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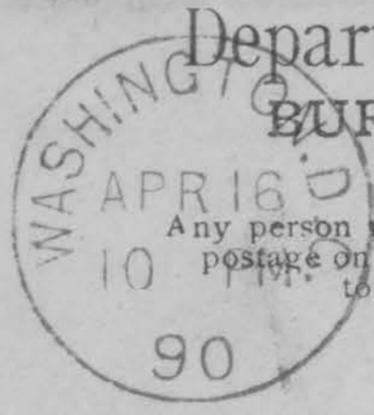
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Catharina Beerman
 No 733 Plum Street,
 Widow of Wilhelm Beerman
 Private Co. "A" - 31st. U. S. Infantry
 Widow's Claim No 405-661.
 Claim filed Sep. 12th. 89.
 Claim allowed Aug. 7. 90.
 Certificate No. 274030. Roll 26.
 Rate \$12. per mo. ^{any} \$2. for each child.

Catharina Beerman,
 Plum St.

St Paul

Minn.



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 BUREAU OF PENSIONS.

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RECORD DIVISION.

ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF CLAIM.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C.,

Oct. 8, 1890.

Sir: The application of Katharina Bergerman
for pension has been received as wid, of Wilhelm Berger-
man Co. A 31, Reg't U. S. Inf,
and given No. 274, 030

All communications in relation to the claim addressed to this Bureau, and each piece of evidence, must contain or have indorsed thereon the State from which the soldier served, his company, battery, regiment, or other military organization, AND THE NUMBER OF THE CLAIM.

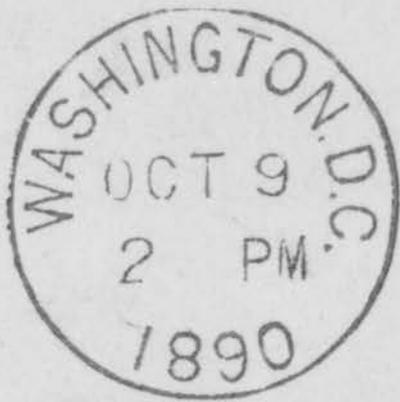
Very respectfully,

Geo B Raum

Commissioner.

Under Act June 27, 1890.

Beerman. Oct. 8. 90.



Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS.

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Chas. J. Lewis
Lewis Bluck, 7th & Jackson
St. Paul, Minn.

Room 5.

M. J. M.

(3-165 b.)

CERTIFICATE DIVISION.

(NOTICE OF ISSUE AND FEES.)

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Madam: Aug. 7, 1890.

Inclosed herewith is a Certificate, No. 274,030, for Orig. pension, this day issued in your favor.

The Pension Agent at Milwaukee, upon whose rolls your name is to be inscribed, will forward to you properly prepared vouchers, and, when these shall have been duly executed and returned to him, will transmit directly to your address a check for the pension then due.

Your recognized attorney is Charles J. Stees of St. Paul, Minn., whose fee is Twenty five dollars, which is payable by the Pension Agent.

Very respectfully,

Gwen B. Rowan Commissioner.

Katharina Berman, St. Paul, Minn.

The Act of July 4, 1884, provides that the fee for the prosecution of a pension claim shall be \$10 only, unless a larger fee, not exceeding \$25, is agreed upon under a special written contract. The fee will be paid to the attorney, or other person entitled thereto, by the Pension Agent out of the pension allowed. Should the attorney or other person demand or receive for his services any greater compensation, he would subject himself to the penalties provided in the statute, as follows:

Any agent or attorney or other person instrumental in prosecuting any claim for pension or bounty land who shall directly or indirectly contract for, demand, or receive or retain any greater compensation for his services or instrumentality in prosecuting a claim for pension or bounty land than is herein provided, or for payment thereof at any other time or in any other manner than is herein provided, or who shall wrongfully withhold from a pensioner or claimant the whole or any part of the pension or claim allowed and due such pensioner or claimant, or the land-warrant issued to any such claimant, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall for every such offense be fined not exceeding \$500, or imprisoned at hard labor not exceeding two years, or both, in the discretion of the court.

FOR ORIGINAL.

United States Agency,

FOR PAYING PENSIONS.

MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Oct 13 1890

Mr. Katharina Beerman

Your pay on account of pension from

July 14, 1879 to Sept 4, 1890

139 months and 20 days at \$14-12-14+14

per month, is \$1991²⁰

Less Attorney's Fee, \$25

Check attached for \$1966²⁰

Execute the voucher enclosed herewith on or after

4th day of Dec, 1890

Very Respectfully,

A. B. JUDD, U. S. Pension Agent.

Widow.
INVALID.

(3-192.)

O. N. & N. Division.

J. J. L. Examiner.

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C., Nov 30th, 1891

Sir:

In reply to your inquiry relative to the pension claim No. 274030
of Katharina Beerman for widow's pension, under
Act of June 27/90, as the widow of Wilhelm Beerman
of Co. A, 31st Reg't U. S. Inf.

you are informed that it ^{is} ~~was~~ rejected

on the ground that the claim
confers no benefit on claimant as she has been
granted a pension under general law.

A rejected claim will not be reopened except upon new and material evidence
pertaining to the cause of rejection.

Very respectfully,

James B. Ramm

Commissioner.

Charles J. Stees Esq.
St. Paul.

Winn

N.

(3-040 a.)

RECORD DIVISION.

ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF CLAIM.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C., *Oct. 5*, 189*0*.

