a resident of the of Sagertown, County of Crawford, State of Penn., who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is a pensioner of the United States, enrolled at the Philadelphia Pa Pension Agency, at the rate of Ten dollars per month, under Certificate No. 12783, issued under Act of June 27, 1890, by reason of disability from inability to earn a subsistence by manual labor

(Here name the disability or disabilities for which now pensioned, copying statement of same from pension certificate.)

having been in the Naval service of the United States as a Landsman

(Military or Naval.) (Here state rank, company, and regiment, if in the Army; or rating and name of vessel, if in the Navy.)

on U.S. Ship Quaker City

That he believes himself to be entitled to an increase of pension on account of not being rated proportionately to the degree of his disability for manual labor arising from the above-named causes

That his capacity for manual labor

(Here state any other reasons for applying for increase. If on account of increase in the disability for which already pensioned, the fact should be stated, and the manner and extent of the progression of the disability described.)

by any kind has ceased permanently to exist. He can perform no labor

*Application is also hereby made for pension under the provisions of the Act of June 27, 1890, on account of the following-named

NEW OR ADDITIONAL DISABILITIES,

namely: His disabilities are Rheumatism

(Here state name or nature of each and every existing disability, not due to vicious habits, for which pension has not been granted, including, *in cases of wound or injury*, a statement of the time, place, and circumstances of the origin or incurrence of the same.)

Stomach, heart and lung disease Catarh of head disease of kidneys urinary disturbance and general debility and he asks an increase under the provisions of the Act of June 27. 1890 as Amended by Act of May 9th 1900

That said disabilities are not due to vicious habits, and are, to the best of his knowledge and belief, permanent.

He hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation, Augustus McGill, of Sagerstown Pa, his true and lawful attorney, to prosecute his claim, the fee (if pension is granted for or on account of any one or more of the above-named new or additional disabilities) to be ~~Ten Dollars~~, payable as prescribed by law.

That his POST-OFFICE ADDRESS is Bakersfield R.F.D. 1, County of Kern, State of California

Joseph L. Kopp
(Claimant's signature.)

1 _____

2 _____
(Two witnesses who write sign here.)

*If suffering from any disease, wound, or injury not named in the present pension certificate, fill out this portion of the application, otherwise leave it blank.

PENSION E MAY 31 1905 U.S. OFFICE.

FILED

Also personally appeared Egbert M. Polley, residing at Bakersfield, and F. Mc Smith, residing at "", persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, depose and say that they were present and saw Joseph L Kopp the claimant sign his name to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to
(Sign his name or make his mark.)

believe, from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with him, that he is the identical person he represents himself to be; that they have no interest in this claim, and are not concerned in its prosecution.

Egbert M. Polley

F. Mc Smith

(If either affiant signs by mark, two persons who write sign here.)

(Signatures of Affiants.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18th day of May, A. D. 1905,

and I hereby certify that the contents of the foregoing declaration were fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before they made oath to the same, including the words Ten dollars erased, and the words added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in this claim, and am not concerned in its prosecution.

O. B. Gunfirel
(Official Signature.)

[L. S.]

Notary Public
(Official Character.)

Com. expires Feb. 1909.

NOTICE.—This application may be sworn to before a NOTARY PUBLIC, Clerk of Court, or JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. If the officer has no seal, he should state whether he has a certificate of his official character filed for general reference in the Pension Office.

Declaration and
power of attorney valid.
S. A. Cuddy,
Chief, Law Division.
per W. L. B.

June 1905

Act of June 27, 1890.

INVALID.

CLAIM FOR INCREASE.

Joseph L Kopp
Co. Cavalry, Regt.
U S Navy Vols.

Pension Certificate No. 12,783

FILED BY

Augustus Mc Gill
Solicitor

Printed and for sale by John F. Sheiry, Claim Blank Printer, 628 D Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

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(Old No. 145 b.)

Cert. No. 12783.

ACT JUNE 27, 1890.

Increase

INVALID PENSION.

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Claimant, Joseph L. Kopp.

P. O. Segerstown.

County Crawford.

State Pennsylvania.

Rank Landsman.

Company U.S.S. St Lawrence, Quaker City

Regiment and Princeton U.S. Navy.

Rate, $ 10- per month, commencing May 29, 1901.

Pensioned for Partial inability to earn a support by manual labor

RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY.

Name Aug McGill. Fee, $ 2

P. O. Saegerstown Pennsylvania Agent to pay.

APPROVALS.

Submitted for Admis Aug. 16, 1901, A. P. P. Tannery, Examiner.

Approved for disease of throat, Stomach & bowels and rheumatism (old), nic. Nerv., and for disease of heart, lungs & kidneys & impaired vision (new), alleged Jan. 23. 1901

Sept 19, 1901, J. Wagstaff Legal Reviewer.

, 190 , Re-Reviewer.

Approved for disease of throat, stomach and bowels, rheumatism and impaired vision.

Aggregate of disabilities shown, permanent in character: $ 10

from May 29. 1901.

Abel Medical Examiner. Vale Medical Reviewer.

Sept 25, 1901, J. Rank Medical Referee.

Enlisted June. 29, 1863, honorably discharged Augt. 13, 1863.

Enlisted Sept. 1st 1864, honorably discharged June 11, 1865.

Pensioned at $ 8.00 per month. Last paid to

PRESENT CLAIM, ACT OF JUNE 27, 1890.

Declaration filed Jany 23, 1901, alleges That his physical Condition is such that he is wholly unable to perform any manual labor by reason of disease of heart lungs & Kidneys & Rheumatism and heart disease being especially prominent, also partial blindness.

Claimant does write.

Certificate not filed.

, M. C.

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HISTORY OF CLAIM.

Pensioner, Joseph L. Kohp, Certificate No. 12,783.

1st service, Co D 56 Penn Vol Infty, enlisted June 29, 1863, discharged Aug 13, 1863,

2nd service, U. S. Navy, ; enlisted Sept 1st, 1864, discharged June 11, 1865,

Pensioned from Oct 6, 1890 at $6.00 per month for disease of throat, Stomach and bowels under Act June 27 1890 and Increased to $8.00 per month for same and Rheumatism, from March 30, 1898, under Act June 27, 1890

Original declaration, Act of June 27, 1890, filed Oct. 6, 1890.

alleged Rheumatism, Catarrh, disease of Kidneys Lungs and heart.

Declaration filed July 24, 1897 Alleges disease of heart, Stomach, Bowels, Catarrh of head & resulting disease of throat and lungs. Kidney trouble & urinary disturbances. Rheumatism. Lumbago & Nervous debility.

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(3-145 b.) Act of June 27, 1890.

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Increase INVALID PENSION.

Reissue to correct grade. and

Claimant, Joseph L. Kopp. Cf. 12783.

P. O., Daegerstown

County, Crawford

State, Pennsylvania.

Rank, Landsman

U.S.N.

Company, St. Lawrence, Quaker City, Princeton

Regiment, U.S. Navy.

Rate, $ 8 per month, commencing March 30, 1898.

Deduct any payments in lieu of Ct, dated July 25, 1891.

Disabled by Disease of throat, stomach and bowels and rheumatism

RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY:

Name A. McGee

P. O. Daegerstown, Pa.

Fee $ 2, Agent to pay.

Articles filed ....., 189....

APPROVALS:

Submitted for reject Oct. 28, 1898

Approved for ~~disease of throat, stomach, bowels~~ and lumbago and rheumatism ~~alleged July 24, 1897. disease of heart, lumbago, urinary organs, nervous debility, not rated, referred to Med. Referee for rejection. Catarrh included in approval.~~

Reissue to correct grade as above.

Nov. 3, 1898, A Robinson, Legal Reviewer.

E. V. O'Brien, Examiner.

Approved for disease of throat, stomach and bowels, and rheumatism

$8 per mo. from Mar. 30, 1898.

No other disability affecting rate.

Edw. Stone Horstmann

Nov. 11, 1898, Acting, Medical Referee.

Army Enlisted June 29, 1863. Honorably discharged Aug. 13, 1863. Last paid to Dec. 31, 1864, at $ 6, for disease of throat, stomach & bowels.

Navy Enlisted ....., 189.... Honorably discharged ....., 189.... Last paid to ....., at $ ....., for .....

Pension under other laws at $ ....., for .....

ended .....

Original declaration, act June 27, 1890, filed October 6, 1890; alleged rheumatism, catarrh, disease of kidneys, lungs & heart.

PRESENT CLAIM, ACT OF JUNE 27, 1890.

Declaration filed July 24, 1897, alleges disease of heart, stomach, bowels, catarrh, kidneys trouble, rheumatism, lumbago, nervous debility

Claimant resides ~ None

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ACT OF JUNE 27, 1890.

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INVALID PENSION.

Claimant, Joseph L. Kopp

P. O. Saegerstown

County, Crawford

State, Pa

Rank, Landsman

Company, G U S S Princeton

Regiment, G U S N

Rate, $ 6, per month, commencing Oct 6, 1890

Disabled by Dis of throat, Stomach & bowels

RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY.

Name A. McGill

P. O., Saegerstown, Pa

Fee, $ 10 Agent to pay.

Articles filed, None, 189

APPROVALS.

Submitted for Adm June 10, 1891, Bogy, Examiner.

Approved for admission

A. W. Wallace
Legal Reviewer.

June 15, 1891

Approved for disease of throat, stomach and bowels, $6 per month, No other disability shown to exist in a ratable degree

Darling, Surg. U.S.N.
Medical Referee.

July 17th, 1891

Not now pensioned under other laws. Last paid to ....., 18....., at $.....

Pensioned from ....., 18....., at $....., for .....

SERVICE SHOWN BY RECORD.

Enlisted Sep 1, 18 64, honorably discharged June 11, 18 65

Re-enlisted ....., 18....., honorably discharged ....., 18.....

Declaration filed Oct 6, 1890, alleges permanent disability, not due to vicious habits, from rheumatism, catarrh, diseases of kidneys, lungs and heart

Writes

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ACT OF JUNE 27, 1890.

DECLARATION FOR INVALID PENSION.

☞To be Executed before a Court of Record or Some Officer thereof having Custody of its Seal.☜

State of Pennsylvania County of Crawford, ss:

On this 30th day of September A. D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety

, personally appeared before me A. Mook

a Justice of the Peace and Court of Record within and for the county and State aforesaid Joseph L Kopp aged 45 years, a resident of the Borough of Saegertown county of Crawford State of Penna, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical Joseph L Kopp, who was ENROLLED on the First (1) day of October, 1864, in U S Navy, Ship Quaker City

(Here state rank, company and regiment in Military service, or vessel, if in the Navy.)

as a landsman in the war of the rebellion, and served at least ninety days, and was HONORABLY DISCHARGED at U.S.R.S. Princeton, on the 12th day of June, 1865. That he is wholly unable to earn a support by reason of Rheumatism Catarrh Kidney disease Male Leggs And being generally broken down with heart disease

(Here name the disease or injuries from which disabled.)

That said disabilities are not due to his vicious habits, and are to the best of his knowledge and belief permanent. That he has before applied for pension under application No Not Known

That he is a pensioner under Certificate No

(If a pensioner, the Certificate number only need be given. If not, give the number of the former application if one was made.)

bring for disability incurred in the U.S. Navy Pleura & State Militia which has not been allowed

That he makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States under the provisions of the Act of June 27, 1890.

He hereby appoints A. McGill, of Saegertown, State of Penna, his true and lawful attorney to prosecute his claim. That his POST-OFFICE ADDRESS is Saegerstown county of Crawford, State of Pennsylvania.

~~J. L. Kopp~~

(Claimant's Signature.)

Joseph L. Kopp

Attest: P. A. Smith

Crawford Pa

Also, personally appeared P. A. Smith residing at Saegertown Pa
and Loraden Fox residing at
Saegertown Pa persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and
who, being by me duly sworn, say they were present and saw Joseph L Kopp
the claimant sign his name (or make his mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they
have every reason to believe from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with
him for 25 years and 20 years, respectively, that he is
the identical person he represents himself to be; and that they have no interest in the prosecution

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA,
CRAWFORD COUNTY, } SS:

I, W. H. GASKILL, *Clerk of the Courts in and for the State and County above written, Certify, that* A Ward *by whom the annexed and foregoing* affidavits *taken, was, at the date thereof, an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the said County [commission dated the first Monday of May, 1880, for term of Five years], duly qualified, and as such duly authorized by the laws of this Commonwealth to take the same.*

AND FURTHER, That I am acquainted with the handwriting of the said Justice of the Peace, and believe the signature purporting to be his to be genuine, and that the same is executed according to the laws of Pennsylvania.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of the said Court at Meadville, the 2 *day of* Oct *, A. D. 1890*

W H Gaskill, *Clerk.*

Justice of the Peace
(Official character.)

Act of June 27, 1890

490859

SOLDIER'S APPLICATION.

Name Joseph L Kopp

Service Lieutenant U.S. Navy
Ship Quaker City
1864 to 1865

Address Saegertown Pa

PENSION OFFICE U.S. AUG 6 1890

FILED BY
A. M. Gill
Saegertown Pa

Date of execution Sept 30. 1890

Printed and for sale by J. E. Smith, Rooms 55 and 57 Atlantic Building Washington, D. C.

The Act of June 27, 1890, REQUIRES, in case of a soldier:

1. An honorable discharge (but the certificate need not be filed unless called for).
2. A minimum service of ninety days.
3. A permanent physical disability not due to vicious habits. (It need not have originated in the service.)
4. The rates under the act are graded from $6 to $12, proportioned to the degree of inability to earn a support, and are not affected by the rank held.
5. A pensioner under prior laws may apply under this one, or a pensioner under this one may apply under other laws, but he cannot draw more than ONE pension for the same period.

Also, personally appeared P. A. Smith residing at Sargeantown Pa
and Loraden Fox residing at
Sargeantown Pa persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and
who, being by me duly sworn, say they were present and saw Joseph L Kopp
the claimant sign his name (or make his mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they
have every reason to believe from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with
him for 25 years and 20 years, respectively, that he is
the identical person he represents himself to be; and that they have no interest in the prosecution
of his claim.

P. A. Smith
Loraden Fox
(Signatures of witnesses.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30th day of Sept, A. D. 1890,
and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, etc., were
fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before
[L. S.] swearing, including the words J L Kopp erased
and the words Joseph L Kopp added;
and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this
claim.

