

N. B.—Examiners should be particular to have affiants sign on the line next below the closing words of their depositions so as to leave little or no space between their signatures and the end of their depositions.

(3—456.)

DEPOSITION *A.*

Case of *Emily Barker now Tucker*, No. 458,131

On this *ninth* day of *March*, 1894, at
Trenton, County of *Hitchcock*
 State of *Nebraska*, before me, *E. S. Meier*, a
 Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared *Mrs Emily*
Tucker, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer
 truly all interrogatories propounded to her during this Special Examination of afore-
 said pension claim, deposes and says: my age is 39 years, post office
 address is *Trenton, Hitchcock Co. Neb.* I look after my
 own house. I claim pension as the widow of *George E*
Barker who was a private in the 6th Battery, Mass
 Vol Artillery, He enlisted Dec 13, 1864 and was dis-
 charged Aug 7, 1865. He was in the service twice but I
 don't know what his other service was. The only one who
 could tell you about it is Mr Barker's sister, Mrs
Elizabeth Harrington who lives in *Rising, Butler Co. Neb.*
 I couldn't tell you whether Mr Barker was in the
 service after Aug 7, 1865 for I did not know him till
 about 1873. I was married to *George E. Barker* under the
 name of *Emily Shay* on the 20th day of April, 1874 by
 Rev G. C. Humphries, I don't know whether there is a public
 record of our marriage or not. My mother Mrs Sarah Shay
 and my sister *Elizabeth Shay* and *Hollie Shay* ^{now Smith} and Mrs
Elizabeth Harrington were present as witnesses. My sister
Elizabeth Shay married a man by the name of *Berry* and she
 lives in *Yuma, Colorado*. I have not heard from Mr Hum-
 phries for years and I don't know whether he is living or
 dead. My mother lives in *Spencer Boyd Co. Neb.*
 Neither of us had ever been previously married.
 Mr Barker died June 19, 1888, at *Rising, Butler Co. Neb*
 I don't know whether there is a public record of his death
 or not. The attending physician in Mr Barker's last illness
 was *W. B. Bolding*. I don't know where he lives now. My sisters
Mrs Berry, my mother, Mrs *Harrington*, Mrs *Emma Allen*

Page 7 of Rising, Neb. were all present when Mr Barker died. There were resolutions passed by the G. A. R. Post at Rising and they give the date of death as June 19, 1888, and the published account of the death gives the same date. (Resolutions and newspaper, Rising City Independent, of June 22, 1888 give the same date) ^{as Mr. Barker}

I was remarried to Granville H. Tucker at Rising, Neb on Dec 24, 1891. I don't know of any public record of my remarriage.

At Mr Barker's death he left two children who were under sixteen years of age.

Clara M. Barker born July 6, 1876, still living

Clara M. " " Sept 19, 1877 " "

My property which is held jointly by myself and two daughters consists of 160 acres of land situated in Reading Township, Butler Co. Neb and is described as follows: Southwest quarter of section eight in Township fourteen north of range one east, and 160 acres in Seward Co. Neb described as follows: the north west quarter of section fourteen in township one north of range thirty six west of the sixth principal meridian in Nebraska.

I also own individually a small house and two lots of land in the village of Rising, Butler Co. Neb.

The way land has been selling around Rising the farm is worth thirty five or forty dollars an acre. There is a four room house on this farm and a barn. I rent this farm on shares receiving one third of the crop. In 1890 I rented the farm to either Fred Smith or S. J. Scheitel.

I am not positive whether Mr Scheitel was on the farm two years or three but he was on the farm in 1893 and surrendered the farm about two months ago. Mr Scheitel lives near Kildare Oklahoma, and I have forgotten Mr Smith's address. My income from the farm in Butler Co has been from three hundred to 500 dollars a year since 1890.

I got three hundred and five dollars from it in 1893 and nearly 400 dollars in 1892, and about 500 dollars in 1891. 1890 was a dry year and I did not realize more than three hundred dollars from it. My house in Rising has been occupied as my family residence but it is now rented and I get five dollars a month from it, and it is about what

would have rented for for the last four years.

