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Grewer, Abraham
or Abraham J. (or J.)

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See Abraham J. Grewer

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 New-Jersey
 Abraham J. Brower
 Bergeles, in the State of New Jersey
 who was a Fifer in the Co. commanded
 by Captain Romanaie of the Regt. commanded
 by Col. Oey - in the ~~1st~~
 line for 1 month's fifer
 23 " Privates

Enrolled on the Roll of New Jersey
 at the rate of 80 Dollars 33 Cents per annum,
 -to commence on the 1st day of March, 1834.

Certificate of Pension issued the 7th day of Dec:
 1833 - and del^d Hon. S.
 -Kendall - President -

Arrears to the 1st of Sep. 33 \$200.82
 Semi-ann. allowance ending 4th Mo. 34 40.16
 \$240.98

Recorded by *J. J. Stiles* Revolutionary Claims,
 Clerk, *June 7, 1832*
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 76.66
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1848
No. 1848

Reported

58
New York, N.Y.

Maria Brown
widow of *Abraham Brown*
N.Y.
who served in the Revolutionary
war, as a private & *sergeant*

Inscribed on the Roll at the rate of
50 Dollars

Cents per annum, to commence on
the 4th day of March, 1848.

Certificate of Pension issued the
12th day of *June* 1848
and sent to

Pierre M. Irving
32 Wall St
New York

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Recorded on Roll of Pensioners
February 2, 1848, Page *J.*

W. B. Livingston Nov. 24/55

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Maria Brown vid.
Abraham Brown

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W. B. Livingston, Jr.
New York City

W. B. Livingston

State of New Jersey
County of Bergen

3rd March first

day of

November A^o 1832, personally appeared in open Court in
before the Judge of the Superior Court of Common Pleas and
and in the County of Bergen in the State of New Jersey
now sitting at New-Bardonia - Abraham S. Brower
a resident of the Township of New-Bardonia in the
County of Bergen aforesaid, in the State of New Jersey
aged thirty eight years and upwards, 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 the Seventh A^o 1832
Entitled "An Act supplementary to the Act for the relief
of certain Surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Revolution"
that he entered into the Service of the United States under
the following named Officers, and served as follows, to-wit:

That he entered into the Service of the United States
in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy
eight, and served about one year in a Company of Militia
of the County of Bergen aforesaid, under the command
of Capt Elias Romaine - as a musician, that the said
Company was a part of the Regiment of Militia of
the County of Bergen commanded by Colonel Thomas Day, attached
at this deponent believes to the Brigade or Command of
Genl. ^{Winch} Mearns, that he entered into the Service as aforesaid
at this deponent believes, in the month of March A^o 1778,
that the aforesaid Company was stationed at the New-
Bridge in the County of Bergen aforesaid, where this
deponent was born and where he resided or had his home
through the whole course of the Revolutionary War -
and where he joined the said Company. - And this deponent
further doth, that in the year 1779, he entered the
Company of Militia, commanded by Captain Samuel

Demarest. Stationed at the New Bridge aforesaid -
where this deponent joined the same, and served as a
private therein, about two years, that the said Company
was a part of the aforesaid Regiment, commanded by
Col. Lewis Dejeu. And this deponent further saith that
shortly after his service in the last mentioned
Company was terminated, and at this deponent's
leave, sometime in the beginning of the year 1781,
at the New Bridge aforesaid, he again joined the
Company of the aforesaid Battalion Elias Pommerehne
and was there a Sergeant in said Company, ~~until~~
~~from the~~ and served therein until about the first
day of January 1783, at which time he finally
left the service. This deponent further saith that while
attached to the Company of Capt. Samuel Demarest
aforesaid, he accompanied the Corps of Major Lee and
was with them acting as a Guide, in the attacks and
Captures of Cowles, Hook, in the year 1779, in which
expedition, he this deponent was with the Company
of dismounted horsemen, (a part of said Corps) -
commanded by Capt. Mc Lane, and after the said
attack, this deponent assisted in conveying the
prisoners captured on that occasion, to the New
Bridge aforesaid. And this deponent further saith
that while attached to the Company of Capt.
Samuel Demarest aforesaid, he served in the attacks
made by the Army, ~~stationed~~ under the Command
of Captains Demarest, Ostwater and Smalley
on ~~the~~ a body of Refugees, commonly called

