

Attention is invited to the outlines of the human skeleton and figure upon the back of this certificate, and they should be used whenever it is possible to indicate precisely the location of a disease or injury, the entrance and exit of a missile, an amputation, &c.

The absence of a member from a session of a board and the reason therefor, if known, and the name of the absentee, must be indorsed upon each certificate.

Insert character and number of claim.

Pension [State above whether for original, increase, or restoration.]

Pension Claim No. 538,719

Name and rank of claimant.

George C. Miller

Rank, Private

Claimant's post-office address.

Company D, 30 Reg't U.S. Inf.

Baltimore Md.

State,

Annapolis Md.

[Post-office address of the Board.]

[Date of examination.]

November 28, 1897

We hereby certify that in compliance with the requirements of the law we have carefully examined this applicant, who states that he is suffering from the following disability, incurred

Cause of disability.

in the service, viz: Rheumatism and shell wound of left leg

If a pensioner, fill in the amount; if not, erase the whole line.

and that he receives a pension of \$6.00 dollars per month.

Here give the claimant's statement as briefly and as compactly as possible.

He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for Restoration [Original, increase, restoration, &c.]

That his ailments greatly lessen his ability to earn a living

Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with Book of Instructions.

Upon examination we find the following objective conditions: Pulse rate, 120; respiration, 18; temperature, 98; height, 5 feet 3 inches; weight, 135 pounds; age, 51 years.

The actual and probable origin of every existing disability must be fully set forth.

Whenever a disability is shown, or is believed to be due to or aggravated by vicious habits the opinion of the board must be stated. When not due to such habits this fact must be stated.

Rheumatism. We find the left hip joint somewhat stiffened - the normal movement of joint is lessened to a degree equal perhaps to 1/4 - there is no swelling, atrophy or contraction of muscles or tissues about the joint - all other muscles, joints and tendons are normal - heart very much excited but valve sounds and apex beat normal - pulse 120 (as above) but stroke regular and equal - claimant confesses he had just taken "something" and the smell of liquor was upon him - hence the state of heart and pulse - we do not say however he is a confirmed drunkard - the tongue does not tremble or protrude and his general appearance is not that of a sot - we simply describe his condition as he appeared before us.

Shell wound of left leg: We find a scar 3/4 inch long and 1/4 inch wide 3 inches below the greater trochanter - the scar is in good condition flush with surface - no sulcus - no tenderness - no induration and evidently the remains of a superficial and unimportant wound.

We find no evidence of venereal disease. Claimant is an expert climber - hands hard from toil - fairly well preserved - muscles firm. We are of opinion that the stiffness and impairment of motion in left hip joint - disqualify him to do the work of an ordinary farm hand to a degree equal to 1/4.

No other disability found as other alleged.

W. H. Cassie, Pres. E. W. Gilliam, Sec'y. J. D. Morris, Treas.

N. B. - Always forward a certificate of examination whether a disability is found to exist or not.