

New Jersey

Keyer Jacob

P.L. No. 1000-150 - Ensign
Issued Aug. 19, 1789 to
Jacob Keyer.
No papers.

This man is reported as Jacob Keyer in
the N.J. Archives and Kenton's Register

January 6, 1938

M-J/EM
Jacob Keyer-P.L. No. 1000-150

Mr. Richard Kyer
Waterville
New Hampshire

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War records of Jacob Kyer, lieutenant colonel and Jacob Kyer, Junior, ensign, both of New Jersey.

There is no claim for pension or bounty land on file based upon the military service in the Revolutionary War of a Jacob Kyer or Keyer, who served as colonel. Such claims are the source of the data furnished by this office. A record of Jacob Keyer, who served as ensign in the New Jersey troops, has been found and is furnished herein.

Jacob Keyer
P.L. No. 1000-150

The records of this office show that Warrant No. 1000, for 150 acres of bounty land was issued on account of the service of Jacob Keyer, ensign, New Jersey troops, War of the Revolution. Said warrant was issued August 19, 1789.

This office has no further information in regard to this officer because of the destruction of papers in such early claims when the War Office was burned in November, 1800.

For information in regard to the location of the land claimed above, you should address The Commissioner of the General Land Office, Interior Department, this city, and furnish that official the number of the warrant, the acreage and the date of issuance.

Very truly yours

A. D. MILLER
Executive Assistant
to the Administrator.

Waterloo,
New Hampshire,
December 30-1837



Rev. War Section,
Veterans Administration,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Please let me know if you have record of pension or bounty having been claimed, and any identifying information, on services of the following men who served from New Jersey in the Revolutionary War.

- ✓ Jacob Hyer. Lt. Col. and Col., State Troops.
- ✓ Jacob Hyer, Jr. Pvt. and Ensign, 2nd Regiment, Continental Troops.

The above information is necessary in the preparation of a family history.

Respectfully

Richard Hyer

Richard Hyer

THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES
Form VAM-51
11-9-41

BOUNTY LAND WARRANT RECORD CARD*

Division of Veterans' Administration Archives

NAME Hyer, Jacob GRADE Private LINE New York

WARRANT NUMBER 7262 ACREAGE 100 ISSUED Aug. 11, 1790

To Robert Dunlap, assignee

*The information concerning the issuance of warrants carded on this form is found in volumes 2 to 4 of "Land Warrants Issued Prior to 1800" which are registers of bounty land warrants issued to non-commissioned officers and privates under congressional resolutions of September 16, 1776, and subsequent dates. Other records relative to the applications for warrants appear to have been destroyed in the War Department fire of November 9, 1800. Information concerning warrants surrendered to the Federal Government is to be found in General Land Office records in The National Archives.

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Virginia Wheeling
Elizabeth Keysham
 widow of *James Keysham*
 who served in the Revolutionary
 war, as a *Private*

Inscribed on the Roll at the rate of
87 Dollars
 Cents per annum, to commence on
 the 4th day of *March*, 1848.

Certificate of Pension issued the
31 day of *Jan* 1848
 and sent to
J. Nickerson
Middletown
Pa.

Recorded on Roll of Pensioners under act
 February 2, 1848, Page *153* Vol. *153*

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March 1834 to 6th
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1st April 1838.

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M^{rs} Elizabeth Heysham
widow of David Hey-
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Revolution - Declares
entire for County lands
warrant

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State of Virginia
County of George

On this 9th day of June 1808

One thousand eight hundred and fifty five personally
appeared before me a Justice of the Peace within and
for the County of George aforesaid Elizabeth Heysham
aged about Eighty Eight years, an resident of Giles
County in the State of Virginia, who being duly sworn
according to law, declares that she is the widow of
David Heysham, who was a Soldier of the Revo-
lution; that her said husband David Heysham,
drew a Pension from the Government of the United States
of Eighty Dollars per annum for such service; that
she was married to the said David Heysham, in
the summer of the year 1766 or 1767 as she truly believes
yet she thinks about the last of June of one of those years
in the County of Northampton, in the State of Pennsylvania
named by one Appleton Cox, who was duly au-
thorized to calculate the rates of matrimony in the said County
of Northampton, State of Pennsylvania, his Christian name she has forgot-
ten she has no record of her age, nor of her marriage
with the said David Heysham; But in favor in support
of this application, to the proof being the Depositions of
Josiah Thomas) filed in the Pension Department, with
his Declaration made in 1841 or 1842, by which she
obtained a Pension under the Act of Congress passed
July 7th 1838, as the widow of the said David Heysham
- She is aware that the statement of Josiah Thomas &
her own, conflicts, as to the year of her marriage, she
alleging it to have been a few years sooner, than she
believes & states it to have been. Her reason for her
belief, is, that had her third child Thomas Heysham,
who died within the last year been living, he would
have been Sixty four years old last March, and from
her recollection that she was about Nineteen years
of age, when she was married, she further states
as before stated that she was married to the said

