

Everard Bierer

**11th Pennsylvania Reserve Regiment
("F" Co. Pennsylvania 40th Infantry)
Field & Staff Pennsylvania 171st Infantry**



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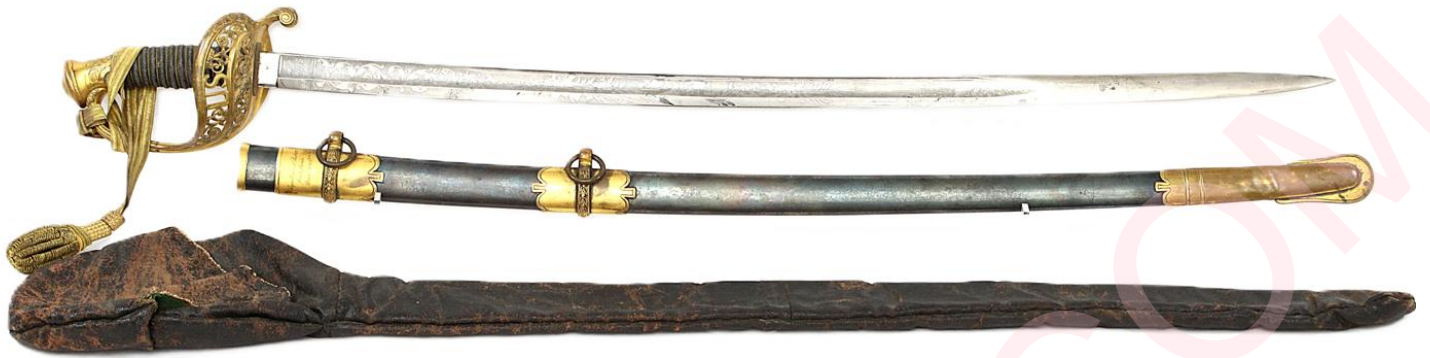
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Colonel 11/17/1862 (As of 171st PA Infantry)

PRESENTATION SWORD



This is an 1862 dated and inspected Ames Model 1850 Staff & Field sword presented to **Everard Bierer** when he was a Captain and most likely given to him on 7/29/1861 when he was commissioned into "F" Co. Pennsylvania 40th Infantry.

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Capt Everard. Bierer.
from his friends
Union Town Pa

Ames dated and inspected Model 1850 Staff & Field swords are extremely rare with only 162 of the 229 delivered to the Ordnance Department being made in 1862. Even more rare is to find one with a presentation. The sword is complete and all original to include the sword knot and the green felt lined soft leather case.



This hilt is tight was 100% original shark-skin grip and twisted brass wire, and much original gold wash. The blade is frosty with block "U S" and is inspected J.H. and dated 1862, and an Ames maker marked. The scabbard is complete with all original mounts and screws and shows light wear.









Everard Bierer

COL. EVERHARD BIERER, attorney at law. The Bierers, or Behrers, according to the German orthography, were a numerous, influential and wealthy family in Wurtemberg (sic), Germany, where they held various honorable position in the civil and military service of the State. George Bierer, a grand uncle of the Colonel, commanded a regiment in the Austrian army during the middle of the eighteenth century, and was created a Baron for distinguished military services, particularly at the siege of Belgrade, Servia, in 1788-89. Col. Bierer is of pure German lineage, his parents being both born in Wurtemberg (sic), the father, Everhard Bierer, born at Wiernshelm, January 6, 1795; the mother, Catherine M. Ruckenbrodt, at Maimsheim, October 28, 1798, and both emigrated with their parents to America in 1804 and settled in Pennsylvania. Everhard Bierer and wife were members of the Lutheran Church, and passed their married life in Uniontown, Fayette Co., Penn., where the subject of this sketch was born January 9, 1827, and where his mother died July 15, 1858, and his father August 2, 1876. He received a liberal education in the private schools and at Madison College in his native town, where he graduated in 1845, having completed a special course embracing the higher mathematics natural and mental sciences, the Latin language and English literature. Leaving the college he entered the office of Joshua B. Howell, Esq. (afterward Colonel of the Eighty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and who was killed before Richmond in 1864), and was admitted to the bar in March, 1848.

He practiced his profession successfully until April 23, 1861, when he left his office and raised a company of volunteers and entered the military service of the United States as Captain of Company F, Eleventh Regiment Pennsylvania Reserve Volunteer Corps. He served in the Army of the Potomac, and was in the battles of Drainsville, Mechanicsville and Gaines' Hill,(SIC) where, when the whole of Fitz John Porter's corps was broken and retiring back toward the Chickahominy River, Captain Bierer rallied part of the regiment, including his company, for probably the last ineffectual stand on that bloody field, and he was captured with his command June 27, 1862, and taken to Libby Prison, from which he was released by exchange on the 14th of the following August. Six days afterward he was granted twenty days' leave of absence on account of sickness, and went home, but on learning by telegraph of the impending battle at Bull Run, he returned to the army and rejoined his command on the day of the battle. August 30, and in a few days afterward, September 14, 1862, participated in the engagement at South Mountain, Md., where he was severely wounded in the left arm, the ball passing through the elbow joint and lodging in the forearm, from which it was not extracted until the 25th of the following November, and from which he is crippled in his arm for life. Having become convalescent, October 24, he was appointed Commandant of Camp Curtin, Harrisburg, Penn., with the rank of Colonel, where he organized the 171st, 172d, 173d, 176th, 177th and 178th Regiments Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and November 18 was commissioned Colonel of the One Hundred and Seventy-first. After serving in various parts of southeastern Virginia and in North Carolina, his regiment was ordered to Washington, N. C., where he was placed in command of a brigade and in temporary command of the military district of the Pamlico. He was also at several times in command of Gen. Prince's Division, Eighteenth Army Corps, Major-Gen. J. G. Foster commanding. He was in an engagement at

Blount's Creek, near Washington, N. C., April 7, 1863, commanding a brigade under Gen. F. B. Spinola. Spinola's forces were obliged to retire before superior numbers under the Rebel General Hill. To Col. Bierer was assigned the command of the Rear Guard. The duty was critical, the enemy crowding upon him in heavy force nearly the entire night. In the midst of intense darkness, through pine forests and cypress swamps the march was conducted, and he finally succeeded in bringing off the column with the trains and all the wounded. July 1, 1863, he returned with his regiment to Virginia and went with General Dix on his expedition to Richmond. The expedition marched from the White House landing to within eight or ten miles of Richmond, and after some skirmishing with the Rebels, Dix ordered its return to Fortress Monroe. Col. Bierer with his regiment went to Washington, thence to Harper's Ferry, where he joined General Meade, and on the 7th of that month was given a permanent brigade command, and assigned to duty as Military Commandant of the District of the Monocacy, embracing all Western Maryland, with headquarters at Frederick City, Md. September 26, 1863, he was mustered out of the service the regiment's term of enlistment having expired on the 8th of the previous August. During January, February and March, 1864, Col. Bierer served in the Veteran Reserve Corps, but not liking that service, resigned his command and permanently retired from the army.

In October, 1865, he removed from Pennsylvania to Kansas and settled on a beautiful farm one mile east of Hiawatha, Brown County, and resumed the practice of his profession. The Colonel was originally a Democrat, and as the nominee of that party was elected in 1850 the first District Attorney of Fayette County, Penn., for a term of three years. Believing that the Democratic party had become the mere propagandist of slavery he became a Republican in 1856, led the forlorn hope for Fremont in Fayette County, Penn., Democracy, and had the satisfaction of seeing the county carried for Lincoln in 1860 by a majority vote of one in a poll of about 10,000. He became during the war a person friend of Abraham Lincoln, and always regarded him as the greatest and best man of the age. In 1864 he was elected one of the Presidential Electors by the Republican party of Pennsylvania, and in 1868 was the Representative from Brown County in the Kansas Legislature by the suffrages of the same party. In 1868 he voted for Grant, but with considerable reluctance, as he could not endorse the reconstruction and financial policy of the party, and in 1870 renounced all connection with the Republican party. His vote in 1872 was cast for Greeley, and in 1876 for Tilden, whom he considered honestly elected, and regarded the action of the majority of the Electoral Commission as a gross fraud and outrage, perpetrated deliberately for partisan purposes and resulting in seating a President who was not elected to the office.

He became a member of Fort Necessity No. 254, I. O. O. F. at Uniontown, Penn., in February, 1852, and subsequently joined the Encampment. Has been District Deputy Grand Master, and District Grand Patriarch of the order in Pennsylvania, where he is still a member both of Grand Lodge and Grand Encampment. He was also made a Mason at Uniontown in 1864, and has attained the higher degrees of the order, and is at present affiliated with Hiawatha Lodge No. 35, A. F. & A. M. He is quite liberal and decidedly individualized in his religious opinions and beliefs. He accepts the inspirations of the moral and religious teachings of Scripture, the divine lawship and preexistence of Jesus, the efficacy of His example for purposes of redemption, and a condition of future rewards and punishments; denies the inspiration of the historical records and the ceremonial and civil laws of the Jews, the doctrine of the Trinity, vicarious sacrifice and eternal punishment; accepts a salvation by conduct, not by belief, and includes all the family of the Great Father who act according to their

highest conception of right. He has been a very careful student of both the Old and New Testament writings, and his present views are the result of a thorough acquaintance with the Scriptures and extensive knowledge of Ecclesiastic history and Polemics. He has also studied carefully the Koran, the Buddhist and Brahminical Scriptures and the teachings of Confucius, which have also to some extent influenced and modified his religious belief. He was married April 8, 1852, at Brownsville, Fayette Co., Penn., to Ellen, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Troutman Smouse, a lady of extensive family connections in Alleghany County, Md., and in Bedford and Somerset counties, Penn. Her maternal grandfather was a soldier in the war of the Revolution. They are the parents of eight children, six sons and two daughters, all of whom are living. The eldest son, Everhard, graduated from Kansas University in the class of 1877, and is now an Examiner in the Pension Office in Washington, D. C.; the second son is now one of the leading merchants in Hiawatha. In person Col. Bierer is stout and robust, nearly six feet in height, of iron frame, and was never sick excepting during the latter part of his confinement in Libby. He is the sixth in a family of seven sons and four daughters, all of whom are yet living and in good health, the oldest of whom is sixty-six years of age, and the youngest forty-four.

Col. E. Bierer.

Colonel Everard Bierer was among the early settlers of Brown County. Although he did not remove here until October, 1865, when he located on a farm one mile east of Hiawatha. He had been here, however, in 1857 and made investments in real estate and returned to the east again. He is a Pennsylvanian, having been born in Uniontown, January 9, 1827. After receiving an education in the district and private schools of his county, Col. Bierer was sent to the Madison college of his place where he graduated in the higher mathematics, the sciences, languages and English literature. After leaving college he read law in the office of Joshua B. Howell of his native city and was admitted to the bar in 1848, being only twenty-one years of age.

Always a patriotic citizen it was but natural that when the war broke out Col. Bierer was interested in the cause of the union and on April 18, 1861, he quit the lawyer's office and organized a company of volunteers and entered the service of the United States as Captain of Co. F, 11th Regiment of Pennsylvania Reserve Volunteer Corps. He served in the Army of the Potomac and when the whole of Fitz John Porter's corps was broken and retiring Captain Bierer rallied part of the regiment with his company and was captured with his command June 2, 1862, and taken to Libby Prison, from which he was released August 14th of that year. Returning to the army he was severely wounded in the battle of South Mountain September 14, 1862, from which wound he is crippled in his left arm for life. Becoming convalescent on October 24th he was appointed Commandant of Camp Curtin, Harrisburg, Pa., with the rank of colonel. Here he organized the 171st, 172nd, 173rd, 176th, 177th and 178th Regiments, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and November 18th he was commissioned colonel of the 171st. September 26, 1863, he was mustered out of the service with his regiment. In January, February and March, 1864, Colonel Bierer served in the Veteran Reserve Corps, but resigned his command and retired permanently from the army.

Although he was never a politician in the common understanding of that term as to having sought office number less times have the friends in the party to which he belonged insisted he make the race for office. In 1850 he was elected the first district attorney of Fayette County, Pennsylvania. In 1864 the Republicans made him the nominee for Presidential elector in Pennsylvania and he was elected in 1867, two years after removing to this county, he was elected representative from the eleventh district

to the Kansas Legislature and once he made the race for congress in this district. On April 8, 1852, Col. Everard Bierer and Ellen Smouse were married at Brownsville, Fayette County, Pa. To them eight children were born, six sons and two daughters.

Col. and Mrs. Bierer are both members of the Congregational Church of Hiawatha. As a lodge man Col. Bierer belongs to the Masons and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

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DEATHS.

Bierer--Col. Everard Bierer died at his home Monday night, Dec. 26, about 11 o'clock. He had been ill for a year or more with cancer on his face. Col. Everard Bierer was among the early settlers of this county, coming here and investing in real estate in 1857, but returning east and then moving here in October, 1865, locating on the Drummond farm, where A. Schrack resides, a mile east of town. He was born in Uniontown, Pa., Jan. 9, 1827, and would therefore have been 84 years old had he lived a couple of weeks longer. He was educated in the district and private schools of his county first and then he attended the Madison college there where he graduated in the higher mathematics, sciences, languages and English literature. After this he read law in the office of Joshua B. Howell, of Uniontown, and was admitted to the bar in 1848. **Always a patriotic citizen it was natural when the war broke out that he became identified with the cause of the Union, son on April 18, 1861, he quit the law office and organized a company of volunteers and entered the service of the United States as Captain Co. F, 11th Regiment of Pennsylvania Reserve Volunteer Corps. He served in the army of the Potomac and when the whole of Fitz John Porter's corps was broken and retiring, Captain Bierer rallied part of the regiment with his company, but was captured with his command, June 2, 1862, and taken to Libby prison, where he was held until August 14. Returning to the army he was severely wounded at the battle of South Mountain, Sept. 14, 1862, from which wound his left arm was crippled for life. October 24 he was appointed commandant of Camp Curtin at Harrisburg, with rank of Colonel, an appellation that attached to his name the remainder of his life. Here he organized the 171st, 172nd, 173rd, 176th, 177th and 178th regiments Pennsylvania volunteer infantry and was commissioned colonel of the 171st and on Sept. 26, 1863, was mustered out of the service with his regiment. In January, February and March, 1864, he served in the Veteran Reserve corps, but resigned and retired permanently from the army.** In 1850 he was elected the first district attorney of Fayette County, Pennsylvania. In 1864 he was elected presidential elector on the Republican ticket. In 1857, two years after coming to Brown County, he was elected representative, and once made the race for congress in this district. He married Miss Ellen Smouse, April 8, 1852, at Brownsville, Pa. To them eight children were born, six sons and two daughters. He was a Congregationalist, Mason and Odd Fellow. Col. Bierer was present and made a speech near the old cottonwood court house in the park at the returning soldiers reception Oct. 8, 1865. Dec. 8, 1865, he opened a law office in the little building where the residence of Mr. Gillet no stands. He served as president of the first National bank at one time, with marked ability as he was a fine financier and thus rounded up a busy life full of activity and momentous events. Of the sons: Everard Jr., is a law assistant at the attorney general's office, Washington; Samuel is at the head of the big department store of Bierer, Shadel & Co., Hiawatha; A. G. Curtin is an ex-Oklahoma supreme judge and Bion holds an important position in the

United States navy. The daughters are: Mrs. Jas. L. Shadel, of Hiawatha, and Mrs. John Bokay, of Brown County. Col. Bierer stood high as a citizen of this community with which he was so long identified. He was a well-read man, enterprising and useful. He had stood the ravages of war, the privations of early settlement, had been honored, and lived to reach a ripe old age, spending 45 of his years in Hiawatha.

Hartranft's commission as brigadier-general was won by his services at Bull Run, Antietam, Fredericksburg; and as the hero of Fort Stedman he became a major-general. His services in civil life have been equally distinguished, and his career is marked by well-earned honors, as Governor of Pennsylvania, as the chief representative of the Federal Government in Philadelphia, and as the head of the State militia.

Everard Bierer, colonel of the One Hundred and Seventy-first Pennsylvania, was the son of German parents, settled in Fayette County. He won his first successes in the Eleventh Pennsylvania Reserves, was appointed by Governor Curtin to be colonel of the One Hundred and Seventy-first, and was promoted to the command of a brigade. Now he is a successful lawyer, legislator, and farmer in Kansas.

Colonel Lehmann, of the One Hundred and Third, was born in Hanover in 1812, was educated there at the military school, served for six years in the army, and in 1837 came to Pittsburg, where he became a teacher. He organized the Sixty-second Pennsylvania, was its lieutenant-colonel, then was colonel of the One Hundred and Third, and after the war re-



The following information was obtained from the book, "Annals of Brown County" . . .

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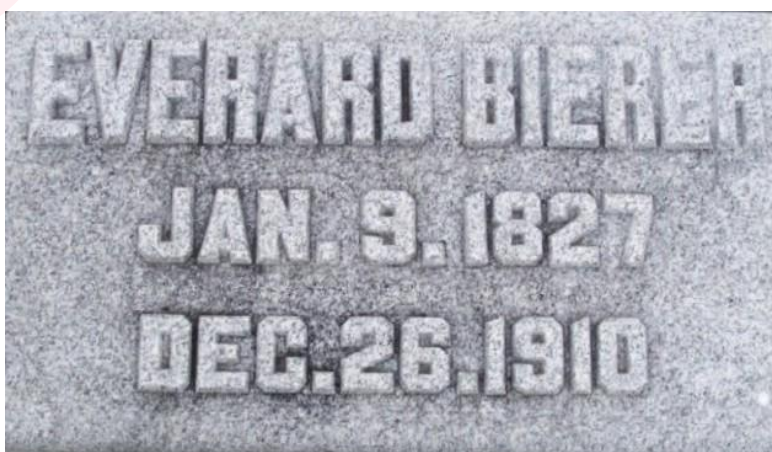
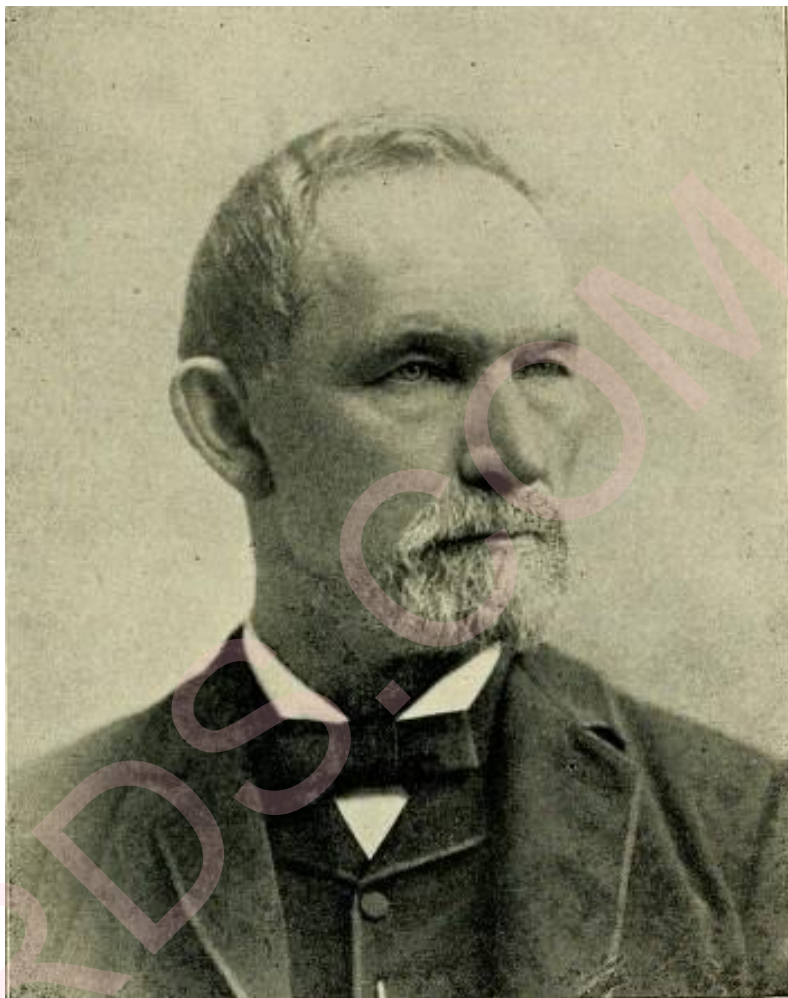
As a child in Pennsylvania he was educated in the local schools, and then went on to the Madison College, where he studied higher mathematics, sciences, language and English literature. After college he read law in the office of Joshua B. Howell, of Uniontown, and was admitted to the bar in 1848 at the age of 21.

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When the Civil War broke out, Everard quit the law office and organized a company of volunteers. He entered the service of the Union Army as Captain of Company F, 11th Regiment of Pennsylvania Reserve Volunteer Corps. On June 2, 1862, he and his command were captured and taken to the Libby Prison. He was released from prison on August 14th and returned to duty, only to be severely wounded in the Battle of South Mountain on Sept 14th. This injury left his left arm crippled for the rest of his life.

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Colonel Everard Bierer and family moved to Brown County Kansas in October 1865, and two years later he was elected representative of the 11th District to the Kansas State Legislature.





Captain Everard Bierer, Company F, 11th Pennsylvania Reserves was wounded at Turner's Gap on South Mountain in September 1862. While recovering he was assigned to command Camp Curtin in Harrisburg. After organizing 5 new regiments there he was commissioned Colonel of one – the 171st Pennsylvania Infantry. He mustered out with them in September 1863 then served 3 months with the Veteran Reserve Corps in early 1864.

He was a farmer, lawyer, and politician in Kansas after the war. His picture here is from a panel of photographs of members of the Kansas House of Representatives for 1868, online from the Kansas Historical Society.



THE

SEVEN DAYS' CONTESTS.

PENNSYLVANIA RESERVES.

GENERAL MCCALL'S REPORT,

AND ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS.



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1864.

Surgeon James R. Riley, (now of) the One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, to General McCall:

WASHINGTON, JAN. 16, 1863.

GENERAL: On the eighteenth of December, 1862, I was engaged dressing the stump, having previously amputated the leg of Captain _____ (name not recollected,) of the Twelfth Mississippi regiment, who had been wounded at the battle of Fredericksburgh, when he asked me what corps I belonged to. I replied the Pennsylvania reserves. He said he had been in seventeen battles, and in all those on the Peninsula; that if the Pennsylvania reserves had not fought so well at Mechanicsville, where they had their best troops, and again at New-Market Cross-Roads, the confederates would have captured McClellan's army.

JAMES R. RILEY,

Surgeon One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers, late Pennsylvania Reserves.

Colonel Everard Bierer, One Hundred and Seventy-first Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, to General McCall:

[Extract.]

WASHINGTON, DEC. 6, 1862.

GENERAL: About the middle of July last, while I was a Captain of the Eleventh Pennsylvania reserves, and a prisoner in Richmond, I was called on by David M. Whaley, Major of the Fifth Texas regiment. He was born and raised in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, where I reside. We were companions in boyhood, and school-mates. He was also known to Major Johns, of my regiment, then present. About eleven years ago he went to Texas. He told me he had been in the battles in front of Richmond, and that he never saw better fighting than that of the Pennsylvania reserves. He stated that at the battle of Mechanicsville, the confederates were repulsed at every point, and that their loss was very heavy, about two thousand killed and wounded. He was astonished when I told him our loss was only about two hundred. Though in the rebel service, Major Whaley is a gentleman of high integrity, and perfectly reliable, as I believe.

EVERARD BIERER,

Colonel One Hundred and Seventy-first Pennsylvania Militia.

STATEMENT OF OFFICERS OF THE RESERVE CORPS.

We, the undersigned officers of the Pennsylvania reserves, (McCall's division,) who fought in the battle of the thirtieth of June, 1862, variously called the battle of Nelson's Farm, Glendale, and New-Market Cross-Roads, do hereby distinctly state that our division was not routed in that battle; and that, although a temporary reverse was sustained by Seymour's brigade

early in the day, the division was at no time completely routed.

GEO. G. MEADE, Major-General.

R. BIDDLE ROBERTS, Colonel Commanding First regiment.

WM. McCANDLESS, Colonel Commanding Second regiment.

H. G. SICKEL, Colonel Commanding Third regiment.

A. L. MAGILTON, Colonel Commanding Fourth regiment.

J. W. FISHER, Colonel Commanding Fifth regiment.

(The Sixth regiment was not in the battle.)

