

[fn p. 10: McCasland Wallace gave testimony similar to that offered by Mary Sutton except PAS that James and William Pursley were twins and born shortly before he became acquainted with John and Mary Pursley; that William Pursley, their son, was a boy of 14 or 15 in the spring of 1793; that James, John and Alexander Sutton were the only children of Jonathan Sutton by his first wife.]

[fn p. 17]

State of South Carolina York District: On this 10th day of April 1846 personally appeared before me, A S Wallace one of the acting Magistrates in and for said District, Robert Wilson,¹ a Revolutionary Pensioner of the United States, a resident of the district and State aforesaid, and made oath, in due form of law, that he was in the days of the Revolution intimately acquainted with John Pursley who died many years ago, in York district. Also with his wife Mary late deceased whose heirs are now applying for a pension due to the said Mary Pursley, deceased on the account of the Revolutionary Services of her said husband the aforesaid John Pursley deceased.

That this deponent the said Robert Wilson served a tour of duty in the early part of the War to Charleston in company with said John Pursley, who was a private in Captain Allison's Company Colonel Brown's Regiment of the Militia. That they left Chester District South Carolina and went to the City of Charleston to defend the said City against the British whom it had been reported had made their appearance before that place. But on reaching Charleston they learned that the surprise was made by some Pirate Ships instead the British & they returned to their homes.

This deponent further stated on his oath, that in the summer of 1780, he was again in service with the aforesaid John Pursley who was under Captain Allison & Colonel Hills or Neal's Regiment Sumter's Brigade. That on this occasion they were in service some 4 or 5 months together during which time they was in the Battles of Hanging Rock & Rocky Mount -- --

Deponent also stated on his oath, that the aforesaid Mary Pursley was the wife of the said John Pursley in wartime; that deponent was frequently at the house of the said John Pursley during the war, and knows of his own personal knowledge that said personally was married some 2 or 3 years before their service together in the summer of 1780.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid Before me.

S/ A. S. Wallace, Magt.

S/ Robert Wilson

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State of South Carolina York District: Personally appeared before me A S Wallace, one of the acting Magistrates in and for said District William McElwee, a resident of the District in State aforesaid aged 84 years, and made oath in due form of law, that he was during the days of the Revolution intimately acquainted with John Pursley & wife Mary both citizens of York District but now deceased. This deponent further makes oath that he lived in their immediate neighborhood at the time of their marriage (and at their [indecipherable word]) which took place in the winter of 1777. This deponent further makes oath that to his own personal knowledge that the said John Pursley was a Soldier in the war of the revolution. That after the reduction of Charleston in May 1780, deponent joined General Sumter on the East side of the Catawba River and there found the aforesaid John Pursley in service under Captain ___ [in] Hill's or Neel's Regiment; that soon after deponent's joining the Army they had an engagement with the Enemy

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at Rocky Mount after which deponent left the Army leaving the said John Pursley in service, and that he believes that said John Pursley was out in the Army when called for from this time till the war ended.

Sworn to and subscribed the 27th of July 1846 Before me
S/ A. S. Wallace, Magt.

S/ Wm McElwee