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Index Sheet, Claim No. Wid. Or., 1,023,566

Law,

Martha S. Pike widow of William E. Pike alias George Jackson.

Service, Corp., Co., L, 21st Pa. Cav.

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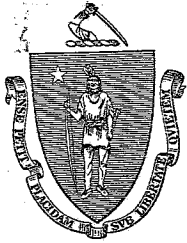
NO.	NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.	DATE OF FILING.	SUBJECT.
1	Martha S. Pike Ashland, Mass. Town Clerk,	Mar. 9, 1914	Declaration.
2	Ashland, Mass. City Clerk,	Mar. 9, 1914	Death sol., Jan. 3, 1914.
3	Hazleton, Pa.	Jul. 1, 1914	No rec'ds mar., none kept prior to Oct. 1892, none kept in Luzerne county back of 1865.
4	Envelop		Mar. ctf., George Jackson to clt. Feb. 1, 1865.
5	William E. Pike	Dec. 17, 1897	Fam. data cir.
6	J. Wesley Smith Hazleton, Pa.	Aug. 18, 1914	Mar'd Feb. 1, 1865, present, lived together, no div.
7	Mary E. Lambert 262 Bank st., Norfolk, Va.	Aug. 18, 1914	Mar'd Feb. 1, 1865, lived together, no div.
8	J. Wesley Smith, p.o. 6	May 29, 1914	Neither prior mar., no div., lived together.
9	Mary E. Lambert, p.o. 7 Amelia B. Bell	May 29, 1914	Same as 8.
10	Ashland, Mass.	Jul. 1, 1914	Lived together.
11	S. Jennie Howard Middlesex Co., Mass.	Jul. 1, 1914	No div., good woman, lived with sol. at time of death.

*Index Sheet, Claim No.* Ctf., 1,084,711, May 11, 1912 *Law,*

Service, Corp., Co., L, 21st Pa. Cav.

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# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## PENSION DEPARTMENT,

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA,

COUNTY OF LUZERNE

~~State of Massachusetts,~~

~~County of Middlesex~~

### AFFIDAVIT.

SS.

Act of April 19, 1908

In the matter of the claim for pension 1023566  
of Martha S. Pike widow of William E. Pike alias George Jackson

of Company L. 21 Regiment Pa. Cav. B. 1 Mass Cav. Vols.:

Personally came before me, a United States Commissioner, in and for  
aforesaid County and State, John Wesley Smith aged 77 Yrs and  
aged       , resident of 331 West Green St., Hazleton,  
in the County of Luzerne, State of Pennsylvania, who being  
duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid claim, as follows:—

I am personally acquainted with Martha S. Pike, the claimant and  
widow of William E. Pike, alias George Jackson. I saw them married  
by Rev. Forrast, February 1, 1865 at their home in Milnesville,  
in Luzerne County, Pennsylvania. These parties used to live in  
Ashland, Massachusetts, and I often saw them there. There was no  
seperation or divorce and they lived together from the time they  
were married untill he died. We also frequently received letters  
from each other.

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I further declare that I have no interest in said claim, and am not concerned  
in its prosecution.

William Hall  
Charles Mason

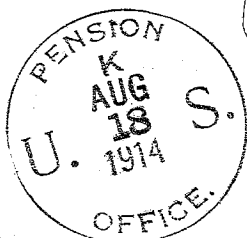
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Affiant's Signature, J. Wesley Smith

P. O. Address, Hazleton Pa.

Affiant's Signature, \_\_\_\_\_

P. O. Address, \_\_\_\_\_



Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant

(Here insert affiant's name or names.)

said affidavit to said affiant, and acquainted with its contents before executed the same

I further certify that I am in no wise interested in said claim, nor am I concerned in its prosecution.

Witness my hand and official seal this 8th day of August 1914

Sign here

C. Willard Smith  
United States Commissioner  
of the Middle District of Pennsylvania

This affidavit may be executed by 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 clerk of a court shall be necessary; but when no seal is used by the officer taking such affidavit, 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.

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CLAIM FOR

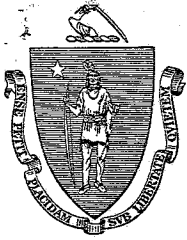
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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PENSION DEPARTMENT,

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON.

State of <sup>Virginia</sup> ~~Massachusetts~~,  
County of ~~Middlesex~~ <sup>Stafford</sup>  
City of ~~Norfolk~~ <sup>Stafford</sup>

AFFIDAVIT.

1023566

SS.

Act of April 19, 1908.

In the matter of the claim for pension  
of Martha S. Pike widow of William Pike <sup>and George Jackson</sup>

of Company L 21, Regiment Pa. Cav. B. 1. Mass. Cav. Vols.:

Personally came before me, a Notary Public in and for  
aforesaid ~~County~~ and State, <sup>of Virginia</sup>, ~~aged 28~~ and  
Mary E. Lambert aged 40, resident of 262 Bank Street  
in the ~~City~~ of Norfolk, State of Virginia, who being  
duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid claim, as follows:—

That Martha S. Pike  
is the widow of  
William Pike, alias George Jackson.  
I was present at the wedding and  
saw them married on February 1st 1865.  
by the Rev. Joseph Forrest in  
Shillensville, Pa. at the home of  
the claimant's parents.

I and my two sons find them a  
visit of two weeks at their home  
in Ashland, Mass. I have held  
regular correspondence with Mrs  
Martha S. Pike for years. I am  
now upon my separation or divorce  
and I personally know they have  
always lived happily to the up to  
the time of death.

I further declare that I have no interest in said claim, and am not concerned  
in its prosecution.

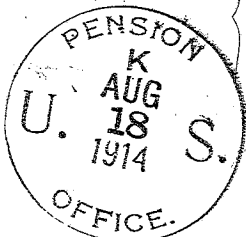
Affiant's Signature, Mary E. Lambert

P. O. Address, \_\_\_\_\_

Affiant's Signature, \_\_\_\_\_

P. O. Address, \_\_\_\_\_

Attest—when any affiant signs BY MARK two persons sign here.



Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant ; (Here insert affiant's name or names.)  
*Mary E. Lambert* ; and I certify that I read  
 said affidavit to said affiant , and acquainted *her* with its contents before *she* executed the same

I further certify that I am in no wise interested in said claim, nor am I concerned in its prosecution.  
 Witness my hand and official seal this *27th* day of *August* 191*4*  
 Sign here *Earl W. White*

This affidavit may be executed by 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 clerk of a court shall be necessary; but when no seal is used by the officer taking such affidavit, 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.

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 Act of April 19, 1908

No. *1023566*

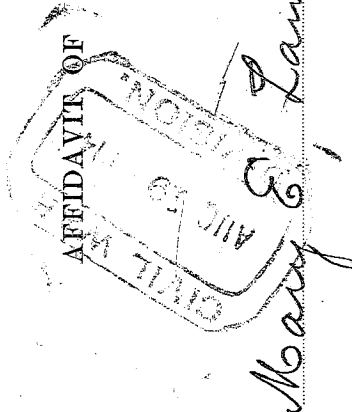
CLAIM FOR

*Widow's Pension*

*Martha S. Pike*

*widow of*  
*William E. Pike*

*Co. L. 21 Pa. Cav.*



*Mary E. Lambert*

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts CIVIL WAR

PENSION DEPARTMENT,

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON.

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DIVISION

AFFIDAVIT.

State of Massachusetts,  
County of *Middlesex*

SS.

In the matter of the claim for *pension No 1023566*  
of *Martha S. Pike widow of William E. Pike*  
*alias George Jackson*  
of Company *21*, Regiment *Pennsylvania Cal.*, Vols.:

Personally came before me, a *Justice of the Peace* in and for  
aforesaid County and State, *S. Jennie Howard* aged *63* and  
aged \_\_\_\_\_, resident of \_\_\_\_\_

in the County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_, who being  
duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid claim, as follows:—

*I have known Mr. & Mrs William E. Pike for the last fifteen years, for the last seven or eight years as chairman of the relief committee of the Woman's Relief Corps and have no knowledge of any divorce. I assisted Mrs Pike when Mr Pike died she has been a faithful hard working woman and took good care of Mr. Pike to the time of his death. I have personal knowledge that the claimant lived with the soldier at the time of his death.*

*I* further declare that *I have* no interest in said claim, and *am* not concerned in its prosecution.

*Susan E. Tourtellotte.*  
*Andrew J. Abbott*  
*A. J. Abbott*

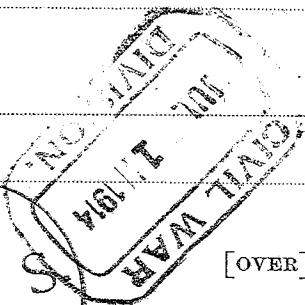
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Affiant's Signature, *S. Jennie Howard*

P. O. Address, \_\_\_\_\_

Affiant's Signature, \_\_\_\_\_

P. O. Address, \_\_\_\_\_



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Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant ; (Here insert affiant's name or names.)  
*S. Jennie Howard* ; and I certify that I read  
 said affidavit to said affiant , and acquainted *her* with its contents before *I* executed the same

I further certify that I am in no wise interested in said claim, nor am I concerned in its prosecution.

Witness my hand and official seal this *27<sup>th</sup>* day of *June* 191*4*

Sign here. *Charles S. Brewster*  
*Justice of the Peace*

*Certificate filed*

*Filed to cover date*  
*Jan*

This affidavit may be executed by 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 clerk of a court shall be necessary; but when no seal is used by the officer taking such affidavit, 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.

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CLAIM FOR

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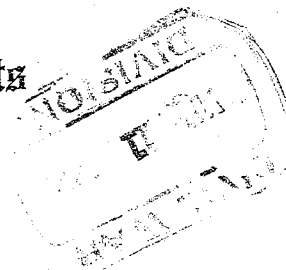
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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## PENSION DEPARTMENT,

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON.



## AFFIDAVIT.

State of Massachusetts,  
County of *Middlesex*

SS.

In the matter of the claim for *pension No 1023566*  
of *Martha S. Pike widow of William E. Pike*  
*alias George Jackson*  
of Company *L*, Regiment *21 Pennsylvania Cal* Vols.:

Personally came before me, a *Justice of the Peace* in and for  
aforesaid County and State, *Amelia B. Bell* aged *70* and  
aged \_\_\_\_\_, resident of \_\_\_\_\_

in the County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_, who being  
duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid claim, as follows:—

*I have known Martha S. Pike for a  
good many years and I know that  
she lived with her husband William E  
Pike from the time of her marriage untill  
he died.*

\_\_\_\_\_ further declare that *I have* no interest in said claim, and *am* not concerned  
in its prosecution.

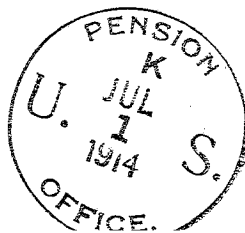
*Susan E. Forestellate*  
*Andrew J. Abbott*  
*A. J. Abbott*

Attest—when any affiant signs BY MARK two persons sign here.

Affiant's Signature, *Amelia B. Bell*P. O. Address, *Ashland Mass*

Affiant's Signature, \_\_\_\_\_

P. O. Address, \_\_\_\_\_



Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant ; (Here insert affiant's name or names.)  
*Amelia B. Bell* ; and I certify that I read  
 said affidavit to said affiant , and acquainted *her* with its contents before *I* executed the same

I further certify that I am in no wise interested in said claim, nor am I concerned in its prosecution.

Witness my hand and official seal this *27<sup>th</sup>* day of *June* 191 *4*

*Certificate of fitness on file.* Sign here. *Charles S. Brewer*  
*Justice of the Peace*

*Filed to corroborate*  
*Jur*

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Act of April 19, 1908

No. *7023566*

CLAIM FOR

*Widow's Pension*

*Maudie S. Pike*

*widow of*  
*William E. Pike*

*Co. L. 21 Pa. Cav.*

AFFIDAVIT OF

*Amelia B. Bell*

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STATE HOUSE,

BOSTON, - - MASS.





OFFICE OF  
AUDITOR FOR WAR DEPARTMENT  
IN REPLYING QUOTE INITIALS

# TREASURY DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON

December 13, 1915.

The Commissioner of Pensions,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

In the case of William E. Pike, late Private, Co. B, 1st Maine Cavalry, the soldier received no bounty on account of his services in the above named company, but if he had completed the term of his enlistment, and been honorably discharged he would have been entitled to \$100.00 bounty, Act of July 22, 1861, and also \$100.00 bounty, Act of July 28, 1866.

George Jackson, late Corporal, Co. L, 21st Penna. Cavalry, who was enrolled on August 1st, 1863, for 6 months and mustered out February 20, 1864, received no bounty on account of his services.

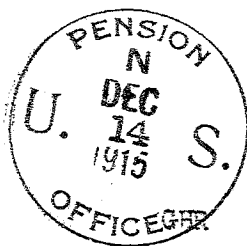
Respectfully,

J. E. MAULDING.

ACTING Auditor.

By 

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213-868.  
W. O. 1,023,566



LAW DIVISION

3-1868

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS

WASHINGTON, D. C. December 8, 1915.

Wid. Orig. 1,023,566 )  
 Martha S. Pike ) Lawful widowhood  
 widow of )  
 William E. Pike ) Pennsylvania, Massachusetts  
 alias George Jackson )  
 Co. L, 21 Pennsylvania Cavalry )

The Chief of the

Board of Review.

Sir:

Herewith are returned to you the papers in the claim above cited which were referred to this Division for opinion as to lawful widowhood.

The claim has received special examination under the instructions of the Board, and, from the testimony so procured together with the evidence filed in the brief, it appears that this claimant was ceremonially married to the soldier in the State of Pennsylvania, February 1, 1865, and that the parties lived together in the relation of husband and wife from the date of marriage until the date of soldier's death, which event occurred in the State of Massachusetts, January 3, 1914. The testimony further shows that the claimant was legally competent to contract marriage at the date of her intermarriage

with the soldier. On the part of the soldier, he admitted, in a deposition made before a special examiner of the Bureau, April 3, 1902, that he was first married to one Sarah Jane Robbins in the State of Rhode Island, and that he lived with the said Sarah Jane until his enlistment and never again resumed marital relations with her, and, while he alleged that he applied for a divorce in Middlesex County, Massachusetts, he admitted that no decree was procured, and further stated that said Sarah Jane had married a man named Holt, and further admitted that she was living at the time he made his deposition, and this testimony on the part of the soldier has been corroborated through record evidence showing the fact of soldier's marriage to Sarah Jane Robbins, January 11, 1859, and the parol testimony in the case also indicates that said Sarah Jane lived with the soldier until his enlistment, and that, during his service she became interested in one Charles B. Holt with whom she eloped, and who, in his deposition before the special examiner in the recent special examination alleged a marriage to her in the State of New Hampshire in 1856. It also appears that, after the inception of Holt's relation with Sarah Jane, the parties left the State of Massachusetts and never returned thereto but to

visit, and that said Sarah Jane lived undivorced from the soldier until her death, which event occurred at Moscow, Idaho, October 15, 1911.

A search of the divorce records in the jurisdiction where the soldier resided in Massachusetts, definitely shows that he made no application for divorce in Middlesex County, as alleged by him, or that a decree of divorce was ever granted to either party during the lifetime of the first wife, and Sarah Jane's second husband Holt also testifies that she never procured a decree of divorce from the soldier during the time she lived with him as his wife, and he further alleges that she married him on the belief that the soldier was dead, which allegation, however, has no foundation in fact, as it is clear that the parties were well aware of the fact that the soldier was alive at the date of the inception of their relation.

Under this showing it is clear that, at the date of the soldier's marriage to the claimant in 1865, he had a lawful wife living and undivorced, and, as a legal result, it follows that said marriage was absolutely void at inception, and the only point at issue in the claim at this time is whether or not the relation, which

the soldier and the claimant sustained subsequent to the removal of the impediment, through the death of the first wife Sarah Jane in 1911, became matrimonial at any time prior to the soldier's death.

At the date of the removal of the impediment the soldier and the claimant were domiciled in the State of Massachusetts, where they continued to live until the date of soldier's death in the State of Massachusetts. The continued cohabitation of the parties as husband and wife was unavailing, under the laws of that State, to raise a presumption of marriage between them as of common law after the removal of the impediment, as such marriages are not recognized as valid in that State, but, under the Act of the Massachusetts legislature of May 29, 1895, it is provided:

"If a person during the lifetime of a husband or wife, with whom the marriage is in force, enters into a subsequent marriage contract with due legal ceremony, and such parties thereto live together thereafter as husband and wife, and such subsequent marriage contract was entered into by one of the parties in good faith, in full belief that the former husband or wife was dead, or that the former marriage had been annulled by a divorce, or without knowledge of such former marriage, they shall, after the impediment to their marriage has been removed by the death or

divorce of the other party to the former marriage, if they continue to live together as husband and wife in good faith on the part of one of them, be held to have been legally married from and after the removal of such impediment, and the issue of such subsequent marriage shall be considered the legitimate issue of both parents."

The apparent theory upon which this legislation is based is that the matrimonial intention, as shown by the fact of a ceremonial marriage, is continuous and becomes effective upon the removal of the impediment if the marital character of the cohabitation of the parties continues.

In the case at bar the claimant's marriage to the soldier, so far as she was concerned, was clearly entered into in good faith in the absence of any knowledge of a prior marriage on the part of the soldier, and it is also clear that she lived with the soldier in good faith as his wife from the date of their marriage until the date of his death, and that they were known and reputed as husband and wife during that period.

It is clear, then, that, while the relation sustained by the soldier and claimant was illicit at inception, and so remained until the removal of the legal impediment through the death of the soldier's first wife in 1911, their status thereupon changed under the Massachusetts

law cited, and the relation became matrimonial ipso facto and so continued until the soldier's death, at which time the claimant became his lawful widow, and she is, in consequence, entitled to recognition as such widow in any claim in which a marriage prior to October 15, 1911, is not a prerequisite to title.

Incidentally, it is to be remarked that Charles B. Holt, who alleges marriage to the soldier's first wife Sarah Jane, and who lived with her ostensibly in the relation of husband and wife until her death, served in Company G, 6th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, and he is now a pensioner under Certificate Number 602,174.

Respectfully,

  
Chief, Law Division.

AGJ/mek

No. 1,023,566.

