

Officers Certificate of Disability

Lowell Mass Feby 10th 1879

I Charles A Stott late Major 6th Reg^t Mass Vol
 certify on honor that William Reed was a private
 of 66th 6th Reg^t Mass Vol and is as I am informed
 an applicant for an Invalid Pension; he was discharged
 by reason of expiration of term of service
 And I further certify that the said William Reed was in-
 jured in the neck and back at Suffolk Va by having
 a large quarter of Beef thrown from the Commissarys
 waygon upon his shoulder that crushed him to the ground
 he being the Regimental Butcher was in the line of duty
 I did not witness the accident but had the statement
 as above at the time and know he was in Hospital on
 that account from the time he was hurt in Dec 1862 or
 Jan'y 1863 (it was about the time of the Holidays but I cannot
 fix the time exactly) till he was discharged with the
 Regiment. I often saw him in Hospital but when
 Genl Longstreet besieged Suffolk Va with all the sick
 in Hospital was sent by order of Surg Busscham
 to the Genl Hospital at Harrison Va where he remained

till ordered to join his Regiment for mustering
out of service but never did any duty after the
injury

And I further certify that the said William Reed was
an uncommonly strong and able bodied man when
he entered the service and was always at duty
in distributing Meat Rations

Chas. A. Stott
Late Major 6th Mass Vols.

State of Massachusetts }
County Middlesex }

On this tenth day of February 1879
personally appeared before me the above named
Charles A. Stott — to me well known
and whom I believe to be respectable and entitled to
credit and subscribed and made oath to the
 foregoing statement and that he has no interest
in the application of the said soldier for a pension
and I further certify that I have no interest in said
application

Charles R. Belvidere
Justice of the Peace

Officer's Certificate of Disability.

Name and rank of officer.

Give date and reason of discharge; or, if not known, so state.

Here state fully the time, place and manner in which the wound or other injury was received, or disease contracted, and whether in the service and LINE OF DUTY or otherwise, and if the statement is from personal knowledge, acquired by actual presence at the time.

Here state soldier's condition at the time of enlistment, and if unsound, from what suffering.

Signature of officer, with rank.

Put place and date here.

I, *Aaron C Handley* of Company *E* of the *6th* Regiment of *Massachusetts* Vol., certify on honor that *William Reed* was a *private*

in my company, and is, as I am informed, an applicant for an Invalid Pension; that *he was injured in the neck and back by removing meat from the Muzzoon of Commissary for which he was discharged*

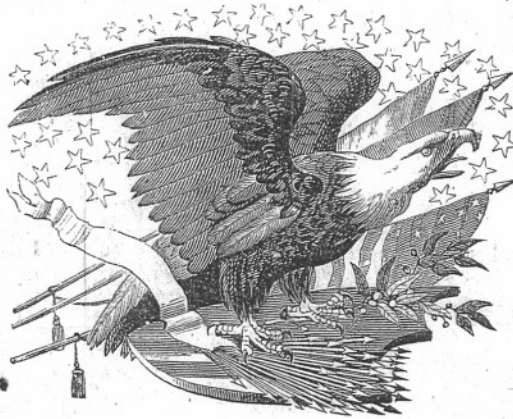
And I further Certify, that the said *William Reed* was injured in *Jan'y 1863 at Suffolk Va by having a quarter of Beef thrown upon his neck and head so as to throw his head over forward with such force as nearly to break his neck and paralyze his body disabling him from duty during the remainder of his enlistment. I further certify that he was detailed for that duty for obtaining meat at Commissary department where he was injured and that he was in line of duty at the time and that I saw him every day or nearly so and knew of his injury personally*

And that the said *Wm Reed* was sound and well at the time of enlistment and that I had known him always *before* he entered the service

Aaron C Handley
Capt Co. *E*, *6th* Regiment *Mass* *Vol*

OVER!

To all whom it may



Concern



Know ye, That William Reed a

Private of Captain Aaron C Handley's
Company, (C.) Sixth Regiment of Infantry Massachusetts
VOLUNTEERS who was enrolled on the Twenty fifth day of August
one thousand eight hundred and sixty three to serve seven years or
during the war, is hereby **Discharged** from the service of the United States,
this thirce day of June, 1863, at Lowell
Massachusetts by reason of term of enlistment having expired.
(No objection to his being re-enlisted is known to exist.)*

Said William Reed was born in Littleton
in the State of Massachusetts, is 41 years of age,
5 feet 11 3/4 inches high, Light complexion, Gray eyes,
Auburn hair, and by occupation, when enrolled, a Batcher

Given at Lowell this thirce day of
June 1863.

