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SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE.

Insert character and number of claim. Increase Pension Claim No. 753 843

Name of claimant. Edward Dodhead

Claimant's post-office address. Private [Rank.] Company A, 7, Reg't U.S.C.Vol.Inf. #210 Richmond St., Balto., Md.

Address of Board: Baltimore, P. O. Maryland, State.

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Cause of disability. Crippled ankle, paralysis right side, bronchitis, disease of respiratory organs, general debility, disease of heart.

He receives a pension of Eight dollars per month.

Here give the claimant's statement (as briefly and as compactly as possible) in regard to the origin of his disabilities and the manner in which they affect him. He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for Increase Pension [Original, increase, restoration, etc.] "Unable to work because of weakness and rheumatism all over me." No occupation.

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

We hereby certify that upon examination we find the following objective conditions:

Pulse rate, 84, 90, 96 [Sitting, standing, after exercise.], respiration, 20, 22, 28 [Sitting, standing, after exercise.], temperature, 98, height, 5 feet 5 inches; actual weight, 162 pounds; age, 57 years.

Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with Book of Instructions. Crippled Ankle: The arch of the left foot has been crushed, causing a flat foot. The ankle joint is not impaired. The injury does not cause a disability.

Paralysis: No impairment of mental, spinal or nervous functions. No chronic meningitis. No vertigo, spasms, convulsions or nausea. No paralysis, local or general. No arcus senilis. Breathing regular. No difficulty swallowing. No impairment of coordination of movements. No muscular tremor.

The actual or 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. Bronchitis; Respiratory Organs: No dullness on percussion. Respiratory sounds clear. No cough. Naso pharyngeal tract healthy. No symptoms of bronchitis or disease of respiratory organs.

General Debility: He is weak and feeble. His muscles are soft. He is prematurely aged. He has no organic disease, but he is unable to perform much manual labor, owing to debility.

Each disability must be rated separately, the act of Congress of March 2, 1895, requiring "that the report of such examining surgeons shall specifically state the rating which, in their judgment, the applicant is entitled to." Rheumatism; Heart: Except flat foot, no deformity or limitation of motion of joints. He complains of general muscular soreness affecting his whole body. He has no objective symptoms of rheumatism. Heart--Apex impulse apparent by palpation in fifth interspace, 1-1/2 inch to right of left nipple. Transverse dullness extends from fourth left chondro-costal articulation to fifth right costosternal articulation. Action is regular, and valves good. No hypertrophy or dilatation. No dyspenea, cyanosis or oedema.

When rates are recommended solely on subjective evidence the strongest reasons must be given therefor. Except as above, all organs normal. Urine pale. S. G. 1020. Acid. No albumen or sugar.

We find that the aggregate permanent disability for earning a support by manual labor is due to General Debility, not due to vicious habits, and warrants a rating of $8.00.

A A White, Pres. Leo R. Rahaus, Sec'y. F Lane Tancyhill, Treas.

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