

(ORIGINAL)

Questions for Applicant

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Davess County.

Nancy Ellen Head of said State and County, desiring to avail herself of the pension allowed to Indigent Widows of Soldiers, General Assembly, approved March 11, 1912, hereby submits her proofs, and after being duly sworn true answers to make to the following questions, deposes and answers as follows:

1. What is your full name and where do you reside? (Give State, County and Postoffice.) *Nancy Ellen Head and near St. Lawrence Davess, Kentucky*
2. How long and since when have you been a resident of this State? *All my life*
3. When and where were you born and what was your maiden name? *I was born in Davess County, Kentucky. My maiden name was Nancy Ellen Hagan*
4. When and where was your husband born—state his full name, and where were you and he married, and who performed the marriage ceremony. (If possible, attach certified copy marriage license in every case.) *In Davess County, Kentucky, in the year, 1844. Francis Marion Head we were married at St. Lawrence, Ky. by Rev. Michael Coughlin*
5. When and where and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist or serve during the war between the States? *In Company "H" in 8th Ky. Regiment in January, 1865*
6. How long did your husband serve in said Company and Regiment? *until close of the Civil War*
7. When and where did your husband's Company and Regiment surrender? *Selma, Alabama in April, 1865*
8. Was your husband present at the time and place when his Company and Regiment surrendered? *yes*
9. If not with his command at surrender, state clearly and specifically where he was, when he left command, for what cause and by what authority?
10. When and where did your husband die? *In Davess County, Kentucky in year, 1907*
11. At the time of your husband's death, were you living with him as his lawful wife? *yes*
12. Have you married since the death of your soldier husband? *no*
13. What property, real or personal, or income do you have or possess, and its gross value? *I have a little home worth about \$250.00*
14. Have you a family? If so, who compose such family? *yes. Two children, a boy and a girl*
15. Name some friend, giving his name and postoffice address, who will be willing to have us write to him about your case if necessary. *Rev. Lucien Clements, St. Lawrence, Ky.*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this, the *18* day of *May*, 191*2*

H. J. Corns
Notary Public, Daviess County, Kentucky.
of My Commission expires January 16th, 1914.

Attest *F. D. Roby*
Nancy Ellen Head
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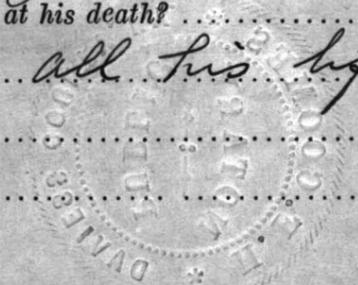
Questions for Witnesses

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Daviess County.

J. McBride, of said State and County, having been presented as a witness in support of the application of Mrs. Nancy Ellen Head for a pension under Confederate Pension Law, approved March 11, 1912, after being duly sworn, true answers to make to the following questions, deposes and answers as follows:

1. What is your name and what is your postoffice address? J. McBride
Floral, Hancock County, Kentucky
2. Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs. Nancy Ellen Head?
If so, how long have you known her? Yes. I have known her about 44 yrs
3. Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of this State? She resides near St. Lawrence, Ky. and has resided there all her life
4. Were you ever acquainted with her husband? Yes
5. Were either or both of you present at the marriage? J. McBride was present at marriage
6. How long did you know him? all my life
7. When and where did Francis Marion Head enlist in the war between the States, and in what Company and Regiment did he enlist, and how do you know this? at Knoxville, Ky. in year 1865. In Company "H" 8th Kentucky Regiment
8. Were you a member of the same Company and Regiment at the close of the war? Yes
9. How long did he perform regular military duty? from the time he enlisted until the end of the war
10. When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered? Selma Alabama in April, 1865.
11. Were you with the command when it surrendered? Yes
12. Was Francis M. Head, the husband of applicant, present? Yes
13. If not present, where was he? _____
14. When and where did he leave his command? _____
For what cause? _____
By whose authority did he leave? _____
How do you know all this? (State fully and clearly.) _____
15. When and where did Francis M. Head die? In Daviess County, Kentucky in the year 1865.
16. Where did he reside at his death, and how long had he been a resident of Kentucky at his death? In Daviess County, Kentucky all his life
17. Do you know of your own knowledge that applicant is the lawful widow of Francis M. Head? Yes



18. Has she remained unmarried since her soldier husband's death, and is she now his widow?

Yes

19. What property, effects or income has the applicant, if any, and how do you know this of your own knowledge?

About \$250.00 I live near her little house

Has applicant conveyed any property, in the last two years or given any away, if so, what was it, and to whom?

no

NOTE.—Let the witness who can answer the greatest number of the questions do so; then let the other witness state in the space below how much of the testimony of the first witness he concurs in, and whether or not he can answer any of the questions not answered by the first witness.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *18* day of *May* 191*2*

H. F. Conner
Notary Public, Daviess County, Ky.

My commission expires January 16th, 1914

H. F. Conner

J. M. Briede

John Thomas Boulds

Witnesses.

THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATE OF THE COUNTY JUDGE MUST BE FILLED OUT WHETHER THE APPLICANT OWNS ANY TAXABLE PROPERTY OR NOT.

I, *W. W. Owen* Judge of *Daviess* County, Kentucky, hereby certify that the property assessed on the tax books of this County to *Mrs. Nancy Ellen Head* the widow of *Francis Marion Head* amounts to \$ *1350* real estate and \$ *.....* personal
W. W. Owen Judge of *Daviess* County, Ky.

Certificate of Clerk of Court or Notary Public

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Daviess County.

I, *H. F. Conner* Clerk or Notary Public, in and for said county, hereby certify that the applicant, *Mrs. Nancy Ellen Head* resides in said county, and has been a bona fide resident of this State since the *.....* day of *.....* 19*12*, and that the witnesses, *Mr. J. M. Briede* and *John Thomas Boulds* are of trustworthy character, and that their statements are entitled to full faith and credit.

I do further certify that before answering the foregoing questions, the applicant and said witness took the oath herem prescribed, and the full text of the affidavits was read to the applicant and witnesses before the same was signed and subscribed.

Witness my hand and official seal this *18* day of *May* 191*2*

(SEAL)

H. F. Conner

Notary Public, Daviess County, Ky.
My commission expires January 16th, 1914

- Note—1. Before any questions are answered, the Clerk or Notary shall swear applicant and the witnesses in the following words: "You do solemnly swear that you will true answers make to each of the questions asked of you, and the evidence you shall give will be the whole truth; so help you God."
- 2. Additional affidavits may be attached, if blank spaces are insufficient.
- 3. All affidavits must be made before an officer using a seal.
- 4. Only widows who were the wives of soldiers need apply—and are now widows. Those married since Jan. 1st, 1890, not entitled.
- 5. Two witnesses are necessary to make out claims.
- 6. Attach certified copy marriage license in every case, or certificate of County Court Clerk, under seal, that license is filed in his office duly certified by officiating minister, or the affidavit of the officiating minister, or the affidavit of a witness of the ceremony, or the affidavit of two witnesses who knew them as man and wife, prior to January 1, 1890, and knew that they were living together on the date of his death.

NOTICE TO APPLICANTS.

The Widows' Pension Law, passed by the Kentucky Legislature, provides for the widows of *soldiers only*, and they must have been residents of the State of Kentucky since January 1, 1907.

Widow must have married prior to 1890.

To be eligible the applicant must have remained a widow after the death of her soldier husband, and must be indigent.

Read the questions in the application carefully and answer them fully.

Read the law, and unless you come clearly under the laws it will be useless to file application.

No. *1340*

**Widow's
Indigent Pension**

Name *Mary Ellen Head*

NOV 18 1912

Filed *May 20 - 1912*

Widow of *James M. Head*

*Approved Mar 6 1913
W. J. Stone*

All blanks on this filing to be filled by the Pension Board.

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

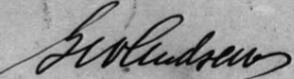
WASHINGTON, November 21, 1912.

Respectfully returned to the

Confederate Pension Department,
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The name Francis M. Head has not been found on the roll of Company H, 8th Kentucky Cavalry, Confederate States Army, dated December 31, 1862, the only roll of the organization on file in this office.

The prisoner of war records show that Francis M. Head, private, 8th Kentucky Cavalry, Confederate States Army, surrendered at Centerville, Alabama, April 1, 1865, and was released May 14, 1865, at Nashville, Tennessee, on taking the oath of allegiance.



The Adjutant General.

(A. G. O. 74)

Indorsement

Confederate Pension Department

STATE OF KENTUCKY

FRANKFORT.

