

No. 183,870
Georgia

Mourner Allen

WIDOW OF

John Allen

Rank 2nd Co. "A"

Regt. 103rd U. S. C. I.

Knoxville Term. Agency.

Rate per Month, \$ 8.

Commencing 20th Jan'y. 1865

Additional sum of \$2 per Month for each
of the following children, until arriving at the
age of 16 years, commencing 25th July 1866

Henry A. 14th April 1877
Benjamin S. 24th Jan'y. 1879
William S. 23rd Dec. 1880

Certificate dated 28th Oct. 1879.

Sent 30th " 1879.

H. H. Walker

Attorney.

Act 14th July, 1862.

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H. Walker

Clerk.

Ex'r.

Date.

Noted under

Feb. 2 y, Sec. ~~Atty~~ Howe, *German*
75 claim cannot be
adjudicated without
Compulsory Test. dis. cont.
L.H.

Wheeler

Jan. 21, 1876

To Atty. If soldier was poisoned,
as alleged, evidence must be furnished
establishing the fact, or no further
action can be taken by the office

To Atty for service of State Allen
Mar 2, 76. - Wheeler

To Atty as per reviewer slip
June 3, 1876. Wheeler

Papers to Atty, for amended report.
Wheeler Jan 11, 77

Jan 22-77. Atty, *containing*

1877- May 5

Rejected under
Sec. 4717. Atty informed

July 19-79-

To actg Chief of Win
for instructions -

Aug. 5-1879. *Ch.*

Sept. 12/79 Atty for claimant's *P.O.*
app. showing whether she has re-mar.
also her P.O. address *vs. her own*
Signature.

Williams A

Ex'r.

185-870

NO 200-964

Acts of July 14, 1862, and March 3, 1873.

Mourner Allen
Cunning, Forsyth Co. Ga.

Widow of
John Allen
Bri. Co. A. 103rd U.S. C.V.

Died at *Hilton Head, S.C.*
January 19, 1865, of disease,
other claim.

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Clark.

Single jacket inside

Application filed: *Dec. 28th, 1871.*

Attorney: *H. H. Walker*

P. O. *Cross Keys*

Walker Co. Ga.

Hottelander

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No 200.964

ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.

Mourner Allen

Cumming Ga.

Widow of

John Allen

Priv. Co. "A" 103rd U.S. Col. Troops

Died at Hilton Head Ga.

Feb. 20th 1865 of disease

No Sup. P. H. H.

Wm. S. G.

Wm. S. G.

Wm. S. G.

Received Dec. 28th, 1871.

H. H. Walker

Cross Keys

Orkney Co.

Ga.

Attorney.

1872, Jan. 13, A.G.

1872, Jan. 26, S.H.

St. Louis

Feb. 8/72, S.H. atty, marriage,
deaths & birth, disease cont,
remarriage & identity
L.H.

Jan. 28/72, S.H. atty, report filed
L.H.

Nov. 11/72, S.H. atty, Better evidence of
disease, marriage, dates of
birth & identity of children

Mar. 13/73, S.H. atty, reports to S.H. atty, for
correspondence with officers
L.H.

July 25, S.H. atty, marriage, death
& birth by account
or intelligent cards
L.H.

Jan. 9, S.H. atty, children
74 before Dr. Sheper
for examination and
opinion of their ages
L.H.

July 16, S.H. atty, off. ch. ch.
74 & wife, showing
whether Wm. Th. was
born 1864, or 1865
L.H.

State of Georgia } 3

County of Cherokee } On this 21st day of March 1876.

Personally appeared before the undersigned a Notary Public and Ex-officio Justice of the Peace, within and for said County and State State Allen Col^d a resident of the County of Cherokee in the State of Georgia to me well known and who is respectable and entitled to credit, And who being duly sworn according to Law, States that he was a private in Company, A. 103rd Regiment United States Cold. Troops, War of 1861. And as such he was well personally acquainted with John Allen deceased. Late a private in said Company, A - 103rd Regiment above named.

That Deponent was personally present at the time that said John Allen Enlisted into the Military Service of the United States at Hilton Head State of Georgia on or about the 17th day of January A.D. 1863rd as a private Co A 103rd Regt. above named. Deponent knows that said John Allen, was at the time of his said Enlistment last above named, a stout healthy man - And that the said John Allen was at the time of his Enlistment last above named, was Examined by the Army

Surgeon on enlistment at Hilton Head, And
was by Said U.S Army Surgeon pronounced
Sound able bodied and fit for duty. which
I think was on or about the 15th day of Jan-
-uary, 1865. He was with the other recruits,
assigned to duty in Camp at Hilton Head,
at the time of Enlistment last aforesaid and,
Under Command of Captain Edward. Dove,
Co "A" And while in Camp at the time
and place last named: Said John Allen
eat- Some wild berries which grow
in Camp at Hilton Head And was at
the time on the same day that he eat
Said berries taken violently sick
with Vomiting and high fever,
which continued until the next day-
~~from~~ which cause the Said John Allen
died the next day, after he eat the berries
which was on or about the - 19th day of
January 1865. He was buried at Hilton
Head. The Surgeon of the Army was
sent for soon after he was taken sick
but did not get there until the next
day - the day he died the Surgeon ex-
-amined him and, Said he was poisoned
by eating the berries. And that his death
was caused, by, the poison by reason of
eating the berries: This was my opinion

and belief. And it was so said by the
Army Surgeon when he examined him
at the time of his death - that he died
from the effects of the poison in the
berries he had eat. Which was said &
known and understood of all who
was present at the time, as well as now.
recalled. He had not been enlisted but
two or three days and had not yet been
mustered into service - when he died. I
know of no other cause for his death -
as I had known him for a long time
before he enlisted he was stout hearty and
healthy up to that time - I do not recollect
the name of the berries - The Army Doctor
and Surgeon who come and examined him
at the time of his death said the berries
was poison. I know nothing of
Captain Dove or any other officer or
Soldier who belonged to Company "A" -
The John Allen = who joined me in my first
^{in this claim} affidavit - was a Cousin of the said John
Allen here alluded to. And was also a
private in the same Co "A" with me,
and he is now also dead and I do not
know anything of any other Soldier of said Com-
pany in this Country or elsewhere. I make
this statement as an act of justice & nothing

more. the facts stated came under my personal
knowledge by being present. And seeing what I
have stated. I have no interest in the various
claim here referred to. My P.O. Address is
Freemansville Georgia

Attest & Witness

his
State X. Allen
mark

J. L. Berry
J. L. Berry

Sworn to and Subscribed before me on this
21st day of March 1876. And I Certify that the
foregoing affidavit was read to and understood
by the affiant before he made his mark to the
same. And that I have no interest in this
claim - nor prosecution of the same. My P.O. A.
is Freemansville Ga. Wm. J. Christian N.P. & G.P.

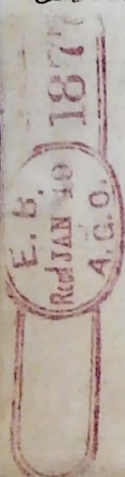
State of Georgia
County of Cherokee

I hereby Certify that W. J. Christian
Esq. before whom the above -
affidavit was made was at the time -
thereof a duly Authorized Notary Public
& Ex officio Justice of the Peace in and for
Said County and State duly Sworn and
Commissioned & that his signature thereto is
genuine.

And Seal of Court, this
21st day of March 1876

James. 908 Hudson Clerk

Test of
State Seal



State of Georgia 3

County of Cherokee 3 On this 15th day of July 1876.

Personally appeared before the undersigned Authority, State Allen Col.^d a resident of the County and State aforesaid to me well known. Who being duly sworn according to Law: deposed and said as follows to Wit-

I am the identical State Allen who. Was a private Captain Edward Doves Co-
"A." 103rd Regt. United States Infantry Vols.
Shot. he and John Allen Col. ~~D.~~ the
husband of Mourin Allen at first
met up with the recruiting officer at
Savannah Georgia some time in the first
of January 1865. When where they was recruited
and taken from Savannah to Hilton
Head. And put in Camp and drilled
in Camp or Hilton Head by a white
man who was a Lieutenant; Hilton Head,
South was about. Two miles from our camp.
And when we got. to Hilton Head was put out
in camp and Mustered. for some time say-
3 or 4 weeks before we drew. Arms.
And in about. Ten or Twelve days.
after we got into Camp at. Hilton Head,
John Allen was taken Sick He was taken
very Sick. He tasted or eat. some berries-
while in camp, which was in camp-

He was taken very sick in the evening he vomited severely some three or four times and was also at the same time and place taken with a running off of the Bowels. every hour or so. During the evening he was attacked and during that night and nearly until he died which was nearly at 12 o'clock. He only lived about twenty hours. after he was attacked. He said when he tasted the berries they were sweet. The Hospital was about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile from the camp where he was taken sick. He was not sent to Hospital. The Army Surgeon as he was called by the Soldiers was sent for next morning after he was taken sick. The Surgeon was in Town at Hilton Head when we sent for him. 2 miles from camp but he did not get there where John Allen was in camp, until he was dead. he died but a few minutes before the Surgeon came. There were nine Companies of Soldiers in Camp of 103rd Regt. When he died these Companies had all been organized and put on drill in camp. When he died But I do not remember the name of the Officers who mustered us, all in platoons; when he died, one officers name was Smith. Me and John Allen was examined in the Town of Hilton Head by an Army Surgeon. who told us we was all for duty. we drew clothing right there, and was sent out to camp by a Guard of three or four men - at Hilton Head.

