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Virginia 23,878.

William M. Kay
of Tyler in the State of Va
who was a pr. in the Army commanded
by Captain McKee of the _____ commanded
by _____ in the A. C. Co.
line for 23 1/2 months.

Died 6. Dec 1836
Order to pay 7. Died 1837.

Granted on the Roll of Virginia
at the rate of 1/8 - Dollars 33 Cents per annum
to commence on the 1st day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 20th day of April 1834
Nichman, Tyler Co. - Va
and Clerk David

Amount to the 1st of Jan 1834 234.99
Pension allowance ending 1st of Jan 1834 39.16.

\$ 274.15

{ Revolutionary Claim, }
{ Act June 7, 1832. }

Recorded by Nathl. Rice - Clerk,
Book C Vol. Cyp Page 24-

Quint

Virginia 3739

Vancey M. Kay
widow of William M. Kay, dec'd
who was a pensioner under the Act of 1832
and who died on the 6 Oct 1836
of Tyler Co in the State of Virginia
was a private in the Co commanded
by Captain M. Green of the regt commanded
for 23 1/2 months

Recorded on the Roll of Richmond
at the rate of 78 Dollars 33 Cents per annum,
commences on the 1st day of Oct 1836.

Certificate of Pension issued the 3 day of Augt
1839 by Agent D. Hickman
Middlebourne, Tyler Co. Va

Amount to the 1st of Mar 1839 \$189.33
Semi-annual allowance ending 4 Sep 39 39.16
\$228.49

{ Act July 7, }
1838.

Recorded by D. M. Lowry, Clerk,
Book A. Vol. 2. Page 179.

see letter Sept. 25. 1839 to
P. Agt. & J. Brown Jr.
do to Richmond agent 15th
man Sept 29. 1840

To Wheeling from 4 Sept
1839 to 6 Oct 1840. Notification
to D. Hickman, Middlebourne
Tyler County. Va
Letter to D. Hickman & P. Agt
27. Feb 1841.

Paid as above from 4 Sept
1839 to 16 April 1840. As
Dead

Paid at the Treasury
under the Act of the 16
April 1838 from 4. Sep 1839
to 16. April 1840. Agt notified
25 March 1841.

1839
Mar 1839

Print

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

Second Comptroller's Office,

March 3^d, 1841.

Sir:

Under the act of the 6th of April, 1838, 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," The adm^r of Nancy Mc Kay, a Pensioner on the Roll of the Richmond, Va. Agency, at the rate of Seventy eight Dollars and 33 Cents per annum, under the law of the 4th July 1838, has been paid at this Department, from the 4th of Sept. 1839, to the 16th April 1840.

Respectfully yours,

William B. Parry

Comptroller.

To the Commissioner of Pensions,

Present.

Letter N. 1

Jan 1816
N. 1

General Hillier 38 1/2
Jan 1816
[unclear]

January the 5th 1816 Each year
I have Death on Sister
I never did I expect to hear from you or
any of yours - The tidings gives great
Satisfaction to me and also to the rest of
our Relations - The news is great to me
and of Great Satisfaction - I have a number
of Circumstances to relate my Father died
April the 4th 1802 Brother John died in
Greenland County November 11th 1795 he
never returned home going with your moving
Sister Isabella died August the 24th 1811
My Mother died January 1813 and Sister
Catherine died August the 15th 1814
The thought of what is mention in the
line above perhaps may cause great
Melancholly in the mind of those that did
not witness the scene of all those deaths
Sister Isabella died in the State of Georgia
she was used with the greatest Severity of
any she lived six years at my Mother's and
with her Children three years

1^o Nancy 2^o Peggy 3^o John 4th Emily 5th Daniel
The name of the other Child I know not
Brother William is a Merchant in Wilmington
worth about one Hundred Thousand Dollars
much beloved and respected by all that have
Dealings or Acquaintance with him
Brother Alexander lives a Bachelor in
good Circumstances Brother Adam is living
at the old Mill he married last year
to Mrs Catharine Henderson a daughter of
Manasseh Henderson Sister Peggy married
to John Gordon a Son of Captain Gordon
or Alexander Gordon they have four Children
their names 1^o Alexander 2^o Abigail 3^o Eddy
4th not named as yet for my part I have
5 in family the names of the first John
2^o Nancy 3^o Daniel 4th Hugh 5th Catharine
I married in the Mr Leans family a Daughter
of Hugh Leans a nephew of Hinrich Campbell
we are all in good Circumstances there is
of your Acquaintance or live except John he lives
in the old Mill as an Minister at this time

I have many things to relate but not certain
whether this letter should ever come to your
hand or not yet. Should I hope you will
write to me again I hope that some of us will
see each other yet Brother William talks of
travelling to see the Country and I expect
will hear of this letter he would rather go that
way than any other way.

You will please to mention in your next
letter the distance you live from Petersburg
in Virginia.

I conclude in hopes of hearing
from you again on my wife's request
you take care of the rest of the family.

You direct your letter Hugh Shackley
Richmond County Laurel Hill post office
near the Norfolk J. W. Day

P.S. mention what post office will be nearest my
next letter.

5314

Nancy McKee

Wid. of Nathaniel

N.Y.

July 7 1738

Married 1758

dec. Oct 6 1736

Married 1733 per

Am. from Oct 6

1836. 1733

Attest
I, *[Signature]*
County Clerk
of the County of
Hudson
do hereby certify that
the within and above
written is a true and
correct copy of the
original as the same
now stands in my
office.

