

SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE.

Insert character and number of claim.

Increase

Pension Claim No. 635 308

Name of claimant.

Peter Mitchell

Baltimore,

P. O.

1st. Sgt.

Company H, 9, Reg't U. S. C. Inf.

Maryland,

State.

Claimant's post-office address.

#720 S. Hanover St., Balto., Md.

October 16,

1900

[Date of examination.]

Cause of disability.

Rheumatism, disease of heart, deafness, affection of eyes, vertigo, injury of left wrist, catarrh of head.

He receives a pension of Six dollars per month.

Here give the claimant's statement (as briefly and as compactly as possible) in regard to the origin of his disabilities and the manner in which they affect him.

He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for Increase Pension [Original, increase, restoration, etc.]

"Contracted deafness and disease of eyes while in service. Not able to perform manual labor on account of disease of heart and vertigo." No occupation.

Attention is invited to the outlines of the human skeleton and figure upon the back of this certificate, which should be used to indicate precisely the location of a disease or injury, the entrance and exit of a missile, an amputation, etc.

We hereby certify that upon examination we find the following objective conditions:

Pulse rate, 78, 84, 90, respiration, 18, 22, 28, temperature, 98,
[Sitting, standing, after exercise.] [Sitting, standing, after exercise.]

height, 5 feet 10 inches; actual weight, 170 pounds; age, 56 years.

Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with Book of Instructions.

Rheumatism; Heart. Has crepitation in both shoulders and elbows with pain on motion. The right shoulder is somewhat swollen by rheumatic infiltration. The right shoulder measures 18 inches, the left shoulder measures 17 inches. Both knees are painful on manipulation. He is unable to completely flex the legs upon the thighs, owing to pain and contraction of tendons and ligaments at the knee joints. His lumbar muscles and muscles of thighs and back are sore to touch and painful in stooping and rising. Heart normal in size, position and function. No hypertrophy or dilatation. No dyspnea, cyanosis or oedema.

The actual or probable origin of every existing disability must be fully set forth. Whenever a disability is shown or is believed to be due to or aggravated by vicious habits the opinion of the board must be stated. When not due to such habits this fact must be stated.

Deafness. Each external and internal auditory apparatus in normal condition. Can hear with each ear ordinary conversation at a greater distance than six feet.

Eyes. External and internal structures each eye normal. Vision each eye 20/70.

Each disability must be rated separately, the act of Congress of March 2, 1895, requiring "that the report of such examining surgeons shall specifically state the rating which, in their judgment, the applicant is entitled to."

No symptoms of Vertigo.

No symptoms of injury to left Wrist.

Catarrh. Mucous membrane of the posterior nares, and posterior walls of the pharynx is congested and ulcerated. He has a free discharge from the nostrils, offensive in character, and accompanied by a constant hawking and spitting. The disease does not extend to the larynx. He has nasopharyngeal catarrh.

When rates are recommended solely on subjective evidence the strongest reasons must be given therefor.

Except as above, all organs normal. Chest measures, expiration 37, rest 38, inspiration 40. Urine dark. S. G. 1018. Acid. No albumen or sugar.

We find that the aggregate permanent disability for earning a support by manual labor is due to Rheumatism and Catarrh, not due to vicious habits, and warrants a rating of \$8.00

A. A. White, Pres. Geo R. Graham, Sec'y. J. Lane Murphy, Treas.

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