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DEPOSITION *D*Case of *Wester A. Bowman*, No. 358. 469

On this *23* day of *May*, 1899, at
Shepherdstown, county of *Jefferson*
 State of *W. Va.*, before me, *W. E. Clapp*, a
 special examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared *Mary*
A. Lewis, who, being by me first duly sworn to
 answer truly all interrogatories propounded to her during this special
 examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

I am *46* years of age; my post-office address is *Shepherdstown*
W. Va. Am a widow.

I have known this claimant for
 about twenty years. I knew her
 son George, as he used to visit
 his mother often for several years
 prior to his death. He always
 called her mother, and she always
 recognized George W. Harris as her
 son. I often talked with him,
 and he told me he had been in
 the army. He also told me that
 he had been married but that his
 wife was dead, and that he had
 no children. He was in poor
 health, from the way he coughed
 and spit up he evidently had
 consumption. He was not really
 able to do anything, just laid
 around when he came here to
 see his mother.

No. I have no personal knowledge
 that he gave his mother any money
 or helped support her.

I knew the Rev. James Bowman
 claimant's husband he died about
 twenty years ago.

I know that this claimant has not
 married since Mr. Bowman's death.