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*Bryan, James*

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Paid at the Treasury under  
the Act of the 10<sup>th</sup> April 1838  
from 1<sup>st</sup> March 1838 to 4<sup>th</sup> Sept  
1838. Apts notified 10 June 1839.

31.155  
Pennsylvania

James Bryan  
of Hazelton in the State of Pennsylvania  
who was a private in the Company commanded  
by Captain Shafer of the reg<sup>t</sup> commanded  
by Col. Mitchell in the 6<sup>th</sup> Maine mil<sup>itary</sup>  
for seven months

Enrolled on the Roll of Pennsylvania  
at the rate of 2<sup>5</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars 3<sup>5</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Cents per annu  
to commence on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 7 day of July  
1837 and sent to M. E.  
Austin Esq. Union Town

Amount to the 1<sup>st</sup> of March 1837 \$140.  
Pension allowance ending 4<sup>th</sup> Sept 1837 15.66  
\$155.66

Recorded by *Wm. Allison* Clerk  
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{ Revolutionary Claim,  
Act June 7, 1832.

On this 2<sup>d</sup> day of Sept<sup>r</sup>, 1834 personally appeared before the Hon. Thomas H. Baird, Sec<sup>y</sup>

of the Court for said County now sitting James Boyson a resident of the Township of Union  
in the County of Berks and State of Penn<sup>a</sup> aforesaid aged 71 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<sup>th</sup> 1832. That he engaged in the service of the United States in the year A. D. 1780  
as a volunteer for the term of 8 months on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April under the following named officers.

That he first volunteered as aforesaid in the company commanded by Captain  
Phifer and that he believes that he was attached to Co<sup>l</sup> Mitchell's Regiment  
of the Maryland Line Delaware line of Super<sup>r</sup> County, in the State of Delaware,  
and that they was ordered to the mouth of Mispillion Creek of said County and  
then to continue to guard against the enemy viz, Refugees, Tories, and British  
who was repeatedly committing there many depredations from the mouth of said  
Creek, up to Mattons Landing, and that they was <sup>also</sup> guarding the Bay at Copehewagon,  
Broadhill Creek, Pilot Town, and Plum Point, and that he then continued in the said service until  
he was honorably discharged by the said officers on or about the 25<sup>th</sup> day of December of said year at Plum

Second tour in which he volunteered for the term of 8<sup>th</sup> months more, under the said officers  
on or about the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March 1780, and again ordered out to the said Mispillion Creek, also in  
the spring required they was ordered to the fornamed places, and likewise to Lewis Town, and  
in which neighbourhood they continued for some considerable time, until ordered to the Light house  
at Copehewagon where they remained perhaps about 2 months as near as he deponent can

recollect. and from Lewis Town to Indian River and after about one week they was ordered  
to the said river to Rehoboth Bay where they remained there and in that part of the country for  
several weeks, after which they was ordered to the said Lewis town, and deponent believes from  
thence to the Lighthouse at Copehewagon where they remained until they was taken to Broadhill  
Creek, and detained there until they was ordered from thence to Pilot town where they remained

until he was honorably discharged by his said officers on or about the 13<sup>th</sup> of November of  
said year, — and that some time in the summer of 1781 deponent engaged for the  
term of 3 months under the said officers as well as deponent at present recollects  
and that they then expected to march to or near New York, but not being ready  
in time they was not called, or at least did not march to that place, that some  
time after which they was ordered to march to Philadelphia, & deponent believes

from that to Virginia but that there orders was remanded, and that they  
was discharged <sup>in Super<sup>r</sup> County</sup> about two weeks before his said three months tour expired which was  
about the time of Lord Cornwallis's surrender, after which he was no more called out in  
the said service; deponent <sup>States</sup> that from his late sickness, and infirmity, that having  
no record of his age, that his birth may have been in the year of 1763, but that he believes  
that he was only in his 16<sup>th</sup> year when he first engaged in the said service, and that the  
statement contains the whole of his services as near as deponent can possibly recollect  
amounting to 19 months as a volunteer, for which he claims a pension, but  
if his last 3 months tour may not be satisfactory to the Hon. Department, as not having done  
but 2 months and two weeks, he claims a pension for the said 2<sup>nd</sup> <sup>right</sup> months tours of 16 months and 16  
that he cannot recollect the dates of his 3 months tour further than above stated.

