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Certificate # 147328

Emily J.
Julia
Henry
Josephine
Robert

Wives of
John Lawrence

Book # 52

Widow's Certificate File Number WC 147328

GOWERS Soldier's Last Name	JOHN Soldier's First Name	Soldier's Middle Name/Initial
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C Company or F&S	III Regiment, Battery Battalion or Militia	NEW YORK State, Territory, US Army, US VRC, US Vols, USCT
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Infantry
 Cavalry Or Military Unit: _____
 _____ Artillery _____

Pensioner(s)

GOWERS Pensioner's Last Name	EMILY JANE Pensioner's First Name/M	(if applicable) Maiden Name
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GOWERS Pensioner's Last Name	JULIA Pensioner's First Name/M	Relationship of Pensioner(s) to Soldier: <input type="checkbox"/> Widow <input type="checkbox"/> Mother <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minor(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Father <input type="checkbox"/> Sister(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Brother(s)
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GOWERS Pensioner's Last Name	HENRY Pensioner's First Name/M
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GOWERS Pensioner's Last Name	JOSEPHINE Pensioner's First Name/M
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GOWERS Pensioner's Last Name	ROBERT Pensioner's First Name/M
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Approved at ten dollars.

WAR OF THE REBELLION.

Act of July 14, 1862.

PENSION OF MINOR CHILDREN.

Emily J. Gowers, Julia Gowers, Henry Gowers, Josephine Gowers & Robert Gowers 147,328 Children of

John Gowers

Rank: Private

Company: Co.

Regiment: 111th N.Y. Inf.

Residence of guardian: Cayuga

County, and State of N.Y.

Post Office: Auburn

Attorney: Henry C. Westwood Esq. Auburn N.Y.

Rate of Pension: \$8.00 per month, commencing Dec 10, 1864, the date of Soldier's death and two dollars per month additional to each, as follows:

By former marriage.	X	{ Born, 18 }	{ Commencing }	, 18
		{ Sixteen, 18 }		
		{ Born, 18 }	{ " }	, 18
		{ Sixteen, 18 }		
		{ Born, 18 }	{ " }	, 18
		{ Sixteen, 18 }		
		{ Born, 18 }	{ " }	, 18
		{ Sixteen, 18 }		
- Emily J. (Bastard)		{ Born, March 11, 1851, }	{ " July 25, 1864 }	, 1864
		{ Sixteen, March 11, 1867 }		
- Julia		{ Born, Dec. 11, 1853 }	{ " " " " }	, 1864
		{ Sixteen, Dec. 11, 1869 }		
- Henry		{ Born, July 28, 1856 }	{ " " " " }	, 1864
		{ Sixteen, July 27, 1872 }		
- Josephine		{ Born, Aug. 15, 1857 }	{ " " " " }	, 1864
		{ Sixteen, Aug. 14, 1873 }		
- Robert		{ Born, Sept. 5, 1857 }	{ " " " " }	, 1864
		{ Sixteen, Sept. 4, 1873 }		

Payable to William M. Gowers Guardian

Payment on all former certificates covering any portion of the same time to be deducted.

ADMITTED, December 27, 1870, Wm. H. Thomson, Examiner.

APPROVED, January 14, 1871, J. D. Wilson, Reviewer, Chief of Division.

DATES SHOWN BY PAPERS.

Enlistment, Aug 2, 1862	Minor's app. filed, July 11, 1870
Muster into rank, Aug 30, 1862	Guardian appointed, July 22, 1869
Discharge, 1864	Claim completed, Dec 19, 1870
Death, Sept 9, 1864	Former marriage, None
Invalid app. filed, None	Death of former wife, "
Invalid pension paid to, 1864	Last marriage, July 4, 1850
Widow paid to, None	Death of remarriage of widow, Dec 10, 1868

CAUSE OF DEATH, A Prisoner PLACE OF DEATH, Andersonville Ga

INCIDENTAL MATTER.

Essential evidence filed after July, 1861
No other case filed under any similar combination

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ALLEGATIONS OF GUARDIAN.

Loyalty of Guardian,

Loyalty of Wards,

Proved

SUMMARY OF PROOF.

GUARDIANSHIP.

✓ Letters filed and duly certified, that in prior Guardian had been appointed.

OTHER MINORS.

None duly proved

1st.
2d.
3d.
4th.

FORMER MARRIAGE.

The marriage of

None

to

is shown by

DEATH OF FORMER WIFE.

LAST MARRIAGE.

✓ The marriage of

John Gowers

to

Helissee Sanders

is shown by affidavits of credible witnesses

present in Cayuga Co. N.Y.

DEATH, OR REMARRIAGE OF WIDOW.

Proved by credible witnesses, that the widow absconded with husband of offence in 1865, and never taking any part of her - both now believed to be dead (See below)

DATES OF BIRTH OF WARDS.

By professional opinion of family Physician

CUSTODY OF CHILDREN BY FORMER MARRIAGE.

5. She proved that the widow left with one Wm. Dennis, that they were located in N.Y. city, where they kept a house of ill fame in 1866. But it is believed from common rumor, that both the widow and child died in 1865. One of the affidavits is the mother of said widow.

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PROOF AS TO SERVICE.

The Adjutant General U. S. A. reports name on rolls as *John Gower*
also the rank, company, and regiment, and the dates of *enrollment master & scab*
as stated on preceding page. He also reports *taken prisoner June 1/64*

PROOF AS TO DEATH.

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| 1st. Report of Adjutant General. | 5th. Testimony of Officers. |
| 2d. Report of Surgeon General. | 6th. Testimony of Fellow Soldiers. |
| 3d. Certificate of Disability. | 7th. Testimony of Attending Physician. |
| 4th. Testimony of Army Surgeon. | 8th. Other testimony. |

*1 - A.G. Reports Died at Andersonville Ga
Sept 9, 1864*

(H.)

