

Pension Application for Richard Pangburn

S.22929

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

State of New York

Tioga County SS.

On this 24th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared before me John R. Drake a judge of the Court of Common Pleas in & for the County of Tioga aforesaid Richard Pangburn a resident of the town of Owego in the County and State aforesaid aged eighty three years on the 22d day of last May 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 and served has herein stated.—

His Captain's name was Cornelius Sanford, who lived in Albany in the State of New York. His Lieutenants name was Peter Becker, or Henry Becker, he does not recollect which—One was Lieutenant & the other was Ensign. They both lived in Schoharie in the state aforesaid.

He does not recollect who his colonel or his major was—nor his adjutant. His General was General Schuyler. He lived at the time he enlisted about 12 or 14 miles south west from Albany. The place was then called Nicket-haugh. It is now called Bethlehem. He enlisted for three months. It was at the first beginning of the war; but he does not recollect the year.—It was in the month of May but does not recollect the day of the month.

He was stationed at first in the barracks at Albany.—He staid there a short time while the company were collecting together and then the company was marched to Saratoga landing.—There he remained with the Lieutenant and ensign and fourteen others of the company and the Captain with the rest of the Company went on to Ticonderoga.

While he was at Saratoga landing he and the others were employed in Transporting military stores in bateaux from Stillwater on the Hudson river up to Saratoga landing; and from Saratoga landing by land around the falls, and then again in bateaux up the river to Fort Miller.—Among the articles they transported was a large chin in separate pieces. Two links and a swivel of the chain were as much as two men by running a handspike through the link could conveniently carry on board of the batteaux.

He remained there thus employed till the expiration of his three months & then his lieutenant gave him permission to go home. The Colonel was not there again while he staid. And when he left, the Lieutenant gave him no written [missing] he gave the Sergeant Joseph Salisbury a [missing] for the benefit of all of them. Salisbury and [missing] all came away together. He was in no [missing] during this three months. But troops were going on north frequently during the time. Thinks some Jersey troops

or Pennsylvania troops when on during that time. They went on to Ticonderoga or beyond to join General Schuyler who was in that quarter at the time.

He states that General Montgomery was killed away off in that quarter and his wife came back & that he carried his wife down in a batteau from Saratoga landing to Still-water on her return and he further states that after he returned home from his three months enlistment aforesaid, he was drafted and entered the service under the following named officers. His Captains name was William Winner or Winne. The captain lived at Jericho about 14 or 15 miles below Albany near the Hudson river. His Lieutenant's name was Jeremiah or Jerry Hogan, and lived somewhere near the Captain.—Don't recollect that they had any ensign. His Colonel's name was Quackenboss or Quackenbush—does not recollect his Christian name. Does not recollect any of the other field officers except General Tenbrook & his Christian name he does not recollect.

After they were drafted the Company marched to Saratoga & then he was engaged in procuring stone & some timber to build barracks. This place was some miles below Saratoga landing.

He does not recollect the year in which he was drafted nor the month.—He recollects that it was warm weather at the time and thinks it was the same season that he was dismissed from his three months enlistment before mentioned. He does not recollect when he was discharged, but it was before cold weather came on; and he estimates the time that he was stationed at the last mentioned station about six weeks.

There were other militia stationed there at the time from along the Hudson river. One long row off framed barracks was built while he was there. There were no barracks there when he first went there with the company; & there had been nothing done towards building there. When they finished the barracks they all came away. He does not recollect any other Colonel there but Colonel Quackenboss & thinks all the troops were all under his command.

He lived when he was drafted in the same place when he first enlisted. He was discharged at Saratoga after the barracks were finished. He marched through Albany and Half Moon & Stillwater in going on to Saratoga. General Tenbrook sometimes came there while they were building the barracks. General Tenbrook lived in Albany.

He further states that some two or three years after they built the barracks at Saratoga he was drafted again and entered the service under the following named officers. His Captains name was John VanWie, and his Lieutenants name Mattice, or Mattris Flansborough.—Don't recollect that he had any ensign. That his Colonel was Colonel Dubois—don't recollect his Christian name. The company collected at Middle Fort, Old Schoharrie, in the state of New York. Here he remained about 4 or 5 weeks & then he hired a man to take his place. Don't' recollect his name—he was a stranger. There were a good many other troops there besides the company that he belonged to. The captain accepted his substitute and discharged him. This was in the summer but he does not know what year. It was before General Burgoyne was taken but he does not recollect how long before. General Schuyler at this time was away to the north.

He has seen General Schuyler. The general lived a little out of Albany—about three quarters of a mile. He also had a house at Saratoga where they built the barracks.

