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South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to William Eaves SC2562
Audited Account No. 2147A

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Petition of William Eaves Praying to be placed on the Pension List

Rejected

Pensions

rejected

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1829

To the Honorable Legislative Body of the State of South Carolina

The Humble petition of William Eaves, of Union District

Greeting

Most humbly Sheweth

That your petitioner is an old revolutionary Soldier, now going on
between 70 & 80 years of age, being born in the year of our Lord 1748, in the State of Maryland,
where he served an apprenticeship to the Tailoring business, petitioner had been in several
Engagements against the Enemy's of our beloved Country, previous to the Battle at Gilferd
Court-house [Guilford County Courthouse, March 15, 1781], commanded by General Green
[Nathanael Greene]. Petitioner belonged to the regular Cavalry under the Command of Col. Lee
[Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee], and was Severely wounded in his head by a Cut of a Sword,
and also in the left knee by a musket ball of which wounds he recovered so as to be able to work
at his Trade. Petitioner is now by the will of divine Providence in a State of extreme Indigence,
occasioned by the effects of old age, and bodily Infirmity, having lost the use of his left side and
is nearly blind his left eye, being entirely so petitioner is deaf, in short he is in a State of
Providential Superanuatedness [sic] and thereby deprived of any mood or method of procuring a
Sustenance.

Petitioner therefore most humbly implores your assemblage to consider his necessitous
condition and to grant him a Small pittance to Subsist on during the Short period which he may
have to remain in this transitory State of existence; which naturally cannot be but of Short

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continuance, having exceeded by 11 years the limited three score years and 10 and your petitioner will be as in duty perpetually bound to pray
Petitioner has resided in this State more than 50 years
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[p 4: Affidavit of various citizens of Union District South Carolina attesting that William Eaves has been a resident of that district for upwards of 50 years and is now in very necessitous circumstances]

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Petition of William Eaves Praying Pension
Pension
Rejected
Rice

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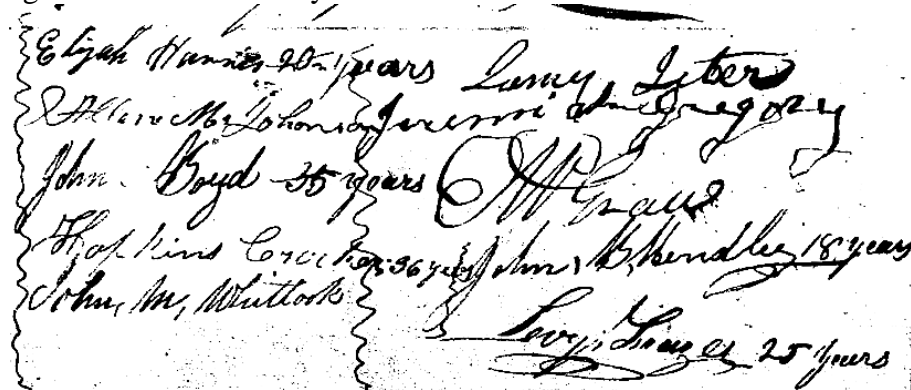
Union District October 1828

To the Hon. Legislative Body of the State of South Carolina
The humble petition of William Eaves
Greeting

Most humbly Sheweth that your petitioner is an old revolutionary Soldier who Served in the regular and in the Battle of Camden [August 15-16, 1780] Under the Command of Baron De Kalb: he was also in the Battle near Guilford Court House where he was ~~wounded~~ in the ~~head~~: but was recovered so far as to be able to march with the Army towards York Town in Virginia to Join Genl. Washington but Cornwallis had Surrendered before the Army reached there.

Petitioner is now between 70 and 80 years old is lame in his Left Arm and leg and otherwise afflicted with bodily infirmities, Pettr. [Petitioner] is in extreme indigent Circumstances which he believes to be the Will of divine Providence. Petitioner prays that your Hon. Body will grant him a Small pension to Subsist on for the Short time which he has to live in this transitory State, and Pettr. [Petitioner] will be as in duty Continually bound to pray

We the subscribing Citizens of Union district do hereby certify that we know the above petitioner William Believes, this 10 years, some of us more than 20 years, We believe that he has resided in this District 36 years and perhaps longer, we believe that he always behaved as a good peaceful Citizen and was always industrious and sober and careful to provide for his family honestly, we believe that his indigence is occasioned by the Will of Providence old age and a train of Bodily infirmities



Elijah Harris 20 years Lenny Leter
Alexander Johnson
John Boyd 35 years
Hopkins Corcoran 36 years
John W. Whittlock
George Jones 25 years

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The Report of the committee on pensions on the petition of William Eaves

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Senate, December 8, 1828

resolved that – Senate agree to the report

S/ Job Johnston, C. S.

Monday

Agreed to

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The committee on pensions to whom was referred the petition of William Eaves praying for a pension

Report that your Committee have had his petition under their consideration and are of opinion that the prayer thereof ought not to be granted

S/ E. Benbow, Chairman

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