

Pension Application for Ephraim Knowlton

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State of New York

County of Chenango SS.

On this 13th day of August 1832, personally appeared in open Court, before the Honl Robert Mowell, Vice Chancellor of the 6th Circuit of the State of New York, at a Court of Chancery, held at the residence of the Vice Chancellor in the town of Greene, in the County of Chenango and State of New York now sitting Ephraim Knowlton, a resident of the town of Preston, in the County of Chenango and State of New York aged 76 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 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

That he living at Rensalierwick [Rensselaerswyck?] in Albany County and State of New York, as Burgoyne was coming down from the north on or about the 1st of June 1777 he volunteered & enlisted in Captain Antony Bresse; Lieutenant Matthew Vanaugh (ensign forgot) company and soon after enlisting marched with the company North and at Lansingburgh joined a Regiment of New York State Malitia commanded by Colonel Kulson Ransalier [Killian VanRensselaer] (Lt Colonel forgot) and believe Major Henry Burgen and soon after arrived at Fort Edward, and whilst he was at Fort Edward General St. Clair with the troops, came to Fort Edward and Burgoyne took Ticonderoga and he remained at Fort Edward with the troops until about the 15th of

July when he was discharged, and returned home after an absence of two months, with the troops.

That he living at Rensalierwick on or about the 20th July 1778 an alarm reached Rensalierwick that the Indians were destroying the settlements up the Mohawk when he volunteered & joined Captain Lawrence Townsands (Lieutenant & Ensign forgot) Company of New York State Malitia and passing through Albany with the troops and when they had arrived at a place near Canada Creek in the month of August 1779, the indians [Indians] having ceased from destroying the settlements he & the company were discharged, after and absence from home of more than two weeks.

That he on or about the 15th August 1779 being a member of Capt. Lawrence Townsend, Lieutenant James Townsend (Ensign forgot) which company stood ready at a moments warning for any expedition he immediately after his return home from Canada Creek, marched with the company north through Lansingburgh to Saratoga where they joined Colonel Hendrick Renssalier's Regiment of the New York State Malitia (Lieutenant Colonel & Major forgot) that from Saratoga he with some of the troops frequently went out on scouting parties to Stillwater and fort Edward and the County thereabout when on the 30 November 1779 he, at Saratoga, was discharged and returned home after an absence with the troops of three months and one half month. That he with the company commanded by Captain Lawrence Townsend, Lieutenant James Townsend at an alarm on or about the 1st June 1780 from Rensalierwick aforesaid marched west through Albany and Schenectady in the State of New York and after they had been out up the Mohawk River about 3 weeks, he was discharged from service and returned home. That he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

To the 1st Interrogatory prescribed by the War Department he answers that he was born in NewBurgh in the State of New York on the 15th day of April 1756.

To the 2d answers that he has a record of his age at home in his bible.

To the 3d answers that he lived in Rensalierwick in Albany County and State of New York when called into service after the Revolution moved from Resalierwick [sic] to Half Moon and from thence moved to Fairfield in Herkimer County where he lived until the year 1828 when he moved to Smithville in Chenango County and there lived until March of this year (1832) when he moved to Preston in Chenango County where he has lived and now lives.

To the 45th answer, that he always volunteered his services and never was a substitute.

To the 5th answers, that Generals St. Clair, Schuyler and Gates were Regular Officers with the troops where he served, that he recollects no Continental or Malitia Regiments except Colonels Rensalier above named, and that the general circumstances of his service are above mentioned.

To the 6th answers, that he never received a written discharge from service.

To the 7th answers that John Townsend, John Eggleston, Ebenezer Covill who resides in his present neighborhood and that Edward Loving [or Loomis] and Wm. Knowlton, Justice of the Peace, who reside in the neighborhood, from whence he removed (in Smithville) in March, last, also know him and they can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution.

That there is no Clergyman who lives in his immediate vicinity with whom he is acquainted, but that he has been acquainted with the Revd Nathaniel Kellogg of Greene for several years past.

He hereby relinquishes his 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) Ephraim Knowlton

Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid. Robt Mower Vice Chancellor.

Letter in folder dated June 2nd 1896, written in response to an inquiry.

