Virginia documents pertaining to William Cannon VAS2879
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[The following are from rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.]

The affidavit of Malachi Carrol [Malachi Carroll S8180]

This affiant being duly sworn saith, that he is now in the Seventy Ninth year of his age and resides in the County of Princess Anne in the State of Virginia. That he was a soldier in the Revolution. That he served six months in the Virginia Militia under Captain Harris as a substitute for his Father James Carrol. That he afterwards enlisted in the Virginia Continental Line under Captain Ballard in the Regiment Commanded by Colonel Woolford [Gen. William Woodford]; and served in the army of the Revolution Three years and Six months and to the close of the Revolutionary War. was at the siege of Charleston in South Carolina [spring 1780] and discharged at Charleston at the end of the war. That he is acquainted with William Cannon. That the said Cannon enlisted in the Virginia Continental [sic] Line at the same time this affiant enlisted. That they afterwards marched in different directions. That this affiant has no doubt from what he understood from others, and does verily believe that the said Cannon served as a soldier in the army of the Revolution from the time he enlisted to the Close of the war; although from the Circumstance of marching in different direction this affiant cannot speak of his own personal knowledge. This affiant is now on the Pension list of the United States Malachi hisXmark Carrol [17 Aug 1833]

The affidavit of William Cannon

This affiant being duly sworn saith that he is now in the seventy-sixth year of his age, and was born in Princess Anne County, State of Virginia, was a soldier in the Revolution, and enlisted in the Virginia State Line under Capt. Tab [sic: Augustine Tabb R18331] in Dabney’s [Charles Dabney R13624] Regt. that he served in the Virginia State Line more than three years, & until the close of the war, was at the siege of York [Yorktown, 28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781], and discharged sometime after with the Regt. in which he served. That he knew Malachi Carroll and that he was in the Revolution and that he marched to the south, but he does not know of his own knowledge only for what he has heard other persons say, and that he served until the close of the war as far as he knows. This Affiant has no doubt but that he served until the close of the war. [5 Dec 1833]

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 10th day of September 1783, in the name of William Cannon as a Soldier of Infantry for £35.5.11, 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 19th day of May 1834. J E. Heath AUDITOR.