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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

WASHINGTON, D. C.,

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 Orig. No. *744,326*
William H. Coates
 Col. *7* Reg't *U.S.C. Inf*
det July 14, 1862

Return this letter with your reply.

July 17, 1893.

Sir:

To further aid this Bureau in determining the merits of the above entitled claim for pension, be kind enough to answer in your own handwriting the following questions, giving more complete details than your affidavit affords.

Very respectfully,

Benjamin Coates
Wallsille
Maryland

Commissioner.

When did you first see claimant after he returned from the army, and how do you fix the date?

Answer: I saw him as soon as he came home to my house in 1862 when he was discharged.

Of what disability did he complain, and how was he affected?

Answer: He complained very much with rheumatism and piles and some other things.

How frequently have you seen him since your first acquaintance?

Answer: I have seen him every day since within 10 or 12 years.

If he has continued to suffer with such disability, please describe the symptoms which were apparent to you, and state to what extent he has been disabled for manual labor thereby during each year?

Answer: I have seen him complain of his inability to do any work with rheumatism and some other things. He is so disabled that he cannot do any manual labor.

My means of knowing the facts of the case are these: That he is a man of

One hundred years of age and I see him every day and often twice a week. He is so disabled that he cannot do any manual labor.

COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C.

Very respectfully,

Wash
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Benjamin Coates