

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Maryland, County of Sumner, ss:

In the matter of Pension claim of Mary widow of Isaac S. Hicks

ON THIS 22 day of April, A. D. 1908, personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for the aforesaid County and State, duly authorized to administer oaths Charlotte Taylor, aged 70 years, whose Post Office address is Drury, Md. and

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well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to the aforesaid case as follows:

that she has known Mary Hicks and ~~her~~ Isaac S. Hicks since they were children together and she knows that

neither Mary nor Isaac had ever been married before they were mar-

ried to each other. She was present at the marriage of Mary to

Isaac on Christmas day in 1867 in Calvert Co. Md. on Mr. Frank

Cranford's farm. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Evans.

She further states that claimant lived with Isaac S. Hicks as his wife up to the time he died and they were never divorced from each other and she has not remarried since his death. She further states

that Mary Hicks has no property whatever and is dependent solely on her daily labor for support.

She knows the above facts by long and intimate acquaintance with both claimant and soldier dating back to childhood and further by being present when the marriage ceremony was performed.

She further declare that she has no interest in said case and is not concerned in its prosecution.

1 Ernest Shepherd

2 William Shepherd

If either witness signs by X mark, two witnesses who can write must sign here.

Charlotte X Taylor

Attant's Signature.

