

THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES
MEXICAN DEPENDENTS

CERTIFICATE NO. 9352

PENSIONER Mary A. Hunter

Widow OF

VETERAN Charles Hunter

CAN NO. 452

BUNDLE NO. 25

Jan. 9, 1915. Mrs. Margaret
E. Rydahl indd as to check
& acc'd pens. as per copy. H.M.
Finance Div.

(3-243.)

No. 7358

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MEXICAN WAR.

DEAD

Act of January 29, 1887.

WIDOW.

DROPPED
JAN 11 1915

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Mary C. Hunter

Widow of *Edward Hunter*

Rank *Capt*

Company *B.*

Regiment *Wagon and Battery Vol*

Rate per month, \$8.00.

Commencing *Apr 12, 1892*
January 29, 1887

Certificate dated *Nov. 17*, 1894,

and mailed *11 20*, 1894.

Payable at *San Francisco* Agency.

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ABANDONED.
MEXICAN WAR.

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REIMBURSEMENT.

Certificate No. *9,353*
 Pensioner *Mary Ann Hunter*
 Class *MEXICAN WAR WIDOW*
 Date of Death *Nov 20, 1914*
 Claimant *Mrs Margaret H. Lydale*
 Post Office *Clark St. Grantsville*
Utah

Received *FEB 23 1915*

Mar 9 - 15 amt for bills - see copy

Cert. No. Wid. or Invalid. Approvable Charges. Assets. State and State Aid. Gross Life Ins. Accd. Pension.

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PENSIONER DROPPED

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF PENSIONS

JAN 11 1915, 191

Certificate No. *9353*

Class **WIDOW**

Pensioner *Mary A. Hunter*

Soldier *Edward* "

Service **MEXICAN WAR**

The Commissioner of Pensions.

Sir:

I have the honor to report that the name of
the above-described pensioner who was last
paid at \$ *12*, to *Sept 4, 1914*
has this day been dropped from the roll be-
cause of *death Nov 20-1914*

Very respectfully,

W. C. Campbell

Chief, Finance Division.

Chief, Finance Division.

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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BUREAU OF PENSIONS,
Office of the Disbursing Clerk,

Dec 28, 1914

To the Chief, Finance Division:

You are hereby notified that check No. 6287-408, for \$ 136=
dated Dec 1914 in favor of MARY A HUNTER
post-office GRANTSVILLE UTAH
Certificate # 9353

MAIN ST

Class Max Madson

Section _____, has been returned to this office by the
Postmaster, with the information that the pensioner died Nov 20, 1914,
and said check has this day been canceled.

Very respectfully,

GUY O. TAYLOR,
Disbursing Clerk.

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FINANCE
DEC 31 1914
GROUP 3

PLATE DESTROYED

Paid on 12 to 4 Sept. 1914

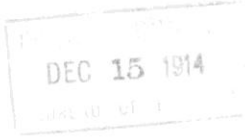
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M
Grantville Tools Co. Utah.
Dec 7th 1914.

U.S. Pension Agency.
Washington D. C.

I write you to inform
you that Mary Ann Grantville of
Grantville died on the 20th day
of November A. D. 1914. We have received
her last Pension check and would wish
you would notify me what to do about
it. I am her daughter and she died
at my home. Please answer as soon
as possible. I took care of mother for some
time before her death. Respectfully

Margaret A. Aydaletch



To identify case return this letter giving full name of PENSIONER, CERTIFICATE NUMBER, and Company and Regiment, if Army service, or, if Navy, so state.

U. S. DEPT. OF WAR
OFFICE
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412 TOOELE COUNTY
STATE OF UTAH

WILLIAM M. RYDALCH,
COUNTY HORTICULTURAL INSPECTOR

Grantville, Tooele County,
Utah, March 20th 1915.

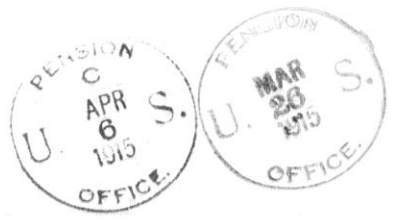
G. M. Saltzgaber, Esq.
Bureau of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,

Your letter received. in answer
say. I have no more report to make only that I sent you.
I took good care of my Mother for over two years and charge
nothing for this. but only charge for the last time she was
with me and it occupied all of the time as she was confined
to her bed all of the time and I had to have assistance for
it was night and day work.

Hoping this will be satisfactory to you.

I am
Respectfully Yours,
Margaret M. Rydalch



Mrs. Margaret H. Rydalch,
Grantsville,
Utah.

Sir:

In your claim for reimbursement in the case of Mary A. Hunter, Widow Cert. 9353, Mexican War, you should furnish from Dr. Townsend, the undertaker and for livery and cemetery expenses, itemized bills, receipted to show by whom paid, or if unpaid, certified over their signatures that you are held responsible for payment.

You should furnish your own bill for nursing, showing the dates between which the service was rendered, and the rate charged per day or week.

For the "assistant's help" a bill should be forwarded showing over the signature of the creditor the character of the service rendered and between what dates, whether the bill has been paid and by whom, or if unpaid, certified over his or her signature that you are held responsible for payment.

From Dr. Townsend there should also be furnished a further statement over his signature showing the date when the attack of illness came on which resulted in the pensioner's death.

You should forward to this Bureau for inspection the deed, or a certified copy thereof, whereby the deceased pensioner transferred her real estate to her daughters. Said deed, if the original, will be returned when no longer required.

Very respectfully,

[Faint signature]

Commissioner.

January 9, 1915.

Mrs. Margaret H. Rydalch,
Grantville,
Utah.

Sir:

In response to your letters of the 7th and 21st ultimo in the case of Mary A. Hunter, widow of Edward Hunter, Mexican War certificate number 9888, you are advised that the check for pension to December 4, 1914 should be returned by the postmaster to the Disbursing Clerk, this Bureau, for cancellation in accordance with the provisions of the Act of August 17, 1912.

Said check which was not delivered to the pensioner during her lifetime, and whose death occurred on November 20, 1914, is not an asset of her estate, and the same could not be made payable upon the indorsement of any person other than the payee, and the law requires that the check be cancelled. The pension represented by the cancelled check to the date of the pensioner's death is accrued pension, which is not an asset of the estate, and such accrued pension is payable as reimbursement of the expense of the pensioner's last sickness and burial, in case she did not leave assets sufficient to meet such expense.

A blank form of application for reimbursement is enclosed herewith, and the same if executed should be filed in this Bureau, and upon its receipt will receive due consideration.

Very respectfully,
G. M. SALTZGABER,
Commissioner.

(Enclosure)

TOOELE COUNTY
STATE OF UTAH

WILLIAM M. RYDALCH,
COUNTY HORTICULTURAL INSPECTOR

Grantville Tooele Co Utah.
Dec 21st 1914.

U. S. Pension Agency.

Washington D. C.

By Request of Letter received.

Answer as follows.

Name of Pensioner, was Mary Ann Hunt
Widow of Edward Hunt whose number was #5
Company B. Mormon Battalion.

The last check sent to her came in December and
is now in Post Office at Grantville, Utah for safe
keeping - Letter not opened.

Hoping this will be satisfactory to you.

Respectfully
Margaret M. Rydalch

APPLICATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT.

(This application, when properly executed before some officer having authority to administer oaths for general purposes, should be forwarded, together with the pension certificate and itemized bills of all expenses, to the Commissioner of Pensions, Washington, D. C.)

STATE OF Utah }
 COUNTY OF Beaver }

On this 13th day of February, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and 1915, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the County and State aforesaid, Margaret H. Rydalen aged 67 years, a resident of Granville, County of Beaver, State of Utah, who, being duly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration in order to obtain reimbursement from the accrued pension for expenses paid (or obligation incurred) in the last sickness and burial of May Ann Hunter, who was a pensioner of the United States by certificate No. 10252, on account of the service of Edward Hunter (Name of soldier or sailor.) in Mexican War, Major Battalion (Describe service by company and regiment, etc., if in the Army, or by the words U. S. Navy, if in the Navy.) That pension was last paid to September 11th, 1914.