* This sentence will be erased should there be anything
in the conduct or physical condition of the soldier
rendering him unfit for the Army.

[A. G. O. No. 99.]

Aaron C Handley
Capt Co C
Sixth Regt Mass Vols

Robt P. McKim
1st Lt 4 Inf
Commanding the Reg't.

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Additional
AFFIDAVIT.

State of Massachusetts }
County of Middlesex } SS.

In the matter of the claim for William Reed
of Acton in said County and State aforesaid

of Company E, 6 Regiment Massachusetts Vols.:

Personally came before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for
aforesaid County and State, Walter Burnham Surgeon and citizen of the City
of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts

whom I believe to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation
to aforesaid claim, as follows:

That the Claimant William Reed of Co. E.
6th Regt Mass Vol when enlisted was one of the strongest
men in the Regiment and never was sick till he
was injured, for which he claims a pension. He also
states that said Wm Reed was detailed as Butcher
for the Regiment and in the line of his duty he
was required to receive his meat rations of the Post
Commissary at such times as was needed for
distribution with the companies in Camp and
also for Hospital use in the ratio of the number
in Hospital. He further states that as the Hospital
was between the Commissary and the Regiment at
Camp he the said Reed always or generally stop-
ped there before going to Camp and was always
seen there and was as familiarly known as any
man could be and that he was well and strong
till he was brought to the Hospital near the last days
of December 1862. He further states that he was called
to the door of Hospital to direct which ward to place
him in, and that he was insensible or nearly so
lying on a stretcher. He further declares that he
the Affiant did not have charge of him after as he
was sick himself and had a leave of absence at Christmas,
but no transportation till Jan'y 17th 1863 and did not
again report for duty till March 18th when he found
said Reed still in Hospital & till discharged. No one
went with him after Meat except the driver of the team
supposed to be Clark who is now dead.

further declare that he has no interest in said case, and is not concerned
in its prosecution.

Daniel Webster

Signature
of
Affiants.

Walter Burnham

AFFIDAVIT.



State of Massachusetts }
 County of Middlesex } SS.

In the matter of the claim for a Pension
 of William Reed of Acton Middlesex County
State of Massachusetts
 of Company E., 6th Regiment Massachusetts Vols:

Personally came before me, a Walter Burnham a Surgeon in and for
 aforesaid County and State, of Mass, citizen of
Dorset, in the County of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts,

whom I believe to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation
 to aforesaid claim, as follows:

That he has carefully examined
Wm Reed a private in Co E (Cap. 1st Regt. Mass Vol
who is now applicant for a Pension for the following
reasons that while at Suffolk Va and in the line of duty
being a Butcher and detailed for service under the Commissary
and upon unloading quarters of Beef from the ^{Cox} ~~Cox~~ ^{Wagon} ~~Wagon~~ ^{one} ~~one~~ ^{weighing}
250 lbs was thrown upon his shoulder which crushed
his head over forward & to one side straining the ligaments
of the neck and back and greatly crushing his body
under the weight and straining the lumbar region
to a dangerous extent and he was brought to the Regimental
Hospital on a stretcher where he remained till he
was ordered to a general Hospital near Norfolk and
remained there till he was ordered home to be
mustered out of service. He has never been well
since and several times visited me for treatment
with but temporary benefit and in my judgment
his injuries are permanent and will increase in
severity as his age advances. I would also certify
that near the base of the skull there is a swelling
or tumor that has been there since the injury
and is increasing and painful.

In my judgment he is entitled to a Pension of
Twelve Dollars per Month as he is unable to perform
any labor for support.

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

Signature
 of
 Affiants.

Walter Burnham
Late Surgeon, 6th Mass Vol, 7th

AFFIDAVIT.

State of Massachusetts }
 County of Middlesex } SS.

