

Pension Application for Simeon Applebee

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Kennebunk, Jany 17, 1820.

Sir,

The selectmen of the town of Berwick having been informed that the pension has been continued to one of their most wealthy and independent farmers have requested me to enclose to you his valuation as given by him to the assessors of that town, presuming, as they say, that it was not the intention of the government that those persons should be continued on the pension roll, whose income stances, in a penury point of view, are so good as more of Simeon Appleby.

From a personal knowledge of Mr. Appleby and in consequence of the representation of the selectmen of Berwick I was induced to look at the inventory furnished by him to the Judge to obtain a continuance of the pension, and I confess that I was not a little surprised at the perusal.

He states I think that he has three or four grandchildren dependent on him for support, while the fact is he has but one child, and that a son, what lives in the same house with the father, Simion, [Simeon] and who is a man of handsome property independent of the father.

The farm on which they live and which is owned wholly by the father is one of the best in this county of its size—number of acres 70 or 80. The house mentioned in inventory as being old and of little value is but a few years old, well finished and handsomely painted—One old barn only is mentioned in the inventory if I recollect, while the fact is that in addition to an old one he has a new barn of large dimensions and finished in the best manner for a build of that kind and report says that the last autumn there was made on the farm 60 barrels of cider but of the truth of this fact I cannot vouch. Certain it is however that Mr. Appleby is a very substantial farmer, free from debt and has money at interest. Respectfully yours. J.C. Calhoun

SCHEDULE of the real and personal estate, (necessary clothing and bedding excepted) belonging to me the subscriber, viz: 15 acres of middling mowing & tillage - 5 acres pasturing - 15 acres of wood & waste land a one story wide house, old & out of repair - a barn 30 by 50 ft. out of repair & very old - 5 sheep - 2 swine - A few articles of kitchen furniture. I am indebted to Richard Cutts Esq. & others in the sum of fifty dollars.

SCHEDULE of the family residing with me *Simeon Applebee* who, by occupation am a farmer which I am unable to pursue by reason of sickness & infirmity.

NAMES.	AGES.	Capacity of each to contribute to their support.
Bridget my wife	61	sickly & dropsical.
Grandchildren, Bridget	9	dependant on me
Simeon	7	sickly & d.
Hawley	5	d.
Olive	3	d.
<i>Simeon Applebee.</i>		

STATE OF MAINE.

I, *York ss. Daniel Sewall* Clerk of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas for said Circuit, within the county of *York* do hereby certify, that the foregoing oath, and the schedules thereto annexed, are truly copied from the Record of the said Court; and I do further certify, that it is the opinion of the said Court that the total amount in value of the property exhibited in the aforesaid schedule, is *five hundred* dollars; and that the applicant *owes fifty dollars*. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Court, on this *twentieth fourth* day of *July* A. D. one thousand eight hundred and twenty.

Daniel Sewall, } Clerk of the said Circuit Court for the County of

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State of Maine.
County of York, SS.

On this third day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court, before the Court of Probate now sitting at Alfred in s'd County—Simeon Applebee a resident of Berwick, in the county of York and State of Maine aged seventy two 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 June 7, 1832.

That he enlisted 1779 in the U.S. service in the ship Ranger commanded by Capt Thomas Simpson (or Stimpson) that he sailed in s'd ship from Portsmouth, in N. H. to Boston & from Boston to Charleston S.C. & was employed in this ship in all above twelve months during which time after the arrival of s'd ship at [Charleston?] he was employed in s'd service in the forts in [?] & the city and was there at the taking of it & the enemy. That he has previously been on the Pension Roll but on account of property had been [?] therefrom.

That he enlisted in the year 1775 or 6 in; a militia company commanded by Capt Philip Hubbard & marched with s'd company to [Kittey?] in s'd county and after the expiration of the term of six months for which he enlisted was discharged with the company—that afterwards he enlisted & was three months in a militia company commanded by Capt John Goodwill in Col. Littlefield's Regiment and marched from s'd Berwick to Penobscott [Penobscot] (or Cantine) in s'd State & was then in an engagement with the British that in the year 1777 he was drafted a private in the company commanded by Capt. Saml Grant of s'd Beswick:--Storer? was the Colonel under Gen Pattenore & served for the term of three months for which he enlisted. That he was at the Battle of Stillwater against Burgoyne, from which place the 'British Army retreated to Saratoga where I was at the Battle there, and at the surrender of Gen.l Burgoyne to Gen. Gates. That he enlisted again (the next year) he thinks), at s'd Berwick and went to Peekskill in a company commanded by Gen Hamilton to oppose Roger's Rangers in New York & was in a slight skirmish the enemy retreating.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.
(Signed) Simeon Applebee

Sworn to, and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid. Wm. Cutter Allen, Register of Probate.