

Pension Application for David Maybee

R.7058

State of New York

Oswego County SS.

On this 18th day of February 1834 personally appeared in open Court, before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Oswego, now sitting, David Maybee, a resident of Parish, in the said County of Oswego and State of new York, aged 72 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 named officers as served as herein stated viz:

Sometime in the Spring of the year 1777, month not recollected, at Danube in the County of Montgomery I volunteered as a soldier in the Company of Capt. Joseph Dygert in Col. Willett's Regiment of New York State militia, and immediately joined my company at Fort Windecker in said Town of Danube which company was stationed at that place for the purpose of protecting the inhabitants and property from the plunder and depredations of the British, Indians, and Tories, who were continually making excursions in that vicinity, and driving away cattle, and killing the people whenever they could find them unprotected. We were frequently ordered on Scouting parties and went to Fort Plain, Fort Clyde, Fort House, Fort Herkimer, and other small forts on the Mohawk River—

In one of our excursions we came across a party of the enemy, had and encounter with them, killed one Indians, and took eleven Prisoners and twenty five horses at another time, directly after the battle of Johnstown we left the Fort and went in pursuit of the enemy accompanied by a party of the friendly Oneida Indians, and at West Canada Creek we came up with their rear and killed a celebrated Tory by the name of Butler, who took a conspicuous part at the Battle of Johnstown, and two other British or Tories.

I was frequently detached from the company to which I belonged and ordered to different Forts; at one time I recollect I was detached to go to Fort Stanwix under the command of Capt. Brown (Christian name not recollected) we tarried there a short time and returned to Fort Windecker.

I continued in the service at Fort Windecker & vicinity in the manner as above stated until the close of the war in 1782.

When I was discharged after a hard and perilous service of at least four years. John Windecker was my Lieut, and Peter Kenesham my orderly Sergeant—The name of my Ensign I cannot now recollect.

I did not receive my discharge in writing and have no documentary evidence of my services. Most of the soldiers whom I served with are dead or removed to parts unknown, I have however after some search been able to find one, viz. David A. Schuyler with whom I am well acquainted, and who was in the service in the same company with me and whose affidavit of my service is hereunto annexed.

I was born at Canajoharie in the County of Montgomery on the 10th day of Feby 1762 according to a record in the Presbyterian Church at Fort Plain where I was baptized, which is the only record I ever had of my age.

I lived at Danube some years after the war, and then removed to Otsego in the County of Otsego, where I lived about 30 years and then removed to my present residence, then in the town of Mexico, now Parish, in the County of Owego where I have since resided, I think about 18 years.

I am acquainted with many people in my neighborhood who can testify as to my character for truth and veracity, and their belief of my services as a soldier of the revolution, among whom is the Revd. William Nutting, and Spencer Miles, whose certificates are hereunto annexed.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed with his mark) David Maybee

Sworn to & Subscribed the day & year aforesaid. William Nutting, Spencer
Niles