David Keysham, in the Summer of 1786 or 1787, and that her name before her said marriage was Elizabeth Bush; that her said husband died in the execution of duty of Giles, Virginia, on the 6th day of September 1784, and that she is now a widow. She further declares on oath that she is the identical Elizabeth Keysham to whom a Certificate of Pension from the Government of the United States, was granted, as the Widow of the said David Keysham, for eighty Dollars a year, numbered three thousand five hundred & twenty nine, (3529) and dated the 31st day of January 1849.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which she may be entitled, as Widow of David Keysham, who was a soldier of the Revolution, under the act approved the 1st day of March 1800; she also declares that she has never before applied for nor received any bounty land, under the act, or any other act of Congress.

Elizabeth Keysham

We, William Martin and John G. Morgan, residents of Giles County in the State of Virginia, upon our oaths declare, that the foregoing declaration of Mrs. Elizabeth Keysham, was signed and acknowledged by her in our presence; and that we further upon our oaths declare, that we know her to be the person she represents herself to be; that we know her and her late husband David Keysham well for many years before the death of the said David Keysham; that the first named of us (William Martin) knew them about thirty six or thirty seven years ago, and the last named of us (John G. Morgan) knew them some thirty three years ago, and that during all which time until the death of the said David Keysham, they lived together as his husband and wife; that they believe her statement, and that she is of the age stated by her; and as before stated that they know her to be the

the identical person she represents herself to be, and that we have no interest whatever in the result of her application for bounty land.

The foregoing declaration of Elizabeth Keysham and affidavits of William Martin & John G. Morgan were sworn, subscribed before us, on the day and year first herein before written; and we certify that we know the affiants to be credible persons; that the claimant is the person she represents herself to be, and that we have no interest in this claim.

State of Virginia
County of Giles

I, David Hickman, Clerk of the County Court of Giles, certify that David Keysham before whom the foregoing Declaration of Elizabeth Keysham and affidavits of William Martin and John G. Morgan appear to have been made was at the time of taking & subscribing to the same a Justice of the Peace in & for the said County of Giles, duly elected, commissioned and sworn, and I further certify, that the foregoing signatures to be true, are genuine.

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed my seal of Office, at Newmarket this 11th day of June, One thousand Eight hundred and fifty five.



D. Hickman
Clerk of Giles
County Court

Elizabeth Keysham's

Declaration for
Pension Act167
7th July 1838

State of Virginia
 Giles County, Va

On this 11th day of February
 in the year 1838 personally appeared before the
 undersigned a justice of the Peace in & for said County
 of Giles in the state aforesaid Elizabeth
 Keysham, a resident of the said County of Giles
 aged about seventy three or seventy four years who
 being first duly sworn according to law doth on
 her oath, make the following declaration in order
 to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by
 the act of Congress, passed July 7th 1838, entitled an act
 granting half pay and pensions to certain widows, that
 she is the Widow of David Keysham, who was a
 private in the war of the Revolution and to whom
 a Pension certificate for services in the Revolutionary
 War, issued from the War office of the United States
 the 27th day of March 1834, that she was married
 to the said David Keysham in the month of June in
 the year 1786 as she believes, but is not certain whether
 she was married in 1786, or 1787, but is positive that it was
 in the harvest time of one of those years, as her son
 Thomas Keysham, will be fifty years old in next month
 & he is her third child by her said husband, that
 her husband the said David Keysham died on the 6th
 day of September 1834; She further declares that she
 has no record of her age, or of her marriage, but
 she well recollects that she was nineteen years
 of age when she was married; that she does not
 know of any person now living who was present at her
 wedding - Josiah Thomas who was lately ^{somehow} living in
 the State of Ohio & a revolutionary Pensioner of the
 United States, was at her marriage with the said
 David Keysham, but she has heard of late that he
 is dead & she knows of no other persons to whom she

could apply who knows of the circumstances of her
of -
Sworn to and subscribed on ^{the} Elizabeth Keysham
the day and year first before
written

