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STATE OF MARYLAND

*William Melle*  
residing at

*St. Paul*  
*21 Jordan Alley*, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw *William Melle* the claimant sign his name (or make his mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with him, that he is the identical person he represents himself to be; and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

*B. Lawrence*  
*Jno. F. Dempsey*  
[If witnesses sign by mark two persons who can write sign here.]

*John* <sup>his</sup> *Griffin*  
*Milton* <sup>mark</sup> *Johnson*  
[Signatures of witnesses.]

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *17<sup>th</sup>* day of *June* A. D. 188*1*

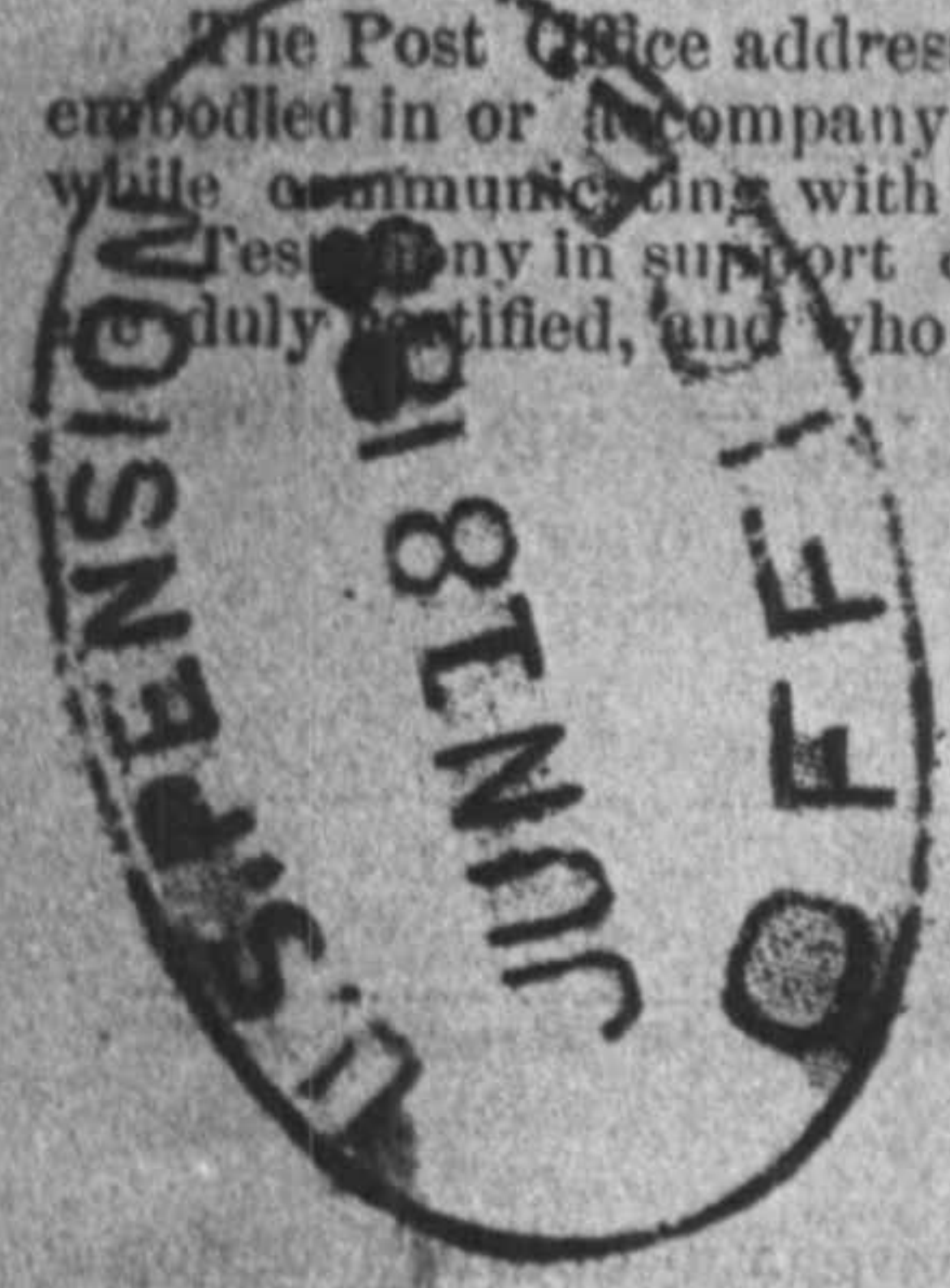
and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, &c., were fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, including the words *Consists*

[L. S.] \_\_\_\_\_, erased, and the words \_\_\_\_\_

*city*, added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

*Wm A Campbell*  
[Signature.]  
*Deputy Chief Deputy*  
[Official Character.]  
*11*

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