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(PENSIONER DROPPED.)

ACT JUNE 27, 1890.

U. S. Pension Agency,

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Jan'y 24, 1893

HON GREEN B RAUM

Commissioner of Pensions.

Sir:

I hereby report that the name of John C. Fink, who was a pensioner on the rolls of this Agency, under Certificate No. 655207, and who was last paid at \$ 12, to DEC 4 1892, 18, has been dropped because of death Jan'y 19-93.

Very respectfully,

E. A. Minson

Pension Agent.

REPRODUCED AT THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

National Military Home for D. V. S. near
Hampton, Va, April 14th 1883.

Honorable W. W. Dudley,
Commissioner of Pensions
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor most respectfully to transmit
herewith enclosed my application for a pension, also
two affidavits, identifying myself, as being the same
John C. Fink, of whom the Hospital Records will show
that I was, an disabled man already at the time when
I was mustered out of the service of the United States
Army.

Requesting to be ordered before a Board of U. S. Examina-

482,232.

War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, July 24, 1883.

Respectfully returned to the Commissioner of Pensions.

John Conrad Fink, a Private of Company E,
26 Regiment Mass Volunteers, was enrolled on the
25 day of Mar, 1863, at New Orleans, for 3 yrs
and is reported: on Co roll for Mar-Apr '63
present and same to Apr 30 '64. May
& June '64 Sick in Hospital since May
'64 and same to Aug 31 '64. Not borne
on subsequent rolls. M. O. roll of Co
dated Nov 7 '64 reports, Sick in Hospital
since May '64. Return for Mar '64
does not report him absent or sick.
Return for May '64 "Absent sick since
May 20 '64.

Transferred to V. R. C. Co. 1st Battl
on June 4 '64 by reason of Chronic Rheuma-
tism and Varicose Veins, and is reported present to
Aug 31, 1864. Transferred to Co. C. 9th reg't V. R. C.,
reported present to June 30, 1865, and mustered out
as private, Aug 12, 1865, at Washington, D. C.

Co Returns C. 9th reg't shows him furloughed for 15 days
from Mar 29, 1865. Cause not stated. Regimental Hospital
Records of either organization, Co Returns, and Furloughing
Reports E. 26, Mass, or Medical Certificate, not on file.

W. B. Fink

Assistant Adjutant General.

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Virginia } SS.
County of Elizabeth City

In the matter of Original Pension Claim No. 483,232
of John C. Fink late Priv. Co. I. 26th Mass Vols

Personally came before me, a County Court Clerk, in and for aforesaid County and State, Paul Chas Hoffmann, aged fifty years and years, aged years, citizen of the Town of Natt Mil House, County of Elizabeth City Co, State of Virginia, well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case, as follows:

That he knows the claimant for original Invalid Pension No 483,232 - John C. Fink late Private of Company I of the 26th Regiment Massachusetts Volunteers since Mch. 1882 well and personally - that said Claimant John C. Fink came at that time from the Natt Mil House near Milwaukee Wisconsin to the Natt Mil House South Branch near Hampton Elizabeth City County State of Virginia where claimant then was and now again is an inmate. Affiant remembers well that claimant, Fink, was and has been since that time a crippled man, suffering from rheumatism which said claimant or affiant believes contracted while in the line of his duty and in the active service of Co. I of the 26th Mass Vols during the late rebellion.

Affiant further states under oath that the claimant John C. Fink has been acquainted with him personally since March 1882 up to the present date Decr 31st 1884 that he saw him frequently in the Natt Mil House near Hampton Va during that period of time and that affiant thinks that said John C. Fink is a crippled and destitute man unable to work and well deserving a pension for the services rendered to the United States in suppressing the rebellion during the late war between the North & South.

And further declare that He has no interest in said case, and is not concerned in its prosecution.

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Signature of Affiants. Paul Chas Hoffmann

NOTE.—In the execution of papers and evidence, whenever a person or witness signs by mark (+), two persons who can write must attest the signature by signing their names opposite.
The official before whom papers are executed is not a competent witness to a mark.

