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Eastern Division.

# Department of the Interior

## BUREAU OF PENSIONS

Washington, D. C., November 18, 1904

SIR: To aid this Bureau in preventing any one falsely personating you, or otherwise committing fraud in your name, or on account of your service, you are required to answer fully the questions enumerated below.

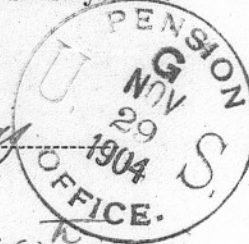
You will please return this circular under cover of the inclosed envelope which requires no postage.  
Very respectfully,

*E. J. Ware*  
Commissioner.

*Mr. Francis J. Hastings*  
*66 Main Street*  
*Reading, Mass.*

1. When were you born? Answer. *July 15 1842*
2. Where were you born? Answer. *East Cambridge, Mass.*
3. When did you enlist? Answer. *August 29th 1862*
4. Where did you enlist? Answer. *Cambridge Mass*
5. Where had you lived before you enlisted? Answer. *East Cambridge*
6. What was your post-office address at enlistment? Answer. *East Cambridge, Mass.*
7. What was your occupation at enlistment? Answer. *Clerk*
8. When were you discharged? Answer. *June 18, 1863.*
9. Where were you discharged? Answer. *Readville, Mass.*
10. Where have you lived since discharge? Give dates, as nearly as possible, of any changes of residence.  
*Short period in New York and the West and since in Mass*
11. What is your present occupation? Answer. *Buying and selling grain.*
12. What is your height? Answer. *5* feet *7 1/2* inches. Your weight? *165 lbs*  
The color of your eyes? *Blue* The color of your hair? *Brown & grey* Your complexion?  
*Light* Are there any permanent marks or scars on your person? If so, describe them.  
*Scar, right side of abdomen, result of operation for Hernia*
13. What is your full name? Please write it on the line below, in ink, in the manner in which you are accustomed to sign it, in the presence of two witnesses who can write.

*Francis J. Hastings*



WITNESSES:

1. *Mabel F. Hastings*
2. *Louisa M. Putnam*



[Witnesses who can write sign here.]

Date: *November 28*, 190*4*

# Declaration for Pension.

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Act of February 6, 1907.

 The Pension Certificate should not be forwarded with the application. 

**INSTRUCTIONS.**—This form may be used for Original Pension or Increase of Pension. Declaration and testimony in support of same to be executed before some officer of a court of record having custody of its seal, a notary public, justice of the peace, or other officer authorized to administer oaths for general purposes. If such officer is not required by law to have and use a seal, his official character, signature and term of office must be certified by the proper State, county, or city officer under his official seal, unless such certificate has been filed in the Bureau of Pensions for general reference.

State of California, County of Los Angeles, ss:  
ON THIS 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and Seven  
personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the County and  
State aforesaid, Francis J. Hastings, who, being duly sworn according to law,  
declares that he is 64 years of age, and a resident of Covina  
County of Los Angeles, State of California; and that he is  
the identical person who was ENROLLED at Cambridge Mass. under the name of  
Francis J. Hastings on the 29 day of August, 1862  
as a Private, in 60 E. 44<sup>th</sup> Regiment Massachusetts  
Militia Infantry  
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  
Readville Mass. on the 18 day of June, 1863  
That he also served \_\_\_\_\_  
Here give a complete statement of all other services, if any

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, 5 feet 7 1/2 inches; complexion, light; color  
of eyes, blue; color of hair, brown; that his occupation was clerk;  
that he was born July 15, 1842, at Cambridge, Mass.  
That his several places of residence since leaving the service have been as follows: \_\_\_\_\_  
State the date of each change

as nearly as possible

That he is 4 a pensioner. That he has ~~heretofore applied for pension~~ under Certificate

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If a pensioner, the certificate number only need be given. If not, give the number of the former application, if one was made

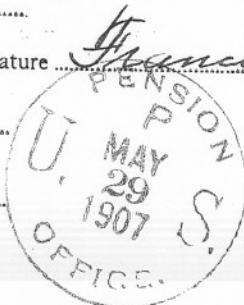
That he makes this Declaration for the purpose of being placed on the Pension-Roll of the United States, under the provisions of the Act of February 6, 1907.

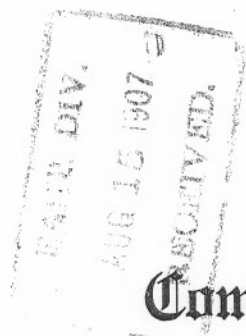
That he appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation, \_\_\_\_\_  
of \_\_\_\_\_ County of \_\_\_\_\_  
State of \_\_\_\_\_, his true and lawful attorney, to prosecute his claim,  
and requests and directs that \_\_\_\_\_ be allowed and paid, upon the issuance of a Certificate, or thereafter, such fee as may  
be hereafter provided by law, NOT EXCEEDING TEN DOLLARS.

His post-office address is Covina County of Los Angeles  
State of California

Attest I J. Miller Claimant's signature Francis J. Hastings

2 J. M. Miller  
Two witnesses who can write must sign here





# Commonwealth of Massachusetts

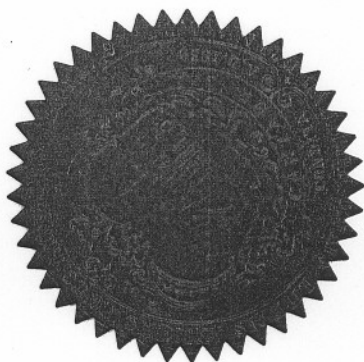
County of Middlesex

City of Cambridge

The following is a copy from the Record of Births in said city:

Record Number,        Date of birth, July 15, 1842 Name of child,  
Francis Hastings Sex, M.  
Color,        (If other than white) Place of birth, Cambridge Name of father,  
Joseph W. Hastings Maiden name of mother, Martha D.  
Residence of parents,        (street and number, if any) Father's occupation,  
       Birthplace of father,        Birth-  
place of mother,        Date of record,       

I do hereby certify that the above is a true copy from the Record of Births in the custody of  
the City Clerk, as entered in Volume 3, Folio 394, of said Record.



In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and seal of said city,  
this 24<sup>th</sup> day of May  
in the year nineteen hundred seven

Edward J. Benson  
City Clerk.



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East. Div.

Claim No. 1, 198, 478

Francis J. Hastings

Co. E, 44<sup>th</sup> Reg't Mass. Inf.

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**Department of the Interior,**  
 RECEIVED.  
 BUREAU OF PENSIONS.

J. M. E., Ex'r.

Washington, D. C., November 22, 1897.

Sir:

Will you kindly answer, at your earliest convenience, the questions enumerated below? The information is requested for future use, and it may be of great value to your family.

Very respectfully,

Mr. Francis J. Hastings,  
 Santa Rosa,  
 Mass.

Commissioner.

**No. 1.** Are you a married man? If so, please state your wife's full name, and her maiden name.

Answer: Yes. Mary Elizabeth Hastings, Mary Elizabeth Putnam

**No. 2.** When, where, and by whom were you married? Answer: August 12, 1868

at Cambridge by Henry J. Cushman of Boston

**No. 3.** What record of marriage exists? Answer: Office of Records

Cambridge, Mass.

**No. 4.** Were you previously married? If so, please state the name of your former wife and the

date and place of her death or divorce. Answer: No

**No. 5.** Have you any children living? If so, please state their names and the dates of their

birth. Answer: One - Mabel F. Hastings, December 12, 1872.

Date of reply, Dec 1st, 1897.

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Francis J. Hastings  
 (Signature.)