

**Pension Application for Jacob Lepper,
Leber, Lapper, Lepard, Lepperd, Lepart, Lapper, etc.**

W.1300

B.L. Wt 33744-160-55

(Angelica)

State of New York

County of Montgomery SS

On this fourteenth day of February 1853, personally appeared before me the undersigned Angelica Lepper of the Town of Mohawk in said County aged Sixty Two years & she being duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions of the Act of Congress passed 3d February 1853.

That her husband Jacob Lepper was a Pensioner for the United States under the act of Congress passed 7th June 1832 at the rate of thirty six dollars & fifty cents per annum on account of his services in the New York Militia of the Army of the Revolution as private that he died on the twenty fourth day of December in the year one thousand & thirty seven---leaving this Declarant his widow him surviving that she has remained his widow ever since his decease & that she is still his widow.

That she was married to said Jacob Lepper on the eight – day of June in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, at the town of Johnstown now Mohawk by the Reverend Simon Hoasick of the Town & County aforesaid & the Proof of her marriage accompanying this declaration.

She further declares & saith that for the particulars of his services in the War of the Revolution she refers to the papers on file in the pension office on the matter of the application of said Jacob Lepper for a pension under the act of Congress 7th June 1832.

(Signed with her mark) Angelica Lepper

Witness present. Daniel A. Hanson, Abm V. Van Horne.

State of New York

County of Fulton SS.

J. P. Fisher of the Town of Johnstown in said County of Fulton, being duly sworn saith that he is the minister of the Presbyterian Church of Johnstown & as such has the custody of the Marriage Records of said Church. That he has examined said records and finds there on the following entry word for word & letter for letter & figure for figure in fair legible character to wit.

1818 June 8 Jacob Leper Amsterdam—Dow Hanson to Angelica Hanson Albany bush Jacob Hanson from which entry it appears that Jacob Leper & Angelica Hanson were lawfully united in wedlock by the Rev'd Simon Hoasick at the time pastor of said church on the eight day of June one thousand eight hundred and eighteen. J.P. Fisher

Subscribed & Sworn this eighteenth day of February 1853 before me; and I further certify that I am well acquainted with the deponent the Revd J.P. Fisher & I know him to be minister of said church, and that his statements are entitled to full credit. John W. Cady Justice of the peace of the said County.

State of New York

County of Montgomery SS

On this twenty-fifth day of July A.D. 1855 personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace within & for the county and state aforesaid, Angelica Lepper aged Sixty-Six—years a resident of the Town of Mohawk in the said County of Montgomery and State of New York who

being duly sworn according to Law declares that she is the widow of Jacob Lepper deceased who was a private in the Revolutionary War—she further states that her said husband the said Jacob Lepper deceased served in such war more than fourteen days and that her maiden name was Angelica Hanson and that she is now a widow.

For more particular proof of the services of her said husband deceased of her marriage with him and of his death she refers to the proofs on file in the pension department in the city of Washington which said services she the said Angelica now receives a pension from the United States Government at the rate of thirty-six dollars and sixty cents per annum commencing on the 3d of February 1853 under act of February third A.D. 1853, payable at the Albany New York agency—That his pension certificate under which she draws such pension is [?] at the pension office and the Rev. pensions under act of February 3d 1853 [?]

She makes this declaration in the purpose of obtaining the bounty lands which she may be entitled under the act approved the 3d day of March 1855. She further declares that she has not received a warrant for bounty lands under any act of Congress and further has not made any other application therefor—She hereby appoints Stephen Sammons of Fonda, Montgomery County New York her attorney to pursue her bounty land warrant & to do any & every act—that may be necessary for the obtaining of the same.

(Signed with her mark) Angelica Lepper

We Daniel N. Hanson & Isaac Crosby, residents of the Town of Mohawk in the County of Montgomery and state aforesaid upon an oath declares that the foregoing declaration was signed & acknowledged by Angelica Lepper in our presence and that we believe from the appearance & statements of the applicant that she is the identical person she represents herself to be, that she signed the same by making her mark in our presence. Daniel N. Hanson, Isaac Crosby

The foregoing declaration & affidavit were sworn & subscribed before me on the day & year above written and I certify that I know the applicant to be credible persons, that the claimant is the person she reposes herself to be & that I have no interest in the claim. John Everson Justice of the peace.

State of New York

Montgomery County SS

On this 20th day of September personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of said county now sitting Jacob Lepper, a resident of Amsterdam, in the County of Montgomery,, and State of New York, and will be of the age of seventy-seven years the first day of November next 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 entered into the service of the United States on or about the first day of April 1776 under the command of Colonel Dayton, (1) one of the field officers, the other field officers he does not recollect, his captain's name was Jacob Sever; (2) his Lieutenant's name was John Sebers, (3) his ensign's name was John Dunn. That he rendered, at the time of his entering the service, at a place called the town of German Flats, and county of Tryon, now Herkimer County and in the State of New York. That he enlisted in the Army at that time. That he was in the army at that time nine months. That he left the army about the first day of January 1777.