Sir: Your claim for pension has been received, recorded, and given a number as below, and will be taken up for action in its regular turn. The intervening time can be employed in preparing necessary evidence.

Your claim is entitled _____ No. *274,030*

_____ Co. *A*, *31* Reg't *H - S. Inf*

and in all communications relative thereto be sure and state the same in full, as above. Very respectfully,

Geo B Raum

Commissioner.

Under Act June 27, 1890.

Referred to files - Oct: 22. 90.



WASHINGTON, D.C.
OCT 9
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1890

~~Department of the Interior,~~

~~BUREAU OF PENSIONS.~~

~~OFFICIAL BUSINESS.~~

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Margherita Bertram

733 Plum St.

St. Paul,

Minn.



Oct. 17/90.

Dear Madam:

I inform
me at once
have you rec^d notice
of the allowance of your
claim? yours truly,

John C. Starkweather.
Attorney.

St Paul, Minn.
June 15th 1889-

Katrina Beerman, widow of Wilhelm
Beerman late printer, Co A. 3rd St. U S Infantry
enlisted March 30th 1866 - to serve 3 yrs.
discharged w/ ^{Capt. Geo. W. Hills} Surgeons Certificate Disability
Fort Lottin, D. T. Nov. 14th 1867.

Swiss B - born Osnebrack, Hannover Germany
28 yrs old - 5ft 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ in high, fair complexion, Blue
eyes, light hair, occupation a dyer.

Died Jan'y 14th 1879 - buried in New
Lutheran Cemetery; ^{Headstone ordered by Mrs. Heinlein} # 336 Van Slyke Court.

Was sick over one year - was attended by
for a ^{core knew} Dr. Stamm, about 2 months from Oct to Dec
1877 - ^{and} by Dr. Richeson, about Jan'y + Feb'y
1878

Was first taken sick - Oct + 1877 - then
after ^{above} treatment by Drs. Stamm + Richeson -
his leg grew so stiff beyond medical treat-
ment - occasional attendance made by the
Physicians - He died suddenly of apoplexy.

Mrs. Katrina Beerman + her son George
Beerman was present at death.

Dr. Richeson was called but above died
before he arrived. Dr. Meyerding officiated as
Undertaker -
Will wait for Dr. Stamms return from Europe in July.

COPY.

Honorable Discharge
and
General Statement

Concerning
Wilhelm Beerman
Private Co "A" 31st
Reg't U. S. Infantry.

St Paul. Minn.

Sep. 25. 89.

Sir:

Enclosed please find Declaration,
Medical evidence and Fee Agreements with
Fee of Katharina Beerman widow of
Wilhelm Beerman, who enlisted March 30.
1866, as a private in Co "A" - 31st. Infantry,
U. S. Army & was discharged Nov. 14. 1867.
and who died Jan'y 14. 1879.

Truly Yours
Chas. J. Steu

Gen Job Starkweather
Washington, D.C.

Mailed Sep. 26. 89.

St Paul, Minn.
Sep. 25. 89.

Stees, C. I.

Enclosed to Starkweather
the Declaration, Medical evidence
Fee agreements with Fee of
Mrs. Katharina Burman.

Mailed Sep. 26. 89.



Headquarters Acker Post, No. 21.

Department of Minnesota.

Grand Army of the Republic.

C. D. PARKER,
COMMANDER.

WM. O'GORMAN
ADJUTANT.

F. A. KRCH
QUARTERMASTER.

OFFICE OF THE COMMANDER, 376 JACKSON STREET,

St. Paul, Minn., June 3rd 1889.

Dear Sir:

Wilhelm Beermann - late private
Co "A" - 31st. M. S. Infantry, enlisted March
30th. 1866 - for three years & was discharged
November 14th. 1867, on Surgeon's Certificate
of Disability. He died soon afterwards.

Is the widow ^{entitled} to a Pension if
she can prove by the attending Physician
that his death was caused by & or the result
of > exposure, hardship or disease contrac-
-ted in the service.

Please answer by return mail.

Yours truly,

Chas. J. Stees,
Real Estate & Pension Claims
N. W. Cor. 7th & Minnesota.

To -

Gen. John B. Tarkenton,
Washington, D.C.

St Paul, Minn.
June 5. 89.

Steels C. J.

Write Starkweather
concerning Katharina Beerman
Widow of Wilhelm Beerman
answer inside.

Mailed June 5. 89.

MAIL DIVISION.

(3-057.)

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

July 21, 1898

SIR:

Your letter inclosing fee agreements

H Beerman dec. in the claim of

has this day been received and filed. The case will receive consideration as soon as it can be reached in its turn.

Very respectfully,

Geo B Raum

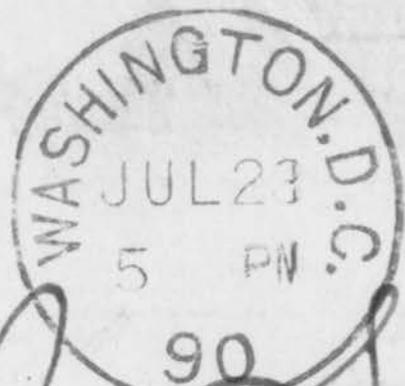
Commissioner.

No. _____

(18889—50 M.)

6—550

Ramm. Rec. July 26. 90.
Widow Bertram.



Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS.

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C. J. Stees
7 1/2 Jackson St
St. Paul Minn

Co.

MAIL DIVISION.

(3-057.)

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

6. 18, 1890.

