

On this 8 day of Dec, 1897, at Baltimore

County of _____, State of Md., before me,

N. N. Hill

Md.

a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally

appeared George Rice, who, being by me first duly sworn to

answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him, deposes and says age 59 years,

occupation sexton of Calvary M.E. Church South, postoffice ad. 1140 Russell st. City.

I knew Caroline Hill before the war - we were both slaves and my mistress and her master were cousins. I cannot remember the date of her marriage to the soldier, Basil Hill, but I got the license for them here in Balt. and was present at the marriage. They said that Eli Thorton married them but I do not know personally about that. He neglected his duty and there is no record of the marriage either at the Church or in the City - there is a record of the license. They were married at the house of Mrs Ann Rebecca Boone on Iceland st. Mrs Boone now lives somewhere on George st in this City. Caroline Hill was never previously married but Basil had been married before, but his wife was dead when he married Caroline. I do not know how long she had been dead. I do not remember the first name of Basil's first wife but her ^{sur-name} ~~Christian~~ was Howe. Basil was never married more than twice. He was never divorced from Caroline and she has not remarried. I never said that they were married on Thanksgiving day in 1879 - that was Mrs Boone's statement. I did not know the date of their marriage. I have heard you read the above - it is correct.

George Rice

Deponent.

Witness:

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8 day of Dec, 1897, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

N. N. Hill
Special Examiner.

Respectfully referred to Chief of Special Examination Division for ascertainment of credibility of George Rice
1140 Russell St., Baltimore, Md.
A. H. Allen
Chief
Dec. 19 1897

Respectfully referred to Mr. N. N. Hill, Special Examiner
at Baltimore, Md.
for ascertainment of credibility of above affiant.
Date: DEC 3 1897
Chief S. E. Division.

Respectfully returned to Chief of S. E. Division.
N. N. Hill
Special Examiner.
Date: Dec. 8 1897
P. O. Address: Baltimore, Md.

Respectfully referred to Chief of Division.
Date: DEC 10 1897
Chief S. E. Division.

Baltimore City No. 1166-05
Caroline Hill
Basil Hill
Co. 7, Reg't W. O. C. Md. Inf.

(WRITE NOTHING ABOVE THIS LINE.)

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