

(3-446.)

DEPOSITION Exhibit P

Case of James Benson, No. 328330On this 21 day of September, 1883, at
Baltimore, County of BaltimoreState of Maryland, before me, James Mc Clements, a
Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared James Benson,
who, being by me first duly sworn to answer
~~only all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of afore-~~
~~said pension claim, deposes and says:~~ he is the claimant in the above entitled

Case, has been present during the examination except while testimony
of Thomas Leunahan, and Dr. F. B. Gardner, was being taken, and says
he has no other witnesses he desires to introduce except James Fredericks,
and David L. Decoursey, James Fredericks lives in Jordan Alley No
2, between Rose and Preston Streets, but I don't know what time he is
home, David L. Decoursey, lives with Mr. Perrine in Baltimore
Co., on the York Road,

Q You were present when Arthur Mann, made his statement to
me and then refused to sign it; Do you remember when you worked for
him, and how long, Was you disabled by reason of disease of stomach
while in his employ, if so, for how long—

A I went to work for him within two months after my discharge,
I worked for him about 14 months, I suffered from weakness, with
pain in my back and side, while I worked for him, I suppose I lost
about two weeks time while in his employ, but not all at one time, I
would lose a day or two now and then,

Q Can you account for said Arthur Mann refusing to sign his statement
A I cannot, I was always on good terms with him, we never had a dis-
agreement,

Q You have been informed that Thomas Leunahan, swears you suffered
from no disease or disability while in his employ to his knowledge, Did
you have such a degree of disability while in his employ as to be notice-
able to him, or were you always able to perform the duties assigned you

A I was always able to perform the duties assigned me, but often felt very
unwell, I suffered with pain in the back and nervous sick headaches
Mr. Leunahan has often heard me complain of that, and several times told
me to go and get a five grain blue mass pill,