Sir:

In compliance with a request on the part of Mrs. Browne for information concerning the military records of certain Revolutionary soldiers bearing the name of Knowlton, you are advised that the following is a list of all the Knowltons on the Revolutionary pension records.

You are further advised, however, that this Bureau can furnish the military record of only such Revolutionary soldiers as were pensioned or whose widows were pensioned for their services.

INV.13667. Ephraim Knowlton made an application for pension on August 13th 1832, at which time he was residing at Preston, N.Y., and 76 years of age, and his pension was allowed for six months and nineteen days' actual service as a private in the New York troops, Revolutionary War; a part of the time he served under Capt. Anthony Breese and Col. Rensselaer. He enlisted from Albany Co., N.Y.

INV.31193. Stephen Knowlton made an application for pension on September 5th, 1832, at which time he was residing at Templeton, Mass., and 70 years of age, and his pension was allowed for seven months' actual service as a private in the Mass. Troops, Revolutionary war; a part of the time he served under Capt. Ezekiel Knowlton and Col. Nicholas Fyke. He enlisted at Templeton, Mass.

INV.31803. Thomas Knowlton made an application for pension on August 18th 1832, at which time he was residing at Willington, Conn., and 67 years of age, and his pension was allowed for eighteen months and twenty-one days' actual service as a corporal and sergeant in the Conn. Troops, Revolutionary War; a part of the time he served under Lieut. Daniel Knowlton, his uncle (a brother to his father Thomas Knowlton who was killed at Harlem Plains at the time the British took possession of New York). He enlisted at Ashford, Conn.

INV.37139. Andrew Knowlton made an application for pension on April 11th 1818, at which time he was residing at Nobleborough, Maine, and 68 years of age, and his pension was allowed for one year's actual service as a private in the Mass. Troops,

Revolutionary war; a part of the time he served under Capt. Billy Porter and Col. Hutchinson, General Putnam's Brigade. Place of enlistment not stated.

INV.29956. Joseph Knowlton made an application for pension on April 11th 1818, at which time he was residing at Nobleborough, Maine, and 69 years of age, and his pension was allowed for twenty-three months and nineteen days' actual service as a sergeant in the Mass. Troops, revolutionary war; a part of the time he served under Capt. Richard Dodge and Col. Baldwin. Place of enlistment not stated.

INV.23291. Nathaniel Knowlton made an application for pension on January 28th, 1833, at which time he was residing at Greenbush, Rensselaer Co., N.Y. and 62 years of age, and his pension was allowed for one year's actual service as a private in the Conn. troops, Revolutionary war; a part of the time he served under Capt. Daniel Knowlton, his father and Col. Benjamin Durkee. He enlisted at Ashford, Conn.

INV.44485. Robert Knowlton made an application for pension on April 16th 1818, at which time he was residing at Concord, N.H., and 59 years of age and his pension was allowed for nine months; actual service as a private in the Mass. Troops, Revolutionary War; a part of the time he served under Capt. Richard Dodge and Col. Baldwin. Place of enlistment not stated.

INV. 29951. Nehemiah Knowlton made an application for pension on September 6th, 1832, at which time he was residing at Boylston, Mass., and 68 years of age, and his pension was allowed for ten months' actual service as a private in the Mass. troops, Revolutionary war; a part of the time he served under Capt. Richard Dodge and Col. Isaac Smith. He enlisted at Ipswich, Mass.

INV.29953. Nathan Knowlton made an application for pension on August 30th, 1832, at which time he was residing at Farmingham, Mass., and 72 years of age, and his pension was allowed for six months and twenty-four day's actual service as a private and three months and twenty-one days' as a musician in the Mass. troops, Revolutionary war; a part of the time he served under Capt. Winch and Col. Bullard. He enlisted at Hollister, Mass.

INV. 32961. Abraham Knowlton made an application for pension on April 10th 1819, at which time he was residing at Wenham, Mass., and 63 years of age, and his pension was allowed for one year's actual service as a private in the Mass. troops, Revolutionary war; a part of the time he served under Capt. Richard Dodge and Col. Baldwin. Place of enlistment not stated.