J. B. Lacy

State of Virginia
Tyler County

I John B. Lacy a Justice of the Peace
in & for said County of Tyler in the said State of Virginia
before whom the foregoing declaration was made do cer-
tify that Elizabeth Keysham the declarant cannot from
bodily infirmity attend the Court of said County to make
the same before the said County, and I further certify
that the said Elizabeth Keysham has not intermar-
ried with any other person since the death of the
said David Keysham but remains his widow as
related by her. Given under my hand this 15. day
of February 1844

J. B. Lacy

State of Virginia
Tyler County

I David Chickman Clerk of the Court
of Tyler County, certify that John B. Lacy is a
Magistrate as above, and that the foregoing signatures
purporting to be his are genuine.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto
affixed my seal of office & subscribed
my name this 19. day of February
one thousand eight hundred & forty one

D. Chickman
Clerk Tyler
County Court



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David Keysham

Declaration for
obtaining Pension

A. E. C. Wilson

State of Virginia
County of Giles

On this 15th day of February 1784 personally appeared in open Court before the County Court of said County of Giles, now sitting, David Neesham, a resident of said County & state of said age Seventy or seventy one years, who being first 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 1782.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers and served as herein stated that sometime in the year 1778 alicant was residing with his father in Southampton County in the State of Pennsylvania, alicant being then under the age at which he would be required to be enlisted by the laws of Pennsylvania, but being active without respect in the use of the rifle for one of his ten or twelve years, alicant's father who was a violent enemy, permitted alicant to substitute for one John Schoelcraft or a man of some such name not now positively recollecting by alicant for two months, in a company of Scouts or Boys sent out for the protection of the Inhabitants of Southampton County aforesaid against the hostile incursions of the Indians, a party of whom came into the neighborhood in the time of alicant's term & killed four persons namely Learnes, his son George Learnes & George's wife & child, that alicant, with the company of Scouts to which alicant belonged pursued said Indians when they retreated, & John Learnes a son of the latter named before named, who had joined alicant for the occasion for the purpose of avenging the father's & brother's death if possible, shot one of the Indians & mangled him, the other Indians made their escape; upon the Indian killed was found the scalp of old Mr. Learnes & that alicant served as a Scout or Boy two months, the term for which he substituted under Lieutenant Henry Shumaker & was discharged at Fort Penn in the County & State aforesaid, being the place where alicant joined said Company. This Fort Penn was at that time known also by the name of Stroudsburg from the name of the person who owned the land whereon & mostly on the western side of the neighborhood where the fort was erected.

That soon after alicant was discharged alicant's father consenting alicant again substituted in the same year 1778 for one John Shesler in a Company of Scouts under command of the said Lieut Shumaker said Company being engaged at Fort Penn aforesaid, and alicant after having served the term of two months the time he substituted for, was again

discharged at the place where he rendezvoused.