And when we got out to camp we mustered
with sticks And after we got to camp
it was some 10 or 12 days more or less
before John Allen was taken sick & died.
Captain Dove had not yet taken command
of the Company - But did take charge of us,
in a few days after John Allen died.
The Army Surgeon who was sent for whose
name I don't recollect, resided in Town of
Hollow Head - But, he didn't come until the time
arrived that is the hour set for him to
visit the Hospital. And this was reason why,
he did not get there before he died, He thinks
they mustered or drilled in camp for a month
before they were mustered into service John
Allen had been drilled by the officers for
some 10 or twelve days before he died.
The Surgeon was sent for the evening that he was
taken sick. The orderly Sergeant, came back,
and said the Surgeon would not come
until next morning & he did not come
until the time set to visit the Hospital & the
Soldier John Allen died before he got there.
He complained when he was attacked with a "misery"
in his stomach ^{with vomiting} which was followed that
evening - with vomiting & misery and Rushing
of the Bowels. I seen other Soldiers who
was well and hearty at night fall out
of their camp doors dead next morning.

Attest
J. A. Danneel P.O. Adm^{rs} - Orange. Cherker & Co
M A Christian

William J. Christian
V.D. and Ex Officio J.D.

31st day of July 1896

James W. Hudson Clerk

State of Georgia
County of Cherokee. I, hereby Certify that,
William M. Christians, whose genuine sig-
nature appears to the above affidavit was,
at the time of the signing thereof a
Notary Public & ex officio Justice of
the Peace within and for said County &
State above named duly sworn and
Commissioned Given under my hand
and official Seal on this
31st day of July 1896
James W. Hudson Clerk

E. B.
Rec'd J. A. B. 19
A. G. O. 1877

A. H. Vol. 6. 5. 1873.

March 15, 1873.

John Allen
Late Pvt. No. 4103. A. G. O.

Commissioner of Pensions
returns report of Jan'y 23.
1872, from A. G. O., with request
that correspondence be had
with the officers of the Regt. if
practicable, & evidence be
obtained showing the nature
of the disease of which
this soldier died, &c.

(2 Enclos.)
(4 Enclos. 2d Enclmt)
In letter of May 13.
73 to Root &
Davis and B. A.
Bosman

Rec'd A. G. O. March 18, 1873.

War Department,
Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., June 24, 1873.
Respectfully returned to the
Commissioner of Pensions;
It appears that this soldier died
only two days after his enlistment
and prior to the organization of
his Company.

The officers who were assigned
to the Company at its organization,
not having joined for duty at the
time of the soldier's death, could
have no knowledge of the cause
of death.

It appears that the man was
duty examined by a medical officer
at the time of his enlistment, and
the presumption, therefore, is that
the disease had not manifested
itself at the date of enlistment.

An effort has been made to
communicate with the recruit-
ing offices and examining Sur-
geon, but without success.

Thoma S. M. Vincent
Asst. Adj. General.

Wheeler Widows DIVISION.
Department of the Interior,
PENSION OFFICE,
Washington, D. C. Jan. 16, 1877

Respectfully referred to the
Adjutant General, U. S. A.,
with the request that the
office be furnished with
an amended report showing
that the soldier met his
death in line of duty,
if the enclosed papers
are sufficient for
that purpose.

Claim No. 700,964
Soldier - John Allen
(4 Enclos.)

J. A. Bentley
Commissioner.
Per J. A. Bentley

War Department
Adjutant General's Office,
January 24, 1877

Respectfully returned
to the Commission of Inquiry.

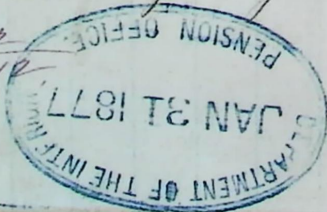
It is claimed that the soldier
died of poison from eating wild
berries growing in the camp of
his regiment. This two days after
his enlistment and before his
muster into service.

If the cause be as stated
it cannot be held that the soldier
died of disease contracted in line
of duty.

Thomas M. Everett

Assistant Adjutant General

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(No. 23.)

Department of the Interior,

PENSION OFFICE,
WIDOWS' DIVISION,

on, March 15th, 1873.

It is respectfully returned to the
Commission of Inquiry, with the
fact corresponding to the
officers of company A, 103^d
regiment, and evidence
showing the nature
of the case, of which the within
line died, and where,
and under what circum-
stances it was contracted.
Records of the Surgeon General's
office show the nature of the disease.

W. D. Miller
Commissioner

State of Georgia } I John G. Cartwright
County of Milton } Aged forty two years;
a resident of the County aforesaid
Post Office Address Greensboro Ga;
Do Certify that I was personally acquainted
with John Allen (a free man of color)
late of Co A 103rd Regt Colored Infantry Vol
for fifteen years and up to the time
the said John Allen entered the United
States Service as aforesaid; that I have been
a practicing Physician for eighteen years; that
said John Allen was during my acquaintance
with him; a stout hearty robust & healthy
man was so considered at the time he entered
the Service as aforesaid; that he had no
sickness or disease of any kind prior to his
entering the Service that was likely to
calculate to impair or injure his general
health; that I have been acquainted
with Mary Ann Allen Widow of said deceased
who is an Applicant for Pension Claim
No 207464 for ten years; that the
said John Allen & Mary Ann Allen lived together
to themselves as man & wife; that the facts
of their being man and wife was never
questioned or doubted; that I have no
interest in said Claim

* J. G. Cartwright M.D.

State of Georgia } In person appeared before
County of Cherokee } me W. C. Christian Notary public
in for said County

Dr John G. Cantrell who after being duly sworn
says that the statements made in the
following Certificate are true:

sworn to & subscribed

before me, this the

27th June 1872

W. J. Christian M.D.
J. G. Cantrell M.D.

W. J. Christian M.D. Public

State of Georgia } Ordinary Office
County of Forsyth } Cumming Ga
June 28th 1872

I William D. Beatty Ordinary of said County
do hereby certify that I have been personally
acquainted with Dr John G. Cantrell
whose genuine signature is signed to the
foregoing Certificate: for fifteen years;
that I have known him as a practicing
Physician of Milton County adjoining County
to Forsyth County for fifteen years: that
he is a Physician in good standing a man
of truth and veracity that full faith &
Credence should be given his signature
As such I do further certify that I am
acquainted with W. J. Christian who
is a Notary - I believe Clerk of the
Dist of said County of Milton who administ-
ers the foregoing Oath to said Dr J. G. Cantrell
whose genuine signature is officially signed
there; that he is a duly authorized & ad minister
Oaths and take acknowledgements.

that full faith & credit should be
given his official acts as such
Given under my hand

the word "clerk" struck } And seal of office is
& Cherokee Intendant before } Wm D. Beutter
Signed W D Beutter, Clerk }
Ordinary
Tompkins County, Ga



Prox health of
Soldier -
Dr. J. G. Cantrell
Attending Physician



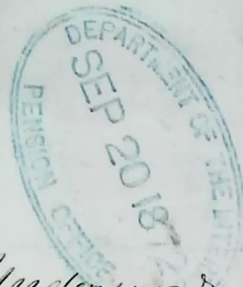
State of Georgia } Ordinary Office Cumming Ga
Forth County } 1872
I Wm L Bently Ordinary
of said County

Do hereby Certify that I
was well and intimately acquainted
with Dr Thomas G Underwood who
made the within Certificate in the
matter of the Pension Claim N^o 200964
of Mowmin Allen Widow of John
Allen late dead of Co A, 103 Regt
U S Colored Infantry Volunteers;
for fourteen years and up to the
time that he the said Dr Thos G
Underwood moved from said State of
Georgia to the State of Alabama which
was on or about the fourth day of April
1871

That said Dr Thos G Underwood during
my acquaintance with him a regular
practising Physician in the County of
Cherokee State of Georgia the County of
his residence & in the adjoining Counties
the North County being one of the adjoining
Counties;

That said Dr Thos G Underwood was a
Physician & Gentleman in good standing
a man of veracity & that full
credit should be given his Certificate
as such; Given under my hand and
Seal of office
W L Bently Ordinary

