Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Marmaduke Maples S41802 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of North Carolina Lincoln County

Marmaduke Maples in order to obtain a pension from the government of the United States under the late act of Congress for his revolutionary services swears as follows to wit

That early in the year 1777 (as he the deponent believes) in January he enlisted himself a soldier in Capt. John Welch's [also spelled John Walsh] company of the eighth North Carolina Regiment on Continental establishment for the term of three years Joined said Regiment shortly before the North Carolina troops marched from this State to join the northern Army under the command of General Washington, that he continued with said Army through the campaigns till the term of his enlistment was nearly expired & then re-enlisted for during the war in which time he was transferred from Capt. Welch's company to Capt. Harget's [sic, Frederick Hargett] of the same Regiment and by the reduction of the Regiment was transferred from Harget's company to Capt. Tartason's [sic, Francis Tartanson or Tarrtanson] of the third Regiment from thence to Capt. Clement Hall's company of the second Regiment where he continued to do duty and when the North Carolina troops was ordered to the South he marched with them under the command of Brig. General Hogun [James Hogun] leaving the Garrison called West Point on the Hudson [River] as he believes in the fall of 1779 and reached Charleston South Carolina the spring following before the commencement of the Siege of that Garrison by the British forces under the command of Sir Henry Clinton. He the deponent fought there in defense of the Garrison under General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] during the siege was surrendered a prisoner of war with the rest of the troops of the Garrison to the forces by the capitulation taking place. He the deponent remained a prisoner at that place fifteen months ten of which was confined in a prison ship. In July 1782 agreeable to a cartel agreed on for the exchange of prisoners of the two armies he the deponent with a number of other prisoners taken in the Garrison before mentioned and elsewhere was conveyed by British ships to a place called the Old Jamestown State of Virginia where they were received by the Morquiss Dille Layette [sic, Marquis de Lafayette] who then commanded the American forces near that place. He the deponent with about forty others (being all the North Carolina line that had remain prisoners to that period out of one thousand when captured the rest being dead or enlisted with the British with the exception of a few that made their escape) was marched under the command of Col. Robert Mebane of the North Carolina line to Hillsboro in this State. Shortly after arriving there was with others late exchanged taken prisoner by a band

¹ Charleston fell on May 12, 1780. http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/800401-charleston/

of people called Tories under the command of McNeill [Hector McNeill] and Fening [sic, David Fanning]² who had made an expedition against that place it being the time when Thomas Burke Esquire then Gov. of this State was captured. On their retreat toward Wilmington in the State by reason that the deponent was in a low state of health and not able to travel he was admitted to remain on parole as a prisoner of war. Some time after and when he had recovered his health he was commanded by James Pearl a Capt. in the North Carolina line [1st NC Regiment] to join him with a few soldiers he had collected at Cross Creek (now called Fayetteville) intending to join the American Army. This being near the close of the war they did not march from that place till the news of peace arrived. He the deponent then obtained from Capt. Pearl under his signature a final discharge from said Army with some other papers relative to the before mentioned service part of which he has now to produce.

This deponent further states that soon after the conclusion of peace he became a resident of South Carolina thereby failed to receive information of the seting [seating] of the commissioners at Warrenton and Halifax in order to liquidate the claims of the soldiers of the North Carolina line. Though unknown to him at that time his claim was a fraudulently collected from the commissioners by Major Thomas Dunaho [sic, Thomas Donoho] of the North Carolina line and he committing sundry other frauds upon similar claims was convicted in a court of justice and punished therefore. He the deponent being afterward informed that his claim had been settled made application to said Donoho for restitution which was refused or delayed and idea then prevailing that said Donoho was insolvent which so discouraged the deponent under the situation he was then placed that he was not disposed to be at the expense of instituting a lawsuit for the recovery but sold his claim on said Donoho at a very reduced price and further saith that since the conclusion of peace he has not received any compensation from the General government neither monthly pay nor bounty in the land for said services. Further saith not.

S/ Marmaduke Maples

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Subscribed & Sworn to before at Lincolnton this 31st of October 1818 S/ Henry Lowell

[p 13 partial document which appears to be a discharge. It bears the signature of "Jas. Pearl, Capt. No. Carolina Line"

 2 Fanning's raid on Hillsboro at which Burke was captured occurred on September 12, 1781. $\underline{\text{http://gaz.jrshelby.com/hillsborough.htm}} \&$

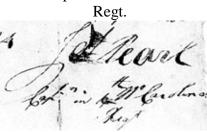
http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution battle of hillsborough.html



