PENSION POINTERS.

Inquiries Answered and Suggestions Made.

B. McC., National Military Home, Ohio.—All applications for military bounty, war of 1861-5, should be filed with the "Auditor for the War Department, Washington, D. C." Unless you enlisted for three years before July 22, 1861, and were discharged before two years' service for reasons other than wound or injury incurred in service and line of duty, the bounty act of July 20, 1888, does not benefit you. The law was not an "additional" bounty act. The amount of bounty allowed by the law is $100.

E. G.—There is no U. S. law exempting pension money from the usual processes of law after it reaches the pensioner's hands, nor property bought with pension money.

I. B. T., Taskee Station, Mo.—If the children were under 16 when their father, the soldier, died, they can claim pension under the general law regardless of their age at date of making application, provided the widow's rights do not intervene.

W. H., Saltsburg, Pa.—A drafted man held to have been in desertion during the nominal term of his service—the period intervening between date of draft and date of his discharge—would not be regarded as having served the requisite 90 days to entitle him to pension under the act of June 27, 1890, even if his discharge under such circumstances could be construed as honorable—another requisite to pension under the act of 1890.

G. T. L., Soldiers' Home, D. C.—A man who can hear conversation with the aid of an ear-trumpet, would not be regarded as totally deaf. There must be a complete loss of the sense of hearing to constitute total deafness.

H. G. O., Princeton, Mo.—If the soldier's death is proven due to disability originating in service and line of duty, it does not matter how old the child was at date of filing application, provided the child was under 16 when the soldier died. If the children pensioned were pensioned under the act of June 27, 1890, the older child (over 16 when application was filed) was properly excluded, even though permanently helpless.

J. M., Bath, N. Y.—A substitute for a drafted man, who enlisted in the navy for three years in July, 1864, was entitled to and doubtless received $100 bounty when discharged, as he served over two years.

Newport News, Va.—The rate of invalid pension under the general law for loss of a leg above the knee is $46. If amputated above the middle point between knee and hip joints, the rate is $55. The loss of the leg must be due to causes originating in service and line of duty. If pensioned under the act of June 27, 1890, the rate would be $12, the highest rate allowed under the act for any sort or degree of disability.

L. G., Onarga, Ill.—The rate for loss of an eye or sight of an eye was "one-half of total" (which in case of enlisted men was $4 per month) until April 3, 1884, when the rate for loss of sight of an eye was increased to "total" ($8 for enlisted men) and the rate for "loss of an eye with deformity" was increased to $17.

S. H. M., Washington, Kan.—If the soldier enlisted after the war of the rebellion is now held to have terminated, and his death cannot be shown due to his service and line of duty, his widow cannot obtain pension under any existing law.

H. C. F., Clam Falls, Wis.—All applications for pension must be made to the "Commissioner of Pensions, Washington, D. C." As your service was rendered after the war of the rebellion, it will be necessary for you to prove your present disabled condition as in some material degree due to your service. If you are not familiar with the practice and requirements of the Pension Bureau, it may be well for you to employ a competent pension attorney. No fee for services will be required unless the case is successful.

G. W. S., Oakland, W. Va.—If there were any special instructions to be issued to cover the soldiers' examination, and the examination made simply on the soldier's order in the absence of the instructions from the Pension Bureau did not happen to comply with the instructions, a re-examination will quite likely be ordered. As a rule the rates recommended by Examining Surgeons are "shaved" by the Pension Bureau. For obtaining widow's pension under the general law a fee not exceeding $25 will be allowed, but a contract for the amount of fee agreed upon must be filed in duplicate with the Commissioner of Pensions or a fee of only $10 will be allowed. If you do not hear from your examination within six months, you may begin to get anxious.

J. O. B., Denton, Tex.—As the attorney's fee comes out of the pension and the pension is to be held up to reimburse the Government for former pension illegally drawn, it is held that no fee can be paid the attorney till the Government is reimbursed. If the attorney received no notice of the allowance, it might be well for him to look to his right to recognition in the case.

B. F. S., Youngsville, Pa.—If the parties were actually married, the fact can be shown by the testimony of the minister or other person present, in the absence of record evidence of the marriage. The "marriage certificate" is not a high order of proof of marriage.

J. N., Evergreen, N. Y.—Unless the amputation is at or above the knee, only $40 per month can be allowed.

H. C., National Military Home, Kans.—As an inmate of the Home you are subject to regulations with regard to pension money. If you are a married man, it is quite possible that your wife has claimed half your pension in accordance with the act of March 3, 1899.

J. M. T., Cynthiana, Ky.—All increases of act of 1890 pension commence from date of medical examination.

Mrs. W. R. H., Fulton, N. Y.—Children claiming pension under the act of June 27, 1890, must be under 16 years at date of filing application.

Farewell Banquet

The California Loyal Legion gave a farewell banquet, Saturday evening, Aug. 22, at the Occidental Hotel. Col. E. A. Denicke, Commander of the Loyal Legion, presided, and on his left was Commander-in-Chief Black. Among those who were present were Corporal James Tanner, Col. J. C. Courier, Gen. E. A. Carr, Gen. S. W. Backus, Gen. E. Torrance, Gen. Stewart, Col. J. B. Fuller, Admiral O. W. Farenholt, U. S. N.; Judge L. W. Collins, Gen. C. A. Woodruff, U. S. A.; Col. C. Mason Kinne, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief; Gen. George Stone, Col. W. R. Smedberg, who has been recorder of California Commandery, Loyal Legion, for 33 years; Maj.-Gen. George B. Dandy, Col. W. R. Parnell, Gen. N. P. Chipman, Gen. E. S. Solomon, Gen. Charles A. Coolidge, Gen. L. H. Rucker and Gen. M. S. Bisbee.

