

### **Pension Application for Barney (or Barent) Young**

W.22,715 (Widow: Elizabeth)  
State of New York  
Herkimer county SS.

On the 8<sup>th</sup> day of June 1843--Personally appeared in open court, before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in & for said County now sitting, Elizabeth Young, a resident of the town of German Flatts in said County, aged seventy six years and upwards, and who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the act of Congress passed 7<sup>th</sup> July 1838, and the joint resolution passed 16 August 1842--

That she is the widow of Barney Young who served in manner & for the terms detailed in his papers in the matter of his application for a pension under the Act of Congress passed 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832, and that he received a yearly stipend of \$27 /100. She further declareth & saith, that she was married to said Barney Young on the fourteenth day of June--in the year of our Lord one thousand seven and eighty-five--by the Pastor of the Reformed Dutch Church of Albany in the church over which said Pastor presided--that she said Declarant then lived in Albany aforesaid--Thence she moved with her husband to German Flatts aforesaid--& continued to reside there until the present time. That she had by her husband the said Barney Young twelve children, ten of whom are now living & the oldest John being now fifty seven years of age. That said Barney Young departed this life on the ninth day of June 1842, leaving this declarant his widow him surviving, and that since his death she has remained single and unmarried, and is still his widow. (Signed with her mark) Elizabeth Young.

Subscribed & sworn the day and year first aforesaid in open Court as aforesaid. Witness E. A. Munson, Clerk of said Court at Herkimer with said County and set the seal of said County. E. A. Munson Clerk

Letter replying to a request for information, dated June 6, 1836.

You are furnished herein the record of Barney Young as found in pension claim, W.22715, based upon his service in the Revolutionary War.

The date and place of birth and names of the parents of Barney, also known as Barent Young are not shown.

Barney Young enlisted at Albany, New York, in the year that Colonel Brown (1) was killed at Stone Arabia, served as private in Captain Peter B. Tearse's and Fonda's Company, Colonel Willett's New York regiment, stationed at Fort Plain, Stone Arabia and Fort Herkimer engaged in scouting, and was discharged after having served a tour of nine months. He enlisted April 30, 1782, served as private in Captain Peter B. Tearse's (2) Company, Colonel Marinus Willett's New York regiment, and was discharged the first of January, following, then returned to the home of his sister in Albany, her name not stated. Other sisters were referred to but no names designated.

Pension was allowed on account of the service of Barney Young on an application executed February 5, 1839, at which time he was a resident of German Flats, Herkimer County, New York. He died June 9, 1842.

Barney Young married June 14, 1785, in Albany, New York, Elizabeth or Betsey Rankins or Rykins who was born in March, 1763. After their marriage they resided about two years in said Albany then moved to Herkimer County, New York, where they continued to reside with the exception of a few years spent in Montgomery County, New York.

Elizabeth Young, soldier's widow, was allowed pension on her application executed June 8, 1843, at which time she was a resident of German Flats, Herkimer County, New York, where she was still living in 1845. In 1848, she was a resident of Danube, Herkimer County, New York.

Barney Young and his wife, Elizabeth, had twelve children, ten of whom were still living in 1843. The only name of children designated were those of John Young, the oldest, who was born April 24, 1786, and baptized May 13, 1786, in the Dutch Reformed Church of Albany, New York, and in 1839 was living in German Flats, New York, and Michael Young, born December 4, 1789.

A copy of the church register of baptisms of the Dutch Reformed Church of Albany showed the name John and Delia Young with no explanation of their relationship to the family of Barney and Elizabeth Young.

End Notes--W.22715--Barney Young

1. This is incorrect. Colonel John Brown was killed on October 19, 1780 in the Battle of Stone Arabia. It is stated later that he enlisted in 1782 which would be the correct year as Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant Marinus Willett's Regiment of New York State Levies didn't exist until April 28, 1781.
2. Peter B. Tearse was a Captain in Willett's Levies in 1782 and 1783. Barney's name is not listed on the 1783 payroll for this company. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 78, folder 173, National Archives, Washington, D.C. Barney's is also referring to Jellis A. Fonda who had served as a Lieutenant and Adjutant in Willett's Regiment in 1781 and 1782. He was promoted to Captain in

November of 1782 in place of Captain Abner French who had retired from the service. He does not appear on Captain Fonda's payroll for 1783.