Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Foote (Foot) W10032 Lucretia Foote f59NC Transcribed by Will Graves 1/1/09 rev'd 2/25/15

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State of Indiana Harrison County: SS: Circuit Court May Term 1822

On this 22nd day of May 1822 personally appeared in open Court George Foote aged sixty years who being 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 of the 18th March 1818 and the 1st May 1820 that he the said George Foote joined the Army of the State of North Carolina under a law thereof authorizing any twelve men to furnish a man in their room and that he joined the same for the term of Eighteen months the time he does not recollect but knows it was some months before the defeat of General Gates near Camden [August 15-16, 1780] in South Carolina that he Joined the Army at Hillsboro under the command of Captain John Graves [John Herndon Graves] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Moore [William Moore] in the North Carolina line and Continental establishment that he was at Gates defeat that he continued in the Army for some months and then obtained a discharge from Colonel Moore on his furnishing a substitute by the name of Nicholas Smith to serve the balance of Term -- That as a volunteer he continued in the Army without pay or office that during that time he was in the battle at Raft Swamp [October 15, 1781,] at Baldwin's [Battle of Brown Marsh, September 1781] and at Lindley's Mills [September 13, 1781] -- and having lost his discharge he has no other evidence now in his possession of his Services and in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, 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 otherwise 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: two feather beds and furniture, two trunks, half a dozen chairs, one pot dutch oven and skillet, half a dozen plates and two dishes, one mare, one cow and yearling, one dozen spoons and a pair of drawing chains: two pair of pot hooks

And the declarant further states that he is occupation is that of a common laborer enjoys tolerable health for one of his age, that he has a wife named Lucretia Sixty odd years of age, five children, but none of them living with him.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court this 22nd day of May 1822.

S/ George Foote

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Test: S/ H. W. Heth, Clk.

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State of Indiana Harrison County: Harrison Circuit Court May Term 1824

The additional affidavit of George Foote who heretofore to wit on the 22nd day of May in the year 1822 filed his declaration in the Circuit Court of the Circuit & County aforesaid in order to obtain the provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the first of May 1820 being first duly sworn deposeth and saith That at the time he was enlisted in the service as stated in his declaration heretofore forwarded and in explanation thereof he was placed with others under the command of Colonel Moore who marched them to Hillsboro where they were placed under the command of Colonel Henry alias Hal Dickson [sic, Henry Dixon] of the Carolina line under whom this deponent remained until his discharge this deponent does not know whether Colonel Moore was in the public service or not, all that he knows is that Colonel Moore delivered himself and the others over to Colonel Dickson as before stated this deponent states that he was frequently during his time of service changed from the command of one officer to that of another during his service and that a good deal of his service was performed on the frontiers –

S/ George Foote

Sworn to in open Court in presence of the Judges 17th May 1824

Test: S/ H. W. Heth, Clk

[p 9: On January 19, 1843, in Harrison County, Indiana, Polly Allen, 86, gave testimony that she knew George Foot from the time of his youth to his death in about the year 1828; that she lived near to Foot's father during the Revolution; that she was aware of Foot entering the service previous to Gates Defeat; that immediately after Gates Defeat, Foot was taken with the small pox and left at his father's to recover where he remained about 6 weeks, that Foot's brother, Newton Foot entered the service in Hillsborough; that Foot substituted for his brother, Newton, and for David Triplett, another neighbor; that Foot served under Capt. John Graves in Col. Hal Dixon's Regiment; that a year or two after the Revolution Foot married Lucretia Nance; that they lived together as man and wife and had several children still living among who are Martha Foot (who married Judge Lynn of this county), Kincholo Foot and William Foot; that his widow, Lucretia is still living in this county; that Foot and Lucretia were married in Caswell County, NC; after the Revolution the Foots moved to Rockingham County, NC, then back to Caswell, then again to Rockingham and from Rockingham to Harrison County, Indiana about the year 1816; that affiant's husband John Allen, who died some years ago, was in service at the same time as George Foot. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[p 21: On February 1, 1843 in Harrison County, John Smith, about 80, gave testimony that he knew George Foot and his wife Lucretia, 79; that they were married in 1786 in Caswell County, NC; that they lived together as man and wife until George Foot died in 1828; "...that said George Foote was a soldier in the revolutionary war and served as follows to wit sometime in the summer of the year 1779 the said George Foote entered in the service of the United States as a private in the State of North Carolina in the town of Hillsboro and from that place was marched to the State of South Carolina near Camden under Captain John Graves in the Regiment commanded by Henry commonly called Hal Dixon where all of his services were principally rendered he served three tours three months each one for himself one for Daniel Triplett and one for his brother Newton Foote he was a substitute for those two men above named the battles that he the said George Foote was engaged in is as follows to wit Gates defeat Eutaw Springs Ninety Six Raffle Swamp [sic, Raft Swamp?] and Guilford and a great many skirmishes with both the British and Tories the said John Smith would further state the generals were Gates and Greene and the said Smith further states that after the above services had expired the said George Foot continued in the United States service as a volunteer under the same generals in the South but does not recollect the other officers he served 18 months at the least the said John Smith also states he was in war at the same time his age is about 80 and the deponent further saith not." S/ John Smith

John Smith

[p 16: Affidavit dated May 1, 1843 signed by Abisha Slade Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions for Caswell County North Carolina indicating that he has searched the records in his office and found no record of the marriage of George Foote and Lucinda Nance.]

[p 23: On January 13, 1843, in Harrison County, Indiana, Craven Lynn, gave testimony as to the marriage of the Footes in Caswell County, NC and the services he understood George Foote rendered in the Revolution.]

[p 29 he: A petition to the US Senate and House by Lucretia Foot seeking a widow's pension stating she married George Foot in 1784; she recites his services as outlined above and prays to be allowed a pension.]

[p 34: On January 11, 1843 in Harrison County Indiana, Peter Charley gave testimony in which he states that he has heard his father and George Foote discuss their service together in the revolutionary war; that affiant's father George Charley¹ was a revolutionary war pensioner.

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[p 50, On January 28, 1843 [could be 1842], in Harrison County, Indiana, Lucretia Foot, 79, filed

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¹ George Charley W9781

for a widow's pension; she outlines his services as stated above; that she married him April 15, 1784; that he died January 9, 1828; that she remains a widow]

[p 58: On June 17, 1843 in Harrison County Indiana, William Foote (relationship to the veteran not stated) gave testimony that he was acquainted with George Foote and his wife Lucretia Foote; that George died January 9, 1828 and that Lucretia remains his widow.

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Comptroller's Office Raleigh North Carolina

William. Foote

I William F Collins, Comptroller of Public Accounts, do hereby Certify, that it appears from record in my office that the following Certificates were issued in favor of George Foot for military service, viz.: one for thirteen pounds sixteen shillings (£13.16), found in Book No. 4, page 33: another for nine pounds four shillings (£9.4) found in Book No. 14, page 67 and another for fourteen pounds, seven shillings & seven pence (£14.7.7). Given under my hand and seal this 17th day of March 1845

S/Wm F. Collins, Compt.

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[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836, for her husband's service as a private in the North Carolina militia for 9 months.]