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Levi Totten
New York (S.21,538)

State of New York

Orange County ss. Be it known that on this 20th day of February 1833, Before me came John Hall of Warwick in said county, who being duly sworn according to Law, deposeth and saith that he was Born in Westchester in said State, but has resided in Orange County since he was twelve Years of age; that he, deponent is now seventy four years of age and a pensioner under the act of June 7. 1832. Saith that he has known Levi Totten before, during and a short time since the revolutionary War, and saith that the said Totten resided in said county of Orange. Deponent verily believes the said Levi Totten is now seventy four Years of age, that he deponent hath often seen the said Totten in the service as Militia private in Captain John Minthorns Company & in John Hathorn's Regiment at Ramapo Bridge, and at Ramapo he being in the same company. Deponent believes this service of said Totten was, during the Year 1777. and 1778. Deponent saith that he verrily believes that said Totten was a good and faithful soldier in the War of the revolution, and further saith not

Subscribed and sworn to the day and year first aforesaid before me

Nathaniel Jones Commissioner of Deeds &c.

John Hall

State of New York

Orange County ss. On the fourth day of March 1833 before me came Michael Jackson of Walkill in said county a revolutionary pensioner under the act of 18th March 1818 & May 1st 1820 as appears by his certificate endorsed Recorded by "Benjn Lloyd ___ Clerk" in Book D Vol.5 Page 188 who upon his oath administered in due form of law declares that he was well acquainted with Levi Totten & belonged to the company of infantry commanded by Capt Daniel Denton in Col. Richmore's or Richmans Regt of troops of the New York line in which company the said Totten was a private & done duty at least nine months in the year 1776

Sworn & subscribed the 4 March 1833

Michael Jackson

H W Elliott Just Peace

I certify that I am acquainted with Michael Jackson & believe him worthy of credit

H. W. Elliott J Peace

State of New York

Orange County ss. I Asa Dunning Clerk of the County of Orange Do Certify that Horace W. Elliott Esq before whom the preceding affidavit purports to have been Sworn and whose name is Subscribed to the foregoing Certificate was at the date of the same a Justice of the peace in and for the said County and that I am acquainted with his hand writing & verily believe his name Subscribed to the said affidavit & Certificate to be his proper handwriting and Signature. Witness my hand and Seal of Office this 4th day of March 1833

Asa Dunning Clerk

I hereby Certify that I was Called on to Assist in Laying out the Dead boddy of Levi Totten Esqr of Scituate on monday February 25th AD 1833 and was with him at intervals for some days previous his Death and on wensday morning following Assisted in putting the Corpse in the Coffin and formed the Procession for the funeral
Warwick October 7th AD 1833

Ambrose Vaughn

Kent ___ at Warwick this 7th day of October 1833 Personaly came Ambrose Vaughn Subscriber to the above and made Oath to the truth of the same

Before Me William B Spencer Just Peace

Kent ss. State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations

I Silas Weaver clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court within & for the county of Kent and state aforesaid hereby certify that William B Spencer, whose name is within written is a Justice of the peace, within & for the town of Warwick in said county. that the Signature within written, purporting to be his is in the proper hand writing of said William B Spencer and that full faith & credit are due to the official attestations of said Spencer In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and the seal of said court this twenty Second day of October AD 1833 at East Greenwich aforesaid

Silas Weaver

State of Rhode Island Providence Plantations

County of Kent ss. On this 8th day of October AD 1833 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court now sitting at East Greenwich within & for said county of Kent, Susanna C. Totten widow of Levi Totten Esqr, late of Scituate in the County of Providence in the state of R Island & Providence Plantations now residing in Warwick in said State & on Solemn oath saith that from declarations often made by the said Levi while in full life & from memorandums & other writings made by him & left among his papers at the time of his death & hereunto annexed she doth verily believe that he the said Levi was ~~a~~ an inlisted soldier in the revolutionary War & that he afterwards served various tours in the Militia during said war that is to say that he the said Levi at Goshen in the County of Orange in the State of New York, did, on or about the 20th of february 1776 inlist as a private in the company of Capt Daniel Denton for one year that said company belonged to the 3d Regiment commanded by Col Rhudolph Ritzma or Ritchmore & was stationd near New York City that he was in the battle of White Plains & continued in service in said company untill about the 7th of Decr 1776 when much out of health he went home on furlough & not regaining his health untill his year expired he did not join the Regiment again; but so soon as health did permit joined the service in the Militia. That in the fore part of the summer of 1777 he served two months under Capt John Minthorn afterwards the same season under the same Capt two months a part of the time near fort Montgomery In the fall of the same year he served two months under same Captain stationed near Fishkills. The same year one month under Col John Hathorn.

