

Pension Application for Henry Bennet or Bennett

W.18588 (Harriet)
Steuben County
State of New York SS.

Henry Bennet of the County of Steuben in the State of New York being duly sworn before me William Read Esquire one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of said county doth depose and say that in the month of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy nine he this deponent enlisted as a private soldier in a company commanded by Captain Cornelius Johnston belonging to Colonel Peter Gansevoort's Regiment of the New York Line on the Continental Establishment that on the General new arrangement of the army which took place in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty he this deponent was transferred to the first New York Regiment commanded by Colonel G. VanSchack of the said line that he continued in service under his said enlistment from the said month of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy nine until the conclusion of the Revolutionary War in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty three and that he then received a discharge from the said army signed by the said Colonel G. VanSchack and countersigned by General George Washington which said discharge this deponent gave to a person for the purpose of obtaining his bounty land and was unable to procure his said discharge again, that he is unable to procure his said discharge not knowing what has become of it. And this deponent further saith that by reason of his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his country for support. (Signed) Henry Bennet

Sworn this 21st day of April AD 1818, before me Wm. Read.

Letter in folder dated April 10, 1925, written in response to an inquiry.

I have the honor to advise you that from the paper in the Revolutionary War pension claim, W.18588, place not stated.

He enlisted in April 1779, and served until the close of the Revolution in 1783 as a private in Captain Cornelius Jansen's Company, Colonels Peter Gansevoort's in Goose VanSchaick's New York Regiment.

He was allowed pension on the application executed April 21, 1818, while a resident of Steuben County, New York. He died January 8, 1841, Allegany (later Wyoming) County, New York.

He married December 19, 1788, at Easton, Washington County, New York, Harriet Clute he was born September 24, 1771. She was allowed pension on her application executed March 16, 1843, while a resident of Pike, New York.

Children of Henry and Harriet Bennet:

Nicholas born June 4, 1793.

Elizabeth born April 19, 1795.

Rachel born June 1, 1799.

Belinda Haret born September 16, 1802.

Francis born May 15, 1805.

Mariah born August 25, 1807.

Ann born May 25, 1810.

Angeline born May 21, 1815.

In 1820 Nicholas, Elizabeth, and Rachel, were married and Elizabeth had two children and Rachel had one child, their names not stated.