Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Furna Cannon R1663 Sarah fn76NC
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State of Kentucky Henderson County: On this 23rd day of July 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable the County Court of Henderson County Kentucky aforesaid Furna Cannon, a resident of Henderson County, State of Kentucky aforesaid aged 72 years, who, being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefits of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 –

That he entered the service of the United States under the following officers, and served as herein stated –

He entered – id est [sic ?] was drafted in the militia of North Carolina sometime (month or day not remembered) in the year 1778 under Captain (say Samuel) Barrow – General Wyllie or Allen (first name not well known) Jones of Halifax County having the command and served for three months, when he was discharged & returned home for about 12 months. He then was drafted a substitute & served one other service of three months under a Colonel Sudgrave [?] & Major Hogg when he was discharged at Smithfield on Neuse River. He then engaged – was drafted again under (he thinks) a Captain George Faulkner, the whole troops being commanded by a Colonel (say William) Goram – & served not quite three months, when he was discharged, returned home, & might be about 12 months again at home. He was called out, drafted again under General John Simpson, & served something short of three months, when there being no further use at that time for them he was discharged – Last of all, he volunteered for a fortnight or three weeks (he thinks) under Colonel John Salter – His discharges (he believes) are all lost.

He has no documentary evidence, discharges being lost, & knows of no person except Pugh Cannon of Maury County Tennessee whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his services. Pugh Cannon is 200 miles off –

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. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/Furna Cannon

Jurna Cannon

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[L. W. Arnett and Henry Dixon gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Interrogatories put to Furna Cannon, and applicant for pension &c by the Honorable, the County Court of Henderson County Kentucky

Question No. 1 – Where, & in what year were you born? In Pitt County North Carolina December third 1761

- No. 2. Have you any record of your age & if so, where is it? Recorded in my book at home 3. Where were you living when called into service; where have you lived since the revolutionary war; & where do you now live? Lived first in Pitt County & secondly ever since in Henderson Kentucky
- 4. How were you called into service; were you drafted, did you volunteer, or were you a substitute? And if a substitute for whom? Was drafted & once a substitute for Isaac Blount
- 5. State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served; such Continental & militia regiments as you can recollect & the general circumstances of your service I cannot recollect any of the Continentals I once remembered, nor officers, except Colonel William (I think was first name) Washington, who commanded the Virginia Black troops horses
- 6. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service; and if so, by whom was it given & what has become of it? Discharged by Colonel or General Jones 2ndly by Goram, 3rdly by Simpson & Sedgrave
- 7. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood, and who can testify as to your character for veracity, & their belief of your services as a soldier of the revolution.

Answer William Cannon – Captain Henry Dixon, Levin W. Arnitt & others

[fn p. 12: on December 2, 1853 [? last digit unclear] Sarah Cannon, aged 83, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Furna Cannon, a pensioner of the United States; that she married him October 3, 1792 in Craven County North Carolina; that they were married by Lewis Cannon, a JP; That her husband was born December 3, 1761 and died June 17 1837; that she was born February 24, 1771.]

[fn p. 7; On June 20, 1857, in Henderson County, Kentucky, Furna Cannon gave testimony that he now has before him a record in the possession of Mrs. Sarah Cannon, the widow of Furna Cannon, a deceased revolutionary soldier, in which the following entries appear "William Cannon the son of Furna Cannon and Sally Cannon his wife was born January 27 1793"

John Cannon... Was born the February 11th 1796

Mary Cannon the daughter ... Was born the 11 day of September 1797

Elizabeth Cannon was born the 31st day of May 1802

Furna Cannon the son of ... Was born October 11 1806"

he testifies that Furna Cannon and Sally his wife were married about 1792 in Pitt County North Carolina; that Furna Cannon died in 1837.]

[fn p. 15: family record]

Thomas County son of John Cannon and Mary his wife was born January 8 1752
Juterey Cannon daughter of John Cannon and Mary his wife was born January the 28th 1754
Rockey Cannon daughter of John Cannon and Mary born January the 18th day 1756
Calib Cannon the son of John Cannon and Mary his wife born April the 5th day 1759

Furnefold Cannon son of John Cannon and Mary his wife was born December the 3rd day 1761 Hennery Cannon son of John Cannon and Mary his wife was born the 24th day of March 1737 Mary Cannon daughter of John Cannon and Mary his wife was born November the 11th day 1739

Sary Cannon daughter of John Cannon and Mary his wife was born December the 17th day 1746 Catron Cannon daughter of John Cannon and Mary his wife was born April the 15th day 1750

Negro Lewis was born the 10th day of January 1806

Negro Rachel was born January 27th 1808

Negro Lettis was born in January the 8th 1808

ArLeny was born in March the second 1811

Negro boy George was born 22nd of October 1815

Negro boy Daniel was born in July the 24th 1816

Negro Jane was born December the first 1816

Negro boy James was born January 29th 1817

Negro boy Simon was born third day of March 1817

Nieles born five January 1819

Anderson born September the 10th 1819

Negro boy Hardee was born second March 1821

Negro boy Daniel was born July 19th 1823

Negro boy Redden was born seventh January 1825

Negro boy Leonard was born the 14th of March 1825

Negro boy Haywood was born 16th of December 1825

Negro boy William was born February 17th 1828

Negro girl was born March 22nd 1828 Hannah

Negro girl Coty was born April 10th 1827

Negro girl Lettshy was born 1827

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Negro Pachence was born September 24th 1792

Negro Charles was born January sixth 1795

Negro Ally was born March the seventh 1797

Negro Rain was born August the ninth 1799

Negro Reddick was born February [illegible]

Negro Wen was born September [illegible]

Negro dianner was born February the third 1803

Negro visse was born the fourth day of August 1806

RaChil was born 27th of January 1808

Negro Lettes was born the eight day of January 1809

Negro Arsuney was born the second of March 1811

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26.66 per annum commencing March fourth, 1831, for eight months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]