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THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES
NAVY DEPENDENTS

CERTIFICATE NO. 3284

PENSIONER Walter L. Usher

Widow OF

VETERAN James D. Usher

CAN NO.: 168

BUNDLE NO.: 23

Special Act July 22, 1882²¹¹

Certificate No. 2984

NAVY PENSIONER.



W. JOW'S CASE.

Kate L. Usher Widow of
James D. Usher Capt.
Relative rank of Lieut., Commanding
U.S. Revenue Cutter, S. S.

who died _____
by reason of _____
Placed on the Pension Roll under ^{act} of
July 22, 1882.

Certificate payable at Washington
issued August 17, 1882
and sent to Aug 21, '82

\$30.⁰⁰ per month, from July 22, 1882

No. 4718, U. S.
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requested by the
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J.W.C.

D. W. Keiley in fund
allowed of special
act due at death paid.
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Requisition for
Secretary, as
Auditor, F. S.
May 1/83

Aug. 22/902
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No. 3316

Special Act July 22 1882

, Esq.



NAVY WIDOW.

Kate L. Usher
#1712 L. A. City.

widow of
James D. Usher
Captain, U. S. Navy

Died at

other claim.

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Clerk.

Application filed: July 27, 1882

Attorney: Claimant

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O. W. & N. DIVISION
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OFFICE

W.M. PENCE, Prest.

JOHN M. MORRIS, Vice Prest.

D.W. KINSEY, Cashr.

THOS. B. MILLIKAN, Asst. Cashr.

THE Citizens State Bank

CAPITAL & SURPLUS \$ 175,000.00.

New Castle, Ind., 6/25, 1907

Totten
Commissioner of Pensions
Washington D.C.,

Sir

About 15 years ago,
and maybe longer than that ago,
the widow of Capt. Fisher
and also the widow of
Capt. Fletcher were as I
am informed granted a Pension
of 50% per month and I
think that this was done by
an act of Congress - probably
by special legislation -

These parties were in the
Revenue Marine Service.

Will you have please the
Records of your office
looked up and see if
this information is correct and
advise me by

D.W. Kinsey -

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 27th day of July, 1882; and
I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim. And that the contents
of the above were made known and explained to applicant and witnesses before signing.

R. J. Allen, Clerk Sup. Court
(Official Signature)
By J. A. Alden, asst. clerk

[SEAL]

NOTE.—If there is any record evidence of the marriage, insert—except that of which a true copy is herewith annexed, and append a certified copy of the record accordingly. The cause of death must be specified in the second clause of the declaration. The declaration and evidence of identity, must be made before a Court of Record, or before some officer of such a Court duly authorized to administer oaths, and having custody of its seal, which must be attached.

Mary

WIDOW'S CLAIM
FOR
PENSION.

ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.

Mrs. *Kate L.*
Widow of *James D. Watson*
Co., _____ Regt. _____
Vols. _____

MAIL DIVISION,
U. JUL 27 1882 S.
PENSION OFFICE.

FILED BY
Mary

Printed and sold by W. H. Moore, 454 11th Street, Washington, D. C.

Widow's Claim
7/28/82 *B*

No widow claim pending

WIDOW'S CLAIM FOR PENSION.

State of District of Columbia
County of Washington } SS.

ON THIS 27th day of July, 1884, personally appeared before me, a Clk of Sup Ct a Court of Record in and for the County and State aforesaid, Kate L. Usher, a resident of Washington in the County of Washington and District of Columbia aged years, who being duly sworn, makes the following declaration, in order to obtain the Pension provided by the Act of Congress approved **July 11, 1862**. That she is the widow of Captain James D. Usher, who was a Captain in Company commanded by of the United States Revenue in the Regiment of Marine Service in the War of 1861; that her maiden name was Kate L. Ashanti and that she was married to said James D. Usher on or about the 13 day of January 1863, at New York in the County of New York and State of New York by and that she knows of no record evidence of said marriage.

SHE FURTHER DECLARES that said her husband, died in the service of the United States as aforesaid at in the State of on or about the day of 186, of .

