

Pension Application for James Blake

W.20724 (Widow: Nancy Shell) Married January 3, 1785, Revd Henry Moller, Evangelica Lutheran Church at Albany. James died April 1824.

State of New York

Albany County

On this nineteenth day of June 1824 personally appeared in open court, (being a court of record in and for the said County according to the solemn adjudications of the Supreme Court of this state, and being a court which proceeds according to the course of common law, with a jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount, keeping a record of its proceedings, and possessing the power of fine and imprisonment) James Blake aged about Sixty years, resident in the City of Albany, in said County who being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare, that he served in the revolutionary war as follows:

In Captain Richard Lloyd's Company, Colonel Moses Hazen's Congress Regiment for the term of six years and about three months that his pension certificate is dated the 18th day of April one thousand eight hundred and eighteen and numbered 210.

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818; and that I have not, since that time, by gift, sale, or in any manner, disposed of my property, or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it, as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war," passed on the 18th of March, 1818; and that I have not, nor has any person in trust for me, any property or securities, contracts, or debts, due to me; nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed, and by me subscribed.

That I have a wife named Anna [Nancy] aged about fifty seven years who is infirm on account of age and sickness, that I have four children, Henry aged about thirty two years, Elizabeth aged about twenty six, Jacob aged about twenty two, and George aged about sixteen, the three former are married and live separate from me, and are unable to contribute to my support, the latter is dependant on me for support, I have no trade or occupation other than a Cartman which business I am unable to pursue on account of infirmity occasioned by old age and lameness. (Signed) James Blake

Sworn in open court this 19th June 1820. H. P. Williams Dep Clk City & County of Albany
Schedule

1 Lot of ground being 28 feet in front 24 feet in rear and 89 feet in depth with a small house & barn thereon, both of which are much decayed. \$250.00

1 old horse, 1 cart, 1 single sleigh &c, Sett of single harness 50.00

1 table 2/-4 chairs 4/ 1 chest 6/ !.50

1 box stove 16/ water c ask & barrel 4/ 2.50

2 pails &c kettle 4/, 1 sow with pigs 40/ 5/50

3 Fowls .62 ½

1 ax ½--1 shovel 2/ .38

Plates, tea cups, saucers & tea pot .25

Spoons forks and knives .19

Shovel & tongs, pots, pan & and-Irons 2.50

1 grid iron .25

\$313.69 ½

(Signed) James Blake