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GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.



State of Maryland, County of Baltimore
In the matter of Claim for Increase Cert # 174091 by
Josiah Cornish, Co D. H. "E. S. C. Troops

Personally came before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for aforesaid County.

and State Henson Benson, aged 78 years

and William Lee, aged 50 years

citizen of the town of 519 N. Spring St. City of Baltimore, State of Maryland

Post-Office address.

Maryland, well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who,

being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case, as follows:

That they have been

near neighbors and personal intimates

friends of the Claimant Josiah Cornish

since his discharge from the Army

in the year 1866.

That the

Henson Benson has lived in the same

house with the Claimant for the past

eleven years.

That both of the Deponents

would meet the Claimant during all

these years at frequent intervals, some

times daily.

That they were

average weekly.

in a condition to know and do

know that during all this time

the Claimant Josiah Cornish has con-

-fined of his disability from Piles,

which he stated he had contracted

while in the Army.

He would

act at times as if in pain or mis-

-ery from the Piles, would put his

hand to the parts affected, would

set edgewise on the chair, and stated

at the time he was suffering from the

Piles.

The Deponents and Claimant have

been residents of Baltimore City since 1866 to

date 1894. They further declare that they have no interest in said case, and are not con-

cerned in its prosecution.

And that this Affidavit was

prepared in their presence, and at their dic-

-tation, without suggestion from any one

other than themselves.

Henson Benson

William Lee

NOTE.—In the execution of papers and evidence, whenever a person or witness signs by mark, (1.) two persons who can write must attest the signature by signing their names opposite.

The official before whom papers are executed is not a competent witness to a mark