

Pension Application for Gideon Hewet or Hewett

S.22294

State of Vermont

Rutland County SS.

On this 18th day of July A.D. 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of the Probate Court of Rutland Dist. now sitting Gideon Hewet a resident of the County of Rutland and State of Vermont, aged 84 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress, passed June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated.

In 1776 he lived in Stephentown in the State of New York, & being one of a class, he volunteered to serve six months on a call made in the class & marched to West Point in May he thinks, & served his time out in Capt. Caleb Bentley; company Col. Humphrey; Regt. Maj VanRensselaer & was discharged at West Point, but received no written discharge. He also served about six weeks in 1777, having turned out as a volunteer when Burgoyne invaded the country he served under Capt. Davison, Lt. Jones, Col. VanRensselaer's Regt—he joined the army at Albany—marched to fort Edward, where they were attacked by the advance of Burgoyne's Army & fought at their retreat to Fort Miller when Col. VanRensselaer was wounded at Fort Ann.

The said Hewet says he was taken sick & was not in the battle of Saratoga & capture of Burgoyne, but was permitted by his Capt. to go home—he having received a pass for that purpose.

In 1780 he served two weeks at the Fort in Castleton, Vermont, in Capt. Salisbury's Company, under Col. Ethan Allen, as a volunteer. He knew Genls Washington, Lincoln, Schuyler, & traitor Arnold.

He has no documentary evidence & knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services.

He was born at Stovington Connecticut, the 12 March 1748, but knows of no record of his age. He moved to Clavendon in August 1779, where he has ever since resided—he never received any written discharge. He is known to the Rev. Mr. Clark & most of the old people of Clavendon –he being a member of the Baptist Church.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State. (Signed with his mark) Gideon Hewet

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. [Rb. Rayle, Reg.]