

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF PENSIONS

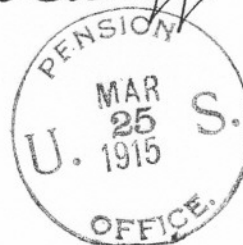
WASHINGTON, D. C., January 2, 1915.

Sir: Please answer, at your earliest convenience, the questions enumerated below. The information requested for future use, and it may be of great value to your widow or children. Use the inclosed ope, which requires no stamp.

Very respectfully,

G. M. Saezgar

AARON J FLETCHER
SO ACTON MASS
924030 ACT MAY



Commissioner.

- No. 1. Date and place of birth? Answer. *South Acton Mass. April 28, 1841.*
The name of organizations in which you served? Answer. *6th and 26th Mass Vol.*
- No. 2. What was your post office at enlistment? Answer. *South Acton Mass.*
- No. 3. State your wife's full name and her maiden name. Answer. *Mary Eliza Fletcher nee Burner*
- No. 4. When, where, and by whom were you married? Answer. *November 18, 1866, at Brick meetinghouse Cecil County, Maryland, now called Calvert, by S. W. Kurts.*
- No. 5. Is there any official or church record of your marriage? *Certificate.*
If so, where? Answer.
- No. 6. Were you previously married? If so, state the name of your former wife, the date of the marriage, and the date and place of her death or divorce. If there was more than one previous marriage, let your answer include all former wives. Answer. *No.*
- No. 7. If your present wife was married before her marriage to you, state the name of her former husband, the date of such marriage, and the date and place of his death or divorce, and state whether he ever rendered any military or naval service, and, if so, give name of the organization in which he served. If she was married more than once before her marriage to you, let your answer include all former husbands. Answer. *No.*
- No. 8. Are you now living with your wife, or has there been a separation? Answer. *I am living with my wife.*
- No. 9. State the names and dates of birth of all your children, living or dead. Answer.
Harry Atwood Fletcher May 29, 1867
Mary Florence Fletcher October 2, 1869
Charles Jones Fletcher October 1, 1871
Jennie Burner Fletcher January 19, 1881

Date *March 23, 1915.*

(Signature) *Aaron J. Fletcher*



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

STATE AID AND PENSION DEPARTMENT

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON

PHYSICIAN'S AFFIDAVIT



State of Massachusetts, } SS

County of Middlesex

In the matter of the claim for Aaron J. Fletcher
of South Acton, Mass.

of company E Regiment 26th Regiment, Mass. Infantry Vols.:

Personally came before me, a registered physician
in and for aforesaid County and State Orma Lawrence Clark
a citizen of South Acton, County of Middlesex
State of Massachusetts, 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 a practising physician, and that he has been acquainted with said soldier for about 12 years, and that he has been in the care of a trained nurse day and night

(Here embody all the facts known to the affiant relative to his treatment of the soldier.)

since May, 1935, except for a very short period, that he is 95 years old and feeble and has required the attention of a doctor weekly since January, 1934. He dresses and undresses himself with help since Jan. 1934. He walks alone but has needed watching and some help to prevent his falling, which he has done frequently. Three years ago he had 3 broken ribs and two years ago, broncho-pneumonia, and since then has failed in health steadily. He is deaf. His mind wanders and he does not remember well, except Civil War incidents. His son-in-law has been an attendant to him for three years until the services of a trained nurse became necessary. His circulation has been under stimulation for four years, but now is not responding so well to treatment, and his extremities are often cold and numb. He insists on doing a little work such as chopping a little kindling wood because he says "he feels better and has to do some work for his board", so I have let him do it but only when the nurse is in attendance. He has periods of so-called fainting spells, but has no recollection of them when he comes to.

I believe it will be necessary to employ a nurse from now until his death which may come at any moment, at his age.

He further declares that he has been a practioner of medicine for Thirteen years, and that he has no interest, either direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Orma Lawrence Clark
Affiant's signature. Give rank and service if in the army.

Form 3229 a

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

MEMORANDUM

Date November 6, 1936
CA-9.112

From Field Examiner
To Chief Attorney
Subject FLETCHER, Aaron J. C - 2564660
South Acton, Mass. 015-620

This aged veteran is living under very excellent conditions. He is worth considerable money and living with him ~~are~~ is his son-in-law, who is also in comfortable financial circumstances. Mr. Fletcher is 96 years of age and has the benefit of a trained nurse, who looks after his welfare. This veteran is in just fair physical condition and during the past year his mental faculties have weakened considerably. This aged veteran is receiving the \$75.00 rate and Mr. Charles, son-in-law, made some inquiries as to the probable procedure to make application for an increase in pension for this veteran. He was informed in this regard by the Field Examiner.

W. H. Major
W. H. MAJOR
Field Examiner

ACT OF FEBRUARY 6, 1907.

DECLARATION FOR PENSION.

THE PENSION CERTIFICATE SHOULD NOT BE FORWARDED WITH THE APPLICATION.

State of Massachusetts }
County of Middlesex } ss.

