Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Daniel Guilder (Gilder) ¹ W4217 Mary Guilder f59VA Transcribed by Will Graves 6/3/14

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State of Ohio Jackson County: SS

On this 20th day of March 1846 personally appeared before me Asa Dudley an Associate Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in and for said County Mary Guilder late Mary Cutter a resident of said County aged 80 years who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on her Oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 entitled An Act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows and of the Acts of March 3rd 1843 and June 17th 1844. That she is the widow of Daniel Guilder Deceased late an American soldier in the Revolutionary War who held the rank of an Orderly Sergeant part of the time and towards the close of the War aid de camp of General Washington so well as she remembers his statements. She thinks she heard him say that he enlisted for during the War in the County of Fairfax Virginia. She remembers he said he was in the Battle of Monmouth [June 28, 1778] in which he received a wound in the left side inflicted by a Bayonet in consequence of which he was taken to the Hospital where he lay several months before he was able to perform duty the scar of the wound could be obviously seen during his life. She further says that during his Lifetime whilst residing in Louden [Loudoun] County Virginia he went to see Colonel __ (name forgotten) an Officer who lived in or near Alexandria under whom he had served or knew of his services from whom he obtained a paper containing prove of his services. Afterward he got another paper containing evidence of his services it was in size equal to a full sheet and had three seals on it. Those papers he retained till his Death after which Event she put them in the hands of Mr. Henderson (a Lawyer) living in Leesburg in Loudoun County Virginia what he done with the papers she is not informed but supposes that he sent them to Washington City to obtain the Bounty Land due for his services. She further declares that she was married to the said Daniel Guilder in the year 1793 by a Magistrate named Conover in Monmouth County New Jersey. Aaron and Rhoda Morris went with them and were present at the marriage both of whom and the Magistrate have since died she has been informed. She further sayeth that the enclosed Record marked A was taken out of the Family Bible of said Daniel Guilder and the entries made their own is in his own proper handwriting and that Mary Ann Guilder whose Birth is recorded on said paper was their eldest Child. She further sayeth that the said Daniel Guilder departed this life in the month of April 1809 in the County of Loudoun State of Virginia And that she has remained his widow ever since.

S/ Mary Guilder, X her mark

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The State of Ohio Meigs: SS

Before me William Leslie an Associate Judge of the Court of Common Pleas for said County of Meigs Personally appeared Mary Guilder, late Mary Cutter, resident of the County who being duly sworn according to law sayeth. That she and Daniel Guilder deceased were married in the State of New Jersey – that some years after their marriage her husband proposed to go back to Loudoun County Virginia where he has lived before he went into the American Army. Accordingly they moved to Loudoun County and went to Ezekiel Potts, his the said Daniel Guilder's old acquaintance and settled in his neighborhood where they resided until the death of her said husband Daniel Guilder. She the said Mary Guilder further saith that her said husband told her that he lived with and was in the employment of the said Ezekiel Potts when he enlisted. She also remembers that her husband told her that he was one of the Virginia Soldiers and belonged to a company commanded by an officer named Triplett or that he was enlisted by an officer named Triplett, she does not remember which. She does further remember and says that when they arrived at the said Ezekiel Potts, they stayed all night there and that Mrs. Potts, said and observe to her husband Daniel Guilder, "this is the first time I have seen you since you went into the American Army of the Revolution". She the said Mary Guilder also remembers that her husband told her that after he was wounded in the battle of Monmouth he was taken to the Hospital where he lay several months, not being able to return to the Army during the War, that being the cause why he did not obtain a discharge.

S/ Mary Guilder, X her mark

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State of New Jersey Mercer County: SS

Personally appeared before the Subscriber one of the justices of the peace in and for the County of Mercer, Joseph Cutter – of the County aforesaid of the age of fifty-eight years of good reputation for truth – and veracity who being duly sworn on his oath saith that he hath lived in, and been a Citizen of the State of New Jersey from his birth and that he hath lived in the County of Middlesex (now Mercer) about forty years last past, that he distinctly remembers that when a little boy that his Mother Mary Cutter then a widow went away with Guilder to be married and that Rhoda Norris and her husband went with them and all returned the same day and that they were married by Squire Conover that this deponent continued to live with his parents for several years after their said marriage until he was bound out as an apprentice during which time this deponent heard said Guilder say that he was an Englishman that he was pressed into the British Military or Naval service and was in said service several years and that he affected his escape by swimming on a plank and got to Virginia and that he there enlisted in the American Army of the Revolution and that said Guilder frequently showed the deponent and others a scar which he said was from a wound received in the Battle of Monmouth. And this deponent further saith that he is Mother and said Guilder her husband moved to the State of Virginia and that said deponent after he was free which was at the age of twenty-one years paid them a visit and that he found them living in Loudoun County in said State and that he made his home with them for several months during which time this deponent heard the said Daniel Guilder relate the same things relative to his services in the Army which have already been stated in this affidavit.

