

**Pension Application for Teunis Vrooman or Vroman**

R.10974

Letter in folder dated August 16, 1929, written in response to an inquiry.

I advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, R.10974, it appears that Teunis (Tunis) Vrooman (Vroman), the son of Tunis Vroman, was born in 1760 or 1770, in Schoharie, Schoharie County, New York.

He applied for pension June 14, 1851, at that time a resident of Columbia, Herkimer County, New York, and stated that in August, 1780, he was living with his father in the "Upper Fort" in Schoharie County, New York, and was taken prisoner by a part of Tories and Indians commanded by Joseph Brant, was carried to Fort Niagara, later to Montreal, Canada, and held in jail there more than a year when exchanged.

The claim was not allowed because when he was taken prisoner he was not in the service of the United States.

He stated that his father was a Captain of Militia and commanded at the Upper Fort, and that his father, mother (Mary), and brother, Peter, were killed at the time he was taken prisoner, and all their property was destroyed, also that his brothers, John and Barney, were taken prisoners and exchanged at the same time with him.

The above noted is the history of the only soldier named Tunis Vrooman, all spellings searched, found on the Revolutionary War records of this bureau.

It does not appear that Barney Vrooman ever applied for pension.