A. Mook
(Signature.)
Justice of the Peace
(Official character.)

Act of June 27, 1890

490859

SOLDIER'S APPLICATION.

Name Joseph L Kopp

Service Lieutenant U.S. Navy
Ship Quinnebaug
1864 & 1865

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Montgomery Co Pennsa

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No. 130.

Act of June 27, 1890.

Declaration for the Increase of an Invalid Pension.

State of Pennsylvania, County of Crawford, ss:

On this 27th day of July, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid, Joseph L. Kopp, aged 53 years, a resident of the Boro of Saegertown, County of Crawford, State of Penn'a, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is a pensioner of the United States, enrolled at the Philadelphia Pittsburg Pension Agency, at the rate of Six dollars per month, under Certificate No. 12783, issued under Act of June 27, 1890, by reason of disability from Disease of heart Stomach and bowels

(Here name the disability or disabilities for which now pensioned, copying statement of same from pension certificate.)

having been in the Naval service of the United States as a Landsman

(Military or Naval.) (Here state rank, company,

on board the United States Ship Princeton U.S.N.

and regiment, if in the Army; or rating and name of vessel, if in the Navy.)

That he believes himself to be entitled to an increase of pension on account of not being rated proportionately to the degree of his disability for manual labor arising from the above-named causes Incapacity to as the same wholly unfit him for performing

(Here state any other reasons for applying for increase. If on account of increase in the disability for which already pensioned, the fact manual labor

should be stated, and the manner and extent of the progression of the disability described.)

*Application is also hereby made for pension under the provisions of the Act of June 27, 1890, on account of the following-named

NEW OR ADDITIONAL DISABILITIES,

namely: Catarrh of head affecting throat and

(Here state name or nature of each and every existing disability, not due to vicious habits, for which pension has not been

lungs; Also Kidney Trouble with urinary disturbance;

granted, including, *in cases of wound or injury*, a statement of the time, place, and circumstances of the origin or incurrence of the same.)

Also, Chronic Rheumatism Neuralgia and Lumbago

attended with general nervous debility

That said disabilities are not due to vicious habits, and are, to the best of his knowledge and belief, permanent.

He hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation, A. McGill, of Saegerstown Pa, his true and lawful attorney, to prosecute his claim, the fee (if pension is granted for or on account of any one or more of the above-named new or additional disabilities) to be TEN DOLLARS, payable as prescribed by law.

That his POST-OFFICE ADDRESS is Saegerstown, County of Crawford, State of Penn'a

Joseph L Kopp
(Claimant's signature.)

1 S. S. Gallom

2 Wm A. Segendalle

(Two witnesses who write sign here.)

*If suffering from any disease, wound, or injury not named in the present pension certificate, fill out this portion of the application, otherwise leave it blank.

ATTY FILED

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Also personally appeared J S Collom, residing at Sacramento Pa, and Wm H Sigendall, residing at Sacramento Pa, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, depose and say that they were present and saw Joseph S. Kopp, the claimant sign his name his mark to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to (Sign his name or make his mark.)

believe, from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with him, that he is the identical person he represents himself to be; that they have no interest in this claim, and are not concerned in its prosecution.

J S Collom

Wm H Sigendall

(If either affiant signs by mark, two persons who write sign here.) (Signatures of Affiants.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 22 day of July, A. D. 189 7;

and I hereby certify that the contents of the foregoing declaration were fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before they made oath to the same, including the words Pittsburg erased, and

the words Philadelphia added; and

that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in this claim, and am not concerned in its prosecution.

Certificate on file to cover date of execution. Record Division

Wallace F Moyer

(Official Signature.)

[L. S.] Certificate Filed

Justice of the Peace

(Official Character.)

NOTICE.—This application may be sworn to before a NOTARY PUBLIC, Clerk of Court, or JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. If the officer has no seal, he should state whether he has a certificate of his official character filed for general reference in the Pension Office.

O. W. A. D. AUG 4 1897 RECORDS.

Navy

Act of June 27, 1890.

INVALID.

CLAIM FOR INCREASE.

Joseph S Kopp

Co. Lieutenant Regt. U.S. Navy

Pittsburg Pa. U.S.N. Vols.

Pension Certificate No. 427833

PENSION BUREAU JUL 24 1897 OFFICE.

FILED BY

A. Magill

Washington D.C.

Pa

Printed and for sale by John F. Shelry, Claim Blank Printer, 628 D Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

No. 126.

Declaration for Increase of Pension

Under the Act of June 27, 1890.

NOTE—This can be executed before any officer authorized to administer oaths for general purposes. If such officer uses a seal, certificate of Clerk of Court is not necessary. If no seal is used, then such certificate must be attached.

State of Pennsylvania, County of Crawford, ss:

ON THIS 22d day of January, A. D., one thousand ~~eight~~ nine hundred and one (1901)

personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid Joseph L Kopp aged 56 years, a resident of Saegerstown County of Crawford State of Penna, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares he is a pensioner of the United States, enrolled at the Philadelphia Pension Agency at the rate of eight dollars per month, Certificate No. 12783; by reason of disability from "partial inability to earn a support by manual labor"
(Here name the disability for which pension was granted.)

That he was a Seaman on board U.S.S. Queen City Wm
(Here state rank, company, and regiment, if in the army; vessel, if in the navy.)
of the Rebellion and discharged from US Receiving Ship Princeton June 12, 1865

That he believes himself to be entitled to an increase of pension on the ground that the rate allowed him is too low and not commensurate with the extent of his present disability. He therefore requests that he be favored with another medical examination with the view of determining his right to $12 per month, the full rate allowed under the Act of June 27, 1890.

That his physical condition is such that he is totally unable to perform any manual labor by reason of disease of heart, lungs and kidneys and rheumatism, heart trouble being especially prominent. He confined to the house all the time under medical treatment and unable to do anything and this condition is the outcome of disabilities upon which he has previously claimed pension in all former applications. That he is also partially blind having lost the sight of one eye and sight of the other eye much impaired. This disease of eyes has been of gradual growth and he cannot assign any specific cause for same.

That said disabilities are not due to his vicious habits, and are to the best of his knowledge and belief permanent.

He hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation Augustus McGill of Saegerstown Pa, his true and lawful attorney, to prosecute his claim.

His Post-office address is Saegerstown Crawford Co Penna

1 A. M. McGill

2 Geo. Floyd
(Two witnesses who write sign here.)

Joseph L. Kopp
(Signature of Claimant.)

ATT'Y FILED

PENSION OFFICE U.S. JAN 23 1901

Also personally appeared A. M. McGill, residing at Saegertown Pa, and Geo. Floyd, residing at Saegertown Pa, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw Joseph L. Kapp, the claimant, sign his name (make his mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with him that he is the identical person he represents himself to be; and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

1 A. M. McGill

2 Geo. Floyd

(If Affiants sign by mark, two persons who write sign here.) (Signatures of Affiants.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 22nd day of January, A. D. 1901

and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, &c., were fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, including the words ..... erased, and the words ..... added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Certificate on file

[L. S.]

Certificate on file in former date Bounty Division

Wallace F. Moyer
(Official Signature.)

Justice of the Peace
(Official Character.)

I, ... Clerk of the County Court in and for aforesaid County and State, do certify that ....., Esq., who has signed his name to the foregoing declaration and affidavit, was, at the time of so doing, a ..... in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this ..... day of ....., 189....

[L. S.] Clerk of the .....

NOTE.—This can be executed before any officer authorized to administer oaths for general purposes. If such officer uses a seal, certificate of Clerk of Court is not necessary. If no seal is used, then such certificate must be attached.

Soldier's Application
FOR
INCREASE
Under the Act of June 27, 1890.

Joseph L. Kapp, Applicant.
Co. D, 53d Regt. Pa. Vols.
U.S.S. Quaker City, 2nd Mate.
Pension Certificate No. 12,783.

FILED BY
A. M. McGill
Saegertown
Pa.

Printed and For Sale by John B. Sherry, Claim Blank Printer, 623 D Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

(3—125.)

ORIGINAL INVALID CLAIM.

Soldier, Joseph L. Kapp.

P. O., Hayfield

County, Crawford,

State, Pa.

Rank, Private

Company, "D"

Regiment, 57th Pa. Vol. Mil. Infty.

Rates, $ ..... per month, commencing .....

REJECTED.

Pensioned for .....

RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY.

Name, Claimant.

P. O., ...

Fee, $....., Agent ..... to pay.

Articles filed ....., 18

APPROVALS.

Approved for Rejection

Submitted March 3d, 1891; D.W. Moore, Examiner.

Approved for Rejection on the ground that the records of the War Dept. show that the organization to which this claimant belonged was not in the military service of the U.S.

Mch 13, 1891, J.W. Wells, Legal Reviewer. 10

....., Re-Reviewer.

Approved for .....

....., Med. Ex'r, ..., Med. Reviewer,

....., 189 , ..., Med. Referee.

IMPORTANT DATES.

Enlisted, June 29th, 1863

Mustered ....., 18 .

Discharged Aug 13th, 1863

Declaration filed March 6th, 1886.

..... service from .....

18 , to ....., 18 , in .....

Not in service since ....., 18 .

BASIS OF CLAIM.

At New Creek, W. Va. July 1863, he contracted rheumatism, causing heart disease,

Widow, No. M.C.

This form of fee contract is prescribed by the Commissioner of Pensions and approved by the Secretary of the Interior July 8, 1884, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved July 4, 1884.

TO BE EXECUTED IN DUPLICATE WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COST TO CLAIMANT.

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT.

Whereas I, Joseph L. Kopp late a Private in Company D, of the 56th Regiment of Pa Militia Volunteers, war of 1861 to 1865, having made application for pension under the laws of the United States.

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Joseph Grubb
A M McGill
(Two Witnesses Signatures.)

Joseph L. Kopp
(Signature of Claimant.)
Saegertown Pa
(Post-office Address.)

State of Pennsylvania, County of Crawford, ss:

Be it known that on this, the 4th day of May A. D. 1892, personally appeared Joseph L. Kopp the above named, who, after having had read over to him in the hearing and presence of the two attesting witnesses the contents of the foregoing articles of agreement, voluntarily signed and acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

[L. S.]

A. McGill
(Official Signature.)
Notary Public

Agent's Acceptance.

And now, to wit, this 15th day of May June, A. D. 1892 accept the provisions contained in the foregoing articles of agreement, and will to the best of his ability, endeavor faithfully to represent the interest of the claimant in the premises. I hereby certify that I have received from the claimant above-named the sum of no dollars and no more, no dollars being for fee, and the sum of no dollars being for postage and other expenses. And that these agreements have been executed in duplicate without additional cost to the claimant, as required by law, in excess of the fee above-named, the said agent making no charge therefor.

Witness my hand the year and day above written.

E S Keel
(Signature of Agent.)

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Personally came E S Keel, whom I know to be the person he represents himself to be, and who, having signed above acceptance of agreement, acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

Witness my hand and seal this 15 day of June 1892

L.S.]

J B Skeel J. P.
(Official Signature.)

Commissioner's Approval.

APPROVED FOR ..... DOLLARS and payable to

..... o .....

the recognized attorney .

Commissioner of Pensions.

NOTICE TO CLAIMANT.

This contract is permissible under the law but not compulsory.

READ THE FOLLOWING COPY OF THE STATUTE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled. * * * * * * *

SEC. 3. That section 4785 of the Revised Statutes is hereby re-enacted and amended so as to read as follows:

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APPROVED JULY 4, 1884.

FEE AGREEMENT.

No. 364243

CLAIM OF

Joseph A. Chaplin

Co. D. 56th Regt. Pa. Militia

Co ....., ... Reg't.

Cal Clarion ..... Vols.

Allegheny Pa

FOR PENSION.

Filed by

E. S. SKEEL,

HAYFIELD,

CRAWFORD CO., PA.

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Witness my hand the year and day above written.

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APPROVED JULY 4, 1884.

FEE AGREEMENT.

No. 56485

CLAIM OF

Joseph L. Murphy

Co. D, 56 " Reg't.

Pa. Militia. Vols.

Sargeantum Pa

FOR PENSION.

Filed by

E. S. SKEEL,
HAYFIELD,
CRAWFORD CO., PA.

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Index Invic., Claim No. 15764.84

Jos. L. Kapp, Co. D. 56 Reg't Pa. Mil. Vols.

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IN WIDOWS' AND DEPENDENT RELATIVES' CLAIMS—Let evidence of soldier's death, marriage, dependence, &c., follow evidence of origin and continuance of fatal disease.

o 6—113

NO.	NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.	DATE OF FILING.	SUBJECT.
1	Claimant	Mch. 6/86.	Declaration.
2	"	Jan 8/91	Statement,
3	Atty.	Mch 21/88.	Service.
4	Dr H. E. Smith,	June 16/88.	Cert.
5	Med x Bd.	July 3/86.	"
6	" " "	Sept 8/88.	Ratios.

(3—6810.)

A. DECLARATION FOR ORIGINAL INVALID PENSION. A.

To be executed before a court of record or some officer thereof having custody of its seal.

State of Pennsylvania } ss:
County of Crawford }

On this 3d day of March, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six personally appeared before me, Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas a court of record within and for the county and State aforesaid, Joseph L. Kopp aged 46 years, a resident of the Township of Hayfield county of Crawford, State of Pennsylvania, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical Joseph L. Kopp, who was ENROLLED on the 29th day of June, 1863, in company "D" of the 56 regiment of Penn'a Vol'tiers commanded by Colonel J. B. Dick, and was honorably DISCHARGED at Pittsburgh on the 13th day of August, 1863; that his personal description is as follows: Age, 46 years; height, 5 feet 5 inches; complexion, fair; hair, Brown; eyes, Grey. That while a member of the organization aforesaid, in the service and in the line of his duty at New Creek, in the State of West Virginia on or about the ..... day of July, 1863, he contracted (Here state name or nature of disease, or the location of wound or injury. If disabled by disease, state fully its causes; if by wound or injury, the precise manner in which received.) Chiatic Rheumatism causing Hypertrophy of the Heart and Mitral insufficiency of the Heart

That he was treated in hospitals as follows: Camp Hospital at New Creek (Here state the names or numbers, and the localities of all hospitals in which treated, and the dates of treatment) West Va. Hospital at Pittsburg

That he has ..... been employed in the ~~military or~~ naval service otherwise than as stated above From (Here state what the service was, whether prior or subsequent to that stated above, and the dates at which it began and ended.) September 1st 1864 to June 12th 1865

That since leaving the service this applicant has resided in the Boro of Saegertown and Cambridge in the State of Pennsylvania, and his occupation has been that of a Laborer That prior to his entry into the service above named he was a man of good, sound physical health, being when enrolled a Shoemaker. That he is now one half disabled from obtaining his subsistence by manual labor by reason of his injuries, above described, received in the service of the United States; and he therefore makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the invalid pension-roll of the United States.

