

No. 121.

Act of June 27, 1890.

NEIGHBORS' AFFIDAVIT.

For the testimony of EMPLOYERS or NEAR NEIGHBORS of soldier (other than relatives), showing his present physical disability, as required under the provisions of the Act of June 27, 1890.

State of Maryland County of Baltimore, ss:

In the matter of the application for pension of Madison Hensell
Cot 9 U.S.C. Cert # 469, 131

ON THIS 21st day of March, A. D. 1891, personally appeared before me a Commissioner of the District of Columbia in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths George France aged 44

years, a resident of Baltimore City, in the County of Baltimore and State of Maryland, whose Post-office address is 1113 Jordan Alley, and Henry Bowie aged 46 years, a resident of same place, in the County of Baltimore, and State of Maryland

whose Post-office address is 420 Morris Alley well known to me to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation to the aforesaid case, as follows: That they have been well and personally acquainted with Madison Hensell for 25 years, and 40 years respectively, and that they have been intimately acquainted with Madison Hensell for the last fifteen years.

That during this period he has seen him every day, and that he has during this time been so afflicted that he is unable to perform but half of a man's work at most. That their knowledge of the condition of Madison Hensell's health is derived from their daily intercourse and communication with him and not from hearsay or rumor.

INSTRUCTIONS—read carefully.

The witnesses must state:

1st. Their respective ages and occupation; the length of time they have known the soldier, and how long during that period they have employed, worked with or for him, or lived in the same neighborhood with him and how near to him.

2d. If they have employed or worked with him they should state where it was and at what business; or if they know him as neighbors only they should state about what distance from him they live; how frequently they see him and converse with him, and how intimate they are with him, and from what disease or disability he is suffering with at present, and whether at any time he is obliged to stop work by reason of his alleged disabilities. In this connection, if the witnesses have been his employers, or have worked with him or for him, they should state about what proportion of a sound, able-bodied man's work he is able to do—whether $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, or as the case may be; what his actual earnings are, and whether or not the wages paid him are less in amount, and how much less on account of his inability to labor than is paid to others physically sound, and doing the same kind of work. They should also state how they are able to say what his disabilities are, and describe fully and clearly the symptoms as they appear to them in his case; in fact, describe his physical condition fully, and show whether or not he is suffering from a mental or physical disability of a permanent character, not the result of his own vicious habits, and the extent which he is incapacitated from the performance of manual labor, or the degree he has been unable to earn a support since the filing of his claim.

Application filed Feb 7, 91
Claims for gunshot wound right
leg & inflammation & nearly
total deafness in both ears