

INVALID PENSION CLAIM.

DECLARATION.

Act of \_\_\_\_\_ A. D. \_\_\_\_\_

Erastus Kent  
Late "G" Co. 3rd Reg't,  
Iowa Cav. Vols.

Kent, Erastus military pension file, Civil War, Invalid Application No. 12086, Certificate No. 255856, Widow Application No. 336209, Certificate No. 244445, US Government National Archives and Records, 700 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, DC 20004, (202) 357-5400, < www.archives.gov >. Photos of original file taken by Cheryl Waterman on January 10, 2011.

Erastus KENT;  
Late Rank: P, Co. G, 3, Reg't: Iowa Cav.;  
Date of Filing: 5 January 1867

Filed by

*W. Burris*

Attorney.

*P.O. Box 845*

*Washington  
D.C.*



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DECLARATION FOR INVALID PENSION.

State of Iowa

COUNTY OF Van Buren

On this Seventh day of December 1866, personally appeared before me John A. Miller Clerk of the District Court within and for the County and State aforesaid, and by law duly authorized to administer oaths for general purposes:

Erastus Kent who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is aged twenty four years, and is a resident of Pittsburg County of Van Buren in the State of Iowa

and that he is the identical Erastus Kent who was a Private in Company G commanded by Captain J. C. McCray in the Third Regiment Iowa Cavalry Volunteers, commanded by Colonel Bussay

to the war of 1861 and 1862; and was honorably discharged at Pilot Knob on the 20th day of April 1863 by reason of irregularities in his muster into the service

That while in said service, and in the line of his duty at Johnson, Austin & Rolla Missouri on or about Second day of January 1862 he received the following wound or disability, to wit: A squinial Abscess which was caused by his horse plunging and rearing from fright, throwing him on theommel or horn of the saddle while on the march from Austin to Rolla with a detail as an escort for the U. S. Mail under command of Lieut James H. Maltz of said Company was level and while he was under actual military orders which said injury he avers to be equivalent to the loss of a hand or foot

That since leaving the service said applicant has resided at Pittsburg County of Van Buren and State of Iowa and his occupation has been Engineering (Stationary)

He makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the Invalid Pension Roll of the United States, by reason of the disability above stated; and hereby constitutes and appoints W. Burris of Washington City his Attorney to prosecute this claim and procure a Pension Certificate.

My Post Office address is as follows: Pittsburg County of Van Buren and State of Iowa

Erastus Kent  
Signature of Claimant.

Also personally appeared Jesse Labberly and George D. Hantrou residents of Van Buren County in the State of Iowa persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, say that they were present and saw Erastus Kent

sign his name to the foregoing declaration; and they further swear that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of the applicant, and their acquaintance with him, that he is the identical person he represents himself to be; and they further swear that they reside as above stated, and are disinterested in this claim for a Pension.

That since leaving the service of the United States as aforesaid, his habits have been uniformly good, and his occupation has been Engineering (Stationary Engine) Jesse Labberly George D. Hantrou

Sworn and subscribed before me this Seventh day of December A. D. 1866, and I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, nor concerned in the prosecution of this claim.

John A. Miller Clerk District Court

When given a full and minute description of the disability to reason of which a Pension is claimed, stating when, where and how the wound was received, and the disease manifested.



of said discharge was a general  
Hernia which was received in the  
service of the United States and  
in line of duty on or about the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
day of January, 1863 between Austin  
& Rolla Missouri, being on duty at  
the time under command of Lieutenant  
James H. Watts of 3<sup>rd</sup> Iowa  
Cavalry, commanding an escort  
of the United States Mail by the  
horn throwing him forward on the  
horn of his saddle as he was in-  
formed by the officers & men and  
as he only claims that said in-  
jury was received after he had en-  
tered upon actual duty & while do-  
ing duty in the military service  
of the United States and by reason thereof  
was not afterwards mustered  
into the United States service.

He further declares that said Eras-  
tus Keet was paid up to Dec 31<sup>st</sup>  
1862 and that he had received cloth-  
ing to the amount of fifty eight & 98<sup>cs</sup>  
dollars and his clothing account was  
not settled after the date of his enroll-  
ment & that there is clothing due for  
the whole time of his service less the  
above amount and pay from

Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 1862 to April 21<sup>st</sup> 1863 and that  
he was last paid by Major Smith Pay  
Master U.S. A and bonds under a <sup>11</sup> Pay  
Book the law as other soldiers provides  
the law allows the same to him

He further says that said Erastus  
Kurt was a good soldier and faithful  
in the discharge of his duty and  
that he has no interest in said claim  
or in its prosecution

J. H. McLerany

(Capt. Capt Co. 2<sup>d</sup> & Adj. 3<sup>d</sup> Regt 2<sup>d</sup> Div. 11<sup>th</sup> Ill. Inf.)  
as will be seen in Kurt's Affidavit

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me by J. H. McLerany whom I certify  
to be respectable and entitled  
to credit and the person he  
represents himself to be Erastus  
(11) before signing

Witness my hand and  
the seal of said court  
this 1<sup>st</sup> of March  
Clark Dist Court

Erastus Kurt

Co. 1<sup>st</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> Iowa

Capt

Maj J. H. McLerany

Affidavit

W. M. Davis, Atty  
P.O., Box 841  
Washington  
D.C.



State of Iowa }  
County of Dubuque }

we the Master of the pension claim of Charles  
Kest Co. G. 3<sup>d</sup> Reg. I. or Capt. Est. Prescott  
Paine before me a Justice of the Peace in and for  
the County and State aforesaid, James A.  
Russell of Dubuque County and State of  
Iowa, who being duly sworn declare in  
relation to the aforesaid claim that he is aged  
Forty two years that he is the identical person  
who served as a Sergeant in Co. H. 1<sup>st</sup> Regt Iowa  
Inf. 1<sup>st</sup> Div. and known the above Soldier, who  
was a member of Co. G, 3<sup>d</sup> Iowa back down  
at the and that on or about Oct. 1862, while on  
the line of duty and without fault or improper  
conduct on his part at or near Lebanon State  
of Missouri, said Soldier incurred a Pistol  
shot wound through right arm above elbow  
and through right side, and further says  
that he was present at the time and saw him  
fall from the effects of said shot.

And affiant further declares that he has no interest  
direct or indirect, in this claim, and that he makes  
the above statement from personal knowledge.  
Affiant's Post office is, Milton, Dubuque  
County, State of Iowa.

James A. Russell

Clk Dist. Court

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Sworn to and subscribed before me 24<sup>th</sup> day of  
October A.D. 1883. And I hereby that the contents of  
the foregoing Affidavits were fully made known and  
explained by me to the affiant before swearing that  
that the affiant is to me well known and entitled  
to credit and I further certify that I have no  
interest direct or indirect in the prosecution of this  
claim

J. B. Linnell

George Pennington  
Justice of the Peace



STATE OF IOWA, } SS.  
VAN BUREN COUNTY,

I, Jas Sullivan Clerk of the District Court, in and  
for said County, do hereby certify that George Pennington, Esquire,  
whose name appears to the instrument of writing to which this is annexed, is now, and  
was at the time of the date hereof, an acting Justice of the Peace, in  
and for said county, duly commissioned and qualified in conformity with the laws of  
said State; and his certificate and acknowledgement is in accordance therewith, and  
that his signature is genuine. And I further certify that the Court of which I am the  
Clerk is a Court of Record, using a seal of office, and that this certificate is in confor-  
mity with the laws of said State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my  
hand, and caused the Seal of said Court to be hereto af-  
fixed, at office in Keosauqua, in said County, this 25<sup>th</sup>  
day of October, 1883.