SIR:

Your letter inclosing fee agreements

revidance

in the claim of

A. Beerman

has this day been received and filed. The case will receive consideration as soon as it can be reached in its turn.

Very respectfully,

Geo B Raum

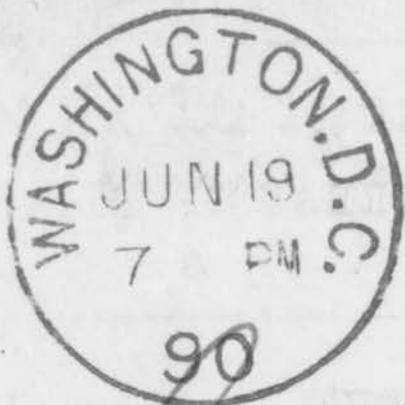
Commissioner.

No. _____

(18889—50 M.)

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Ramm - Rec. June 21.90.
Beaman - Sent. June 15.90



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BUREAU OF PENSIONS.
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C. J. Stars
Jackson & 7th St.
St Paul.
Minn
Co.

COPY.

St Paul, Minn
April 10. 90

Sir:

3 Dept calls with
Here with are the affidavits
of 2 neighbors in Katharina Beerman's
Widow's Claim No 405661 - widow of
Wilhelm Beerman private Co "A" 31st Regt
M.S. Infantry

As he was discharged for
disability I presume the Hospital record
with evidence of the Regular Army Surgeon
will cover insurance & continuance &c

From date of discharge he
had no medical attendance until he
employed Dr. Stamer, whose evidence
has been furnished & the enclosed affidavits
will cover that.

All other evidence called
for in this case has been furnished

Yours truly
Chas. J. Stees.
34 E 3rd St

To Gen. J. M. Hartman
1420 New York Ave.
Washington, D.C.

COPY.

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State Minn.

County Ramsey.

x x Katharine Beerman, claim 405661, widow Wilhelm Beerman
private lev "A" 31. U.S. Inf.

On this Jan'y 9. 90 x x Deputy Clerk Dist. Court x x Martin
Zimmerstein age 51 yrs. x x No 14 Splehart Street, St Paul,
Ramsey Co. Minn. x x being duly sworn x x "That Maria
Dorothea daughter of Wilhelm Beerman + Catharina
Beerman nee Heinlein, was born Dec. 6. 69, in
St Paul, Minn. + was baptized Jan'y 2. 70. by the
Rev. J. H. Sieker, Pastor of the German Evangelical
Lutheran Trinity Church of St Paul, Minn. Also:
Ludwig Johann son of Wilhelm + Beerman, and
Catharina Beerman nee Heinlein - his wife -
was born Dec. 30. 74 in St Paul, Minn + was
baptized Jan'y 25. 72. by the Rev. J. H. Sieker,
Pastor of the Ger. Ev. Luth. Trinity Church in
St Paul, Minn. and he further testifies that
the above facts are derived from the records
of the above named Church of which he is
the present Pastor + that they are a true copy
of the records of his Church
and he further declares &c. x x x x

<Signed> Martin Zimmerstein

State Minn.

County Ramsey

Sworn to + subscribed &c. &c. x x x

<signed> G. A. Limberg,

Dep. Clerk Dist. Court, Ramsey
County, Minnesota.

N E Qr. of N E Qr.

N W Qr. of N E Qr.

S W Qr. of N E Qr.

S E Qr. of N E Qr.

Burman

N E Qr. of N W Qr.

N W Qr. of N W Qr.

S W Qr. of N W Qr.

S E Qr. of N W Qr.

*Bridges } of Le Hill
baptism }*

Rev. Timmerman

Jan 9, 90

N E Qr. of S W Qr.

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GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Minn.

County of Ramsey.

x x Katharina Burman, Claim 405661, widow Wilhelm
Burman, private Co "A" 31. U.S. Inf.

On this Jan. 10. 90. x x Dept. Clerk Dist. Court x x Carl Gausewitz,
age 28 yrs. x x no. 422 E. 8th St. St Paul, Ramsey Co. Minn. x x

duly sworn x x That he is acquainted with the above named
Claimant Katharina Burman, & the following is a true copy
of the baptismal records of St. Johns German Lutheran Church.

"George Wilhelm a child of Wilhelm Burman & his wife
Katharina Burman nee Heinlein born at St Paul, Minn.

Feb'y 21. 1876, was baptized May 7. 76: she further testifies
that he is the present pastor of the above named
church; & that Wm Streissguth was pastor of the above
named church at the time of the above named baptism,
and he further declares &c x x x

<Signed> Carl Gausewitz.

State Minn.

County Ramsey

Sworn to & subscribed &c. &c. x x x

<Signed> J. M. Redding, Dep.

Clerk Dist. Court, Ramsey County
Minnesota

N E Qr. of N E Qr.

N W Qr. of N E Qr.

S W Qr. of N E Qr.

S E Qr. of N E Qr.

Burman

N E Qr. of N W Qr.

N W Qr. of N W Qr.

S W Qr. of N W Qr.

S E Qr. of N W Qr.

*Birth & baptism
of child*

Rev Gauswitz

N E Qr. of S W Qr.

N W Qr. of S W Qr.

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S E Qr. of S W Qr.

Jan 10 90

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GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State Minn.

County Ramsey.

x x Katharina Beerman, claim 405661, widow Wilhelm Beerman,
private co "A" 31. U. S. Inf.