Medical



State of Alabama } I Thomas G. Underwood
County of Morgan } Citizen of said County
of Morgan

Do hereby certify that I have been a regular
practising Physician for twenty five years;
That I was a citizen of the County of
Cherokee, State of Georgia for seventeen years
up to the fourth day of April 1871
at which time I moved to this; said
County of Morgan State of Alabama
That I was well & personally acquainted
with John Allen; a free man of color;
later deceased of Co. A, 103 Regt. U.S.
Colored Infantry Volunteers for sixteen years;
while I lived in said County of Cherokee
State of Georgia and up to the time of
his entering the U.S. Service in January
1865;

That said John Allen was a stout healthy
and active man at before and at the
time of his entering the service as afore-
said

My reason for knowing this fact is
that I lived within three miles of him
during said sixteen years my acquaintance
with him;

That I was his family Physician & done
practice in his family;

That I had frequently hired him to work
for me; during said sixteen years;
time of my acquaintance with him;

I do further Certify That I was
personally acquainted with Mournin
Allen widow of said John Allen Decd
for ~~ten~~ years; while I lived in said
County of Cherokee State of Georgia;
who is an Applicant for Pension Claim
No 200964

That she is the person she repre-
sents herself to be
That during my acquaintance with her
that she the said John Allen Decd and
said Mournin Allen lived together separately
& id themselves as Man & Wife; that
the fact of their being Man & Wife was
not doubted or questioned during my acquaint-
ance with them;

That 3 or 4 Children was born to them while
in widowhood as aforesaid which death of the
Decd; only separated them;

That I have no interest direct present or
prospective in said Claim;

Thos. G. Underwood M.D.

Post Office Address Falkville Ala

The statement made in the foregoing Certificate
sworn to & subscribed by Dr Thos. G. Underwood
before me this the 19th day of July
1872

Sam'l H. Herring J.P.
of Morgan County
State of Alabama
Post Office address
Falkville Ala

State of Alabama } Probate Office
County of Morgan } Morgan County Ala
July 20th 1872

I Jonathan Ford Judge of Probate
of said County and State

do hereby certify that Samuel
H. Herrin before whom Dr Thomas G.
Underwood made oath to the statement made
in his Certificate in the Case of Mourning
Allen Widow of John Allen late of Co A 103

Regt U S Colored Infantry Volunteers - for
pension claim no 200964; whose genuine
signature is officially signed to the same,
is an acting Justice of the Peace of said
County of Morgan; duly sworn and
Commissioned at the time the same bears
date & duly authorized to administer
oaths & take acknowledgements as such;

I do further certify that I have been well
acquainted with said Dr T. G. Underwood
a practicing Physician of said County of
Morgan in said State of Alabama
that he is a high toned gentleman of truth
& veracity;

That full credit should be given his certificate
as such as well as the attestation of said
Samuel H. Herrin Justice of the Peace of as
aforesaid.

aforesaid

Given under my hand and
Seal of office the date
Jonathan Ford
Judge of Probate
Morgan County Ala

One Medical
Affidavit

Attending Physn
Dr. Underwood

State of Georgia } On this 23rd day of September
County of Cherokee } A D 1879.

Personally appeared before
The undersigned Authority Mournin Allen
a Resident of the County of Cherokee State
of Georgia & me well known who being
duly sworn according to law: States that she
is now a widow and that she has not remar-
ried since the death of John Allen her husband
who was a private Soldier Coth A. 103rd Regt. U.S.
Cavalry Infantry. but continues to be his widow
And that her Post Office Address is Freemansville
Milton County Georgia

Attest & witnesses

L. M. Yancy " } Mournin her Allen
C. C. Christian " } mark

Sworn to and Subscribed before me on this 23rd
day of September 1879 And I Certify that
the foregoing affidavit was read and the contents
fully explained to affiant before signing and
that I have no interest in this claim P.O. Address is
Freemansville Ga. Wm. J. Christian, N. P. Secy. P.

And at the same time and place personally
came, C. C. Christian and ~~James M. Yancy~~
residents of the County of Cherokee in the State of
Georgia & me well known to be respectable and enti-
-tled to Credit. Who being duly sworn according.

to Law States that they are personally well
 acquainted with Mourners Allen widow
 of John Allen a deceased Soldier of the War
 of 1861- And Know that she is now a widow
 And that she has not remarried since the death
 of John Allen above named. That our acquaint-
 =ance with her. And Knowledge of her is such
 that if she had. remarried the fact would
 have become known to us And that we
 have no interest in her claim and that
 our P.O. Address is ^{ex} Greensboro Georgia
 2 witnesses must attest if sworn } I c M Yancey
 J. S. Baker " } W. L. Christian (13)
 S. L. Baker " }

Sworn to And Subscribed before me on
 the day and Year above written. And I Certi-
 =fy that the foregoing Affidavit was read And
 the Contents fully explained to affiants before
 they signed the Same.

Given under my hand
 And Signature this 23rd day
 of September 1879
 Wm. J. Christian, A. P. Notary

State of Georgia } J. Odham W. Putnam
Cherokee County } Ordinary and Ex Officio
 } Clerk of the Court of Ordinary
in and for Said County do hereby Certify that
Wm J. Christian is a Notary Public and Ex Officio
Justice of the Peace in and for Said County
that his Commission was dated on the 27 day
of July 1876 and will expire on the first
day of January 1881 and that his official
acts as such are entitled to full faith and
Credit, and that his Signature to the above
is genuine

Given under my hand and Seal of
Office this the 25th day of September 1879

Odham W. Putnam Ordinary
& Ex Officio Clerk

Additional Evidence
In Claim for
Major Pension

Mourner Allen, wid
of
John Allen late private
Co "A" 103 Regt W.S. Infy
Claim No. 200,964

Filed by
H. W. Walker Atty
Crop Rep Ga



State of Georgia
County of Forsyth

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On this 11th day of June
AD 1872—

Personally appeared before me William D. Bently Judge of the Court of Ordinary in and for said County— one — name — Allen aged 48 years, a Resident of the County of Cherokee State of Georgia; who being duly sworn according to Law State that he is the identical State Allen who was a private in Captain Edwards Doves & Co's "A" 103 Regt W.S. Colored Infantry; and as such he was well acquainted with John Allen late a private in Captain Edwards Doves Co's "A" Regiment above named; That Deponent knew said John Allen, well acquainted with him for nine years immediately previous to the time of his Enlistment in January 1865 And Know, that he was a farmer by trade and a laborer on the farm and a stout healthy man— and that he ^{was} examined by the W.S. Army Surgeon at Hilton Head, Georgia at the time of Enlistment, and was by said Surgeon pronounced sound and able bodied and fit for service— And that the said John Allen while in the Military Service as aforesaid and in the line of his duty as a Soldier was violently taken sick at Hilton Head while in Camp— and in the line of his duty as a Soldier as—

a Soldier which was on or about the first day of February 1863. That he was severely attacked with some disease of the Breast and Stomach about 3 o'clock P.M. and died on the next day - about 12 o'clock A.M. That he foamed at the mouth as though he might have been poisoned -- That the Surgeon was sent for when he was attacked that he died next day before the Surgeon came - and when the Surgeon came - said John Allen had been dead about 15 minutes: Deponent. never knew or heard of said John Allen being sick until he was attacked as above stated:

Deponent - has no interest in the prosecution of this claim and his P.O. Address is Orange Georgia, Kate ^{his} Allen mark

Attest -

Joseph D. Foster

Ed. (M. Monodes

Deponent further states that he deponent & deces were mes mates;

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the 11th day of June 1872 And I Certify that the affidavit is respectable intelligent and entitled to Credit - And that the foregoing affidavit was read and explained to and understood by the affiant before the signing hereof.

Given under my hand and official Seal, Wm D Bentley
Ordinary



State of Georgia

County of Forsyth

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On this 18th day of June,
A.D. 1892.

Personally appeared before me William D. Bently Judge and Ex-officio Clerk of the County of Ordainary within and for said County and State, Monroe Allen a Resident of the County of DeKalb State of Georgia: who being duly sworn according to Law, States that he is the identical Monroe Allen who was a private in Capt. Edwards Dones Company, "A" 103 Regt. U.S. Colored Infantry Vols. And as such the Deponent was well personally acquainted with John Allen late a private in said Company "A" 103 Regt. Inftry Vols. for eight years immediately preceding the time of his enlistment, in January 1865. That said John Allen was a stout healthy man and a laborer on the farm; And that when he enlisted he was examined by the U.S. Army Surgeon at Hilton Head Georgia and pronounced sound able bodied and fit for service: which Deponent knows and verily believes he was - And that the said John Allen while in the military service of the United States as aforesaid and in the line of his duty as a Soldier - was violently attacked - taken sick.

while in Camp at Hilton Head, Georgia
which was on or about the first day of
February 1865 (the precise date not re-
collected) That he was severely attacked with
some disease of the Breast and Stomach
about 3 o'clock P.M. and died on the
next day about 12 o'clock A.M. That he
foamed or frothed at the mouth as
though he might have been poisoned.
That the Surgeon of the Regiment was
sent for when he was attacked but before
the Surgeon came which was next day
after sent for. Said John Allen was dead
died from the cause above stated.

