PENSION POINTERS.

Inquiries Answered and Suggestions Made.

A Subscriber, Kalamazoo, Mich.—The joint resolution of Congress of July 1, 1902, provides: "That in the administration of the pension laws any enlisted man of the army, including regulars, volunteers, and militia, or any appointed or enlisted man of the navy or marine corps, who was honorably discharged from the last contract of service entered into by him during the late war of the rebellion, shall be held and considered to have been honorably discharged from all similar contracts of service previously entered into by him with the United States during said war: Provided, That such enlisted or appointed man served not less than six months under said last enlistment or appointment, and that his entire service under said last enlistment or appointment was faithful, and that he did not receive by reason of said last enlistment or appointment any bounty or gratuity other than from the United States in excess of that to which he would have been entitled if he had continued to serve faithfully until honorably discharged under any contract or service previously entered into by him, either in the army, navy, or marine corps, during the war of the rebellion. If a soldier enlisted during the war of the rebellion prior to Feb. 13, 1862, and was under 18 years of age at the date of his enlistment, said service is a voidable, and if he afterwards, during the war of the rebellion, enlisted in another organization and served at least 90 days and received an honorable discharge, he has a pensionable status under the act of June 27, 1890, independent of the joint resolution of July 1, 1902, above referred to.

A Subscriber.—If an applicant for pension has filed, or has caused to be filed, in the Pension Bureau, the required proofs to establish his or her pension claim, prompt action thereon can be secured by the applicant writing to his or her member of Congress, giving him the number of the claim, or the number of the pension certificate, and the name and service of the soldier or sailor.

J. E. W., Soldiers' Home, Cal.—If a soldier's name is dropped from the pension rolls on the ground that he is not ratably disabled under the act of June 27, 1890, and afterwards he is allowed a pension under the act of June 27, 1890, he has the right to contest the action of the Bureau in dropping his name from the pension rolls in the first instance. The proper course for him to pursue is to file an application claiming restoration of pension back to the date his name was dropped from the pension rolls.

R. F. S., Falling Water, Tenn.—No law has been enacted providing an increase of pension for Mexican war widows pensioned under the Mexican war service pension act of 1887 and amendments.

J. A. C., National Military Home, Va.—Without a full knowledge of all the facts in the case it is impossible to advise at to what if anything can be done further in your pension case. Your attorney can best advise you. If it is a fact that you did not have the alleged disability before enlistment, it is certainly worth while to fight the case.

C. H., Rosebank, N. Y.—It is impossible to say what the recommendation of the Examining Surgeons on your recent examination probably was as to rating. Even if they recommend $12, it is very far from certain that their recommendation will be accepted.

Subscriber, Buffalo, N. Y.—If the Examining Surgeons fail to find disability justifying the $30 rating, it would be rather difficult, it would seem, to secure such rate by special act of Congress. The case would be different if the Surgeons had recommended this rate, but the Pension Bureau had refused to accept their recommendation. There are thousands of special pension bills introduced in every Congress that are never considered by the committees to which they are referred, because they are not regarded as of sufficient merit to justify Congressional action. Sometimes special pension acts are passed without specifying any rate, which is left to be determined by the Pension Bureau. Of course, if the special act is to give a certain rate, then that rate is absolutely fixed, and may not be increased by the Pension Bureau. Another act of Congress would be necessary to secure a further increase.

S. P. S., Montgomery, Pa.—If the pension was not made to commence from the date the application was filed, of course the attention of the Pension Bureau should be drawn to the matter. From your statement it is impossible to draw any possible explanation except clerical error.

P. B. K., Convoy, Ohio.—Persons who served in the Provisional regiments which were formed from the Enrolled Missouri Militia in 1863 are pensionable, as are those who served in the Missouri Home Guards of 1861 and were recognized and paid by the Hawkins-Taylor Commission; as are also those who served in the Missouri State Militia organized in the Winter of 1861-2 for three years' service.

R. S. R., Ohio.—The fact that the widow's second husband is living and undivorced bars her from obtaining restoration of her pension under the act of March 3, 1901.

L. C. S., Pierceton, Ind.—There is no United States law making provision for funeral or burial expenses of old soldiers generally. If no widow or child under 16 survives, and there are insufficient assets to cover the expenses, the person responsible for such may obtain reimbursement from the accrued pension if the deceased was a pensioner.

