

Head Quarters

Illinois Soldiers and Sailors Home

Near Quincy, Illinois,

July 14, 1896.

Joseph B. Beardon, of the Town of Carlisle, in the County of Macoupin, and State of Illinois, formerly a Soldier of the United States of America, in the war against ⁽¹⁾ the 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 49 years old, that he is 5 feet and 8 inches high; that he is of Dark complexion, Hazel eyes, and Dark hair; that he was born in the town of Fredericktown in the State of New Jersey, on the 17 day of August, 1847; 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.	<u>St Louis Mo. Feb - 1862</u>	<u>St Louis Mo May 1865</u>	<u>Private</u>	<u>E Co. 1 Regt. Mo. 2d Inf</u>	<u>Expired of Term</u>
2d.				Co. Regt.	
3d.				Co. Regt.	

That he now receives, on pension certificate number _____, a pension of Five dollars a month, payable the _____ day of next _____, at the _____ 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 Farmer

That he has ⁽⁴⁾ No wife; that he has No children now living; aged, respectively, ⁽⁵⁾ _____ years. That his postoffice address is Brighton, State of Illinois; that his nearest railway station is Brighton, on the Chicago & Alton Railway, in Macoupin 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 Town, of Brighton, County of Macoupin, State of Illinois; that, in case of his death, he desires all his personal effects to be sent to his Conservator, at Carlisle, County of Macoupin, State of Ill

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⁾ _____

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 14 day of July, 1896.

⁽⁸⁾ Jos. N. Shaban

Witness

⁽⁹⁾ Joseph B. Beardon

Applicant

ss.

COUNTY OF _____, I, _____, a(10) _____

of the town of _____, 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) _____, Affiant.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this _____ day of _____ A. D. 189____. Witness my hand and official seal.

L. S. _____ (12)

CERTIFICATE OF IDENTIFICATION.

I do hereby certify, upon honor, that I have personally known _____, 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.

from Jacksonville

Witness my hand, (13) _____,

(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 _____, A. D. 189____. 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 _____, the above named Applicant, as to his mental and physical condition, at the Hospital of this Institution, on the _____ day of _____, 189____; and that I then found him to be of _____ sound mind, and to be capable of earning his living by reason of his physical disability arising from (17) _____

Admitted by order of the Superintendent.

Witness my hand, _____

The application of the said Joseph B. Burton, 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 14th day of July, 1896.

~~_____~~
Superintendent.

HOW TO FILL APPLICATION BLANKS.

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, in his own words, 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 his name.
10. Here write "Notary Public," "Justice of the Peace," or "Clerk of Court."
11. Here Applicant will sign his full name, 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. Post.
14. Here write official title.
15. 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.
16. Name and official title of Notary or Justice.
17. 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:

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 citizens 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 reason 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.

~~_____~~
Superintendent.

Register No. 3569

Joseph B. Bunker
Application for Admission

TO THE

Illinois Soldiers' and Sailors' Home.

Application Approved by
W. M. [Signature]

Superintendent.

Application Received _____, 189__

Transportation and Order to Report in person
sent _____, 189__.

Admission Denied _____, 189__

Admission Granted July 14th, 1896

December 21, 1934.

Cromwell & Company,
168 Darmouth Street,
Boston, Mass.

Re: Burden, Joseph.

Gentlemen:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 17, in which you ask for certain information in the case of the above-named veteran.

In reply you are advised that our records indicate that he was born in Frederickstown, N.J. August 17, 1847, and he served as a Private in Company E, First Missouri Infantry, enlisting at St. Louis, Missouri, February 1862, and was discharged at St. Louis, Missouri, May 5, 1865. He was admitted to this institution from Carlinsville, Illinois July 14, 1896 and discharged as insane January 5, 1911.

The name G.M. James, appears as a conservator but there is nothing to show definitely where Mr. James resided. There is no record of any living relatives during his membership here.

Yours very truly,

Kenneth A. Elmore,
Managing Officer.

