

The claim was made special by
your order of Jan. 25th 1887.

Claimant was duly notified of
her rights and privileges in the sum-
mary but declined to be present or be re-
presented by attorney, but all the testi-
mony taken by me was read to her
before taking her final statement.

Claimant is a very ignorant
woman and evidently much older
than the claim, she has no idea
of dates and would make as many
different answers to the same ques-
tion as opportunity was afforded.

I spent nearly a day in getting
her statement.

Claimant and all deponents
sustain a good reputation for truth,
and all appeared unbiased in giving
their testimony.

There is considerable doubt in
mind as to the matter of soldier's
contributions but in order to offer
claimant all opportunities for
proving her claim I recommend
further examination, as follows: