

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Green W19540

Hannah Green

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State of North Carolina, County of Watauga: Before a Justice

On this 16th day of June 1850, personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the Court of Record in the County and State above mentioned, Hannah Green a resident near Boone in Watauga [County] aged ninety-four years who being duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by an Act of Congress approved July 4th day 1836, Section 3, 4 and 5, entitled An Act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows, and here granting pensions to the widows of revolutionary man who died before the passage of the Act of the 7th day of June 1832, and who had they been living at that time would have been entitled to have drawn a pension and in its provisions; That she is the widow of John Green who was a private in Captain Carson's [Thomas Carson's] Company belonging to a Regiment of North Carolina militia commanded by Colonel Francis Locke. In this tour which was for three months the said John Green was a drafted soldier and served out the time for which he was drafted as a private soldier. This campaign he entered the service on the 27th day of July 1781, was in several small battles which was fought between the Whigs and Tories which if they had names the declarant does not now remember them. He was drafted in Rowan County and State of North Carolina in which place he resided or kept his home during the Revolutionary war. In December about the 11th day 1781 John Green again was enlisted in Captain Hedrick's [Peter Hedrick's] company of light Dragoons commanded by Colonel John Lopp for the space of two months, and served out his time in the capacity of a private, which terminated on the 11th day of February 1782, and received a discharge being dated the 11th day of February 1782, and signed by John Lopp Colonel Commandant. The third tour which the said John Green served or at least one of the periods for which he was engaged in Captain John Lopp's Company of light Dragoons, under the command of Francis Locke Colonel Commandant, and for the space of 12 months; entering the service in February 1780, in which case he also received a discharge which is now lost. When he entered all this time he was also a citizen of Rowan County and State of North Carolina. During this tour he marches were principally confined to Rowan, and the Joining [sic] Counties, and was in several skirmishes with the Tories of which character his services principally consisted. This Captain Lopp was the same Lopp who afterwards was promoted to be a Colonel in the North Carolina militia, and under whom John Green Served several tours, both while he was a Captain and when he became a Colonel.

The said John Green was in one considerable battle at Maces ferry [sic, Mask's ferry, September 10, 1780]¹ in Captain Hedrick's company in the spring of 1779 the said John Green volunteered for a three months tour in Captain Moore's company of horse which belonged to Major Smith's Battalion of North Carolina Militia: this she thinks was in the month of March in the year 1779, that he came home a few days before his time of service expired owing partly to bad health and the loss of Major Smith

¹ http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_masks_ferry.html

who was taken prisoner by the British, and died of smallpox before he was released. The declarant further states that the said John Green her husband served another tour of three months under the aforementioned Captain Moore in the latter part of the year 1782; she thinks he volunteered in the month of September 1782 under the said Captain Moore who was commanded by Colonel Francis Locke: that all these expeditions & small campaigns were principally in Rowan County and those lying joining to it, and that very near all of them were expeditions against the Tories who infested that County in particular and she further declares that from all these officers which she has mentioned in this declaration he received discharges from the Colonels but they are all lost now but the one signed by John Lopp Colonel Commandant. The declarant further says, after her recapitulating these several small campaigns, that he was in the service of the State about two years and nine months, but that he frequently returned home for a few days, when the officers was again ordered him into the Service, and that the main portion of his Service was performed in the horse and service. She declares that she has heard her husband the said John Green speak of many small fights which he was in but that her memory has failed, and cannot now recall them to her recollection.

She further declares that she was married to said John Green on the eighth day of January in the year 1778, and that her husband the aforesaid John Green died on the 21st day of November in the year 1826, and that she was married to him previous to his leaving the Service of his country and that the marriage took place in Rowan County and State of North Carolina, that they were married by Robert Moore Esquire, as will more fully appear by the proof hereto annexed.

S/ Hannah Green, X her mark

Affirmed to then Subscribed on this the 16th day of June in the year 1850.

S/ James Ragan, Clk.

State of North Carolina, County of Watauga

Before me the undersigned personally appeared Hannah Green the widow of one John Green who after and affirmation in the nature of an oath says that the family record which accompanies these papers is in the hand writing of one Benjamin Chambers, that it was written by order of her husband the aforementioned John Green and that the aforementioned family record has been in her the said Hannah Green's possession from the death of her husband to the present time, and that it is all the record of her marriage with the said John Green which she has.

S/ Hannah Green, X her mark

John Green and Hannah Hunt were married the 8th day of January 1778

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North Carolina Rowan County

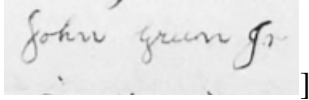
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[p 10: John Green, Jr., a nephew of the veteran John Green, gave an affidavit in support of the fact of marriage of John and Hannah Green. His affidavit also includes the following statement: "I also state that John Green the husband of the said Hannah Green was a soldier of the Revolution, and served in one Captain Carson's Company, Captain Hedrick's, Captain Moore's, and one Captain John Lopp's Company which was afterwards Colonel Lopp. The period of each engagement I cannot now remember, but am positive that the whole was something over two years and a half."



