

(3-446.)

DEPOSITION E.Case of Hester Ann Davis, No. 436,875

On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1893, at  
Balt. City, County of       
 State of Md., before me, Jer. Connolly, a  
 Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared May Ellen  
Hernham, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer  
 truly all interrogatories propounded to her during this Special Examination of aforesaid  
 pension claim, deposes and says: My age is about 63; oc-  
cupation, cook; P.O. address, No. 1372  
Whatever St., Balt. City, Md.

I became acquainted with claim-  
 ant and her husband, Benj. Davis,  
 about five or six years before the  
 war; I knew her as Hester Ann  
Davis; I never knew her by any  
 other name; she and soldier recognized  
 each other as husband and wife and  
 were so regarded in the community  
 until his death, about five years  
 ago; I was cook and she was wash-  
 woman at the same house for five  
 or six years soon after the war; we  
 have lived in the same neighborhood  
 for about 23 <sup>years</sup>; I know soldier was in  
 the army, as I saw him at Camp  
Beleger, this city, which was near  
 where I lived; I don't know where  
 or by whom they were married; she  
 has not re-married since soldier's  
 death; she owns the house she lives  
 in, worth \$400 or \$500; she has no  
 other income except the proceeds  
 of her own labor.

I am not related or interested.  
 I made this affidavit, sub-