

Pension Application for Daniel Wing

S.11780

State of New York

County of Chgautauqua

On this 12th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court, before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the county aforesaid, now sitting Daniel Wing a resident of the town of Clymer in the County of Chautauqua and State of New York, aged seventy five 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 early in the part of October 1780, he resided in the district of Cambridge town of White Creek then County of Albany, now Washington County, that he volunteered with his brother Benjamin Wing, John Gifford & Samuel Blowers and repaired to Fort Ann in Washington County N.Y. to relieve some soldiers then at the Fort. That they did not design to stay but two weeks, that they arrived at the Fort on Friday, he thinks the 6th of Oct & joined the company commanded by Capt Adial Sherwood. First Lieut ____Robbins, 2d Lt _____Baldwin, that on tuesday after they joined the company being the 10th of October the Fort was surrendered to Major Carlton who commanded the British troops & the whole made prisoners, that the number of men in the fort was only about sixty while the enemy force was about 900, that he was taken to Montreal by the enemy and there confined as a prisoner in a building built for a storehouse but was fitted up to lodge the prisoners in that the whole of the prisoners were confined in that place, that they were confined in that prison about one year when they were removed up the River St. Lawrence in the month of October 1781 about fifty five miles to Prisoners Island, where they were kept until the 24th of May following when they were exchanged and returned home that after they were liberated they went down the river to La Praire from thence to St. Johns, thence to Crown Point thence to Castleton & from thence home, where this deponent arrived the eleventh day of June 178, after having been absent a little more than one year & eight months, & with the exception of a few days, a prisoner—that he has no documentary evidence of his service or imprisonment, and that he knows of no person except his brother Benjamin Wing whose affidavit is herewith annexed, who can testify to the same.

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) Daniel Wing

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid. James B. Lowry Clerk

To the interrogatories propounded by the Court as suggested by the War Department the applicant made the following answers.

1st He says he was born on the 2d day of July 1757 at the town of Dartmouth, Plymouth County & State of Massachusetts.

2d He has no record of his age, but says he supposes there is one in his native town.

3d He says he resided at the town of White Creek then Albany, now Washinton [Washington] County N. York when he entered the service that he resided home from Prisoners Island when he removed to Rensselaer County where he resided in that Town about four years after he returned home from Prisoners Island when he removed to Rensselaer County where he resided about 2 years thence back to White Creek & resided there 2 years thence back to White Creek & resided there 2 years, thence to Otsego County where he resided about 7 years, thence to Onondaga County town of Marcellus where he resided 7 years, thence to Genesee County town of Covington & resided 4 years, thence to Clymer Chautauqua Co., where he has since resided & where he now resides.

4 He says he was a volunteer as stated in his declaration.

5th Capt Adial Sherwood, Lieut Robbins & Baldwin were all the officers he knew anything about.

6 Never received a discharge.

7 Gardner Cleaveland, Alvin Williams, Thomas Russell, John Heath, Silas Terry, Horace Starkweather, Anson Starkweather & many others. (Signed) Daniel Wing
Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid James B. Lowry Clk

Letter in folder dated February 16, 1924, written in response to an inquiry.

I have to advise you that from the papers in Revolutionary War pension claim S.11780 it appears that Daniel Wing was born July 2, 1757, at Dartmouth, Plymouth County, Massachusetts. While a resident of White creek, Albany County, New York, he enlisted in October 1780 as a private in Captain Adiel Sherwood's New York Company, was taken prisoner at Fort Ann October 10, 1780, and confined one year at Montreal, was then moved up the St. Lawrence River in October 1781 to Prisoners Island and kept until May 24, 1782, when he was exchanged and returned home.

He was allowed pension on his application executed October 12, 1832, while a resident of Clymer, Chautauqua County, New York. It is not stated whether he was married.

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