

Maine 11.423

Benjamin Simpson
of Dr. Co. in the State of Maine
who was a Dr. in the Company commanded
by Captain Crow - of the Dr. commanded
by Col. Benton in the 1st Regt
Maine Troops -

23 No Dr 76. 66

Inscribed on the Roll of - Maine
at the rate of 76 Dollars 66 Cents per annum,
to commence on the 1st day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 6th day of May
and sent to -
N33 B Palmer, Kennel, Me.

Bears to the 1st of March 1833 - 153.32
Semi-ann. allowance ending 4 Sept " 38 32

191.66

{ Revolutionary Claim
Not June 7, 1833

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Benjamin Stinson

No 2.758

Maine

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Sept 11/1820

No-14

OO papers under
act of 1818 wanted

paid \$1.50

Maine Districts

Special District Court of the U. States

Wennebunk August 7. 1832

On this seventh day of August aforesaid personally appeared in open Court before the District Judge -

Benjamin Simpson a resident of York, in the county of York, and state of Maine, aged 74 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 served as herein stated.

I enlisted in April 1775 for the term of nine months, in the company commanded by Capt. Edward Gron, 1st. Lieut. - forgotten - 2d Lieut. - Nchemiah Beane - were stationed at York and Wittery, for the defence of the harbours of York Portsmouth, I served the term of nine months in this service -

I was at work building a battery in York - when the British burnt Falmouth near Portland then was sent to Wittery point, built a breastwork there for the defence of that ~~place~~ Harbour.

In November 1776 I enlisted in the company of Capt. Abel Moulton of York, for three months and marched from York, about the 3^d of December 1776 for the state of New York, was alternately at Pitts Hill and Kingsbridge, near New York, in the months of January, February, and March, served three months the term of my enlistment, was then discharged, soon after we left there, the British came out from New York and burnt Danbury in Connecticut.

Some time in the spring of 1777 - do not recollect the particular time, I enlisted a volunteer for two months, to go to Providence in Rhode Island, under the command of Capt. Abel Moulton of York - 1st. Lieut. - Burnham, 2d Lieut. Potter, of Wells I served the two months and was then discharged -

I was at Providence when Col. Barton went on to Rhode Island and took the British Genl. Prescott and brought him to Providence, Genl. Spencer was commander in chief.

In May 1778 I enlisted, to join and did join the continental army, at Valley Forge, in the month

month of June the same year for nine months
and served the full term of nine months, as set forth
in Genl. W. Sewalls deposition, nor at the no department
I received a pension for about thirteen months, then
was struck off the pension roll on account of property
I was placed on the pension list under the law of
1818

I was born in York, in the year 1755, but have
resided in Iowa, where I now reside over fifty years
I went voluntarily into the service and served as I
have stated.

We hereby relinquishes every claim 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.

Benjamin Simpson

Sworn to, and subscribed the day and year aforesaid
in last open Court.

Before

Amos Warr

} U. S. Judge for the
District of Maine

And the said Court do hereby declare their opinion
that the above named applicant was a revolutionary
soldier and served as he has stated.

I John Mufsey Clerk of the District Court of
the United States for Maine District do hereby cer-
tify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings
of said Court in the matter of the application of Ben-
jamin Simpson for a pension.

And that Alexander McIntire & John Shepley
who certified the annexed depositions of Thomas
Abbott & Samuel Johnson & John S. Seaman
are Justices of the Peace duly qualified & their official
attestations entitled to credit.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
seal of office this seventh day of August A.D. 1832

John Mufsey Clerk

We Samuel Johnson a Clergyman, and John T. Scamman
merchant both residing in the town of Saco in the County
of York and State of Maine, hereby certify that we are well
acquainted with Mr Benjamin Simpson who has subscribed
and sworn to the above declaration; that we believe him
to be seventy seven years of age; that he is reputed and
believed, in the neighborhood where he resides, to have
been a soldier of the revolution, and ^{that} we concur in
that opinion. - Saco August 7th 1832

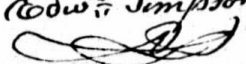
Samuel Johnson
John T. Scamman

Sworn, and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid.
Before me, John Shepley Justice of the Peace