He hereby appoints .....

of ....., State of ....., his true and lawful attorney to prosecute his claim. That he has ..... received ..... applied for a pension. That his Post Office address is Hayfield, county of Crawford State of Pennsylvania

Claimant's signature: Joseph L. Kopp

Attest: George Kreps. Wm. Thomas

Also personally appeared George Kress, residing at Meadville, Pa.
and Wm Thomeier, residing at Meadville, Pa, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say they were present and saw Joseph L Kopf, the claimant, sign his name (or make his mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with him, that he is the identical person he represents himself to be; and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

George Kress.
Wm Thomeier
(Signatures of witnesses.)

SWORN to and subscribed before me this 3d day of March, A. D. 1886,
and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, &c., were fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, including the
[L. S.] words ____, erased, and the
words ____, added; and that
I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

A. B. Edson
(Signature.)
Prothonotary.
(Official character.)

A. INVALID. A.

CLAIM FOR PENSION.

ORIGINAL.

Joseph L Kopf, Applicant.
Co. D, 56 Reg't, Pa Militia Vols.
Enlisted June 29th, 1863.
Discharged Aug 13th, 1863.

PENSION OFFICE MAR 6 1886

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The claimant's identity and loyalty must be proven by two witnesses, certified by the judicial officer to be respectable and credible, who are present and witness the signature of the declarant, and certify to his identity and loyalty under oath or affirmation.

Declarations and other papers should be as legible and as clear in statement as possible.

Where any evidence is already on file in any Department of the Government, a definite description of and specific reference to it will render it available in any subsequent claim.

The POST OFFICE ADDRESS (naming street and number in all large cities) of the applicant, attorney, and witnesses should be embodied in or accompany every application, *and all evidence in each claim;* and each change of residence of said parties, while communicating with the Pension Office or the pension agents, should be stated.

Pensions are, by law, exempted from any liability on account of the obligations of the pensioners, and no lien upon them can be recognized.

Testimony in support of allegations made in a declaration may be taken before any officer whose authority and signature are duly certified, and who shall disclaim any interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of the claim.

Declaration for an Original Invalid Pension.

This must be Executed before a Court of Record or some Officer thereof having Custody of the Seal.

State of Pennsylvania County of Crawford ss:

ON THIS 4th day of May A. D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty two

personally appeared before me a Notary Public ~~a Court of Record~~ within and for the County and State aforesaid Joseph L Kopp

aged 47 years, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical Joseph L Kopp who was *ENROLLED* on the 29th day of June, 1863, in Company D of the 56th regiment of Pa Militia Vols commanded by Col Sam'l B Dick and was honorably *DISCHARGED* at Pittsburgh Pa on the 13th day of August, 1863; That his personal description is as follows: Age 47 years; height 5 feet 5 inches; complexion fair; hair light; eyes blue. That while a member of the organization aforesaid, in the service and in the line of duty at New Creek in the State of W. Virginia on or about the Month of July, 1863 he contracted Rheumatism, Chronic Diarrhoea and disease of Lungs

(Here state the name or nature of the disease, or the location of the wound or injury. If disabled by disease state fully its cause; if by wound or injury the precise manner in which received.)

caused by exposure, Rheumatism and disease of lungs followed a severe attack of fever at New Creek aforesaid and both together resulted in a deprived condition of health

That a portion of his lungs do not perform their natural functions and there is a cavity found on right side of his chest due to this trouble

That he was treated in hospitals as follows Post Hospl at New Creek Va in July 1863 and U.S. Mil Penna Hospl Pittsburgh Pa being discharged therefrom Aug 13. 1863

Here state the names or numbers, and the localities of all hospitals in which treated, and the dates of treatment.

That he has ~~otherwise~~ been employed in the military or naval service otherwise than as stated above. ~~as follows~~ Here state what the U.S. Naval Service Ship Quaker City from Oct 1st 1864 to June 12th 1865

service was, whether prior or subsequent to that stated above, and the dates at which it began and ended.

That he has not been in the military or naval service of the United States since the 12th day of June 1865 That since leaving the service this applicant has resided in the Borough of Saegertown in the State of Penna, and that his occupation has been that of a laborer

That prior to his entry into the service above named he was a man of good, sound, physical health, being when enrolled a Shoemaker That he is now totally disabled from obtaining his subsistence by manual labor by reason of his injuries, above described, received in the service of the United States; and that he therefore makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the invalid pension roll of the United States. He hereby appoints with full power of substitution and revocation, [redacted], [redacted], E. S. Steel of Hayfield, Crawford County Pa., his true and lawful attorney to prosecute his claim. That he has ~~by me applied~~ received Pension Cert. Inv. Claim No 564845. and this Application is to renew and procure said Original Claim and he is now in receipt of a Special Pension Cert No 12.783. Rate $6.00 Act of June 27. 1890 ~~applied for a pension~~; that his residence is Saegertown Crawford Co Penna and that his post office address is Saegertown Penna

Charles W Hart

Geo. P. Miller

[Two witnesses who can write sign here.]

Joseph L Kopp

[Signature of Claimant.]

Also personally appeared Charles W. Yost residing at Saegerstown Pa and Geo. P. Miller residing at Saegerstown Pa. persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw Joseph L. Kopp, the claimant sign his name (make his mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with him that he is the identical person he represents himself to be; and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

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A. M. McGill
~~Clerk of the~~ Notary Public

[L. S.]

Certificate of Official Character on file in Bureau of Pensions

PENSION OFFICE. U. S. JUN 18 1892

INVALID.

Claim for Pension.

ORIGINAL.

Joseph L. Kopp Applicant.
Co. B 56 Reg't.
Pa Militia Vols.
Enlisted June 29 1863
Discharged August 13 1863

Address Saegerstown
Crawford Co, Pa.

Dec'd May 17, 1883

FILED BY

E. S. SKEEL,
HAYFIELD,
CRAWFORD CO., PA.

Mch 5 1892 Inv
To Respondent
Declaration

2-2992 March

Saegerstown Pa Jan 7th 1891

Hon Commissioner of Pensions

Sir:

In reply to annexed Communication dated Dec 26. 1890 calling for statement showing the name and number of the Company and regiment in which I served from Sept 1864 to June 1865 I have the honor to state; that I enlisted in the U.S. Navy at Buffalo N.Y. Oct 1st 1864. served as a Landsman on board U.S.S. Quaker City. and was discharged from the U.S.R.S. Princeton and from the naval service June 12th 1865. and that without reference to Original Invalid Pension Claim No 564.845 to which you refer. on the 30th day of Sept 1890 made an application for Naval Pension under provisions of Act of June 27th 1890 That said number was unknown to me at the time of filing last application

Very respectfully.

Joseph L Kopp

State of Pennsylvania County of Crawford SS.

In the matter of Invalid Pension Claim No 238422
(Navy) of Joseph L Kopp late U.S.S. Quaker City
United States Navy, under Act of June 27, 1890

On this 24th day of January A.D. 1891 personally
appeared before me a Justice of the Peace in and
for the County and State aforesaid Joseph
L. Kopp the above named Claimant, who, being
duly sworn according to law on oath saith
That he is the Claimant in the above named case
That he enlisted in Co D. 56th Reg't Pa Vol Infty on
June 29th 1863 and was honorably discharged therefrom
Aug. 13. 1863. Service being no longer required
That he enlisted in the U.S. Navy at Buffalo N.Y.
Oct 1st 1864, served on board U.S.S. Quaker City
and was honorably discharged the U.S. Service
finally June 12 1865. That he was never in any
other U.S. Service and that he has not been in the
military or naval service of the United States since
June 12th 1865. and this affidavit is made in reply to
Call No 8. Circular Letter Bureau of Pensions hereto annexed

Joseph L. Kopp

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the day above written
I Certify that the affiant is respectable and entitled to credit
that the Contents of the above affidavit were made known to him
before swearing and that I have no interest whatever in this case

A. Mook
Justice of the Peace

Certificate on file

PENSION OFFICE JAN 26 1891

Navy Invalid

No 23,842

Act of June 27. 1890

Additional Evidence

Claim of

Joseph L. Kopp,

U.S.S. Quaker City.

U.S. Navy.

Affidavit of

Claimant, in reply

to Call No 3.

Filed by

A. McGill

Saegertown Pa

POWER OF ATTORNEY.

Know all Men by these Presents, That I, Joseph L. Kopp late a private in Company D. 56th Regt Penna Initiation Vols of Saegerstown in the County of Crawford and State of Penna have made, constituted, and appointed, and by these presents do make, constitute, and appoint E. S. Steel of Mayfield, Crawford Co. Pa my true and lawful attorney, for me and in my name, place and stead, hereby annulling and revoking all former Powers of Attorney whatever in the premises, to prosecute before any Department, or the Courts, or Committees of Congress of the United States until final completion, for me, my Claim for Original Invalid Pension No 564845. rejected March 13 1891 on the ground that the organization above named was not mustered into the U.S. Service. the same being restored to pensionable status by a recent decision of the Department of the Interior, and my said Attorney is hereby empowered by me to reopen said Claim under ruling 93 of Mch 3d 1892 of Hon Sec of Interior and to, from time to time, furnish any further evidence necessary or that may be demanded, giving and granting to my said attorney full power and authority to receive any draft or warrant that may be issued in settlement of said claim, and to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as I might or could do if personally present at the doing thereof, with full power of substitution and revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that my said attorney or substitute, may or shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

My Post Office address is Saegerstown Crawford Co Penna

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 4 day of May eighteen hundred and ninety two

Chas. W. Post

Geo. R. Miller

(Two witnesses who can write, sign here.)

Joseph L. Kopp

(Signature of Claimant.)

L.S.

State of Pennsylvania, County of Crawford, ss:

BE IT KNOWN, That on this 4th day of May in the year eighteen hundred and ninety two before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the said County and State, personally appeared Joseph L. Kopp to me well known to be the identical person who executed the foregoing Letter of Attorney, and the same having been first fully read over to h and the contents thereof duly explained, acknowledged the same to be h act and deed, and that I have no interest, present or prospective, in the claim.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office, the day and year last above written.

A. McGill
(Official Signature.)
Notary Public
(Official Character.)

[L. S.]

I C. J. Van Valkenburg Clerk of the County Court in and for aforesaid County and State, do certify that , Esq., who has signed his name to the foregoing declaration and affidavit was at the time of so doing in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this day of , 188 .

[L. S.] Clerk of the

NOTE.—This should be sworn to before a CLERK OF COURT, NOTARY PUBLIC or JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. If before a JUSTICE or NOTARY, then CLERK OF COUNTY COURT must add his certificate of character hereon, and not on a separate slip of paper.

POWER OF ATTORNEY.

No. 34,945

CLAIM OF

Joseph L. Kopp
Sec. D. 56th Regt
Penn'a Militia
Vols

FOR

Wid'd Sarah D. Pearsons

Atkinson Dayton & Dayton
Crawford Co Pa

Filed by

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Crawford Co Pa

Printed and for sale by J. H. SOULE, Washington, D. C.

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Ex'r.

No. 129,783

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS.

Washington, D. C., July 13, 1905.

SIR: To aid this Bureau in preventing any one falsely personating you, or otherwise committing fraud in your name, or on account of your service, you are required to answer fully the questions enumerated below.

You will please return this circular under cover of the inclosed envelope which requires no postage.

Very respectfully,

V. Warner.

Commissioner.

Joseph L. Kopp,
R. F. D. No. 4,
Bakersfield, Calif.

1. When were you born? Answer. March 13th, 1845.
2. Where were you born? Answer. Germany
3. When did you enlist? Answer. September 1st 1864.
4. Where did you enlist? Answer. Buffalo, N. Y.
5. Where had you lived before you enlisted? Answer. Saegerstoftown, Penna.
6. What was your post-office address at enlistment? Answer. Saegerstown, Penna.
7. What was your occupation at enlistment? Answer. Shoemaker
8. When were you discharged? Answer. June 12th 1865
9. Where were you discharged? Answer. Philadelphia
10. Where have you lived since discharge? Give dates, as nearly as possible, of any changes of residence.
    At Saegerstown, Penna.
    Came to Bakersfield, Kern Co. California. (R. F. D. one) May 17th 1903
11. What is your present occupation? Answer. None, Am disabled.
12. What is your height? Answer. 5 feet 5 inches. Your weight? 130 lbs.
    The color of your eyes? grey The color of your hair? grey Your complexion? fair Are there any permanent marks or scars on your person? If so, describe them.
    Blind in right eye.
13. What is your full name? Please write it on the line below, in ink, in the manner in which you are accustomed to sign it, in the presence of two witnesses who can write.

Joseph L. Kopp

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WITNESSES: 1. F. M. Smith
2. M. Angeline Smith

[Witnesses who can write sign here.]

Date: July 19th, 1905.

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Mich. Div.
P. S. Ex'r.

No. 564845

Joseph L. Rapp
D. 56 Pa. Mil. Inf.

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Jan. 5, 1888

SIR:

I have the honor to request that you will furnish from the records of the War Department a full Report of the service, disability, and hospital treatment of Joseph L. Rapp, who, it is claimed, enlisted June 29, 1863 and served as private in Co. D, 56 Reg't Pa. Mil. Inf.; also in Co. ____ Served from Sept. 1, 1864 to June 12, 1865, but fails to give Co. & regiment and was discharged at Pittsburgh Pa. Aug. 13, 1863 While serving in Co. D 56 Reg't Pa. Mil. Inf. he was disabled by Sciatic rheumatism, causing hypertrophy of the heart and mitral insufficiency of the heart, June 1863 at New Creek West Va.

and was treated in hospitals of which the names, location, and dates of treatment are as follows:

Regimental.

Very respectfully,

John C. Black,
Commissioner

The Adjutant General, U. S. Army.

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FIRST CALL

On Adjutant General, U. S. A.