On this Jan'y 10. 90. x x Clerk Dist. Court, Martin Lirnenstein

Age 57 yrs. No 14 Iglehart Street, St Paul, Ramsey Co. Minn. x x being
duly sworn x x " That he knows the above named claimant -
Katharina Beerman and knew her as ~~Katharina Heinlein and~~
~~united her in wedlock with Wilhelm Beerman~~: The following
being a true copy of the Marriage Certificate - "Marriage
Certificate" Extract from the Pastoral Books of the
German Ev. Luth. Trinity Church, in St Paul, Minn.

"This is to Certify that Wilhelm Beerman, born in
Osnabrueck, Hanover, + Katharina Heinlein, born
born in Saplach, Bavaria, were lawfully united in
Holy Wedlock, by the Pastor of the above Congregation
on the 24th day of November 1868, which is hereby
testified to by the signature of the Pastor + the seal
of the Church: Witnesses were, John Heinlein +
Marg. Heinlein." Martin Lirnenstein, Pastor:
St Paul, Minn. the 8th day of January, 1890. He
further swears that he is the identical Martin
Lirnenstein who ~~united the above named claimant~~
~~in marriage~~ copied the above marriage Certificate
from the records of the above named Church + that
he is the present Pastor of the same Church + that
the Rev. J. H. Sicker performed the marriage ceremony.
and he further declares &c. x x x x

<Signed> Martin Lirnenstein.

State Minn.

County Ramsey.

Sworn to + subscribed &c. &c. x x including words
after Beerman to the after who to copied erased x x

R. J. Connor

Clerk Dist. Court, Ramsey Co.

Minn.

N E Qr. of N E Qr.

N W Qr. of N E Qr.

S W Qr. of N E Qr.

S E Qr. of N E Qr.

Burrman

Marriage Cert

N E Qr. of N W Qr.

N W Qr. of N W Qr.

S W Qr. of N W Qr.

S E Qr. of N W Qr.

Rev. Zimmerman

Jan 10 90.

N E Qr. of S W Qr.

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St Paul, Minn.
Feb. 8. 90.

Sir:

Herewith are four General Affidavits
for Katharina Beerman, widow of Wilhelm
Beerman private Co "A" - 31st. U. S. Infantry
Widow's Claim No 405661.

The others will follow as soon as
as they can be obtained. This delay
has been caused on that account.

Yours truly,
Chas. Stees.

To -
Jno. Starkweather
Washington D.C.



Feb. 12. 90

Capt. Charles J. Stee,

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed
recd., filed + filed.
Good! Send on the
rest of evidence.

Yours truly,
John C. Starkweather,
Atty

Rec. Feb 14. 90.



December, 2/89.

Capt. Charles J. Stees,

Dear Sir:-

Your letter informing me Dept. had sent Matharina Beerman number of her claim received. We also received a card giving number. Have her comply with calls already sent.

Yours truly,

John C. Starkweather

By Son

Rec. Dec. 4. 89.

COPY.

St Paul Minn

Nov. 22. 89.

Sir,

This is to notify you that
Katharina Beerman widow of
Wilhelm Beerman, private Co "A"
31st. U. S. Inf has received a card
direct from the Pens. Dept. giving
her the number - 405661 of her claim

Yours truly
Charles

To -

Gen Jno Starkweather,
Washington,
D.C.

DECLARATION FOR WIDOW'S PENSION.

Act of June 27, 1890.

NOTE.—This can be executed before any officer authorized to administer oaths for general purposes. If such officer uses a seal, certificate of Clerk of Court is not necessary. If no seal is used, then such certificate must be attached.

State of Minnesota, County of Ramsey, ss:

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

personally appeared before me, a Notary Public

within and for the County and State aforesaid, Katharina Beerman,

aged _____ years, a resident of

the St Paul of St Paul, County of Ramsey, State of

Minnesota, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is the widow of

Wilhelm Beerman who enlisted under the name of Wilhelm Beerman

at _____, on the 30 day of March

A. D. 1866, in Co. "A." 31st U. S. O.

(Here state rank, company, and regiment, if in the Military service; or vessel, if in Navy.)

and served at least ninety days in the late war of the Rebellion, who was HONORABLY DISCHARGED November

14/1867, and died January 14/1879

(The cause of death need not be stated.)

That she was married under the name of Katharina Weirlein, to said

Wilhelm Beerman, on the 24 day of November

1866, by Rev. H. Dicker, at St Paul, Minnesota

there being no legal barrier to such marriage.

(If there was a former marriage of claimant or her husband, state it here and how dissolved.)

That she has not remarried since the death of the said Wilhelm Beerman.

(Name of soldier or sailor.)

That she is without other means of support than her daily labor. That names and dates of birth of all the children now living under sixteen years of age of the soldier are as follows:

_____, born _____, 18_____

That she has heretofore applied for pension and the number of her former application is *405,661.

(Be careful to fill this part of the blank correctly.)

That she makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States under the provisions of the Act of June 27, 1890. She hereby appoints

John W. Starkweather of Washington, D. C.

her true and lawful attorney to prosecute her claim, and she directs that the sum of ten dollars be paid him for his

services.

That her post office address is *733- Plum St., St Paul,

_____, County of Ramsey, State of Minnesota.

(Signature of Claimant.)

(Two witnesses who can write, sign here.)

Also personally appeared _____, residing at _____, and _____, residing at _____, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say they were present and saw _____ claimant, sign her name (or make her mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe from the appearance of said claimant and an acquaintance with her of _____ years and _____ years, respectively, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be; and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

(Signatures of witnesses.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, A. D. 189_____

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.

