

(3-446.)

## DEPOSITION

Case of James B. Freeman, No. 552047On this 3 day of July, 1897, at  
Baltimore, County of \_\_\_\_\_State of Md., before me, W. H. Hill, aSpecial Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared Thomas A.Jones, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer

truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid

pension claim, deposes and says: I do not know my age -

but am about 55 years old, occupation

shoemaking, post office ad. 142 Chestnut st.

City. I have known the claimant since I

was about 8 years old. He learned the trade of

shoemaking with me. When he came out of

the army he came to my shop and worked with

me a few months, then went to Annapolis

and opened a shop for himself. He seemed

to be in good health, but he was not able to do

fine work. Yes his eyes appeared to be good

when he first came to work for me, but they

soon got bad so he could not see to do fine

work. I do not know the cause of his eyes getting

bad. No he did not wear glasses, nor did he

have any treatment for his eyes. I wanted him

to get a pair of glasses so he could see to work but

he would not - I guess he was too proud to wear

them.

2 Did he complain of any other disease while working

for you at that time?

A Several times I heard him complain of piles and

I sent him down to a doctor on Broadway

to ~~a doctor~~ get some stuff that I had been using

myself. After he went to Annapolis to go into

business for himself I saw him frequently - he

came up here to see his family and would

call at my shop. No I did not hear him complain