In 1778 he served two tours at West Point under Major Poppen equal to one month two other tours under Capt Millar at Makackamack or Neversink amounting to two months & one month afterwards under Capt Sayer In 1779 he served one tour beginning in January under Lieut Armstrong of two months. After one month under Capt Miller & was afterwards two months under Col Hathorn stationd at Poughkepsie

She the said Susanna on oath as aforesaid doth State that she often heard her late husband tell the story of his revolutionary service, that he always was reputed to have been in the army; & that the papers hereunto annexed being various Memorandums of his service marked A, B, C, D, E are in the hand writing of the said Levi & that she doth verily believe they contain the truth & that he really served as therein stated

And she further states that the said Levi was at the time of his death seventy three years old & that he died at said Scituate on the 25th day of February 1833.

Wherefore she prays that the amount due to said Levi at the time of his death under the law of June 7 1832 may be allowed & paid to her

Susanna C. Totten

The above affidavit was subscribed and sworn to by the said Susanna C Totten on the said Eighth day of October 1833.

Witness Silas Weaver Clerk

I Silas Weaver clerk of said Supreme Judicial Court within & for said county of Kent do hereby certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of the said court in the matter of the application of Susanna C Totten for a pension for the service of Levi Totten deceased In testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal of office this twenty second day of October in the year 1833 at East Greenwich aforesaid

Silas Weaver

Kent ss. Supreme Judicial Court October Term AD 1833. on the third day of said term of said Court. Wilkins Updike of South Kingstown in the county of Washington & State of Rhode Island &c Esquire Says on oath that he was well acquainted with Levi Totten formerly of said South Kingstown and late of Scituate in said State deceased, that this affiant has frequently heard the said Levi Say that he Served in the revolutionary army both in the line and militia, and from the frequent conversation which this affiant had with said Levi about said Service, and from conversation which he has heard the said Levi have with other persons relative to said Service, this affiant believes that said Levi served in the revolutionary war as is Set forth in the declaration of Susanna C. Totten aforesaid, and I also believe that the declarations of said Levi are entitled to credit

Sworn to & subscribed by the said Wilkins
Updike Esq this 9th day of October 1833 Witness.
Silas Weaver Clerk

Wilkins Updike

And the said Supreme Judicial Court do hereby declare their opinion after the investigation of the matter that the above named Levi Totten was a revolutionary soldier and served as the said Susanna C. Totten has stated as aforesaid.

And said court are also of the opinion that the character of Wilkins Updike Esquire for truth is good.

A

1776	in Service & on furlough
1777	3 Tours under Minthorn & one under Hathorn
1778	2 Tours at West Point under Major Poppino
	2 Tours under Capt. Miller at Mahackamack otherwise called Minisink
	one in Decem under Capt. Sayer

1779 one in Jan. und. Lieut Armstrong
1779 one under Miller in July, fight
one under Col Hathorn at fishkill

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Levi Totten to Azariah A Flagg

Scituate Rhode Island &c.

To the Honble Azariah A. Flagg Secretary of State for the State of New York, or to the acting Secretary of said State. Sir extreme Indigenie causes me to trouble you with my present Petition. I was a Soldier in the Revolutionary War & request of you to make or cause to be made Search of the Records in your Office for Evidence of my having performed such Service in the Revolutionary Army as I shall herein State. I was born in the Precinct of Goshen in the County of Orange, State of New York. my Father was a native of Hempstead on Lond Island, emigrated from thence & settled in Goshen where I was born on the 20th or 22nd Day of February in the year 1776 I inlisted a private Soldier in a Company commanded by Capt. Daniel Denton, Nathan Strong & Miller were his Subaltern Officers Capt. Denton marched us to the City of New York where we were associated with 7 other Companies, 8 in the whole in a Regiment; numbered 3d Regiment commanded by Rhadolph Reitzma Col. often pronounced Col. Richmore, we were at first quartered in Houses, afterwards, encamped in Tents on Delansea's Land up the Bowry Lane

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Memorandum of Petition to Congress - Written by Levi Totten

To the Honorable, the Senate, and House of Representatives, of the United States, in Congress assembled, on the first Monday in December, in the Year of our Lord 1830.

