

## Pension Application for John Dusenbury

S.45353

State of New York

Cayuga County SS.

On this 6<sup>th</sup> day of July 1820, personally appeared in open court, being a court of record for the said county, in the July term of Com. Pleas & Genl & sessions John Dusenbury aged 66 years, resident in the town of Sterling in said county, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows:

In the year 1775, was appointed 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant in the company commanded by Capt. Nathan Pierce Regt commanded by Col. Richman or Ribeman 4<sup>th</sup> Regt New York Line and continued to serve in said Regt. till Feby 1777 & that he continued in the recruiting services & other capacities during the war & was in the battle of Long Island New York Harlem White Plains Trenton \* that the date of his original declaration was 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 1828 and the number of his Pen. Certif 6253.

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States, on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March , 1818; and that I have not, since that time, by gift, sale, or in any manner, disposed of my property, or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States, in the revolutionary war," passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1818; and that I have not, nor has any person in trust for me, any property, or securities, contracts or debts, due to me; not have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed, and by me subscribed.

& I do solemnly swear that I am by occupation a house carpenter & joiner and that by reason of old age bodily infirmities & loss of eye sight am not able to contribute to my support by manuel [manual] labor & that I have no family and that the amount that I am justly indebted to several persons in a large that will exceed two hundred dollars. (Signed) John Duesenbury

Schedule

No debts due me

No real estate

Old mare \$21.10

2 Colts 35.11

3 Hogs 12.00

2-5 pail kettles 8.11

1-300? 2.51.

Total \$77.51

Amt Brt up 77.5[5?—doesn't seem to match]

1 saw 1.50

1 set bench plain 1.004 chisels .75

1 Augar .25

Compass & [level?] .25

Broad ax 1.00

Shaver & old moulding [?] 1.50

(Signed) John Dusenbury

Sworn to and declared, on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of July 1820 before Rufus Sheldon Judge of Cayuga Com. Pleas.

I, James Glover clerk of Cayuga County do hereby certify, that the foregoing oath and the schedule 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 83 dollars and 75 cents. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of the said court on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of July 1820. James Glover. Clerk of the Court for the County of Cayuga

Letter in folder dated September 23, 1927, written in response to an inquiry.

I have to advise you that it appears from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, S.45353, that John Dusenberry (pensioned as Dusenbury) while a resident of Dutchess County, New York, was commissioned First Lieutenant in Captain Nathan Pierce's Company in Colonel Ritzema's Third New York Regiment February 26, 1776; he was in the battles of Long Island, Harlem [Harlem] Heights, White Plains, Trenton and Fort Independence and was wounded but it was not stated in which battle he received the wound. He served until the close of the Revolution.

He was allowed pension on his application executed May 18, 1818, at which time he was sixty-four years of age and was a resident of Sterling, Cayuga County, New York.

He died September 10, 1833, leaving no widow.

David was his only surviving child and he died September 15, 1846, leaving the following children: Mary A. O'Connell, Sarah A. Dusenberry, and Moses Y. Dusenberry.