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SPECIAL EXAMINATION  
DIVISION

3-1870

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS

Boston, Mass., October 30, 1915.

Hon. Commissioner of Pensions,  
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Herewith are returned, with additional report, the papers in claim of Martha S. Pike, alleged widow of William E. Pike, alias George Jackson, Co. B, 1st Mass. Cav. and Co. L, 21st Pa. Cav., Wid. Orig. No. 1,023,566.

The papers were returned to me in order that I might confront the claimant with the adverse evidence, and all of the testimony in the two reports has now been read to her. The record of soldier's former marriage was read to her when the papers were first in my hands.

When I took claimant's statement last March she very reluctantly admitted that she had heard of a former marriage on the part of the soldier, but she ~~she~~ claimed that she never saw that wife, never knew her surname or given name, and knew nothing about her. She claimed to have learned of that former marriage about a year after her own marriage to the soldier, and now in this last deposition she tells me the full maiden name of the former wife Sarah Jane Robbins and says that she learned her name when she learned of the marriage and that she has remembered it ever since then. She says that she don't remember of telling me in her former statement that she did not remember the name of the former wife.

Submitted for consideration of Chief of Board of Review.

Very respectfully,

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*J. E. Armstrong*  
Special Examiner.

## DEPOSITION

Case of Martha S. Pike, No. 1, 0 2 3, 3-66.

On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1915, at  
Ashland, county of Middlesex  
 State of Mass., before me, J. E. Armstrong  
 a Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared  
Martha S. Pike, who, being by me first duly sworn to  
 answer truly all interrogatories propounded to her during this special  
 examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

1 I was 68 years of age on the 6<sup>th</sup> of  
 2 last August. I was born in Jans-  
 3 ville, no Jansville, Pa. on August 6,  
 4 1847. My full maiden name  
 5 was Martha Sophia Smith.

6 My address is still as above and  
 7 I still reside here in Alden Court.

8 I am the identical Martha S. Pike  
 9 who is an applicant for pension  
 10 as widow of William E. Pike, Co. L,  
 11 21<sup>st</sup> Pa. Cav.

2. 12 How many children had William E.  
 13 Pike's first wife by him?

A. 14 I never heard anybody speak of  
 15 more than one and I don't know  
 16 the name of that child, but it was  
 17 a little girl.

2. 18 What was the name of that  
 19 child's mother?

A. 20 Sarah Jane.

2. 21 What was her maiden surname?

A. 22 Robbins, they told me. I never  
 23 saw the woman. I was told in  
 24 Acton, Mass. that she went west  
 25 with another man.

2. 26 Who told you that?

A. 27 It was common talk there in

28 Acton and then I heard Mr. Pike's  
29 folks telling about it. No, I do  
30 not know the name of that man.  
31 I heard that she married him and  
32 went off with him, but that is  
33 all I know about it. No, I do  
34 not know where they went or  
35 where she has ever lived since then.

36 After you were here before I wrote  
37 to a friend in Acton and she told  
38 me that that woman, Sarah Jane  
39 Robbins, Mr. Pike's first wife,  
40 died 6 or 7 years ago.

Q. 41 Who is that friend who wrote that?  
A. 42 Mary A. Parlin. She lives with  
43 her brother Asaph Parlin at Acton  
44 Center.

2. 45 How long have you known this  
46 Mary A. Parlin?

A. 47 A good many years. Ever since  
48 I first struck Massachusetts.

2. 49 But you never before inquired of  
50 her as to the whereabouts of Sarah  
51 Jane?

A. 52 No, I was not interested in her  
53 at all. She was nobody I knew.

2. 54 But Mr. E. Pike knew her?

A. 55 He ought to when he married her.

2. 56 How long have you known her name?

A. 57 I don't know, but a number of  
58 years. No, I did not know her

Martha S. Pike

Deponent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October  
1915, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent  
before signing.

J. E. Armstrong,  
Special Examiner.

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## DEPOSITION

Case of Martha L. Pike, No. 1023566.

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 191\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, county of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_, before me, \_\_\_\_\_, a Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this special examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

1 name before I came to Massachu-  
2 setts. I learned her name when  
3 I first learned that my husband  
4 had been married to her. When  
5 I found out that he had been mar-  
6 ried before, I asked him about it  
7 and asked him to whom he was  
8 married and he told me.

Q. 9 And you have remembered her  
10 name ever since then?

A. 11 Yes.

Q. 12 Why then did you tell me in  
13 your deposition of March 4<sup>th</sup> that  
14 you did not know her given name  
15 or maiden surname? (Page 12, lines  
16 4 & to 52, Report 1.)

A. 17 I don't remember telling you that.

Q. 18 Did Mr. Pike enlist under the  
19 name of Jackson in order to conceal  
20 his whereabouts from his wife Sarah Jane?

A. 21 I don't know. He told me that  
22 he enlisted under that name so that  
23 his folks wouldn't know where he  
24 was. No, he didn't say why he  
25 didn't want them to know.

Q. 26 Testimony taken in your claim  
27 shows that Sarah Jane did not die

28 until four years ago the 15<sup>th</sup> of  
29 this month and no record of her  
30 divorce from William E. Pike  
31 has been found.

Q. 32 Well, all I know is what I got  
33 from other people.

2. 34 I will now read to you all of the  
35 testimony that has been taken  
36 in your claim.

Q. 37 Maria Sawyer is the only one of  
38 the witnesses I know.

2. 39 Have you any further comments  
40 to make on any of the testimony?

Q. 41 No. No, I was not the means  
42 of separating W. E. and Sarah Jane Pike.  
43 I did not know until after my mar-  
44 riage that he was ever married before.  
45 No, I was never a nurse in the army.  
46 Yes, I met him while he was in the  
47 army.

2. 48 Had he another service?

Q. 49 I think that he enlisted at Keaville,  
50 Mass. in some company but was not known in  
51 no, I have nothing further to say as to  
52 any divorce of William E. and Sarah J. Pike.

53 No, I do not know whether they were divorced.

54 No, I have no further ~~examination~~ (cancelled)  
55 testimony to offer in my claim. No, I have  
56 no complaint to make as to the conduct, manner  
57 or fairness of the examination of my claim.

58 I hear this read and it is correctly written.

Martha J. Pike

Deponent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October  
1915, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent  
before signing.

J. E. Armstrong  
Special Examiner.

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No. 1. 0 2 3. 5 6 6.

Claimant: Martha S. Pike

Soldier: William E. Pike, alias  
George Jackson.

P. O. address: Ashland

County: Middlesex State: Mass.

Recommendation: Board of Review.

*H. Armstrong*  
Special Examiner.

REFERENCE.

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Respectfully referred  
to Chief Board of Review  
for consideration.

M. Whitehead,  
Chief S. E. Division,  
Chief S. E. Division.

RECOMMENDATION.

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Reviewer.

ACTION.

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Commissioner.

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Claim of Martha S. Pike.

No. 1,023,566.

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Widows Original No. 1,023,566.  
Martha S., alleged widow of  
William E. Pike alias George Jackson,  
Co. B, 1st Mass. Cav. (deserted).  
Co. L, 21st Penn. Cav.  
P.O.: Ashland, Middlesex county,  
Massachusetts.  
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SPOKANE, WASHINGTON,  
September 26, 1915.

HON. COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS:

Sir:

I return herewith the papers and render this report  
in the above-entitled claim for pension:

This case was referred to the Special Examination  
Division for special examination to determine the ques-  
tion of legal widowhood--particularly as to whether <sup>he</sup> was  
lawfully married prior to his marriage with claimant,  
if so, whether divorced from former wife, and if not,  
whether she survived him.

Herewith are the depositions of Charles B. Holt  
and Etta Alphenia Cushing, the latter a daughter of sol-  
dier by his former wife, and the former posing as wid-  
ower of said former wife. These depositions contradict  
each other to some extent.

Both witnesses are of good repute and Deponent Holt  
is a prominent citizen and business man in the community  
where he resides. However, the evidence in the case,  
particularly the testimony of Deponent Cushing, tends to  
discredit his testimony that he believed soldier, Pike,  
was dead at the time of his (Holt's) marriage or alleged  
marriage with his (soldier's) wife.

I believe that if the witnesses who have testified  
as to the marriage of soldier and claimant were skill-  
fully cross-examined as to the circumstances of said  
marriage, namely, as to exact place of same, hour of the  
day when contracted, occupations and places of residence  
of the contracting parties at the time, how far they went  
and where they went from and returned to after the cere-  
mony, etc., it would be sufficient to raise a grave doubt  
as to whether there ever was a ceremonial marriage between  
them. However, as the case now stands, that seems unnec-  
essary.

I recommend that case be returned to Middlesex county,  
Massachusetts to confront the claimant with the adverse  
evidence procured during the special examination.

Very respectfully,

*M. M. Bower*  
Special Examiner.



N. B.—Examiners should be particular to have affiants sign on the line next below the closing words on each sheet.

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DEPOSITION ACase of Martha S. Pike, No. 1,023,566.

On this twenty-fourth day of September, 1915, at Moscow, County of Latah, State of Idaho, before me, Wilford M. Brower, a special examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared Charles Burnap Holt, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this special examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says: I am 76 years of age; my post-office address is Moscow, Idaho. Have lived here 31 years. Occupation, meat business. I served in the Civil War in Co. G, 6th Mass. Inf. I have been married one time only. I married Jennie Pike. I married her at Manchester, New Hampshire, in year 1866, but I do not remember the day of the month nor the month. I lived with her as her husband until her death. She died right here four years ago. Right away after our marriage we came to Springfield, Ohio, and remained there three or four months. Then we came to Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin; lived there ten years and then went to Cheyenne, Wyoming. Then I came to Whitman county, Washington. Moscow was my postoffice at that time, and have received my mail at Moscow ever since. Yes, I have named all the places in which I have lived since my marriage. Yes, my wife, Jennie had been married prior to her marriage with me. Her former husband was William Pike. I believe he was her first husband; I never heard of her having any other. She had one child by him, Etta Alphena, now Mrs. George Cushing, and lives next door to me. Robbins was the maiden name of my wife, Jennie. I cannot tell the first name of her father; nor can I tell the first name of her mother. No, I did not personally know William Pike. I never saw him.

Question: Was he dead at the time you married Jennie?

Answer: He was supposed to be, yes.

Question: Do you know whether he was actually dead? Or have you ever had any reason to believe that he was not dead?

Answer: Well, I have heard that he was not dead. Why, I heard that later on--that he lived in New Hampshire. That is, some of

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26 her folks, Jennie's folks--said he lived in New Hampshire.

27 Question: Thus far you have not been informed as to whose  
28 claim for pension you are testifying in, but I now inform you that  
29 you are testifying in the claim for pension of Martha S. Pike, who  
30 is claiming pension as the widow of William E. Pike, who appears to  
31 have been previously married with Sarah Jane Robbins. Was your wife,  
32 Jennie, the same woman who was known as Sarah Jane Pike, wife of  
33 William E. Pike?

34 Question: I would not wonder. I do not know. My wife's real  
35 first names were Jennie S. Robbins. That was what she always called  
36 it. I do not know what the initial "S" did represent. Yes, it seems  
37 to me my wife's mother's maiden name was Spofford, but I cannot say  
38 positively. Yes, Elmon B. Rose is my brother-in-law; yes, he mar-  
39 ried my wife's sister, Nancy. Yes, my wife had a brother named  
40 Spofford Robbins. Yes, Georgiana Smith is a sister to my wife.

41 Question: In view of the fact that this claimant has not been  
42 able to show that William Pike was divorced from his former wife,  
43 Sarah Jane or Jennie S., the Bureau of Pensions has ordered this  
44 special examination of her claim for pension to determine whether  
45 there was a divorce between them, leaving him free to become the  
46 lawful wife of this claimant. Do you know whether said Jennie S.  
47 or Sarah Jane was ever divorced from William Pike?

48 Answer: Well, she always thought he was dead. She wrote to  
49 the captain or some officer of his company or regiment--wrote a  
50 half dozen times--and was informed that he was killed in battle;  
51 I know nothing about any divorce between them; she thought he was  
52 dead and that was all there was to it. I am in a position to and  
53 do testify positively that she never applied for nor procured a  
54 divorce from him after I became acquainted with her. I kept com-  
55 pany with her for two or three years prior to our marriage; she al-  
56 ways supposed he was dead. I lived in Boston during that time; there  
57 is where I enlisted from. During the two or three years that I kept  
58 company with her before my marriage with Jennie, she lived in Acton,  
59 Massachusetts. Yes, all of the time. She made her home most of  
60 that time, if not all the time, with her sister, Mrs. Blood. Come  
61 to think, I believe Emma was Mrs. Blood's first name. I swear po-  
62 sitively that I had not been married prior to my marriage with Jen-  
63 nie S. or Sarah Jane Pike nee Robbins. I do swear positively that

64 I had a ceremonial marriage with her. The said ceremony was per-  
65 formed by a Justice of the Peace, but I cannot tell his name. I  
66 cannot tell the names of the witnesses to the ceremony. I never  
67 heard of this claimant, Martha S. Pike nee Smith until to-day. As  
68 I have said, I afterward heard during the lifetime of Jennie that  
69 William Pike was yet living and had married again, but he never  
70 bothered us and we never bothered him. We both supposed he was  
71 dead at the time of our marriage. No, I never heard any name for  
72 him other than Pike; never heard that he was also known by the name  
73 of Jackson. I will add that when I left Springfield, Ohio, and went  
74 out to Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, I left my wife at Springfield and  
75 she was there some four or five months when I went after her. I  
76 should judge she was at Springfield some seven months in all. I  
77 have heard the foregoing read aloud. Have comprehended the ques-  
78 tions propounded and my answers are correctly recorded herein. I  
79 have no pecuniary interest in this claim for pension.

80 *Charles B. Holt*

81 Deponent.  
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98 Sworn and subscribed to before me this twenty-fourth day of Sep-  
99 tember, 1915, and I certify the contents were fully made  
100 known to deponent before signing.

101 *M. M. Brower*

102 Special Examiner.

## DEPOSITION B

Case of Martha S. Pike, No. 1,023,566.

On this twenty-fourth day of September, 1915, at Moscow, county of Latah, State of Idaho, before me, Milford M. Brower, a Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared Etta Alphenia Cushing, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to her during this special examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says: I was born

1 in North Acton, Massachusetts, January 13, 1861, the child of William E.  
2 Pike and Sarah Jane Pike nee Robbins. I remember seeing my father one  
3 time, as he was leaving home, or I think I do. I was so young my said  
4 recollection is very dim. I have not heard of his death until to-day,  
5 and I supposed he was yet living. Mother died here in Moscow October  
6 15, and will have been dead four years this October next to come. At  
7 the time of her death she was the wife of Charles B. Holt, who survives  
8 her and who lives next door to me. Why, yes, I have always supposed that  
9 my father was alive. No, I never supposed he was dead until so informed  
10 by the examiner who is recording this just a few minutes ago. The last  
11 I knew of him father was living at Acton Center, Massachusetts. I was  
12 in Massachusetts on a visit three years ago and he was living there then,  
13 so my uncle, Spofford Robbins, and aunts, Emma Blood and Nancy Rose, told  
14 me, but I did not go to see him. Why, I was at North Acton and he was at  
15 Acton Center, and the two places are not more than two or three miles  
16 apart, I think. Oh, yes, father was then married, or supposed to be;  
17 was living with a woman as he<sup>r</sup> husband--so they told me. That was my  
18 first visit back there for about twenty-two or twenty-three years. No,  
19 on my visit back there before the last one I did not see nor hear of my  
20 father. I have only made the two visits back there. Mother went with  
21 me on the former visit. Why, no, I was not reared in the belief that  
22 my father was dead. No, I do not know of any divorce between my father  
23 and mother. I would think Mr. Holt could tell more about that than I  
24 can; I know nothing about it. Why, I don't remember ever hearing my  
25 mother say anything about whether she was divorced from father, but she  
26 must have been. I knew of a sister of father who is dead. I might have  
27 known her personally, but if so, I don't remember. I cannot tell how  
28 long she has been dead nor where she died, but I presume she died at  
29 Acton Center. She lived there many years and I presume she died there.

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30 Well, I do not know what her name was. I have never seen a relative  
 31 of my father other than myself, and the aunt I have spoken of was the  
 32 only one I ever knew of and only know of her from hearing people talk  
 33 of her. Springfield, Ohio, is the first place I remember living after  
 34 leaving Massachusetts. Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, is the next place;  
 35 Cheyenne, Wyoming, is the next; Moscow, Idaho, is the next and last.  
 36 Yes, I was with or near mother all the time and the above-named are all  
 37 the places where she lived after leaving Massachusetts.

38 Question: Have you ever heard anyone say either that your parents  
 39 were divorced or that they were not divorced?

40 Answer: I have never heard either statement made by any person.  
 41 all I know  
 42 Well, as to whether father was ever married with the woman who was sup-  
 43 posed to be his wife after his separation from mother is what I heard  
 44 my mother say and that was that she had her doubts about their ever  
 45 having been married at all. Well, I heard that woman went to where my  
 46 father was in the army; went there as a nurse or something like that;  
 47 mother also told me that. No, my mother never knew her. I am quite  
 48 sure mother never saw her. Mother only had her information from hear-  
 49 say about that woman having gone as a nurse to where father was, is the  
 50 way I understood it. I know mother would have been living with father  
 51 if it had not been for that woman. I do not know what that woman's name  
 52 was nor whether it was Martha or Smith. No, I never knew nor heard of  
 53 father having more than the one wife or woman after his separation from  
 54 my mother. No, at the time mother and I were back there on that visit  
 55 twenty or more years ago, we did not hear anything about father, where  
 56 he was, what he was doing or how he was getting along. I don't suppose  
 57 we even asked. I am the wife of George H. Cushing, in the meat business.  
 58 I have heard the foregoing read including the interlineations "all I know".  
 59 Have comprehended the questions propounded and my answers are correctly  
 60 recorded in this deposition.  
 61

*Elta Alphenia Cushing*  
 Deponent.

Deponent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of September,  
 1915, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent  
 before signing.

*M. M. Brower*  
 Special Examiner.

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No. 1,023,566.

Claimant: Martha S. Pike.

Soldier: William E. Pike, alias

George Jackson.

P. O. address: Ashland,

County: Middlesex State: Mass.

