

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Edward Brown R1292

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[No pension application was found. The following are notes by W. G. Singleton. See note below.]
Lewis County

J[?] Edward Brown Applicant.

Christopher Nutter [pension application W5434] aged 74 yrs. says that Brown is an old man and that he came to this county Harrison after the Revolutionary war was over knows nothing of his having done revolutionary services.

William Carder [S17872] has known Brown since 1785. he knows at that time was a young man 4 or 5 years younger than himself. he Carder is 72 yrs. old.

Saw Edward Brown June 27, 1834. he says that he is either 70 or 71 yrs. old. was raised in Hardy County [formed in 1786 from Hampshire County, now WV]. Settled in Harrison (now Lewis) County 43 years ago. Says that in the year in which Cornwallis and his army were captured at York Town in Virginia [19 Oct 1781] he was drafted to serve a tour of duty. he set out to perform the tour of duty and got as far as Rockingham County. (he started from Hardy) and there met the soldiers returning from the war, & he returned with them. he was gone less than a month. Samuel Hornback was his captain [sic: see note below] - this is all the service he done during the war of the Revo. - after his settling in Lewis County as before stated he was continually out in the Indian Wars.

R H Southern wrote his declaration. gave him the same account of his services that he has now given - made no contract with Southern for compensation.

I the undersigned John J. Brown (son of the above named Edward Brown) do certify that I was present when the forgoing statement was made by the said Edward Brown of his revolutionary services. that the same is correctly noted down. I further certify that I was present when the said Edward Brown related his Revolutionary & other military services to R. H.

Southern, and that the statement here given is precisely the same that was made to the said Southern. Given under my hand this 27th June 1834

Nathan Goff.

a true copy.

J. J. Brown

W. G Singleton

NOTES:

W. G. Singleton was a Special Agent sent to investigate a large number of fraudulent pension claims in Lewis County. (See pension application of David W. Sleeth, S6111, for details.) Singleton found no evidence of fraud in Brown's case, but concluded that he was not eligible because he did not perform at least six-month's service, as required by the pension act of 1832. In this conclusion Singleton may have been mistaken, since in other cases the Pension Office accepted service against Indians before the end of the Revolutionary War in 1783.

Samuel Hornbeck in his own pension application (W8950) stated that he was the Lieutenant in this company under Captain Michael Stump.