

Illinois Soldiers and Sailors Home,

QUINCY, ILLINOIS.

June 6th 1898

Henry Clay Dixon, (9) of the Town of Walker Grove, in the County of Mason, and State of Illinois, formerly a Soldier of the United States of America, in the war against (1) the Rebellion, respectfully asks that he be admitted as a member of said Home.

To enable the authorities to determine whether or not he is legally entitled to become a member of said Home, he declares and states the facts to be that he is now 54 years old; that he is 5 feet and 8 1/2 inches high; that he is of fair complexion, hazel eyes, and brun hair; that he was born in the town of Canton in the Putton Co. of Illinois, on the 15th day of Sept, 1844; that he has been (2) twice enrolled in the U. S. A. service; twice in the war against Mexico, and twice in the war of the late Rebellion; and that he has been (3) twice honorably discharged from the service of the United States. That the following is a true statement of the time and place of his enrollment, and discharges from said service, and of the cause of his discharge, and of his rank at the respective date thereof, namely:

No.	When and Where Enrolled.	When and Where Discharged.	Rank.	Company and Regiment.	Cause of Discharge.
1st.	<u>Aug 16th 1861</u> <u>Walker Grove Ill</u>	<u>Jan 1st 1862</u> <u>Blains & Roads Tenn</u>	<u>Priv</u>	<u>E Co 27 Regt. Ill Inf</u>	<u>To see list as Vet</u>
2d.	<u>Jan 1 1864</u> <u>Blains & Roads</u>	<u>Aug 5 1865</u> <u>Springfield Ill</u>		<u>E Co 27 Regt.</u>	<u>Close of war</u>
3d.	<u>Tenn.</u>			<u>Co. Regt.</u>	

That he now receives, on pension certificate number....., a pension of.....dollars a month payable the.....day of next....., at the.....Pension Office.

That he owns property, real and personal, of the value of 70 dollars, and no more; that he has no means of self-support other than the above named; that his trade or occupation is that of a Bridge Carpenter

That he has (4) two wife; that he has 2 children now living; ages, respectively, (5) 25 & 29 years years. That his postoffice address is Walker Grove, State of Illinois; that his nearest railway station is Walker Grove, on the.....Railway, in Mason County in said State; that the name and address of the person, to whom he desires notice of his illness or death shall be given, is Mr. Allen Starnon, of Mason City, County of Mason, State of.....; that, in case of his death, he desires all his personal effects to be sent to Mr. Allen Starnon, at as above County of..... State of.....

That he has not heretofore been a member of any Soldiers', Sailors', or other Charitable Home or Institution, excepting the (6) Leavenworth

That he is now a bona fide resident of the State of Illinois, and has continuously lived and resided in said State for the last two years, or has served in an Illinois organization.

That he is so far disabled by (7) Heart dis Gun Shot wound right Shoulder & Hemia as to now be incapable of earning his own living.

That he has at all times, heretofore, supported and adhered to the government of the United States of America, and that he has not at any time been engaged in, or countenanced, or aided, or abetted, the cause of the late Rebellion.

That if he shall be admitted to be a member of the said Home, he will, in all things and in every respect, comply with and conform to the rules and regulations made, or that shall hereafter be made, for the government and discipline of the same; and that he will cheerfully do and perform any and all things that shall be required of him by those there in authority over him; and that he will promptly, and willingly, obey all lawful orders that he shall receive from any officer of the Home, so long as he shall remain a member thereof.

In testimony whereof, he has set his hand this 6 day of June, 1898.

(9) Edw. H. Pish, Witness. (8) Henry Dixon, Applicant.

COUNTY OF Adams } ss.

Giles H. Bush, a (10) Notary Public

of the town of Quincy, in and for said County, do hereby certify that the above named Applicant, to me personally and well known to be the identical person he represents himself to be, this day personally appeared before me, and that I then and there, at his request, plainly read to him his application, aforesaid, which he then and there fully understood, and that he was, by me, thereupon duly sworn, and then and there deposed and said that he was the applicant above named, and that he was fully acquainted with matters and things stated and set forth in his said application, and that the same and each of them were true in substance and in fact as he had therein stated.