H. C. BOLLINGER, Colonel Commanding Seventh regiment.

GEO. S. HAYS, Colonel Commanding Eighth regiment.

JOHN CUTHBERTSON, Captain in command (*pro tem.*) Ninth regiment.

A. J. WARNER, Lieutenant-Colonel Commanding Tenth regiment.

(Eleventh regiment not engaged in the battle.)

JOHN H. TAGGART, Colonel Commanding Twelfth regiment.

ROY STONE, Major Commanding Rifle regiment.

E. C. BAIRD, Captain and Assistant Adjutant-General, Meade's brigade.

J. C. CLARK, Captain and Assistant Adjutant-General, Seymour's brigade.

ROBERT ANDERSON, Lieut.-Col. Ninth regiment.

PETER BALDY, Lieut.-Col. Twelfth regiment.

J. MCK. SNODGRASS, Major, now commanding Ninth regiment.

IRA AYER, Acting Major Tenth regiment.

I. G. HENRY, Captain Eighth regiment.

D. S. PORTER, Captain First regiment.

WM. COOPER TALLEY, Captain First regiment.

THOMAS F. B. TAPPER, Capt. Fourth regiment.

I. LENHART, Captain Third regiment.

L. B. SPENCE, Captain Seventh regiment.

WILLIAM BROOK, Captain Eighth regiment.

A. G. OLIVER, Captain Twelfth regiment.

JAMES H. LARRIMER, Captain Fifth regiment.

ALFRED M. SMITH, Captain Fifth regiment.

C. BARNES, Captain Ninth regiment.

HARTLEY HOWARD, Captain Ninth regiment.

JNO. H. BALLENTYNE, Captain Ninth regiment.

HENRY GEHREN, Captain Ninth regiment.

H. C. DAWSON, Captain Eighth regiment.

WILLIAM LEMON, Captain Eighth regiment.

N. O. D. ADAIR, Captain and C. S.

F. P. ARMSDEN, Captain Artillery, Commanding battery G.

JAMES A. McPHERSON, Captain Fifth regiment.

RICHARD ELLIS, Captain Second regiment.

And many others.

Yankee prisoners.

--We have rarely witnessed a more stirring time that suited in Richmond on Saturday last. What instant arrival of our own wounded, who were with the most assiduous care and attention from the battlefield by the Committee, appointed for that purpose, and citizens generally, and the almost continual arrival of captured Hessians, the people were afforded an almost exhaustless subject, not only for action, but comment. As we have intimated, our wounded received every care and attention, while we are sure that the unmanly foe who had been arrested in his career of rapine and murder could not complain of the treatment, he received, even though his grand entry into the "rebel capital" involved in no degree a triumph of his own. We have heard reports of the arrival of over 3,200 prisoners of war, including nearly a hundred officers of different grades; but if that number arrived, they were not listed at the different places appointed for their reception. --Up to ten o'clock yesterday mooring, about 1,800 men, including most of the 4th New Jersey and 11th Pennsylvania regiments, had been landed in prison at this point. The list of prisoners embraces one Brigadier General, sundry Colonels, a full supply of captains, an indefinite number of lieutenants, with a slight sprinkling of adjutants and surgeons. These latter, it is understood, in pursuance of a recent agreement between our own and the Lincoln Government, are to be released unconditionally. --No doubt they will be sent to rejoin their late comrades as soon as an opportunity occurs for their safe conduct across our lines. In furnishing a list of the prisoners, we forbear comment on the scenes and incidents occurring on their march to and entry into the city. Much might be said, the materials being ample, but we feel no inclination to give notoriety to these marauders, too many hearthstones, not only in our midst, but throughout the Confederacy, being brought to grief by their high-handed acts of usurpation and lawless raids on our once peaceful and happy soil. As truthful chroniclers of events we must not omit to mention that much ill-feeling has been created in the bosoms of very many people, not alone connected with the army, but in the private walks of life, at the deference and obsequious attention paid to some few of the Yankee officers, they having been, as is alleged, quartered at one of our best hotels, while our brave men of similar rank have received the scant hospitality afforded by the dreary dungeon and its attendant chains and misery. To a government resolved to stand on and maintain its dignity in all things, such a course of policy may well be doubted. We simply mention the matter as one that has produced a deep feeling of indignation and provoked comment of no very complimentary nature to the parties instrumental in producing the effects reported.

The list of prisoners embraces the following names, viz: Brig-Gen. J F Reynolds, Capt. W C Kingsberry, A A G to Gen. Reynolds; Col. J H Simpson, 4th N J; Maj. P H Johns, 11th Penn; Capt. C J Whiting, 5th U S Cavalry; Lieut J P Crane, 22d Mass; Lieut-Col J B Sweetzer, 62d Penn; Capt Chas C Conans, 22d Mass; Capt B Ridgway, 4th N J; 1st Lieut T R Grupewane, 4th N J; 2d Lieut P L Hubbard, 1st Mich; 2d Lieut C C Van Sickel, 4th N J; Capt Sam Mulford, 4th N J; 2d Lieut Geo Bennett, 4th N J; Capt Thos M Fetter, 4th N J; 1st Lieut R S Johnston, 4th N J; Capt S B King, 7th Penn; Capt Wm Nippries, 4th N J; 1st Lieut Jas S Kennedy, 11th Penn; Capt H N Jewett, 4th N J; 1st Lieut John L Ridgway, 4th N J; 2d Lieut Josiah Shaw, 4th N J; Capt N B Avemson, 4th N J; 1st Lieut Wm Stitings, 4th N J; 1st Lieut Jno M Pearson, 4th N J; 2d Lieut F G Avemson, 4th N J; **Capt Everard Bierer, 11th Penn**; 1st Lieut Sam M Gaul, 4th N J; 1st Lieut Thos H Lockwood, 11th Penn; Capt Jno Reynolds, 4th N J; Capt Thos H Spires, 11th Penn; 1st Lieut Eli Wangaman, 11th Penn; 1st Lieut Chas Myers, 4th N J; 2d Lieut David Berry, 11th Penn; 1st Lieut C G Speer, 4th N J; Capt N Nisbett, 11th Penn; Capt Dan Kistler, 11th Penn; 2d Lieut L A Johnston, 11th Penn; Capt Wm Stewart, 11th Penn; 2d Lieut Jno Kuhn, 11th Penn; Capt E R Brady, 11th Penn; 1st Lieut J B George, 11th Penn; 2d Lieut Cyrus Butler, 11th Penn; 2d Lieut W F Jackson, 11th Penn; Capt Chas J Whiting, 5th U S Cavalry; Capt E M Anderson, 4th N J; Col J H Simpkins, Lieut-Col W B Hatch, and Adj't J S Studdiford, 4th N J; Col Thos F Gallagher, Lieut-Col L M Jackson, and Surgeon J S De Bonneville, 11th Penn; 1st Lieut Jno P Crane, 22d Mass; Assistant Surgeon J W S Norris, U S A; 1st Lieut W H Eldridge, 4th N J; Capt E G Lant, 7th Pa; Lt Col Geo Variny, 2d Me; Capt L Emmerson, 2d Me, Capt Jas P Duff, 7th Pa; J P Prince, Surgeon, 22d Mass; 1st Lt E M Cooly, 13th N Y; Lt Col S M Jackson, 11th Pa; Adj Robt A McCoy, 11th Pa; 1st Lt D R Coder, 2d Lt R M Burkeman, 11th Pa; 2d Lt F W Shroeder, 4th N J; 1st Lt E Wright, 4th N J; 2d Lt H H Callen, 2d N J; Maj E S Gilbert, 25th N; J; 1st Lt Thos Bishop, 25th N Y; Lt E Eichelberger, 8th Pa; Major Henry Chitz, 12th U S Infantry Regulars; Capt P W Stanhope, 12th U S Infantry; Col T B W Stockton, 16th Michigan; Capt H R Combe, 12th N Y; 1st Lt Chas Wilson, 3d N J; Lewis P Mudgett, 1st Lt and Adj't, 2d Me; 2d Lt Joel Parker, 1st N J; Capt A E Miles, 1st Pa; Lt T G McNaughton, 1st Pa; Lt B Lewis, 1st Pa; Lt Chas A Bayard, 5th Wisconsin; Lt J M Wells jr, belonging to Gen Porter's staff; Lt L B Woltz, 8th Pa; Lt R D Hall, 1st Pa Rifles; Ass't Surgeon L S Ludington, 1st Conn.

11th Pennsylvania Reserve Regiment (40th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry)

The **11th Pennsylvania Reserve Regiment** also known as the **40th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry** was an infantry regiment that served in the Pennsylvania Reserves infantry division of the Union Army during the American Civil War

Service

The 11th Pennsylvania Reserves was organized at Camp Wright near Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania beginning May 9, 1861 and mustered in June 29 through July 5, 1861 under the command of Colonel Thomas F. Gallagher. The regiment was armed with Model 1842 smoothbore muskets and used them for its entire service.

The regiment was attached to 2nd Brigade, McCall's Pennsylvania Reserves Division, Army of the Potomac, to March 1862. 2nd Brigade, 2nd Division, I Corps, Army of the Potomac, to April 1862. 2nd Brigade, McCall's Division, Department of the Rappahannock, to June 1862. 2nd Brigade, 3rd Division, V Corps, to August 1862. 3rd Brigade, 3rd Division, III Corps, Army of Virginia, to September 1862. 3rd Brigade, 3rd Division, I Corps, Army of the Potomac, to February 1863. 3rd Brigade, Pennsylvania Reserves Division, XXII Corps, Department of Washington, to June 1863. 3rd Brigade, 3rd Division, V Corps, Army of the Potomac, to November 1863. 1st Brigade, 3rd Division, V Corps, to June 1864.

The 11th Pennsylvania Reserves mustered out June 13, 1864.

Detailed service

Moved to Harrisburg, Pa., June 24, then to Baltimore, Md., June 25, and to Washington, D.C., June 26. Duty at Tennallytown, Md., and picket at Great Falls August 2 to October 10, 1861. At Camp Pierpont, near Langley, Va., until March 1862. Expedition to Grinnell's Farm December 6, 1861. Advance on Manassas, Va., March 10–15, 1862. McDowell's advance on Falmouth April 9–19. Duty at Manassas Junction, Catlett's Station, and Falmouth, until June. Moved to White House June 9–12. Seven Days before Richmond June 25–July 1. Battles of Mechanicsville June 26, Gaines's Mill June 27 (most of the regiment captured and exchanged August 5, 1862), Charles City Cross Roads, Glendale, June 30, Malvern Hill July 1. At Harrison's Landing until August 16. Movement to join Pope August 16–26. Battle of Groveton August 29. Second Battle of Bull Run August 30. Maryland Campaign September 6–24. Battle of South Mountain, Md., September 14. Battle of Antietam September 16–17. Duty in Maryland until October 30. Movement to Falmouth, Va., October 30–November 19. Battle of Fredericksburg, Va., December 12–15. "Mud March" January 20–24, 1863. Moved to Washington, D. C., February 6. Duty there and at Alexandria until June 25. Ordered to rejoin the Army of the Potomac in the field. Battle of Gettysburg, July 1–3. Pursuit of Lee July 5–24. Duty on the Rapidan until October. Bristoe Campaign October 9–22. Advance to line of the Rappahannock November 7–8. Rappahannock Station November 7. Mine Run Campaign November 26–December 2. Duty at Alexandria until April 1864. Rapidan Campaign May 4–30. Battle of the Wilderness May 5–7, Laurel Hill May 8, Spotsylvania May 8–12, and Spotsylvania Court House May 12–21. Assault on the Salient May 12. Harris Farm May 19. North Anna River May 23–26. Jericho Ford May 25. On line of the Pamunkey May 26–28. Totopotomoy May 28–30. Left the front May 30.

Casualties

The regiment lost a total of 309 men during service; 11 officers and 185 enlisted men killed or mortally wounded, 1 officer and 112 enlisted men died of disease.

Everard Bierer

Service


11th Regiment Pennsylvania Reserves (40th Pennsylvania Infantry Regiment)

The 11th Pennsylvania Reserves lost 11 officers and 185 enlisted men killed or mortally wounded and 1 officer and 113 enlisted men to disease in the Civil War. It lost 19 officers and 260 enlisted men wounded and 31 officers and 727 enlisted men captured or missing. It is honored by a monument at Gettysburg.

The Pennsylvania Reserves were 15 regiments that were recruited in early 1861. Refused by the War Department as they were in excess of Pennsylvania's quota, Governor Curtin decided they would be armed and trained at state expense. The War Department soon realized they were needed and assigned them standard designations when they were accepted into Federal service. But the men preferred to be known by their original name: the Pennsylvania Reserves. **See more about the Pennsylvania Reserves.**

1861	
May – June	<p>Organized at Camp Wright, near Pittsburg.</p> <p>Organization of the 11th Pennsylvania Reserves</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Company A – “The Cambria Guards” – Cambria County – Captain Robert Litzinger• Company B – “The Indiana National Guards” – Indiana County – Captain Daniel S. Porter• Company C – “The Dixon Guards” – Butler County – Captain Samuel Loudon• Company D – “The Canongessing Rangers” – Butler County – Captain William Stewart• Company E – “The Washington Blues” – Indiana County – Captain Nathaniel Nesbit• Company F – “The Union Volunteers” – Fayette County – Captain Edward Bierer• Company G – “The Independent Blues” – Armstrong County – Captain James P. Speer• Company H – “The Westmoreland Blues” – Westmoreland County – Captain Daniel Kistler• Company I – “The Washington Blues” – Westmoreland County – Captain Thomas H. Spires• Company K – “The Brady Guards” – Jefferson County – Captain Evans R. Brady
June 24	Arrived to Harrisburg, Pa. and was issued arms and equipment.
June 25	Continued to Baltimore, Maryland. Bivouacked on Federal Hill.

June 26	To Washington, D.C.
June 29 – July 5	Nine hundred men mustered into three years United States service under the command of Colonel Thomas Gallagher, Lieutenant Colonel James Porter and Major Samuel M. Jackson. Attached to 2nd Brigade, McCall's Pennsylvania Reserves Division, Army of the Potomac
August 2	Moved to the Pennsylvania Reserves Division camp at Tennallytown, Maryland. The regiment was issued Model 1842 smoothbore muskets and used them throughout the war.
September	Picket at Great Falls, Maryland. A friendly truce was established with the Confederate pickets until a South Carolina regiment had its turn on the picket line and shot one of the Pennsylvania men who had gone to the river to bathe. A brisk skirmish erupted and the Confederates even brought in artillery, but there were no other casualties.
October 10	At Camp Pierpont, near Langley, Va.
October 24	Lt. Colonel James Porter resigned due to physical disability. Major Samuel Jackson was promoted to lieutenant colonel.
November 1	Captain Robert Litzinger of Company A was promoted to major
December 6	Expedition to Grinnell's Farm (Dranesville) Two spies and 57 wagons loaded with grain were captured.
1862	
March	Attached to 2nd Brigade, 2nd Division, 1st Corps, Army of the Potomac
March 10-15	Advance on Manassas, Va. Continual rain and muddy roads and fields made the march miserable and brought on a great deal of sickness.
April 1	Major Robert Litzinger resigned due to illness.
April 9-19	McDowell's advance on Falmouth. Attached to 2nd Brigade, McCall's Division, Dept. of the Rappahannock
April-May	Duty at Manassas Junction, Catlett's Station, and Falmouth
May 17	Adjutant Peter Johns was promoted to major and Lieutenant Robert A. McCoy, of Company A was appointed Adjutant.
June 9-12	Peninsula Campaign Detached from McDowell's Corps and moved to White House, Virginia. Attached to 2nd Brigade, 3rd Division, 5th Corps.
June 25-July 1	Seven days before Richmond
June 26	Battle of Mechanicsville

	One company of the regiment employed as skirmishers but the rest of the men were not actively engaged.
June 27	<p>Battle of Gaines' Mill Porter's Corps was attacked by an overwhelming force of Confederates. The regiment fought fiercely in dense woods much of the day and was unaware the rest of the Union line had retreated. Company B under the command of Captain Daniel S. Porter was detached for fatigue duty. The remainder of the regiment was ordered into a threatened part of the line and ordered to hold "at all hazards." The 11th Pennsylvania Reserves held the line, but as the fight wore on began taking fire from the flanks. Major Peter Johns was sent to see if friendly forces were firing into the regiment but was captured. Adjutant Robert A. McCoy was sent to the rear to report to General Meade, but returned with the news that the regiment was surrounded. Surrounded, hopelessly outnumbered and out of ammunition, the regiment was forced to surrender. Captain Daniel Porter's detached Company B escaped capture. Captain Andrew Lewis, Lieutenant Newton Redic, Sergeants James Christie and Cyrus Rankin and Corporals John Dunbar, Silas Amberson, David Stuart and 39 other enlisted men were killed. Sergeant Richard Fair was mortally wounded and Captain James Speer and 107 other men were wounded. The captured prisoners were marched to Richmond, where the enlisted men were separated and sent to Belle Island. They would be exchanged in August.</p>
June 30	<p>Battle of Charles City Cross Roads, Glendale The regiment was reduced to Captain Daniel Porter's Company B, reinforced to just over one hundred men by the return of detachments. Another 130 had been detailed to guard the hospital at Craney Island, near Fortress Monroe, but requested for their return were refused. The badly reduced regiment lost 9 men killed and 15 wounded.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Corporal Charles Shambaugh of Company B was awarded the Medal of Honor for capturing the flag of the 11th Alabama Infantry. Corporal Howard Henderson of Company B was awarded the Medal of Honor for "While pursuing one of the enemy's sharpshooters, encountered two others, whom he bayoneted in hand-to-hand encounters; was three times wounded in action."</p>
July 1	<p>Battle of Malvern Hill The regiment was in reserve and not engaged.</p>
July	At Harrison's Landing
August 5	The enlisted men captured at Gaines' Mill were exchanged at Aiken's Landing.
August 12	The officers captured at Gaines' Mill were exchanged.

August 16-26	Movement to join Pope. The regiment was under the command of Lt. Colonel Jackson as Colonel Gallagher was sick in the hospital at Fortress Monroe. It marched seventy miles via Kelly's Ford and Warrenton to Gainesville, and was attached to 3rd Brigade, 3rd Division, 3rd Corps, Army of Virginia.
August 29	Battle of Groveton (Brawner's Farm)
August 30	Second Battle of Bull Run (Second Manassas) The regiment fought the Fifth Texas Infantry Regiment until outflanked and forced to withdraw. Fourteen men were killed and 44 wounded. Sergeants Patrick Hanlin and Samuel Chrisley were killed and Captain William Stewart, Adjutant McCoy and Lieutenants Coder, Jones, Johnson and Kennedy were wounded.
September 6-24	Maryland Campaign Attached to 3rd Brigade, 3rd Division, 1st Corps, Army of the Potomac. Colonel Gallagher took over command of the brigade, leaving Lt. Colonel Jackson in command of the regiment.
September 14	Battle of South Mountain The regiment fought at Turner's Gap., charging up a steep and wooded mountain slope. Colonel Thomas Gallagher was badly wounded, and Lieutenant Colonel Samuel Jackson took command of the regiment. Fifteen men were killed and 28 were wounded. Captain Evans Brady, Lieuteant Walter Jackson, Sergeant James Johnson were killed, Captain Nathaniel Nesbitt was mortally wounded and Captain Rdward Bierer and Lieutenant J. S. Kennedy were wounded
September 16-17	Battle of Antietam The regiment was commanded Lieutenant Colonel Samuel Jackson. Less than 200 men were engaged. Seven men were killed and 17 were wounded. Sergeant George Gourley was killed, Captain Daniel Kistler and Lieutenant John Kuhn died of wounds and Sergeant William Kuhns was wounded.
September-October	Duty in Maryland. The detached detail of over 150 enlisted men that had been left at Fort Monroe finally rejoined the regiment, bringing its effective strength to near 400.
October 30-November 19	Movement to Falmouth, Va.

40th PA. Infantry, (11th Reserves)

40th Infantry, (11th Reserves), First State Color. The 40th was composed of men from Cambria, Indiana, Butler, Fayette, Armstrong, Westmoreland, and Jefferson counties, and organized July 1, 1861. They were given their first state color on September 10, 1861. The flag was captured in June 1862 along with most of the regiment's troops, and then retaken by Federal troops in 1865. The regiment was mustered out on June 14, 1864.



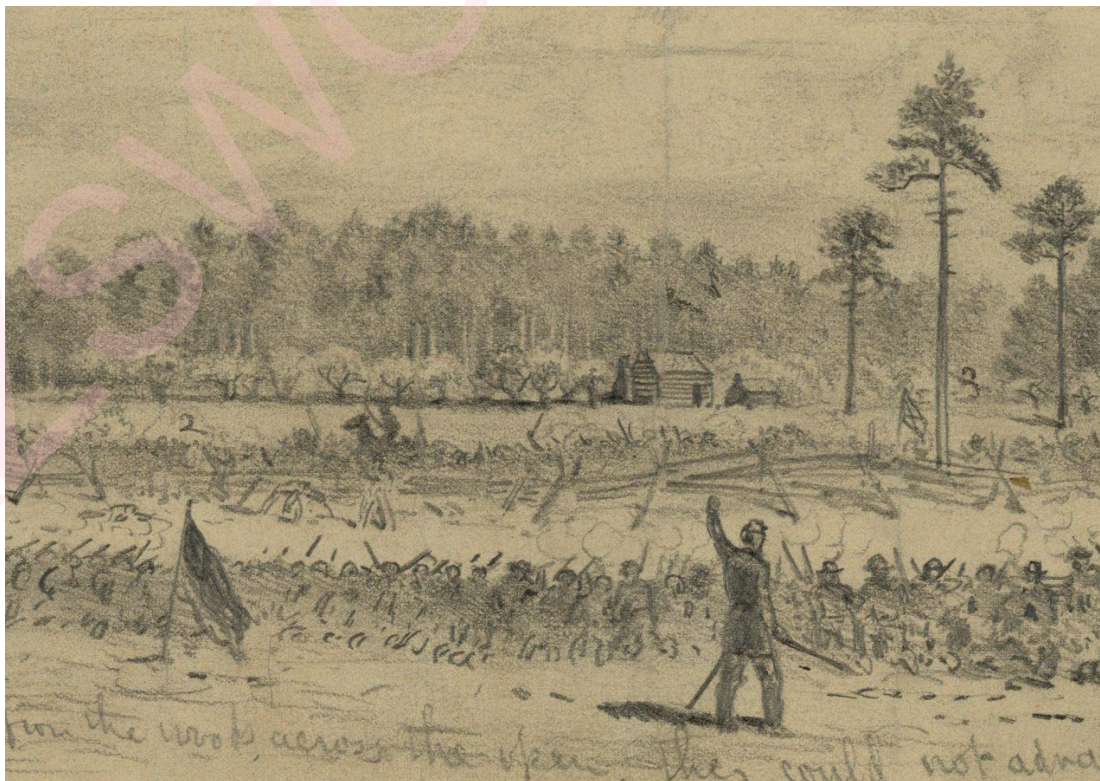
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171st Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers

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- Everard Bierer, of Fayette County, Colonel
- Theophilus Humphrey, of Bradford County, Lieutenant Colonel
- Robert C. Cox, of Tioga County, Major

Colonel Bierer had served as Captain in the Eleventh Reserve Regiment, and had been appointed commandant of Camp Curtin, with rank of Colonel, on the 28th of October.

On the 27th of November, the regiment left camp and proceeded by rail to Washington, thence by water to Norfolk, and thence by rail to Suffolk, Virginia. It was here assigned to Spinola's Brigade, of Ferry's Division, General Dix being in command of the Department. A school for instruction of officers was at once established, and the command subjected to thorough drill.

On the 28th of December, it broke camp at Suffolk, and marched to Ballard's Landing, on the Chowan River, and thence proceeded by transport to Newbern, North Carolina, arriving on the 1st of January, 1863. Spinola's Brigade, at this time, consisted of the One Hundred and Fifty-eighth, One Hundred and Sixty-eighth, One Hundred and Seventy-first, and One Hundred and Seventy-fifth Pennsylvania regiments, and was known as the Keystone Brigade. It formed part of the Third Division, General Prince, Eighteenth Corps, General Foster. It here went into winter-quarters, and was engaged in fatigue and garrison duty.

