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2. All disabilities of a permanent character, whether slight or serious, not due to vicious habits, and whether due to the service or not, are considered in determining the rate of pension thereunder.

3. The fact that you can and do earn a support by other means than manual labor, or have other means of support, will not defeat your right to a pension.

4. The fact that you are compelled to earn your support by manual labor, although you are in fact materially disabled, will not prevent you from obtaining a pension.

5. Advancing age and increasing disability of the survivors of the war of 1861-5, is creating title in many cases, and especially in cases heretofore rejected.

6. The benefit of the Acts above referred to, may be claimed by all who receive no pension, or who receive less than \$12.00 per month

7. If you have heretofore applied under the Act of 1890 and amendments, and been rejected on ground of no pensionable disability, the filing of a new application will serve as a means of securing a new medical examination.

Declaration for Invalid Pension.

Acts of May 9, June 27, 1890.

IMPORTANT.—The NEW PENSION LAW of May 9, 1900, amending the Act of June 27, 1890, provides that in determining the degree of inability of a claimant to earn a support by manual labor, "EACH AND EVERY INFIRMITY SHALL BE DULY CONSIDERED, AND THE AGGREGATE OF THE DISABILITIES SHOWN BE RATED."

State of Mass.
County of Sampden } SS.

On the date hereinafter mentioned, personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace
(Title of Magistrate.)
within and for the County and State aforesaid Chas W. Fletcher, aged 56
(Name of Applicant.)

years, a resident of Springfield County of Sampden.

State of Mass., who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical, Chas W Fletcher who was ENROLLED on the 25th day
(Name under which service was rendered.)

day of August, 1862 in Co E, 6th Regt, Mass.
(Here state rank, company and regiment, in military service; or vessel, if in the Navy)

Sols. in the war of the Rebellion, and served not less than ninety days, and was HONORABLY DISCHARGED at Lomell Mass on

the 3rd day of June, 1863. That he is to a material extent disqualified from earning a support by manual labor, by reason of Debility from age.
(Here name ALL diseases, wounds or injuries, whether due to U. S Service or not.)

Fever sore on Leg
Liver & Stomach Trouble

That said disabilities are not due to his vicious habits, and are to the best of his knowledge and belief permanent. That he has Enlisted 28 March 1864 Co E, 26th Mass Inf. Sol. discharge
25 day of August 1865
(State other service, if any.)

That he is not a pensioner. (If a pensioner, so state, giving certificate number; if not a pensioner, so state :)

if a prior application is pending, so state, giving case number.)

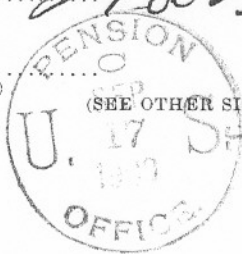
That he makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States under the provisions of the Acts of May 9, 1900, and June 27, 1890. He hereby appoints, with full power of substitution, MILO B. STEVENS & CO., Wash. D. C., their successors or legal representatives, his true and lawful attorneys to prosecute his claim under said law, and agrees that they shall be allowed and paid, upon the issuance of a certificate, a fee of ten dollars.

That his POSTOFFICE ADDRESS IS # 60 Danover St. Springfield

John Harbington Chas W Fletcher
(Signature of Claimant.)

Wm Phelps
(Two witnesses who can write, sign here.)

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

City of Springfield, Oct. 25. 1900

I, E. A. Newell, hereby certify that it appears by the Record of Marriages in said Springfield that a Marriage was solemnized, between Charles W. Fletcher and Kate Arthur on the Twenty fourth day of December in the year 1888.

The Record is in the following words and figures, to wit:

GROOM.

Name, Charles W. Fletcher.

Color, —

Age, 44

No. of Marriage, Second.

Residence, Springfield

Occupation, Clerk

Birthplace, Acton.

Father's Name, John.

Mother's Name, Susan.

Place and Date of Marriage, Maynard, December 24, 1888.

By whom Married, C. A. Merrill Clergyman. Maynard.

BRIDE.

Name, Kate Arthur.

Color, —

Age, 41

No. of Marriage, First.

Residence, Maynard.

Occupation, Weaver.

Birthplace, Manchester N. H.

Father's Name, Robert.

Mother's Name, Marion.

