

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Thomas McCarty W8424

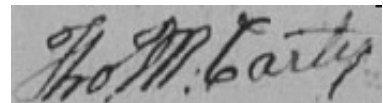
Ann McCarty

VA

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The Common Wealth of Kentucky Sct.

Be it remembered that this Seventeenth day of July in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen personally appeared before the the Subscriber one of the Circuit Judges in and for the said Common Wealth Thomas McCarty an old revolutionary Soldier and made Oath on the holy Evangely of Almighty god that in the month of march 1776 he enlisted with Capt William Croghan [BLWt448-400] in the 8<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment Commanded by Mughlenburg [sic: Col. Peter Muhlenberg BLWt1495-850] and Gibson at Pittsburgh [then considered to be in Virginia] as a Serg't in the Continental line, thence marched to Williamsburgh [sic: Williamsburg] arrived there about the middle of June, in the month of August joined the first Virginia Regiment and marched to New York and arrived there about the first of October, the deponent was then made a quarter master about this time the 8<sup>th</sup> Regiment was broke and the different Companies Joined Croghan and was called a detachment and went under the name of the 1<sup>st</sup> Virginia Regiment and was Commanded by Maj'r John Green [BLWt866-500] — Some time in August after Colo. Reed [sic: Isaac Read] came up and took the Command about the middle of September came to Baltimore from thence went to Philadelphia and thence through the Jerseys to New York where we lay some time at the White Plains, thence crossed the Delaware to what was called the "Cold" Camps and there had no Tents nor Blankets nor shoes nor stockings but very hard service. Gen'l Washington passed and repassed at times and about the last of Dec'r. [25 Dec 1776] we crossed the Delaware to Trenton and took the Hessians [Battle of Trenton, 26 Dec 1776] the deponent was also in 1777 in the battle at Prince Town [Princeton NJ, 3 Jan 1777] and Morristown was then Ordered to the Scotch Plains [NJ] and under the Command of Gen'l Stevens [sic: Adam Stephen] was Ordered to Quibbletown [in present New Market NJ] with Colo Scott [Charles Scott BLWt2055-850] was in the battle of Drakes farm [1 Feb 1777] then sent by Colo Reed to recruit and in may came back and joined the troops in Jersey Continued in the service till 1778 and was in many battles in which his arm and shoulder was broke his arm put out of place and hip dislocated – was under the doctors for some time and was finally sent from Redstone [possibly Fort Redstone at present Brownsville PA] on Command by Colo Crawford [William Crawford BLWt921-500] with letters to several Gentlemen of the 8<sup>th</sup> Virg'a. Regiment and then resigned and went home that he is now aged and infirm and being poor and unable to labour stands in need of the support of his Country that he never has received any pension or indeed pay for his services that he is a resident of the County of Henry and State of Kentucky



The deponent also produced a Certificate from Maj'r. W. Croghan, which in the Words and figures, "I do Certify that in the spring of the year 1776 The bearer Thomas McCarty enlisted in my company in the 8<sup>th</sup> regiment in the Continental line of the Army of the United States that he acted as a Sergeant and done the duties of quarter master Sergeant nine months or upwards.

SCHEDULE

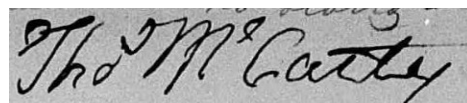
4<sup>th</sup> Judicial District of Kentucky SS.

Henry County To wit

On this Fifteenth day of August 1821, personally appeared, in open court, being a court of record for the said district, and County and Circuit of Henry Thomas McCarty aged 84 years, resident in Henry County in said district, who, being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he

served in the Revolutionary war as follows: He enlisted in Pittsburg in the state of Pennsylvania in the March 1776 in the Company Commanded by Capt Wm Croghan of the 8<sup>th</sup> Virg'a Regt Commanded by Col John Gibson [S41578] belonging to Genl Muhlenberg's Brigade of the Virg'a Continental line [see endnote] and that he continued to serve in said Corps or in the service of the United States untill the month of August 17[page damaged] when he resigned at Phial'a. [Philadelphia] in the state of Pennsylvania as a Commissary he was in the Battles of Brandywine German Town [Germantown, 4 Oct 1777] Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] and several scrimages — He has been placed on the pension list Roll under the law passed 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818 by certificate bearing date [illegible] 1818, No 4733 And I do solemnly swear (or affirm, as the case may be,) 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, disposed of my property, or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions 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.

1 Cow & 2 Calves	\$20.00	I have 6 Children I cannot tell where they
1 yearling	6.00	are I have seen no one in four years except
1 Axe Broke 1 Ho D[itt]o	1.00	the o[paper damaged] I live with a daughter
1 Iron wedge 1 2 gallon pot [illegible]	1.75	married to Thos Anderson who has a piece
2 Iron spoons 1 Earthen [illegible]	.25	of Broken land no slaves
	\$28.00	



NOTES:

At the time of McCarty's enlistment Peter Muhlenberg was Colonel in command of the 8<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment. Croghan's company was supposed to be attached to the 8<sup>th</sup>, but it arrived at Williamsburg after the rest of the Regiment had left to defend Charleston SC at Sullivans Island. John Gibson was not in the 8<sup>th</sup> VA Reg.

"The Revolutionary War Journal of Sergeant Thomas McCarty," edited by Jared C. Lobdell, was published in the Proceedings of the New Jersey Historical Society in Jan 1964.

On 9 Jan 1838 Ann McCarty, 82, of Washington County IN, applied for a pension stating that she was the widow of Thomas McCarty "who was a private soldier of the Revolution in the 9<sup>th</sup> Regiment of the Virginia line," that she married him on 1 Sep 1774, and he died 16 Nov 1823 in Henry County KY. On 15 June 1838 she amended her declaration by stating that her husband died 15 Nov 1822 and that the marriage occurred in Pennsylvania. As proof of the marriage she submitted a family record taken from a blank page at the end of a New Testament. On 15 June 1838 Nicholas McCarty certified that the record was from the family Bible he had known from his earliest recollection. On 15 Nov 1841 Anna McCarty, about 86, then living in Oldham County KY, applied for a pension under a later act, stating that the marriage occurred in Nov 1773 when she was about 18 in the Monongahela District of either PA or VA, and that her husband died 23 Nov 1822. On 15 Jan 1842 Thomas Anderson of Oldham County KY certified that the family record was in the handwriting of Thomas McCarty. On the same day Evi Anderson stated that since the death of Thomas McCarty the Bible had been in the possession of his mother, Sally Anderson.

The family record, now difficult to read, is transcribed as follows:

Thomas McCarty Married to Anne Scott the 1<sup>st</sup> Sept'r 1774

The First Child Born the 8<sup>th</sup> Dec'r 1775 lived to February

The Second Born the [illegible] 2<sup>nd</sup> 1778 Sept'r Died 19<sup>th</sup> Sep'r 1778

The Third Ded Born 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept'r 1778  
The 4<sup>th</sup> Named William Born the 8<sup>th</sup> February 1780  
The 5<sup>th</sup> Named Sarah Born the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1782  
Anne the 6<sup>th</sup> Born the 27<sup>th</sup> March 1784  
Mary the 7<sup>th</sup> Born the 10<sup>th</sup> day of November 1786  
Margeret the 8<sup>th</sup> Was Born 14<sup>th</sup> November 1788  
Nicholas the 9<sup>th</sup> Born the 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct'r 1791