And he further states that after this he was again drafted and entered the service under the following named officers; to wit, Captain Philip Luke & Lieutenant Peter Winner or Winder & thinks his ensigns name was John Winnie. His colonels name was Quackenboss the same one under whom he served at the building of the barracks at Saratoga. His General was General Schuyler.

The company assembled at Albany and marched from there through Half Moon Stillwater Saratoga & Fort Miller to Fort Edward. There they joined General Schuyler. He knew, at Fort Edward, Col. VanRensselaer. He went out on a scout with him once in the woods. He thinks he was stationed three or nine weeks, but does not recollect the exact time. There were a great many troops at Fort Edward at the time. There were some from New England there & some from down the Hudson and other places. He does not recollect what year this was in; but he recollects that it was in the fall of the year. And that it was the same fall that Burgoyne was taken, and a little before that [?] While at Fort Edward Colonel VanRensselaer went out with a scout in which he was a soldier.

That they remained out in the woods all night; and the next day they discovered from a high ground that the barracks and board hopes put up for temporary shelters for the troops were all torn down. They also saw from the same place a movement among the troops at Fort Edward. On discovering this VanRensselaer marched his scouting party directly to Fort Edward where they found most of the troops gone down the river.

This party immediately embarked on board of a raft constructed of boards and timber which they found already made, and set off down the river. They went on with this raft down the river to Snook's Kill & there the troops landed. He remained here about a day and was then sent home sick. While he was at Snooks Kill the enemy entered Fort Edward. General Schuyler and the army went on to Saratoga as he understood; and not many weeks after this he knew of the taking of Burgoyne.

He does not recollect what month it was when he left, but thinks it was in the fall. He thinks it must have been early in the fall as there were green leaves on the trees in the woods when he went out in the scout with VanRensselaer.

And in going down the river he recollects that the water was warm. And he further states that after this he was not in the service except in some irregular excursions against the tories who committed depredations upon the country a few miles west of Albany. And he further states that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services.

That he never had any written discharge. That he has a family record of ages &c, in which his name appears. But he does not recollect the year of his birth. The record he has left at home about three miles from Owego where he now is. He was born in the month of May the 22d day. He was born in the town of Woodbridge in the State of New Jersey. He does not recollect the county. He was living at Nisket-haugh

(now Bethlehem) In the County of Albany and State of New York at the time he first entered the service and continued to reside there till after the revolutionary war, & soon after that war he removed to Cobleskill in Schoharrie County State of New York & lived there about 8 years & then moved into the town of Schenectady in Schenectady County New York & lived there about twenty years & then he moved into the town of Owego where he now lives.

He knows in this town Mason Webster, Ira Puffer, Ephraim Wood Esq. Ezra Furgusson & others.

He hereby relinquishes 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 with a mark) Richard Pangburn

Sworn to & subscribed this 24th day of August 1832 before me. John R. Drake, Judge Tioga Com. Pleas, State of New York.

Letter in folder dated June 18, 1937, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War records of William and Richard Pangburn, of Albany County, New York.

In order to identify the record of the particular William Pangburn in whom you are interested, please furnish as much as possible of the following data: approximate dates of birth and death, places of residence at enlistment and after service and given name of wife or widow. The record of Richard Pangburn is furnished you herein as found in the papers in Revolutionary War claim for pension, S.22929, based upon his service in that war.

Richard Pangburn was born May 22, 1749, in Woodbridge, New Jersey, the names of his parents not shown.

While residing about twelve or fourteen miles southwest of Albany at a place called Nisket-haugh but later was Bethlehem in Albany County, New York, Richard Pangburn enlisted in May, early in the Revolution, served three months as private in Captain Cornelius Sanford's company in the New York troops, after which he returned home. He then enlisted in the same season, served about six weeks as private in Captain William Winnie's company, Colonel Quackenboss' New York regiment, engaged in building barracks at Saratoga. Two or three years later, he enlisted, served as private in Captain John VanWie's company, Colonel Dubois; New York Regiment, and was discharged in the summer before the surrender of General Burgoyne, after having served a term of four or five weeks. After this, he again enlisted in the fall of the same year, served as private in Captain Philip Luke's company, Colonel Quackenboss' New York regiment, stationed at Fort Edward and while there was detached under Colonel VanRensselaer on a scouting party to Snook's Kill, length of this tour eight or nine weeks.

Soon after the Revolution the soldier moved to Cobleskill in Schoharie County, New York, where he remained about eight years, thence to Schenectady, Schenectady County, New York, where he lived about twenty years then moved to the Town of Owego, Tioga County, New York.

Richard Pangburn was allowed pension on his application executed August 24, 1832, while residing in Owego, New York. He died about June 1839.
No family data are shown in the claim.