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State of Michigan
County of Oakland

On this Seventh day of December,
one thousand eight hundred and forty four
personally appeared in open court, before the Circuit
Court for the county of Oakland, now sitting, Samuel
Gregory of the town of Milford, in said county, and
state, aged eighty four years and eight months, who
being first duly sworn according to law, both on his
oath, make the following declaration, in order to
obtain the benefit of the act of Congress, passed
June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States
under the following named officers, and served as
herein stated, - that he volunteered to enter into
the service in the company commanded by Capt.
Levin Nathaniel Scribner, in the regiment command-
ed by Colonel Henry Luddington or Luddinton, in
the month of May - one thousand seven hundred and
seventy six, the day of the month the applicant does
not remember, - it was soon after the British
took the city of New York, after the evacuation
of Boston, Applicant was then sixteen years
of age and resided in Frederickstown, county
of Dutchess, state of New York, - and enlisted in the
said place of Frederickstown, in a regiment be-
longing to the state of New York, - that he con-
tinued in the said service until after peace
was proclaimed in the year one thousand
seven hundred and eighty three, under the
same officers, - does not recollect the Brig-
ade officer commanding in his vicinity - appli-
cant was discharged at the said place of Fred-
erickstown, - did not have a written discharge.

And this applicant further deposes that he

engaged in several skirmishes with the marauding parties of the British, while making their foraging incursions - but was never in a regular engagement, - that these skirmishes were in the South part of Dutchess county, and in Westchester county, in the state of New York, Applicant does not recollect the names of any of the companies or regiments with which he was in company, except the one to which he belonged - throughout the war.

And this applicant further states that he knew General Israel Putnam, - and also Brigadier General Parsons of the Connecticut Militia, and Colo. Briggs and Willis of Parsons' Brigade, - that at the time of the Battle of Saratoga he was with his company of Militia, in the South part of Dutchess county, state of New York, for assisting in protecting that section of country from being ravaged by the predatory parties of the British, then in possession of the city of New York, - that to the best of this deponent's recollection, Fort Montgomery, situated about five miles below West Point, in the state of New York, was taken by the British, a short time previous to the battle of Saratoga - said fort, according to applicant's best recollection, was commanded by George Clinton, who was subsequently Governor of the state of New York; Genl James Clinton, his brother, was wounded in the engagement, Applicant has seen James Clinton. At the time of taking Fort Montgomery Applicant was about eighteen miles distant.

And this applicant further states that he was born on the eighth day of April one thousand seven hundred and sixty, at Frederickson

~~Living~~ in county of Dutchess, state of New York, but
has no record of his age, that at the time of
entering the service, he lived in the said
place of Frederickstown, and since that time
has lived in the following places = that, in
the third year after the war he removed to the
town of ^{Golchester} ~~Frederick~~, in the county of ^{Delaware} ~~Ontario~~, state
of New York, where he lived nineteen years, - thence
he removed to the town of ~~Frederick~~ ^{Green} in the county
of Ontario, state of New York, where he lived till
1812 - thence he removed to the town of Parma,
county of Monroe, state of New York, where he
lived till 1840 when he removed to the town
of Highland, county of Oakland state of Michigan,
where he lived till the month of May 1844 -
when he removed to the township of Commerce
in said county - where he lived about four
months, when he removed to the village of
Milford in said county, where he now re-
sides, in the neighborhood in which he resides
has been acquainted with the deceased Thomas
Baker, who has known him about twenty
years, also with the deceased Joseph Brown,
who has known him about - years,
- with Daniel M. Lockwood, Major G.
Lockwood, Benjamin Lockwood, Martin D.
Lockwood, Isaac & Elijah Dunkham, Isaac
and Daniel Dunkham, - all of whom have
known him for eighteen or twenty two years,
and can testify to his character for truth
and veracity, and their belief of his service
as a soldier of the revolution.

He also states that he knows of no person
by whom he can prove the fact of the service
rendered, except Cyprian Persons, a resident of
Genesee county Michigan, a revolutionary soldier

and pensioner, and who was in the same com-
pany with ~~him~~ ^{applicants} and through indigence on ~~my~~ ^{part},
and old age and decrepitude on ~~his~~ ^{part},
was unable to procure his attendance in
court.

And the said applicant also hereby relinquishes
every claim whatever to any pension or annuity ex-
cept the present, and declares that his name
is not on the pension roll of the agency of
any state. - He also states that he was not
employed in any civil office whatever, during
the term he was employed a soldier in
the revolutionary war.

Sworn to and subscribed in
open court the day and year
aforesaid.

And this applicant further deposes that, so
far as his pecuniary matters, he has been
in good circumstances until about one
year next last past, that then, on account
of placing too much confidence in an ac-
quaintance of his, he lost nearly all of the
property he had accumulated to support
him in his old age, and that in conse-
quence of that misfortune, he is thrown
upon the charity of his friends.

Sworn and subscribed by ^{his} ~~James~~ Gregory
in open Court this ~~10th~~ ^{11th} day of December 1844

Joseph R. Pomroy
Clerk of the Circuit Court
in the County of Oakland
Michigan

September 27, 1937

Mrs. Leo C. Sheehan
131 Chestnut Street
Battle Creek, Michigan

Samuel Gregory
R. 4398
BA-J/AVT

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to your letter in which you request information in regard to Samuel Gregory of Dutchess County, New York, soldier of the War of the Revolution.

The data furnished herein were obtained from papers on file in pension claim, R. 4398, based upon the service of Samuel Gregory in the Revolutionary War.

Samuel Gregory was born April 8, 1760 in Fredericktown, Dutchess County, New York. The names of his parents were not given.

He applied for pension December 10, 1844, then a resident of Milford, Oakland County, Michigan, and stated that while a resident of Fredericktown, New York, he volunteered sometime in May, 1776 and served at various times as a private in Captains Nathaniel Scribner's and Daniel Waterbury's companies, Colonel's Henry Ludington's and Field's New York regiments, was in several skirmishes, and continued in the service until in 1783.

His claim was not allowed as he did not establish proof of six months' service, as required by the pension law.

After the Revolution, Samuel Gregory lived in Colchester, Delaware County, New York, about nineteen

years, then moved to Gorham, Ontario County, New York, remained until 1812, thence to Palmer, New York, ~~there~~ there until 1840, thence to Highland, Oakland County, Michigan, and in May, 1844 moved to Commerce Township, Michigan, and in about four months moved to Milford, Oakland County, Michigan.

There are no data in this claim relative to the family of Semmel Gregory, and the date and place of his death ~~was~~ not shown.

Very truly yours

A. D. HILLER
Executive Assistant
to the Administrator