I, E. A. Newell, above named, depose and say, that I hold the office of City Clerk of the City of Springfield, in the County of Hampden and Commonwealth of Massachusetts: that the Records of Births, Marriages and Deaths in said City, are in my custody, and that the above is a true extract from the Record of Marriages, in said City, as certified by me.

Witness my hand and the Seal of the said City of Springfield
on the day and year first above written.



City Clerk

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

City of Springfield,

Oct 24

1905

I, E. A. NEWELL, hereby certify that I have examined the Records of Deaths in said city and find recorded therein the death of Angeline H. Fletcher.

The record is in the following words and figures, to wit:

Date of Death,

June 26 1886

Name and Surname of Deceased,

Angeline H. Fletcher

Name and Surname of Husband,

Sex,

F.

Color,

—

Condition,

M.

Age,

42

Years,

—

Months,

—

Days.

Disease or Cause of Death,

Rheumatism of the Heart.

Residence,

Springfield

Place of Death,

Springfield

Place of Burial,

Springfield

Occupation,

Place of Birth,

Mt Holly Vt.

Name and Birthplace of Father,

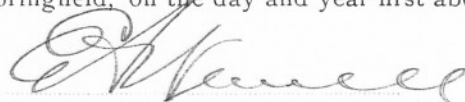
Elisha TarbellMt Holly Vt.

Name and Birthplace of Mother,

Eliza —Cowdoy —

I, E. A. NEWELL, above named, depose and say, that I hold the office of City Clerk of the City of Springfield, in the County of Hampden and Commonwealth of Massachusetts; that the Records of Births, Marriages and Deaths in said City are in my custody, and that the above is a true extract from the Records of Deaths in said City, as certified by me.

Witness my hand and the seal of the said City of Springfield, on the day and year first above written.



City Clerk.

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NOTICE.—The civil officer before whom this affidavit is executed should be careful to fill in all spaces, both in the caption and jurat.

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex, ss:

In the matter of Claim #836,922, of Kate A. Fletcher, widow of Charles W. Fletcher, late of Co. E, 26th Reg't Mass. Inf. Vols.:

ON THIS 15th day of September, A. D. 1906, personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace in and for the afore-

said County, duly authorized to administer oaths Daniel H. Farrow aged 60 years, a resident of Acton, in the County

of Middlesex, and State of Massachusetts

whose Post-office address is East Acton, Mass. and

Susan S. Farrow, aged 60 years, a resident of Acton

, in the County of Middlesex,

and State of Massachusetts, whose Post-office address is

East Acton, Mass.

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

That we were each well and personally acquainted with the
(NOTE.—Affiants should state how they gain a knowledge of the facts to which they testify.)
soldier above named, Charles W. Fletcher, from the time he became of marriageable age, and from this acquaintance we know and testify that he had been once, and no more, married prior to his marriage to the claimant; that he did not remarry between the death of his first wife, Angelina H. Tarbell, and his marriage to the claimant; that our acquaintance was such that we should have known had the facts been otherwise than as above stated.

And the said Susie S. Farrow further testifies that she knew the soldier before and during the time of the civil ^{war}, and that he was not in the military or naval service prior to August 25, 1862, or subsequent to August 26, 1865.

They further declare that they have no interest in said case and are not concerned in its prosecution.

(If Affiants sign by mark two witnesses who can write sign here.)

Acton, Sep 15th 1906

Daniel H. Farrow
Susan S. Farrow

(Signatures of Affiants.)

Chas. J. Williams
Justice of the Peace

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GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Mass, County of Middlesex, ss:

In the matter of Claim #836,922, of Kate A. Fletcher, widow of Charles W. Fletcher, late of Co. E, 26th Reg't Mass. Inf. Vols.:

ON THIS 17th day of Sept, A. D. 1906, personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace in and for the afore-said State County, duly authorized to administer oaths Henry A Lawrence aged 67 years, a resident of Ashby, in the County of Middlesex, and State of Mass.

whose Post-office address is Ashby Mass and Marion Arthur Lawrence, aged 64 years, a resident of Ashby, in the County of Middlesex, and State of Mass, whose Post-office address is Ashby Mass.

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

That we have each been well and personally acquainted with the
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Claimant above named from the time she became of marriageable age, and from this acquaintance know and testify that she had never been married prior to her marriage to the soldier, and that our acquaintance was such that had she been previously married we should have known the fact.

