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Avrill, Nathaniel

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New York

Nathaniel Averill

born in the State of New York
who was a Private in the ~~Company~~ commanded
by Captain ~~Leitch~~ of the Regt. commanded
by Col. ~~Heuman~~ in the ~~Cont.~~ - a
line for ~~3 mos~~

Continental Army
Records corrected.

Recorded on the Roll of New York
at the rate of \$3 Dollars 33 Cents per annum
commence on the 1st day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 2 day of Oct.
1835 and State of New York
Johnston

Arrears to the 1st of Apr. '25 \$108.33
Semi-ant. allowance ending 4/1/24 21.66
\$129.99

Recorded by E. C. Stiles Clerk
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Revolutionary Claim, 7
Jan June 7, 1832.

State of New York: *Page*
Montgomery County S.S.

On this 19th day of September in the Year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two, personally appeared in open Court, before the Court of common Pleas of the County of Montgomery and State of New York, Nathaniel Merrill a resident of the Town of Amsterdam in the County & State aforesaid aged seventy five years who being first duly sworn according to Law, took an oath to make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7 1832: That he entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as ~~king's~~ ^{king's} ~~State's~~ ^{State's} soldier.
Your applicant says that in the month of April in the year 1775 he volunteered into the State Troops of Connecticut for the term of nine months, that he went from the Town of New Milford & Litchfield County, Connecticut, to Ticonderoga State of New York, under Captain Elazer Curtis, Lieutenants Jona Swift & Morgan Nobles & Ensign Bidwell, belonging to Colonel Newman's Regiment that he served the full term of nine months and was discharged sometime in January following, the time he cannot state: Your applicant further says that he again went out in the winter of 1776, shortly after his return from Ticonderoga, that he went at this time from New Milford aforesaid, to the City of New York, as a draft, for four months under ^{Cap} Ebenezer Couch, Lieutenant Isaac Puggles Ensign Nobles, belonging to the Regiment of State Troops belonging to Connecticut, the Colonel and other officers of the Regiment the applicant does not recollect, and he served the full term of four months and was discharged sometime in the Spring of the year, the month nor the day of the month the applicant does not recollect, Your applicant further says that he was again called out as a minuteman in the militia, on or about the first of July of that year 1776, that he went from New Milford aforesaid to New York City, under Captain William Cogswell Morgan Noble Lieutenant & Ensign David Whittlesey, & Colonel Samuel Canfield's Regiment. Your applicant says that he was in the Battle fought at Long Island, at the time Lord Howe landed fourteen thousand men on Long Island and took possession of the City of New York, that he

was out at this time for ^{the} space of two months and does not recollect the time that he was discharged. And your applicant says that he was in the service of the Revolutionary war for the space of fifteen months and no longer. Your applicant says that he was born at New Milford State of Connecticut in the year of our Lord 1736, and has no record of his age and the only evidence he has of his age is the tradition of the family and his own recollection. Your applicant says that he has no documentary evidence of his service; He served as a private.

He has resided at his present place of residence since the war. Your applicant says that he was acquainted with the following named officers of the Continental establishment, to wit, Gen. Schuyler, Gen. Montgomery, Gen. Lee, Gen. Stanwix and some others whose names he does not recollect at this late period of time.

Your applicant says that he is acquainted with the following named persons residing in his neighborhood who can testify as to his character for truth and veracity and their belief of his service as a Soldier of the Revolutionary war, to wit, William Robt. Ina Benedict, Sebastian Tyler, James Ashmead.

Your applicant says that he has resided since the Revolution in the Town of Amsterdam & County of Montgomery.

Your applicant hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or annuity except the present, and declares his name is not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any State.

Done and date written the day and year above said.

In Open Court,
Geo. D. Ferguson, Clerk

Nathan H. Adrill

Retained behind applicant

State of New York
Montgomery County S.S.

Personally appeared before the undersigned
a Justice of the Peace in & for said County, Nathaniel
Averill, who, being duly sworn, deposes & saith that, by
reason of old age & the consequent loss of memory he
cannot state any more circumstances than have been stated
by him in his declaration with regard to his service.
He says he served 15 months as stated by him in his
declaration: He says he has stated the year & place where
born: He has also stated that he had no ~~certified~~ record of
his age: He says he resided at New Milford Litchfield
Connecticut when called into service; and has lived since
the Revolution in Amstudsans & Mayfield; and at present
resides at Amstudsans: He says he volunteered and enlisted
or was drafted in to the service: He was acquainted with
Gen. Sullivan, Gen. Sterling, Sullivan, Gen. Lee and says
he was acquainted with Col Woodhull, who was taken a
prisoner on Long Island: He never received a discharge.
He says he has no persons by whom he can prove any
of his services and knows of no living witness to his
services; all the proof he has is traditionary, he has no
positive proof.

Sworn & Subscribed this 6th day of Nathaniel Averill
June 1833 Before me
Aaron Haring
Justice of the Peace

WAR DEPARTMENT,

Pension Office,

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Sir:

The evidence in support of your claim, under the act of June 7, 1832, has been examined, and the papers are herewith returned. The following is a statement of your case in a tabular form. On comparing these papers with the following rules and the subjoined notes you will readily perceive that objections exist, which must be removed, before a pension can be allowed. The notes and the regulations will shew what is necessary to be done. Those points to which your attention is more particularly directed, you will find marked in the margin with a brace, (thus: $\}$). You will, when you return your papers to this Department, send this printed letter with them; and you will, by complying with this request, greatly facilitate the investigation of your claim.

A Statement, shewing the Service of Nathaniel Averill, Montgomery Co New York

Period when the service was rendered.	Duration of the claimant's service.			Rank of the claimant.	Names and rank of the Field officers under whom he served.	Age at present, and place of abode when he entered the service.	Proof by which the declaration is supported.
	Years.	Months.	Days.				
Apr 1775.	"	9	"	Pvt.	Col. Heyman Capt. Curtis Lieut. Swift	75 years Detroit old Co.	Lead testimony.
Win. 1776	"	4	"	"	Capt. Couch Lt. J. Ruggles	son?	
July Ditto	"	2	"	"	Col. Banfield Capt. Cogswell Lt. M. Noble		
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Your obedient servant,

J. L. EDWARDS,
Commissioner of Pensions.