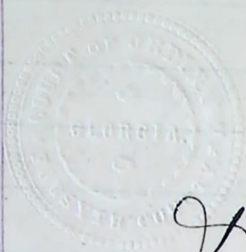
Deponent was raised and Resided
near said John Allen and knew him
personally up to the time of his Enlistment,
and never heard of him being Sick
or Sickly until he was attacked as above
stated. Deponent has no interest in
this claim in any way, and makes this
Statement as a simple Act of Justice and
nothing further, that his PO Address
is Crop Key Georgia that he was a mesmate
and that Deponent knows the present
applicant Mourner Allen to be the
widow of said John Allen above named,

Attest C. L. Walker " } Monroe ^{his} Allen " "
W. H. Walker " } mark

Sworn to and Subscribed before me
on the day and Year first above written
After the Same was read explained and
Understood by the Affiant Whom I
Certify to be Respectable and entitled
to Credit-

Given Under my hand
and Official Seal on the
date above written.

Wm D Bently Ordinary
Jt Officer Clerk



State of Georgia 3
Forsyth County 3. We James R Knox, Postmaster
at Cumming Georgia. Stephen C Allison
Assistant Asst. Secy. of Internal Revenue 4th Dist
of Georgia. Do hereby Certify that we are,
personally acquainted with Mourin Allen
Widow of John Allen late private of Capt.
Edward Doves Company A 103rd Regt.
W. S. Calera Infantry Vol. War of 1861.
And from our personal knowledge and
by strict enquiry of reliable persons who
are acquainted with the Widow who is an
applicant for Pension - That said John
Allen left three Children by the Claimant,
his widow who are now living whose
names are, Henry Allen, Benjamin S Allen
and William Thomas Allen; And the three
Children above named and for whom
their Mother the Claimant is now claiming
Pension are the Children of the identical
John Allen and Mourin Allen above named,
and further - from Circumstances connect-
ed with the Claimant's pecuniary condi-
-tion we regard it as very impracticable
for her to further endeavor to obtain the
Testimony of the Commissioned Officers of the
Command to which her husband belonged to
prove the Contracting of the disease which caused
her husband's Death; as it appears that

the Soldiers & officers of said Co "A" are,
or living- residents of some remote or dis-
-tant parts of Country unknown to Claimant,
And from information obtained by enquiring
The belief that the applicant has a just and
meritorious Claim for Pension. And that
The one in no wise Connected or interested
in the prosecution of her Claim.

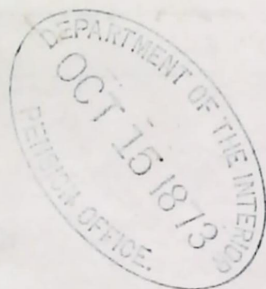
James R. Knox. D. M.

Stephen C. Willison
act. Clerk. In Ref. to said Co.

Sworn to and Subscribed before me &
I W. D. Bently Judge and ex-officio Clerk
of the Court of Ordinary within and for the
County of Forsyth State of Georgia hereby-
that I know the persons who made the above
Certificate and that they hold the official
positions as above stated. and that their signa-
-tures thereto are genuine

Given under my hand and
Seal of Court this 8th day of
April 1873.

Wm. D. Bently Clerk



SEP 20 1872
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
PENNSYLVANIA

State of Georgia } ss.
County of Forsyth } I, James R Knowl
Postmaster at Cumming, P.O. Forsyth County
Georgia - and Stephen C. Attkisson assistant of
Internal Revenue 4th Dist of Georgia. Do hereby
certify that we are personally acquainted with
Marian Allen, widow of John Allen late private
Co. "A" 103 Regt - W & 8th Cal Infantry - vols; who is
an applicant for Pension Claims, No 200954, from
our personal knowledge and acquaintance with
said applicant, we are satisfied and believe that
she is the widow of the identical soldier above
named, we are not personally acquainted with
the minor children, named Henry, Benjamin and
William Thomas, minor children of said John
Allen - But from strict enquiry of credible
persons, who are personally acquainted and whose
loyal citizens of the Government of the United
States, that there is three children now
living with the applicant, which ^{are} the children
of said soldier - above ^{named} and that the applicant
is the widow of the identical soldier above
named - Given under our hands on this

11th Day of June 1872.

we have no interest in matter in any way
whatsoever

James R. Knowl P. M. Cumming Ga
Stephen C. Attkisson
Asst. Assn. 4th Div & Dist
Ga

Sworn to & Subscribed before me this 11th
June 1872; And I certify that James
R Knowl & Stephen C Attkisson hold the

official positions which they represent
in the foregoing affidavits



Given under my hand
and seal of office this
the 11th June 1872

Wm P Budge Ordinary

Delivered
before me at the
taking of office
made on the 11th June 1872

WAR DEPARTMENT,
Surgeon General's Office,
RECORD AND PENSION DIVISION,

Washington, D. C., *June 15th*, 187*8*

[TRANSCRIPT FROM RECORDS.]

It appears from the records filed in this Office, that *John Allen, Private*
Co. A, 108th U.S.C. I., died Jan. 19th 1865. at Millers
Branch St., of "dysentery".
Of record of treatment.

By order of the Surgeon General:

Vol. *7*

No. *4433*

J. J. Woodward
Brevet, Lieut. Col. and Asst. Surgeon, U. S. Army.

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(NOTE.—This transcript should not be detached from the accompanying papers. If additional information is desired relative to the case, the papers should accompany the application therefor.)

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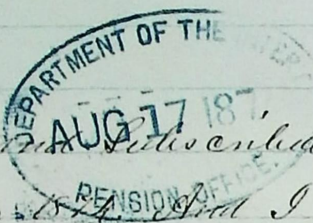
State of Georgia } On this 31st day of July 1874
County of Cherokee } Before me, William I. Christian
a Notary Public and Ex-officio Justice of the
Peace in and for Said County and State.
personally appeared Mourner Allen Cal^d
an applicant for Pension Claim No. 200,964
who being duly sworn according to Law, &
who being duly cautioned the truth to state by,
H H Waller her attorney, and who after stating
times and events and Circumstances connected
with the date of the birth of William Thomas
her youngest child named, and that Said
William Thomas was born before the close
of the War; and some two to three weeks
before her husband John Allen Enlisted
in the U.S. Service in January 1865. And
Deponent, States that ~~after~~ mature thought, and
reference to the time and place where
she then resided which was in the 174th
Military District, in the South East part,
of Cherokee County, Georgia at the time
Said Child was born, that Said William
Thomas was born on Christmas eve on the
24th day of December, A.D. 1864. And that
she is thus enabled to correct her former
Statement, as to the date in question; when,
she States the date in her former affidavit
she States from her recollection at the time
without referring to the events of the War.

Attest

H. A. McKay "

W. D. Howard "

Mourning ^{her} Allen
mark



Sworn to and subscribed before me on this
31st day of July 1874. And I Certify that the affiant
Was first duly sworn to true answers make
to such questions as should be asked her in
relation to matter in question. And that the
foregoing Statement. Was read and to and
understood by the affiant before signing
and that I have no interest in the prosecution
of this claim.

W. J. Christians Noty Public
and Es. officio J. P.

At the Same time and place personally,
appeared, Elizabeth P Thomas, a resident of
the County of Cherokee State of Georgia -
Whom I Certify to be respectable and
entitled to Credit, and a Lady of intelligence
and Competent: And who being duly,
Sworn according to Law. States that she
has been personally acquainted with the
Claimant, Mourning Allen, widow of
John Allen for the last fifteen years.
that she now resides in Cherokee County
Georgia That the Claimant, resides

in Cherokee County Georgia within one fourth
mile of Deponents residence in the year of
1864. Deponent has known the claimant,
and her whereabouts ever since the year
of 1859. The claimant and her husband John
Allen deceased had three children named
Henry, Benjamin and William Thomas—
And that Wm Thomas is the youngest, one
of the three: And that said William
Thomas was born on or about the 24th day
of December 1864. Deponent recollects:
the date from the following Circumstances
That when claimant was taken sick she
called Deponent to ^{her} assistance: this was,
at the time of the Birth of William Thomas
and Deponent remained at the house of
claimant until the Midwife one Mrs.
Rebecca Gossitt came who was in attendance
at the time of the birth of William Thomas,
That Deponent was personally present at
the time and place of said Birth: it
was in very cold weather when the child
was born. — Deponent states that her Deponents
Age is 51 years — She further states John
Allen claimants husband rented Land
of Deponents husband, Thomas Thomas, to
sow in wheat in that year 1864. And that
Deponent has no interest in this claim in
any way, and that her P.O. Address is —

is Orange, Cherokee County, Georgia.

