

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, SS:

In matter of the Pension Claim of Annie Hales, widow of  
William Hales, late ..... Co. ....  
Regt. .... Vols. ....

Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for  
said County and District, Corrilla Smith, aged upwards of  
fifty-seven years, whose post office address is number 1336,  
Fourth Street, Northwest, Washington City, in the County of  
Washington, District of Columbia, well known to me to be re-  
putable and entitled to credit, who, being duly sworn, de-  
clares in relation to the aforesaid claim as follows:

That she is well and personally acquainted with the above  
named claimant, Annie Hales, and was also well and personally  
acquainted with her late husband, William Hales, alleged to  
have departed this life, in Baltimore City, State of Maryland,  
on or about the 11th day of February, 1913; that affiant  
knew both the said claimant and William Hales for a number of  
years prior to their marriage, affiant, said Annie Hales, and  
William Hales then all living in said City of Baltimore, in  
said State of Maryland, said Annie Hales and affiant then  
being very young girls. That said Annie Hales (whose maiden  
name was Annie Howard) and William Hales were married, during  
the year of the Centennial, year 1876; and affiant's memory  
thereof having been refreshed by recently seeing the marriage  
license issued for said marriage, is satisfied, and so states  
that the exact date of said marriage was October 10, 1876,  
affiant herself having been present at said marriage, and  
having stood by said Annie Hales during said marriage ceremony.  
That affiant and said Annie Hales were close friends and girl  
associates for a long time prior to her (Annie Hales') mar-  
riage to said William Hales; and that affiant knows of her

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