(Official Signature.)

[L. S.]

(Official Character.)

The Act of June 27, 1890, requires, in widow's case:

1. That the soldier served at least NINETY DAYS in the War of the Rebellion and was HONORABLY DISCHARGED.
2. Proof of soldier's death (death cause need not have been due to Army service).
3. That widow is "without other means of support than her daily labor."
4. That widow was married to soldier prior to June 27, 1890, date of the Act.
5. That all pensions under this act commence from date of receipt of application (executed after the passage of act) in Pension Bureau.

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\$1.00
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WIDOW'S CLAIM.

Act of June 27, 1890.

Claimant *Katharine Buman*

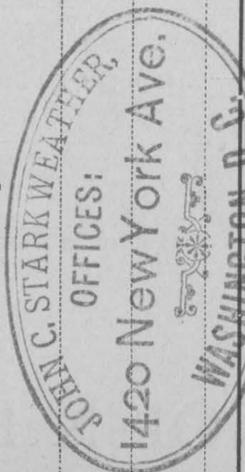
Soldier _____

Service _____

Address _____

Date of Execution _____

Filed by



Printed and for sale by J. H. SOULE, Washington, D. C.

OFFICES
No. 1420 New York Ave.
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Aug. 27. 90.

Dear Madam:

I in re your claim
I would, ask have you given Capt
Chas J. Stees a power of Attorney
authorizing him to act in your
case? If so, when, and for what
reason - Inform me at once

Yours truly,

John C. Starkweather,
Cm.



NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE.

Mrs. Katherine Beerman,
#733 - Plum St.,
St Paul,
Minn.



Aug. 8. 90.

Dear Madam:-

I send you herewith a declaration under the new law (Act June, 27. 90) which gives you a pension from date of filing said declaration. Execute said paper before a Notary Public and return same to me with \$1. to cover all incidental expenses. I will then get you a pension of eight dollars a month, which will in no way prevent you from completing your old case which is now pending. Don't delay but hurry this up, so others will not get ahead of you, as cases are taken up in the order in which

they are filed. No fee unless you
get your money.

Yours truly,

John B. Starkweather,

Attorney.

Mrs. Katharina Beerman.



aw. 30.) 90.

Capt. Chas. Stees,

Dear Sir:-

I am re the claim of Katharina Beermann, #405,661 as the widow of Wilhelm Beermann, private Co, A 31st U.S. Infy. I have just written her for the required testimony. Please see that she does the same & hurry her up about it, there is no time to lose. Dept called for it Nov. 28/89 & stated as follows. — Dept wants evidence whether claimant has remarried since the soldiers death. Medical evidence as to the soldiers physical condition at date of discharge & return home from the Army & progress etc from then till death. Marriages should be shown. Of soldiers or claimant —

had been previously married the death or
divorce of the former wife or husband
should be shown. "Dates of childrens births"
Above has been sent you with blanks + full
instruction to comply - but have had no
response - "Runny this matter up!!"

Yours truly,

John C. Starkweather,
Attorney

Rec Feb 3, 90.
Ans. Feb. 8, 90.



Oct 5/89.

Dear Sir

Application Fee papers & affidavit Dr. Stamm in case of Katharine Beerman rec^d, filed & filed. #1 rec^d Following evidence is necessary.

Prove occurrence as to time place & circumstances by officer or 2 comrades.

Show by medical evidence or 2 neighbors, his condition at date of discharge & from then to date of death — (Dr. Stamm only cover last sickness) — Have her prove by sworn certified copy of Public Record her marriage & also birth of child. If not obtainable

then prove marriage by minister
or 2 witnesses & birth of child
by Dr or attendant —

Send affidavit 2 neighbors showing
that she has not remarried since
soldier's death & that neither she
nor soldier had been previously
married

Yours &c
Jno. C. Starkweather
per R.

RECORD DIVISION.

ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF CLAIM.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Yours

Washington, D. C. *Nov 8th*, 1889.

Sir: The application of *Katherine Beerman*
for pension has been received as *widow*, of *Wilhelm*
Beerman, Co. *A 31*, Reg't *U. S. Inf*,
and given No. *402 = 661*.

All communications in relation to the claim addressed to this Bureau, and each piece of evidence, must contain or have indorsed thereon the State from which the soldier served, his company, battery, regiment or other military organization, AND THE NUMBER OF THE CLAIM.

Very respectfully,

Green B. Ramm
James James

Commissioner.



Department of the Interior,
BUREAU OF PENSIONS.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

Any person using this card to avoid the payment of postage on private matter of any kind will be subject to a fine of Three Hundred Dollars.

Katharina Beerman

733 Plum St

St Paul

Miss



November, 20. 89.

Capt. Charles J. Stees,

Dear Sir:-

The enclosed Department calls (3) need no further explanation. Enclosed please find blanks to comply. On Oct. 5/89. we sent you blanks & full instructions, if any evidence has been obtained it will probably comply with these calls. When fully completed return all to me.

Yours truly,

John C. Starkweather.
By Son.

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GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Minnesota, County of Ramsay, ss:

In the matter of Katharina Beerman, Claim No 405661, widow of Wilhelm Beerman, Private of Co. "A" 31st U. S. Infantry,

ON THIS 28th day of January February A. D. 1890; personally appeared before me Clerk of the District Court in and for the aforesaid County duly authorized to administer oaths,

Louis Eisenmeyer aged 50 years, a resident of St Paul

in the County of Ramsay and State of Minnesota

whose Post Office address is No 455 Wabasha Street, St Paul, Minnesota

John Burch aged 59 years, a resident of St Paul

in the County of Ramsay and State of Minnesota

whose Post Office address is No 41 Dearborn Street, St Paul, Minn.

