

Pension Application for William Nottingham

R.7732

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832.

State of New York

County of Steuben SS.

On this 21st day of October 1834 personally appeared before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the said County of Steuben William Nottingham a resident of the town of Urbana in the County of Steuben in the said state of New York aged about seventy three 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

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

That he enlisted a volunteer at Kingston in the County of Ulster in the State of New York in the latter part of March or forepart of April (as near as the applicant can now recollect) in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven.

That the company into which he enlisted as commanded by Captain Frederick Schoonmaker and that John C. Dewitt was the Lieutenant but whether there was an ensign in said company the applicant can not now state. That he has no recollection of any ensign.

That he entered that the said company to which he belonged was raised for the purpose of guarding the military stores and prisoners confined in the Kingston Jail and in some old houses that lay at Kingston landing.

That at the time he enlisted he was a resident of the town of Marbletown in the County of Ulster aforesaid and that he resided in said Marbletown when he entered the service. That he entered the said service immediately after enlisting and continued in said Service under said enlistment until about Christmas when he was discharged. The precise day when he was discharged the applicant can not now state and remembers distinctly that was about the time of the holidays and he thinks near Christmas.

That he served nine months from the time of his enlistment and received a written discharge from his captain which he has long since lost. That the applicant can not now state whether Captain Schoonmaker's Company was attached to any regiment or not; that he knew nothing of any field officers. That the said company was stationed in the village of Kingston but that they marched regularly once in a week to Kingston landing and would remain at the said landing twenty four hours when they remarched to Kingston Village.

That the applicant was born at the town of Marbletown aforesaid on the twenty second day of October 1761 and that he continued to reside in said town until the time of his said enlistment. That after he left the service he returned to Marbletown and continued to reside there until about twenty four years since when he removed to the town of Dryden in the State of New York. That he resided in the said town of

Dryden about sixteen years when he removed to the town of Urbana in the County of Steuben where he has resided ever since.

That the applicant has no record of his age. That the Bible in which his birth was recorded was burnt while the applicant resided in the town of Dryden aforesaid by the accidental burning of a [?] in the house of the applicant in which the Bible was kept.

That he knows of no person living who can testify to any part of his services except Andrew Snyder whose affidavit he has procured.

He hereby relinquishes all and 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.

That there is not a clergyman of any denomination residing in the neighbourhood of the applicant nor are there any residing in the town with whom the applicant has any acquaintance or who are acquainted with him. (Signed) W. Nottingham.

Sworn & subscribed this 24th day of October 1834 before me. W. H. Bull, Clerk of Steuben Com. Pleas