That the answers to questions propounded below are full, complete, and truthful to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, and that no evidence necessary to a proper adjustment of all claims against the accrued pension is suppressed or withheld.

1. What was the full name of the deceased pensioner? May Ann Hunter
2. In what capacity was decedent pensioned? (As invalid soldier or sailor, or as a widow, minor child, dependent relative, etc.) Widow
3. If decedent was pensioned as an invalid soldier or sailor—
 - (a) Was he ever married? (Answer yes or no.) _____
 - (b) How many times, and to whom? _____
 - (c) If married, did his wife survive him? (Answer yes or no.) _____
 - (d) If so, is she still living? (Answer yes or no.) _____
 - (e) If not living, give full names and dates of death of all wives _____
 - (f) Was he ever divorced? (Answer yes or no.) _____
 - (g) If so, is the divorced wife still living? (Answer yes or no.) _____ (If living, a copy of the decree of divorce must be filed.)
 - (h) If not living, give her full name and the date of her death _____
4. Did pensioner leave a child under 16 years of age? (Answer yes or no.) No
5. Is any such child still living? (Answer yes or no.) _____
6. Were any sick or death benefits paid on pensioner's account? If so, give name of society and amount paid No
7. Was there insurance (life, accident, or health) in force on life of pensioner at time of death? (Answer yes or no.) No
8. If so, give the name of each company in which a policy was carried and the amount in which each policy was written _____
9. Who was the beneficiary named in each policy? _____
10. What was the relation of each beneficiary to the pensioner? _____
11. Were the premiums paid by the deceased pensioner? _____
12. If not paid by the deceased pensioner, state the amount of premiums paid by each person who made payment on that account _____



13. Is there an executor or administrator, or will application be made for appointment of any person as administrator? Yes
14. Did the deceased pensioner leave any money, real estate, or personal property? Yes some but not much
15. If so, state the character and value of all such property \$50-50
16. What was the assessed value (last assessment) of the real estate? cannot tell
17. How was the pensioner's property disposed of? several years ago she decided not to live with two of her daughters
18. Did pensioner leave an undorsed pension check? (Answer yes or no.) Yes. It is at the Post Office
19. What was your relation to the deceased pensioner? Daughter
20. Are you married? (Answer yes or no.) Yes
21. What was the cause of pensioner's death? Old age
22. When did the pensioner's last sickness begin? Six years ago
23. From what date did the pensioner become so ill as to require the regular and daily attendance of another person constantly until death? Six years
24. Give the name and post-office address of each physician who attended the pensioner during last sickness Doctor Townsend
25. State the names of the persons by whom the pensioner was nursed during the last sickness Margaret H. Rydalen
26. Where did the pensioner live during last sickness? With Margaret Rydalen her daughter
27. Where did the pensioner die? Grantville Tenth County, Utah.
28. When did the pensioner die? November 20th 1914
29. Where was the pensioner buried? Grantville Tenth Co. Utah
30. Has there been paid, or will application be made for payment to you or any other person, any part of the expenses of the pensioner's last sickness and burial by any State, County, or municipal corporation? (Answer yes or no.) No
31. State below the expenses of the pensioner's last sickness and burial. Write the word *none* where no charge is made in case of any item of expense noted.

(Each charge entered below should be supported by an itemized bill of the person who rendered the service or furnished any supplies for which reimbursement is demanded, and should show, over his signature, by whom paid, or who is held responsible for payment, and contain the name of the pensioner for whom the expense was incurred or service rendered.)

NAMES.	NATURE OF EXPENSES.	STATE WHETHER PAID OR UNPAID.	AMOUNT.
Dr. Townsend	Physician	Paid	30
	Medicine		
Margaret H. Rydalen	Nursing and care		100
	Undertaker		
	Livery		
	Cemetery		
	Other expenses and their nature:		
	Assessment etc		20
	TOTAL		150

32. Is the above a complete list of all the expenses of the last sickness and burial of the deceased pensioner? (Answer yes or no.) Yes
- That my post-office address is No. _____, on _____ street,
 town or city of Grantville, County of Tenth,
 State of Utah

(When the claimant for reimbursement is a married woman, she is required to sign the application with her own full name, not using the Christian name or the initials of her husband, and all bills should be receipted to her in her own name.)

Margaret H. Rydalen
 (Claimant's signature in full.)

Also appeared William M. Rydatch and Horace M. Rydatch who, being duly sworn, say that they saw Margaret H. Rydatch the claimant, sign name (or make _____ mark) to this application; that they know the claimant herein and that their answers to the following questions are true:

- 1. Did pensioner (if a soldier or sailor) leave a widow or a minor child under age of sixteen years surviving? November 20, 1914
- 2. When did the pensioner die? November 20, 1914
- 3. Did pensioner leave any property? If so, state its character and value Nil
- 4. We knew pensioner 25 years. We believe above statements to be true because we know it to be true

Name William M. Rydatch Name Horace M. Rydatch
P. O. Address Grantville Utah P. O. Address Grantville Utah
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 13th day of February

A. D. 1914; and I certify that the contents of the foregoing application were fully made known and explained to the claimant and witnesses before swearing, that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim, and I further certify that the reputation for credibility of the witnesses whose signatures appear above is _____

DECLARATION ACCEPTED AS VALID UNDER THE ACT OF MARCH 2, 1895.

Thomas Millman
(Signature)
Notary Public
(Official character)

PER 

CHIEF, LAW DIVISION. STATEMENT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIANS.

Give date of the pensioner's death Nov. 20-1914
Give date of commencement of pensioner's last sickness Before I knew her
From what date did the pensioner require the regular and daily attendance of another person constantly until death? For 5 or 6 years
During what period did you attend the pensioner? Since July 1913
State nature of disease from which pensioner died Bronchitis of old age

Give name of each person who rendered service as nurse, and who has made or will make a charge for such service Do not know

Give name of any other physician who attended the pensioner in last sickness None to my knowledge

Does your bill include a charge for all medicine furnished the pensioner during last sickness? Yes
Has your bill been paid; if so, by whom? Mrs. Margaret H. Rydatch out of pensioner's income

Mention any other facts within your knowledge which in your opinion would be helpful in adjusting this claim for reimbursement:

I certify that the foregoing statement is correct.
Grantville Utah, Feb. 13 1915

Geo. E. Townsend
Attending Physician.

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Attending Physician.

APPLICATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT.

Certificate No.

Deceased Pensioner.

Claimant.

AN ACT to amend section forty-seven hundred and forty-six of the Revised Statutes of the United States. (30 Stat. L., 718.)

As amended by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled. That section forty-seven hundred and forty-six of the Revised Statutes of the United States is hereby amended to read as follows: That every person who knowingly or willfully makes or assists in the making of, or in any wise procures the making or presentation of any false or fraudulent claim, declaration, certificate, voucher, or paper or writing purporting to be such, concerning any claim for pension or payment of the duties of the Secretary of the Interior, or who knowingly or willfully makes or causes to be made or aids or assists in the making or presents or causes to be presented, at any pension agency any petition, which paper has a duplicate to be presented to the Secretary of the Interior, and, every person before whom any declaration, affidavit, or witness named in such declaration or affidavit is taken or the presentation of any claim for pension is made, who knowingly or willfully purports to have been examined, or who shall knowingly certify that the declarant, affiant, or witness named in such declaration or affidavit has sworn thereto, or who shall knowingly or willfully certify that the declarant, affiant, or witness did not personally appear before him or her to declare, affirm, or witness, or who shall knowingly or willfully certify that the declarant, affiant, or witness did not acknowledge the execution thereof, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment for a term of not more than five years."

Approved July 7, 1888.