Claim No 177,800

Soldier *John Gowers*

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State of New York
County of Cayuga ss:

On this 28th day of July 1869, personally appeared before me, a
Just Clerk of the Courts of Record of the County and State aforesaid, William M Gones
a resident of the City of Auburn, in the County of Cayuga

aged 57 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on
oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the second section of the
Act of Congress increasing the Pensions of Widows and Orphans, approved July 20th, 1862, and also of July 14, 1862,
is the condition of
Emily Janet Gones, aged 13 years, Julia Gones
aged 10 years, Henry Gones, aged 9 years, Josephine
Gones, aged 7 years, Robert Gones, aged 5 years,
Minor Children of John Gones,

whose father was a Private in Company _____ commanded by Captain Edward A
Thomas in the 11th Regiment of Mass, in the War of 1861,
and that the said John Gones died at Auburn, Cayuga County
on the 22nd day of July, in the year 1864, as he is informed &
believed, leaving a Widow and the above named
Children, and one other Child, viz, John Gones (Jr.)
aged one year - at time of his death.

That the mother of the child as aforesaid deceased, and left the said
Children, dependent upon the public, on
August the last named, until she took their care,
on the _____ day of _____, in the year 1863, and that the date of birth of said minor child is
as follows—to wit: The exact date of the birth of the
said Child, he is unable now to give,
That the Widow and the youngest Child, are believed
to be dead.

That he is unable at this time
to give the date of marriage of the parents
of said Children

He further declares that the parents of the said minor child _____ were married at _____, in the year 18____, by _____, and that the maiden name of their mother was Melissa Sammers

And that his the Declarant's Post office address is as follows Auburn, Cayuga
Co., N.Y.

Declarant's Signature: William M. Gones

POWER OF ATTORNEY.

Know all Men by these Presents: That I William M Gones of the
City of Auburn in the County of Cayuga and State of New York
have made and by virtue of these Presents do make, constitute and appoint H. H. Bostwick, of the City of Auburn, in the
County of Cayuga and State of New York, my true and lawful ATTORNEY, for me and in my name, or otherwise, to present, take
charge of, and prosecute whatever claim I now have, or may hereafter acquire, for a Pension, or on account of the military service of
John Gones (deceased), in the service of the United States, and to receive whatever Certificate of Credit, or Letter there may be issued therefor, and open and examine the same; and to do all acts necessary in the premises, or
relating thereto, as fully, and the same as I might or could do, if personally present: And I further authorize him to make appointment
of Attorneys under him for the purposes aforesaid, and to revoke the same; hereby granting unto my said Attorney full powers
irrevocable, and ratifying whatever he or his deputies, may lawfully do by virtue hereof, and revoking all former Powers of Attorney
by me given for like purposes.

WITNESS my hand and seal, this 28th day of July A. D. 1869

Matthew Bennett William M. Gones
Attorney Declarant

H. H. BOSTWICK, Attorney, Auburn, Cayuga Co., N. Y.

* Here state the cause of his death, &c.
† "Died," or "again married, being now the wife of _____" or "has been deprived of her pension under the provisions of
sec. 11 of the Act of June 6, 1860," as the case may be, stating when, &c.
‡ Here give the names and dates of birth of the children under 16 years of age on the 23rd day of July, 1866, and if other such
child or children were living on the 23rd day of July, 1866, and have since died, add a statement to such effect, with dates of birth,
and death.

Deposition of Witnesses.

State of New York }
County of Cayuga } ss:

On this 20th day of July, A. D. 1869, personally appeared before me,
Nathan Bennett Deputy of the Town of
Craig and Andrew Jones
resident of the city of Hamilton Town of Hamilton
Persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw
William M. Jones sign his name to the foregoing declaration; and
they further swear that they have every reason to believe from the appearance of the applicant and their acquaintance with him
that he is the identical person he represents himself to be, and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

The foregoing Declaration and Deposition were shown to and
subscribed, and the foregoing Power of Attorney was acknowl-
edged and subscribed, before me on this 20th day of
July, A. D. 1869, and I certify that I have no
interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution or result of this claim.
And I further certify that the foregoing and within was read and
explained to, and understood by the declarant and deponents.

Signature of two witnesses.
Nathan Bennett

Signature of the
Clerk of the
Court.
Edw. Lanchart
Clerk of the Court of Record
of Cayuga County, N.Y.

Signature of two witnesses.
Andrew Jones

* " Sign his name," or " sign her name," or " make his mark," or " make her mark," as the case may be.

DECLARATION.

William Jones
Guardian of the Child, and of
John Jones
David C. W. W. W. W.
W. J. W.

CLAIM FOR
CHILDREN'S PENSION.
Act of July 20th, 1896.

no objection
HENRY H. BOSTWICK, Attorney,
ALBANY,
CAYUGA CO.,
N. Y.

Declaration for Pension of Children under sixteen years of age.

State of New York County of Fulton ss:

On this 22 day of July A. D. one thousand eight hundred and Seventy...

Acts of Congress for Children under sixteen years of age. That he is the only legal guardian of...

Legitimacy Who entitled under the name of John Govers...

in the war of the Rebellion in the United States, who is dead...

Rank. No widow. Absence. That he left a widow...

Only surviving child under 16 yrs of age. That the said children were the issue of...

Parents. That the father was married under the name of John Govers...

Loyalty. That the said children have not in any manner been engaged in, or aided or abetted the rebellion...

Prior application. That no prior application has been filed in their behalf...

Agent. That he hereby appoints H. Boerwick of the City of Auburn...

Residence and Post office of agent. address in Auburn Cayuga Co. N.Y.

Identifying witnesses. Also, personally appeared Joseph H. Dudley...

Credibility. persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit...

Disinterest. of this claim.

Just. Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 22 day of July A. D. 1870...

Signature of Judge, Clerk of Deputy Clerk.

