

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Charles King R5940
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State of North Carolina, County of Orangeburg: SS Allen Edwards

On this the 24 day of February 1848 Polly Blackwood of the aforesaid County, aged 80 years, came personally before me and after first being duly sworn according to law depose and saith that she is the next to the oldest child of the late Charles and Elizabeth King.

That from her family record and what she has always understood & believes, that her father & mother were married in the year of 1774 or thereabout, this deponent, towards the close of the Revolutionary War must have been about eight years of age, as she has some recollection of events that happened towards the close of War.

The said Mary Blackwood, further states that she has heard her father often speak of serving the United States in the War of the Revolution, and was, she believes, in some three or four three-month tours as a private soldier in support of the Independence of our Country.

The deponent is fully satisfied that her father and mother were married before the last period of his service in the Army.

My mother Elizabeth King aforesaid died the 11th day of December 1836 – and further saith not.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year first above written before me.

S/ A. Edwards, JP

S/ Polly Blackwood, \ her mark

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State of North Carolina, Orange County: SS

On this the 24 day of February 1848, personally came on the A. Edwards one of the Acting Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the aforesaid County, James Dollar,¹ now a resident of Chatham County & State aforesaid (but formerly a resident of Orange County) aged about 98 years, who being first duly sworn according to law depose and saith that in the war of the revolution he served a three months tour of duty in the militia in the United States Service in the Summer & fall of the year in which was the Guilford Battle [March 15, 1781], was in Colonel Malmedy's² Regiment – rendezvoused at Hillsboro in Orange aforesaid and were marched to the South and was in the engagement at Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781]³ under General Greene [Nathanael Greene].

In said tour this Deponent remembers that Charles King of Orange County aforesaid was

1 [James Dollar W25535](#)

2 Francois Lellorquis Marquis de Malmady (also Malmedy, Malmèdy)

3 http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_eutaw_springs.html

a private of infantry in Captain King's Company and Malmedy's Regiment, was in the Eutaw Battle and served all of said tour in said Regiment.

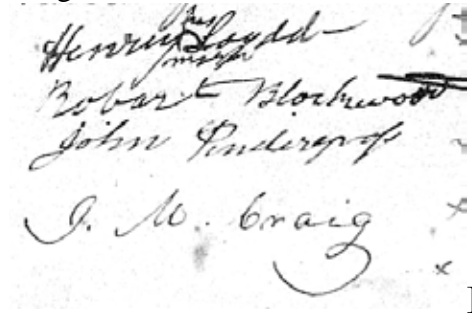
And further this deponent saith not.

Sworn to & Subscribed the day & year first above written before me.

S/ A. Edward, JP

S/ James Dollar, X his mark

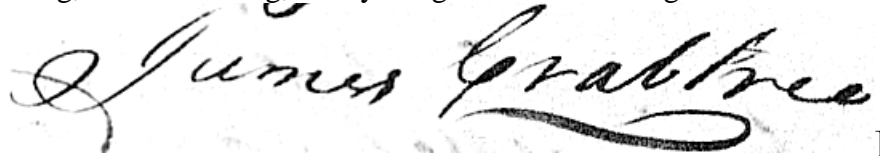
[p 9: On February 27, 1848 in Orange County North Carolina, Henry Loydd, Robart Blackwood, John Pendergrass, and J. M. Craig gave affidavit stating their belief of Charles King's service in the Revolution.



Henry Loydd
Robert Blackwood
John Pendergrass
J. M. Craig

[p 11: On February 24, 1848 in Orange County North Carolina, Mary Pendergrass, a resident of Chatham County North Carolina, gave an affidavit in support of the claim stating that she attended the wedding of Charles and Elizabeth King in 1773, as well as she remembers; that they were married 2 or 3 years before affiant was married; that affiant lived in Orange County before removing to Chatham County. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[p 8: On May 17, 1851 in Orange County North Carolina James Crabtree gave a supporting affidavit in which he identified the 4 children of Charles and Elizabeth King as follows: Mary King, Elizabeth King, Bidy King and Charles King.



James Crabtree

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State of North Carolina, Orange County: May 17, 1851

This day personally appeared John King before me J. W. Carr one of the acting Justices of the Peace aforesaid County who after being duly sworn upon the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God true statements to make in the matter now before him deposeth and saith as follows:

That he is well acquainted with the children of Charles and Elizabeth King his wife, and that he was raised in the same County and my mother Sarah King drew a Pension for my Father William King's Services and that I have often heard my Father say that Charles King was a Soldier of the Revolution and a brother to John King, Baxter King⁴ and William King⁵ all as I have understood served as soldiers in the revolution and lived in the County of Orange names of the children of the said Charles and Elizabeth King are as follows Mary King, Elizabeth King, Bidy King and Charles King and that I am well acquainted with them and believe them to be

4 [Baxter King W20321](#)

5 [William King W20332](#)

the lawful heirs of Charles and Elizabeth King.

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written.

Test: S/ J. W. Carr, JP

S/ John King

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John King". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

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State of North Carolina, Chatham County: SS

On this the 15 day of August 1855 personally appeared before the undersigned one of the acting justices of the Court of Pleas & quarter Sessions for the aforesaid County of Chatham Sarah Oldham aged 90 years a resident of the said County of Chatham who being first Sworn on the Holy Bible states upon her Oath that she was personally acquainted with Charles & Elizabeth King from her earliest recollection I never lived more than six miles from the said Charles & Elizabeth King we all resided in the neighborhood of Chapel Hill Orange County. I was a girl in the time of the Revolutionary War and was at my grandfather Matthew Sparrow who lived in Orange County on the Main road leading from Hillsboro in Orange County to Fayetteville then called Cross Creek my grandfather lived on the Main road as above stated near to the Chatham line & while at my grandfather's I remember seeing Charles King in the company commanded by Major Allen they were marching to the South I believe were pursuing some Tories that had been very troublesome in Orange & Chatham I have often heard my Father whose name was William Pendergras⁶ who was also a Soldier in the said War when my Father & Charles King would meet together after the War was ended they often when together told the hardships and sufferings they endured when in the camp together they served as much as two or three tours together during the Revolutionary War Charles King died on the 17th of December 1810 as stated on his grave stone and wife Elizabeth King died on the 11th day of December 1836 and left the following children all of lawful age Mary King who married Richard Blackwood, Elizabeth King married James Crabtree, Bidy King who married Archy Price & Charles King.

Sworn & subscribed on this the 15th day of August 1855.

I further [state] that I have no interest in [this] claim whatever.

S/ S. G. Brewer, JP

S/ Sarah Oldham, O her mark

6 No pension application under this name could be found on either Fold3.com or HeritageQuest.