State of Virginia,
Tyler County

On this 11th day of April in the year 1809, personally appeared before the subscriber a justice of the Peace in & for the County of Tyler in the State aforesaid Nancy all Key a resident of the said County of Tyler, aged sixty nine 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 1808, entitled "An Act granting half pay and pensions to Certain Widows: That she is the widow of William all Key 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 30th day of April 1804; that she was not acquainted with the said William all Key her late husband, until after the close of the Revolutionary War, & of course could not know any thing of his services, except what he told her of her their acquaintance commenced, but as to his having performed the services narrated by him in his declaration filed in the War Office of the United States she has no doubt, & refers to the same as the only evidence of his service in her power to procure.

She further declares that she was married to the said William all Key sometime in the first week of February in the year seventeen hundred and eighty seven, the particular day of the month she does not now recollect that her husband the aforesaid William all Key died on the 6th day of October 1806; that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January seventeen hundred and ninety four (1794) at the time stated.

That in the year 1796, her said husband removed from the State of South Carolina, where they lived at the time, to the County of Clinch in the State of Virginia; that one of her brothers who was named John

Blackay (affiant's maiden name, having been Blackay
came with them to Goodland County in this State, where
he left them, with a view of returning to the Carolinas.
From this brother, or indeed from any of the family
connections that they had left behind, they never heard, un-
-til they received a letter from affiant's brother Hugh
(now deceased) to whom affiant's husband had previously
written) dated the 5th January 1816. They afterwards recei-
-ved several letters from affiant's brothers namely
Adam (N^o 2) William (N^o 3) Hugh (N^o 4) and Alexander
(N^o 5) which several letters accompany this application
as a part of the best evidence in her power now to
procure of her marriage.

That at the time of her removal from Carolina
in 1795, she had, by her said husband William Mitty
four children, the oldest of whom was Abel Mitty
who was born the 19th day of April 1788 fourteen months
& more after she was married. She further declares
that she has no record of her marriage & does not
now recollect that she ever had, but her husband
had a record of their children's ages, in a small
Bible, from which the births of affiant's children
were transcribed about seventeen years ago into a
large family bible. The smaller record was then given
to her son Reuben Mitty, of whom affiant lately made
enquiry as to its existence, & was informed by her said
son, that the book came to pieces by use & was destroyed.
The affiant however states that the age of her said son
Abel Mitty is recorded in an old Testament, & a calendar
which she declares has long been in the possession of her
-self & family, to which she refers as additional proof
of her marriage to the said William Mitty at the time
stated by her, upon which she must for the present rely,
as she does not know, if any one living, by whom she could
prove her marriage - She further declares that she has
not heard from any one of her brothers for many years &
if any of them are living she does not know where to address
a letter so that it will certainly reach them

sworn & subscribed on the day & year first above
written before me Joseph H. Bond J. P. Nancy Mitty
mark

State of Virginia
Tyler County. J. Joseph M. Coy a Justice of the
Peace in & for the County of Tyler in the State of Virginia
aforesaid, before whom the foregoing Declaration was made
do certify that Nancy M. Kay the Declarant cannot from
bodily infirmity attend the Court of said County to make the
same before the said Court. And I further certify that I
was well acquainted with William M. Kay her late
husband, at the time of his death, that I had known,
both him & his wife the said Nancy for a period of
about thirty years, previous to his death, having lived
within two miles of them for upwards of thirty years,
during all which time, they lived as man & wife and
I never heard a suspicion uttered to the contrary of their
being so. In addition to which, they were persons of res-
pectability and I do not doubt of their having been married
at the time stated by her, for I will recollect when I
first became acquainted with them, that Abel M. Kay
their eldest son was of such age & appearance as to
justify her present statement of his age. And I further
certify that upon an examination of a large family
Bible shewn me by the said Nancy, in which her
children's ages are recorded, that the age of her oldest
son is there recorded as she has stated it, and as I
find it recorded in an old Testament & Psalm Book
which she has this day shewn me, given under
my hand at the residence of the said Nancy M. Kay
this 11th day of April 1839. Joseph M. Coy J.P.

I Joseph M. Coy also certify that the said Nancy M. Kay
has not intermarried with any other person since the
death of the said William M. Kay, but remains his
widow as stated by her April the 11th 1839

Joseph M. Coy J.P.

State of Virginia
Tyler County. J. David Hickman Clerk of the

County Court of Tyler County, Certify that Joseph
McCoy is a magistrate as before stated by him
and that the foregoing signatures purporting to be
his are genuine.

In Testimony whereof I have
hereunto set my hand and
affixed my seal of office, this
10th day of April, one thousand
and eight hundred thirty nine.

L. Hickman
Clerk of Tyler
County Court

Wm. McCoy
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Joseph McCoy
Magistrate
Tyler County
Georgia

Wm. McCoy
1838

Wm. McCoy
1838

William M Kay

Declaration for
obtaining Pension

Admit as private
25 1/2 months \$7833

D. Hickman
Tyler C. H.
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State of Virginia
Tyler County

On this 17th day of August, 1833, Personally appeared before the County Court of Tyler County William McKays, a resident of said County of Tyler and State aforesaid, aged seventy three years the 23rd day of October 1832, who being first sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he enlisted in the 6th Regiment North Carolina State troops for the Term of Six Months sometime in the early part of the year 1776, with Capt. John Griffin all Breca, to whose company he was attached during his service of Six Months; that at the time of his enlistment he resided in Gladen County in the State of North Carolina, in which County he enlisted; that he was marched to & stationed at Wilmington in the State last aforesaid; where he was discharged after having served the Term of Six Months for which he enlisted; that the officer in command at Wilmington when he was stationed there, was Brigadier General Moore, who died before his 6 months expired; that attached to his company were Lieutenants, Giles, Christopher Gooden & Ensign Richard Singletary.

