

DEPOSITION

Case of Ellen Nelson, No. 736803

On this 23rd day of April, 1902, at
Near Sykesville, county of Carroll
State of Maryland, before me, A. H. Davis, a
special examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared

Annie Lewis, who, being by me first duly sworn to
answer truly all interrogatories propounded to her during this special
examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says: I am 48
years old, occupation laborer and my residence
& P.O. address is as stated above.

I knew Henry Nelson I suppose about 25 years
and first became acquainted with him in
Sykesville, Md. My understanding was
at that time was that he was a single
man and I did not know that he
had a wife living until I had one
child by him. I began living with
Henry Nelson as his wife, about one
month after my first child was born,
and this child was seventeen years old
the tenth day of last May & will be
18 years old the 10th day of next month.

I was not married to Henry Nelson at
the time and never was married to him
at any time, but he and I lived together
as husband and wife continuously from
that time to the day of his death.

He told me about having another wife
living in Baltimore soon after we began
living together. He said that he left her
in Baltimore but did not know then
where she was. I think he told me

her name was Ellen and that he had
three children by her - I think three
was the number. Henry Nelson never
was divorced from this Baltimore wife,
Ellen Nelson so far as I know, and