

MAJOR GEORGE W. FOGG, SUPERINTENDENT.  
 GENERAL JAMES D. MORGAN, TREASURER.  
 CAPTAIN B. P. MCDANIEL, ADJUTANT.  
 CAPTAIN JAMES P. MOORMAN, QUARTERMASTER.  
 EDMUND B. MONTGOMERY, SURGEON.

EMILY W. LIPPENCOTT, MATRON.

TRUSTEES:

CAPTAIN WILLIAM STEINWEDELL, QUINCY, ILL.  
 COLONEL JAMES A. SEXTON, CHICAGO, ILL.  
 GENERAL LEWIS B. PARSONS, FLORA, ILL.

Head Quarters

Illinois Soldiers and Sailors Home

Near Quincy, Illinois,

Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1898.

Joseph E. Hobson, (1) of the Town of Clinton, in the County of De Witt, and State of Illinois, formerly a soldier of the United States of America, in the war against (1) The Southern Confederacy, 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 6 inches high; that he is of dark complexion, grey eyes, and brown hair; that he was born in the town of Evansville in the State of Indiana, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 1843; that he has been (2) 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) 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.	Decatur Ills	Chalansoga	Private	Co. A. Regt. 21 <sup>st</sup> Ills	Term of service
2d.	on 15 <sup>th</sup> June 1861	Leun. on 5 <sup>th</sup> July 1864.		Infantry Co. Regt.	Expired
3d.				Co. Regt.	

That he now receives, on pension certificate number 635,153, a pension of 12 dollars a month, payable the 4<sup>th</sup> day of next April, at the Chicago Pension Office.

That he owns property, real and personal, of the value of fifty 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 Laborer.

That he has (4) a wife; that he has 1 child now living; aged, respectively, (5) One year. That his postoffice address is Clinton, State of Illinois; that his nearest railway station is Clinton, on the P. & O. R. R. Railway, in De Witt 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 E. Hobson, of Clinton, County of De Witt, State of Illinois; that, in case of his death, he desires all his personal effects to be sent to Mary E. Hobson, at Clinton, County of De Witt, State of Illinois.

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

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) reason of rheumatism and Crifpled hands one finger off each hand entirely and the others seriously retained so that they are almost useless 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 22<sup>nd</sup> day of Feb, 1898.

(8) William Mouson

Witness.

(9) JOSEPH E. HOBSON

Applicant

STATE OF ILLINOIS,  
COUNTY OF De Witt } ss. I, William Monson a<sup>(10)</sup> Notary Public

of the town of Clinton, 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) JOSEPH E. HOBSON  
Affiant.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February A. D. 1898. Witness my hand and official seal.

L. S.

William Monson Notary Public

#### CERTIFICATE OF IDENTIFICATION.

I do hereby certify, upon honor, that I have personally known Joseph E. Hobson, 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, (12) Warren Hickman  
(14) County Clerk.

#### CERTIFICATE OF A LOCAL PHYSICIAN.

I hereby depose and state that I have carefully examined the above named Applicant, Joseph E. Hobson, as to his disability, and I now find that he has (15) Rheumatism & disabled hand

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.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 22<sup>d</sup> day of February, A. D. 1898. And I certify that I am personally acquainted with said affiant, John A. Edmiston, M. D., 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.

Stephen H. Carter  
Notary Public

#### CERTIFICATE OF SOLDIERS HOME SURGEON.

I hereby certify upon honor that I carefully and critically examined Joseph E. Hobson, the above named Applicant, as to his mental and physical condition, at the Hospital of this Institution, on Wednesday the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 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) Rheumatism and disability to left hand

Witness my hand,

R. H. Jones

### ORDER ADMITTING APPLICANT.

The application of the said Joseph E. Hoban, 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 and that he now is duly admitted as a member thereof, this 11 day of June, 1898.

W. S. Fogg  
GEORGE W. FOGG  
Superintendent.

### HOW TO FILL APPLICATION BLANKS.

- Give full name of the Applicant.
- Either "Mexico and the late Rebellion," or one of them.
- Here say once, twice, or three times.
- Here say once, twice, or three times.
- Here say *a* wife, or *no* wife.
- Here give their ages, from youngest to oldest.
- Here give the name of any Home or other Institution of which he has been a member.
- Here state, *in his own words*, what it is that ails or disables him.
- Here Applicant will sign his full name, or make his mark.
- Here the witness will sign *his* name.
- Here write "Notary Public," "Justice of the Peace," or "Clerk of Court."
- Here Applicant will sign his *full name*, or make his mark.
- Signature and title of the Justice or Notary.
- 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. Post.
- Here write official title.
- The physician will here state tersely, but fully, as far as he can learn, *every* cause or disorder that tends in any degree to render the Applicant *incapable of earning his own living*.
- Name and official title of Notary or Justice.
- Here state *minutely* what disorder, ailment, disease, or cause, it is that, in your judgment, *disables the Applicant and renders him incapable of earning his own living*.

