Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Levi Powell S36235 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Delaware Sussex County: SS

Be it remembered that on the 5th day of Me in the year 1818, came before me Samuel Paynter Junior one of the Associate Judges of the Supreme Court of the State of Delaware, Levi Powell a native born citizen of the County of Sussex and State of Delaware aforesaid, aged sixty-two years, who being solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, Deposeth and saith that in the year 1778 he enlisted under Captain Nathaniel Mitchell in the 16th Virginia Regiment, which was commanded by Colonel Guest [Nathaniel Gist], that he marched in Captain Mitchel's company to Trenton, Princeton, Brunswick and Amboy, that he was at the battle at Brandywine [September 11, 1777], at the battle at Germantown [October 4, 1777], and at the battle at Monmouth [June 28, 1778], on the day of the last mentioned battle Captain Mitchell was promoted to the situation of Major and commanded the Regiment, the whole Army at that time was under the command of General Washington, that he this deponent continued to do faithful duty in the same company from the time of his enlistment to the full and term for which he enlisted which was three years at which time he had his discharge, which he has long since lost, not thinking it would ever be necessary to keep it. —

And the said Levi Powell further Deposeth and saith that from his reduced circumstances, his age and afflictions he [is] in need of assistance from his country for support.

S/ Levi Powell, X his mark

Test:

S/ James Parker

Sworn and subscribed the day and year above written before me

S/ Saml. Paynter, Junr. A. J. S. C.

State of Delaware Sussex County SS

Be it remembered that on the 16th day of November in the year of our Lord 1819 Joshua Clifton¹ of the County of Sussex appeared, age 70 years personally appeared before me Samuel Paynter Junior one of the Judges of the Supreme Court for the State aforesaid and did solemnly swear on the holy Evangels of Almighty God, that he knew Levi Powell in the foregoing deposition named, inhabitant of Sussex County, and has known him from the year 1776 or 7, that about that time he enlisted a private soldier under Captain Nathaniel Mitchell and served with him in said Company within a few days of 3 years in the 16th Virginia Regiment, under the command of Colonel Guest.

S/	Joshua	Clifton,	X his	mark

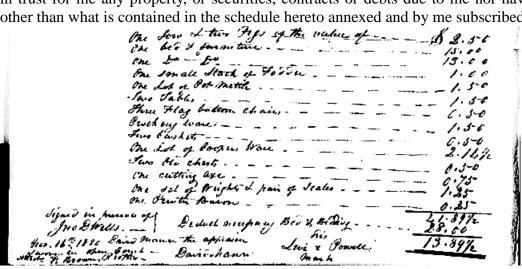
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¹ FPA S35836

[f p. 7: Edward Dingle Sr., gave testimony that he knew Captain Nathaniel Mitchell and that Captain Mitchell told him that Levi Powell served under his command for 3 or 4 years and that when Levi Powell returned from the Army it was thought that Powell was very likely to die from wounds received from the enemy but after a long time he recovered.]

District of Delaware Sct.

On this 15th day of November 1820 personally appeared in Open Court of the Court of Common Pleas of the State of Delaware in and for Sussex County it being a Court of Record, proceeding according to the Course of the Common Law, with a jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount and keeping a record of its proceedings, Levi Powell aged sixty-seven years, resident in Dagsborough [Dagsboro] Hundred in the said County, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare, that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows, in the Virginia Regiment in the company of Captain Nathaniel Mitchell. The first declaration made by this Deponent was on the 5th day of May 1818 and the pension he has received has been on the pension certificate No. 16.135. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed, to wit



And this Deponent further saith that his occupation is that of a day laborer; that he is infirm, having been disabled by sickness from working a single day for the last four months, this Deponent half a wife named Betsey is about fifty years old and not healthy – a daughter named Polly about thirty years old who, with her two children the oldest about three years old and the youngest about one year old, live with this Deponent.

Sworn and declared by the said Levi Powell on the 15th day of November 1820. S/ Levi Powell, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 5, 1818, for 3 years service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]