Levi Totten of South Kingstown, in the County of Washington, in the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, humbly petitioning Shews, That in the Year, 1776 he was a Soldier in the Revolutionary Army and served more than nine Months of that Year in and about the City of New York; at various Stations on York Island; and at White Plains, and was in the Battle at White Plains, in October of that Year, & afterwards at Peekskill. At different Times he was under different Generals but General Washington Commander in Chief. Your Petitioner was born in the Precinct of Goshen, in the County of Orange, in the Province, now State of New York on the second Day of May AD 1759, Was the Son of a Farmer of that Place. His Father was born at Hempstead on Long Island about twenty two miles from the City of New York, and married and settled in Goshen before mentioned. Your Petitioner further states that when he was yet a Youth, the Acts of the British Parliament for blocking up, or shutting the Harbor of Boston, and for seizing and carrying Persons accused or suspected of Crimes, to Places beyond Sea for Trial, not by a Jury of their Peers, or the Law of the Land, together with other arbitrary Decrees of the

British Government, raised in the mind of your Petitioner, a Spirit of Opposition which never forsook him. That on Reading an Account of the Commencement of Hostilities at Lexington, by a Detachment from the British Army at Boston. Your Petitioner, with Intent to assist, if necessary, in defending the Rights and Liberties of his Injured Country, diligently learned the Use of the Firelock and Bayonet. And on or about the twenty second Day of February AD 1776, He left a Peaceful and comfortable Home, against the Consent of his Parents, and inlisted for one Year, a private Soldier in a Company, of which Daniel Denton of Goshen was Captain; Nathan Strong first, James Miller second Lieutenants, and Cadmiel Moore Ensign. Which Company with others, as your Petitioner believes, were raised by the Advice & Direction of the Provincial Congress holden at the City of New York

Memorandum of Petition to Congress - Written by Levi Totten

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Minutes of Letter to Azariah A Flagg

Scituate Rhode Island &c.

To the Honble Azariah A. Flag Secretary of State for the State of New York. Sir extreme Indigence causes me to request you to make Search of the Records in your Office for Evidence of my having served in the Army of

Military Services - 1776 1 Year Capt Denton

1777 2 Months forepart Summer under Capt John Minthorn Militia Stationed at Ramanpough Latter Part Summer 2 Months under do, same Station Lieut Col Wisner commanded part of the Time we were near Fort mongomorry when it was taken In the Fall of the year 1777 2 Months Tour at Fishkills under Col. John Hathorn Militia Col.

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Petition to War Depart Memd of Service
Susanna Totten of Levi Totten in revly War

That in the Year 1776 he was a Soldier in the Revolutionary commanded by General Washington and served most of that year in his Army at and about the City of New York and the various stations on York Island, opposite Hurl Gate & near Fort washington Also at the white Plains & was in the Action with the Enemy at that Place October 28th 1776, and continued in Service till

on or about the 7th Day of December following, when being out of Health he obtained a Furlough to retire into the County till his Health should be recovered. That he did not recover his Health till after his Year had elapsed & did not return to Join the Army again under that enlistment. That after his Engagement had expd. he performed divers Tours of Duty in the Militia of the State of NY, & in New Jersey & was more than Half of the Time in actual service in the revolutionary Army during the years 1777 & 1778 was a Volunteer in a Battle between the N.Y. & N Jersey Militia Volunteers a Party of Indians commanded by Captain Brant as he was called on the 25th Day of July AD 1779 about 35 Miles above the Fork of Delaware River & in which about 130 of the Volunteers were engaged & beaten of which number forty eight were missing believed to be killed as many of their Bodies were afterwards found & buried by another Party of Volunteers from the same Militia & one of the Party of the Volunteers was known to be taken Prisoner & carried to Canada & given up to the British.

I Daniel Watson of South Kingstown in the county of Washington and State of Rhode Island &c Physician say on oath that I was acquainted with Levi Totten late of South Kingstown aforesaid and have frequently heard the said Levi Say that he Served in the army in the revolutionary war and have heard him talk with other persons about said Service, and I believe it is believed and understood by people in the neighborhood in said South Kingstown, where the said Levi Totten resided, that he the said Levi was a soldier in the revolutionary army.