Claim No. 564,845

ADDRESS BUREAU OF NAVIGATION, NAVY DEPARTMENT,
AND REFER TO NO.

N-66/HG

WASHINGTON, D. C.,
May 15, 1913.

The Commissioner of Pensions.

Sir:-

1. In reply to your letter (A. & N. Div. I.C. 12783), of the 10th instant, relative to Joseph L. Kopp:

2. The Chief of Bureau directs me to state that Joseph L. Kopp enlisted in the navy Sep. 1, 1864, at Buffalo, N. Y., for one year, as landsman. Place of birth, Germany; age, 19 years; occupation, shoemaker; color of eyes, grey; color of hair, brown; complexion, fair; height, 5 feet 5 inches; no marks nor scars noted.

3. Served in the "Michigan", "North Carolina", "St. Lawrence", "Quaker City", and "Princeton" to June 11, 1865, when discharged.

Respectfully,

Commander, U. S. N.

U. S. MAY 16 1913 OFFICE.

All Official Letters to this Office must be addressed to the "Fourth Auditor of the Treasury," and in replying to Letters from this Office, the initials on the upper left-hand corner should be referred to.

A. L. B.
J. M.

No. 61.

Treasury Department,

FOURTH AUDITOR'S OFFICE,

February 25th, 1891.

Hon. Commissioner of Pensions.

Sir:

In answer to yours of 17th ultimo, *in the case of* Jos. L. Ralph, *you are informed that ~~he enlisted~~* a Jos. L. Ralph, Ldr. enlisted Sept. 1/64 served on "N. Carolina" to Dec. 15/64; on "St. Lawrence" to Dec. 20/64. on "Quaker City" to May 16/65; on "Princeton" to June 11/65; when discharged.

Mid. Div.
564845.
L. W. M.

Respectfully yours,

John R. Reynolds.
Auditor.

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(Ed. 12-9-'90—2,000.)

[Letter Form 15.]

No. 13,970

Navy Department,

BUREAU OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY,

Washington, April 19,1894.

Sir:

In reply to your communication of February 10,1894.
relative to the disability of Joseph L.Kopp.,
Rate Lds., *U. S. N.*,
you are informed that the records of this Bureau show that the

Journals of Ships named afford no information in this case.
Enclosure (1),.

Very respectfully,

J. R. Tryon

Surgeon General, U. S. Navy.

Hon. COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS.

Claim No. 12,783.

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PENSION OFFICE. U. S. APR 20 1894

WAR & NAVY APR 21 1894

Write nothing above this line.

O. W. and N. Div.

NAVAL SERVICE.

NAME OF SAILOR:

Joseph L Kopp

O.W. & N. Div.

M E Ex'r.

Bureau of Pensions,

No. 23842

Jan 20, 1891

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SIR:

It is alleged that the above-named man enlisted Oct 1, 1864 and served as a Landsman on the U.S.S. "Quaker City" and "Princeton", and was discharged at , on Jan 12, 1865

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No. of prior claim

The Fourth Auditor will please furnish an official statement in this case, showing date of shipment and date and mode of termination of service.

Very respectfully,

Jesse B Rainey

Commissioner.

THE HON. FOURTH AUDITOR,

PRESENT.

Treasury Department,

FOURTH AUDITOR'S OFFICE,

May 26/91

Respectfully returned to the

COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS.

The rolls show that Jos. L. Kopp Lds.

mentioned in the preceding indorsement, was sent Sept 1, 1864 and discharged June 11, 1865 from "Princeton"

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U. S. O. W. & N. MAY 29 1891 RECEIVED.

PENSION OFFICE MAY 28 1891

John R Lynch.

Auditor.

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A. & N. DIV.
I. C. 12783,
Joseph L. Kopp,
U. S. Navy.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF PENSIONS

WASHINGTON May 14. 1913.

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The Auditor for the War Depa

Treasury Department.

Sir:

For use in the above-ci
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OFFICE OF AUDITOR
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Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE
AUDITOR FOR THE WAR DEPARTMENT,

Washington, D. C., May 19, 1913.

Respectfully returned to the

Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.

Joseph L. Kopp, late pvt. Co. D, 56 Pa. Militia Inf., was enrolled June 29, 1863, mustered out August 13, 1863, and paid by the State of Penn. for 1 month and 15 days, for which the state was reimbursed by the United States.

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Auditor

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DEPARTMENT OF

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A. & N. DIV.
I. C. 12783,
Joseph L. Kopp,
U. S. Navy.

The Auditor for the War Department,

Treasury Department.

Sir:

For use in the above-cited claim for pension under the act of May 11, 1912, please furnish this Bureau with a report of the service of Joseph L. Kopp, in Co. D, 56th Pa. Mil. Inf. He enlisted therein June 29, 1863, and was discharged therefrom August 13, 1863.

Very respectfully,

H. Davenport,

Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Pensions
Washington April 6th 1913.

A & N Div.
Ex'r. R E C.

Respectfully referred to the Adjutant General, War Department, requesting a report showing age at date of enlistment of the soldier named below.

Inv. Ctf. 12763
Name Joseph L. Kopp
Service 2d 56th Pa Inf

H. L. Davenport,
Commissioner.

(Inclosures) Received A.G.O APR 5 1913

WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON. APR 9 1913

Respectfully returned to the

Commissioner of Pensions,

with the information that the name of Joseph L. Kopp (or Kopf) has not been found on the rolls of Co. D. 56th Pa. Inf.

No official furnished by this Office dated March 31, 1888 & 4th Lieut. Reuben Myers (2nd Sergt. in Co. D. 56th Pa. Inf. during the Civil War) served in said organization was Mustered out with the Regiment at Alexandria, Va. June 27, 1865.

Geo. Andrews
Adjutant General.

FILED APR 10 1913 PENSION BUREAU
RECEIVED APR 10 1913 U.S. POLICE

(A.G.O. 161) Per

War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

564,845

Washington March 21, 1888.

Respectfully returned to the Commissioner of Pensions.

Joseph L Kaspe, a private of Company "A", 56" Regiment Pa. (90 days) Volunteers, was enrolled on the 29 day of June, 1863, at Crawford, for 90 days, and is reported: Muster Out Roll of Co. dated August 13. 63. at Pittsburg. Pa. reports him absent sick in Hospital Pittsburg. Pa, Muster-in & M/ Out Roll only ones on file.

Books of organization including Regtl. Hospital Records are not on file. The records of this office furnish no further evidence of disability.

"Mustered Out with Co. and paid to include Aug. 13. 1863, date to which Co. was paid on discharge." If the organization in which he subsequently served is given, a further report will be made.

R. C. DRUM,
Adjutant General.

By

* See statement of April 9, 1913.

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W. W. and N. DIVISION.

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C., Feb. 10, 1894.

Respectfully returned to the officer in charge of the Record and Pension Office, War Department, requesting a full military and medical history ..... (Descriptive list.) of the soldier.

Please examine all records likely to afford any information as to diseases, wounds, or injuries incurred by him while in the service.

Claim No. C. 12783 Dep Navy

Name Joseph L. Koph.

Co. ..... Regt. U.S. Navy.

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Commissioner.

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☞ Address: "Chief of the Record and Pension Office, War Department, Washington, D. C."

Record and Pension Office,

WAR DEPARTMENT,

Washington, FEB 14 1894, *189* .

Respectfully returned to the Commissioner of Pensions

It does not appear from the records of this office that such an organization as Co D, 56th Pa. Inf-90 days- (Emergency, 1863.) *was mustered into the service of the United States.*

By authority of the Secretary of War:

H. C. Ainsworth

Colonel, U. S. Army, Chief of Office.

Per D

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FOR OFFICER'S OR COMRADE'S TESTIMONY.

State of Pennsylvania County of Crawford ss:

In the matter of Original Invalid pension claim No 564845

of Joseph L. Kopp Co D 56th Regt Pa Militia Vols

I, Joseph Grubb a resident of Saegertown

Officer's, Sergeon's or Comrade's Post Office Address.

in the County of Crawford State of Penna late

Corporal of Company D of the 56th Regiment Pa Militia Vols

on oath, depose and say, that I am well acquainted with Joseph L Kopp

late a Private in Company D of the 56th Regiment of Pa

Militia Vols of the war of 1861: that at the time of his enlistment, said Joseph L

Kopp was a sound healthy man and free from

Here state condition of soldier's health at time of enlistment.

rheumatism and diseases of lungs throat & as far as I know

and while in the military service of the United States in the line of his duty, and without fault or improper conduct of his own, on or about the months of Jany 1863

at New Creek in the State of West Virginia

contracted a cold and was sent to Regimental Hospital where he remained until the Regiment was sent home. I remember that he was in a very feeble and reduced condition when he reached home so much so that he required assistance and even over the winter, and during the remaining summer and fall of 1863 he was in reduced physical condition from said illness caused as I believe from exposure in the service of our country

State time and place of disability, and if by wound in battle, state name of battle; if by accident, state the circumstances, and if by sickness, state the cause and nature of the disease.

I know these facts from personal observation

State your sources of information.

and I have no interest whatever in the prosecution of this claim for pension.

Joseph Grubb

Two witnesses when signed by mark.

Affirmed to and subscribed before me this 13 day of January 1892

at Saegertown in the County of Crawford

State of Penna I certify that I am disinterested, that the affiant is to me well known, and is respectable, and worthy of full credit as a witness, and that the contents of the affidavit were made known to him before execution.

A. McGill

Notary Public

NOTE.

If executed before a Justice or Notary Public who has a certificate on file in Pension Office, he should so state below this jurat. Otherwise certificate on back of this must be made.

STATE OF.....
COUNTY OF.....} *ss.*

I HEREBY CERTIFY that.....before whom the foregoing acknowledgement was made, was at the execution thereof a.....in and for the County of.....and State of .....duly authorized to administer oaths, and that his signature is genuine.

.....
(Official Character.)

☞NOTE.—This affidavit can be sworn to before any NOTARY PUBLIC or JUSTICE of the PEACE, provided the certificate of the CLERK OF THE COURT is attached, showing that the said NOTARY or JUSTICE was duly authorized, or provided that the said NOTARY or JUSTICE of the PEACE has a certificate on file in the Pension Office. In that case it is only necessary for the said NOTARY or JUSTICE to add after signing his name, "CERTIFICATE ON FILE IN THE PENSION OFFICE."

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OFFICER'S OR COMRADE'S TESTIMONY.

In claim of
Joseph Le Fevre
Co. D 56th Regt Pa Militia
For Orig. Inv. Pension
No. 57 4 8 4 3 5

Aff'd & Sworn to before me this 4th day of June 1885
Julius Bee

E. S. SKEEL,
United States Pension and Claim Agent,
HAYFIELD, PA.

FOR OFFICER'S OR COMRADE'S TESTIMONY.

State of Pennsylvania County of Crawford ss:

In the matter of Original Invalid pension claim No.....

of Joseph L Kopp Co D. 56th Reg't Pa Vol Vols

I, Cyrus J Stockton a resident of Meadville

Officer's, Sergeon's or Comrade's Post Office Address.

in the County of Crawford State of Pennsylvania late

Private of Company D, of the 56th Regiment Pa Vol Vols

on oath, depose and say, that I am well acquainted with Joseph L Kopp

late a Private in Company D, of the 56th Regiment of Pa

Vol Vols of the war of 1861: that at the time of his enlistment, said Joseph L

Here state condition of soldier's health at time of enlistment.

Kopp was a sound healthy man as far

as I know

and while in the military service of the United States in the line of his duty, and without fault or improper conduct of his own, on or about the Month of July 1863

at New Creek in the State of West Virginia

said Kopp contracted heavy disease and other disabilities as follows; He became sick from exposure on picket duty on Mt Rumbly and was sent after sent to Regimental Hospital where he remained until the command left for home early in August, and on arrival at Pittsburgh Pa was sent to West Pa Hospl and from there to Home. At date of discharge he was greatly reduced condition from this illness. I was on picket duty with him when he was made sick by exposure I was also sick at the same time in Regimental Hospl and at West Pa Hospl and personally know the above facts

State time and place of disability, and if by wound in battle, state name of battle; if by accident, state the circumstances, and if by sickness, state the cause and nature of the disease.

I know these facts from recollection

State your sources of information.

and I have no interest whatever in the prosecution of this claim for pension.

Cyrus J Stockton

Two witnesses when signed by mark.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 23rd day of May 1892

at Meadville in the County of Crawford

State of Penna I certify that I am disinterested, that the affiant is to me well known, and is respectable, and worthy of full credit as a witness, and that the contents of the affidavit were made known to him before execution.

A McGill

Notary Public

NOTE.

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PENSION U.S. JUN 18 1892 OFFICE.

STATE OF.. } *ss.*
COUNTY OF.. }

I HEREBY CERTIFY that..before whom the foregoing acknowledgement was made, was at the execution thereof a...in and for the County of..and State of..duly authorized to administer oaths, and that his signature is genuine.

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PENSION U.S. JUN 18 1892 OFFICE.

OFFICER'S OR COMRADE'S TESTIMONY.

In claim of Joseph L. Kopp
Co. D 56th Regt Pa Militia Vols
For Original Inv. Pension
No. 564845

Affidavit of Cyrus J. Woolston of Mooretown Crawford Co. Pa.

FILED BY
[redacted]

E. S. SKEEL,
HAYFIELD,
CRAWFORD CO., PA.

State of Pennsylvania County of Crawford ss.

In the matter of Original Invalid Pension Claim No 564.845.
of Joseph L. Kopp. Co "D" 56th Regt Penna Militia

I, Augustus McGill, a resident of Saegerstown in the County of Crawford. State of Pennsylvania, late Captain of Co. D. 56th Regt. Pa. Militia Vols on oath depose and say: that I am well acquainted with Joseph L. Kopp. late a private in Co. D. 56th Regt Pa Militia Vols in the war of the Rebellion: that at the time of his enlistment. said Joseph L. Kopp was in sound health and free from rheumatism, chronic diarrhoea, disease of lungs and heart or other disability as I verily believe; and that while in the military service of the United States, in the line of his duty and without fault or improper conduct of his own, on or about the month of July 1863, at New Creek, in the state of West Virginia said Joseph L. Kopp contracted serious, and, as I believe, permanent disability under the following circumstances: He was on picket duty on the summit of Mount Knobly, an isolated post, at a great elevation, Commanding an extended view of the B. & O. R.R. west. It rained continuously and the position, being greatly exposed was swept by a bleak wind from the north, that, for the time of year, rendered the place very uncomfortable. I was "Officer of the Day" and visited the post at noon and at midnight, and by this means personally know the situation. The day following, when the guards were relieved Claimant was sick and seemed to be in a generally used up Condition. I do not remember anything more about him until several days after this picket duty, when I was ordered to muster my Company (D) for a night Expedition to Romney Va. Kopp then came to me and said he was sick and could not possibly march with the Company.

