

Head Quarters

Illinois Soldiers and Sailors Home

Near Quincy, Illinois.

July 21st, 1896.

Nicholas Mc Sherry, (1) of the Town of JACKSONVILLE, in the County of MORGAN, and State of ILLINOIS, formerly a Soldier of the United States of America, in the war against (2) Late 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 60 years old, that he is 5 feet and 9/2 inches high; that he is of Red complexion, Blue eyes, and dark hair; that he was born in the town of Ireland in the County of Morgan of Illinois, on the 14 day of Feb, 1836; that he has been (2) once enrolled in the U. S. A. service; in the war against Mexico and in the war of the late Rebellion; and that he has been (3) once 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 discharge 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.	April 22, 61	July 29, 1861		Co. G Regt. 10 th Ill Infy.	Extension of Service
2d.	Jacksonville Ill	Baino Ill		Co. Regt.	
3d.				Co. Regt.	

That he now receives, on pension certificate number 440,085, a pension of 8 dollars a month, payable the 4 day of next Oct, at the Chicago Pension Office.

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

That he has (4) no wife; that he has 3 children now living; ages, respectively, (5) 21, 19, 14 years. That his postoffice address is JACKSONVILLE, State of Illinois; that his nearest railway station is JACKSONVILLE, on the Wabash Railway, in ILLINOIS 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 Mary A. Elliott, of JACKSONVILLE, County of MORGAN, State of ILLINOIS; that, in case of his death, he desires all his personal effects to be sent to Mary A. Elliott, at JACKSONVILLE county of MORGAN, State of ILLINOIS.

That he has not heretofore been a member of any Soldiers', Sailors', or other Charitable Home or Institution excepting the (6) none

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.

That he is so far disabled by (7) Rheumatism, Asthma, Catarrh and Senility

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 21st day of July, 1896.

(8) L. B. Lewis,
Witness.

Nicholas Mc Sherry,
Applicant.

P.O. Bx 1595

STATE OF ILLINOIS,
COUNTY OF MORGAN.

ss. J. L. Simms,

NOTARY PUBLIC

of the town of JACKSONVILLE 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

Nicholas McSherry

Affiant.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 21st day of July, A. D. 1896. Witness my hand and official seal.

L. S.

J. L. Simms

(12) NOTARY PUBLIC

CERTIFICATE OF IDENTIFICATION.

I do hereby certify, upon honor, that I have personally known Nicholas McSherry, 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. 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)

C. K. Widmayer, Mayor

CERTIFICATE OF A LOCAL PHYSICIAN.

I hereby depose and state that I have carefully examined the above named Applicant, Nicholas McSherry, as to his disability, and I now find that he has (15) Rheumatism, Asthma, Catarrh, Senile Debility 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.

Brook Mayfield, M. D.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 21st day of July, A. D. 1896. 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.

J. L. Simms

(16) Notary Public

CERTIFICATE OF SOLDIERS HOME SURGEON.

I hereby certify upon honor that I carefully and critically examined Nicholas McSherry, the above named Applicant, as to his mental and physical condition, at the Hospital of this Institution, on Monday the 27th day of July, 1896; 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) Rheumatism, Asthma, and Senile Rosacea

ORDER ADMITTING APPLICANT.

The application of the said Nicholas Mc Sherry, 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 2nd day of July, 1896.

A. N. Kirkwood

[Redacted],
Superintendent.

HOW TO FILL APPLICATION BLANKS.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 0. Give full name of the Applicant. 1. Either "Mexico and the late Rebellion," or one of them. 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." | <ol 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.
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 now 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.

A. N. Kirkwood

[Redacted],
Superintendent.

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I, NICHOLAS MCSHERRY

make oath that I am the identical person named in pension

certificate No. 440085, dated 10-AUG-07, in my possession and now exhibited; that I performed

the service upon which said certificate was issued; that I have not been employed or paid in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States during any part of the period for which pension is therein provided or is now due thereon; that I am entitled to

and hereby make claim for payment of FORTY-FIVE DOLLARS **\$45**

pension now due, at the rate of 15 dollars per month, from JANUARY 4, 1911, to APRIL 4, 1911,

and that my post-office address to which I desire the check in payment mailed is as follows:

Street and No. or R. F. D. route.

Pensioner's signature must be written here in full as name appears in the head of this voucher.

Post office.

If pensioner signs by mark or illegibly, two witnesses who write.

State.

State of _____, County of _____, ss:

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 1911, and I certify that the pensioner, above named, *has this day exhibited to me his pension certificate*, above described, and was fully identified as the pensioner named therein.

[L.S.]

Magistrate's signature.

Official character.

(Seal must be above this line.)

Post-office address.

2670-2671-2672-2673-2674-2675 o

(If any erasures or alterations appear on this voucher, the magistrate must certify above his signature to the jurat that they were made before its execution.)

3-1000.

\$ **45**

From JANUARY 4, 1911, To APRIL 4, 1911.

440085-P

PAYMENT WILL NOT BE MADE ON THIS VOUCHER IF EXECUTED BEFORE THE DATE LAST GIVEN.

PENSIONER'S NAME MUST BE SIGNED HERE AND POST-OFFICE ADDRESS GIVEN AS ABOVE.

Name.

Street and No. or R. F. D. route.

Post office.

State.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

State of Illinois.

