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ACT OF JUNE 27, 1890.

BOSTON,

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Certificate No. 715.752

Name, James F. Mears

Department of the Interior,  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C., January 15, 1898.

SIR:

In forwarding to the pension agent the executed voucher for your next quarterly payment please favor me by returning this circular to him with replies to the questions enumerated below.

Very respectfully,

McKay Evans

Commissioner of Pensions.

First. Are you married? If so, please state your wife's full name and her maiden name.

Answer. Yes, Sarah B. Mears. Sarah B. Taylor, 29.

Second. When, where, and by whom were you married?

Answer. Nov. 22<sup>d</sup> 1863. In Readfield Maine, H. P. Torrey

Third. What record of marriage exists? without doubt in the town records

Answer. The certificate given me at my marriage, and

Fourth. 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.

Fifth. Have you any children living? If so, please state their names and the dates of their birth.

Answer. Yes. Lucy M. Mears (married to S. H. Norris)  
Born July 5<sup>th</sup> 1867. Frank L. Mears. Born  
April 25<sup>th</sup> 1873.

Date of reply, June 6, 1898

James F. Mears.

(Signature.)

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 H. P. Torrey  
 Readfield Maine

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(Old No. 3-464aa.)

Eastern Div. Ex'r.

Department of the Interior,  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C. July 15, 1902

Respectfully referred to the Chief of the  
Record and Pension Office, War Department,  
requesting a full military and medical his-  
tory of the soldier <sup>the</sup> personal  
description, including  
age.

enclosure.

No other report on file.

Off. No. 715,752  
me, James F. Mears  
B. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reg't Me Cav.  
M. Chay Evans  
Commissioner.

Address: "Chief of the Record and Pension Office,  
War Department, Washington, D. C."

Record and Pension Office,

WAR DEPARTMENT.

Respectfully returned to the

Commissioner of Pensions.

James F. Mears  
Co. B, 2<sup>nd</sup> Reg't Me Cav  
was enrolled Nov 30, 1863  
and M.O. Dec 6, 1865,  
with-br.

From M.S., 186, to M.O., 186,  
he held the rank of Capt & 1<sup>st</sup> Lt.

and during that period the rolls show him present  
except as follows Dec. 31.64 on  
D.S. at Mobile Point since  
Nov 2.64. Apr 30.65-  
on D.S. since Mar. 19.65  
same to Aug 31.65.

Pers. desc. Apr 26. 65  
5 ft. 8 in. Comp light  
Eyes blue hair dark  
born in Bristol Me.  
Leak.

The medical records show him treated as follows:  
Feb. 23 and 24, 64,  
Charyngitis; July  
20, 64, Tonsillitis.  
(No additional record  
of disability found.)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

ESSEX S.S.

Lynn, Mass. May 20, 1913.

I Ernest A. Hodgdon, a Notary Public of and for the  
County of Essex, do hereby certify that I have this day  
examined the records contained in a family Bible and owned  
by James F. Mears and find therein the following record,-

"James F. Mears born in Bristol Sept. 6th. 1837"

I further certify that this Bible was published in the  
year 1853 and contains no alterations or erasures in the  
record shown above and also that the entry appears to be an  
old one.

Witness my hand and official seal this day and year  
above written.





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## BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C. *Sept 11*, 190*1*

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*Jan 6 Aug 31. 65.*

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*Teacher*

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ACT OF JUNE 2, 1894

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Name. ....

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Date of reply, Jan 15, 1898

(Signature.)

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# SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE.

Insert character and number of claim.	Increase	Pension Claim No.	715,752
Name of claimant.	James F. Mears	Address of Board.	Salem P. O. Mass State.
Company	B 2 Reg't Me. Vols.		
Claimant's post-office address.	East Saugus, Mass	Date of examination.	Nov. 26, 1902
Cause of disability.	Disease of heart and general debility.		

He receives a pension of ten dollars per month.

Here give the claimant's statement (as briefly and as compactly as possible) in regard to the date of origin and cause of his disabilities and the manner in which they affect him.

