

Post-office address:

Easton, Md

Dec. 28

, 1897

SIR:

In reply to your request I have to state that I was in the same company with Robert Riley and was working with him at the time he hurt his back carrying poles to make winter quarters. I have known him ever since his discharge and have been meeting frequently and he has always complained of his back.

Very respectfully,

Witness:
 H. S. Cornwell
 H. H. Norton

Ben Black

COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, a Notary Public in and for Talbot County Md., and the above facts were made known to the affiant before subscribing his name.

Harry S. Cornwell
 Notary Public