That he marched from Fort Plain, to Fort Dayton (4) which last Fort they built after they arrived there. That they went from Dayton to Fort Stanwix. That he was at the last mentioned

places, during the nine months service. That there was no other companies or Regiments, but those belonging to Colonel Dayton's Regiment. That he has no documentary evidence of his services. That he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his services in this section of country; but Jacob Philips, whose affidavit is hereto annexed.

That he volunteered in the year 1777, and entered the company of Captain Small, (5) some time about the month of August, in said year, and served one month. That field officers he does not recollect. That he joined said company at Fort Plain, and marched to Stilwater, (6) and then went to work making a breast work there, but were under arms at the same time. That he doesn't know of any person who can testify to this months services. That he has no documentary evidence of said months services.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

That he is acquainted with the following persons residing in his neighborhood who can testify as to his character for truth and veracity and their belief of his service as a soldier of the Revolution to wit; John Dockstader, and James Cushenay & Nicholas Hill a clergyman.

(Signed with his mark) Jacob Leper. (7)

Sworn and subscribed the day & year aforesaid. Geo. D. Ferguson, Clerk

We Nicholas Hill a clergyman residing in Town of Florida Johon Dockstader and James Cushenay, residing in the Town of Amsterdam hereby certify that we are well acquainted with Jacob Lepper, who has subscribed & sworn to the [record ends here].

Letter included in the pension folder. Appears to be a letter, but no address or salutation.

Apr 26, 1932

The data furnished herein are obtained from the papers on file in the Revolutionary War claim for pension, W.1300, based upon the military service of Jacob Lepper in that war.

Jacob Lepper (the name also appears as Leber) was born in September, 1755 or November 1, 1755, in Tryon (later Herkimer) County, New York.

While residing at German Flatts, Tryon County, New York, he enlisted April 1, 1776, served as a private in Captain Jacob Seeber's Company, Colonel Dayton's New York Regiment and was discharged January 1, 1777. He enlisted in August, 1777, served one month in Captain Small's New York Company, marched to Stillwater and assisted in building a breast work.

He was allowed pension on his application executed September 20, 1832, while residing in Amsterdam, Montgomery County, New York.

He died December 24, 1837.

The soldier married June 8, 1818, at Johnstown (later Mohawk), New York, Angelica Hanson. He was then of Amsterdam and she of Albany, and their marriage was recorded on the records of the Presbyterian Church of Johnstown, New York.

The soldier's widow, Angelica, was allowed pension on her application executed February 14, 1853, at which time she was aged sixty-two years and resided in Mohawk, [Town of Mohawk] Montgomery County, New York.

She died July 28, 1857.

There is no reference to children.

One Daniel N. Hanson resided in Mohawk, New York in 1855, and the names Dow Hanson and Jacob Hanson appear. No relationship of any of the above named persons with surname Hanson to Angelica Hanson Lepper shown.

Very truly yours,

A.S. Hiller, Assistant to Administrator.

End Notes—W.1300—Jacob Lepper

1. Jacob is wrong as to the colonel of the regiment that he enlisted in. Elias Dayton was the colonel of the Third New Jersey Continental Regiment.
2. Jacob enlisted as a private in Captain Jacob W. Seeber's Company on March 8, 1776 in Colonel Cornelius D. Wynkoop's Fourth New York Continental Regiment. FROM: General Philip Schuyler Papers, New York Public Library, New York City, New York.
3. The officers of Captain Seeber's Company is as follows: Jost or Joseph House was the first lieutenant, John Seeber was the second lieutenant and John Dunn was the ensign.
4. Captain Seeber's Company with other companies were sent to aid Colonel Dayton in erecting a fort in what is now the Village of Herkimer, Herkimer County. The fort was completed in August of 1776 and named Fort Dayton in honor of Colonel Dayton. Part of Colonel Dayton's Regiment was sent to Fort Schuyler, formerly called Fort Stanwix to help rebuild this fort. Captain Seeber's and other New York Continental Companies were sent there to assist in the rebuilding.
5. Captain Jacob Small of Colonel Peter Bellinger's Fourth Regiment of Tryon County Militia. So far muster rolls for the company have been located for 1779 and 1780.
6. After the Siege of Fort Schuyler was raised on August 22, 1777 a draft from the Tryon County Militia Regiments was made and they were sent to join Major General Horatio Gates' Army at Stillwater. They were used as teamsters and used as laborers to build breastworks and other fortifications.
7. Jacob does not relate any further service after 1777 and so far no further military service has been found for him.