Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Charles Dyche (Dyke) S1950 VA
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

State of Tennessee } For the purpose of obtaining the benefit of an act entitled an act for the Relief Green [sic] County } of Certain Surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Army of the revolution

approved on the 15th day of May 1828

I Charles Dyke of the County of Green and State of Tennessee do hereby declare that I was a Private in the Continental line [sic] of the army of the revolution and served as such to the end of the War at which period I was a private in the – regiment of the Virginia Line Commanded by George Riddle [sic: Capt. George Ruddle of the Rockingham County Militia] – and at present is unable to do but little for my family having several in number and being decrepit and disabled by wounds and bruises which I got about the time of the War and Rheumatick pains which I got since

that his recollection does not serve him as to the number of the Regiment as he is old

Charles hisXmark Dyke

Before me Joseph Brown an acting Justice of the peace for said County and State of Tennessee personally appeared Charles Dyke who subscribed the following declaration and made Oath that he was enroll'd on the list as a private soldier under Captain George Riddle in Rockingham County State of Virginia in the regiment Commanded by Colonel William Nall and that he served several tours one at the battle of James Town [Battle of Green Springs Plantation, 6 Jul 1781] one at the battle of Long bridge Ford and the other in taking Corwallis [sic: Cornwallis at Yorktown, 19 Oct 1781] – that he serv'd. in different engagements till the Close of the War. he entered the service in 1780 and seved as above mentioned. this affiant further states he has been greatly afflicted with the Rheumatick pains wounds &c in so much that he has not during the last Five years been able to do much for a subsistence and is now Compelled by necessity to ask his Country to do him the Justice to place his name on the pension roll of the Army of the United States under the aforesaid Act of Congress.

Charles hisXmark Dyke

[Certified 27 Dec 1828 by Henry Dyke and Christiana Dike.]

State of Tennessee } September Term 1832

Greene County

On this fifth day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Honourable Samuel Powell one of the Judges of the Circuit Court of Law and Equity for the State of Tennessee. Charles Dyche a resident of the County of Greene and State aforesaid aged sixty Eight years, who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following decleration in order to obtain the benifit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated

That he resided in Rockingham County in the State of Virginia that he entered the service of the United States and volunteer under Capt. George Reddle who commanded a company of volunteer militia in Rockingham County That Major Guy Hamilton [Gawen Hamilton] and Colo. William Nall were the field officers that it was on the 14th day of January 1781 as well as recollected, when we marched from Rockingham County Virginia, we first marched to Richmond, after remaining there a day or two we crossed James River at Hog Island ferry and marched to the Tar Yards near Suffolk, from there to Stoners mill, at which place Col. Nall was superceded in command and Col John Bowyers [sic: John Bowyer] took the command, from thence we marched to Edmonds Hills [Edmunds Hill south of Norfolk], where we remained several days. We then marched to the head quarters of Gen'l. [Isaac] Gregory in North Carolina, after remaining there some time we marched back to Edmonds Hills, then to Stoners Mills, and near there we rec'd. our discharge, during that campaign we we were not in any regular Battle. during that tour I served a little over three months as a Corporal, during the same year deponent served again

one month as a horseman under Capt. John Rush [pension application R9090] who raised a company of Horsemen in Rockingham County where I then resided We march under the command of Col. Benjamin Harrisson [sic: Benjamin Harrison] We marched to Richmond to intercept Col. Tarlton [sic: Lt. Col. Banastre Tarleton, early June 1781] who it was said was marching to take of Gen'l. Burgoens prisoners [prisoners from the capture of Burgoyne's army at Saratoga then being held at Winchester] – Tarlton retreated and we pursued him towards Little York, at James Town we had an engagement with Col Tarltons Troops I think it was some time in June 1781 when the month expired for which we had volunteered our services we rec'd. our discharge and returned home – afterwards and during the same year deponant volunteered again from Rockingham County Virginia for two months under Capt. George Houston [sic: George Huston] and Colo. Benjamin Harrisson we then marched to Little York where we had some fighting after serving out the time for which we had volunteered we were discharged, deponant thinks that it was about three weeks after his return from this Tour that Gen'l. Burgoine surrendered [sic: Cornwallis] – deponant further states that he has lost his discharges and that he does not know whether any of the officers under whom he served are living – and that he has not any documentary evidence to shew his services – he further states that Michael Rorick [sic: Michael Rork (Roark) W5720] of Hawkins County Tennessee served the first mentioned tour with him from Rockingham County Virginia but under a different Captain, deponant also states that he was well acquainted with Gen'l. [Daniel] Morgan and Gen'l. Geo Washington – he further states that he removed to Greene County Tennessee 27 years ago from Rockingham County Virginia -

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension rool of the agency of any state

Michael Rorick a citizen of the County of Hawkins in the State of Tennessee personally appeared in open Court and made oath in due form of Law that he is well acquainted with Charles Dyche who hath subscribed and sworn to the foregoing decleration. that he was acquainted with said Charles Dyche as early as the year 1774 or 1775. that deponant resided about 12 or 14 miles from where said Charles Dyche was raised in Rockingham County in the State of Virginia, deponent further states that he was a Lieutenant under Capt. Michael Coger from Rockingham County in the State of Virginia and served as such for the campaighn of three months that said Charles Dyche served as stated in the foregoing decleration and that to his certain knowledge the said Charles Dyche did seve said tour of three months as stated, and he has no doubt but that said Charles Dyche did serve the other two campaigns named in his decleration but does not know it of his own knowledge. he well recollects that Capt. Rush and Capt. Reddle each did raise a company and march from Rockingham County about the time mentioned by said Dyche – Deponat further states that said Charles Dyche served as a Corporal during the tour before mentioned to his certain knowledge. allichael Rock

[3 Sep 1832]