

Pension Application for Moses Parr

S.18149 (Moses died July 19, 1835.)

State of New York

St. Lawrence County SS

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

On this twenty fourth day of September AD 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the same Court of Common Plea now sitting Moses Parr a resident of the Town of Louisville in the County of St. Lawrence and State of New York aged sixty eight 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 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That he is of the age of sixty eight years—that he is of the age of sixty eight years—that in the month of April 1781. He enlisted in the army of the United States at Stephentown in the County of Albany now in the County of Rensselaer [Rensselaer] for the term of nine months and on the twenty fifth day of May following he went to Albany where he was inspected and joined the company commanded by Capt. Peter B. Tierce of Albany and Col. Marinus Willet's Regiment and marched from Albany to Johnstown about the first days of June—that on the eleventh day of the same month was taken sick—that he was then marched to Capt Henry's Company and Capt Tierce's company went to a place called Stone Arabia, that after he recovered of his illness (the small pox) he again joined Capt. Tierce's Company and then marched to a place called Fort Plane [Plain] on the Mohawk River where he remained the greatest part of the time except when on Indian Scouts until the first day of January 1782 at which time the nine months men were discharged—a little time after he enlisted for two years in the same company and regiment as before mentioned and was stationed on the Mohawk the first year to guard against the Indians, was in no battle except a number of small skirmishes with the Indians.

That on the second day of February 1783 his regiment was ordered to join a regiment of Rhode Island Troops Col. Oney commanded the Regiment of Rhode Island Troops –and Col. Willett commanded the whole. Was then ordered to cross the Oneida Lake thence to a fort called Oswego on Lake Ontario but the expedition failed in consequence of the ignorance or Treachery of the guide that he then with the Regiment returned back to Fort Plane on the Mohawk River, where one Regiment remained until peace was declared or ratified in May 1783—

In the month of June or July in the same season he was ordered from the Mohawk to Albany with a Serjeant and three privates beside himself and from Albany to west Point by water with the Baron Steuben and continued with him till the first of October 1783 was then ordered back to Albany and on the 18th day of October of the same year received his discharge signed by Col. Marinus Willett & Capt P. B. Tierce he then returned home to Stephentown resided then about 6 years then removed to the Town of Alburgh in Grand Isle where he resided about forty years—then moved to the

town of Louisville in the County of St. Lawrence where he has resided about forty years—

That his house was burnt about twenty five years ago and all his papers were consumed together with his discharge. That his age is recorded in his family Bible which states that he was born 28 July 1764 and was 68 last July—that he was born in South Kingston In the State of Rhode Island—and he further states that he has no written documentary evidence of service In his possession that he knows of no person by whom he can prove his service and that his several Terms of service amount in the whole about 2 ½ years that during his first Term of service the Lieutenants were Peak & Van Burgan, during the second term the two lieutenants were John Thornton and Duncan Campbell. The Majors were Banscouten & Fink.

And 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) Moses Parr

Sworn and subscribed the day & year aforesaid. A.C. Low Clk