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with him at that time, I did not know it. The said claimant was doing general farm work for my mother at the time stated. No sir, I can't say that I have known anything to be the matter with the said claimant since his army service. Yes, he worked for me a while; he worked for me one year. He worked for me that time about twenty four or twenty five years ago. He did farm work for me. I think it was in 1878 that he worked for me. His physical condition was all right during the time he worked for me. He made a good hand. No, he was not laid up from any cause while he worked for me. I don't remember that he lost a day on account of sickness while he worked for me. No, I don't remember that I ever heard the said claimant complain of rheumatism while he worked for me or at any other time. Well now, since you mention it, I think I do remember that he complained of his feet from some cause, but what was the matter with his feet, whether frosted or not, I can't say. I can't possibly say when it was that I think I remember of his complaining of his feet. Can't say whether it was during the time he worked for me, or before that time, or afterward. I just have a vague recollection that I heard him complain at some time of something being the matter with his feet, but what the trouble was or when I heard him complain, I can't possibly say, but it must have been a long while ago. I haven't seen enough of him for a good many years to put me in a position to hear him complain about his condition, so whatever