I Edward Simpson of the town of York in the County of York and State of Maine aged seventy three years depose and say That Benjamin Simpson formerly of said York and now of Saco in said County of York, Enlisted in the company commanded by Captain Abel Moulton in the war of the revolution, the latter part of the month of November 1776 - Col. John Frost commanded said Regiment, and Joseph Prime was Major of said Regiment. Thomas Bragdon was Lieutenant and Ebenezer Grant Second Lieutenant, said Benjamin Simpson enlisted for and served in said company three months - said company marched from York on or about the third day of December 1776 for the State of New York and remained about Poughkeepsie and Kingsbridge in said State of New York doing duty till the expiration of said three months, and were discharged in said State of New York.

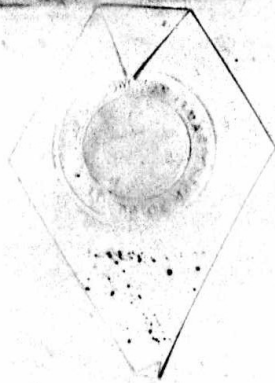
Brigadier General Jotham Moulton commanded the Brigade to which said company belonged, and General Lincoln was chief in command.

I am acquainted with these facts, from my own personal knowledge, having served at the same time in a company belonging to the same Regiment, commanded by Captain Humphrey Pike of Saco - where I had been living as an apprentice - said Benjamin Simpson was then a resident in York where both him and I were born and are brothers - and we came home in company together after our term of three months had ended.

Edw^d Simpson


State of Maine
York ss. July the 27th one thousand eight hundred and thirty two. Then personally appeared Edward Simpson and made oath that the foregoing deposition by him subscribed is true - Before me Charles C. Emerson. Justice of the Peace

State of Maine.
County of York, ss: J. C. Cereciah, Clerk of
the Judicial Courts of said State for said County of York,
hereby certify, that Charles C. Emerson is a Justice of the
Peace within and for said county, and that the within
Signature, purporting to be his, is genuine.



In testimony whereof, I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed the seal of the
Court of Common Pleas for said State, this
seventh day of August Anno Domini
1832.
Jere. Bradbury Clerk of Jud.
Courts York County

York ss. March 2. 1833. I hereby certify that
the within named Edward Simpson is, a man
of truth & veracity, among his neighbours & a
credible witness.

Charles C. Emerson Justice Peace.

Edward Simpson
deposition for
Charles C. Emerson

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Benjamin Simpson

of Saco. in the state of Maine
who was a private — in the regiment commanded by
Colonel Supper of the 11th
line, for the term of nine months

Inscribed on the Roll of Maine

at the rate of 5. Dollars per month, to commence on
the 10th of February 1815

Certificate of Pension issued the 12 of June 1820
and sent to D. Granger Esq
Saco. Me.

Arrears to 4th of Mar. 1820 — \$96.45

Semi-ann. all'ce ending 4 Sep 182 48.

12 mo

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\$144.45

{ Revolutionary claim,
{ Act 18th March, 1818. }

See Lilla & B. P. Oliver
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Benjamin Simpson

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Act: June 7" 32"

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[Arrangement of 1870.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

I Henry Sewall late a commissary officer in the war of the revolution, a pensioner under the law of March 10. 1810 and now a Major General in the militia of Massachusetts, upon oath testify and declare, that I am personally acquainted with Benjamin Simpson, formerly of York but now resident in Saco in the District of Maine. From minutes in my professional corroborative of the facts, I am satisfied that he arrived at Valley Forge as a nine months man in June 1778 in the war of the revolution, against the common enemy, upon the continental establishment, in Capt Wheelwright's company and Col: Pepper's regiment, of the Massachusetts line, in General Patterson's brigade. He served at Valley Forge, through the hard day, at White Plains and thence to West Point, where he was discharged, after serving his full period of nine months. I was an officer at the time in Gen: Patterson's brigade.

H. Sewall

Kennebec Co.

On the eleventh day of Feb'y. 1820 Gen: Henry Sewall above named, to me well known, and being a credible and disinterested witness, made oath to the truth of the foregoing deposition, by him subscribed.

Before me, Nathan Weston C. J.

