

SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE.

Insert character and number of claim.

Increase

Pension Claim No. 761 637

Name of claimant.

John Armstrong

Baltimore,

P. O.

Private Company B, 39, Reg't U.S.C. Inf.

Address of Board.

Maryland,

State.

Claimant's post-office address.

#211 W. Dover St., Balto., Md.

March 5, 1901

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[Date of examination.]

Cause of disability.

Lumbago, disease of kidneys, catarrh of head, piles, diarrhoea, rheumatism, weak back and obesity.

He receives a pension of Six dollars per month.

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

He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for Increase Pension

"He is unable to work on account of fatness." [Original, increase, restoration, etc.]

Laborer.

Attention is invited to the outlines of the human skeleton and figure upon the back of this certificate, which should be used to indicate precisely the location of a disease or injury, the entrance and exit of a missile, an amputation, etc.

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

Pulse rate, 60, 68, 76, respiration, 16, 18, 22, temperature, 98

[Sitting, standing, after exercise.]

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height, 5 feet 4 inches; actual weight, 190 pounds; age, 60 years.

Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with Book of Instructions.

Lumbago; Rheumatism; Weak Back: All joints and muscles normal in size and function. No symptoms of weak back.

Heart--Apex impulse apparent by palpation in fifth interspace, one inch to right of left nipple. Transverse dullness extends from fourth left chondrocostal articulation to fifth right costosternal articulation. Action regular. Valves good. No hypertrophy or dilatation. Has dyspnea on exertion, due to obesity. No cyanosis or oedema.

The actual or probable origin of every existing disability must be fully set forth.

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.

Kidneys: No local oedemas or dropsies. No uraemia, anaemia or degenerations. Urine pale. S. G. 1020. Acid. No albumen or sugar.

Catarrh: Mucous membrane of nasal passages normal. Eustachian tubes pervious. Hearing is not impaired. No symptoms of catarrh.

Piles: Rectal mucous membrane in healthy condition. He has no piles. No fissure, fistula, stricture or prolapse.

Each disability must be rated separately, the act of Congress of March 2, 1895, requiring "that the report of such examining surgeons shall specifically state the rating which, in their judgment, the applicant is entitled to."

Diarrhoea: Is in good physical condition. No abdominal soreness. His digestive organs are normal in size and function. No symptoms of diarrhoea.

Obesity: He is very stout and very much overweight, but he is not corpulent. He is fairly active for his age. He has considerable dyspnea on exertion, which in its self, causes some disability. His abdomen measures 40 inches in circumference. He has no organic disease.

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

Except as above, all organs normal. Chest symmetrical; expiration 38, rest 40, inspiration 41.

We find that the aggregate permanent disability for earning a support by manual labor is due to Dyspnea due to Obesity, not due to vicious habits, and warrants a rating of \$6.00

A A White, Pres. Geo R Graham, Sec'y. S L ..., Treas.

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