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Indiana ss.
(County of Elkhart City)

In the matter of Original, Messrs. Clark & Co. 4822, 32
of John C. Fink Ltd. Priv. Co. I. 26th Mass Vols

Personally came before me, a.....*County Court Clerk*.....in and for aforesaid County
and State,, aged years,
and, aged years,
citizen of the Town of.....*Norfolk Home*.....County of.....*Elizabeth City Co.*.....State of
Virginia
Post Office Address, well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who

....., well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case, as follows:

That he knows the claimant in original & Invalid Pension N^o 482233. John C. Smith late Private of Company I. of the 26th Regiment Massachusetts Volunteers since March 1882 well and personally that said Claimant John C. Smith came at that time from the Oak Hill farm near Silver Lake Wisconsin to the Oak Hill farm South Branch near Hampton Elizabeth City County State of Virginia where claimant then was and now again is an inmate. Affiant remembers well that claimant Smith was and has been since that time a crippled man suffering from rheumatism which said claimant & affiant believe contracted while in the line of his duty and in the active service of Co. I of the 26th Mass Vols during the late rebellion.

Affiant further states under oath that the claimant
 John C. Dick, has been acquainted with him
 personally since March 1883 up to the present date
 Dec 31st 1884, that he saw him frequently in the
 Mattell farm near Newington, La during that
 period of time and that affiant thinks that said
 John C. Dick is a crippled and disabled man un-
 able to work and well deserving a pension for the
 services rendered to the United States in suppressing
 the rebellion during the late war between the North & South.

..... further declare s that.....no interest in said case, and.....not concerned ..
its prosecution.

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Signature
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Affiants.

NOTE.—In the execution of papers and evidence, whenever a person or witness signs by mark (†), two persons *who can read* must attest the signature by signing their names opposite.

The official before whom papers are executed is *not a competent witness to a mark.*

INABILITY AFFIDAVIT.

To be executed only by the Claimant.

State of Virginia, County of Elizabeth City, ss:In the matter of John C. Link's Pension Claim, No. 482,233, ofhis application in the spring of 1883.ON THIS 27th day of March, A. D. 1885, personally appeared before me, aClerk of Court, in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths,John C. Link, ^{inmate} a resident of Soldier's Home, in the Countyof Elizabeth City, and State of Virginia, whose Post Office address isNat. Milit. Soldier's Home, near Fort Monroe, well known to me to be reputable and

entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declares in relation to the aforesaid case as follows: That he is

unable to comply with the requirements of the Pension Office as to his application forpension.

for the reason that

he is honorable discharged on account of
Rheumatism, which sickness disabled him since
he is out of service not to do hard work any
more and neither such work anyhow, by which
he could support himself and make his
living; he is not able to perform his profession
as a taylor in any way.That he is unable to prove his condition from date of discharge up to the year 1883-1885 by medical testimonyfor the reason that he cannot obtain any more the certification ofthe Surgeons of the State Hospital of New-York, where he
was a inmate twice on account of rheumatical sickness
in the years 1880-1881.

He respectfully requests that the testimony of

the Board of Surgeons & Physicians, by whomhe was examined two years ago be accepted in lieu ofin the Soldier's Home, Southern Branch, &Wm. W. Hermann

(If affiants sign by mark, two persons who can write sign here.)

John C. Link

(Signature of Affiant.)

NEIGHBORS AFFIDAVIT.

Please read these instructions before filling up your affidavit.

NEIGHBORS:—Please state when (the year at least) you first became acquainted with claimant; if before his enlistment, was he sound and free from his present disability. In what year you first saw him, after his discharge; what disability then affected him and what his physical condition was. To what extent, $\frac{1}{8}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, did his disability then prevent him doing manual labor, or interfere with his usual occupation; what was his occupation when you first knew him; and what it is now. In what respect has his disability increased with his age since his discharge; if it has been continuous, and what is now his physical and mental condition, and what capacity, $\frac{1}{8}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, has he now for following his usual occupation. If his disease has been aggravated by intemperance or other bad habits, so state.

State your source of information concerning Claimant.

State of Maryland County of Baltimore SS:

In the matter of the claim of John L. Fink late a

Private in Company E of the 26th Regiment of Mass Vols.

William L. Fink aged 43 years, a resident of 101 W. Eutaw

St. Baltimore Md aged years, a resident of

whose Post Office address is 101 W. Eutaw Street Baltimore Md

who being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case as follows:

That when John L. Fink visited the affiant in Summer 1865 & he complained of suffering from Rheumatism principally in his back. He was a tailor by trade but this disease prevented him from following it steadily. He was disabled about one half his time; frequently suffering to such an extent that he could not work more than 3 days of a week the whole year round. He lived with affiant but a short time but their intimacy continued until 1882 when affiant accompanied him to Soldier's home

know these facts from personal intimacy

he direct other than being a nephew of the claimant not related to claimant

Two Witnesses when signed by mark:

Wm. M. Caffray
John M. Myer

John L. Fink

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st day of May 1882

at Baltimore in the County of Baltimore

State of Md I certify that I am disinterested, that the affiant is to me well known, and is

respectable, and worthy of full credit as a witness, and that the contents of the above affidavit were made known to him before execution.