Notarially attested. I here state that I am duly sworn...

Notarially attested. I here state that I am duly sworn...

POWER OF ATTORNEY.

Know all Men by these Presents: That I, *William M. Jones*, of the City of *Albany*, in the County of *Saratoga* and State of *New York* have made and by virtue of these Presents do make, constitute and appoint *Henry H. Bostwick*, of the City of *Albany*, in the County of *Cayuga* and State of *New York*, my true and lawful Attorney, for me and in my name or otherwise, to present, take charge of and prosecute whatever claim *we* have or may hereafter acquire, for a Pension, or on account of the military service of *John Jones*, *John Jones* in the service of the United States, and to receive whatever Certificate or Letters may be issued hereof, or relating thereto, and open and examine the same; and to do all acts necessary in the premises, or relating thereto, as fully and the same as I might or could do, if personally present. And I further authorize him to make appointment of Attorneys under him for the purpose aforesaid, and to revoke the same: here- by granting unto my said Attorney full powers, soleable, and ratifying whatever he or his deputies, may lawfully do by vir- tue hereof, and revoking all former Powers of Attorney by me given for like purposes.

Witness my hand and seal, this *7th* day of *July*, A. D. 18 *70*

James M. Dudley
L. Schmitt *William M. Jones*

Acknowledged and subscribed before me, this *7th* day of *July*, A. D. 18 *70*, and I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim. *W. M. Jones* Testimony Witness, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court of Record.

Signature of Judge, Clerk, or Deputy Clerk.)
of *Fulton* County, *N.Y.*

County Clerk's Certificate.
I hereby certify that before whom the foregoing acknowledgment declaration and deposition were taken, at the time of taking the same, and for the County and State aforesaid, duly and authorized to take the same.

and that the foregoing signature, purporting to be are genuine.
In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of said County and Court of Record thereof, this *7th* day of *July*, A. D. 18 *70*.
And I certify that I am not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of this case.

Signature of the Clerk or Deputy Clerk.)
of the Courts of Record
of *Fulton* County,

DECLARATION.



Wm M Jones
Signature of Attorney
John Jones
John Jones

CLAIM FOR PENSION OF MINOR CHILDREN.

HENRY H. BOSTWICK, ATTORNEY,
Albany,
Cayuga Co., N. Y.

Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D. C.,

September 4th, 1869.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 111,800, and to return it herewith, with such information as is furnished by the files of this Office.

It appears from the Rolls on file in this Office, that John Lower was enrolled on the 2nd day of August, 1862, at Montgomery in Co. C, 111th Regiment of New York Volunteers, to serve three years, or during the war, and mustered into service as a Private on the 21st day of August 1862, at Auburn N.Y., in Co. C, 111th Regiment of New York Volunteers, to serve three years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. C of that Regiment, for the months of March and April 1865, he is reported Taken Prisoner June 11th 1864 at Andersonville Ga. September 9th 1864. Cause of death not stated.

I am, Sir, very respectfully

Your obedient servant

Chas. D. Buck

The Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.

Assistant Adjutant General.

G. W. H. A

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DEPOSITION.

State of *New York*
County of *Cayuga*

ss:

On this *25th* day of *August* A. D. 18*69*, before me, a
Clk of the Court of Recd within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared
Simmons Gowers aged *45* years, a resident of *the town of*
Montezuma in the County of *Cayuga* of *the said*
County of Cayuga *Gowers, aged 39 years a*
resident of the same place

who being duly sworn according to law, depose and say, that *they are well ac-*
-quainted with William W. Gowers, the
-guardian of the minor children of
John Gowers deceased, Private U.S.A. 1861
Rif. Regts, and was so acquainted
with the said John Gowers, and with
Melissa Gowers, the widow of the said
John Gowers, and with both for 14 or
15 years before his death, that they the
deponents were present at and witnessed
the marriage of the said John Gowers &
the said Melissa Gowers, then William
Gardner, that the said John Gowers
& the said Melissa Gardner were mar-
-ried by the Rev. William Porter a Minister
of the Methodist Church, at Cayuga Bridge
Cayuga Co. N.Y. on the 4th of July 1850,
that the evidence now of said William
Porter is unknown, and that there is no
public record of said marriage,
that the said Melissa Gowers acknowledged
and left the minor children of said John
Gowers, except the youngest, John Gowers, in
the year 1863, and has never returned, and
that they have since that time that child, one dead,
And they further depose and say that they are not interested or concerned in the prosecution or
result of the claim to which this relates.

Deponent's signature } *Simmons Gowers*
Huldah Gowers

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the day and year first above written; and I certify that the Deponent a reputable
person entitled to full credit and belief; and that I am not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of the claim
to which this relates; and that the foregoing was read and explained to and understood by the Deponent. *The words*
"Gowers" "Gowers" "William" "Gardner" "Melissa" "Porter" and "the child"
intended to be signed.

Official signature of the Justice or other officer: } *J. S. Lamborn*
Clk of the Court of Recd. etc. and for
Cayuga County N.Y.

marriage
DEPOSITION.



Mr. W. Jones,
Guardian of Children of
John Jones, dec'd
Pris. Co. C. IIIrd Dist.

CLAIM FOR

Pluribus

Act of

HENRY. H. BOSTWICK, ATTORNEY,
AUBURN,
CAYUGA Co.,
N. Y.

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that the foregoing signature purporting to be his is genuine.
Is Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County
and of the Court of Record thereof, this _____ day of _____ 18____
And I certify that I am not interested in the prosecution of the claim to
which this relates.

I hereby certify that
before whom the foregoing deposition was taken, was at the time of taking the same, a
Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, duly
and authorized to take the same, and

State of _____
County Clerk's Office

COUNTY CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

[Handwritten signature]

DEPOSITION.

