

Questions for Applicant

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Hopkins County.

Mary Lewis Bryan of said State and County, desiring to avail herself of the pension act 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.)

Mary Lewis Bryan Dalton Hopkins County Ky

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? *In Hopkins County Ky*

January 15th 1845 - Mary L. Trent

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.)

*Oct 26th 1841 In Missouri Henry Henry O Bryan Maine
August 8th 1861 in Hopkins Co Ky By Rev John O Bryan*

5. When and where and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist or serve during the war between the States?

6. How long did your husband serve in said Company and Regiment?

7. When and where did your husband's Company and Regiment surrender?

8. Was your husband present at the time and place when his Company and Regiment surrendered?

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? *January 11th 1875 In Hopkins County Ky*

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?

1/7th Interest in 60 acres of land worth about \$25.00

14. Have you a family? If so, who compose such family? *No*

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. *Henry Rea Dalton Hopkins County Ky*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this, the
7th day of *April* 191*4*
F. H. Bell N.P.

Mary L. O Bryan

of *Hopkins* County.
NOTARY PUBLIC DALTON HOPKINS COUNTY, KY.
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JAN. 30-1916

Questions for Witnesses

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Hopkins County.

S. C. Jennings & A. F. Trent of said State and County, having been presented as a witness in support of the application of Mrs. *Mary L. Bryan* 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? *S. C. Jennings & A. F. Trent
Hopkins, Ky. Mountainville, Hopkins County, Ky.*
2. Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs. *Mary L. Bryan*.....
If so, how long have you known her? *Yes*.....
3. Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of this State? *Near Dalton, Hopkins County, Ky. All her life*
4. Were you ever acquainted with her husband? *Yes*.....
5. Were either or both of you present at the marriage? *S. A. F. Trent was*.....
6. How long did you know him? *All our lives*.....
7. When and where did enlist in the war between the States, and in what Company and Regiment did he enlist, and how do you know this?
8. Were you a member of the same Company and Regiment at the close of the war?
9. How long did he perform regular military duty?
10. When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered?
11. Were you with the command when it surrendered?
12. Was the husband of applicant, present?
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 die? *in Hopkins Co. Ky. He died in Jan. 1871.*
16. Where did he reside at his death, and how long had he been a resident of Kentucky at his death? *In Hopkins Co. Ky. All our lives, since we first knew him*
17. Do you know of your own knowledge that applicant is the lawful widow of *A. L. Bryan*.....
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?

Yes I know she has 1/2 undivided int in 60 acres of land worth about \$2500 that is all the property of any kind she has

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.

..... *Neither of us know anything of Henry Clay Bryan's military records*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *4* day of *May* 191*4*

S. C. Jennings
A. F. Trent

Witnesses.

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

I, *Will S. Mills* Judge of *Hopkins* County, Kentucky, hereby certify that the property assessed on the tax books of this County to Mrs. *Mary L. O'Bryan* the widow of *Henry Clay O'Bryan* amounts to \$ *15.00* real estate and \$ *nothing* personal. *Will S. Mills* Judge Trustee. For *Hopkins* County, Ky.

Certificate of Clerk of Court or Notary Public

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

..... County. I, *N. J. Tombs* Clerk or Notary Public, in and for said county, hereby certify that the applicant, Mrs. *Mary L. O'Bryan* resides in said county, and has been a bona fide resident of this State since the day of 19*14*, and that the witnesses, Mr. *S. C. Jennings* & *A. F. Trent* 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 herein 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 *4th* day of *May* 191*4*

(SEAL)

N. J. Tombs Clerk
By *Geo F Reading* County.

- 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. **3240**

**Widow's
Indigent Pension**

Name **MARY LEWIS O'BRYAN**

Filed **JUN 6 - 1914**

Widow of **HENRY CLAY O'BRYAN**

Approved **ppr 15th 1915**
W. J. Stone
Commissioner

WAP blanks on this filing to be filled by the Pension Board

Mary L. O'Bryan

Filed May 4 1914

*Att. John B. Salmon Clerk
By G. I. McEwen DC*

*Confirmed June 2, 1914
Att. John B. Salmon clerk
By Lawrence G. Hays DC*

In sement.

PENSION EXAMINER'S OFFICE,

FRANKFORT, KY.

MARY L. O'BRIAN
WIDOW OF
HENRY C. O'BRIAN

Who enlisted in the fall of 1863, in Company A, 8th Kentucky Regiment, and was captured Jan. 15, 1865, and released May 15, 1865, at Camp Chase, O. upon taking the oath of allegiance. Proven by the record.