(11) Henry Clay Dixon
Affiant.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 6 day of June, A. D. 1898. Witness my hand and official seal.

L. S.

Giles H. Bush, (12) Notary Public

CERTIFICATE OF IDENTIFICATION.

I do hereby certify, upon honor, that I have personally known Henry Clay Dixon the above Applicant, for, at least, two years last passed; and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements contained in his foregoing application are entirely true, and especially that as to the time of his residence in Illinois, or service in an Illinois organization. And I further state that he has no known mental disorder; and that he requires no special attendant; and that he can properly be allowed to go at large; and that he can safely be quartered with feeble and helpless men.

Witness my hand, (13) Robert C. Hartley

(14)

CERTIFICATE OF A LOCAL PHYSICIAN.

I hereby depose and state that I have carefully examined the above named Applicant, as to his disability, and I now find that he has (15) to such an extent as to prevent him from earning his own living. And I hereby certify that he has no known, manifest, or discoverable, mental disorder; that he has no need of an attendant; that he may be properly allowed to go at large; and that he can safely be quartered with men who are old and feeble.

M. D.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this day of 18. And I certify that I am personally acquainted with said affiant, and that I know him to be a physician in active practice, and in good repute, as an honest man and a capable physician, in the community and among his fellow physicians where he lives.

(16)

CERTIFICATE OF SOLDIERS HOME SURGEON.

I hereby certify upon honor that I carefully and critically examined Henry Clay Dixon the above named Applicant, as to his mental and physical condition, at the Hospital of this Institution, on Monday the 6th day of June, 1898; and that I then found him to be of sound mind, and to be incapable of earning his living by reason of his physical disability arising from (17) ventral hernia in right iliac wound in right shoulder

Nov 24th 1898 Witness my hand RH Jones Home Hospital Surgeon.
Kind applicant as an former Examination

ORDER ADMITTING APPLICANT.

The application of the said H. C. Deven, together with the said several certificates, signatures, and jurats, having been found to be duly and formally made, and the Superintendent being satisfied that the applicant has shown himself to be lawfully entitled to admission to the Home,—it is hereby ordered that he be now duly admitted as a member thereof, this 6 day of June, 1898.

W. B. Somerville
Superintendent.

HOW TO FILL APPLICATION BLANKS.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o. Give full name of the Applicant. 1. Either "Mexico or the late Rebellion." 2. Here say once, twice, or three times. 3. Here say once, twice, or three times. 4. Here say a wife, or no wife. 5. Here give their ages, from youngest to oldest. 6. Here give the name of any Home or other Institution of which he has been a member. 7. Here state, <i>in his own words</i>, what it is that ails or disables him. 8. Here Applicant will sign his full name, or make his mark. 9. Here the witness will sign <i>his</i> name. 10. Here write "Notary Public," "Justice of the Peace," or "Clerk of Court." | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11. Here Applicant will sign his <i>full name</i>, or make his mark. 12. Signature and title of the Justice or Notary. 13. To be made and signed by any Judge of any County or State Court, by any Mayor, County or Circuit Clerk, Justice of the Peace, Police Magistrate, or Adjutant or Commander of any G. A. R. Post. 14. Here write official title. 15. The physician will here state tersely, but fully, as far as he can learn, <i>every</i> cause or disorder that tends in any degree to render the Applicant <i>incapable of earning his own living</i>. 16. Name and official title of Notary or Justice. 17. Here state <i>minutely</i> what disorder, ailment, disease, or cause, it is that, in your judgment, <i>disables the Applicant and renders him incapable of earning his own living</i>. |
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SPECIAL INFORMATION FOR APPLICANT.