The taxes on the Butler Co property, in 1890 were \$31.74 and in 1891 were \$26.68, and the assessed value for 1890 was \$790, and for 1891 was \$678, as shown by my tax receipts for those years. (Original receipts shown ^{CDW})

I have never got a cent of income from the Sundry Co property and I have to pay the taxes on it out of what I receive from the Butler Co. property, and they were \$18.37 for 1890, and \$11.67 for 1891. The assessed value of the Sundry Co property was \$390. for each year 1890 and 1891. (Original tax receipts shown ^{CDW}) At Mr Barker's death he had leased 40 acres of school land north of Rising but I can't give you the number and fearing I should be unable to keep up the payments I sold our joint interest in it for \$300. This statement which I have made comprises all the property of which I was possessed in 1890 and 1891. I had no money at interest, no bank stock, nor railroad bonds, no mortgages and no notes. We did not owe much, however.

I have understood your questions and the answers are correctly recorded. I was married to Mr Barker at Rising, Neb.

Emily Tucker
Deponent

Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9 day of March 1894, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

L. O. Meider

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Special Examiner.

SPECIAL EXAMINATION
DIVISION.

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

*Ottumwa, Ia. June 17th, 1892.**Sir:*

In a recent letter addressed to Special Examiner McKnight, you state that Mrs. Emily Barker widow of Geo. E. Barker late of the 6th Regt. Mass. Lt. Arty. has married one G. F. Tucker and gone to Blocton, Ia. The postmaster at Blocton, Ia. writes me that there is no such person as Emily Barker or Emily Tucker within the delivery of that office. Will you please make further inquiry at your place and ascertain, if possible where this woman is living.

Your immediate reply, endorsed hereon, will be appreciated.

*Very respectfully,
H. C. Bassman
Special Examiner.*

*J. M.
Pising City,*

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SPECIAL EXAMINATION
DIVISION.

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 13, 1893

Hon. Wm Locken,

Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to return without report, claim No. 458131, of Emily Barker now Pucker, former widow of George C. Barker, 6 Batty, Mass. L. A.

Early in Oct. I was at Rising city, to work up this claim. Claimant was then residing temporarily at Trenton, Neb. Since, I have learned that her permanent residence is Trenton, Hitchcock Co., Neb. As the claim has already been in the hands of a Special Examiner for more than a year, I would suggest that the Special Examiner in claimant's district, be authorized or instructed to take up the claim at an early date. See correspondence with claimant herewith.

Very respectfully,

J. H. Finney
Special Examiner.

ACT OF JUNE 27, 1890.

DECLARATION for WIDOW'S PENSION

To be executed before a Court of Record, or some other officer thereof having custody of its seal.

STATE OF Nebraska }
COUNTY OF Butler } ss.

On this 14th day of August, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety....., personally appeared before me a Notary Public of the

~~Court, the same being a court of record~~ within and for the county and State aforesaid.....

Emily Barker Claimant's name here. aged 35 years, who being duly sworn according to

law, declares that she is the widow of George O. Barker Soldier's or Sailor's name here.

under the name of George O. Barker at Reading Mass

on the 13 day of December, A. D. 1864, a Private in 6th Battery Here state rank, company

Light Artillery Mass and SERVED AT LEAST NINETY DAYS in the and regiment, if in the military service or vessel if in the navy.

late war of the rebellion, and who was **HONORABLY DISCHARGED** on the 7th day of

August, 1865, and died on the 19th day of June, 1868,
honorably discharged, state fact and date here. Here insert the date and place of his death. The cause of death

at Rising City Neb That she was married under the name of need not be stated.

Emily Shay Maiden name here. to said George O. Barker Soldier's or sailor's name here.

on the 21st day of April, 1874, by Rev. Humphreys at Reading Precinct Butler County Neb there
Place where married should be stated here.

being no legal barrier to said marriage..... If there was a former marriage of claimant or her

husband state it here, and how dissolved.

That she has not remarried since the death of the said George O. Barker Name of soldier or sailor.

except the Product of a small farm. That she is without other means of support than her daily labor. The names and dates of birth of all the children now living under sixteen years of age of the soldier by herself are as follows:

Flora M. born Feb'y 6, 1876; Clara M. born Sept 19, 1877; born 18.....
born 18.....; born 18.....
born 18.....; born 18.....

That she has not heretofore applied for pension, and the number of her former application is.....
If you have never applied for pension nor should be written in above space.

Be careful to fill this part of the blank correctly.