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I hereby certifie [certify] that Marmaduke Maples was a Soldier Enlisted during the Late War Serv'd [Served] faithfully he Being one of those who Was Captured in the fall of Charlestown When Relis'd [released] returned to Hillsborough under the command of Col. Robert Mabane [Mebane] By a cartel taking Place for the Exchange of said Armies on Arrival to Hillsborough then and there Taken by Fanings [Fanning's] Party and Afterwards being in a low State of health not Bein [being] Able to do duty Obtained Leave of Absence until he was able to do duty Being near the Close of the War. Given under my hand this 3rd day of October 1784

S/ Jas Pearl Capt. in the No Carolina



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Marmaduke Maples came before me the subscribing Justice and produced a paper which appears to contain a brief statement of his revolutionary services and sworn to before the Honorable Henry Sewell one of the Judges of the Superior Courts of Law and equity in this State and as a Supplement thereto makes the following statement to us to which he swears to wit

That he has for a number of years past been grievously afflicted with a bodily infirmity

viz. an eruption or inflammation of the blood accompanied with an effection [sic?] of the nervous system which he supposes might be termed a species of the scurvy and which has been a very great impediment in performing any kind of bodily exercise or hard labor and further states that he has ever retained the opinion that the causes of said complaint was produced by and [sic, an] injury sustained while confined in the prison ship mentioned in the preceding statement as the Symptoms thereof appeared immediately after his releasement therefrom —

This deponent further states that by the causes aforesaid with other misfortunes he is reduced to very indigent circumstances which induces him to solicit the assistance of the government of the United States and therefore Prays that a contribution be made to the relief of his present necessity by granting him a compensation for the before mentioned services which he so long since should have received or allowing him an annual pension sufficient for a respectable [?] support in order to render his latter days (which from his debilitated state it may be supposed will not be long or many) more comfortable than what they may otherwise be. He is the more encouraged to hope that said contribution will not be withheld from him when he reflects that on viewing his long and faithful services devoted in behalf of his country under such distressing circumstances it will in all probability produce a conviction]?] that his case does in an obvious and palpable manner demand a relief of the Government aforesaid. And for which he [indecipherable word] himself in duty bound to Pray for &c

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of November 1818 S/ Jacob Reinhardt, JP

S/ Marm Maples

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10th Regiment Abraham Sheppard Col. Marmaduke Maples pt. Mar. '77 3 y^sw[?] State of North Carolina Secretary's Office 4th December 1818

I hereby certify that the above is a true abstract from the musterroll of the North Carolina Continental line in the revolutionary War.

Given under my hand the date above. S/Wm Hill, Secretary of State

[p 24: On January 24, 1819 in Lincoln County, William Gibbs and Thomas Maples⁴ gave a supporting affidavit in which they state that Marmaduke Maples has been ".... for a number of years past and at their first acquaintance with him they observed that he was afflicted with an eruption or inflammation of the blood which produced ulcers or sores on his skin and that the said disorder still appears as usual from the time of their first acquaintance with him and further saith that from the appearance of said disorder that they the deponents does apprehend and believe that it must [be] very painful and distressing in its operation and also a very great obstule [? obstacle] in the said Maples' performing any kind of bodily fatigue as hard labor &c. And the deponent further saith that in the course of their acquaintance with him the said Maples that they have frequently heard him in conversation touching said disorder and give it as his opinion that said disorder had originated in consequence of an injury sustained in the blood while confined on a prison ship in the time of the revolutionary war and being a prisoner with the British Army at Charleston South Carolina he being one of those troops surrendered in the capitulation of that place...."]

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⁴ His relationship, if any, to the veteran is not stated.

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State of North Carolina Lincoln County

On this thirteenth day of February 1819 Before us the subscribing Justices in and for the County aforesaid personally appeared Marmaduke Maples aged sixty years resident in the said County of Lincoln aforesaid who being by us duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the late act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval services of the United States in the Revolutionary war." That he said Marmaduke Maples enlisted for the term of three years in the month of January and year 1777 in Cumberland County State aforesaid in the company commanded by Capt. John Welch of the 8th North Carolina Regiment on Continental establishment commanded by Col. James Armstrong and in the fall of the same year was turned over to the 10th North Carolina Regiment commanded by Col. Abraham Sheppard and by a reduction of the number of regiments of the North Carolina line he was soon after transferred to company commanded by Capt. Clement Hall of the 2nd Regiment commanded by Col. John Patton of the North Carolina line on Continental establishment that he continued to serve in the last mentioned corps & Regiment in the service of the United States till the before mentioned term of his enlistment was nearly expired and that he then reenlisted for during the war continued in the company and Regiment last mentioned in the service of the United States till the capitulation of Charleston South Carolina when he was with the rest of the troops of fighting in defense of that Garrison surrendered prisoners of war to the British forces besieging that place that he would continued a prisoner of war at that place for the term of 15 months 9 months of that time he was confined in a prison ship he then being exchanged that soon after he was exchanged he was recaptured that he continued a prisoner of war till near the close of the war at which time he obtained a final discharge from the service of the United States as a soldier which discharge with some other vouchers relative to said services he hath recently forwarded to the war department in the care of William Davidson Esquire Representative from the 13th Congressional district of the State of North Carolina in the Congress of the United States that he was in several important battles viz. Monmouth, Charleston, Brandywine & Germantown.