In the matter of the claim for a Pension for William Reed
 of Acton

of Company E Sixth Regiment Massachusetts Vols.:

Personally came before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for
 aforesaid County and State, Isaac W. Flegg John White, citizen of
Acton, in the County of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts

whom I believe to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn, declare in relation to
 aforesaid claim, as follows:

that the said William Reed at the
date of his discharge was injured in his neck and back
and has been unable to work any year since his discharge
and it is not probable that he ever can do any labour
while he lives and we have lived neighbours to him
for a great many years before he went to war and since;
and previous to going to war he was an able bodied
man but since has been very unwell



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

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 Attest—when any affiant signs by MARK, 2 persons sign here.

Signature
 of
 Affiants.

{ Isaac W. Flegg
John White

(OVER)

AFFIDAVIT.

State of Massachusetts }
County of Middlesex } SS.

In the matter of the claim for Pension
of William Reed of Acton in the County of Middlesex
and State of Massachusetts
of Company E, 6th Regiment Massachusetts Vols.:

Personally came before me, a JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, in and for
aforesaid County and State, citizen
of Acton, in the County of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts
whom I believe to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn, declare in relation to
aforesaid claim, as follows:

My place of residence three years previous to going to war was
in Acton and has been every year since my discharge and
my occupation previous to going to war was Stone mason and
Butchering. Since my discharge I have not been able to do
any manual labour have tried to work but my head neck and
back troubles me all the time so I am not able to work
I was hurt in the war by a quarter of Beef falling upon my
head neck and back from the Army Wagon while I was delivering
Beef rations to the Regiment. Doct Walter Burnham of Lowell
was the Regimental Surgeon treated me while I was in the
Regimental Hospital at Suffolk and I was removed
after some time to the Hospital near Fort Trenchard and
was in both Hospitals several months since I was discharged Doct
Doct Charles Little Doct Harris Cowdry both of Acton Doct Reed
me up to Spring 1875 and both are dead since their death
Doct Walter Burnham of Lowell now living has treated
me for the last four years in the Spring of 1875 I had such severe
acute attack in my neck head and back did not sit up one
minute for several weeks Doct Cowdry doctored me at that
time twice before I got well and his son Arthur Cowdry Doct
me over twice that Spring and I think he now lives in Stoneham
Mass

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

Signature
of
Affiants.

William Reed

AFFIDAVIT.

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State of Massachusetts } SS.
 County of Middlesex

In the matter of the claim for Original Pension
 of Wm Reed a private

of Company E 6th Regiment Mass Vols.:

Personally came before me, a JUSTICE OF THE PEACE Walter Bunker in and for
~~aforesaid County and State, a~~ Physician of regular Standing, citizen of
Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts

whom I believe to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn, declare in relation to
 aforesaid claim, as follows:

That I am well acquainted with
William Reed late a private as aforesaid and said
affiant declares that he was Surgeon of the 6th Mass
Vol of which said Wm Reed was a private during
the period of 9 months for which said Reed enlisted
and served. And further said affiant declares that
said Wm Reed was well and strong and was detailed
as Butcher for the 6th Regiment in Sept 1863
and performed said duties of Butcher till Jan'y 1864
(exact date not known) and often affiant declares he
had seen him handle whole quarters of Beef without any
complaint till some time after the Holidays he (Reed)
reported at the Hospital for an injury of the neck
and back in consequence of having had a large quarter
of Beef weighing over two hundred (200) pounds thrown
from the Commissary's Wagon upon his shoulder and
dropped over on his back and thus crushing him down
upon the ground where he was helped up and taken to
the Regimental Hospital upon a stretcher. Affiant
further declares that said Wm Reed was confined to
the Hospital till April when he was sent to General
Hospital at Hampton under a General Order where
he remained till ordered back for muster out of service
Affiant further states he was never able to perform any duty
after he was injured till mustered out

Affiant further states that the Commissary's Office was not
with or near the 6th Regiment consequently no Officer
could be there to see it and the Com was with him and helped
to carry him to Hospital is dead

Affiant also further declares that said Wm Reed was
Enlisted as Butcher instead being Detailed as above
stated. Further Affiant declares that said Reed
was one of the soundest and strongest men in
the Regiment until he was injured. Affiant also
further states that he has been the Medical attendant

1001001 when said Wm Reed was a private during
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 and served. And further said Affiant declares that
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 after he was injured till mustered out.