That in the month of December in the year 1779, he resided in Rowan County, North Carolina, when he was drafted for a Term of Three Months & rendezvoused at Charlotte Town, Mecklenburg County that in this Town he served under Captain John Sloan, in the North Carolina Militia; that from this place of rendezvous he was marched to Charleston South Carolina; the Regiment to which he was attached was commanded by a Colonel Hamright or Hamrod; the Station by General Lincoln; that he only recollects of his own company; officers (in addition to the Captain already named) Lieutenant Sharp, that he knew in this service Capt. Alexander & Graham or Grimes, who were also from the State of North Carolina; that he served Three Months, the time for which he was drafted & was discharged at Charleston, South Carolina, the 24th day of March 1780.

That in the summer of the year 1780 he was still residing in Rowan County aforesaid, when he was drafted for a Three Months Term, & served under Captain Hugh Gilmore, guarding the ford on the Catawba river, between the farms then owned by William Kyle & Samuel Anston, to prevent the British Army from passing or crossing said river; that he served Three Months the term for which he was drafted & was

discharged in the fall of the year 1780 aforesaid
That in the winter of the year 1780 in the month of
December he still resided in Rowan County aforesaid, in the
State of North Carolina aforesaid, when he was again drafted
for a Three Months Term, that he was attached to a Company
commanded by Captain James Crawford & was marched to &
stationed at McCowan's ford on the Catawba river in said
State, that on the 1st day of February (as well as he recollects
of the year 1781, he with the Troops stationed at said Ford
had an engagement with the British under Lord Cornwallis,
who passed the river at said ford, killing General Davidson,
his Commander & making him together with others of the American
Army prisoners. That at the time of this engagement, he had
served out his Term of Three Months within a few days, that
the British kept him a prisoner until they reached Charleston,
South Carolina, and afterwards detained him as a Prisoner
until after the capture of Lord Cornwallis, when they either
set him at liberty, or he was regularly exchanged, he does not
recollect which. In this Term he served Three Months within a
few days as aforesaid & was detained a prisoner with the
Enemy as aforesaid from about the 1st of February 1781, until after
Cornwallis's capture, which was the 19th of October 1781, say 8 1/2
Months, making in all as soldier & prisoner three last-mentioned
Terms & a half months. That for the two first-mentioned
Terms he received regular discharges, but which have long
ago been destroyed or lost, as he considered them of no value
& took no particular care of them. That while in the
United States service, he was acquainted with a number of
Officers, among others General Lincoln, Davidson & one of
General Davidson's Lieut. Logan.

That he cannot from the lapse of time recollect
the number or names of any Continental or Militia Regiments
with which he served, other than the one in which he first
served - That he was born in Scotland the 23rd day of
October 1759, that he has no record of his age, but has
a distinct recollection of the account his Parents gave
him of his age, which is that before stated. That his
Parents emigrated with him from Scotland to the State of
North Carolina, about the year 1772 or 3. That since the
Revolutionary war he resided in Rowan County, afterwards
a short time in Surcell County taken from Rowan, afterwards
in Richmond County, afterwards he removed to Chesterfield
County in the State of South Carolina, from where he removed

near thirty years ago to Ohio County, from which Gyles was taken, where he lived one year, whence he removed to this county, which was then part of Ohio, where he has ever since continued to reside. That he has no documentary evidence by which he can prove his service & knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

That he is acquainted with the Reverend Thomas Jones, Joseph M' Coy, William Wells, John Nicklin, John M' Coy, John Martin & 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. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

Wm M Kay

We Thomas Jones a Clergyman, residing in the County of Gyles State of Virginia and Robert Gornell, residing in the same, certify that we are well acquainted with William M Kay who has subscribed and sworn to the foregoing declaration, that we believe him to be twenty three 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, having been acquainted with him, one of us for upwards of thirty six & the other thirty three years. Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

Thomas Jones

Robert Gornell

And the said Court do hereby declare their opinion after the investigation of the matter, and after putting the interrogatories prescribed by the War department, that the above named applicant was a Revolutionary soldier, and served as he states, and the Court further certifies that it appears to them that Thomas Jones, who has signed the preceding certificate, is a Clergyman, resident in this County, and that Robert Gornell, who has also signed the same is a resident of this County, and is a credible person, and that their statement is entitled to credit.

I David Kirkman Clerk of the Court of Gyles County do hereby certify that the foregoing contains a true copy.

of the original proceedings of the said Court, in the matter
of the applications of William M Kay for a Pension.



In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto
set my hand and seal of office, this
17th day of August 1833

David Hickman

[Faded handwritten text, likely the body of the court order or certificate.]

William M Kay
Petitioner for
obtaining Pension
Amount of Pension
98th and 1/2 p 1833

[Faded handwritten text, possibly a signature or additional notes.]