He makes the following statement in regard to the origin of his disabilities and date when first discovered by him: heart trouble about 14 years, first attack unconscious some time, last unconscious turn in June, has been obliged to give up preaching; unable to do any manual labor.

The outlines of the human skeleton and figure upon the back of this certificate should be used to indicate precisely the location of a disease or injury, the entrance and exit of a missile, an amputation, etc.

Birthplace, Bristol, Me; age, 65 years; height, 5--7; weight, 145 pounds; complexion, light; color of eyes, blue; color of hair, dark; occupation, clergyman; permanent marks and scars other than those described below, scar right instep 1/2 in.

We hereby certify that upon examination we find the following objective conditions:

Pulse rate, 104, 112, 124; respiration, 21, 24, 30; temperature, N;  
[Sitting, standing, after exercise.] [Sitting, standing, after exercise.]

Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with Book of Instructions.

DISEASE of HEART, heart dilated 1/2 apex beat in sixth space, loud mitral regurgitant murmur, pulse weak, rapid and irregular; some oedema of both ankles, slight cyanosis and constant dyspnoea increased by even slight exertion.

Facts within the knowledge of the Board, or any member thereof, relative to the cause of any disability found should be stated.

GENERAL DEBILITY, slight tremulous condition, muscles very soft and weak, nutrition fairly good, innervation faulty, co-ordination impaired and reflexes diminished.

Whenever a disability is shown or is believed to be due to or aggravated by vicious habits the opinion of the board must be stated. When not due to such habits this fact must be stated.

EYESIGHT very poor, no disease of external parts, considerable cloudiness of right lens, well defined cataract, vision of right 8-200, of left 20-70, no improvement of right eye with glasses but left 20-40.

Hearing normal.  
Kidneys healthy, 1020, pale, acid, no albumen, no sugar.

No other disability. No vicious habits.

We find the aggregate, permanent disability due to heart disease, general debility and defective vision, not due to vicious habits, entitles him to a rating of \$12.

When rates are recommended solely on subjective evidence the strongest reasons must be given therefor.

Wm. M. Coates res. W. M. Coates, Sec'y. Geo A. Stuking Treas.

N. B.—Do not use backs of certificates for any purpose other than indicated by printed matter thereon. When additional space is needed to complete report of examination use blank certificate (old No. 3-111 g.) properly numbered, and attach it to the back and upper margin of this sheet. Marginal entries must never be made.

OFFICE OF  
TOWN CLERK,

TOWN OF

Readfield  
MAINE.

Civil War Div.

NO. 1,011,920

Sarah B. Mears

James F. Mears

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Oct 11<sup>th</sup> 1913

Kento Hill Jan 7<sup>th</sup> 1864 to the

Town Clerk of Readfield Me.

This Certifies that November 22<sup>nd</sup> 1863

I united in Marriage according to the  
laws of the State of Maine James F. Mears  
of Manchester and Sarah B. Taylor of Sidney.

L. P. Torsey

Clergyman.

a True Copy of Record as it  
appears on the Books of Readfield Maine  
attest L. W. Merrow.

Clerk of Readfield  
Maine

Kennebec ss. Personally appeared the above  
named L. W. Merrow Town Clerk and make oath to  
the truth of this statement, before me

Leasell Weston Trial Justice

Readfield Me Oct. 13. 1913.

ACT OF MAY 11, 1912.

# DECLARATION FOR PENSION.

THE PENSION CERTIFICATE SHOULD NOT BE FORWARDED WITH THE APPLICATION.

