

The two witnesses came, and then neglected to change the date in accordance with the facts. This is the only explanation I can ^{now} make of the matter, and as the ~~error~~ ^{oversight} was unintentional and not ~~due~~ ^{intended} to the issue, I ask that it be regarded as a clerical error likely to occur in any office.

Answering your question as to why I permitted O. W. Beale and D. B. Piers, ^{my clerks} to act as identifying witnesses for the widows declarative and required other witnesses to the assumed declarative I will say, when I have frequently urged upon the Pension Society, that I never regarded them as anything but attesting witnesses, whereas in the assumed declarative witnesses are required to swear to statements of fact of which Mr. Beale and Miss Piers could have no knowledge or information.

I fully understand the contents of this deposition.
 A. Parlett Lloyd

Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25th day of April, 1894, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

G. H. Sidman
 Special Examiner.