Ward's Refugee - who was engaged in erecting a
Block-house or Fortification at Fort Lee - in the
County of Bergen in which attack the Refugee
was made and driven off - but afterwards as
this deponent believes built the Block-house on
the West bank of the Hudson River below
Bulls Ferry where they were afterwards attacked
by the troops under the command of General
Moyne. - And this deponent further saith that during
the time he was attached to the aforesaid Company
he was in several skirmishes with the enemy who
were in the constant practice of sending out
foraging and marauding parties from New York
into the neighbouring parts of New Jersey -
This deponent was born in the year 1763 at New Bridge
in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey -
where he resided - except while absent for temporary
purposes - or on the Service about 1780 until -
about the year 1790 - according to the best of his
remembrance - when he removed to the City of New
York and there resided about fifteen years then
returned to the County of Bergen aforesaid - where
he has had his home ever since - and where he
at present resides - principally supported by the
charity of his friends. This deponent knows of
the existence of no record of his age - he received no
written discharge from Service - and believes that none
of the Statutes of New Jersey were at - Affiant

Melton of the County of Bergen and Samuel
Helm of the County of New York know of the particulars
of much of the sum as above stated and are
well knowing and their affidavits herewith annexed
and that he has no other documentary evidence -
except what is herewith annexed. Isaac P. -
Vanderhook, Gerrit Brinkhoff are neighbors of the defendant
who live near him - and can testify to his character
for veracity - and to their belief of his service as
a soldier in the Revolution - and he hereby relinquishes
every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity -
except the present - and declares that his name
is not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any
State.

Given to and subscribed
in open Court this day and
year above said

~~Abraham S. Brown~~
Abraham S. Brown

John H. Maxwell

We Isaac P. Vanderhook Gerrit Brinkhoff both residing in the
County of Bergen in the State of New Jersey hereby
testify that we are well acquainted with Abraham
S. Brown who has subscribed and sworn to the above
Declaration. That we believe him about ~~eighty~~ ^{eighty} years
of age and that he is reputed and believed
in the neighborhood where he now resides -

State of New Jersey Bergen County - Personally
appeared before me the undersigned a Justice
of the Peace in and for the County of Bergen
the 19th day of July A.D. 1833 - Abraham S
Brower an Applicant for a Pension under
the Act of Congress of June 7th 1832 who under
Oath made the following Answers hereto in
reply to the Questions Propounded by me
in Pursuance to the directions of the war de-
partment of the United States -

Question 1st When and in what year were you born?

Answer - I was born in the year 1763. The 19th day of June
at New Bridge in the County of & State of New Jersey

Question 2^d Have you any Record of your age & if so where
is it -

Answer - I know of no Record of my age now - my age
was recorded in my fathers Bible in the City of
New York but I know not what has become of it -

Question 3^d Where were you living when called into ser-
vice - Where have you lived since the Revolution
any war & where do you now live -

Answer - At the time I entered the service, I lived at
the New Bridge in the County of Bergen - & there
I lived until after the war (in the year 1790
to the best of my Remembrance) when I removed
to the City of New York - where I resided
about fifteen years - then returned again to
the County of Bergen aforesaid - where I have
lived ever since & there I now live -

Question 4th How were you called into service were
you drafted - did you volunteer - or where
you a substitute - and if a substitute for whom

Answer - I was always a volunteer & never served
in ^{any} capacity -

Question 5th State the names of some of the Regular of-
ficers who were with the troops where you served
such Continental and Militia Regiments as
you can recollect & Generally the Circum-
stances of your services -

Answer - Gen. Mifflin - Gen. Mifflin who commanded the
Pennsylvania line - Major Lee - Col. Day's Bergen
County Regiment - & for a more particular detail
I refer to my Declarations -

Question 6th did you ever receive a discharge from the ser-
vice - and if so by whom was it given & what has
become of it - Answer - I never received a
written discharge - that I can now remember -

Director J. state the names of Persons to whom you are known
in your Present Neighbourhood & who can testify
as to your Character for Sincerity & the belief of your
services as a Soldier of the Revolution -

Answer - Isaac P. Panchbeck and Garet Hinckeloff
are the
names of the Persons to whom I am known in my
Present Neighbourhood & who can testify to my charac-
ter for Sincerity & the belief of my services as a Soldier of
the Revolution -

