

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Charnock S38598

VA

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District of Virginia Ss

On this fifth day of may 1819 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the general court of virginia personally appeared John Charnock aged sixty three years, resident in accomack C'y in the s'd district who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his Oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled, an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the united states in the revolutionary War that he the s'd Jno charnock enlisted for the term of eighteen months on the — day of — in the year 1781 in the state of virginia in the Company Commanded by Captain Thos. Parker [Thomas Parker] of the eleventh Regiment Commanded by Colonel arthur Campbell [see endnote] in the line of the state of virginia on the Continental establishment, that he Continued to serve in the s'd Corps, or in the service of the united states, untill the year 1783 about the end of the war when he was discharged from service in winchester state of virginia; that he was in the Battle of [blank] and that he is in reduced Circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his s'd services

Commonwealth of Virginia Accomack County towit:

On this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August 1820 Personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record (the said Court proceeding according to the course of the common Law with a Jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount and keeping a Record of its proceedings and having the Power of fine and imprisonment, John Charnock aged sixty four years who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows that he the said John enlisted as a Soldier to serve Eighteen months in a company commanded by Capt. Thos. Parker of the 11<sup>th</sup> Virg'a. Regiment (on Continental establishment Commanded by Colo. Arther Campbell that he served the s'd Eighteen months and that he made his declaration before George Parker Judge of the Superior Court of Law of Accomack County on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of May 1819 which was his original application and he also solemnly swears that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that he has not nor has any person in trust for him any property or securities contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by him subscribed. The said John further states on oath that his family consists of himself a wife and two children and a woman his wifes sister and her three children, that he has heretofore followed the trade of a Canoe Builder, but being unhealthy and afflicted he has abandoned it and taken to fishing and tending a small piece of land about four or five acres on which he lives as a tenant by which means he and his family with what assistance they can render him are supported his wife is named Elizabeth and is about Sixty Eight years of age and unhealthy one of his children is named Sally and is about twenty eight years of age and is healthy the other Daughter is called Rosey and is about twenty six years of age and is healthy. His wife's sister is named Peggy Charnock and is about forty years of age and is healthy her eldest child is a daughter called Nancy about eighteen years of age and is healthy her second is a daughter called Molly about Ten years of age and healthy, and the youngest is a boy called William and is about Seven years of age and is healthy. It is ordered to be certified that it is the opinion of the Court that the total amount in value of the property exhibited in the afs'd. Schedule is

Forty Three Dollars and Sixty Six and a half Cents, that his Debts amount to Forty Nine Dollars and Forty Seven Cents which leaves a balance against him of Five Dollars and Seventy Cents and one half of one Cent.

Schedule of John Charnocks property taken the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August 1820

1 Cow & Calf \$12 (1 Cow \$8.00.....	\$20.00
6 Shoats and 1 Sow \$7.00 2 old linen wheels \$2.00.....	9.00
2 Canoes \$6.00 2 Iron potts \$1.50. ....	7.50
4 Flaged chairs \$1.00, 2 jugs \$1.00 ½ Doz'n Plates 37½. ....	2.37½
1 Dish 6 Cts 1 Table 50 Cts ½ Dozen Iron spoons 50 Cts. ....	1.06
½ Dozen Ducks 50 Cts 1 Dozen chickens young.....	1.00
5 old chickens 63 Cts 1 fatt pott 10 Cts. ....	.73
½ Dozen Knives & forks 25 Cts 1 Grub Hoe \$1.00.....	1.25
1 Axe 50 Cts 1 weeding hoe 25 Cts. ....	<u>.75</u>
	\$43.66½

By Execution ag't. above property.....	\$21.00
"    due John W Watson.....	8.00
"    due John G. Joynes principal & Interest. ...	19.52
"    due George Ashley.....	<u>.95</u>

49.47

Balance against Charnock. ....	\$5.70½
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At a Quarterly Sessions Court held for Accomack County on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of August 1820

John Charnock aged sixty four years who on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August 1820 appeared in this Court and made on oath his declaration that he served in the Revolutionary war &c this day produced before this Court Jacob Teague [pension application S41235] aged sixty three years, who on oath declared that the said John Charnock enlisted at the same time that he did, and served in the Revolutionary army on continental establishment in the same company that he the said Jacob did and that they served in said army eighteen months, which was the time they enlisted for and then were discharged, also Edward Charnock aged about 56 years who being first duly sworn depose and saith that the aforesaid John Charnock as he understood and believes enlisted in the Revolutionary army on continental Establishment for eighteen months, he knows that he marched from the County of Accomack in a company commanded by Capt. Thomas Parker and that he did not return to the County of Accomack until the expiration of eighteen months and that he verily believes he served Eighteen months in the army of the Revolution

At a Quarterly Sessions Court held for Accomack County on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 1823

Smith Beasley [pension application S38567] aged upwards of sixty six years & Jacob Teague aged upwards of sixty three years being first duly sworn depose and say that John Charnock aged upwards of sixty six years (the same John a pension) enlisted to serve Eighteen months as a soldier in the Revolutionary War, that he enlisted in the same company with the deponents which company was commanded by Capt. Thomas Parker, which company belonged to the 11<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment which said Regiment was commanded by Col. Campbell, who was killed at the battle of Eutaw Springs [8 Sep 1781], and that the said John Charnock complied with his engagement by serving out the time for which he had enlisted.

[Beasley and Teague made a similar statement on 1 Oct 1822.]

NOTES:

Col. Arthur Campbell was in the militia of Washington County VA. There was no Col. Campbell

in the 11<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment. The Col. Campbell who was killed at the Battle of Eutaw Springs, agreeable to the 1823 statement by Beasley and Teague, was Lt. Col. Richard Campbell of the 4<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment. I could find no record of a Capt. Thomas Parker in that regiment.

On 29 Oct 1851 Ely Charnock stated that John Charnock had died in Feb 1842 with pension money due to him, and that someone had collected the money and would not surrender it to the heirs. He also inquired if anything was due to "George Charnock of Accomack who was a Soldier of 76." A Treasury-Department document states that the children of John Charnock received the final pension payment up to the date of his death, 1 March 1842.