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proven that the soldier or sailor through whom the pension is claimed died by reason of some cause which originated or was incurred in the service and in line of duty. Death from such cause is not even alleged; and no connection thereof with the service is attempted to be shown. Under the third section of the act of June 27th, 1890, it is not required to connect the soldier's death cause with the service. The express purpose of that section was to authorize and provide for the allowance of pension to widows and children of soldiers regardless of the cause of death, subject to the other requirements thereof. Section 4705 applies only to the case of a widow or child whose husband or father, respectively, died by reason of some cause due to his service, and hence not to any case arising under the act of June 27th, 1890.

Claimant and soldier were residents of Maryland until the soldier's death, June 21st, 1892, and since prior to the late war of the rebellion. They were free colored persons. No marriage ceremony between them was ever performed until September 10th, 1891. It is alleged that they assumed marital relations soon after the close of the war which were continued until soldier's death. Unless they were married

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