

NOTE.—This affidavit must be executed by a Commissioned Officer, if possible; but, if not possible then two of the soldier's comrades should testify. secure such evidence,

State of Maryland County of Baltimore, ss.

ON THIS 16 day of July, A. D. 1889, personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths, Frank A. Wissel aged 29 years, a resident of 306 West Saratoga St, in the County of Baltimore and State of Maryland and by occupation a Paper Hanger place of business 306 West Saratoga St and aged years, a resident of 306 West Saratoga St in the County of Baltimore and State of Maryland who, being duly sworn according to law, state that affiant ^{has} known acquainted with Nathaniel Hickman applicant for Invalid Pension; and know the said Hickman for about eight years to be the identical person of that name who enlisted or volunteered as a Private in Company of the 1st Regiment of Vol. and who died [Died or was discharged.] on or about the 16 day of July, 1866 by reason of [Here insert the reason of the soldier's discharge, if known; if not known, so state, or, if he died, so state.] while in the line of his duty, at or near in the State of Maryland, did, on or about the 16 day of July, 1866, become disabled in the following manner, viz: [Here state the time and place and manner in which the wound or other injury was received. Describe the wound or injury, the part of the body wounded or injured, and all the circumstances attending it. If sickness, state time and place when contracted, what caused it, the name of the sickness, and how it affected him.]

Employed the claimant to do light work in cleaning up houses My business is that of Paper Hanging & in this way I would send for him to do the light cleaning some white washing I can say I have noticed his diseased condition I noticed throat trouble, his side had pain he complained of Rheumatism pain in side of breast - he could not respond often when I had use for his services I employed him to a great extent in & with a charitable purpose - he was as far as I knew a work man - I knew he was diseased but I do not know how it was caused except from his statement of his army life That the facts stated are personally known to the affiant by reason of his having as aforesaid employed [Here state whether affiant was with the

claimant during the last five or six years I have seen him & he has been command at the time the claimant contracted his disability or whether his knowledge was otherwise obtained All the facts under my observation say sixteen times a month. I have seen him at his

known to affiant relative to the soldier's medical treatment for his disability while in the service should be stated, giving time and house sick when I wished him to work & his condition was such that he could not work - I have purchased for him medicine, I purchased myself Cod-liver oil - he would buy liniment. I know that he is a poor man and his habits are good, & I never heard from my customers any complaint against him of any kind.

I have no interest in this claim of any kind - I have thus given my evidence at some cost of time from business because I thought it just & a true Charity most especially as one of his doctors I hear has refused to testify unless well paid - This I swear