READ THIS CAREFULLY. For it will *avail you nothing*, when you come before the Superintendent for examination on the facts alleged by you in your application, *to say you are ignorant* of what is *here* and *herein* plainly and explicitly set forth for your information:

- 1. Have some capable person, *who writes a fair hand*, fill all the blanks in your application.
- 2. Have every blank in the application properly filled, and every Certificate, except that of the Surgeon of the Home, duly made and signed, and every jurat duly executed, signed and sealed by the Clerk, Notary or Justice of the Peace making the same.
- 3. Send your application, so prepared, by mail or otherwise, *with your last discharge and all your pension papers*, to the Superintendent of the Home.
- 4. On his receipt of your application, and your last discharge, and all your pension papers, all in due form, transportation will be sent you, and you will be ordered to report at the Home for *examination by the Home Surgeon as to your disability*, and for examination by the Superintendent *as to the allegations of fact made by you in your application for admission*.
- 5. If *all* your statements are found *to be true*, and the Surgeon finds you to be *so far disabled as to render you incapable of earning your own living*, you will then be admitted to the home, and not otherwise.
- 6. If, for *any reason*, you are found *not to be eligible* for admission, *you will not be admitted to the Home*.
- 7. If you fail to be admitted, no transportation to your home will be furnished you. *Therefore, you should bring sufficient money to pay your return fare*.
- 8. When permitted to leave the Home on Furlough, or on Pass of two or more days' duration, *you will be required to wear your citizen's clothing. You will not be allowed to wear Home or State clothing, when so absent*.

TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION.

- 1. *The law requires that you shall have served in the U. S. A. service, in the army or navy, in the war with Mexico, or in the late Rebellion.*
- 2. *That you shall have been honorably discharged from that service.*
- 3. *That you shall have lived and resided, CONTINUOUSLY and in good faith, FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS, in the State of Illinois, or served in an Illinois organization.*
- 4. *That you shall have been rendered INCAPABLE OF EARNING YOUR OWN LIVING, AND SHALL NOW BE INCAPABLE OF EARNING YOUR OWN LIVING, through the exigencies of your military service, by reason of old age, or by means of some other PRESENT DISABILITY.*
- 5. *That you shall have NO PROPERTY OR OTHER SUFFICIENT MEANS OF LIVING.*
- 6. *That you shall be of sane mind; that you shall not be in need of an attendant; that you shall be capable of ministering to your own personal wants; that you shall have NO CONTAGIOUS OR INFECTIOUS DISEASE that would render your residence in the Home DANGEROUS to others; that you may SAFELY be quartered with men who are feeble and incapable of self-defence.*
- 7. *NO INSANE OR DEMENTED PERSON CAN BE RECEIVED OR CARED FOR AT THIS INSTITUTION. The State has elsewhere provided for the care and treatment of such persons.*

W. B. Somerville
Superintendent.

June 16, 1925.

Mr. Carl B. Berter,
Heintz Bldg.,
Quincy, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Berter:

In reply to your letter of June 15th, regarding claim of Henry Wiskerchen for expense of funeral of Henry C. Dickson on December 3, 1918, will state that Capt. Andrews denies that he had ever authorized Mr. Wiskerchen to go to the expense he did in the funeral of Mr. Dickson. There would be no authority for the State of Illinois to bear this expense, and this matter of recovery for funeral expense should have been taken up in proper manner at that time.

To prevent a soldier being buried as a pauper, the state law provides that the supervisors of the county in which an indigent soldier dies, are authorized to expend not to exceed \$75.00 for burial expenses.

In looking over the record, I find that Mr. Dickson died at St. Marys Hospital, city of Quincy, and that we have on file an original letter sent by Henry Wiskerchen and Sons to Commissioner of Pensions under date of November 29, 1918. Body of letter reads as follows:

"Was requested today by the Superintendent of Soldiers' and Sailors' Home of this city to ask you for a burial blank for the proper filing of the burial expenses of an indigent soldier.

