

PHYSICIAN'S AFFIDAVIT.

TAKE NOTICE.—This affidavit should, if possible, be in the handwriting of the affiant; the marginal instructions should be carefully observed before writing out the statement. All the facts in possession of affiant as to the origin and continuance of the disability should be fully set forth, and the dates of treatment specifically given. If the affidavit is prepared from memoranda in possession of the physician, that fact should be stated.

State of
County of

SS.

In the Pension Claim No.

of late of

(Company and regiment of service, if in the army; or vessel and rank, if the Navy.)

Personally came before me a

(Official character of Magistrate.)

a citizen of

in the County of

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn, declares in relation to the

aforsaid case, as follows :

That he is a practising physician, and that he has been acquainted with said Soldier for about

years, and that

(Here embody all the facts known to the affiant in accordance with the marginal instructions. No erasures or interlineations

will be permitted unless the Magistrate certifies in his jurat that they were made before executing the paper.)

not become acquainted with the

element, Dr. Henry M. Hall and was

associated with him in medical

practice and so continued for about

months, and I have been

intimately acquainted with him

up to the present date.

On my first acquaintance with him I found him suffering

with a violent total continuous disability from piles

for which he had an operation performed with great

skill great physical relief. In addition to the piles

known him to be a great sufferer from nervous neuritis

of the head and abnormality of the lower extremities

and he complained of a glowing numbness

of the feet and loss of power in the lower limbs

born after the operation for the relief of the strangulated piles

he informed me that the ^{lower} extremities had greatly increased

and that the disability in the head had become more

frequent and greatly aggravated and that it was his

professional belief that the whole trouble was of neurotic

origin and first developed in the summer and fall

of 1864 in the U.S.A. Just by a long continued

disability with nervous debility immediately

followed by a well defined neurotic

NOTES.

The Physician's Affidavit should

show the following

facts:

1st. Whether or

not he knew the sol-

dier prior to enlist-

ment: the length of

time he has known

him; how intimate

ly, and what oppor-

unities he has had

of observing his

physical condition,

whether as his fam-

ily physician or as

a neighbor and how

near he has lived to

him. If he knew

that the soldier was

a sound man at en-

listment, he should

so state, adding, if

true, that had he

been unsound he

would have known

it.

2d. If he treated

claimant while in

the service, either

as his regimental

surgeon or while

claimant was home

on furlough, that

fact should be stat-

ed. The claimant's

physical condition

at such times

should be clearly

shown, as well as

the nature of his

disability and dates

of treatment.

3rd. If he has

treated soldier

since discharge he

should so state,

giving the date of

his first treatment;

what his physical

condition was at

the time, with a

complete diagnosis

of the disability;

the period during

which he treated

him should be stat-

ed, with dates, as

near as possible, of

the prescriptions,

to which claimant

has been able to

perform manual

labor since dis-

charge.