She also declares that she has remained a widow ever since the death of said and that she has not in any manner been engaged in, or aided or abetted, the rebellion in the United States; and she hereby appoints as her lawful Attorney, with

power of substitution, and authorizes to present and prosecute this claim, and to receive her pension certificates. The following the name date of birth and place of residence of all the children of her deceased husband who were under sixteen years of age at the time of his death.

Pension claimed under special Act of Congress designated as Private No. 149.
No relative rank see section 1492 Revised Statutes.
My Post Office address is 1412 L Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

If mark is made, two witnesses who write sign here.

Kate L. Usher
(Signature of Claimant.)

ALSO PERSONALLY APPEARED before me, Charles F. Shoemaker and Horace J. Cambill residents of Washington D.C. County and State of to me well known as credible persons, who being duly sworn, declare, that they were present and saw said Kate L. Usher

sign her name to the foregoing declaration, and that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of said applicant, and their acquaintance with her, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be, and know that said deceased recognized said applicant as his lawful wife, and that she was so recognized by the community in which they resided; and that they have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Charles F. Shoemaker
Horace J. Cambill
Signatures of Witnesses

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WIDOW'S BRIEF.

NAVY Wid Claim No. 3316 *Widow of*

Soldier, James D. Usher

Lewis C. White, Ex'r.

O. M. and N.

Ad. July 31/82.

Immediate cause of death, _____

Ex

Remote cause, _____

Medical Reviewer.

_____, 188 .

[9299-5,000.]

Special Act July 22^d 1882.

(3-128.)

WAR OF THE REBELLION.

Act of July 14, 1862, and subsequent acts.

WIDOW'S PENSION.

(ORIGINAL WITH INCREASE)

29814
No.

Kate L. Usher
James D. Usher

widow of
Rank, Captain (Relative rank)
Company, 11th Cavalry
Regiment, U.S. Revenue Maine

Residence of claimant, Washington County, and State of D.C.

Post Office, 1712 L. Street, N.W. District of Columbia.

Attorney, No Agent will not pay.

Fee, \$ Articles of agreement, having been filed

Rate of pension, \$ Thirty per month, commencing July 22^d 1882, the date of approval of act, and two dollars per month additional for each child, as follows.

By former marriage.	By last marriage.	Age	Year	Commencing	Year
None.	None.	Born	18		
		Sixteen	18	Commencing	18
		Born	18		
		Sixteen	18	"	18
		Born	18		
		Sixteen	18	"	18
None.	None.	Born	18		
		Sixteen	18	"	18
		Born	18		
		Sixteen	18	"	18
		Born	18		
		Sixteen	18	"	18

Payment on all former certificates covering any portion of the same time to be deducted.
SubMITTED, for allowance July 31, 1882 Lewis C. White, Examiner.
APPROVED, Aug. 16, 1882 [Signature], Receiver.

DATES SHOWN BY PAPERS.

Event	Date	Year	Event	Date	Year
Enlistment	June 15	1844	Right accrued	July 22	1882
Muster into pensionable rank, as Capt		1864	Claim completed	July 27	1882
Discharge	None.		Former carriage of soldier		18
Death, in Revenue Maine Service	July 31	1871	Death of former wife		18
Invalid app. filed		18	Claimant's marriage to soldier	no	1863
Invalid last paid to		18			
Widow's app. filed	July 27	1882			

CAUSE OF DEATH, Congestion of Brain due to Malaria in Prison PLACE OF DEATH, Not stated.

Rev. Maine Service

Sec. 1492, R.S. The officers of the Revenue cutter service who, serving in accordance with law, as a part of the Navy, shall be entitled to relative ranks as follows: Captains, with and next after Lieutenants Commanding in the Navy, first Lieutenants, with and next after Lieutenants in the Navy, second Lieutenants, with and next after Masters in line in the Navy; third Lieutenants, with and next after Surgeons in the Navy.

47TH CONGRESS,
1ST SESSION.

H. R. 1206.

MAIL DIVISION
JUL 27 1882
OFFICE

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 13, 1882.

Read twice and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

AS AMENDED

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to place on the pension roll the name of Kate L. Usher, who is the widow of the late Captain James D. Usher, of the United States Revenue Marine Service, at the rate now paid the widows of officers of corresponding rank in the United States Navy.
Approved, July 22, 1882.