We further declare that we have no interest in said case and we are not concerned in its prosecution.

(If Affiants sign by mark two witnesses who can write sign here.)

Henry A Lawrence
Marion Arthur Lawrence
(Signatures of Affiants.)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

RETURN OF A DEATH.

CITY OF SPRINGFIELD.

FULL NAME *Charles W. Fletcher* Registered No. _____
 Place of Death* } *90 Andrew St. Springfield* Date of Death } *Oct 4* 190*5*
 Residence _____ Age *61* years *7* months _____ days

STATISTICAL DETAILS.

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| SEX <i>M</i> | COLOR <i>W.</i> | SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED <i>Married</i> |
| MAIDEN NAME † _____ | | |
| HUSBAND'S NAME † _____ | | |
| BIRTHPLACE ‡ _____ | | |
| NAME OF FATHER <i>Acton Mass.</i> | | |
| BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER ‡ <i>John Fletcher</i> | | |
| MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <i>Acton Mass.</i> | | |
| BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER ‡ <i>Susan Randall</i> | | |
| OCCUPATION <i>Acton Mass.</i> | | |
| INFORMANT § <i>Manager.</i> | | |
| <i>Mrs. C. W. Fletcher</i> | | |
| <i>90 Andrew St.</i> | | |

PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I attended deceased during last illness, from *July* 190*5* to *Oct 4* 190*5* that to the best of my knowledge and belief death occurred on the date stated above, and that the CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows:
 Primary: *Bright's Disease*

(DURATION) _____ DAYS
 Contributory: *Heart Disease*

(SIGNED) *J. E. Marsh* M.D.
Oct 7 190*5* (Address) *137 1/2 State St.*

SPECIAL INFORMATION only for Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or Recent Residents.

How long at Place of Death? _____ years _____ months _____ days
 Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death? _____

Filed *Oct 4* 190*5* *E. A. Newell* City Clerk

* City or town, street or number, if any. If death occurs away from USUAL RESIDENCE, give facts called for under "Special Information." If in a Hospital or Institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.

† In case of married or divorced woman, or widow.
 ‡ State or country; also city, town or county, if known.
 § Name and address of person giving statistical details.
 || Name of cemetery.

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL || *Oak Grove Cem* DATE OF BURIAL *Oct 8* 190*5*
 UNDERTAKER *C. J. Roadstrand* ADDRESS *Springfield*

Countersigned *Oct 7* 190*5*
James Kimball Agent Board of Health

City of Springfield, Mass., *Oct 25* 190*5*

I Herely Depose and Say that I am the City Clerk of the City of Springfield, Commonwealth of Massachusetts. That the records of births, marriages and deaths in said City are in my custody, and that the foregoing is a true copy of the return of a death on file in the office of the City Clerk of said Springfield.

Witness my hand and the seal of the said City of Springfield, this *25th* day of *Oct* 190*5*.

Attest:

E. A. Newell
 City Clerk of Springfield, Mass.

ACTS OF JUNE 27, 1890, AND MAY 9, 1900.

DECLARATION FOR WIDOW'S PENSION.

To be executed before a Court of Record or some officer thereof having custody of its seal, a Notary Public, or Justice of the Peace, whose official signature shall be verified by his official seal, and in case he has none, his signature and official character shall be certified by a Clerk of a Court of Record, or a City or County Clerk.

State of Massachusetts, County of Hampden, ss:

On this 19th day of October, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and five, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public, within and for the County and State aforesaid, Kate A. Fletcher, aged 58 years, a resident of Springfield, County of Hampden, State of Massachusetts.

who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is the widow of Charles W. Fletcher, who enlisted under the name of Charles W. Fletcher.

(Name of Soldier.)
Charles W. Fletcher, on the 31st day of August, A. D. 1862, as a private in Company E, in the sixth Regiment of Mass. Inf. Mil. Volunteers, and served at least ninety days in the late War of the Rebellion, in the service of the United States, who was HONORABLY DISCHARGED June 3, 1863, and died October 4, 1905.

(Date of death; cause need not be stated.)
That he was also employed in the military or naval service otherwise than as stated above Pvt. Co. E, 26 Mass. Inf. Vols. enlisted March 28, 1864, discharged Aug. 26, 1865 that stated above, and the dates at which it began and ended.)

