

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Francis Simpson R9604

Sally

f17VA

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State of Kentucky County of Clark: Sct.

Sally Simpson of the said County aged about 73 years being sworn does on her oath say that she is the widow of Francis Simpson who died in this County on the 6th day of March A.D. 1837 and who in his lifetime was a private soldier in the service of the United States in the war of the Revolution. She does not know what Regiment or Corps he served in but from the fact that he came from Spotsylvania County Virginia she believes it was in either the Virginia State or Continental Line or militia. During her said husband's lifetime he was a witness for Reuben Emmerson¹ or Emberson who then lived in Fayette County Kentucky, in his application for a pension and I always understood from them that they had been fellow soldiers in the Revolutionary War and I understood at the time that the said Emmerson could have been a witness for my husband if he had been disposed to apply for his pension.

There was another of his fellow soldiers named ___ Tuggle who is now dead but who once lived near us in this County he once came to get my husband to be a witness for him in an intended application for a pension: but he, my husband rather laughed him out of it and told him he was able to live without it and that he ought to do so as he (Simpson) had done and intended to continue to do: viz. Live without it for he was able to do so which I have frequently heard him say or words to that import. Mrs. ___ Tuggle the widow of the above named ___ Tuggle still lives in this County and I have heard has recently drawn a pension² as the widow of said Tuggle I refer to my husband's at evidence in the application of the above named Emmerson which will probably give the full particulars of his own service: and to the rolls of the Company or Companies to which said Emmerson and Tuggle belonged I was married to the said Francis Simpson in Fayette County Kentucky by one Squire Boon a Minister of the gospel, and my name before my marriage was Sally Frank.

I cannot state the year in which my marriage took place: it was a short time before or after Christmas as well as I remember. I signed by my family record of the births of my children that James Simpson my oldest child was born January 17th 1799 and I had been married a little more than a year before he was born: I have no record of my marriage and I have recently heard that there is no record of it in Fayette County Kentucky. I do not know of any person living by whom I can prove it.

I make this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the provision to which my husband became entitled in his lifetime under the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832: and a pension in my own right under the Act of Congress passed July 29th, 1848.

¹ FPA S30401

² Probably Nancy Tuggle, widow of William Tuggle of Clark County, KY., [William Tuggle W8795](#)

And she further states that she is still the widow of the above described Francis Simpson.
Witness my hand and seal in Clark County Kentucky on this 11th day of September A.D. 1852
S/ Sally Simpson, X her mark

[f p. 6: extract of family record

James Simpson was born January 17th 1799

Sophia Simpson was born September 9th 1800

Fanny Simpson was born April 6 1802

Julia Simpson was born May 18 1804

Francis Simpson was born March 4th 1806

Gabriel Simpson was born December 19th 1807

Benjamin Simpson was born November 16th 1809

Israel Simpson was born November 27 1811

Joseph Simpson was born February 26 1814

Reason Simpson was born February 2nd 1816

Edward Simpson was born November 12th 1817

Sarah Ann Simpson was born January 26 1822

Mary Ann Simpson was born February 1st 1824 and died the 21st of March in the same year

Elizabeth Simpson was born August the 16th 1825 and died the 27th of the same month

[f p. 9: Francis Emerson, 60, of Clark County Kentucky gave testimony that he has often heard his father, Tilley Emerson and his uncle Reuben Emerson speak of having been soldiers of the revolution and that Simpson was a fellow soldier; that his uncle Reuben Simpson was a pensioner of the United States at the time of his death.



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[f p. 22: On September 27, 1852 in Clark County Kentucky, Rezin Simpson, 35, gave testimony authenticating the family record of his father Francis and mother Sally Simpson