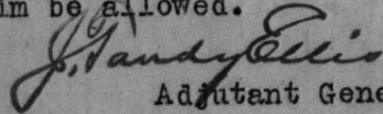
MRS. NANCY E. HEAD,
widow of
FRANCIS M. HEAD,

Claimed he enlisted in K January 1865, in Company H, 8th Kentucky Cav., and he was surrendered April 1, 1865, and released May 14, 1865, at Nashville, Tenn. upon taking the oath of allegiance.
Proven by the record.

Property: \$250.00.

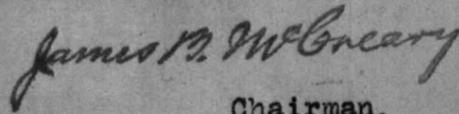
W J Stone.

I recommend that this claim be allowed.



Adjutant General.

Allowed by the State Pension Board.



Chairman.

No. _____ W. _____

HEADQUARTERS

Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER

FRANKFORT, KY.

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GEN. W. P. HALL,
Adjutant General, U. S. A.,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Nancy Ellen Head

who is an applicant for pension under the Kentucky Widows' Pension Law,
claims that her husband Francis M. Head
was a member of Company A Regiment 8th Ky. C. S. A.,
and was _____

Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

W. J. Stone
Examiner.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY.

To any Minister of the Gospel, or other person legally authorized to solemnize Matrimony:

You are permitted to solemnize the **rites of Matrimony**
between *Francis M. Head*
and *Miss Nancy Ellen Hagan*
the requirements of the law having been complied with.

Witness my signature as Clerk of *Hancock* County Court,
this *13th* day of *October* *1871* *R. E. Duncan* Clerk.

D. C.

JOHN P. MORTON & CO., PRINTERS, LOUISVILLE, KY.

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE.

This is to Certify That on the *15th* day of *October*
1871 the **Rites of Marriage** were legally solemnized by me between
Francis M. Head and
Miss Nancy Ellen Hagan
at *St. Lawrence* in the County of *Darwin*
in the presence of *David M. McBride Sarah Speak*

NOTE.—The Statute requires the names of at least TWO
Witnesses to be inserted in the foregoing Certificate.

SIGNED.

M. M. Coghlan
Parish Priest

A Copy, Att: Ed N. Lamar, Clerk

JOHN P. MORTON & CO., PRINTERS, LOUISVILLE, KY.

State of Kentucky.

Daviess County Court.

Nancy Ellen Head,

On

Finding of Facts and Evidence.

Application for Pension.

The undersigned Judge of the Daviess County Court reports that the above styled application for pension was filed in the Daviess County Court on the 20th day of May, 1912, that being a regular term of said court, and said application was laid over until the next regular June term of said court, at which time it came up for a hearing before the court, both the applicant and the County Attorney being present and announcing ready.

It appearing to the court that the applicant lived about eighteen miles from Owensboro, Kentucky, the County Seat of Daviess County, Kentucky, and that because of her age and physical disability she was unable to attend the Daviess County Court, her sworn statements made in her application were considered by the court as her evidence, and the said applicant by attorney introduced as witnesses in her behalf, John Thomas Bowlds of Whitesville, Kentucky, and Isadore Higdon of Knottsville, Kentucky, all of whom were duly sworn by me before testifying.

The witnesses, John Thomas Bowlds and Isadore Higdon, stated that they had known the applicant for about forty-six years, and that she had been a continuous resident of the State of Kentucky ever since they became acquainted with her, and that she is now a resident of Daviess County, Kentucky; that they knew her husband, Francis Marion Head, and had known him for about his whole life; that he was a resident of the State of Kentucky, during the time they knew him; that they were members of the same Company as applicant's husband, having enlisted at the same time that he enlisted and that they know he served in the Confederate Army from about the First of January, 1865, until the close of the war when they surrendered at Selma, Alabama; that they know Francis Marion Head is dead, and that he died in Daviess County, Kentucky, in the year, 1907; that the applicant has remained un-married since the death of Francis Marion Head, and that she is now his widow. John Thomas states that he knows that applicant has a life estate in a little tract of land containing about 40 or 50 acres, and that he is familiar with its location and value; that the land is poor, hilly, un-productive and full of gullies, and that its market value does not exceed \$250.00. Both of the witnesses further state that the applicant is an old woman and unable to earn a support by manual labor, wholly or in part, and that she has no income or source of support, except from the cultivation of the land above mentioned.

The Commonwealth introduced no witnesses.

After hearing the above state of facts and evidence, I recommend that the pension be granted.

W. W. Owsen
County Judge.