Early in March, General Prince's Division, with the Third New York Cavalry, made a reconnaissance into Jones and Onslow counties, encountering a few roving parties of the enemy, and taking some prisoners, and returned to camp on the 10th. About the middle of March, the enemy, under General D. H. Hill, appeared in front of Newbern, but was easily repulsed. He then moved off to Washington, on the Tar River, which he closely invested. Its defense was directed by General Foster in person, who had proceeded thither for that purpose; but being vastly out-numbered, the little garrison could with difficulty hold its works.

General Prince at once headed a force for the relief of the place, which proceeded by transports, accompanied by gunboats. At Rodman's and Hill's points, some distance below Washington, the enemy had erected strong works, and mounted guns which commanded the navigation of the Pamlico River. On approaching these works, preparations were made to run through, but it was considered unsafe to do so, and the purpose was abandoned.

Two regiments were then ordered to land, and carry the Hill's Point Battery by storm, the One Hundred and Seventy-first being one. But before the blow was delivered, they were withdrawn. Prince then returned with his force to Newbern, and Spinola was sent out with a force to make his way across the country, and break the enemy's lines in rear.

On the 9th of April he arrived at Blount's Creek, where he found the bridge destroyed, the water dammed so as to flood an impassable swamp, and the enemy in position with artillery to dispute the passage. The troops were moved up on the right of the road, and the artillery at once opened on both

sides. For some time the infantry was exposed to a heavy fire, but fortunately the enemy's shots were aimed too high, and passed harmless overhead. Deeming it imprudent to attempt to carry the position by direct attack, Spinola withdrew.

In the meantime, a gun-boat had succeeded in passing the batteries on the Pamlico River, and on this, Foster, on the 14th, ran down and returned to Newbern. He now concentrated his forces, and heading them in person, marched towards Washington; but on approaching, found that the enemy had raised the siege, and was in full retreat.

On the 23d, Spinola's Brigade was sent up the Pamlico River, to Washington, where it was posted for the defense of the place.

On the 29th of May, General Spinola was relieved of the command of the brigade, and was succeeded by Colonel Bierer. Towards the close of June, the brigade was ordered to Fortress Monroe, and upon its arrival there, was sent, with the exception of the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth, to White House, on the Pamunky River, to join in a demonstration towards Richmond, ordered by General Dix, for a diversion in favor of the army at Gettysburg.

Remaining in that vicinity until the 7th of July, it returned and proceeded to Harper's Ferry, arriving on the 9th. The rebel army was now in full retreat, and Meade following closely in pursuit. On the 11th, the regiment marched to Boonesboro, and thence to a position in a pass of the South Mountain, where it remained until after the enemy had escaped into Virginia, and the hope, fondly cherished, of crushing him in another decisive battle, had perished. It then proceeded to Frederick, and on the 3d of August, was ordered to Harrisburg, where, from the 6th to the 8th, it was mustered out of service.

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Source: Bates, Samuel P. *History of the Pennsylvania Volunteers, 1861-65*, Harrisburg, 1868-1871.

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December 28-January 1	Moved to New Berne, N. C. and attached to 1st Brigade, 5th Division, 18th Corps, Dept. of North Carolina
1863	
March 6-10	Expedition from New Berne to Trenton, Pollocksville, Young's Cross Roads and Swansborough
April 7-10	Expedition to relief of Little Washington
April 9	Blount's Creek
April 13-21	Expedition to Swift Creek Village
April – June	Duty at Little Washington attached to District of the Pamlico, Dept. of North Carolina
April 13	Colonel Bierer takes over the brigade from Brigadier General Spinola
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FIELD AND STAFF OFFICERS.

NAME.	RANK.	DATE OF MUSTER INTO SERVICE.	REMARKS.
Everard Bierer	Colonel	Nov. 18, '62,	Discharged, to date August 8, 1863.
Theop's Humphrey	Lt. Col.	Nov. 19, '62,	Mustered out with regiment, Aug. 8, 1863.
Robert C. Cox	Major	Nov. 19, '62,	Mustered out with regiment, Aug. 8, 1863.
Samuel D. Sturgis ..	Adjt.	Nov. 21, '62,	Mustered out with regiment, Aug. 8, 1863.
Isaac J. Post	Q. M.	Oct. 17, '62,	Pr. from private Co. A. 151st reg. P. V., Nov. 22, 1862—mus. out with regiment, Aug. 8, 1863.
Theo. B. Lashells ..	Surg.	Dec. 6, '62,	Mustered out with regiment, Aug. 8, 1863.
Thomas C. Pollock ..	As. Sur.	Oct. 29, '62,	Dis. December 30, 1862.
William B. Hull	do	Nov. 1, '62,	Mustered out with regiment, Aug. 8, 1863.
John B. Culver	do	May 26, '63,	Mustered out with regiment, Aug. 8, 1863.
N. B. Critchfield ...	Chap'n	Nov. 28, '62,	Mustered out with regiment, Aug. 8, 1863.
A. E. Chamberlain ..	Sr. Maj.	Nov. 2, '62,	Pr. from private company B, Nov. 18, 1862—mustered out with regiment, Aug. 8, 1863.
Seth Homet	Q. M. Sr.	Oct. 28, '62,	Pr. from Sergeant company D, Nov. 18, 1862—mustered out with regiment, Aug. 8, 1863.
Wesley Wirt	Com. Sr.	Oct. 25, '62,	Mustered out with regiment, Aug. 8, 1863.
Hiram D. Deming ..	Hos. St.	Nov. 1, '62,	Pr. from private company A—date unknown—mustered out with regiment, Aug. 8, 1863.

Text:

In regards to the One Hundred and Seventy First Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers, the book "History of Pennsylvania Volunteers, 1861-5" by Samuel P. Bates (Harrisburg, PA: B. Singerly, State Printer, 1870) states: "This regiment was mainly from the counties of Bradford, Juniata, Lycoming, Somerset, and Tioga, and was organized at Camp Curtin, about the middle of November, 1862, with the following field officers: Everard Bierer, of Fayette county, Colonel; Theophilus Humphrey, of Bradford county, Lieutenant Colonel; Robert C. Cox, of Tioga county, Major. Colonel Bierer had served as Captain in the Eleventh Reserve Regiment, and had been appointed commandant of Camp Curtin, with the rank of Colonel, on the 28th of October. On the 27th of November, the regiment left camp and proceeded by rail to Washington, thence by water to Norfolk, and thence by rail to Suffolk, Virginia. It was here assigned to Spinola's Brigade, of Ferry's Division, General Dix being in command of the Department. A school for instruction of officers was at once established, and the command subjected to thorough drill.

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Muster Sheets

138 E. or
Biller Everard

Co. F, 11 Pennsylvania
Reserve Infantry.
(40 Pa. Vols.)

Captain | Captain

CARD NUMBERS.

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2	20530471	27
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4	20530663	29
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7	20530940	32
8	20521659	33
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See also

B | 11 Reserves. | Pa.
(40 Volunteers.)

Everard Bierer

Capt. { Capt. Bierer's Co., 11 Reg't
Pennsylvania Reserve Infantry.†

Age 34 years.

Appears on

Company Muster-in Roll

of the organization named above. Roll dated

Washington DC, July 29, 1861.

Muster-in to date July 29, 1861.

Joined for duty and enrolled:

When May 23, 1861.*

Where Uniontown Fayette Co Pa *

Period 3 years.*

Bounty paid \$ 100; due \$ 100

Remarks:

† This organization subsequently became Co. F, 11 Reg't Pa. Reserve Infantry.

* See enrollment on subsequent card or cards.

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B | 11 Reserves. | Pa.
(40 Volunteers.)

Everard Bierer

Capt., Co. F, 11 Reg't Pennsylvania Res. Inf.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for dated Aug 31, 1861.

Joined for duty and enrolled:

When May 23, 1861.*

Where Camp Wilkins Wright *

Period 3 years.*

Present or absent * Not stated

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't \$ 100 for

Remarks:

* Recaptulation shows him Present

* See enrollment on card from muster-in roll.

Book mark:

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accepted to date July 22/61

B

11 Reserves.
(40 Volunteers.)

Pa.

Everard Bierer

Capt, Co. F, 11 Reg't Pennsylvania Res. Inf.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for date Oct 31, 1861.

Joined for duty and enrolled:

When May 23, 1861.*

Where Camps Wilkins & Wright *

Period 3 years.*

Present or absent * Not stated

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't \$ 100 for

Remarks:

* Recaptulation shows him Present

* See enrollment on card from muster-in roll.

Book mark:

Meding

(558.)

Convist.

B

11 Reserves. Pa.
(40 Volunteers.)

Everard Bierer

Capt, Co. F, 11 Reg't Pennsylvania Res. Inf.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for Nov & Dec, 1861.

Joined for duty and enrolled:

When May 23, 1861.*

Where Ep's Welken & Wright *

Period 3 years.*

Present or absent *

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't \$ 100 for

Remarks: Commanding Co

*Reputation shown here Present

* See enrollment on card from muster-in roll.

Book mark:

Meding

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Convist.

B

11 Reserves. Pa.
(40 Volunteers.)

Everard Bierer

Capt, Co. F, 11 Reg't Pennsylvania Res. Inf.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for Jan & Feb, 1862

Joined for duty and enrolled:

When May 23, 1861.*

Where Uniontown Pa *

Period 3 years.*

Present or absent Present

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't \$ 100 for

Remarks: Command of the Co,

* See enrollment on card from muster-in roll.

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Convist.

B | 11 Reserves. | Pa.
(40 Volunteers.)

Everard Bierer
Capt, Co. F, 11 Reg't Pennsylvania Res. Inf.
Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for March & April, 1862

Joined for duty and enrolled:

When May 23 1861.*

Where Uniontown Pa *

Period 3 years.*

Present or absent Present

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't \$ 100 for

Remarks: Penning Co

* See enrollment on card from muster-in roll.

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(S58c) Copyist.

B | 11 Reserves. | Pa.
(40 Volunteers.)

Everard Bierer
Capt, Co. F, 11 Reg't Pennsylvania Res. Inf.
Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for May & June, 1862

Joined for duty and enrolled:

When May 23 1861.*

Where Uniontown Pa *

Period 3 years.*

Present or absent Absent

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't \$ 100 for

Remarks: Missing since action at
Gains Mill June 27/62

* See enrollment on card from muster-in roll.

Book mark: _____

Meding
(S58c) Copyist.

43

11 Reserves.
(40 Volunteers.)

Pa.

Everard Bierer

Capt, Co. F, 11 Reg't Pennsylvania Res. Inf.
Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for July & Aug, 1862

Joined for duty and enrolled:

When May 23, 1861 *

Where Uniontown Pa. *

Period 3 years. *

Present or absent Present

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't \$ 100 for

Remarks: Commanding
Company. Prisoner of
war at Richmond
from June 27/62
to Aug 12/62.

* See enrollment on card from muster-in roll.

Book mark:

Garver

(558c)

Copyist.

43

11 Reserves.
(40 Volunteers.)

Pa.

Everard Bierer

Capt, Co. F, 11 Reg't Pennsylvania Res. Inf.
Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for Sept & Oct, 1862

Joined for duty and enrolled:

When May 23, 1861 *

Where Uniontown *

Period 3 years. *

Present or absent absent

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't \$ 100 for

Remarks: Wounded at battle of
South Mountain & absent
on sick furlough since
Sept. 14/62.

Mustered out for promotion Oct
18/62 per S.O. 401. also.

720 on roll

* See enrollment on card from muster-in roll.

Book mark:

Garver

(558c)

Copyist.

73

11 Reserves.
(40 Volunteers.)

Pa.

Everard Bierer

Capt, Co. F, 11 Reg't Pennsylvania Res. Inf.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for Nov^{and Dec}, 1862

Joined for duty and enrolled:

When May 23 1861*

Where Uniontown *

Period 3 years.*

Present or absent

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't \$ 100 for

Remarks Mustered out of
U.S. Service to date Oct.
18/62. By Special order
No. 401. War Dept.

* See enrollment on card from muster-in roll.

Book mark:

Edwards

B

11 Reserves.
(40 Volunteers.)

Pa.

E. Bierer

Capt, Co. F, 11 Reg't Pa. Res. Inf.

Age 36 years.

Appears on an

Individual Muster-out Roll

of the organization named above. Roll dated

Washington DC, Dec 6, 1862.

Muster-out to date Nov 17, 1862.

Last paid to _____, 186 .

Clothing account:

Last settled _____, 186 ; drawn since \$ 100

Due soldier \$ 100; due U. S. \$ 100

Am't for cloth'g in kind or money adv'd \$ 100

Due U. S. for arms, equipments, &c., \$ 100

Bounty paid \$ 100; due \$ 100

Remarks: Order filed on Muster
in Roll as Col. 171 Pa. Militia

Book mark:

Meding

B

11 Reserves.
(40 Volunteers.)

Pa.

Everard Bierer

Capt, Co. F, 11 Reg't Pa. Reserve Inf.

Age 34 years.

Appears on Co. Muster-out Roll, dated

Pittsburg, Pa. June 3, 1864.

Muster-out to date _____, 186 .*

Last paid to _____, 186 .

Clothing account:

Last settled _____, 186 ; drawn since \$ _____ 100

Due soldier \$ _____ 100; due U. S. \$ _____ 100

Am't for cloth'g in kind or money adv'd \$ _____

Due U. S. for arms, equipments, &c., \$ _____ 100

Bounty paid \$ _____ 100; due \$ _____ 100

Remarks: Resigned.

*Under date of May 1, 1864, the War Department decided that the period of service of the regiments of the Pennsylvania Reserve Corps should be reckoned from their respective dates of muster into the State service—(Pbe-203-1864).

Book mark: _____

W H Humphreys

(361)

Copyist.

B

11 Reserves.
(46 Volunteers.)

Pa.

E Bierer

Capt, Co. F, 11 Reg't Pa. Res. Inf.

Appears on

List of Absentees at Special Muster

of August 18, 1862, (G. O. 92, A. G. O., 1862.)

Remarks: At Washington

City returned prisoner from Richmond

Book mark: _____

Wesley

(347)

Copyist.

Bierer, Edward
Capt. Co. F, 11 Reg't Pa. Res.

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Enclosures.

Bed Cards	Final Statements
Burial Records	Furloughs or L. of A.
Certs. of Dis. for Discharge	Med. Certificates
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Descriptive Lists	Orders
Discharge Certificates	Pris. of War Record
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Other papers relating to—

Admission to Hosp'l	Furlough or L. of A. 3
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Discharge from Hosp'l	Transfer to Hosp'l
Discharge from Service	Transfer to V. R. C.
Duty	Transportation

Head. Quarters. 11th Regt. P. R. C.
Camp Pierpont.

Virginia

Dec 11th. 1861.

H. I. Biddle

Adjt. Genl

Mc Call's Division

Sir. I have the honor to apply
for leave of absence for one week commencing on the
13th inst and ending on the 20th inst. for the purpose of going
to Washington City to meet my family and making arrange-
ments for them to remain there for some time

Respectfully

Yours &c.

Approved
Thos. J. Gallagher Col 11 Regt Overland Bieren.

Capt. Commanding Co F. 11th Regt. P. R. C.

S

B. 663 1861

Capt Bieren Co F
11th Regiment

1.1 Pa Res
Dec. 11th 1861

Applies for one weeks
leave of absence to
visit Washington on
family business

Not approved but renewed.

Chas. G. Meade
Dec. 11/61. Maj. Genl

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~~Applicant is a member of the
11th Regiment of the
Army and is entitled to
one week's leave of absence
for the purpose of visiting
his family in Washington~~

S. 182 Dec: 12/61

app'd respectfully
replied
Gen. A. W. Cade
Maj. Genl. C. S. M.

Franklin

MEMORANDUM FROM PRISONER OF WAR RECORDS.

(This blank to be used only in the arrangement of said records.)

No. *199*

INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM—		
Records of—	Vol. Page.	Vol. Page.
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NAME.	RANK.	ORGANIZATION.		
		No. of Reg't.	State.	Arm of Service.
<i>Prison Conrad</i> <i>Conrad</i> <i>Bierer Edward</i>	<i>Capt</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>Pa.</i>	<i>Reg 7</i>

Captured at *Gaines Mills Va.*, *June 27*, 1862; brought from
 confined at *Richmond, Va.*, *June 28*, 1862,

Admitted to Hospital at _____, 186 ; treated for _____

Where he died _____, 186 ; of _____

Paroled at *Ashlands Landing Va.*, *Aug 12*, 1862 ; reported at
As later record.

[over.]

(Record continued.)

Furloughed , 186 , for days ; returned , 186 ;
deserted , 186 ;

Continue on Rolls as Edward Bierer Capt. Co. F. 11 Pa. Res.

*Pen case Afft. 28733. Recd. aff. 0 May 29. 18. Retd. (Pen
Case see ser) July 10/61.
Copied by E. B. C. 6-14-88.*

Adjutant General's Office,

June 16th, 1888.

This is accepted as referring to *Edward Bierer. Capt.*

Co. *"F"* 11th Reg't, *Pa. Res.*

and records will be corrected accordingly.

J. N.
Assistant Adjutant Gen'l.

W. G. M.

Union Town, Fayette Co. Pa.

Hon. E. M. Stanton

Aug 23rd 1862.

Secy of War.

Sir. After my arrival at Washington City from Richmond on 19th inst. I applied to you personally for leave of absence for 10 days which you granted. I have been in the Service 15 months & had always ~~my~~ good health - previous to my imprisonment in Richmond. I am still weak and debilitated and suffering from Diarrhoea. I need a little more time to Recruit my health and strength - I feel that I shall not be able to Resume the duties and hardships of active Service at the expiration of 10 days from the 19th inst. and would like to have an indulgence of eight or ten days more which I trust you will grant me. Nearly all the Survivors of the Regt I belong to having been prisoners at Richmond. and much scattered about at present. it will probably be allowed to Remain at Fredericksburg for some time - to Reorganise and Collect again its scattered Banks. and to allow the Men to regain health and Strength before advancing to meet the Enem^y again.

Please inform me soon as Convenient whether my leave of absence can be extended as Requested. I could easily procure and enclose you a Physicians Certificate of Disability but shall not do so. as I consider it humiliating to seek for such Certificates and know they are oftencst furnished to the Unworthy and undeserving. I write you on my honor as a Gentleman and a Soldier.

Respect fully,

Your Obedt. Servt.

Everard Bierer Capt Co F

11th Regt. P. R. V. Corps.

B. (334) 1862
Mum Town Pa

Aug 23/62

Capt Edward Pierce -
11th Regt P R V Corps

For an extension of leave
B. 1650, Aug. 27, 1862

B. 11 / 2448 Aug 20/62

The adjutant -
General will
extend the leave
ten days. By
order of the Secretary
John A. Watson
Adjutant

Adjutant

S.O. 210 para 3.

Aug 28. 1862,

Chas. M. G. Aug. 29. 1862

CASUALTY SHEET.

Edward
Name, *Edward Pierce,*
Rank, *Captain*, Company *J*, Regiment, *11 Reg.*
Arm, *Inf.*, State, *Penn.*
Place of casualty, *South Mountain.*
Nature of casualty, *Wounded.*
Date of casualty, *Sept. 14, 1862.*

FROM WHAT SOURCE THIS INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED.

Report of Killed, Wounded, and Missing of the *11 Pa. Res.* Regiment,
Brigade, Division, Corps, dated *Genl. S. M. Jackson,*
Lieut. Col. commanding 11 Regt. P. R. V. C.

(Index 10, No. 98.)
and Index 11 of Memo. P. 42,
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J. W. Kess.

Clerk.

4.13.78

CASUALTY SHEET
OF WOUNDED.

Edward (Army Regt)
¹
Edward Birney
Captain Company 71
11 Regiment of Penn. Res.
Volunteers at the battle of South
Mountain, Sept. 14,
1863.

Capt. Erera Bierer of the 11 reg of Pennsylvania
reserves having applied for a certificate on which
to ground an application for extension of leave
of absence, I do hereby certify that he has been
under my treatment since Sept 23 for a gunshot
wound fracturing the humerus above the elbow
and in consequence thereof he is unfit for duty
and the prospect of recovery is distant and
uncertain.

Done at Uniontown Penna this 13 day of October
1862,

H. Campbell M.D.

Hugh Campbell M.D. who has given the
above certificate, is a regular & efficient
practicing Physician & Surgeon, resident
at Uniontown Fayette Co. Pa. - of the
highest character.

W. V. Veech
Oct 15 1862

OFFICERS' CASUALTY SHEET.

Regimental No. _____

State of Pennsylvania.

Name *E. Biesel*

Rank *Capt* Regiment *11 Reserve*

Arm *Infantry*

Casualty *Mustered out for promotion*

Day *17*; Month *Nov*; Year *1862*

Cause of casualty _____

No. and source of the order accepting resignation, &c., _____

Remarks _____

J. B. E.

Clerk.

OFFICERS' CASUALTY SHEET.

Regimental No. _____

Name *Quarant Pierer* State of *Pennsylvania*.

Rank *Capt.* Regiment *11 Res.*

Arm *Inftry*

Casualty *Must out for promotion*

Day *18*; Month *Dec*; Year *1862*.

Cause of casualty
401 A.G.O.

No. and source of the order accepting resignation, &c.,

401 A.G.O.

Remarks
J.A.A.

Clerk.
(170)



Union Town Fayette Co

Hon E. M. Stanton

Oct 15th 1862

Secy of War

Dear Sir. On my Return from Richmond where I had been prisoner of War. on Aug 19th you gave me leave of absence for 10 days. Being quite unwell I wrote to you and obtained an Extension of my leave for 10 days more. But hearing of the Rebel Army approaching Washington - and the fighting near Manassas I left home at once & got to Washington on 30th August. I called upon you and as I was still unwell & for other Reasons you gave me written permission to Rejoin my Company - and Resume my 10 days leave whenever I thought proper. I rejoined my Company and remained with it until Battle of South Mountain Sept 14th where my left arm was broken by a Musket Ball - just above Elbow. I was sent to Frederick City

and from there came to Washington City where
on Surgeon's Certificate of Disability I obtained
leave of absence for 30 Days. As that time
has nearly expired and as I am not yet either
for Service or Travel - and will not probably
be fit for Service on account of my arm before
a month or six weeks I hope you will give me leave
to Remain at home until that time - as I do not
wish to go to Washington or Annapolis and
remain at either place for some time disabled
& inactive. I send you Surgeon's Certificate
& promise on my honor to rejoin my Company as
soon as able for Service. For any information
Concerning me I refer you to Hon J. J. Coffey -
or Hon E. Cowan. Hoping to hear from you
soon

I am very Respectfully

Your obt. Servt.

Everard Bierer

Capt Co F 11th Regt. Pa Res

The following is a copy of my present leave of absence
"Head Quarters Military District of Washington
Washington D C.

September 18th 1862

Special Orders No 195

Extract

9 Leave of absence for Thirty Days is hereby granted
Captain Everett Rieer 11th Pa Reserve on Surgeon's
Certificate of Disability

By Command of Brig Genl Woodworth

John P. Sherburne

Asst adyut Genl

B¹ 406, 1862

Union Town Pa Oct. 15th 1862

Coverard Bieren
Capt'n Co. F 11th P.R.C.

For an extension of leave of absence

(1 enclosure).

B 2066 Oct 20 1862

A. G. M.

B. | 11 Reserves. | Pa.

Bierer.

Rank *Capt.*, Co. *F.*, 11 Reg't Pa. Reserves.

Regimental Hospital,
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Appears

Apr. 23 to 27. 62; Sick in Grs.

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Pa. Regt'l Reg. No. 550.

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Rank, *Capt.*, Co. *F.*, 11 Reg't Pa Res.

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South Mountain

Killed , 186 .

Wounded *Sept 14* , 186 2.

Missing , 186 .

Seat of injury :

Nature of injury :

Missile :

Treatment :

Result and date :

Remarks :

Reported by *J M Jackson*
bat leader 11 Pa Res

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Pierer E

Co. ^{4th S.} 171 Pennsylvania
Infantry.
(Drafted Militia.)

Colonel | Colonel

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Number of personal papers herein 4

✓ Book Mark :

✓ See also 11 p. 24

B | 171 | Pa. D. Mil.

E Bierer

Col., Co. 171 Reg't Pa. Drafted Mil. Inf.

Age 36 years.

Appears on an

Individual Muster-in Roll

of the organization named above. Roll dated

Washington DC, Dec 6, 1862

Muster-in to date Nov 18, 1862.

Joined for duty and enrolled:

When Nov 18, 1862.

Where Washington

Period 9 months.