Sworn & subscribed to before me the 19th
day of July A.D. 1833. -

David Christie Justice of the Peace

And the said Abraham Brower further saith -
That he entered the service of the United States in the year of our Lord 1778 upon
matrimonial Reflection being making his Declaration he is certain that he served
one full year in the Company commanded by Capt Elias Romine as a privi-
sian that the said Company was a part of the 13th Regt. he as stated in his Declaration
and in the year 1779 he entered the Company commanded by Capt Samuel Kimball
served as a private with the said Company for two full years the Company being
located at the New Bridge & Brainerd Hill (which are places which are within the limits
of Capt. Kimball) and at being the seat of war - as the New Bridge & Brainerd Hill were
sometimes by one day in possession of the enemy & the next day the enemy would be
driven back again and by his fighting the Americans - and in the beginning of the
year 1781 he again joined the Company commanded by Capt Elias Romine
served in that Company in said Company and served therein till the first of
January 1783. when he left the service, it is certain that from the year
1781 to 1783 he performed one full year of active service - and for such
service (as above stated) he claims a Pension - & for the time during which
the service was performed he was not employed in any Civil Office -

Sworn and subscribed to before me the 30th day of July A.D. 1833 -

David Christie Justice of the Peace

State of New Jersey

County of Bergen Dss: I Abraham Westcott, Clerk of the County of Bergen &
Clerk of the Superior Court of Common Pleas in & for said County do hereby certify
that Sarah J. Christie whose name is subscribed to the Oath of
the foregoing Affidavit was on the day of the date thereof a Justice of the Peace
in and for the said County duly commissioned and sworn - and further
that I am acquainted with the hand writing of said Justice, and verily
believe that his signature to said Oath is genuine.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and affixed the Seal of the said Court this first day of
August A.D. eighteen hundred and thirty three.

Abraham Westcott Clerk

State of New York, ss: City of New York, ss. In the Marine Court
On this twelfth - day of ~~October~~ ^{November}

Eighteen hundred and thirty eight, personally appeared before the Marine Court of the City of New York Maria Brower, a resident of the City of New York, aged sixty two 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 7th 1838, entitled "an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows", that she is the widow of Abraham S. Brower who was a soldier of the Revolution, and a pensioner of the United States at the time of his death; that she has no documentary evidence of his services in the Revolution, neither can she procure the affidavit of any person that knew him in the service, but she respectfully refers to the evidence upon which he was pensioned, now on file in the proper office at Washington City.

She further declares that she was married to the said Abraham S. Brower on the thirty first day of December, in the year seventeen hundred and ninety three; that her husband, the aforesaid Abraham S. Brower died on the twenty first day of March, in the year Eighteen hundred and thirty six; that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January, seventeen hundred and ninety four, viz, at the time above stated.

Sworn to and subscribed, on the day and year above written, before
me, in open Court.

Isaac Hammond
Justice of the Marine Court

Maria Brower

Know all men by these presents, that I do hereby constitute and appoint Isaac S. Kibbie of the City of New York, my true and lawful attorney, to take all necessary and lawful measures to procure for

State of New York
City & County } ss
of New York }

Maria Brower, of said City, being duly sworn according to law doth depose and say, that the record of her marriage with Abraham S. Brower, now exhibited in open Court, is a leaf from her family Bible, taken therefrom by her within the month last past. That said family Bible has been in her possession, at all times, since said record of her marriage was made therein, and that her marriage is correctly stated therein.

Sworn & subscribed

this 12th day of Nov^r

1838. before me

J. Hammond
Justice of Marine
Court

Maria Brower

I, John B. Scott, one of the Judges of the Marine Court in the City of New York, do Certify that the record of the marriage of Maria Brower, above mentioned, is in the exact words and figures following, viz: "Abraham S. Brower was married to Maria Coffman December 31st 1793."