Elizabeth P. Thomas
Sworn and Subscribed before me after the same
was read and explained before signed - My P.O.
Address is Greensboro, Georgia.

William J. Christian Notary Public
and Ex-officio J.P.

Also at the same time and place personally
came Kate Allen a resident of Cherokee County,
Georgia who being duly sworn to true-
answers to make to such questions as may
be asked touching the claim of Mourner
Allen against the Government of the United
States - answers as follows:

My name is Kate Allen, my age 50 years,
I reside in Cherokee County, Georgia My P.O.
Address is Orange; I have no interest in
the claim of Mourner Allen in any way,
nor not relate to claimant; I have known
the claimant personally for the last thirty
years, and had resided near to her,
during that time. I knew her husband,
John Allen from the year of 1857 to the time of his
death in 1865. There are three children
of the said John and Mourner Allen -
now living whose names are Henry -
Benjamin and William Thomas. - Thomas
is the youngest child. - Thomas was born.

in the year of 1864. I was not present.
When William Thomas was born. but to the
best of my knowledge, and belief it was in
latter part of the year of 1864. I know.
it was in the winter of 1864. I also know.
that the child William Thomas was born
before me and John Allen Enlisted
in the United States Army which was
in January 1865. I know he was born
in the year of 1864. for the reason that
it was the year before we Enlisted. and because
John Allen rented Land that year from Thomas
Thomas to sow Wheat. the year before we
started which was in 1864. latter part.

I have not talked with the Claimant.
nor no other person about the date of the
Birth - only to refer to events and cir-
cumstances to prove my recollection as
to the time. No person has prompted
or advised - or hired me to make this
Statement. I make the Statement from
my personal Knowledge and Recollection
and as an act of justice & nothing
more.

Attest

H. A. McKay

Mary A. Howard

State of Ohio

County of Hamilton

W. S. Cold Crafty

Subscribed and sworn to before me on the

day and year first above written. And I Certify
that the Affidavit was first duly examined before
Sloan and the Affiant is respectable and
intelligent and entitled to credit. And the fore-
going was fully read and explained and
Understood before signing.

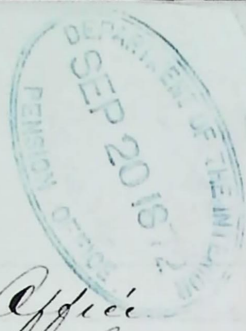
I have known Kate Allen since 1857 &
was appointed his Guardian in 1858. has
known the Claimant since 1859. I have
known Mrs Elizabeth P Thomas for last 10-
years. Their character for truth and veracity
is good.

William J Christian
Notary Public and ex officio J.P.

State of Georgia 3
County of Cherokee 3. I Odian W Putnam Clerk of the
Superior Court within and for the County and
State above named. hereby Certify that William
J Christian Esquire before whom the forego-
ing three Affidavits was made. Was at the
time of the signing thereof a duly au-
thorized Notary Public and ex officio Justice of
the Peace, duly Sworn & Commissioned within
and for the County of Cherokee and State of
Georgia And that all his Official acts as such
are entitled to full faith and credit And
that his three signatures thereto are genuine.
Given under my hand and Seal of Court. on
this 7th day of August 1874

Odian W. Putnam Clerk
Superior Court Cherokee
County, Georgia

Discorp. explained



State of Georgia } Ordinary Office
County of Fayette } Courthouse Ga

On this the 15th day of
June 1872 I Personall appeared before
me William N Bentley Judge of the Court
of Ordinary of said County - Charlotte
Vickory a resident of the County and
State aforesaid who being by me duly
sworn according to law States that
she is now and have been a midwife
by profession for about 45 years;
And also such that she was in attendance
at the birth of Henry Allen Minor
Child of John Allen Reed and Mary
Allen who is an applicant for
person; And that said Henry
Allen minor as aforesaid was born
at the house of said John Allen Reed
in the County of Cherokee State of Georgia
(a distance of four or four and a half miles
from deponent's residence) on or about
the 15th day of April 1864; that depon-
ent has no interest direct present
or prospective in the Claim;
attest - Wm N Bentley Charlotte Vickory
Elijah B. McSpur Mark

The within Affidavit Sworn to & Subscribed
before me on this the 15 day of June
1872. And I Certify that the foregoing
Affidavit was read over plainly and
distinctly understood by the Affiant before
swearing to the same; that the same
was written from her own Statement
I do further Certify that I have
known Affiant for eighteen years &
that she is & have been since my
acquaintance with her considered
honest & upright of truth & veracity;
that I have no interest in the Claims
Given under my hand and
Seal of office



Wm. H. Rudy Org

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
SEP 20 1872
PENSION OFFICE

State of Georgia } Ordinary Office
County of Forsyth }
On this the 15th day of June
1872

Personally appeared before me Wm Bently Judge of the Courts of Ordinary of said County; Rebecca R. Gossett a resident of the County of Cherokee State of Georgia (an adjoining County to the County of Forsyth) who being by me duly sworn according to law; states that she is now & have been a Midwife for Seventeen years that in the line of her profession as such she was in attendance at the births of Benjamin & Wm Thomas minor children of John Allen decd and Murren Allen who are applicants for pension and that said Benjamin Minor as aforesaid & Wm Thomas Minor as aforesaid were both born at the house of said John Allen decd in the County of Cherokee State of Georgia a distance of three miles from deponent's residence that Benjamin was born on or about the 25th day of January 1863; that Wm Thomas was born on or about the 24th day of December 1865 that deponent has no interest in this claim

Hiram N. Bently
Elijah A. McSpur

Rebecca R. Gossett
Mark

State of Georgia 2 Ordinary Office Cummins
County of Chatham 3, 15 June 1892

The within Affidavit
sworn to & subscribed before me by
Rebecca R. Grossett after the same was
read over to her & to her understanding
I do further certify that I have
known the Affiant for ten years
that she is in good standing and
reputable as a woman & her profession
that I have no interest in this claim
Given under my hand and
seal of office at the
Wm. D. Purdy County

State of Georgia

Lawrenceville Ga April 21st 1874

Hon. J. A. Baker

Washington City D.C.

Dear Sir

Mrs. Mary Ann Allon (col)

with part of her family appeared before me and in compliance with your order I have the honor to report as follows.

She states that her and John Allon a free man of color was married Sept. 1858 by John Perrey Esq. of Benning the Deft. this county - I heard from her the family by Character for a good many years - and have no doubt but that she has been correctly represented - and I have no doubt but that she represents the ages of her children correctly - the Older Henry Allon born April 15th 1861

Benjamin S Allon born January 25th 1868

And Mrs. Thomas - "

Dear - 27th 1865

the Older Henry she did not have with her as he is at school in the lower part of the State.

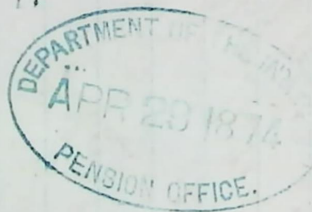
I think her a nice thoughtful woman -

I have the honor to be

Yours most Obedient

A. J. Shaffer
Ex. Surgeon

Hester & Co



Exr Surgeons
Certificate

State of Georgia 3

County of Forsyth 3.

On this 10th day September 1893- Personally appeared before the undersigned authority. Mourner Allen whose Claim for Pension is No 200 964 who being duly sworn according to Law. States that Charlotte Vickroy whose Testimony has been filed in the Pension Office was with her, at the time of the Birth of Henry Allen her oldest child - and that, Mrs Cassett whose Testimony is also filed was the midwife who was with her and officiated at the time of the Births of Benjamin and William Thomas, her two youngest children.

And that there was no other white people present, at the time of the Births of said children only, the midwives above named.

Deposent further states that since the filing of her claim for pension that she has through her Counsel made every effort, in her power, and used all possible diligence to obtain the Testimony of - Captain Edward Dore, & other Commanding Officers of the Company "A" 103^d Regt. U.S. Col. Infy. in which her husband Enlisted & died - ~~and~~ in Support of her claim. And that she has not been able to ascertain their whereabouts or to obtain their Testimony - And further that she has.

not. ever known or heard. who the Examining
Surgeon was who examined her husband at
date of Enlistment and that she has not,
been able to learn the name of said
Surgeon. Consequently she is not able to furnish
his testimony in support of her claim,
That she has through her Counsel called
upon the Hon ~~Secretary of War~~ or Adjutant
General U.S. Army. for information in order
to ascertain the P.O. Address of said Officer to obtain
their testimony - and that the Adjutant General
aforesaid refuses to furnish such infor-
-mation and that the testimony now on
file and herewith presents is the best
Evidence in her power to obtain.