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 with or near the 6th Regiment consequently no Officer
 could be there to see it and the Comd'r was with him and helped
 to carry him to Hospital is dead.

Affiant also further declares that said Wm Reed was
 Enlisted as Butcher instead being Detailed as above
 stated. Further Affiant declares that said Reed
 was one of the soundest and strongest men in
 the Regiment until he was injured. Affiant also
 further states that he has been the Medical attendant
 for said Wm Reed since the time of the injury
 to the present date and that he has never been
 free from Spinal Meningitis caused by the afore
 said injury while on duty at Suffolk Va while
 receiving Meat Rations from the Commissary
 Department.

Affiant further declares that he has no interest in said case, and is not concerned
 in its prosecution.

Signature
 of
 Affiants.

Walter Brinkham late Surgeon (1st Regt.)

To the Commission of Pensions

In the application of Wm. Reed for a Pension No. 254,657 I find that my certificate was not accepted because I was absent on leave in Jan'y 1863. I had my leave forwarded to me in December/62 but I was unable to obtain transportation at first and I find that I did not arrive home till Jan'y 16th and I now well remember of being there the 7th day of Jan'y and I am almost sure he was injured Dec. 27th 1862 as his last issue of meat to the Hospital was Dec. 26th and there is no record^{now} of his issuing meat after that to any of the Companies.

I further certify that he was under my personal care from March 18 to April 23 when I sent him to the Genl. Hospital at Hampton Va. and after his return to the Regiment to be mustered out of service. His first treatment was rest under Quinies and soon was ordered a sweat

on account of the severe pain all over
him with Liniments and plaster locally
I had him changed into my Cook-house to
give him a warm room to sleep in to
relieve his neuralgia This was done
soon after I returned to duty March 18th 48

The Hospital was under my control & care as the
Regimental Camp was near a mile away
I have no interest in this claim

Walter Burnham M.D.
late Surgeon 6th Mass Regt Vol

90, Lowell Mass

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 11th day of
February 1879 and I certify that the affiant is well
known to me as a physician in good standing
and I have no interest direct or indirect in the
prosecution of this claim

Charles R. Blaisdell
Justice of the Peace
authority on file in Commissioners office

Wm
Daly

AFFIDAVIT.



State of *Massachusetts* } SS.

County of *Middlesex*

In the matter of the claim for *William Reed*
of *Acton* of said County & State aforesaid

of Company *E* 6th Regiment *Mass Vol* Vols.:

Personally came before me, a *Jurshy of the Peace* in and for
aforesaid County and State, *Walter Burnham* a Surgeon & citizen
of *the City of Lowell*, in the County of *Middlesex*, State of *Massachusetts*

whom I believe to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn, declares in relation to
aforesaid claim, as follows:

*That the claimant Wm. Reed when
injured was on duty detailed as a Butcher for the
aforesaid 6th Regt and was absent from 1/2 to one
mile from his command at the Post Commissary
to obtain his meat rations when a large quarter
of Beef was thrown upon him crushing him
to the ground where he laid till he was put on
a stretcher and brought to the Regimental Ho.
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pital in ~~May~~ ^{the} ~~affidant~~ ^{charge} about the last of Dec^r by
1862. Affiant also states that he left the Post
June 1st (on leave of absence) 1863 and did not re-
turn again till March 18th when he again reported
for duty. None of the comrades of the claimant ever
went with him for meat except for carrying
the meat and no one knows who, as said Reed
forgot all things then and never resumed his
military afterwards.*

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

Signature
of
Affiants.

Walter Burnham

Attest—when any affiant signs by MARK, 2 persons sign here.

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AFFIDAVIT.

State of Massachusetts }
 County of Middlesex } SS.