DEPARTMENT NEWS.

MARRIAGE OF INDIANS—SECTION 4705, R. S., AND ACT OF AUG. 7, 1882.—In the general law pension case of the minor of Jack Redbird (tribal Cherokee Indian) the Pension Bureau held that the claimant was not the legitimate child of the soldier "for pensionable purposes, the marriage of soldier and the mother of claimant not being such a marriage as is contemplated by section 4795, R. S., the law governing marriages of colored and Indian soldiers." The decision on appeal says (Ass't Sec'y Campbell, Sept. 29, 1902):

"Marriage is recognized throughout the United States as a domestic status which is determinable as to its validity solely by the law of the place where it is contracted (Patterson v. Gaines, 6 How., 550; Meister v. Moore, 96 U. S., 76); and a marriage which is valid where contracted is valid everywhere (Story on Conflict of Laws, sec. 105, 113).

"The Cherokee Nation of tribal Indians has been held by the Supreme Court of the United States to be a distinct political community, subject, as to the domestic status and affairs of its members, to its own laws. (Worcester v. Georgia, 5 Pet., 515; Cherokee Nation v. Georgia, 5 Pet., 1.)

"A marriage made by a member of the tribe within the tribal territory, according to tribal rites, customs, or recognition, is regarded by the courts of other jurisdictions of the United States as a valid marriage, although it may be by the tribal law determinable at the mere will of the parties.

"In Johnson v. Johnson's Administrators (30 Mo., 72, and 77 Am. Dec., 298), the principal question in the case was as to the (Indian tribal) marriage of Johnson with the Indian woman previous to his marriage to the plaintiff and the legitimacy of his children by that woman, and the court held such marriage valid and the children legitimate, stating that—

"'It is plain that among the savage tribes on this continent marriage is merely a natural contract, and that neither law, custom, nor religion has affixed to it any conditions, or limitations, or forms other than what nature itself has prescribed. It can hardly be said that the power of divorce, in one or both of the parties to the contract, at his or her pleasure, is inconsistent with the law of nature. The fact, as we have seen, is otherwise.'

"In Morgan v. McGhee (5 Hemph. Tenn., 14) the court says as to a Cherokee Indian tribal marriage (the kind alleged in this claim):

"'To hold this marriage to be void would be to vitiate all the marriages made in the nation and might be productive of much mischief.'

"And a similar Choctaw marriage was held valid in the case of Wall v. Williamson. (8 Ala., 48; 11 Ala., 839.)

"Such a marriage, therefore, as is alleged herein is a valid marriage 'according to the law of the place where the parties resided at the time of marriage or at the time when the right to pension accrued,' as specified in the act of Aug. 7, 1882, and is provable herein, under said act, unless it be of the class of marriages which are by it expressly excepted from its operation; viz, 'such as are mentioned in section 4705 of the Revised Statutes.' The alleged marriage herein is manifestly not of this excepted class, as the parties did not cohabit to date of the soldier's enlistment, which has been held to be an essential element of the marriage which is provable under said section.

"It is noted that the exception in the act of Aug. 7, 1882, is not as to marriages generally in the cases of colored and Indian soldiers, but only as to 'such marriages' of these soldiers as are mentioned in said section 4705. If Congress had intended that all cases of colored and Indian soldiers should be provable as to marriage only and solely under said section 4705, it would doubtless have provided plainly in said act of Aug. 7, 1882, that 'marriages except in cases of colored and Indian soldiers' should be provable as provided in that act. By limiting the exception, however, to 'such marriages' only 'as are mentioned' in said section 4705 Congress evinced a clear intent to make other than those marriages provable according to the general rule established by that act, which was merely confirmatory of the rule which had theretofore existed in practice. The language of said section 4705 itself denotes, by plain implication, that 'other proof of marriage' was contemplated by Congress as admissible, the proof mentioned in said section being declared merely to be sufficient, 'without other proof,' for pensionable purposes.