Indigent

Approved:

W J Stone.

WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, March 13, 1915.

Respectfully returned to the

Examiner,

Confederate Pension Department,
Frankfort, Kentucky.

No record has been found of service, capture or parole of a man named Henry C. O'Bryan as a member of Company A or any other company of the 8th Reg't Kentucky Mounted Infantry, C.S.A.

The Union prisoner of war records show, however, that one Henry C. O'Bryan, aged 23 years, private, Company C, 13th Reg't Kentucky Cavalry, was captured at Red Hill, Tenn. (place of capture also shown as Marshall County, Ala.), January 15, 1865, and was released at Camp Chase, Ohio, May 15, 1865, on taking the oath of allegiance. His name is not borne on the rolls of said organization, nor has anything additional been found relative to him.

It is proper to add that no record has been found of any other Henry C. O'Bryan as a member of any Kentucky organization, C.S.A.; also that no connection has been found between the two regiments above named.

H. J. McLean

The Adjutant General.

No. W

HEADQUARTERS

Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER

FRANKFORT, KY.

March 10th 1915

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

Dear Sir :

Mrs. Mary L. O'Bryan

who is an applicant for pension under the Kentucky Widows' Pension Law,
claims that her husband Henry C. O'Bryan
was a member of Company "A" Regiment 8th Ky. C. S. A.,
and was Mtd. Inf'y.

Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

W. J. Stone
Examiner.

Marriage License

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

Henry C. O'Bryan and Mary L. Trent,

the requirements of the law having been complied with.

Witness my signature as Clerk of the Hopkins County Court, this 6th day of August, 1861. #9##

Orlean Bishop Clerk
Hopkins County Court.

By Deputy Clerk

Marriage Certificate

This is to Certify, That on the 7th day of August 1861, #9##

The Rights of Marriage were legally solemnized by me between

Henry C. O'Bryan and Mary L. Trent,

at Josiah Trent's in the County of Hopkins,

in the presence of James Wadlington & James C. O'Bryan.

Elder John O'Bryan, Minister of the
United Baptist Church.

NOTE.--The Statute Requires the names of at least two
witnesses to be inserted in the foregoing certificate

Copy Attest:

Signed John G. Salomon
Clerk Hopkins County Court 3/8/15.

By O. L. McEayor Jr

Hopkins County Court,

Reg. Adj. Term, June 1914,

Will T. Mills, P. J.

In the matter of application of
Mary Louise O'Bryan for Confederate
Pension.

This day came G. U. Mays, and testified in behlaf of
Mary L. O'Bryan, who is an applicant for a pension under the
Confederate Pension Law, saie Mays residing in Madisonville,
Ky. and after being duly sworn, stated in substance, that
he had known Mary L. O'Bryan for forty years, that she resides
near Dalton Hopkins County Ky. and that she is not physically
able to do any character of work, that she is in reality an
invalid, that she owns a one-seventh interest, in about one
hundred actes of land, and which land is worth about TEN DOLLARS
per acre. Said Mays further stated that said Mary L. O'Bryan
had no further income, other than what she might receive from
the interest in the above described land, ad that is not suffie
cient to support her.

The Court therefore recommends that a pension be granted
her, upon her furnishing the Pension department satisfactory
proof of the Military record of her deceased husband and that
she is the wife of said soldier.

Will T. Mills County Judge.

State of Ky }
Hopkins Co } Affidavit

The affiant S. J. Tierney whose post office address is Dawson Springs Hopkins County Ky states that he was well acquainted with Army Clay O Bryan whose widow Mary O Bryan is an applicant for a Confederate pension when the war came off. and that he Tierney served with said O Bryan in the Confederate Army from some time in the Fall of 1863 until the close of the war or the latter part of April 1865 - when we disbanded at Paris Tenn & then went to Paducah Ky together & took the oath on our way home. Shortly after I joined as a member of Co "A" 8th Reg Ky Inf the said H C O Bryan (in the Fall of 1863) came to Paris Tenn & joined said Reg. & Co and we remained with said Regiment & Co till discharged as stated above, continuously. I take pleasure in stating that said O Bryan was an obedient & faithful soldier. Genl H B Lyon was our first Commander

Attest Geo F Reading S J Tierney

The foregoing affidavit was this day subscribed & sworn to before me by S J Tierney a person known by me to be

reliable & reputable. Mch 8th 1915 -

Ad Trunks CHCC
By Geo F Reading D.C.

