

THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES
DEPENDENT'S ORIGINAL

NO. 105-030

APPLICANT: Ann M. F. Lorraine
Wid. OF

VETERAN: Abraham L. Lorraine

CAN NO.: 69

BUNDLE NO.: 39

Department of the Interior.

Pension Office.

July 14 1867

Sir,

The claim of Ann M J Lawrence widow
of Abraham J Lawrence No. 105,030, ~~was not completed~~
~~before his death, there being no children the~~
~~case falls. An Administrator would not be entitled~~
~~to perfect the case. It is therefore rejected.~~
died before the claim was perfected, and as there
are no children the claim is rejected. No one
being entitled.

Mr Cuffee Ganten
New Bedford
Mass.

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Department of the Interior
PENSION OFFICE.

Washington, D.C. October 29. 1871.

Sir:

In the claim, No. 105,130, of
Ann, Dr. Torrance, widow of Abra-
ham P. Torrance, you were informed,
March 26, 1870, of the requirements of this
office. No answer has been received.
Please notify this office whether the
claim is to be completed or dropped.

Very respectfully,

J. A. Baker
Commissioner

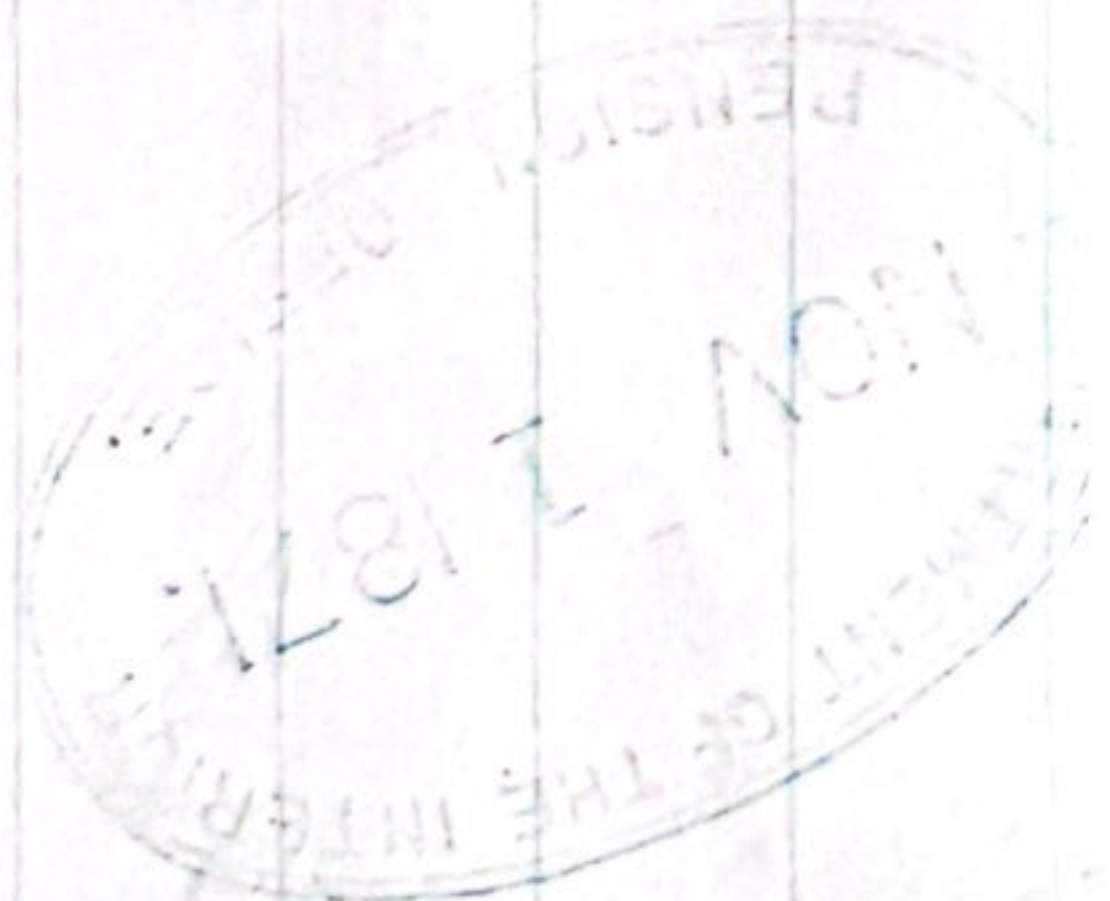
W. F. Bascom,
Presnt.