Jas Sullivan

Clerk of the District Court.

By \_\_\_\_\_

Deputy.



VAN BUREN COUNTY, N. C. District Court, in and

Erasmus Kent

Co "G" 3rd Iowa

Affidavit

Contract

W. D. Burris Esq

P. O. Box 845

Washington

D. C.



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State of Iowa  
Van Buren County } 58

On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of  
December 1866 personally appeared before me  
John A. Miller Clerk of the District Court in  
and for said County Milo D. Carter who being  
duly sworn according to law declares on oath  
that he is a resident of Pella Van Buren  
County Iowa that he is personally acquainted  
with Craster Kent who served as a private in Co.  
"G" 3<sup>rd</sup> Regiment Iowa Cavalry Volunteers, from the  
17<sup>th</sup> day of February 1863 to the 20<sup>th</sup> day of  
April 1863. That on or about the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of  
January 1863 he was riding with the said Craster  
Kent in an escorte for the United States mail  
between Huston and Rolles missions. That  
the said Kent was riding a <sup>(1) regular</sup> ~~regular~~ <sup>regular</sup> ~~regular~~  
<sup>(2) unmaneuverable</sup> ~~regular~~ horse and while on the march as  
aforesaid the said Craster Kent was thrown  
forward upon the pommel of his saddle  
in such a manner as to cause rupture,  
by reason of which said injury he is  
informed and believes the said Craster  
Kent was not mustered into the United  
States service. That the said Craster Kent  
was first mustered by acting Battalion  
Adjutant R. E. Miller of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Iowa Cavalry  
which said muster he was informed and

inform I certify to be respectable and called to credit and who being by me sworn  
duly sworn, according to law, do depose and say Affiant R. E. Miller

interest not concerned in the prosecution of said claim, and that I read the foregoing to the  
deponent and that he subscribed and swore to the same with a full knowledge of its  
contents.

John A. Miller

STATE OF

COUNTY. }  
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Clerk of the

Court in and for the County and State above named, do hereby certify that

Esq., before whom the foregoing affidavits were made, and who has therewith set his name, was at the time of so doing a  
in and for the County and State above named, duly commissioned  
and sworn, that all his official acts, as such, are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereto is genuine.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and  
affixed the official seal of said court this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_ A. D. 190

CLERK.

NOTE. - When convenient, should be sworn to before the Clerk, and at expense of Certificate of Magistracy.

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Applicant's Evidence Read  
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Evidence

W. Burris  
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W. Burris



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War Department,  
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, Aug. 9, 1883.

Respectfully returned to the Commissioner of Pensions.

Erastus Kent, a private of Company G,  
 2<sup>d</sup> Regiment Iowa Cavalry <sup>it is stated that he</sup> Volunteers, was enrolled on the  
 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1862, at Fulton, Mo. (3<sup>rd</sup> Regt)  
 and is reported: On Muster Rolls to Feb 23/63, present  
 On Special Muster Roll, of April 10/63, present.  
 March + April /63, absent. (with Remarks)  
 rejected by Capt. Check, Com. of Muster, at  
 Pilot Knob, Mo. April 20/63, on account of dis-  
 ability, contracted, while serving with the Co.  
 as Recruit. Having been erroneously mustered  
 in by P. L. Miller, 1<sup>st</sup> Adj. 2<sup>d</sup> Iowa Cavalry Vols  
 Regt Return for Jan'y /63 does not report  
 him absent.

Nature of disability (for which reported) and exact date  
 when contracted, not stated. Name does not appear  
 on Regimental Hospital Register, Co. Morning Reports prior  
 to 1864 and Regimental Prescription Book, not on file.  
 "The Records of this office afford  
 no further information as to date  
 or cause of discharge than is  
 stated on company rolls."

J. G.

M. P. [Signature]  
Assistant Adjutant General. +

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Washington, D. C.

April 20 1864.

Sir:  
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 120,506, and to return it herewith, with such information as is furnished by the files of this Office.

There is no evidence on file in this Office that Erastus Hunt was enrolled and mustered into service in Co. 4<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Iowa War Volunteers. But on the Muster Roll of Co. 4<sup>th</sup> of that Regiment, for the months of Jan'y & Feb'y, 1863, there is the following evidence of service: He is reported "Present for Duty" Mustered out Roll dated Sept 19<sup>th</sup> 1864. Released him "Provisionally Mustered by Adjt. Walker. Rejected for disability by Capt. Cook April 20 1865 at Pilot Knob, Mo."

I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,

Geo. B. Cook

Assistant Adjutant General.

To the Commissioner of Pensions,  
Washington, D. C.

Memoranda  
Name of applicant  
Address

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Commanding an escort of the United States Mail That said injury was caused by no fault or negligence on his part or through no disobedience of orders, That on account of said injury the said Capt Cheek Mustered by Officer refused to muster him into the Service of the United States and he was accordingly discharged and released from further duty and ordered home, He further declares that he acted in good faith as a soldier of the United States, discharged his duties faithfully and diligently as such, was ever recognized as such up to the time when he was released from duty and ordered home, That he believed he was regularly mustered as such, That the sole reason of his not being mustered as afore said was the injury received as aforesaid.

He further declares that his clothing account was never settled from the date of his enlistment, that he drew clothing to the amount of \$75<sup>95</sup> and that there is a balance due him for the full amount of the service.

The witness to Claimant's signature sign here

Wm. J. [Signature]

(over)



of fifty Eight & <sup>98</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars - That he con-  
tinued doing duty, and was subject to  
and obeyed all orders from his Super-  
ior officers from that time upto about  
the 30<sup>th</sup> day of April 1863 when he was  
informed that his Muster into the service  
of the United States was irregular and that  
it was necessary for him to be again  
mustered, by Capt J. C. McHenry, his  
Company Commander and was present  
at Capt Clark of the 13<sup>th</sup> U. S. Infantry  
Mustering Officer at Pilot Knob, Missouri  
and was examined by Dr Warford Asst  
Surgeon 3<sup>rd</sup> Iowa Cavalry and rejected  
by reason of Inguinal Hernia which in-  
jury was incurred while in the line  
of duty and while under actual mil-  
itary orders in the service of the United  
States while on the March from Austin  
in Missouri to Rolla Missouri on  
or about the day of January 1863. by  
his horse plunging and rearing and  
throwing him forward on the Pommel  
& horns of the saddle thus causing the  
injury. That at the time said injury was  
incurred he was under the immediate  
command of Lieut James H. Watts of the  
Co. G 3<sup>rd</sup> Iowa Cavalry now dead, who was