I saw at once that such was the case and sent him to the Surgeon who sent him direct to the Hospital. Two days afterwards I saw him in the Post Hospital stricken with fever and delirious. He remained in the Hospital until the regiment was ordered home, about the first days of August 1863, when he was put on the cars under the care of medical attendants. At Wheeling W.Va the Command Camped over night and Claimant was lodged in a Hospital in the City. The next day Regt went to Pittsburgh Pa and Claimant was sent to Western Pa U.S. Gen Hosp.l in the City and the Command went into Camp at near Wilkinsburg Pa where it was mustered out Aug 13. 1863. and on the 14th marched to Pittsburgh and secured transportation home. Here Kopp was brought from Hosp.l and put on board the cars. It was a night journey and the medical attendants having dispersed Claimant was under my personal care. Arrived at Meadville Pa on the 15th and changed cars - six miles to Saegerstown Pa - At Meadville I lost sight of Kopp and supposed he had stopped with his parents who lived at that place but he had, by some means, boarded the train without my knowledge and as no one was looking after him he was carried beyond his home at Saegerstown, some 36 miles to Corry Pa, from where he was brought back by return train. It was by a very slim margin that he reached home alive on account of his reduced condition from sickness.

I cannot say what kind of fever he had at New Creek W.Va but I think it finally assumed the nature of Pneumonia. I know that he had been suffering with diarrhoea in the service, at an earlier date; and that lung trouble followed close after his fever and was prominent when he was discharged. He remained in a critical condition during the fall of 1863. I saw him nearly every day until about Dec 25th of said year, after which I did not again see him until after the close of the war.

I am satisfied that his lung trouble and rheumatism with whatever results they may have entailed had their origin in the service and were due to the exposure above stated and described.

I state the above facts from personal knowledge. I was Captain of said Company and present with the Command; - was looking after these matters in discharge of official duty; prompted as well by friendly personal interest in the welfare of "the boy."

I have no interest in this claim and am not concerned in its prosecution. My Postoffice address is Saegerstown Pa.

Augustus McGill.
late Capt Co D. 56th Pa Vols

Sworn to and subscribed before me at Saegerstown Pa this 9th day of May A.D. 1892. and I certify that the contents of the above affidavit were fully known to affiant before swearing; that he is respectable and entitled to credit and that I have no interest direct or indirect in the prosecution of this claim

A. Mook
Justice of the Peace

Cty/ on file

Officers Testimony

In Claim of

Joseph L. Kopp

Co D 56th Regt Pa Militia

for Orig Inv Pension

No 564.845

Address Saegertown

Crawford Co Pa

Affi of Capt Augustus

McGill &

Saegertown Pa

Filed by

E. S. SKEEL,
HAYFIELD,
CRAWFORD CO., PA.

PENSION OFFICE. U. S. JUN 18 1892

PHYSICIAN'S AFFIDAVIT.

TAKE NOTICE.—This affidavit should, if possible, be in the handwriting of the affiant; the marginal instructions should be carefully observed before writing out the statement. All the facts in possession of affiant as to the origin and continuance of the disability should be fully set forth, and the dates of treatment should be specifically given. If the affidavit is prepared from memoranda in possession of the physician, that fact should be stated.

State of Pennsylvania } SS.
County of Crawford }

In the Pension Claim No. 564845

of Joseph L. Cooper late of
Co D 56 Regt Penn a Infantry
Company and regiment of service, if in the army; or vessel and rank, if the navy.

Personally came before me a Justice of the Peace in and for the aforesaid
(Official character of magistrate.)
County and State A. E. Smith a citizen of Saegertown
in the County of Crawford and State of Pennsylvania
well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn, declares in relation to the aforesaid case as follows:

That he is a practising physician, and that he has been acquainted with said Soldier for about 16 years, and that he has been his family physician more or less
(Here embody all the facts known to the affiant in accordance with the marginal instructions. No erasures
of the time for the past ten years. Have treated
or interlineations will be permitted unless the magistrate certifies in his jurat that they were made before executing the paper.)
him at different times for Rheumatism and know
him to have been afflicted with it more or less
during my entire acquaintance with him.
At times he is totally unfitted for work and at
one time during the past five years, he was
completely disabled from work for one year.
He is suffering at present from Chronic Rheumatism
affecting in some degree all the joints, but more
particularly the hips. He alleges to have attacks
of heart trouble and I find some acceleration of
the heart's action. This affliction he alleges to
have contracted while in the army. Not having
known him previous to the war from personal
knowledge I can not say.
I do not consider him able to do more
than two thirds the work of a man in ordinary
health.

A. E. Smith

NOTES.

The Physician's Affidavit should show the following facts:

1st. Whether or not he knew the soldier prior to enlistment; the length of time he has known him; how intimately, and what opportunities he has had of observing his physical condition, whether as his family physician or as a neighbor; and how near he has lived to him. If he knew that the soldier was a sound man at enlistment, he should so state, adding, if true, that had he been unsound he would have known it.

2d. If he treated claimant while in the service, either as his regimental surgeon or while claimant was home on furlough, that fact should be stated. The claimant's physical condition at such times should be clearly shown, as well as the nature of his disability and dates of treatment.

3d. If he has treated soldier since discharge he should so state, giving the date of his first treatment; what his physical condition was at the time, with a complete diagnosis of the disability; the period during which he treated him should be stated, with dates, as near as possible of the prescriptions.

4th. The extent to which claimant has been able to perform manual labor since discharge.

He further declares that he has been a practitioner of medicine for ..12..... years, and that he has no interest, either direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

H. E. Smith

[Affiant's Signature. Give rank and service, if in the army.]

Sworn to and subscribed before me this..19th..day of..May..A. D. 188 8

and I hereby certify that the affiant is a practising physician in good professional standing; that the contents of the above declaration, &c., were fully made known to him before swearing, including the words..... erased, and the words.....

....., added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim,

Certificate on file

A. Mook

Magistrate's Signature.

Justice of the Peace

(Official character.)

I certify that....., Esq., who hath signed his name to the foregoing affidavit was at the time of so doing..... in and for said county and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this.....day of.....18

.....

[L. S.] *Clerk of the*

NOTE.—This should be sworn to before a CLERK OF COURT, NOTARY PUBLIC, or JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. If before a JUSTICE or NOTARY, then CLERK OF COUNTY COURT must add his certificate of Official character hereon, and not on a separate slip of paper.

Dr. Smith
785555
Klein

MEDICAL EVIDENCE.

Affidavit of

Claim of

No. *for*

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No. 1. (3—108.) No. 1.

ORIGINAL.

(FOR A BOARD.)

Claim No. 564 845

Name of the claimant, Joseph D Kaup

ADDRESS OF THE BOARD:

Rank, Private — Post office, Meadville

Company, D — County, Crawford

Regiment, 56 Pa Vol — State, Pa

Post-office address, Hayfield Pa — Date of examination, June 23, 1886.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that in compliance with the requirements of the law* we have carefully examined this applicant, who claims that while in the service of the United States at or near a place named Mud Creek Va, and while in line of duty, on or about the day of ____, 1863, he incurred Rheumatism and disease of heart

Cause of disability.

Degree of disability.

and that in consequence thereof he is ____ disabled for earning his subsistence by manual labor

His pulse-rate is 78 per minute; his respiration 16; his temperature Normal; his height is 5 feet and 5 inches; he weighs 8½ pounds, and states that he is 40 years of age.

Touching the cause and degree of the disability for which he claims a pension, he makes the following statement: Rheumatism pain more particularly in left hip interfering with labor by being painful almost constantly when performing duty. Has the Spring and autumn or damp or wet weather. Cramps in getting up and down. Trouble has pain in left shoulder and down thigh. Has palpitation of heart. Trouble to lie down as it pains sleep. Can do about ½ days work.

Here give the statement of the claimant fully, but as compactly as possible.

SUBJECTIVE SYMPTOMS.

The examination reveals the following objective facts in support of his statements: General appearance good. On Stethoscope shows regular action of heart no murmur but impaired action of parts. Heart action normal in Rate

Here give a full symptom picture of the case, embracing all the physical and rational signs, but confining it to the *present* condition of the claimant.

OBJECTIVE SYMPTOMS.

From the existing condition and the history of this claimant, as stated by himself, it is, in our judgment, ____ probable that the disability was incurred in the service as he claims, and that it has not been aggravated or prolonged by vicious habits. He is, in our opinion, entitled to a ____ rating for the disability caused by ____, ____ for that caused by ____, and ____ for that caused by ____, the sum of which aggregates ____

Here give rating for *each* cause of disability, and state the aggregate.

* See the back.

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J W Griest, *Pres.*,
J D Hassler, *Sec'y*,
T. B. Lashells, *Treas.*,
} BOARD.

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SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

(FOR A BOARD)

IN CASE OF

Joseph L. Kapp

Co. D, 56 Reg't Pa Mil

Application for Pension.

No. 564,845

Date of examination:

June 23, 1886

J P Hassler

Secy Board *Examining Surgeons*

Post office, Meadville

County, Crawford

State, Penna

P. S.—Write your Post-office address plain and in full.

JMB

PROVIDED FURTHER, That all examinations shall be thorough and searching, and the certificate contain a full description of the claimant at the time, which shall include all the physical and rational signs and a statement of all the structural changes. [*Extract from Section 4, Act of Congress approved July 25, 1882.*]

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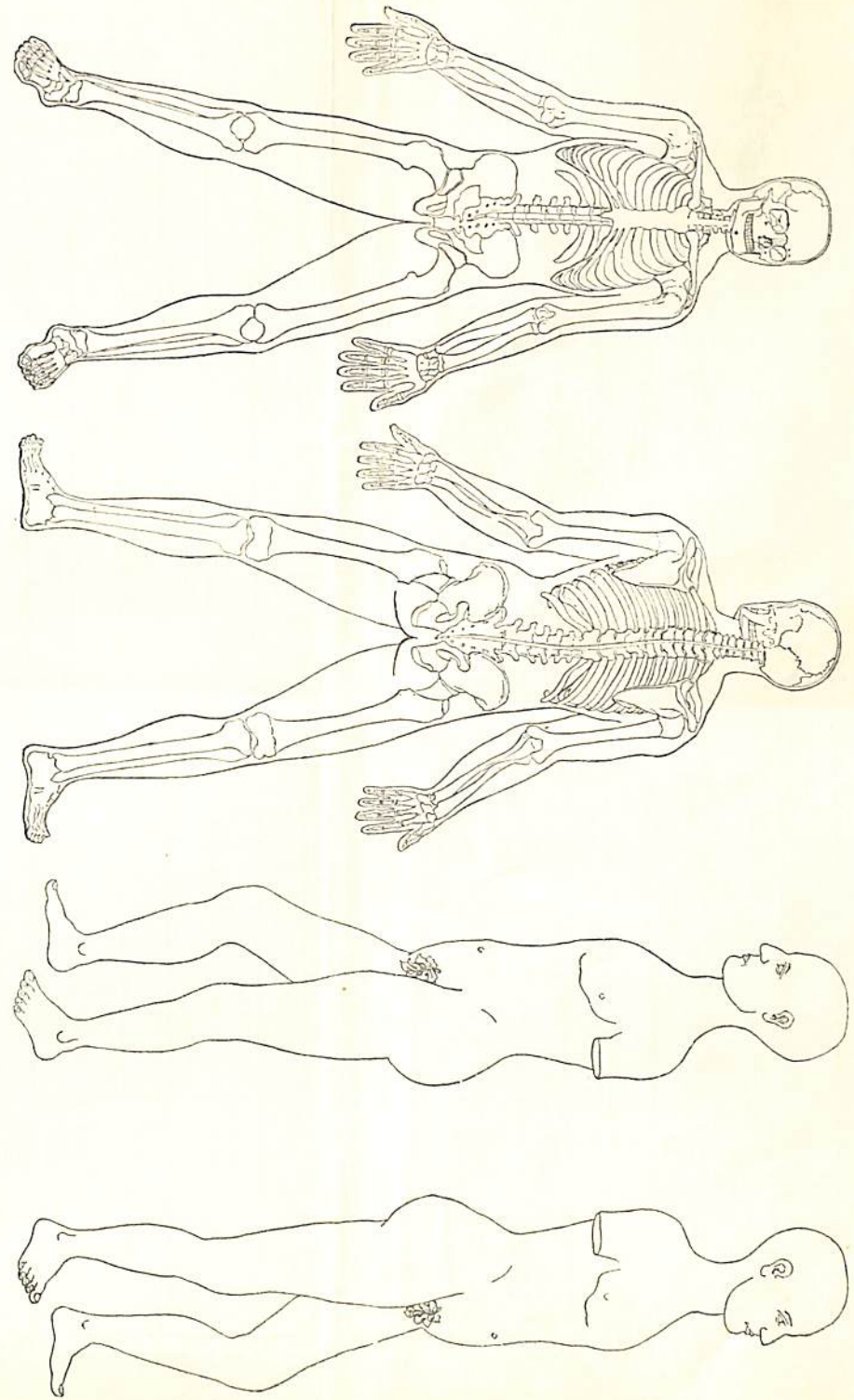

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The absence of a member from a session of a board and the reason therefor, if known, and the name of the absentee, must be indorsed upon each certificate.

Insert character† and number of claim.

Original Pension Claim No. 564,845

Name and rank of claimant.

Joseph L. Kapp, Rank, Pri.

Company D, 56 Reg't Pa Vol. Inf | Meadville, Pa, State,

Claimant's post office address.

Hayfield, Pa. | (Post office address of the Board.)

Sept 5, 1888.
(Date of examination.)

We hereby certify that in compliance with the requirements of the law* we have carefully examined this applicant, who states that he is suffering from the following disability, incurred in the service, viz:

Cause of disability.

Sciatic rheumatism, & resulting disease of heart.

If a pensioner, fill in the amount; if not, erase the whole line.

and that he receives a pension of ~~~~~ dollars per month.

