

STATE OF MARYLAND,

ss:

County of Baltimore

On this 24th day of May A. D. 1871, before me, a Deputy-Clerk of Superior Court
 in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Basil Bell - Claimant
 and in case No 150,574, both residents of St Leonards, County of
Calvert and State of Maryland, to me well known, and whom I certify to be
 respectable and intelligent, and entitled to full credit and belief, and who, being duly sworn according to law,

declares that he was wounded twice at Fort Sumner Va - between Petersburg & Richmond on the 29th day of September 1864 - 1st wound in going to the front in an engagement with the enemy, by a piece of shell in the right foot below the instep - breaking bones and tearing the muscles and rendering him quite lame - after being first wounded as aforesaid he was ordered to the rear, and on the way rec'd the 2^d wound by a minie ball in the right hip - the ball coming out through the right side, also causing severe hernia - both wounds were rec'd on the same day as aforesaid

2^d He was first carried to a Hospital (name not known) on the field near Fort Sumner Monroe Va when he remained about three weeks - then removed to a Hospital in Barracks at Fort Sumner and remained at Hospital at near Fort Monroe for nearly eleven months, & was in no other Hospitals

3^d - He says he did no duty after receiving his wounds except acted as waiter for his commanding officer - and he says he has not been in the military or naval service of the United States since his discharge therefrom Oct 13th 1866

And they have no interest in the claim of _____ for _____

TEST:

Thos A Campbell
John W. State

[Persons who can write sign here, where mark is made.]

Basil Bell
mark

[Signature of witnesses.]

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, this 24th day of May A. D. 1871, and I hereby
 certify that the contents of the above declaration or statement were fully made known and explained to the affiant....
 before his making oath thereto, including the words in last line erased, and the words
 _____ added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

J B Gaither Deputy
Clerk Superior Court of
Baltimore City

[Affix certificate and seal of Clerk of Court here, and impress seal through both papers.]