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

That they are neighbors of the above named claimant &

[NOTE.—Affiants should state how they gain a knowledge of the facts to which they testify.]

know Wilhelm Beerman, private Co. "A" 31st Regt. U. S. Infantry at the time he was mustered out of the service & they know that he suffered very much from inflammation in his left knee joint, the result of working in water, that finally his leg grew so stiff that it got beyond control of medical treatment & continued to grow worse & worse until he got suppuration in said left knee joint, finally resulting in death, on or about January 14th 1879. The cause of which was no doubt the result of exposure & disability contracted in military service while in line of duty, which was the cause of his discharge from military service at Fort Totten, Dakota, Nov. 14th 1867, which was on account of the Surgeon's Certificate of disability. Affiants further testify that the above named Wilhelm Beerman suffered greatly from his left knee joint at the date of his muster out & so continued to suffer up to the date of his death & they testify to the above facts from their own personal observation & knowledge, association and intercourse with the said Wilhelm Beerman

and they further declare that *they have* no interest in said case and *they are* not concerned in its prosecution.

<Signed> John Burch,

< do > Louis Eisenmeyer.
(Signature of Affiants.)

(If Affiants sign by mark, two persons who can write sign here.)

STATE OF Minnesota, COUNTY OF Ramsey, ss.

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

and acquainted them with its contents before they executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution; and that said affiant~~s~~ are personally known to me and that they are credible person~~s~~.

< Signed > R. J. O'Connor
(Official Signature.)

[L. S.]

Clerk District Court, Ramsey County,
(Official Character.) Minn.

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

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

[L. S.]

Clerk of the.....

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

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ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

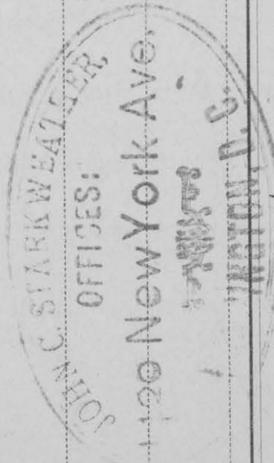
CLAIM OF
Katharina Beeman,
Widow of Wilhelm Beeman
Private Co. "A" - 31st U. S. Inf. Regt.

AFFIDAVIT OF

John Buche and
Louis Eisenmenger.
February 28th 1890.

Mailed April 10, 90.

Filed by



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Training

Wilhelm Beermann

Catherina Beermann of Heinsien,

grain in St. Paul, Minn

Jan 24. November 1868

King J. Sch. H. Sicker, paper to

Seiffen, on leg. Drifflingh's farm

in St. Paul, Minn.

COPY.

Widow's Declaration for Pension or Increase of Pension.

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

State of Minnesota, County of Ramsay, ss:

ON THIS 12th day of September, A. D. one thousand, eight hundred and eighty nine personally appeared before me a Clerk of the District Court, a Court of Record within and for the County and State aforesaid Katharina Beerman

aged 57 years, who, being duly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration in order to obtain the Pension provided by Acts of Congress granting pension to widows: That she is the widow of Wilhelm

Beerman, who enlisted under the name of Wilhelm Beerman

at _____, on the 30th day of March A. D. 1866

in Co "A" 31st M. S. Infantry
(Company and Regiment of service, if in the army, or vessel and rank if in the navy.)

in the war of _____ who died
(State nature of wounds and all circumstances attending them, or the

disease and manner in which it was incurred, in either case showing soldier's death to have been the sequence.)

_____ on the 14th day of January, A. D. 1879, who bore at the time of his death the rank of _____ in _____
(“In the service aforesaid,” or otherwise.)

that she was married under the name of Katharina Heinlein to said Wilhelm

Beerman on the 24th day of November A. D. 1868 by

the Rev. H. Sicken at St. Paul, Minn. there being no legal

barrier to such marriage; that neither she nor her husband had been previously married _____
(If either have been previously married so state,

and give date of death or divorce of former spouse.)

that she has to present date remained his widow; that the following are the names and dates of birth of all his legitimate children yet surviving who were under sixteen years of age at father's death, viz:

- George Wilhelm Beerman of soldier by Wilhelm Beerman, born February 21st 1876
- _____ of soldier by _____, born _____ 18____
- _____ of soldier by _____, born _____ 18____
- _____ of soldier by _____, born _____ 18____
- _____ of soldier by _____, born _____ 18____
- _____ of soldier by _____, born _____ 18____
- _____ of soldier by _____, born _____ 18____

That she has not abandoned the support of any one of her children, but that they are still under her care or maintenance.

_____ (For such children as are not under her care claimant should account.

that she has not in any manner engaged in, or aided or abetted, the rebellion in the United States; that no prior application has been filed _____
(If prior application has been filed, either by soldier or widow, so state, giving number assigned to it.

_____ that she hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation, Gen. John C. Starkweather of Washington, D.C.

her attorney to prosecute the above claim; that her residence is No. 733 Plum street

St Paul, Minn. and her Post Office address is no 733 Plum Street,
St Paul, Minn.

<Signed> Patrick Birch

<Signed> Katharina Beerman
(Signature of Claimant.)

< do > Andrew E. Peterson
(Two witnesses who can write must sign here.)