Pulse rate per minute, 66; respiration, 18; temperature, Normal; height, 5 feet 6 inches; weight, 132 pounds; age, 44 years.

He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for† Orig. Pens.

Here give the claimant's statement as briefly and as compactly as possible.

Has had rheum^m 15 or 16 years or more - some of it ever since leaving the service. Suffers chiefly in left hip - whence pain runs down his leg - and up side to shoulder. Legs are apt to get numb, go asleep when sitting. Has a constant pain in region of heart - and a fluttering - cannot lie on his left side. Heart trouble not so bad of late. No joints swell. Can do about ½ days work.

Upon examination we find the following objective conditions:

Here give a full symptom picture of the case, embracing all the physical and rational signs, but confining it to the *present* condition of the claimant.

It must be borne in mind that the duty of the Surgeon is to give an opinion as to the proportionate degree of disability, as ¼, ½, total, &c., through the grades, *without any regard to dollars and cents*, and to make such a full particular description as will afford to this Office the ground for intelligent opinion and action in rating.

There is a slight atrophy of the gluteal muscles on left side. No atrophy of the thigh. Flexing of left thigh seems to be performed with some effort and apparent pain. Heart's action feeble - seems some indistinct. General appearance only fairly good.

Rate 2/18

From the existing condition and the history of this claimant, as stated by himself, it is, in our judgment, ~~~~~ probable that the disability was incurred in the service as he claims, and that it has not been prolonged or aggravated by vicious habits. He is, in our opinion, entitled to a 2/18 rating for the disability caused by Sciatica, ~~~~~ for that caused by ~~~~~, and ~~~~~ caused by ~~~~~

Rate for *each* cause of disability.
If prolonged by vicious habits, the word *not* should be erased and the reason for the erasure given.

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* See the back.
† Here state whether for original, increase, restoration, or renewal, or for a re-rating.

J. McGuire, Pres. J. P. Hunter, Sec'y. T. B. Lashells, Treas.

N. B.—Always forward a certificate of examination whether a disability is found to exist or not.

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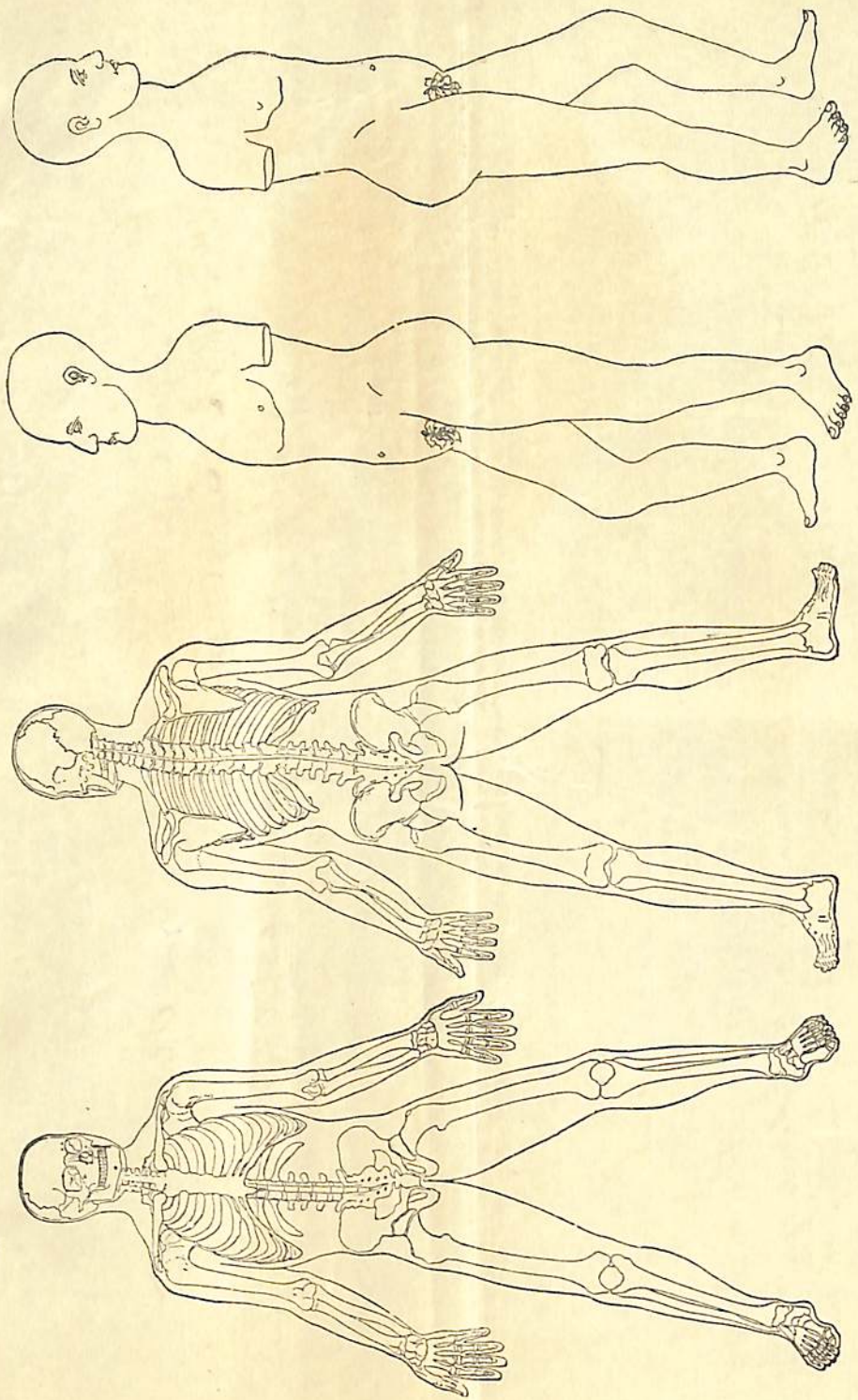

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PENSION U.S. SEP 1888 OFFICE

SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

MIDDLE DIVISION. IN CASE OF EXAMINER. SEP 25 1888

Kapp Joseph L.

Co. D, 56 Reg't Pa Vol Inf

Applicant for Orig. Pens.

No. 564,846

DATE OF EXAMINATION:

September 5, 1888.

J W Green, Pres.,
J Haselton, Sec'y,
T. B. Lathers, Treas., } BOARD.

Post office, Meadville.

County, Crawford.

State, Pa.

P. S. Write your Post-Office address plainly and in full.

PROVIDED FURTHER, That all examinations shall be thorough and searching, and the certificate contain a full description of the physical condition of the claimant at the time, which shall include all the physical and rational signs and a statement of all the structural changes. [*Extract from Section 4, Act of Congress approved July 25, 1882.*]

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The absence of a member from a session of a board and the reason therefor, if known, and the name of the absentee, must be indorsed upon each certificate.

Insert character and number of claim.

Original Pension Claim No. 23842
[State above whether for original, increase, or restoration.]

Name and rank of claimant.

Joseph L. Copp, Rank,

Company U.S. Navy Regt. Meadville Pa State,
[Post-office address of the Board.]

Claimant's post-office address. Saegerstown Crawford Co Pa Feb 11th, 1891.
[Date of examination.]

We hereby certify that in compliance with the requirements of the law we have carefully examined this applicant, who states that he is suffering from the following disability, incurred

Cause of disability.

in the service, viz: Rheumatism, Catarrh, Kidney disease Weak lungs, general debility from heart disease

If a pensioner, fill in the amount; if not, erase the whole line.

and that he receives a pension of _____ dollars per month.

He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for Original
[Original, increase, restoration, &c.]

Here give the claimant's statement as briefly and as compactly as possible.

Have sciatic rheumatism mostly in left hip extending down into leg causing cramping of the muscles of leg. Also have numbness in arms and legs. Have catarrh with headach constantly. Have a hacking cough with palpitation so bad can't sleep at times, claim a general broken down condition. Can do no hard work.

Upon examination we find the following objective conditions: Pulse rate, 76; respiration, 18; temperature Nor; height, 5 feet 6 1/4 inches; weight, 144 pounds; age, 45 years. General appearance frail

Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with pars. 5, 6, 51, 52, &c., of Book of Instructions for 1889

No structural change or impaired motion in any joint tendon or muscle to indicate rheumatism. Heart's action feeble otherwise normal. No rate
Fauces somewhat congested. Slight irritative cough. Anterior nares normal. No rate.
Chest expansion 2 1/2 inches. Murmur clear in both lungs, no rales no dullness No rate.
No evidence of any kind of kidney disease. Urine every way normal No rate
General debility well marked. tongue pale and smooth nutrition poor. some tenderness over stomach and bowels Skin pale. muscles soft and small heart feeble. all due probably to indigestion Rate 8/18

_____. He is, in our opinion, entitled to a 8/18

Rate for EACH cause of disability.

rating for the disability caused by general debility for that caused by _____, and _____ for that caused by _____

T. B. Lashells, Pres. E. H. Lewey, Sec'y. C. C. Roberts, Treas

N. B.—Always forward a certificate of examination whether a disability is found to exist or not.

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Continue record of examination here.

SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

IN CASE OF

Joseph L. Cobb

Co. —, Reg't U.S.M.

Applicant for Original

No. 238 [illegible]

DATE OF EXAMINATION: Aug 17, 1891.

J. B. Lawrence, Pres.,
E. H. Denny, Sec'y,
J. O. Roberts, Treas.,
} BOARD.

Post office, Meadville

County, Crawford

State, Pa.

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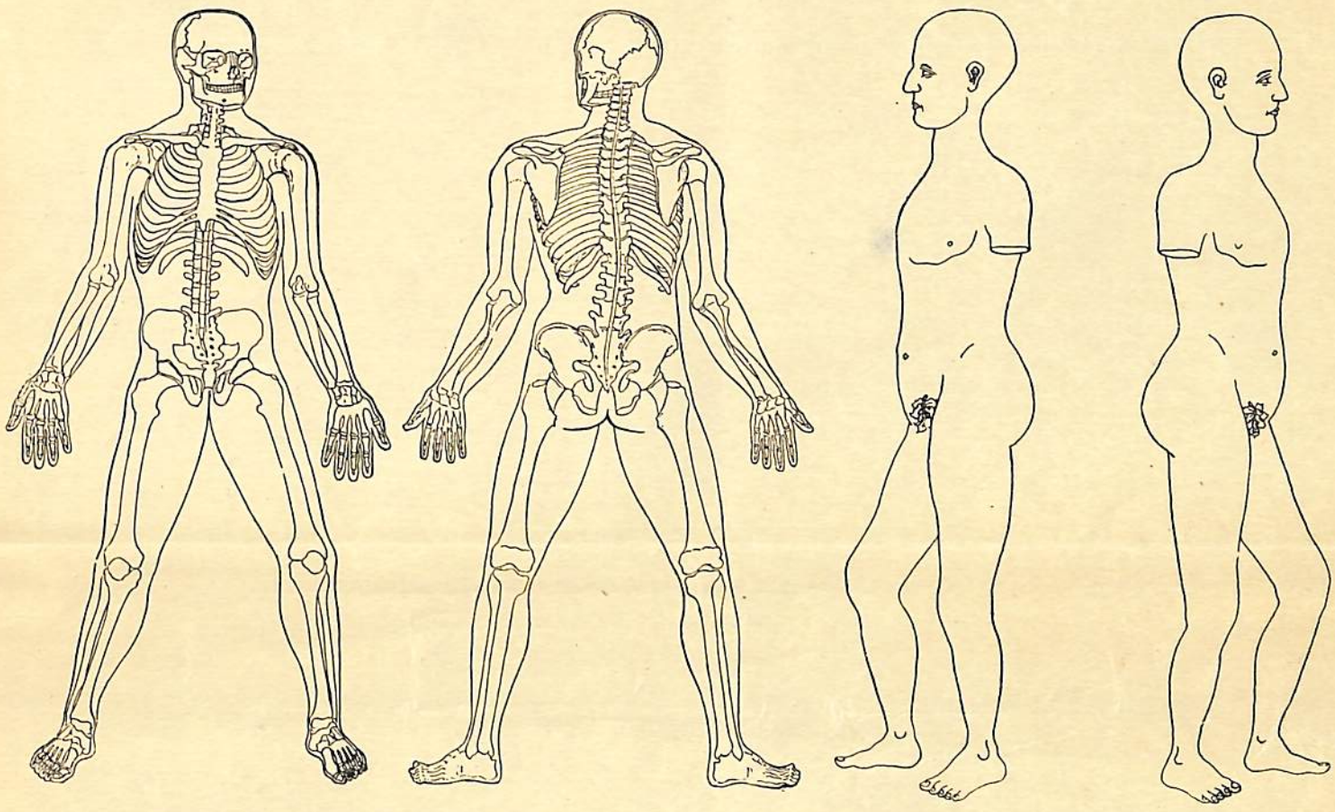

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The absence of a member from a session of a board and the reason therefor, if known, and the name of the absentee, must be indorsed upon each certificate.

Insert character and number of claim. Increase Pension Claim No. 12783
[State above whether for original, increase, or restoration.]

Name and rank of claimant. Jas. L. Kopp, Rank,

Company —, — Reg't Navy | Meadville Pa. State,

Claimant's post-office address. Saegertown Pa. | [Post-office address of the Board.] March 30 1898.
[Date of examination.]

We hereby certify that in compliance with the requirements of the law we have carefully examined this applicant, who states that he is suffering from the following disability, incurred

Cause of disability. in the service, viz: Catarrh of head affect throat & lungs. Kidneys and urinary troubly Ch. Rheumatism Lumbago. Gen. & nervous debility Dis. lungs, heart, throat stomach, hand bowels

If a pensioner, fill in the amount; if not, erase the whole line. and that he receives a pension of Six ($6.00) dollars per month.

He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for Increase
[Original, increase, restoration, &c.]

Here give the claimant's statement as briefly and as compactly as possible. Catarrh discharge from nose & throat causing cough. Pain in back constantly frequently passing urine. Rheumatism in legs & arms. Am very nervous & suffer from insomnia Pain with chest with occasional cough. Heart palpitates causing shortness of breath; soreness in throat Dislikes to after eating with constipation.

Upon examination we find the following objective conditions: Pulse rate, 72-78-80; respiration, 18; temperature, Nor.; height, 5 feet 5 inches; weight, 135 pounds; age, 53 years. General appearance good.

Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with Book of Instructions. Catarrh & results. Anterior nares healthy. Posterior nares & pharynx congested. no discharge of mucous no disease of throat. (Same as above) Lungs respiratory murmurs clear throughout. Normals measurements 31½-32½-34. No dullness - No cough. Rat for catarrh 4/8

Kidneys - Analysis — Amber acid 1020 - No sug. No alb. No nervous degenerations; skin clear; no tenderness over bladder or prostate gland. No stricture. No rate

The actual or probable origin of every existing disability must be fully set forth. Whenever a disability is shown, or is believed to be due to or aggravated by vicious habits, the opinion of the board must be stated. When not due to such habits this fact must be stated. Rheumatism Lumbago: — Triplets in back shoulder joints with slightly impaired motion. No structural change of outline or bones, but marked tenderness. (no cause) Lumbar muscles stiff; pain on pressure; stoops with difficulty — Heart & apex imp. Normal sound muffled. No murmurs, oedemas or dyspnoea. Rate for rheumatism 8/18

Each disability must be rated separately, the act of Congress of March 2, 1895, requiring "that the report of such examining surgeons shall specifically state the rating which, in their judgment, the applicant is entitled to," Debilities — Nothing to indicate either Nutrition good, Skin Natural Movements strong except where affected by rheumatism. No rate.

Dis. Lungs & Throat — (See above) No rate

T. B Lasmus, Pres. Ned McGarry, Sec'y. O. K. Bean, Treas.

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☞ (This certificate to be filled in and signed by the secretary when full board is present.)

"I hereby certify that Dr. C. B. Lashells, Dr. Will M. Young, and Dr. T. H. Bean, were personally present and actually participated in the examination of Jas. L. Kapp, the claimant in this case, on 30th day of March, 1898."

(*Signature.*) Will M. Young

(This certificate to be filled in by the member of the board acting as secretary, and signed by the applicant, when a full board is not present.)

"I, ..., the applicant for (increase or original) pension referred to in this medical certificate, hereby consent to be examined by Dr. ..... and Dr. ....., the examining surgeons here present (waiving examination by full board), on this ..... day of ....., 18 ."

(*Signature.*) .....

SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

IN CASE OF Jas. L. Kapp

Co. —, Reg't Navy

Applicant for Invalid

No. 42703

DATE OF EXAMINATION: March 30th, 1898.

C. B. Lashells, *Pres.*,
Will M. Young, *Sec'y*,
T. H. Bean, *Treas.*,
} BOARD.

Post office, Saegertown

County, Crawford

State, Pennsylvania

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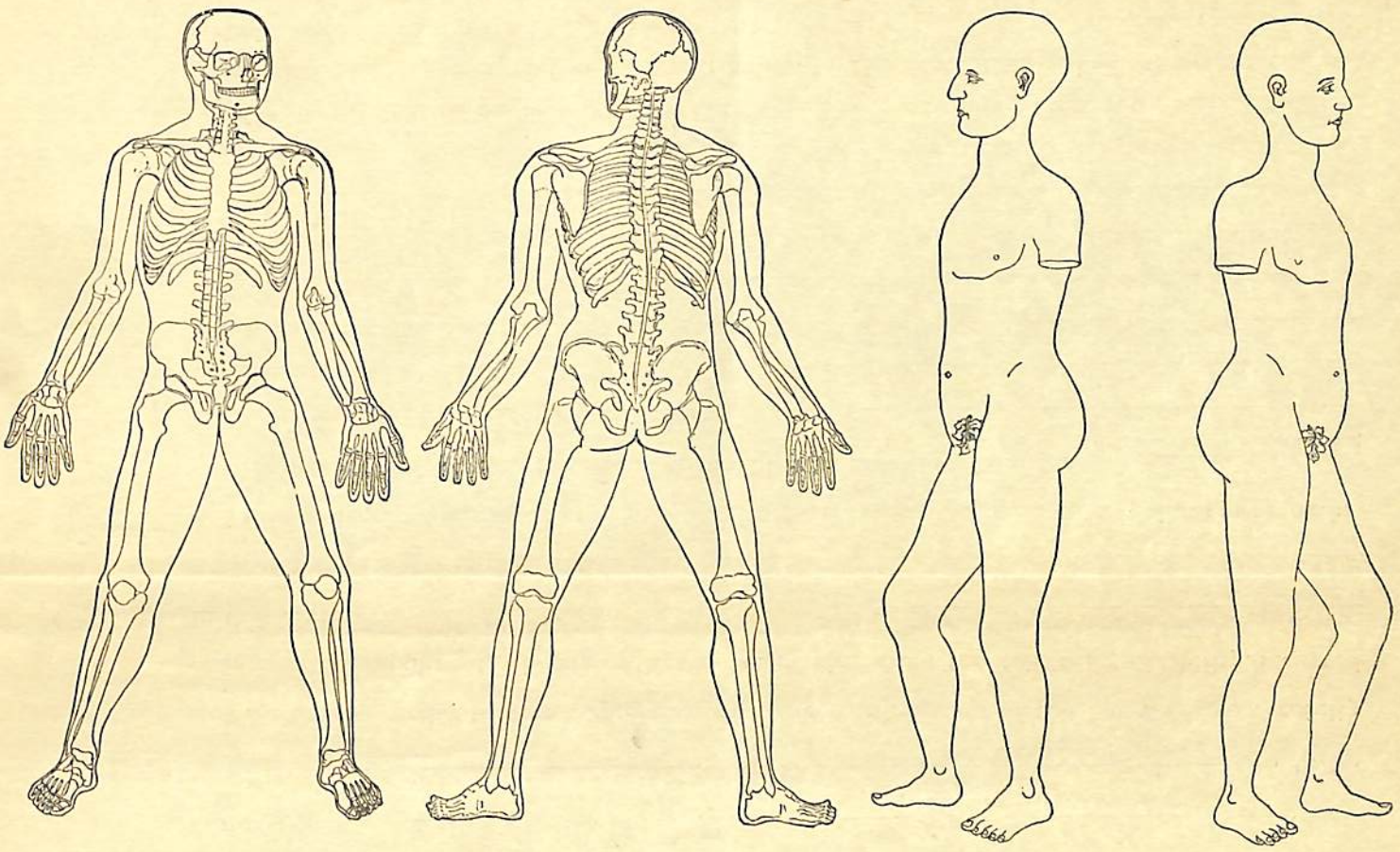

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The absence of a member from a session of a board and the reason therefor, if known, and the name of the absentee, must be indorsed upon each certificate.

Insert character and number of claim.

Increase [State above whether for original, increase, or restoration.] Pension Claim No. 12783

Name and rank of claimant.

Jas. A. Loffi, Rank,

Company —, — Reg't Navy

Claimant's post-office address.

Saegerstown Pa. | Meadville Pa [Post-office address of the Board.] State,

March 30th [Date of examination.], 1898.

We hereby certify that in compliance with the requirements of the law we have carefully examined this applicant, who states that he is suffering from the following disability, incurred

Cause of disability.

in the service, viz: _____

If a pensioner, fill in the amount; if not, erase the whole line.

and that he receives a pension of _____ dollars per month.

He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for _____ [Original, increase, restoration, &c.]

Here give the claimant's statement as briefly and as compactly as possible.

_____

Upon examination we find the following objective conditions: Pulse rate, _____; respiration, _____; temperature, _____; height, _____ feet _____ inches; weight, _____ pounds; age, _____ years.

Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with Book of Instructions.

Heart:— Apex impulse 1½ in. to left of sternum Action & sounds normal. No increased area. 1 sound muffled. No murmurs; dyspnoea or oedema. No rale.

Stomach and Bowels— Nutrition good. Stomach normal No structural change of liver or spleen No tympanites & dull reflex healthy. No other disabilities found. No vicious habit.

The actual or probable origin of every existing disability must be fully set forth. Whenever a disability is shown, or is believed to be due to or aggravated by vicious habits the opinion of the board must be stated. When not due to such habits this fact must be stated.

Each disability must be rated separately, the act of Congress of March 2, 1895, requiring "that the report of such examining surgeons shall specifically state the rating which, in their judgment, the applicant is entitled to."

_____, Pres. _____, Sec'y. _____, Treas.

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"I hereby certify that Dr. _____, Dr. _____, and Dr. _____, were personally present and actually participated in the examination of _____, the claimant in this case, on _____ day of _____, 18 ."

(*Signature.*) _____

(This certificate to be filled in by the member of the board acting as secretary, and signed by the applicant, when a full board is not present.)

"I, _____, the applicant for (increase or original) pension referred to in this medical certificate, hereby consent to be examined by Dr. _____ and Dr. _____, the examining surgeons here present (waiving examination by full board), on this _____ day of _____, 18 ."

(*Signature.*) _____

SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

IN CASE OF

_____

Co. ——, _____ Reg't _____

Applicant for _____

No. _____

DATE OF EXAMINATION:

_____, 189 .

_____, *Pres.*,
_____, *Sec'y*, } BOARD.
_____, *Treas.*,

Post office, _____

County, _____

State, _____

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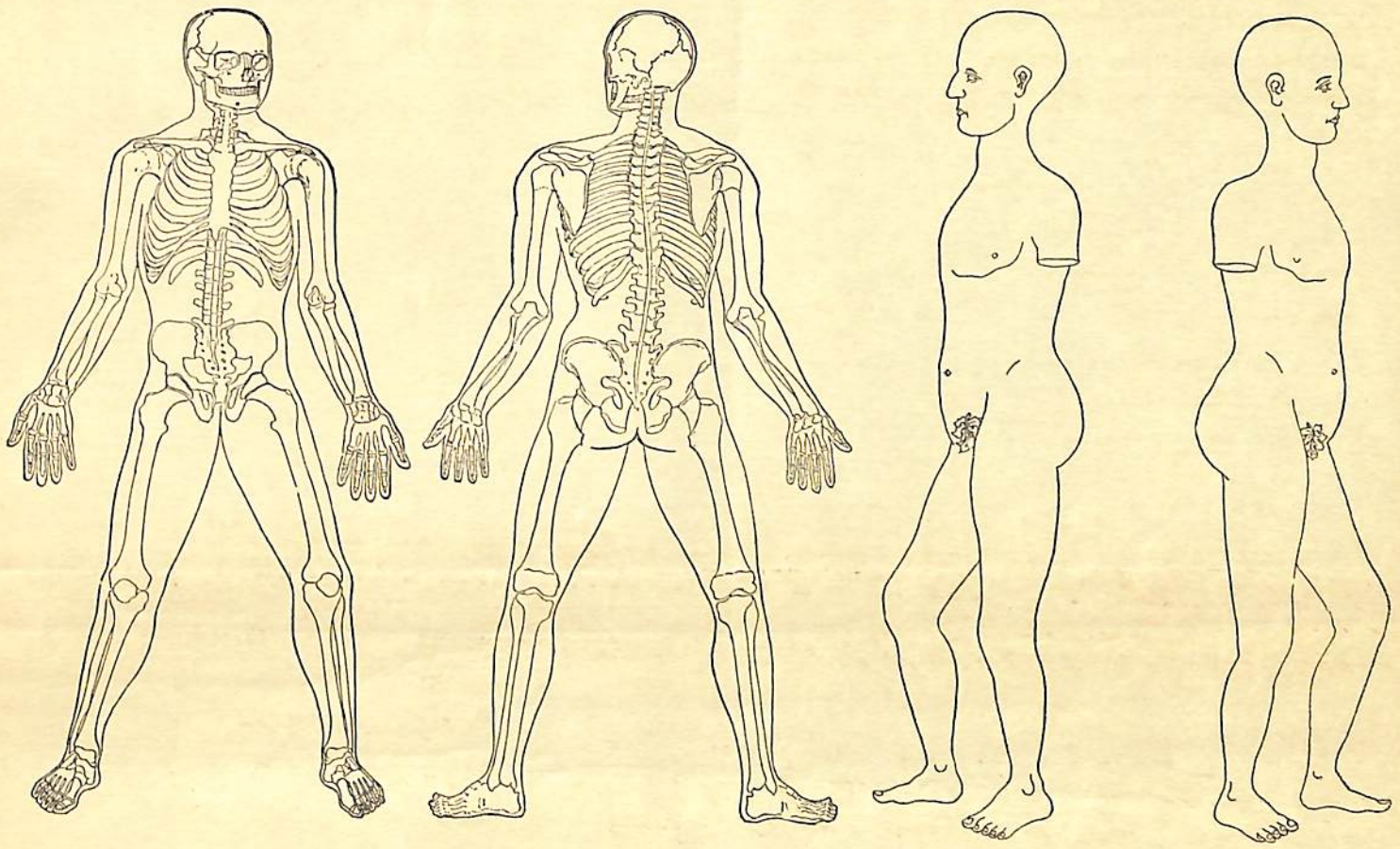

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SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE.

Insert character and number of claim. Increase Pension Claim No. 12783

Name of claimant. Joseph L. Lobb

Claimant's post-office address. Pvt. Company — Reg't U. S. Navy Baergerstown, Crawford Co. Pa.

Address of Board. Meadville P. O. Pa. State.

May 29, 1901. [Date of examination.]

Cause of disability. Dis. of Heart, Lungs and Kidneys & Rheumatism = Loss of sight of right eye & impaired vision of left eye. Dis. of Throat, stomach & bowels Catarh - Nervous debility - Lumbago - R. diarrhoea & any other disabilities. As Per new evidence & Specific habits.

He receives a pension of ~~~ dollars per month.

Here give the claimant's statement (as briefly and as compactly as possible) in regard to the date of origin and cause of his disabilities and the manner in which they affect him. He makes the following statement in regard to the origin of his disabilities and date when first discovered by him: Rheumatism had appeared & attacks in last 15 yrs. In back, shoulders & knees &c. Recently has had palpitation & discomfort about heart for some length of time. Has shortness of breath and pain in lungs - for some length of time. Supposes kidney disease to exist. Has pain in back, & dizzy, loss of vision of right eye for yrs & half eye impaired vision of left. Has catarh, trouble of throat & nasal organ for several years - Constipation & bowel trouble - Has nervous debility following labor & any other disabilities -

The outlines of the human skeleton and figure upon the back of this certificate should be used to indicate precisely the location of a disease or injury, the entrance and exit of a missile, an amputation, etc.

