

EXAMINING SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

IN THE CASE OF AN ORIGINAL APPLICANT.

No. 510.597

Name of claimant, *Wm S. Mothers*

Rank, *Pvt*

Company, *K*

Regiment, *4*

State, *W. S. G. O.*

EXAMINING SURGEON'S ADDRESS:

Post office, *Baetunne*

County, *"*

State, *md*

Date of examination, *May 28*, 188*4*

We hereby certify That *we* have carefully examined this applicant, who claims that while in the service of the United States, at or near a place named *Greuter Point Va*, and while in line of duty,

on or about the *15* day of *Sept*, 18*84* he incurred

in consequence thereof he is *totally* disabled for earning his subsistence by manual labor.

He states that he is *54* years of age, that he weighs *166* pounds, and that he is *5* feet *8* inches in height.

His pulse-rate per minute is *78*, his respiration *16*, and his temperature *normal*

The examination reveals the following facts:

Ball entered at head of meta tarsal bone of 3^d toe left foot, passed through the foot, fracturing the meta tarsal bone; allged some pieces of bone came away; the 3^d toe is shortened and the middle joint ankylosed. In consequence of injury the 2^d toe overrides the 3^d and causes pain when wearing a close fitting shoe; says it pains him after walking

1/4 \$ 2.00

From the condition and history of the claimant, it is *our* opinion the disability was *incurred* in the service as claimed, and that it is not aggravated or protracted by vicious habits.

We find the disability as above described to entitle him to *1/4* \$ 2.00 rating.

Examining Surgeon.

Always forward a certificate of examination whether a disability is found to exist or not.

Give the rational and physical signs so fully that how and why and how much the claimant is disabled shall clearly appear. When there are neither structural changes nor rational signs in support of the claim, that fact should be stated. There should be made in compliance with the "Instructions."

SEC. 4. Act July 25, 1882. That all examinations shall be thorough and searching, and the certificate contain a full description of the physical condition of the claimant at the time, which shall include all the physical and rational signs and a statement of all structural changes. The fee for such examination and satisfactory certificate therefor, shall be two dollars, &c., &c. No certificate will be considered satisfactory, or such examination paid for, unless the above requirements of the law are satisfied.

It must be borne in mind that the duty of the Surgeon is to give an opinion as to the proportionate degree of disability, as 1/4, 1/2, total, &c., through the grades, without any regard to dollars and cents, and to make such a full particular description as will afford to this Office the ground for intelligent opinion and action in rating.

A. N. Dodge

L. H. Barrett

G. L. W. Danvers