

Pension Application for Burpee Ames

S.22084

State of New Hampshire

County of Hillsborough, SS

On this seventh day of January AD 1834, personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Probate, now sitting [?] within and for the County of Hillsborough, in the State aforesaid, Burpee Ames of [Holles?] in said County.

Who being duly sworn according to law doth makes 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 as herein stated. That is to say,

That soon after the Battle of Lexington, on the nineteenth day of April 1775 he went [?] Runley in Mas'sas, as a Volunteer in the Company of Capt Payson of Runley to Cambridge to assist against the Enemy and remained there for five days when he was discharged from service. But of this service he is unable to procure and evidence by Witnesses or by any records, and in the fall of the same year he again; went from Runley to Cape Anne to guard an American Vessel he does not recollect any of the officers under whom he volunteered, but he served on Guard seven days, with other men from Runley among whom were Jeremiah Hobson and Moses Smith, but all the persons who served with him he believes are dead, and no record of this transaction can now be found.

In December AD 1776 he enlisted for three months in the company of Capt Benjamin Adams in Colo Titcombs Regt of Mass Militia, he marched from Pauley to Jamacia Plains in Roxbury where he served out his term of three months and was regularly dismissed from service.

In the month of July or August AD 1777 he again inlisted for four months in the Company of Capt. Stephen Jackson in Colo Johnsons Regt of ;Massa forces, he was marched to the State of New York and served at Saratoga. He was not ordered into the Battle at the Capture of Burgoyne, but saw the surrender of that army and having served out his term of four months was regularly discharged.

About the first of April AD 1778 he again entered the service for three months and inlisted in the company of Capt Silas Adams in Colo Titcombs Regt of Massa forces. He marched to Bristol in Rhodeisland where he served out his term of three months and was regularly discharged.

And in the fall of the same year he engaged to serve two months in Guarding Burgoyne's Army at [Marblehead?] in Charleston Mas'a he can not ascertain the names of any of his company or Regimental officers, but he well knows that he went from Rouly to [?] hill joined a company and served for the space of two months and that at David Person and Nathan Hardy were soldiers in the company and served with him at the same time.

He has lately caused search to be made for some Record evidence of his service but has not been able to find any nor has he been able to find after diligent inquiry at Rowley and in that vicinity and person who served with him or by whom he could

ascertain the names of his officers, all persons who knew him in that service having dec'd.

He relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity, whatever, except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. (Signed) Burpee Ames
Edmund Packer, Judge of Probate.

In the additional question, he states he was born in Bradford Mas'a on the third day of December AD 1758.