

SECONDARY PROOF OF MARRIAGE.

State of Massachusetts County of Albany ss.

On this 1st day of June, A. D. 1891, before the undersigned, a Notary Public personally appeared Josephine Smith

who, being duly sworn, deposes as follows: I am the widow of Alfred Smith

deceased, who was a Private in Captain U.S.C. Troops Company Massachusetts 29th Regiment; that my maiden name was Josephine Burwell

that I was lawfully married to said deceased at Brancaireti County of Franklin State of Pennsylvania by Rev. Mr. Rybolt on or about the 20 day of March 1886

that I have by said marriage the following children, whose ages and dates of birth are correctly set forth, to wit:

<u>James A.</u>	<u>May 20</u>	<u>1857</u>	<u>34 years</u>
<u>David</u>	<u>March 11</u>	<u>1867</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>William</u>	<u>April 1st</u>	<u>1872</u>	<u>19</u>

That these are the only legitimate children now living of myself and my deceased husband, and that my said husband left no children by any former marriage. That I have made repeated and diligent efforts to procure a copy of the record of my marriage, but have been unable to do so, because I am not able to find where any record has been filed

That I cannot obtain the affidavit of the party who performed the marriage ceremony, because Rev. Mr. Rybolt is deceased

that my said husband died on the 14th day of February

A. D. 1889; that I lived with deceased from the date of my marriage up to the date of his death, and that I file herewith the best evidence of my marriage that I can obtain.

Barton Godfrey Josephine Smith
(Signature of Claimant)

Emory D. Ireland
(Signature of Witnesses)

And also at the same time personally appeared Cynthia Hughes and Jacobus J. F. Shragg of the County of Albany and State of Massachusetts

to me well known as respectable, credible persons, who, being by me duly sworn, do severally say that they have known the claimant Josephine Smith

and her deceased husband Alfred Smith who was a Private in Company Massachusetts 29th Regiment of U.S.C. Troops for 35 years.

~~and that they are well known to me as respectable, credible persons, who, being by me duly sworn, do severally say that they have known the claimant and her deceased husband~~; that claimant's maiden name was Josephine Burwell

Alfred Smith, and that she was married to said Alfred Smith at Brancaireti in the State of Pennsylvania by Rev. Mr. Rybolt on or about the 20 day of March 1886; that deceased always treated and acknowledged claimant as his lawful wife; and

*Can be stricken out if witness-s were not present at the marriage.