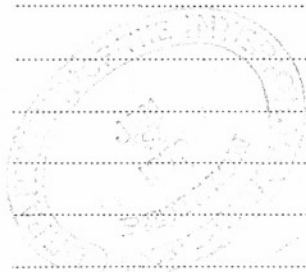
In the matter of the claim for Original Pension
 of William Reed a private (enlisted as a Butcher)

of Company E. Sixth Regiment Massachusetts Vols.:

Personally came before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for
 aforesaid County and State, W. P. Farnington & Lewis Brown citizens of
Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, State of Mass

whom I believe to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn, declares in relation to
 aforesaid claim, as follows:

They were in the aforesaid 6th Regt
Mass Vet and knew Wm Reed a Butcher and
knew him to be a strong man and doing duty
regularly till he was shot to be injured in Jan'y
1864. We did not see him hurt but had all
the evidence that others could give of the manner
in which he was injured to wit that Suffolk Va
where the 6th Regt was stationed he had a large quarter
of Beef thrown upon his shoulder that crushed
him to the ground and that he never was able
to do duty after but confined in and about the
Regimental Hospital till April when he was
sent with others to the General Hospital
at Hampton Va. He was in the discharge of
his duty receiving rations at the time



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

Signature
 of
 Affiants.

W. P. Farnington
Lewis Brown

Attest — when any affiant signs by MARK, 2 persons sign here.

(OVER)

Officer's Certificate of Disability.

Name and
rank of officer.Give date and
reason of dis-
charge; or, if
not known, so
state.Here state
fully the time,
place and
manner in
which the
wound or
other injury
was received,
or disease con-
tracted, and
whether in the
service and
LINE OF DUTY
or otherwise,
and if the
statement is
from personal
knowledge, ac-
quired by
actual presence
at the time.Here state
soldier's con-
dition at the
time of enlist-
ment, and if
unsound, from
what suffer-
ing.Signature of
officer, with
rank.

Put place and date here.

Lowell Dec 21 1878

I, James W. Hart Captain of Company D of the
Sixth Regiment of Mass Vols certify on honor
that William Reed was a Butcher in the Sixth
Regiment in my company, and is, as I am informed, an applicant for an Invalid Pension; that he was
discharged at expiration of term of enlistment
and mustered out with the Regiment

And I further Certify, that the said Wm Reed was injured
at Suffolk Va by means of having a Quarter of Beef
thrown upon his neck and back which broke
him down while receiving meat Rations from
the Commissary requiring him to be taken
to the Hospital on a Stretcher. He never recovered
so as to leave the Hospital till he was mustered
out of service. He was strong and well
previous to the injury but always lame and
sick afterwards. I knew of the injury by
seeing him often in Hospital and hearing the
statement from others who saw and assisted
him but did not see the accident

And that the said,

when he entered the service there was not a stronger and more
able bodied in the Regiment at enlistment

James W. Hart
Captain Co. D Sixth Regiment Mass Vols

[OVER]

ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES



CERTIFICATE OF DISABILITY FOR DISCHARGE.

(To be used, in duplicate, in all cases of discharge on account of disability.)

William Reed a *Private* of Captain *Aaron C. Mordley*
 Company, (*C*) of the *Sixth* Regiment of *United States*
 was enlisted by *Capt. Aaron C. Mordley* of
 the *Sixth* Regiment of *Infantry* at *Acton, Mass.*
 on the *Twenty-fifth* day of *August* 1862, to serve *him* ~~years~~ *years*; he was born
 in *Littleton* in the State of *Massachusetts* is *41*
 years of age, *5* feet *11 3/4* inches high, *Light* complexion, *Gray* eyes,
Auburn hair, and by occupation when enlisted a *Butcher* During the last two
 months said soldier has been unfit for duty *60* days. (Here consult directions on Form 12, p. 269, Medical Dept. Gen. Reg.)

STATION: *Suffolk Co.*
 DATE: *March 22^d 1868.*

Aaron C. Mordley Capt. Commanding Company. *C*

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

Surgeon.

DISCHARGED, this _____ day of _____ 186 , at _____

Commanding the Post.

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

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

Town—

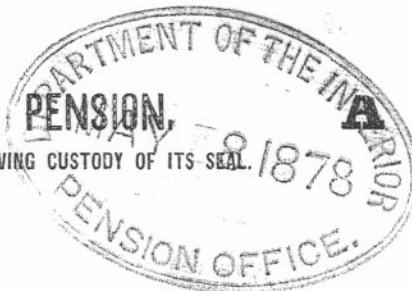
County—

State—

(DUPLICATES.)

DECLARATION FOR ORIGINAL INVALID PENSION.

TO BE EXECUTED BEFORE A COURT OF RECORD OR SOME OFFICER THEREOF HAVING CUSTODY OF ITS SEAL.



