

5. Before the names of the regular officers with the troops where I served I refer to my declaration; the Continental regiments I remember were those of the Delaware, Maryland and Pennsylvania troops & the North Carolina & South Carolina regiments who were in South Carolina -- and for further information I refer to my declaration --
6. I received a discharge dated 3rd December 1782, by whom given I have forgotten, which I lost --
7. Simon Lewis, George Larkins, William Corbett Senior Esquire, Benjamin Larkins, James L. Corbett, William Marshall Senior & Junior, James Flinn, William Scudder & many others I could mention.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State --

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid --

S/ James Pridgeon

[fn p. 29: Simon Lewis and James Flinn gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 7: on February 6, 1846 in New Hanover County North Carolina, Mary Pridgeon or Pridgeon resident of Canetuck district in the County of New Hanover, aged 72, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Francis Pridgeon, a pensioner under the 1832 act for his services in the revolution; that she married him October 20, 1790; that her husband died August 30, 1840; she offered her family record in the hand writing of her husband as proof of her marriage.]

[fn pp. 9-12 is the handwritten family record—it is largely illegible (the War Department did not attempt to decipher it in its summary of the application and noted in that summary that the record was 'illegible and confused.' Here is what I think can be deciphered, for what it is worth]

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Francis Pridgeon was born August __2

Francis Pridgeon Son of Francis Pridgeon and Mary his wife was born August 28, 1791

[illegible entry]

fn p. 10—title page of the New Testament in which the above appears on the reverse]

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[illegible] and Marey his [illegible] was born [illegible] the 28 1791 Dipter [?] pridgeon born September the [illegible]

John pridgen was born the 24 [?] 1795

Isaiah pridgen was born November the 8 1796

Francis pridgen was born December the 16 1798

Matthew pridgen was born Jenuary the 5[?] 1801

Marey pridgen was febuarey the 8 1803

Anna pridgen was born October the 10 1805 [?]

Johnas pridgen was born the Jenuary 14 1808

Elisabeth pridgen was born October [illegible]

[two or three additional entries which are illegible]

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William pridgen was born [illegible]

[illegible] pridgen was born December 17th 1812 [?]

[illegible] pridgen was born August [illegible]

[fn p. 21]

State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid do certify that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, that Francis Pridgeon a private in Captain Mills's Company of the 10th Regiment enlisted on the first day of December 1781, for the term of 12 months, and that nothing more is said of him on said rolls.

Given under my hand having no seal of office this 21st day of December 1833.

S/ Wm Hill

[fn p. 32: affidavit in which it is stated the maiden name of the widow was Mary Sikes; that they were married by Thomas Devane Esquire a Magistrate of New Hanover County.]