Recommendation: Further examination.

M. M. BROWER,

Special Examiner.

REFERENCE.

*October 7, 1915*  
*Middlesex Co., Mass.*  
*Copy sent claimant*  
*with witness, see*  
*summary*  
*H. Whitehead*

Chief S. E. Division.

RECOMMENDATION.

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Reviewer.

ACTION.

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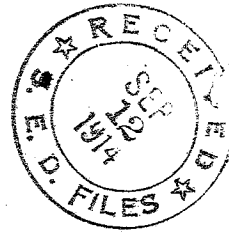
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Commissioner.

Inv. Cert. 1, 084, 711,  
William E. Pike alias  
George Jackson,  
Co. L, 21st Pa. Cav.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF PENSIONS

WASHINGTON



September 9, 1914.

Mr. John W. Hall,

Chief Special Examination Division.

It appears that these parties were married February 1, 1865. Claimant avers in her declaration that there was no prior marriage of either of them. Soldier, however, stated in the course of the special examination of his claim in 1902 that he had been previously married, that his former wife was still living, and that he never obtained a divorce from her. He also stated that she had married again, so it is not improbable that she obtained a divorce without his knowledge. Special examination is desired to determine whether soldier was lawfully married prior to his marriage to claimant; if so, whether his former wife was ever divorced; if not, whether she survived him. Data for this purpose will be found in Special Examiner Shapleigh's report in the soldier's claim.

*J. H. Bell*  
Acting Chief Board of Review.

Approved:

*M. S. Gable*  
Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
OFFICE OF SPECIAL EXAMINER U. S. BUREAU OF PENSIONS

At Boston, Mass.

March 4, 1915

NOTICE OF SPECIAL EXAMINATION.

Case of Martha S. Pike, No. 1,023,366

To Martha S. Pike, Claimant:

You are hereby notified that, by order of the Commissioner of Pensions, the undersigned will on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, A. D. 1915, and continuing thereafter as long as may be necessary, at Ashland, County of Middlesex and State of Mass., and elsewhere if necessary, conduct a special examination of the aforesaid pension claim, at which time and place all available and material witnesses will be heard.

And you are further notified that you have the privilege of being present, in person or by attorney, during said special examination, and of cross-examining said witnesses and of introducing any material evidence on your own behalf if you so desire.

J. E. Armstrong  
Special Examiner.

I acknowledge service of copy of above notice this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1915  
and desire the examination to begin ~~on the~~ at once.

Martha S. Pike



## DEPOSITION

Case of Martha S. Pike, No. 1,023,366.

On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1915, at  
Ashland, county of Middlesex  
State of Mass., before me, J. E. Armstrong  
a Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared  
Martha S. Pike, who, being by me first duly sworn to  
answer truly all interrogatories propounded to her during this special  
examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

1 My age will be 68 the 6<sup>th</sup> of  
2 next August. My address is as  
3 above and I live in Allen Court.

4 I am keeping house and my  
5 grandson Elmer E. Smith is living  
6 with me.

7 I am the widow of William  
8 Elmer Pike. He died in this house  
9 on January 3, 1914. He served in  
10 Co. L, 21<sup>st</sup> Penna Cav. from the 1<sup>st</sup>  
11 of August, 1863 to the 20<sup>th</sup> of Feb-  
12 ruary, 1864, but under the name  
13 George Jackson as shown by his  
14 certificate of discharge. He  
15 was also given credit for serving  
16 in Co. B, 1<sup>st</sup> Mass Cav. altho he  
17 was not discharged from that.

18 He never had any other United  
19 States service so far as I know.

20 I am claiming pension as  
21 his widow. I filed my  
22 claim on March 9, 1914, as shown  
23 by this postal from the Bureau  
24 of Pensions dated March 10, 1914,  
25 and that is the only pension  
26 claim I have ever filed. He was  
27 pensioned @ \$15.00 per month.

28 I was married to him on  
29 September 1, 1865 and I lived with  
30 him from then until his death,  
31 and we were never divorced. Had  
32 he lived another month we should  
33 have been together 49 years.

34 No, it was on February 1, 1865  
35 instead of September 1, 1865 that  
36 we were married. We were  
37 married in Millersville, Pa.  
38 by the Rev. Joshua Forrest in  
39 presence of my brother J. Wesley  
40 Smith and sister Mary E. Lantert.

41 I was married to him under  
42 my maiden name Martha  
43 J. Smith. All of the town busi-  
44 ness of Millersville was, at  
45 that time, done in Hazleton, Penna.

2. 46 Where were you born & raised?

A. 47 I was born at Jeansville, Pa.  
48 and lived there until I was 14  
49 years old. Then I went with  
50 my parents Stephen Smith  
51 and Phoebe Ann Smith to Hazel-  
52 ton, or to Millersville which was  
53 a part of Hazleton, Pa., and lived  
54 there until I was married to  
55 William E. Pike. Well, he  
56 was married to me under the  
57 name of George Jackson. I don't  
58 know why except that that

Martha J. Pike

Deponent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
1911, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent  
before signing.

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## DEPOSITION

Case of Martha S. Pike, No. 10205-66.

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of Continued, 191\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, county of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_, before me, \_\_\_\_\_ a Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this special examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

1 was the name he enlisted  
2 under. All the reason he gave  
3 me for enlisting under that  
4 name was that he didn't  
5 want his folks to know  
6 where he was.

7 My mother's maiden sur-  
8 name, so far as I know, was  
9 Frederika, but I didn't know  
10 any of her people.

2. 11 Where was William E. Pike,  
12 alias George Jackson, raised?

Q. 13 He was born in Hopkinton,  
14 Mass., but went to Acton,  
15 Mass. when about fifteen  
16 years old. I have heard him  
17 say. He lived there a number  
18 of years, I think until he went  
19 to the war. I don't know where  
20 he went after the war. Well, yes  
21 I do too. He came right to Phil-  
22 mesville, Pa. and lived there  
23 until we were married. He  
24 ran a stationary engine at  
25 the coal mines and out there  
26 he went by the name of George  
27 Jackson. I never knew until

28 about a year after my mar-  
29 riage to him that his correct  
30 name was William E. Pike.

31 I became acquainted with  
32 him while he was a member  
33 of Co. H, 21<sup>st</sup> Pa. Cav. and was  
34 stationed near Hazleton, Penna.

Q. 35 Who were his parents?  
A. 36 His father was Martin Pike  
37 and his mother was Ruth  
38 (Merritt) Pike.

Q. 39 What brothers & sisters had he?  
A. 40 George and Henry were the  
41 only brothers known, but  
42 he had sisters named Candace,  
43 Sarah, Almira, Elizabeth and  
44 Nancy. All of these brothers  
45 and sisters are dead.

46 Candace's husband Asaph  
47 Parlin lived at Acton Center, Mass.  
48 the last I knew. I don't re-  
49 member name of Sarah's hus-  
50 band, but he is dead.

51 Almira's husband Richard is  
52 dead. Elizabeth's husband Henry  
53 King is also dead. Nancy never  
54 married.

2 55 Were you married before your  
56 marriage to George Jackson?  
A. 57 No sir. I wasn't 12 when  
58 I married him. No sir, I have

Martha S. Pike

Deponent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
1911, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent  
before signing.

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## DEPOSITION

Case of Martha S. Pike, No. 1, 0 2 3, 5-66.On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of Continued, 191\_\_\_\_, at

\_\_\_\_\_, country of \_\_\_\_\_

State of \_\_\_\_\_, before me, \_\_\_\_\_

a Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this special examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

1 not married since his death.  
 2 I have been married only  
 3 once in life.

2. 4 How many times was  
 5 William E. Pike, alias George  
 6 Jackson, married?

A. 7 I couldn't tell you. I didn't  
 8 know much about him.

2. 9 How many times did you  
 10 hear that he was married?

A. 11 I don't think that he could  
 12 have been married many times  
 13 as he was only 23 when I was  
 14 married to him.

2. 15 That does not answer my  
 16 question.

A. 17 Well, have I got to answer that?  
 18 I heard that he was married  
 19 once, but I never knew any-  
 20 thing about the affair.

2. 21 You may answer such questions  
 22 as you please, but such an-  
 23 swers as you do give should  
 24 be truthful.

2. 25 I will now ask how or from  
 26 whom and when you heard  
 27 that he had another marriage.

A. 28 I heard it after my mar-  
29 riage to him and after we  
30 had moved to Acton, Mass.  
31 We had been married a year  
32 or more when I first heard  
33 of it. We moved to Acton, Mass.  
34 about a year after our marriage  
35 and soon after that I heard  
36 that he was married before.  
37 I heard among his people  
38 some talk that I didn't just  
39 understand - something  
40 about another marriage of his -  
41 and I asked him if he had  
42 been married before. He told  
43 me that he was, but that  
44 he heard while in the army  
45 that she had married again.  
46 I never saw that woman  
47 and don't know anything  
48 about her. I don't know  
49 what name she went by. I  
50 don't know what her given  
51 name was or what her maiden  
52 surname was. No. I do not  
53 know the name of any brother  
54 or sister or other relative of hers.  
55 No. I do not know whether  
56 she had any children by William  
57 E. Pike. He told me that she  
58 had a child by the other husband

Mother S. Pike

Deponent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
1911, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent  
before signing.



## DEPOSITION

Case of Martha S. Pike, No. 1023366.

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of Continued, 191\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, county of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_, before me, \_\_\_\_\_ a Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this special examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

1 and that the marriage was  
2 a case of obligation. No. 6 do  
3 not know the name of the  
4 man to whom she was mar-  
5 ried. Soon after or just before  
6 my husband's death I heard  
7 that that woman was dead.  
8 No. I did not hear when or  
9 where she died. I just heard  
10 someone say that "Billy's first  
11 wife was dead. I didn't have  
12 a chance to ask any questions.

2 Q. Why no chance to ask questions?

13 Because I had quite a crowd  
14 here and was pretty busy. I  
15 think that it was just before  
16 my husband died. When I  
17 was not interested in her any-  
18 way. She was nothing to me.

19 It was my husband's sister-  
20 in-law Maria who said that  
21 the first wife was dead. She  
22 was George Pike's widow, but  
23 now she is the widow of a man  
24 named Sawyer and she lives in  
25 Hudson, Mass. No. I never  
26 heard from any other source  
27

28 That that woman was dead.  
 29 No, I do not know the where-  
 30 abouts of any relative of that  
 31 woman.

32 No, I do not know when or  
 33 where William E. Pike was mar-  
 34 ried to that woman.

Q. 35 Was he ever divorced from her?

A. 36 I couldn't tell you that. Soon  
 37 after we were married he told me  
 38 that he went to see a lawyer,  
 39 I believe in Concord, Mass., about  
 40 filing a bill for divorce, but I  
 41 do not know whether he ever  
 42 filed the bill or not.

Q. 43 Was it before or after your  
 44 marriage to him that he  
 45 saw that lawyer in Concord  
 46 about filing a bill?

A. 47 It must have been before  
 48 as I never knew of his "filing  
 49 in" a bill afterwards. I asked  
 50 him after we came from Phil-  
 51 nesville, Pa. to Acton, Mass. if  
 52 he was free from that woman  
 53 and then he told me that he  
 54 had "filed in" for a bill in Con-  
 55 cord, Mass. No, he never  
 56 told me that he got a divorce  
 57 from her. Just before my  
 58 marriage to him he came

Martha S. Pike

Deponent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
 1911, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent  
 before signing.



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## DEPOSITION

Case of Martha S. Pike, No. 10235-66.

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of Continued, 191\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, county of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_, before me, \_\_\_\_\_ a Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this special examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

1 on here from Pennsylvania  
2 on a visit and I think that  
3 it must have been then that  
4 he filed in for a bill.

5 No. I do not know whether  
6 he ever had that marriage  
7 set aside in any way.

8 No. I never heard of her  
9 procuring a divorce from him  
10 or of her ever applying for a di-  
11 vorce from him. I never  
12 knew anything about her.

2 13 Do you know what became  
14 of her after she and William E.  
15 Pike separated?

Q. 16 No. I don't. No. I do not  
17 know of any place in which  
18 she ever lived after their sepa-  
19 ration. No. I never knew  
20 the cause of their separation.  
21 My husband never told me  
22 any cause. No. he did not  
23 say whether he left her or  
24 whether it was she who  
25 left him. No. he never  
26 said when or where the sepa-  
27 ration took place. He was a

28 man who would never say  
 29 much about such things.  
 30 Yes, it was before his  
 31 marriage to me that he  
 32 was married to that woman.  
 2 33 Was that woman ever  
 34 married before her marriage  
 35 to him?

A. 36 I couldn't tell you.

2 37 Was he ever married to any  
 38 other woman before his mar-  
 39 riage to you?

A. 40 Not that I know of. I guess  
 41 that that was the only one.

2 42 If he was married to that  
 43 woman before his marriage  
 44 to you, why did you state in  
 45 your application for pension  
 46 that he was not married  
 47 before marriage to you, and  
 48 why did you get your brother  
 49 J. Wesley Smith and Mary Eliz-  
 50 abeth M. Lambert (your sister)  
 51 to swear that they knew from  
 52 personal knowledge that he  
 53 was never married before his  
 54 marriage to you? (B. p. 49)

A. 55 I didn't know that that state-  
 56 ment was in my application  
 57 or their affidavits and they didn't  
 58 know and don't yet know that

Martha S. Pike

Deponent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
 1911, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent  
 before signing.

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## DEPOSITION

Case of Martha S. Pike, No. 1,026,366.

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of Continued, 191\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, county of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_, before me, \_\_\_\_\_ a Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this special examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

1. he was married before his marriage to me.

2. Have you and this brother and sister visited since you moved from Pennsylvania to Massachusetts?

A. Yes, each one has visited me here for two weeks once, but I have never been back there since I left. I have lived right here in Ashland nearly 40 years.

My folks didn't know that he was married before. I didn't want them to know it and I didn't tell them. I was too proud to let them know that I got left in a man like that, and I never told them.

2. William E. Pike in a deposition before a Special Examiner of Pensions on April 3, 1902 stated that he was first married to a Sarah Jane Robbins before the war, that she was still living and that they were never divorced.

A. I remember a Mr. Shapleigh being here but he asked me to

28 leave the room and I didn't  
29 know that my husband  
30 had made that statement.

2. 31 Further, it is shown by public  
32 record that William Pike and  
33 Sarah Robbins, both of Acton,  
34 Mass., were married on Jan-  
35 uary 11, 1859.

A. 36 Well, I didn't know the date,  
37 but when I asked him if he was  
38 married he said "yes". They said  
39 that she had married again  
40 and had gone west. I never knew  
41 what the trouble was between them.

2 42 Why did you continue to live with  
43 him after you learned of the other wife?

A. 44 Because I didn't want my folks  
45 to know that he was married before.

46 I can not be present nor can I  
47 afford to be <sup>represented</sup> ~~present~~ at any further exam-  
48 ination of my pension claim.

49 "represented" interlined and "present" can-  
50 celled before signing.

51 F. Q. Bicknell, State Pension Agent, is  
52 my attorney. I have not paid or agreed  
53 to pay anything in my claim.

54 No. I have no complaint to make as to  
55 the conduct, manner or fairness of the ex-  
56 amination of my claim thus far.

57 I have heard this statement read and it is  
58 correctly written and fully understood.

Martha S. Pike

Deponent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March  
1915, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent  
before signing.

J. E. Armstrong  
Special Examiner.

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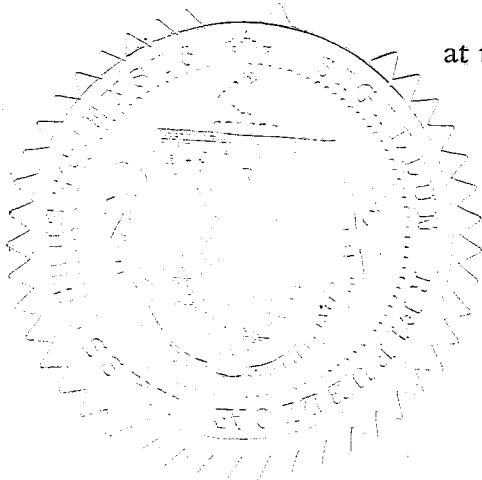
Boston, March 8, 1915.

I hereby certify That the **BIRTH** of Etta Almeda Pike,  
 child of William E. and Sarah Jane (Robbins) Pike,  
 born at Acton, on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, in the year  
1860, appears of record in this Office by duly attested Return of the  
Clerk of the town of Acton for that year.

WITNESS THE GREAT SEAL OF THE COMMONWEALTH hereunto affixed  
 at the date first above written.

*Albert P. Roughty*

SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.



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## DEPOSITION

Case of Martha S. Pike, No. 1023566.

On this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1915, at  
Hudson, county of Middlesex  
 State of Mass., before me, J. E. Armstrong  
 a Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared  
Charlotte ~~Maria~~ Sawyer, who, being by me first duly sworn to  
 answer truly all interrogatories propounded to her during this special  
 examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

1 My age was 25 last June. My  
 2 address is 19 Summer St. Hudson,  
 3 Mass. I live here alone most  
 4 of the time. My husband Oliver  
 5 Sawyer died the 13<sup>th</sup> of last May.  
 6 He was a pensioner. I did not  
 7 apply for pension on him as he  
 8 was married three times before  
 9 and I wouldn't rake it up, and  
 10 anyhow I didn't marry him  
 11 until 14 years ago. I did apply  
 12 for pension on my first hus-  
 13 band George Pike who was  
 14 in Co. B, 1<sup>st</sup> Mass. Cav., but I mar-  
 15 ried Oliver Sawyer, so I couldn't  
 16 get any pension. George Martin  
 17 Pike was his full name. He  
 18 was my second, not my first  
 19 husband. I have had three  
 20 husbands. My first husband  
 21 was Lucius Decker. He died a  
 22 good many years ago, and my  
 23 second husband George Martin  
 24 Pike died 20 years ago the 3<sup>rd</sup> of last July.  
 25 Had your husband George M. Pike  
 26 a brother who was in W.D. service?  
 27 Yes, his brother William was

22

28 in the army and so was his  
 29 brother Henry but he <sup>Henry</sup> deserted and  
 30 went to Canada. I don't know  
 31 company or regiment either was  
 32 in. Henry finally came back to  
 33 New Hampshire and died there  
 34 He was never married.

