

SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE.

Insert character and number of claim.

Increase

Pension Claim No. 664,927

Name of claimant.

James Armistead

Address of Board. Baltimore P. O.

Claimant's post-office address.

Sgt Company D 39 Reg't U.S. Inf.
[Rank.] 503 Agstn St

Maryland State.
Sept 8th, 1899
[Date of examination.]

Cause of disability.

Rheumatism + dis. of rectum + malarial poisoning - piles - dis. of eyes - dyspepsia - heart + kidney dis + dis of back. He receives a pension of 6 dollars per month.

Here give the claimant's statement (as briefly and as compactly as possible) in regard to the origin of his disabilities and the manner in which they affect him.

He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for Increase
He has rheumatism + heart + kidney disease [Original increase, restoration, etc.]
He has no piles now - my sight is not good.

Attention is invited to the outlines of the human skeleton and figure upon the back of this certificate, which should be used to indicate precisely the location of a disease or injury, the entrance and exit of a missile, an amputation, etc.

We hereby certify that upon examination we find the following objective conditions:

Pulse rate, 76-80-88, respiration, 18-20-22, temperature, 98,
[Sitting, standing, after exercise.] [Sitting, standing, after exercise.]

height, 5 feet 7 inches; actual weight, 138 pounds; age, 60 years.

Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with Book of Instructions.

Rheumatism = There is rheumatic soreness in the left shoulder joint with slight effusion - no enlargement of joint or atrophy or swelling of muscles - no contraction or impaired motion - other joints normal - Rate $\frac{2}{18}$
There is rheumatic soreness over both lumbar muscles with stiffness + pain upon stooping + rising - no atrophy or swelling of muscles - other muscles normal - Rate $\frac{4}{18}$
Disease of heart = Apex beat normal + evident upon palpation. Auscultation reveals a unaccented force of heart's action to-gather with a diastolic murmur of loudest intensity at apex beat, denoting mitral stenosis. There is dilatation of right ventricle with dyspnoea + recurrent oedema of ankles - Rate $\frac{8}{18}$.

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."

When rates are recommended solely on subjective evidence the strongest reasons must be given therefor.

Dis. of Rectum + piles = No objective evidence of disease of rectum or piles - Rate $\frac{0}{18}$.
Malarial Poisoning = No chill or fever present no emaciation - abdominal organs normal - Rate $\frac{0}{18}$
Disease of Eyes = Lids healthy - pupils of natural size + respond to light + shade - Vision Both eyes or right or left eye $\frac{20}{40}$ Rate $\frac{2}{18}$
Dyspepsia = No evidence of dyspepsia - Rate $\frac{0}{18}$
Kidney Disease = Urinalysis reveals a specific gravity of 1020 - acid reaction - amber color + absence of albumin, sugar or other abnormal deposits R $\frac{0}{18}$
Dis. of back = baseid under rheumatism R $\frac{0}{18}$
no other disability found to exist
no evidence of vicious habits

A. Patton, Pres. A. Janett, Sec'y. A.C. Meland, Treas.

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