Birthplace, Germany; age, 56 years; height, 5 ft. 5 in.; weight, 135 pounds; complexion, Fair; color of eyes, blue; color of hair, gray; occupation, Laborer; permanent marks and scars other than those described below, - None -

We hereby certify that upon examination we find the following objective conditions:

Pulse rate, 74 80 90 [Sitting, standing, after exercise.]; respiration, 18 20 22 [Sitting, standing, after exercise.]; temperature, Nor.;

Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with Book of Instructions. General atheromatous pait. - Rheumatism & Lumbago with Heart Disease :- Crepitus in right shoulder joint with motion impaired 1/3 - Motion of left impaired 1/4 - Lumbar muscles tense, apparently tender & stoops with difficulty - Motion of knee joints restored & at present no evidence of structural change or impaired motion. Heart apex impulse normally located - not visible on inspection. No increased cardiac area; sounds feeble & irritable - No murmurs; action irritable & weak; marked dyspnoea on exertion - No oedema or cyanosis. - Lungs - Chest measurements 32 1/2 - 35 1/2 - Respiratory murmur clear throughout both lungs - No dullness on percussion - No cough - Dis. of Kidneys :- Urinary Analysis - Sp. Gr. 1020. No alb. or sug. Acid reaction - Color dark amber - No organic symptoms - Water - no degenerations evident - no dropsies. - Loss of Sight of Right Eye & impaired vision of left :- Completeness of right eye due to opacity of crystalline lens - incipient cataract of left eye with vision equaling 20/70. - Catarh & Dis. of Throat :- Anterior nares in healthy condition. Posterior nares & fauces congested & corrugated with profuse discharge of mucous - Eustachian tubes pervious. R. diarrhoea - Dis. of stomach & bowels :- Tongue furred; breath foul; skin pale; mulation poor; no structural change in spleen; liver extends 1 1/2 inch below border of ribs. Retains in fairly healthy condition; alleges no attack of diarrhoea for several years - but followed by obstinate constipation requiring constant use of laxatives. Nervous Debility :- Slight muscular tremor; co-ordination perfect; Gait steady with eyes closed :- no spinal tenderness; no other disabilities found. Calves of Legs soft - We find that the aggregate permanent disability in conveying support by manual labor is due to Rheumatism - Loss of sight of one eye and vision of other impaired - Dis. of Digestive organs and Chronic diarrhoea & Catarh & warrants a rate of Twelve ($12.00) Dollars -

A man unable to do manual labor. -

When rates are recommended solely on subjective evidence the strongest reasons must be given therefor.

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J. B. Lashells, Pres. R. W. Clark, Sec'y. Henry E. Smith, Treas.

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"I hereby certify that Dr. T B. Lashells, Dr. R. H. Glen, and Dr. O E. Smith, were personally present and actually participated in the examination of Joseph L Tapp; the claimant in this case, on 29 day of May, 190/."

(*Signature.*) P W. Clark

(This certificate to be filled in by the member of the board acting as secretary, and signed by the applicant, when a full board is not present.)

"I, _____, the applicant for (increase or original) pension referred to in this medical certificate, hereby consent to be examined by Dr. _____ and Dr. _____, the examining surgeons here present (waiving examination by full board), on this _____ day of _____, 190 ."

(*Signature.*) _____

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SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

IN CASE OF

Joseph L. Tapp

Co. —, —, Reg't U.S. Navy

APPLICANT FOR Seaman

No. 427603

DATE OF EXAMINATION:

May 29, 190/

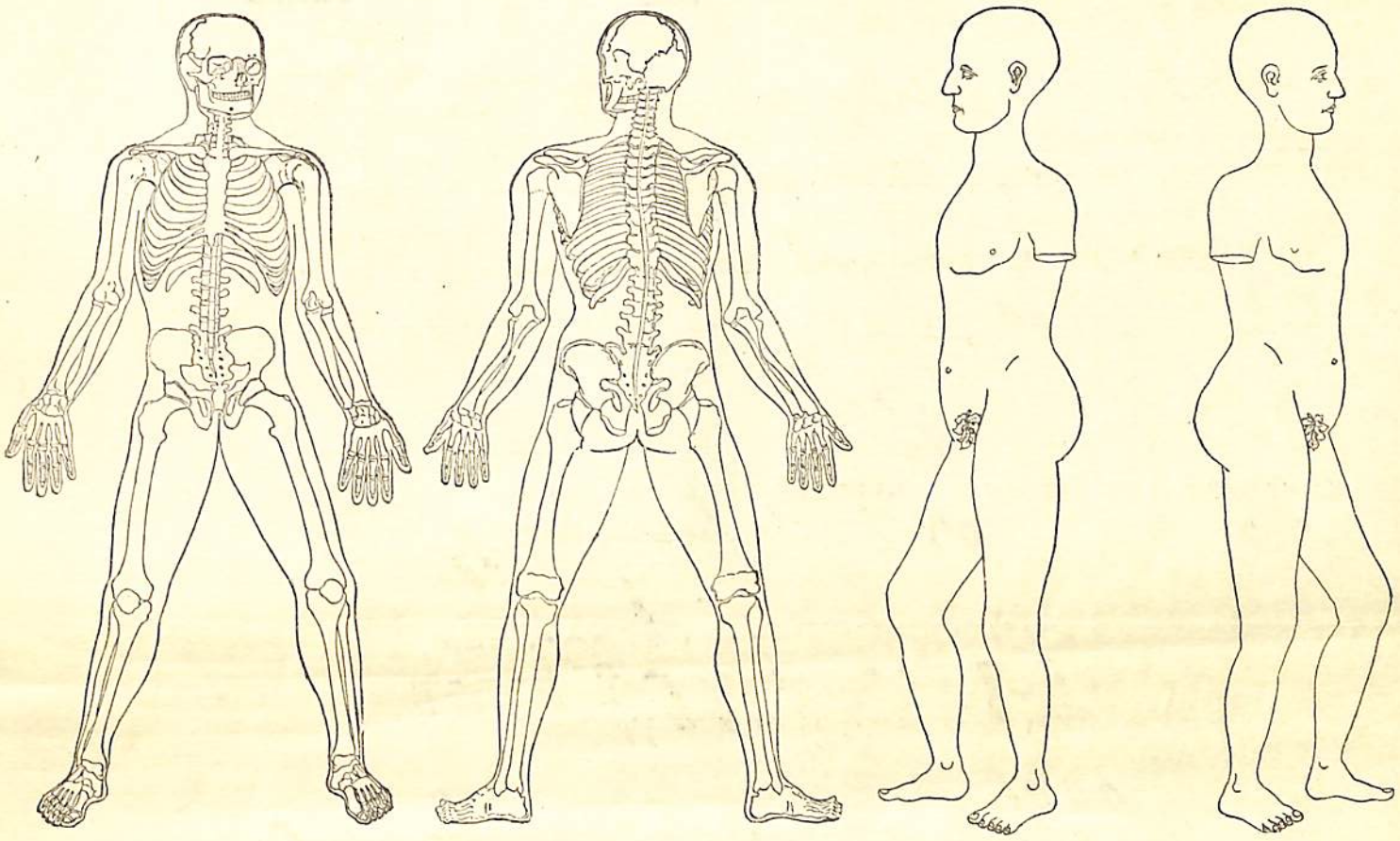
T. B. Lashells, Pres.,
P. W. Clark, Sec'y,
Henry E. Smith, Treas.,
} BOARD.

Post office, Mercersville

County, Warren

State, Ohio

P. S.—Write your Post-office address plainly and in full.



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"All examinations shall be thorough and searching, and the certificate contain a full description of the physical condition of the claimant at the time, which shall include all the physical and rational signs and a statement of all the structural changes." [*Extract from Section 4, Act of Congress approved July 25, 1882.*]

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SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE.

Insert character and number of claim. Increase Pension Claim No. Ctf 12.783

Name of claimant. Joseph L. Kopp

Company ____ Reg't U.S. Navy

Claimant's post office address. R. F. D. #1. Bakersfield Cal.

Address of Board. ~~R.F.D. #1~~ Bakersfield P. O. Cal. State.

Aug 9, 1905 [Date of examination.]

Names of disabilities. Indigestion — Blind in right eye.

He receives a pension of 10.00 dollars per month.

Here give the claimant's statement (as briefly and as compactly as possible) in regard to the date of origin and cause of his disabilities and the manner in which they affect him. He makes the following statement in regard to the origin of his disabilities and date when first discovered by him: Indigestion 1864. Blind in right eye 5 years. Debility —

Birthplace, Germany; age, 60 years; height, 5:5"; weight, 125 pounds; complexion, Fair; color of eyes, Blue; color of hair, L. Gray; occupation, Laborer; permanent marks and scars other than those described below, no

We hereby certify that upon examination we find the following objective conditions:

Pulse rate, 78, 88, 104 [Sitting, standing, after exercise.]; respiration, 20, 24, 28 [Sitting, standing, after exercise.]; temperature, 98.

Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with Book of instructions, and make a separate paragraph for each disability. Appetite capricious. fullness in epigastrium - flatulency, Coated tongue, and flabby - bowels constipated, always takes a laxative Sleepy after meals. memory poor. with palpitation of heart, rhythm irregular. Vertigo. —

Facts within the knowledge of the Board, or any member thereof, relative to the cause of any disability found should be stated. Right eye sight gone, opacity of lense — left reads without glasses 20/70 with glasses read for a few minuets. causing pain and lachrymation, is now commencing opacity. Recommend 2/18

Whenever a disability is shown or is believed to be due to or aggravated by vicious habits the opinion of the board must be stated. When not due to such habits this fact must be stated. Lungs good, Kidneys good — urine Specific grav. 1.022 Col. light yellow, acid, no sugar or albumen - Some cystitis, due to enlargement of prostate of small degree. Skin white, slight oedema of both ankles, very anaemic. Arteries soft, easily compressed. — easily exhausted. — debility general. — 6/18

No evidence of rheumatism now, except creaking of knees, no degree of anchylosis, no deformity, stiffness of muscles of morning, no atrophy of muscles or tendons. He has Chronic nasal Catarrh, mucus discharge nasal cavities somewhat obstructed frontal headache, dryness of throat - hawking. slight deafness of both ears. caused by catarrh of middle ear. — mucus membrane of nose red.

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Witnesses to mark. _____ _____

(Signature of Applicant.) _____

SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

IN CASE OF Joseph L. Kipp

Co. _____, Reg't U.S. Navy

APPLICANT FOR Increase

No. 12783

DATE OF EXAMINATION: Aug - 5 - 05, 190

_____, *Pres.*, _____, *Sec'y*, _____, *Treas.*, } BOARD.

Post office, Bakersfield

County, Kern

State, Cal.

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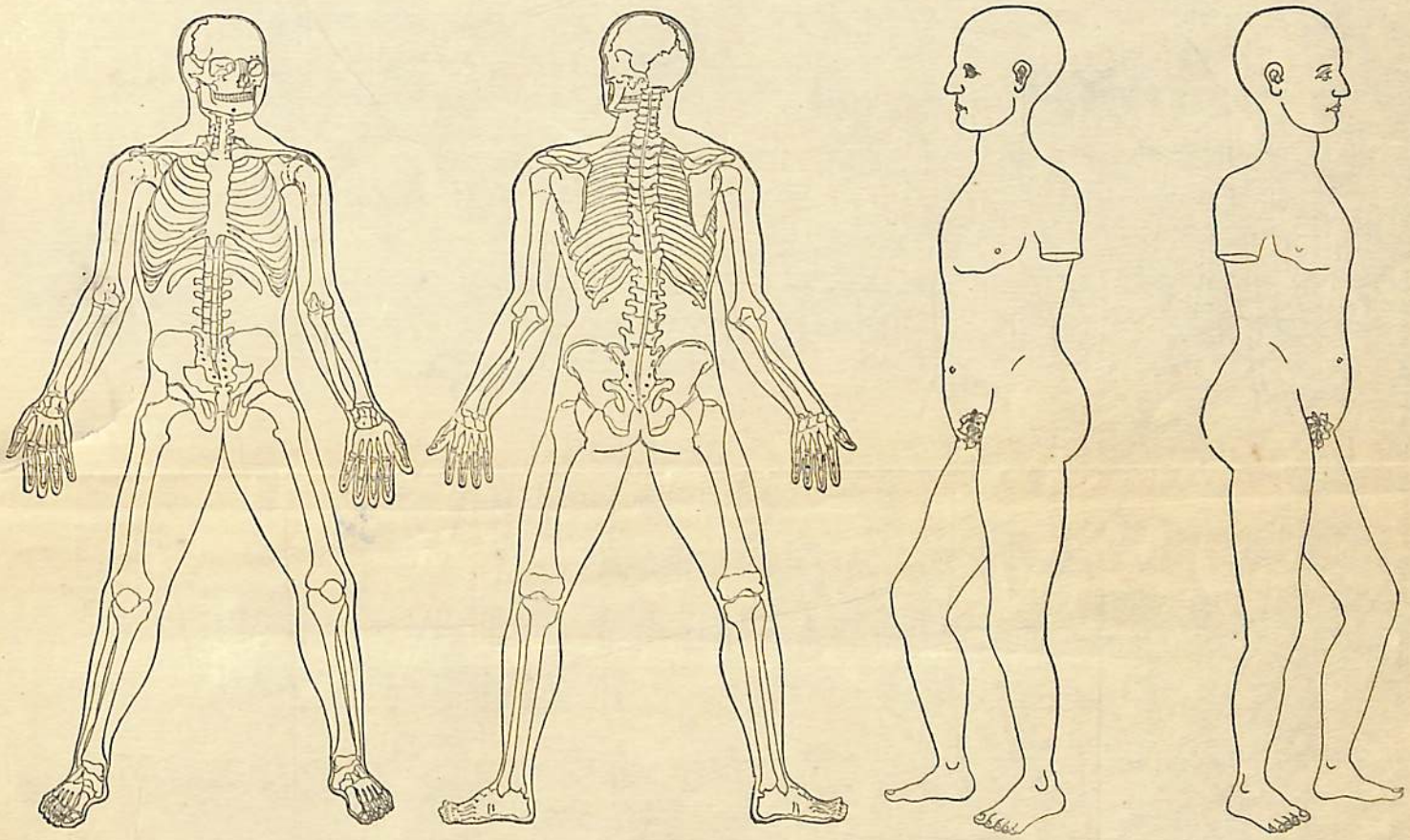

The outlines of the human skeleton and figure should be used to indicate precisely the location of a disease or injury, the entrance and exit of a missile, an amputation, etc.

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