AWM:LW

CHARLES H. MORGAN
200 1-2 NORTH SECOND AVENUE WEST
TELEPHONE 98
NEWTON, IOWA

March 21st
19 35

IN REPLY REFER TO

11184

Commandant,
Illinois Soldiers and Sailor's Home,
Quincy, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

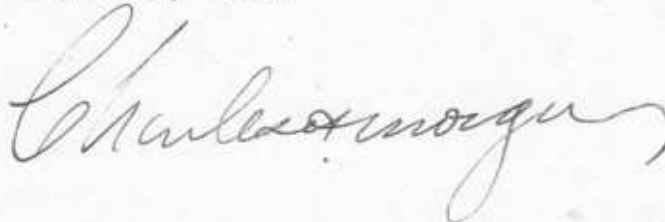
Regarding one JOSEPH BURDEN who was formerly
a resident of your institution.

Can you furnish me the name of organization
this veteran served in and if possible his pension number?
I am in the business of locating lost heirs in estates and
this man died leaving no known heirs and I am attempting to
find who they are.

Any information that may be available in your
records on this man will be appreciated by the undersigned.
I enclose a stamped and addressed envelope for your conven-
ience.

Thanking you, I am,

Yours very truly,



chm-e
1104

March 25, 1935.

Mr. Charles H. Morgan,
Box 361.
Newton, Iowa.

Re: Burden, Jos. C.W. Veteran.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated March 21, in which you ask for certain information in the case of the above-named veteran.

In reply you are advised that the records of this institution indicate that he was born in Frederickstown, New Jersey, August 17, 1847. He served as a Private in Company "E" 1st Missouri Infantry. Enlisted at St. Louis, Missouri, in February 1862, and was discharged at St. Louis, Missouri, May 5, 1865.

He was admitted to this institution from Carlinsville, Illinois, July 14, 1896 and declared insane January 5, 1911. The name G.M. James appears as conservator but there is nothing to show definitely where Mr. James resided. There is no record of any living relatives during his membership here.

Yours very truly,

Kenneth A. Elmore,
Managing Officer.

AWM:LW

CHARLES H. MORGAN
200 1-2 NORTH SECOND AVENUE WEST
TELEPHONE 96
NEWTON, IOWA

August 3, 1935.

IN REPLY REFER TO
11184

Mr. Kenneth A. Elmore,
Managing Officer Illinois Soldier's and Sailor's Home,
Quincy, Illinois.

My Dear Sir:

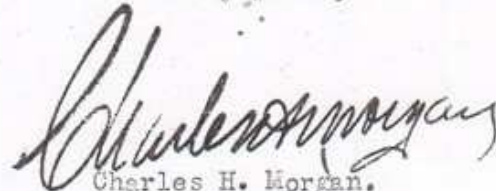
Under date of March 25, 1935, you forwarded me information regarding one Joseph Burden, a Civil War veteran who was confined in your institution and died there a few years ago, advising me that he was born in New Jersey on August 17, 1847. You also furnished me the information as to the Company he served with in the Civil War and the date and place of his enlistment and discharge.

I am this date in receipt of letter from the Veterans Administration in Washington regarding one Joseph Burden #~~XX~~-938293. This is supposed to be for the same party and I find that he was born on February 1, 1841 in the state of Illinois. He enlisted at St. Louis, Missouri on the date given and was discharged in April instead of May 1865 as stated in your letter. I also find that this man was insane and was confined in your institution and had as guardian one George M. James and one Arthur R. Roy.

My reason for writing you again is to ask if there could by any chance be an error as to the place and date of birth of the party as shown by your records as I am very anxious to know for the reason that if I have the record of the correct man above mentioned from the Veterans Administration I am in pretty good position to locate his relatives in connection with a matter in which there are some funds due them.

Thanking you, and hoping that you will pardon my bothering you again about this party, I remain,

Sincerely yours,


Charles H. Morgan.

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WAR DEPARTMENT

Address: "The Adjutant General,
War Department, Washington, D.C."

WAR DEPARTMENT, 1306721

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, November 26, 1907.

Quincy, Ills.
Nov. 21/07

Joseph B. Burden,
late E, 1 Mo. Inf.

Ills. Soldiers and Sailors Home.
Record.

Respectfully returned to the
Superintendent,
Illinois Soldiers and Sailors Home,
Quincy.

The records show that Joseph Burden,
name Joseph B. Burden not found, Com-
pany E, 1st Missouri State Militia In-
fantry, was mustered into service
April 11, 1862, and that he was hon-
orably discharged the service April
11, 1865, a private.


The Adjutant General.

GOVERNOR:
CHARLES S. DENVER
SPRINGFIELD.