State of New York
County of Cayuga

On this 27 day of December A. D. 1868, before me, a Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Hannah P. Carl aged 42 years, a resident of the Town of Montezuma in the County of Cayuga aforesaid, and she has acknowledged to me that she is the wife of Carl and 45 years a resident of the Town of Montezuma in the County & State aforesaid

who being duly sworn according to law depose and say that they are well acquainted with Emily P. Cowers Julia Cowers Henry Cowers Joseph Cowers and Robert Cowers minor children of John Cowers deceased late a Private in Co. C. 111th Regt. NY Vol and have been so acquainted with them from the date of birth of each respectively and were during such time so acquainted with the parents of said children, that to the best of their knowledge and belief the date of birth of said children are as follows: Emily P. born March 26 1851 - Julia born Dec 17 1858 - Henry born Feb 24 1856 - Josephine born August 15 1858 - Robert born Dec 20 1860 that their knowledge of the ages of said children is derived from the best of their the deponent's recollection having been residents of the same neighborhood with the parties in question at the time said children were born and informed of said births at the time thereof or immediately thereafter and from intimate acquaintance with the family and its relations that said children are all and the only children left by said John Cowers under 16 years of age at time of his death except one said John Cowers Jr. born Nov 24 1862 which is believed to be dead and the deponent says that Julia Cowers the mother of said children is also believed to be dead

And they further depose and say that they are not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of the claim to which this relates.

Deponent's signature: *Hannah P. Carl*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the day and year first above written; and I certify that the Deponent is a reputable person entitled to full credit and belief; and that I am not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of the claim to which this relates; and that the foregoing was read and explained to and understood by the Deponent.

Official signature of the Justice or other officer: *J. P. M. Carl*
Justice of the Peace

COUNTY CLERK'S CERTIFICATE.

State of *New York*
Cayuga County Clerk's Office. } ss:

I hereby certify that *J. J. McLeod*
before whom the foregoing deposition was taken, was at the time of taking the same, a
Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, duly
elect and authorized to take the same, and
that the foregoing signature purporting to be his is genuine.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County
and of the Court of Record thereof, this *24th* day of *May* 18 *70*
And I certify that I am not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of the claim to
which this relates.

J. L. Bancroft
Clerk of *Cayuga* County *N.Y.*

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Proof of birth

DEPOSITION



Mr. W. J. Gibbs
Grand Juror, Cayuga Co.
John Gibbs, do.
Per. Co. C. W. & M. W.

CLAIM FOR

Patent

Act of

HENRY. H. BOSTWICK, ATTORNEY,
ALBANY,
CAYUGA Co.,
N. Y.

DEPOSITION.

State of New York
County of Cayuga

On this 28th day of November A. D. 1870 before me, a

within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared

William D. Wheat aged 40 years, a resident of the town of
Waverly in the County of Franklin in the State of New York
and late of the town of Montgomery Cayuga County
N.Y.

who being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that he is a physician and
has been in regular practice and formerly
7 years a resident of Montgomery
town and practicing in said County
of Cayuga for about 13 years, that he has
well acquainted with the family of John
Gonyea deceased, late resident in C. W. P. 111,
town of W. Ids. that he has devised in said
family, occasionally during that time, and
from his acquaintance, knowledge and
observation of the said family, and the verbal
depos of the said John Gonyea, his proper
and correct opinion of the date of said child
decease, is, that the date of their birth, as
given by William M. Gonyea their guardian,
is the

- Emily J. Gonyea Born March 11th 1851
- John J. Gonyea Born Dec 11th 1853
- Henry Gonyea Born July 25th 1856
- Josephine Gonyea Born May 15th 1857
- Robert Gonyea Born Sept 5th 1859

are correct,

And he further depose and say that he is not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of the claim to which this relates,

Deponent's signature: Wm D. Wheat M.D.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the day and year first above written; and I certify that the Deponent is a reputable person entitled to full credit and belief; and that I am not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of the claim to which this relates; and that the foregoing was read and explained to and understood by the Deponent,

Official signature of the Justice or other officer: Norace P. Cook
Justice of the Peace
Cayuga County

COUNTY CLERK'S CERTIFICATE.

State of New York }
Levy County Clerk's Office. } ss:

I hereby certify that James J. Cook
before whom the foregoing deposition was taken, was at the time of taking the same, a
Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, duly
qualified and authorized to take the same, and
that the foregoing signature purporting to be his is genuine.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County
and of the Court of Record thereof, this 28th day of November 1870.
And I certify that I am not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of the claim to
which this relates.

Geo. D. Lauchart
Clerk of Levy County NY



DEPOSITION.



William Mc Green
Agent for the

Property

of

John Green, and

his Co's, M. S. Dyer,

CLAIM FOR

Levy

Act of

HENRY H. ROSTWICK, ATTORNEY,
ATTEST,
CANTON O.,
N. Y.

147,228

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ACT OF JUL 14, 1862.

William D. Gowers
Cayuga Co. N.Y.
Guard. minor children
of John Gowers
Wife. C. N. N.Y. 206
Died at Andoverville Ga
July 22/64

no hel. app.

No Widow's app on record
gov. gov. gov. gov. gov. gov. gov.
April 7/70 Charles

Received July 22, 1869
Henry W. Postwick
Auburn
Cayuga Co
Attorney

April 17/70 Set to atty for full

proof of marriage

date of birth of words

Guardianship

Death or abandonment widow -

If by reason of immoral conduct
Probate Court should certify

May 8/70 Set to atty for new

decree in usual form as the

widow is dead.

Proof of age of words

Guardianship

July 13/70 Returns for Guardianship

Proof of death of widow & child Jim

July 20/70 Set to atty for proof of

Guardianship

ages by parties present &c

The whereabouts of widow & child &
what effort to learn of them &c

Sept 23/70 Set to atty for verified

copy of family record showing ages

of words - Also professional opinion

of all the family physician &c

Dec 2/70 Set to atty for Guardianship

for child Josephine - Must make decree

after such appointment &c
Also whether previous Guardian &c

H. A. G. Co. G.

No. 147328

New York

Comandaigna Agency.

