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W. Mangels
Clerk

Recd Jan. 9, 1916.
1836

Payments to be made semi-
annually, to March 4. and
Sept. 4, at *Washington*
by *J. M. Burgess* Esq.,
Pension Agent.

No. 60293

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

Merrill

CLAIM OF WIDOW HAVING MINOR CHILDREN.

I certify that Mary H Coulson
 widow of George H Coulson
 who was a Private, Co. "E" 78th Reg. Ohio Volts.
 in the service of the United States, is entitled, under the provisions of an amend-
 ment to the act of July 14, 1862, to receive pay at the rate of Eight dollars per
 month, to commence on the Fourth day of August, 1864,
 and to continue during life, unless she shall again marry, in which case the pension to her
 and for the within named children is not payable after the date of such marriage.

Also, there shall be paid to the widow on account of the following named
 children, to commence July 25, 1866 —

- who will be sixteen years of age
- Ada L who will be sixteen years of age 5th Sept. 1873
- who will be sixteen years of age
- Theresa M who will be sixteen years of age 9th Aug. 1878
- who will be sixteen years of age
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the additional sum of two dollars per month for each child until arriving at the age of
 sixteen years; provided such child has not, before that date, married, died, or been adopted,
 or abandoned. Former payments, to be deducted.

Given at the Department of the Interior, this Twenty sixth
 day of April, one thousand eight
 hundred and sixty seven

J. J. Otto
 Acting SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

COUNTERSIGNED

Joseph M. Burt
 Commissioner of Pensions.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF PENSIONS.

IMPORTANT—Read Carefully and Preserve for Future Reference.

Changes in Method of Payment of Pensions as Authorized by the Act of August 17, 1912.

Pensions falling due on December 4, 1912, and thereafter will be paid without vouchers in all cases in which vouchers and penalty envelopes are not furnished. Those receiving vouchers with their checks must execute and present them for payment as heretofore.

Checks drawn without vouchers will be mailed to the last known post office address of the pensioner, on the date the payment becomes due, and no receipt will be required.

Postmasters will not forward letters containing pension checks. To prevent their return and insure prompt delivery, pensioners paid without vouchers must give notice of any change in post office address before the time for mailing their checks.

Such notices must show the number of the pension certificate, and the law under which the pension is granted, as well as the pensioner's name, to prevent error, as there are many instances of more than one pensioner of the same name. They should be addressed to the pension agent who pays the pension until January 31, 1913, after which date they should be addressed to the Commissioner of Pensions, Washington, D. C., **as the Act above cited abolishes all pension agencies from and after January 31, 1913, and provides for payment of pensions by a disbursing clerk under the Commissioner of Pensions.**

If the pension certificate is lost the pensioner must make prompt application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a new one, as checks to be issued without vouchers cannot be endorsed without exhibiting the pension certificate to two identifying witnesses.

J. L. DAVENPORT,
Commissioner of Pensions.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF PENSIONS
OFFICE OF THE DISBURSING CLERK
WASHINGTON, D. C.

IMPORTANT

At the request of the accounting officers of the Treasury Department, and as a measure of protection to you, to prevent delivery of pension checks to the wrong persons, to rectify errors, and keep the pension roll a roll of honor, an inspection of your certificate is required.

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Have your certificate ready, so that there may be as little delay as possible when the check arrives. If your certificate has been lost, write at once to the Commissioner of Pensions, and a new one will be furnished to you. We ask your hearty cooperation in this matter in the hope that it will not be necessary soon to repeat this needed precaution.

GUY O. TAYLOR, *Disbursing Clerk.*

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