Bounty paid \$ 100; due \$ 100

Remarks: * This muster to date
Nov 18th 1862

Book mark:

* Added Mar 19/95 JSD

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B | 171 | Pa. D. Mil.

Everard Bierer

Rank Col., 171 Reg't Pa. Drafted Mil. Inf.

Appears on

Field and Staff Muster Roll

for to Dec. 31, 1862.

Present or absent Present

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't \$ 100 for

Valuation of horse, \$ 100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$ 100

Remarks.

Book mark:

Andrew

B | 171 | Pa. D. Mil.

Everard Bierer

Rank Col., 171 Reg't Pa. Drafted Mil. Inf.

Appears on

Field and Staff Muster Roll

for Jan. 7 Feb., 1863.

Present or absent Present

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't \$ 100 for

Valuation of horse, \$ 100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$ 100

Remarks.

Book mark :

Andrew

B | 171 | Pa. D. Mil.

Everard Bierer

Rank Col., 171 Reg't Pa. Drafted Mil. Inf.

Appears on

Field and Staff Muster Roll

for Mar. 7 Apr., 1863.

Present or absent Present

Stoppage, \$ 100 for

Due Gov't \$ 100 for

Valuation of horse, \$ 100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$ 100

Remarks.

Book mark :

Andrew

B | 171 | Pa. D. Mil.

Everard Bierer

Rank *Col.*, 171 Reg't Pa. Drafted Mil. Inf.

Appears on

Field and Staff Special Muster Roll

for *dated Apr. 12* 1863.

Present or absent *Present*

Stoppage, \$ *100* for

Due Gov't, \$ *100* for

Valuation of horse, \$ *100*

Valuation of horse equipments, \$ *100*

Remarks:

*Supposed to be Special Muster
for April 10, 1863.*

Book mark:

Audient

B | 171 | Pa. D. Mil.

Evard Bierer

Rank *Col.*, 171 Reg't Pa. Drafted Mil. Inf.

Appears on

Field and Staff Muster Roll

for *May & June*, 1863.

Present or absent *Present*

Stoppage, \$ *100* for

Due Gov't \$ *100* for

Valuation of horse, \$ *100*

Valuation of horse equipments, \$ *100*

Remarks:

Book mark:

Audient

B | 171 | Pa. D. Mil.

Everard Pieser

Col., Co., 171 Reg't Pa. Drafted Mil. Inf.

Age years.

Appears on

Field and Staff Muster-out Roll

of the organization named above. Roll dated

Harrisburg, Pa., Aug. 8, 1863.

Muster-out to date 186 .

Last paid to June 30, 1863.

Clothing account:

Last settled 186 ; drawn since \$..... 100

Due soldier \$..... 100; due U. S. \$..... 100

Am't for cloth'g in kind or money adv'd \$..... 100

Due U. S. for arms, equipments, &c., \$..... 100

Bounty paid \$..... 100; due \$..... 100

Valuation of horse, \$..... 100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$..... 100

Remarks: dishonorably discharged the service of the U.S. not mustered out by order of war dept.

Also: The dishonorable discharge at expiration of term of service (over)

Book mark :

Andrew

OCT. 26.

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1892.

in the case of Col. Suerard
Buerer, 121 Pa. A. M. is
herby revoked and under
the special circumstance
of the case he is hereby
mustered out & honorably
discharged the service
of the U. S. as of the date
his regt. was mustered out.
S. O. 431 par 13, A. S. O.
Sept. 26/63.

Bierer, Everard.

Col., Co. _____, 171 Reg't Pa. Vols.

4 Enclosures.

Bed Cards	Final Statements
Burial Records	Furloughs or L. of A.
Certs. of Dis. for Discharge	Med. Certificates
C. M. Charges	Med. Des. Lists
Descriptive Lists	Orders /
Discharge Certificates	Pris. of War Record
Enlistment Papers	Resignations

Other papers relating to—

Admission to Hosp'l	Furlough or L. of A. ^{ACB}
Casualty Sheet	Med. Examination
Confinement	Misc. Information
Contracts	Pay or Clothing
Death or Effects	Personal Reports
Desertion	Rank
Discharge from Hosp'l	Transfer to Hosp'l
Discharge from Service	Transfer to V. R. C.
Duty	Transportation

Head Qrs 171st Regt. P. M
New Bern. N. C. April 7 1863.

Lt. Col. S. Hoffman
A. A. Genl
18th Army Corps.

Sir. I respectfully ask leave of absence for 20 days commencing about the 15th of this month for the purpose of taking my family consisting of my wife and three small children home to Pennsylvania: also to attend to some important private business which requires my presence and will result in considerable loss to me if not transacted soon.

Respectfully
Yours obt. Servt.

Everard Bierer
Col 171st Regt. P. M.

B 112 ✓

1863

New Bern April 7 1863

Col Everard Bierer
191st Pa M

Application for leave
of absence.

1 Enclosure

Hd. Qrs. 1st Brigade 5th Division
18th Army Corps. April 11th 1863

Respectfully forwarded Approved

J. B. Sprinkle
Maj. Genl.

Head Quarters 5th Div. 18th Corps
New Bern N. C. April 11. 1863

Respectfully forwarded approved.

Henry D. Smith,
Maj. Genl. Vol.
Army.

Hd. Qrs. 18th Army Corps
New Bern N. C. April 24. 63

Approved. J. J. Foster.
Maj. Genl. Comd.

Co. 118/4

Hd Qrs 18th A.C. April 23 1863

Union Town Fayette Co. Pa.

May 11th 1863.

Lt. Col. S. Hoffman
A. A. Geul
18th Army Corps
New Bern N. C.

Sir. I respectfully ask an Extension of my leave of absence for five days. I have just arrived at home here in South Western Pennsylvania and having been absent for two years in the Army I find so much private Business to attend to. Connected with my former practice of Law. that it is impossible for me to get through with it and return to New Bern. During the remainder of my 20 Days leave of Absence. As I have been constantly on duty with my Regiment during all Winter and Spring. I should like to have an Extension of leave of ten Days. so that I could have a little rest. but can get my Business affairs arranged with a leave of five Days max. Believing that under the Circumstances it will be granted me. I shall be in Washington City about the 24th of this month. on my way back to New Bern. and hope you will send to me there an Extension of my leave. as requested. Will you please send it as soon as this comes to hand?

Respectfully

Your Obedt Servt.

Everard Bierer

Col 141st Regt. P. M.

BV 2 ✓

1863

Union Town, Penna

May 11 1863

Col Edward Beirer

171st Pa ~~Inf~~

Asks for an extension
of his leave of absence.

Ad 2nd 18th A.C. May 18 1863

Col Hoffman
A. A. Geul

Sir. My application for leave of absence is before you - approved by Genls Spindler & Prince. My wife is in very injur health - and with 3 small children - one a babe only six months old - it would be quite unsafe to permit them to go home to Western Pa alone - and I should be in constant anxiety about them. Under those circumstances - and as I have never been absent a day from my Regt. I feel confident - I shall not apply unsuccessfully to you - through you to Genl. Foster - for leave. If it is important that I should go with my Regt to Washington - first - I shall be content to have my leave - approved now - to commence after first seeing my Regt properly encamped at Washington -

Trusting that my application will be granted -

I am very Respectfully
Yours obt. servt.

Everaid Bierer

Col 171st Regt. P. M.

SPECIAL ORDERS, } WAR DEPARTMENT,
No. 431. } Washington, September 26th, 1863.

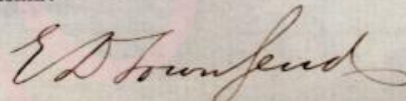
(Extract.)

13. The dishonorable discharge, at expiration of term of service, in the case of Colonel *Ezerard Bierer*, 171st Pennsylvania Drafted Militia, is hereby revoked, and under the special circumstances of the case, he is hereby mustered out, and honorably discharged the service of the United States, as of the date his regiment was mustered out.

By order of the Secretary of War:

E. D. TOWNSEND,
Assistant Adjutant General.

OFFICIAL:



Assistant Adjutant General.

Paymaster General
ufa

Div. Archives
Received from
June 6, 1911.

P 1 171 Pa.

Overard Pinner

Rank, Col., Co. —, 171 Reg't Penn. Vols

Complaint, G. S. W. left arm

Admitted to treatment Dec. 6., 1862,

By Attending Surgeon, Volunteer Officers,
Washington, D. C.

Ret'd to duty, 18 .

Deserted, 18 .

Disch'd from service, 18 .

Sent to G. H., 18 .

On furlough, 18 .

Died, 18 .

Remarks: Unaccounted for

D. C. Reg. No. 536; Hos. No. 314; Page 36

Allen

Pension File

DECLARATION FOR AN INVALID PENSION.

This Invalid Pension Declaration must be executed before a Judge or Clerk of a Court of Record, and if before the Judge, the Clerk thereof will certify said Judge's official capacity and signature, and attest the same under the seal of the Court.

A Justice of the Peace must not authenticate this paper. If he does, the work is utterly useless, and must be all done over again before a Judge or Clerk of a Court of Record, as above stated.

STATE OF Kansas }
COUNTY OF Brown } ss.

ON THIS Nineteenth day of June A. D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty seven, personally appeared before me, (1) Clerk of the (2) District Court

....., a Court of Record within and for the County and State aforesaid, Everard Bierer

Bierer, aged forty years, a resident of the (3) Town of

Hiawatha Brown County, in the State of Kansas, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical Everard Bierer who (4)

Volunteered in the service of the United States at Union Town Fayette County

in the State of Pennsylvania, on or about the 23rd day of May

in the year 1861, as a Captain of Co. Company 7th commanded by himself

..... in the Eleventh Regiment of (5) Pennsylvania Reserve

Volunteers Cops. commanded by Colonel Thomas F. Gallagher

in the war of 1861, and was honorably discharged at Washington City in

the State of District of Columbia, on or about the 6th day of December

in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty two; that while in the service aforesaid, and in the line

of his duty, (6) as Captain of said Company, whilst commanding said

Company at the Battle of South Mountain in the state of

Maryland on the 14th day of September 1862, he was shot

in the left arm a little above the Elbow joint by a Musket Ball

which fractured the Bone and passed over a through the joint to

a little below the Elbow where the said Ball lodged, and was

extracted from there on the 25th day of November 1862 by Surgeon

Wilson U.S.A. at Harrisburgh Pa. That as the Result of said

wound his arm is now crooked and he frequently suffers pain

in the Elbow joint upon contraction of the muscles or some other

reason it is often difficult for him to close fingers of left hand

.....

That since leaving the said service, this applicant has resided ^{part of the time in the State of Pennsylvania and} the (3) Town of Hiawatha

Brown County, in the State of Kansas, and his occupation has been (7) Attorney

at Law

That prior to his entry into the service above named, he was a man of good, sound physical health, being when

enrolled, a (8) Lawyer by Profession

That now he is (9) disabled from obtaining his subsistence from manual labor in

consequence of his above named injuries, received in the service of the United States.

He makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the Invalid Pension Roll of the United States, by

reason of the disabilities above stated, and revoking and countermanding all other authority that may have been given,

he hereby constitutes and appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation, Masses F. T. Ch. and

Thos. of (3) Washington City D. C., his true and lawful attorney

s, to prosecute his claim, and obtain the Pension Certificate that may be issued. That his Post Office is at

Hiawatha County of Brown State of Kansas

That his domicile or place of abode is (10) near Hiawatha County of Brown

State of Kansas

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ATTEST:

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Sworn to, subscribed and acknowledged before me the day and year first above written, and also personally

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appeared Geo. J. Lusk and B. F. Killey
 residents of the (3) Town of Leawath County of Brown in the State of Kansas
 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 Everard Bierer (11)
 sign (12) his name to the foregoing declaration; and they further
 swear that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of the applicant and their acquaintance with him,
 that he is the identical person he represents himself to be, and they further swear that they reside as above stated, and
 that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

If the witnesses, or
 either of them, make their
 marks, let two persons
 whose names are written
 on the back of the paper
 witness the signing of
 the paper. The Officer ad-
 ministring the oath shall
 submit the name of the at-
 tending parties.

ATTEST:

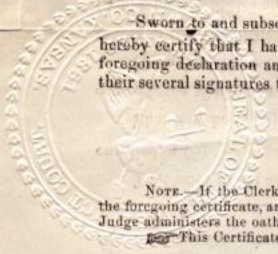
Geo. J. Lusk

TWO WITNESSES

Geo. J. Lusk

B. F. Killey

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19th day of June A. D. 1867, and I
 hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim. I further certify that the
 foregoing declaration and joint affidavit were read over to and understood by the respective parties before they made
 their several signatures to the same.



W. M. Merrill
 Clerk of the District Court
Brown Co. Kansas

Note.—If the Clerk of the Court (Deputy will not answer) takes the declaration and affidavit instead of the Judge, he sign
 the foregoing certificate, and places the seal of the Court thereto, and the following certificate then goes unauthenticated; but if the
 Judge administers the oaths, he signs the said certificate, and then the Clerk himself authenticates the certificate hereto following:
 This Certificate should be authenticated by the Clerk himself.

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE.

State of Kansas }
 County of Brown } ss.

I, _____ Clerk of the _____
 Court within and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that _____
 before whom the foregoing Invalid Pension Declaration and joint affidavit were made, and who has
 thereunto signed his name, was, at the time of so doing, a Judge of the _____
 Court in and for the County and State above-named, duly elected, qualified and sworn; that all his official acts as such are entitled
 to full faith and credit, and that his signature, as it above appears, is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of _____ Court at office in _____
 this _____ day _____ A. D. 186 _____
 _____ CLERK
 [L. S.] _____ COURT.

REMARKS.—In case the Deputy authenticates the Clerk's certificate, evidence may be required to show that the Deputy
 is duly appointed and authorized by law to sign the Clerk's name and use the seal of the Court—therefore, it is better to have the
 Clerk's own individual authentication at once, and thus save the trouble and expense of a general authentication certificate respecting
 the Deputy, which might be required if the papers were authenticated by him instead of the Clerk.

INSTRUCTIONS.

1. "Judge," or "Clerk."
2. "Name of the Court."
3. "City," "Town," "Corporation," or "County," as the case may be.
4. "Volunteered," or "Enlisted," as the case may be.
5. "Cavalry," "Infantry," or "Artillery," "Volunteers of _____" (here give State) naming the troops as indicated according to the corps to which they belong. If of the regular service, in place of foregoing, add: "United States Infantry," "Cavalry," or "Artillery," as the case may be.
6. Here give a particular and minute description of the wound or disability, stating when, where, and how it was incurred, and how it affects the applicant at this time.
7. "Compulsory idleness from physical incapacity to perform manual labor," if such be the fact; if not, then state what kind of labor he has performed, and whether of very light character or otherwise.
8. Here state the occupation, trade, or profession, which the applicant was engaged in.
9. Here insert "one-fourth," "one-third," "one-half," "two-thirds," "three-fourths," or "totally," as the case may be.
10. "House No. _____ on _____ street, between _____ and _____ streets, in the city of _____ in the County and State aforesaid," or if on the other hand, the applicant resides in the country instead of the city, in place of the foregoing, say: "on the wagon (or rail) road leading from _____ to _____ about _____ miles from _____ the County seat of _____ County, State above named."
11. "Sign," or "make."
12. "Name," or "mark," as the case may be.

DECLARATION FOR AN INVALID PENSION.

ACT OF July 14th A. D. 1862

Everard Bierer Applicant,
 Late a Captain Co. F
 of the 1st Regiment of Pe Res
Art Corps.

FILED BY
Fitch and Fox Attys
Washington D.C.

Printed and sold by W. H. Moore, 484 11th St., Washington, D. C.

I certify that I attended Cooper, Brier late a
Captain Co 3^d 11th Regt Pa Reserves Vol Corps from Sept 23
1862 until Oct 27 1862 for a gunshot wound in the left arm
two or three inches above the elbow, received from a musket
ball at the battle of South Mountain Maryland Sept 14 1862
that said ball fractured the humerus just above the elbow joint
and passing over the joint, on the inside, lodged in the flesh
just below, where it was extracted. The effect of said wound
seems to be a permanent injury preventing both the perfect flexion
and extension causing some pain when performing manual labour
Uniontown April 23

1864

Malcolm C. Sarg
J

Union Town, Fayette Co. Pa.

Hon

Usher.

Sept 19th 1864

Secretary of the Interior.

Washington D.C.

Sir. I appeal to you from the action of the Commissioner of Pensions - upon my claim No 38. 364. for an Invalid Pension.

The Reasons set forth by the Commissioner in his Letter of Aug 11th 1864. to me, are as follows.

- 1st The Certificates of a Surgeon who attended on you professionally indicate only such a degree and Character of disability on your part as seems to me insufficient for pension
- 2nd The Record of the War Department stands in the following distinct language "August 8th 1863 Everard Bierer is reported a Colonel not mustered out by order of War Department - dishonorably discharged the Service of the United States."

The facts are briefly as follows.

On the 14th Sept 1862 I was wounded at the Battle of South Mountain in Maryland by a Musket Ball fracturing my left arm just above the Elbow joint and from which wound as certified to by a Surgeon who attended me: my arm is permanently injured at the Elbow joint. In fact I can hardly use it for any manual labor at all.

On the 18th Nov 1862 I was promoted to the Colonelcy of the 171st Penna. 9 months Regiment. My Regiment was -

Mustered out of Service between 4th and 8th Aug. 1863. About last of June previous I was charged by a Lieut of 1st N. Carolina Union Regiment with having pillaged a large Looking Glass or Mirror from Washington N. C. when I left there with my Regiment - The Lieut was acting Prov. Marshal at that time and was a personal Enemy to me. Unknown to me the Charge was forwarded to the War Department and upon his statement and that of another Lieut of the same Regiment alone and neither of them ^{made} under oath; an Order was made dismissing me from the Service just as my Regiment was being mustered out. Fortunately I discovered the outrage which was about being done me: before the Publication of the Order & had the matter referred to Brig Genl Holt. Judge Advocate Genl: who examined the case personally and upon his Report and Recommendation the President Revoked the Order of War Department and directed my honorable discharge and muster out of Service - which was done upon Sept 26th 1863 by Special Order War Department No 431. Although in my Declaration under oath and in several Communications subsequently made: the Order of War Department directing my honorable discharge and muster out of Service with its No and Date were given the Commissioner of Pensions. yet in answer to them he repeated to inform me of my dishonorable discharge - and to announce that Revoked order as one of the Reasons for the Rejection of my Claim to a Pension. Surely if my Statement in my Declaration made under oath was not

Sufficient - it was but just to me, and was as easy to Examine
the final Order of the War Department in my Case as the
first and Revoked one.

Believing Sir, that injustice has been done me by the
Commissioner of Pensions: I ask from you an Examination of
my Case upon: as I conceive the only question in it: that of
my disability

If am not entitled to a pension upon Ground of disability: I am
Content: but I do not wish the rejection of my claim to be based
upon a Revoked and disannulled order of the War Dept

I have the honor to be Sir

Very Respectfully

Your obt servt.

Everard Bierer



1864 Sept 19.
Erward Bierer

Appears from the decision of
the Commission of Pensions
rejecting his claim to a pension.

Respectfully referred to the
Commission of Pensions for report.
Yours Excellently
and affect

Depts (Oct 23)
21 Sept 1864



Whitney

are the facts. I should have stated them to you without any hesitation - when I filed my claim to a Pension had I thought it necessary; but having in my declaration referred to the final order of my honorable discharge - I did not deem it necessary to occupy your time with irrelevant matter - when you could examine the whole matter at your leisure among the Records of the War Department if you wished to do so.

In conclusion I have to say - I can live without a Pension but my left arm is disabled - and I am entitled to one.

In one Capacity or other I have served my Country in the army during this Rebellion honorably and faithfully twenty nine months, at a great sacrifice of private interests and no man can point to any duty or danger neglected or shunned during all that time by me. Enemies have sought to injure me, as they have others - but I fear not the fullest scrutiny into any act of my life public or private - Civil or Military I can refer to such men as Hon E. Cowan, Hon G. K. Moorhead, Hon Jno Covode and Gen Curtin who all know me intimately.

In conclusion I again respectfully ask a Reexamination of my Pension claim, as its rejection in your said Letter seems only based upon a Revoked and never issued order of the War Dept -

Very Respectfully

Your obt Servt

Everard Bierer.

Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D. C.,

October 22nd 1864.

Sir:

Communication of Oct 12th 1864 relative to
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of an application for Pension to _____, 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 C. Baerer was enrolled on the 18th day of November, 1862, at Washington in Co. the 1st 171st Regiment of Penna Militia Volunteers, to serve ~~9 months~~ ^{9 months} years, ~~or during the war~~, and mustered into service as a Colonel on the 18th day of November, 1862, at Washington D.C., in Co. the 1st 171st Regiment of Penna Militia Volunteers, to serve ~~9 months~~ ^{9 months} years, ~~or during the war~~. On the Muster ^{out} Roll of Co. the 1st 171st of that Regiment, ~~for the months of~~ dated Aug 8th 1862, he is reported Col. not mustered out by order of War Dept. Dishonorably discharged the service of the U. S. The records of the 171st Penna Militia furnish no evidence of disability in this case. *The statement from this office dated July 17th 1864 is correct.*

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Lucas Beck

Assistant Adjutant General.

(2.)

The Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.

Memoranda

Name of applicant, _____

J.P. Address, _____

Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D. C.,

April 6th 1864.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. _____, and to return it herewith, with such information as is furnished by the files of this Office. In reply to your inquiry dated April 5th 1864

It appears from the Rolls on file in this Office, that _____ was enrolled on the _____ day of _____, 186____, at _____ in Co. _____ Regiment of _____ Volunteers, to serve _____ years, or during the war, and mustered into service as a _____ on the _____ day of _____, 186____, at _____, in Co. _____ Regiment of _____ Volunteers, to serve _____ years, or during the war.

On the Muster Roll of Co. I. & D. of that Regiment, for the months of _____ Aged _____ August 8th, 1863., he is reported _____ Overland. Bismarck is reported as Colonel, not mustered out, by order of the Hon. Dept. Dischargeably Discharged the Service of the U.S. Date of Discharge _____ Aged _____ Evidence of Disability on file.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Samuel D. Beck

Assistant Adjutant General.

The Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.

(2.)

Memoranda

Name of applicant, _____

Address, _____

L. O.

Adjutant General's Office,
Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D. C.,

January 17th 1864.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. _____, and to return it herewith, with such information as is furnished by the files of this Office. In reply to your inquiry of July 15th 1864.

It appears from the Rolls on file in this Office, that Everard Surin was enrolled on the 23rd day of May, 1861, at Union Iron Pa. in Co. F, 11th Regiment of Mass. Res. Corps Volunteers, to serve Three years, or during the war, and mustered into service as a Captain on the 29th day of July, 1861, at Washington, D.C., in Co. F, 11th Regiment of Mass. Res. Corps Volunteers, to serve Three years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. F of that Regiment, for the months of November & Decr, 1862, he is reported a Captain. "Mustered out of service to date Oct. 18th 1862 by Special Orders No. 441 War Dept." "Was Wounded in the Battle of Smith Mountain, Sept. 1862."

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Saml. Beck

Assistant Adjutant General.

The Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.

(2.)

Memoranda

Name of applicant _____

Address _____

H.

Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D. C.,

July 11th, 1867.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 38,364, 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 Orward Binner was enrolled on the 23^d day of May, 1861, at Uniontown Pa in Co. F, 11th Regiment of Penna Res Volunteers, to serve 3 years, or during the war, and mustered into service as a Captain on the 29th day of July 1861, at Washington D.C. in Co. F, 11th Regiment of Penna Volunteers, to serve 3 years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. F of that Regiment, for the months of September and October 1862, he is reported "Wounded at Battle of South Mountain Sept 14th 1862" "Absent on sick furlough" On the Muster Roll of his Co for November and December 1862 he is reported "Mustered Out of U.S. service to date Oct 18th 1862 by S.O. No 401. War Dept"

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Geo. D. Cook

The Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.

Assistant Adjutant General.

Memoranda

Name of applicant _____

Address _____

Wm W. Cook

State of Pennsylvania

Westmoreland Co. ss.