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Washington D.C.
Oct. 31, 1871

Respectfully returned
to the Hon Commr of
Pensions, with the
information, that I
have been unable
to reach the heirs
in the case, will
you please give
me the names of
the identifying
witnesses & their
post office addresses
& very truly
Yours Truly

Wm F. Buscove



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Not Admitted

File Mr Jackson

Please report - the

number, and to whom

charged -

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Department of the Interior,

PENSION OFFICE.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

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Commissioner.

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Abraham P.

For the consideration of
the Examiners,

March 14/70.

B. R. R. R.

Mr. Morse

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No. 105.030

ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.

Ann M. F. Torrance

Bristol Co. Mass

Wid of

Abraham P. Torrance

Corporal Co. "C". 54, Mass Vols

Died at Fort Wagner July 18/63

Pension Office,

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Respectfully referred to the Adjutant
General, for official evidence of service
and death.

Joseph H. Barrett

Commissioner.

Received, August 8, 1865

W. J. Bacon

Daniel Forbes

Present
Attorney.

Feb. 20/66. Cir. 9 to atty -

Mar 14/67 Rejected the

Mother dead & no children

see City letter to C. Lantieri
New Bedford Mass.

1870. March. 28 letter to Bacon for
legal representation to complete
the claim.

W. J. Bacon

Oct. 25/71. W. J. Bacon, Mass

Mar 4/71, Bacon informed of name
& residence of identifying wit.
see co.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD.

I, the subscriber, do hereby certify that it appears by the Registry of Marriages, of said New Bedford, that *Abraham P. Torrance* and *Ann Maria P. Phelps* were married *March 19th AD Eighteen hundred fifty four* by the *Rev Henry J. Johnson*

The record is in the words and figures following, viz:

Date of Marriage.		Names of the Groom and the Bride.		Color other than White.	Place of Marriage.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	
<i>1854</i>							
<i>Mar 19</i>		<i>Abraham P. Torrance &</i>			<i>New Bedford</i>	<i>New Bedford</i>	
		<i>Ann Maria P. Phelps</i>		<i>Mo.</i>		<i>" "</i>	
Age of Each.	What Marriage. Whether 1st, 2d, or 3d, &c.	Occupation.	Place of Birth of Each.	Names of Parents.		Person by whom Married.	
						Name and Official Station.	Residence.
<i>30</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Laborer</i>	<i>Virginia</i>	<i>Abraham & Maria</i>		<i>Henry J. Johnson</i>	<i>New Bedford</i>
<i>31</i>	<i>Second</i>		<i>Rhode Island</i>	<i>Cuffey Lawton & Macey</i>		<i>Clergyman</i>	

In witness whereof I have hereto affixed the Seal of the said City of New Bedford this 13 day of July 1865

Henry J. Lemana City Clerk.

BRISTOL, SS.

New Bedford,

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The above-named and made

City Clerk, and known to me to be such, appeared to the truth of the above certificate by him subscribed.

Before me,

Justice of the Peace.

Adjutant General's Office,

Washington D. C.,

December 29th, 1865.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 105,030, and to return it herewith, with such information as is furnished by the files of this Office.

It appears from the books on file in this Office, that Abraham J. Torrance was enrolled on the 18th day of February, 1863, at New Bedford in Co. "C", 54th Regiment of Mass (Vol'd) Volunteers, to serve three years, or during the war, and mustered into service as a Corporal on the 30th day of March 1863, at Camp Meigs, Peachville, Mo. in Co. "C", 54th Regiment of Mass (Vol'd) Volunteers, to serve three years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. "C" of that Regiment, ~~for the months of Octob August 20th~~ 1865, he is reported "Missing Since Assault on Fort Wagner July 18th 1863."

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

W. H. Hazard

Assistant Adjutant General.