That he was never employed in the military or naval service of the United States after the 26th day of August, 1865. That she was married under the name of Kate Arthur to said Charles W. Fletcher, on the 24th day of December, A. D. 1888, by Rev. Charles A. Merrill, at Maynard, Mass., there being no legal barrier to such marriage; that she had not been previously married; that her said husband had not been previously married. (4) Soldier had been once previously married, and his first wife, Angelina H. Merrill died at Springfield, Mass., on or about June 26, 1886.

(If either had been previously married, so state, and give date of death or divorce of former spouse.)
That she has not remarried since the death of the said Charles W. Fletcher.
(Name of soldier or sailor.)

That she is without other means of support than her daily labor and an actual net income not exceeding \$250 per year. That the names and dates of birth of all the children of the soldier, now living, and under sixteen years of age, are as follows:

_____, born _____, 18_____, born _____, 18_____
_____, born _____, 18_____, born _____, 18_____
_____, born _____, 18_____, born _____, 18_____

That she has not abandoned the support of any one of her children, but that they are still under her care or maintenance. That no prior application for pension has been filed by herself or the soldier. was

(A or no.)
pensioned under Ctt. #1,026,158.
(If prior application has been filed, either by soldier or widow, so state, giving number assigned to it.)

That she makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension-roll of the United States, under the provisions of the acts of June 27, 1890, and May 9, 1900. She hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation,

JAMES L. BOWEN of SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

her true and lawful attorney to prosecute her claim, the fee to be TEN DOLLARS, payable as prescribed by law.

That her POST-OFFICE ADDRESS is 90 Andrew St., Springfield, County of Hampden, State of Massachusetts.

ATTEST:

1 Marion A. Lawrence

2 Kettie O. Fletcher

(Two witnesses who write sign here.)

Kate A. Fletcher
(Claimant's Signature—FULL name.)

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GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Massachusetts, County of Hampden, ss:

In the matter of Claim #836,922 of Kate A. Fletcher, widow of Charles W. Fletcher, late of Co. E, 26 Reg't Mass. Inf. Vols.

ON THIS 31st day of August, A. D. 1926, personally appeared before me a Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer

oath to A. Fletcher, aged 58 years, a resident of Springfield,

in the County of Hampden, and State of Massachusetts,

whose Post-office address is 90 Andrew Street, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to aforesaid case as follows: That she is the claimant above named.

That she was never married previous to her marriage to the soldier, and that the soldier had been once married and no more previous to his marriage with claimant.

That her property, income and means of support are fully and correctly given as follows:

(a) The soldier left insurance of two thousand dollars payable to herself, which is deposited in savings bank at an interest rate of 3 1/2% per annum, yielding annually \$70.00.

(b) Claimant jointly with soldier owned a small house and lot on Norwood St., in the city of Springfield, valued at \$1300, on which there is a mortgage of \$900 at 5% interest, the taxes are \$21, water rates \$10, insurance \$3--making a total for fixed charges of \$79. This house rents for \$17 per month, or \$204 a year, showing an income from this property of \$125, repairs and minor expenses not counted.

(c) The property at 90 Andrew St., of said city, belongs to the estate of the soldier, in which claimant has her right as widow only. This consists of a house and two lots, the total valued at \$2610, on which there is a mortgage of \$1200 with interest at 5% per annum. Taxes are \$35, water rates \$8, insurance about \$5, making total fixed charges of \$108. A fair rental value of this property, which is used by claimant as a dwelling place, would be \$15 per month, or \$180 a year, or \$72 a year in excess of expense account, 1/3 of which would be the widow's share.

These properties are not new and are in need of repairs, and an average of \$25 each per year for that purpose would not be more than fair.

The summary of income shows:

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| From insurance money, interest received, | \$70 00 |
| Property on Norwood St., net income, | - 125 00 |
| Property on Andrew St., her share, | 24 00 |
| Total, without allowance for repairs, | \$219 00 |

further declares that no interest in said case and not concerned in its prosecution. That no one is legally bound to provide for her support.

(If Affiant signs by mark, two witnesses who can write sign here.)

Kate A. Fletcher
(Signature of Affiant.)