State of Massachusetts
Suffolk County, } SS.

On this Eight day of April, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, personally appeared before me, Clint of the Municipal Court of the City of Boston, a court of record within and for the County and State aforesaid, William Reed aged 56 years, a resident of the Town of Acton, county of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical William Reed who was ENROLLED on the 25th day of August, 1862, in Company "E" of the 6th Regiment of Mass Vol, commanded by Captain Handley and was honorably DISCHARGED at Lowell Mass on the third day of June, 1863; that his personal description is as follows: Age, 56 years; height 5 feet 11 3/4 inches; complexion, Light; hair, Gray; eyes, Gray.

That while a member of the organization aforesaid, in the service and in the line of his duty at Suffolk, in the State of Virginia, on or about the ... day of January, 1863, he was injured by the falling

Here state name or nature of disease, or the location of wound or injury. If disabled by

from an army wagon of a quarter of Beef
upon him the weight of which was two hundred
and fifty pounds; that he being a Butcher
was detailed in the Commissary Department
and was so engaged in the line of his duty in
unloading the Beef when the injury was sustained

That he was treated in hospitals as follows: Regimental Hospital

Here state the names or numbers, and the localities of all hospitals in which treated, and the dates

and General Hospital at Old Point Comfort

Virginia until sent to his Regt for discharge

That he has ... been employed in the military or naval service otherwise than as stated above ...

Here state what

A previous service of three months in same
the service was, whether prior or subsequent to that stated above, and the dates at which it began and ended.

Company & Regiment which is all the service he has

That since leaving the service this applicant has resided in the Town of Acton

in the State of Massachusetts, and his occupation has been that of a Farmer

That prior to his entry into the service above named he was a man of good, sound, physical health, being when enrolled a Butcher & Stone worker. That he is now permanently disabled from obtaining his subsistence by

manual labor by reason of his injuries, above described, received in the service of the United States; and he therefore makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the invalid pension roll of the United States.

He hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation, Samuel General

of Mass Boston Mass, his true and lawful attorney

to prosecute his claim. That he has never received nor applied for a Pension. That his

POST OFFICE ADDRESS is Acton county of Middlesex

State of Massachusetts

Claimant's signature, William Reed

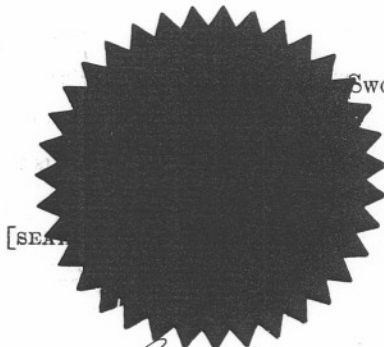
ATTEST: _____

permanently disabled. I think has pain and weakness in neck back and arm the spine; that his disabilities were produced solely by the injury above

the respondent of the neck and back and arm the spine; that his disabilities were produced solely by the injury above

Also personally appeared Albert Hagar, residing at Lincoln, Mass.
 and William Sawyer, residing at Shabun, persons whom I
 certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say they were present and saw
William Reed, the claimant, sign his name (or make his mark) to the
 foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of said claimant and their
 acquaintance with him, that he is the identical person he represents himself to be; and that they have no interest
 in the prosecution of this claim.

Albert Hagar
William G Sawyer
 (Signatures of Witnesses.)



Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24 day of April,
 A. D. 1878, and I hereby certify that the contents of the above decla-
 ration, &c., 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.

*and the seal of said Court on the day and
 year last above written*

J. J. Connelly
 (Official character.)

CLAIM FOR PENSION

ORIGINAL.



William Reed Applicant,
Priv. Co., 8th Regt.
Mass Militia - Vols.

Enlisted..... 18
 Discharged..... 18



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COMMISSIONER OF MASSACHUSETTS
 Surgeon General's Office,
 BOSTON,

The claimant's identity and loyalty must be proven by two witnesses, certified by the judicial officer to be respectable and credible, who are present and witness the signature of the declarant, and certify to his identity and loyalty under oath or affirmation.

Declarations and other papers should be as legible and clear in statement as possible.

Where any evidence is already on file in any Department of the Government, a definite description of and specific reference to it will render it available in any subsequent claim.

