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Complying with the request contained in your letter of
December 26th, you will find inclosed a blank declara-
tion for pension under the act of April 19, 1908, in the case of
Thomas Carmichael, Cert. No. *957,446*.

In order to have title thereunder, the soldier must have rendered
a service of ninety days or more during the Civil War and received
an honorable discharge therefrom, and *the widow* must have been
married to him prior to June 27, ~~1890~~.

If the soldier's death can be proven a result of disease
contracted, or wound or injury received, while in the service and
line of duty, *the widow* may have title to pension under the
general law without regard to the date of marriage, and a blank
form of application thereunder will be sent upon request.

Where the widow makes claim for original pension, no for-
mal application is required for payment of the pension accrued to
the date of soldier's death, as the question of her title thereto
will be considered in connection with said claim.

Very respectfully,

J. M. Gallagher

Commissioner.

(Inclosure.)