13. Is there an executor or administrator, or will application be made for appointment of any person as administrator? None ✓
14. Did the deceased pensioner leave any money, real estate, or personal property? None
15. If so, state the character and value of all such property
16. What was the assessed value (last assessment) of the real estate?
17. How was the pensioner's property disposed of?
18. Did pensioner leave an undorsed pension check? (Answer yes or no.) Yes
19. What was your relation to the deceased pensioner? Daughter
20. Are you married? (Answer yes or no.) Yes
21. What was the cause of pensioner's death? Heart failure
22. When did the pensioner's last sickness begin? April - about 1st - 1913
23. From what date did the pensioner become so ill as to require the regular and daily attendance of another person constantly until death? April 1st
24. Give the name and post-office address of each physician who attended the pensioner during last sickness  
Dr. Stephenson
25. State the names of the persons by whom the pensioner was nursed during the last sickness  
Myself
26. Where did the pensioner live during last sickness? Near Milton Iowa
27. Where did the pensioner die? Near Milton Iowa
28. When did the pensioner die? Aug 29 1913
29. Where was the pensioner buried? Des Moines County about 2 Miles E. Milton Ia
30. Has there been paid, or will application be made for payment to you or any other person, any part of the expenses of the pensioner's last sickness and burial by any State, County, or municipal corporation? (Answer yes or no.) No
31. State below the expenses of the pensioner's last sickness and burial. Write the word none where no charge is made in case of any item of expense noted.

(Each charge entered below should be supported by an itemized bill of the person who rendered the service or furnished any supplies for which reimbursement is demanded, and should show, over his signature, by whom paid, or who is held responsible for payment, and contain the name of the pensioner for whom the expense was incurred or service rendered.)

NAME	NATURE OF EXPENSES	STATE WHETHER PAID OR UNPAID	AMOUNT
<u>Dr. H. Stephenson</u>	Physician	<u>No</u>	<u>7.50</u>
<u>Jessie M. Sawyer</u>	Medicine	<u>11</u>	<u>16.75</u>
<u>Dr. P. Z. ...</u>	Nursing and care	<u>11</u>	<u>25.00</u>
<u>W. L. Scott</u>	Undertaker	<u>11</u>	<u>70.00</u>
<u>Cooley Bros</u>	Hivery	<u>Paid</u>	<u>2.00</u>
	Cemetery <u>around lot</u>		<u>100.00</u>
	Other expenses and their nature		
	<u>Digging grave</u>	<u>Paid</u>	<u>5.00</u>
	Total		<u>\$ 109.50</u>

32. Is the above a complete list of all the expenses of the last sickness and burial of the deceased pensioner? (Answer yes or no.) Yes

Tax my post-office address is No. \_\_\_\_\_, St. \_\_\_\_\_

town or city of Milton, \_\_\_\_\_, Co. of Des Moines, \_\_\_\_\_, Iowa.

(When the claimant for reimbursement is a married woman, she is required to sign the application with her own full name, and using the Christian name or the initials of her husband, and all bills should be receipted to her in her own name.)

Jessie M. Sawyer  
 (Claimant's signature in full)









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STATE OF IOWA.  
VAN BUREN COUNTY. } ss.

I, Wm Fleming Clerk of the Circuit  
Court in and for said County, hereby certify the above and foregoing to be a true and correct  
transcript of the foregoing case as fully as the same, of the Marriage Return  
of Erastus Kent to Catharine Fowler as fully as the  
same and remains on file and of record  
in my office.

WITNESS My hand and Seal official this  
4 day of January, 1886  
Wm Fleming Clerk.  
Deputy.

County, according to law, and by authority, I duly



CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.



STATE OF IOWA,  
Van Buren County.

**THIS CERTIFIES** That on the First day of  
January 1866, at the Bride's Parlor in said  
County, according to law, and by authority, I duly  
joined in Marriage Mr Erastus Kent  
and Miss Catharine Fowler

Given under my hand the First day of  
January A. D. 1866

M. C. Thatcher  
J. P.

Returned & filed on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of Jan. A. D. 1866



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Declaration of a Widow for Original Pension when no Child under Sixteen years of age survives.

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STATE OF Kansas COUNTY OF Noton  
On this 18<sup>th</sup> day of January A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty six

personally appeared before me,  
the same being a court of record within and for the county and State aforesaid. Mrs Catherine Kent  
aged forty four years, who, being duly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration in order to obtain the pension provided by acts of Congress granting pensions to widows: That she is the widow of Erastus Kent who enlisted under the name of Erastus Kent at \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A. D. 18 \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_

in the war of \_\_\_\_\_ who \_\_\_\_\_  
On account of discharge being lost, she cannot now tell date of enlistment, but she wants to make the application <sup>(to evidence in this pension application, on which Cal No 255856 was granted)</sup> on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A. D. 18 \_\_\_\_\_

Private \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ aforesaid, that she was married under the name of Catharine Kent to said Erastus Kent on the 1 day of January A. D. 1866 by M. C. Phuther, Jr. P. at Her Brothers, Van Buren Co. there being no legal barrier to such marriage; that neither she nor her husband had been previously married; Erastus was a widower at the time of the marriage but raised or had no children

that she has to the present date remained his widow; that by the said Erastus Kent <sup>husband but none claimed - neither party was never left surviving minor child or children by either herself or any former wife</sup> that she has not in any manner been engaged in, or aided or abetted, the rebellion in the United States; that no prior application has been filed; Erastus Kent was at the time of his death drawing pension on Cal No 255856 that she hereby appoints Samuel Meems \_\_\_\_\_ has attorney to prosecute her claim;

and that her post-office address is Noton, Noton Co. Kansas

Catharine Kent  
(Claimant's signature)

Also personally appeared James L. Wallace \_\_\_\_\_ reading at No. \_\_\_\_\_ street, in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

able and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw Catharine Kent the claimant, sign her name (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, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be; and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

William B. Rogers  
James L. Wallace  
(Signed as witnesses)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March A. D. 1886

[S. S.] and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, &c., were fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, including the words \_\_\_\_\_ and the words she claims to be a newly single, added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

W. C. East  
Clerk of the Dist. Court  
for N. T. & W. Indian Dept.

1. This certificate and application if in whole or in part and each if in part is void unless the facts and all circumstances attending them, of the pension and service in which it was incurred, in which case the facts and circumstances must be fully stated in the application. 2. If the applicant is a widow, she must be a citizen of the United States at the date of her husband's death. 3. If the applicant is a widow, she must be a citizen of the United States at the date of her husband's death. 4. If the applicant is a widow, she must be a citizen of the United States at the date of her husband's death.

*Vertical handwritten notes on the right margin, including "I was married to Erastus Kent in 1866" and "Cal No 255856 was granted".*

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STATE OF Kansas COUNTY OF Wichita  
On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of February A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty six

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this 3<sup>d</sup> day of August  
1883, and I hereby certify that the contents of the foregoing affidavit were fully made known and explained  
to the affiant before swearing thereto, ~~retaining the words~~

(If any words have been erased in this affidavit, enter them here.)

in lines \_\_\_\_\_, erased, and the words \_\_\_\_\_

(If any words have been added in place of any erased, enter them here.)

in lines \_\_\_\_\_, added,

that the affiant \_\_\_\_\_ to me well known and \_\_\_\_\_ respectable and worthy of full credit; and I  
further certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

J. W. Moore

(Name of officer before whom executed.)

Clk. Dist. Court

(State whether Justice, Notary, Clerk, or Deputy Clerk.)