Before me J M Shields

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acting Justice of the Peace within and for said County - personally came Thomas F. Gallagher - a resident of said County and well known to me to be a person of the highest credibility and who being duly sworn does depose and say - That he was in September 1862 & previously from the first organization of the Regiment - Colonel of the 11th Regiment of P^{re} Reserve Vol Corps. That he very well knows Everard Bicer - who was formerly Captain of Co. F of said Regiment. That he was present at the Battle of South Mountain in Maryland - on 14th day of September 1862. and knows that said Captain Bicer was wounded in said Battle - by being shot with a Musket Ball in his left arm just above the Elbow. that he saw said Bicer immediately after he was wounded. and while he was being helped off the Battle ground and that he stayed with said Capt Bicer - during the ensuing night in a house near the Battle ground - deponent having been also wounded in the same Battle; that he saw Capt Bicer's arm dressed during the night and understood the Bone was fractured; that said Bicer was wounded whilst in the line of his duty in the service of The United States. and engaged in fighting the Rebels. And further deponent saith not

Thos F Gallagher

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24th day of Sept

A. D 1867. and I do hereby Certify that I have no interest whatever
in this application for a pension and am not concerned in its prosecution

J. M. Shields J. P.

State of Pennsylvania

Westmoreland Co. } ss.

I do. Certify that J. M. Shields Esqr
before whom the foregoing deposition was made
is ^{acting} a Justice of the Peace duly authorized to administer oaths and
that the above is his signature.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and official seal
this 26th day of September. A. D. 1867

John Zimmerman Clerk
of Cons Pleas Court



Additional evidence

No 38364.

E. Pierce's Pension
Claim.

Deposition of J. F. Gallagher
Late Col 11th Regt. P. Res.
Vol Capt



not Swaffeth

Filed & For atty
Washington
D.C.

No. 38,364.

Department of the Interior.
Pension Office.

July 15 - 1867

Sir:-

In the case of Edward Bierer, late
Captain Co "F," 11th Pa. Res. Vols, it is respectfully
requested that you inform this office whether
he received an honorable discharge from the
Service.

The claimant alleges that Special Orders
No. 431. Ex 13 of War Department, A. G. O, Sept 26, 1863,
revoked a previous order whereby he received
a dishonorable discharge.

Respectfully, Yours,

J. H. Barrett,
Commissioner

Genl. Thomas M. Vincent,
Asst. Adjt. General U. S. A.,
Washington,
D. C.

J. H. B.

P. 1115. 25 1867.

Insur Office, July 15 67.

L. P. Barrett,

Comr of Insur.

Request to be informed whether

Edw. Bierer, late Capt. 11th

Regt, received an honorable

discharge.

E.P. New Dept. A.Y.C.

July 19. 1867.

Respectfully returned

to the Commissioner of

Insurance

The name of

Edward Bierer does

not appear as a com-

missioned officer in the

11th Penn^a Reserves

Paragraph 13, of

Specie orders no. 431,

September 26, 1863 from

this office honorably

discharged Colonel

Edward Bierer, 171st

Pennsylvania Dragoes

Militia.

Thomas Vincent

Asst. Adjt. Genl.

E.P. Insur Office

July 23/67

The within papers in

the case of E. Bierer,

are respectfully returned

for information, whether

or not the said Bierer,

received an honorable

discharge from the

11th Pa. Reserves

Edw. Bierer

for Commissioner

Wm. P. Ker

JMS

543 New Dept. A.Y.C.

July 31. 1867.

Respectfully

returned.

Captain Edward

Bierer 11th Penn^a

Reserve Corps was

mustered out of

service to date Oct

18th 1862 & enable

him to accept

promotion, by Spain

orders no. 401, para-

graph 13, dated

September 18th 1862

from this office.

This is regarded as

an honorable ac-

count. He was dis-

honorably received

the second adjutant

orders from this office

dated September 26 1863,

in pursuance of the

instructions of the

War Dept. and he promptly

discharged, he stated in

his report from this

office of 11th instant.

Edw. Bierer

Asst. Adjt. Genl.

Examining Surgeon's Certificate

Uniontown Dec 22. 1863.

Applicant's
service.

I hereby Certify, That I have carefully examined
Capt. Everard Bierer, late a Captain of Co. F. West
Pa. Ms. Col. T. T. Gallagher

Degree of
disability.

in the service of the United States, who was discharged
at Washington City, on the 15 day of Nov
1862, and is an applicant for an invalid pension, by reason of
alleged disability resulting from a gunshot wound.

In my opinion the said Capt. E. Bierer
is one eighth incapacitated for obtaining his subsistence by
manual labor from the cause above stated.

Origin.

Judging from his present condition, and from the evidence
before me, it is my belief that the said disability occurred
in the service aforesaid in the line of duty.

Probable
duration.

The disability is probably permanent.

Particular
description.

A more particular description of the applicant's condition
is subjoined: Wounded at the battle of Antietam by
a bullet entered the left arm above the elbow
fractured the humerus and lodged in the
fleshy part of the arm below the elbow
and has left the joint slightly stiff so that
he cannot bring the fist to the shoulder nor yet
straighten the arm perfectly.

A. Campbell
Examining Surgeon.

Examining Surgeon's Certificate

Uniontown Dec 23. 1863.

Applicant's
service.

I hereby Certify, That I have carefully examined
Capt. Everard Beecher, late a Captain of Co. F. West
Pa. Ms. Col. T. T. Gallagher

Degree of
disability.

in the service of the United States, who was discharged
at Washington City, on the 18 day of Nov
1862, and is an applicant for an invalid pension, by reason of
alleged disability resulting from a gunshot wound.

In my opinion the said Capt. E. Beecher
is one eighth incapacitated for obtaining his subsistence by
manual labor from the cause above stated.

Origin.

Judging from his present condition, and from the evidence
before me, it is my belief that the said disability occurred
in the service aforesaid in the line of duty.

Probable
duration.

The disability is probably permanent.

Particular
description.

A more particular description of the applicant's condition
is subjoined: Wounded at the battle of Antietam by
a bullet entered the left arm above the elbow
fractured the humerus and lodged in the
fleshy part of the arm below the elbow
and has left the joint slightly stiff so that
he cannot bring the fist to the shoulder nor yet
straighten the arm perfectly.

A. Campbell
Examining Surgeon.

State of Pennsylvania
Westmoreland County ss

On this 28th day of December A. D. 1863, before me

Joseph Cook a Justice of the Peace within

and for said County personally came Thomas F. Gallagher

Esq late Colonel of 11th Regiment, Pennsylvania Reserve Volunteer Corps who being
duly sworn does depose and say: That he was Colonel of the 11th Regiment P. R. V Corps
from July 2nd 1862 until December 12th A. D. 1862, when he resigned said Command.

that he was present at the Battle of South Mountain near Boonsboro, ~~Washington~~ County Mary-
land on the 14th day of September 1862, which was an Engagement between the Union
and the Rebel Army. That he was at that time ^{Temporarily} in Command of the 3rd Brigade

of the Pa. Res. Vol Corps in which Brigade his said Regiment then was. That he
is very well acquainted with Everard Beece who was at the time of said Battle and
from the first organization of the Eberes Regiment of the Penna Res Vol Corps

a Captain Commanding Co. F. in said Regiment, that he knows that while engaged
in said Battle Captain Beece received Ball from the Enemy in his left arm, pec-
turing said arm near and above the Elbow and that said wound was received by Capt

Beece while in the Service of the United States as aforesaid and in the line of
his duty; that he saw said Captain Beece immediately after he was wounded and
passed the ensuing night and part of next day in a farm house near the Battlefield

with him, and saw his wound dressed by James King at Present Surgeon General of
Pennsylvania. Depoant further states he was also wounded in the left arm in
said Battle; and knows that Capt Beecewell as himself was for a long time disabled on

account of said wounds

Further depoant not sworn to by Thos F Gallagher witness.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 28th day of December A. D. 1863, and thereby

certified that I have no interest direct or indirect in the Prosecution of said claim.

Joseph Cook Justice of the Peace

Examining Surgeon's Certificate.

Highland Kansas

Sept 24th, 1867.

I hereby certify, That I have carefully examined Edward Birrer, late a Captain "Co F" Eleventh Pennsylvania Res Volunteers

Applicant's Service.

in the service of the United States, who was discharged at Washington City D.C., on the 18th day of December, 1862, and is an applicant for an invalid pension, by reason of alleged disability resulting from Gun shot wound

Degree of Disability.

In my opinion the said Edward Birrer is one half incapacitated for obtaining his subsistence by manual labor from the cause above stated.

Origin.

Judging from his present condition, and from the evidence before me, it is my belief that the said disability was received in the service aforesaid in the line of duty.

Probable duration.

The disability is probably permanent

A more particular description of the applicant's condition is subjoined:

Particular description.

Wound of left arm - ball entering three inches above the articulation at elbow - passing downward and outward - being removed from the outer aspect of arm immediately over the articulation. There are in my opinion fibrous deposits involving the joint as a result of the wound. He cannot flex the forearm upon the humerus but imperfectly, and he has partially lost the rotary motion of hand and wrist

Examining Surgeon.

Joseph S. Master
Examining Surgeon

Adm. 10/12

WAR OF 1861.
ACT JULY 14, 1862.

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Brief in case of *Everard Bierer*, Captain
of Company "F", 11th Regiment Pa, Vol's, Reserves

POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Hiawatha Penn. Co. Kansas,
Enlisted *July 27, 1861*, *Discharged Sept 26, 1863.*

CLAIM FOR AN INVALID PENSION.

DECLARATION AND IDENTIFICATION IN DUE FORM.

PROOF EXHIBITED.

Discharged as Captain Oct 15, 1862.
Discharged as Lt. Col. Sept 26, 1863.

Balls show wounded in battle of South Mountain Sept 12/62.

The order for dismissal has been revoked.

Report of Lt. Col. shows wounded at battle of South Mountain Sept 14/62 in left arm

Dr. Martin Sept 24/62, reports 1/2 disability by reason of S.S.W. of left arm, cannot flex the forearm upon the humerus but imperfectly and has partially lost the rotary motion of hand and wrist.

This claim was originally rejected on the ground of dishonorable discharge from the service and the disability being of slight degree.

Admitted *Oct 12*, 186*7*, to a Pension of \$ *10.00* per month, commencing *Sept 26*, 186*3*

Disability *1/2* Disabled by *S.S.W. of left arm*

Fitch & Fox,
Washington D.C.

J. H. Hobbs
Examining Clerk.

APPROVED:

Name and Residence of Agent.

D. J. P.

APPLICATION FOR THE INCREASE OF AN
INVALID PENSION,
Under the 1st section of the supplementary Pension Act of June 6, 1866.

State of Kansas } SS.
COUNTY OF Brown }

On this 19 day of October, A. D. 1869, personally appeared before me,
Clerk of the District Court in and for the County of
Brown, in the State of Kansas,
Everard Beier, aged 42 years, a resident of Hiauatha
in the County of Brown, and State of Kansas, and
whose Post Office address is Hiauatha in the County and State aforesaid, who, being duly
sworn according to law, declares that he is a pensioner of the United States, duly enrolled at the Topeka
Pension Agency, at the rate of \$ 10 per month, by reason of disability incurred in the
Military service of the United States in Company F 11th Regiment of Pennsylvania
Reserve Volunteer Corps
and that his present physical condition is such that he believes himself entitled to receive an increased pension of
the full grade provided for in the first section of the supplemental pension act
approved June 6, 1866. And he herewith surrenders his Certificate of Pension. He further declares that he is
disabled in the following manner to wit:

At the Battle of South Mountain in Maryland on the 14th
day of September 1862 his left arm was fractured just above
and near the Elbow joint by a musket or Minie Ball. The
Ball passing over or through the Elbow joint into the forearm
resulting in a permanent injury of the joint

I hereby constitute and appoint Messrs Fitch & Fox
of Washington City my true and lawful attorneys, to prosecute this my claim, with
full power of substitution and revocation, hereby revoking and countermanding all other authority that may have
been given, and to obtain the Pension Certificate that may be issued, and to do all other lawful acts which I might
do if personally present.

Signature of Claimant. Everard Beier

Also personally appeared before me, at the time and place aforesaid, B. J. Killey
of Brown County Kansas, and C. H. Orth
of Brown County Kansas, whom I certify to be credible persons, who, being
duly sworn according to law, declare, each for himself, that they well know Everard Beier
who signed the foregoing declaration in their presence; and that he is the identical person he
represents himself to be, and that he is disabled substantially in the manner alleged in said declaration. They
further swear that they, or either of them, have no interest in this claim, either present or prospective, and that they
are not concerned, directly or indirectly, in its prosecution.

Signatures of Witnesses. B. J. Killey
C. H. Orth

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19th day of October, A. D. 1869; and
I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

(Signature of judge or other officer.)

E. M. Merrill
Clerk of District Court

WAR OF 1861.

ACT JULY 14, 1862.

Brief in the case of *Everard Bierer Capt.*
of Company *F*, *11*, Regiment *Pa. Vols. Res.*

POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Hiawatha, Brown Co., Kansas.

Mustered
Entered July 29, 1861, Discharged Sept. 26, 1863.

CLAIM FOR AN INVALID PENSION.

DECLARATION AND IDENTIFICATION IN DUE FORM.

Oct. 28, 1869.

PROOF EXHIBITED.

Pensioned at \$11, for $\frac{1}{2}$ left arm, commencing Sept. 26, 1863

Pen. cert. surrendered

*Dr Martin Sept. 24, 1867, rates disability one half
 $\frac{1}{2}$ left arm, ball entering three inches above the articulation
at elbow, passing downward and outward, being removed
from the outer aspect of arm immediately over the articulation.
There are in my opinion fibrous deposits involving the
joint as a result of the wd. He cannot flex the forearm
upon the humerus but imperfectly and he has partially
lost the rotary motion of hand and wrist*

*Dr Martin Feb. 20, 1870, rates disability three fourths
Originally pensioned in consequence of a $\frac{1}{2}$ left arm above
elbow, impairing the motion of joint by adhesions also partial
loss of rotary motion of hand. He is in my opinion entitled to the
above increase in consequence of increased loss of use of
elbow joint also by entire loss of rotary motion of hand & forearm*

Admitted *Mar. 10, 1871*, to a Pension of \$ *15*, per month, commencing
Feb. 20, 1871.

Disability

Disabled by

$\frac{1}{2}$ left arm

*Messrs Fitch & Fox
Present*

*J. W. Davis
Examining Clerk.*

Name and Residence of Agent.

APPLICATION FOR THE INCREASE OF AN
INVALID PENSION,
Under the 1st section of the supplementary Pension Act of June 6, 1866.

State of Kansas } SS.
COUNTY OF Brown }

On this 30th day of December, A. D. 1874, personally appeared before me,
N. J. Allen Clerk of the District Court in and for the County of
Brown, in the State of Kansas, Everard Bieer,
^{marry} aged 48 years, a resident of Hiawatha
in the County of Brown, and State of Kansas, and
whose Post Office address is Hiawatha in the County and State aforesaid, who, being duly
sworn according to law, declares that he is a pensioner of the United States, duly enrolled at the Topeka
Pension Agency, at the rate of \$ 15 per month, by reason of disability incurred in the
Military service of the United States in Company No. 11th Regiment of Pennsylv
ania Reserve Volunteer Coys
and that his present physical condition is such that he believes himself entitled to receive an increased pension of
the full grade provided for in the first section of the supplemental pension act
approved June 6, 1866. And he herewith surrenders his Certificate of Pension. He further declares that he is
disabled in the following manner to wit:

By gunshot wound Received at the Battle of South Mountain
in Maryland on September 14th 1862 which fractured his left arm
near the Elbow the Ball passing through the Elbow & lodging in
the arm just below the Elbow. That he suffers at times so much
Pain in said Arm & Elbow from said wound as entirely to disable
him from manual Labor

I hereby constitute and appoint _____

_____ my true and lawful attorney, to prosecute this my claim, with
full power of substitution and revocation, hereby revoking and countermanding all other authority that may have
been given, and to obtain the Pension Certificate that may be issued, and to do all other lawful acts which I might
do if personally present.

Signature of Claimant. Everard Bieer

Also personally appeared before me, at the time and place aforesaid, A. H. Holmes
of Hiawatha Kans, and A. G. Spear
of Hiawatha Kans, whom I certify to be credible persons, who, being
duly sworn according to law, declare, each for himself, that they well know Everard Bieer
who signed the foregoing declaration in their presence; and that he is the identical person he
represents himself to be, and that he is disabled substantially in the manner alleged in said declaration. They
further swear that they, or either of them, have no interest in this claim, either present or prospective, and that they
are not concerned, directly or indirectly, in its prosecution.

Signatures of Witnesses. { A. H. Holmes
A. G. Spear

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30th day of December, A. D. 1874; and
I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

(Signature of Judge or other officer.)

N. J. Allen Clerk of the
Dist Court Brown Co Kansas

OF

Biennial, Annual, or Semi-annual Examination, on which the Pensioner draws his Pension.

State: Kansas County: Doniphan
Post Office: Highland Sept 5th, 1873

I hereby certify, That I have carefully examined
Pensioner's name: Doercine Bierer, who was a Captain
11th Penn. Res. in the war 1861

and was granted an Invalid Pension under Certificate No. 86155
to be paid now at the Agency in Topeka Kansas
by reason of alleged disability resulting from G. S. Wound of
Left Arm, which he states to have been received in the
line of duty while he was in the military service of the United States.

In my opinion the said Pensioner's disability, from the cause
aforesaid, continues at Three fourths or Fifteen dollars a month

A more particular description of the Pensioner's condition is
subjoined:

Particular description: Height, 5' 10 1/2; weight, 175; complexion, Flint;
age, 44; respiration, 18; pulse, 76

Bullet wound - Ball entirely anterior
aspect of upper arm four inches above elbow joint
passing backward and outward, passing through arm &
fracturing external condyle - Ball making exit
just at lower & outer extremity of humeral condyle.

note

The Elbow is partially ankylosed. Limited flexion
and cannot be extended but can be flexed
some from that point. No rotary motion of forearm
in consequence of adhesions about the joint.

The Pensioner is disabled in performing manual
labour and earning subsistence thereby to the
degree above named - The cicatrices are not
tender and look healthy

note

to rather extension cannot be made
but little beyond completion but may be placed upon the upper arm
I certify that this note should be in body of certificate
Joseph S. Elliott
Examining Surgeon.
J. S. Elliott 21 200-01

Washington D.C.

Hon Jos. H. Barrett

March 17th 1864.

Commissioner of Pensions.

Sir.

Your Communication of 7th inst requiring me to furnish your office with the name ~~of~~ and Location of the Hospital - where you were treated for ^{my} your alleged wound. No of Claim 38,364, ¹² reached me here yesterday. In reply. I have to state. That after my wound in the Battle of South Mountain on 14th Sept. 1862. I was conveyed in an Ambulance to a Brick House on the Cumberland Road - near the Battlefield - where Genl McClellan had his Head Qrs. and where I remained that night. my wound being dressed by Dr James King - then a Surgeon in U.S. Army - now Surgeon Genl of Penna; In the morning of 15th sept. I was taken in an Ambulance to Village of Middle Town Maryland some 8 or 10 miles from South Mountain - and placed in a small Church in the suburbs of the Village - which Church was temporarily occupied as a Hospital - and where I remained until the 17th of sept. I don't remember the name of the Surgeon in Charge of said temporary Hospital - On 17th sept I was sent to Washington. D.C. and was for a couple of days at Metropolitan Hotel. Drs. Chymes and Salter^{U.S.A.} I think that was his name attending me and dressing my wound. From Washington. I went home - to Middle Town Pa. on leave of Absence for 30 days. granted on acct of disability - At home I was attended by Dr. Hugh Campbell - now Examining Surgeon for Pension Dept. in Fayette Co. Pa. On 27th October 1862. when becoming Convalescent. I was appointed by Gov Curtin Commandant of Camp Curtin - Harrisburg Pa. While there my arm - still carried in a sling

then and for a long time afterwards - was dressed occasionally by Dr.
Davis U. S. A. - who on 23rd Nov 1862 - extracted the Ball from
my Elbow. My arm was **totally** useless to me during nearly all that winter
This constitutes a brief history of the treatment of my wound.

Hoping it may be satisfactory

I have the honor to be

Very Respectfully

Your obt servt

Everard Bicer

Address

Union Town

Fayette County

Pennsylvania.

Union Town Fayette Co Pa

March 24th 1865.

Brig Genl E. D. Townsend.

Asst Adj^t Genl

Washington D.C.

Sir. Will you please send me
an Official Copy of the Special Order of the War
Department dated September 26th 1863. No 431.
discharging me from Service of the United States.

I have the honor to be

Very Respectfully
Your obt servt.

Everard Bierer

Late Col 171st Regt. Pa Mil

B907 (VSA 865)

Union Town,
Taylors Co.: Pa
March 24 1865

Everard Bierer
late Col 171st Regt Pa. Mil.

Requests official copy of S.O.
W.D. N. 431. dated Sep 26
1863 discharging him from
service of U.S.

E.P.
17. The Department, A.G.
V.G. March 20 1865.

Respectfully returned.
These facts fully
for what purpose the
copy of order without re-
quisites is intended, if
furnished you.

Thomas Vincent

Recd. Sect. Ady. Genl.
Regt. 171st Regt Pa. Mil. 17th 1865
Recd. Sect. Ady. Genl. Aug 1. 4:20
Recd. A.G.O. March 27 1865

E.P.
17. The Department, A.G.
V.G. August 15 1865.

Respectfully returned.
The copy of order which
referred to had not been
regards, information, if desired
it was in full part of the applica-
-cation for a pension, will
upon the request of the Com-
missioner of Pensions for the
same, be promptly furnished
that Bureau.

Thomas Vincent

Ady. Genl.

By order of the
Com. of Pensions
with D. 1715-62
7/31-67

Union Town, Taylors Co
Aug 1 1865

Thos. M. Vincent.

A. A. Genl. Sir, being
to an absence in the west of
several months this communication
only came to hand a few days
ago. I wish a copy of the order
mentioned for this reason.
About the time of muster out of
my Regt. July 27 - 1863. an
order was made dismissing
me from an alleged Pilgrage
of a Looking Glass at Wash-
ington. N. Carolina; a false
and malicious charge. Subse-
quently upon investigation by
Judge Holt. I Report; said
order was revoked by the
President and I was honorably
discharged & mustered out of
service. I have made application
for a Pension on account of an
arm disabled by wound in
Battle & I wish a copy of
said Special order to file
with my Pension application
with my respects fully to
Reserve

Union Town Fayette Co. Pa. Sept 18th 1864.

Hon. Jos. H. Barrett
Com. of Pensions
Sir. Your favor of 11th inst. is received. If you have received nine Letters purporting to be from me since you informed me of the Rejection of my Pension Claim all I have to say is that some person else has been using my name for this is but the third Letter I have written you in my case since

April 14th last. My Pension claim, ^{no 38,364.} is a small matter & not worth the trouble I have been about it. If its rejection were based ~~solely~~ on insufficient disability I should be content, but founded as I believe ^{it is} principally upon a Cancelled and Revoked order of the War Department I feel that injustice is done me. I do not wish to trouble you unnecessarily but please inform me why it is that after I have three times: first in my original Declaration under oath and subsequently in two Letters. Stated that the order of the War Department which you quote - was subsequently on the 26th day of September 1863 - by Special Order of War Department No 431. annulled and Revoked and I was honorably discharged and ~~mustered~~ out of Service: Why is it I ask that you still continue to flout the Revoked order of the War Department in my face? Is not the Record of my honorable discharge and muster out of Service above mentioned as accessible to you ~~and~~ the Revoked order of Aug 8th 1863. dishonorably discharging me? Personally I am unknown to you and cannot ~~like~~ why you should wish

to do me injustice and hope that you do not. Certainly then I have a Right to ask that you will have the Record of Special order of War Department No 431 Sept 26th 1863. examined and finding that Record in my favor as I have stated, that you will Reexamine my claim and dispose of it entirely on the question of Disability. I doubt not that you will upon Reflection - Concede the justice of my Request -
Hoping to have an answer soon. I am Sir

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servt

Everard Bierer

N. B. The order above referred to is as follows:

War Department

Special order No 431

Adj. Genl's Office.

Washington Sept 26th 1863.

(Extract.)

13. The dishonorable discharge at Expiration of Service in the case of Colonel Everard Bierer 171st Pa. Drafted Militia is hereby Revoked and under the Special Circumstances of the case he is hereby mustered out and honorably discharged from the Service of the United States as of the date of his mustered out. By order of the Secretary of War
Official: E. D. Townsend
E. D. Townsend Asst. Adj. Genl. Asst. Adj. Genl.

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

For the testimony of EMPLOYERS or NEAR NEIGHBORS of soldier, (other than relatives) who have known him before his enlistment, or since his discharge and return from the army.