And that he was born on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April A.D. 1766, in the said County of Sussex in the State of Delaware aforesaid, where he resided during the whole period of the said Revolutionary war, about ten miles from the town of Milford, and that in the year A.D. 1775 he moved to the County of Alleghany in the State of Maryland, where he resided until the year of 1785, and from thence moved to the State of Pennsylvania, in the County of Fayette, & Township of Union aforesaid, where he resided until the year of 1815, and that he has no documentary evidence of his said services, that his discharge was destroyed by fire, and that he has since come to the said County of Fayette where he now resides.

That HE hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State whatsoever.

Sworn to and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid.

Richard Beeson  
1834

James Bryan  
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James Bryan  
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We *Horatio Fleming*, a *Clergyman* residing in the *Town of Union* of said County, & *James S. Sutton*, a *Justice of the Peace* residing in the *Town of Union* of said County, who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration that *James Bryan* believe him to be 70 years of age, that he is reputed and believed in the neighborhood where he resides, to have been a soldier of the revolution, and that *they* concur in that declaration, and that *they* have signed and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid.

Richard Beeson  
1834

Horatio Fleming  
James S. Sutton

And the said Court do hereby declare their opinion, after the investigation of the matter, and after putting the interrogatories prescribed by the War Department, that the above named applicant was a revolutionary soldier, and served as he states. And the Court further certifies that it appears to them that *Horatio Fleming* who has signed the preceding certificate, is a *Clergyman* and a *resident* in the *County* aforesaid and that *James S. Sutton* who has also signed the same is resident in the said *County* and is a credible person and that their statements are entitled to credit.

I *Richard Wasper*, Clerk of the Court of said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of the said Court in the matter of the application of *James Bryan* for a pension.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October A.D. 1834

Richard Beeson  
Clerk

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State of Pennsylvania  
County of Fayette

Personally appeared before me the under signed a Justice of the Peace for said County James Boyce who being duly sworn depofeth and saith, by reason of old age, and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively to the precise length of his services, but according to the best of his recollection, he served not less than the periods mentioned below, and in the following grades as a volunteer for the term of <sup>six</sup> months in my first tour, and that after my said term expired late in the year of 1779 I was discharged by Col. Mitchell.

And that in the following year, or or about the tenth of March 1780 I again volunteered and served for <sup>six</sup> months longer in the <sup>said</sup> Company commanded by Captain Shaffer, and of Colonel Mitchell's Regiment, and by whom I was honorably discharged on or about the 12<sup>th</sup> of September 1780, or not exceeding the 16<sup>th</sup> of the said month of September, by the said Officers under whom he was first, & secondly under during the above mentioned two six months tours.

And that on or about the first of August 1781 he again volunteered for the term of three months, under the said Officers (or at least under the same Captain, & Colonel) who told us that our next campaign would be to New York, but when we went to Philadelphia, & remained there for one month, & from thence we was expected to have marched to Virginia, but before we marched the said orders was remanded, and that on or about the first or second day of September of said year I was honorably discharged by the said Officers, and that I served as a volunteer for the term of <sup>six</sup> months as above, and that I also served for <sup>six</sup> months more which was in my second tour, likewise as a volunteer, and that in my third tour which was for the term of three months, as a volunteer, but discharged after serving one month, making in the whole at least, thirteen months, and for such service claim a pension.

And that after being under a particular charge for more than one year past, for to endeavour to recollect all the facts relative to my said services, of which I had been under the impression that I had actually served much longer than the above periods, but that on repeated, & particular examinations he, that I could not clearly recollect of any further services other than the above, & together with my former declaration I swore to at <sup>the</sup> <sup>same</sup> <sup>time</sup> on or about the last of August, or first of September last of which I have no copy preserved, and that I have no knowledge of any person living who served with me, for to testify in support of my claim, for whom I have made many enquiries, and that it is out of my power to recollect as distinctly as I would wish, since my memory have been so much impaired by sickness, &c.

Sworn and Subscribed before me a Justice of the Peace for said County, given under my hand at Union Town this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 1835  
James Boyce Deaf

Clement Wood

Pennsylvania, }  
Fayette County } County Clerk of the County of Fayette  
as above & that the above certificate & signature

purporting to be his is genuine. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & the seal of said Court at Union Town the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 1835

Rich<sup>d</sup> & Bacon C.R