Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Isaac Dade W19149 Fanny Dade VA SC Sea Service Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

State of Massachusetts

I Isaac Dade a Citizen of the United States, now resident at Gloucester in the County of Essex in the State aforesaid, do on oath testify and declare, that in the War of the Revolution in the month of January in the year of Our Lord Seventeen hundred & seventy seven I entered and was engaged in the land service of the United States on the continental establishment, and served accordingly from that time to the month of September in the same year (when having received a severe wound at the Battle of Brandywine [11 Sep] I was obliged to retire from the army on furlough untill I should recover from my wound) as a private against the common enemy, without any interruption or absence: that I belonged to the Company of Captain Gardner in the Regiment of Colonel [Henry] Lee of Virginia, untill I recovered from the wound I received as afores'd which was about one year after the Battle. I then entered the Continental frigate South Carolina commanded by captain Gillane [sic: Commodore Alexander Gillon; see endnote] & served in the same for six months. and that I left the land service on the expiration of s'd term being honorably discharged to wit in or about the month of September A.D. 1778.

and that by reason of my reduced circumstances in life and poverty, I stand in need of assistance from my country for support, being now of the age of seventy years. I have no other evidence to offer than is here exhibited, my service being in the Virginia line of the army, & having been afflicted for fifteen years past with the palsy, it is out of my power to produce any evidence of my service, other than the nature & circumstances of my case & the examination of my person may afford together with the Depositions of the Overseers of the poor of Gloucester which are hereunto annexed.

And I hereby relinquish all claim to every pension heretofore allowed me by the laws of the United States, if any may be or hath been so allowed.

[signed] Isaac Dade

June 29, 1819. I [William Wetmore] now further certify, that the said Dade, the declarant hath been afflicted in such a manner, & to so great a degree with the palsy, that his understanding, memory & speech, have been for some time nearly obliterated lost & gone but the wound in his neck, from the scar, very apparent & must have been severe, he enlisted as early as January 1777 & the battle of Brandiwyne was fought on the Eleventh of September following: I having written to the Secretary of the State of Virginia, by his Attorney, & received for answer that the s'd State had no roll or record of those who served at that period; & no other evidence being within his power or command, on account of his infirmities & poverty; all which appearing to my satisfaction to be true, & that, having been unable to perform any duty for a long time, if not for a year after receiving his said wound he must have been attached to & served uninterruptedly in the regiment stated by him, for more than nine months, these facts are submitted to the consideration of the Secretary with the hope that they may be satisfactory no further evidence, being to be had or procured. Witness my hand & the seal of the s'd Court as within affixed

NOTE:

For details regarding the frigate *South Carolina* see the pension application of John Mayrant (S32390).

On 3 Aug 1838 Fanny Dade, 72, applied for a pension stating that she married Isaac Dade on 22 Dec 1787, and he died 4 Feb 1819. Clark and Fanny Brewer of Boston certified that the family record shown below had been in their possession for 30 years. The entries are transcribed here from bottom to top.

Isaac Dade Born May th10 at Boston 1756
Married December th22 1787
Fanny Blundel Born March 27 1766 at Virginia
Nancy Hayes Dade Born Nov'r 22 1788 Died
Fanny Dade Born Sep'r 28 1789
Isaac Dade Born Feb'y 25 1792
Wm Dade Born July 21 1794
Thomas Dade Born Dec'r 24 1797
Rheuben Dade Born Feb'y th9 1799
Daniel Foster Dade born June 9th 1802.
Rheuben Blundel August th15 1783

