Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Charles Eades R3241 Sarah Eades VA
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State of Kentucky } Sct

Wayne County } On this 21st day of December 1843 personally appeared before me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace for said County Mrs Sarah Eades aged Eighty years the 9th day of April next who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her Oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 4th 1836 – that she is the widow of Charles Eades who was a Soldier of the Revolution. he served under Captain Oaty [probably John Otey] or Captain John Trigg or both, the name of the Col who commanded the Regiment was Merry Weather [sic: Meriwether], and the Gen'l. name she believes was Muhlenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] – he was in the battle at Portsmouth and was in the Service a large period of the Revolutionary War the public records will doubtless show many of the particulars of his service, and to them she refers for further evidence. She further declares that she was married to the said Charles Eades on the 4th day of May Seventeen hundred and eighty seven – that her husband the aforesaid Charles Eades died on the third day of May Eighteen hundred and twenty three, and that she has remained a widow ever since that period.

Sarah herXmark Eades

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Personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid James Turner [pension application S30757] a pensioner of the United States aged Eighty years the 15th day of August next who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his Oath make the following statements viz that he was well and intimately acquainted with Charles Eades from the time he was a small boy, or lad to the time of his death, that the said Charles Eades & himself served togeather as soldiers in the revolutionary war, they entered the service together in the County of Bedford in the State of Virginia under William Oaty as their Captain, Merryweather as their Col'l. & Muhlenburg as their General they were both at the battle of Portsmouth, and served four months and a half in the service this tour and were discharged. He again in a short time entered the service together under Capt. John Trigg, the Col. who Commanded the regiment to which they belonged was named [St. George] Tucker, this tour they served togeather upwards of two months and a half having been at the Seige of York [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781], and were again discharged by Col Tucker. He states that the said Charles Eades again entered the service for the further term of three months and served out his time and returned home – he thinks the said Eades performed other service in said war but cannot specify further than he has above stated but he always understood from said Eades that he served in all near thirteen months at various time in said war. He states that the said Charles Eades was married to his wife Sarah (who is now a widow) in the County of Bedford in the state of Virginia some three or four years after the close of the revolutionary war. He further states that he was very intimately acquainted with the said Charles Eades & wife Sarah up to the death of the said Charles, which took place in the year 1823 in the County of Wayne and state of Kentucky as he now recolects, and that he has ever since that period resided in the neighbourhood of the said Sarah Eades, and knows her to be the widow of the said Charles, and that she has remained his widow ever since his death

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10^{th} day of Jan'y. 1845

State of Kentucky } Sct Wayne County }

On this 6th day of September 1845 personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for said County James Turner a Pensioner of the United States aged eighty years the 15th of

August last who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following explanatory statement as an amendment to his affidavit taken herein on the 10th day of January 1845 Towit: He states that he was advised that in making his statements in the afs'd. affidavit herein refered to in relation to the services of Charles Eades in the revolutionary war, it was only necessary to recite that part of his own Service which was connected with, and performed in company and with referance to said Eades – and the reason why the afs'd. affidavit does not appear to agree with his (Turners) papers &c. on file in his application for a Pension as to the four and a half months service, is this, he and Eades entered the Service at that time for the term of three months, but did not receive their discharge until they served the four and a half months – and the two and a half months recited in said affidavit is the time they served together, having again entered the service for the term of three months but were discharged by Col Merryweather shortly after the Surrender of Corn Wallace [sic: Cornwallis] at Yorktown having served the two and a half months as aforesaid. He states as in his Declaration on file that he served the number of tours therein mentioned two of which tours he served as above stated which makes said two tours above named average over three months each which perhaps is set forth in his declaration as three months tours each. As to his stating in his Declaration for a Pension, that the service performed by him was in the years 1779 and 1780 he can only state now that the Gentleman who drafted his declaration must have comited the error in the date as he knows he is not and cannot be mistaken about having been at the Seige of Yorktown with Charles Eades when Corn Wallace surrendered. And as to the battle at Portsmouth recited in his affidavit refered to above, he states that perhaps it could not properly be termed a battle, but he recolects of some dificulty at that place between the Americans and British, and he thinks some were killed and wounded at that place, but it was not, he supposes, what might be properly termed a James hisXmark Turner battle.

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On this the fifth day of October 1852 personally appeared before me James Gann an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid Jacob Eades aged about 56 years, who, being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed 7th of July 1838 3rd of March 1843 17th June 1844 2nd of Feby 1848 To wit: that he is the child of Sarah Eades deceased who was the widow of Charles Eades dec'd who was a soldier in the Army of the Revolution. He has often heard his father speak of his services rendered in the Army of the Revolution also heard other soldiers conversing with him about their hardships and the many struggles they had encountered during the war I think that his afs'd father enlisted first from the State of Maryland and then from the State of Virginia, dont recollect well the names of his officers being such a long time ago. Have often heard him (the afs'd Charles Eades de'd) speak about being paid off with Continental money which proved to be worthless also heard him speak about some English currency think the amount was £14 6s 4d and think that he received that amount which was the only money which could be made use of. He has heard his afs'd. father say that his name was on the Roll at the war department for £14 6^s 4^d His afsd. father died 3rd day of May 1823. I think they were married in State of Virginia or Mayland after the war was over, in the year 1785 or 1786 as the record of the children ages will prove. His afsd mother (Sarah Eades) died on 25th day of September 1852 and left Gabriel Eades, Nancy Eades, Polly Hurt, Jacob Eades, and Ruth Dancy her only surviving children. He further declares his afs'd mother (Sarah Eades) remained a widow up to the time of her death. He Most respectfully asks the Hon. Commissioner of Pensions that his aforesaid claim or claims may be allowed under the aforesaid Acts and that the Certificates evidencing the same may be enclosed to his Attorney. [signed] Jacob Eades

NOTES: The file includes a copy of the consent signed on 2 May 1786 by Jacob Piborn for the marriage of his daughter, Sarah Piborn, to Charles Eades, witnessed by Thomas Eades and Robert Eades. There is also a copy of a bond signed on the same day by Charles Eades and James Bramblett of Bedford County

VA for the marriage of Eades to Sarah Piborn. Also in the file is a very faded family record transcribed below.

Gabriel Eades was Born February 11th 1787 Nancy Eades was Born February 9th 1789 Mary Eades was Born January the 4th 1790 Rachel Eades Was Born August the 31st 1792 Jacob Eades was Born October the 30th 1796 Ruth Eades Was Born March 11th 1799