John Green Jr.

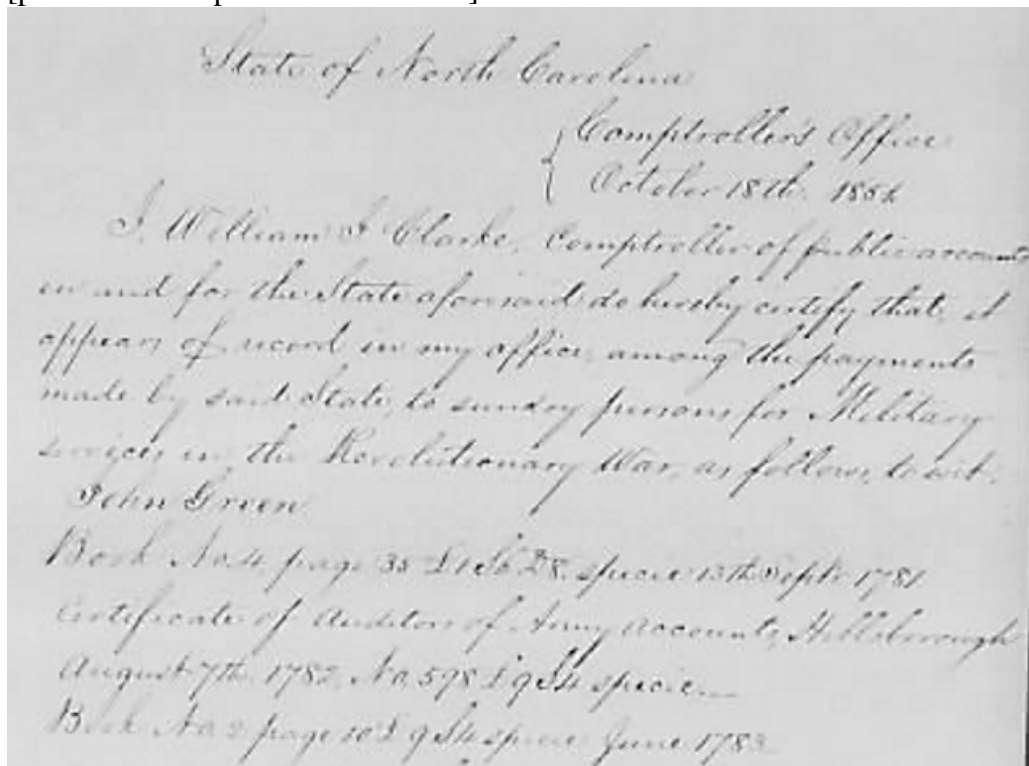
[p 13 is a copy of the marriage bond dated January 16, 1779 given by John Green for his marriage to Hannah Hunt. Owen Hunt was co-bondsman.]

[p 44: On December 16, 1850 in Watauga County North Carolina, the widow gave an affidavit in which she states that the date of her marriage and the date of the births of her children were contained in an old family Bible belonging to the Hunt family; that the record contained in the old family Bible was transcribed into a new Bible; that she has authorized her agent John Bloodfin to forward to the war office the old family Bible which is almost 150 years old. She signed this affidavit with her mark. Unfortunately, the contents of the family Bible register are not set forth in the documents in this file except for the following entry:



John Green married Hannah Hunt
Jan 16th of 1779

[p 26: NC Comptroller's Certificate]



State of North Carolina
Comptroller's Office
October 18th 1854

I, William S. Clarke, Comptroller of public accounts
in and for the State aforesaid do hereby certify that it
appears of record in my office among the payments
made by said State to sundry persons for Military
services in the Revolutionary War, as follows to wit:

John Green
Book No 4 page 35 11th 28. specie 13th Sept 1781
Certificate of Auditor of Army accounts Hillsborough
August 7th 1782. to 578 1/2 specie.
Book No 2 page 103 9th specie June 1783.

" " - 32 £ 3d 10 " August 1783 -
 " " - 29 £ 7d 8 " October 1783 -
 " S. 16. - 63 £ 7d 8 ^{specie} paid to soldier by Sheriff of Brunswick
 " L. 1. - 20 £ 14d 17 specie
 " A. 11 - 19 £ 7d 8 -
 " No. 14 - 130 £ 9 - "

I furthermore certify that there were
 Captains in the service of said States, in said War, of the
 names of Hedrick, Moore, and Lopp.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto
 subscribed my name and
 affixed my seal of office
 Wm. Clarke Comptroller

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for her husband service as a private for 2 years in the North Carolina militia.]