"Trust this will meet with your approval, and thanking you in advance for any courtesy you may show us." Signed Henry Wiskerchen and Sons Per Les Wiskerchen." As I said this is the original copy of letter sent. I have no record of reply, but this is probably in the files of Mr. Wiskerchen.

There is no way whatever, in which the State of Illinois can be held responsible for funeral expense of this man. Would be pleased to give you any information you might request in this case, and would especially refer you to Capt. John E. Andrews, who was

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the Managing Officer of the Home at that time, and who maintains that at no time did he authorize the undertaking firm to go to a specified expense for burial with any thought that the State would re-imburse.

Respectfully,

JWR:W

Managing Officer.

CARL B. BERTER

ATTORNEY AT LAW

Heintz Building

QUINCY, ILLINOIS.

C. P. A. Illinois.

June 15th, 1925.

Col. Rieg, Superintendent,
Illinois S. & S. Home,
Quincy, Illinois.

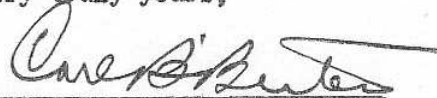
Dear Sir:

Under date of December 3, 1918, Henry Wiskerchen, funeral director, of this city, furnished services in connection with the funeral of Henry C. Dickson, Deceased.

These services were furnished at the direction of the then superintendent of the Home, but to date Mr. Wiskerchen has been unable to receive pay therefore.

Will you kindly look into this matter and let me know just what the prospects are for collecting this money.

Very truly yours,


Carl B. Berter

CBB:GAP

STATE OF ILLINOIS

SS

ADAMS COUNTY

CHARLES BLOSSER, first

being duly sworn on oath, states that he is a member of the Illinois Soldiers' & Sailors' Home and lives in Cottage 4 of said Home. That he was well acquainted with Henry C Dixon, late a member of Company B, 27th Illinois Inf. and a member of Cottage 4 of the Illinois Soldiers' & Sailors' Home.

That he has this day viewed the body at the undertaking parlors of Wiskirchen & Sons and positively identifies it as Henry C Dixon a member of Cottage 4 of the Ill. Soldiers' & Sailors' Home.

Dated this 29th day of November 1918.