"To give to said section 4705 the exclusive construction given it in this claim would result in defeating the direct, affirmative grant of pension contained in section 4705 of the Revised Statutes, which grants pension to the widows and minor children of all soldiers and sailors who die from causes of service origin. Said section 4705 was manifestly not intended to be in derogation of any other statute or of any pensionable rights whatever, but was clearly intended to be only auxiliary to and in aid of the laws granting pensions, enabling certain grantees of those laws 'to receive the pension now provided by law without other proof of marriage' than as specified in said section, and leaving unimpaired the right of those or of other grantees to receive such pension, granted them by said section 4702, by proving marriage in any other way.

"Statutes in pari materia are to be construed harmoniously, so that each may have, if possible, its full effect (Sutherland on Stat. Constr., secs. 239, 240); and a statute is not construed as exclusive unless that intent clearly appears (English on Interpretation of Stat., sec. 208).

"It is, therefore, held that, in establishing marriage in claims on account of colored or Indian soldiers or sailors who died from causes arising in service and line of duty, said section 4705 does not exclude proof of marriage by the law of the place where the parties resided at the time of marriage, or at the time when the right to pension accrued, as provided in the act of Aug. 7, 1882.

"The evidence in this claim tends to show the claimant was the legitimate child of the soldier under a Cherokee Indian tribal marriage. The testimony, however, is meager, conflicting, and unsatisfactory, and before final adjudication of the claim it should be submitted for a thorough special examination as to the validity of such marriage and the claimant's domestic status thereunder. There should be a particular investigation and report of the facts as to the alleged marriage of the claimant's parents, whether there was any ceremony or rite of any kind, whether it was recognized by them throughout their joint lives and by the community as a valid marriage under the laws and customs of the Cherokee Nation, and whether appellant was similarly recognized as the legitimate child of the soldier at the time of the latter's death. Testimony should be procured as to what was then held and considered by the Cherokee Nation to be marriage, and as to what were the essentials in the formation of the relation, so that the sufficiency or insufficiency of the facts in appellant's case to show a valid tribal marriage and his legitimacy may be intelligently determined.

"The papers are returned herewith accordingly for such examination, upon completion of which they should be retransmitted, with your report, for the final disposition of the appeal."

Work of the Pension Office.

The report of certificates issued for the week ended Dec. 13 shows:

Army Invalid: Original, 9; increase, 208; reissue, 21; renewal, 25; supplemental, 7; duplicate, 9; accrued, 127. Total, 406.

Army Widows, etc.: Original, 62; reissue, 5; restoration, 1; renewal, 49; duplicate, 4. Total, 121.

Navy Invalids: Original, 1; increase, 3; reissue, 1; duplicate, 2. Total, 7.

Navy Widows, etc.: Original, 20.

Old War Invalids: Accrued, 1.

Army Invalids (war with Spain): Original, 93; increase, 8; duplicate, 1. Total, 102.

Army Widows, etc. (war with Spain): Original, 4.

Navy Invalids (war with Spain): Original, 1.

Army Invalids (act of June 27, 1890): Original, 302; increase, 475; additional, 127; reissue, 10; renewal, 26; supplemental, 7; duplicate, 16; accrued, 188. Total, 1,151.

Army Widows, etc. (act of June 27, 1890): Original, 327; increase, 1; reissue, 2; renewal, 3; duplicate, 8; accrued, 3. Total, 344.

Navy Invalids (act of June 27, 1890): Original, 25; increase, 22; additional, 2; renewal, 1; accrued, 3. Total, 53.

Navy Widows, etc. (act of June 27, 1890): Original, 4; duplicate, 1. Total, 5.

Mexican War Survivors: Original, 1; increase, 1; reissue, 15; duplicate, 1; accrued, 3. Total, 21.

Mexican War Widows: Original, 5.

Indian Wars (1832-42) Survivors: Original, 12; duplicate, 1. Total, 13.

Totals—Original, 848; increase, 718; additional, 129; reissue, 54; restoration, 1; renewal, 104; supplemental, 14; duplicate, 43; accrued, 325. Total, 2,236.

Death in the Illinois Soldiers and Sailors' Home.

