Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William King W7982
Transcribed by Will Graves

Mary King

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State of Virginia Campbell County: SS

On this __ day of August 1832 personally appeared in Open Court before the Justices of the County Court of Campbell now sitting, William King, a resident of said County, aged eighty years, who being first duly sworn, doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 7th June 1832 in relation to the officers and soldiers of the revolutionary war. The said King saith that he was at the time that war commenced liable to military duty in, and belonged to, the militia of Henrico County Virginia; was a private in the Company of Captain James Price; that he performed for the period of eighteen months at least, perhaps two years, his military duty in the charge of the magazine containing powder & arms, situated on James River about six miles above Richmond; where he was ordered, and appointed to serve by Colonel William Davis [perhaps William Davies] one of the State or Continental Officers who was acting as Commissary of military Stores. This service was during the year 1778 & 9; and was peculiarly confidential, as he had the sole charge of the magazine; held the keys, received and discharged all stores himself, without the direction of any officer at the place, though he himself held no Commission: there was commonly a Sergeant's guard at the place; but the sole care and control of the magazine was entrusted to his hands. He performed this duty as he then was told in lieu of serving in the line when his brother militia man were called to serve = has never received any compensation for the same, nor has he any living or documentary proof in relation thereto; when the British came into the State, the stores were removed; and he was discharged from the service. He believes on reflection that he thus served two years. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever 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 whatever.

Sworn & subscribed to the day & year aforesaid

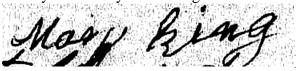
S/William King

William King

[Henry Brown, a clergyman, and Reuben Bagly gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 21: On January 14, 1839 in Campbell County Virginia, Mary King, 74, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of William King, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him in Cumberland County Virginia in February 1788 by the Reverend Raine Chasteen; that she had her husband removed from Henrico County to Campbell

County where they were living at the time of his death on December 27, 1835.



[p 9: On January 5, 1839 in Buckingham County Virginia, Mrs. Martha Riddle, about 63 years old, gave testimony in support of the application of her sister Mrs. Mary King who was Mary Woodson prior to her marriage; that she, the affiant, was present at the marriage of her sister to said King by the Reverend Raine Chasteen when the affiant was about 13 years of age about 50 years ago or about the year 1788

Martha Riddle

[p 10: On January 5th, 1839 in Buckingham County Virginia, Drury Woodson, 67 years old as of the 30th day of June last, gave testimony that he was present at the marriage of William King, a revolutionary pensioner, of Campbell County Virginia to Mary King his present widow whose maiden name was Mary Woodson; that they were married in Cumberland County Virginia by the Reverend Raine Chasteen when the affiant was about 17 years of age 50 years ago

Drury Hoodson

[p. 5: On June 12, 1843 in Campbell County Virginia, Mary King, 84, filed for a widow's pension under the 1843 act stating that she is the widow of William King, a pensioner of the United States or his service in the revolution at the rate of \$60 per annum; that he died December 26, 1843; that she was initially pensioned under the 1838 act; and that she remains a widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$60 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 18 months in the Virginia service. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]