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Pension Application of Hanson Cockeril (Cockerell) W4658
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Sarah Cockeril

VA

State of Ohio }
Muskingum County } Ss. on this twentyeth day of July 1839 personally personally appeared before the Honorable, the Court of Common pleas now sitting in and for said County Sarah Cockeril, a Resident of the County of Muskingum and state of Ohio, aged seventy nine years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on hir oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress, passed July 4th 1836. that she is the widow of Hanson Cockeril who was a private in the Company Commanded by Captain Thomas Lewis in the Regement commanded by Colonel George West, that said Cockeril also served in the Company commanded by Captain Francis Russel [sic: Francis Russell], that he the said Cockeril was in the company which pursued Arnal [sic: Gen. Benedict Arnold, probably in Jan 1781], he was at the surrender of Cornwallace [sic: Cornwallis, 19 Oct 1781] That he entered the service in the year 1780 in the County of Loudon Virginia. That she has no documentary evidence in support of hir claim, but confidently believes that there is record evidence of hir husbands service in the department of War. She further declares that she was married to the said Hanson in the year seventeen hundred and eighty four, that hir Husband the aforesaid Hanson Cockeril died on the fourteenth day of May eighteen hundred and fourteen; and that she has remained a Widow ever since that period as will more fully appear by the proof hereto anexed. Sworn to and subscribed the day and yeare above written in open Court
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NOTES:

Samuel Beavers (pension application W4887) certified the service as stated in the widow's application.

The file contains a copy of a bond signed on 1 July 1788 in Loudoun County VA by Hanson Cockrill and Thomas Kennan for the marriage of Cockrill to "Sally Watson Spinster of Cameron Parish." Sarah Grant stated that she remembered the marriage officiated by W. Landrum, a Methodist preacher.

On 6 Aug 1839 Sarah Cockeril gave the date of marriage as 30 June 1784. By 3 June 1844 she had moved to Coshocton County OH. On an application for bounty land dated 29 March 1855 Sarah Cockeril was said to be 86, the time of marriage was given as June 1786, and the time of her husband's death was given as April 1818. Samuel Bingerd and Mary Jane Watson were witnesses.

Another document states that Sarah Cockeril died on the farm of her nephew, John Watson, in Perry Township in Coshocton County in February or March of 1855 or in February 1856, and was buried in West Carlisle Cemetery.

The 202-page file includes other family information that is outlined in a typed summary excerpted below. The typed summary also states that there was reference to Gabriel Cockeril, brother of Hanson Cockeril, who lived on a farm about three miles from Zanesville OH and married Lucinda Shiplet on 5 March 1835. A note on the typed summary also states that the file contains lengthy information about Hanson and Sarah Cockeril's nieces and nephews that was not included in the summary.

Children:

First Thomas, died when a boy.

Second Elias, died before the Civil War near Monroe in Greene County WI.

Mary, born 7 Feb 1803 in VA; married Aug 4 or 6, 1827 to John R. Jurden or Jordan, who was born 1 April 1795 in Greenwood, Mifflin County PA. Mary died 20 April 1856; John R. Jurden died 31 July 1859, both in West Carlisle. The typed summary lists their children with dates of birth and death, as well

as their children.

Sarah, never married; died at Dresden or West Carlisle OH in May 1885, aged 55 or 60.