

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Daniel Hatcher W7675

Mary Hatcher

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State of Virginia County of Chesterfield Sct.

On this the fourteenth day of May 1840 before me Benjas L. Lundie – a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Mrs. Mary Hatcher a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged Eighty Six years who first 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 the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838. That she is the widow of Daniel Hatcher deceased who was an Officer in the war of the Revolution and who died in the County of Chesterfield in the year 1828. She is unable to set forth any particulars in relation to the duration of her deceased husband's service nor can she save what officers he was under at any time, but she verily believes that he served in the regular Army for five or six years, that she has frequently heard him say that he was at one time in the North and then again in the South and that he was both in an out of the State of Virginia, and that there are two places she has often heard him speak of having been in service, to wit: Cowpens [January 17, 1781] and Brandywine [September 11, 1777] the latter place she will ever remember from the fact that her husband the said Daniel Hatcher was wounded there whilst in an engagement – that her husband had applications (before his death) made to him by persons who proposed to get a pension for him on shares, and he invariably refused stating that he preferred his country's having all that was due him to giving half to a person to get it for him, and that he did not care for a pension as long as he was able to support himself without it – She was married to the said Daniel Hatcher in the County of Chesterfield and State of Virginia by Parson Andrew Syme about the year 1788, and that her husband died in the month of September 1828 and that she has remained a widow ever since that period as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed.

S/ Mary Hatcher, X her mark

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This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 28th day of July 1783, in the name of Daniel Hatcher, as a Sergeant of Infantry for £20.17.8, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to himself and was given for services prior to the 1st January 1782.

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this
18th day of May 1846.

S/ Jas E. Heath, AUDITOR

[p 15: Certificate dated September 29, 1846 of the clerk of court of Chesterfield County Virginia indicating that he has searched the records in his office and been unable to find any certificate returned by a minister of the marriage of Daniel Hatcher to Mary Walthall or any license for such marriage; however, that is in his office the following certificate:

"This is to certify that I have given my consent for my daughter Mary Walthall to be married to Daniel Hatcher. Given under my hand this 4th day of February 1792.

S/ Gerard Walthall"]

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This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 17th day of July 1783, in the name of Daniel Hatcher, as a Sergeant of Infantry for £51.0.0, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to himself and was given for services prior to the 1st January 1782.

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this
1st day of October 1846.

S/ Jas E. Heath, AUDITOR

[p 31: On April 27, 1850, in the City of Richmond Virginia, Mrs. Mary Hatcher a resident of Chesterfield but temporarily of Richmond aged about 88, filed yet another application for a pension stating that she is the widow of Daniel Hatcher deceased of Chesterfield County who was an officer in the War of the revolution and to her best belief a Lieutenant; that she cannot state the particulars of his service having been married after his last service in the year 1788; that her husband received a wound which he always informed her happened at the battle of Brandywine; that he was troubled by that wound until the day of his death which took place in Chesterfield County in 1828. She signed this document with her mark.]

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$120 per annum for her husband service as a Sergeant in the Virginia Continental line.]