Attest

Wm D Brown
Thomas M. Hunt

Mourner ^{her} + Allen
mark

Sworn to and Subscribed before
me and I certify that the foregoing affidavit was
read explained & understood by the affiant before
swearing to the same. Given under my
Hand and Seal of Court. on this 10th
day of September 1873.

Wm D. Beatty Corroborating
Jury to the 24



State of Georgia
County of Forsyth

3 On this 11th day of June 1872
3. Personally Came Mournin
Allen Widow of John Allen an applicant
for Pension whose Claim is No. 200.964
a Resident of Cherokee County - State of Georgia
who being duly sworn according to Law,
States that there is no public Record or private
Record of her marriage to the Deceased Soldier
John Allen. And that the best and highest
evidence ~~in~~ her power to obtain, to prove
her marriage to John Allen, is by the testimony
of Witnesses who knew them to live together
and Cohabit as man and wife -

And Depoent further swears
that there was no physician in attendance
at the time of the Birth of any one of her
said Children -

Depoent further swears that she
is unable to obtain the evidence of any
one of the Commissioned Officers of the Company
"A" 103 Regt W.S. Cal^d Infantry to prove the Con-
tracting of the Disease which caused
her husband's ~~severe~~ Death while in
the U.S. Army - for the Reason that she
does not know nor never did know any-
thing of the Residence or whereabouts of
any one of said officers - And that
the Testimony of privates who were Com-
rade Soldiers - in same Company is the

best evidence in her power to obtain to
prove the Contracting of the Disease which
Caused his Death:

And further that Deponent
does not know the name or the
Residence of the Surgeon of Scout 103 Regt.
Regiment -

Attest

Ed. M. Monrocks "

James R. Knot 9

Mourner ^{her} + Allen
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Sworn to and Subscribed before me on
this 11th day of June 1872 And I Certify
that this affidavit was read explained &
understood by the affiant before she was
Sworn to the same -

Given under my hand
and Seal of Court on
the day & Year last above
written.

Wm. J. Beatty Crty



State of Georgia 3
County of Forsyth 3

Personally appeared before
me W D Bently Ordinary and Ex-officio Clerk
of Said Court, Mourning Allen Widow
of John Allen, whose claim for Pension
as Widow of John Allen is \$200.764 who
being duly sworn, states that she has made
diligent search to obtain the testimony of some
one Commissioned Officer of Company "A" 103^d
Regt. U.S. Col. Infantry Vols. in support of her
Said Claim. And that she is unable to
procure such testimony for the reason
that she is unable to find out or learn or
ascertain the post office address of any one
Commissioned Officer or private of Said Company
only the two witnesses whose testimony is on
file - and that the testimony now made
is the best evidence in her power to obtain
as from what she can learn or is in-
formed such witnesses are non residents
of this County and that she does not
know the name of any one of the Company
except Capt Edward Dove and Gate Allen
& John Allen.

Attest

George E. Simmons Mourning Allen
W D Bently Clerk Mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me,

On this 8th day of April 1873.

And I Certify that the Contents of the foregoing Affidavit was read explained and understood by the Affiant. before swearing to the same,

Given under my hand and official Seal.

Wm. J. Peck, Cler.



Claimant cannot obtain
better evidence—

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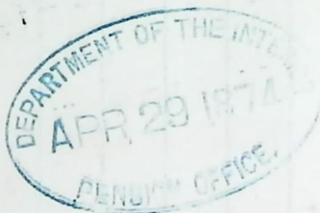
April 23^d 1874.

Hon^{ble} J. H. Baker
Com^r of Pensions
Sir

Your letter of Jan 24th 1874 in relation to Pension claim of Maurine Allen Call, No 200 964 is respectfully Return with the encance requid, I will here state that I have probed this Matter closely to see if there was any error, and is Satisfied that Claimant, & her Witnesses state the facts - as they should.

I will mention that in the recent investigation, I have ascertained that the Claimant's first child was born in November 1859. And said first child died soon thereafter. And had this been shown at the out set - it might have saved much delay & trouble. She said nothing about the child first born & which died in Infancy, when she was first Sworn, which accounts for 2^d child being born in 1861. Hoping that this explanation will be Satisfactory I am Very Respectfully
J. H. Walker

Letter



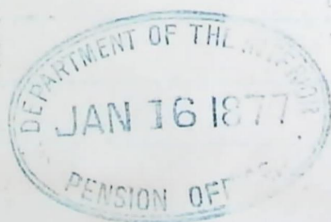
Crook Run Ga.
Jan 13. 1877.

Hon J A Bently
Court of Pensions
Dear Sir

In relation to the Original
Pension claim of Mourner Allen N^o 200 964
Respectfully state that the additional
Evidence Required was Transmitted to your
Office on the 7th of August last. Since
which time no further information has
been received

Permit to again appeal to your
honour - for favorable action in behalf
of this Color-Midow. The Testimony shows,
beyond doubt, that her husband was a Stout
healthy man at Date of Enlistment - and
that he fell a victim to the Terrible
Malady which swept off so many -
in the Locality where he died -

Very Respectfully Yours &c H H Walker



State of Georgia 3 on this 19th day of December
County of Forsyth 3 1871- Before me, Wm B Bently
Judge of Ordinary in Forsyth County, The App-
licant Mourning Allen Widow of John Allen private
Co A 103^d Regt US Col.^o Infantry being duly sworn
States on oath that there is no public Record of
her said marriage that there is no private or
family Record of her said marriage to John
Allen above named that the best evidence in
her power to obtain to prove her marriage to
the Soldier John Allen above named is that
of their acquaintances who knew them to always
during her husband lifetime to live together as man
and wife.

Attest

W B Hallman

W B Bently

Mourning ^{her} Allen
mark



Also personally appeared, at the same time
and place State Allen and Allis Allen residents
of Cherokee County State of Georgia who are
respectable and entitled to credit who being duly
sworn according to Law States that they each
have been personally acquainted with John Allen
above named since the year of 1850 to time of his
death in the Army in 1865, also with the
Claimant, Mourning Allen his widow from
1850 to present date that they always lived
together as man & wife and was, so reputed and

The fact of their marriage was never called,
in question or doubted by any of their acqu-
aintances And that Mourning Allen his Widow
the applicant is now a widow and has not
remarried since the death of John Allen
her husband, that deposant has no interest
in this claim,

Attest

M B Kauffman

Notary

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"
"

Late ^{his} Allen

Allis ^{now} Allen

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Sworn to and Subscribed before me
on this 19th day of December 1871. After the same
was read and explained to affiants, And that
I have no interest in this claim given
Under my hand and Seal of
Court - on the day & year
above written.



Wm D Bentley Ordway
of Fayette County

State of Georgia

County of Forsyth

3

On this 11th day of June 1872,

Personally appeared before me,
W D Beatty Judge and Ex-officio Clerk of the
Court of Ordinary within and for said County
and State. Gate Allen Aged 48 years and Allie
Allen Aged 33 years to me well known to be
Residents of the County of Cherokee State of Georgia
and whom I Certify to be respectable and
entitled to Credit - And who being by me,
only sworn according to Law. States -
That they each have been personally well
acquainted with Mourner Allen widow
of John Allen late private Co "A" 103 Regt,
U.S. Colo Infy for the last Seventeen years,
and was also well acquainted with John
Allen from the Year of 1855 to the time
he enlisted in the U.S. Army in January
1868; Deponents resided within one and a
half miles of their Residence during that
period - And. Know that said John Allen
and Mourner Allen always, lived together
and Cohabited as man and wife and
that such was their Reputation and the
fact of their marriage and being husband
and wife was never doubted or called in
question by any of their acquaintances And
that said Mourner has not remarried since
the Death of said John Allen but continues



to be the widow of said John Allen.

That there are three children of the said
Mourmin Allen And John Allen now
living whose names are, Henry, Benjamin,
and William Thomas Allen. That the three
children above named are the children
the legitimate - and only surviving chil-
dren of said John and Mourmin Allen
above named - and that no one of the the
minor children above named has been
abandoned nor adopted by any other person
or persons - And, that said John Allen
left no other child or children ~~by~~ by former
marriage - But that the children above
named are under sixteen years of age
and are under the care and treatment,
of the applicant ~~deponent~~ ^{deponent} who has no interest in
his claim -

Hate Allen

Mark

James R. Knott
Ed. M. Howdes

Hes
Alice Allen
Mark

Sworn to and Subscribed before me on this
11th day of June 1872 And I Certify that the
affiants are credible and that the foregoing
affidavit was read and explained to the affiants
before swearing to the same Given under my
hand and Seal of Court, Wm D. Smith
Jy

marriage



State of Georgia 3
Walton County 3. I John O Perry.
Aged 49 years a Resident of the County
of Walton State of Georgia: Do hereby
Certify that I was personally acquainted
with John Allen and Mournin Allen
persons of Color. (then free Negroes) while they
were residents of Gwinnett County Georgia
in the year of A D 1858. at which time
I was a duly and legally authorized
Acting Justice of the Peace within and for the
County of ~~Gwinnett~~ ^{Walton} in the State of Georgia,
and as Such: I joined the Said John &
Mournin Allen in the Holy State of wedlock
and pronounced them Man and wife
and they always thereafter lived together as
Such. As far as I ever heard of them,
I do not recollect the precise date that
I married them, But to the best of
my Recollection it was on or about the
16th day of September A D 1858.

