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State of Maryland,)
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County of Calvert,)

On this 31st day of July A.D.1889,

before me, the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for the County of Calvert aforesaid, personally appeared Benjamin Gross and William Brown residing at St. Leonards in said county, and whom I know to be respectable and entitled to full credit and belief, and who, being by me duly sworn according to law, declare that they have been for more than twenty years well acquainted with Bazil Kell, who reside near Wallville, in said County, and who was formerly a member of Co.'G', of the 7th regiment of United States Colored Troops, in the late war. That ever since his return from the late war, the said Bazil Kell has been suffering from injuries to the foot and hip, caused by wounds received in the late war, as affiants believe, and has also been suffering from hernia, also received in said service. That during the past few years said Bazil Kell has been suffering more from these disabilities than formerly, and said disabilitied seem to be increasing, from year to year, and that his said disabilitied from the injuries above mentioned, are much greater that they were ten, or even five years ago, and that said Kell is evidently failing, physically, from year to year, and affiants believe that the cause of this increasing disability is the natural result of his said army service. Affiants also further declare that the said Bazil Kell has for some five years or more been greatly afflicted with rheumatism, and at times so much so that he has been unable to perform manual labor at all, and at such times he suffers much pain from said rheumatism. That during inclement weather said Kell is seldom free from rheumatism, and often is

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