

attendant on soldier and he thought he ought to have been assured of being paid. That he was led to infer from soldier's surroundings that he was a widow, but was informed after soldier's death that he had left a widow. I did not think it necessary to have him subpoenaed as the testimony I obtained is positive on the point at issue in the case.

The claimant has a very clear character for honesty. She had to help support the soldier while he lived.

Matthew Goldstrough, who was an intimate associate of soldier and one of his identifying witnesses for several of pension, swears positively to the claimant being the widow of soldier. He is employed by Gestow & Co. Coal dealer who informed me that whatever Matthew Goldstrough said, could be relied upon. All the witnesses are of good reputations and testified in a straightforward manner without any apparent bias. They all seemed surprised that a doubt had been raised as to claimant being the soldier's widow.

Dr. Brown while enjoying the reputation of being an able physician has somewhat of a reputation as one