

EXAMINING SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

IN THE CASE OF AN APPLICANT FOR INCREASE OF PENSION.

No. 172,780

Name of claimant, James Boom
Rank, Private
Company, C
Regiment, 39th
State, W. S. T.

EXAMINING SURGEON'S ADDRESS:
Post office, Washington
County, _____
State, D. C.
Date of examination, March 12, 1884

Present rating. The applicant states that he is now paid at the agency for a ^{3/4} disability, on account of gun shot wound of right thigh, and that he applies for increase on the ground that disability is worse

That the present rating is unjustly low, or that there has been actual increase of the disability.

Particular description. He states that he is 5'2" years of age, that he weighs 140 pounds, and that he is 5' feet 6 inches in height. His pulse-rate per minute is 80, his respiration 18, and his temperature _____.

The surgeon should not recommend increase excepting for one of two reasons—that the present rating is unjustly low, or that the disability has really increased. In either case the reasons for changing the present rating should be clearly set forth, and should include a full statement of the physical and rational signs.

The examination reveals the following conditions:

Ball entered inner surface of middle third of right thigh, and passing through and downwards, came out at anterior and posterior aspect of lower third just above popliteal space; cicatrix well healed, loss of strength in limb, and he complains of pain in cloudy weather and after walking some distance. No grounds for increase.

Judging from the condition and history of the claimant, it is _____ 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 a ^{3/4} rating.

Joseph A. ...

Richard ...

Robert ...
Examining Surgeon.

The Surgeon will forward his report of examination direct to the Pension Office whether the pensioner is thought to be entitled to increase or not.

Act July 26, 1882. * * * That all examinations shall be thorough and searching, and the certificate contain a full statement 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. Originals will be considered satisfactory, or such examination paid for, unless the above requirements of the law are satisfied.