

# SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE.

Insert character and number of claim.

Increase

Pension Claim No. 555 350

Name of claimant.

James D., Brooks

Address of Board.

Baltimore,

P. O.

Corporal Company B, 9, Reg't U.S.C. Inf.

Maryland,

State.

[Rank.]

Claimant's post-office address.

#417 S. Howard St., Balto., Md.

June 23,

1900

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[Date of examination.]

Cause of disability.

Rheumatism, sunstroke, disease of head and eyes, disease of heart, back and kidneys, affection of left side and general debility. He receives a pension of Six 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 Pension [Original, increase, restoration, etc.]

"Received sunstroke while in service. Not able to perform manual labor on account of rheumatism."

Laborer.

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, 90, 96, 110, respiration, 19, 27, 36, temperature, 98, [Sitting, standing, after exercise.] [Sitting, standing, after exercise.]

height, 5 feet 7-1/2 inches; actual weight, 130 pounds; age, 60 years.

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

Rheumatism; Heart; Back; Left Side. Has crepitation in both shoulders with pain on motion. All his large joints are painful on manipulation. No deformity or limitation of motion of joints. He has severe muscular rheumatism, and complains of intercostal pains in the left side, and severe pain in lumbar muscles in stooping and rising.

Heart---Apex impulse visible under sternum. Area of cardiac dullness increased 3/4 inch in diameter. Action rapid and irregular, and increased much by exertion. Valves are in good condition. He has severe dyspnea on exertion. He has hypertrophy. No dilatation, cyanosis or oedema. He claims to have attacks of vertigo, which we believe. Rheumatism and resulting disease of heart. Rating 17/18.

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.

Sunstroke; Head. No impairment of mental, spinal or nervous functions. No chronic meningitis. No spasms, convulsions or nausea. No arcus senilis. No paralysis, local or general. Breathing regular. No difficulty swallowing. No impairment of coordination of movements. No muscular tremor. No rating.

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."

Eyes. External and internal structures each eye normal. Vision each eye 20/70. No rating.

Kidneys. No local oedemas or dropsies. No anaemia, uraemia or degenerations. Urine pale. S. G. 1020. Acid. No albumen or sugar. No rating.

General Debility is due to rheumatism and heart, and rated above.

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

Except as above, all organs normal. Chest measures, expiration 33, rest 34, inspiration 36.

No evidence of vicious habits.

His disability is permanent.

*A. A. White*, Pres. *Geo. R. Graham*, Sec'y. *G. Lawrence*, Treas.

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