State of Pennsylvania, County of Somerset, ss.

In the matter of the application for pension of Increase of Pension for Additional Disability of Everard Bieren late Colonel of 171st Pennsylvania Regt.

ON THIS 27 day of September A. D. 1880; personally appeared before me, a

Prothonotary in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths Norman B. Critchfield aged 52 years, a resident of Jenners X Roads

In the County of Somerset and State of Pennsylvania

whose Post Office address is Jenners X Roads Somerset Co Pennsylvania and aged _____ years, a resident of _____

in the County of _____ and State of _____

whose Post Office address is _____

well known to me to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn, declared in relation to the aforesaid

case as follows: That he has been well and personally acquainted with said Everard Bieren

for 48 years, and _____ years respectively, and that since October 1862, said Bieren

was then house and agent of Camp Curtin at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

From that time affiant was very intimate with said Bieren

and was in the U. S. Military Service with him until in

August 1863, that on Nov. 18th 1862, affiant became chaplain of the 171st

Pa. Infantry Regt., which was commanded by said Bieren until

it was sent out; that while at Camp Curtin + for a month or more

after leaving there, about Dec. 1st 1862, to take personal command

of said regiment, said Bieren carried his left arm in a sling

on account of gun-shot wound in elbow joint which affiant

learned he received at battle of South Mountain, Maryland, on

Sept. 14th 1862, while at Camp Curtin in latter part of Nov. 1862, Surgeon

Leaac Wilson, Hayes + Small cut the bullet out said Bieren's

arm just below the elbow joint + between the two bones of the

forearm where they unite at the joint, affiant being present

at the time. About 1st Dec. 1862, the said regiment left

Camp Curtin + went to Suffolk, Virginia where it was joined by

Col. Bieren about middle of Dec. and from that time on until

muster out of the regiment, with the exception of a short leave of

absence, affiant was continually with said Bieren in the

military service. About 1st Jan. 1863, the said Regiment went to New

Berms, both Carolina, marching from Suffolk to Ballards Landing on

Showan River + from there taking shipping to New Berms.

During the following winter + spring, the said Regiment under command

of Col. Bieren made a number of expeditions into various parts of

Eastern North Carolina. Affiant knows that on those expeditions +

during all the period of his service + acquaintance with said

Bieren, at intervals he complained very much of Rheumatic or Neuralgic pains in his left arm + shoulder and had his little and

ring and hand. The fingers of his left hand were frequently contracted

Instructions—read carefully.
The witnesses must state:
1st. Their respective ages and occupation; the length of time they have known the soldier, and in what year or years of the said period they have employed, worked with or for him, or lived in the same neighborhood with him, and how near to him.
2d. If they knew him before his enlistment what his physical condition was at that time, and that he was then sound and free from disability, and especially free from the diseases for which he claims pension.
3d. If they have employed or worked with him since his return from the army, they should state where it was, and at what business, or if they have known him as neighbors only, they should state about what distance from him they lived; how frequently, on an average, each week, month, or year, they saw him and conversed with him, and how intimate they were with him during this time, and from what disease or disability he has suffered during all the time they employed him, worked with him, or lived near him, and how severely whether at any time during his period he was obliged to stop work, was confined to his bed or house, or was wholly unable to do any manual labor because of his alleged disabilities, and give dates as near as recollected when such attacks occurred, how long they lasted, and how severe they were.
In this connection, if the witnesses have been his employers, or have worked with or for him, they should state about what proportion of a sound able-bodied man's work he was able to do—whether 1/2, 3/4, 1/4, or as the case may have been; what his actual earnings were, and whether or not the wages paid him were less in amount, and how much less on account of his inability to labor, than were paid to others physically sound, and doing the same kind of work. They should also state how they are able to say what his disabilities have been and are now, and they should describe fully and clearly the symptoms as they appear to them in his case; in fact, describe his physical condition fully during each year of their acquaintance with him.

and said Brier had hardly any force or grasp in his left hand and affiant knows from observation + conversation with him, that he suffered much pain in said arm + shoulder. Affiant remembers that frequently said Brier would bare his left arm + shoulder, complaining at the time of pain in them + affiant would rub them with his hands, which he thought was beneficial + relieved his pain. All this while said Brier was in U.S. Military Service + in line of his duty affiant has not met said Brier since autumn of 1863 further declare that he has no interest in said case and is not concerned in its prosecution. Affiant believes said Rheumatism or Neuralgia was the result of said wound + was incurred in said service + in line of duty.

M. B. Britchfield
 (Signature of Affiant.)

(If Affiant sign by mark, two witnesses who can write sign here.)

NOTE.—The witnesses, if not themselves equal to the task of drawing the affidavits, should go to some Notary Public, Justice of the Peace, or other officer or competent person, and have the blank filled out and properly executed.

STATE OF Pennsylvania, COUNTY OF Southern, ss.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant, and I certify that I read said affidavit to said affiant, including the words _____ erased, and the words _____ added

and acquainted him with its contents before he executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution; and that said affiant is personally known to me and that he is a credible person.

D. J. Horner
 (Official Signature)
Protty
 (Official Character.)

[L. S.] _____ Clerk of the County Court in and for aforesaid County

and State, do certify that _____, Esq., who has signed his name to the foregoing declaration and affidavit was at the time of so doing _____ in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this _____ day of _____, 188 _____.

[L. S.] _____ Clerk of the _____

NOTE.—This should be sworn to before a CLERK OF COURT, NOTARY PUBLIC or JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. If before a JUSTICE or NOTARY, then CLERK OF COUNTY COURT must add his certificate of character hereon, and not on a separate slip of paper.

Ref
Certif. of 10/10/03
 ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

CLAIM OF
 Edward Brier, Col of
 171st Pa Regt.

AFFIDAVIT OF
 Ben. B. Britchfield
 Chaplain 171st Pa



Filed by
 JOSEPH H. HOUGHTON,
 2313 Penna. Ave.,
 WASHINGTON, D. C.

I do hereby certify that I attended on Capt. C. Bauer from the 23 of Sept to 24 Oct 1862 in relation to a fracture of the arm just above the elbow occasioned by a musket ball passing through the bone of the left arm passing over the joint and lacerating the fleshy part of the arm below the elbow, from where it was subsequently extracted.

He received his wound at ~~Antietam~~ South Mountain.

The effect is partial stiffness of the elbow joint.

Wm Campbell Ex Surg
Montgomery March 29

1864

State of Kansas On this 3^d Day of May A.D.
Brown County ss. 1875 before me Clerk of the District
Court of said County, personally came
Everard Biecer a citizen of Hiawatha in said Co.
nty - who is to me well known to be a person of
Credibility who upon being by me first duly sworn
does depose and say, That as Captain of Co. Fr.
11th Regt of P^a Res. Vol. Cops. whilst leading his Co
mpany on a charge against the Rebels at the Battle
of South Mountain Maryland on Sept 14th 1862; he
was shot in the left arm, two or three inches above
the Elbow joint - in front, by a Musket Ball - which
fractured the arm and passed through the Elbow joint
& lodged in the forearm - near the joint. That his arm
was for several weeks in a very bad condition: so
swelled, inflamed and discolored that Surgeon Sal-
ter - who attended him for several days at
Washington city - soon after he was wounded, desired
deponent to let his arm be amputated. Telling deponent
that he feared Mortification might ensue and that in
case it did deponent would loose his life. That depon-
ment Refused to let his arm be amputated & in some
two or three weeks after he was wounded the wound
began to suppurate & the Swelling to abate, that for
four or six weeks after suppuration commenced depon-
ment suffered intense Rheumatic or Neuralgic
Pain - throughout his entire left arm - hand & shoulder
but especially in the Elbow joint - shoulder & shoulder

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de. That said Pain continued more or less severe for a long time, that Depoent never had any pain or Rheumatism in said arm before he was wounded and had always previously been healthy, free from Pain. That the Bullet was cut out of his arm at Camp Center Harrisburg Pa^t about last of Nov 1862 by U.S. Post Surgeon Isaac Wilson - but that Depoent had scarcely any use of his arm during all of said following winter - That gradually Depoent recovered partial use of said arm, but has been subject ever since to frequent attacks of Pain and aches in said arm and especially in the Elbow joint & shoulder; That for several years past these attacks of Pain have been increasing in frequency & severity: So much so that Depoent says he can ^{now} scarcely do any work - with said left arm without bringing on severe Pain frequently Resulting in entire ~~disability~~ disability - That the action of the Elbow joint as well as the Shoulder is impaired and a continued stiffness exists in Shoulder - Elbow & hand and that the Condition of the arm is much worse now than it was several years ago. Depoent further saith that he is an Applicant for an Increase of Pension to \$6.155 and that he believes he is entitled to said Increase. Further Depoent saith not.

Edward Bierer

Sworn to and Subscribed Before me on the
day & year just within written & I certify that

I have no interest in the Application of the
said E. Beier for an Increase of Pension
and am not concerned in its prosecution

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and affixed the Seal of Said Court on

J. N. Chubboltz

Chief of Dist.

Court of Brown

Co. Kansas





SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

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OF

Biennial, Annual, or Semi-annual Examination, on which the Pensioner draws his Pension.

State: *Kansas* County: *Drew*

Post Office: *McIntosh Apr 1, 1875*

I hereby certify, That I have carefully examined *Edward Burr*, who was a *Captain Co G 11th Pa Res.* in the war *1861-65*

Pensioner's service.

Be particular to give Certificate No.

Agency where to be paid.

and was granted an Invalid Pension under Certificate No. *86,155* to be paid now at the Agency in *Topeka*

by reason of alleged disability resulting from *gunshot wound of left arm*, which he states to have been received in the line of duty while he was in the military service of the United States.

State whether disability continues; and, if so, its present degree.

In *my* opinion the said Pensioner's disability, from the cause aforesaid, continues at *3/4 - fifteen dollars*

A more particular description of the Pensioner's condition is subjoined:

Particular description.

Height, *5 ft 10 in*; weight, *175*; complexion, *Tan*; age, *48*; respiration, *17*; pulse, *70*

The ball piece of left arm at middle of lower third ranging down and outward, infaring joint in passage, lodging below external condyle and on head of Radius. Three months subsequent the ball was removed. Rotation can be perfectly performed but causes considerable pain in ^{Elbow} joint when carried to full extent. Flexion is somewhat arrested. Extension can be made to from $\frac{2}{3}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ of natural extent when it is abruptly arrested. The arm hangs partly flexed. The motion of arm at shoulder is slightly impeded - Disability permanent -

Erin M. Bliss

Examining Surgeon.

Declaration for the Increase of an Invalid Pension.

TAKE NOTICE.—If this declaration is executed before a Justice of the Peace or a Notary Public, the certificate of the CLERK OF THE COURT, as to the official character and genuineness of the signature of such officer must be attached. Neglect to comply with this requirement will cause trouble and DELAY.

State of Kansas, County of Brown, 55.

ON THIS 20th day of October A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty five personally appeared before me, a Clerk of the District Court within and for the County and State aforesaid, Oven and Bierer aged 57 years, a resident of Kiawatha County of Brown State of Kansas, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is a pensioner of the

United States, enrolled at the Topeka Pension Agency at the rate of Twenty dollars per month, Certificate No. _____, by reason of disability from Punch wound in

(Here name the disability for which pension was granted.)
left Elbow, received at Battle of South Mountain Maryland Sept. 14th 1862

incurred in the military service of the United States, while serving as a Captain (Military or Naval.) (Here state rank, company, and regiment, if in the army; vessel if in the Navy.)
of Co. F. 11th Regiment Pennsylvania Res. Vols.

That he believes himself to be entitled to an increase of pension on account of increased disability caused by Rheumatism resulting from said wound. That (Here state the reasons for applying for increase. If on account of increase in the disability for which already pensioned, that should be described.)
whilst Convalescing from said wound in the fall and If on account of disability for which not pensioned, the location of the wound or injury, the name of the disease, and the time, place and circumstances of its origin, and the names of hospitals, where treated in the service, should be fully stated. The dates of treatment
winter of 1862, affiant suffered very much from Rheumatic Pains in said left arm and shoulder. That he had never (should be given as nearly as possible.)

before being wounded as aforesaid suffered from Rheumatism. That ever since receiving said wound he has suffered very much from Rheumatic Pains in said arm and in left shoulder frequently extending across back up into neck & right shoulder and shoulder blades. That he has on several occasions been compelled to have Medical treatment for said Pains. Once especially in ^{for a very} severe attack of inflammatory Rheumatism in ^{in left arm & shoulder} that for some time past he has suffered so much from Pains and stiffness in said left arm & shoulder as to be entirely disabled from using said left arm for any manual labor. That said Pains have for the past year or two become almost constant. though much more severe at times than at others

_____ that he hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation,

_____ of _____ his true and lawful attorney, to prosecute his claim.

His Post Office address is Kiawatha, Brown County Kansas

Oven and Bierer
(Claimant's Signature.)

[If claimant signs by mark, two witnesses must sign here.]

EXAMINING SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

IN THE CASE OF AN APPLICANT FOR INCREASE OF PENSION.

No. 86, / 53

Name of claimant, Everard Biser

Rank, Capt.

Company, F

Regiment, 11th

State, Pa. Res. Vols.

EXAMINING SURGEON'S ADDRESS:

Post office, Atkinson

County, do

State, Penn

Date of examination, March 26th, 1884

Present rating. The applicant states that he is now paid at the agency for a \$20. per month disability, on account of S.S.W. left arm & results, and that he applies for increase on the ground that the disability has actually increased

That the present rating is unjustly low, or that there has been actual increase of the disability.

Particular description.

He states that he is 57 years of age, that he weighs 170 pounds, and that he is 5 feet 10 1/2 inches in height.

His pulse-rate per minute is 78, his respiration 19, and his temperature 98.7.

The surgeon should not recommend increase excepting for one of two reasons—that the present rating is unjustly low or that the disability has really increased. In either case the reasons for changing the present rating should be clearly set forth, and should include full statement of the physical and rational signs.

The examination reveals the following conditions: Cicatrix of S.S.W. left arm. Muscle extend anteriorly about 2 1/2 inches above bend of elbow & anteriorly & inferiorly the humerus at this point, and was retracted after dislocation outside of head of radius. (See diagram.) There is present some little enlargement of lower part of humerus. partial ankylosis inability by passive motion to flex beyond this angle or to extend it beyond this. There are also muscular adhesions which prevent the placing the hand on top of head or to extend the arm back beyond a line of the body. Left upper arm measurable one inch less than the right. Cicatrix not tender, nor is it adherent.

We cannot from the examination alone decide as to the present condition as compared to the condition present at former examination. This together with the nature of the injury render increase of disability highly improbable. We, therefore, refrain from recommending a disturbance of the present rating.

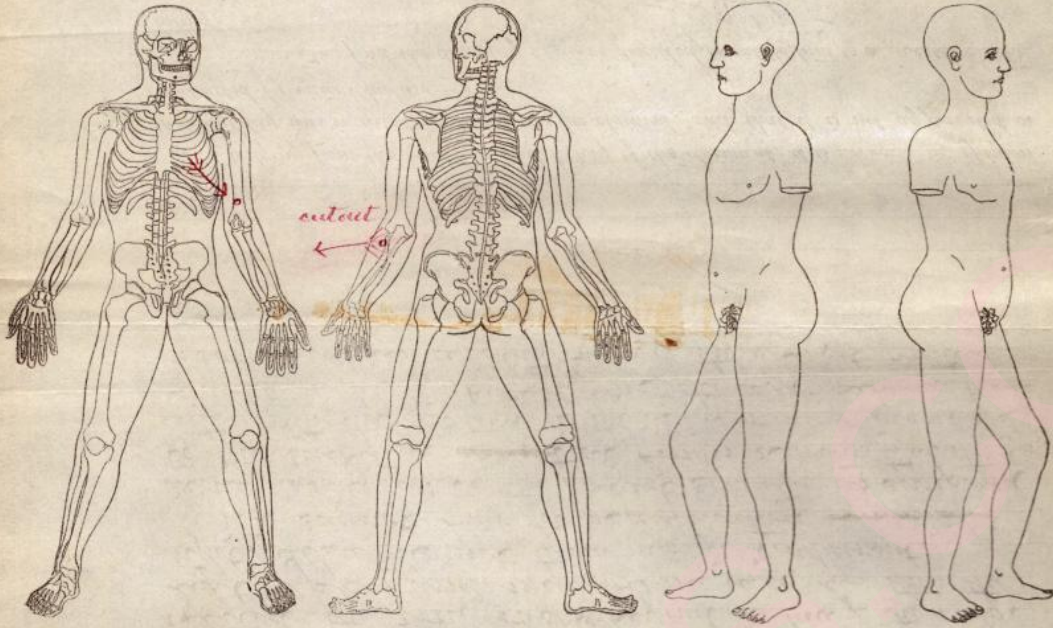
Judging from the condition and history of the claimant, it is our opinion the disability was incurred in the service as claimed, and that it is not aggravated or protracted by vicious habits.

We find the disability as above described ^{not} to entitle him to a ~~higher~~ ^{higher} rating.

Capt. J. Johnson
J. Robert Smith Examining Surgeon.

The Surgeon will forward his report of examination direct to the Pension Office whether the pensioner is thought to be entitled to increase or not.

sec. 4, Act July 25, 1884. "That all examinations shall be thorough and searching, and the certificate contain a full description of the physical condition of the claimant at the time, which shall include all the physical and rational signs and a statement of all accurate changes. The fee for such examination shall be ascertained by the Surgeon, and shall be paid by the claimant, who shall be considered satisfied, or such examination paid for, unless the above requirements of the law are satisfied."



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SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

IN CASE OF

Everard Bierer

Co. F., 11th Regt Pa. Res. Vols.

Application for Increase.

No. 86, 1885.

Date of Examination: *March 26th, 1884*

Board { *Attkentown*
G. H. G. Johnson
Ritt Lumber

Examining Surgeon **S**

Post Office, *Attkentown*

County, *Ch.*
State, *Kansas.*

P. S. Write your Post Office address plain and in full.

(11156-100 M.) ELECTROTYPE.



Woodard
July 3-83

2 SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE
(FOR A BOARD)

IN CASE OF

Barraud Bierer

Co. F, 11 Reg't Pan. Res.

Application for Increase.

No. 86155

Date of examination:

January 21-1885

A. Peterson Sec. Board
Examining Surgeon.

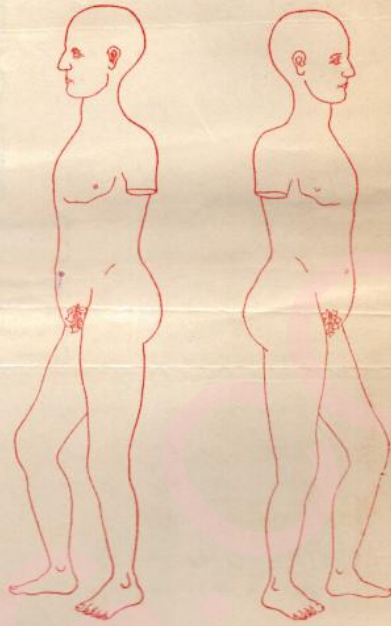
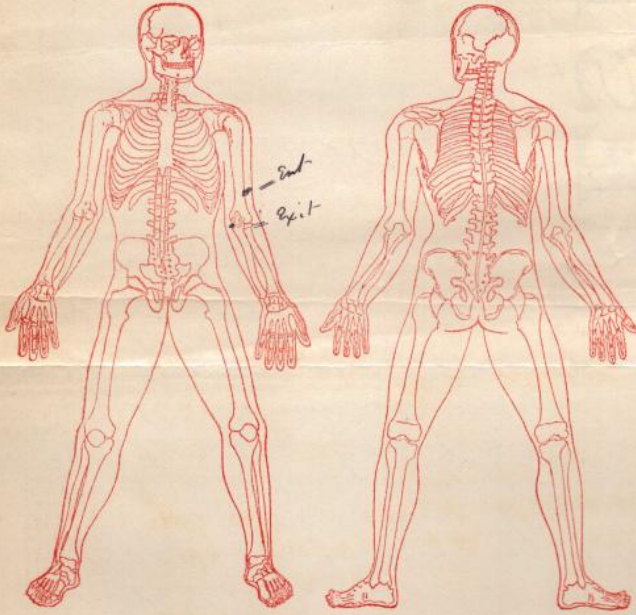
Post office, Kearneyville

County, Marshall

State, Kansas

P. S.—Write your Post-office address plain and in full.

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PROVIDED FURTHER, That all examinations shall be thorough and searching, and the certificate contain a full description of the physical condition of the claimant at the time, which shall include all the physical and rational signs and a statement of all the structural changes. [Extract from Section 4, Act of Congress approved July 25, 1882.]

State of Kansas On this 18th Day of November A.D. 1875 before
Brown County ss me Clerk of the District Court in and for
said County personally came before me.

Everad Biese aged Forty Eight years a Resident of Plain
atha Township in said County and State who being by me
just duly sworn according to Law. Declares that he is the
Identical Everad Biese who was Capt of Co. F. 11th Regiment
of Pennsylvania Reserve Volunteer Corps. in the Service of
the United States during the War of the Rebellion. and
was honorably discharged from the same for Promotion on
the 18th Day of November A.D. 1862. That while in the Ser-
vice aforesaid and in the line of his Duty at the Battle
of South Mountain in the State of Maryland on the 14th
Day of September A.D. 1862. he was wounded in the left
arm a few inches above the Elbow joint by a Musket Ball
which fractured the Bone and passed over or through the Elbow
joint and lodged in the forearm near the Elbow joint and
was Extracted about two months and a half afterward. That
Said Affiant is now a Pensioner of the United States
Receiving a Pension of \$15. per month for three fourths
Disability. Said Affiant declares that he is now and
has been for some time past Totally disabled in the
use of said left arm by acute Rheumatism in said Elbow
joint of his said left arm. Said Rheumatism also Exten-
ding into the fore arm and up into the Shoulder. Said
Affiant saith he never had Rheumatism or any Pain in
said left Arm before Receiving said Wound but has been
subject to it ever since Receiving said Wound and now



of a Several months past has suffered from it constantly. So that he cannot use said Arm at all for any manual labor without Pain and Suffering. Affiant therefore says that he asks and believes that he is entitled to a Captains Full Pension and therefore he makes this declaration.

Everard Bierer

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18th Day of Novem. ber A.D. 1875 and I hereby certify that I have no Interest direct or Indirect in the Prosecution of this claim

J. W. Oberholzer, Clerk

I hereby authorize
of Washington D.C. as my Agent and Attorney in fact to attend to the Prosecution of the foregoing claim for me and do whatever may be proper in the premises

Everard Bierer

State of Kansas

Beauvoir County ss: Personally appeared Everard Bierer whose name is signed to the foregoing Power of Attorney and acknowledged the same to be his voluntary act for the purposes therein set forth.

Witness my hand and Official seal this 18th day of Nov. 1875.

J. W. Oberholzer
Clerk

B DECLARATION FOR THE INCREASE OF AN INVALID PENSION. B

State of Kansas } ss.
County of Brown }

On this 22nd day of February, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy-
Eighty four, personally appeared before me Clark of the District Court within and for said County
the same being a court of record within and for the County and State aforesaid, Evered Bierer
aged 57 years, a resident of Thawatha
County of Brown State of Kansas, who, being duly sworn
according to law, declares that he is a pensioner of the United States, duly enrolled at the Topinka
Kansas Pension Agency at the rate of Twenty dollars per month, by
reason of disability incurred in the Military service of the United States while (1) Captain of
Co F, 11th Regiment, Pennsylvania Res Vol Corps
that his present physical condition is such that he believes himself entitled to receive an increased pension; and
that he herewith returns his present pension certificate. Will return certificate when required -

He further declares that he is disabled in the following manner, to wit: (1) By gunshot wound
received in left arm near Elbow joint at Battle of South Mountain in
Maryland on Sept 14th 1862. The Ball going through a very stout & lodging in
arm just below Elbow, disability resulting thereupon has increased & affiant
cannot perform Manual labor excepting light chores without injury to arm
and pain to him. And that he now has frequent pains of Rheumatism in said arm
resulting as he believes from said wound
that he appoints W. W. Wellcome, his true and lawful attorney
to prosecute his claim; that his residence is No. 111, in 111 street, of 111
County of 111, and State of 111
111; and his post office address is Thawatha, Brown County, Kansas

(Attest.)—Two witnesses who can write:

W. W. Wellcome
S. H. Aldrich

Evered Bierer
(Claimant's signature.)

