

ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES.



CERTIFICATE OF DISABILITY FOR DISCHARGE.

[To be used, in duplicate, in all cases of discharge on account of disability.]

Private James S. Mears of ~~Captain~~ a recruit
 Company (), of the Twenty fourth Regiment of United States
Mass. Vol. In., was enlisted by Maj. Stephenson of the
 Regiment of _____, at Boston Mass.
 on the Twenty eighth day of May, 1862, to serve Three
 years; he was born in Stoughton, in the State of Massachusetts
 is Twenty three years of age, 5 feet 3 inches high,
Dark complexion, Dark eyes, Dark hair, and by occupation
 when enlisted a Boot trees

During the last two months said soldier has been unfit for duty _____ days.

(Here consult directions on Form 12, p. 269, Medical Dept. Gen. Reg.)

STATION :

DATE :

Commanding Company.

I CERTIFY, that I have carefully examined the said James S. Mears
 of Captain Company and find him incapable of performing
 the duties of a soldier, because of (Here consult par. 1134, p. 245, and directions on Form 12, p. 269, Med. Dept. Gen. Reg.)

Pericarditis -

May 5th 1863

Wm. D. Austin Surgeon. U. S. A.

DISCHARGED, this Fifth
at Boston Mass.

day of May 1863,

Jos. Collins
Commanding the Post.

NOTE 1.—When a probable case for pension, special care must be taken to state the degree of disability.

NOTE 2.—The place where the soldier desires to be addressed may be here added.

TOWN

COUNTY

STATE

Capt. 4th In.
Mal. Comdr.

(DUPLICATES.)

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*Surgeon. U.S.A.
Medical Director
Boston.*

Wm. D. Austin

App'd.

Exhibit Q. B

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

City Clerk's Office, Quincy, October 13, 1908

I, Harrison A. Keith hereby certify that I hold the office of City Clerk, and have the custody of the Records of this City relating to Deaths, and that the following is a copy from the Record of Deaths in said City:

Date of Death Sept 3 1897
 Name of Deceased James Stanley Mears
 Sex, M. Condition, M. Age, 58 years, 8 months, 29 days.
 Disease Cerebral embolism Residence, Quincy
 Occupation, Hotel-keeper
 Place of Death, Quincy Sea St. No. 7 Place of Birth, Stoughton, Mass.
 Name of Father, James Mears
 Birthplace of Father, Roxbury, Mass.
 Name of Mother, Martha Hayden
 Birthplace of Mother, Stoughton, Mass.
 Place of Burial, Bingham, Fort Hill Cemetery
 Date of Record, Sept. 4. 1897



IN WITNESS WHEREOF I hereunto set my hand and the seal of said City, the day and year first above written.

Harrison A. Keith
 City Clerk.

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DECLARATION FOR WIDOW'S PENSION.

ACT OF JUNE 27, 1890.

To be executed before any officer authorized to administer oaths for general purposes in the State, city, or county where said officer resides. If such officer has a seal and uses it upon such paper, no certificate of a county clerk or prothonotary or a clerk of a court shall be necessary; but when no seal is used by the officer before whom the declaration is executed, then a clerk of a court of record or a county or city clerk shall affix his official seal thereto, and shall certify to the signature and official character of said officer.

State of Massachusetts, County of Norfolk, SS:

On this 15th day of September, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety seven

personally appeared before me, a Notary of the Public

within and for the county and State aforesaid, Susan D. Mears

aged 60 years, a resident of the City of Quincy

county of Norfolk, State of Massachusetts, who, being duly sworn

according to law, declares that she is the widow of James S Mears, who enlisted

under the name of James S Mears, at Stoughton Mass

on the 16th day of April, A. D. 1861, in Private

Co B - 4th Mass Infantry
or vessel, if in the Navy.

and served at least ninety days in the late War of the Rebellion, in the service of the United States, who was

honorably discharged July 22 1861, and died September 3^d 1897

The cause of death need not be stated.

That she was married under the name of Susan D Mears to said

James S Mears on the 21st day of October, 1862

by Rev A A Miner, at Boston Mass, there 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 James S Mears
Name of soldier or sailor.