THE OFFICER BEFORE WHOM THIS AFFIDAVIT IS EXECUTED MUST BE SURE AND NOTE IN HIS  
CERTIFICATE ALL ERASURES AND INTERLINEATIONS AS INDICATED ABOVE.

READ.—It is probable that this instrument should be executed before a Clerk of Court. The seal should be impressed on the  
original paper, either direct or through the paper on which the Just is made, if that be a separate paper. When executed before a  
Justice of the Peace or Notary Public, a certificate from the Clerk of the Court must be attached, certifying that the Justice of the  
Peace or Notary Public had authority to act as such, except in cases where the Justice of the Peace or Notary Public has filed his commis-  
sion, or certified copy thereof, in the Office of the Commissioner of Pensions.

I certify that \_\_\_\_\_, before whom the above

(Justice or Notary's name.)

affidavit was made, is a \_\_\_\_\_, duly authorized to administer oaths,

(Justice of the Peace or Notary Public.)

and that the above is his signature.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal this

day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1883

(L. S.)

(Name of the Clerk or Deputy Clerk.)

Clerk of the \_\_\_\_\_

(Name of what Court.)

Carroll  
Notary Public  
Division

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.  
AUG 15 1883  
OFFICE  
CASE OF

Charles Dent

H. G. Lewis

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AFFIDAVIT OF

FILED BY  
GEORGE E. LEMON,  
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW,  
OFFICES 615 FIDELITY BLDG. N. W.,  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

J. W. Moore  
Clerk of the Dist. Court  
for W. M. Lewis

1. This certificate and the affidavit, if in any way, or even in part, if in part,  
are the property of the State and are to be returned to the State and neither the  
2. The State attorney, if in any way, or even in part, if in part,  
3. This certificate and the affidavit, if in any way, or even in part, if in part,  
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Vertical handwritten notes on the right margin, including the date 1883.



1883, and I hereby certify that the contents of the foregoing affidavit were fully made known and explained to the affiant before sw *O. B. M.*

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PENSIONER DROPPED

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF PENSIONS

OFFICE OF THE DISBURSING CLERK

NOV 20 1913

Certificate No. *244445*

Class **GENERAL LAW**

Pensioner *Catharine Wid*

Soldier *Erastus Kent*

Service *3 Iowa Cav.*

The Commissioner of Pensions.

SIR: I have the honor to report that the above-named pensioner who was last paid at \$12 to *July 4 1913* has this day been dropped from the roll because of *Death 29 Aug 1913*

Very respectfully,

*W. H. ...*  
Chief, Finance Division

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

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GEORGE E. LEMON,  
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW,  
Offices 615 Fifteenth St. N. W.,  
9, Lobby Box 818,  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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condition and disease was engendered  
I have no interest in said pension claim,  
only that justice be done, and I give  
it as my opinion, from the above data  
that he died from said gun - that wound.  
My P.O. address is, Porter, Kansas  
J. D. Little M.D.

Saw to aged subscribers before me this  
16<sup>th</sup> day of November 1886.  
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Subscribed and approved before  
me by M L Alcorn

This 18<sup>th</sup> day of June 1886

J. J. Kennedy  
Probate Judge

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J. H. Simmons of Weston, Kansas  
who being duly sworn deposes that they  
are acquainted with the claimant  
Catherine Reed and that she is the  
person she represents herself to be  
and entitled to credit.

Signed J. H. New

J. H. Simmons

Subscribed & sworn to before  
me Jas. L. Wallace a County Clerk  
in and for the County of Weston  
State of Kansas <sup>this 19th day of Nov 1887</sup>  
That I am not directly or indirectly  
interested in this case

Jas. L. Wallace  
County Clerk







Wm. F. McLEAN,  
FIRST  
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DEPUTY COMMISSIONER  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS



State of W. Va.  
County of Boone

I, W. A. Jones after being  
duly sworn depose and say that I  
am a practicing physician and  
was so practicing at the time of the  
Confinement of Mrs. Catharine Kent wife  
of Erastus Kent. Namely Aug 8 1877  
at which birth a female child was  
born and I do believe said child was the  
result of the Marital relations existing  
between said Erastus Kent and  
Catharine Kent. I know of this  
birth because I was called to  
attend said Catharine Kent.

W. A. Jones

Sworn to and subscribed  
before me this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of  
Oct. 1886 R. L. Millbourn  
Justice of the Peace

Mdow 336209

Erastus Kent-  
Co. G: 3<sup>d</sup> Regt: 9<sup>a</sup>  
Vol. Cav.

*Bent*

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The State of Iowa  
Van Buren County  
Mrs Emma Hunter after being  
July sworn deposed and says that  
I was living a near neighbor to  
Erastus and Catharine Kent at the  
since said Catharine Kent was  
born first, namely March 4-1873.  
and a male child, was born - who  
they called John S. Kent. At said  
time they the Kent and wife lived  
at or near Kears Mouth Sterling  
in Van Buren County Iowa. I do  
truly believe said child was the  
issue relating from the marital  
relations existing between said Erastus  
& Catharine Kent.

Emma, Hunter

Sworn to and subscribed before  
me this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October  
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John Miller  
Justice of the Peace



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**ARREARS OF WIDOW'S PENSION.**

ACT OF JUNE 7, 1885

Pensioner *Catharine Kent* Soldier *Crastus Kent*  
 P.O. *Norton* Rank *Co. B*  
 County *Norton* State *Kans* Regiment *5th Vol Cav*

Widow arrears of pension at the rate of \$ *5* per month from *Dec 22 1885*  
 and \$ per month from *18* and ending *Mar 7 1886*

AND two dollars a month additional for each child, as follows:

By income taxings	NONE	Born	18	Commencing	18
		States	18	Ending	18
By lost earnings		Born	18	Commencing	18
		States	18	Ending	18
By lost earnings	<i>John S.</i>	Born	<i>Mar 4 1871</i>	Commencing	<i>Dec 22 1885</i>
		States	<i>Mar 3 1871</i>	Ending	<i>Mar 7 1886</i>
By lost earnings	<i>Lucy A.</i>	Born	<i>Oct 21 1874</i>	Commencing	<i>Dec 22 1885</i>
		States	<i>Oct 20 1874</i>	Ending	<i>Mar 7 1886</i>
By lost earnings	<i>Dolly</i>	Born	<i>Aug 15 1876</i>	Commencing	<i>Dec 22 1885</i>
		States	<i>Aug 14 1876</i>	Ending	<i>Mar 7 1886</i>
By lost earnings	<i>Jesse M.</i>	Born	<i>Mar 15 1880</i>	Commencing	<i>Dec 22 1885</i>
		States	<i>Mar 17 1880</i>	Ending	<i>Mar 7 1886</i>

Was pensioned *May 29 1885* at \$ *8* per month from *Mar 8 1886*  
 and \$ *1/2* per month from *Mar 19 1886* and two dollars additional for each child, as above stated.

Submitted for allowance *Oct 8 1885*

*A. S. Jones*  
Examiner.

Approved *Oct 17 1885*

Board of Re-Review.  
October 20, '88

*L. G. Dickey*

*B. A. Kellan*  
Re-Reviewer.

Legal Receiver.

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255-856  
SPECIAL EXAMINATION  
DIVISION

Department of the Interior,  
PENSION OFFICE.

