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(For typewriter.)

Case of **MARY E. CORNISH**

No. 1121801.

On this 8 day of Spttember , 19 20 at Philadelphia,
 county of Philadelphia , State of Pennsylvania before me,
Frank J. Bain , a Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions,
 personally appeared **Philip F. Matthews** , who, being by me first
 duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to h im
 during this special examination of aforesaid claim for pension,
 deposes and says:

I am 75 years old. My residence and postoffice
 address is 1820 Poplar Street, Philadelphia, Pa. I am a
 regularly ordained Minister of the Gospel. I have no charge
 at this time. I served in Co. I, 25 U. S. C. Infantry during
 the Civil War and am a pensioner.

I am acquainted with Mary E. Cornish, the above
 named claimant for pension. I first became acquainted with
 Mrs. Cornish in Cap May, N. J., all of five years ago, exact
 time forgotten. My acquaintance with her lasted for about two
 years and during this time she lived in the house of my family
 at Cape May. I have not seen her since she left Cape May, but
 my wife has seen her in Baltimore. At the time I knew her
 I thought she was getting a pension for herself and children
 because I have seen her pension checks. She earned her living
 at domestic work. She worked for a family named Bryan when
 she first came to Cape May and then she worked for a family named
 Sevens, on Washington Street.

Mrs. Cornish represented herself to be awidow. She
 was not married when she was with us and she did not live with
 any man while she was in Cape May. I never saw anything im-
 proper in her conduct nor never heard anything against her
 character. She conducted herself in a straightforward and
 ladylike manner and was a regular attendant at Church. She
 seemed to be an honest and hard working woman.

Rev. Lewis Y. Cox, if he ^{is} living is still in Cape May,
 and I think can be found at 736 Lafayette St. Have read the
 foregoing and it is correct.

Philip F. Matthews

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