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DEPOSITION

Case of Heester A. Bowman, No. 358.469

On this 24 day of May, 1899, at
Shepherdstown, county of Jefferson
 State of WVa, before me, W. E. Clapp, a
 special examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared John
Bowley, who, being by me first duly sworn to
 answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this special
 examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

I am 59 years of age; my post-office address is Shepherdstown
WVa, Cum a laborer.

I know this pensioner well. I
 also knew George W Harris her son.
 He lived in Baltimore Md but came
 up here, and into the Valley to see
 his mother, after his wife
 died and I met him on these
 occasions, and in 1880, and for
 several years he would come up
 here and stay some time. He
 was in poor health had the
 consumption. He drank some
 but not much. His doctor ordered
 whiskey for him.

Q How did you know that George W
 Harris was Heester A Bowman's
 son?

A Because he called her mother and
 stayed with her when he came up
 here. He had been a soldier, and
 he often came to see me when he
 was in this neighborhood.

Q Was George W Harris a married man
 at the time he died?

A He had been married, but his wife
 died.

Q Do you know whether he supported
 his mother in any way during the
 last few years of his life?