Des Moines Iowa June 29 1886

Postmaster at

Norton Kansas

SIR:

Will you please inform me at your VERY EARLIEST CONVENIENCE whether the pensioner Ernestus Kent is living or dead; and, if dead, the EXACT DATE OF DEATH?

His last known address was at your place in 1885  
Died Dec. 21, 1885

Your reply, ON THE BACK OF THIS SHEET, forwarded to me in the enclosed addressed official envelope, will be appreciated.

Very respectfully,

*W. C. Davis*

Special Examiner

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NORTON, KANS  
JUL 8 1886



### Bureau of Pensions.

This slip should be attached to brief in admitted cases that have been called up by members of present Congress

By direction of Commissioner:

D. I. MURPHY,  
Chief Clerk.

June 2/88  
M. E. G.

Mr. Palmer  
When  
death or divorce  
with wife - is  
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any of both  
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Claimant Ca

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County Ca

Rate, \$ 8.00 p

and two dollars a n

West Division,

Widow Claim,

No. 336209, of  
Catharine Kent

P. O. Norton  
Kennas

Hon. E. J. Turner

called up this case Jan 26, 1888

and should be informed of its adjudication.

A. B. Palmer  
Examiner.

commencing

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deducted.

KEY:

Agent

By former marriage.

John  
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Payments on all  
All pension to

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L. J. Palmer  
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No. 244,445 ✓

Catharine Kent,

WIDOW OF

Erastus Kent,

Frank Pt. Co. 1891

Trop. 3<sup>rd</sup> La Vol body.

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Frank Pt. Co. 1891

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of the following children, until arriving at the

age of 16 years, commencing

March 8, 1896

March 26, 1896

Aug. 14, 1892

March 17, 1896

John B. - March 3, 1887

Alice Co. - Oct. 26, 1896

Mollie - Aug. 14, 1892

Jessie M. - March 17, 1896

DEAD

Receipts dated May 29, 1891

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ARRARS OF PENSIONS, ISSUED, MAILED

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STATE OF IOWA, } ss.

VAN BUREN COUNTY.

I, W B Alving Clerk of the District Court, in and for  
said County, do hereby certify that J. E. Row Esquire,  
whose name appears to the instrument of writing to which this is annexed, dated  
the 7<sup>th</sup> day of January A. D., 1888, is now, and was at  
the time of the date hereof, an acting Justice of the Peace in and for  
said County, duly Elected and qualified in conformity with the  
laws of said State; and his certificate and acknowledgment is in accordance therewith,  
and that his signature is genuine. And I further certify that the Court of which I  
am the Clerk, is a Court of Record, using a Seal of Office, and that this Certificate is  
in conformity with the laws of said State.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand,  
and caused the Seal of said Court to be hereto affixed, at  
Office in Keosauqua, in said County, this 9<sup>th</sup>  
day of January in the year of our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and Eighty Eight

W B Alving  
Clerk of the District Court,  
By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy.









# Monase INVALID PENSION.

**Claimant,** Erastus Kent  
**P. O.,** Coatsville  
**County,** Lancaster  
**State,** Mo  
**Attorney,** [Signature]  
**Rate, \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **per month, commencing** \_\_\_\_\_

**Rank,** Pmi.  
**Company,** G  
**Regiment,** 3 Iowa Cav.

**Fee, \$** 1.00

**Disabled by** Wound of right arm & sides hernia left side  
**Submitted** July 20, 1885 **by** [Signature], Examiner.

**Approved for** Wound of right arm and side and hernia of left side. **Approved for** No increase  
 affd July 21 1885  
 [Signature]

**July 28, 1885** Dawson Reviewer. **July 30, 1885** [Signature] Med. Referee.

**Discharged** Apr 20, 1883 **Certificate surrendered** [Signature], 1885  
**Original application filed** Jan 5, 1867 **Last paid at \$** 12, 1885

**Increase application filed** May 20, 1885  
**Pensioned** Jan 11, 1885 from Dec 12, 1883 at \$ 1 per month

for Wound of right arm & side  
 & sides & hernia of left side  
 [Signature]

**Claims** 3 years

[Signature]



paid by By United States paymaster. must  
Smith to the 31<sup>st</sup> Oct/62 Had drawn clothing  
to the amount of \$58.98 - not having received  
since date of Enlistment

The above is a true statement of facts  
J. C. McCrary

State of Iowa }  
Van Buren County } ss

On this 22 day of May 1867, personally  
appeared before me Clerk Dist Court in and  
for said County J. C. McCrary of Vernon  
Twp Van Buren County Iowa whom I certify  
to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who,  
being by me first duly sworn, according to  
law, do depose and say that he is the iden-  
tical J. C. McCrary who was Capt of Co. G. 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Iowa Cavy Vols afterwards Major of said Regiment  
He further declares that Erastus Hunt a priv  
of Co. G. 3<sup>rd</sup> Iowa Cavy Vols. was examined for  
muster into the service of the United States by C. C.  
Bisler assistant Surgeon of said Regt and  
mustered by Adyt R. L. Miller of said Regt on  
or about the 16<sup>th</sup> of Feb'y 1862 at Mexico Mis-  
souri, which muster was in good faith by the  
officers in command and said Erastus Hunt













*These special instructions are forwarded for your information, and when the claimant reports you will read them carefully before making an examination, and return them with your certificate.*

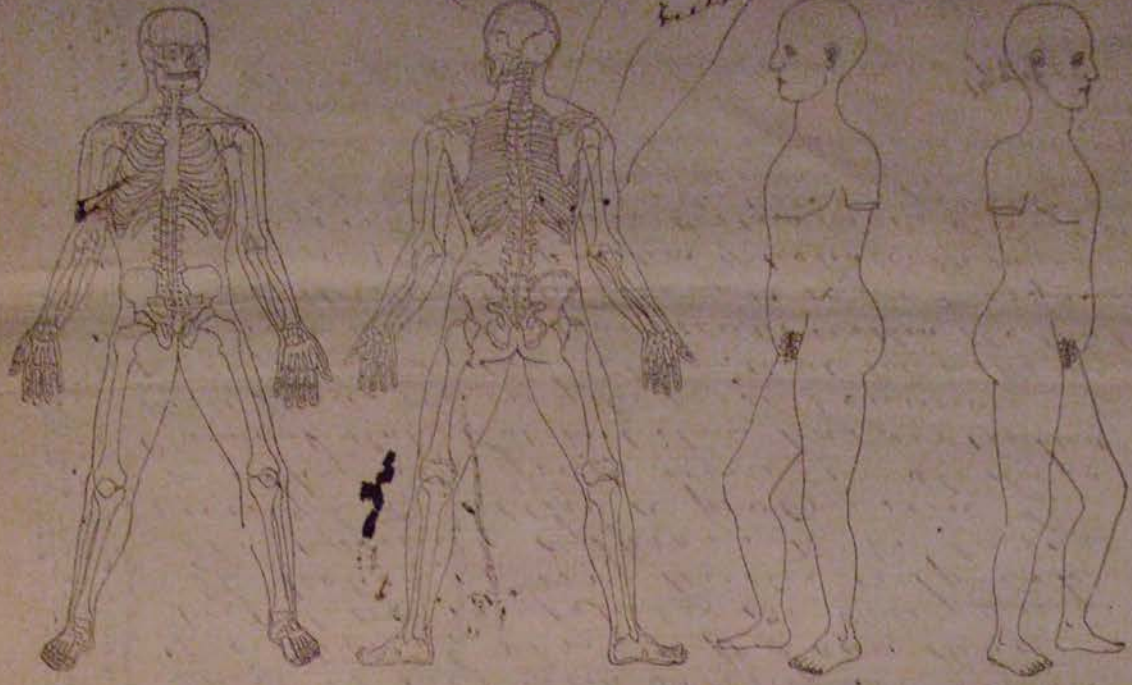
*Very respectfully,*

T. B. HOOD,  
*Medical Referee.*

*Dr. B. Centerville  
Iowa*



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2 SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

C. Hunt  
 Surgeon  
 Iowa Cav

Application for Increase.