Also personally appeared William M. Wellcome, residing at
Thawatha, Kansas and S. H. Aldrich,
residing at Thawatha, Kansas, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled
to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say they were present and saw Evered
Bierer, the claimant, sign his name (or make his mark) to the
foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of said claimant and their
acquaintance with him, that he is the identical person he represents himself to be; and that they have no interest
in the prosecution of this claim.

W. W. Wellcome
S. H. Aldrich
(Signatures of Witnesses.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 22nd day of February
A. D. 1874, and I hereby certify that the contents of the
above declaration, &c., were fully made known and explained to the appli-
cant and witnesses before swearing, including the words.....
.....erased, and
the words.....
added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of
this claim.

Samuel Wilson Clark of the District
(Signature.)
Court of Brown County, Kansas
(Official character.)



1. Company and Regiment, if in the Army; and Vessel, &c., if in the Navy.
2. Set forth extent of present disability as sequence of disability for which pension was originally allowed; how far incapacitated for manual labor, or dependent upon the personal aid or attendance of others.

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State of Kansas
Brown County 88 &

A D 1876.

District Court in and for said

James Mathews and David Copeland

of said County - of lawful age and both well known
to me to be persons of the highest Credibility - who
being by me first duly Sworn do depose and say -

That they are now and have been for several years
well acquainted with Everard Bieier. who Resides on
a Farm near the City of Hiawatha in said County -
That ever since they knew him the said Bieier has been
disabled in his left arm. Resulting as he has informed
said Deponents from a Gunshot wound received in the
War of the Rebellion at South Mountain in the State of
Maryland. That they know by inspection that said Arm is in
a Crippled Condition and that being neighbors of said
Bieier and seeing and meeting him frequently they know
that he is incapacitated to use his said Arm in the per-
formance of Manual labor. That they know he Superintends
the Business of his said Farm - and performs some Manual
labor such as trimming ^{his} Hedges - Nailing up ^{loose} Boards on his
fences - Trimming his Fruit Trees - feeding his stock &c. which he
mainly performs by the use of his Right arm. That ever
since their acquaintance with said Bieier - they have heard
him complain frequently of suffering Pain in his
left arm and know that on such occasions he seemed
to be entirely unable to use said Arm. Deponents further

say that during the latter part of last fall and beginning of last winter said Beech's arm was very much inflamed and swollen - from the shoulder down to and including the hand - as he was compelled to carry it for a long time in a sling and could not use it for any purpose whatever and seemed to be suffering very great pain from it. Deponents further say from intimate acquaintance with said Beech that his efforts to use said left arm, ^{partially} in such manual labor as aforesaid - bring on and cause - as they believe - such attacks of pain & inflammation as aforesaid. And further deponents say not.

James Mathers
David Copeland

Sworn to and Subscribed before me - on the day & year just within stated. And I certify that the foregoing Affidavit was Read to said James Mathers & David Copeland before signing it and that they Reside in the Neighborhood of said Everard Beech.



J. W. Oberholtzer,
Notary Public,
District Court, in Brown
County Missouri.

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

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STATE OF Kansas COUNTY OF Brown SS:
In claim No 6155 of E. Brier of Co. A of the 11 Regt. of Pa Vols. Personally appeared before the undersigned duly authorized to administer oaths within and for said County, John H. Lomal aged 46 years whose P. O. is Hiawatha, County of Brown State of Kansas, who being duly sworn, states in relation to said claim as follows to-wit:

That he was born & raised in Fayette County state of Pennsylvania - and has known said E. Brier ever since affiant was a boy. That affiant was a saddle in Co. G. 16 Regiment of Pennsylvania Cav. Vols and in Nov 1862 was in Camp at Camp Curtin Harrisburgh Pa when said Brier was Commandant of said Camp. That said Brier then carried his left arm in a sling. in consequence of a bullet wound said to have been received by him in Battle of South Mountain in Maryland. That said Brier had formerly been a very healthy man - That he suffered a great deal of pain apparently from said wound. That affiant did not see much of said Brier again until in Summer of 1868 he migrated to Brown County State of Kansas where said Brier was then living. That he has been a neighbor to said Brier & lived in his immediate neighborhood ever since. That he knows said Brier has suffered greatly ever since as a result of said wound in left arm. that he is unable to perform any manual labor on account of it & has not been able to do so for many years - and that his inability to perform manual labor thereby is equivalent to the loss of a hand or foot.

Affiant further states that he has no interest in this claim or its prosecution.

If affiant signs by mark two witnesses sign here.

John H. Lomal Affiant's Signature

SWORN to and subscribed before me on the 12th day of October 1888, and I hereby certify that the contents of this affidavit was fully made known to the affiant before signing and I have no interest in this claim or its prosecution.

L. S. Notary Seal

M. L. Gulich Official Signature
Clerk District Court

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Kansas, County of Brown, ss.

In the matter of Claim for Increase of Pension No 86155 of Edward Biese late Captain of Co. F. 11th Regt. Pa Res vol Corps

ON THIS 10th day of May A. D. 1887; personally appeared before me a

Clerk of the District Court in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths

James Mathers aged 37 years, a resident of Hiawatha Township

in the County of Brown and State of Kansas

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to aforesaid case

is follows:

That he has been intimately acquainted with said Biese and
(NOTE.—Affiants should state how they gain a knowledge of the facts to which they testify.)

has been a neighbor of his since Spring of 1874 up to the present time and from that time up to Nov 1st 1884, lived on adjoining farms to said Biese. That in December 1878, or about that time said Biese suffered from a severe inflammation of his left arm and shoulder, which affiant believes resulted from using said arm in carrying some shingles to affiant who was then shingling said Biese's house. That he had understood said Biese had been wounded in said arm during the War of the Rebellion. That said Biese carried said arm in a sling during nearly all of said winter. That ever since said time - said Affiant knows that said Biese has suffered very much in both arms & shoulders from Neuralgia or Rheumatism, and has been unable enough to do manual labor. That he also knows that from the time of his first acquaintance as aforesaid said Biese complained very much of suffering Pains in his said arms & shoulders & that they grow worse.

His Post Office address is Hiawatha, Brown County Kansas

He further declares that he has no interest in said case and is not concerned in its prosecution.

James Mathers

[If Affiants sign by mark, two persons who can write sign here.]

[Signature of Affiants.]

Declaration for the Increase of an Invalid Pension. and for Re-rating

TAK' NOTICE.—If this declaration is executed before a Justice of the Peace or a Notary Public, the certificate of the CLERK OF THE COURT, as to the official character and genuineness of the signature of such officer, must be attached. Neglect to comply with this requirement will cause trouble and DELAY.

State of Kansas, County of Brown, SS:

ON THIS 25th day of May A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty nine

personally appeared before me, a Clerk of the district court within and for the County and State aforesaid, Everard Bierer aged sixty two years, a resident of Kiawatha County of Brown State of Kansas

, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is a pensioner of the United States, enrolled at the Topeka Pension Agency at the rate of Twenty dollars per month, Certificate No. 86.155; by reason of disability from Gun shot wound (Here name the disability for which pension was granted.) in left arm

incurred in the Military service of the United States, while serving as Captain of Co (Here state rank, company, and regiment, if in the army; vessel if in the navy.) F. 11th Regiment Pennsylvania Res. Vols.

That he believes himself to be entitled to an increase of pension on account of Increase of disability from said wound and from neuralgia in left arm and shoulder resulting therefrom (Here state reasons for applying for increase. If on account of increase in the disability for which already pensioned, that should be described. If on account of disability for which not pensioned, the location of the wound or injury, the name of the disease, and the time, place and circumstances of its origin, and the names of hospitals where treated in the service, should be fully stated. The dates of treatment should be given as nearly as possible.) so that his said arm is now useless for ordinary manual labor, and has been so since August 4th 1886. And he also applies for a Re-rating from August 4th 1886.

that he hereby appoints with full power of substitution and revocation,

of Washington D. C.

his true and lawful attorney, to prosecute his claim.

His Post Office address is Kiawatha, Brown County state of Kansas.

M. R. Guss

Everard Bierer
(Signature of Claimant.)

Declaration for the Increase of an Invalid Pension.

Old and New Disability

TAKE NOTICE.—If this declaration is executed before a Justice of the Peace or a Notary Public, the signature of the CLERK OF THE COURT, as to the official character and genuineness of the signature of such officer must be attached. Neglect to comply with this requirement will cause trouble and DELAY.

State of Kansas, County of Brown, SS:

ON THIS 26th day of August A. D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety 90.

personally appeared before me, a Clerk of the District Court within and for the County and State aforesaid, Ererard Bierer aged 63 years, a resident of Hiawatha County of Brown State of Kansas

who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is a pensioner of the United States, enrolled at the Topeka Pension Agency at the rate of (\$20) Twenty dollars per month, Certificate No. 86155; by reason of disability from Gun shot

wound of left arm incurred in the military service of the United States while Captain of Co. F. 11 Regt. Pennsylvania Res Vols. Application is hereby made for increase of Pension on account of a New disability to wit. Neuralgia in left arm shoulder

and neck incurred in the military service of the United States, while serving as a Colonel (Here state rank, company, and regiment, if in the army; vessel if in the Navy.) 171 st. Pa. Inf. about January 15 1863 at New Berne North Carolina

That he believes himself to be entitled to an increase of pension on account of increase of disability, causing total disability of left arm

Wound & Exposure on account of disability for which not pensioned, the location of the wound or injury, the name of the disease, and the time, place and circumstances of its origin, and the names of hospitals, where treated in the service, should be fully stated. The dates of treatment should be given as nearly as possible. resulting in Rheumatism and Neuralgia of left arm & shoulder and neck

as above stated - which Neuralgia continued to trouble him during all the remainder of his Military Service and ever since up to the present time rendering his said arm useless for Manual labor

that he hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation, JOSEPHA H. HOUGHTON of WASHINGTON, D. C.

his true and lawful attorney, to prosecute his claim. His Post Office address is Hiawatha Brown Co. Kans.

J. Stillin
St. Johnson
[Two Witnesses who can write sign here.]

Ererard Bierer
[Signature of Claimant.]

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

The absence of a member from a session of a board and the reason therefor, if known, and the name of the absentee, must be indorsed upon each certificate.

Insert character and number of claim. Increase Pension Claim No. 86133
(State above whether for original, increase, or restoration.)

Name and rank of claimant. Everard Scener Rank, Captain

Company F, 11 Reg't Pa Bobs. Jabecha Co State, _____
(Post-office address of the Board.)

Claimant's post-office address. Mcawalka Kansas Sept 3, 1890.
(Date of examination.)

We hereby certify that in compliance with the requirements of the law we have carefully examined this applicant, who states that he is suffering from the following disability, incurred

Cause of disability. in the service, viz: Gun shot wound left arm, alleges rheumatic neuralgia as sequence of said wound.

If a pensioner, fill in the amount; if not, erase the whole line. and that he receives a pension of 20⁰⁰ dollars per month.

He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for Increase
(Original, increase, restoration, &c.)

Here give the claimant's statement as briefly and as compactly as possible. 3 1/2 yrs service. Wounded at North Mountain Md. Sept 14 1862. Disabled for 4 months. Made heal. of 171 Pa Regt & was able to do duties. At times arm is useless from pain, & use of arm causes pain. Pain is rheumatic or neuralgia in character. In 1876 it became inflamed & swollen & this has occurred several times since. Alleges total disability of left arm.

Upon examination we find the following objective conditions: Pulse rate, 90; respiration, 18; temperature, 98; height, 5 feet 10 inches; weight, 185 pounds; age, 63 years. Scar of entrance at lower part of humerus (Anterior) at junction of lower & middle third of humerus. Scar at head of radius, anteriorly. Can flex arm to right angle only. Pronation and supination painful & possible in degree to 1/4 part of a circle. Extension not possible to full extent. Ball was extracted with difficulty, having been deeply imbedded in the joint. Index finger of left hand slightly contracted. Extension of fingers of left hand impeded & clumsy. Arms symmetrical in measurements. There is thickening of the periosteum at upper extremity of the radius. Cannot raise arm hands to the back of his neck. No atrophy of muscles. Probable that the pain he has is neuritis, from injury to the left. Musculo spiral nerve.

Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with pars. 5, 6, 81, 82, &c., of Book of Instructions for 1889. Scars not painful or adherent.

Rate for EACH cause of disability. He is, in our opinion, entitled to a Total rating for the disability caused by Gun shot wound left arm 1/2 for that caused by neuritis, and _____ for that caused by _____

W. Hayes, Pres. Geo. L. Inini, Sec'y. William W. ..., Treas.

Continue record of examination here.



SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE

IN CASE OF

Edward Beard
Co. *A*, 11 Reg't *Pa* *Vol*

Applicant for *Increase*

No. *56155*

DATE OF EXAMINATION:

Sep 3, 189*0*.

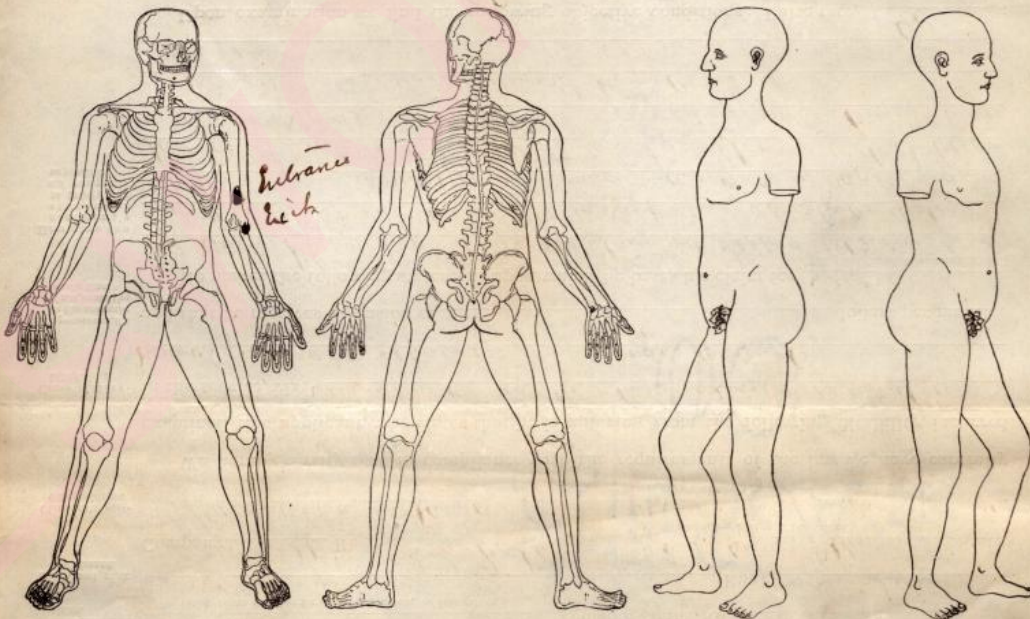
Al Hayes, Pres.,
George B. Smith, Sec'y,
William W. ..., Treas.,
BOARD.

Post office, *Sabelka*

County, *Lincoln*

State, *Kansas*

P. S.—Write your Post-office address plainly and in full.



Single surgeons will use this blank, changing "we" to read "I," and "our" to read "my." They will erase the words "Pres.," "Sec'y," "Treas.," and "Board" where the words appear, and sign at the foot of the certificate, and also on the back of the same.

PROVIDED FURTHER, That all examinations shall be thorough and searching, and the certificate contain a full description of the physical condition of the claimant at the time, which shall include the physical and rational signs and a statement of all the structural changes. [Extract from Section 4, Act of Congress approved July 25, 1882.]

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Pennsylvania, County of Bradford, ss:

In the matter of *Claim No 86.155 of Everard Beer*

ON THIS *20.* day of *August* A. D. *1890*; personally appeared before me
a Justice of the Peace in and for the aforesaid County duly authorized to administer oaths.
A. E. Chamberlin aged *48* years, a resident of *Towanda*
in the County of *Bradford* and State of *Pennsylvania*
whose Post Office address is *Towanda Bradford Co Penna*

well known to me to be reputable, and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to aforesaid case as follows: *I was Sergeant Major of the same Regiment (171 Reg Pa Vols) with the Claimant Col Everard Beer*
[Note.—Affiants should state how they gain a knowledge of the facts to which they testify.]
and distinctly remember that while at Newbern N.C. in January and February 1863 he complained of Rheumatism or neuralgia in his left arm and Shoulder and he suffered much, he had been wounded in the same arm and I have helped him to put on and take off his coat and knows he suffered severely from the effects of the gunshot wound and Rheumatism while at that place and also while at Washington N.C. and and at Fredrick Maryland in July and part of August 1863. and he suffered severely from the same while I was with him, and that to the best of my knowledge said disabilities were contracted in said service in line of his duty I was with him continuously from the middle of Nov 1862 until the 6th of August 1863

I further declare that *I have* no interest in said case and *I am* not concerned in its prosecution. *and I am not related to the Claimant*

A E Chamberlin

Sgt May

171 Reg

[If Affiants sign by mark, two persons who can write sign here.]

[Signature of Affiants]

Done

INVALID PENSION.

Claimant, *Everard Bierer*

P.O., *Hiawatha*
County, *Brown*
State, *Kans.*

Rank, *Capt*
Company, *3*
Regiment, *11 Pa. Res. Vol. Inf.*

Rate, \$ _____ per month, commencing _____

REJECTED

Disabled by *g. s. w. of left arm.*

RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY:

Name, *Wm W. Dudley*
P.O., *City*

Fee \$ *10*, Agent _____ to pay.
Articles filed _____, 18 _____

APPROVALS:

Submitted for *Oct. 16, 1890*
Approved for *G. S. W. of left arm, Rheumatism alleged as a result.*

Derry, Examiner.
Approved for *g. s. w. of left arm and resulting neuralgia Total no increase*

[Signature]
17, 18*90*, Legal Reviewer.

[Signature], Medical Referee.
44 Temple St. N. E. Oct 25, 1890

Discharged *Sept. 26*, 18*63*. Last paid to _____, at \$ *20*!
Pensioned from _____, 18____, at \$ *10*, for *g. s. w. of l. arm.*

Original declaration filed *Jan. 4, 1864; alleged* " " "
Done to #15 for Feb. 20/70. Done. reg. Mar. 2/75
" " 20 " Feb. 10/76 " " *Apr. 29/84.*
" " " *Feb 16/85*
" " " *or Apr 10/85*
" " " *Mar 22/87*
" " " *June 1/88*

Arrears allowed from _____, 18____, to _____, 18____, at \$ _____

PRESENT CLAIM.

Declaration filed *June 7 + July 26, 1889. Same + alg rheumatic neuralgia of left arm & shoulder, & weakness of same.*

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 24, 1891.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. SAWYER, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[[To accompany H. R. 13386.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 13386) granting a pension to Col. Everard Bierer, have examined the same and report:

The report on which this bill was passed by the House is concurred in and is as follows:

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 13386) granting a pension to Col. Everard Bierer, submit the following report:

Claimant was colonel of the One hundred and seventy-first Pennsylvania Militia Volunteers. While captain of Company F, Eleventh Pennsylvania Cavalry, he received a severe gunshot wound in left arm at the battle of South Mountain, September 14, 1862, for which wound he is now on the pension roll at \$20 per month, being a total rating for a captain. Application for increase has been rejected, the Pension Office refusing to admit neuralgia and rheumatism as sequences of his wound, and that rating is in accordance with rank at the time claimant received his wound.

The examining board in 1888 gave him a rating of $1\frac{1}{2}$ total, and September 3, 1890, rate him total for wound of left arm and one-half total for resulting neuritis, which rating would be equal to \$30. It is shown by affidavit of practicing physician that in May, 1889, claimant was frequently treated for neuralgia or rheumatic swellings of left arm and shoulder, and some time previous for severe and extensive inflammation of arm, caused by said gunshot wound.

Several witnesses testify that claimant is incapacitated for the performance of manual labor.

In view of the facts set forth, and that soon after claimant received his wound he was promoted to colonel, your committee report favorably and recommend the passage of the bill.

The bill is reported favorably with a recommendation that it do pass.

Imm of 86-155-

[PRIVATE—No. 490.]

An act to increase the pension of Colonel Everard Bierer.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to increase the pension of Colonel Everard Bierer, late colonel of One hundred and seventy-first Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, to thirty dollars per month.

Approved, March 3, 1891.

A *MBA.*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

March 19, 1891.

The above is a true copy of the original as certified by the Department of State.

E. L. Dawson

Chief Clerk.



86155
Joplin
Joplin

INVALID PENSION.

Claimant,

~~Reim & change of rank and service~~
Everard Bierer ~~Everard~~

P.O. ~~Kearney~~
County, ~~Brown~~
State, ~~Kans.~~

Rank, ~~Capt.~~ Colonel
Company, ~~7~~ 77
Regiment, 11th Pa. Art. V. Inf.

Rate, \$ 30. per month, commencing

March 3, 1891

*See him of letter dated Aug 15, 1876
Special Act.*

Disabled by *l.s. w. of left arm - a sciatic neuralgia*

RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY:

Name, *H. H. Houghton* Fee \$ _____, Agent _____ to pay.
P.O., *D.C.* Articles filed _____, 18 _____

APPROVALS:

Submitted for *Mar 24, 1891*
Approved for *Admin. at \$30.00*
per month to commence March 3, 1891. as per Special Act of Congress.

H. B. Jones, Examiner.

Approved for *Special Act W.C.*

Sub. 27, 1891, *Patul.* Legal Reviewer. _____, 18 _____, Medical Referee.

Discharged _____, 18 _____ Last paid to _____, at \$ 20.

Pensioned from _____, 18 _____, at \$ _____, for _____

Original declaration filed _____, 18 _____; alleged _____

Arrears allowed from _____, 18 _____, to _____, 18 _____, at \$ _____

PRESENT CLAIM.

Declaration filed _____, 18 _____

Declaration for the Increase of an Invalid Pension.



State of Kansas, County of Brown, SS:

This 29 day of October, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty nine two

personally appeared before me, a Clerk of the District Court within and for the County and State
aforesaid Everard Bierer aged 65 years, a resident of
Kiawatha County of Brown State of
Kansas

who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is a pensioner of the
United States, enrolled at the Topeka Pension Agency at the rate of \$3000
dollars per month, Certificate No. 86.155, by reason of disability from Gun Shot
(Insert No. of Certificate.) (Here name the disability for which

wound in left arm + resulting neuralgia
pension was granted.)

incurred in the Military service of the United States, while serving as a Capt Co F
(Military and Naval.) (Here state rank, company and regiment.)
11 P.R.C. + Col 171 Pa Inf

That he believes himself to be entitled to an increase of pension on account of increased disability resulting from the
disability for which pension was granted.

X He files this application for the purpose
of obtaining the \$50 per month added by Act
of July 14-1892. that he hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation,
SOULE & CO., Attorneys and Solicitors of Claims, Washington D. C.,
his true and lawful attorneys, to prosecute his claim.

His Post Office address is Kiawatha Kansas.

E. A. Heathrop Everard Bierer
(Signature of Claimant.)

W. C. Cunningham
(Two witnesses who can write, sign here.)

Also personally appeared E. A. Heathrop residing at Kiawatha
Brown Co Kas and W. C. Cunningham residing at
Kiawatha Kas 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 Everard Bierer

the claimant sign his name (make his mark) to the foregoing
declaration; that they have every reason to believe from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with him that
he is the identical person he represents himself to be; and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

E. A. Heathrop
W. C. Cunningham
(Signature of Witnesses.)

[If Witnesses sign by mark, two persons who can write sign here]

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Kansas, County of Brown, ss:

In the matter of Increase Pension Claim No 96.165 of Everard Biere
late Colonel of 151st Regt Pa Vols

ON THIS 16th day of April A. D. 1893; personally appeared before me
A Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County duly authorized to administer oaths,
Mrs Ellen Biere aged 60 years, a resident of the City of Hiawatha
in the County of Brown and State of Kansas

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to aforesaid case as follows:

That she is the wife of said Everard Biere and has been for over forty
[NOTE.—Affiants should state how they gain a knowledge of the facts to which they testify.]

one year. Affiant saith that now and for many years past her said husband has suffered almost constantly from severe Pains in his left arm-neck and both shoulders—resulting as she believes from gunshot wound & neuralgia incurred in the Military Service of the United States in time of the Rebellion. That he is unfit for and unable to do manual labor, but does some charr about home; and much of his time is almost helpless. That he is to a great extent dependent daily upon Affiant for aid & attendance in many things; but especially has to assist him daily in helping to dress him bathe him & otherwise caring for him, on account mainly of his inability to use his left arm & pains in his shoulders. That he is not often confined in bed and dislikes confinement to bed, but cannot stand much exposure and is in doors most of the time at his home or in his Law Office. That no other person takes care of & assists her husband as herein stated but affiant. That her family for three years past has consisted only of herself husband and servant Gil. Jennie Davis. That her said husband requires daily help & care of Affiant.