State of Massachusetts, County of Essex, ss:  
 On this 7 day of Sept, A.D. one thousand nine hundred and twelve, personally  
 appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace within and for the county and State aforesaid,  
James F. Mears who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is 75  
 years of age, and a resident of Saugus, county of Essex,  
 State of Massachusetts; and that he is the identical person who was ENROLLED at  
Augusta main, under the name of James F. Mears,  
 on the 30 day of December, 1863, as a 2. M. Sargent, in Co B.  
3 Reg Maine Vol Cav  
(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  
(State name of war, Civil or Mexican.)  
 at Barnabas Fla, on the Exile day of December, 1865.  
 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 8 inches; complexion, Light; color of  
 eyes, Blue; color of hair, Brown; that his occupation was Teacher; that he  
 was born Sept 6, 1837, at Bristol Maine

That his several places of residence since leaving the service have been as follows: Topsfield & Somerville  
Saugus Lynn Reading also in Massachusetts  
(State date of each change, as nearly as possible)

That he is a pensioner under certificate No. 215752. That he has applied for pension under  
 original No. ....

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 May 11, 1912.

That his post-office address is Waverfield Ave E. Saugus, county of Essex,  
 State of Massachusetts

Attest: (1) P. C. McHenry | James F. Mears  
 (2) H. C. Quicker | (Claimant's signature in full.)

SUBSCRIBED and sworn to before me this 7 day of Sept, A.D. 1912 and I hereby  
 certify that the contents of the above declaration were fully made known and explained to the  
 applicant before swearing, including the words  
 [L. S.] erased, and the words added,  
 and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Isaac L. Warts  
(Signature)  
Justice of the Peace  
(Official character.)

IF A PENSIONER, DO NOT FAIL TO GIVE CERTIFICATE NUMBER.



Civil State Rec.  
Vol 1011920  
Sarah B Mears  
James F Mears  
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Certificate of Death

FROM THE RECORDS OF DEATHS IN THE TOWN OF Saugus  
MASSACHUSETTS, U. S. A.

1. Date of Death, - - -	July 20, 1913
2. Name, - - - - -	James F. Mears
(Maiden Name, - - -	-
3. Sex, and whether Single, -	Male
Married, or Widowed, -	Married
4. Color, - - - - -	
5. Age, - - - - -	75 Years 10 Months 14 Days
6. Disease or Cause of Death	Chronic Valvular Heart disease, Dropsy
7. Residence, - - - - -	Saugus, Mass., 11 Wakefield Ave.
8. Occupation, - - - - -	-
9. Place of Death, - - -	Saugus, Mass., 11 Wakefield Ave.
10. Place of Birth, - - -	Bristol, Me.
11. Name of Father, - - -	Edward
12. Name of Mother, - - -	Eliza Fountain
(Maiden Name)	
13. Birthplace of Father, -	Bristol, Me.
14. Birthplace of Mother, -	Bristol, Me.
15. Place of Interment, - -	Saugus, Mass., Riverside Cem.

I, Henry A. Parker, depose and say,  
that I hold the office of Town Clerk of the Town of Saugus  
County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts; that the  
records of Births, Marriages and Deaths in said Town are in my custody, and that the above is a  
a true extract from the Records of Deaths in said Town, as certified by me.

WITNESS my hand and the Seal of said Town, on the twenty-sixth  
day of July 1913



Henry A. Parker  
Town Clerk.



Rev. James F. Mears  
Wakefield Avenue  
East Saugus, Mass.

June 18, 1913.

*Bel*  
*6/2/13*

Commissioner of Pensions,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir and Comrade:

*Don't know 25/13* By a  
special act of Congress, certificate  
number 715752, I have been  
receiving \$24.00 per month.

The later act of Congress  
granting \$30.00 per month to  
those who were 75 years old and  
had served 2 years or over;  
under this I applied, having  
met these conditions, the  
seventh of last September (1914);  
since then I have answered  
all inquiries.

Now the question in my  
mind is why this increase  
has not been granted to me.  
It seems as though it

Rev. James F. Mears  
Wakefield Avenue  
East Saugus, Mass.

might have been sent the  
4th of this present month.  
Expecting to hear soon  
from this

I remain

Yours respectfully,

Geo. B. 2nd Me. Cav. James F. Mears  
per LMM.

Present Address

James F. Mears

11 Wakefield Ave.  
East Saugus  
Mass.