The POST OFFICE ADDRESS (naming street and number in all large cities) of the applicant, attorney, and witnesses, should be embodied in or accompany every application, and all evidence in each claim; and each change of residence of said parties, while communicating with the Pension Office or the pension agents, should be stated.

The fees for the prosecution of claims for pensions will not be allowed to exceed twenty-five dollars; no part of which is payable before the certificate for the pension has been issued.

Pensions are, by law, exempted from any liability on account of the obligations of the pensioners, and no lien upon them can be recognized.

Testimony in support of allegations made in a declaration may be taken before any officer whose authority and signature are duly certified, and who shall disclaim any interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of the claim.

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Clunt swears that after discharge Dr. Chas Little, and Dr. Cowdry, both of Acta treated him until the spring of 1875 and that both are dead. Since their death Dr. Walter Burdshaw of Lowell, has treated for the last four years. Dr. Arthur Cowden son of aforesaid Dr. Cowdry treated him twice in the spring of 1875. Clunt thinks the Doctor now lives in Stoughton, Mass.

Filed May 28-1879.

In Service.

Caran C. Handley Capt. Co. E. 6th Mass. Vol. testifies that Clunt was injured in the neck and back by unloading meat from a wagon. Clunt was injured in Jan 1863, at Suffolk Va, by having a quarter of beef thrown upon his neck and head, so as to throw his head over forward, with such force as nearly to break his neck and paralyze his body, disabling him for duty during the remainder of his enlistment. Affiant further testifies Clunt was detailed for the purpose of obtaining meat at the Commissary Dept. where he was injured and that he was in line of duty at the time. Affiant saw him every day or nearly so, and knew of his injury personally. Clunt was sound and well at the time of his enlistment.

Filed May 8-7

Absent on leave Jan 29-1863.

Chas. A. Stott late Major 6th Mass. Vols. of Lowell Mass testifies and corroborates the testy of Capt Handley and adds that he did not witness the accident but had the statement, and knows he was in hospital on that account, from the time he was injured in Dec 1862 or Jan 1863, till he was discharged with the Regt. Affiant often saw him in hospital, but when Genl Longstreet besieged Suffolk. he with all the sick was sent by Surgeon Burnham, to the Genl Hosp. at Hampton Va. where he remained until ordered to join the Regt. for muster out of service, Never did any duty after the injury. Clint was an uncommonly strong man when he entered the service.

Filed Mar 24-79

W. P. Farrington and Levi Brown, comrades testify that they did not see Clint injured, but had all the evidence that others could give of the manner in which he was injured, by having a quarter of beef thrown upon his shoulder that crushed him to the ground. Clint was never able to do duty afterwards, but was confined in and about the Regt Hosp. till April when he was sent to Hampton Hosp. Va.

Filed Jan 3-1879

Jas W. Heart. Capt Co. D. 6th Mass. Vols. testifies and corroborates the foregoing testy. Affiant knew of the injury by seeing him often in hospital, and hearing the statement from

others who saw and assisted him, but did not see the accident.

Examined Dec 20-78.

Walter Burroughs Regt Surgeon, testifies that while at Suffolk, Va. when unloading quarters of beef from the cars or wagon, one weighing 250 lbs was thrown upon his (Clint's) shoulder, which crushed his head over forward, and to one side, straining the ligaments of the neck and back, and crushing his body under the weight, and straining the lumbar region to a dangerous extent. Clint was brought to the Regt. Hospital on a stretcher, where he remained till he was ordered to a general Hospital near Norfolk and remained there till he was ordered home to be mustered out of service. He has never been well since and several times visited affiant for treatment with but temporary benefit. In affiant's judgment his injuries are permanent, and will increase in severity as his age advances. Near the base of the skull there is a swelling, or tumor, that has been there since the injury, and is increasing and painful. Affiant believes him to be entitled to a pension of \$12. per month as he is unable to perform any labor for support.

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Dec. Present. Jan. absent with leave to Feb 20-63 - Feb. absent, leave extended to Mar 22-63 - March 63. present.