October 31, 1934

XXXXXXXXXXXX

Mr. A. W. McKay
Middleport
Ohio

BA-J/MCS
William McKay, W. 7429

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your request for information in regard to the Revolutionary War soldier, William McKay, and his widow, Nancy.

The data which follow were obtained from papers on file in the pension claim, W. 7429, based upon the Revolutionary War service of William McKay.

He was born October 23, 1759, in Scotland and came to North Carolina about 1772 or 3 with his parents whose names were not given.

While living in Bladen County, North Carolina, he enlisted early in 1778 and served six months as private in Captain ~~John Griffith~~ McRee's company in the Sixth North Carolina Regiment. He enlisted and served three months as private in Captain John Sloan's company in Colonel Hamright's or Hamrod's North Carolina regiment and was discharged March 24, 1780. He enlisted in the summer of 1780 and served three months as private in Captain Hugh Gilmore's North Carolina company. He enlisted in December, 1780, as private in Captain James Crawford's North Carolina company and on February 1, 1781, he was taken prisoner at the battle of Cowan's Ford on the Catawba River and was held in captivity until after the capture of Cornwallis.

He was living in Rowan County, North Carolina, at the time of his second enlistment. He afterwards lived in Fredell and Richmond Counties, North Carolina, and in Chesterfield County, South Carolina. In 1795 he moved to Ohio County, Virginia, from which Tyler County was taken.

He was allowed pension on his application executed August 17, 1833, at which time he was living in Tyler County, Virginia.

William McKay died October 6, 1836.

He married the first week of February, 1787, Nancy whose maiden name was McKay or MacKay.

She was allowed pension on her application executed April 11, 1829, while living in Tyler County, Virginia, aged sixty-nine years.

The widow, Nancy, died April 16, 1840.

She stated that at the time she moved from Carolina in 1795 she had four children but the only names given were, -- Well who was born April 19, 1768, Reuben and Isabella.

The following were brothers and sisters of the widow, Nancy: Hugh who in 1819 was living in Richmond County, North Carolina, with post office at Laurel Hill, had married a daughter of Hugh McLean and had children: John, Nancy, Daniel, Hugh; Catherine, George and Lockland; Isabella who died in Georgia on August 24, 1811, leaving children, -- Wany, Peggy, John, Sally, Daniel and another (name not given) and in 1815 said children were living with their father (name not given) in Jones County, Georgia, on the Ocmulgee River near Fort Hawkins; John who died in Goochland County, Virginia, November 11, 1795; Catherine who died August 15, 1814; ^{Miss who lived in Robeson County,} North Carolina, with post office at Cowper Hill, married August 31, 1815, Catherine Henderson, the daughter of Manasseh Henderson, and in 1819 they had a son and had lost a daughter (their names not given); Margaret who married February 9, 1809, John Gordon (the son of Alexander Gordon) they lived "up Shoe Hill" where Agnes MacAlester formerly lived and had children, Alexander, Isabella, Effay, Pillian and another daughter (name not given) said John Gordon died May 1 or 2, 1818; William who in 1816 was a merchant living in Wilmington, North Carolina, and about 1818 he married Amy D. Berry; Alexander who in 1819 was a bachelor.

Hugh McKay or MacKay, brother of the widow, Nancy McKay, stated that his father died April 4, 1803, and that his mother died in January, 1815, but their names were not given. In 1821 said Hugh stated that his sister, Peggy, had a son born March 4, 1821, but no reference was made to a second marriage of Margaret Gordon and name of the son was not given.

In 1816 reference was made to Madwell or Maxwell McKay's wife and son who, when "last heard" from, the son was living the other side of Cheroke Hill.

Very truly yours

A. D. HILLER
Assistant to Administrator

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*To Mrs. McKay
Roy WIDOW, &c.*

File No. 7429
Nancy McKay
Widow
4700
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Post Office, Va.

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*To Mrs. McKay
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Wm Mc Kay No 6 for sum of \$100
At \$70.00 - Died 6th October 1836 & paid to
that time. S. H. H. WAL
omit-

Letter No 2
The Company
1836

State of Carolina Pickens County March the 19
1796

Dear Brother and Sister
Brother Wm. you
received letter dated the 27th July last which
afforded us great satisfaction to learn you
were all in good health and that time

I have to acquaint you that the good family
do enjoy good health as also all the rest of
your Brothers & Sister - you see your sister
to know how Sister Elizabeth's children was
found they are with their father in Jones County
in the State of Georgia on the Ockmulgee
River near Fort Hawkins - Sister Catharine
was not married neither is Brother William

Brother Alexander is not married he has sold out
all his moveable Property and one of his Slaves
and he has two yet, equal to his plantation
Some time he had a talk of going to see you
but it not certain is yet but with determination
by our next you requested to know whether
they were thicker settled now than when you

left here they are doubt or nearly as thick
as they were at that time But is in a good
way of making money Since year
Every produce sells well at this time Cotton
sold last winter at 26 cents per pound picked
in market. ^{Wholesale quantity in the neighborhood}
Haven sells at 15 cents per pound even at 15 to 20
cents per bushel & all other country produce
in proportion also you are said to know
some thing concerning Madwell's wife
and you we know nothing particular about
them the last we heard was don was then
a long the other side side of Chairaw
Hill. The Army of Little ^{has} ~~is~~ ^{been} ~~is~~
you left here and their price
rise in proportion to their quantity -
I don't have any thing else to write worth
the merit of your attention I was named
in the 31 day of August last to Miss Catharine
Wenderson's Daughter to Manapah Wenderson
on the 9th day of February 1809. ^{Miss Wenderson}
was married to a young man by the name of