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The Act March 2, 1895 (28 Stat. L., 964), provides—

That from and after the twenty-eighth day of September, eighteen hundred and ninety-two, the accrued pension to the date of the death of any pensioner, or of any person entitled to a pension having an application therefor pending, and whether a certificate therefor shall issue prior or subsequent to the death of such person, shall, in the case of a person pensioned, or applying for pension, on account of his disabilities or service, be paid, first, to his widow; second, if there is no widow, to his child or children under the age of sixteen years at his death; third, in a case of a widow, to her minor children under the age of sixteen years at her death. Such accrued pension shall not be considered a part of the assets of the estate of such deceased person nor be liable for the payment of the debts of said estate in any case whatsoever, but shall inure to the sole and exclusive benefit of the widow or children. And if no widow or child survive such pensioner, and in the case of his last surviving child who was such minor at his death, and in case of a dependent mother, father, sister, or brother, no payment whatsoever of their accrued pension shall be made or allowed except so much as may be necessary to reimburse the person who bore the expense of their last sickness and burial, if they did not leave sufficient assets to meet such expense.

The Act March 3, 1905 (33 Stat. L., 1169), provides—

* * * and no part of any accrued pension shall hereafter be used to reimburse any State, county, or municipal corporation for expenses incurred by such State, county, or municipal corporation under State law for expenses of the last sickness or burial of a deceased pensioner.

INSTRUCTIONS.

- 1. Accrued pension is not a part of the assets of the estate of a deceased pensioner, nor liable for the payment of the debts of such pensioner.
- 2. Accrued pension is not payable as reimbursement in the case of a person pensioned on account of service if a widow or minor child under sixteen years of age survive.
- 3. Accrued pension is not payable as reimbursement in the case of any pensioner who left sufficient assets to meet the expense of last sickness and burial.

4. Application for reimbursement should be accompanied by the following evidence:

(a) Bills of all expenses of last sickness and burial. If paid by the claimant for reimbursement the bills must be properly receipted to said claimant; but if paid in part only the creditor should state by whom paid or from what source such payment was received. If unpaid, the parties to whom said bills are due should note on each bill, over their signatures, that they hold the claimant responsible for the payment. If the bill be for medical treatment it must show the dates of visits or treatment and the charge for each. A bill for nursing and care must show the dates between which the services were rendered, and the rate per day or week. The bill of the undertaker must be itemized, and show the date on which the services were rendered.

Each bill must show that the service was rendered for the pensioner on account of whom reimbursement is claimed. All claims should be presented in the name of one person.

Bills which are forwarded become a part of the records of the Bureau of Pensions and can not be returned. Claimants should therefore secure duplicates of such bills if needed by them.

- (b) The pension certificate which was issued in the name of the pensioner. If such certificate is not in possession of the claimant a statement showing its whereabouts or final disposition should be made.
- 5. A careful compliance with these instructions will save much unnecessary delay in the settlement of the claim presented.

NOTICE.

The only sum available for payment of a claim presented on this blank is the pension unpaid at the date of the pensioner's death.

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**SURVIVOR'S SERVICE PENSION.
MEXICAN WAR.**

ACT OF JANUARY 29, 1887.

Edward Hunter,
Grantville, Toole Co Utah,
Private - Capt J. D Hunter, (Co B)
"Mormon Battalion"

Enlisted *July 16*, 1846

Discharged *July 16*, 1847

Age *65*

Disability

W. O. W. claim on file

Geo. A. Aldrich
Clerk.

Received *Feb, 3*, 1887.

Sidney W. Drake
Salt Lake Utah,
Attorney.

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Clinton
No. ^(3-229a.) 10776
B. L. No. 75277 16

Widow's Service Pension,

$\frac{16}{17}$ MEXICAN WAR.

ACT OF JANUARY 29, 1837.

Mary A. Hunter
Grantsville, Tooele Co. Utah

WIDOW of Edward Hunter
Mormon Battalion

Enlisted July 16th 1846
Discharged July 16th 1847
Died April 11th 1892
Age 67
Disability No other Widow

no claim on file
I. W. Callahan
Clerk.

Received July 30th, 1893
Clmt

Attorney.

No. 174

MEXICAN WAR

(ACT OF JANUARY 29, 1887.)

SURVIVOR.

Edward Hunter

Rank *Capt*

Company *B*

Regiment *Heavy Battery*

Agency: *San Francisco*

Rate per month, \$8.00

Commencing January 29, 1887.

Certificate issued *May 28*, 1887

" mailed *May 28*, 1887

Fee, \$ *10.*

ACCRUED PENSIONS—SEC. 4718.
 Accrued-Pension Certificate and
 Order issued *Nov 17 1884*
 (Pen. Clf. ~~was~~ *was* herewith)
 Payable to *Widow*
 Mailed *Nov 20 1884*

2 Brief

(3-562.)

ACCRUED PENSION.

Under Section 4718, R. S.

Sales from ~~Books~~ Vouchers and Invoices denied. Certificate returned. Client writes.

Certificate No. *1741* Last Issue *May 28th 1887*
Name of pensioner, *Edward Hunter*
Date of death, *April 11th*, 1892
Payable to *Mary A. Hunter*
P. O., *Grantsville*
Tooele Co. Utah

Accrued Pension Certificate and Order. Pension Certificate and Voucher herewith.
Issued *Nov 17*, 1894 Mailed *Nov 20*, 1894

Payable to *widow*

Relationship to pensioner shown by *cert. copy of marriage.*
See S. Ex. report.

Prior marriage of *See opinion Chf. Law Division*
Shown by

Fact and date of pensioner's death shown by *testimony taken*
by special examiners, & Ada R. Hunter
Jas. R. Effers.

Submitted for Admission *Nov 13th*, 1894

Approved *Ada, Nov 14* 1894
H. W. Hall *W. W. Vincent* Examiner.

London, Dec. 17.

Mrs. S. J. King.

Grand Junction
Barren of Kentucky
Rowles, Va.

Dear Sir:

I was in receipt of
your favor of 10th inst. & am
much pleased to hear of your
arriving.

In reply to your inquiry
will state that you can always
find me or address me at
Bucksville.

Yours respy
Mary Ann Chambers

U. S. PENSION AGENCY,

San Francisco

June 9 - 92

JUN 28 1892

RECEIVED.

In the matter of *Edward Hunter* deceased
If Pensioner left a wife or child under 16 years they are entitled to the accrued Pension of deceased. If not, the person who bore expense of last illness and burial may be reimbursed in a sum not to exceed the amount of the accrued pension of deceased; provided he left no estate. Have enclosed blank carefully filled and send to the *Caring Pensions - Wash DC,*
with the pensioners certificate.

Respectfully,

J. C. CURRIER, Pension Agent

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Respectfully

Sir,

Mary A. Hunter's
Residence is but a short
distance from this Office
I am well acquainted
with the Lady

Wm Lee Jr

(3-607.)

SPECIAL EXAMINATION DIVISION.

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

OFFICE OF SPECIAL EXAMINER.

June 20, 1893

THE POSTMASTER AT

Grantsville - Route 6 Utah

SIR:

Please advise me by indorsement on the reverse hereof whether *James A*
Amter resides within your mail delivery, and if so, what
the distance and direction from your office. If he is not a resident of your community
and his post-office address be known to or can be obtained by you be pleased to state the
same.

This information is desired for use in claim No. *10776*, and an early reply,
under cover of the inclosed envelope, will be appreciated.

Very respectfully,

D. A. Hall
Special Examiner.

(3-607.)

SPECIAL EXAMINATION DIVISION.

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

OFFICE OF SPECIAL EXAMINER,

DENVER, COLORADO. *May 21st, 1894*

THE POSTMASTER AT

Graniteville, Wash

SIR:

Please advise me by indorsement on the reverse hereof whether
Mary A. Hunter..... resides within your mail delivery, and if so, what
the distance and direction from your office. If he is not a resident of your community
and his post-office address be known to or can be obtained by you be pleased to state the
same.

This information is desired for use in claim No. *10776*, and an early reply,
under cover of the inclosed envelope, will be appreciated.

Very respectfully,

F. F. DEAN.

Special Examiner.