Wisconsin Veterans.

About 600 Wisconsin veterans held a Reunion in San Francisco at B'nai B'rith Hall, and Past Commander-in-Chief A. G. Weissert, who served in the 8th Wis., called the meeting to order. Speeches were made by Department Commander J. P. Rundle, Ass't Adjt.-Gen. Wade H. Richardson, and Gen. Oscar H. La Grange, the gallant old Colonel of the 1st Wis. Cav., now Governor of the Soldiers' Home in Santa Monica.

The Signal Corps.

The National Veterans Signal Corps Association held their Annual Convention in San Francisco with a banquet in the evening. Lieut. George C. Round, of Virginia, presided. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Col. E. A. Denicke, President; A. D. Frankenberry, Vice-President; C. W. Marcy, Secretary; O. H. Kelly, Treasurer; Professor Martin R. Andrews, Chaplain.

Land in New Mexico.

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: My penmanship made The National Tribune, July 16, say, "Congress should purchase the surplus public land grants in New Mexico, and open them to homeseekers." I wrote "public land grants." As the Indians have several million acres, our people should not be obliged to go to Manitoba or Canada for homesteads. If immigrants would come down to New Mexico, and camp along the borders of these waste lands, Congress would open them to the public without delay, as it did in the Black Hills, and the "boys" and their boys will have a chance to make the new State a good black Republican instead of a Democratic State as politicians are planning.—S. H. BOGARDUS, Wallace, N. M.

Alaska's Agriculture.

It is not generally known that large sections of Alaska are suited for farming and gardening. Such crops as oats, wheat, rye, barley, and flax have been raised, and vegetables—potatoes, turnips, beets, peas, celery, etc., grow in abundance. The tillable and pasture land of the Territory, at a conservative estimate, amounts to 100,000 square miles, and will support 3,000,000 people.

Work of the Pension Office.

The report of certificates issued for the week ended September 5 shows:

Army Invalids: Original, 3; increase, 412; reissue, 18; restoration, 3; renewal, 41; supplemental, 7; duplicate, 6; accrued, 98. Total, 588.

Army Widows, etc.: Original, 65; restoration, 2; renewal, 29; supplemental, 1; duplicate, 2; accrued, 1. Total, 100.

Navy Invalids: Original, 3; increase, 4; renewal, 1. Total, 8.

Old Wars Widows: Original, 1.

Army Invalids (war with Spain): Original, 93; increase, 4; reissue, 2; restoration, 4. Total, 103.

Army Widows, etc. (war with Spain): Original, 27.

Navy Invalids (war with Spain): Original, 7; increase, 1. Total, 8.

Army Invalids—Regular Establishment: Original, 5; increase, 11. Total, 16.

Army Widows, etc.—Regular Establishment: Original, 2.

Navy Invalids—Regular Establishment: Original, 2; increase, 1; restoration, 1; renewal, 1. Total, 5.

Army Invalids (act of June 27, 1890): Original, 274; increase, 1,030; additional, 189; reissue, 12; restoration, 35; renewal, 42; supplemental, 4; duplicate, 5; accrued, 157. Total, 1,748.

Army Widows, etc. (act of June 27, 1890): Original, 287; restoration, 1; renewal, 1; supplemental, 1; duplicate, 6; accrued, 4. Total, 300.

Navy Invalids (act of June 27, 1890): Original, 31; increase, 55; reissue, 1; renewal, 5; accrued, 2. Total, 94.

Navy Widows, etc. (act of June 27, 1890): Original, 4.

Mexican War Survivors: Increase, 2; reissue, 67; restoration, 1; supplemental, 12; accrued, 5. Total, 87.

Mexican War Widows: Original, 16; supplemental, 1. Total, 17.

Indian Wars (1832-1842) Survivors: Original, 43; accrued, 4. Total, 47.

Indian Wars (1832-42) Widows: Original, 9.

Totals—Original, 872; increase, 1,539; additional, 189; reissue, 100; restoration, 47; renewal, 120; supplemental, 26; duplicate, 19; accrued, 271. Total, 3,164.

MUSTERED OUT.

CLARK.—At Freeport, Ill., June 8, Benj. R. Clark, Co. G, 42d Ill., aged 77. He was a member of John A. Davis Post, 8.

HOUSE.—At Freeport, Ill., July 9, Wm. House, Co. K, 20th Wis., aged 56. Comrade House was a member of W. J. McKimm Post, 721.

KING.—At Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 9, Rufus King, Sergeant, Co. C, 23d Mo., aged 72. He is survived by a widow, four daughters and two sons.

KOSTENBADER.—At Freeport, Ill., Aug. 21, Daniel Kostenbader, Co. K, 46th Ill., aged 88 years. Comrade Kostenbader enlisted Nov. 1, 1861. He was a member of John A. Davis Post, 98.

WALTERSDORFF.—At Blooming Grove, Pa., Aug. 29, Noah Van Waltersdorff, Sergeant, Co. D, 76th Pa., aged 68. Comrade Waltersdorff was wounded in both legs below the knees, and also in the right hip, at Pocataligo, Ga., Oct. 22, 1862. The bullet had never been extracted.

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