C. C. C. Pleas
2^d C. Circuit

War Department.

REVOLUTIONARY CLAIM.

I CERTIFY that, in conformity with the Law of the United States, of the 18th March, 1818, — " — " —

Benjamin Simpson late a *Private*
— " — in the Army of the Revolution, is inscribed
on the Pension List, Roll of the *Maine* —
Agency, at the rate of *Eight* dollars per month, to com-
mence on the *Tenth* — day of *February* — one thousand
eight hundred and *nineteen*, —

GIVEN at the War Office of the United States, this — *12th* — day of *June* one thousand eight hundred and *twenty* —

J. B. Calhoun
Secretary of War.

Newbury March 11- 1857

J. L. Edwards Esq

Dear Sir

I forward herewith the application & testimony of Benjamin Simpson to be placed on the previous list as required by the law of June last, and the papers authenticated and affirmed as required by your letter of the 25th of January last.

The means of knowledge of facts stated in the Depositions of Zebedee Simpson and Thomas Abbot are shown by the additional Deposition of Edward Simpson and it will be observed that the facts stated in Zebedee Simpson's deposition is also proved on the same paper by the deposition of Petetish Perkins -

Yours obtl servt

Barrett Palmer

Commonwealth of Massachusetts for
Be it known that on the twentieth day of February
1819 before me the subscriber one of the justices
of the Supreme judicial Court of the Commonwealth
of Massachusetts personally appeared
William Simbrow of said County of York
and Commonwealth aforesaid, aged sixty four
years, who being sworn according to Law made
Oath to the truth of the declaration by him
subscribed on the other side of this leaf in order
to obtain the provisions made by the Sale Act of
Congress entitled "An Act to provide for certain
persons engaged in the Land & Naval service
of the United States in the Revolutionary War
from which declaration they signed & swore to
as aforesaid together with the affidavits of
sworn to as appears on the right hand page of
this paper. I George Thatcher justice as
aforesaid do hereby certify that the said
William Simbrow did serve in the Revolu-
tionary War as stated in his said declaration
against the common enemy. And that
he is in reduced circumstances and stands
in need of assistance of his Country for support
And I now transmit the proceedings &
testimony taken & had before me to the
Secretary of the Department of War pursuant
to the directions of the aforesaid Act of Congress.

In testimony whereof I have
hereunto set my hand & have
caused the Seal of said Court to be
hereunto affixed this sixteenth day
of February in the year eighth
hundred & thirteen.

George Thatcher

I Benjamin Simpson of Caro in the
State of Massachusetts of sixty four years of
Age testify and declare that I served as a
Soldier in the War of the Revolution as follows
viz I enlisted in the Month of May 1778 for
Nine months and marched to Valley Forge
near Philadelphia and joined the Continental
Army and was placed in a Company then
commanded by Josiah Parsons a Lieut. The Capt
being dead before I joined the Army, and I think
his Name was Littlefield or Wheelwright, and
the Regiment commanded by Col. Buelles
and Pattersons Brigade in the Massachu-
setts Line a Continental establishment and
served out the time of Nine Months in said
Regiment and was regularly & honorably
discharged at West Point in the Month of March
1779 I received a written discharge which is now
lost. I have no Pension from the United
States and am a Native Citizen & a resident
in the United States and from my age &
reduced circumstances I am in need of
assistance from my Country for support

10 Feb, 1819

Benjamin Simpson

I Thomas Abbott of York in the County of York and State of Maine, aged eighty years depose and say that I am well acquainted with Benjamin Simpson of Saco, formerly of York in said County a Soldier in the army of the revolutionary war, and recollect that said Simpson enlisted in the Company commanded by Captain Abel Moulton of York, some time in the spring of the year of 1777, for two months, and marched with said Company for the State of Rhode Island and was absent from York till the Company to which he belonged returned to York from said service, and I have ever understood and have no doubt that said Simpson served as a Soldier in said Company two months under said enlistment.

Thomas Abbott

State of Maine

York ss July the thirtieth day in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two, Then personally appeared Thomas Abbott, who in my opinion is entitled to full credit, and made oath that the foregoing deposition by him subscribed is true.

