

Pension Application for Joseph Fitch

W.20312 (Widow: Cataline or Catalina Kelsey, former widow) Married October or November 1776 at Spence Town NY, Reverend Jasper Clark. Died in January 1778 or 1779 of wounds in the Town of Schodack from a Tory. Cataline married Elijah Kelsey, died January 5, 1816. Cataline died June 27, 1844 leaving 2 children: Gillett Kelsey and Henry Kelsey.

State of New York

Albany County SS.

John Vanderpool being duly sworn says that he is 85 years of age, and that he resides in the town of Guilderland County of Albany & State of New York that he was a soldier in the revolutionary war and belonged to the company of Captain John Fisher and the regiment of Coll. Goose VanSchaick.

He further says that he was well acquainted with Joseph Fitch who was the youngest Lieutenant in the said company of Captain Fisher, he further says that the said company marched for Canada in the month of May or June of the year 1775 that they went by the way of Lake George to St. Johns & Montreal & from thence to Quebec and that this deponent and also the said Lieutenant Fitch went with the army to Quebec.

This deponent further says that he this deponent further says that he this deponent remained at Quebec until the month of March of the year 1776 during which month he left. That at this time viz in March 1776 & during the whole time since marching the said Lieutenant Fitch continued to discharge the duties of an acting Lieutenant and that he remained at Quebec after this deponent left.

This deponent does not know how long Lieutenant Fitch remained at Quebec after he left nor how long he remained in the army after this period. (Signed with his mark) John Vanderpool. John F. Quackenbush, Justice of the Peace.