

Pension Application for Stephen Mead

W.17132 (Widow: Elizabeth) Married in the fall of 1774. Stephen died March 23, 1830.

State of New York

Chenango County SS.

On this 25th day of July 1837, personally appeared before the Hon'l Robert Monell Vice Chancellor of the 6th Circuit of the State of New York at a Court of Chancery held at Greene in said County of Chenango, Elizabeth Mead a resident of Greene in said County of Chenango and State of New York, aged 84 years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 4th 1836.

That she is the widow of Stephen Mead who was a private in the war of the Revolution and that they resided in Lower Salem in Westchester County during the Revolution.

That in the last of April 1775, her husband Stephen Mead enlisted and joined the Army at New York and was absent from home in active service four months.

That the next year 1776 her said husband again enlisted for one year and joined the army at New York or York Island and served one month when he hired a substitute who served for him the said years service but before he returned home he enlisted and again served in the army she thinks under Captain Lockwood and he served four months and he was absent in service in 1776 five months.

That the next year 1777 her said husband enlisted in Captain Purdy's Company and went into the army and was gone eight or nine months in 1777 and he was at the battle at Danbury when General Worster was wounded and was one of the men who helped carry him off from the ground.

That in the year 1780 he enlisted again for six months and joined the army at West Point, and was present at the time Major Andree was executed and that he was absent in service this [blot] months.

That her husband was absent [blot] Revolution in active service the [blot] of the time for seven years.

That she cannot in consequence [blot] bodily infirmity arising from old age and consequent loss of memory more particularly state the service of the husband and the names of the officers there is [in?] above mentioned.

That the last time he returned home from the army he brought with him a discharge which was burned when our house was burned in Greene County about forty years ago.

She further declares that she was married to the said Stephen Mead in the fall of 1774, at North Salem, Westchester County by Elder Cole of the Battist [Baptist?] Church (Seventeen hundred and seventy four). That her husband the aforesaid Stephen Mead died on the twenty third day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty and that she has remained a widow ever since that period, as will

more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed. (Signed with her mark)
Elziabeth Mead

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written, before me. Robt
Monell, Vice Chancellor