Adjt. S. P. Mooney reports the following deaths in the Illinois Soldiers and Sailors' Home during the month of November: Henry Mitchell, Co. K, 154th Ill.; Philip Riner, Co. D, 22d Ind.; Wm. Stone, Co. C, 9th Ill.; George Baker, Cos. B and L, 1st Mo. Cav.; Henry W. Clark, Co. A, 100th Ill.; Chas. W. Ward, Cos. D, 2d Ill. (Mex), and A, 91st Ill.; Wm. Ford, Co. G, 10th Ill.; Barney Fey, Cos. C and E, 99th Ill.; Frank P. Long, Cos. F and C, 58th Ill.

MUSTERED OUT.

COPE.—At Omro, Wis., June 19, Charles B. Cope, aged 58 years. Comrade Cope was born in Pittsburg, Pa. He enlisted in October, 1861, in Co. D, 77th Pa., and was honorably discharged Dec. 14, 1864. Comrade Cope participated in all the important battles of the Western army. He was a member of J. F. Sawyer Post, No. 7, Department of Wisconsin, and three times had served as Commander. He leaves a widow and four children.

DAVIS.—At Cloverdale, Ind., July 7, Charles W. Davis, 8th Ind. Battery, L. A. Comrade Davis was a charter member of Gen. Frank White Post. He leaves a widow.

DOBBS.—At Fayetteville, Ark., Dec. 6, Elisha Dobbs, Co. F, 19th Iowa. He was born in Tennessee. Served two years and 10 months with regiment. A widow and two sons survive.

HALEY.—At Mountain View, Mo., First Lieut. J. M. Haley, Co. F, 12th Iowa.

KINNEY.—At Hot Springs, Ark., Nov. 9, John Wesley Kinney, Corporal, Co. E, 10th Iowa, aged 62. His home was at Vermillion, Kan.

LEACH.—At Enterprise, Miss., Dec. 7, Sergt. Albert G. Leach, Co. H, 12th W. Va., aged 76. He leaves a widow and six children.

McCALISTER.—At Parkerville, Kan., Dec. 11, John Y. McCalister, Co. E, 40th Ky., aged 63. He enlisted Aug. 22, 1863, and was mustered out Dec. 9, 1864.

THORNE.—At Marinette, Wis., Dec. 8, Col. Geo. W. Thorne, 11th Pa., aged 76. Previous to the war he served in the New York Legislature, having been elected on the Whig ticket. He had been prominent in Wisconsin politics since the war, and had served three terms as County Clerk of Marinette Co.

TYLER.—At Vinton, O., Nov. 6, A. J. Tyler, Co. D, 91st Ohio. He was a member of Carwin Post, 128.

YOUNG.—At Willow Springs, Mo., Nov. 27, William Young, Co. A, 115th Ill., aged 75. Comrade Young also served in the Mexican War.

AIDS-DE-CAMP.

The Commander-in-Chief Appoints His Staff in the Various Departments.

General Order No. 1, Headquarters Grand Army of the Republic, announces the following:

The following appointments as Aids-de-Camp on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief are hereby assigned. The comrades appointed are assigned to duty within their respective Departments, and are expected to labor earnestly and actively to advance the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic. They must visit Posts and assist in every way possible to build up our membership.

The comrades appointed will report immediately by letter to Chief-of-Staff J. Cory Wilmans, Troy, Ohio, giving him their proper address. The Chief-of-Staff will outline and direct the work of Aids. Commissions will only be issued to Aids-de-Camp who report to the Chief-of-Staff for duty. The appointment of those not reporting within a reasonable time will be revoked.

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And to the baby boy now sleeping at my
side?
In the little cedar cottage that you built beside the sea,
With the purple sea-weed floating far and
wide.

My bugler, soldier bugler, I am waiting in
the rain,
And its lonely drip, drip, dripping from
the eaves,
While the mist as billows blowing across my
window pane
Has wept to tell love's secret to the leaves.

Oh, bugler, bravest bugler, I am dreaming of
the day
When first I heard that silvery echo
sweet,
And it cheered my weary spirit as birds of
home away
A-singing mid the sheaves of Summer
wheat.

My own, my dearest bugler, I can hear that
music yet
As it came across the spaces fair to me,
Over every lofty spire and mountain minaret
Till it dwells within the cottage by the
sea.

Oh, my brave and honest bugler, come to
your boy and me,
For I long to have him see his father's
face,
That will lend an added glory to the lights
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