Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Shadrach Lefcey S41765 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of North Carolina, Lincoln County: Superior Court October Term 1820

On this 23rd day of October 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a court of record for the County aforesaid Shadrach Lefcey a citizen of Lincoln County aged about sixty eight years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the 1st May 1820. That he the said Shadrach Lefcey enlisted for the Term of two years on the 24th or 25th of February in the year 1776 in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Mead [probably either Everard Meade or Richard Kidder Meade] in the Regiment Commanded by Col. Spottswood [Alexander Spotswood] in the line of the State of Virginia Continental establishment: that he continued to serve in the said Corps until transferred to Captain Taylor's company in the Regiment by Col. Feebecher [sic, Christian Febiger] in which he served until February 1778 when he was discharged from the said service at Valley Forge in the State of Pennsylvania. That he afterwards enlisted for the term of three years on the day of April in the year 1778, in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Watts [probably John Watts] in the Regiment Commanded by Colonel Bland [Theodorick Bland] in the line of the State of Virginia Continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said Corps until about the winter of 1780 when he was placed under the command of Capt. G. Fauntleroy [Griffin Fauntleroy] in the Regiment commanded by Col. Lee [Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee] in which he served until July 1781 when he was discharged from the said Service in Staunton in the State of Virginia. That he was in the Battle of Brandywine [September 11, 1777], Germantown [October 4, 1777], Mud Island fort [Siege of Fort Mifflin, September 26-November 16, 1777], Red Bank [Battle of Fort Mercer, October 22, 1777], the Battle of the Hanging Rock¹, and at the Battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781] at the Siege of Savannah [September 16-October 18, 1779] & Charleston [May 12, 1780], and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services, except the evidence of Jacob Stow whose affidavit is hereunto annexed and in pursuance of the act of the 1st May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818, that I have not since that time, by gift, sale, or in any manner disposed of my property, or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it, as to bring myself within the provisions of an 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 passed on the 18th day of March 1818; and that I have not nor has any in trust for me, any property or securities, contracts, or debts due to me other that what is contained in the Schedule hereunto annexed & by me subscribed. That he has no land except about fifteen or sixteen acres for which he believes could not get one dollar per acre, that he has one horse

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¹ This reference puzzled me. I am unaware of any federal or Continental troops being at the battle generally referred to as the Battle of Hanging Rock. Some men who fought in the battle of Buford's defeat referred to that engagement as having occurred near the "Hanging Rock" but none of the troops referred to by this veteran otherwise are known to have been at that engagement under Colonel Abraham Buford.

one cow and calf 2 pots 1 skillet 1 dutch oven 1 Set knives & forks, 7 plates delf, 1 Pewter dish 1 large pewter basin 2 Small Do. 1 Pale 1 peggin, 1 set cups & saucers - that he has no person in family except his wife about sixty six years of age who is very sickly & himself, that his occupation is that of a farmer or cropper upon rented land, & from which his age and afflictions not well able to follow that -

S/ Shadrach Lefcey, X his mark

Sworn to & declared in open Court the 24 day of October 1820

S/ Lawson Henderson, Clerk of Lincoln Superior Court of Law

1 horse valued at	\$40.00
1 Cow & calf at	15.00
2 pots l skillet & dutch oven	4.75
1 Set knives & forks	.75
7 plates delf	.50
1 Pewter dish	.50
l large Pewter bason & 2 small ditto	1.50
1 Set cups & saucers	.50
1 pale 1 peggen	50
	\$64.00

Jacob Stow came into open court & made oath that he is acquainted with Shadrach Lefcey who has signed the foregoing Statements that he was present & saw the said Lefcey enlist with Captain A. Mead in Virginia, that said Lefcey was about about two years & it was said and believed he was with service of the United States, that in the summer or fall of 1779 this deponent saw the said Shadrach Lefcey in Camden South Carolina that he was dressed as a horseman and understood he belonged to the continental Army.

S/ Jacob Stow

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court 24th of October 1820. S/ Lawson Henderson, C. L. S. C. L.

State of North Carolina Lincoln County: April Term 1821

This petition amended by interlining That the applicant is a citizen of Lincoln County. Sworn to & subscribed in open Court.

S/ Shadrach Lefcey, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing October 23, 1820 4 service for 5 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

Stanton in July 19, 1781

This is to Certify that Shadrach Lefcey has served his time out in my Company & has always behaved himself as a brave Soldier & honest man & is hereby Discharged from said Regiment.

S/ Anth^y W. White [Anthony Walton White] Colo. 1st Regt. L. D. [first Regiment White Dragoons]

The above Soldier enlisted 28 April 1778

Passed Charles Jones Comr.

For Value received I do Assigned to William Reynolds the full balance pay & bounty land due me as a Soldier who served 3 years in first Regiment Dragoons to 19th July 81.

Test

S/ Jas. D. Alexander

S/ Sha. Lefcey, X his mark

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S/ Markes Vanderwall