Emily J. 10 Mar. '67

Julia 10 Dec. '69

Henry 27 July '72

Josephine 14 Aug. '73

Robert 4 Sep. '75

MINORS OF

John Gowers

Rank Private, Co. C

Regt. 111 N.Y. Vols

Rate per Month, \$ 8

Commencing 10 Sep. '64

Ending 4 Sep. '75

Additional sum of \$2 per Month for each of the above-named children, until arriving at the age of 16 years, commencing 25th day of July, 1864.

Certificate dated 20 Jan. '71

Sent to Gen. Agent

Henry W. Postwick (att.)

Acted July 1st, 1862.

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Revised, Clerk.

75 - Oct 4th 1877 - Sent to Bureau Agent of loss of
Certificate filed in this office having been de-
clared as a person entitled to same payment his author-
ity to the rule to the effect of General - C. R. J.

April 28 1877 - Copy of evidence
showing death of widow & youngest
child of soldier to Genl. Auditor.
Boston

Department of the Interior
PENSION OFFICE

Washington, D.C. September 23 1870,

Sir:

In the case of the minor children of John Gowers No. 177 800, the proof of the ages of the several wards is not yet satisfactory. If there is a family record showing the dates of their birth, let a verified copy of the same be furnished in this case. Also, the professional opinion of their family physician, or of the physician most acquainted with them, is required, giving his opinion as to the probable ages of all the wards.

Yours, respectfully,

H. Van Arman
Commissioner

Henry H. Bostwick Esq
Auburn
N.Y.

M.H.
L.

Wash DC
Nov 28/70.
Respectfully returned
with additional evi-
dence required,
W. H. Bennett
Atty

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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Department of the Interior
PENSION OFFICE

Washington, D.C. April 7, 1870.

Sir:

In the case of the mines of John Gowers, No. 177,800, full proof should be furnished relative to the marriage of the parents - the dates of births of all the wards - the death of the mother or her abandonment of the wards, and the usual evidence of guardianship. If a pension is claimed on the ground that the mine is an unsuitable person, by reason of immoral conduct, to have charge of said wards, the facts should be duly certified by a court having probate jurisdiction.

Yours respectfully,

H. Van Buren
Commissioner

Henry H. Bostwick
Auburn
N.Y.

W.H.

Carlisle N.Y.

May 24, 1870.

Respectfully returned,
with the proofs required,
Letters of Guardianship are
filed with the claims
of the Guardians for ~~the~~
year, in the office of the
2^d Auditor. It is hoped
that reference to them will
obviate the trouble and
expense of obtaining the
affidavits.

W. H. Bostwick,
Atty.



AGREEMENT.

This Agreement, made this 17th day of August, A. D., 1870, Between William M. Jones, of the City of Auburn, County of Cayuga, and State of New York, late a Private in Company "C", of the 111th Regiment of

claimant for a pension on account of the military* services of † Said John Jones, of the first part; and HENRY H. BOSTWICK, of the City of Auburn, County of Cayuga, and State of New York, Attorney of Record for said claimant, of the second part: Witnesseth, That the said party of the first part has employed the said party of the second part to prosecute the claim of the said party of the first part for a pension under the laws of the United States, on account of the military* services of the said party of the first part: That the said party of the second part agrees to prosecute the said claim to the best of his ability; that the said party of the first part agrees to allow the said party of the second part the sum of Twenty five dollars as the amount of his fees for prosecuting the said claim, (provided a pension shall be granted thereupon,) and that the said sum shall be paid to him in accordance with the provisions of the Act of Congress approved July 8th, 1870, relative to Pensions.

In Witness whereof, the parties to this Agreement, have hereunto set their hands, the day and year first above written.

IN PRESENCE OF
Witness to Claimant's Signature: G. S. Lanchart, W. B. Waggoner
Witness to Attorney's Signature: G. S. Lanchart, W. B. Waggoner
Claimant's Signature: William M. Jones
Attorney's Signature: Henry H. Bostwick

Acknowledgment of Claimant.

State of New York, County of Cayuga, ss:
On this 17 day of August 1870, before me, a Justice of the Court within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared William M. Jones, to me known to be the person named and described as the claimant in the foregoing agreement, and acknowledged that he executed the same freely and voluntarily as and for his act and deed: And I further certify that the said agreement was read and explained to and understood by the party executing the same before the acknowledgment thereof, and that I am not interested or concerned in the prosecution, or result of the claim to which this relates.

G. S. Lanchart
Justice of the Court
of Cayuga County, N.Y.

(The officer taking this acknowledgment must also sign as one of the witnesses to the signature of the claimant.)

Acknowledgment of Attorney.

State of New York, County of Cayuga, ss:
On this 17 day of August, before me, a Justice of the Court within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared HENRY H. BOSTWICK, to me known to be the person named and described as the Attorney of Record in the foregoing agreement, and acknowledged that he executed the same freely and voluntarily, as and for his act and deed. And I further certify that I am not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of the claim to which this relates.

G. S. Lanchart
Justice of the Court
of Cayuga County, N.Y.

* Or "Naval," as the case may be.
† "Himself," or other person, as the case may be.
‡ Here insert the name of the soldier.

AGREEMENT.



William M. Gowers
Guardian of minor
children of
John Gowers, dec'd
Prin. Co., C. 111 West
W.pts.

CLAIM FOR PENSION

HENRY H. BOSTWICK, ATTORNEY,
AUBURN,
CAYUGA Co., N. Y.