John Gordon. They are now living up the Hill
where Angus MacLester formerly lived. They have
four Children, two sons & two Daughters
their oldest named Alexander (after his husband's
father) the next Isabella - 3rd Effy and the
youngest I conclude with Margaret
if you to write to some of us or if you wish
come to hand Catherine & your sister
Margaret joins in their best respects to you
all I am Dear Madam as ever your
Obedient Son &c
John Gordon

Direct your letters to St. Catharines
Robson County, New Brunswick
Crescent Hill Post Office

John Gordon would take it as a particular
Favour if you would write to him

over

Bank of Virginia

October 2^d 1840.

Sir,

The last payment to Nancy McKay, widow of William McKay deceased, a pensioner under the Act of July 7, 1838, at seventy eight $\frac{39}{100}$ dollars per annum, was to the 4. day of September 1839.

I am, respectfully,

Your obed^t Serv^t

Anty Robinson

for J. Prochenbrough

J. L. Edwards, Esq^r
Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington

Letter N.º 3

Forwarded from Middlebury Virginia paid 1/10

Mr. William Mackay
Miller
Tyson County Virginia
Middle Berry Post Office

Middle Berry Post Office
Tyson County Virginia

to John
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Forwarded from Middlebury Virginia paid 1/10

Mr. William Mackay
Miller
Tyson County Virginia
Middle Berry Post Office

mail

Stancell May
Wilmington N.C. July 15th 1846

Dear Sister

Previous to yours of the 16th June I rec^d a letter from my Brother mentioning of your being still in the land of the living & I assure you that nothing has giving me more satisfaction than hearing from one whom I never expected to hear from I am extremely glad to hear from you and that you all enjoy good health and doing well I wish I could flatter myself with the idea of going to see you all but since your last case must have been transported from place to place and I really have taken up my residence in the place where I have at present been very successful and is doing well this year I have been more harassed and have my business in such way or such a situation that I shall not be able to leave this place this fall and at this time only as it is I begin to get sickly I am extremely sorry that my business will not admit of my going out to see you all - I am sorry to say that I live a Doctors life altho my situation at present do not authorize it for I live at a great expence the Board of my 2 young ones is fifteen Dollars a week which

if I was married having servants and
houses of my own it might be left to -
I fear that you will excuse me from
business in that way for I fear that I shall
die before I shall have it in my power
to say to you that I have altered my mode of
living and is now married -

In regard to my brother I have not heard from
them for some time but have verbal information
that they are all well - I hope that these
few lines may find you all enjoying all
the health and happiness which you can
wish for and if my business will ever
permit of going out to see you you may
expect me and I shall not fail of writing
you occasionally ^{which} will be expected from
me - as to mentioning any thing about my situation
I look on as unnecessary for it is an old saying &
a true one that a merchant in Holland who sells like
a dog brought to market that their value is not known
till after they are dead you may judge from that the
true situation is not the best - I shall write you again
before long when I shall take more time and shall
write you more fully of my adventures since you
last saw me - I will expect to hear from you
frequently of this - Give my best respects to Mrs
Williams and all my Nephews & Nieces. Yours
willing

all excuse me
and see you

I am not all to me

James Douglas Esq
Yours truly

William

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Receipt -

Public Agency
NORTH WESTERN BANK OF VIRGINIA.

Wheeling, December 2^d 1837

Dear Sir,

I enclose for your inspection
ouchers of Nancy McKay widow of James McKay dec'd. a
bond under Act of June 1832 at \$75⁰⁰ for \$100⁰⁰ -
claiming from March 1834 to 6th Oct 1836 -

I am,

Yours very respectfully

A. Wood
Asst. Cashier

J. H. Edwards & Co.
Commissioners of Public Lands
Washington D. C.

Robison County May the 19th 1821

Dear Sir I received your letter dated the
First of March and Gladly Embrace this oppor-
tunity of Answering your Welcom letter I am
also glad that you got safe home to your
family and found them all in good health
as you Stated in your letter of being thankful
to the bountiful give for perservering you throgh
the many dangerous you under went in coming
that long distance to see us I with the rest
of your friends join in giving thanks to the
divine power who guides us through our many
Difficultys - Respecting Alexander's going
to that Country I talked with him on that
Subject he said that he had fixed himself
in that way that it was out of his power
to state to you at this time any thing to
give you any hopes of his going there
Shortly but that his intencion was to go
when ever he could get his bujiness Settled
he said he had a Horse to get clothing and
money the latter thing very hard to get as it
is the cause of many a broken Farmer here

I have heard from Wilmington William
Wife has recovered good Health -

After Peggy had a young son the 4th day of
of March and found well in her passage
and has been in good health since

All your friends here and your acquaintances
have been well since you left here I have
nothing of importance or worth your attention
to write at this time only low market

Cotton $\frac{1}{2}$ 12 - 50 to 13

Bacon - 5

Corn - 0 - 75

I now conclude with my best love and respect
for each one of you differently &c

a letter wrote by the request of Alex^r McRay

To Mr William McRay
By Hugh McRay

Mr. William W. Hay
(No. 4) Tyler County
State of Virginia
David Hollister
April 18 1819

