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Act June 27, 1890.

John A. Blackburn, 307 Nelson Ave.  
Dadler Co "G" 10" Regt Mo. Cav. Vols.

Executed - July 13, 1892.

Recorded - August 11, 1892.

Number - 1124392.

Exam. Order Rec. Dec. 23, 1892.

Do. Returns - Jan'y 21, 1893.

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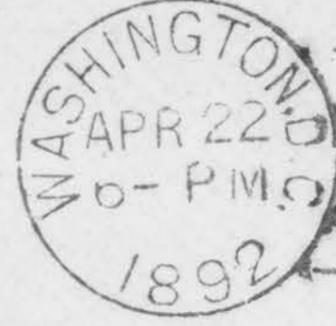
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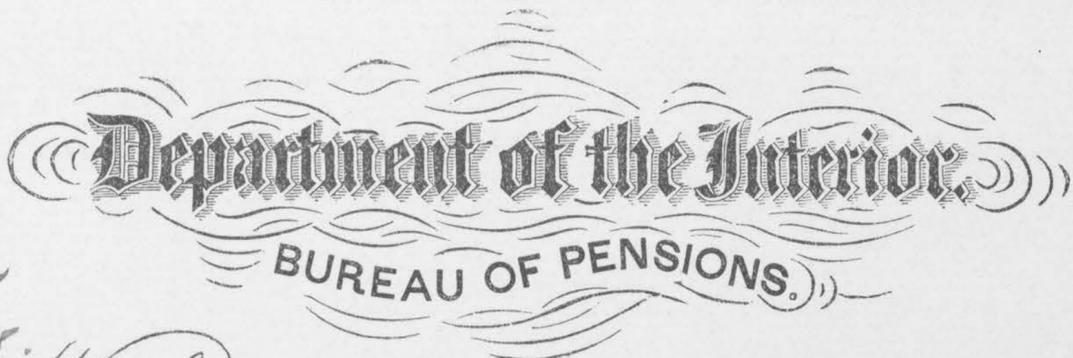
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Orig. No. 124.392

John S. Blackburn  
Co. D. 10 Reg't Iowa Cav.



Washington, D.C. Aug. 19, 1893

Return this letter with your reply.

Sir

The above cited claim is rejected on the ground that no notable disability is shown under Act of June 27, 1890

Very respectfully

J. M. Lockwood  
Commissioner

Charles J. Stees  
St. Paul. Minn

Rec. Aug. 23-93.

No 1124392.

Dept. Interior  
Bureau Pensions

Wash<sup>n</sup> D.C. Dec 03<sup>n</sup> 1892.

Sir: + + report + + for med. exam. to  
Board + + C. E. Smith, Cor 4<sup>th</sup> Market,  
St Paul Minn

+ + +  
Hunt & Ram,  
Com<sup>rs</sup>

Complainant - John A. Blackburn.

307 Nelson Ave. St Paul, Minn.

Atty - Charles J. Stees, St Paul, Minn.

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Exam<sup>n</sup> made by the Board this 18  
day of January 1893.

E. J. Abbott,  
Act. Secretary.

Rec'd Dec. 23. 92. Deliv'd Dec. 27. 92.

Letter of Transmittal.

St Paul, Minn.  
Jan'y 21. 1893.

Sir: Enclosed please find the Med. Exam. Order of  
John A. Blackburn, Saddler Co "I" 10<sup>th</sup> Regt Mo. Cav. Vol.  
No. Pens. Claim No. 1124392, under Act June 27. 1890.

To the -  
Hon Hunt & Ram,  
Com<sup>rs</sup> of Pensions,  
Washington, D.C.

Very respectfully,  
Charles Stees,  
attorney.

Mailed Jan'y 21. 93.

*Filed by -*

**CHAS. J. STEES,**  
Offices, 9 & 10.  
**PENSION CLAIM AGENT,**  
Stees Block.  
**St. Paul, Minnesota.**

COAY.

