

DEPOSITION *L*

Case of *Jessie Bailey*, No. *958352*

On this *13th* day of *February*, 1912, at
near Chestertown, county of *Kent*
 State of *Md.*, before me, *L. G. Walsh*, a

Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared
Charles J. Reiche, 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 54 years of age, P. O. address R. F. D. No. 3, Chestertown, Md. and occupation, farmer. I am not related to
Jessie Bailey, this claimant, and there is no interest
in the prosecution of her claim for pension. I am the
son of Ernest C. Reiche, who was undertaken at Chestertown, Md; for at least forty years prior to his decease.

He died thirteen years ago. Yes, I have custody of the books of my father. I do not find any record of the death or burial of Jane Reese, or Jane Johnson on my father's books, but there is a record showing charge for coffin etc. for the wife of Jeremiah Reese. [Here the witness submits to the Special Examiner record in question, of which the following is a literal copy: "Jeremiah Reese, To Coffin for wife, laid, handles and case, Hearse and attending funeral \$30.00 Nov. 14th, 1889"]

I don't know that I ever knew Jeremiah Reese or the wife Christian name for whom that coffin was furnished on November 14th, 1889. I know nothing of the matter beyond what my father's record shows. Yes, I testified in the claim before. After hearing you read my former affidavit, B. J. 18, I have to say: Mr. L. W. Fowler, then a Justice of the Peace at Chestertown, Md. was interested in this case and he asked me about my father's records of the burial of one Jane Reese, wife of Jeremiah Reese. All that I could find bearing upon the matter was that record which I have just shown you and of which you made copy. I copied that record and took the copy to Mr. Fowler and he then wrote up that affidavit which you have just read to me. I objected to that part of