INV. 29955. Nathan Knowlton made an application for pension on July 3rd, 1832, at which time he was residing at New Fane, Vermont, and 72 years of age, and his pension was allowed for five months' actual service as a private, four months' as a musician and three months' as a corporal in the Mass. troops, Revolutionary war; a part of the time he served under Capt. Harrington and Col. Dyke. He enlisted at Shrewsbury, Mass.

INV. 41734. Robert Knowlton made an application for pension on June 11th 1818, at which time he was residing at Alexander, Ohio, and 70 years of age, and his pension was allowed for three years' actual service as a private in the Mass. troops,

Revolutionary War; a part of the time he served under Capt. Hull and Col. Willard. He enlisted at Bedford, Mass.

INV. 13670. Frederick Knowlton made an application for pension on July 24th 1832, at which time he was residing at Ashford, Conn., and 71 years of age, and his pension was allowed for seventeen months' actual service as a private and seven months' service as a sergeant in the Conn. Troops, Revolutionary war; a part of the time he served under Capt. Thomas Knowlton, his father. He enlisted at Ashford, Conn.

INV. 13668. John Knowlton made an application for pension on September 7th 1832, at which time he was residing at Clifton Park, New York, and 85 years of age, and his pension was allowed for nine months' actual service as an Ensign in the N.Y., troops Revolutionary war; a part of the time he served under Capt. Jacob Woodland, Col. Hasbrook. He enlisted at New Mulberry, N.Y.

INV. 44491. John Knowlton made an application for pension on July 23rd, 1819, at which time he was residing at Dublin, N.H. and 57 years of age, and his pension was allowed for three years' actual service as a private in the Mass. troops, Revolutionary war; a part of the time he served under Capt. Buxton and Col. Tupper. He enlisted at Sherborn, Mass.

Wid.20359. Jonathan Knowlton made an application for pension on April 3rd, 1818, at which time he was residing at Gloucester, Mass., and 64 years of age, and his pension was allowed for one year's actual service as a private in the Mass. troops, Revolutionary war; a part of the time he served under Capt. Lowe and Col. Hutchinson. Place of enlistment not stated. His widow, Hannah, made an application and received a pension for the service of her husband as above set forth.

Wid.16622. Dorcas Knowlton, widow of John Knowlton, made an application for pension on October 10th, 1838, at which time she was residing at Portsmouth, N.Y., and 66 years of age, and her pension was allowed for the actual service of her husband as a private in the Mass. troops, Revolutionary war, for a period of three years. Officers under whom he served and place of enlistment not stated.

Wid.5261. Deidamia Knowlton, widow of Stephen Knowlton, made an application for pension on June 5th 1844, at which time she was residing at Morgan, Ohio, and 85 years of age, and her pension was allowed for the actual service of her husband as a private in the Conn. Troops, Revolutionary war, for a period of seven months and ten days; a part of the time he served under Capt. Samuel Wyllys and Col. Joseph Spencer. He enlisted at Chatham, Conn.

Wid.10185. Grant Knowlton made an application for pension on October 22nd, 1818, at which time he was residing at Williamsburgh, So. Carolina, and 64 years of age, and his pension was allowed for two years' actual service as a private in the So. Carolina troops, Revolutionary war; a part of the time he served under Capt. Mason and Col. William Moultrie. Place of enlistment not stated. His widow, Francis, made application and received a pension for the service of her husband as above set forth.

Wid.20355. Joseph Knowlton made an application for pension on September 6th, 1832, at which time he was residing at Templeton, Mass., and 72 years of age, and

his pension was allowed for eighteen months' actual service as a private in the Mass. troops, Revolutionary war; apart of the time he served under Capt. Ezekiel Knowlton and Col. Nicholas Dykes. He enlisted at Templeton, Mass. His widow; Betsey, made application and received a pension for the service of her husband as above set forth.

Wid.12045. Thomas Knowlton made an application for pension on October 8th, 1818, at which time he was residing at Northport, Mass., age not stated, and his pension was allowed for one year's actual service as a private in the Mass. troops, Revolutionary War; a part of the time he served under Capt. Richard Dodge and Col. Baldwin. He enlisted at Chelsea, Mass. His widow, Hannah made an application and received a pension [for] the service of her husband as above set forth.