# Declaration for Invalid 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 ~~3<sup>rd</sup>~~ <sup>12<sup>th</sup></sup> day of ~~March~~ <sup>July</sup>, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety ~~two~~ <sup>two</sup> 1892.

personally appeared before me, a Notary Public

within and for the County and State aforesaid, Elijah P. Gurnell John S. Blackburn

aged ~~38~~ <sup>48</sup> years, a resident of the City of St Paul,

County of Ramsey State of Minnesota, who, being

duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical Elijah P. Gurnell John S. Blackburn

who was ENROLLED on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1862, as a Saddler in

Co. "B" 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment Missouri (Here state rank, company and regiment, in Military service, or vessel if in the Navy.)  
~~Co. "B" 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment Missouri~~ His Volunteer Cavalry

in the war of the rebellion, and served at least ninety days, and was HONORABLY DISCHARGED at Nashville Tennessee on the 25<sup>th</sup>

day of May, 1865. That he is wholly totally unable to earn a support by

manual labor by reason of Rheumatism injuries received in a railroad (Here name the diseases or injuries from which disabled.)

accident which occurred on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 1892, near the town of Hamilton, Minnesota, on the Chicago, St Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway as stated in the accompanying general affidavit

That said disabilities are not due to his vicious habits, and are to the best of his knowledge and belief permanent. That

he has never applied for pension under application No. \_\_\_\_\_ That he is a pensioner

under Certificate No. 512834 (If a pensioner, Certificate only need be given. If not, give the number of the

former application if one was made.)

That he makes this declaration ~~for Invalid Pension~~ for the purpose of being placed on the pension-roll of the United States under the provisions of the Act of June 27, 1890. He hereby appoints —

Charles J. Stees of St Paul, Minnesota,

his true and lawful attorney to prosecute his claim, and he directs that the sum of 470<sup>00</sup> ten dollars be paid to said attorney

That his POST OFFICE ADDRESS is to 307 Nelson Avenue, St Paul,

County of Ramsey State of Minnesota

Alex Donald John S. Blackburn  
(Signature of Claimant.)

John E. Sawyer  
(Two witnesses who can write, sign here.)

Also personally appeared... *Alexander Donald*, residing at *St Paul, Minn.*  
 and... *John E Sawyer*... residing at *St Paul, Minn.*, persons whom I  
 certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say they were present and saw  
*John S. Blackburn*..., the claimant, sign his name (or make his mark) to  
 the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaint-  
 ance with him for... *one*... years and... *one*... years, respectively, that he is the  
 identical person he represents himself to be; and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

*Alex Donald*  
*John E Sawyer*  
 (Signatures of Witnesses.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this... *12<sup>th</sup>* day of... *July*..., A. D. 189... *12*

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... "*10*"...  
 ...erased, and the words... "*for Increase Pension*", and... "*no*"...  
 ...added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the  
 prosecution of this claim.

*Charles Stees*  
 (Official Signature.)  
*Notary Public Ramsey*  
 (Official Character.)  
*Min.*

[L. S.] *Cert. on file.*

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....., 189....

[L. S.] Clerk of the.....

- The Act of June 27, 1890, REQUIRES, in case of a soldier:
1. An honorable discharge (but the certificate need not be filed unless called for.)
  2. A minimum service of ninety days.
  3. A permanent physical disability not due to vicious habits. (It need not have originated in the service.)
  4. The rates under the act are graded from \$6 to \$12, proportioned to the degree of inability to earn a support, and are not affected by the rank held.
  5. A pensioner under prior laws may apply under this one, or a pensioner under this one may apply under other laws, but he cannot draw more than ONE pension for the same period.

COAY.

**SOLDIER'S APPLICATION.**

Act of June 27, 1890.

Name *John S. Blackburn,*  
~~*John E Sawyer*~~  
*late Soldier Co "A" 10<sup>th</sup> Regt.*  
*Service First Co "B" 5<sup>th</sup> Langhorne*

*Missouri* Vol. Cavalry.  
~~*Michigan*~~

Address *No 307 Nelson Avenue,*  
*St Paul, Minnesota.*

Date of Execution *July 12, 1892.*

*Mailed July 15, 1892.*  
~~*For Increase Pension.*~~

Filed by  
**CHARLES J. STEES,**  
 Office, 9 & 10.  
**PENSION CLAIM AGENT,**  
 Stees Block.  
 St. Paul, Minnesota.

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

RECORD DIVISION.

ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF CLAIM.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C.,

1892

Sir: The application of *John S Blackburn*,  
for pension has been received as \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_ Co. *D-10*, Reg't *Mo-Cav.*,  
and given No. *1124392*

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.

Pam Rec. Aug. 15. 92. Dr. Blackburn No 1124392.



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.

Chas. J. Stees,

St. Paul

Miss,

MAIL DIVISION.

(3-045.)

Department of the Interior,  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

SIR:

Your letter inclosing the application of *Mr. S. Blackman*, 1892,  
*with evidence*  
for ~~increase~~ of pension *Law Law*  
has been received this day. The claim will receive consideration as soon  
as it can be reached in its turn.

Very respectfully,

Cert. No. \_\_\_\_\_

6-550

*Geo. B. Raum*

Commissioner.