On this fourth day of May, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and eleven, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the county and State aforesaid, Araron J. Fletcher, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is 70 years of age, and a resident of Acton county of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts; and that he is the identical person who was ENROLLED at Lowell, Mass. under the name of Araron J. Fletcher on the sixth day of April, 1861, as a Private, in Capt. Daniel Tuttle's Co. E. M. V. M.
(Here state rank, and company and regiment in the Army, or vessels if in the Navy.)

in the service of the United States, in the Civil war, and was HONORABLY DISCHARGED at Boston, Mass. on the second day of August, 1861. That he also served in William H. Chapman's Co. E. 26th Reg. Mass. Inf. Vol. enrolled Nov. 1, 1861 discharged Feb. 29, 1864 at New Orleans, La. Enrolled as a Corporal in Capt. Seth Bonney's Co. E. 26th. Batt. Mass. Inf. on Feb. 1, 1864 discharged at Savannah, Ga. Aug. 26, 1865. That he was not employed in the military or naval service of the United States otherwise than as stated above. That his personal description at enlistment was as follows: Height, five feet 6 1/2 inches; complexion, fair; color of eyes, Grey; color of hair, lt. Brown that his occupation was Farmer; that he was born April 28, 1841, at Acton, Mass.

That his several places of residence since leaving the service have been as follows:

Acton, Mass. 1865 to date
(State date of each change, as nearly as possible.)

That he is _____ a pensioner. That he has _____ heretofore applied for pension

Pension certificate No. 924030
(If a pensioner, the certificate number only need be given. If not, give the number of the former application, if one was made.)

That he makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States under the provisions of the act of February 6, 1907.

That his post-office address is South Acton, county of Middlesex State of Massachusetts

Araron J. Fletcher
(Claimant's signature in full.)

Attest: (1) _____

(2) _____

Also personally appeared Frank W. Hoyt, residing in South Acton, Mass., and George C. Warren, residing in South Acton, Mass., persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw Araron J. Fletcher, the claimant, sign his name (or make his mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of the claimant and their acquaintance with him of 15 years and 25 years, respectively, that he is the identical person he represents himself to be, and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Frank W. Hoyt
George C. Warren
(Signatures of witnesses.)

SUBSCRIBED and sworn to before me this fourth day of May, A. D. 1911, and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, etc., were fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, including the words _____, erased; and the words _____, added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

[L. S.]

H. E. Blough
Notary Public
(Official character.)

certificate on file.



Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

PENSION DEPARTMENT.

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON.

DECLARATION FOR INCREASE OF INVALID PENSION,

Under Act of June 27, 1890.

STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

COUNTY OF Middlesex } ss.

On this eighth day of June, A.D. one thousand nine hundred and six personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the County and State aforesaid, Aaron J. Fletcher, aged 65 years, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is a pensioner of the United States, duly enrolled at the Boston, Mass. Pension Agency at the rate of six dollars per month, by Certificate No. 924030, on account of disability from Partial inability to earn a support by manual labor that he served as a Corporal, Co. E. 26th Regiment Mass. Vol. Inf.

He further declares that he believes himself to be entitled to an increase of pension for the following reasons, to wit: that the above-mentioned disabilities have increased; and that he is also suffering from the following additional disabilities:

I desire an increase on account of age.
(65 years)
I was born Apr. 28, 1841.

that said additional disabilities are not due to vicious habits, and are to the best of his knowledge and belief permanent; that he appoints J. B. PARSONS, Deputy Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions, State House, Boston, Mass., his true and lawful attorney to prosecute his claim WITHOUT FEE; that his (applicant's) residence is No. _____, in Martin Street, in South Acton, County of Middlesex, and State of Massachusetts; that his Post-Office address is South Acton, Mass.

Aaron J. Fletcher
[Claimant's signature.]

Also personally appeared H. W. Tuttle residing at South Acton, Mass. and Frank H. Willard residing at South Acton, Mass., persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw Aaron J. Fletcher, the claimant, sign his name (or make his mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with him, that he is the identical person he represents himself to be; and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

H. W. Tuttle

Frank H. Willard
[Signatures of witnesses.]

[If either witness signs by mark, two persons who can write sign here.]

Sworn to and subscribed before me this eighth day of June, A.D. 1906, and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, etc., were fully made known and explained to the claimant and witnesses before swearing, including the words _____

[SEAL.]

_____ erased, and the words _____ added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.



H. E. Cough
[Magistrate's Signature.]
Notary Public
[Official character.]

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Massachusetts, County of Worcester, ss.In the matter of Original pension claim No. 1,080,132Aaron J. Fletcher Co E 26th Regt Mass Vol Inf.ON THIS 21 day of December, A. D. 1896, personally appeared before me
Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County duly authorized to administer
oaths Aaron J. Fletcher aged 55 years, a resident of South Acton,
in the County of Middlesex and State of Mass.well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to
aforesaid case as follows:

NOTE.—Affiant should state how he gained a knowledge of the facts to which he testifies.

The reason I cannot furnish witnesses as to when and where I incurred left inguinal hernia is because I am working alone and have been for the past six years, as Bridge Inspector of the Fitchburg Railway. I find, upon looking over my old bridge reports that the day I first discovered this rupture was the twenty fourth (24) of September 1894, while walking on the railway track between Bridge 35 and 36 on the Gardner and Worcester Branch of the Fitchburg Railway as to the cause of the rupture I cannot make oath because I do not know; my work that day being the same as it had been for the past four years, but presumed it was caused by reaching in some of the Bridges. This in my own hand writing.

His Post-office address is Box 147 South Acton MassI further declare that I have ~~no~~ interest in said case and am ~~not~~ concerned
in its prosecution.Aaron J. Fletcher
(Signature of Affiant.)

(If affiant signs by mark two persons who write sign here.)