Adjutant General's Office,

Springfield, November 1, 1887

It is Hereby Certified, That it appears from the Records of this office that
Nicholas M. Sherry ENLISTED
on the Twenty second day of April 1861
at Jacksonville Ill. and was MUSTERED into the service
of the UNITED STATES April 29, 1861 in Company "G"
Tenth Regiment, Illinois Volunteer Infantry
for Three months and was DISCHARGED on the Twenty ninth day of
July 1861, and his RESIDENCE is stated at
Jacksonville Illinois

This Certificate issued at the request of M. H. Lamb
Beardstown Illinois

Theo. C. West
Col. & Asst. Adjutant General of Illinois.

Illinois Soldiers and Sailors Home.

Quincy, Ill., Feb 2 1901

To the Adjutant:

Nicholas W Sherry Co. G 10 Ill Inf Regt.

died in Hospital at 9:30 A M., aged 70 years.

Names and address of Relatives and Friends

Reg. No. 3586

G S Barnes

Hospital Steward.

Hospital Illinois Soldiers and Sailors Home.

Quincy, Ill., Feb 2 1901

TO THE ADJUTANT:

This is to Certify, That

Nicholas W Sherry

Reg. No. 3586

late of Co. G

10 Reg't, Ill Inf.

died in Hoop.

Apr. 71

Cause of Death

Pulmonary Tuberculosis

C. E. Cable

Asst Surgeon.

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SHORT WILL.

ILLINOIS SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME, QUINCY, ILL.

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.

I, Nicholas McSherry of Illinois Soldiers' and Sailors' Home in the County Adams and State of Illinois, being of sound mind and memory, and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life, do, therefore, make, ordain, publish and declare, this to be my last, Will and Testament.

First. I order and direct that my Executrix hereafter named, pay all my just debts and funeral expenses as soon after my decease as conveniently may be.

Second. After the payment of such funeral expenses and debts, I give, devise and bequeath all worldly goods of which I may die possessed,

to My sister Mary Ann Elliott of Jordanville Morgan County Illinois

Lastly, I make, constitute and appoint Mary Ann Elliott to be Executrix of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills by me made.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal, the 27 day of July in the year of our Lord One Thousand ~~Five~~ ^{Eight} Hundred Six

Nicholas McSherry [SEAL]

This instrument was, on the day of the date thereof, signed, published and declared by the said testator Nicholas McSherry to be his last Will and Testament, in the presence of us, who at his last request have subscribed our names hereto as witnesses in his presence, and in the presence of each other.

Fred W Apinski
Fred B Nichols

State of Illinois, }
ADAMS COUNTY, } ss.

PLEAS BEFORE THE HONORABLE *Carl E. Epler*

at a County Court began and holden at the Court House in Quincy, in the County of Adams and State of Illinois, on the *1st* Monday (being the *First* day) of *October* in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred ~~and~~

Present Honorable *Carl E. Epler* Judge.

J. A. Pearce Clerk.

J. W. Roth Sheriff.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this *22nd* day of *October*

A. D. 190*0*, being one of the regular days of the said *October* term of said County Court,

an order is entered by the County Court within and for said County, in the words and figures following,

to-wit: *Nicholas McCherry* an alien born person, now comes and applies

to be admitted to become a citizen of the United States; and hereupon the said applicant by competent evi-

dence shows to the Court that he was honorably discharged from the military service of the United States, and

proves to the satisfaction of the Court, on the oath of *Henry E. Hawkins*

that he has resided within the United States one year at least; that during said time he has behaved as a

man of good moral character, attached to the principles contained in the Constitution of the United States,

and well disposed to the good order, well being and happiness of the same; ~~that two years and upwards~~

~~have elapsed since the said applicant declared his intention to become a naturalized citizen of the United~~

~~States, in conformity with the several Acts of Congress on that subject, and took the oath prescribed by law~~

~~preparatory to such admission:~~ And he now declaring here, in open Court, upon oath, that he will support

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 22nd day of October

A. D. 1900, being one of the regular days of the said October term of said County Court,

an order is entered by the County Court within and for said County, in the words and figures following,

to-wit: Nicholas McSherry an alien born person, now comes and applies

to be admitted to become a citizen of the United States; and hereupon the said applicant by competent evi-

dence shows to the Court that he was honorably discharged from the military service of the United States, and

proves to the satisfaction of the Court, on the oath of Henry E. Hawkins

that he has resided within the United States one year at least; that during said time he has behaved as a

man of good moral character, attached to the principles contained in the Constitution of the United States,

and well disposed to the good order, well being and happiness of the same; ~~that two years and upwards~~

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~~States, in conformity with the several Acts of Congress on that subject, and took the oath prescribed by law~~

~~preparatory to such admission:~~ And he now declaring here, in open Court, upon oath, that he will support

the Constitution of the United States, and that he doth absolutely and entirely, renounce and abjure all alle-

giance and fidelity to every Foreign Prince, Potentate, State and Sovereignty, whatsoever; and particularly to

The Queen of Great Britain & Ireland whereof he was heretofore a subject: It is therefore

ORDERED BY THE COURT, That the said Nicholas McSherry

be admitted to all the rights, privileges and immunities of a **Citizen of the United States of America,**

and that the same be certified accordingly.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, }
COUNTY OF ADAMS, } ss.

I, J. R. Pearce, Clerk of the

County Court, within and for the County of Adams, certify the above to be a true Copy of the Record of

said Court, in the matter of the Naturalization of Nicholas McSherry

as the same now appears in my office.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court, at my

office in Quincy, this 22nd day of October 1900.

J. R. Pearce CLERK.

By W. S. Brophy Deputy.