Rec. - Rec. July 20, 91. Dr. Tho. S. Blackburn.

WASHINGTON, D.  
JUL 18 '91  
5-30 P.M.  
1891

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.

Thomas J. Steele

St. Paul

Minn.

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CHAS. J. STEES,  
Offices, 9 & 10.  
PENSION CLAIM AGENT,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.  
Stees Block.

July 15, 1892.

Sir:

Enclosed please find  
orig. Inv. Pension claim  
under act June 27, 1890, of  
John Blackburn, late Saddler  
Glev "I" 10<sup>th</sup> Regt - Missouri Cavalry  
Vals: also -

Additional evidence as  
to cause of disability and  
also <sup>as to</sup> military & naval service since  
muster out of the army.

Very respectfully  
Chas J Stees  
attorney

To the  
Hon. Genl. Kamm,  
Com<sup>r</sup> of Pensions,  
Washington,  
D.C.

Mailed July 15, 1892.

## Blackburn Truss Company,

ROOMS 48 AND 49 GERMANIA LIFE BUILDING,

COR. FOURTH AND MINNESOTA STS.

ST. PAUL, MINN. .... 189.....

My injuries. was caused by a Railway accident  
which occurred Jan 21<sup>st</sup> near the town of Hamilton  
Minn on the C S T P M & O Railway. by being  
Crushed under the births of a Palace Sleeping  
Car that was thrown from the tracks and  
upset in to the ditch. recd my injuries in  
the right hip and lower part of the spine  
severely bruising and lacerating the flesh. and  
producing internal injuries. causing a  
weakened condition of the small of the back  
necessitating the use of a crutch to walk erect.  
and the shocks. and concussion. has produced  
certain Nervous Phenomena, as Vertigo,  
Insomnia. and parohial paracies and an  
increasing inability of all the involuntary  
powers.

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT FOR ANY PURPOSE.

State of Minnesota,

COUNTY OF

Ramsey

SS.

In the matter of the Orig. Inv. Pension Claim acct of John S. Blackburn

[Here give Soldier's name.]

Saddler of Co. "I" 10<sup>th</sup> Reg't Missouri Cavalry Vol. Pension Office No.

[Rank.]

On this Twelfth day of July A. D. 1892, personally

appeared before me a Notary Public &c. &c. John S. Blackburn aged 48 years

a resident of St Paul County of Ramsey

State of Minnesota a respectable citizen and entitled to credit, who, being duly

sworn, says that he is the claimant for pension and is 48 years of age

That he is the identical John S. Blackburn who enlisted on the 25<sup>th</sup> day Sept. 1862 as Saddler of Co. "I" 10<sup>th</sup> Reg't Mo. Cav. Vols. and was honorably discharged at Nashville, Tenn. on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1865. That his claim for pension is based upon injuries received in a railway accident which occurred on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 1892, near the town of Hamilton Minnesota on the Chicago, St Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway, by being crushed under the berths of a Palace Sleeping Car, which was thrown from the track and upset into the ditch. That the injuries he received in said accident were in the right hip and lower part of the vertebral column spine, severely bruising and lacerating the flesh and producing internal injuries, causing a weakened condition of the small of the back necessitating the use of a crutch to walk erect. The shock & concussion has produced certain nervous phenomena, as vertigo, insomnia and partial paralysis and an increasing inability of all the involuntary powers. Affiant further states under oath that he has not been in the military or naval service since Sept. May 25<sup>th</sup> 1865, the date of his muster out of service.

NOTE. - Affiants should give their post-office address, and also state how they gain a knowledge of the facts to which they testify.

That affiant's P. O. Address is 307 Nelson Ave. St Paul, Minn.

and further declares that he has no interest in said claim.

Attest when any affiant signs BY MARK [2 persons.]

Jacob Bauer  
Emily Vandermaker

Signatures  
of  
Affiants

Josephine J. Zimmerman  
Signed John S. Blackburn

OVER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July 1892

and I certify that the foregoing affidavit was read and explained to affiant before they signed the same.  
including words between "That" and "he" and "no" ruled out  
and the word "an" added.

and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in his claim.

Charles Stees  
Official Signature.

Notary Public, Ramsey County, Minn

sent on file.

COPY.

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE,

Original Invalid Pension Claim.

No. John S. Blackburn  
Acc't of late Saddle Co. "A" 10<sup>th</sup> Reg't

Missouri Cavalry Vols:

Executed July 12, 1892.

Mailed July 15, 1892.

FORWARDED BY  
**JOHN H. STEES, J. STEES & CO.,**  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,  
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA.  
ADJ. PENSION CLAIM AGENT,  
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA.

On 189