Pension Application for Eliphalet Kellogg

S.2692 State of Pennsylvania County of Wayne SS.

On this twenty eighth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three personally appeared in open court before David Scott, President and Isaac Dimmock his associate Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the said County Eliphalet Kellogg a resident of Bethany in Dyberry Township in the County of Wayne and State of Pennsylvania, aforesaid aged sixty nine 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 entered the service of the United States under the following officers, and served as herein stated.

That on the Eleventh day of April 1781 he enlisted at Ballstown in the County of Saratoga and State of New York in Captain Job Wright's (1) Company of New York State Troops in which Jesse Hubbell and Pliny Moore (2) were Lieutenants, for the term of three years.

That said company was attached to the Regiment of New York State Troops commanded by Colonel Marinus Willett in which regiment, Andrew Fink and Elias Vanbenscholten (3) were Majors. That in July of the same year this declarant left Ballstown in company with other recruits and marched to Saratoga.

That he remained in garrison at Saratoga until November of the same year when the company to which he was attached was relieved by a Regiment of New Hampshire State Troops commanded by Colonel Reed, and Waite and Morrell (4) were Majors. Captain Wrights Company was then ordered back to Ballstown for winter quarters in a picket fort. That this declarant remained at Ballstown until June 1782 when his company was ordered to Fort Rensellear [Rensselaer] on the Mohawk River.

That he marched through Schenectady and arrived at Fort Rensellear about the latter part of the same month. That he remained at Fort Rensellear about the latter part of the month of December of the same year. That in the same month he left Fort Rennsellear in Capt. Wright's Company along with that of Capt. Cannons, (5) and was stationed at Fort Herkimer, about twenty two miles distant.

That in 1783 in the month of February declarant marched from Fort Herkimer in Colonel Willett's Regiment for the purpose of reducing Fort Oswego (6) on Lake Ontario, which was then held by the British. That after proceeding about one hundred miles through the interior of the State of New York and undergoing various hardships and sufferings the Regiment found itself discovered and it returned to Fort Herkimer without affecting the object of the expedition.

That deponent remained at Fort Herkimer until the 16th day of May 1783 when Captain Wright and Captain Cannon's Companies were ordered to Fort Rensellear. That declarant remained on duty at Fort Rensellear until the 10th day of August (7) in the same year, when he was honorably discharged by producing an able bodied substitute, as by his Certificate of discharge hereto annexed will appear.

And this declarant further saith that the only evidence in his profession, of his services, in the depositions of Conrad Edick and Paul Atwell duly subscribed and attested and hereto annexed; together with his certificate of Discharge, dated August 10, 1783, and also hereto annexed.

And this declarant further saith that he was born in Norwalk (now New Canaan) in the County of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, on the 19th day of May 1763, where he resided

until he was seven years of age, when he removed to Ballstown, Saratoga County and State of New York; that he resided at Ballstown until the year 1792 when he removed to Mount Pleasant in the County of Wayne and State of Pennsylvania.

That he continued to reside in Mount Pleasant Township until the year 1811, when he removed to Dyberry Township in said County where he now resides.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or disability except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed) E. Kellogg.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. Geo. B. Wescote, Prot.

Letter in folder dated December 8, 1937, written in response to an inquiry.

In compliance with your request of recent date, you are furnished herein the Revolutionary War record of Eliphalet Kellogg, as found in papers on file in Pension claim, S.2692, based upon his service in that war.

Eliphalet Kellogg was born May 19, 1763 in Norwalk (later New Canaan), Fairfield County, Connecticut. The names of his parents were not stated. He moved when about seven years old to Ballston, Saratoga County, New York.

While a resident of said Ballston, Eliphalet Kellogg enlisted April 11, 1781, and served as corporal in Captain Job Wright's company, Colonel Marinus Willett's New York regiment; he was stationed at Fort Rensselaer on the Mohawk River, from the month of June, 1782 until sometime in December 1782, then to Fort Herkimer where he was stationed until sometime in February 1783, and was discharged at Fort Rensselaer August 10, 1783.

He remained in Ballston, New York, until sometime in 1792, then moved to Mount Pleasant Township, Wayne County, Pennsylvania, and in 1811, moved to Dyberry Township, Wayne County, Pennsylvania.

He was allowed pension on his application executed January 28, 1833, then living in Bethany in Dyberry Township, Wayne County, Pennsylvania.

The papers on file in this claim contain no data concerning the family of the solider, Eliphalet Kellogg.

End Notes—S.2692—Eliphalet Kellogg

- 1. Job Wright was appointed Captain on April 28, 1781 in Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Marinus Willett's Regiment of New York State Levies.
- 2. Jesse Hubbel, Hubble etc., and Pliney Moor served as lieutenants in Captain Wright's Company. According to Willett's Descriptive Books No. 4, Doc. No. 11105, Special Collections and Manuscripts, New York State Library, N.Y.; Eliphalet enlisted on July 9, 1781 for 3 years by Lieutenant Jesse Hubble. It also states he was born at Fairfield, Fairfield County, Connecticut. His age was 19, size 5 feet 10 inches, Complexion Light, Hair Light, Eyes Light and his occupation was Farmer.
- 3. Andrew Fink served as major in Colonel Willett's Regiment from September 1, 1782, until November of 1783. Elias VanBenschoten served as major in 1782 and 1783 in Willett's Regiment.
- 4. Lieutenant Colonel Commandant George Reid of the Second New Hampshire Continental Regiment. Majors Amos Morrill or Morrell and Jason Wait of Colonel Reid's Regiment. The regiment spent the winter of 1781 and 1782 at Saratoga and the Mohawk Valley.
- 5. James Cannon served as Captain in 1782 and 1783 in Colonel Willett's Regiment.
- 6. The attempt to take Fort Oswego on Lake Ontario was in February of 1783. The expedition failed in reaching the fort and returned to Fort Rensselaer.

7. According to Captain Wright's Pay Roll for 1782, Eliphalet served 8 months as corporal. He had been paid £ 29. . 30 of his wages and was owed £ 29. . 30. It is also noted that he was exchanged on September 1, 1783 for Christian Smack. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1780, Series M-246, Roll 78, folder 173, National Archives, Washington D.C. Eliphalet included the following with his pension application: "Fort Renselaer 10th August 1783. This may certify that Corporal Eliphalet Kellogg of Capt Job Wrigh's Company, Colo Willett's Regt has provided an able Bodied man to serve in his place. In consequence of which the said Kellogg has permission to Repair to his home but in case of desertion or misdemeanor of any kind the said Kellogg is to Return to his duty. Whom Concered. Job Wright Capt. Commandt."