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June 13, 1906.

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City.

Sir:

In reply to your inquiry of the 2d instant, received on the 4th, regarding the claim for increase of John W. Smith, Navy Certificate No. 25,668, your attention is invited to the fact that status was given you under date of December 16 last, at which time you were informed that medical evidence would be considered with a view of determining whether pensioner was entitled to an examination. Failure on the part of the pensioner to furnish evidence showing an increase of disability since rate was last fixed tends to show that the Bureau acted correctly in declining to order an examination in the absence of said evidence.

Very respectfully,

Commissioner.