I have no interest in the Claim of
Mournin Allen for pension my P.O.
Address is Monroe Walton Co Georgia,
Sign here) John O Perry

Sworn to and Subscribed before the
Undersigned Authority on this 11th day.

of September AD 1873 And I.
Certify that John O Perry who made the
above Certificate, is personally known to
me to be respectable and entitled to
Credit and that I have no interest
direct or indirectly in the prosecution
of the claim which this refers.

In Testimony whereof I,
have hereunto set my name,
and attached the Seal of
the Super Court of
Gwinnett County Georgia.
at Lawrenceville
on this 11th day
of September 1873
W. Vaughan
Clerk Super
Court



Married

WIDOW'S PENSION.

(ORIGINAL WITH INCREASE.)

Mournin Allen

, Widow of

John Allen

Rank, Private

Company, A,

Regiment, 103^d U.S. C. T.

Residence of claimant, Cherokee County, and State of Georgia

Post office, Cumming, Forsyth Co. Ga.

Attorney, H. H. Walker, Cross Keys, Mitchell Co., Ga.

Fee, \$2.50 as per contract

~~No~~ contract, and ~~no~~ material evidence filed since July 8, 1870.Rate of pension, \$8.⁰⁰ per month, commencing December 28th, 1871, the date of filing last Material E.V., and two dollars per month additional for each child, as follows:

By former marriage.	{	Born,	, 18 .	} Commencing	, 18 .
	{	Sixteen,	, 18 .		
	{	Born,	, 18 .	} "	, 18 .
	{	Sixteen,	, 18 .		
	{	Born,	, 18 .	} "	, 18 .
	{	Sixteen,	, 18 .		
By last marriage.	{	Born,	, 18 .	} "	, 18 .
	{	Sixteen,	, 18 .		
	{	Born,	, 18 .	} "	, 18 .
	{	Sixteen,	, 18 .		
	{	Born,	, 18 .	} "	, 18 .
	{	Sixteen,	, 18 .		
	{	Born,	, 18 .	} "	, 18 .
	{	Sixteen,	, 18 .		
	{	Born,	, 18 .	} "	, 18 .
	{	Sixteen,	, 18 .		

Henry Allen	{	Born,	April 15, 1861.	} " Dec. 28, 1871.	
	{	Sixteen,	April 14, 1877.		
Bonjamin S. Allen	{	Born,	Jan'y 25, 1863.	} " " " 1871.	
	{	Sixteen,	Jan'y 24, 1879.		
Wm. Thos. Allen	{	Born,	Dec. 24, 1864.	} " " " 1871.	
	{	Sixteen,	Dec. 23, 1880.		
	{	Born,	, 18 .	} "	, 18 .
	{	Sixteen,	, 18 .		
	{	Born,	, 18 .	} "	, 18 .
	{	Sixteen,	, 18 .		

Payments on all former certificates covering any portion of the same time to be deducted.

ADMITTED, *Sept. 23*, 1874. *James Wheeler*, Examiner.
Rejected, May 5, 1877. *Municipal*, Reviewer.
 , Chief of Division.

DATES SHOWN BY PAPERS.

Enlistment, *January 17th*, 1865. Widow's app. filed, *Dec. 28th*, 1871.
 Muster into rank, *January 17th*, 1865. Claim completed, *Dec. 28th*, 1871.
 No Discharge, , 18 . Former marriage of soldier, *none*, 18 .
 Death, *January 19th*, 1865. Death of former wife, *none*, 18 .
 No Invalid app. filed, , 18 . Claimant's marriage to soldier, *Sept. 10th*, 1858.
 No Invalid last paid to , 18 .

CAUSE OF DEATH, *Unknown, if not Poison* PLACE OF DEATH, *Hilton Head, S.C.**Rejected under provisions of sec. 4717.*

INCIDENTAL MATTER.

& children
Claimant, identified, as widow & children of
soldier, by US-officers

Claimant & Soldier were free, as appears from evidence

ALLEGATIONS OF CLAIMANT.

Other children of soldier by former wife, *None*

Other children of soldier by claimant, *None*

Loyalty of claimant, *Alleged*

SUMMARY OF PROOF.

No FORMER MARRIAGE OF SOLDIER.

The marriage of _____ to _____
is shown by _____

No DEATH OF FORMER WIFE.

MARRIAGE OF SOLDIER TO CLAIMANT.

The marriage of *John Allen* to *Maurine Allen Sept. 1858*
is shown by *afft. off. justice*

DATES OF BIRTH OF CHILDREN.

*Shown by affts. of wits. and opinion of E. Surgeon
His crepancies explained.*

No DATES OF DEATH OF CHILDREN.

No CUSTODY OF CHILDREN BY FORMER MARRIAGE.

* *Revised on the ground that the claim is barred by limitation
The Adjutant General U.S.A. refusing to make a record under
Section 4717 Revised Statutes*

Dec. 28, 1871.

Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D. C., Jan^y 12³, 1871.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 200,964, 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 John Allen was enrolled on the 17th day of January, 1865, at Billerhead f. b. in Co. "A", 103rd Regiment of U. S. b. Inf'y Volunteers, to serve 3 years or during the war, and mustered into service as a Private on the 17th day of January 1865, at Billerhead f. b. in Co. "A", 103rd Regiment of U. S. b. Inf'y Volunteers, to serve 3 years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. "A" of that Regiment, ~~for the months of Jan Organization to April 30th~~ 1865, he is reported "Died of disease January 19th 1865, at Billerhead f. b." and is so accounted for on the Muster out Roll of Co.

(Nature of disease not stated.)
Enrolment and muster is taken from the first Muster roll of Co. there being no Muster in Roll of him on file in this Office.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant

Thomas M. Vincent

Assistant Adjutant General.
(2)

The Commissioner of Pensions,

Washington, D. C.

WIDOW'S PENSION.

(ORIGINAL WITH INCREASE.)

Chickville
1858-70

Mourmin Allen

, widow of

John Allen

Rank, *Private*Company, *"A"*Regiment, *103rd U.S.C.T.*Residence of claimant, *Cherokee*County, and State of *Georgia*Post Office, *Freemansville Hilton* Co. *Ga.*Attorney, *Ed. H. Walker* *Cross Keys* *De Kalb Co. Georgia*Fee, \$ *25.00*Articles of agreement, _____ having been filed *September 20th 1872*Rate of pension, \$ *8.00* per month, commencing *January 20th*, 1865, the day*after soldier's death -*, and two dollars per month additional for each child, as follows:

By former marriage.

{ Born, _____, 18 . }	{ Commencing _____, 18 . }
{ Sixteen, _____, 18 . }	

{ Born, _____, 18 . }	{ " _____, 18 . }
{ Sixteen, _____, 18 . }	

{ Born, _____, 18 . }	{ " _____, 18 . }
{ Sixteen, _____, 18 . }	

{ Born, _____, 18 . }	{ " _____, 18 . }
{ Sixteen, _____, 18 . }	

{ Born, <i>April 15th 1861.</i>	{ <i>July 23rd 1866,</i>
{ Sixteen, <i>April 14th 1877.</i>	

{ Born, <i>January 25th 1863.</i>	{ <i>Dec. 26th 1871.</i>
{ Sixteen, <i>January 24th 1879.</i>	

{ Born, <i>December 24th 1864.</i>	{ <i>January 25th 1865.</i>
{ Sixteen, <i>December 23rd 1880.</i>	

{ Born, _____, 18 . }	{ " _____, 1871. "
{ Sixteen, _____, 18 . }	

{ Born, _____, 18 . }	{ " _____, 18 . }
{ Sixteen, _____, 18 . }	

{ Born, _____, 18 . }	{ " _____, 18 . }
{ Sixteen, _____, 18 . }	

Payment on all former certificates covering any portion of the same time to be deducted.

ADMITTED, *August 19th 1879.* *C. S. Medary*, Examiner.APPROVED, *October 22 1879.* *D. S. Stotler*, Reviewer.

By order of Chief of Division
[Signature]

DATES SHOWN BY PAPERS.