Rockyford Richmond County Sept 15th 1819

Dear Brother & Sister

I embrace this opportunity of
informing you with our present situation we
are all well at this time thanks be to providance
for his mercies I am still living at the old place
near the Rockyford where I have opened a large
plantation we have seven children five sons and
two daughters the last two I named George and
Luchland the thoughts of moving to a fresh County
has been always my design although I never
went to visit any part of the world farther than
part of N^o Carolina and South Carolina but should
I ever move I expect to go to the Alabama
State to which part I have been encourage very
much to go to by acquaintances that is gone thro

Respecting Brother Williams I have
not heard from him in five month he has accum-
mulated a vast deal of riches he is I believe one of
the richest in the town of Wilmington he
married last Summer was twelve months to
a young lady of the name of Ann D. Bury
Brother Alex^r lives a bachelors life as yet
he works at the carpenters trade about in
the Country and talks of going to the Missis-
sippi State as quick as he can collect his debts
I conclude this part in describing Hugh McHoy
your most obedient Brother till Death

I had the pleasure of reading a letter from
you dated July the 19th 1819 directed to John Gordon
Gordon is not living he died the first or second
day of May 1818 left over Sister a widow with
five children two of them sons the Estate much
undivided She has kept her health as yet and is
doing tolerably well

Brother Adam he is living at the old Mill
his family is ^{smallly} but they have but one son he
had a daughter that died he is in good
circumstances

I note to you last fall concern of Gordons Death
I directed my letter as I used to direct them
and Sister Peggy sent a letter since her Husbands
death - I believe it will be two year last
September since we recd a letter before this one
I have nothing very particular to write only
a wonderful Drought appears to continue
our largest Streams of water are nearly
dry and a grate talk of Deaths and Sick-
ness in my parts of our Country
our crops are tolerably well considering
Such a season the cotton market is very low
which will hurt a grate many of our farmers
who have contracted large debts depending ^{on the cotton} of it

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William M. Kay, No 7 June 1832.
\$78.33
To what time last paid
Account
Census Office p^o the 4 March 1834
7 Dec 1837
JH

Doss N.C. June 13, 1917
Dept. Interior Bureau of Pensions. Rev Sec (2)

Gentlemen: It
Will you kindly

send a copy of the application for
pension papers of my ancestor
William M^o Taylor or M^o Coy of
Tyler Co now W. Va then Va.
Pension granted about 1830.

I have written you once
before, but in some way the
request has been overlooked.
I hope I may have an answer
soon this time, Thanking you

Ms. E. T. Perkins

Bureau letter Doss
which was mailed to Ravenswood W. Va
returned, sent to
Doss. N.C. June 14, 1917

Dept. of the Interior, Rev 402
Bureau of Pensions, 4 171

Dear Sirs -

In reply to your letter of Nov. 15th
I am sending you the proof of
the identification you require that
I am a lineal descendant of
William McKay - who was my
great grandfather.

William McKay served in the Rev. War
6 mos. in 1776 under Capt. John Griffith
with the 6 Reg. N.C.

2nd 3 months serving Nov. 24 - 1780
Capt John Brown - Col. Hamright,
3rd - Summer 1780 - 3 months - Capt
Hugh Gilmore - Col. Hamright,
4th Dec 1780 Capt Crawford - Col
Hamright.

Place of residence at enlistment

Bladen County - North Carolina
He was born in Scotland, 1757
- died - Tyler Co. Va Oct. 1831
The given name of his wife was
Nancy

Since I have complied with
your request will you kindly
mail me the pension papers
which seems necessary for me
to have - in order that since of
my D. A. R. Papers be accepted -

My truly yours
W. Eliza Collinge

Mrs. W. H. Collinge -
Nurses Ballroom -
Jackson County - N.C.

Ravenswood May 14, 17

Per sec

Com. of Pensions

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly
send me a copy of the Pension
report of my ancestor W^m McKay
Pensioned about 1830 in Tyler
Co. then Va. Now W. Va for services
in Rev. War. Thanking you, I
remain yours,

Ernest P. Perkins

Ravenswood

W. Va.

Bureau letter
returned from
mailed other at
Doss N. C. June 14, 1917

October 19 - 1937

Veterans Administration
Rev. & 1812 Wars Section
Washington - D. C.

Please furnish me the
record of William Mc Kay
pension claim No. 7428

Frank Milton Schertz - Schertz
1305 Farquhar St. N.W.
City Washington D.C.

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THOMAS A. JENKINS

17th Dist. Ohio
HOME ADDRESS:
IRONTON, OHIO

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

Ironton, Ohio,
October 2, 1934.

Revolutionary War Division,
Veterans Administration,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Re: William McKay and
Nancy McKay

I have the following letter from
A. W. McKay of Middleport, Ohio, which is self-
explanatory:

"I am engaged in writing the genealogy
and some historical facts of my family (McKay). My
great grandfather William McKay served throughout the
Revolutionary War from Bladen and Rowan counties, North
Carolina. He applied for a pension in 1833 from Tyler
county, Virginia (now West Virginia). Pension was al-
lowed. His wife Nancy McKay made application for a
pension on his death in 1838, from the same place.
Pension was allowed in 1839.