2 35 Was William Pike married?  
 Q. 36 Yes, and his widow lives at  
 37 Ashland. Her name is Martha  
 38 Pike. Her grandson Elmer Smith  
 39 was here last Monday on his  
 40 bicycle and yesterday I received  
 41 a card showing that he got home  
 42 all right. I also received a  
 43 letter from Martha last Monday.  
 44 She said she had not got her pen-  
 45 sion yet. Well, the poor woman  
 46 deserves a pension. She took care  
 47 of William a good while and he  
 48 was a hard man to care for.

49 No, I never knew her before  
 50 her marriage to William Pike.  
 51 I think that she came from  
 52 Pennsylvania. I never saw  
 53 her until he brought her to  
 54 Acton, Mass., my native place.  
 55 There they lived right near me.  
 56 He had a shoe shop there.

2 57 How many times has she been  
 58 married?

Mr. Charlotte H. Sawyer Deponent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
 1911, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent  
 before signing.



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## DEPOSITION

Case of Martha S. Pike, No. 1023366.

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of Continued, 191\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, county of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_, before me, \_\_\_\_\_, a Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this special examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

- A. 1 Only once that I know of.  
2 just to William Pike so far  
3 as I know.
- 2 4 Did you know of William  
5 Pike ever being known by any  
6 other name?
- A. 7 No, I never did, and I knew  
8 him before he ever went into  
9 the army. They lived in Acton,  
10 Mass. and came there from  
11 Hopkinton.
- 2 12 What brothers & sisters of  
13 William Pike are now living?
- A. 14 None. All of them are dead.
- 2 15 How many times was William  
16 Pike married?
- A. 17 Once. His first wife was  
18 Sarah Jane Robbins. She was  
19 a daughter of Francis Robbins  
20 and Nancy (Spofford) Robbins.  
21 They lived on a farm in east  
22 part of Acton, Mass.
- 2 23 Where & when were William  
24 Pike and Sarah Jane Robbins  
25 married?
- A. 26 I think that they were mar-  
27 ried in Acton, Mass. I was not



24

28 present at their marriage, but  
29 they lived in Acton at the time.

30 I don't remember the date of  
31 their marriage, but it was  
32 before the Civil war. I was  
33 George Pike's wife at time of  
34 their marriage, and I was  
35 married to him about sixty  
36 (60) years ago.

Q. 37 Where did William and Sarah  
38 Jane live after their marriage?

A. 39 They boarded and roomed at  
40 my house for perhaps 2 or 3  
41 months. Then they rented a  
42 tenement and began keeping  
43 house. She was going to have  
44 her child and they wanted to be  
45 by themselves. The child was  
46 born perhaps a year or 15 months  
47 after their marriage.

Q. 48 How many children had Sarah  
49 Jane by him?

A. 50 Only one. That child was  
51 a girl, but I forget her name.  
52 She was born there in Acton.

Q. 53 What became of that wife Sarah  
54 Jane?

A. 55 They lived together there in  
56 Acton, Mass. until William  
57 enlisted in the army. After that  
58 she became acquainted with

Charlotte M. Sawyer  
Deponent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
1911, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent  
before signing.

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## DEPOSITION

Case of Martha S. Pike, No. 10263-66.

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 191\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, county of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_, before me, \_\_\_\_\_, a Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this special examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

1 some man and married  
2 him and went west, I heard.  
3 I have never seen her since then,  
4 but a good many years ago  
5 I heard that she was dead.

2 Q. 6 How did you hear of her death?  
7 I heard it thru some of Mr. Pike's  
8 people. I suppose it was Mary  
9 Ann Parlin of Acton who told me.

2 Q. 10 Do you know of anyone who  
11 saw her after her death?

Q. 12 No, I don't know anything  
13 about that. I don't think  
14 that her body was brought  
15 back here. I don't know  
16 anything about it and don't  
17 want to pay anything about it.

2 Q. 18 Where did she die?

Q. 19 Out west somewhere where  
20 they were lumbering, but I  
21 don't know what State or any-  
22 thing about it.

2 Q. 23 Can you name any place  
24 where she ever lived after leav-  
25 ing Acton, Mass.?

Q. 26 No, I can not. I don't know  
27 any of the particulars.

2. 28 What was the name of the  
29 man with whom she went  
30 west, and where were they married?  
Q. 31 I don't know anything about it.  
2. 32 What became of her daughter  
33 by William E. Pike?  
Q. 34 She took her with her. I think  
35 I heard she died, but I am not sure.  
2. 36 Was she divorced from William  
37 E. Pike, or he from her?  
Q. 38 I don't know anything about it.  
2. 39 Was either she or William E.  
40 Pike ever married before their  
41 marriage to each other?  
Q. 42 No, neither was ever married  
43 before. Sarah Jane was William's  
44 first wife and he was her first  
45 husband. I worked for her  
46 people when I was twelve years  
47 old and when she was a little tot.  
48 And afterwards we lived in the  
49 same house with them. "Spof",  
50 her brother, was about 7 years old when  
51 I worked there, and Sarah Jane and the  
52 others were younger. "Spof" and Nancy  
53 are the only ones now living. Nancy  
54 married a man named Rose and she  
55 lives at Carlisle, Mass.  
56 No, I have no interest in this claim  
57 "Henry", line 29, sheet 1, interlined before signing.  
58 I hear this read and it is correctly written.

Charlotte M. Sawyer  
Deponent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March  
1915, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent  
before signing.

J. E. Armstrong  
Special Examiner.

## DEPOSITION

Case of Martha S. Pike, No. 1023566.

On this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1915, at  
near Carlisle, county of Middlesex  
State of Mass., before me, J. E. Armstrong  
a Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared  
Edmund B. Rose, who, being by me first duly sworn to  
answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this special  
examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

1 My age is 73. My address is  
2 R. F. D. Chelmsford, Mass. Have  
3 been a hoop manufacturer.

4 Yes, my wife's name is Nancy.  
5 Her maiden name was Nancy  
6 Robbins. She had a shock two  
7 years ago and she is now ill  
8 and in bed. Her brother Spofford  
9 Robbins is also living with me,  
10 but he had a shock last August.

11 Yes, my wife had a sister Sarah  
12 Jane Robbins.

2. Was Sarah Jane married?

Q. Yes, twice. Her first hus-  
14 band was William Pike. She  
15 was married to him about  
16 a year before my marriage to  
17 her sister Nancy. All of us were  
18 living at Acton, Mass. at time  
19 of her marriage, and I think  
20 that I was working for her  
21 father at the time. I was  
22 married to Nancy Robbins  
23 5 1/2 years ago this last January,  
24 and it was about a year before  
25 that that Sarah Jane Robbins  
26 was married to William Pike.  
27

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2 28 How long did Sarah Jane and  
29 William Pike live together?

A. 30 I can't say, but it was up  
31 until he went into the army.  
32 They never lived together after  
33 that, as I remember.

34 No, she was never mar-  
35 ried before her marriage  
36 to him, and I don't think  
37 that William Pike was ever  
38 married before.

2. 39 What became of them after  
40 he went into the army?

A. 41 I have never known anything  
42 about him since then.  
43 I never bothered my head about  
44 him, but for awhile she lived  
45 with her father Francis Robbins  
46 and mother Nancy (Spofford) Robbins.

47 Then Sarah Jane was mar-  
48 ried to Charles Holt and went  
49 west. She died in Moscow,  
50 Idaho about 3 or 4 years ago  
51 as near as I can tell. Charles  
52 Holt still lives at Moscow, Idaho.

2 53 What children had Sarah Jane  
54 by William E. Pike?

A. 55 One. She had a daughter  
56 "Phena" by Pike and she also  
57 lives in Moscow, Idaho and  
58 is the wife of a <sup>man</sup> named Cushing.

Elmon B. Ross

Deponent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
1911, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent  
before signing.

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## DEPOSITION

Case of Martha S. Pike, No. 10236-66.

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 191\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, county of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_, before me, \_\_\_\_\_, a Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this special examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

2 1 Was Sarah Jane divorced from  
2 William Pike?

Q. 3 I couldn't tell you. No, I  
4 never heard either that he got  
5 a divorce. I never heard any-  
6 thing about it one way or  
7 the other.

2. 8 Do you know where & when  
9 she was married to Charles Holt?

Q. 10 No, I can't say. I think that  
11 they went west as soon as they  
12 married and that that was  
13 about a year before the war  
14 closed.

15 No, I never heard of Sarah  
16 Jane Robbins being married  
17 except to William Pike and  
18 Charles Holt.

19 Both of her husbands were  
20 soldiers. Holt is a pensioner.

21 I don't know Pike's service.  
22 He deserted, I heard. He was  
23 a rascal anyway.

24 No, I never knew him  
25 under any name except Pike.

26 No, I do not know whether  
27 he ever married again after

28 he and Sarah have separated.

29 No. I do not know any  
30 Martha S. Pike.

31 Cushing, Phena's husband, is  
32 in the meat business and Charles  
33 Holt used to be.

34 The word "man", line 3-4,  
35 sheet 1, interlined before signing.

36 I have heard this state-  
37 ment read and it is all  
38 right as far as I know.

39 Elmer B. Rose

Deponent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March  
1915, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent  
before signing.

J. E. Armstrong,  
Special Examiner.



## DEPOSITION

Case of Martha S. Pike, No. 1,023,566.

On this 8th day of March, 1913, at Littleton, Conn., county of Middlesex State of Mass., before me, J. E. Armstrong a Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared Georgiana Smith, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to her during this special examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

1 My age is 64. My address is  
2 as above. Am wife of Allen G. Smith,  
3 a hoop manufacturer.

4 Yes, my maiden surname  
5 was Robbins. My father was  
6 Francis Theodore Robbins and  
7 my mother was Prancy Maria  
8 (Spofford) Robbins.

Q Had you a sister whose hus-  
10 band was in the U.S. service?

A. Yes, three of them. My sister  
12 Amanda Sophia's husband  
13 Frank Harris was in the army,  
14 and my sister Emma Francis'  
15 husband John Blood was  
16 in the army. My sister Sarah  
17 Jane's husband Charles Holt  
18 was also in the army. No, I  
19 cannot give company or regi-  
20 ment of any of them.

21 All three of these sisters are  
22 dead and Frank Harris and  
23 John Blood are dead, but Charles  
24 Holt lived at Moscow, Idaho  
25 the last I knew. He was here  
26 on a visit about a year ago.

2 Charles Holt's wife is dead?



Q. 28 Yes she died at Masscon, Vt. about  
29 about four years ago as near as  
30 I can tell. Yes. Her name  
31 was Sarah Jane.

2. 32 Was your sister Sarah Jane  
33 married before her marriage  
34 to Charles Holt?

A. 35 Yes, she was married to  
36 a William Pike of Acton,  
37 Mass. where we were raised.  
38 I can't say just when they  
39 were married, but it was  
40 before the war. No I don't  
41 know just where they were  
42 married.

43 I knew William Pike for  
44 7 or 8 years before he and my  
45 sister Sarah Jane Robbins were  
46 married. I think that he  
47 came from Hopkinton, Mass.  
48 I knew his parents, but I  
49 can't remember their names.  
50 He had brothers Henry & George  
51 Pike and sisters Frances and  
52 Candace.

53 Yes, I knew my sister Sarah  
54 Jane Robbins all of my life. She  
55 was about nine years older than  
56 I. I am the youngest in the  
57 family, while she was the  
58 second. Our brother Spofford

Fredericanna Smith

Deponent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
1911, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent  
before signing.

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## DEPOSITION

Case of Martha S. Pike, No. 10235-66.

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of Continued, 191\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, county of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_, before me, \_\_\_\_\_ a Special Examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this special examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

1 Robbins of Carlisle was the  
2 oldest. He is now about 75.  
3 He is the only brother I have  
4 living and he has had a  
5 stroke of paralysis. I am not  
6 sure but that he is 77.

7 I have only one sister living.  
8 Her name is Frances Maria  
9 and she is the wife of Almon  
10 B. Rose of Carlisle. She has  
11 also had a stroke of paralysis.

2 How long did your sister  
12 and William Pike live to-  
13 gether - your sister Sarah Jane  
14 of course?  
15

Q 16 Oh, they must have lived  
17 together 10 or 15 years. I think  
18 that they lived together a short  
19 time after he came out of the  
20 war. Yes, he was in the Civil  
21 war.

22 They had one and only one  
23 child and that was a girl  
24 named Alpha Pike. She  
25 is still living and is wife  
26 of a man named Cushing. She  
27 lives at Moscow, Idaho. She

34

28 was born at Acton, Mass. before  
29 the civil war, but I don't know  
30 the date.

31 William Pike and my sister  
32 Sarah Jane separated right  
33 after the war. He went away  
34 and for a long time nobody  
35 knew where he was. Finally  
36 he showed up and had a  
37 wife with him. I heard,  
38 but I never saw her. I  
39 don't know where either he  
40 or she is now.

41 No, I do not know when  
42 or where Sarah Jane was mar-  
43 ried to Charles Holt.

44 No, Sarah Jane was never  
45 divorced from William Pike.  
46 She never was that I knew of.

47 No, she was never mar-  
48 ried before her marriage  
49 to William Pike. No, I do  
50 not think that William Pike  
51 was ever married before his  
52 marriage to her.

53 I have heard this statement  
54 read and it is correctly written  
55 and fully understood.

56 No, I never heard of William  
57 Pike ever having any other name  
58

Georgiana Smith

Deponent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March  
1915, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent  
before signing.

J. E. Armstrong,  
Special Examiner.

3-296. RECEIVED  
MAR 16 1915  
S. E. D. S. E. D.  
No. 1,033,566.

Claimant: Martha S. Pike  
Soldier: Wm. F. Pike, alias Geo. Jackson  
P. O. address: Ashland  
County: Middlesex State: Mass.  
Recommendation: Further Exam.

*Chief Armstrong*  
Special Examiner.

REFERENCE.

*March 22, 1915*  
*Lathrop, Id.*  
*Legal evidence of*  
*accuracy.*

*M. White*  
Chief S. E. Division.

RECOMMENDATION.

\_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Reviewer.

ACTION.

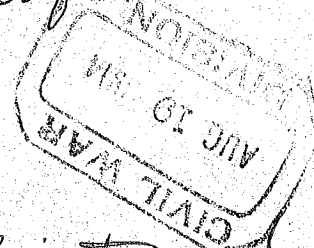
\_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Commissioner.

# 102-566

Martha S. Pike

Marriage Certificate



To be returned

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"Whom God has joined together, let no man put asunder."

# MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE.

I do hereby Certify, that Mr. *George Jackson*  
and Miss *Martha Smith* was by me united in Matrimony  
this *1<sup>st</sup>* day of *February* A.D. One thousand, Eight hundred and  
*Sixty-five* according to Law, and the custom of the Church.  
*Wilkesville Luzern Co, Pa*

(SIGNED)

*Josiah Forrest*

Minister of the Gospel.



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Post Print.

ACT OF APRIL 19, 1908.

# WIDOW'S PENSION. 2513972

Claimant, Martha I Pike Soldier, William E Pike <sup>also George Jackson</sup>  
 P. O., Ashland Rank, corporal; Co. L  
 County, Middlesex; State, Massachusetts Regiment, 21 Pennsylvania Cav  
 Rate, \$12 per month, commencing March 9 1914, and \$2 additional for each child, as stated below:

All pension to terminate \_\_\_\_\_, 1\_\_\_\_\_, date of \_\_\_\_\_

Payments on all former certificates covering any portion of same time to be deducted.

CIVIL WAR.

{ Born, _____ }	Commencing _____
{ Sixteen, _____ }	
{ Born, _____ }	Commencing _____
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{ Born, _____ }	Commencing _____
{ Sixteen, _____ }	
{ Born, _____ }	Commencing _____
{ Sixteen, _____ }	

REJECTED

## RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY.

Name, R. R. Flynn ~~A. Bicknell~~ Fee, \$ \_\_\_\_\_; Agent to pay.  
State House, Boston Mass.  
 P. O., \_\_\_\_\_

## APPROVALS.

Submitted for adm August 28, 1914 J. E. Armstrong <sup>Examiner.</sup>  
 Re " " Consideration Nov. 2 1915  
 Approved for Rejection on the ground that at date of claimant's attempted marriage to the soldier he had a living wife one Sarah Jane from whom he was never divorced and who survived until October 15, 1911, prior to which date the claimant was therefore not the lawful wife of soldier, and as she was not the legal wife of soldier prior to June 27, 1890 she has no pensionable status under act April 19, 1908. (35 Stat. Rep. 1, See Laws Div. opinion 17/8/15.)  
Dec. 10, 1915, N. M. Vandervork Dec. 15, 1915, J. B. Curtis  
 Reviewer. Director.  
 The soldier was pensioned at \$ 15 per month for Act of February 6 1907  
 Enlisted, September 21, 1861 Soldier's application filed December 13, 1892  
Deserted honorably disch'd, January 8, 1862 Clt's app'n under other laws, none  
 Reenlisted, August 1, 1863 Former marriage of soldier, January 11, 1859  
honorably disch'd, February 20, 1864 Death } of former info Oct. 15, 1911  
Died, January 3, 1914 Divorce } Feb. 1, 1860  
 Declaration filed, March 9, 1914 Clt. not remarried, nor denied

Claimant \_\_\_\_\_ write.

3-438

Cert. 1084711

Act February 6 1907

3 Brief

ACCRUED PENSION

Class Invalid

2513972

Pensioner William E Pike <sup>aka</sup> George Jackson

Date of death January 3, 1914 Certificate is filed

Claimant Martha S Pike widow  
Ashland  
Middlesex County  
Massachusetts

Attorney none  
Address

The fee of \$ allowed on issue of  
to  
of to be paid when  
payment is made on accrued.

Submitted Adam August 28, 1914  
Re " for consideration Nov. 2 '15 J. B. Armstrong Spl. Examiner.

Approved for *Chambers*  
*Paul*  
*See Act*  
*no fact*  
*11.1915*  
*12/8/15*  
*Dec. 10, 1915*  
H. M. Vandenberg, Reviewer  
Rereviewer, 19

M. C. Claimant writes.

CIVIL WAR



Restoration

364

Widow reissued

ACT OF MAY 11, 1912.