That in the early part or about the beginning of the year 1779 alicant's father again permitting alicant volunteered as an Indian Boy & joined a Company of Scouts under command of said Lieut Shumaker, in which Company alicant served as a Scout or Boy two months, & was discharged when alicant rendezvoused ^{named} at Fort Penn aforesaid. That in the time of this last service a party of Indians about 10 or 11 in number, penetrated the settlement & made prisoners William butright William McGinnis & John Steel, who they took away with them together with several horses & a quantity of his clothing. That Lieut Shumaker with alicant & the balance of his Company being about 20 in number including officers, pursued the Indians & overtook them about 8 miles from the settlement with whom they had a skirmish & recaptured butright & Steel, the horses & goods, McGinnis the other prisoners being an elderly grey haired man & probably unable to travel as fast as desired, they had killed McGinnis him before alicant's Company overtook them, that in this skirmish a large fire cooking Indian took shelter behind a tree, too small to protect his body entirely from the fire of alicant's party, & after the side of the tree had been barked by several shots, the Indian feeling unsafe, left it for another & after leaving it & while running, one Benjamin Hanna of alicant's Company shot him in or near the hip, the ball ranging through to the front part of the other hip, the Indian fell to the others' feet, with this Indian they found the scalp of McGinnis, the first they knew of his being put to death, as on their retreat, they had sent a party of Indians of to one side of their trail, who had killed & scalped McGinnis, entirely out of sight of butright & Steel, from this Indian they tried to ascertain what they had done with McGinnis's body & where it was, this the Indian being unwilling to tell or not understanding the English tongue, was unable to tell what was done of him, Benjamin Hanna the man who shot him, struck his tomahawk into the Indian's head & killed & scalped him. The balance of the Indians alicant & his company pursued to what was then called the Big Pine Swamp, lying between the Sauquehanna & Delaware rivers, when not overtaking them & further pursuit being considered useless & attended with great danger, they returned. On their way back they hunted & found the body of McGinnis & buried it in the best manner they could by cutting rotten logs with their tomahawks & covering it.

That in the years 1780-1781, 1782 & 1783 alicant served the United States as a volunteer Indian Boy from early in the

from until late in the fall at least six months in each of the said years, principally under the said Lieut Henry Shoemaker - That applicant was employed in part in guarding the said Fort & Settlement, in watching the movements of the Indians, examining their trails & giving information of their approach to the Settlement & frequently in guarding those who were engaged in cultivating the soil for the support of those in the fort - Applicant on many occasions was sent in the years last mentioned together with the Company of Scouts or Spys to which applicant belongs not exceeding in number & frequently less than 20 either in pursuit of the Indians from the Settlement or in anticipation of meeting them coming to the Settlement, on two occasions of this kind Applicant was absent from the Fort & Settlement one month or thereabouts each time, but generally absent from one to 10-15 & 20 days - Applicant served in Northampton County principally, ranging from Fort Penn, Applicants head quarters, on to Schuylkill, on to the Susquehanna river, on to the Minisink Settlement on the Delaware river & on to Bushkill & elsewhere - That his service was altogether in the frontiers, unconnected with any part of the regular Army or any of its officers, except at one time, being in the rank of Applicant 10 months service, Applicant with the Company of Scouts to which he belongs, commanded by Lieut Shoemaker accompanied the American Army under command of General Sullivan, from Fort Penn, through the big Pine Swamp to Wilkesbarre, Pennsylvania, when Gen^l Sullivan was on his march to the Genesee country in the State of New York to destroy & lay waste the Indian Settlements there.

That Applicant recollects only of receiving from his discharge from the service, but by whom signed Applicant does not now recollect, but will recollect that they were given him by the said Lieut Shoemaker, which discharges are all now lost or destroyed, as Applicant considering them of no value, neglected to take any special care of them. That Applicant was born the 11th day of March 1763 or 64 in Northampton County aforesaid in the State of Pennsylvania, in Lower Smithfield Township, near Broadhead Creek about four miles from the Delaware river. That Applicant has no record of his age, the family bible left by Applicants father, in which his age was recorded, fell into the hands of a Levi Sumthorpe a stepson of Applicants father after his fathers death, who says that from long use the record became loose &

was lost - Applicant from his own recollection of the records thinks that he was born on the 11th of March 1763 or 64, but wishes to believe the latter year, but of this is not very positive, having had recent conversations with a sister-in-law of Applicants who is several years older than Applicant & who has frequently seen the record of Applicants age, says that Applicant is older by two or three years than Applicant makes himself, but still Applicant is of the belief that he was born on the 11th of March 1763.

That soon after the Revolutionary War Applicant married & continued to reside in the County last aforesaid until about the year 1796, when Applicant removed from Northampton to & resided in Luzerne County for three years, from which Applicant returned to Northampton County where he resided about nine years, from which he removed to Westmoreland County Pa where he has lived three years, from whence Applicant removed to this County (then Ohio County) where he has ever since continued to reside.

That Applicant has no documentary evidence by which he can prove his service.