Both the application of William McKay
in 1833, and of his wife, Nancy in 1838 contain facts
about these two individuals and about their families
(for both families were of the same name before mar-
riage) which I am very desirous of obtaining, such as
the county of Scotland in which each was born, the date
of each of their coming to America, facts about their
parents, etc., in fact everything of a personal or
family nature.

Filed with the application of his wife,
Nancy, is a letter, I am told, from her brother, Hugh
McKay, dated 1816, Richmond county, N.C., Laurel Hill
P.O. I am told that this letter gives much data as to
the family of Nancy McKay in N.C. I should like a
copy of that letter.

I wrote a letter to the Pension Dept.,
Washington, D. C. Division of Revolutionary Pensions
about three months ago, asking if they could furnish



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19th Dist., Ohio

Home Address:
Ironton, Ohio

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D.C.

Ironton, Ohio,
October 2, 1934.

Revolutionary War Division- 2

me with the above facts, either typed copies or electrostatic copies, and about how much it would cost to have these prepared, but I have heard nothing from the department."

I will appreciate your attention and report relative to the matter.

Very truly yours,

Thomas A. Jenkins

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A. W. MCKAY

Superintendent of Schools
MIDDLEPORT, OHIO

Middleport Public Schools

Middleport, Ohio

Sept. 6", 1934.

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Pension Department,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

William McKay who served in the Revolutionary army from Bladen and Rowan counties North Carolina applied for a pension in 1833 with residence in Tyler county, Va., (now West Virginia). Pension allowed. Along with his pension application were also filed other papers or letters giving certain data referring to the family.

I am a retired teacher and am now engaged in writing a history of the McKay family. William McKay was my great grandfather. Not having funds sufficient to come to Washington to secure this data, I wondered if it would be possible to have photostatic copies of these papers on file in the pension department, made, and what would be the probable cost to me for having these copies made and sent to me.

Very truly yours,

A. W. McKay
Supt. of Schools, Retired.

A. W. McKAY

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Veterans Administration,
A.D.Hiller, Assistant Administrator,
Washington, D.C.

William McKay
W. 7429
BA-J/MMHF:MLB

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of Oct. 2, in re William McKay and his widow Nancy, both Revolutionary War pensioners of Tyler County Virginia (West Virginia).

I wish to request that in the report you are about to make for me from an examination of these papers, you include even the minutest data concerning each of these people since I wish to use this data in a genealogical history and am very anxious to have it as complete as possible.

Thanking you in advance for this favor, I am

Very truly yours,

A. W. McKay

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Div. _____
No. _____

Department of the Interior
BUREAU OF PENSIONS

Co. _____ Reg't _____

Return this letter with your reply.

Washington, D.C. April 28, 1890

Sir:

In reply to the enclosed letter I have to state that from the data given no record is found of a pension having been granted to Wm. Murray for service rendered during the Revolutionary war. If you can ascertain the name of the State from which the soldier enlisted, another examination of the records will be made and if a claim is found, the data requested will be promptly furnished.

Very respectfully
Julius Lincoln

Col. J. B. Skion Deputy Commissioner
U.S. Army
1331 F St
City

First Endorsement

NIXON,
Col. Jno. B.
U. S. Army (Ret'd)

not found

Requests information from
the records of the Pension
Department in regard to
William McCray a soldier
& pensioner of the Revolu-
-tion, and who is legally
his ancestors.

No. 1331 F st N. W. Room 3.
Washington D. C. May 11th '80

Respectfully returned to
Col. Charles P. Lincoln Dept
Commissioner, with the request
that he will please have a
thorough re-examination made
for any record of William
McCray, soldier and pensioner
of the Revolution, from (I be-
lieve) Vir. or Penn.
He was born in either Ire-
land or Scotland and died in
Monongalia Co. Virginia, some-
time about 1835 to 1840.
He was my Grand Father on my
Mothers side.

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Jno. B. Nixon

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

W-7429

BUREAU OF PENSIONS.

Washington, D. C., _____, 19__

In reply to your request of _____, received _____
 for a statement of the military history of William Menley
 a soldier of the REVOLUTIONARY WAR, you will find below the desired
 information as contained in his (or his widow's) application for pen-
 sion on file in this Bureau.

DATES OF ENLISTMENT OR APPROPRIATION.	LENGTH OF SERVICE.	RANK.	OFFICERS UNDER WHOM SERVICE WAS RENDERED.		STATE.
			CAPTAIN.	COLONEL.	
<u>Early in 1776</u>	<u>6 months</u>	<u>Private</u>	<u>John Griffith MacKay</u>	<u>6th Regt. of</u>	<u>N. C.</u>
<u>From ending</u>	<u>Mar. 24, 1782</u>		<u>John H. Brown</u>	<u>Hanswight of Hamwood</u>	
<u>Successor</u>	<u>3 months</u>		<u>Wash. Adams</u>		
<u>Dec. 1780</u>			<u>James Crawford</u>		

Under Feb. 1779 he was taken prisoner at the battle of Cowpens & was on
 between River and was held in captivity until after the capture of Cornwallis.

