

EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

H. P. No. 781

H. D. No. 425

House of Representatives, March 20, 1925. Reported by Mr. Lamson of South Portland from Committee on Pensions and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Hight of Madison.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE

RESOLVE, in Favor of Nancy T. Morrill of Madison, for State Pension.

Nancy T. Morrill, State Pension: That there be paid to 2 Nancy T. Morrill of Madison the sum of twelve dollars 3 per month, payable quarterly from the fund appropriated 4 for soldiers' pensions, beginning January first, nineteen hun-5 dred twenty-five, and continuing during the pleasure of the 6 legislature and until otherwise ordered.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Nancy T. Morrill of Madison is the widow of the late Cyrus D. Morrill, M. D., of that town. She is about seventy years of age and in very feeble health. She can perform no hard labor and has no property of any kind. She and her widowed sister, Mrs. Mary Ireland, live together. Mrs. Ireland has no property. Neither of them have any relatives liable and able to support them. Nancy T. Morrill was married to Cyrus D. Morrill September 21, 1893, and lived with him continuously until his death, May 15, 1901. Several years prior to Dr. Morrill's death he was in feeble health and unable to practice his profession. He left but very little property. Dr. Morrill had three children, now living, by a former wife, none of whom are residents of this state, and none of them financially able to support their stepmother.

It is found impossible to establish the military service of Dr. Morrill, for the reason that he was "unattached," but he served for several months during the winter of 1861 to 1865, with the army in Virginia, as an assistant surgeon. Dr. Morrill did not receive any pension from the United States government during his lifetime, and none from the State of Maine, owing to the fact that Dr. Morrill's military service could not be established to the satisfaction of the Pension Department. Mrs. Morrill receives no United States pension and cannot obtain one. She and her widowed sister, Mrs. Ireland, are largely supported by benevolent people living in Madison.

I, Nancy T. Morrill of Madison in the county of Somerset and State of Maine, hereby certify that I am the widow of Cyrus D. Morrill, physician and surgeon, late of said Madison, deceased; that I was married December 21, 1893, to the said Cyrus D. Morrill; that I lived with him until his death which occurred May 15, 1901; that he enlisted in the U. S. Infantry and I have heard him say many times that he served as assistant surgeon in the Civil War for four months. I know that he was a member of the N. A. Weston G. A. R. Post of Madison, Maine, and that he was Commander of said Post. For several years prior to his death he was unable to practice his profession. I also certify that I have no property or means for my support. No record of his military service exists so far as I know.

NANCY T. MORRILL.

STATE OF MAINE

Somerset, ss. February 13, 1925. Subscribed and sworn to by the said Nancy T. Morrill,

Before me,

CHAS. O. SMALL, Justice of the Peace.

I. Warren G. Sawyer, physician and surgeon, residing in Madison in the county of Somerset and State of Maine, hereby certify that I am sixty-eight years of age; that I was personally acquainted with Cyrus D. Morrill, physician and surgeon. for a term of forty years; that he served in the Civil War, serving as assistant surgeon, but I am satisfied that no record of his military service exists, as I at one time examined the records to ascertain in regard to the same: that Dr. Morrill was a member of the N. A. Weston G. A. R. Post of Madison, Maine, and at one time Commander; that he died of premature senility, was unable to work for several years before his death, his widow taking care of him as best she could; that he was a man of good standing in the community, well liked and held a number of town offices at different times,superintendent of schools, selectman, etc. I also hereby certify that I have attended the widow of Dr. Morrill, namely, Nancy T. Morrill. occasionally for several years: that she had a shock two years ago last June, since which time my visits have averaged two a month and sometimes two or three times a week; that Mrs. Morrill is a chronic invalid from incurable chronic bronchitis and asthma, hardening of the arteries and partial paralysis of her left side. She is unable to do any work and never will be able to perform any more labor.

WARREN G. SAWYER, M. D.

STATE OF MAINE

Somerset, ss. February 14, 1925. Subscribed and sworn to by the said Warren G. Sawyer, Before me,

CHAS. O. SMALL, Justice of the Peace.