

(3-446.)

DEPOSITION *M*Case of *Mary E. Morley*, No. 368.984

On this *eighteenth* day of *September*, 1889, at
Hagerstown, County of *Washington*
 State of *MD*, before me, *My father*, a
 Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared *John E.*
Berner, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer
 truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid
 pension claim, deposes and says: My age is *51 years* occupation
Chief of the Police force of Hagerstown Md; and
 my P.O. address is *the same*

I first became acquainted with the deceased
solider, Joseph Morley, on his return home from
 the army after the close of the war

I was engaged in business here at that time
 and he and his family dealt with me for several
 years afterward and I had knowledge of him
 continuously thereafter until he died

I never considered him a strong robust man
 from the time that I first had knowledge of him.

He impressed me as being a consumptive.
 His brother *Perry* and *Robert*, who is now in *Michigan*,
 were strong robust men, but *Joseph* was none strong
 while I had knowledge of him.

I do not know that I ever heard the deceased
 soldier say what caused his ill health nor whether
 it was due to his army service

Q Did you ever hear him say whether he had the
 scurvy while in service

A I am almost positive that I did hear him
 speak of that

Q Did you ever notice whether he had a sore
 mouth

A I did, and I remember now that when he
 would be doing odd jobs for me, I had a
 cup for him to drink out of on account of his sore