State of _____

County Clerk's Certificate.
County of _____

I do hereby certify that _____, ss: _____ before whom the foregoing acknowledgment was taken, was, at the time of taking the same, a _____ and authorized to take the same, and that the foregoing signature purporting to be his, is genuine. In Testimony Whereof, I have herewith set my hand, and affixed the seal of said County, and Court of Record hereof, this _____ day of _____ A. D. 18 _____. And I further certify that I am not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of the claim to which this relates.

Clerk of the Courts of Record of _____ County.

The People of the State of New York, To all to whom these Presents shall come, or may concern, send greeting:

KNOW YE, that at Auburn, in the County of Cayuga, State of New York, on the ^{8th} day of ~~October~~ 1869, letters of Guardianship of the person and

Estate of ~~Robert Gomers & Josephine of the Gomers~~ of the Town of Auburn, Minor Children of John Gomers deceased in said County, were duly granted and issued by the Surrogate of the County of Cayuga to William M. Gomers

of the Town of Auburn and that the same are still in force and unrevoked. ~~and that no letters have previously been issued by said Surrogate of the person & estate of said Children or either of them.~~

In Testimony Whereof, We have caused the Seal of Office of our said Surrogate to be hereunto affixed. Witness, ~~Myself~~ ^{Wm. J. Woodin} Surrogate of our said county, at Auburn, this 10th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ~~sixty~~ ^{sixty nine}

Wm. J. Woodin
Surrogate
Cay Co.



William M. Giness
Guardian of the
minor Children of
John Giness, dec'd,
Purs. to C. 111, Rep.
N.Y. 185.

Claim for
Pension,

Robert T. Johnson
& Oct 1869

Benny A. Brimack
Atty.
Arthur
Carpenter
N.Y.



The People of the State of New York, To all to whom these Presents shall come, or may concern, send greeting:

KNOW YE, that at Auburn, in the County of Cayuga, State of New York, on the 10th day of *May* 1870, letters of Guardianship of the person and Estate of *Julia Gomers* of the *County* of *Montgomery* *Minor Child of John Gomers deceased* in said County, were duly granted and issued by the Surrogate of the County of Cayuga to *William M Gomers*

of the *County* of *Montgomery* and that the same are still in force and unrevoked. *and that no letters have previously been issued by said Surrogate of the person & Estate of said Child,*

In Testimony Whereof, We have caused the Seal of Office of our said Surrogate to be hereunto affixed. Witness, *Wm B Woodin* Surrogate of our said county, at Auburn, this 10th day of *December* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *sixty*

Wm B Woodin
Surrogate
Cay Co.



William M. Gomers,
Guardian of the
Mina Children of
John Gomers, de'd,
Dist. Co. C. 111th Regt.
N.Y. Vols.

Claims for
Pensions.

Julia

Guardianship

Henry A. Burmick
Att'y.

Attendant
Carpenter
N.Y.



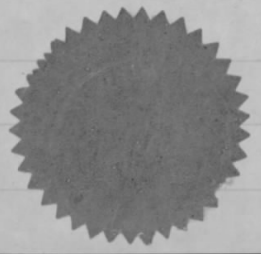
State of New York
County of Onondaga

I do hereby certify
that on the 6th day of May A.D. 1870,
Letters of Guardianship were duly issued
by the Surrogate of this County, to William
H. Gmes, of the City of Auburn, in the
County of Cayuga in the State aforesaid,
as Guardian of Henry Gmes, minor
child of John Gmes deceased. That

Said Letters have never been revoked
but are now in full force and bearing,
and I further certify that no Guardian
of said Child had previously been ap-
pointed by the Surrogate or Judge Prothonotary
of said County of Onondaga.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto
set my hand, and affixed my official
seal, this 15th day of December A.D. 1870,
(Little "M" written on name) after signing)

Yours Sincerely
Surrogate of Onondaga Co. N.Y.



William M. Jones,
Guardian of Minor
Children of
John Jones, deceased,
Pvt. Co. "C" 111, 7th Inf.,
M. I.

Claims for
Pension

Original records &
return to
Henry

Henry A. Postwick,
Atty.

Aurora,
Cayuga Co.,
N.Y.



State of New York
County of Genesee

I do hereby certify
that, on the 23^d day of February A.D. 1870,
Letters of Guardianship were duly
issued by the Surrogate of this County
to William M. Jones of the City of
Columb in the County of Cayuga in the
State aforesaid, as Guardian of Emily
J. Brewer, minor child of John Jones
deceased. That said Letters have never
been revoked, but are now in full force
and hearing.

And I further certify
that no Guardian of said Child had
previously been appointed by the Surrogate
or Judge Prothonotary of said County of Genesee.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed my official
Seal, this 12th day of December A.D. 1870,

(Letter No. written on separate paper)
Randolph Ballou
Surrogate of Genesee Co. N.Y.



William M. Jones,
Guardian of Minor
Children of
John Jones Deceased
Priv. Sec. Co. "C" 111th M.P.S.

Emily J.

Claim for ^{in which}
Pension ^{has} ^{no fees} ^{of}
^{here}

Investigate accounts &
return to

Henry A. Bernick
Atty.

Auland,
Cayuga Co.,
N.Y.



State of New York
Cayuga County

I do hereby certify that
William M. Gomer, was, on the 10th day of
May, 1870, duly appointed Guardian of
Julia Gomer, and on the 8th day of October
1869, was duly appointed Guardian of
Robert Gomer and Josephine Gomer,

Minor Children of John Gomer dec'd.
That the Letters of Guardianship issued
to him, have never been revoked, but
are now in full force and effect, and
that he is by virtue of said Letters fully
authorized to act as such Guardian.

In testimony whereof I have
hereunto set my hand and
official seal, this 17th day
of August, A.D., 1870

W. J. Roden
Clerk of the Surrogate's Court
of Cayuga County, N.Y.

William M. Jones,
Guardian of
Mina Children of
John Jones de P
Pur Co, C^o, 111th Reg
M^g, Ind.,



Obtain for
Mina,

Interrogals Certificate
of Guardianship.