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HEADQUARTERS

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Illinois Soldiers and Sailors Home



QUINCY, ILL., Nov. 21, 1907.....190.....

Military Secretary, War Department
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Please furnish us with the military history of Joseph B. Burden, Co E, 1st Mo Inf, who claims to have been enrolled at St Louis, Mo in Feb 1862 and to have been discharged at same place in May 1865. Pension certificate # 561711.

This information is desired for the purpose of establishing his eligibility to membership in this Home and for no other.

Very respectfully,

Wm Somerville
Superintendent

August 5, 1935.

Mr. Charles H. Morgan,
Newton, Iowa.

Re: Burton, Jos. B.--Civil War Veteran.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of August 3, regarding the above-named veteran, you are advised that the information given in our letter of March 25, 1935, was taken from our records and is correct as far as we know. This veteran was first admitted to the Home, July 1896, and we cannot say just how careful the man's record was checked at that time. It is possible that the dates are incorrect.

For your information Arthur R. Roy, Attorney at Law maintains a law office in the Illinois Bank Building, Quincy, Illinois.

Yours very truly,

Kenneth A. Elmore,
Managing Officer.

AWM:W

CROMWELL AND COMPANY

INTERNATIONAL PROBATE SERVICE

168 DARTMOUTH STREET

BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

U. S. A.

TELEPHONE KENMORE 1630

CABLE ADDRESS "AWAKE - BOSTON"

December 17, 1934

Superintendent
Illinois Soldiers & Sailors Home
Quincy, Illinois

Dear Doctor:

One Joseph Burden died at Quincy, Illinois, June 24, 1923, and prior to his death was an inmate of your hospital.

Will you kindly advise us where this man served in the army or navy, what division, and what information you have as to his family history i.e. exact date and place of birth, father's name, mother's maiden name, names and addresses of nearest relatives and friends, etc.

Thanking you, we are

Very truly yours,

CROMWELL and COMPANY
By: *G. Macdonald*

Sent to Jacksonville, Aug 15, 1900.

Handwritten notes and scribbles on the left margin, including the name 'Burden' and other illegible text.

Carlinville Ill /une 18 1900

Joseph Burden Esq

Quincy
Ill

Dear Sir

I enclose certified copy of order of our County Court resorving your rights as a citizen and to the right to the management of your property You ~~will~~ Will have to send ths to the Pension Agent at Chicago, and have him send you proper Vouchers for your July Pension ; but Capt.Somerville can no doubt give yuz proper instructions in regard to the matter Just as soon as I can I will make settlement with the Court and will send you a statement

Yours truly

L.P.Peebles

Illinois Soldiers And Sailors Home.

Surgeon's Office Mar. 22 1906

Respectfully returned to the Superintendent.

I have carefully examined.....

Joseph B. Burden

late Co. Regt.

late Co. Regt.

and found him

disabled by Chronic

Rheumatism &

Irregularly attended.

C. C. Chiles

Surgeon.

ILLINOIS SOLDIERS AND SAILORS HOME

Surgeon's Office *Nov. 29 1901*

Respectfully returned to the Superintendent. I have carefully examined

Joseph B. Burden
late Co. Regt.

late Co. Regt.

and found him

disabled by being lately
Insane & Chronic
Rheumatism.

C. E. Ehler
asst. Surgeon.

Register No. *5569*

ILLINOIS SOLDIERS AND SAILORS HOME, QUINCY, ILLINOIS.

Joseph B. Burden
Carlinville, Macoupin Co.
E Co. 1st Reg't Mo. Inf.
Co. Reg't
Co. Reg't
Co. Reg't

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Admitted *July 14th* , 1896

Dis Insane Jan 5 - 1910

J. M. James, Assessor

State of Illinois,)
Adams County.) ss.

In the County Court of said County,
Of the July Term A. D. 1910.

