Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Bean W5813

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State of North Carolina Davidson County: SS

On this 30th day of January 1846 Personally appeared before us Jacob Goss Esquire & John Miller Two of the Acting Justices of the peace, in & for Davidson County, China Bean, a resident of the County & State aforesaid, & after being first sworn in due form of 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 7 day 1838 – that She is 78 years old, & that she is the widow of Richard Bean late deceased of Davidson County North Carolina, who was a private Soldier in the Revolution War, & that he served in the Army of the United States more than 18 months, & he served in the North Carolina line, that part of his time, he served under Capt. Rolin Harriss [sic, Robin Harriss] & that he joined the Army in Randolph County & served a Tour under Capt. Harriss as before named. The other officers he served under, She does not recollect, that he served under other officers, more than one Tour as she has often heard her husband, the aforesaid Richard Bean say, & that she was married to the aforesaid Richard Bean in the year 1782 And the aforesaid Richard Bean lived until the year 1818, at which time he departed this life in North Carolina, Davidson County. And that the aforesaid China and being as remained a widow to the present time, And that she has been deprived of sight of both of her eyes for at least eight years last past, & that she now continues to be blind, which shall more fully appear by the proofs hereafter rendered & shown.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year above written before us S/ Jac. Goss, JP S/ China Bean, X her mark S/ John Miller, JP

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State of North Carolina Davidson County: SS

On this 15th day of April 1846 Personally appeared before me Jacob Berrier one of the acting Justices of the peace in & for Davidson County, George Thomason¹ 82 years old a resident citizen of the County aforesaid, and after being first sworn in due form of law doth on his oath make the following statements, that he was a private soldier in the War of the Revolution & is now a Pensioner of the United States,

¹ George Thomason S7712

He further states on his aforesaid oath, in days of the Revolution war, he was well acquainted with Richard Been [sic, Bean, but spelled "Been" throughout this deposition] & with his wife Chany, now his widow, who is applying for a Pension due her; on account of the Revolutionary service; of her husband the aforesaid Richard being late deceased of Davidson County North Carolina. And that deponent distinctly recollects, in the latter end of the year 1778 and the spring of the year 1779 deponent served a Tour under Capt. James Shepard, and that the aforesaid Richard Bean did serve in the company with deponent, a private soldier in the North Carolina militia & that the aforesaid Richard Bean did serve on the aforesaid Tour under the aforesaid Capt. James Shepard & that during the above named Tour of service, deponent well recollects, of being in company with the aforesaid Richard Bean in the Battle at Briar's Creek [sic, Briar Creek] South Carolina and after having served on the aforesaid Tour, both, deponent & the aforesaid Richard being at least five months was honorably discharged from the Army.

The next Tour of service deponent was again drafted for a three months Tour to serve in the North Carolina Militia, & that he was drafted in Rowan County North Carolina & as such deponent served the aforesaid Tour under Capt. Jas. Philips [James Phillips] & that the aforesaid George Thomason & the aforesaid Richard Bean did serve together and that they were Private Soldiers under the aforesaid Capt. Jas Philips. And that deponent & the aforesaid Richard being was in the Great Battle at King's Mountain. And after deponent & Richard being as aforesaid had served in the Army of the United States together at least three months on this last Tour of service, they were honorably discharged from the Army.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid before me S/ Jacob Berrier, JP S/ George Thomason

[fn p. 10: Home July 30, 1846 Davidson County North Carolina, Kedron Bean, 62, testified that he is the son of Richard Bean & Chany Stephens; that he knows of no record of their marriage or the births of their children; but has never heard their marriage doubted.]

[fn p. 6: On June 3, 1851 in Davidson County North Carolina William Bean, a resident of said County, me testimony that he is the son of Chaney Bean (widow of Richard Bean a revolutionary soldier).]

[fn p. 8: on March 12, 1853 in Davidson County North Carolina, William Bean is, son of China Bean widow of Richard Bean, gave testimony that he is 57 years of age; that his parents from his earliest recollection lived together as man and wife; that his parents had the following named children: Sarah, Whitlock [Lock], Richard, William, Martha, Gideon, Peter & Elizabeth three older & for younger than himself. That he heard his parents discuss that they were married in Montgomery County North Carolina; that he is unaware of any record of their marriage or the births of their children; that his mother died in April 1851 survived at the time of her death by five children, the is: Whitlock, William & Martha Crook, Gideon & Peter.]