The Commissioner of Pensions,

Washington D. C.

Memoranda

Name of applicant

Address

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New Bedford Mass
Feb 4th 1867.

Dear Sir,
I am Administrator
of the Estate of my daughter
Ann Maria ~~St~~ Torrance, ^{late} widow
of Abraham D. Torrance dec'd,
Capt of Co C, 54th Mass^{ts} Vol's, who
was killed at the assault on Fort
Wagner.

I have reason to believe that
my daughter obtained a Pension Cer-
tificate before her death as his widow
but I cannot find it among her
papers nor can I learn of its where-
abouts. As her Administrator it is my
duty to collect arrears if there was a
Pension, and I shall be greatly
obliged if you will inform me whether
a Pension Certificate was ever issued
and if so when and to whose care
sent.

My Post office Address is Ruffe Lantton
Ash St New Bedford Mass
Witness R. C. Pitman
Wm J. Lantton
Ruffe Lantton



B. Declaration for Widow's Army Pension.

State of Massachusetts } Police Court of New Bedford
County of Bristol

On this 19th day of July, A. D. 1865, personally appeared before me, John L. Porter, Clerk of the Police Court of New Bedford in and for the County and State aforesaid, Ann Maria F. Torrence, a resident of New Bedford in the County of Bristol and State of Massachusetts aged 41 years, who, being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the act of Congress, approved July 14, 1862, granting Pensions: That she is the widow of Abraham P. Torrence who was a Corporal in Company C commanded by Capt. Green in the 54th Regiment of Masses mustered into the service of the United States from the State of Massachusetts in the war of 1861, and who died (or was killed) at Fort Mifflin

on the 18th day of July, 1863, as this deponent verily believes. She further declares that she was lawfully married to the said Abraham P. Torrence at New Bedford in the State of Massachusetts by Henry J. Johnson a Clergyman on the 19th day of March, 1854; that her husband, the aforesaid Abraham P. Torrence died on the day above mentioned, as she verily believes, and she remained his faithful wife until his decease. She further declares that she has remained his widow ever since the death of her said husband, Abraham P. Torrence as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed.

She further declares that she had, by said deceased husband, no child now living, under the age of sixteen years, named, aged, and residing as follows:

and that she has not, in any manner, been engaged in, or aided or abetted, the rebellion in the United States, and that her maiden name was Ann Maria F. Phelps

and I hereby appoint DARIUS FORBES, General Claim Agent of the United States Sanitary Commission, or his successor in office, of Washington, D. C., my lawful attorney, to procure for me the Pension mentioned in the above application, and to receive and receipt for any Certificate which may issue in my favor in connection with the same, hereby ratifying and confirming whatever my said attorney may do in the premises. Her post office address is as follows

No. 161 Elm St.

Ann M. F. Torrence

(Signature of Claimant)

Also personally appeared Emma J. Johnson and James B. Wilson residents of New Bedford County of Bristol and State of Mass. persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw Ann Maria F. Torrence sign her name (or make her mark) to the foregoing declaration; and they further swear that they have known the parties above described to have lived together as husband and wife for three years previous to and up to the time of deceased going into the aforesaid service of the United States, and they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of the applicant, 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.

Bristol
Police Court of New Bedford

Emma J. Johnson Witness.
James B. Wilson Witness.

Sworn to and subscribed, by both applicant and witnesses, before me, this 19th day of July, A. D. 1865; and I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim. Witness my hand and the seal of said Court on the day and year above written.

J. L. Porter Clerk of the
(Signature of Judge or other Officer)
P. C. B. & of New Bedford

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N^o [redacted] B
UNITED STATES SANITARY COMMISSION
CLAIM AGENCY,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Widow's Pension Claim,
ON ACCOUNT OF HER HUSBAND,

Abraham P. Torrence
Late a *Corporal* Co. *C.*
54th Reg't *Mass* *Vol*
Deceased *July 18th* *1862*
Filed in the Pension Office,
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FORWARDED BY

William C. [unclear]
Sub-Claim Agent U. S. Sanitary Commission.
at New Bedford Mass
July 22nd *1865*
DARIUS FORBES, Attorney.
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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