Subscribed and sworn to before me

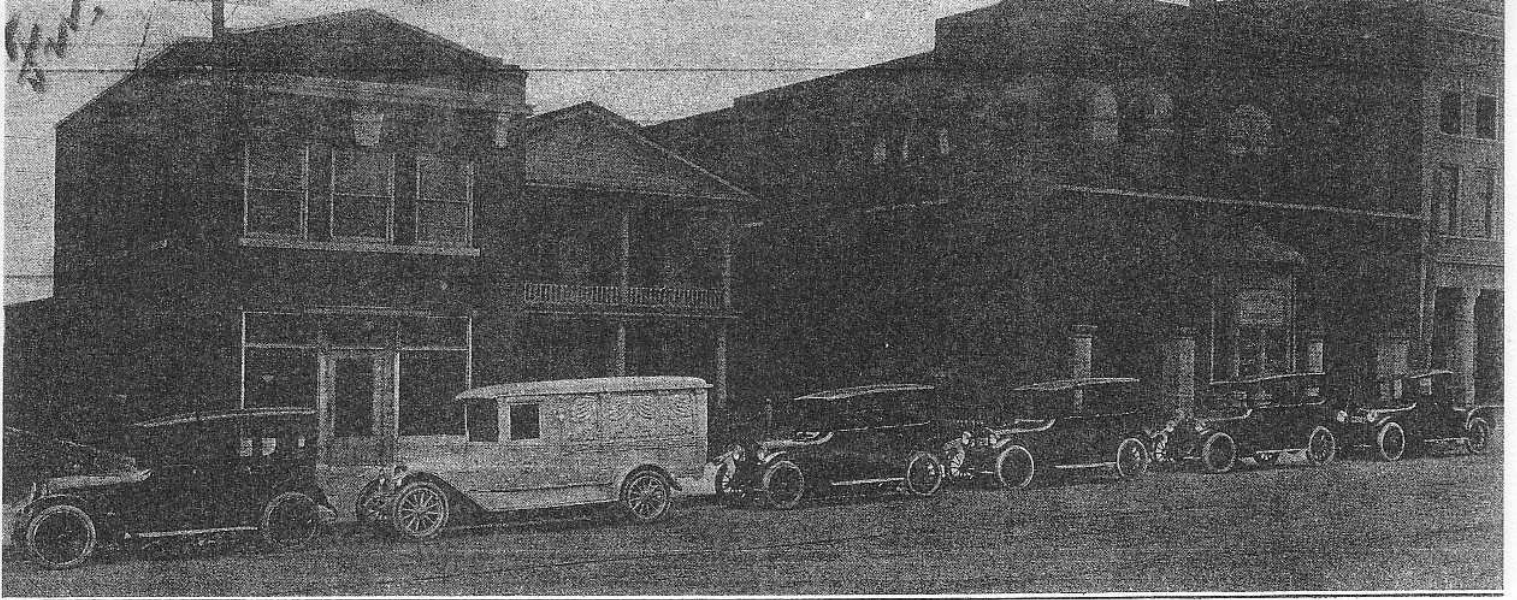
Charles Blosser

Henry C Dixon was admitted to the Home June 6, 1898. He was 54 years old when admitted. He was a bridge carpenter by trade and resided at Canton, Illinois at the time of enlistment Aug. 16, 1881. His wife was dead.

He states on his application at time of admittance that he had two children, ages 25 and 29 years. That his daughter, Mrs. Alice Harman, lived in Mason City, Illinois.

(Handwritten initials)

John S. Andrew
Managing Officer



HENRY WISKIRCHEN & SONS. QUINCY, ILLINOIS

Nov. 29, 1918.

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BUREAU

Commissioner of Pensions
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,

Was requested today, by the Superintendent of the Illinois Soldiers and Sailors Home of this city, to ask you for a burial blank, for the proper filing of the burial expenses, of an indigent soldier.

Trust this will meet with your kind approval, and thanking you in advance for any courtesy you may show us,

We Remain,

With Kindest Regards,
By, Wiskirchen and Sons.

Per Leo Wiskirchen



GOVERNOR:
RICHARD YATES,
SPRINGFIELD.

HEADQUARTERS

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:
GEN. JOHN C. BLACK, Chicago.
COL. C. V. CHANDLER, Macomb,
MAJ. C. W. HAWES, Rock Island.

OFFICERS OF THE BOARD:
GEN. JOHN C. BLACK, President.
E. H. OSBORN, Treasurer.

OFFICERS:
WM. SOMERVILLE, Superintendent.
S. P. MOONEY, Adjutant.
DR. D. M. LONDON, Surgeon.
DR. C. E. EHLE, Ass't Surgeon.
DR. L. B. ASHTON, Ass't Surgeon.
E. B. LANCASTER, Quartermaster.

Illinois Soldiers and Sailors Home.



QUINCY, ILL., January 5th, 1904.

Henry C. Dixon, Esquire,
100 Bridge Street,
Peoria, Illinois.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of the thirty-first ultimo addressed to Governor Yates has been referred to me, and in reply you are informed that there is no objection to your return to the Home, provided you will comply with the rules, and make good the indebtedness incurred at the time you left.

Very respectfully,

Wm. Somerville
Superintendent.

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Bradford, Ill., May 26 1904

Mr Mooney Please

Send me my Pension

Papers

Henry C. Myers

ans. 5-27-04

Get Home clothing or other
Value 800 then any property
he had here would be sent to him

Bradford
Stewart & Co
Ill.