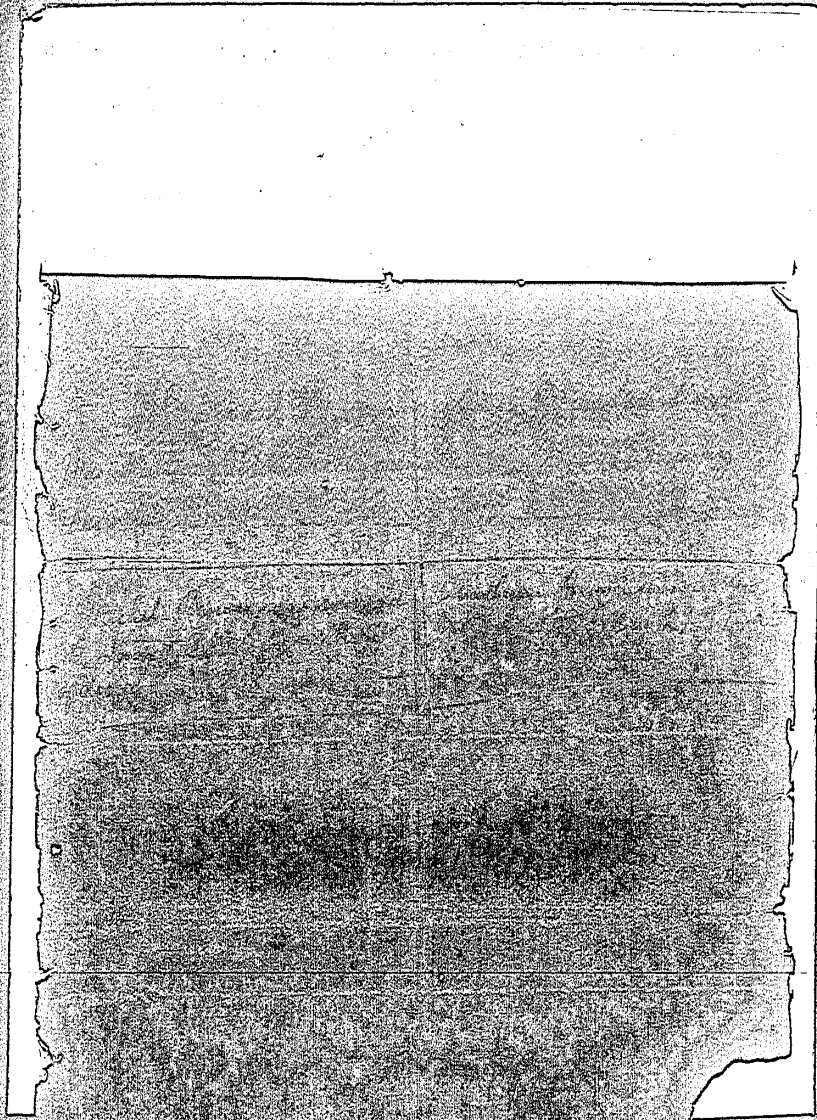
and further, I Certify that said Maria Brower is a person of truth and veracity, and entitled to full credit. Nov^r 12th 1838.

State of New York
New York City and County, J.S.S.

On this 21st day of April 1855, before me a Notary Public in and for the State and County of New York, personally appeared Maria Brouer, a resident of the city of Brooklyn, in the County of Kings and State of New York, aged 78 years, who on her oath declares, that she is the widow of Abraham Brouer, who was a fifer and private in the Revolutionary War; that her said husband continued in actual service in said war, for fourteen days and over, as will appear from the evidence already produced, and on file at the Pension Office at Washington; that she now receives a pension of eighty dollars per annum, under the act of Congress of February 2^d 1848, on account of the services of her said husband, in said war. She makes this declaration, in order to obtain the bounty land, to which she may be entitled, under the act approved March 3^d 1855; and further declares, that she has never before applied for, nor received any bounty land, under this or any other act of Congress. She furthermore declares that she is now a widow. Maria Brouer

We Samuel H. Purvis, and H. Milton Purvis, residents of the city of Brooklyn aforesaid, upon our oaths declare, that we are personally acquainted with the above affiant Maria Brouer, and know

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

Pension Office,

16 May - 1833

Sir:

The evidence in support of your claim, under the act of June 7, 1832, has been examined, and the papers are herewith returned. The following is a statement of your case in a tabular form. On comparing these papers with the following rules, and the subjoined notes, you will readily perceive that objections exist, which must be removed, before a pension can be allowed. The notes and the regulations will show what is necessary to be done. These points to which your attention is more particularly directed, you will find marked in the margin with a brace, (thus: }). You will, when you return your papers to this Department, send this printed letter with them; and you will, by complying with this request, greatly facilitate the investigation of your claim.

A Statement, shewing the Service of *Abraham P. Prower* M.J.

