

# SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE.

Insert character and number of claim.

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Pension Claim No. 555 350,

Name of claimant.

James D. Brooks

Address of Board.

Baltimore,

P. O.

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

Maryland,

State.

Claimant's post-office address.

#604 Wayne St., Balto., Md.

August 19, 1905

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[Date of examination.]

Names of disabilities.

Rheumatism, disease of heart, result of sunstroke and general debility.

He receives a pension of Eight dollars per month.

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

He makes the following statement in regard to the origin of his disabilities and date when first discovered by him: "Contracted all my disabilities since the war. Cannot work because of rheumatism."

Birthplace, Calvert Co., Md.; age, 64 years; height, 5-8-3/4; weight, 124 pounds; complexion, Brown; color of eyes, Dark; color of hair, Gray; occupation, None; permanent marks and scars other than those described below, None

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

Pulse rate, 76, 80, 86; respiration, 16, 20, 30; temperature, 98;

[Sitting, standing, after exercise.]

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Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with Book of instructions, and make a separate paragraph for each disability.

Rheumatism; Heart: He has crepitation in shoulders and elbows with severe pain on motion. Flexion of his legs upon the thighs is impaired 50%, owing to pain and contraction of tendons and ligaments at the knee joints. He reports that he has severe pains in the intercostal muscles of both sides. His fingers are thickened and somewhat stiffened by calcareous deposits. Heart normal in size, function and position. He has no dyspnoea, edema or cyanosis.

Facts within the knowledge of the Board, or any member thereof, relative to the cause of any disability found should be stated.

Sunstroke: He has no impairment of mental, spinal or nervous functions. No vertigo, spasms, convulsions or nausea. No paralysis, local or general. No chronic meningitis. Breathing regular. No difficulty swallowing. No muscular tremor. Coordination of movements not impaired.

General Debility is due to age. His muscles have lost their tone. He is somewhat enfeebled, and unable to perform much manual labor. He has no organic disease.

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.

His Lungs are in healthy condition. Chest symmetrical; expiration 33, rest 34, inspiration 36.

He has no disease of Kidneys. Urine dark. S. G. 1020. Acid. No albumen or sugar.

No other disability found to exist.

He presents no evidences of vicious habits.

We find that the aggregate permanent disability for earning a support by manual labor is due to Rheumatism and General Debility, not due to vicious habits, and warrants a rating of \$8.00.

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

Edw. H. Hodson, Pres.

Geo. R. Kahan, Secy.

G. Lam. Sawyer, Treas.

Single surgeons will use this blank, changing "we" to read "I."

Marginal entries must never be made.