Cert. No. 1084711

Widow completing

Claimant, William E Pike <sup>alias</sup> George Jackson D. Pike  
 P. O., Ashland <sup>Alden Court</sup>  
 County, Middlesex  
 State, Massachusetts  
 Rank, Corporal 2513972  
 Service, Co L  
 21 Pennsylvania Cav  
 Rate, \$ 19. per month, commencing July 18, 1913. <sup>ending</sup>  
 January 3, 1914, death

ATTORNEY OR STATE REPRESENTATIVE.

(Order April 25, 1907.)

Name, none  
 P. O.,  
 Fee, \$ ; Agent to pay.  
 Articles filed, 19

APPROVAL.

Submitted for adm August 28, 1914, J. W. White, Examiner.  
 Re " " consideration Nov. 2, 1915 J. C. Armstrong Spl. Ex. Mr. C. F. J.  
 Approved for Admission Rate \$ 19. per month; age 74 years.

Restoration & Reissue from Feb. 6, 1907.  
 Terminate pension January 3, 1914, date soldier's death.  
 Pay widow as above.

Date of birth June 1, 1839 { see Law Div. opinion Dec. 8, 1914, Wickbrook }  
 Length of pensionable service: 0 years, 10 months, 18 days.

Deductions in service from any cause: none years, months, days,  
 on account of

Dec. 15, 1915, H. M. Vandervoort Legal Reviewer. Dec. 15, 1915, E. R. Curtis Re-Reviewer.

Enlisted September 2, 1861, Deserted January 8, 1862, honorably discharged

Enlisted August 1, 1863, honorably discharged February 20, 1864, 6-20

Enlisted, 18 ; honorably discharged, 18

Length of pensionable service: 0 years, 10 2 months, 18 2 days.

Pensioned at \$ 15 per month, under Act of February 6, 1907

PRESENT CLAIM, ACT OF MAY 11, 1912.

Declaration filed July 18, 1913

Age shown by evidence 74 years; date of birth alleged June 1, 1839

Claimant does write.

Soldier died Jan 3 1914.

M. C.

all information did not include age of 2nd as invited in Review slip.

(Checked before order)

CIVIL WAR

3-34.

Original No.

Certificate No. 1084.711

ACT OF FEBRUARY 6, 1907.

Claimant, William E. Pike & George Jackson  
P. O., Sohland Rank, Sergeant  
County, Middlesex Company, 2.  
State, Massachusetts Regiment, 21. Pa. Vol. Cav.  
Rate, \$ 15 per month, commencing June 2, 1910

STATE REPRESENTATIVE.

(Order April 25, 1907.)

Name,

P. O.,

APPROVAL.

Submitted for Ad. June 11, 1910, W. Dabrymple, Examiner.

Approved for Increase

Age over 70

Rate \$15 per month

June 13, 1910, W. E. Quinn Legal Reviewer. June 13, 1910, Quinn Re-Reviewer.

Enlisted Sept. 21, 1861 discharged Jan. 8, 1862

Enlisted Aug. 1, 1863 discharged Feb. 20, 1864

Enlisted \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_; honorably discharged \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_

Pensioned at \$ 12 per month, under Act Feb. 6, 1907

PRESENT CLAIM, ACT OF FEBRUARY 6, 1907.

Declaration filed June 2, 1910

Date of birth alleged, June 1, 1840

Age shown by evidence 70 years.

Claimant does \_\_\_\_\_ write.

C. L. Tivell

No.

M. C.

C.

E. S.

RE-ISSUE ACT OF FEBRUARY 6, 1907.

Claimant, William E Pike alias George Jackson  
P. O. Alden Court, Ashland Rank, Corporal  
County, Middlesex Company, L  
State, Massachusetts Regiment, 21<sup>st</sup> Pa. Vol. Cav.  
Rate, \$ 12- per month, commencing March 6-1907.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE.

(Order April 25, 1907.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
P. O., \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVAL.

Submitted for Ad. Oct. 15, 1907, B. F. Wolfe, Examiner.  
Approved for Admission.

Age over 62.

Rate \$12- per month.

Reason to allow under Act of February 6, 1907.  
and since Resumption of July 1, 1907.  
Deduct sub. payments & drop from rolls under Act June 27, 1890.

October 22, 1907, F. K. M. H. Oct. 22, 1907, C. E. Dineen  
Legal Reviewer. Re-Reviewer.

Enlisted Sept. 21, 1861; Deserted Jan. 8, 1862.  
honorably discharged

Enlisted Aug. 1, 1863; honorably discharged Feb. 20, 1864

Enlisted \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_; honorably discharged \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_

Pensioned at \$ 8 per month, under Act of June 27, 1890.

PRESENT CLAIM, ACT OF FEBRUARY 6, 1907.

Declaration filed March 6, 1907  
Date of birth alleged, June 1, 1840  
Age shown by evidence 66 1/2 years.

Claimant does \_\_\_\_\_ write.

C. Q. T. Irred

C. Q. T. Irred L. J. H.

EASTERN.

at Boston

Act of June 27, 1890,  
~~and joint resolution of July 1, 1902~~

# INVALID PENSION.

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Bost  
Claimant, William E. Pike & George Jackson  
P. O., Alderbourn, Ashland Rank, Corporal  
County, Middlesex Company, L  
State, Massachusetts Regiment, 2/1st. Vol. Cav.  
Rate, \$ 8 per month, commencing July 23, 1902.

Pensioned for Partial - inability to earn a support by manual labor.

## RECOGNIZED ATTORNEYS

Name, W. O. Greene & Co. Fee, \$ 10.  
P. O., Washington D. C. Agent to pay.

## APPROVALS.

Re-Submitted for Adm. June 10, 1904 S. B. Weaver, Examiner.

Approved for Catarrh, rheumatism,  
disease of heart and general debility.  
Under Joint Resolution of July 1, 1902.  
(See S. E. Reports.)

Approved for vicium of heart  
and general debility

Aggregate of disabilities shown, permanent in character: \$ 48 76 P.  
78 B.

June 15, 1904, Benj. T. Karlan  
" 17, " Legal Reviewer.

Park  
Medical Examiner.

June 18, 1904, Geo. Meyer  
Re-Reviewer.

June 20, 1904, Benjamin  
Medical Referee.

Not pensioned under other laws at \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month for \_\_\_\_\_

Enlisted Sep. 21, 1861 deserted Jan. 8, 1862  
honorably discharged

Reenlisted Aug. 1, 1863 honorably discharged Feb. 20, 1864

Declaration filed July 23, 1902 alleges permanent disability, not due to  
vicious habits, from catarrh rheumatism, disease heart  
and general debility.

Wm. Charles & L. Ireland, M. C.

Claimant does \_\_\_\_\_ write.

E. J.

# 1141410

356.  
(No. 3-145 a.)

Act of June 27, 1890.  
Joint Resolution of July 1, 1902.

# INVALID PENSION.

Claimant, William E. Pike <sup>alias</sup> George Jackson  
P. O., Ashley, Ashland Rank, Corporal  
County, Middlesex, Company, "L"  
State, Massachusetts, Regiment, 21 Pa. Vol. Cav.  
Rate, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month, commencing July 23, 1902.

Pensioned for \_\_\_\_\_ inability to earn a support by manual labor.

## RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY.

Name, W. B. Greene & Co. Fee, \$ 10.  
P. O., Washington, D.C. Agent to pay.

## APPROVALS.

Submitted for Ad. November 20, 1902 Examined Nov. 28, 1903 Approved for Catarrah, rheumatism Approved for disease of heart and general debility. (See 5. E. Reports.)  
Medical Examiner N. R. McCalum Spec. Exr.

Aggregate of disabilities shown, permanent in character: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Dec. 14, 1903 Benj. Karlan  
Legal Reviewer.  
\_\_\_\_\_, 190\_\_\_\_, Re-Reviewer.

Medical Examiner.

Medical Reviewer.

\_\_\_\_\_, 190\_\_\_\_,

Medical Referee.

No. 1 pensioned under other laws at \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month for \_\_\_\_\_

Enlisted September 21, 1861, Deserted January 8, 1862.  
honorably discharged  
Reenlisted August 1, 1863, honorably discharged February 20, 1864.  
Declaration filed July 23, 1902, alleges permanent disability, not due to vicious habits, from Catarrah, rheumatism, disease heart and general debility.

Wm. Cha. Quincy Turrell M. C.

Claimant does not write.

-356.  
(No. 3-145 a.) *Orig. No. 114,410.*  
Act of June 27, 1890.

## INVALID PENSION.

Claimant, *William E. Pike, alias George Jackson*  
P. O., *Ashland* Rank, *Private Co. B. 1<sup>st</sup> Mass. Vol. Cav.*  
County, *Middlesex* Rank, *Corporal*  
State, *Massachusetts.* Company, *E*  
Regiment, *21. Pa. Vol. Cav.*  
Rate, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month, commencing \_\_\_\_\_

Pensioned for \_\_\_\_\_ inability to earn a support by manual labor.

### RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY.

Name, *W. B. Green & Co.* Fee, \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
P. O., *Washington, D. C.* Agent to pay.

### APPROVALS.

Submitted for \_\_\_\_\_, 190\_\_\_\_, *H. N. Snyder*, Examiner.  
Approved for \_\_\_\_\_ Approved for \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_, 190\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, 190\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
Legal Reviewer. Medical Examiner. Medical Reviewer.  
\_\_\_\_\_, 190\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
Re-Reviewer. Medical Referee.

Not pensioned under other laws at \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month for \_\_\_\_\_

*In Co. B. 1<sup>st</sup> Mass. Vol. Cav.*  
Enlisted *Sept 21*, 1861, *Deserted about*  
*George Jackson* *honorably discharged Jan. 8*, 1862  
Reenlisted *Aug 9*, 1863, *honorably discharged Feb. 20*, 1864.  
Declaration filed *July 23*, 1902, alleges permanent disability, not due to  
vicious habits, from *Chorea, disease of heart and general*  
*debility.*

*No* \_\_\_\_\_, M. C. Claimant does \_\_\_\_\_ write.

Middle Division



3-356.  
(Old Form - 145 a.)

Act of June 27, 1890.

No 1141.410.

# INVALID PENSION.

Claimant, William E. Pike alias George Jackson  
P. O., Askland Rank, Corporal  
County, Middlesex Company, L.  
State, Massachusetts Regiment, 21. Pa. Vol. Company  
Rate, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month, commencing \_\_\_\_\_

REJECTED.

May 9, 1902

Pensioned for \_\_\_\_\_ inability to earn a support by manual labor.

## RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY.

Name, Wm B. Greene & Co. Fee, \$ 10  
P. O., Washington D.C. Agent to pay.

Resubmitted for consideration April 18, 1902 - A. L. Craig, Chf. E. D.

## APPROVALS.

Resubmitted for Adm Dec 3, 1901, J. E. Steel Examiner.

Approved for \_\_\_\_\_ on the grounds that claimant was not discharged from all of his service contracted for during the War of the Rebellion, as shown by his statements to the Special Examiner, and by the records of the War Department.

upon which he is borne as a disability of permanent character B. I. Maschell a prior service - J. E. Report

Apr 26, 1902, J. H. Jeff Legal Reviewer.  
Ref Reviewer.

Medical Examiner. Medical Reviewer.  
\_\_\_\_\_, 190\_\_\_\_, Medical Referee.

Not pensioned under other laws at \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month for \_\_\_\_\_

Enlisted Sept 21, 1861. Discharged Jan 8, 1862

Enlisted Aug 1, 1863, and honorably discharged Feb 20, 1864

Reenlisted \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, honorably discharged \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_

Declaration filed Dec 13, 1892, alleges permanent disability, not due to vicious habits, from catarrh & injury of foot.

June 1, 1896. Catarrh. injury to right foot. and Disease of heart.

Feb 2, 1897. rheumatism. heart Disease and general debility.

Am Chas Q. Carroll M. C.

Claimant does \_\_\_\_\_ write.



Act of June 27, 1890.

# M. INVALID PENSION

Claimant, William E Pike via George Jackson -  
 P.O., Aspland. Rank, Capt.  
 County, Midclary. Company, L.  
 State, Mass. Regiment, 21. Pa Inf. Cav.  
 Rate, \$ \_\_\_\_\_, per month, commencing July 2, 1897.

Disabled by \_\_\_\_\_

## RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY.

Name, William B Green Fee, \$ 10. Agent to pay.  
 P.O., Washington D.C. Articles filed, \_\_\_\_\_, 189 .

## APPROVALS.

Submitted for Adm. Act 5., 1897, H.B. McNamee, Examiner.

Approved for \_\_\_\_\_

Approved for \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Reviewer.

Medical Referee.

\_\_\_\_\_, 189 .

\_\_\_\_\_, 189 .

W now pensioned under other laws. Last paid to \_\_\_\_\_, 189 , at \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Pensioned from \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, at \$ \_\_\_\_\_, for \_\_\_\_\_

## SERVICE SHOWN BY RECORD.

Enlisted Aug 1 -, 18 63 - honorably discharged July 20., 18 64.

Re-enlisted —, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, honorably discharged —, 18 \_\_\_\_\_

Declaration filed July - 2., 1897, alleges permanent disability, not due to vicious habits,

from Amputation breast disease & general debility.

Claimant's notes

No. 10, 4

(3-145 .)

Act of June 27, 1890.

INVALID PENSION.

# 1141410

Payee, *William E. Jackson*  
 P.O., *Aspland*  
 County, *Middlesex*  
 State, *Mass*  
 Rank, *Corpl.*  
 Company, *L*  
 Regiment, *21, Pa. Vol. Cav.*  
 Rate, \$ \_\_\_\_\_, per month, commencing \_\_\_\_\_

Disabled by \_\_\_\_\_

REJECTED

RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY.

Name, *F. L. Williams* Fee, \$ *10.00* Agent to pay.  
 P.O., *City* Articles filed, \_\_\_\_\_, 189 \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVALS.

Submitted for *Ref.* *Nov. 30, 1896* *W. H. Andrews* Examiner.  
 Approved for rejection of *catarrh, injury to right foot and heart disease, no ratable disability therefrom, in accordance with action of Med. Ref.*  
*Schubert* Legal Reviewer.  
*Dec 16, 1896*  
 Approved for *rejection. No ratable disability under Act of June 27<sup>th</sup> 1890.*  
*W. H. P.* Medical Referee.  
*Dec 11<sup>th</sup>, 1896*

*Not* now pensioned under other laws. Last paid to \_\_\_\_\_, 189 \_\_\_\_\_, at \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pensioned from \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, at \$ \_\_\_\_\_, for \_\_\_\_\_

SERVICE SHOWN BY RECORD.

Enlisted *Aug. 1*, 18 *63*, & honorably discharged *Feb. 20*, 18 *64*,  
 Re-enlisted \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, honorably discharged \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Declaration filed *Aug. 1*, 189 *6*, alleges permanent disability, not due to vicious habits,  
 from *catarrh, injury to right foot, and heart disease*,  
*No M.C.* *W. H. P.*

Act of June 27, 1890.

# M. INVALID PENSION.

*Recd Invalid*  
1141.410

✓ Claimant, *William E Pike, alias George Jackson*  
 ✓ P.O., *Ashland* Rank, ✓ *Corporal*  
 ✓ County, *Middlesex* Company, ✓ *L*  
 ✓ State, *Massachusetts* Regiment, ✓ *24<sup>th</sup> Pa Vol Cav.*  
 Rate, \$ \_\_\_\_\_, per month, commencing \_\_\_\_\_

REJECTED

Disabled by \_\_\_\_\_

## RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY.

✓ Name, *F L Williams* Fee, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Agent to pay.  
 ✓ P.O., *Washington D.C.* Articles filed, \_\_\_\_\_, 189 \_\_\_\_\_

## APPROVALS.

Submitted for *Report, Aug 12, 1893* ✓ *Ho R. Offley* Examiner.  
 Approved for *Rejection on the ground* Approved for *Rejection*  
*of no ratable disability under* *No ratable disability*  
*act June 27, 1890. from alleged* *under act of June 27, 1890,*  
*catarrh and injury of foot.*  
*Subject to approval of Medical*  
*Referee.* *Willie* *Rundin* *Medical Referee*  
*Legal Reviewer* *Sept 5, 1893* *12*  
*Aug 29, 1893*

✓ *Not* now pensioned under other laws. Last paid to \_\_\_\_\_, 189 \_\_\_\_\_, at \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pensioned from \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, at \$ \_\_\_\_\_, for \_\_\_\_\_

## SERVICE SHOWN BY RECORD.

✓ Enlisted *Aug 1*, 18 *63* honorably discharged *Feb 20*, 18 *64*  
 ✓ Re-enlisted *Not*, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, honorably discharged \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_  
 ✓ Declaration filed *Dec 13*, 189 *7* alleges permanent disability, not due to vicious habits,  
 from *Catarrh, injury to foot*

✓ *No M.C.*

Claimant writes

JAMES G. HARVEY, MAYOR  
CHARLES B. BITTENBENDER,  
SUPT. ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE  
R. ALVAN BEISEL,  
SUPT. STREETS AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS  
WILLIAM J. CULLEN, SUPT. PUBLIC SAFETY  
WILLIAM D. GERLACH,  
SUPT. PARKS AND PUBLIC PROPERTY



STEPHEN J. HUGHES, CITY CLERK  
B. E. YOUNGMAN, CITY ENGINEER  
JOHN H. BIGELOW, CITY SOLICITOR  
CONRAD HILL, CITY TREASURER  
EDWARD R. TURNBACH, CHIEF OF POLICE

## CITY OF HAZLETON

HAZLETON, PA. June 6, 1914.

### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:-

Now, 6th day of June, A. D. 1914, I, the undersigned City Clerk of the City of Hazleton, Pa., herewith certify that there are no records of marriages on file in this office in the archives of the City of Hazleton prior to October A. D. 1892;

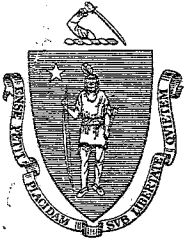
That as far back as 1865 no such records were kept in Luzerne county to my knowledge;

That the Act of Assembly requiring registration of marriage returns and licenses of marriage in the state was enacted about 1895;

That to my knowledge and belief there is no possible means of securing a record of the marriage in question of Mrs. Martha Pike, which is said to have been solemnized in this city in 1865, by reason of the fact that no minister of the gospel presiding here at that time is now alive to the knowledge of any person whom I have questioned; neither is there any Burgess nor Justice of the Peace who might have been vested with authority to perform marriages who were in authority at that time in this community alive and no possible means of securing any records left by them.