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5-23/94
Grouseville
Utah

F. F. Dean Esq.

Sir,

Mary A. Hunter

Resides about 1/4 of a mile from this Office
(East) and of course gets her mail here

Most Respectfully

William Lee Jr., M.

(3-607.)

SPECIAL EXAMINATION DIVISION.

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

OFFICE OF SPECIAL EXAMINER,

DENVER, COLORADO. 1-12, 189 4

THE POSTMASTER AT

Grantsville, Utah.

SIR:

Please advise me by indorsement on the reverse hereof whether _____
Mary A. Hunter resides within your mail delivery, and if so, what
the distance and direction from your office. If he is not a resident of your community
and his post-office address be known to or can be obtained by you be pleased to state the
same.

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under cover of the inclosed envelope, will be appreciated.

Very respectfully,

RODNEY CHIPP.

Special Examiner.

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Utah
Grantville, 1/15-1894

Sir,
Mrs Mary A. Hunter resides at
Grantville, and about 3/4 of a mile
from this Office.

Wm Lee Jr. M.

Mexican War

(3-562.)

ACCRUED PENSION.

Under Section 4718, R. S.

S.E.D.

Certificate No. 1741 Last Issue

Name of pensioner, Edward Hunter

Date of death, April 11, 1892

Payable to Mary A. Hunter

P. O., Grantsville

Toole Co Utah

Accrued Pension Certificate and Order. Pension Certificate and Voucher herewith.

Issued, 189 Mailed, 189

Payable to

Relationship to pensioner shown by sworn testimony of Ada R. Eff Hunter and John R. Effors

Prior marriage of

Shown by

Fact and date of pensioner's death shown by sworn testimony of Ada R. Hunter and John R. Effors

Submitted for Adm Oct 29, 1894

Approved, 189

Hamilton, Examiner for S.E.D.

APPLICATION FOR ACCRUED PENSION.
(WIDOWS.)

State of Utah, County of Sevier, SS:

On this 14th day of June, 1892 personally appeared Mary Ann Hunt who, being duly sworn, declares that she is the lawful widow of Edward Hunt, deceased; that he died on the Eleventh day of April, 1892 that he had been granted a pension by Certificate No. 1441 which is herewith returned (or if not, state why not)

; that he had been paid the pension by the Pension Agent at Monticello up to the 11th day of June, 1892; after which date he had not been employed or paid in the Army, Navy, or Marine service of the United States, except

; that she was married to the said Edward Hunt on the 13th day of November, 1891, at Garrett, in the State of Illinois; that her name before said marriage was Mary Ann Hunt

; that she had (or had not) been previously married; that her husband had (or had not) been previously married; that she hereby makes application for the pension which had accrued on aforesaid certificate to the date of death; and that her residence is No. 100 street, City of Garrett, County of Sevier, State of Utah, and her Post-office address is Garrett

Sevier County Utah.
(Widow's signature.) Mary Ann Hunt

Also personally appeared Ada Routh Hunt, residing at Garrett, Sevier County Utah, and John A. Efford, residing at Garrett, Sevier County Utah, who, being duly sworn, say that they were present and saw Mary Ann Hunt sign her name (make her mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they know her to be the lawful widow of Edward Hunt, who died on the Eleventh day of April, 1892; and that their means of knowledge that said parties were husband and wife, and that the husband died on said date, are as follows:

Having known them as husband and wife
from the time I was married to Edward Hunt
and that Edward Hunt
died on April 11th 1892.

(Signature of witnesses.) Ada Routh Hunt
John A. Efford

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 14th day of June, 1892 and I certify that the affiants are reputable persons; that they know the contents of their depositions, and that their statements are entitled to full faith and credit. I further certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the above claim.

(Signature.) Thomas H. Williams
(Official character.) Justice of the Peace

Territory of Ottawa, County of Good, ss:

I, Elijah Spray, Clerk of the County Court of the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Thomas Williams is a Justice of the Peace, duly commissioned and qualified; that his commission was dated on the _____ day of _____, 18____, and will expire on the 31st day of December, 1892 and that his signature within written is genuine.

GIVEN under my hand and the seal of said Court this 14th day of June, 1892
Elijah Spray Clerk.

When the amount of accrued pension is large, the following evidence of marriage should accompany the application for accrued pension:

1. A duly verified copy of a church or other public record; or
2. The affidavit of the clergyman or magistrate who officiated; or
3. The testimony of two or more eye-witnesses of the ceremony.

If, prior to the marriage of the widow and the pensioner, either of them had been married to another party, the death of said party, or divorce from the same must be proved.

This application and the blank voucher herewith should be properly executed and forwarded to the Commissioner of Pensions.

It is desirable that the witnesses should be able to write their own names; if not, their marks should be witnessed.

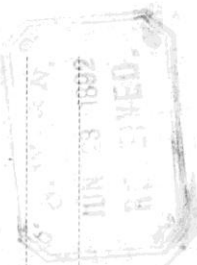
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APPLICATION FOR ACCRUED PENSION.

WIDOWS.

Certificate No. _____

Pensioner _____



MEXICAN WAR PENSION.

Act of January 29, 1887.

1741
San Fran.

SURVIVOR'S BRIEF.

Soldier, Edward Hunter
 P. O., Grantsville Rank, Private
 County, Boole Company, B
 State, Utah Regiment, Mormon Batt.

RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY:

Name, Sidney W. Drake Park Fee, \$ 10, Agent _____ to pay.
 P. O., Salt Lake Utah Articles filed March 11, 1887.

DATES OF SERVICE:

Enlisted July 16, 1846 Subsequent or prior service, em
 Discharged July 16, 1847

Length of service: 365 days.

Record evidence of service in but of adjt. Genl.

Bounty Land Claim, _____
 BORN March 29, 1821; Age 66 Years, _____ Months, _____ Days.

Submitted for Admission May 23 1887 Declaration filed March 3, 1887.

Rate: EIGHT DOLLARS per month, commencing January 29, 1887.

Bounty papers on file.

(Circular stamp: Div. of Pensions)

Amnicent
Examiner.

W. O. Adams Pension previously applied for

Silas Boyce
Pension Searcher.

Bounty Land Claim 75,277-160-47

W. D. E. Mackville
Bounty Land Searcher.

Approved May 26, 1887
Em Taber
 Reviewer.

Approved May 26, 1887
M. D. Chadwick
 Re-Reviewer.
O. W. & M. Dir

O. W. & M. Dir

Mexican War.

CLAIM OF SOLDIER FOR SERVICE PENSION.

This must be Executed before a Court of Record or some Officer thereof having Custody of the Seal.

Law State of Utah, County of Salt Lake, ss.

On this Twenty-fourth day of February, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and Eighty-seven, personally appeared before me, William Clark, of the 5th District Court of Utah, a court of record within and for the county and State aforesaid, (1).....

Edward Hunter

aged 65 years, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical Edward Hunter

who served under the name of (2) Edward Hunter as a (3) Private

in the company commanded by Captain Jesse D. Hunter in the Co. B. regiment

of Mormon Battalion, commanded by Capt. Allan afterwards by Col. Cook

in the Mexican War; that he enlisted at Council Bluffs Iowa, on or about the

16 day of July, A. D. 1846, for the term

of one year, and continued in actual service in said war for the term of (4) twelve

months, and was honorably discharged at Los Angeles

on the 16th day of July, A. D. 1847

That since his discharge from said service he has resided as follows, viz: (5).....

Grantville, Tooele County, Utah Territory

The following was his description at the time of his enlistment, viz: Age, 25 years; height, 5 feet 10 inches; color of hair, Brown; color of eyes, Gray; occupation, farmer.