Wm. M. Caffray Jr

NOTE.
This should be sworn to before a Clerk of Court, Notary Public, or Justice of the Peace. If before a Justice or Notary, then Clerk of County Court must add his certificate of character hereon and not on a separate slip of paper unless said Justice or Notary already has a certificate on file in the Pension Office showing official capacity. If such be the case, he must say so in his Jurat.

GRATON FILE
PENSION OFFICE

I, John C. Finke, a citizen of the United States and at present an inmate of the National Military Home near Hampton, Va, being under oath do state and declare that I was a private of Company I of the 26 Mass Vols, that I was mustered into the service in New Orleans, La. in Oct 1862 and was in active service until the spring of 1864, when I took rheumatism for exposure while in the field, both feet being inflamed, swollen and one of them broken open, I was transported in an ambulance to the Military Hospital at New Orleans, La and after a short time, ⁱⁿ about four weeks I was transferred as fully disabled to the "Picaguan Cotton Press" a place near New Orleans on the river and from that place I was sent to Washington City, DC to the U. S. Arsenal in 4¹/₂ Street from where I was mustered out of the service of the U. S. Vols army, in the fall of the year 1864.

From the first rheumatic attack in 1864, I have been suffering from year to year, more or less, by great pains which finally disabled me to follow my daily occupation as tailor and I hereby further state that I believe that I am justly entitled to the pension which a generous Government has allowed by law to be given in a case like mine. And further deponent says the truth.

John C. Finke.

P.O. Address: Natl Military Home
near Hampton, Va.

Late Private Co I, 26th Regt Mass.
Vols.

DECLARATION FOR AN ORIGINAL INVALID PENSION.

This must be Executed before a Court of Record or some Officer thereof having custody of the Seal.

State of Virginia County of Elizabeth City SS:

On this 21st day of May A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty six personally appeared before me Clerk of the County a Court of Record within and for the county and State aforesaid John C Fink

aged 42 years, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical John C Fink who was **ENROLLED** on the 10 day of October 1862 in company I of the 26 regiment of Mass Inf commanded by Capt. Wm P Chapman and was honorably **DISCHARGED** at Washington D C on the twelfth day of August 1865. That his personal description is as follows: Age 42 years; height 5 feet 6 inches; complexion dark; hair dark; eyes gray.

That while a member of the organization aforesaid in the service and in the line of his duty at with his Regiment in the State of La on or about the 10 day of April & May 1864, he contracted

rheumatism from the effects of the hard- Here state name or nature of disease, or the location of wound or injury. If disabled by disease, state fully its cause; if by wound or injury, the precise manner in which received.

ships and exposure he had endured
Down the effects of said
disease he still suffers being incapac-
itated for the performance of manual labor
fully one-third this time for which he now
claims a pension

That he was treated in hospitals as follows: Hospital at New Orleans La. Here state the names or numbers, and the localities of all hospitals in which treated, and the dates of treatment.

entered about the month of May 1864 and left
about the month of August 1864

That he has also been employed in the military or naval service otherwise than as stated above never Here state what the organization enlisted January 1 1864 discharged August 12 1865 service was, whether prior or subsequent to that stated above, and the dates at which it began and ended.

That he has not been in the military or naval service of the United States since the twelfth day of August 1865. That since leaving the service this applicant has resided in the States of Mo, Wis, and in the State of Va and his occupation has been that of a Tailor

That prior to his entry into the service above named he was a man of good, sound physical health, being when enrolled a Tailor That he is now partially disabled from obtaining his subsistence by manual labor by reason of his injuries above described, received in the service of the United States; and he therefore makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the invalid pension roll of the United States. He hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation,

L. C. WOOD, OF WASHINGTON, D. C., his true and lawful attorney to prosecute his claim. That he has never received but has applied for a pension; that his residence is National Soldiers Home Hampton, Va and that his post office address is the same

Hermann John C Fink
[Signature of Claimant.]