*I swore and subscribed  
before me this 6th day  
of June, 1914*  
*June W. [Signature]*  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
COMMISSION EXPIRES 11TH FEB. 1917

*S. J. Hughes*  
City Clerk.



# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## PENSION DEPARTMENT,

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON.

### AFFIDAVIT.

State of *Pennsylvania*  
County of *Madison*

SS.

Act of April 19, 1908

In the matter of the claim for *pension 1023566*  
of *Martha S. Pike widow William E. Pike Alias*  
*George Jackson*  
of Company *L. 21* Regiment *P. Cav. D. 1 Mass Cav*

Personally came before me, a *Justice of the Peace Notary Public* in and for  
aforesaid County and State, *Mary Elizabeth Lambert* aged *69* and  
aged *69*, resident of *Hazleton*  
in the County of *Suzanne*, State of *Pennsylvania*, who being  
duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid claim, as follows:—

*That we have known the claimant*  
*and soldier since they reached a marriageable*  
*age and we know from personal knowledge*  
*that neither of them have been previously*  
*married and that they lived together until*  
*his death and were never divorced one*  
*from the other.*

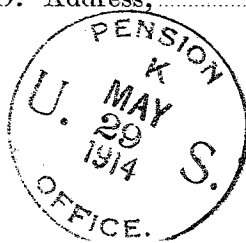
*We* further declare that *we have* no interest in said claim, and *are* not concerned  
in its prosecution.

Witness *Geo. H. Harris*

Affiant's Signature, *Mary Elizabeth Lambert*  
P. O. Address, *552 H. St. Hazleton*

Affiant's Signature, \_\_\_\_\_  
P. O. Address, \_\_\_\_\_

Attest—when any affiant signs BY MARK two persons sign here.



*Frank J. Cannon, } SS.  
County of Eugene,*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant ; *Mary Elizabeth Lambert*  
(Here insert affiant's name or names.)  
; and I certify that I read  
said affidavit to said affiant *Q*, and acquainted *them* with its contents before *they* executed the same

I further certify that I am in no wise interested in said claim, nor am I concerned in its prosecution.

Witness my hand and official seal this *19th* day of *May* 191*4*

Sign here *Frank J. Cannon*

NOTARY PUBLIC  
COMMISSION EXPIRES JAN. 21ST, 1914

This affidavit may be executed by 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 clerk of a court shall be necessary; but when no seal is used by the officer taking such affidavit, 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.

No.

CLAIM FOR

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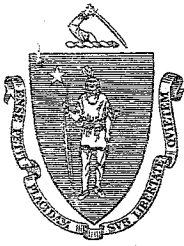
PENSION DEPARTMENT

STATE HOUSE,

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## PENSION DEPARTMENT,

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON.

## AFFIDAVIT.

State of Massachusetts,  
County of .....

} SS.

In the matter of the claim for Pension No. 1023566 Act of April 19, 1908  
of Martha S. Pike widow of William E. Pike  
alias George Jackson.

of Company L 21st Regiment Pa Cav. B. 1 Mass Cav. Vols.:

Personally came before me, a Notary Public in and for  
Leuzen County and State of Pennsylvania, J. Wesley Smith, aged 76 and  
aged ....., resident of City of Hazleton

in the County of Leuzen, State of Penna, who being

duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid claim, as follows:—

That they have known the claimant  
and soldier since they reached a marriageable  
age and they know from personal knowledge  
that neither of them have been previously married  
and that they lived together until his death  
and were never divorced one from the other.

see  
S.E.  
report

..... further declare that ..... no interest in said claim, and ..... not concerned  
in its prosecution.

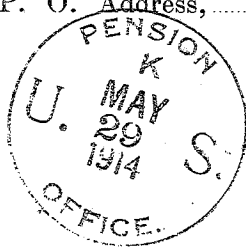
Affiant's Signature, J. Wesley Smith

P. O. Address, Hazleton Pa.

Affiant's Signature, .....

P. O. Address, .....

Attest—when any affiant signs BY MARK two persons sign here.



(Here insert affiant's name or names.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant ;  
*J. Wesley Smith* ; and I certify that I read  
 said affidavit to said affiant , and acquainted *him* with its contents before *he* executed the same

I further certify that I am in no wise interested in said claim, nor am I concerned in its prosecution.

Witness my hand and official seal this *16th* day of *May* 191*4*.

Sign here *C. M. Hille*

*Notary Public*

*My Commission expires January 30<sup>th</sup> 1915*

This affidavit may be executed by 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 clerk of a court shall be necessary; but when no seal is used by the officer taking such affidavit, 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.

*Case B*

Act of April 19, 1908

No. *4023566*

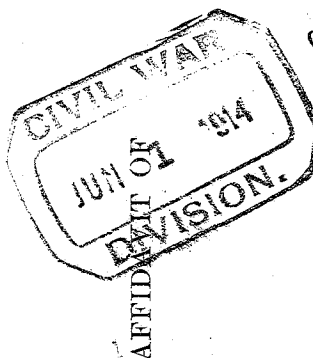
CLAIM FOR

*Widow's Pension*

*Margaret S. Pike*

*widow of*  
*William E. Pike*

*Co L 21 Pa Cav.*



*J. Wesley Smith*

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PENSION DEPARTMENT

STATE HOUSE,

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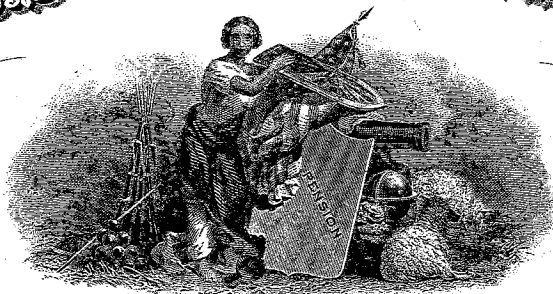


*Increase* UNDER ACT OF FEBRUARY 6, 1907

*No 1084711*

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEPARTMENT



of the INTERIOR

BUREAU OF PENSIONS

It is hereby certified That, in conformity with the laws of the United States, *William E. Pike alias George Jackson*, who was a Corporal Co. L. 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Cavalry, is entitled to a pension, at the rate of *Fifteen* dollars per month, to commence, on the *second* day of *June* one thousand nine hundred and *ten*

Given at the Department of the Interior, this *Fifteenth* day of *June* one thousand nine hundred and *ten*, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and *thirty fourth*.

*R. A. Kallenger*

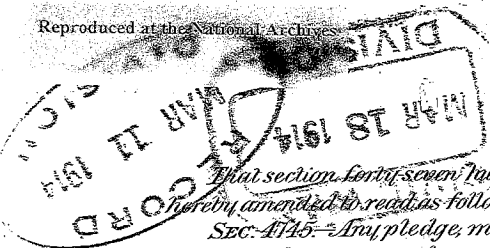
Secretary of the Interior.

Countersigned: *J. L. Swenfort*

Commissioner of Pensions.



Former payments covering any portion of the same time to be deducted.



That section forty-seven hundred and forty-five, title fifty-seven of the Revised Statutes of the United States is hereby amended to read as follows:

SEC. 4145. Any pledge, mortgage, sale, assignment, or transfer of any right, claim, or interest in any pension which has been, or may hereafter be, granted, shall be void and of no effect, and any person who shall pledge or receive as a pledge, mortgage, sale, assignment or transfer of any right, claim, or interest in any pension, or pension certificate which has been, or may hereafter be granted or issued, or who shall hold the same as collateral security for any debt, or promise, or upon any pretext of such security, or promise, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars and the costs of the prosecution; and any person who shall retain the certificate of a pensioner and refuse to surrender the same upon the demand of the Commissioner of Pensions, or a United States pension agent, or any other person, authorized by the Commissioner of Pensions, or the pensioner, to receive the same shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars and the costs of the prosecution.

Approved, February 28, 1883.

UNDER ACT OF FEBRUARY 6, 1902

No. 1084, 711

PENSION CERTIFICATE OF

William C. Pike alias

George Jackson

Payable Quarterly

by the

U. S. Pension Agent

at Boston, Mass.

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PENSIONER DROPPED

BOSTON

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS  
OFFICE OF THE DISBURSING CLERK

MAR 20 1914, 191

Certificate No. 1.084.711 ✓

Class ACT FEBRUARY 6, 1907.

Pensioner William E. Pike,  
alias George Jackson,  
Soldier

Service

The Commissioner of Pensions.

SIR: I have the honor to report that the  
above-named pensioner who was last paid  
at \$ 15, to Dec. 4, 1913  
has this day been dropped from the roll be-  
cause of death, Jan. 3, 1914.

Ashland Mass

Very respectfully,

*[Signature]*

Disbursing Clerk

NOTE.—Every name dropped to be thus reported at  
once, and when cause of dropping is death, state date  
of death when known.

6-2249

PLATE DESTROYED

Paid @ \$ 15 to Dec 4, 1913

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,  
Office of the Disbursing Clerk,

MAR 14 1914

To the Chief, Finance Division:

You are hereby notified that check No. 4026 : 473 for \$ 45-

dated MAR 4 1914 in favor of WILLIAM E PIKE  
post-office ASHLAND MASS  
Certificate # 1084711 ✓

Class ACT OF FEB'Y 6, 1907

ALDEN COURT

Section SECTION 7, has been returned to this office by the

Postmaster at ✓, with the

information that the pensioner died Jan 3 - 14, and said  
check has this day been canceled.

Very respectfully,

GUY O. TAYLOR,

Disbursing Clerk.

(D-3) **PLATE DESTROYED**

1084711

# Commonwealth of Massachusetts

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

## Certificate of Death

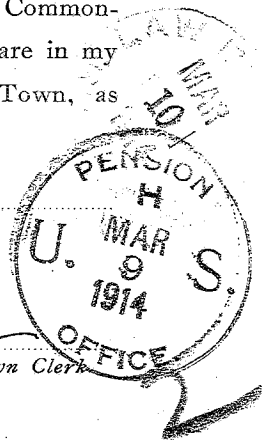
FROM THE RECORDS OF DEATHS IN THE TOWN OF ASHLAND,  
MASSACHUSETTS, U. S. A.

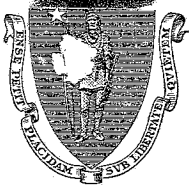
1. Date of Death, - - -	January 3 - 1914
2. Name, - - - - -	William Elmer Pike
(Maiden Name, - - -	
3. Sex, and whether Single, Married, or Widowed, -	Male - Married
4. Color, - - - - -	White
5. Age, - - - - -	74 Years 6 Months 3 Days
6. Disease or Cause of Death	Gangrene of foot.
7. Residence, - - - -	Ashland Mass
8. Occupation, - - - -	Retired
9. Place of Death, - - -	Ashland Mass
10. Place of Birth, - - -	Hopkinton Mass.
11. Name of Father, - - -	Martin Pike
12. Name of Mother, - - - (Maiden Name)	Ruth Merritt
13. Birthplace of Father, -	Mass.
14. Birthplace of Mother, -	Mass.
15. Place of Interment, - -	Wildwood Cemetery Ashland

I, Walter G. Whittemore depose and say  
that I hold the office of Town Clerk of the Town of Ashland, County of Middlesex and Common-  
wealth of Massachusetts; that the records of Births, Marriages and Deaths in said Town are in my  
custody, and that the above is 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 Sixth  
day of March 1914.

Walter G. Whittemore  
Town Clerk





# Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## PENSION DEPARTMENT

BOSTON

### DECLARATION FOR WIDOW'S PENSION.

STATE OF Massachusetts  
COUNTY OF Middlesex

[Act of April 19, 1908.]

On this sixth day of March, A.D. one thousand nine hundred and fourteen  
personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace  
and for the county and State aforesaid, Martha S. Pike, aged 66  
years, a resident of Ashland, county of Middlesex, 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 William E. Pike alia George Jackson, who was  
enrolled under the name of George Jackson, at  
Chambersburg Pa. on the first day of August, 1863,  
as a Corporal in Co L, 31st Reg. Penna. Cal. Vol., and  
honorably discharged February 20, 1864, having served ninety days or more during the late civil war.  
(Here state rank, and company and regiment in the Army, or vessels if in the Navy.)

That he also served \_\_\_\_\_  
(Here give a complete statement of all other services, if any.)

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 Miss Martha S. Smith  
to said soldier at Milnesville, Luzern Co. Penn. on the first day  
of February, 1865, by Rev. Josiah Torrey  
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 January 3, 1914, at Ashland 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 sixteen years of age, to wit:  
(If the soldier left no children, the claimant should so state.)

\_\_\_\_\_, born \_\_\_\_\_, 1\_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, born \_\_\_\_\_, 1\_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, born \_\_\_\_\_, 1\_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, born \_\_\_\_\_, 1\_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_

She hereby appoints F. A. BICKNELL, Deputy Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions, State  
House, Boston, her true and lawful attorney to prosecute her claim (Without fee);

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 Ashland  
county of Middlesex State of Massachusetts

Attest: (1) \_\_\_\_\_  
(2) \_\_\_\_\_

Martha S. Pike  
(Claimants signature in full.)

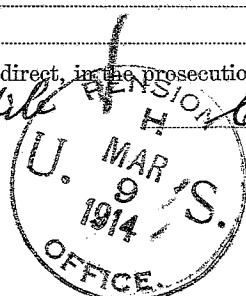
Also personally appeared Cora E. Frote, residing in  
Ashland Mass., and Mary A. McDonald, residing in  
Ashland Mass., persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being  
by me duly sworn, say they were present and saw Martha S. Pike, the  
claimant, sign her name (or make 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 30 years and 12 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.

Cora E. Frote  
Mary A. McDonald  
(Signatures of witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this sixth day of March, A.D. 1914;  
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  
none, erased, and the words  
none, added; and that I have no  
interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Charles S. Brewer  
(Signature.)  
Justice of the Peace  
(Official character.)

Healy  
Chief, Law Division  
Wallace Streater  
as to execution  
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Certificate on file  
Act of April 19, 1908  
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to be recognized without fee  
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ACT OF APRIL 19, 1908.

# Claim for Pension.

WIDOW.

No. 1084911. Age 51.

Name William E. Pike

Soldier William E. Pike

Service Co. E. 1st Pa. Cav.

1861-1865

## INSTRUCTIONS.

This form may be used for original pension under Act of April 19, 1908.

Declaration and testimony in support of same to be executed before some officer of a court of record having authority of his 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.

FILED BY

Commissioner of Massachusetts

PENSION DEPARTMENT,

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON.

## AN ACT

To increase the pension of widows, minor children, and so forth, of deceased soldiers and sailors of the late civil war, the war with Mexico, the various Indian wars, and so forth, and to grant a pension to certain widows of the deceased soldiers and sailors of the late civil war.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this Act the rate of pension for widows, minor children under the age of sixteen years, and helpless minors as defined by existing laws, now on the roll or hereafter to be placed on the pension roll and entitled to receive a less rate than hereinafter provided, shall be twelve dollars per month; and nothing herein shall be construed to effect the existing allowance of two dollars per month for each child under the age of sixteen years and for each helpless child; and all Acts or parts of Acts, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed: *Provided, however,* That this Act shall not be so construed as to reduce any pension under any Act, public or private.

SEC. 2. That if any officer or enlisted man who served ninety days or more in the Army or Navy of the United States during the late civil war, and who has been honorably discharged therefrom, has died, or shall hereafter die, leaving a widow, such widow shall, upon due proof of her husband's death, without proving his death to be the result of his army or navy service, be placed on the pension roll from the date of the filing of her application therefor under this Act at the rate of twelve dollars per month during her widowhood, provided that said widow shall have married said soldier or sailor prior to June twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and ninety; and the benefits of this section shall include those widows whose husbands, if living, would have a pensionable status under the Joint Resolutions of February fifteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-five; July first, nineteen hundred and two, and June twenty-eighth, nineteen hundred and six.

SEC. 3. That no claim agent or attorney shall be recognized in the adjudication of claims under the first section of this Act, and that no agent, attorney, or other person engaged in preparing, presenting, or prosecuting any claim under the provisions of the second section of this Act shall, directly or indirectly, contract for, demand, receive, or retain for such services in preparing, presenting, or prosecuting such claim a sum greater than ten dollars, which sum shall be payable only upon the order of the Commissioner of Pensions by the pension agent making payment of the pension allowed; and any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this section, or who shall wrongfully withhold from the pensioner or claimant the whole or any part of a pension or claim allowed or due such pensioner or claimant under this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall, for each and every such offense, be fined not exceeding five hundred dollars or be imprisoned at hard labor not exceeding two years, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Approved April 19, 1908.

Ashland Mass. Oct. 28, 1913

Department of the Interior

Bureau of Pensions

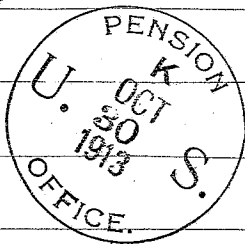
Replying to the enclosed letter requiring proof of date of birth of William E. Pike. - I was shown to day a family Bible with a record of said Pike's birth as June 1, 1839. thus proving (as Mr. Pike himself says) that he is a year older than he thought he was. This Bible was in the possession of his brother-in-law in Acton Mass. was sent for and received. it is called the Alexander Stereotyped Edition. - Stereotyped and Published by C. Alexander of Philadelphia in 1834. - The record bore no evidence of erasure or alteration and appears to have been written years ago. and to my best knowledge and belief is a true record.

Yours respectfully

Charles S. Brewer

Justice of the Peace

Certificate of fitness  
on file.





ACT OF MAY 11, 1912.

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# DECLARATION FOR PENSION.

THE PENSION CERTIFICATE SHOULD NOT BE FORWARDED WITH THE APPLICATION.

