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Pension application of George Crowell S8255

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State of North Carolina Montgomery County

On this 18th day of October 1833 personally appeared before me Jacob Austin one of the Justices of the peace for the County aforesaid George Crowell Sr. a resident of said County aged eighty-six and upwards and who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he was born in the State of Pennsylvania and from the best information he has on the subject is now eighty-six years of age since July last which will make the date of his birth in the year 1747. He has no record of his age nor does he know that there ever was one. He states that his father came to the State of North Carolina and settled in the County of Mecklenburg when this affiant was quite a child. He states that he is now entirely unable from his old age and the consequent loss of memory which is almost entirely gone except at times when it is better to give anything like a satisfactory account of his services and that his intention therefore is to declare for a period, the length of which he is certain must fall short of the actual time in which he has been engaged as a soldier of the revolution. He states that he was married & had four children when he first entered the service, what was then his age or what was the date of his service, he is entirely unable to say. He states that he was engaged in tours of three months from time to time during the whole of the revolution. He states that he served a tour of three months as a drafted militia man under one certain James Nall and was under his command at the battle fought between the Whigs and Tories on Cane Creek in the County of Orange in this State at which battle his Captain was killed. This company was squandered [?] and as well as he recollects met again under one General Butler [John Butler] – He states that he served another three months tour as a drafted militia man under one Captain Nazary who started from Warren Courthouse in this State and joined General Greens [sic, Nathanael Greene's] Army and that he continued with Greens Army until the battle fought at Guilford Courthouse which battle this affiant was in. That after the battle he was released at Halifax. He states that he was again drafted for a three months tour under the same Captain Nazary – and continued until the time had expired for which he had entered the service – that he was not in any battle during this service, but that Nazary joined General Butler's Army who commanded a body of men and kept them in readiness for any call – that shortly after this service peace was made. This affiant further states

that he has served other tours under Captains Horn, Starns and Slough at different periods of the war but that his memory has so far failed him that he is totally unable to give any account of dates or anything like a connected or detailed account of his services. He recollects that he has been under the command of General Greene, General Lincoln, Colonel Harris, Colonel Alexander, General Thomas Eaton and other officers whose names he cannot recollect. He can safely say that he has served for more than twelve months regular service as a soldier of the revolution but that he claims a pension for twelve months which he can safely say he has served. He has lost his discharges by his officers if he ever had any written wants which he cannot state. This affiant states that William Thompson is the only person living by whom he can prove any part of his services and his Deposition is hereunto annexed. He states that he has lived in the County of Montgomery where he now resides for nearly forty years and is able to prove his reputation by all his neighbors to whom he has in his better days given a satisfactory account of his services as a soldier. He herewith transmits the deposition of William Harris Esquire and Parham Kirk two of his most respectable neighbors on the subject. He states that there is no preacher of the Gospel residing in his neighborhood and therefore he is unable to give any proof of this kind. If the Department is satisfied from this proof that he served as he states be it so if not he is unable to give more satisfactory evidence.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed before made this 18th day of October 1833

Witness S/ Jacob Austin, JP

S/ George Crowell, X his mark

[William Harris and Parham Kirk gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of North Carolina Mecklenburg County: September 21st, 1833

This day came William Thompson¹ Personally before me John McCorkle one of the acting Justices of the Peace in and for said County and after being duly sworn according to law saith – that he was well acquainted with George Crowell who is in the revolutionary war that himself & said George Crowell now a resident of Montgomery County North Carolina was soldiers together in the revolutionary War and General Greene & Colonel Benjamin Williams & Captain Nazery officers of the militia of North Carolina and that said George Crowell entered the service in the County of Warren North Carolina under the above named officers for the term of three months that he does not recollect the year he entered the service but that said Crowell was with him in the Battle of Guilford and that the said George Crowell did serve the full Tower [tour] of three months.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the date first above written.

S/ J. McCorkle, JP

S/ William Thompson, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for nine months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]

¹ [William Thompson S30731](#)