PROVOST COURT

ILLINOIS S. AND S. HOME
QUINCY, ILLINOIS

3/3/1909

Accusation against Henry G. Dixon

Register No. 4386 Cottage No. 18

Charge 1st Being absent without leave

Specifications: That _____

Has been absent without
leave since 8:30 Min 30

Charge 2nd Jumping The fence

Specifications: That _____

Jumped The fence in
night of Mar 30 1909
April 10th 1909
the above H G Dixon's business
arrange for the past Ten days
Sergeant Police

John P. Keller Comptroller
Sergeant Provost Guard

Plea to Charge 1st _____ Finding _____

Plea to Charge 2nd _____ Finding _____

Penalty _____

18 Send up list of clothes taken away 675

HEADQUARTERS
ILLINOIS S. AND S. HOME,
QUINCY, ILLINOIS.

PROVOST COURT.

June 16 1898

Accusation against Henry B. Dixon

Registered No. 4386 Cottage No. 11

Charge: Absent without leave

Specifications: That he is on cottage duty this week & is absent without leave this morning. Had to put another man in his place. He came in drunk last evening at 8²⁵ and I took up his pass.

June 26th 1895

This man has been away for the past ten days

Sergt Polier

Witness, _____

Witness, _____

Witness, _____

L. S. Whitman Serg't Provost Guard 11

Plea, _____ Finding, _____

Penalty, Dishonorably discharged

E. L. Higgins

Adj't

PROVOST COURT.

ILLINOIS S. AND S. HOME,
QUINCY, ILLINOIS.

April 16th 1906

Accusation against

Henry C Dixon

Register No.

4380

Cottage No.

15

Charge 1st

Absence without leave

Specifications:

That

He has been absent
without leave since 8:30 P.M.
April 14th 1906

Charge 2nd

Specifications:

That

April 26th 1906
The above Henry C Dixon has
been away for the past few
days. Sergt Police

E. E. Sackett

Cert 15
Serg't Provost Guard.

Plea to Charge 1st

Finding

Plea to Charge 2nd

Finding

Penalty

Discharge for want of proof
from clothing washed at 11
W. Connelly
Rep.

List of Clothing taken
away by Harry C Dixon
Reg No. 4386 Cott 15

Secondhand

One Blouse

" Trousers

" Vest

" Suspenders

I hereby certify the foregoing
list to be correct as
shown by the clothing
book of the cottage

E. C. Sackett
Deputy Cott 15-

PROVOST COURT.

ILLINOIS S. AND S. HOME,
QUINCY, ILLINOIS.

April 12th 1904

Accusation against Henry C. Dixon

Register No. 4386 Cottage No. 15

Charge Absence without leave

Specifications: That He has been
Absent without leave since
5th P.M. April 11th 1904

April 22nd 1904

The above Henry C. Dixon
has been arrested for the
past ten days

Serg't Police

Witness

Witness

Witness

C. S. Sackett Cott 15
Serg't Provost Guard.

Plea,

Finding,

Penalty,

Discharged for want of
proof Home absence valued
at \$8 - Wm. Somerville
Sup

Received 24 April 1946
J. M. Eckerhoff
Laurie Home Please
forward to me by mail
the check which has my voucher
and check in it
Henry C. Brown

Received 24
General Delivery

15
4386

Pass check
4
20/16

4386
13

Monroe, Ill, April, 26
Capt Eeles

I presume I am
dropped from the Rols of
the Ill. S. and S. H.
I would like you to
send me my Pension
papers as I make my
claim in May and
the time will soon
be here

Henry C. Dixon

Monroe
Pecoria Co
Illinois

sent 4⁵⁷ 19

14386
RECEIVED
Broadford Lewis's
Jan 12-04

Capt. Sumner

I sent to Mr. Henry
for my Timmer's papers
and he returned to find
them as well as Learning &
and the same for Clothing
to my at home. I gave
I was not home the same
even I left the same
5 years or so and took
of the of clothes with
when I came back you
me at 60 my money I left
and 2000 of the same
why my and when
back consider and you
my at the same time
same quality