Furthermore, he alleges that he was born in the county of Delaware, in the State of Pennsylvania, on or about the 29th day of March, 1821,

and that he is at this time 65 years of age, (6) ~~and that being under 62 years of age he is at this time subject to~~

~~disability or dependency equivalent to some cause prescribed or recognized by the pension laws of the United~~

~~States as a sufficient reason for the allowance of a pension, to wit: that he now suffers from~~

~~....., and that said disability was not incurred while in any manner~~

~~voluntarily engaged in, or aiding or abetting the late rebellion against the authority of the United States.]~~

He further declares that he is not now under the political disabilities imposed by the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

He makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the pension to which he may be entitled, and hereby appoints with full power of substitution and revocation, Sidney W. Danks of Salt Lake City, his lawful Attorney to prosecute his claim.

He also declares that he has heretofore made no application for (7) pension

and that his residence is No. street, city (or town) of Grantville

Utah, county of Tooele Co. of Utah

and that his post office address is Grantville, Tooele Co. Utah

ATTEST (Two Witnesses who write sign here:)
Oliver G. Hornum
William Strong

Edward Hunter
Claimant's Signature.

Also personally appeared Oliver G. Workman aged 59 years
 residing at No. 33 S. Wash Temple street, in Salt Lake City, and William
Strong, aged 59 years, residing at No. 825 E. 4th South street, in
Salt Lake City, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being
 by me duly sworn, say that they have known the said Edward Hunter for
forty years and forty years, respectively; that they were present and saw him 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
 they further say that they are able to identify him as the identical person who rendered the service alleged in the
 above application (in the company of Captain Jesse D. Hunter in the regiment
 of Norman Battalion, in the war with Mexico,) by the following named facts and circumstances, viz: (8) By being with him in Camp
and have known him personally ever since

and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Oliver G. Workman
William Strong
 [Signature of affiants.]

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

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14th day of February, A. D. 1887

and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, &c., 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.

M. J. Clark Clerk of the Court
 Signature
By W. G. McMillan Deputy Clerk
 Official character

(L. S.)

To be executed before the CLERK OF A COURT OF RECORD.

NOTES.

1. Here allege full name of the claimant.
2. Here allege the exact name under which the service was rendered.
3. Here allege the rank under which the service was rendered.
4. Here allege the number of days or months of service rendered by the claimant; sixty days being the shortest period for which Service Pension is by law allowed, unless the claimant was actually engaged in a battle. If the claim is made for battle service the blank should be so varied as to allege such service in addition to the allegation of term of service.
5. Here state all the places of residence; if in a city, giving the street and number, and from and to what dates he resided at each place.
6. If the applicant is 62 years of age, all of this allegation in brackets may be stricken out.
7. If any application for bounty land or pension has previously been made state the fact here, giving the date and number, if possible, and designating whether it was a claim for bounty land or pension, and whether a warrant for the land or a certificate for the pension was ever issued.
8. Here name all the facts and circumstances which enable the witnesses to swear that they know the applicant to be the identical person who rendered the service alleged.
 If the applicant was a regimental or staff officer, or served in the Navy, the declaration must be varied according to the facts of the case.
 If the claimant was discharged in consequence of disability incurred by the service, or if he was in captivity with the enemy, he must vary his declaration so as to set forth the facts of the case.
 All services rendered by the soldier in the war for which claim is made, or in any other war, with the names of officers in each service, must be given in the application.
 If the service was rendered as a substitute the name of the principal for whom the substitute served should be given.

MEXICAN WAR.
 APPLICATION FOR SERVICE PENSION.

Edward Hunter
 a of Capt.
 Co.
 Regt. of



Filed by



ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT.

WHEREAS, I, Edward Hunter late a private in Company 15 of the Norman Battalion Regiment of Mormon Volunteers, war of Mexico, having made application for pension under the laws of the United States:

NOW THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH: That for and in consideration of services done and to be done in the premises, I hereby agree to allow my agent Sidney W. Danks of Salt Lake City, the fee of Ten dollars, which shall include all amounts to be paid for any services in the furtherance of said claim; and said fee shall not be demanded by or payable to my said agent, in whole or in part, except in case of the granting of my pension by the Commissioner of Pensions; and that the same shall be paid to him in accordance with the provisions of Sections 4768 and 4769 of the Revised Statutes, U. S.

Robert J. McEwan Edward Hunter
Joseph Bull

TERRITORY OF UTAH,
COUNTY OF SALT LAKE, } ss.

BE IT KNOWN, that on this, the 24th day of February, A.D. 1887, personally appeared Edward Hunter the above named, who, after having had read over to him in the hearing and presence of the two attesting witnesses the contents of the foregoing articles of agreement, voluntarily signed and acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

My certificate is on file in Pension Office
William Fuller

William Fuller
Notary Public

AND NOW, to wit, this 24th day of February, A.D. 1887, I accept the provisions contained in the foregoing articles of agreement, and will to the best of my ability, endeavor faithfully to represent the interest of the claimant in the premises, I hereby certify that I have received from the claimant above named the sum of no dollars, and no more; no dollars being for fee, and the sum of no dollars being for postage and other expenses. And that these agreements have been executed in duplicate without additional cost to the claimant, as required by law, in excess of the fee above named, the said agent making no charge therefor.

Witness my hand the year and day above written. Sidney W. Danks

TERRITORY OF UTAH,
COUNTY OF SALT LAKE, } ss.

Personally came Sidney W. Danks whom I know to be the person he represents himself to be, and who, having signed above acceptance of agreement, acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.
[L. S.]

William Fuller
Notary Public

APPROVED FOR _____ DOLLARS, and payable to _____, of _____ the recognized attorney.

Commissioner of Pensions.

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No. _____

NAME OF CLAIMANT,

NAME OF SOLDIER,

Co. _____, Reg't _____

(7010-40,000.)

Law Division (M)
January 19, 1893.

HC

Edward Hunter,
"B" Mormon Batt'n,
Mexican War,
Ctf.1741.

Mary A.,
Alleged widow,
No.10,776,

Respectfully returned to the Actg.Chief of the S.E.Division.

Statement.

It appears from a statement of the widow claimant that she was married to the soldier at Nauvoo, Ills., in 1843, by Hiram Smith, an elder of the Mormon Church. You refer the case to this Division

for an opinion as to whether special examination is necessary, in order to determine the legality of the claimant's marriage to the soldier. 2

Opinion.

You are advised that there is nothing in the case excepting the claimant's statement, to substantiate the fact that she was ever married at all; and there should be proof to substantiate this statement - record proof, of course, if it is available.

The facts governing Mormon marriages are expressed in the Anti-Polygamy Act of 1862; the Edmonds Law of March, 1882; the Edmonds-Tucker Law of March 3, 1887; and the Act regulating marriage made applicable to the Territory of Utah, and taking effect March 8, 1888. Under the first of these three Acts, Mormon marriages were declared void; and as the marriage of the claimant to the soldier took place in 1843, you will observe at once that it was void at its inception. Under the Act last passed - that of March 8, 1888-

common law marriages were evidently recognized as valid; and if a marriage arose at all in this case, it would be by the conduct and reputation of the parties subsequent to the 8th day of March, 1888. 3

This recognition of common law marriages is also acknowledged in the General Statutes of the United States - that is, by Sections 1839 and 1895 R.S.U.S. These sections recognize as valid common law marriages in all the territories of the Union.

It is therefore incumbent upon the claimant to show that subsequent to the 8th day of March, 1888 - the date of the Act particularly applicable to the Territory of Utah - she lived with the soldier as his wife, cohabited with him as such, and was universally known and recognized as his lawful wife by all their friends and relatives; and that between said date and the date of the soldier's death - in April, 1892 - their relation was monogamous - that is, that the soldier had no other wife than the claimant, and that he

had not been lawfully married under any of the Acts above referred to, in the Territory of Utah, or in any of the other Territories or States of the Union.

Whether this evidence should be supplied by the usual call upon the claimant for testimony, or by special examination, is a matter which does not properly come within the consideration of this Division.

W. H. King
Chief Law Division.

MEXICAN WAR PENSION.

Act of January 29, 1887.

