

The amount expended for postage in conducting the correspondence in original pension claims, and in increase of claims, when a new disability is alleged, ranges from about thirty cents to about one dollar, averaging in such claims about fifty cents. In the case of pension claims, when new disability is not alleged, require not less postage, ranging from about nine cents to about eighteen cents. Round claims, about thirty cents. Property taken by the U. S. Army and horses lost in service, from fifty cents to one dollar and fifty cents. Claimants are requested to keep me whole in matters of postage. This is a small matter to each claimant, but a very important one to me.

IMPORTANT.—The Physician will first state how long he has been engaged in the practice of Medicine and Surgery. He will next state the MANNER IN, and the EXACT EXTENT TO, which the disabilities, (naming them,) upon which the claim for Pension is based, incapacitate the claimant for the performance of manual labor; whether ~~ONE-EIGHTH, ONE-FOURTH, ONE-THIRD, ONE-HALF,~~ or as the case may be.

REFERENCE IS TO BE MADE TO ANY TREATMENT WHICH THE PHYSICIAN MAY HAVE ADMINISTERED

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State of Maryland
County of Baltimore } ss:

In the pension claim of John Wesley
Co. D. 39th U.S. Inf.
(Company and Regiment, or vessel, or other organization or department.)

Personally came before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for
Baltimore City and State, Henry Bedford a resident
of Baltimore City of the County of
(City or Village.)

State of Maryland, who, being duly sworn, declares in relation to the aforesaid case as follows:

(If space here be not sufficient, the Physician may execute an additional affidavit as to the facts not herein embraced.)

I have been acquainted with the applicant about five years and have been aware that he suffered from time to time a varying degree of disability. He was not prescribed for him. I have examined him and found present the symptoms of Endocarditis from Rheumatism contracted during the late war and consider him entitled to a pension. I am a regular practicing physician and have been for nearly eight years.

And he further declares that he has no interest in said case, and is not concerned in its prosecution.

Dr. Henry Bedford
(Signature of Physician or Surgeon. If ever in the Army give rank and service.)

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