That he is acquainted with William Shlachmunt & Tobat Gonell Esq^s & with Peter Israel, Stecker, Reverend John W Allen & Moses Williamson Esq^s & others of his neighborhood, who can testify as to his character for veracity & their belief of his services in the Revolution.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or annuity, but the present & declares that his name is not on the Pension roll of any State & swears & subscribed the day Dec^r 10th 1812 4 years aforesaid.

We John W Allen a Clergyman, residing in the County of Tyler and William Shlachmunt and Tobat Gonell, residents of the same and Justices of the Peace therein, Certify that we are well acquainted with David Shoemaker who has subscribed and sworn to the foregoing declaration, that we believe him to be seventy years of age, or upwards, 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 - We the said William Shlachmunt and Tobat Gonell, having been intimately

acquainted with the said David Heysham since he first came to this County, being now twenty four years in the ensuing Spring
John W. Allen
do hereby subscribe the same
day of year aforesaid Robert Gornell

And the said Court do hereby declare their opinion, after the investigation of this matter, and after putting the interrogatories prescribed by the War Department, that the above named applicant was a revolutionary soldier, and swears as he states, and the Court further certifies that it appears to them that John W. Allen, who has signed the preceding certificate, is a Clergyman, resident in the County of Tyler, and that William Delachmitt, & Robert Gornell Esquires, who have also signed the same are residents of the said County and Justices of the Peace therein, and are credible persons, and that their statement is entitled to credit.

I, David Nickman, Clerk of the County Court of Tyler in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of the said Court in the matter of the application of David Heysham for a pension.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office, this 17th day of February in the year 1834.

David Nickman
Clerk Tyler
County Court



WIDOW, &c.

File No. 3810
Elyth Heysham
Wid.
David Heysham
Port. Pass. War
Act: Feb. 22/46
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[Arrangement of 1870.]

Elizabeth Heysham, widow
of David Heysham, died, Oct
38. No case ⁱⁿ S. Godwin
bb room

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No ans

Va. Oct 1838 - 7720
Elyth Haysham David
See to D. H. H. 23 Mar '41

act 7 July '38

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Commissioner of Pensions
Washington City
D.C.

Virginia 6379

Elizabeth Keysham
widow of Saml Keysham

who was a prisoner under the Act of June 1832
and who died on the 6th September 1836
of Tyler Co. in the State of Virginia

she was a Prisoner in the company commanded
by Captain Sherman of the _____ commanded
in the W^m

for 2 years
resided in the Ball of Wheeling
at the rate of 80 Dollars _____ times per annum
commence on the 24th day of March, 1836.

Certificate of Pension issued the 18th day of Sept^r
1841 and sent to D. Williams,
Middlebourne, W^m

expires on the 24th of March 1841 \$400.00
Government allowance ending

{ Act July 7,
1838. }

Recorded by D. Brown Clerk,
Book 1. Vol. 2. Page 181

Agent notified

Accepted
Letter to Pres. Geo. F. Bay
1841
James Lewis Dec 28. 1847

Treasury Department,

Second Comptroller's Office,

Dec 20th 1838.

For:

Under the act of the 6th of April, 1833, entitled "An act directing the transfer of money remaining unclaimed by certain Pensioners, and authorizing the payment of the same at the Treasury of the United States," David Heysham a Pensioner on the Roll of the Wheeling, Virginia Agency, at the rate of Eighty — Dollars and — Cents per annum, under the law of the 7th June 1832 — has been paid at this Department, from the 4th of March 1834 to the 6th Sept 1834; the day of his death.

Respectfully, yours,

Wm. G. Parry
Comptroller.

To the Commissioner of Pensions,
Present.

Deposition of Jane
Heysham in support
of L. Heysham's declara-
tion to obtain Pension

State of Virginia
County of Giles, Va.

