

Pension Application for William Lewis

W.20443 (Widow: Margaret) William Lewis and Margaretha McLean married Feb 26, 1778 German Reformed Chh. (commonly known and distinguished as the Ref. Dutch Chh.) of Montgomery Orange Co., N.Y.— William died March 3, 1829.

Family Record.

William Lewis was born August 13, 1754.

Margaret Mclean was born October 19 1759.

James Lewis was born January 16, 1779.

Catharine Lewis was born May 30th 1781.

Elizebeth Lewis was born January the 26, 1783.

John M. Lewis was born November 29th 1785.

Margaret Lewis was born May the 11, 1788.

Charity Lewis was born October the 17, 1792.

William Lewis Junr. Was born June the 2, 1799.

William Lewis and Margret McLean was married February the 25 1778 [this varies from the church record.]

State of New York

Tompkins County SS.

On this twenty fifth day of September 1821 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Common Pleas, holden in and for the said County in said [?] constituted a Court of Record, by the laws of said State, with power to hear, try and determine all actions seal personel and mixed ensuing in the said County and all the assistory actions although the same may not have arisen within the said County and with other powers William Lewis aged sixty eight years, resident in the Town of Dryden in the said County who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows to with.

That he the said William Lewis enlisted in the Town of Shawangunk in the State of New York for the term of nine months on or about the middle of March 1776 in the company commanded by Captain John Hardenburgh of the Regiment commanded by Colo. Ritzema, In the line of the State of New York on the continental establishment. That he continued to serve in said corps or in the service of the United States until after the twenty fifth every of December following [sic] when he was discharged from the service in Morristown in the State of New Jersey.

That he the said William Lewis formerly by occupation hereto is very much troubled with Rheumatism & that he is unable to do but little labour, my family consists of my wife who is about sixty two years of age, and is tolderable [?] of her age, and my son William aged about twenty two years, who makes his home with me; and works abroad occasionally, and who is not obliged to work for me only when pleases.

That he made his declaration to obtain a pension on the first day of May 1818 but has not received any pension certificate as yet.

And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820 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, untitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval services of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities, contracts or debts due me nor have I any other income than what is contained in the schedule hereunto annexed, and by me subscribed.
(Signed with his mark) William Lewis

Sworn to and declared before me in open court. Luther Gere.

A Schedule of the property of William Lewis of the Town of Dryden in the County of Tompkins a Revolutionary soldier taken September 25th day 1821 as follows.

Real estate none

Personal Estate.

1 cow \$10.00
3 sheep \$8.00 2 hogs \$5.00 13.00
2 pigs \$2.00 1 old plough \$2.00 4.00
1 [?] iron [?] 1 small chain 1.50
1 dresser 6 old chairs 3.00
2 small kettles and one tea kettle 3.00
9 earthen plates, 1 earthen platter 1.00
2 [?] 6 knives & forks 1.00
3 cups and saucers & bowls 0.37 ½
4 old iron spoons 2 smoothing irons 1.25
2 wooden pails 1 churn 1.50
1 old table, 30 old barrels 1.00
1 pair tongs, 1 chain trammel 2.00
1 small spinning wheel, 1 large wheel 3.00
1 reel, 1 brass chain for sled tongue 1.50
10 bushels wheat 5.00
Some buckwheat 2.00
[?] corn 10.00
10 Bushels oats 2.50
Some Flax 3.00

\$72.62 ½

No debts due to me.

I owe to Abraham Oymun 15.00

Christian Guit about 32.00

To John Ellis 2.00

\$55.00a

Value of balance of property \$17.62 ½

(Signed with his mar) William Lewis

Luther Gere

I, John Johnson, Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Tompkins, do hereby certify that the foregoing estate, and the schedule hereunto annexed, entirely copied from the Record of the said Court; and I do further certify that it is the opinion of the said Court, that the total amount in value of the property exhibited in the aforesaid Schedule is (deducting) the debts of the said William Lewis) Seventeen Dollars and sixty two and a half cents inventory whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said court on this 5th day of October 1821.
John Johnson Clerk, Mr. Miles Finch Dep.Clk.