Nancy H. Bostwick,
Atty.
Attorn^y,
Cayuga Co.,
N.Y.

State of New York
County of Otsego

I do hereby certify that
William M. Guss, was, on the 18th day
of August A.D. 1870, duly appointed
Guardian of the Person, of the minor child
of John Guss, deceased. That the Letters of
Guardianship issued to him have never
been revoked, but are now in full force and
bearing, and that he is, by said Letters fully
authorized to act as such Guardian.

In testimony whereof, I have
hereunto set my hand and
official seal, this 18th day
of August A.D. 1870.

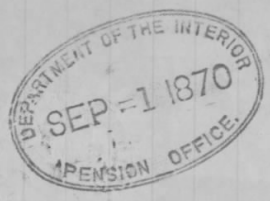
Cyrus Sweet
Sergeant of Otsego County, N.Y.



William M. Givers
Guardian of minor
Children of

John Givers, deceased
Pmt. Co. C. 111th Regt. N.Y. Inf.

Army, May 6
Claim for
Pension



Ardmore Md.
Sept 17/70

Single blank receipt
4 return - enclosed find
50 - fee
H. A. Postwick

Merrill A. Postwick
Attany

Carlson
Carpenter
N.Y.

DEPOSITION.

State of *New York*
County of *Cayuga*

On this *28th* day of *August* A. D. 1870, before me, a

Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared *Julia A. Phennus* aged *53* years, a resident of *the Town of Montezuma* in the County of *Cayuga*, aforesaid, *and Esther Daniels* aged *73* years, of the *same place*;

who being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that they are well acquainted with *William M. Gomers*, the Guardian of the *Minor Children of John Gomers deceased*, who was a *Merchant in Cayuga County, 11th Dist. N.Y.* And have been so acquainted with him for the last *15 or 20* years, and with said children from their infancy, that they are also so acquainted with the said *John Gomers* for about *15* years before his death, and with *Melissa Gomers*, the wife and widow of said *John Gomers* and Mother of said children, for the last *20* years. That the said *Melissa Gomers* resided for her home in *Montezuma, N.Y.* in the year *1864*, with one *William Phennus*, and took the youngest child, *John Gomers*, a young son of the deceased *John Gomers* with her, and left the other children of said *John Gomers* dependent upon the public for support. That the said *William Phennus* was the husband of the aforesaid *Julia A. Phennus*, and that the said *Julia A. Phennus* is the mother of the said *Julia A. Phennus*. That diligent enquiries have been made for the said *Melissa Gomers* and her said child *John*, with the said *William Phennus*, that they are found to the City of *Genee* in the County of *Montezuma*, that they the said *William Phennus* and the said *Melissa Gomers* there kept a house of ill fame, in the year *1866*, and that the said *Melissa*, and the said child died in the year *1868*, that such was the common report, and believed by them the deponents and others who know the parties, to be true,

And they further depose and say that they are not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of the claim to which this relates.

Deponent's signature

Julia Ann Phennus
Esther Daniels

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the day and year first above written; and I certify that the Deponent is a reputable person, entitled to full credit and belief; and that I am not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of the claim to which this relates; and that the foregoing was read and explained to and understood by the Deponent.

Official signature of the Justice or other officer

James R. McLeod
Justice of the Peace

State of *New York*
Levy County Clerk's Office. } 887

I hereby certify that *James M. Sand*
before whom the foregoing deposition was taken, was at the time of taking the same, a
Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, duly
and authorized to take the same, and
that the foregoing signature purporting to be his is genuine.

In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County
and of the Court of Record thereof this *30th* day of *August* 18 *70*
And I certify that I am not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of the claim to
which this relates.

J. S. Bancroft
Clerk of *Levy* County *N.Y.*



Secretary of Mines &

John Am. Harris
Nathan & Daniels

DEPOSITION:



William M. Gross
Secretary of Mining Claims
of John Gross deceased
Ohio Co. of W. Va.

CLAIM FOR

Phillips

Act of

HENRY. H. BOSTWICK, ATTORNEY,
ADDRES,
CAYUGA Co.,
N. Y.

DEPOSITION.

State of *New York* }
County of *Cayuga* } ss:

On this *17th* day of *August* A. D. 18*70*, before me, a
Justice of the County within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared
William M. Jones aged *52* years, a resident of *the City of*
Auburn in the County of *Cayuga* aforesaid,
Guardian of the Minor Children of John
Jones deceased who was a Private in Co
"B. 711th Regt. N.Y.S.
who being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that *he has made diligent*
effort to obtain proofs of the ages of the Children
of John Jones by the testimony of parties
who were present at their births. Other than
has been filed with the claim he has inquired
on account of said Children, but has been un-
able to obtain such testimony.

And *he* further depose and say that *he is* ~~not~~ interested or concerned in the prosecution or
result of the claim to which this relates.

Deponent's signature: *William M. Jones*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the day and year first above written; and I certify that the Deponent *is* a reputable
person entitled to full credit and belief; and that I am not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of the claim
to which this relates; and that the foregoing was read and explained to and understood by the Deponent.

Official signature of the Justice or other officer: *Geo. S. Lancelotti*

Justice of the County
of Cayuga County, N.Y.

Wm M. Gimes

DEPOSITION.



William M. Gimes
Guardian of
Minor Children of
John Gimes dec'd
His Co. C. 111th Reg
Ill. Inf.

CLAIM FOR

Pension

Act of

HENRY. H. BOSTWICK, ATTORNEY,
AUBURN,
CAYUGA Co.,
N. Y.



State of

County Clerk's Office, } ss:

COUNTY CLERK'S CERTIFICATE.

I hereby certify that
before whom the foregoing deposition was taken, was at the time of taking the same, a
Is Testimony Writings. I have herewith set my hand and affixed the seal of said County
and of the Court of Record thereof, this _____ day of _____ 18____
And I certify that I am not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of the claim to
which this relates.