This Day personally appeared before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in & for said County & State aforesaid Jane Keysham, aged Seventy Eight years, (who I hereby certify to be a credible person), who being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, deposed & foreswore herself, that in the commencement of the Revolutionary War Depovent resided in Northampton County, State of Pennsylvania that Depovent was well acquainted with David Keysham (who is the brother of her late husband Thomas Keysham deceased) from the commencement of the Revolutionary War to the ending thereof & since - That she has seen the said David Keysham's declaration for obtaining a Pension under the act of the 7th June 1832, & that Depovent believes the same to be true as stated except in one particular, she thinks that the said David is mistaken about his age, Depovent being confident that he is at the least one year older than he states - Depovent saith that not long after the Revolution broke out the Indians commenced their depredations on the whites in the said County of Northampton aforesaid, which obliged the white, to go into Fort in the summer season, during the War afterwards that Depovent hath fought in West Penn & Depovent well recollects that the said David Keysham served several years, in the time of the Revolution as a spy against the Indians, sometimes in the Spring until late in the Fall, but from the great lapse of time & consequent loss of memory Depovent is unable to state the precise number of years, that the said David served, but to the best of her recollection the said David served four or five years from early in the Spring until late in the Fall as aforesaid - and further the Depovent saith not sworn to & subscribed before me this 6th day of March 1834.

John Bullman J.P.

der
Jane Keysham
marks

State of Virginia
County of Giles, Va.

I David Nickman Clerk of said County of Giles, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify, that John Bullman is a Magistrate as before stated, and that the foregoing signature, purporting to be his, is genuine.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto affixed my seal of Office, and subscribed my name, this 6th day of March 1834

D. Nickman
Clerk of the Court
of Giles County



State of Virginia
Tyler County, Va

On this 2nd day of December in the year 1843, personally appeared before me John B. Lacy, a Justice of the Peace in the County of Tyler aforesaid Elizabeth Heysham a resident of the County of Tyler aforesaid aged about seventy six or seventy seven years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth and her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed on the 3rd March, 1843, granting pensions to Widows of persons who served during the Revolutionary War. That she is the Widow of David Heysham, who was a private in the War of the Revolution, and that she received a pension from the War Department of the United States, as the Widow of the said David Heysham of Eighty Dollars a year for five years, under the act of the Congress of the United States passed July 7, 1838; and she further declares that she is still a Widow

Sworn to and subscribed in the
day & year above written before Elizabeth Heysham
witness David Hickman

State of Virginia
Tyler County, Va

I John B. Lacy, a Justice of the Peace in & for said County of Tyler in the State of Virginia before whom the foregoing declaration was made do certify that Elizabeth Heysham the above named declarant is personally known to me to be the widow of the late David Heysham dec^d late of Tyler County, to whom a Pension Certificate issued from the War Department of the United States, as a Soldier of the Revolution. And I further certify that the said Elizabeth Heysham has not intermarried with any

other person since the death of the said David Heysham, but remains his widow as stated by her. Given under my hand this 2nd day of December 1843

State of Virginia
Tyler County, Va

I David Hickman Clerk of the County Court of Tyler County Certify that John B. Lacy is a Magistrate as above, and that the foregoing signatures purporting to be his are genuine.



In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my seal of office & subscribed my name this 2nd day of December one thousand eight hundred and forty three

David Hickman
Clerk Tyler
County Court

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Wheeling Agency

State of Virginia
County of Tyler

On this 27th day of October 1848 personally appeared before me James Stealy a Justice of the Peace in and for said County duly authorized by the laws of the State to administer oaths Elizabeth Heysham, a resident of Tyler County, Virginia, aged Eighty two years or thereabouts who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declarations in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed on the 2^d of February 1845, granting pensions to widows of persons who served during the Revolutionary War.

That she is the Widow of David Heysham who was an Indian Spy or Scout, in the time of the Revolutionary War; that her & her late husband David Heysham, were born & raised in Northampton County in the State of Pennsylvania; that she was a few years younger than him & had known him from her earliest recollection; until his death; that she knows he served as a spy in the time of the Revolution, but how long, or under whom he served she does not now recollect, neither does she know in what Regiment he served (if in any) or by whom commanded, as she was of very tender years at the time of his service; but to the best of her recollection, his service was mostly, if not entirely, as an Indian Spy or Scout.

That she received a Pension of Eighty Dollars per annum, under the act of Congress passed the 27th June 1844.