A true copy
J. M. Fisher
Acting Clerk

MAIL DIVISION
JUL 28 1882
OFFICE

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

MARCH 21, 1882.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. MITCHELL, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill H. R. 1206.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 1206) granting a pension to Mrs. Kate L. Usher, having examined the same, respectfully report:

That this bill passed the House March 10, 1882, and was there accompanied by the following report:

[H. Report No. 216, 47th Congress, 1st session.]

Mr. LATHAM, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, submitted the following report to accompany bill H. R. 1206:

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 1206) granting a pension to Mrs. Kate L. Usher, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to submit the following report:

It appears from the petition and the affidavits filed that James D. Usher was commissioned a third lieutenant in the United States Revenue Marine Service June 15, 1844; that this commission was revoked on account of his misconduct on the 28th October, 1845; that he was recommissioned as a third lieutenant in the same service July 28, 1851; that on the 13th December, 1852, he was promoted to a second lieutenancy; that on the 14th of April, 1853, he was reduced to third lieutenant by reason of a general reduction in the service; that on the 24th October, 1853, he was again commissioned a second lieutenant; that on the 13th December, 1856, he was commissioned a first lieutenant, and in the spring of 1864 a captain.

It further appears that a great portion of the service performed by him was in the South, and that from the 28th day of January, 1869, up to the day of his death, which occurred July 30, 1871, with the exception of one month's leave of absence, he was on duty in North Carolina.

It appears from the affidavits of Drs. Bates (marine-hospital surgeon at the port of New Berne in 1871) and Hughes, a physician of reputation, that Captain Usher died of congestion of the brain superinduced by malarial fever contracted in North Carolina. That foreseeing his death if he remained in the South, Dr. Bates recommended to the proper department that Captain Usher should have an immediate change of climate as absolutely essential to the preservation of his life; that instead of leave of absence being granted or a change of station made the department ordered a survey upon Captain Usher, which was held upon the 25th of July, the result of which was a recommendation that Captain Usher have at once a change of climate as absolutely necessary to preserve his life, and the physicians mentioned, especially Dr. Bates, is of opinion that had such leave of absence been granted six weeks previous to his death Captain Usher would have recovered.

It appears from the affidavit of Mr. Hubbs, at that time special deputy collector of customs of the port of New Berne, that Captain Usher arrived at New Berne about the 29th of April, 1871; that at the time of his arrival he was suffering from malarial poison, and that his death would not have occurred had leave of absence been granted him.

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MAIL DIVISION
JUL 21 1882
PENSION OFFICE.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

MARCH 13, 1882.

Read twice and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

[Private - No. 149.]
AN ACT

Granting a pension to Mrs. Kate L. Usher

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to place on the pension-roll the name of Kate L. Usher, who is the widow of the late Captain James D. Usher, of the United States Revenue Marine Service, at the rate now paid the widows of officers of corresponding rank in the United States Navy.

Passed the House of Representatives March 10, 1882.

Attest: EWD. McPHERSON, Clerk.

Approved July 22, 1882.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

July 24
William A. Brown

Not accompanied Special Act, and no
of service is found with papers.

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MRS. KATE L. USHER.

The petitioner, Kate L. Usher, was married to Captain Usher in 1861, and has him one daughter. She is very poor. That under the rules regulating the Revenue Marine Service in 1871, the service for an officer in the South was limited to two years unless the exigencies or otherwise demanded. That no such exigency is shown to have existed in Usher's case, and that he had served in the South for more than two years previous to his being ordered to New Bern, N. C. The committee recommend that the bill do pass.

Your committee regard this as one of a class of cases in which if pensions were to be granted, provision therefor should be made by general law. They therefore report the case adversely, and recommend that the bill do not pass.

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Veteran: USHER, JAMES D

Pensioner: Usher, Kate L

Relationship: Widow

Certificate Number: 2984

Conflict Period: Civil War (Union)

Branch: Navy

Name: **Served For:**

United States of America

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Veteran Surname Starts With:

**Veteran Surname Starts With
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