

Pension Application for Francis Cronkhite or Cronkite

S.43424

State of New York

Madison County

On this 13th day of June eighteen hundred & eighteen before me the subscriber First Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the county of Madison personally appeared Francis Cronkhite aged sixty years resident in the town of Lenox in said County being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late 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."

That the said Francis Cronkhite enlisted in the regular army in the State of New York in the spring of seventeen hundred and seventy six in the company commanded by Captain Benjamin Hicks of the regiment of infantry commanded by Colonel G. VanSchaick; that he continued to serve in the said corps for the term of nine months thence next following when he was honorably discharged from the service in the said corps in the State of New York and in the Spring of seventeen hundred seventy seven he volunteered into the regiment of volunteers commanded by Colonel Haddock in the company of Nine Partner belonging to said regiment in which corps he continued for the months in service of the Unites States then he served as a volunteer in the company commanded by Captain Cornelius Wiltsie in the regiment commanded by Colonel John VanRensselaer in which corps he served for three months that he was in the battle of Bennington in Vermont and at the taking of Burgoyne at Saratoga that he afterwards enlisted in into the company commanded by Captain Livingston in the regiment commanded by Colonel Scott in which last corps he served for six months at the close of the war.

And that he is in reduced circumstances & stands in need of the assistance of his country for support that his discharges are lost by resident & that none are now in existence & that he has no other evidence in his power of his said services. (Signed with his mark) Francis Cronkite

Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid. P. Smith, First Judge Mad. Cty.