Virginia documents pertaining to Machem Gresham VAS3774
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[The following are from rejected claims in the Library of Virginia indexed as Gresham, Mecham.]

The affidavit of Carter Croxton [S9250] of the county of Essex and state of Virginia aged seventy three years
This affiant being duly sworn according to law states upon Oath that he was well acquainted with Machem Gresham of the County of King & Queen and state of Virginia the said Gresham entered the continental army in the year 1776 or 1777 under Capt Henry Young [BLWt2466-300] or Capt John Webb [BLWt2052-450]. the said Gresham went to the north he enlisted for the term of three years as well as I now recollect. I never saw the said Gresham after he enlisted until after the war was ended. I frequently heard said Gresham say after the war was over he served to the end of the war and further this affiant sayeth not. Sworn and subscribed this 18th day of March 1834
Carter Croxton Sen

The affidavit of William Oliver of Essex county and State of Virginia
This affiant being duly sworn according to law states upon Oath that he was well acquainted with Machem Gresham, that the said Gresham he believes was a regular soldier in the revolutionary war from what he has heard the said Gresham in his life time and several other Revolutionary soldiers say, that he enlisted under Capt Young and this affiant further sayeth that he well remembers that he was at Mrs Greshams the mother of said Machem Gresham at the time the said Gresham returned home out of the army after the close of the war, that there was great joy expressed by the mother and friends of said Gresham on his return home, all having expected that the said Gresham was killed or had died in the army from the circumstance of his having stayed in the army so much longer than three years the term for which he first enlisted and further this affiant sayeth not Sworn to and subscribed this 12 day of April 1834