WIDOW'S BRIEF. # 10.776

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San Fran*

Claimant, *Mary A. Hunter* Soldier, *Edward Hunter*
 P. O., *Quansville* Rank, *Private* Co., *"B"*
 County, *Goole* State, *Utah* Regiment, *Mormon Battery, Vols.*

RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY:

MAB

Name, *Claimant* Fee, \$ *—* Agent *—* to pay.
 P. O., *—* Articles filed *—*, 18 *—*

IMPORTANT DATES:

Enlisted *July 16th, 1846* Claimant born *Nov. 15th, 1825*
 Discharged *July 16th, 1847* Age: *67* *Nov. 15, 1887.* Years, Months, Days.
 Length of service: *1 year* Date of Marriage to Soldier: *—*
 Invalid app'n filed *March 3rd, 1887.* *Nov. 5th, 1843.*
 Invalid last paid to *—*, 188 *—* Date of Soldier's death *April 11th, 1892*
cat. 1741

Record evidence of service in *See report R. Quar P. Div. Nov. 7th 1894.*
 Bounty Land Claim.

Rate: EIGHT DOLLARS PER MONTH, commencing *April 12th 1892*
 Submitted for *Admission Nov. 17th 1894* Declaration filed *July 25th, 1892*
age.
 Claimant writes name.

Wm Vincent
Examiner.

No o.w. fur. or mid. pension previously applied for *Aug. 24 1741*
Wm R. Jones
 Pension Searcher.

Bounty Land claim *75277-16047*
Frank Shapley
 Bounty Land Searcher.

Approved *Adm. Nov. 14th, 1894* Approved *Nov 15, 1894*
H. W. Hall *A. Berger*
 Reviewer. Re-viewer.
See D. E. P. 11.

MEXICAN WAR PENSION.

Act of January 29, 1887.

WIDOW'S BRIEF.

Claimant, Mary A. Hunter Soldier, Edward Hunter
 P. O., Grantville Rank, Private Co. B.
 County, Toole State, Utah Regiment, Mormon Battalion.

RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY:

Name, _____ Fee, \$ _____ Agent _____ to pay.
 P. O., _____ Articles filed _____, 18 _____

IMPORTANT DATES:

Enlisted July 16., 1846 Claimant born Dec 15., 1825
 Discharged " ", 1847 Age: 67 Years, _____ Months, _____ Days.
 Length of service: one year. Date of Marriage to Soldier: Nov 5. 1843.
 Invalid app'n filed _____, 188_____, _____, 18_____
 Invalid last paid to _____, 188_____. Date of Soldier's death April 16., 1892

Record evidence of service in Co. of Discharge
 Bounty Land Claim.

Rate: EIGHT DOLLARS PER MONTH, commencing January 29, 1887.

Submitted for Spec. Exp. Oct. 20. 1892 Declaration filed July 25. 1892.
 Re. " Admin. Oct. 29. 1894

A. W. Clinton
 Examiner.

No OW. Inv. or Wid pension previously applied for Sur. Exp. 1741
Otto S. Sues
 Pension Searcher.

Bounty Land claim 75.277 - 160 - 47
Otto S. Sues
 Bounty Land Searcher.
J. F. Dean
 Special Exp.

Approved _____, 188_____. Approved _____, 188_____.
 Reviewer. Re-reviewer.

W. and N. Div.

O. W. and N. Div



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MEXICAN WAR PENSIONS.

ACT OF JANUARY 29, 1887.

DECLARATION OF WIDOW FOR PENSION.

State of Utah }
County of Sevier } ss:

On this Fifteenth day of July, A. D. 1892 personally appeared before me, clerk of the County Court of Sevier, the same being a court of record in the State of Utah. May Ann Roberts, a resident of Grantville in the county of Sevier, in the State of Utah

who being by me first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says:

I am the widow of Edward Hunt, who served under the name of Edward Hunt, as a Private in the company commanded by Captain Jesse D. Hunt, in the Mormon Battalion, in the war with Mexico; That my said husband enlisted at Council Bluffs on or about the 16th day of July, A. D. 1846, for the term of one year; That I was married under my name of May Ann Whitesides to my said husband, by Hoguen Smith on or about the 15th day of November, A. D. 1843 at St. Louis, in the State of Illinois, and lived with my said husband from the date of my said marriage until the day of his death, to wit: the Eleventh day of April, A. D. 1892, when my said husband died at Grantville in the State of Utah, and that I have not since remarried; That there was never any legal impediment to said marriage.

No. 1. That my said husband, being duly enlisted as aforesaid, actually served sixty days with the Army and Navy of the United States in Mexico, or on the coast or frontier thereof, or en route thereto, in the war with that Nation, which service was as follows: Marched on foot from Fort Leavenworth, State of Iowa, to California and was honorably discharged at Los Angeles on the 16th day of July, A. D. 1847

No. 2. That my said husband was not engaged in a battle in said war, to wit: in the battle of _____, at _____, on the _____ day of _____, A. D. _____, and was honorably discharged at Los Angeles on the 16th day of July, A. D. 1847

No. 3. That my said husband was personally named in a resolution of Congress for a specific service in said war, to wit: in the resolution of the _____ day of _____, A. D. _____, and was honorably discharged at _____ on the _____ day of _____, A. D. _____

No. 4. That I am 64 years of age, and that I was born on or about the 15th day of December, A. D. 1825, at Newtown, in the State of Pennsylvania

No. 5. That I am disabled by reason of _____

and the said disability was not incurred while I was in any manner voluntarily engaged in, or aiding or abetting, the late rebellion against the authority of the United States.

No. 6. That I claim pension by reason of the fact that I am dependent in whole or in part for my support upon _____, not legally bound for my support, and that such dependence as alleged consists in this, to wit: _____

That I have _____ heretofore made application for pension or bounty-land, which said claim is numbered _____

That I am a pensioner of the United States as _____ under certificate No. _____, at the rate of _____ dollars per month.

That in support and proof of my right to pension, I tender herewith, under the regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior, the following evidence: _____

and the affidavits of _____

That since the death of my said husband I have resided at the following places, to wit: *Grantsville*
Soole County, *State of Utah*

That I am not laboring under any political disabilities imposed by the fourteenth amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Mary A Hunter
(Claimant's signature.)

WITNESSES:

STATE OF *Sanjour of Utah* }
COUNTY OF *Soole* } 887

Before me *Elijah Spray*, a clerk of a court of record, on this *15* day of *July*, A. D. *92*, personally appeared *Mary Ann Hunter* known to me as the person described in, and who executed and signed the foregoing declaration for pension as widow of *Edward Hunter*, and whom I certify to be a credible person and of good report for truth and veracity in the community in which she lives, who being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says that she has read (if claimant cannot read, read to her and so state in acknowledgment) the foregoing declaration and knows the contents thereof, and that all of the facts therein stated are true.

[L. S.]

(8335-20 M.)

Elijah Spray
County-Cluk

MEXICAN WAR PENSIONS.

ACT OF JANUARY 29, 1887.

DECLARATION OF WIDOW.



RECEIVED JUL 27 1892 APPLICANT WIDOW OF

Co., Regiment.

Enlisted, 18

Discharged, 18

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An act granting pensions to the soldiers and sailors of the Mexican war, and for other purposes.

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 the names of the surviving officers and enlisted men, including marines, militia, and volunteers, of the military and naval services of the United States, who being duly enlisted, actually served sixty days with the Army or Navy of the United States in Mexico, or on the coasts or frontier thereof, or en route thereto, in the war with that nation, or were actually engaged in a battle in said war, and were honorably discharged, and to such other officers and soldiers and sailors as may have been personally named in any resolution of Congress for any specific service in said war, and the surviving widow of such officers and enlisted men: Provided, That such widows have not remarried: Provided, That every such officer, enlisted man, or widow who is or may become sixty-two years of age, or who is or may become subject to any disability or dependency equivalent to some use prescribed or recognized by the pension laws of the United States as a sufficient reason for the allowance of a pension, shall be entitled to the benefits of this act; but it shall not be held to include any person not within the rule of age or disability or dependency herein defined, or who incurred such disability while in any manner voluntarily engaged in or aiding or abetting the late rebellion against the authority of the United States. Sec. 2. That the pensions under section one of this act shall be at the rate of eight dollars per month, and payable only from and after the passage of this act, for and during the natural lives of the persons entitled thereto, or during the continuance of the disability for which the same shall be granted: Provided, That section one of this act shall not apply to any person who is receiving a pension at the rate of eight dollars per month or more, nor to any person receiving a pension of less than eight dollars per month, except for the difference between the pension now received (if less than eight dollars per month) and eight dollars per month. Sec. 3. That before the name of any person shall be placed on the pension-roll under this act, proof shall be made, under such conditions as the Secretary of the Interior may deem proper, of the right of the applicant to a pension, and any person who

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MEXICAN WAR PENSIONS.