Period when the claimant's service terminated.	Duration of the claimant's service.			Rank of the claimant.	Name and Rank of the Company officers under whom he served.	Name and Rank of the General and Field officers.	Battles in which the applicant was engaged.	Country through which he marched.	Place of abode when he entered the service, and age at the present period.	Evidence by which the declaration is supported.
	Years.	Months.	Days.							
1778. Served about 1 March				Major	Capt. Prouin	Col. Coy.	Skir. misthos with captures	M.D.	Ward Co. Penna	Tratterson's Army W. Va.
1771 about 2.				Priv	Demant	Priv			M.D.	
1781 (beginning) served 1 1/2 years				Priv	Prouin	Major				

I am, respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

J. L. EDWARDS,
Commissioner of Pensions.

State of New York

City County of New York ss: On the third day of October 1839.

before me personally appeared Ann Eliza
Wheeler, wife of Epimetus Wheeler, and daughter of Abraham J.
Brewer deceased, who being by me duly sworn did depose
and say, that a certain piece of Writing, copied by her
from an old English family Bible, the property of her said
father Abraham J. Brewer deceased, in which was recorded
the Births, deaths, and Marriages, of her said Father deceased,
and said copy, as is said has been transmitted, to Wash-
ington the seat of our Government, on file for Pensions;
And this deponent further says, that said copy, is in
her own home Writing. And further, this deponent says not,
known to this third day

of October 1839 before me

Ann Eliza Wheeler

Geo. T. Banta


Commissioner of Deeds

State of New York
City and County } SS:
of New York }

Isaac L. Kibbee of said
City, being duly sworn, says, that Abraham S. Brown
who was a soldier in the revolutionary army, and for
whose services, his widow, Maria Brown, now claims
a pension, died on the twenty first of March
A.D. 1837, (Eighteen hundred and thirty seven) -
that the date mentioned in the declaration of
said Mrs. Maria Brown, as to the death of her
said husband, should have been the 21st day of
March 1837, instead of 1836, which was
a mistake of this deponent - that deponent
has (two days since) examined the family
record of Mrs. Catharine Pell, the daughter of
said Ab. S. Brown, by which record it
appears that said Brown died at the time
above mentioned - that the memorandum of said
death was made at the time it occurred by
the husband of said Catharine Pell, and this
deponent was informed -

Isaac L. Kibbee

Sworn Subscribed
this 5th day of May
1841. Before me.


John S. Deane

March 9, 1939

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BA-J/MCS
Abraham J. or I. Brower
W.23707

Mrs. A. W. Rittenhouse
Bourbon
Indiana

Dear Madam:

The data which follow were obtained from papers on file in the pension claim, W.23707, based on the military service of Abraham J. or I. Brower.

He was born June 19, 1763, at Newbridge, Bergen County, New Jersey. The names of his parents are not shown.

While a resident of said place he enlisted and served in the New Jersey militia at various times from March, 1778, until about the first of January, 1783, amounting to twenty-four months in all, as fifer, private and sergeant under Captains Elias Romine and Samuel Demarest and Colonel Theunis Dey; he was present at the capture of Paulus Hook and in several skirmishes.

He lived in Newbridge until about 1790 when he moved to New York City and about fifteen years later he returned to Bergen County, New Jersey.

He was allowed pension on his application executed November 1, 1832, at which time he was living in New Barbadoes Township, Bergen County, New Jersey.

He died March 21, 1837.

This soldier married December 31, 1793, at Hackensack, New Jersey, Miss Maria Hoffman.

As the widow of Abraham J. or I. Brower, Maria Brower was allowed pension on her application executed November 12, 1838, at which time she was sixty-two years of age and was living in New York City. In 1855 she was living in Brooklyn, New York.

Abraham J. or I. and Maria Brower had nine children but only the following names are given: Maria who married Lewis B. Reed on January 5, 1815, Rachel who married James E. Kelsey on December 31, 1822, and was living in New York City in 1839, Catherine who married Ernst T. Fell on June 29, 1825, and Ann Elisa who married Epenetus Wheeler, date not given, and was living in New York City in 1840.

The soldier's brother, John Brower, was living in Utica, New York, in 1840, aged sixty-nine years, and he stated that he remembered the entertainment given for his brother and Maria several days after their wedding and that it was in Hackensack at the home of his sister, Mrs. Demarest, and Quilliam Demarest.

In 1841 Maria Brower's pension certificate was sent to Honorable O. Hoffman (relationship not shown) in care of Honorable S. L. Southard, President of United States Senate.

Very truly yours

A. D. HILLER
Executive Assistant
to the Administrator