PHYSICIAN'S AFFIDAVIT.

TAKE NOTICE.—The affidavit should, if possible, be in the handwriting of the affiant; the marginal instructions must be carefully observed before writing out the statement. All the facts in possession of affiant as to the origin and continuance of the disability should be fully set forth, and the dates of treatment should be specifically given. If the affidavit is prepared from memoranda in possession of the physician, that fact should be stated.

State of Minnesota, County of Ramsey, ss:

In the Pension Claim No. _____

of Mrs. Katherine Beerman, widow of Wilhelm Beerman, late of private in Co "A" 31st Regt. U. S. Infantry
(Company and regiment of service, if in the army; or vessel and rank if in the navy.)

Personally came before me, a Deputy-Clark of the District Court in and for the aforesaid County and State G. Stamm, M.D. a citizen of St. Paul, Ramsey Co. Minn. whose Post Office address is Seven Corners, St Paul Minnesota,

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

That he is a Practicing Physician, and that he has been acquainted with said soldier for about 22 years, and that he attended him during his sickness on or about January 14th 1879, for an inflammation of his left-knee joint, the result of working in the water while in the service in the line of his duty: His leg grew so stiff that it got beyond Medical treatment and only required occasional attendance by a physician: That said Beerman got in the time when I saw him suppuration of the said knee joint and by that Pyemia resulting in death on January 14th, 1879.

The cause of which was without doubt in my mind the result of exposure and disability, contracted in the military service

NOTES.
 The Physician's Affidavit must show the following facts:
 1st. Whether or not he knew the soldier prior to enlistment; the length of time he has known him how intimately and what opportunities he has had of observing his physical condition, whether as his family physician or as a neighbor; and how near he has lived to him. If he knew that the soldier was a sound man at enlistment, he should so state, adding, if true, that had he been unsound, he would have known it.
 2d. If he treated claimant while in the service either as his regimental surgeon or while claimant was home on furlough, that fact should be stated. The claimant's physical condition at such times should be clearly shown, as well as the NATURE OF HIS DISABILITY and dates of treatment.
 3d. If he has treated soldier since discharge he should so state, giving the date of his first treatment; what his physical condition was at the time, with complete diagnosis of the disability; the period during which he treated him should be stated, with dates as near as possible, of the prescriptions.
 4th. The extent or degree to which claimant has been unable to perform manual labor during each year from discharge to the present time

COPY.

MEDICAL EVIDENCE.

AFFIDAVIT OF

G. Stamm, M.D.

CLAIM OF

Mrs. Katharina Bernman

Widow of Wilhelm Bernman

Reside at Co. A. 31st M. S. Infantry

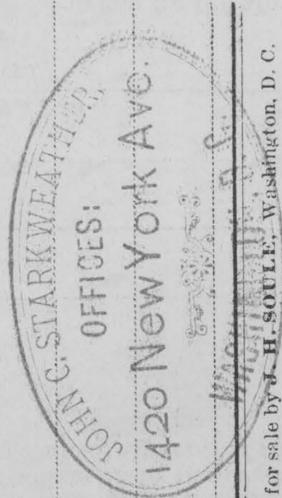
for

Widow's Pension.

Executed Sep. 12. 89.

Mailed Sep. 26. 89.

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He further declares that he has been a practitioner of medicine for 22 years, and that he has no interest, either direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

{ signed G. Stamm, M.D. (Affiant's Signature. Give rank and service, if in the army.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of September A. D. 1889

and I hereby certify that the affiant is a practicing physician in good professional standing; that the contents of the above declaration, &c., were fully made known to him 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.

{ signed H. W. Wack (Official Signature.) Deputy Clerk District Court, Ramsey County, Minn. (Official Character,)

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

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

[L. S.] Clerk of the

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St Paul, Minn.
April 24. 90.

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over

Katrina Beerman

Has 3 Children +
Maria Dorothea -

Born Dec 6 - 69 -
Baptized Jan 2 - 70,

Ludwig Johann

Born Dec. 30, 71.
Baptized Jan 25, 72

George Wilhelm -

Born Feb 21, 76,
Baptized May 7, 76

See affidts of Pastors
of Church +

Wilhelm Beerman
enlisted Mar 30 - 66
Discharged Nov 14, 67
Died Jan'y 14, 79,

2^o
over Beerman

In reply to yours
< April 15 - 90 - enclosed >
I would state I do desire to claim
Such evidence has been
increase of children - other than
furnished your dept
Gen. Wilhelm -
 thro' Stark - my atty,
giving full names,
births & baptisms of
children as per affidts
of the 2 Ministers of the
Evangel. Luth. Church

See Slip 4

Ans to 2^d I -
affidts < I think >
of Burch & Susan Meyer
cover that -

If any thing further
is required or add'l
evidence + affidts desired
please inform me &

31

Beerman &

— " —

Add to Burch
+ Greenmeyer aff'd't

And the condition of
his left knee, from its
appearance + symptoms
was greatly inflamed
& suppurating which
existed from the
date of his discharge
to his last illness
& death -

51

Burman

If it is necessary
to furnish new
affdts as to children

& to condition of
my husband's knee
prior to death -
please let me know,

If it's not contra-
-ary to rules of our
dpt - please let
me know why my
Atty - Stark - has
been debarred from
prac. by your
Bureau & if it will
be necessary to furnish
all my evidence anew
with new affdts,

Beerman

See her files - if there's
not a letter from Ramm
to Davis - showing what
he had done in her
case to please Davis.