Before me Alex. W. Intire Justice of the Peace

York ss. March 2, 1833. I hereby certify that the above named Thomas Abbott was a credible witness.

Alex. W. Intire Justice Peace.

I Edward Simpson of York, in the County of York, & State of Maine, aged Seventy four years, depose, testify & say, that Thomas Abbot late of said York, for years immemorially preceding, & during the time of the Revolutionary War of the United States, with Great Britain, lived a near neighbor to my Father's family, that he was intimately acquainted with my brother Benjamin Simpson during said time, & must have been well & personally acquainted with, & had every opportunity of knowing the facts stated, & deposed to, by him, in his Deposition, in relation to said Benjamin Simpson's services in said Revolutionary War. I also further testify that Zebedee Simpson was a brother to said Benjamin, & always during said term, of time aforesaid, resided in his father's family, & consequently had the most ample means of knowing the facts testified to by him, in relation to ~~services~~ to said Benjamin's services, in said Revolutionary War. I further testify, that said Thomas Abbot died in October last, & that said Zebedee Simpson died in January now last past.

Edward Simpson

York ss. March 2. 1833. Then personally appeared the above named Edward Simpson, & made oath to the truth of the above Deposition by him signed.

Before me Charles C. Emerson, Justice Peace.

I also certify that the above named Edward Simpson, is a credible witness.

Ch. C. Emerson, Justice Peace

Navie District

District Clerk's Office March 9. A.D. 1833

Intestimony that Charles C. Emerson -
Jonathan Hammond Junr, Barnabas
Palmer and Alexander McIntire
are severally Magistrates as within and that
their several signatures purporting to be
theirs, are genuine & have hereto
at my hand & seal of office the day
and year first above written

John Rufsey Clerk U. S. Court

I Zebadiah Simpson of Eliot County, of York & State
of Maine aged seventy six years of sound mind memory,
testify & say that Benjamin Simpson of said
County, served in the Revolutionary war for the term of
twelve months commencing in April 1775 in Capt
Edward Gros Company of foot, at York & Kittery for
the defence of the Harbors of Portsmouth & York that
I was well acquainted with him at that time & have
personal knowledge of his service aforesaid

Zebadiah Simpson

York Is. July 30th 1832 Then personally appeared the
above named Zebadiah Simpson & made oath
to the truth of the above affidavit by him
subscribed

John Hammond Jr. Justice of the Peace

York Is. March 2, 1833. I hereby certify that the
above named Zebadiah Simpson was a credible witness
John Hammond Jr. Justice of the Peace.

I Pelitiah Perkins of York County of
the State of Maine aged seventy eight years testify
and declare that I am acquainted with Benjamin Simpson
of ^{family of York} Soc & Co a revolutionary prisoner - said Benjamin
Simpson was a soldier in Capt Edward Gros Company
raised for one year but a part of which were discharged
at the end of about nine months - The company was
stationed principally at Kittery Point opposite to Portsmouth
New Hampshire ^{and at York Maine} It was raised in April 1775 about
sixty of the company were discharged the last of December
of that year - Benjamin Simpson was among the
number - I was a soldier in the same company and
served out the full year - Pelitiah ^{his} Perkins
mark over -

State of Maine.

County of York, B.

I, Jeremiah Bradbury, Clerk of the
Judicial Court for the County of York in said State, hereby
certify, that Jonathan Hammond, Jr. and Barnabas Palmer
are Justices of the Peace within and for said County, and
that the within signatures, purporting to be theirs are
genuine. On testimony whereof I have hereunto set my

hand and affixed the seal of the
Court of Common Pleas for said
State, this eleventh day of August
Anno Domini 1832.

Jer. Bradbury, Clerk.
of the Jud. Court York County

Witness my hand and
seal this 11th day of August
1832.
Jeremiah Bradbury
Clerk of the Court

State of Maine

York B.

Remembered Sept 7 - 1832. Then

personally appeared the within named
Barnabas Palmer and made oath to the
truth of the within deposition by him subscribed
before me.

Barnabas Palmer Justice
of the Peace

I certify that the within named Barnabas
Palmer is a credible witness -

Barnabas Palmer
Justice of the Peace