Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Isaac Taylor¹ W601 Margaret f52VA
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State of Tennessee White County: On this 13th day of September 1853 personally appeared before the undersigned Judge of the Circuit Court in the 4th Judicial Circuit in the State of Tennessee Margaret Taylor with whom I am personally acquainted, Aged 78 years a Resident of said County and State, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed on the 3rd of February 1853 Granting pensions to widows of persons who served during the Revolutionary War, That she is the widow of Isaac Taylor who was a Captain in the Illinois Regiment of Virginia State line Troops in the Army of the Revolution. That he served three years, and that she has been paid half pay under the act of July 5, 1832 – as she now recollects \$480 per year which was done about the year 1833 or 4 but she does not know at what agency it was paid, And that she is informed her husband received 4000 acres of Land from Virginia for Military services. All of which information will be seen by reference to the Army records. She further declares that she was married to the said Isaac Taylor on or about the day of November 1802 and that her said husband died on or about the 26th day of February 1815. That she was not married to him prior to the 2nd of January 1800 but at the time above stated. She further declares that she is now a widow and has been ever since the death of said Isaac Taylor. She was married to him in Montgomery County Virginia. She further states that she made a declaration which was filed in the Pension Office 10th of March 1853 and suspended on the 17th May 1853 which this Declaration is intended to Amend. And reference is here made to the proof of the marriage and widowhood and also the death of her said husband there with filed and asked to be made a part of this Declaration. She further refers to the proof of her husband's services filed with her application in 1833 full half pay under the act of 5th July 1832 which was allowed her. And further that from bodily infirmity she is unable to go to Court, to make this declaration.

Test S/ G. G. Dibrell S/ Francis A. Huddleston

S/ Margaret Taylor, X her mark

[f p 14: copy of a marriage bond issued in Montgomery County Virginia to Isaac Taylor & John McHenry on October 14, 1802 conditioned upon the marriage of Isaac Taylor to Margaret Erwin.]

If p 16: On April 16, 1856 in Putnam County Tennessee, the widow filed for her bounty land

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entitlement adding that she was married in Montgomery County Virginia by Henry Vanover, a Minister of the gospel.]

[Note: a letter dated September 9, 1935 summarizing the veteran's service contains the following paragraph:

Isaac Taylor of Botetourt County, Virginia, (was later Montgomery County) was commissioned December 21, 1778, Captain of Colonel John Montgomery's Illinois Regiment of Virginia troops and continued to serve until August 22, 1780; he rendered one month's service as Captain from always one 1782.

The source of the above information is not given in it does not appear in any of the documents set forth in this file. My assumption is that this information was derived from the file created in connection with the application for the veteran's half pay as an officer in the Virginia service pursuant to the act of July 5, 1832. Unfortunately, those files are not yet posted on Fold3 (and may not ever be).]

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$480 per annum commencing February 3rd, 1853.]