Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Knox W8008 Transcribed by Will Graves Agnes Knox f35SC 10/24/09: rev'd 5/1/16 & 7/11/20

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State of North Carolina Mecklenburg County:

On this 8th day of November 1832 Personally appeared before me John Hartt one of the Justices of the Peace in and for County aforesaid Samuel Knox a resident of the County & State aforesaid aged 69 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed 7th of June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers, & served as herein stated.

That in February 1781 as he believes he enlisted in Captain James Giles Company in Colonel William Hill's Regiment under the command of General Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] (generally known by the name of eighteen months men.) -- that in this term of service he was at the taking of Fort Granby¹ on the Congaree at Buckhead. -- At the taking of Orangeburg Fort² -- at the defeat at Wolf's old field, and at the Juniper Springs,³ at the battle of Strawberry [Ferry],⁴ and at the defeat of the Tories on the Congaree &c. That when the term for which I enlisted expired (viz. 10 months) there still being a necessity for us to continue in the service, myself with many others, at the request of General Sumpter volunteered, & served a tour of 2 months; -- all the services rendered in the Campaigns spoken of (in all 12 months) was in the State of South Carolina -- I further declare that I have not any discharge, that a time & place was appointed for the troops to meet & received their discharge, but the officers failing to attend no discharges were given -- and for further proof of my services would refer to the depositions hereunto annexed. -- I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that my name is not on the pension roll of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 8th day of November 1832. S/ John Hartt, JP

S/ Sam Knox

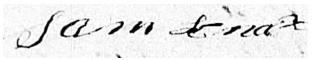
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¹ May 15, 1781. http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution fort granby 2.html

² May 10-11, 1781. http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_orangeburgh_2.html

³ June 18, 1781 http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution mydeltons ambuscade.html

⁴ Probably a reference to the action on July 16, 1781. http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_strawberry_ferry.html



[Alexander Greer and John McDowell gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of South Carolina York District: This day personally came John Clark⁵ before me the subscribing justice and being duly sworn sayeth that Samuel Knox a citizen of North Carolina Mecklenburg County did serve as a private Soldier in Captain James Gill's company Colonel William Hill Regiment in the ten months service of the State troops commanded by General Sumter.

Sworn to this 14th day of November 1832 before me S/Joseph McKenzie, QU

S/ John Clark

State of South Carolina York District: This day personally came David McCall⁶ before me the subscribing Justice and being duly sworn saith that he was in mess with Samuel Knox ten months in the State troops service of the Revolution war Captain Giles company Colonel Hill's Regiment under General Sumter.

Sworn to this 14th day of November 1832 before me S/Joseph McKenzie, QU

S/David McCall

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[p 6: On August 7, 1844 in Mecklenburg County North Carolina, Henry N Knox gave testimony that the family record is the genuine record of the children of Samuel and Agnes Knox in the handwriting of Thomas Garrison in a Bible owned by the affiant's father for many years.

⁵ John Clark R1999

⁶ David McCall S18966

[p 8 family record]

Ages of the children of Samuel and Agnes Knox John was born June 4th 1790 James born January 22 1792 Joseph born September 23rd 1794

Births

Samuel born February 18th 1797 Matthew was born December 25th 1799 Mary born October 28th 1800

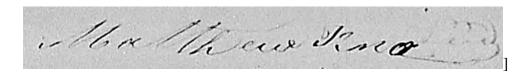
Henry Neel born October 24th 1803 Nancy born September 30th 1805

Jane Hannah born April [?] 19th 1808



[p 11: On August 26, 1846 in Mecklenburg County North Carolina Henry N. Knox, made application for the pension due his mother under the 1838 act as the widow of his father, Samuel Knox, a pensioner for his services in the revolution at the rate of \$40 per round; he states that his parents were married sometime in the year 1789 and that his father died March 10, 1833 and his mother died September 24, 1842 not having remarried following the death of his father; that they only surviving children of his parents are as follows: John Knox, James Knox, Joseph Knox, Samuel Knox, Matthew Knox and Henry N. Knox.]

[p 18: undated power of attorney executed by Matthew Knox in which he refers to the veteran as his father.



[p 10: certificate dated February 5, 1847 from the South Carolina Comptroller's office in Columbia showing payments made to Samuel Knox for 300 days militia duty performed in 1780.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 for service as a private for one year in the South Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned at the rate of \$33.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1843.]