And this Deponent further saith that between twenty and twenty-five years ago this deponent received a letter from a Gentlemen in Virginia he thinks by the name of Anderson (which letter is lost) requesting this Deponent to obtain proof of the marriage of Deponent's

Mother and the said Daniel Guilder and said deponent made search and found the record of the Marriage Docket of the aforesaid Squire Conover of Monmouth County and that said Deponent took a copy of said record in presence of the aforesaid Rhoda Norris and then went to the County Clerk's Office and had Rhoda Norris Affidavit taken that she was present at the marriage and that the Clerk authenticated the same and this deponent then sent the same to the said Henderson and further this deponent saith not.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 29th day of July 1847

S/ Israel Pearce, JP

S/ Joseph Cutter

Joseph Cutter

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Council Chamber August 22nd, 1787

Daniel Guilder is entitled to the proportion of land allowed a private of the Continental line for 3 years service.

Beverly Randolph

T Meriwether

A Warrant for 100 acres issued to Daniel Guilder the 22nd of August 1787 No. 4307

A Copy from the Records of the Virginia Land Office

Teste, S. H. Parker, Register Land Office

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A Chronological account of the family circumstances attending & Belonging to Daniel & Mary Guilder

Daniel Guilder Son of Benjamin & Anna Maria Guilder was born the $5^{\rm th}$ day of January & year of our Lord 1755

Mary Compton Daughter of William & Mary Compton was born the 29^{th} day of August – year of – 1765

Daniel Guilder married Mary Cutter Widow – 1793

Joseph Cutter Son of Ebenezer & Mary Cutter was born February the 2nd A.D. 1788

Mary Ann Guilder Daughter of Daniel & Mary Guilder was born in New Jersey Wednesday April the 2^{nd} & year of 1794

Elizabeth Guilder Daughter of Daniel & Mary Guilder was born Sunday March the 13th in New Jersey & year of 1796

Mary H & Sarah A. Guilder Daughters of D. & M. Guilder was born Saturday December the 30th (the same are Twins) – 1797

L? Guilder Daughter of Daniel & Mary Guilder was born Sunday February the 9th New Jersey & year of 1800

Benjamin Guilder Son of Daniel & Mary Guilder was born Saturday June the 13th New Jersey & year of 1801

Phebe Baird Guilder Daughter of Daniel & Mary Guilder was born Monday March the 14th Day New Jersey & year of 1803

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This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers

of the Virginia Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 22nd day of August 1787, in the name of Daniel Guilder, as a Soldier of Infantry for £62.10.0, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to himself and was given for services prior to the 1st January 1782.

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 27th day of August 1846.

S/Allen W Morton, first Clerk acting in the absence of the AUDITOR

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Virginia Jefferson County, to wit:

Before me, John CR Taylor a justice of the peace for the above County has personally appeared Richard Larow a citizen of said County who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath say that he was 82 years of age on the 19th of July 1847, born in Hopewell New Jersey, from which state his father with his family removed to Loudoun County Virginia about the commencement of the Revolutionary War & settled in the neighborhood of Ezekiel Potts.

Affiant saith that he was personally acquainted with a young man named Daniel Guilder who was a laborer in the employment of said Potts & with whom he resided, but before his the said Guilder time will had expired with said Potts, he the said Guilder ran off & enlisted in the Continental Army in the revolutionary war as said Guilder told him & that several years after the close of the war the said Guilder, having married in New Jersey (as he said affiant was told) returned with his family to Loudoun where he continued to reside until his death having a widow, named Polly, & several children one of whom was a son named Benjamin, all of whom removed to the Western Country, as he said affiant was informed – The affiant further saith that the said Guilder showed him the scars of two wounds, one on each breast, and which he told said affiant had been made by bayonets in the war.

S/ Richard Larow, X his mark

[p 4: On April 2, 1855 in Meigs County Ohio, Mary Gilder, 89, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of Daniel Killed or, a revolutionary war soldier; she signed this application with her mark.]

[p 37: On May 19, 1847 David Potts, 74 or 5, son of Ezekiel Potts gave testimony substantially identical to that given by Richard Larow in the affidavit transcribed above. The affiant states he was born in Loudoun County Virginia in the year 1772.]

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I do hereby certify that Daniel Guilder a Soldier of my company of Colonel Nathaniel Gest's Regiment was enlisted for the term of three years which time he served faithfully. I do further certify that the said D. Guilder was at the time of his enlistment a Citizen of Virginia and stands as one of the Quota of said State, The said Guilder received from me his pay and arrearages of pay and clothing up to the 13th day of November 1779.

Given under my hand this 12th day of August 1787 S/ Francis Muir Captain & Pay master Copy Auditors Office August 22nd, 87 John Carter

[p 57: Mary Guilder gave testimony on May 13, 1851 in Meigs County Ohio that she and her husband Daniel Guilder removed from New Jersey to Virginia in the latter part of 1803 or the fore part of 1804 – she thinks in 1803.]

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1848 for her husband service as a private in the Virginia service.]

Note: There is a file posted online in the collection of the State Library of Virginia, Bounty Land collection, filed under the name of Daniel Guilder but the image posted there is illegible as posted. It appears, however, to be a copy of the affidavit given by Captain Francis Muir as transcribed above.