

# SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE.

Insert character and number of claim.

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Pension Claim No.

562,202

Name of claimant.

Levan N. Purnell alias Newton

Address of Board.

Baltimore

P. O.

Company D 9 Reg't U.S.C.V. Inf

Maryland

State.

Claimant's post-office address.

420 S. Dallas St

February 8th,

1907

[Date of examination.]

Names of disabilities.

Senile debility, lumbago, injury of little finger of left hand, disease of back, disease of kidneys, chills and fever, rheumatism general debility

He receives a pension of 6 dollars per month.

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

He makes the following statement in regard to the origin of his disabilities and date when first discovered by him: Rheumatism and lumbago for years-cause unknown Injury of little finger left hand in saw mill-date unknown- never had chills and fever.

Birthplace, Worcester Co Md; age, 62 years; height, 5-6 weight, 168 pounds; complexion, negro; color of eyes, brown; color of hair, black&gray; occupation, laborer; permanent marks and scars other than those described below, none

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

Pulse rate, 76- 78- 86; respiration, 20- 21- 28; temperature, N

[Sitting, standing, after exercise.]

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Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with Book of instructions, and make a separate paragraph for each disability.

SENILE DEBILITY-Vessels stiff-no arcus-slightly stooped-muscular and well nourished-no tremor.

RHEUMATISM AND LUMBAGO-Soreness and crepitation in both shoulder and both knee joints with slight stiffness-walks with limp no enlargement of joints-no atrophy or swelling of muscles-no contraction or impaired motion. Also complains of pain in lumbar muscles-no atrophy or swelling. All other muscles and joints normal.

INJURY OF LITTLE FINGER OF LEFT HAND-Scar on tip end of little finger of left hand with slight loss of tissue and slight deformity of nail.

DISEASE OF BACK-No evidence other than described under rheumatism.

DISEASE OF KIDNEYS-Specific gravity 1020-acid reaction-light amber-heat and nitric acid show large amount of albumin-no sugar or other abnormal deposits-no edema-nephritis.

CHILLS AND FEVER-No subjective symptoms-liver and spleen normal upper border of liver corresponds to 6th rib and lower border to 10th rib.

GENERAL DEBILITY-Muscular and well nourished.

LUNGS-Chest at rest 37 1/4-full inspiration 39-full expiration 37. Percussion and auscultation reveal a normal condition of lungs and bronchi.

DISEASE OF HEART-Apex beat 5th interspace just outside nipple line and evident upon inspection-area of impulse two inches laterally-percussion dullness from left nipple line to midway of sternum-hypertrophy of left heart. Auscultation reveals a mitral systolic murmur loudest at apex-dyspnoea on exercise-no edema or cyanosis.

No other disability found to exist.

No evidence of vicious habits.

We find that the aggregate permanent disability for earning a support by manual labor is due to age, rheumatism, disease of heart and kidneys, not due to vicious habits, and warrants a rate of \$10 a month.

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

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

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

Single surgeons will use this blank, changing "we" to read "I."

Marginal entries must never be made.

C. L. Sander, Pres.

W. A. Jamett, Sec'y.

E. S. Young, Treas.