Clerk of

County

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Department of the Interior
PENSION OFFICE.

Washington, D.C. ^{July 13} ~~Aug 21~~, 1870.

Sir:

In the case of Minors of John Gowers
No. 177, 500, as it now appears that the widow of
the soldier is dead, the application should be made
in the usual form, therefore a new application
is required, as per form on page 27 of published
instructions. Therefore show by the best evidence obtainable, why the
widow ^{and child} John, are believed to be dead.

Also, the proof of the ages of the wards
must be in pursuance of instructions on page
27.

Also, the usual evidence of Guardianship must
be furnished.

Yours respectfully,

H. Fairbairn
Commissioner

Henry W. Postwick
Auburn
N.Y.

M.H.
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Aulmer. W. J.
July 8, 1870.

Respectfully returned,
with my declaration,
The widow as to
the ages of the children
is the best evidence that
can be obtained.

Evidence of Guardianship
has been filed with
claim of the Guardian,
in the office of the
2^d Auditor. It is
hoped that reference
there to will be made,
and the small and
expense of obtaining
evidence alleviated.

W. J. Bostwick
Atty.

Aulmer W. J.
July 16, 1870,

Respectfully returned.
There is no good evidence
of the dates of birth of the
children. No can prove
by attending physicians to
obtain. The affidavits of
Mr. H. & Hannah Carl as to
the ages of the children -
forwarded May 24/70, is the
best proof that can be pro-
duced, on that point, and
no other is known of,
unless it be a corroboration
by neighbors that they believe
the ages of the children to be
as stated by Mrs & Mrs Carl.
If this point cannot be
admitted, or such testi-
mony, it would be useless
to be to further trouble and

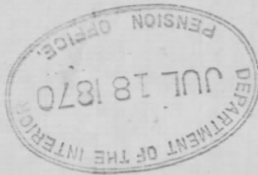
expense in obtaining proofs
on other points, particularly
in obtaining duplicate
letters of Guardianship,
or certified copies, from
Carl Child. producing an
expense of \$5. or \$10.

Full evidence of Guar-
dianship is on file
in the Pension Office 2^d
Auditor's Office. Can it
not be made available
in the Pension Case?

The only evidence which
can now be offered as to
the death of the widow
& child, is what some
persons report.

Please consider further
& modify as far as admis-
sible. It is undoubtedly
an honest case. But the
facts are few - and
meager - and brought
up in the records.

W. J. Bostwick
Atty.



DEPOSITION.

State of *New York*

County of *Cayuga*

ss:

On this *14th* day of *December* A. D. 18*72* before me, a

Justice of the Courts within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared *William M. Jones* aged *52* years, a resident of *the City of Auburn* in the County of *Cayuga* aforesaid.

who being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that *he is the guardian of the children of John Jones deceased, that he has made diligent search & enquiry, and can find no Family or other Record of the date of birth of said children, that to the best of his knowledge and belief there is no such Record, and that he has here with the best additional evidence he can now produce said John Jones was late a pirate in the "C. M." & "Dep. M.P."*

And *he* further depose and say that *he is* not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of the claim to which this relates,

Deponent's signature {

William M. Jones

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the day and year first above written; and I certify that the Deponent *is a* reputable person entitled to full credit and belief; and that I am not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of the claim to which this relates; and that the foregoing was read and explained to and understood by the Deponent,

Official signature of the Justice or other officer. {

Geo. S. Lanchart
Justice of the Courts
of the County of Cayuga
N.Y.

COUNTY CLERK'S CERTIFICATE.

State of _____

County Clerk's Office. } ss: _____

I hereby certify that before whom the foregoing deposition was taken, was at the time of taking the same, a _____ in and for the County and State aforesaid, duly _____ and authorized to take the same, and that the foregoing signature purporting to be his is genuine.

Is Testimony Witness, I have herewith set my hand and affixed the seal of said County and of the Court of Record thereof, this _____ day of _____ 18____. And I certify that I am not interested or concerned in the prosecution or result of the claim to which this relates.

Clerk of _____

County _____



Proof of birth

DEPOSITION.



William M. Gomers,
Guardian of
Minor Children of
John Gomers dec'd
But les. C. 111th Regt.
18th Regt.

CLAIM FOR

Pension.

Act of _____

HENRY H. BOSTWICK, ATTORNEY,
AUBURN,
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N. Y.

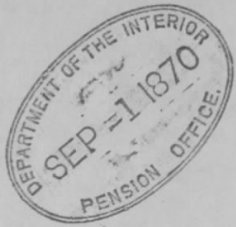
State of New York
County of Genesee

I do hereby certify that
Williams M. Jones, was, on the 16th day
of March A.D. 1870, duly appointed
Guardian of Emily J. France, minor child
of John Jones deceased, that the Letters of
Guardianship issued to him have never
been revoked, but are now in full force and
bearing, and that he is, by said Letters, fully
authorized to act as such Guardian
In testimony whereof I have
hereunto set my hand and
official seal, this 26th day
of August A.D. 1870.

Charles Henshaw

Surrogate of Genesee County, N.Y.

William McGivers,
Guardian of minor
children of
John McGivers deceased
Dist. Co. "C" 111th St. N.Y.C.
Emigrant of 1840
Claim for
Pension.



Androm N.Y.
Sept 17/70
Amount please account
& return - enclosed find
50^{cts} fee.
H. H. Burdette

Henry A. Burdette
Attorney
Chatham,
Cayuga Co
N.Y.

SOURCE INFORMATION

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State of Service: New York
Branch of Service: Infantry
Regiment: 111
Company: C
Application Number: WC147328
Veteran: Gowers, John
Pensioner: Gowers, Emily Jane
Relationship: Minor Child
Conflict Period: Civil War (Union)
Served for: United States of America
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