And further saith that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of said services. Sworn to & Declared before us the day & year aforesaid S/ Mill Cline, JP

S/ Marm Maples

S/ John Willfong, JP S/ Zachary Story, JP

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On this 22nd day of April 1819, before me, the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Superior Courts of Law and equity for the County of Lincoln and said State personally appeared Marmaduke Maples aged Sixty years, resident in Lincoln County in the said State, who, being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the 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:" That he, the said Marmaduke Maples enlisted for the term of three years in the first instance and then

during the war on the __ day of __ in the year 1777 in Cumberland County in the State of North Carolina in the company commanded by Captain John Welch of the Regiment commanded by Colonel James Armstrong in the line of the State of North Carolina on the Continental Establishment; and that he continued to serve in said Corps, or the service of the United States, until the end of the War, when he was discharged from the service in Fayetteville State of North Carolina that he was in the battles of Monmouth [June 28, 1778] and at the Siege of Charleston South Carolina, Brandywine [September 11, 1777] and Germantown [October 4, 1777] and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of said services.

Sworn to and declared before me, the day and year aforesaid

S/ John Paxton, JSL

S/ Marm Maples

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Marmaduke Maples further swears that from the abstract here with it appears that he was attached to the 10^{th} Regiment of North Carolina Line but that he was enlisted in the first instance in the 8^{th} then transferred to the 10^{th} the Regiments were then reduced as well as he now remembers to three in number and he was then transferred to the Second Regiment when enlisted during the War – in this last Regiment he was enlisted by Captain Clement Hall and John Patton was Colonel of said Regiment.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 23rd day of April 1814 S/ John Paxton, JSL S/ Marm Maples

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State of North Carolina Lincoln County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions April Stationed 1821 On this 26th day of April 1821 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for the County aforesaid Marmaduke Maples aged about 61 or 62 years, resident in the County aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows. That he enlisted for the term of three years & as well as he now recollects in the month of January 1777 in the State of North Carolina in the company commanded by Capt. John Welch in the Regiment commanded by Col. James Armstrong, being the 8th Regiment in the North Carolina line in the Continental establishment, and that he continued to serve in the said corps until transferred to the 4th Regiment in the same line, & then to the 2nd Regiment & Company commanded by Capt. Clement Hall, & that he continued to serve in the last mentioned corps until near the expiration of the term of his enlistment; when he reenlisted for during the war, that he continued to serve in the last mentioned corps till the close of the war, at which time he was regularly discharged, which discharge he has sent on to the war office in a former application for a pension under the act of Congress 18th of March 1818, on which application he received a pension certificate from the war department dated the 20th day of January 1820 No. 16,369. That he was in several important Battles, that he was taken prisoner at the fall of Charleston South Carolina, where he continued a prisoner for the space of fifteen months when he was exchanged & shortly after we captured at Hillsboro North Carolina, & continued a prisoner till near the close of the war. And that he has no other evidence now in his power of said services. 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

| 1 Small young horse | \$22.50 |
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| 1 Cow &-year-old calf | 16.00 |
| 1 Small Hog | 1.00 |
| 1 Bed & furniture | 20.00 |
| 2 Iron Pots | 1.00 |
| 1 do Oven | 2.50 |
| 1 Pewter Dish & 4 plates | 1.12 ½ |
| 6 Diff Plates | 2.12 ½ |
| 9 Tin Cup } | |
| 3 do Pans } | |
| 1 Coffee Pot } | |
| 1 Cups & saucers | 1.00 |
| 2 Old hoes | 1.25 |
| 1 Razor & shaving glass | 0.87 1/2 |
| 1 pair of old cards | 0.75 |
| 4 knives & forks | 0.37 1/2 |
| 3 old chairs | $0.62\frac{1}{2}$ |
| 1 Tub & 1 churn | 0.50 |
| 1 Table | 0.50 |
| | \$72.12 1/2 |
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The family of Marmaduke Maples consist of his wife 65 years of age, his Daughter 22 years of age his granddaughter 3 years & 6 months old & himself 61 or 62 years of age, he has for several years followed teaching school, but from his age & deafness is rendered incapable of pursuing it at this time too much advantage.

Marm Maples

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[Attested by Vardry McBee, Clerk]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing October 30, 1818, for service as a private or 6 years in the North Carolina Continental line.]