

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Brown W24663

Mary Brown

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The Commonwealth of Kentucky; Montgomery County, Sct.

On this eleventh day of July 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the circuit court, in and for the state aforesaid, personally appeared John Brown aged about Sixty years; – who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following statement and 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 is a citizen of the state of Kentucky, and resident in the County of Montgomery; and that he was enlisted for one year at Newcastle County in the State of Delaware on or about the __ day of February 1776 by one Ensign Carty or McCarty and served in the company commanded by Capt. Samuel Smith of the Delaware Blues, Commanded by Col. Haslett __ Milan [Stephen Moylan?]: that he continued to serve in the said Corps, or in the service of the United States in the Continental Army against the common enemy until about the 25th of December 1776 when he was honorably discharged from service at the [indecipherable word]¹ in the state of Delaware; and that he was in service about ten months & a few days and was in the battles of Long Island [August 27, 1776], White Plains [October 28, 1776] & was badly wounded for which reason he was discharged before the twelve months expired. That he afterwards enlisted for three years at Christian in the 1st Pennsylvania Regiment of Cavalry as he supposes commanded by Col. [name written through and illegible]² & served out that time also – and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has lost his discharge and has no evidence in his power, of his services and discharge, other than that which is here transmitted.

Sworn and declared before me the day and year aforesaid


S/ B. Mills, Judge

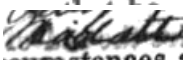
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Schedule

District of Kentucky SS – Montgomery Circuit

On this Second day of October 1820 personally appeared in open court being a court of record to wit the Circuit Court Holden for the said County of Montgomery, John Brown aged about 65 years resident in Montgomery County in said circuit who being first duly sworn

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according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows: – first for one year, and then for three years in Capt. Hopkins [perhaps David Hopkins] Company of Horse, Col. Moilan [Stephen Moylan]³, & served the term out & was discharged – & then enlisted for the war in Capt. ___ Company of the Delaware Regiment – & got sick & was discharged for all which he refers to his statement heretofore made on which his Pension Certificate was granted bearing date of the 7th day of July 1818 – which certificate of Pension Bears Date 13th day of February 1819 given him pay from the date 1st above.

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 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 provision 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 person in 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 and declared on the 2nd day of October 1820 before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Montgomery then sitting

[attested by Micajah Harrison, clerk of the court of said circuit]

The following is a Schedule of my property –

To wit – one cow & calf value	\$12
Hogs, young and old – value	18.75
two beds, one Loom, two wheels, one Reel and some kitchen furniture &c a value	<u>48.75</u>
	\$79.50

he says he has no Land nor Horses

nor any property real or personal except what is here stated save his Clothes – That he has a wife & four children living with him – one about 17 – which is the oldest of the four, and the youngest between 8 & 9 years old – and he has no income of any sort – & that by a fall he got from a scaffold, he is not able to do a day's work, although he does work as much as he can.

[very faint]

the following property or items is to be Considered [one or more words too faint to discern] to the above Schedule

[words too faint to discern] value	\$3
Some Old farming Utensils value	\$4.50
1 old saddle value	\$4
Eight acres of Corn supposed to be valued	\$32
some flax	\$3
	\$46.50
	<u>\$79.50</u>
	\$126.00

[p 11: On January 28, 1843 in Shelby County Illinois in the Probate Court, Mary Brown, aged about 74 years, made application for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of John Brown who served as a private and Sergeant and commissary in 3 different enlistments amounting to more than 2 years in the state of Pennsylvania; the officers under

³ Stephen Moylan was the commander of the 4th Regiment of Continental Light Dragoons.

whom he served were Capt. John Lytle, Col. Lytle and General Green [Nathanael Greene]; that he was in the battles of Bunker Hill, Long Island and White Plains in one of which he was wounded; that she married him in Salisbury, Rowan County North Carolina about the last days of November 1788; that her husband died August 20, 1825; and that she remains his widow. She states she has no family record of her marriage nor a complete record of the births of her children; that the record of the births of her children herein provided does not include the 1st 5 children she had by her husband. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 12: On January 28, 1843 in Shelby County Illinois, Mary Woodward gave testimony that she is the daughter of John and Mary Brown; that the family record provided is part of the record of the births of her parents children; that her birth is recorded but that she had 2 sisters and 3 brothers older than herself; that the record of the birth of Grace Brown is the daughter in law of Mary Brown. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[p 15: copy of a marriage bond issued to John Brown and John Bowman in Rowan County North Carolina on November 26, 1788 conditioned upon the marriage of John Brown and Mary McCullop [?]⁴.]

[p 16: family record

Mary Brown was born in the year 1797
Grace Brown was born February 7th 1799
Timothy Brown was born June 2, 1799
Rebecca Brown was born March 22nd of 1801
Betsy Brown was born October 14, 1803
William Brown was born the 10th of March 1805
James Brown was born November 15 1807

Handwritten family record from a document, listing births of children of John and Mary Brown. The text is written in cursive and includes the following entries: Mary Brown was born in the year 1797; Grace Brown was born February 7th 1799; Timothy Brown was born June 2, 1799; Rebecca Brown was born March 22nd of 1801; Betsy Brown was born October 14, 1803; William Brown was born the 10th of March 1805; James Brown was born November 15 1807.

4 Mary McCullop

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing July 7, 1818, for service as a private in the Delaware Continental line for 10 months. His widow was pensioned at the rate of \$33.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1843.]