Her Post Office address is City of Hiawatha Brown Co. Kansas

She further declares that she has no interest in said case and is not concerned in its prosecution, excepting as she is interested in her said husband's welfare—

Ellen Biere

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Kansas, County of Brown, ss:

In the matter of Increase Pension Claim No 86,105 of Everard Bierer
late Colonel of 171st Pa vols

ON THIS 16th day of April A. D. 1893; personally appeared before me
a Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County duly authorized to administer oaths,
Jennie Davis aged 16 years, a resident of the city of Hiawatha
in the County of Brown and State of Kansas

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to aforesaid case as follows:

That she has been living in the family of said E Bierer in
[NOTE.—Affiants should state how they gain a knowledge of the facts to which they testify.]

Hiawatha for four years, doing house work for Mrs. E Bierer and
for nearly three years^{past} the family has consisted of only Mr and Mrs
Bierer & herself. That during all of said time she has lived with
them. she has heard said Mr Bierer complain very much of Neural-
gia or Rheumatism in his left arm, neck and shoulders and says
he is not able to do any work except clean about his home and
sometimes that he cannot do anything. Affiant says that Mrs Bierer
his wife has to help dress him and put on his Coats & Collars, and
assist him to bathe &c, all the time, and that she has had to dress
and devote much care & attention to him in these respects ever since
she have lived with them, and that his condition now is much worse
than when Affiant first came to live with Mr Bierer. That affiant
is not related to either Mr. or Mrs Bierer. Mr Bierer is seldom confi-
ned to his bed, though he has had some severe spells of Neuralgia
& Grip. but he is indoors most of the time at his home or office near by.

H or Post Office address is Hiawatha Brown Co. Kansas

She further declares that she has no interest in said case and is not concerned
in its prosecution.

Jennie Davis

Lawrence

Medical Division,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C., August 18, 1892.

No. Claim *Inc 86,155*

Claimant *Everard Buren*

Soldier

Sgt 171 Reg't Pa Mal. Vols.

Respectfully returned to Chief of Middle Division with the opinion that further action in the above cited claim is not warranted, for the reason that the evidence referred to fails to show that the claimant requires the personal aid and attendance of another, or the frequent and periodical attendance of another person.

John W. Klemm

J. W. Klemm
Medical Examiner.

Approved:

EF

THOS. FEATHERSTONHAUGH,
Medical Referee.

RETURN TO THIS OFFICE
AT ONCE.

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Certificate No.

86.155

Name,

Everard Bierer

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C., January 15, 1898.

SIR:

In forwarding to the pension agent the executed voucher for your next quarterly payment please favor me by returning this circular to him with replies to the questions enumerated below.

Very respectfully,

W. C. Brand

Commissioner.

First. Are you married? If so, please state your wife's full name and her maiden name.

Answer. Yes. Wife's name is Ellen Bierer. Maiden name Ellen Dmair.

Second. When, where, and by whom were you married?

Answer. At Beausville Fayette Co Pa April 8th 1852. by Rev Samuel Cowell

Third. What record of marriage exists?

Answer. Certificate given by Rev. Samuel Cowell Rector of Christ Church

Fourth. Were you previously married? If so, please state the name of your former wife and the date and place of her death or divorce.

Answer. No

Fifth. Have you any children living? If so, please state their names and the dates of their birth.

Answer. Eight - Everard, born February 7th 1853. Anna, born January 25th 1855. Daniel, born August 10th 1857. Daniel, born February 27th 1860. Andrew Gregg Center, born October 24th 1862. Margaretta, born May 7th 1865. John William, born February 14th 1868. and Bion Barnett, born March 17th 1890. Everard Bierer.

Date of reply, May 7th, 1898

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(Signature.)

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BIERER, SHADEL & Co.
Dry Goods, Carpets, Clothing,
Furnishing Goods, Hats, Shoes,
Groceries & Queensware.
HIAWATHA, KANSAS.

Hiawatha, Kas.

12/31 1910

Hono. Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.

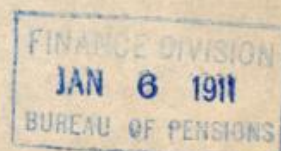
Dear Sir:-

My father Everard Bierer who deceased on
December 26th 1910 held pension certificate #86155
which was issued to him on the second day of April
1891 under Special Act of Congress and was issued
for a gun shot wound and entitled my father to a
pension of \$30 per month. My father left surviv-
ing him a widow, my mother, to whom he was married in
1852. I wish, on behalf of my mother, to enquire
what her rights are under the law and also that
you send me proper blanks with proper instructions
for making proof of her claim for a pension.

Awaiting your answer, I am,

Very truly yours,

Samuel Bierer.

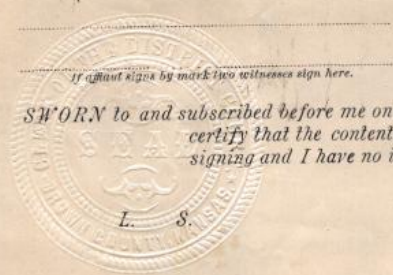


GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

STATE OF Kansas COUNTY OF Fayette SS:
In claim No. 86,155 of Ennard Brier of Co. F of
the 11 Regt. of Pa Vols. Personally appeared before the undersigned duly au-
thorized to administer oaths within and for said County, Dr S. W. Bliss
aged 40 years whose P. O. is Howatha County of Brown
State of Kansas, who being duly sworn, states in relation to said claim as follows to-wit:

Has been a practicing Physician for 19 years
Has known E. Brier for 18 years, & has
examined his left arm a number of times
It has been fractured at elbow joint, by gun
shot wound from which there is a scar above joint
and one directly over joint where nail is said to
have been excised. There is ankylosis to a large
degree in elbow joint & arm is somewhat smaller
than its fellow. I have treated him a number
of times for neuralgic or rheumatic swellings
of arm & shoulder. & once for several
inflammation of left arm & shoulder which
lasted a long time & prevented arm from
being carried in a straight line & several months.
I have several times prescribed for
neuralgic & myalgic attacks in both arms
shoulders & neck. The attacks above mention-
ed were produced by, as said Brier inform-
ed me, doing work on farm. In my
opinion the Applicant is incapacitated for manual
labor and cannot & does not perform
any manual labor.

Affiant further states that he has no interest in this claim or its prosecution.



SWORN to and subscribed before me on the 21st day of June 1888, and I hereby
certify that the contents of this affidavit was fully made known to the affiant before
signing and I have no interest in this claim or its prosecution.

E. M. Bliss
Affiant's Signature

M. L. Geulich
Clerk District Court

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SPECIAL ACT.

DROP ORDER AND REPORT.

**Department of the Interior,
BUREAU OF PENSIONS,
FINANCE DIVISION.**

Washington, D. C., **JAN 10 1911** 19

Georard Brier
(Pensioner.)

86155
(Certificate number.)

Invalid
(Class.)

Col. 171 Pa Inf
(Service.)

U. S. Pension Agent,
Topeka

SIR: You are hereby directed to drop from the roll the name of the above-described pensioner who died *Dec. 26 1910.*

J. L. Sawcypent.
Commissioner.

REPORT.

Commissioner of Pensions.

SIR: The name of the above-described pensioner, who was last paid at \$ *30* per month to **NOV 4 1910**, 19 *10*, has this day been dropped from the roll of this agency.

H. Smith
U. S. Pension Agent.

JAN 13 1911, 19

March 3, 1891.

CHAP. 655.—An act for the relief of Charles G. Hood.

Charles G. Hood.
Honorable discharge.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to enter on the rolls of Company A, Seventeenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, the name of Charles G. Hood, as duly mustered into the United States service, as of August eighth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, and to grant him an honorable discharge from the same, as of October first, eighteen hundred and sixty-two.

Approved, March 3, 1891.

March 3, 1891.

CHAP. 656.—An act for the relief of R. F. Balke, as Mellwood Distillery.

R. F. Balke.
Tax on spirits re-
mitted.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Internal Revenue be, and is hereby, authorized and directed to remit and abate the deficiency tax on thirty-four hundred and fifty-six gallons of spirits assessed against R. F. Balke, as Mellwood Distillery Company, for the months of May and part of June, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, said deficiency having resulted from an erroneous survey of the said distillery, and not from any fraud or fault of said Balke.

Approved, March 3, 1891.

March 3, 1891.

CHAP. 657.—An act to increase the pension of Colonel Everard Bierer.

Everard Bierer.
Pension increased.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to increase the pension of Colonel Everard Bierer, late colonel of One hundred and seventy-first Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, to thirty dollars per month.

Approved, March 3, 1891.

March 3, 1891.

CHAP. 658.—An act granting an increase of pension to Augustus G. Frable.

Augustus G. Frable.
Pension increased.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized and directed to place upon the pension roll the name of Augustus G. Frable, late corporal Company I, Eleventh Pennsylvania Infantry Volunteers, and pay him a pension of fifty dollars per month.

Approved, March 3, 1891.

March 3, 1891.

CHAP. 659.—An act granting increase of pension to Florida G. Casey.

Florida G. Casey.
Pension increased.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to place on the pension-roll, subject to the provisions and limitations of the pension laws, the name of Florida G. Casey, widow of Major-General Silas Casey, of the Regular Army, and pay her a pension at the rate of one hundred dollars per month, in lieu of that which she is now receiving.

Approved, March 3, 1891.

Act of April 19, 1908.

DECLARATION FOR WIDOW'S PENSION.

STATE OF Oklahoma

COUNTY OF Logan

On this 24th day of January, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and Eleven

personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the county and State aforesaid, Ellen Bierer, aged 78 years, a resident of Hiawatha, county of Brown, State of Kansas, who, being duly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration in order to obtain pension under the provisions of the ACT OF CONGRESS APPROVED APRIL 19, 1908.

That she is the widow of Everard Bierer, who was commissioned under the name of Everard Bierer, at

as a Colonel in the 171 Regiment, Pennsylvania, Volunteer Infantry and honorably discharged, having served ninety days or more during the late civil war.

That he also served as Captain of Company 7, 11 Regiment of Pennsylvania, Volunteer Infantry, which was organized in Fayette County, Pa. in April of May

That he was not in the military or naval service of the United States otherwise than as stated above.

That she was married under the name of Ellen Smouse to said soldier at Brownsville, Pennsylvania, on the day of April, 1852, by that there was no legal barrier to the marriage; that she had not been previously married; that the soldier had not been previously married.

and that neither she nor said soldier married otherwise than as stated above.

That the said soldier died December 26, 1910, at Hiawatha, Brown County, Kansas; that she was not divorced from him, and that she has not remarried since his death.

That the said soldier left the following-named children who are now living and under sixteen years of age, to wit: NONE

That to affiant and said Soldier were born eight (8) children all of whom reached the age of majority and are now living except one deceased at thirty-five (35) years of age.

That her post-office address is Hiawatha, county of Brown, State of Kansas.

Attest: (1) Frank Dale (2) Ellen Bierer (Claimant's signature in full.)

Also personally appeared Frank Dale, residing in Guthrie, Oklahoma, and A.G.C. Bierer, residing in Guthrie, Oklahoma, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say they were present and saw Ellen Bierer, the claimant, sign her name (or make her mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with her of 14 years and 48 years, respectively, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be, and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim. A.G.C. Bierer states he is the son of claimant and has therefore known the claimant all his life.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of January, A. D. 1911; and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, etc., were fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, including the words _____, erased, and the words _____ added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Validity accepted as to execution S. A. Cuddy, Chief, Law Division



Max Hackney Notary Public (Official character.)

STATE OF OKLAHOMA :
 : SS:
LOGAN COUNTY. :

A.G.C. Bierer being duly sworn deposes and says that he lives in the City of Guthrie, Logan County, Oklahoma, and is forty-eight years of age, having been born on October 24th, 1862; that said decedent, Everard Bierer, is affiant's Father, and the applicant for pension, Ellen Bierer, is his Mother; that affiant can remember his Father and Mother back to the time he was five years of age, and knows that the said Father and Mother lived together as husband and wife first on a farm near Hiawatha, Kansas and later in the City of Hiawatha, from affiant's said early recollection up to the date of his Father's death, about December 26th, 1910, and knows that his said parents were never separated and never divorced; that affiant's said Mother, Ellen Bierer, left Hiawatha, Kansas with him and affiant's wife on January 1st, 1911, and affiant's said Mother, Ellen Bierer, went to Kansas City with affiant, and affiant's said Mother then with affiant's wife came on to Guthrie, Oklahoma where she arrived the evening of January 2nd, 1911, and affiant's said Mother, Ellen Bierer has been at the home of affiant in the City of Guthrie ever since, and affiant knows that she has not remarried.

A.G.C. Bierer

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of Feb. 1911.

Wm. Beckney
Notary Public.

My commission expires March 12, 1914.



Index Sheet, Claim No. _____

Law, _____

Service, _____

In cases submitted for special examination a separate index should be prepared for each brief and placed immediately under the corresponding face sheet (or sheets). In no instance should any paper be placed between index and face sheets. Dates of examination, and not of filing, should be given in indexing surgeons' certificates, as provided by paragraph 5, order 12, Manual of Practice 1901.

NO.	NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.	DATE OF FILING.	SUBJECT.
	<p>I certify that Everard Bieres of Union and Ella Amouse of Brownsville were duly united in Holy Matrimony by me the subscriber according to the usage of the Protestant Episcopal Church upon this eighth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two.</p> <p>Samuel Cowell, Rector of Christ Church Brownsville - Pa.</p>		
	<p>Copy of marriage off. made March 28-1911- and original returned to widow this day.</p>		
	<p>D. M. Moore Esq.</p>		
	<p>F. A. Warfield Chief Civil Gas Div.</p>		

ACT OF APRIL 19, 1908.

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Jepher

WIDOW'S PENSION. *20mp*

Claimant, *Ellen Bierer*
P. O., *311 Miami Street*
County, *Hiawatha*; State, *Kansas*
Rate, \$12 per month, commencing *January 27, 1911*, and \$2 additional for each child, as stated below:

Soldier, *Everard Bierer*
Rank, *Colonel*; Co.
Regiment, *171 Pennsylvania Vol. Inf.*

All pension to terminate _____, 1____, date of _____

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

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920 RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY.
Name, _____; Fee, \$ _____; Agent to pay.
P. O., _____

APPROVALS.

Submitted for *Ad. March 14, 1911*; *S. J. Moore*, Examiner.
Approved for *Admission under Act of April 19, 1908*

<i>March 16, 1911, E. Dolloway</i> <small>Reviewer.</small>	<i>March 17, 1911, H. M. Candlish</i> <small>Reviewer.</small>
The soldier was pensioned at \$ <i>30</i> per month for <i>under special act</i>	
Enlisted, <i>May 23, 1861</i>	Soldier's application filed <i>January 4, 1864</i>
..... honorably disch'd, <i>Oct. 18, 1862</i>	Cl't's app'n under other laws, <i>none</i> , 1
Reenlisted, <i>November 18, 1862</i>	Former marriage of <i>neither</i> , 1
..... honorably disch'd, <i>September 26, 1863</i>	Death } of former, 1
Died, <i>December 26, 1910</i>	Divorce } <i>Cl't's marriage to soldier, April 8, 1852</i> , 1
Declaration filed, <i>January 27, 1911</i>	Cl't <i>not</i> remarried, <i>nor divorced</i> , 1
Claimant <i>does</i> write,	<i>H. M. R. Anthony</i> , M. C.

3-1081.

PENSIONER DROPPED.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES PENSION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D. C.

JUN 2 - 1913, 191

Certificate No. 719091

Class *Widow*

Pensioner *Ellen Rierer*

Soldier *Everard*

Service *Col 171 Pa Inf*

The Commissioner of Pensions.

SIR: I have the honor to report that the above-named pensioner who was last paid at \$ *12*, to FEB 4 1913, 1 has been dropped because of DEATH

May 6, 1913

Death reported by P. M. at *Kiawatha*
Ks

Very respectfully
A. H. Thompson

United States Pension Agent
Disbursing Clerk

NOTE.—Every name dropped to be thus reported at once, and when cause of dropping is death, state date of death when known.

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A. H. T.

Letters from Everard Bierer to Eli Slifer

Union Town, Fayette Co. Pa.

May 17th 1861.

Hon. E. Slifer,
Secy of State.

Harrisburg Pa. Dear Sir. I called at your Office on Wednesday Evening to show you the Instructions which the Gov gave me and to have my Company entered upon the Books as accepted but you were not in and as I had to leave for home that night did not get an opportunity of seeing you. As the Governor may have made no Memoranda of his instructions to me. I send you a Copy so that the matter not be overlooked and that I may get marching orders in time. I have in pursuance of the Governor's Instructions given my men Orders to be prepared to leave here on Thursday next the 23rd inst so that we may Report at Camp Wilkins on Friday the 24th of May which will be in ten days from the 15th ult. according to the Governor's Order of which the following is a Copy.

Executive Chamber, Harrisburg Pa. May 15th 1861.

Captain Bierer.

Your Command the "Union Volunteers" will be ordered into Camp in ten days at which time you will be prepared. A. G. Curtin."

I do not know whether I should write you or the Quarter Master. Genl on this subject, but trust that you will see that the proper arrangements are made for the Reception of my Company in Camp and that I receive marching orders in due time, as having my Company ready for departure on the 23rd - if orders should by any delay not arrive by that time, it will be perhaps impossible to restrain my Company from going.

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I wrote you a few days ago in Reference to Marching Orders. The Ten days limited by the Governr within which time my Company would be ordered into Camp. is up on Friday next - 24th inst - and it is necessary that my men should assemble and go to Pittsburg. the day before in order to comply with the Order and be ready to go into Camp. on Thursday or Friday.

That all things may be right. I trust that you will have marching orders sent me immediately. & transmit orders to Commanding Officer at Camp Widkins to receive the Company & prepare Quarters &c. I leave here with the Company on Thursday.

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Camp Wright.

June 18th 1861

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Secy of State.

Dear Sir. I write you some days ago in Reference to furnishing an Order for Transportation of my Company - over Fayette Co. and Pittsburg & Connelville. Rail Roads. I came down with my Company to Camp Wilkins without such an order having been furnished said Roads. The Superintendents of those Roads. are annoying me about getting such an order for them. I came down with my Company in obedience to I supposed to the Governor's acceptance which Required me to be prepared to go into Camp in ten days - from May 15th.

Please have the orders of Transportation sent either to me - or the Officers of those Roads as soon convenient

Very Respectfully

Yours or

Everard Pierce

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July 6th 1861

Hon. E. Sledge

Secy of State. Dear Sir

Will you please send me my Commission?

My Company is Letter F. in Col. Thomas F. Gallagher's Regiment, the 11th.

My 1st Lieut. Peter A. Johns has been appointed adjutant of the Regiment. Will his appointment vacate or make it necessary for him to Resign his Lieutenancy? And if so must a new Election for 1st Lieutenant be had or will my 2nd Lieutenant, John W. De Fad, become 1st by promotion? I hope not. Johns is a good man & I wish him to Remain 1st Lieutenant. Whilst Doford is exceedingly insubordinate and Troublesome to me. Besides I have not Confidence in him. His wife is a Southern Lady and he is said to have two or three Brothers in Laws in the Southern or Confederate Army. He has lived most of the time for 3 or four years past in the South and his heart and feelings seem to be more with the South than I should like for my 1st Lieutenant to have. Some of these Circumstances I had not heard of until lately. In Case P. A. Johns must vacate his 1st Lieutenancy I prefer that Thomas H. Hopwood, who is a very worthy and perfectly reliable young man be made 1st. When I first came into Camp Wilkins Mr Hopwood was Elected to the 3rd Lieutenancy but it being afterwards ascertained that no such position was Recognized Hopwood was appointed Orderly Sergeant, which position he has filled to my Entire Satisfaction.

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I presume you have Rec^d. through Genl. McCull the Return of the Organization of Col Gallagher's Regiment. Election of Field Officers &c. also a List of Companies. Company Officers &c.

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Union Town Fayette Co Pa.

Aug 22nd 1862

Hon. E. S. Dizer

Secy of State.

Dear Sir. In Conversation with Gov. Curtin on Wednesday in Reference to my application for a field office in one of the New Regiments of Pa. Troops. he said he would like very much to give me such a position. but that in the first place; the orders of the War Department forbade such promotion of officers in the service out of old Regiments; and in the next place. the appointments to the field officers of the new Volunteer Regiments had all been ^{made} since the promulgation of said Order. I conversed with you afterwards just before I left Harrisburg and you informed me that those appointments were not all made. That at least all the field officers of new three year's Regiments were not appointed. Now Sir I know from personal Acquaintance & Reputation that I can Confide in what you state. You promised me I should have your influence in favor of my appointment to a field office in case Secy Stanton's Order could be got around. & I have no doubt you will assist me, and I flatter myself if you take it in hand earnestly I shall get such a position. If I can only get a Field Officers Commission in one of the New Regiments I do not fear but that I can get Secy Stanton to permit me to accept the position. I trust you will use your influence to get me a Commission. and then as a matter of course if the government would not accept my Resignation. of my present position. the matter would have to end and the Commission amount to nothing. I shall be in Harrisburg again next week. & will see you. I left my Letter of Recommendation from officers of the 11th. & other Reserve Regts. with Gov. Curtin. In addition to what is said therein of my Qualification for ~~of~~ ~~of~~ a Field officer. I will only say that I have done much hard marching on foot. and besides being considerably broken down otherwise in health and strength. I have a violent Pain of some kind in my left foot. which has for months past, made it unpleasant to walk & which I fear is increasing and bids fair in a month or two to disable myself.

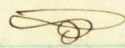
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Camp at Arlington Heights

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Yours Respectfully

Everard Bierer

P.S. I sent to Gov Curtin on Sept 31st

Mr Stanton's permission - in writing -

to accept a field office -

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duty at that time to go on & join my Company

Please show this to The Governor

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N. B. I sent to Gov Curtin on Sept 31st Mr. Stanton's Permission in writing-to accept a Field office-

Instead of Returning to Harrisburg I felt it my duty at that time to go on & join my Company
Please show this to the Governor

Union Town, Pa.

Hon E. Slifer

Oct 9th 1862.

Secy of state.

Dear Sir. Your favor of 7th inst was received yesterday

In Reference to the new Selecting officers &c. I knew such was the Law in promotions in ^{the} Reserve Corps - but was under the impression the Gov made appointments of Field Officers in the other Pennsylvania Regiments and especially in the new ones. Indeed the Governor led me to suppose so himself - for in a Conversation I had with him when in Harrisburg the last of August on my way to Washington he told me he would give me a Field office - in one of the new Regts if I could get permission of War Dept to accept. I told him I had not time to remain and electioneer - for a position. He said emphatically - that was not necessary at all; he did not wish me to do so; that he knew my Qualifications &c. and that if I could get permission of War Dept and send it on to him - he would give me a position and that I need not trouble myself further about it. He said he wanted to give me a Colonelcy - and asked me if I would accept a Colonelcy of a Cavalry Regt; I told him I would. Certainly after such Conversation it was natural for me to suppose the Gov was making appointments of his own Judgement & Selection. Relying upon the Governor's assurance I went on to Washington - obtained permission of War Dept. to accept a Field

Office and sent it on to the Gov. When I got to Washington I found Mr Stanton had given me an Extension of my leave of absence for 10 days more - and might have returned to Harrisburg: but with the Great Events then transpiring in front of Washington, and the whole Rebel Army beleaguering the very gates of the Capitol - I felt it to be my duty to Rejoin my Company & stay - which I did until wounded at South Mountain. But I fear I am troubling you too much with my long letters.

My arm is still improving - but I suffer at times a great deal of pain.

The fractured bone is growing together, - so the Surgeon attending me says.

I hope I shall be fit for service before long.

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Can't the Gov give me Command of Camp Howe Pittsburgh? I would prefer it as Militia from Western Counties are being sent there. I will be at Harrisburgh to morrow night or Monday if nothing happens, ready to enter upon discharge of my duties if appointed. I hope to find
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