Daniel Watson

Kent ss. At East Greenwich October 16th 1833 Personally appeared Daniel Watson Subscriber to the foregoing affidavit and made oath to the truth of the same and I certify that the character of said Watson is good for truth

Before Me Christopher Johnson
Justice of the Peace

Kent ss. State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations

I Silas Weaver clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court, within and for the county of Kent and State aforesaid hereby certify that Christopher Johnson whose name is above written is a Justice of the Peace, within & for the town of East Greenwich in said county, that the signature above written purporting to be his is in the proper hand writing of said Christopher Johnson and that full faith & credit are due to the official attestations of said Johnson In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand & the seal of said court this twenty Second day of October AD 1833 at East Greenwich

aforesaid

Silas Weaver

I Charles Brayton of Warwick in the county of Kent and state of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations Esquire Say on oath, That I was acquainted with Levi Totten late of Scituate, and formerly of South Kingstown deceased for more than forty years previous to his decease, That I have frequently heard the said Levi Say that he served in the army of the United States during the revolutionary war, and have heard him converse with others on said Subject, and I have no doubt, but that said Levi did service in the army of the United States during said war, from the fact of my having heard him assert it frequently, and from general reputation And I further say that the character of said Levi for truth was good.

Charles Brayton

Kent ss. State of Rhode Island &c.

At East Greenwich October
19 1833

Personally appeared Charles Brayton subscriber to the above affidavit and made solemn oath to the truth of the same and I certify that the character of said Charles Brayton for truth is good.

Job Durfee one of the Justices of
the Supreme Judicial Court

Kent ss. State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations

I Silas Weaver Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court, within and for the county of Kent, and State aforesaid hereby certify that Job Durfee Esquire, whose name is within written is one of the Justices of said Supreme Judicial Court, that the signature within written, purporting to be his is in the proper hand writing of said Job Durfee, and that full faith and credit are due to the official attestations of said Durfee. In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand & the seal of said court this twenty second day of October AD 1833 at East Greenwich aforesaid

Silas Weaver

State of Rhode Island &c

County of Kent ss. On this tenth day of March AD 1834 personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Probate of the Town of Warwick Susanna C Totten widow of Levi Totten

late of Scituate in the County of Providence in said State now residing in said Warwick and on solemn oath says that she is the widow of the said Levi Totten deceased. That the said Levi died in said Scituate on the 25th day of February AD 1833 and she hereby relinquishes all and every claim to any annuity or pension or arrear thereof except the present and declares that the name of the said Levi is not nor is her own on the pension roll of the agency of any State

Susanna C Totten.

Subscribed and sworn to by the said Susanna C Totten in open Court this 10th day of March AD 1834

Witness Geo A Brayton Clk

I Emma Ann Staunton of Coventry in the County of Kent & State of Rhode Island &c depose and say that I have been personally acquainted with Susanna C. Totten and Levi Totten now deceased. That I was present at their marriage and saw them married and that the said Susanna was and continued to be the wife of the said Levi untill his death and that I was at the dwelling of the said Levi at the time of his death and during his last sickness and that the said Levi died on the 25th day of February AD 1833

Emma Ann Stanton

Subscribed and sworn to in open Court by the said Emma Ann Staunton this 10th day of March AD 1834

Witness Geo A Brayton Clk

I Martha Totten now residing in Warwick in the County of Kent depose and say that I am the daughter of the said Levi Totten deceased and of Susanna C Totten and resided with my parents at the time of the death of my father that he died on the 25th day of February AD 1833

Martha Totten

Subscribed and sworn to by the said Martha Totten in open Court this 10th day of March AD 1834

Witness Geo A Brayton Clk

And the said Court of Probate do hereby declare their opinion from the evidence adduced and which is here to annexed that the Susanna C Totten the within applicant is the widow of the said Levi Totten late of Scituate deceased and that the said Levi Totten died at said Scituate on the 25th day of February AD 1833 and do hereby certify the same accordingly and the said Court do further certify that it appears to them that Ambrose Vaughn Emma Ann Staunton and Martha Totten who have subscribed the preceeding affidavits are credible person and that the said Susanna C. Totten is also a credible person In Testimony Whereof I George A Brayton the present Clerk of the said Court have hereunto by order of said Court set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Court of Probate this Tenth day of March AD 1834

Geo. A. Brayton