Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land warrant information relating to John Watts BLWt2431-300 VA
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Continental Watts, John S___ (no papers)
and BLWt2431-300 Capt.
& First Regt. of Dragoons
issued August 27, 1795 to
Smith & Ridgway assignees
No papers

Va. residence

[Relevant portion of a letter in response to an inquiry reads as follows:

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to your letter in which you request information
relative to John Watts, who served as Captain in the Virginia troops, during
the Revolutionary War.

You are furnished herewith the record of the only soldier by that
name, who served as Captain with the Virginia troops, that is found on the
Revolutionary War records of this office.

It appears that Captain John Watts, 1st Regiment of Virginia
Dragoons, War of the Revolution, while a resident of Bedford County,
Virginia, was pensioned at the rate of $600 per annum by Certificate Number
351, which was issued August 3, 1829, under the act of May 15, 1828.

He died June 8, 1830.

His executor was William W Watts, no relationship shown.

Warrant No. 2431, for 300 acres of bounty land was issued August
27, 1795, on account of the services of said Captain John Watts.

There are no further data relative to this soldier, because of the
destruction of papers in such bounty land claims, when the War Office was
burned in November, 1800, and also because the claim for pension under the
act of May 15, 1828, were adjudicated by the Treasury Department and not
in this office.

Very truly yours
A. D. Hiller, Assistant to Administrator]

On the Report of the Secretary of War printed in 1835 in the list of persons residing in the State
of Virginia who have received the benefit of the act of Congress passed May 15, 1828: appears
as follows

John Watts of Bedford County, Captain 1st Regiment Virginia Dragoons, annual allowance $600;
sums received $2560. Placed on the pension roll of August 2, 1828; William W Watts executor
Died June 8, 1830

The rev war Agency Book of Virginia under Act of May 15, 1828 shows; John Watts, Captain of
Cavalry, certificate Number 351 $600 per annum: certificate issued August 3, 1829, died June 8,
1830
No papers on record
because
The claims under this act were adjudicated in the Treasury Department.