Enlistment, *January 15th 1865.* Right accrued, *January 19th 1865.*Muster into pensionable rank *January 17 1865.* Claim completed, *August 9th 1876.**No* Discharge, _____, 18 . Former marriage of soldier, *none*, 18 .Death, *January 19th 1865.* Death of former wife, *none*, 18 .*No* Invalid app. filed, _____, 18 . Claimant's marriage to soldier, *Sept. 10th 1858.**No* Invalid last paid to _____, 18 .Widow's app. filed, *December 28th 1871.*CAUSE OF DEATH, *Disease - Character unknown* PLACE OF DEATH, *Hilton Head S. C.*

INCIDENTAL MATTER.

Claimant testifies that she can furnish no better evidence showing cause of soldier's death: that she has not been able to ascertain the whereabouts of Edward Dove, Captain of soldier's Co., or of any of the officers of the Company. Nor has she been able to find out the name of the Surgeon who examined soldier at enlistment.

Claimant and children identified by U. S. Officers as the widow and children of soldier John Allen.

This claim was rejected May 5th 1877 under provisions of Section 4717 of Revised Statutes, and is reopened and admitted under act of January 25th 1879.

Oct. 2nd 1879 testimony of two witnesses filed showing non-re-marriage of claimant since the death of John Allen, also affidavit of claimant giving her present P. O. address.

WIDOW'S CLAIM FOR PENSION.

State of Georgia
County of Forsyth } ss.

ON THIS 19th day of December, 1871, personally appeared before me, a Clerk of a Court of Record in and for the County and State aforesaid, Mourrain Allen a resident of a Civil District in the County of Cherokee and State of Georgia aged 33 years, who being duly sworn, makes the following declaration, in order to obtain the Pension provided by the Act of Congress approved **July 14, 1862**. That she is the widow of John Allen who was a private in Company "d" commanded by Capt Ed. Dove in the 10th Regiment of U.S. Colored Infantry in the War of 1861; that her maiden name was Mourrain Mourrain and that she was married to said John Allen on or about the 10th day of September 1858, at Gwinnett County, Georgia in the County of Gwinnett and State of Georgia by John Perry and that she knows of no record evidence of said marriage. Her only Channel to procure marriage is by procuring Cohabitation & Living together as man & wife

SHE FURTHER DECLARES that said John Allen her husband, died in the service of the United States as aforesaid at Wilton Head in the State of Georgia on or about the 20th day of February 1865, of Disease contracted in the United States Service

She also declares that she has remained a widow ever since the death of said John Allen and that she has not in any manner been engaged in, or aided or abetted, the rebellion in the United States; and she hereby appoints Ed. H. Walker of Leop. Keys Georgia as her lawful Attorney, with power of substitution, and authorizes him to present and prosecute this claim, and to receive her pension certificates. The following are the name, date, of birth and place of residence of all the children of her deceased husband who were under sixteen years of age at the time of his death.

Henry Allen Born April 15th AD 1861-
Benjamin L. " January 25th " 1863.
William Thomas " December 24 " 1865.

My Post Office address is Cumming Georgia

If mark is made, two witnesses who write sign here.

M B Hoaceman

Herbert Bentley

Mourrain Allen
(Signature of Claimant.)

ALSO PERSONALLY APPEARED before me, Fate Allen and Allis Allen residents of Cherokee County Georgia County, and State of Georgia to me well known as credible persons, who being duly sworn, declare, that they were present and saw said Mourrain Allen

sign her name to the foregoing declaration, and that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of said applicant, and their acquaintance with her, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be, and know that said deceased recognized said applicant as his lawful wife, and that she was so recognized by the community in which they resided; and that they have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

M B Hoaceman

Herbert Bentley

Signatures of Witnesses

Fate Allen
Allis Allen
mark

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 19th day of Dec. 1861; and

I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim. And that the contents of the above were made known and explained to applicant and witnesses before signing.

And Seal of Office
Wm A. Bartlett, Ordinary
for the State of Georgia
Wm A. Bartlett
Ordinary
for the State of Georgia

[SEAL]



NOTE.—If there is any record evidence of the marriage, insert—except that of which a true copy is herunto annexed, and append a certified copy of the record accordingly. The cause of death must be specified in the second clause of the declaration. The declaration and evidence of identity, must be made before a Court of Record, or before some officer of such a Court duly authorized to administer oaths, and having custody of its seal, which must be attached.

WIDOW'S CLAIM

FOR

PENSION.

ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.

Mrs. *Mournin Allen*

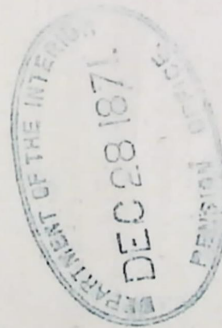
Widow of *John Allen*

private Co., "4" 10³ Regt.
W. S. Cal^d Ingham Vols.

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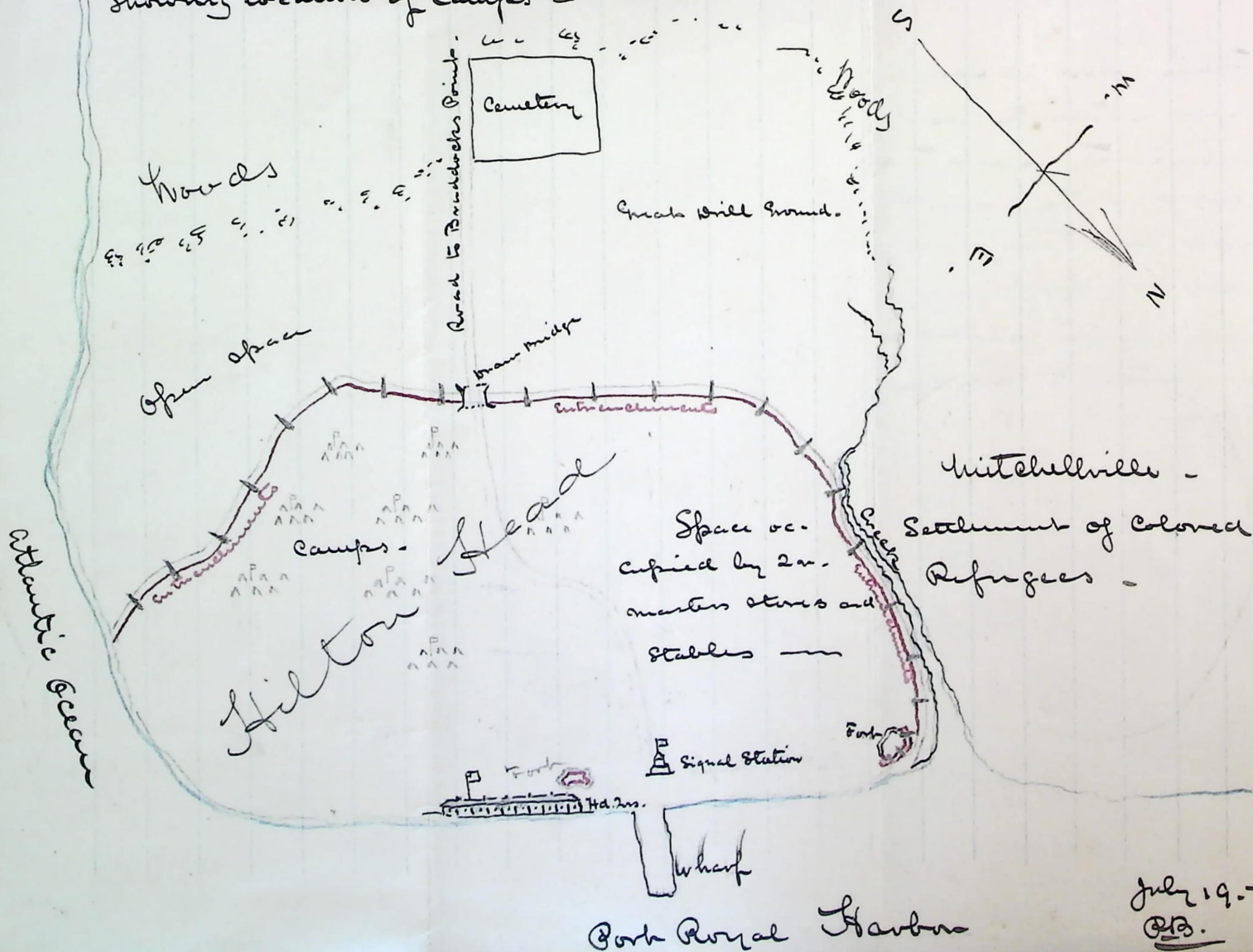
There were no Camp
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trenchments except those
placed over the horses &
Guns of the Artillery and
the Cavalry Stables -

Camp limits extended in
all directions to line of
entrenchments and sea -

Department of the Interior.
PENSION OFFICE.

Washington, D.C.

Sketch of intrenchments at Hilton Head So. Ca.
 Showing location of Camps -



July 19-79
 P.B.