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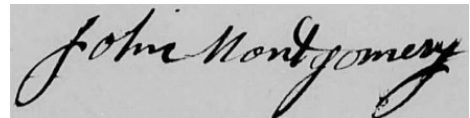
Pension Application of John Montgomery W980 Nancy Pritchett VA
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State of North Carolina }
County of Wilkes } SS.

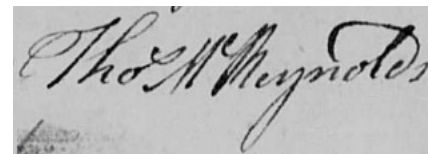
On this 2^d day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court, before the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of the County of Wilkes & State of North Carolina, now sitting, John Montgomery a resident of the said County of Wilkes in the State of North Carolina aged Seventy Six years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he was born in the County of Stafford in the State of Virginia in the year 1756, and that he entered the service of the United States on the 12th day of January 1781 in the County of Bedford in the said state in a company of militia called out by draft, and under the Command of Capt Thomas McReynolds, and marched to Cabin Point [on James River in Surry County] in the said State, where they joined the troops under the command of Gen'l. Muhlenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg], & Col. Meriwether [probably Thomas Meriwether] from whence they marched in the direction of Portsmouth, and were stationed some time at a place called the Tar Yard – after remaining there some time they marched to the long bridge [sic: Great Bridge], and from thence crossing through a part of the Dismal Swamp to Camp Scotts, where he received his discharge; having served a tour of three months, and returned home. After remaining at home a short time he was again drafted for a three months tour, and was attached to the Rifle Corps of Capt Alexander Cummins and rendezvoused at Prince Edward Court House in the State of Virginia where they joined the troops under the command of Gen'l. [Robert] Lawson & Colo. Holcomb [John Holcombe], and thence marched to the Point of Fork on James River [at the confluence with Rivanna River], where they were surprised & attacked by the British Light Horse under Colo Tarlton [sic: see endnote] – whence he was ordered as one of the waggon guard to retreat into the County of Halifax. After remaining in Halifax one day and night, they were ordered on to Carters Ferry [now Cartersville] on James River, and from thence down the River to New Kent Court House – about ten miles below New Kent Court House his term of service having expired, he was discharged but which discharge he has either lost or mislaid so that it cannot be found. This deponent further states that he has no documentary evidence by which to prove his services except the discharge hereto annexed, and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his service. He further states that he continued to reside in the County of Bedford until shortly after the close of the war, when he removed to the County of Wilkes in the State of North Carolina, where he has resided ever since. He further states that he can refer to Colo James Wellborn & Colo Wm P Waugh as persons to whom he is well known, and who can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.



John Montgomery A Soldier in my Comp haveing served three monthes is discharged from his Preasent Tower
[Thomas McReynolds Capt]
Camp Scotts
Aprile 13th 1781



NOTES:

On 5-6 June 1781 Lt. Col. John Simcoe, under the command of Lt. Col. Banastre Tarleton, bluffed Baron von Steuben into abandoning a major munitions depot at Point of Fork.

On 17 May 1853 in Guilford County NC Nancy Pritchett, 58, applied for a pension stating that she married John Montgomery on 7 July 1819, and he died 13 May 1840 in Guilford County. On 15 April 1855 she applied for bounty land, giving her age as 62, and stating that as Nancy Busick she married John Montgomery in Rockingham County NC, and after his death she married Zebulon Pritchett, then deceased. On 26 Aug 1867 Nancy Pritchett applied for restoration of her pension, which was suspended during the Civil War, during which she On 27 Nov 1868 Nancy Pritchett was said to be 73.