

AFFIDAVIT TO DISABILITY OF HUSBAND OF CLAIMANT OR FATHER OF SOLDIER.

For Use in Mothers' or Fathers' Pension Claim.

TO BE EXECUTED BY A DISINTERESTED WITNESS, NOT RELATED TO CLAIMANT, HAVING PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF THE DISABILITY OF HUSBAND OF CLAIMANT OR FATHER OF SOLDIER.

Before filing in this affidavit, the witness should read carefully the marginal instructions and conform thereto in every particular as far as his knowledge of the facts will allow. This affidavit should be returned to CHARLES & WILLIAM B. KING, No. 916, F STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., as soon as executed.

STATE OF Ohio }
COUNTY OF Scioto } ss:

In the Pension Claim of Catherine Pourschot Insane, mother of, Louis Pourschot, Co. E, 33rd Reg't, Ohio, Vols.,

personally came before me, a Notary Public, in and for the aforesaid County and State, Lucy C. Winkler, who I hereby certify is a respectable and

credible person, and who, being duly sworn, declares in relation to the aforesaid claim that her age is 57 years, and she has been intimately acquainted with the above-named claimant since 1860, and knew her son, the above-named soldier for at time of years immediately prior to his enlistment in the military service of the United States.

That George and Catharine Pourschot - parents of said soldier - Louis Pourschot - moved on my farm in or about the year 1865, that the family was in extremely destitute circumstances when they came there, had no property at all, but were the recipients of charity from myself and others, that Catharine Pourschot was a bad cripple and is still so, having to walk with a crutch, and her mind has been deranged ever since I knew her. The family ever since I knew them have been dependent on their children and others for support and are still so, by reason of the mother's (Catharine Pourschot's) infirmities and George Pourschot's lack of ability in providing for the family they would have suffered for the common necessities of life had not their children and others assisted them.

By means of a little money - \$200 - obtained from Catharine Pourschot's parents they bought forty eight acres of land about the year 1874. But this land lies on a steep hill, is rocky and not worth more than \$100, in fact is almost worthless as far as making a living is concerned. There are only about five acres cleared, it contains an old, rotting log hut used by them as a residence. George Pourschot himself has had no sickness to speak of, but since 1864 has always been in circumstances more or less destitute. Do not think George Pourschot has earned \$100 a year since I have known him, they do not live more than seven miles from my farm, and I trust the family is destitute.

She further declares that her post office address is now Haverhill, Scioto, Ohio, and that she is not interested in

said claim or concerned in its prosecution; that her knowledge of the foregoing facts was derived from an acquaintance with his family while living on my farm and from knowledge obtained from their children when working for me and for others of my family, I never heard of the Pourschots selling any property, if they never owned any but the land they now live on, Louis Pourschot, the soldier, had not been married when he enlisted, and never left us wife nor children.

If affiant makes his mark, two persons must attest by writing their names on the lines below.

James L. Taylor
Abelasa H. Taylor

Lucy C. Winkler
Signature of affiant.

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