She further declares that she is still a widow


Sworn to and subscribed the day & year last above men-
tioned before me

Elizabeth Heysham
witness


James Stealy Justice of the Peace
attest David McKinnan

State of Virginia
Tyler County

David McKinnan Clerk of Tyler County

Court in the State of Virginia aforesaid, do certify that
 James Stanley Esq. whose signature appears to the
 foregoing certificate is and was at the time of taking
 subscribing to the same an acting Justice of the Peace
 for the said County of Tyler, duly commissioned and
 qualified as such. And I further certify that the forego-
 ing signature purporting to be his, is genuine.
 In witness whereof I have hereunto
 subscribed my name & affixed my
 official seal this 27th day of October
 in the year One thousand eight
 hundred and forty eight


 L. Hickman
 Clerk Tyler County
 Va.

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 James L. Edwards Esq.
 Commissioner of Pensions
 Washington City
 D. C.
 J. L. Edwards
 Sept 15 1848


D. Heysham
 add. evidence in case
 of Eliza Heysham

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 a commission
 name of person

Sept. 11. 1841

Middlebourn Sept. 4. 1841

Dear Sir,

Mr. Elizabeth Heysham's friends
 some months after her declaration was made &
 sent you to obtain a Pension, discovered that
 Josiah Thomas, the person spoken of in her declar-
 ation was living & where & procured his deposi-
 tion in relation to her marriage, with her late
 husband David Heysham dec'd, which is here-
 with enclosed - It will be seen that there
 is a variance in Mr. Heysham's statement as
 to the time of her marriage & the time stated by
 the witness Thomas - she says in 1786 or 1787
 & he in 1788 - However it does not weaken her
 claim to the Pension she claims - I do not
 doubt but that he is correct & she mistaken, as
 to her age & the year she was married in -
 she has no education whatever & Thomas
 (who I will know 15 or 20 years ago) has, & he is
 most likely to be correct in his recollection of the
 year of the marriage - I was told by the
 person who took Thomas' Deposition, that he had
 been informed at the time of giving it, that he
 & Mr. Heysham differed about the year of the marriage
 he however expressed the strongest confidence in his
 recollection of the time & said he could not be
 mistaken - This proof might entitle Mr.
 Heysham to a pension for life perhaps, but she
 is content to take under the act of 7th July 1808 -

If this pension is granted it would be
 preferable to have a draft for it on the Collector
 of Customs in Baltimore in the way some arrears
 of Pensions was paid to Mr. Lewis & Mr. McKay's Agent
 of this Country - Please let me hear from you
 on the subject at your earliest convenience

Very respectfully yours Obedt
 J. Edwards Esq

Deposition of Thomas
Keysham

Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text, likely a deposition or legal document. The text is written in cursive and appears to be a continuation of the deposition from the bottom page.

State of Virginia
Tyler County Va
This 15th day of February 1848
personally appeared before me the undersigned a
justice of the Peace in & for said County, Thomas
Keysham, who I certify to be a credible witness, and
made oath according to law that he affiant was
fifty eight years old last July; that he was
well acquainted with David Keysham, late of
the County of Tyler aforesaid & a Resener of the
United States, in the lifetime of the said David
that the said David was affiant's uncle, and
affiant knew him & his wife Elizabeth Keysham
from the time he can first recollect any thing,
which is upwards of fifty years. When affiant
first knew the said David & Elizabeth, they were
living together as husband & wife & continued to
live so until the death of the said David affiant
has not a doubt but that they were legally mar-
ried as in the course of his whole life, he has
never heard anything to the contrary, and is con-
fident that they had not been legally married,
affiant would have heard it from his affiant's
father & mother (both now dead) who were no
doubt well well acquainted with all the cir-
cumstances attending the same; and further
that the said Elizabeth Keysham has remained
unmarried since the death of her said husband
the said David Keysham - and further affiant
saith not
Sworn to and subscribed on this day and year first before
written
Thomas Keysham
mark
J. Shaw J.P.
Virginia, Tyler County, I David M. Thomas clerk of the

Court of Tyler County, certify that John B. Lacy
is a Magistrate as certified by him, and that
his foregoing signature purporting to be his is genuine.
In Testimony whereof I have here-
unto affixed my seal of Office &
subscribed my name this 19th day
of February one thousand eight
hundred and forty one.