Battles engaged in, Cowpens, N. C.
 Residence of soldier at enlistment, Madison Co. N. C. - Rowan Co. N. C.
 Date of application for pension, Aug. 17, 1833. This claim was allowed
 Residence at date of application, Tyler Co. Va.
 Age at date of application, born in Scotland Oct. 22, 1757

Remarks He emigrated to N. C. about 1760 or 2 with his parents whose names are not stated. He was in the first week of Feb. 1787 Nancy (whose maiden name was MacKay or Mac Kay) He died Oct. 1, 1836. She was 81 years of age on her ap. 20. Apr. 11, 1839 while living in Tyler Co. Va. 84 yrs. Four children are referred to Neil born Apr. 19, 1785, Reuben and Deborah, are the only names stated.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

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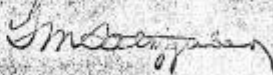
November 1, 1917

Mrs. W. H. Collings,
Musee Bottom,
Jackson County,
West Virginia.

Sir:

In response to your letter of the twenty-fourth ultimo, you are advised that in order to identify the alleged Revolutionary War pension claim of your ancestor, William McKay, it will be necessary for you to furnish some of the following data: names of some officers under whom he served, his places of residence at enlistment and after service, the approximate dates of his birth and death, and the given name of his widow.

Very respectfully,



Commissioner.

October 5, 1934

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Honorable Thomas A. Jenkins
Member of Congress
Ironton, Ohio

WILLIAM McKAY
W. 7488
Ba-J/MSHP:MLB

My dear Mr. Jenkins:

Reference is made to your letter of October 2, in behalf of Mr. A. W. McKay, of Middleport, Ohio, who desires photostatic copies of papers on file in Revolutionary War pension claims of William McKay and his widow, Nancy McKay, both of whom were pensioners of Tyler County, Virginia (West Virginia). Mr. McKay states that he wrote to this office three months ago for these copies and had received no reply.

The Revolutionary War records of this office show that on October 2, in reply to Mr. McKay's letter of September 8, 1934, he was informed that photostatic copies requested by him of the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claims noted above, on file under W. 7488, would be furnished him for \$7.00. On that date, he was further informed that a report would be carefully prepared for him which would include all family data, service, etc., as found in said pension claims and furnished him without charge.

The demand for Revolutionary War data is great and the clerical force available for furnishing such information is limited, consequently, it is not possible to make immediate reply to each request for Revolutionary War data. It is regretted that Mr. McKay's letter could not have been reached sooner for reply.

Very truly yours

A. D. HILLER
Assistant to Administrator

*Miss Hillier's
list on old Jones,
underneath*

October 2, 1934

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Mr. A. W. McKay
Middleport, Ohio

WILLIAM McKay
W. 7489
Ra-J/MSHF,MLB

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of September 6, in which you request photostatic copies of papers on file in Revolutionary War pension claims of William McKay and his wife, Nancy, both pensioners of Tyler County, Virginia (West Virginia).

Photostatic copies of papers in above-noted pension claims on file under W. 7489, will be furnished you at the rate of twenty-five cents a page. The number of pages to be copied is twenty-eight.

Please make remittance by money order drawn to the order of the Treasurer of the United States.

It might interest you to know that a careful examination of these papers will be made and an official report furnished you which will include all data relative to places of residence of the soldier and his family found in the claims, also, in regard to service, family, marriages, deaths, etc. This report will be furnished you without charge. Such official reports furnished by this office have been accepted as authentic by various historical, patriotic and genealogical societies.

Very truly yours

A. D. HILLER
Assistant to Administrator

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William McKay married the first week of February, 1787, Nancy whose maiden name was McKay or MacKay.

As his widow, she was allowed pension on her application executed April 11, 1839, while living in Tyler County, Virginia, aged sixty-nine years.

The widow, Nancy, died April 16, 1840.

She stated that at the time she moved from Carolina in 1795 she had four children but only the following names were given: Neil who was born April 19, 1788, Neuben and Isabella.

The following were brothers and sisters of the widow, Nancy: Hugh who in 1819 was living in Richmond County, North Carolina, with post office at Laurel Hill, had married a daughter of Hugh McLean and had children, John, Nancy, Daniel, Hugh, Catherine, George and Lochland; Isabella who died in Georgia on August 24, 1811, leaving children, Nazy, Peggy, John, Nelly, Daniel and another (name not given) and in 1816 said children were living with their father (name not given) in Jones County, Georgia, on the Ocmulgee River near Fort Hawkins; John who died in Goochland County, Virginia, November 11, 1795; Catherine who died August 15, 1814, and was unmarried; Adam who lived in Robeson County, North Carolina, with post office at Cowper Hill, married August 31, 1815, Catherine Henderson, the daughter of Hannah Henderson, and in 1819 they had a son and had lost a daughter (their names not given); Margaret who married February 9, 1809, John Gordon (the son of Alexander Gordon) they lived "up Shoe Hill" where Angus Macalester formerly lived and had children, Alexander, Isabella, Effay, William and another daughter (name not given) and said John Gordon died May 1 or 2, 1818; William who in 1816 was a merchant living in Wilmington, North Carolina, and about 1818 he married Amy D. Berry; Alexander who in 1819 was a bachelor.

Hugh McKay or MacKay, brother of the widow, Nancy McKay, stated that his father died April 4, 1802, and that his mother died in January, 1813, but their names were not given. In 1821 said Hugh stated that his sister, Peggy, had a son born March 4, 1821, but no reference was made to a second marriage of Margaret Gordon and name of the son was not given.

In 1816 reference was made to Madwell or Maxwell McKay's wife and son who, when "last heard" from, the son was living the other side of Cheraw Hill.

Very truly yours

A. D. HILLEN
Executive Assistant
to the Administrator