No. 255,856

Date of Examination: Aug 27

1884

*R. W. Reynolds*

Post Office, Centerville

County, Appanoose

State, Iowa

P. S.—Write your Post Office address plainly and in full.



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State of Iowa  
County of Appanoose

On this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May  
A.D. 1884 personally appeared before  
me H. L. Marshall a Notary Public within and  
for said County Erastus Kent aged 43  
years a resident of Fabius Township  
Davis County State of Iowa who being  
duly sworn according to laws declares  
that he is a pensioner of the United States  
duly enrolled at the District Iowa pen-  
sion agency at the rate of Twelve dollars  
per month by reason of disability incurred  
in the military service of the United States  
while a member of "G" Company 3<sup>d</sup> Regiment  
Iowa Cavalry Volunteers; That his present  
physical condition is such that he be-  
lieves himself entitled to receive an increa-  
sed pension. He further declares  
that he is disabled in the following man-  
ner to-wit: Gun shot wound of right arm  
and of right side and rupture on left side  
That by reason of said injuries and results  
thereof he is totally disabled for manual  
labor. That his post office address is  
Coatesville Missouri. That on account  
of his condition and the railway routes  
he requests that he may be sent to

[218.]  
Erastus Kent



Centerville Iowa for Examination  
attest Geo. W. Blosser Erastus Kent  
J & Crook

Also personally appeared Geo. W. Blosser  
and J. H. Crook residing at Moulton Iowa  
persons whom I certify to be respectable  
and entitled to credit and who being  
by me duly sworn say they were present  
and saw Erastus Kent the claimant  
sign his name 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 iden-  
tical person he represents himself to be  
and that they have no interest in the pro-  
secution of this claim

Geo. W. Blosser  
J & Crook

Sworn to before me and subscribed in  
my presence by the claimant and the  
witnesses this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May AD 1885  
And I hereby certify that the contents of  
the above declaration and affidavit of  
witnesses were fully made known and  
explained to the applicant and witnesses  
before swearing and that I have no in-  
terest direct or indirect in this claim









County of Van Buren  
 In the matter of the Pension claim of Crastus Kent 120516  
 Vol. personally  
 in and for the aforesaid County and State,  
 Clerk of said County  
 Keosauqua, Iowa  
 County of Keosauqua, Iowa

This Blank is Prepara



Keosauqua Iowa  
 July 31 1883

Mr. H. Dudley  
 Commr of Pensioners

In answer to your questions in the case of Crastus Kent who has applied for a pension, <sup>I would say</sup> he was a member of Co. "G" 3rd Iowa Cav, I was Capt of same Company, and stationed at Lebanon Missouri, and stationed at of 1862 and whilst at that post the wound was received as follows by a Comrade asking him (Kent) to let him see his Revolver, Kent handed the Revolver to him and he began to work the hammer and by accident let it slip and the result was the ball passed through the arm and across the side or rather the back, I was present and saw the wound — the rupture I know nothing about

Respectfully  
 J. C. McCreary

PREPARE YOUR STATEMENT ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER AND TRANSFER IT TO THIS BLANK.



STATE OF Iowa  
Waukegan COUNTY.

I, John A. Miller Clerk of the

Court in and for the County and State above named, do hereby certify that William Hime before whom the foregoing affidavits were made, and who has thereunto set his name, was at the time of so doing a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State above named, duly commissioned and sworn, that all his official acts, as such, are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereto is genuine.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the official seal of said court this 9th day of July A. D. 1867  
John A. Miller CLERK.

NOTE - When convenient, should be sworn to before the Clerk, and avoid expense of Certificate of Magistracy.

Cert. of Dis. Searched for

3 neighbors  
No. 124 806

Applicant Ergastus Hunt  
Residence Iowa

Proof of  
Residence

Additional

FILED BY  
J. P. Currie  
R. C. Boyers  
Attorney  
Washington  
D. C.

U. S. DISTRICT COURT  
JULY 15 1867



STATE OF Iowa  
Linn County

On this 8 day of July A. D. 1867 I personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace in and for said County, Jesse S. Moore Esq. of Linn County Iowa whom I certify to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me first duly sworn, according to law, do depose and say that they are well acquainted with Erastus Kent who was a private in Co. 3rd Iowa Cavalry Vols and that he has been near neighbors and acquaintances of his ever since he was discharged from the service of the United States and further that since he has left the service of the United States he has been suffering from Rheumatism which hinders a very great extent in any kind of manual labor, and thus he has on account thereof become incompetent to wear a uniform from on or about the time he left the service of the United States to the present time that their knowledge of the same is not derived from actual observation and examination but from what they have seen and understood in the military and from information and he further says that their knowledge of the above facts is obtained from the following source, viz: Personal knowledge as near neighbors

and that he has no interest nor concerned in the prosecution of the claim of Erastus Kent for Pension John Kent

A. M. Ayler

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of July

A. D. 1867 and I certify that I have no interest nor concerned in the prosecution of said claim, and that I read the foregoing to the deponent and that he subscribed and swore to the same with a full knowledge of its contents. The word "man" at the margin written before signing

Jesse Moore  
Justice of the Peace















# AFFIDAVIT TO ORIGIN OF DISABILITY.

TO BE EXAMINED BY AN OFFICER OR ENLISTED MAN OF THE SOLDIER'S COMPANY AND NEAREST NEXT OF KIN  
KNOWLEDGE OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH THE DISABILITY WAS INCURRED OR ACCOUNT OF  
WHICH PENSION IS CLAIMED.

Before filling in this Affidavit, the Witness should read carefully the Marginal Instructions, and confess therein in every particular as far as his knowledge of the facts will allow. Unsworn or suspicious affidavits will not be accepted if an Officer's can be had.

STATE OF Iowa  
COUNTY OF Van Buren

In the matter of the Pension Claim of Erastus Keut 3 Reg't Iowa Cav Vols., personally came before me, John H. Hart, Court (Title of officer administering oath.) in and for the aforesaid County and State, Van Buren County of Iowa, State of Iowa, who, being duly sworn, declares in relation to the aforesaid claim that his age is 66 years; that he is the identical person who served as a Captain in Co. "G" 9<sup>th</sup> Reg't Iowa Cav, Vols., that on or about the 20<sup>th</sup> of Jan 1863, while in the line of duty, and without fault or improper conduct on his part, at or near Hariston Missouri said soldier incurred Rupture while escorting U.S. Mail from Rolla Mo. to Hariston Mo. by horse jumping and throwing said "Soldier" the summit of Saddle causing rupture in left side.