That she is without other means of support than her daily labor; that names and dates of birth of all the children now living under sixteen years of age of the soldier are as follows:

....., born....., 18....., born....., 18.....

....., born....., 18....., born....., 18.....

....., born....., 18....., born....., 18.....

That her husband has been employed in the Military or Naval service otherwise than as stated above.

Re-enlisted May 28 1862 Co - 24th Mass Infantry Discharged on surgeons certificate of disability

that she has heretofore applied for pension and the number of her former application is.....

Be careful to fill

May 5th 1863 - Assigned to no Company 24th Mass Infantry

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, with full power of substitution and revocation, EDWIN WINWARD,
of Post-Office Square Boston Mass

a fee of ten dollars, that her post-office address is Quincy

county of Norfolk State of Massachusetts

Susan D Mears
Claimant's signature.

Attest: 1

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Two witnesses who can write sign here.



ATTY FILED.

Exhibit B A



REGISTRY DEPARTMENT.—CITY OF BOSTON.

County of Suffolk, Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

5 OLD COURT HOUSE.

EDWARD W. MCGLENN, CITY REGISTRAR.

Boston, October 14, 1908

I *E. W. Mc Glenn* hereby certify that I hold the office of City Registrar of the City of Boston, as created by Chap. 314, of Acts of 1892, and have the custody of the records relating to Births, Marriages and Deaths, in said City; and I further certify that it appears by the said Records, that *James Stanley Mears age 24 and Susan D. Marsh age 23* were married in Boston, *October 21, 1862* by *Rev. A. A. Miner*

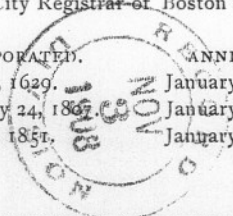
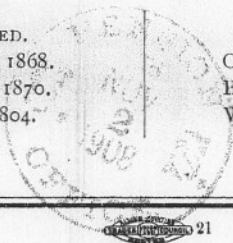
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E. W. Mc Glenn City Registrar.

By Chap. 314 of Acts of 1892, "the certificates or attestations of either Assistant City Registrar shall have the same force and effect as that of the City Registrar."

By annexation, the Records of the following-named cities and towns are in custody of the City Registrar of Boston:—

INCORPORATED.		ANNEXED.		INCORPORATED.		ANNEXED.	
Roxbury,	September 28, 1630.	January 6, 1868.	Charlestown,	June 24, 1629.	January 5, 1874.		
Dorchester,	September 7, 1630.	January 3, 1870.	Brighton,	February 24, 1837.	January 5, 1874.		
South Boston (Part of Dorchester).	March 6, 1804.		West Roxbury,	May 24, 1851.	January 5, 1874.		



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A Declaration for Original Invalid Pension. A

This Must be Executed Before the Clerk of a Court of Record or Some Officer thereof Having Custody of the Seal.

State of Massachusetts County of Plymouth, ss.

On this 7 day of March A. D., one thousand eight hundred and ~~eighty~~ 90

personally appeared before me _____ Clerk of the _____ Court, a Court of Record within and for the County and State aforesaid, James Stanley Mears

aged 52 years, a resident of the _____ of Hingham County of Plymouth State of Mass

who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical James Stanley Mears who was ENROLLED on the 28 day of May, 1862, in Company _____ of the 24 Regiment

and was honorably DISCHARGED at Boston Mass on the 22 day of May 1863, that his personal description is as follows: Age 52 years; height 5 feet 9 inches; complexion dark; hair dark; eyes dark

That while a member of the organization aforesaid, in the service and in the line of his duty at Boston, in the State of Mass on or about the _____ day of _____ 1863, he _____

(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.)
from exposure contracted rheumatism greatly disabling him at the time and resulting in heart disease about 1876

He claims pension for all effects of the above.

That he was treated in hospitals as follows: _____ (Here state the names or numbers, and the localities of all hospitals in which treated, and the date of treatment.)

