

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Wyman Parker W15793

Marcy (Mercy) Parker CT

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State of New York }
County of Delaware ss }

On this twenty eighth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, before me the Subscriber, one of the Judges of the court of common pleas in and for the county of Delaware aforesaid personally appears Wyman Parker to me known aged sixty four years, resident in the Town of Franklin in the county and State aforesaid, who being by me first duly sworn according to Law makes 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."

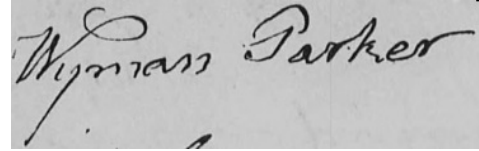
That he the said Wyman Parker enlisted in the month of April or May (as he believes, but does not distinctly recollect) in the year 1775 in the Town of Hebron in the county of Hartford and State of Connecticut into the company commanded by Captain Levi Wells of Colchester in New London county in said state belonging to the Regiment (the number of which the said Wyman Parker does not distinctly recollect) commanded by Colonel [Joseph] Spencer (his place of residence the said Parker does not now recollect) belonging to the Connecticut State line, that he enlisted into said corps for the term of seven months and served out the period of his enlistment, and was discharged by the said Captain Wells, together with the rest of the company in the month of November in the year last aforesaid at Roxbury in the vicinity of Boston in the commonwealth of Massachusetts.

And the said Wyman Parker doth further declare under oath, that in the month of June in the year 1776 in the said Town of Hebron, he enlisted into the company commanded by Captain John Isham belonging to the Regiment (the number of which the said Wyman Parker does not now recollect) commanded by Colonel John Chester of Weathersfield in the county or Hartford and State of Connecticut. Said regiment belonging to the Connecticut State line, that he enlisted into said corps for the term of six months, and served out the period of his enlistment, and was discharged in the month of December in the year last aforesaid, when the said company was disbanded.

And the said Wyman Parker doth further declare under oath that he the said Wyman Parker enlisted as a private Soldier into the continental army, some time in the year 1777, (the particular month in the year the said Parker does not recollect) in the Town of Weathersfield aforesaid into the company commanded by Captain Edward Buckley belonging to the regiment (the number of which the said Parker does not recollect) commanded by Colonel Samuel B. Webb [Samuel Blatchey Webb] of the said Town of Weathersfield in the Brigade under the command of General [James Mitchell] Varnum from Rhode Island, in the Connecticut State line. that he enlisted in said corps to serve during the war and continued to serve therein until a few moths afterwards when he was transferred to Captain Thomas Wooster's company of Grenadiers, that he served as a Serjeant in the company after the battle of Rhode Island [29 Aug 1778], that he was taken from the regiment at Morristown in New Jersey to serve as a steward to General Nathaniel Greene [sic: Nathanael Greene] and went with him to South Carolina, & remained there not quite one year, and joined the regiment at Newburgh in Orange County (being sent by General Greene to General Washington with dispatches) and was then transferred to Captain Allen's company in the said Samuel B. Webb's regiment in General Huntingtons [Ebenezer Huntington] Brigade. On the third of June in the year 1783 at West point recd a furlough conditioned for his return into the service, if occasion should require. And the said Parker doth further declare that he was not again called into the service, and in the month of November following (he thinks) [3 Nov 1783] that a General order was issued by General Washington disbanding the army and proclaiming a cessation of arms. And that the said furlough or discharge he has since lost. And the said Wyman Parker doth further declare that he was in the Battles of Flatbush (Long Island) [26 Aug 1776] White plains [28 Oct 1776], Rhode Island, Guilford court house in North Carolina [15 Mar 1781] and Camden in south Carolina [Battle of Hobkirk Hill, 25 Apr 1781]. And

the said Wyman Parker doth further declare under his oath that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services, the scenes in which he took a part, being remote, and his Brothers in arms (who are living) are at too great distances to permit him to obtain their testimony in corroboration of the material facts above recited. And the said Wyman Parker doth further declare under his oath aforesaid that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support.

Sworn to and Declared }
the day and year aforesaid }
Before me William Beach



State of New York } ss.
Delaware County }

Be it remembered that on this twenty-sixth day of June in the year 1820 during the session of the court of oyer and Terminer and gaol delivery being a court of record and held at the Court House in and for the said county of Delaware pursuant to an act of the Legislature of the State of New York, entitled “An act concerning the circuit courts and sittings and courts of oyer and terminer and Gaol delivery” passed April 5th 1813 personally appeared in open court, Wyman Parker, aged sixty-six years resident in the town of Franklin in the said county of Delaware, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows: He was enlisted in a regiment commanded by Col. Samuel B. Webb, and from that was transfered into a regiment commanded by Col. Ebemezer Huntingdon – he served principally in a company commanded by Capt Worcester though he was discharged from service while in a company commanded by Capt Riley – and that during the time of his service he belonged to the Connecticut state line – that he made application or an original declaration for a pension under the act of congress of the 18th March 1818 on the 28th day of April in the year 1818 – that he received from the War Department a certificate of pension, dated July 16th 1819 and numbered 13611 –

And I the said Wyman Parker, do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the eighteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, And that I have not since that time, by gift, sale or in any manner whatever, 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 eighteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighteen. And that I have not, nor has any person or trust for me any property or securities, contracts or debts due to me, nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed, and by me subscribed.

Sworn to in open court } Wyman Parker
this 26th day of June 1820 }
H R Pehlps Dep Clk }

An inventory containing the whole estate and income whether real or personal (necessary clothing and bedding excepted) of me, the above named Wyman Parker

vide, 1 cow, 9 sheep – 2 swine – 1 table – 8 chairs – 2 old spinning wheels – 1 pine tub – 5 milk pans – 2 pail – 1 iron pot – 1 tea kettle – 2 old dish kettles – 1 pine chest – 1 common trunk – 1 axe – 1 hoe – 1 spider – 1 flat iron – 12 earthen plates – 1 soup dish – 1 decanter – 1 fruit tumbeler – 9 case knives – 7 forks – 1 tea Pot – 6 tea cups and saucers – 1 creamer – 2 earthen bowls.

I, the aforesaid Wyman Parker am by occupation a mason and common laborer, though unable to do but little at either, having, in addition to the infirmities common to age, lost the use of four fingers on my right hand and one on my left hand. My family residing with me consists of Marcy Parker my wife, aged 61 years. She is a very infirm sickly person and has been of latter years, much of her time under the care of a physician.

Wyman Parker

[The court appraised the value of the property at \$64.25.]

NOTES:

On 10 Jan 1839 Marcy Parker, 82, applied for a pension stating that as Marcy Gillett she married Wyman Parker on 4 Sep 1783 in Hebron CT, and he died on 19 May 1821. She referred to their son, Wyman Parker, Jr., who collected his father's final pension payment during a business trip to Philadelphia and New York, and who about a year past "went into the western parts of the Country to places unknown," and that she had not heard of him since. Her eldest son, Amasa Parker, 54, certified that they had not been able to find his father's pension certificate.

The file includes a copy of the record of the marriage of Wyman Parker and Mercy Gillett, both of Hebron CT.

Polly Barns and Fanny Bolles, only surviving children of Marcy Parker, applied for the final payment of their mother's pension up to the date of her death, 25 Sep 1840. They also applied for \$187 owed because their father had been a Sergeant but received only the pension due to a Private. They appointed Amasa R. Parker of Washington, DC, their attorney.