Pension Application for Samuel Prescott

W.2434 (Widow: Martha) Married Nov 16, 1823.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

I Samuel Prescott aged fifty eight years a citizen of the United States, born in Brentwood New Hampshire now resident in New Sharon in the District of Maine upon which testify and declare that the first of January 1776 I enlisted for one year, as a private soldier, in the war of the revolution against the common enemy upon the continental establishment, in the company commanded by Capt Sherman, afterwards by Captain Robinson, and regiment commanded by Col. Loammi Baldwin of the Massachusetts line or troops. Under this enlistment, I served until about the middle of January 1777 when at Northcastle, New York, where I had been left sick, the army having marched into the Jerseys, and my term having expired, I left the service. There being no officer there, I took no formal discharge. I was in [the] battle at White Plains.

From my reduced circumstances I need the assistance of my country for support. And I do hereby relinquish all claim to every pension [?] allowed me by the laws of the U. States, if any but I am not to ;my knowledge borne on any pension list whatever. (Signed) Samuel Prescott

State of Maine Kennebec SS.

On this seventeenth day of February 1829, personally appeared before Nathan Weston Junior, a Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of said State of Maine Samuel Prescott, aged sixty nine years & upwards a resident of Hallowell in said County of Kennebec, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he made declaration of his services in the war of the revolution, on the 4th June 1818, before the same Judge Weston, then chief Justice of the court of Common Pleas, & caused said declaration to be sent to the pension office, and his name was placed on the pension list of Maine & his pension certificate is numbered 11.443 and he drew his pension accordingly up to the 4th of March 1820, when by the law of May 1, 1820, he made and exhibited a schedule of his whole estate & income, at that time & caused said schedule to be sent to the department of war & he was afterwards informed his name was stricken from the Pension Roll an amount of his property exhibited in said schedule, and in pursuance of the law of March 1, 1823, he made before the Court of Common Pleas, in open Court, before the said Court of Common Pleas holden at [Augusta?] on the 10th April 1823, a second schedule of his whole estate & income at that time, which said last mentioned schedule, he also caused to be sent to the Pension office, & his claim has been suspended for further proof as to the disposition of the property mentioned in his said first schedule, and now the said Samuel Prescott, on his oath declares, that he has not received any comp0ensation from the United States for his services in the war of the Revolution since the said 4th of March 1820And the said Samuel Prescott, further n oath declares that the following is a schedule of his whole estate & no personal property whatever—Neither have I any income derived from any source—

I married a second wife about five years last December, & immediately afterwards removed from New Sharon to Hallowell, where I have been supported by my wife who possesses a small property.

The property mentioned in my fist schedule has been disposed of to pay just debts.

The appraisal of the property mentioned in my first schedule was at a higher rate, than it could be sold for and Myron Samuel to ;whom the principal pmt was conveyed assisted me in discharging the debts against me—but in consequence of his liabilities on my account, the property put into his hands did onto sell, nor was it worth so much;, as he has paid and in under obligations to pay on ;my amount, and I still owe him upwards of one hundred & fifty five dollars.

I further declare, that I had no trade, my occupation has been that of Farmer, but from age & infirmity an able to do but little light work. Except the above an my clothing, I have no estate or income. (Signed) Samuel Prescott.

Subscribed, Sworn to and declared before me this seventeenth day of February in the year 1829.