In the matter of the application of Joseph Burden
to be released from conservatorship:

And now on this day, the same being one of the regular judicial days of the July Term A. D. 1910 of said Court comes the petitioner Joseph Burden in person and also by his attorney Arthur R. Roy and also comes Charles L. Bartlett as conservator of the estate of said Joseph Burden; and it appearing to the Court from an inspection of the files in this cause and the Court so finds that said petitioner filed his petition herein on the twenty-first day of June A. D. 1910; that also on said twenty-first day of June A. D. 1910 and more than ten days before the first day of the present term of this Court said petitioner filed in said Court a copy of a notice in due form of law notifying said conservator of his application to have said conservator removed and his property restored to him; that said conservator was personally served with a notice of which the said notice above mentioned was a true copy more than ten days prior to the first day of the present term of this Court; that on said twenty-first day of June A. D. 1910 a summons was duly issued out of and under the seal of this Court directed to the Sheriff of said Adams County commanding him, that he summon the said Charles L. Bartlett conservator of said Joseph Burden to be and appear before the said County Court on the first day of the next term thereof to be holden at the Court House in

finds that said petitioner filed his petition herein on the twenty-first day of June A. D. 1910; that also on said twenty-first day of June A. D. 1910 and more than ten days before the first day of the present term of this Court said petitioner filed in said Court a copy of a notice in due form of law notifying said conservator of his application to have said conservator removed and his property restored to him; that said conservator was personally served with a notice of which the said notice above mentioned was a true copy more than ten days prior to the first day of the present term of this Court; that on said twenty-first day of June A. D. 1910 a summons was duly issued out of and under the seal of this Court directed to the Sheriff of said Adams County commanding him, that he summon the said Charles L. Bartlett conservator of said Joseph Burden to be and appear before the said County Court on the first day of the next term thereof to be holden at the Court House in Quincy, on the fourth day of July A. D. 1910 then and there to answer the said petition and that said summons was duly served upon the said Charles L. Bartlett by the said Sheriff of said Adams County by reading the same and delivering a copy of the same to the said Charles L. Bartlett on the twenty-first day of June A. D. 1910 and more than ten days prior to the first day of the present term of this Court; and the said cause having been set for trial by consent of all parties for the twelfth day of July A. D. 1910 at the hour of two o'clock P. M.:

And this cause now coming on for hearing upon the petition and notice herein and a venire *for a* having heretofore been issued herein returnable on the twelfth day of July A. D. 1910 at the hour of two o'clock P. M. and the said jury *jury* having been duly empanelled and sworn to try the issue set forth in said

petition and the jury having heard the evidence adduced in support of said petition and having heard the arguments of counsel and the instructions of the Court retire, to consider of their verdict; and afterwards thereupon the said jury returned into open Court their verdict, signed by the jurors in words and figures as follows to-wit: "We, the jury find, that Joseph Burden has been restored to his reason and that he is a fit person to have the care, custody and control of his property", which said verdict was signed by the jury, as follows: ^{H.P. Birme, M.D.} Geo. W. Harrison ^{Jeff Perry} B.H. Melgum ^{Q.P. Robison} John Schauf

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that said verdict be received and recorded and the said jury be discharged and that said Charles L. Bartlett be removed as such conservator of said Joseph Burden and that said conservator after paying the costs of this proceeding in making settlement as such conservator ^{together with his other disbursements} pay the monies remaining in his hands as such conservator to said Joseph Burden, taking his receipt for the same and ^{that} the said conservator turn over and deliver ^{to} the said Joseph Burden any and all papers belonging to the said Joseph Burden.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, | ss. I, J. R. PEARCE, Clerk of the County Court of the County and State
 ADAMS COUNTY, |

aforesaid, hereby certify that the foregoing contains a full, true and correct copy of an order of Court
 finding that Joseph Burden has been

vator after paying the costs of this proceeding in making settlement
as such conservator ^{together with his other disbursements} pay the monies remaining in his hands as such conser-
vator to said Joseph Burden, taking his receipt for t e same and ^{that} the
said conservator turn over and deliver ^{to} the said Joseph Burden any and
all papers belonging to the said Joseph Burden.

STATE OF ILLINOIS,
ADAMS COUNTY,

ss.

I, J. R. PEARCE, Clerk of the County Court of the County and State

aforsaid, hereby certify that the foregoing contains a full, true and correct copy of an order of Court
finding that Joseph Burden has been restored to reason and ordering
Charles L. Bartlett, as Conservator of said Joseph Burden, to make re-
port of his acts and doings as such Conservator and to turn over and
deliver any monies or papers in his hands to the said Joseph Burden

as the same now appears of Record and on the files in my office remaining.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court

at my office in Quincy, this 16th day

of July ~~April~~ A. D. 1910

J. R. Pearce

CLERK.

Per

J. A. Bomery

Deputy.