

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Thomas Faris SC2682
Audited Account No. 2298A

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Chester [County]

William Woodward

The petition of Thomas Faris praying a pension to be granted to him
Committee on pensions

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To the Honorable the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives of the State
of South Carolina

The humble petition of Thomas Faris Sheweth that your petitioner is an inhabitant of the
District of Chester in the State aforesaid, and is in the Seventy Second Year of his age. That he
was wounded during the revolutionary War in his right shoulder by a pistol ball, while detached
upon a foraging party which was attacked by the enemy –

That your Petitioner first served with the troops of the State under Colonel Patton [Robert
Patton] at that time a Captain – He then served under Colonel Lacy [Edward Lacey] until 1781 at
which time he was wounded. Colonel Lacy at the period mentioned was serving under the
command of General Sumter [Thomas Sumter]. Your petitioner was wounded near the Edisto
[River].

Soon after the termination of the Revolutionary war a pension was granted to your
Petitioner by the State, and he received the same during the year 1784, 1785 & 1786 as well as
he remembers. The amount paid each year was about £13.

Your Petitioner found considerable difficulty in obtaining the regular payment of his
pension, and after a few years became discouraged, and applied no more. Your petitioner was for
many years disabled by his wound, nor has he even yet entirely recovered from the effects of it.

Your Petitioner is now old and infirm and he humbly prays that the arrears due to him
may be paid, and that his Country may continue his pension for the Short remnant of days during
which it may please God to spare him.

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And your Petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray &c
S/ Thomas Faris



S/ Jno. McKenzie
S/ T. W. Davie
November the 15th 1820

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South Carolina York District } personally came before me James M. Harris one of the Justices
Assigned to Keep the peace in the District aforesaid John Kenmure and saith on oath that
Thomas Faries [sic] was wounded in his Right Shoulder and he has good reason to believe was
done when he was discharging his Duty under General Sumter in behalf of the United States in
the revolutionary war

Sworn to before me and subscribed
this 13th of November 1820
S/ Jas. M. Harris, JP

S/ John Kenmure²



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To the Honorable the President & Members of the Senate
Petition of Thomas Faris

The Petition of Thomas Faris
praying to be put on the Pension List
Granted
John Dunorant [?]

[pp 10-11: Petition of the veteran addressed to the South Carolina Senate and worded identically
to the petition transcribed above except as to the addressee.]

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Report of the Committee on Pensions per the Petition of Thomas Faries [sic]

~~In the House of Representatives~~

~~December 1918-20~~

~~Resolved that the House do agree to the Report Ordered that it be sent to the Senate for
Concurrence~~

~~_____ by order of the House~~

~~S/ R Anderson, CHR~~

Entry in the minutes in the case of the named
In the House of Representatives
November 30, 1821
Resolved that the House do agree to the Report

² [John Kenmure S21850](#)

Ordered that the same be sent to the Senate for
Concurrence
By order of the House
S/ R. Anderson C. H. R.

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The petition of Margret Faires pray for the arrears of the pension of her husband
Pensions
Report in favor
S/ W. Davie

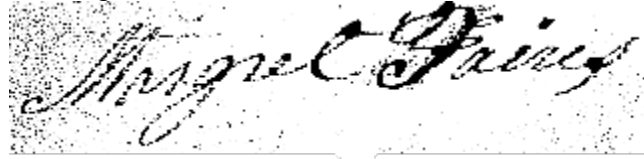
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To the Honorable the Senate & House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina

The petition of Margret Fairis humbly Sheweth that your petitioner is the widow of Thomas Thomas Fairis late a pensioner of the State & departed this life on the 28th of August 1825 and left your Petitioner in very moderate Circumstances having a small family the support & education of which devolves upon your petitioner she would state to your Honorable body that there was at the time of his death six months of arrears of pension due him she humbly prays your Honorable body to pay her the amount thereof and your petitioner are ever in duty bound will pray

20th of November 1826

S/ Margret Faires

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Margret Fairis", written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

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The Committee on pensions to whom was referred the petition of Margaret Faries [sic] praying for arrearages of pension due her deceased husband Thomas Fairies [sic]

Report

That they have considered the same and recommend to this house that she be paid the sum of sixty dollars which we find was due to her deceased husband.

December 1826

S/ John McComb
Chairman