Petition relating to George Harrison ¹ VAS1946

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To the Hon. the Speaker & Gentleman of the House of Delegates the Petition of Anne Thomson of Louisa County Humbly Sheweth that about the 10th day of June last a Soldier named George Harrison belonging to General Wains [Anthony Wayne's] Brigade was left at your Petitioner's house with a very sore leg, that your petitioner was at much Trouble and expense in feeding & Loding the said Soldier & likewise in dressing said Soldier's leg for five months and likewise Advant [advanced] & paid two hundred ten dollars to Dr. George Holland for services, medicines the said doctor had done for said Soldier, your petitioner, Humbly Hopes that this Honorable House will make such allowance as they shall think right & your petitioner shall ever pray &c &c

[Reverse]

Thomson's petition
December 5th, 1781
Referred to Trade
December 17th 1781
Rejected
Mr. Powell

Louisa County November the 19th 1781

I do hereby Certify that William Thomson made Oath before me that he lived in House of Anne Thomson the time that George Harrison a Continental Soldier was there with a sore leg that said Anne found said Soldier his board Constantly dressed or [word interlined and illegible] his leg & paid Doctor Holland two hundred ten dollars for Medicines and that the time said Soldier was boarded & Dressed was as near as he believes five months or more given under my hand the date above

S/ Thomas Johnson

¹ This veteran may not have been serving in the Virginia Continental line. It is more likely that he served in the Pennsylvania Continental line since he came South with Anthony Wayne. I could find no federal pension application filed by a man named George Harrison.