J. Hickman
Clerk of the
County Court

Middlebourne
Tyler County
Sept 3rd 1843

Sir,
Enclosed you have the Decla-
rations of Mrs Elizabeth Heysham widow
of David Heysham Esq^r who was a Soldier
of the Revolution; in order to obtain
a Pension under the Act of 3rd March
1843

Direct your answer, at your
earliest convenience to Sir your
Obedient Serv^t

J. Edwards Esq^r J. Hickman
Comm^r of Pensions

July 6
Mr Evans



J. L. Edwards Esq
Commissioner of Customs
Washington City

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Customs Agent
Washington July 27 1866

J. L. Edwards Esq
Dept of Customs

Dear Sir

I enclose for examination
Elizabeth Keythams sundry trunks 12 trunks

I am

Yours most respectfully
J. Allen Brown

Customs Agent
for Gen J. Campbell

Elizabeth Heysham
Wid of David
No
Act July 7 1838
Married 1786
died Sept 6 1834
Allied \$50 per ann

S

D Hickman Esq
Middlebourn
No

Division Agency
Washington Dec 22^d 47
Dear Sir
I enclose you Elizabeth Heysham
Voucher for examination — 12 Months
I am, Very Respectfully,
Your Obedt Servt
A. M. Whittman
President Agent
S. L. Edwards Esq
Commissioner of Patents

Midleton
Tyrone County V. I.
October 27. 1845

James L. Edwards Esq
Commissioner of Pensions

Dear Sir,

I enclose herewith Mr. Egan's
letter & your declaration for a Pension under
the act of 2^d February 1845. Please make it
payable at the Whiting V. Agency as heretofore,
and enclose her Pension Certificate to my address
at this place. Yr Obedt Servt

D. Nickman

Pa

~~James L. Edwards~~

J. L. Edwards Esq
Com. of Pensions

Number 100
27. 1845

H. E. Clark

Dear Sir
I enclose to you the papers of
David Kebleton in application for
pensions. will you give in your early
attention
Yours very respectfully
E. C. Wilson

Received of the Secretary of the
Board of Education
for the sum of \$100.00
July 11, 1882
J. C. Wilson

Middlebourn
June 11. 1855

Hon.ble Loren P. Waldo
Commissioner of Pensions.

Sir,

I send with
this the Declaration of Mrs Elizabeth Heysham,
Widow of David Heysham who was a Soldier
of the Revolution, for bounty land warrant under
the Act of 3rd March 1855 - When the warrant
is issued, you can enclose it to me.

Very respectfully
yours
D. Hickman

State of Ohio
Lucas County, ss. I, Joseph Thomas, Justice of the Peace,
do hereby certify that the within and subscribed
Deponent, Thomas, aged Eighty four years who I certify
to be a credible witness, who being first duly
sworn according to my oaths on the 23rd day of June
and day that he is well acquainted with Elizabeth
Heysham widow of David Heysham dec'd who was
a Pensioner of the United States. Deponent's acquaint-
ance with the said David & Elizabeth commencing
in early life. Deponent living in the same neighbor-
hood where they resided. Deponent further
saith that the said David Heysham intermarried
with the said Elizabeth (whose maiden name
was Elizabeth Dicks) in the summer of the year
One thousand Seven hundred and Eighty three as
Deponent truly believes. Deponent being present at
the wedding as an invited guest. Deponent has
known the said David & Elizabeth Heysham well
ever since until he left Lucas County some years
ago. & further the Deponent saith and
sworn to & subscribed before me
this 23rd day of June A.D. 1855 } Joseph Thomas

Joseph Thomas Justice of the Peace

The State of Ohio Lucas County ss. I, Moses Washburn Clerk of the Court
of Common Pleas within and for said county of Lucas, do hereby
certify that Joseph Thomas Deponent before above the above official
of Joseph Thomas was subscribed and sworn, was at the time
a Justice of the Peace within and for said county of Lucas,
and duly elected, commissioned and sworn, and duly authorized to administer
oaths, to whom acts as such full faith and credit are
due, and I do further certify that the above signature of

said Justice is granted. — See Testimony (wherein
 I have heretofore set my hands and left
 signed the Seal of said Court at
Baltimore the 13th day
 of June in the year of our Lord one
 thousand eight hundred and forty
 one. — Witness my hand and face
 at Baltimore this 13th day
of June 1841.

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NAME Virginia, Ohio GRADE Grade LINE Virginia

WARRANT NUMBER 4314 ACREAGE 100 ISSUED Sept. 13, 1792
To — not shown

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