Act of January 29, 1887.

(WIDOW'S PENSION.)

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

State of Utah, County of Sevel, ss:

Before me, a Justice of the Peace, in and for the county of Sevel,
on this Fifteenth day of July, A. D. 1892, personally appeared
Ruel Barrus, who, being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says:

I have known May Ann Hunted for the space of Thirty four
years, and I was requested by said May Ann Hunted to sign my name as a witness to
the declaration for pension under the Act of January 29, 1887, sworn to by her on the Fifteenth
day of July, A. D. 1892; and that at her request I so signed my name as witness;
that the said May Ann Hunted is the identical person who signed the foregoing
declaration, and who is therein described as the widow of Edward Hunted, who
enlisted in the Company of Captain Jesse D. Hunted, in the regiment commanded
by Lieut. Col. P. St. George Cook, (If in the naval service, give name of vessel.) in the Mexican war, as in the said declaration set out; that
the said May Ann Hunted was married to the said Edward
Hunted under the name of May Ann Whiteside by Hyrum
Smoot, on or about the 5th day of November,
A. D. 1843, at Nauvoo, in the State of Illinois, and lived
with her said husband from the date of her said marriage until the date of his death, to wit: the Eleventh
day of April, A. D. 1892, when the said Edward Hunted,
husband of said May Ann Hunted, died at Grantville, in
the State of Utah, and that there was at no time any legal impediment to the said
marriage, and that the said May Ann Hunted has not since remarried; that the said
Edward Hunted, husband of said May Ann Hunted,
claiming as widow, had not been previously married; that said May Ann Hunted,
now claiming as widow, had not been previously married; and these facts I swear to from knowledge obtained as
follows: Serving as neighbor to them during that
period of time

No. 1. That the said Edward Hunted, husband of said May Ann
Hunted, actually served sixty days with the Army or Navy of the United States in Mexico, or on
the coast or frontier, or *en route* thereto, in the war with that Nation; that I swear to these facts from knowledge
obtained as follows: I was 2nd Lieutenant in said
company with him during the war with
Mexico.

No. 2. That the said Edward Hunted, husband of said May
Ann Hunted, was not engaged in a battle in said war, to wit: in the battle of
at _____, on the _____ day
of _____, A. D. _____, and was honorably discharged, and these facts I swear to from knowledge
obtained as follows: on the 16th day of July A. D. 1847,
at Los Angeles State of California



No. 3. That said _____ is disabled by reason of _____

which said disability was not incurred while the said _____ was in any manner voluntarily engaged in, or aiding or abetting, the late rebellion against the authority of the United States; but was incurred on or about the _____ day of _____ A. D. _____, at _____, and this fact I swear to from knowledge obtained as follows: _____

No. 4. That the said _____ is dependent in whole or in part for her support, and I swear to the fact of dependence from knowledge obtained from and based upon the following facts _____

No. 5. That the said Mary Ann Hermitte is sixty ~~two~~ ^{six} years of age, having been born on ~~the~~ 15th day of December, A. D. 1825, at Newtown J, in the State of Pennsylvania, and that I swear to these facts: from knowledge obtained as follows: from information given by her, to me.

That I have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Neil Barrus

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of July, A. D. 1892
And I hereby certify that the person who signed and executed the foregoing affidavit to be a credible person, and of good repute for truth and veracity in the community in which he lives, and that the contents of the above were fully made known to him before signing.

(SEAL.)

Thomas Williams
Justice of the Peace

NOTE.—The witness should strike out all the allegations of this affidavit which he does not personally know to be true.

Applicant.

Co., _____
Regiment.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS.

(WIDOW.)

ACT OF JANUARY 29, 1887.

MEXICAN WAR PENSIONS.

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RECEIVED
JUL 21 1892

Record and Pension Office,

WAR DEPARTMENT.

The rolls do not show the soldier absent except as follows: Feb 25. 47 "Sick"

Respectfully returned to the

Commissioner of Pensions.

The rolls show that Edward
Hunter

Co. B. Morgan's Battalion Vol.
(Mex. War)

was enrolled July 16., 1846;

mustered in July 16., 1846;

at Council Bluffs;

and M.C. with Co

July 16., 1847,

at Los Angeles Cal.

and that the stations of the Company between
muster-in and the last-named date were as
follows:

Aug 31 1846, Near Council Bluffs

Dec 31 1846, Camp on Rio Gila

Feb 25 1847, San Luis Rey

Apr 30 1847, San Diego

June 30 1847, "

Date Co. started for seat of war _____, 18 .

Date Co. left seat of war _____, 18 .



BY AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

J. Ainsworth

Colonel, U. S. Army, Chief of Office.

Per
mt

Washington, D. C.,

(COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS.)

OLD WAR AND NAVY DIV.

Mr. S.P. No. 10,776 Department of the Interior,

Mary A, wid
Edward Hunter BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Co. _____ Reg't _____ Washington, D. C., Nov. 5, 1894

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I have to request that you will please furnish a statement of the service of

Edward Hunter

who, it is alleged, enlisted July 16, 1846, in

"B" Company of Mormon Battalion

and was discharged July 16, 1847

Service is alleged in _____

Please furnish information to show whether the soldier was in Mexico, on the coast or frontier thereof, or en route thereto, 60 days.

Very respectfully,

J. M. Lockman

Commissioner.

To Chief Record and Pension Office

was kept

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Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF SPECIAL EXAMINER U. S. BUREAU OF PENSIONS

At Denver, Col
September 14, 1894

NOTICE OF SPECIAL EXAMINATION.

Case of Mary W. Hunter Mexican No. 10,776
To Mary A. Hunter, Claimant.

You are hereby notified that, by order of the Commissioner of Pensions, the undersigned will, on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1894, and continuing thereafter as long as may be necessary, at Granville, County of Goole and State of Utah, and elsewhere if necessary, conduct a special examination of the aforesaid pension claim, at which time and place all material witnesses will be heard.

And you are further notified that you have the privilege of being present, in person or by attorney, during said special examination, and of cross-examining said witnesses and of introducing any material evidence on your own behalf, if you so desire.

F. T. Dean
Special Examiner.

F. T. Dean

I acknowledge service of copy of above notice this 14th day of Sept, 1894, and desire the examination to begin at once

Mary Ann Hunter

Claim #10776 (Mex)
Mary A Hunter, widow
Edward Hunter
Pot. Capt Hunter Co Mormon Battalion
P. O. Grantsville, Lovell Co, Wt.

Denver Col Sept 23/97

To the

Hon. Comr of Pensions
Sir

I have the honor to return herewith
all the papers & submit the following
report in the above cited claim
which was referred to the S. E. Div.
to determine the legality of claimant's
marriage to the soldier.