That she makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States, under the provisions of the **ACT OF JUNE 27, 1890.**

~~She hereby appoints M. V. TIERNEY, WASHINGTON, D. C., her true and lawful at~~
~~torney, to prosecute her claim~~ That her post office address is Rising City

county of Butler, State of Nebraska.

Claimant's signature Emily Barker

Attest A. Roberts
Frank Wright

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

For neighbors, employers, or fellow workmen of soldier, (other than relatives,) who knew him before his enlistment, or since his return from the army.

State of Nebraska, County of Butler, ss.

In the matter of the application for pension of Emily Barker, widow of
George E. Barker of 6th Battery Mass. Vol. Lt. Art.

ON THIS 8th day of August A. D. 1891, personally appeared before me a

Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths,

Sarah Shay aged 57 years, a resident of Rising City, Nebr.

in the County of Butler and State of Nebraska

whose Post-Office address is Rising City Nebraska and

Elizabeth Shay aged 26 years, a resident of Rising City

in the County of Butler and State of Nebraska

whose Post-Office address is Rising City Nebraska

well known to me to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation to the aforesaid case as follows: That they have been well and personally acquainted with Emily Barker for 36 years, and 20 years respectively, and that the said George E. Barker died on or about the 18th day of June A.D. 1888 and that they were present at the time of his death.

2nd That They were present and witnessed the marriage of George E. Barker and the Claimant Emily Barker on the 20th of April 1874, in Reading Township Butler County Nebraska.

3rd That to their personal knowledge the Claimant has not remarried since the soldiers death.

4th That the names and dates of birth of all the children of the Claimant during her marriage are as follows: Flora M. born February 6, 1876 and Clara M. born September 19, 1877, and that said Children are still living

5th That the Claimants means of support is 160 acres in Butler County Nebraska valued at from \$4000⁰⁰ to \$4800⁰⁰ Dollars, the income annually being from \$200⁰⁰ to \$204⁰⁰. 160 acres of Land in Dundy County worth about \$300⁰⁰ from which is derived no. income. also one house and two Lots in Rising Nebraska worth about \$400⁰⁰ and used as the home of the Claimant. all said property belongs to the Claimant and the heirs, Flora M. and Clara M. Barker jointly or undivided.

Read these instructions carefully.

The witnesses must state:

1st. Their respective ages and occupation; the length of time they have known the claimant, and in what year or years of the said period they have employed, worked with or for him, or lived in the same neighborhood with him, and how near to him.

2d. If they knew him before he joined the army or navy what his physical condition was at that time, and that he was then free from disability, and especially free from the diseases for which he claims pension.

3d. If they have employed or worked with him since his discharge from the army, they should state where it was, and at what business, or if they have known him as neighbors only, they should state about what distance from him they lived; how frequently, on an average, each week, month, or year, they saw him and conversed with him, and how intimate they were with him during this time, and from what disease or disability he has suffered during all the time they employed him, worked with him, or lived near him, and how severely; whether at any time during this period he was obliged to stop work, was confined to his bed or house, or was wholly unable to do any manual labor because of his alleged disabilities, and give dates as near as recollected when such attacks occurred, how long they lasted, and how severe they were. In this connection, if the witnesses have been his employers, or have worked with or for him, they should state about what proportion of a sound able-bodied man's work he was able to do—whether $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, or as the case may have been; what his actual earnings were, and whether or not the wages paid him were less in amount, and how much less on account of his inability to labor, than were paid to others physically sound, and doing the same kind of work. They should also state how they are able to say what his disabilities have been and are now, and they should describe fully and clearly the symptoms as they appear to them in his case; in fact, describe his physical condition fully during each year of their acquaintance with him.

State of Nebraska County of Butler ss.

In the matter of the application for partition of Emily Barker widow of George E Barker of 6th City Mass: Vol: 19th. City.

On this 25th day of August 1891 personally appeared before me a Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths, J. Engelhardt M. D., a resident of 6th City Nebraska in the County of Butler and State of Nebraska whose Post Office is Rising City Nebraska ~~who~~ being duly sworn declares in relation to the aforesaid case as follows, that on the 6th day of February 1876 he delivered the said Emily Barker of a female child and that he again delivered the aforesaid Emily Barker on the 19th day of September 1877 of a female child and that both of these children are now living

J. Engelhardt M. D.

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me
this 25th day of August 1891

W. S. McCoy
Notary Public

Notary Certificate on file in Renoir Department