That he has not been employed in the military or naval service otherwise than as stated above _____ (Here state what the service was if any other, whether prior or subsequent to that stated above, and the dates at which it began and ended.)

Orderly sergeant in Col Dags office Boston Mass

16 day of April served three months at Fort Monroe discharged 22 of July

That since leaving the service this applicant has resided from discharge to _____ 1890, at Duniny, East Hingham, in the State of Mass, and his occupation has been that of a _____

That prior to his entry into the service above named he was a man of good, sound physical health, being when enrolled a Boat crew. That he is now greatly 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.

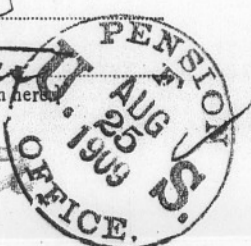
He hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation, A. W. McCormick & Sons, of Washington, D. C.

his true and lawful attorneys to prosecute his claim. That he has not received or _____ applied for a Pension. That his Post Office address is _____

County of Plymouth State of Mass

H. O. Souther James Stanley Mears 4
[Signature of Claimant.]

[Two persons who can write must sign here.]



Filed in Evidence of Substantive

not placed on roll

Act of April 19, 1908.

DECLARATION FOR WIDOW'S PENSION.

STATE OF Mass.
COUNTY OF Plymouth ss:

On this sixteenth day of September, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and eight personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the county and State aforesaid, Susan D. Mears, aged 71 years, a resident of Hingham, county of Plymouth, State of Massachusetts who, being duly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration in order to obtain pension under the provisions of the ACT OF CONGRESS APPROVED APRIL 19, 1908.

That she is the widow of J. Stanley Mears, also called James S. Mears, who was enrolled under the name of James S. Mears, at Stoughton (?) on the sixteenth day of April, 1861, as a private in Co. B. Fourth Regiment, Mass. Vol. Inf. and honorably discharged July 22, 1861, having served ninety days or more during the late civil war. That he also served in 24 Regt. Mass. Vol. Inf., enrolled May 28, 1862 and discharged May 5, 1863

That he was not in the military or naval service of the United States otherwise than as stated above.

That she was married under the name of Susan D. Marsh to said soldier at Boston, on the twenty-first day of October, 1862 by A. A. Miner, pastor School St. Church that there was no legal barrier to the marriage; that she had not been previously married; that the soldier had not been previously married,
(If there was a prior marriage of either, the date and place of death or divorce of former consort or consorts should be stated.)

and that neither she nor said soldier married otherwise than as stated above.

That the said soldier died Sept 3, 1897, at Quincy, Mass. that she was not divorced from him, and that she has not remarried since his death.

That the said soldier left the following named children who are now living and under no children sixteen years of age, to-wit:
(If the soldier left no children, the claimant should so state.)

There were no children at
born 1 at
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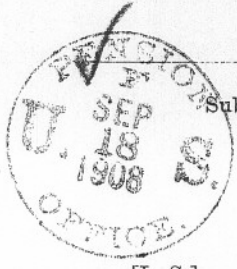
That she has not heretofore applied for pension
(If prior application has been made, the number thereof, the service on which it was based, and the name of the soldier should be stated.)

That her post-office address is Hingham Centre, county of Plymouth, State of Mass.

Attest: (1) Lucy A. Curtiss
(2) Martha B. Marsh Susan D. Mears
(Claimant's signature in full.)

Also personally appeared Lucy A. Curtiss, residing in said Hingham, and Martha B. Marsh, residing in said Hingham, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say they were present and saw Susan D. Mears, the claimant, sign her name (or make her mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with her of 25 years and 55 years, respectively, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be, and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Lucy A. Curtiss
Martha B. Marsh
(Signatures of witnesses.)



[L. S.]

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of September, A. D. 1908;

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 "the following named children who are now living and under sixteen years of age, to-wit", erased, and the words "no children" and "there were no children" added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Validity accepted
S. A. Cuddy,
Chief Law Division,
per 174 B 15 08

Emerson S. Curtiss
(Signature.)
Notary Public 1
(Official character.)