

Pension Application for Abijah Northrop

R.9719 (Elizabeth Smith, Former widow) Elizabeth Andress and Abijah Northrop were married August 5, 1771 in the Presbyterian Church of South Salem.

State of New York

Westchester County SS.

Be it know that before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and or the County aforesaid and duly authorized to administer oaths personally appeared Andress Bouton aged sixty nine years the 30th inst., and made oath in due form of law that Abijah Northrop a Revolutionary soldier married his mother's sister Betty—that they had four children, viz, Asa, Rodah, Jere, and Abijah—And that he has been informed that his uncle in the time of the Revolutionary War where in the service at Yorktown was taken prisoner by the British and carried to New York where he died a prisoner—

That he has heard his Father and Mother in their life time often talk of the circumstances also an number of others—and that he has no doubt of the truth of it—that the widow of said Abijah Northrop afterwards married again—that he has lately seen the name of Abijah Northrop with others on the roll of Lieut. Jonathan Lodue who was a Lieut under Capt Parde in Col. Crane's regiment—that he has always understood and has no doubt of its truth that his uncl [uncle] Abijah went out under Capt. Pardee a Malitia [Militia] Capt. That the circumstances as above related he has heard talked of as long agoe [ago] as he can remember and that he has no doubt of the truth thereof. (Signed) Andress Bouton.

Sworn and subscribed this 15th day of July 1850 before me Cyrus Lawrence, Justice of the Peace.

State of Connecticut

County of Fairfield To Wit—

I Betsey Whitlack of the town of Wilton in said Fairfield County do depose and say that I am the daughter of Elizabeth Smith [?] and have frequently heard my mother say I verily believe, that the name of her first husband was Abijah Northrop and that he was taken at a place called Crumpond by the British troops, carried to New York and then died a prisoner of war, and that his death was caused from wounds received from the British troops.

And I do further depose and say that my mother died on the 28th day of March AD 1820. (Signed) Betsey Whillock [name appears to be written differently at the top of the deposition.]