Surgeon Burnham again testifies that he had often seen Clut handle whole quarters of beef without complaint, till some time after the Holidays, he reported at the Hosp. from an injury of the neck and back in consequence of having had a large quarter of beef thrown from the wagon upon his shoulder, crushing him to the ground, where he was helped up and taken to the Regt. Hosp. upon a stretcher. Affiant further states that the Commissary Office was not within or near the 6th Regt. - consequently no officer could be there to see it, and the cook who was with him, and helped to carry him to Hosp. is dead. Clut was one of the soundest and strongest men in the Regt. until he was injured. Affiant has been the medical attendant for said Clut since the time of the injury to the present date, and Clut has never been free from spinal meningitis caused by said injury.

Filed Jan 3-79.

Surgeon Burnham further testifies that he was absent on leave in Jan'y 1863 & had his leave forwarded to him Dec 1862, but was unable to find transportation at first, and did not arrive home till Jan 6 - Affiant well remembers being there Jan 1st and am almost sure (Clut) was injured Dec 27-1862, as his last issue of meat to the Hosp. was Dec 26-

and there is no record "here" of his issuing meat after that to any of the companies. Clunt was under affiant's personal care from Mar 18- to April 23, when he sent him to the Genl Hosp. at Hampton, Va. After his return to the Regt. he mustered out, his first treatment was rest under opiates, and soon was ordered a sweat an account of the severe pain all over him - with liniments and plasters local. Affiant had him changed into his (affiant's) Cook house to give him a warm room to sleep in to relieve his neuralgia. This was done soon after affiant returned to duty. Mar 18-63. The hospital was under affiant's control and care as the Regl Camp was nearly a mile away.

Filed Mar 24-79

Surgeon Burnham further testifies that none of Clunt's comrades ever went with him for meat, except for carrying the meat, and no one knows who, as Clunt forgot all things then, and never regained his memory afterwards.

Filed Nov 3-79.

Surgeon Burnham further testifies that Clunt when enlisted was one of the strongest men in the regiment, and never was sick until injured, for which he claims a pension. Clunt always or generally stopped at the Hosp. before going to camp, and was as familiarly known as any man could be. At the

time of the injury affiant was called to the door to direct which ward to place him in. He was then insensible or nearly so lying on a stretcher. Affiant did not have charge of him afterwards as he was sick himself and had a leave of absence at Christmas, but no transportation till Jan 1-63, and did not again report for duty till March 18 when he found Clint still in Hosp. No one went with him after meat except the driver of the team, supposed to be Wm. Clark, who is now dead.

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Since Discharge.

Isaac W. Flagg and John White of Acton Mass. testify that Clint at the date of his discharge was injured in his neck and back and has been unable to work any year since his discharge, and that it is not probable that he ever can do any labor while he lives. Affiants have lived neighbors to him for a great many years before he went to the war, and since. Previous to going to the war he was an able bodied man, but since has been very unwell.

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For further evidence of continuance and treatment since discharge see testimony of Surgeon Burnham

War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, D. C., October 8th, 1878.

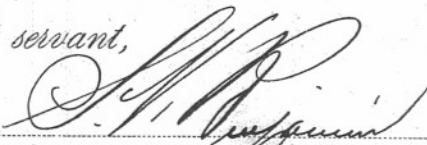
Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 234,651, and to return it herewith, with such information as is furnished by the files of this Office.

It appears from the Rolls on file in this Office that William Reed was enrolled on the 25th day of August, 1862, at Camp Wilson in Co. E, 6th Regiment of Mass. Volunteers, to serve 9 months ~~years or during the war~~, and mustered into service as a Pvt. on the 31st day of August, 1862, at Camp Wilson in Co. E, 6th Regiment of Mass. Volunteers, to serve 9 months ~~years or during the war~~. On the Muster Rolls of Co. E, of that Regiment, for the months of from Muster in December 31st, 1862, he is reported Present, detailed on special duty in Gen'y. Dept. Sept. 1/62. Gen'y. & Feb'y. 63. & May 31/63. Present. Not borne on Reg'l. Return for Gen'y. 63. as absent sick or otherwise. M. O. roll of Co. dated 3/63 reports him Present Mustered out with Co. June 3/63. at Lowell Mass. Station of Co. Gen'y. 63. Camp Suffolk Va. The records of this Office furnish no evidence of Injury in January 1863, as claimed. Co. & Reg'l. Books are not on file.

I am, sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,



Assistant Adjutant General.

The Commissioner of Pensions,

Washington, D. C.