Shall I write Ramm
I will examine her
files before refunding
the \$25-

Katharine Beerman #274030

Widow Wilhelm Co "a" 31 U S Inf.

Write up a history of dates from
commencement of claim to
the allowance thereof.

Who was Foyen's Attorney?

Ditto Shumaker's?

Examine their claims.

Do bill filed against

Starkweather's Estate

Is not this letter the result
of that claim filed?

Recognized as Claim Agent
June 9th 1890.

See date of Beerman's
Power of Attorney

What will be the result
of not refunding \$25.

Who will get it
when I return it.

Have I not a right to
ask who is the Attorney
if I am not?

What do you advise
me to do.

I have signed my name
as attorney for Claimants.

over.

See Foyen's Exam'n
order.

(3-469.)

Bureau of Pensions.

Mrs. Bertram

Application No.

405661

Certificate No.

274,030

NAME OF SOLDIER,

Wilhelm Bertram

Co. "A",

31st Reg't U.S.A.

INFORMATION DESIRED.



Sept. 12/90

Mrs. Katharine Bertram,
Dear Madam:-

On Aug. 5/90 your claim was certified to the Certificate Division for allowance. Good Notice thereof will soon be sent you. Yours truly,

John C. Starkweather.
Atty. Gen.

LAW DIVISION.

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Department of the Interior.

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C., June 24, 1890

Sir

The application to have *Widow* pension claim,
No. 405,661, of *Wilhelm Beerman*
U. S. Inf
placed upon the list of "Completed Files," has been received.

The allegations therein, complying substantially with the
requirements of Order No. 151, dated January 6, 1890, the
claim will be placed in the "Completed Files."

Very respectfully,

Green B. Ransom
Commissioner.

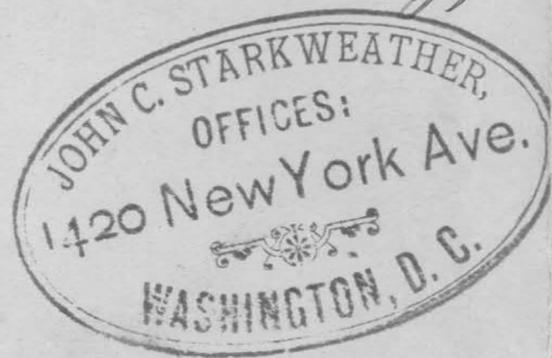
To: *J. C. Starkweather*

Rec. June 27. 90.

Burman, Katharine
Placidus Corn files June 24, 95

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April, 15/90.

Captain Charles J. Stees,
Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 10th, with
inclosing 3 (three) Department
letters & one affidavit (two
neighbors) in Mr. Katharina
Bernman's claim is received.
Good!! I believe the claim
to be fully established.

Yours truly,
John C. Starkweather.
Attorney

Rec. April 17.90.

Washington, D.C.
April 15. 90.

Starkweather, J. C.

Receives three Departm't

Letters + Affidavit of two

Neighbors for Katharina Beerman.

Good!!!

Rec'd April 17. 90.

Mrs. Katharina Beerman.

733 Plum Street. Original Widow's Claim,
405-661. Widow of Wilhelm Beerman, Private Co "A" -
31st U. S. Infantry.

Required.

1. Evidence showing whether Claimant remarried.
2. Medical evidence showing soldier's physical condition at date of discharge + return home from the army, nature + symptoms of disease + c.
3. ~~Date~~ Marriage of soldier to applicant must be shown - also, if soldier or claimant were previously married it must be shown.
4. Date of birth of child must be proven by verified record or attending physician or attendants + c.
5. Prove insurance as to time, place + circumstances by Com. Officer or two comrades.
- 6 } Show by medical evidence or two neighbors
7 } his condition at date of discharge.
- 7 Discharged on Surgeon's certificate of disability at Fort Totten, D. T. Nov. 14th 1867.

1.3.4 Genl Affidts furnished,

Inquiries
for
Mrs Katharina Beerman

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State Minn.

COPY.

County of Ramsey.

x x Katharina Beerman, claim 405661 - widow of
Wilhelm Beerman, late private Co. "A" - 31st. U. S. Inf.

On this Jan. 10. 90. x x Clerk Dist. Court x x Fred Lindeke,
age 35 yrs. St Paul, Ramsey Co. Minn. No 467 E. 6th Street.

x Geo. E. Hess. age 57 yrs. P. O. address 449 E. 7th St. St Paul,
Ramsey Co. Minn. x x duly sworn x x

"They are neighbors
of above named claimant & have known her for at least
20 yrs. & that she has not remarried, but still remains
the widow of Wilhelm Beerman, that they know the above
facts from being neighbors of above named claimant,
for 20 yrs. & from personal knowledge & observation & she
could not have remarried without their knowledge of the
fact

and they further declare &c. x x x

signed - Fred Lindeke.

Geo. E. Hess

State of Minn.

County of Ramsey.

Sworn to & subscribed &c. &c. x x x

Henry J. Bridert -
Deputy
Clerk Dist. Court, Ramsey Co.
Minn.

N E Qr. of N E Qr.

N W Qr. of N E Qr.

S W Qr. of N E Qr.

S E Qr. of N E Qr.

Beeman

Not re-married

N E Qr. of N W Qr.

N W Qr. of N W Qr.

S W Qr. of N W Qr.

S E Qr. of N W Qr.

*Affects 2 neighbors
Lindela & Hess*

Jan 10 90

N E Qr. of S W Qr.

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