State the nature of the wound or injury received, and in what part of the body located, of the cause and nature of the disease or disability incurred. State what caused the disability, and upon what part of the body it is situated, and whether you know it at the time of or immediately after its occurrence, or at any time while in the service. State whether you saw him at the date of or immediately previous to discharge, and where, and whether you saw him at the date of or immediately after his discharge, and when then stated. State whether the soldier was in sound health and normally free from the disease which caused the disability at the time of or immediately after his discharge, and if not, state the nature of the disease and when it was first observed. State the date of or immediately after his discharge, and when then stated. State the date of or immediately after his discharge, and when then stated.

My knowledge in the above case is obtained from St. Matthews who was in immediate command of said escort and finding said Applicant unable for duty for some time and never was able to perform heavy duty as he had formerly done

Affiant for his deposes that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in this claim, and that he makes the statement from personal knowledge.

Affiant's Post-office address is as follows: Kossauqua Van Buren Co Iowa

(Name of the witness) John H. Hart

This Blank is Prepared by GEORGE E. LEMON, Washington, D. C., and is Exclusively for his Use.



SWORN TO

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this 11th day of April, 1918, and I hereby certify that the contents of the foregoing affidavit were fully made known and explained by me to the affiant before swearing thereto, including the words

(If any words have been erased in this affidavit, state them here.)

and the words  
(If any words have been added in place of any erased, state them here.)  
that the affiant is to me well known and is respectable and worthy of full credit as a witness, and I further certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Jas. Phillips, Clerk  
(Name of officer before whom sworn.)  
Dist. Court  
(Name of Court, Justice, Notary, Clerk, or Deputy Clerk.)

(L. S.)

THE OFFICER BEFORE WHOM THIS AFFIDAVIT IS EXECUTED MUST BE SURE AND NOTE IN HIS CERTIFICATE ALL ERASURES AND INTERLINEATIONS AS INDICATED ABOVE.

HEAD. It is preferable that this instrument should be executed before a Clerk of Court. The seal should be impressed on the original paper, either direct or through the paper on which the jurat is made, if that be a separate paper. When executed before a Justice of the Peace or Notary Public, a certificate from the Clerk of the Court must be attached, certifying that the Justice of the Peace or Notary Public had authority to act as such, except in cases where the Justice of the Peace or Notary Public has filed his commission, or certified copy thereof, in the Office of the Commissioner of Pensions.

I certify that \_\_\_\_\_ before whom the above affidavit was made, is a \_\_\_\_\_ duly authorized to administer oaths and that the above is his signature.  
(Justice or Notary's name)  
(Justice of the Peace or Notary Public)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1918

(L. S.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of the Clerk or Deputy Clerk.)  
Clerk of the \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of what court.)

*[Faint, illegible handwriting, possibly bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]*

**Meet** DIVISION  
Affidavit of Commissioned Officer or Candidate

**Leaflet**

**ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE**

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William J. Daniels  
(Signature of Officer)

Charles H. Kent  
(Signature of Officer)

John P. Smith  
(Signature of Officer)

3 Regt. Iron Cavalry Polk.

AFFIDAVIT OF

REGIMENTAL ALDER

Take \_\_\_\_\_  
(Rank)

Regt. \_\_\_\_\_

File \_\_\_\_\_

FILED BY  
**GEORGE E. LEMON.**  
Attorney and Counsellor at Law,  
615 Fifteenth Street Northwest,  
P. O. BOX 303 WASHINGTON, D. C.











Milton, Iowa, 2/20. 1914.

Following is a Statement of my bill against the Estate of Catherine Kent, Dec'd, For Medical treatment, all of which I am holding Mrs Jessie M. Thayer, a Daughter, responsible for.

1913.			
Jan 1.	To Balance.	\$1.00:	
Jun. 18.	" Visit.	2.00:	
" 27.	" Prescription.	50:	
Jul 9.	" Visit,	2.00:	
" 10.	" "	2.00:	
" 19.	" "	2.00:	
" 24.	" "	2.00:	
AUG 7.	" "	2.00:	
" 8.	" Prescription,	25:	
" 13.	" Visit.	2.00:	
" 27.	" "	2.00:	
	Total	<u>\$17.75:</u>	

1913. Credits.  
July, 19. By Cash paid by Mrs. Thayer. \$10.00:

Balance Due. \$7.75:  
Subscribed to this 20 day of Feby, 1914.

*C. N. Stephenson* M. D.



REIMBURSEMENT.

I hereby certify that I hold Jessie M. Thayer, formerly Jessie M Kent, Responsible for any claim which I may have for services rendered, supplies furnished, or money expended during the last sickness and burial of Catherine Kent, (deceased) late a pensioner by Certificat Number 244445.

Subscribed to this 31 day of March, A. D. 1914.

*P. L. Atkins* M. D.

Subscribed to before me this 31st day of March, 1914.

*E. C. Stephens*  
Notary-Public.

In and for Van-Buren County, State of Iowa.





Milton, Iowa. 2/20. 1914.

Following is a statement of my bill against the estate of Catherine Kent  
Dec'd, for Nurse Hire. Including the help from Dr. F. L. Atkins, that I  
received.

Nursing & taking care of Catherine Kent during her entire spell  
of sickness, up to August 29, 1913. - the date of her death.-

Total amount, \$18.00:

All of which I will have to be responsible for.

Respectfully submitted.



Mrs. Jessie M. Thayer.



Milton, Iowa. 2/20. 1914.

Following is my Claim against the Catherine Kent, Dec'd Estate, all of  
which I am holding Mrs. Jessie M. Thayer, - Daughter, - responsible for.

August 29. 1913. To Embalming, body. of Catherine Kent. \$18.00:

\*\* 30. \*\* \*\* Casket, for \*\* \*\* \$65.00:

Total \$76.00:

Respectfully submitted.



H. A. Scott





REIMBURSEMENT.

I hereby certify that I am a member of the Cooley Brothers, Livery at and in Milton, Iowa. that at the time of the funeral of Catherine Kent, (deceased) late a pensioner by Certificate No. 24444E. We furnished Livery for the benefit of the funeral to the amount of \$ 1.30 dollars, all of which has been paid by Jessie Kent Thayer, - A Daughter- of the deceased above named.

Subscribed to this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March. 1914.

Subscribed to before me this 31st day of March 1914

E. O. Stephens  
Notary-Public.

In and for Van-Buren County, State of Iowa.



(3-499.)

Summary by Examiner.

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2) What was the condition of his health at the time of his death.  
3) Period of time which he was treated with, giving appropriate dates where exact dates can not be given, and if dates of prescriptions or visits cannot be given, he should state why.  
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Discharged April 21, 1862.

*Joseph H. Kent*  
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(2) What his physical condition was when he was treated "in, giving a full description or diagnosis of his disability.  
(3) Period during which he treated him giving approximate dates where exact dates cannot be given, and if dates of prescriptions or visits cannot be given, he should state why.  
5. Very important—  
It will also state what



Sworn to and subscribed before me this day; and I hereby certify that the affiant is a practicing physician in good professional standing; that I am in no wise interested, either directly or indirectly, in the prosecution of this claim; and that I read the foregoing affidavit to the affiant, and acquainted him of its contents before he executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 188  
[L. S.]