The claimant was served with
the usual notice, all her rights and
privileges explained to her, did not
care to be present or represented
by an attorney during the exam-
ination of her claim. She is a
woman with a great deal of
intelligence and bears an ex-
cellent reputation for truth &
veracity. From all reports, and
judging from my own observa-
p 3 tions, I should say she is a woman
of very high standing in the

community where she resides, and is a woman of irreproachable character. The two witnesses also bear good reputations. There is no question at all but that the claimant lived with the soldier as his wife from the time of her marriage to him up to the date of his death. I could have obtained any amount of testimony showing that she cohabited with and was recognized as his wife subsequent to the 5th day of March 1888. While it appears the soldier had a plural wife with whom he also lived up to about ten years before his death, I am satisfied in my own mind that the claimant is the only one who was recognized as his wife during the latter years of his life. I believe the claim is meritorious & should be admitted & recommend such action

Very respectfully,

F. F. Dean

Sp. Ex'r

DEPOSITION *a*Case of *Mary A. Hunter* Mex No. 10,776

On this *fourteenth* day of *September*, 1894, at *Crawfordsville*, County of *Joseph* State of *Utah*, before me, *H. T. Dean*, a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared *Mary Ann Hunter*, the *claimant*, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to her during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says: I am *68* years of age.

No occupation. Residence & post office address as above.

I am the claimant in above cited claim and am claiming a pension as the widow of *Edward Hunter* who served in the *Mormon* *Rebels* during *Mexican* *War*. I was married to the soldier in *Navarro* *Ill* *Nov 5th* - *1843* by *Thomas Smith*. I have no record of marriage & now witnesses are now living. Neither of us had ever been previously married. I was united to live with him as his wife up to the time of his death, *April 11th* - *1892*. I have not remarried since his death & still remain his widow. The soldier was sent to *Martha A Hyde* in *Salt Lake City* in the *Spring* of *1855* & she lived with him as a plural wife up to about *ten* years ago when they separated. He honorably supported her after that up to the time of his death but he did not live or cohabit with her after that time. I was the only wife he had during the

last eight years of his life. All my
 friends & relatives know I was
 present on his wife up to the day of
 his death and that I am now
 his legal widow. The soldier never
 was married nor lived with
 any one else during his life time.
 No other marriage
 ceremony was ever performed
 between us than that stated. I
 always lived with him after I
 was married to him till he died.
 I have understood your question
 & am correctly answered.

Mary E. Don Hunter
 Deponent

Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14th day of September
 1897, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

J. F. Dean
 Special Examiner.

DEPOSITION ¹³Case of Mary A. Hunter Mex No. 10,776

On this fourteenth day of September, 1894, at
Crawfordsville, County of Spencer
 State of Ohio, before me, H. H. Dean, a
 Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared Paul Barrus
 who, being by me first duly sworn to answer
 truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid
 pension claim, deposes and says:— I am 73 years of age

No occupation, residence & post office
 address as above

I knew Edward Hunter served
 in the same company with him
 in the Mexican war Co. D. 1st Missouri
 Infantry. I have known the claimant
 for thirty four years have lived a
 single life to her during that time
 She was the wife of Edward Hunter
 and she lived with him as his
 wife up to the time of his death.
 He has not remarried since
 his death some two or three years
 ago & still remains his widow.
 I knew him well before he mar-
 ried claimant as we were boys to-
 gether, living in Harrods Bl. The
 soldier had a second wife whom
 he married after he married this
 one, some time about 1860 but
 the claimant is his first wife. I
 think this second wife separated
 from him about the year 1870.
 I can't say whether he ever lived
 with her during the last ten years
 of his life or since 1860. I think the
 youngest child by second wife

is about fourteen years of age. The claimant lived with the soldier as his wife up to the time of his death and she was recognized here in the community as his wife and since his death she has been recognized as his legal widow. In recent years since 1880 he has never lived with any other woman that I know of and the claimant has never lived with any other man as his wife. I am not related, an interest have understood your questions and am correctly recorded.

Wm. B. Bell
Deponent

Deponent.

I sworn to and subscribed before me this 14th day of September 1894, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

F. H. Dean
Special Examiner.

DEPOSITION

Case of *Mary A. Hunter* Mex. No. *10,776*

On this *fourteenth* day of *September*, 1894, at
Granville, County of *Spoke*
 State of *Utah*, before me, *T. S. Deam*, a
 Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared *Wilford*
Hudson, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer
 truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid
 pension claim, deposes and says: *I am 75 years of age,*

No occupation. Residence of post office
address as above

*I am acquainted with the claimant
 and have known her ever since
 1849. She was my neighbor at that
 time. Her husband Edward
 Hunter served in the same Battle
 with me. She the claimant was
 soldier's wife when I first knew
 her. Hunter had any other wives
 that I know of. I think I would
 have known it if he had. The soldier
 always recognized the claimant
 as his wife. They lived together
 as husband and wife up to the
 time of his death two or three years
 ago. I know the claimant has
 never remarried & she still
 remains his widow. I never
 knew the claimant to have any other
 husband nor the soldier to have
 any other wife.*

*I am not related, have no in-
 terest, have understood & am
 correctly recorded*

Wilford Hudson
Deponent

Lined area for text entry.

Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14th day of September 1894, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

T. H. Dean
Special Examiner.

We have no Records of Marriages,
so far as my Knowledge extends, dating
back to 1843.

Geo. Reynolds.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

In the Record of Marriages of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is a note, in the handwriting of the recorder, appended to an entry under date of March 30th, 1856, to the effect that on the 5th of November, 1843, Edward Hunter and Mary Ann Whitesides were united in marriage by Hyrum Smith, an elder of said Church; and that the ceremony was performed in the house of the officiating elder, in Water Street, City of Nauvoo, Illinois, in the presence of David Brinton and Miss Smith, eldest daughter of the above named Hyrum Smith.)

Geo. Reynolds
Custodian of Record.

Salt Lake City, Sept. 17th, 1894.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 17th day of September, A. D. 1894.



My Commission Expires
Aug. 8th. 1895.

James Jack
Notary Public.

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CLAIMANT'S STATEMENT.

DEPOSITION

Case of *Mary A. Hamner*, No. *10,746 (Mexican)*

On this *fourteenth* day of *September*, 188*7*, at
Sparksville, County of *Logan*
State of *Utah*, before me, *H. F. Dean*, a
Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared *Mary A. Hamner*
....., the applicant in the aforesaid pension claim, who says:

Q. If it should become necessary to further examine your claim, by taking the testimony of witnesses elsewhere, do you desire to be present in person or be represented by an attorney, or both, at such further examination? If so, you will be notified as to the place and time when it is to be made.

A. *No*

Q. Should you change your mind and desire to be present, or be represented by an attorney during any further examination of your case, will you *at once* address a letter to the "Commissioner of Pensions, Washington, D. C.," giving the name and the number of your claim, informing him that you have so changed your mind, and desire to be notified when your claim is to be further examined?

A. *Yes*

Q. State the names of the person or persons and their post-office addresses, instrumental in the prosecution of your claim for pension.

A. *Fowler & Young of Salt Lake City - UT*

Q. State what contract or contracts you have made with such person or persons for their services in prosecuting your claim for pension, and whether such contract or contracts were written or verbal.

A. I made a verbal agreement with them to pay them twenty five dollars in case the claim is allowed.

Q. State the amount of fees paid by you or at your instance, to whom paid, and all the circumstances connected with the transaction.

A. I have paid nothing.

Q. Please give me the names of all witnesses that you desire examined elsewhere, with their post-office addresses, and also state what you expect to prove by each witness.

A. Full names of Grantville, Utah & Buford Hayden " Legal widowhood "

Q. Have you any complaint to make as to the conduct, manner, or fairness of the examination of your claim? If so, please state specifically what it is.

A. I have none.

Q. Do you desire to introduce any more testimony before me?

A. Nothing more.

Mary Ann Hunter
Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14th day of September 1887.
and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

[Signature]
Special Examiner.

Western

S. E. D.

No. *10746 Mexican*

Claimant: *Mary A. Hunter*

Soldier: *Edward Hunter*

P. O. address: *Crawsville*

County: *Wasatch* State: *Utah*

Recommendation: *Admission*

F. F. Dean
Special Examiner.

REFERENCE.

October 29, 1894

*Respectfully submitted
Chief Board of Review
for consideration*

Jas. R. Fritts
Chief S. E. Division.

RECOMMENDATION.

Nov. 14, 1894

Admit.

H. W. Hall
Reviewer.

ACTION.

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Commissioner.

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