State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex, ss:  
 On this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, personally  
 appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace within and for the county and State aforesaid,  
William E. Pike, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is 73  
 years of age, and a resident of Ashland, county of Middlesex  
 State of Mass.; and that he is the identical person who was ENROLLED at Chambersburg  
Pa, under the name of George Jackson  
 on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, 1863 as a private Corporal 21<sup>st</sup> Penn.  
Cavalry Co. 2. Reg. of Penna Cavalry Vol.  
 (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 Chambersburg Pa, on the 20 day of February, 1864.  
 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 1/2 inches; complexion, Light; color of  
 eyes, Blue; color of hair, Dark; that his occupation was Machinist; that he  
 was born June 1, 1840, at New York City

That his several places of residence since leaving the service have been as follows: Penn., Mass.,  
New Hampshire, Mass.,  
 (State date of each change, as nearly as possible.)

That he is a pensioner under certificate No. 1084711. That he has \_\_\_\_\_ applied for pension under original  
 No. 1084711

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 Ashland, county of Middlesex  
 State of Massachusetts

Attest: (1) Charles R. Stone (2) Arthur J. McDonald  
William E. Pike  
 (Claimant's signature in full.)

SUBSCRIBED and sworn to before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, A. D. 1913, 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 private  
 erased, and the words Corporal  
 and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

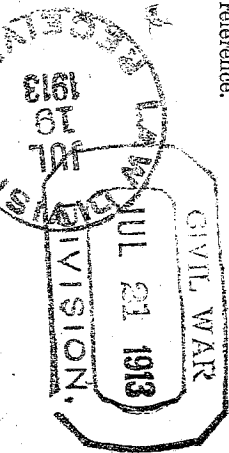


Certificate filed

Charles S. Brewster  
 (Signature)  
Justice of the Peace  
 (Official character.)

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

MAILED JUL 15 1913  
 U.S. DEPT. OF WAR  
 DIVISION OF PENSIONS  
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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 use a seal, his official character, signature, and office must be certified by the proper State, or city officer under his official seal, unless such state has been filed in the Bureau of Pensions for reference.

# INSTRUCTIONS.

Service in

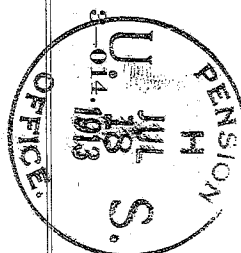
Name, *William E. Pike*

Certificate No. *108 711*

## CLAIM FOR PENSION.

increase in

ACT OF MAY 11, 1912.



### ACT APPROVED MAY 11, 1912.

That any person who served ninety days or more in the military or naval service of the United States during the late Civil War, who has been honorably discharged therefrom, and who has reached the age of sixty-two years or over, shall, upon making proof of such facts, according to such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may provide, be placed upon the pension roll and be entitled to receive a pension as follows: In case such person has reached the age of sixty-two years and served ninety days, thirteen dollars per month; six months, thirteen dollars and fifty cents per month; one year, fourteen dollars per month; one and a half years, fourteen dollars and fifty cents per month; two years, fifteen dollars per month; two and a half years, fifteen dollars and fifty cents per month; three years or over, sixteen dollars per month. In case such person has reached the age of sixty-six years and served ninety days, fifteen dollars per month; six months, fifteen dollars and fifty cents per month; one year, sixteen dollars per month; one and a half years, sixteen dollars and fifty cents per month; two years, seventeen dollars per month; two and a half years, eighteen dollars per month; three years or over, nineteen dollars per month. In case such person has reached the age of seventy years and served ninety days, eighteen dollars per month; six months, nineteen dollars per month; one year, twenty dollars per month; one and a half years, twenty-one dollars and fifty cents per month; two years, twenty-three dollars per month; two and a half years, twenty-four dollars per month; three years or over, twenty-five dollars per month. In case such person has reached the age of seventy-five years and served ninety days, twenty-one dollars per month; six months, twenty-two dollars and fifty cents per month; one year, twenty-four dollars per month; one and a half years, twenty-five dollars per month; two years, twenty-seven dollars per month; two years or over, thirty dollars per month. That any person who served in the military or naval service of the United States during the Civil War and received an honorable discharge, and who was wounded in battle or in line of duty and is now unfit for manual labor by reason thereof, or who from disease or other causes incurred in line of duty resulting in his disability is now unable to perform manual labor, shall be paid the maximum pension under this Act, to wit, thirty dollars per month, without regard to length of service or age.

That any person who has served sixty days or more in the military or naval service of the United States in the War with Mexico and has been honorably discharged therefrom, shall, upon making like proof of such service, be entitled to receive a pension of thirty dollars per month.

All of the aforesaid pensions shall commence from the date of filing of the applications in the Bureau of Pensions after the passage and approval of this Act: *Provided*, That pensioners who are sixty-two years of age or over, and who are now receiving pensions under existing laws, or whose claims are pending in the Bureau of Pensions, may, by application to the Commissioner of Pensions, in such form as he may prescribe, receive the benefits of this Act; and nothing herein contained shall prevent any pensioner or person entitled to a pension from prosecuting his claim and receiving a pension under any other general or special Act: *Provided*, That no person shall receive a pension under any other law at the same time or for the same period that he is receiving a pension under the provisions of this Act: *Provided further*, That no person who is now receiving or shall hereafter receive a greater pension, under any other general or special law, than he would be entitled to receive under the provisions herein shall be pensionable under this Act.

SEC. 2. That rank in the service shall not be considered in applications filed hereunder.

SEC. 3. That no pension attorney, claim agent, or other person shall be entitled to receive any compensation for services rendered in presenting any claim to the Bureau of Pensions, or securing any pension, under this Act, except in applications for original pension by persons who have not heretofore received a pension.

SEC. 4. That the benefits of this Act shall include any person who served during the late Civil War, or in the War with Mexico, and who is now or may hereafter become entitled to pension under the Acts of June twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and ninety, February fifteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and the joint resolutions of July first, nineteen hundred and two, and June twenty-eighth, nineteen hundred and six, or the Acts of January twenty-ninth, eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and February seventeenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

SEC. 5. That it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Pensions, as each application for pension under this Act is adjudicated, to cause to be kept a record showing the name and length of service of each claimant, the monthly rate of payment granted to or received by him, and the county and State of his residence; and shall at the end of the fiscal year nineteen hundred and fourteen tabulate the record so obtained by States and counties, and shall furnish certified copies thereof upon demand and the payment of such fee therefor as is provided by law for certified copies of records in the executive departments.



*Law.*

Service, Corp., Co., L, 21st Pa. Cav.

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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 first day of June, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and ten, personally appeared before me, a notary public within and for the county and State aforesaid, William E Pike alias George Jackson, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is 70 years of age, and a resident of Ashland county of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts; and that he is the identical person who was ENROLLED at \_\_\_\_\_ under the name of \_\_\_\_\_

George Jackson, on the first day of August, 1863, as a private, in Co. L. 21<sup>st</sup> Regt. Penn. Cavalry afterwards  
(Here state rank, and company and regiment in the Army, or vessels if in the Navy.)  
Corporal

in the service of the United States, in the Civil war, and was HONORABLY DISCHARGED at Chambersburg Penn., on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1864. That he also served, no other service in Co. B. 1<sup>st</sup> Mass. Cavalry  
(Here give a complete statement of all other services, if any.)  
previously.

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 1/2 inches; complexion, Light; color of eyes, Blue; color of hair, Dark; that his occupation was machinist; that he was born June 1, 1840, at Hopkinton, Mass.

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

Wilford, N. H. Greenville, N. H. Acton, Mass. Ashland, Mass.  
(State date of each change, as nearly as possible.)

That he is \_\_\_\_\_ a pensioner. That he has \_\_\_\_\_ heretofore applied for pension \_\_\_\_\_

Number of his pension certificate is 1084711.

(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 Ashland, county of Middlesex, State of Mass. William E Pike alias George Jackson

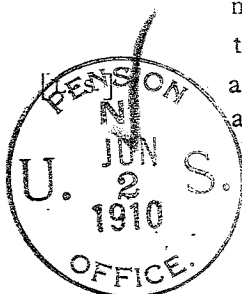
Attest: (1) John E. Woods  
(2) George F. Miller

(Claimant's signature in full.)

Also personally appeared John E. Woods, residing in Ashland, Mass. and George F. Miller, residing in Ashland, 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 William E. Pike alias George Jackson, 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 20 years and 20 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.

John E. Woods  
George F. Miller  
(Signatures of witnesses.)

SUBSCRIBED and sworn to before me this first day of June, A. D., 1910 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 no other service, erased and the words \_\_\_\_\_, added and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.



Validity accepted George Z. Higley  
as to execution (Signature.)  
S. A. Cuddy, Notary Public.  
Chief. Law Division. (Official character.)

ACT OF FEBRUARY 6, 1907.

# CLAIM FOR PENSION.

Certificate No. 1084,711

Wm. E. Pike alias  
Geo. Jackson  
Service,

421 Pa. Ave  
131 11th St. N.W.  
JUN 8 1910  
INSTRUCTIONS.  
RECEIVED.

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 or General reference.

SOLD BY  
T. H. BAILL, Law Stationer  
21 Court St. Boston  
No. 99

## AN ACT

GRANTING PENSIONS TO CERTAIN ENLISTED MEN, SOLDIERS, AND OFFICERS WHO SERVED IN THE CIVIL WAR AND THE WAR WITH MEXICO.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled:*

That any person who served ninety days or more in the military or naval service of the United States during the late civil war, or sixty days in the war with Mexico, and who has been honorably discharged therefrom, and who has reached the age of sixty-two years or over, shall, upon making proof of such facts according to such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may provide, be placed upon the pension roll, and be entitled to receive a pension as follows: In case such person has reached the age of sixty-two years, twelve dollars per month; seventy years, fifteen dollars per month; seventy-five years or over, twenty dollars per month; and such pension shall commence from the date of the filing of the application in the Bureau of Pensions after the passage and approval of this Act: *Provided*, that pensioners who are sixty-two years of age or over, and who are now receiving pensions under existing laws, or whose claims are pending in the Bureau of Pensions, may, by application to the Commissioner of Pensions, in such form as he may prescribe, receive the benefits of this Act; and nothing herein contained shall prevent any pensioner or person entitled to a pension from prosecuting his claim and receiving a pension under any other general or special act: *Provided*, that no person shall receive a pension under any other law at the same time or for the same period that he is receiving a pension under the provisions of this Act: *Provided, further*, that no person who is now receiving or shall hereafter receive a greater pension under any other general or special law than he would be entitled to receive under the provisions herein shall be pensionable under this Act.

SEC. 2. That rank in the service shall not be considered in applications filed hereunder.

SET. 3. That no pension attorney, claim agent, or other person shall be entitled to receive any compensation for services rendered in presenting any claim to the Bureau of Pensions, or securing any pension under this Act.

APPROVED: February 6, 1907.

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 5th day of March, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and Seven, personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace within and for the county and State aforesaid, William E. Pike who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is 67 years of age, and a resident of Ashland county of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts; and that he is the identical person who was ENROLLED at Chambersburg Pa under the name of George Jackson as a Corporal, in Capt George L. Wiley Company L - 21st Regt Penna Vol Cavalry (Here state rank, and company and regiment in the Army, or vessels if in the Navy.) on the first day of August, 1863, in the service of the United States, in the Civil war, and was HONORABLY DISCHARGED at Chambersburgh Penna. (State name of war, Civil or Mexican.) on the 20 day of February, 1864. That he also served \_\_\_\_\_ (Here give a complete statement of all other services, if any.)

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(State date of each change, as nearly as possible.)

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Attest: (1) Horace H. Piper (2) Henry J. Foote William E. Pike (Claimant's signature in full.)

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Horace H. Piper  
Henry J. Foote (Signatures of witnesses.)

SUBSCRIBED and sworn to before me this 5th day of March, A. D. 1907, 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.

Adrian Foote  
Justice of the Peace (Official character.)

Certificate on file to cover date. 6-803  
S. A. HUNTER, Chief, Law Division.



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ACT OF FEBRUARY 6, 1907.

# CLAIM FOR PENSION.

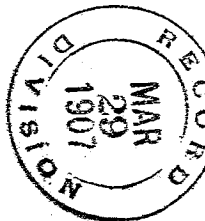
Certificate No. \_\_\_\_\_

Name, \_\_\_\_\_

Service, \_\_\_\_\_

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APPROVED: February 6, 1907.

6-803

# GENERAL AFFIDAVIT

State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex, ss:

In the matter of Pension claim of William E. Pike  
(Here state the name of claimant and of soldier and his military service.)

Co. L, 21st Penn Cav

ON THIS 31<sup>st</sup> day of May, A. D. 1904, personally appeared before me,  
 a notary public within and for the County and State aforesaid, duly authorized  
 to administer oaths, said William E. Pike, aged \_\_\_\_\_ years, a resident of  
Ashland, in the County of Middlesex, and State of  
Massachusetts, whose Post Office address is Ashland, Mass.

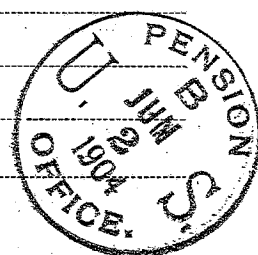
well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declares, in relation to the  
 aforesaid case as follows:

That he is the claimant named above

In reply to the Official call of May 7-1904, I have to state that it is impossi-  
 ble for me to furnish record evidence showing that I did or did not receive any  
 Bounty or Gratuity from the State, town, city or county for my service in Co.  
 L---21st Regt--Penna. Cav, for the reason that upon writing to the County Clerk  
 of Franklin County, Pa. where I enlisted, he states that no such records are kept.  
 I file his letter herewith.

I further state under oath that I did not receive any Bounty or Gratuity of  
 any description from the State of Pennsylvania, nor from any city, town, or  
 county of said state for my service in Co.- L---21st Regt---Penna. Cav.

I ask that the testimony called for be waived in view of my inability to  
 comply with the requirement, and that my sworn statement be accepted as covering  
 the call.



William E. Pike  
 (Signature of Affiant.)

(If Affiant signs by mark, two persons who write, signs here)



State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex, ss:

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31<sup>st</sup> day of May A. D. 1904

by the above named affiant, and I certify that I read said affidavit to said affiant, including the words:

erased, and the words

added, and acquainted him with its contents

before he executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I

concerned in its prosecution; and that said affiant is personally known to me and is a credible person.

George J. Higley  
(Signature.)

Notary Public  
(Official Character.)

[L. S.]

NOTE.—To be executed before some officer authorized to administer oaths for general purposes. THE OFFICIAL CHARACTER AND SIGNATURE OF ANY SUCH OFFICER NOT REQUIRED BY LAW TO USE A SEAL, MUST BE CERTIFIED BY THE CLERK OF THE PROPER COURT, giving date of beginning and close of official term. If certificate on file, so state.

*No Revenue Stamps Required.*

Orig. N.R. Div. Eastern

Orig. No. 1.141.410

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

CLAIM OF

Wm E. Pike

alias Geo. Jackson

Co. B 1<sup>st</sup> Reg't Mass Cavols.

AFFIDAVIT OF CLAIMANT

Inability of  
affiant

RECORDED  
JUN 8 1904  
AID 'JUNE'

FILED BY

WM. B. GREENE & CO.,

ATTORNEYS

WASHINGTON, D. C.

# GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Mass, County of Middlesex

In the matter of William E. Pike of Co. B-1st Mass. Cav'y.  
(Here state the name of claimant and of soldier and his military service.)

and also of Co. L. 21st Pa. Cav'y

ON THIS eighteenth day of April, A. D. 1904, personally appeared before me,  
a Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid, duly authorized  
to administer oaths, Asaph Parlin, aged 67 years, a resident of  
Acton, in the County of Middlesex, and State of  
Mass., whose Post Office address is Acton Mass.

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:

(Affiant should state how he gained a knowledge of the facts to which he testifies.)

*That I have personally known the above named,  
Wm E Pike for forty five years, that he resided  
in Acton at the time of his enlistment in Co. B 1st  
Mass. Cav'y, that he resided in Acton after 1865  
and that to the best of my knowledge and belief  
he was never in the Military or Naval Service of the  
United States except in Co. B 1st Mass Cavalry  
and Co. L. 21st Pa. Cavalry*



I further declares that I have no interest in said case and that I am not concerned  
in its prosecution.

(If Affiant signs by mark, two persons who write, signs here)

Asaph Parlin  
(Signature of Affiant.)

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State of Mass., County of Middlesex, ss:

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in the sixth line of facts stated added, and acquainted him with its contents

before he executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I

concerned in its prosecution; and that said affiant is personally known to me and is a credible person.

Certificate as J. P. on file  
[L. S.] at Washington

Horan F. Tuttle  
(Signature.)

Justice of the Peace  
(Official Character.)

Filed to cover date.  
S. B. W. Ex'r East. Div.

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No Revenue Stamps Required.

Act of June 27, 1890, Div. Eastern

Orig. No. 1141410

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

CLAIM OF

Wm. E. Price alias  
George Jackson

Co. 13 - 24 Reg't Pa Cav'yols.  
1st Mass Cav'y  
REPLY TO CALL

Dec 28-03

no other revenue  
Anaph Parker

FILED BY

WM. B. GREENE & CO.,

ATTORNEYS

WASHINGTON, D. C.

## GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Mass., County of Middlesex, ss:

In the matter of

Wm E Pike of Co B, 1<sup>st</sup> Mass Cavalry  
(Here state the name of claimant and of soldier and his military service.)and also of Co L, 21<sup>st</sup> Pa. CavalryON THIS eighteenth day of April, A. D. 1904, personally appeared before me,a Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid, duly authorizedto administer oaths, William D Tuttle, aged 78 years, a resident ofActon

in the County of

Middlesex

and State of

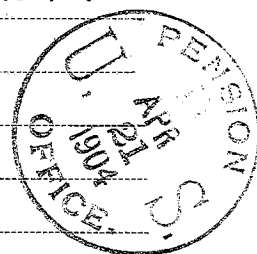
Mass.whose Post Office address is Acton Mass

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:

(Affiant should state how he gained a knowledge of the facts to which he testifies.)

*W.D.S.*  
That the above named William E. Pike was personally known to me as a resident of Acton at the time of his enlistment in Co B 1<sup>st</sup> Mass Cavalry. That I was Clerk of the Town of Acton during the period covered by the Civil War. that the fact of his enlistment in Co B, 1<sup>st</sup> Mass Cavalry is also known to me, by the Military Records of Acton made by me.