Sign here \_\_\_\_\_  
(Justice, Notary, or Clerk of Court, as the case may be.)

 THE OFFICER BEFORE WHOM THIS AFFIDAVIT IS EXECUTED MUST BE SURE AND NOTE IN HIS CERTIFICATE ALL ERASURES AND INTERLINEATIONS WHICH MAY BE MADE IN THE BODY OF THE AFFIDAVIT.

READ.—It is preferable that this instrument should be executed before a Clerk of Court. The seal should be impressed on the original paper, either direct or through the paper on which the jurat is made, if that be a separate paper. When executed before a Justice of the Peace or Notary Public, a certificate from the Clerk of the Court must be attached, certifying that the Justice of the Peace or Notary Public had authority to act as such, except in cases where the Justice of the Peace or Notary Public has filed his commission, or certified copy thereof, in the Office of the Commissioner of Pensions.

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ } SS:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk of the County Court in and for aforesaid County and State, do certify that \_\_\_\_\_, Esq., who hath signed his name to the foregoing jurat, was at the time of so doing a \_\_\_\_\_, Justice of the Peace or Notary Public, and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 188

[L. S.]

Clerk of the \_\_\_\_\_

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FILED BY  
GEORGE E. LEMMON,  
Attorney and Counsellor at Law,  
Office, No. 415 Fifteenth Street N. W.,  
P. O. Lock Box 305.  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

As this may reach the hands of some persons unacquainted with the House, we append hereto a statement of the testimony in our possession, copies of which have been furnished to the members of the House, and to the public generally, and which is published in the United States.

Washington, D. C., June 1, 1878.  
The undersigned, being an attorney, who, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved March 3, 1875, and 2d, 1876, and 3d, 1877, and 4th, 1878, and 5th, 1879, and 6th, 1880, and 7th, 1881, and 8th, 1882, and 9th, 1883, and 10th, 1884, and 11th, 1885, and 12th, 1886, and 13th, 1887, and 14th, 1888, and 15th, 1889, and 16th, 1890, and 17th, 1891, and 18th, 1892, and 19th, 1893, and 20th, 1894, and 21st, 1895, and 22nd, 1896, and 23rd, 1897, and 24th, 1898, and 25th, 1899, and 26th, 1900, and 27th, 1901, and 28th, 1902, and 29th, 1903, and 30th, 1904, and 31st, 1905, and 32nd, 1906, and 33rd, 1907, and 34th, 1908, and 35th, 1909, and 36th, 1910, and 37th, 1911, and 38th, 1912, and 39th, 1913, and 40th, 1914, and 41st, 1915, and 42nd, 1916, and 43rd, 1917, and 44th, 1918, and 45th, 1919, and 46th, 1920, and 47th, 1921, and 48th, 1922, and 49th, 1923, and 50th, 1924, and 51st, 1925, and 52nd, 1926, and 53rd, 1927, and 54th, 1928, and 55th, 1929, and 56th, 1930, and 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February 14, 1914.

Mrs. Jessie H. Thayer,  
Milton, Iowa.

Madam:-

Your claim for reimbursement in the case of Catharine Kent, certificate number 244,445, requires itemized bills for physician's services, nursing, undertaking, livery and cemetery charges. Each bill should contain the name of the pensioner and show, over the signature of the creditor, by whom paid, or if unpaid, that you are held responsible for payment.

Very respectfully,

G. M. SARTGABER,  
Commissioner.

12 - JUL 4 1913

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,  
Office of the Disbursing Clerk.

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To the Chief, Finance Division:

You are hereby notified that check No. 2613674 for \$ 36-  
dated Oct 4 1913, in favor of Catharine Kent  
Crf. No. 244445. Class Civil War Wid Section Chicago  
has been returned to this office by the Postmaster at Milton  
Iowa, with the information that the pensioner died  
29 August 1913, and said check has this day been canceled.

Stencil drawn

Very respectfully,

CUY O. TAYLOR,  
Disbursing Clerk.

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REIMBURSEMENT

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March 6, 1914.

Mrs. Jessie M. Phayer,  
Milton, Iowa.

Madam:-

Relative to your claim for reimbursement in the case of  
Catharine Kelp, certificate number 244,445, you are advised that  
it will be necessary to file a bill from Meri Hoskins, the person  
who dug the grave, together with a bill from Cooley Brothers, the  
persons who furnished the livery. Each bill should contain the  
name of the pensioner and show, over the signature of the cred-  
itor, by whom paid, or if unpaid, that you are held responsible for  
payment.

The enclosed certificate should be signed by Dr. P. L.  
Atkins and returned to this Bureau.

Very respectfully,

G. M. SALTZGABER,

Commissioner.

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STATE of IOWA. }  
VAN-BUREN COUNTY. } ss.

I :- Jessie M. Thayer, formerly Jessie M Kent, first being duly sworn, On My Oath declare and say, I am a Daughter of Catherine Kent, a Soldiers Widow, Drawing Pension under Certificate No. 244445, that my Mother, the said Catherine Kent, died on the 20th day of August 1913, that I am held responsible for all Doctor Bills, together with all Funeral and Burial expenses, That My Mother was Buried in the Hoskins Cemetery near Keosauqua Iowa, some Fifteen miles from where she died, that I paid for digging the grave to - I think- one Neri Hoskins, the sum of \$5.00: that I am unable to tell his address, consequently cannot at ~~the~~ this time get a statement from him for the fees paid for the Grave digging, Subscribed to this 20th, day of February, A. D. 1914.

*Jessie M. Thayer*

Subscribed and sworn to before me by the above said Jessie M Thayer, this 20th, day of February, A.D. 1914.



*E. O. Syphers*  
Notary-Public.

E. O. SYPHERS  
REAL ESTATE, LOAN AND EXCHANGE AGENT  
COLLECTIONS & SPECIALTY  
TITLES EXAMINED ESTATES SETTLED  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
CORRESPONDENCE SOLICITED  
PHONE NO. 57 MILTON, IA.

Milton, Iowa. March, 31. 1914.

G. M. Saltzgeber, Esq.  
Commissioner of Pensions,  
Washington, D. C.

My Dear Sir:- I am enclosing to you herewith, Bill of Cooley Bros, with a certificate to that effect, Also The same from Dr. P. L. Atkins, I am unable to find the Grave digger, as this Burial was made in a Country Grave-yard, and as we wrote you before, we thought that a man by name of Neri Hoskins done this work. However we find that we were mistaken, that it was another person by the name of Hoskins. I have been unable to get hold of this party, but You will see that Mrs Jessie M. Thayer - Kent - has made affidavit under date of 2/20. 1914, that she paid this sum \$5.00: for digging the grave.

Mrs. Thayer is out of Town at this time, and requests that I shall take the matter up with your Department.

I am satisfied that this is all that you will require in the matter, and would be pleased to receive the bal. Due to Catherine Kent at the time of her death. I assure you that this is all needed to defray the Funeral expenses of this Woman. ( CERTIFICATE No. 244,445.)

Please let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Yours very truly.

*E. O. Syphers*

