

Pension Application for William Straight

S.42423

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State of New York

Chenango County SS

On this 18th day of April 1818, before me Peter Betts Esq. one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of said County personally appeared, William Straight aged sixty years, resident in Bainbridge in said County & State who being by me first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War". That he the said William Straight enlisted in Fort Montgomery in the said State of New York in the Company commanded by Captain [blank] Johnson of the infantry in Colonel [blank] Dubois' Regiment in the New York Line, that he continued to serve in the said company, or in the service of the United States for the term of three years until the month of January 1780, when he was discharged from service in Pompton State of New Jersey, that he was in the Battles at the storming & taking Fort Montgomery & was at the taking of an Indian Fort in Chemung, State of New York under General Sullivan and that he is in reduced circumstances & stands in need of the assistance of his country for support, and that he has no evidence now in his power of his said services. (Signed) William Straight

Sworn to & declared before me the day & year aforesaid. Peter Betts

Letter in file dated October 22, 1927, written in response to an inquiry.

I have to advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim S.42423, it appears that William Straight enlisted at Fort Montgomery, New York and served three years in Captain Johnson's Company, Colonel DuBois' New York Regiment, he was at the battle of Fort Montgomery and at the taking of an Indian Fort in Chemung, and served until in January 1780.

He was allowed pension on his application executed April 18, 1818, while a resident of Bainbridge, Chenango County, New York, aged sixty years.

He married about 1817 at Bainbridge, New York, Mary Monroe, who was twenty-five years old in 1820. He died April 16, 1841.

In 1856 the following children are mentioned--Otis, who was twenty-three years old, residing in Worcester, Otsego County, New York, and stated that his parents had been dead about thirteen years; Horace, who was born July 4, 1835, and resided in Guilford, New York; Marinda Clemens, who was aged thirty-six years, and resided in Addison, New York; Angelina Brooks, who was aged thirty-two years, and resided in Lisbon, New York; and Nancy Straight, who was aged twenty-six years, and resided in Cherry Valley, New York.

The above noted William Straight (Strate, Streight) is the only soldier of that name found on the Revolutionary War records of this Bureau.