

orn to and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant ; and I certify that I read said affidavit to said affiant , and acquainted *him* with its contents before he executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution; and that said affiant *is* personally known to me; that he *is a* credible person and so reputed in the community in which he resides.

Witness my hand ~~and official seal~~ this *11<sup>th</sup>* day of *March* 189*1*

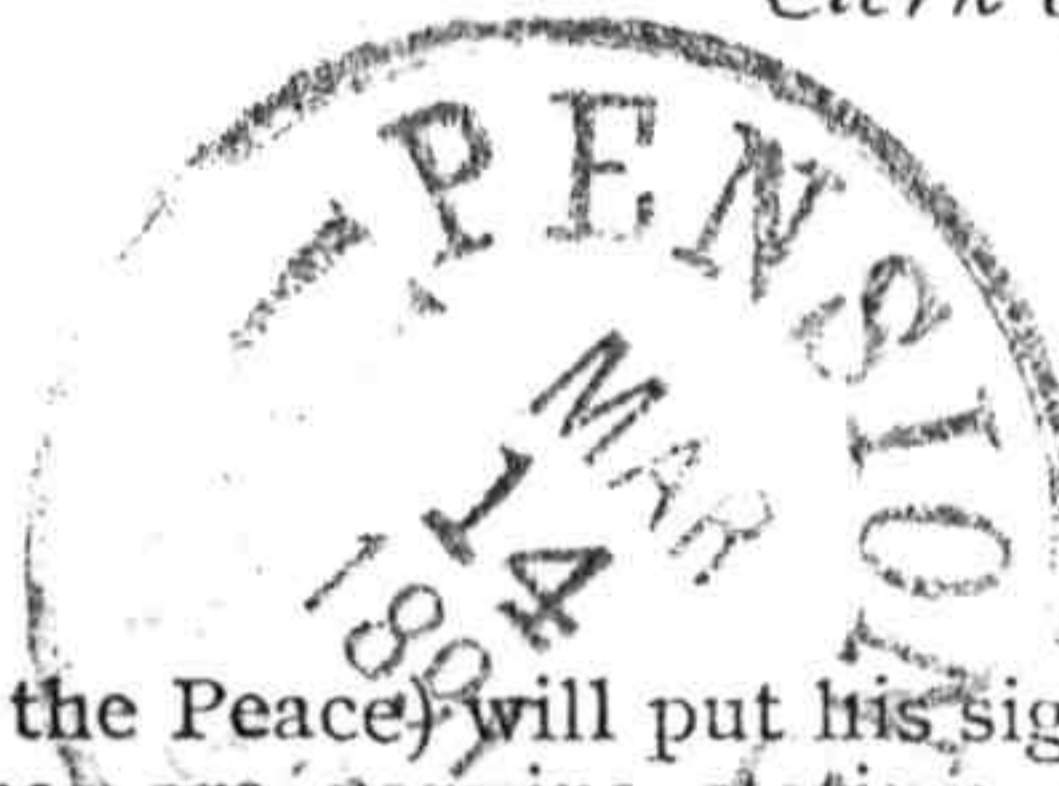
Sign here *Thos. S. Dodd*  
*Justice of the Peace*

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NOTE.—Should this be sworn to before any other officer than a CLERK OF COURT, then the proper CLERK OF COURT must add his certificate of character on the back hereof, and not on a separate slip of paper.

State of *Maryland*, County of *Kent*, SS:  
I, *Samuel Bleck*, Clerk of the County Court in and for afore-  
said County and State, do certify that *Thos S. Dodd*, Esq., who hath  
signed his name to the foregoing affidavit, was at the time of so doing a *Justice of the Peace*  
in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full  
faith and credit, and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office this *11<sup>th</sup>* day of *March* 189*1*  
*Saml. Bleck*  
Clerk of the *Circuit Court*



If a Notary Public (or Justice of the Peace) will put his signature and seal impress (if he has one) on a sheet of paper, and a Clerk of Court will certify that they are genuine, stating when his commission was dated and when it will expire, he can execute papers to be used in ONE DEPARTMENT ONLY during his term of office without authentication by Clerk of Court. Such Certificate for each Department where many authentications are required will save much expense.

Several papers executed before one Notary Public or Justice of the Peace on the same date need County Clerk's Certificate on one only if all are to be used in one case.

Write an affidavit just as you would write a letter, stating all the facts, circumstances, dates and places as near as you can remember, and if of your own personal knowledge and observation, and state how you know what you say to be true.

No. *903.0746*

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

CASE OF  
*Henry Messel*  
*vs "W. J. C. P."*

FOR

*Invalid Pension*  
*act June 27 1890*

AFFIDAVIT OF

*Claimant*

FILED BY

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