That I have known Wm E. Pike since the Civil War and that to the best of my knowledge and belief he has never been engaged in the Military or Naval service of the United States except in Co B, 1<sup>st</sup> Mass Cavalry and Co L, 21<sup>st</sup> Pa Cavalry



I further declares that I have no interest in said case and I am not concerned in its prosecution.

(If Affiant signs by mark, two persons who write, signs here)

William D Tuttle  
(Signature of Affiant.)

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Certified as J. P. on file  
[L. S.] with Dub's Washington

Horace F. Tuttle  
(Signature.)  
Justice of the Peace  
(Official Character.)

Filed to cover date.  
S. B. M. J. Ex. East. Div.

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☒ No Revenue Stamps Required.

W. O. S. S.  
Act of June 27, 1890, Carroll  
Orig. No. 1,141,410

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

CLAIM OF

Wm. E. Pike, alias  
George Jackson

Co. 2 1st Reg't Pa Cav. Vols.  
REPLY TO CALL

Dec 28 - 1903

no other service

Wm D. Luttrell  
Louisiana

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ATTORNEYS

WASHINGTON, D. C.

"Next after Special"

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(Old No. 3-448.)

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## TO SPECIAL EXAMINER'S REPORT.

*William E. Pike*  
*Blaim of alias George Jackson* } orig. No. 1141410

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Invalid Pension Claim, Orig. No. 1,141,410  
William E. Pike alias George Jackson  
Co. B. 21<sup>st</sup> Pa. Vol. Cavy.

P. O. address:

Ashland, Middlesex Co. Mass.

Basis: Claims pension under Act of June 27<sup>th</sup> 1890

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Mansfield Ohio Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> 1903

Hon. E. F. Ware

Commissioner of Pensions

Washington D C.

Sir:

I have the honor to return herewith  
all the papers in the above entitled claim,  
and to submit my report as follows:

The papers were referred to the S. E. Div.  
for special examination, to determine the  
soldier's identity and to ascertain if he recd.  
town or state bounty for enlistment in  
in the 21<sup>st</sup> Pa. Vol. Cavy. in Aug. 1863- he  
having deserted from a former service; -  
and came to me, notice waived, for  
further examination, to secure  
the testimony of Henry S. Weaver - a  
former member of claimant's Co. and  
Regt. - as to questions at issue.

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I have to report that the desired  
witness is a man of good repute

P.S. This case being among those designated "Next after Special" it was taken up in connection with work I was doing on a "Spec" but without consuming any appreciable extra time - and saving some expense of travel. H.R. McAlmont, Spec. Exr.

and his statement - Deposition "A" hereto attached, is entitled to full "faith and credit." It will be observed that he has never seen claimant since Feb'y 1864, hence has never known him except under the name of George Jackson; but he (the witness) knew claimant well in the service and readily recalled the fact that he only remained in Co. L. 21<sup>st</sup> Pa. Vol. Cavy. during its 6 months service, from Aug. 1863 until Feb'y 1864 - (when said Regt. was on duty in Pa. as shown by the records - and testimony of other witnesses) and deponent well remembered that claimant declined to re-enter the service (in Feb'y 1864) when it was known that the Regt. would be taken to the front and into "the enemy's country," and that he gave, as an excuse, that he had been in the Confederate service and had deserted. Of course - in the light of claimant's admissions to the Special Examiner it can now be readily understood that he was no doubt in fear of apprehension as a deserter from Co. B. 1<sup>st</sup> Mass. Cavy. - instead of being in fear of falling into the hands of the Confederates.

Deponent enlisted at same time (Aug. 1863) and at same locality and in same service with claimant - and corroborates the other witnesses as to the fact that no bounty was paid them at that enlistment.

It seems to be conclusively shown that claimant received no bounty - and as his identity also appears to be established by the evidence now in the case I recommend that the claim be referred to the Chief of the Board of Review for consideration.

Very respectfully  
H.R. McAlmont  
Special Examiner



3-289.  
(Old No. 3-446.)DEPOSITION *A*Case of *William E. Pike alias Geo. Jackson*, No. *1,141,410*

On this *23<sup>rd</sup>* day of *Nov.*, 1903, at *Shelby*, county of *Richland*, State of *Ohio*, before me, *H. P. McLaughlin*, a special examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared

*Henry S. Weaver*, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this special examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says: I am *61* years old - Carpenter by Trade - P.O. and residence #14 Sharon St. Shelby Ohio. - I was a Corporal in Co. L. 21<sup>st</sup> Pa. Vol. Cav.

I first enlisted in said Co. & Regt. in Aug. 1863 - when it was a 6 months organization - and ~~at~~ <sup>before</sup> the expiration of said six months I again enlisted in same Co. & Regt. for 3 years (that was in Feby. 1864.)

Yes I knew George Jackson who was a corporal in the 6<sup>th</sup> months service above mentioned (Co L. 21<sup>st</sup> Pa. Vol. Cav.) from Aug. 1863 to Feby 1864. Yes I knew him well - and know it was generally understood that he declined to re-enlist because he was a deserter - but as we understood and believed he was a deserter from the Confederate Service - and I did not know that he had ever been in any organization in the Union Army before his enlistment in Aug. 1863 - as just stated.

Q? What bounty did he receive - if any - either State - local, or from the general government at the time he enlisted in Co. L. 21<sup>st</sup> Pa. Cav. in Aug. 1863?

Ans. If my memory serves me correctly - we received no bounty at the time we enlisted in the 21<sup>st</sup> Pa. Cav. in 1863 - for

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The reason that it was only a six months service - and according to my best recollection we rec'd. no bounty of any kind at that (1863) enlistment.

No - I never knew claimant under the name of Pike. No - I have never seen him since we separated at the expiration of his six months service.

Yes - we received a \$400 bounty at time we enlisted in Feby 1864 - but the claimant did not take that enlistment - Therefore he got no bounty.

No I have no interest and have heard this statement read over - am not related - and my answers are correctly recorded.

Henry S Weaver

Deponent

No - I did not recognize the picture you showed me at first - but after examining it carefully can say I believe it to be the picture of the George Jackson I knew in Co. B. 21<sup>st</sup> Pa. from Aug. 1863 until 1864 as before mentioned.

Henry S Weaver

Deponent

Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 23 day of Nov., 1903, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

H. P. M. Calmont

Special Examiner.

3-296.  
(Old No. 3-450.)

S. E. D.

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Orig. No. 1,141,410  
Claimant: William E. Pike alias  
and George Jackson  
Soldier:  
P. O. address: Ashland  
County: Middlesex State: Mass  
Recommendation: reference to Chief  
of Board of Review.  
A. M. Calmont  
Special Examiner.

REFERENCE.

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Respectfully referred to Chief of  
Board of Review for consideration.

A. L. CRAIG,  
Chief, S. E. Division.

Chief S. E. Division.

RECOMMENDATION.

Dec 15th, 1903.  
Admission.

Wm. H. Karlan  
Reviewer.

ACTION.

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Commissioner.

DIVISION.

3-313.  
(Old No. 3-513.)

FMR, Rev'r.

Soldier *Wm. E. Pike* *Lin. Co. Jackson*  
*Co. No. 1141410*  
*Co. 21, 21, Reg't Pa. Vol. leav.*  
*P. O. Ashland, Mass.*  
*Discharged* *Aug* *1863*  
*Disability incurred* *✓* *18*

Department of the Interior,  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C., *September 10, 1903*

CHIEF, RECORD DIVISION.

Please furnish the names and post-office addresses of officers and comrades of  
*Co. 21, 21, Reg't Pa. Vol. leav.*, for use in above case.

*H. A. Strait*

Chief, Special Examination Division.

RECEIVED  
SEP 17 1903  
S. E. D.

NAME.	RANK.	PRESENT P. O. ADDRESS.	WITNESS ACCOUNTED FOR BY—
<i>Henry Weaver</i>		<i>Shelby, Richland Co. Ohio.</i>	
<i>Leander French</i>		<i>Not on file.</i>	
<i>Henry Leach</i>		<i>" " "</i>	
<i>Lynard Hancock</i>		<i>" " "</i>	
<i>Robert L. Myers Myers</i>		<i>10 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Waynesboro. Pa.</i>	
<i>Isaac Flimning</i>		<i>Ogilby, San Diego Co. Cal.</i>	
<i>John W. Whitcomb</i>		<i>Dead.</i>	
<i>Isaac Shuman</i>		<i>Not on file.</i>	
<i>Henry Hallett</i>		<i>Franklin, Venango Co. Pa.</i>	
<i>Edward B. Schrader</i>		<i>13. Bolton St. Dayton, Ohio.</i>	
<i>Daniel Bridgman</i>		<i>Dead.</i>	

Respectfully returned to Chief, Special Examination Division, with the desired  
 information as far as known.

*G. C. Krieff*

Chief, Record Division.

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*To Case*

SPECIAL EXAMINATION DIVISION.

LIS OF  
OFFICERS AD COMRADES

*Co. L, 21<sup>st</sup> Reg't Pa. Cav.*

FOR USE IN CLAIM

*Orig. No. 114140,*

WASHINGTON, D. C. \_\_\_\_\_, 190\_\_\_\_\_

For the information the Special Examiner to whom this case has been referred for investigation, the accompanying list of officers and comrades who served in the same military organization with the claimant and whom inquiry is to be made, together with their last known post-office addresses, is furnished. The Special Examiner will not confine his inquiries to this list of comrades, but will seek others if necessary.

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Chief of Division.

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*Claim of* William E. Pike alias George Jackson

No. I, 141, 410[illegible]

3-1876.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS,  
WASHINGTON, D. C.,

Orig. Inv. I, I4I, 4I0  
William E. Pike alias  
George Jackson  
Co. L, 2I Pa. Cav.

Claimant's Post Office Address: Ashland, Middlesex County, Mass.

Reading, Pa., October 3I, I903.

The Commissioner of Pensions,

Sir:

I have the honor to return the papers in the above cited claim with this report.

This claim, under the act of June 27, I890, was referred for special examination to determine identity and whether the soldier received any bounty.

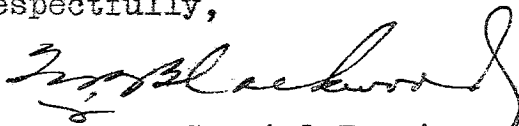
The case came to me, notice waived, for further examination in Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, as to identity and merits.

Herewith is submitted the testimony of J. Wesley Smith, Mary E. Lambert and James W. McCune. Comment upon the same appears unnecessary.

Further examination as to identity and merits is respectfully recommended for the testimony of

Henry S. Weaver, Shelby, Richland County, Ohio.

Very respectfully,

  
Special Examiner.

3-289.  
(Old No. 3-446.)DEPOSITION *W*Case of *William E. Pike*, No. *1141410*

On this *20<sup>th</sup>* day of *October*, 190*3*, at  
*Heatherly*, county of *Carbon*  
 State of *Pennsylvania*, before me, *H. P. Blackwood*, a  
 special examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared *J.*  
*Mesley Smith*, who, being by me first duly sworn to  
 answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this special  
 examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

*Age 66 years - a machinist. Post office*  
*address Heatherly, Pa.*

*I was never in army or navy*

Q *There is shown photograph on file in the*  
*case and without being informed as to whom*  
*the same purports to represent is asked*  
*Who is that man?*

A *William E. Pike of Ashland, Mass. He*  
*is a brother-in-law of mine being married*  
*to my sister*

*I first became acquainted with said Pike*  
*during the civil war but I am unable now*  
*to state the year. When I became acquainted*  
*with him he was serving in a cavalry regiment*  
*which was stationed about Janesville and*  
*Audubon, Pa. It was a Pa. cav. regiment.*  
*At that time I lived at Milnesville about*  
*five miles from Janesville and the cavalry*  
*regiment to which he belonged served papers*  
*on residents of the community that the*  
*U. S. marshals were supposed to serve but*  
*were prevented from doing so because of the*  
*better feeling in the community. I was drafted*  
*but I do not remember now that Pike*  
*served notice of the draft on me. The*  
*members of this regiment scattered all*  
*through that section and it was during*  
*the time that he was with the regiment*  
*and while the draft was going on I became*



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acquainted with him. I can't state the year but it was during the drafts in which the drafted men were permitted to pay \$300 - exemption if they did not desire to do service.

When I became acquainted with Pike he was going under the name of George Jackson. After his discharge from the army he came back to this section and worked as an engineer at Tullahoma, Pa. and while there married my sister Martha J. Smith under the name of George Jackson. They lived in this vicinity for two or three years when they went to Massachusetts. After they went to Massachusetts I used to write to them and addressed him as William E. Pike. I never knew but that George Jackson was his correct name till after he went back to Massachusetts. He lived in this section under the name of George Jackson. I learned that George Jackson was an assumed name and that William E. Pike was his correct name through correspondence with him after he moved to Massachusetts.

I have no knowledge or information as to why he assumed the name of George Jackson. I have no information that he was a deserter from army or service or that he even

J. Wesley Smith

Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20 day of October, 190<sup>3</sup>, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

W. S. [Signature]

Special Examiner.

3-289.  
(Old No. 3-446.)DEPOSITION *A*Case of *William Pike*, No. *1141410*On this *1* day of *Dec*, 190*3*, atState of *Pa*, before me, *J. Wesley Smith*, a  
special examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared*William Pike*, who, being by me first duly sworn to  
answer truly all interrogatories propounded to ~~be~~ during this special  
examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:*served in the Confederate Army.**His Army buddies used to say  
he was a relative of Stonewall  
Jackson.**Questions understood. answers were  
recorded**J. Wesley Smith**Sworn and subscribed before me October  
20, 1903 and I certify that the contents  
were fully made known to deponent before  
signing**James Howard**Special Examiner*

3-289.  
(Old No. 3-446.)DEPOSITION BCase of William E. Lake, No. 1441410

On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1903, at  
Coplay, county of Lehigh  
State of Pennsylvania; before me, W. P. Blackwood, a  
special examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared Mary  
E. Lambert, who, being by me first duly sworn to  
answer truly all interrogatories propounded to her during this special  
examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

age 60 years. a housekeeper. Post office  
address Coplay Shiles, Pa.

Witness is shown photograph on file in the  
case and without being informed as to whom the  
same purports to represent is asked

Q Do you recognize that as a picture of any  
man you ever knew?

A Yes I do. I got acquainted with that man  
at Millnesville near Hazleton Pa about the  
year 1863 when he was serving as a soldier  
under the name of Jackson - I think George  
Jackson. He was serving in what was called  
a home guard regiment but I don't know the  
letter of his company or the number of his  
regiment. My recollection is that it was a  
cavalry regiment.

His company was stationed at Suderoud Pa  
about 8 miles from Millnesville and while he  
was stationed there the soldiers would scatter  
all over that region and Jackson as he was  
then known used to visit a neighbor of mine  
at Millnesville named York and through his  
visits to the York family I became acquainted  
with him. The soldiers were in that vicinity  
a few months and when they left they went  
to Chambersburg Pa where as I understood they  
were discharged.

After his discharge Jackson came back to  
Millnesville and married a "Smith" girl and

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worked as a stationary engineer and was at Millersville when I left there. I have never seen him since. I left there the latter part of 1865.

A good many years ago but some years after I left Millersville I heard through a family named Mason who lived at Millersville that the man I knew there as George Jackson was named Pike. I don't remember what it was said his first name was. I simply heard this through neighborhood gossip. I never knew him as Pike till years after the war.

The only history I ever heard of him was that he had been a deserter from the rebel army and came over to the union side and took the oath of allegiance and joined the Chambersburg Co. with which he was serving. Yes it was said that he was a deserter from the rebel army and not from the United States army. I don't know who stated this and can't say whether it was he himself or some of his soldier comrades but it was either he or his comrades stated that fact in my presence.

You misunderstood me. I did not intend to say that I had not seen him since I left Millersville in 1865. Some years ago when the Epworth League met at Boston I visited him at Ashland, Mass and stayed with his family while the League convention was going on and I know that the man now living at Ashland Mass under the name of Pike is the same man I knew at Millersville as George Jackson. I have no interest in his prison claim. Questions understood. answers correctly recorded. Mary Mary E. Lambert <sup>Deponent.</sup>

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21 day of September 1903, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

J. S. Ackwood

Special Examiner.

3-289.  
(Old No. 3-446.)DEPOSITION *C*Case of *William E. Pike*, No. *1141410*

On this *13<sup>th</sup>* day of *October*, 190*3*, at  
*Lancaster*, county of *Lancaster*  
 State of *Pennsylvania*, before me, *St P. Blackwood*, a  
 special examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared *James*  
*W. McName*, who, being by me first duly sworn to  
 answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this special  
 examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says:

*Age 61 years - A solicitor and collector for*  
*New Era Publishing Co Pa. Post office*  
*address 355 2nd Queen st Lancaster Pa*

*I was a ~~private~~ Corporal Co H 21 Pa Inf.*  
*I enlisted August 1863 and discharged*  
*February 1864*

Q *This man is shown photograph on file in*  
*the case and without being informed as to*  
*whom the same purports to represent is*  
*asked. Do you recognize that as a*  
*picture of any man you ever knew.*

A *I do not.*

*I am unable to say whether the original*  
*of that picture was a member of Co H*  
*21 Pa. Cav.*

*I don't remember any George Jackson as*  
*a member of my company.*

*Our company was recruited at Chambersburg*  
*Pa and we were sent up into the coal*  
*regions of Pennsylvania to enforce the draft*  
*and we were encamped at Audenwick and*  
*Scranton Pa and scouted through the whole*  
*region. We returned to Chambersburg Pa where we*  
*were discharged. None of the company*  
*received any bounty. I was saddler of the*  
*company with rank of corporal*

*I have heard you read the claimants statement*  
*He is correct in regard to the movements of*  
*our company and the names of the officers of*

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the regiment and the company as well as the names of comrades though he has some of the names mixed. We had no First Duncan French and Cyrus Vauclair should be Joseph Vauclair. He is also correct in stating that one of the Lane brothers killed the other at Scranton. I am satisfied that the man who gave that statement must have been in our regiment but I now have no recollection of George Jackson a Corporal of the company.

I never knew any one by the name of William E. Pike.

Questions understood. Answers correctly recorded.

Our first Lieutenant was Thomas D French. I do not know what the "D" in his name stood for.

This is correctly written

James W. McNamee

Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13 day of October, 1903, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

James W. McNamee

Special Examiner.