### 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:

- Have some capable person, *who writes a fair hand*, fill all the blanks in your application.
- 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.
- Send your application, so prepared, by mail or otherwise, *with your last discharge and all your pension papers*, to the Superintendent of the Home.
- 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*.
- 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.
- If for *any reason* you are found *not to be eligible* for admission, *you will not be admitted to the Home*.
- 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*.
- When permitted to leave the Home, on Furlough, or on Pass of two or more days duration, *you will be required to wear your citizens clothing. You will not be allowed to wear Home or State clothing, when so absent*.

### TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION.

- 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.
- That you shall have been honorably discharged from that service.
- That you shall have lived and resided, CONTINUOUSLY and in good faith, FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS, in the State of Illinois.
- 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 reason of some other PRESENT DISABILITY.
- That you shall now have NO PROPERTY OR OTHER SUFFICIENT MEANS OF LIVING.
- 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.
- NO INSANE OR DEMENTED PERSON CAN BE RECEIVED OR CARED FOR IN THIS INSTITUTION. The State has elsewhere provided for the care and treatment of such persons.

W. S. Fogg  
Superintendent.



**PROVOST COURT.**

Oct 17 1901

Accusation against J E Hobson

Register No. 42 P2 Cottage No. 4

Charge Absent without leave

Specifications: That his 5 day Pass  
expired at 12 o'clock P.M. Oct  
16<sup>th</sup> 1901

Oct 28<sup>th</sup> 1900

The above of E. Hobson has  
been a watch for the past  
Ten days

A. J. Benash  
Police Sergt

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

Wade Abbott Serg't Cottage 4

Plea, \_\_\_\_\_ Finding, \_\_\_\_\_

Penalty Is charged as a deserter  
Took full suit of clothing valued  
at 10<sup>00</sup> W. W. W. W. W.  
cup

**PROVOST COURT.**

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

*Nov 7* 190*3*

Accusation against *Joseph E Hubson*

Register No. *4282* Cottage No. *4*

Charge *Jumped the fence*

Specifications: *That he carried of state cloth  
and jumped the fence*

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

*Wade Abbott* *Cottage 4*  
Serg't Provost Guard.

Plea, \_\_\_\_\_ Finding; \_\_\_\_\_

Penalty, \_\_\_\_\_

PROVOST COURT.

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

Nov 5 1903

Accusation against Joseph E. Hobson

Register No. H282 Cottage No. 4  
Charge *accusing the Hospital Steward  
with stealing the money of a patient in hospital*

Specifications: That on or about Nov 4 1903  
said Hobson told in the presence  
of and to a number of persons that  
David M. C... had twenty three dollars  
when he came to the Hospital and that  
when he died there were but three dollars  
and that the Hospital Steward stole  
the twenty dollars.

Wt

Witness *Edwara Hood  
Surgt Wade Abbott.*

Witness *J. E. Coetzler*

Witness *Dr Ashton.*

Serg't Provost Guard.

Pled *Not Guilty* Finding,

Penalty,

Specifications: That on about Nov. 4, 1903, said Hobson told in the presence of and to a number of persons that David M. C\_\_\_ had twenty-three dollars when he came to the Hospital and that when he died there were but three dollars and that the Hospital steward stole the twenty dollars.

# Illinois Soldiers and Sailors Home,

QUINCY, ILL., *Oct 28 1901*

Clothing of ~~the~~ discharged men of Cottage No. *4* which was ~~received~~ *missing* at the time they were discharged and which is this day received by the Quartermaster Sergeant

	Blouse.	Trousers.	Vest.	Shirts.	Undershirts.	Drawers.	Shoes.	Socks.	Hats.	Suspenders.	DATE OF <del>RECEIVED</del> OR DISCHARGE.	
											MONTH.	DAY.
<i>4282 J E Hobson</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Oct</i>	<i>28</i>
	<i>4</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>20</i>		<i>10 40</i>
<i>Clothing in catast</i>				<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>			<i>=all rays =</i>	
											<i>Wade Abbott Sergeant cot 4</i>	



ILLINOIS SOLDIERS AND SAILORS HOME

Surgeon's Office Aug 6<sup>th</sup> 1903

Respectfully returned to the Superintendent. I have carefully examined

Joseph E Hobson  
late Co. W Regt. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ill Inf

late Co. Regt.

and found him

disabled by reason of badly  
crippled hands the result  
of railroad injury.

D. M. Landon  
Surgeon.

ILLINOIS SOLDIERS AND SAILORS HOME

Surgeon's Office June 8<sup>th</sup> 1901

Respectfully returned to the Superintendent. I have carefully examined

Joseph E Hobson  
late Co. A Regt. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ill Inf Vol

late Co. Regt.

and found him

disabled by reason of badly  
crippled hands  
Has been an inmate  
of this Home before.

D. M. Landon  
Surgeon.