I will not turn away
clothes in 5 years of
as I feel they are
of good clothes in out-
time of summer others
now I hear line out-
in the I in with and
all I want as my own
and then as my papers
and so far as my papers
and you can see my clothes
keep them

Henry C. Myers
Broadford
Jan 10-04
Stoughton Co

List of Home Clothing
 taken away by
 Henry C. Dixon
 Reg # 4884 Cott. 15

one	Blouse	4	
"	Trowsers	3	
"	Vest	1	
"	Shirt		50
"	Undershirt		50
"	Drawers		50
"	Shoes	1	75
2	socks		10
one	Overcoat		
			25

I hereby certify the
 foregoing list to be
 correct as shown

by the clothing book
 of the cottage
 E. E. Sackett
 Dugr Cott 15

ILLINOIS SOLDIERS AND SAILORS HOME

Surgeon's Office Jan 17 1907

Respectfully returned to the Super-
 intendent. I have carefully examined

Henry Clay Dixon

late Co. Regt.

late Co. Regt.

and found him

disabled by Hernia - Old

gun shot wound right
shoulder

E. E. Sackett
 was Surgeon.

Illinois Soldiers' and Sailors' Home.

QUINCY, ILL.....

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4/10/09

~~REGISTRATION RECEIPT~~

Registry No.	Page.	NAME.	Blouse.	Trousers.	Vests.	Shirts.	Undershirts.	Drawers.	Shoes.	Socks.	Hat.	Suspenders.	Nightshirts.	Overcoat.	REMARKS.
4386		Henry G. Dixon	1	1	1										clothing taken away.
			✓ 50	3 45	1										

APPROVED:

Superintendent.

John P. Keller
Actg
 Sergeant Company

4386. H.C. Dixon clothing left April 25/99.

1 pair pants =	1 pair Trowsers
1 Blouse	1 Blouse 1-socks
1 Vest	1 - vest 1 Hat
1 pair shoes	1 pair shoes 1. Sock
1 over shirt	1 - shirt over
1 under shirt	1 - " under
1 pair Trowsers	1 pair Trowsers
1 hat	

All these are worthless. his best worn off.

P.W. Lockard Sersgt 15

ILLINOIS SOLDIERS AND SAILORS HOME.

Quincy, Ill., January 14 1904

The undersigned hereby instruct the clerk in charge of Post Office at Soldiers Home to deliver all mail from the Pension Department to the Superintendent.

NAME	Registered Number	Co.	Reg't	State	Term of Service	Number of Certificate.	WITNESS.
Henry C. Dixon	4386	E	27	Ill		1031907	Jos N. Shaban Henry C. Dixon

DUPLICATE

ILLINOIS SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME

Record of Henry C. DeJor, Reg. No. 4388 Co. E Regt. 27th Inf State Illinois

BAKER-YANTER CO. MANUFACTURERS CHICAGO-HOLYOKE

MONTH	DAY	YEAR	Cot No.	PERSON TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF DEATH	P. O. ADDRESS	RELATIONSHIP	REMARKS
Nov	30	1918	4				
<p>COTTAGE INVENTORY</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px;"> <p>1 Shirt Case 3 Pr Drawers 2 Under Shirts 4 Over Shirts 1 Pr Shoes 1 Pr Trousers 1 Hat 1 Cap</p> <p>15 Handkerchiefs 2 Colons 3 Pr Socks 5 Pr Suspenders 1 Small Looking Glass Package of letters Paper and envelopes</p> <p>1 Box of <u>Dr. M. Farrell</u> Sergeant, Cottage No. 4</p> </div>							
Received the above described personal effects of _____							
Registry No. _____ Hospital Steward _____							
HOSPITAL RECORD							

Henry C. DeJor
nk

HOSPITAL INVENTORY

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct inventory of the personal effects of _____ Deceased.

_____ Hospital Steward

Approved:

W. H. Spencer Adjutant