

SERVICE

Va.

NUMBER

Mitchell, Edward

W. 23991

Ann

or

Nancy

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5522

Ann's Spring
Ann Mitchell

widow of *Edward*
who served in the Revolutionary
war, as a *private Corporal*

Inscribed on the Roll at the rate of
31 Dollars *66*

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

Certificate of Pension issued the
21st day of *Sept* 1855
and sent to

Hon J. Shields
Senate U.S.

Recorded on Roll of Pensioners under act
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Sen

Hon J. Shields

Apr 26. 1851

A. Hillebrand

Aug 6. 1855

to pay - Aug^r 15, 1837.

Illinois 29.718

Edward Mitchell
of St. Clair Co. in the State of Illinois
who was a Pr. V. Corp^t. in the company commanded
by Captain Gabney of the Reg^t. commanded
by Col. Mendillo in the Virginia
line for Pr. 2 months & 27 days \$9.66
Corp^t. cav. Louisiana 22.00

\$31.66

Inscribed on the Roll of Illinois
at the rate of 31 Dollars 66 Cents per annum
to commence on the 1st day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 6th day of Feb.
1835 and sent to Hon. John
Reynolds H. R.

Arrears to the 1st of Sep. '34. 110.83
Semi-ann. allowance ending 1st March '35. 15.83

\$126.66

{ Revolutionary Claim }
{ dat June 7, 1832 }

Recorded by D. Brown Clerk
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WAR DEPARTMENT,

Pension Office.

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. Those 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 Edward Meredith

Period when the service was rendered.	Duration of the claimant's service.			Rank of the claimant.	Names and rank of the Field of. Officers under whom he served.	Age at present, and place of abode when he entered the service.	Proof by which the declaration is supported.
	Year.	Month.	Days.				
1775			7 mo	1st Lieut	Cap. Meredith	17 years	Traditionary, and a living Witness
1775. 02 76.					Cap. Da. b. m. y.	Hannover	
					Cap. Min. H. H.	County	
				Corps	Lieut. Meredith	W. A.	

I am, respectfully,

Your obedient servant

JAMES L. EDWARDS,

Commissioner of Pensions.

His services and notes stated sufficiently clearly - see notes d
 papers notes properly connected - see notes d - Witness
 notes certified to the credits - see notes f

State of Illinois
St. Clair County

Personally appeared before
the undersigned judge of the St. Clair Circuit
Court in the state of Illinois, James Mitchell,
who produced a family Bible in which
is the following registry, to wit:

"Edward Mitchell &

"Ann Haley were married 26th August 1784."

And the said James Mitchell having been
duly sworn says that the said registry
is in the proper hand writing of Ed-
ward Mitchell, deceased and that the
said registry is the original family regis-
ter of the said Edward Mitchell. He
further testifies that this is the only
record of the said marriage that
can now be produced.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set
my name this 23rd July A. D. 1850.

Wm. H. Underwood
Judge of St. Clair Circuit Court, Illinois.

State of Illinois }
St. Clair County }

On this day of January A. D.
Eighteen-hundred and Thirty-five, personally appeared before
me, John Hay, judge of the County probate of the said county
of St. Clair, State aforesaid, at a special session, holden on the
day and year aforesaid, Edward Mitchell, a resident of the
said county and state aforesaid, who being first duly sworn
according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration
in order to obtain the benefit of the pensions made by the act of
Congress, passed June 7th 1832, That, I was born in Hanover
county state of Virginia on the 3rd day of August A. D. 1760
this date I copied from my father's Bible into my own many
years ago, the original is now worn out, that in the year 1775
I joined a company of Volunteers, which was raised in said
county, under captain Samuel Meredith, we mustered, three
was the could neither overtake an enemy or run away from men
As I am now between 800 and a thousand miles from
Hanover county where I performed the above service and it is
now 56 years since I moved from there I do not believe I can
procure a living witness to prove the above facts. I think at
the time of the above transactions, the business of the state
was conducted at Williamsburg by what was called a committee
of safety, and business of the counties by county committees.
My father moved to Botetourt county in Virginia in the year 1778.
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these times the Indians had attacked Donallicks fort in Greenbrier
county Va. in this tour I served 6 days under Col. Skillern, the other
time a report came that the Indians were coming on our frontiers

was the could neither mistake an enemy or friend by your men

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On the 6th of march we fought Cornwallace at Haw river.

On the 11th of march 1781 the time of our service as a rifle corps expired, it having been raised for, time not recollected.

burnt) and the troops remained there. I think until Decem-
ber when the troops were disbanded, this tour was at least, six
months, this was also a volunteer service, no bounty was given
nor no drafts had taken place at this time, but I wages was
were paid (I think every three months) in continental paper
and I recollect that while at Hampton I gave five continental
dollars for four silver dollars. I recollect the following officers
in the Battalion in which I served as above (for there were no troops
at Hampton but our Battalion) to wit, Col. Meredith, Capt. John
Winsten, Capt. James Dabney, Lieut. Overton who was our adjutant
ensign Kimbrey I also knew the two captains Richard & James
Barren who then commanded two small schooners and were daily
employed as look out boats. While we remained at Hampton
an U.S. vessel of war called a row galley came up and invited
the officers & soldiers to come on board and take a cruise, Capt.
Winsten and myself and several others went on board and
remained there three days on a cruise. As this was the first
vessel of war which I had seen, I recollect my impressions which
~~was very strong. The vessel was a row galley, that is, there were
making nine days; the company was called to Williamsburg~~
against Governor Dunmore who had robbed the magazine
in that place and had fled on board an English vessel, which
lay in York river, there being no hopes of his coming on shore
we were discharged. In this expedition I was in service six days.
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Being called on by the Revd. Edward Mitchell of St. Clair county State of Illinois, to state what I know and remember of his services in the revolutionary war; I do hereby certify that I recollect his going into service as what was then called a minute man and that he was a considerable time from home, but cannot recollect the exact length of time being then only turned of 12 years of age. At that time my father lived in the county of Hanover state of Virginia, this was in the year 1776. In 1778 my father removed to the county of Botetourt in the same state and in the fore part of the year 1781, he served a tour in North Carolina about the time of the battle of Guilford between Genl. Green & Cornwallace, but as to the time he left home I can not say being at that time in the army myself and I always distinctly understood that in his tour to the south he acted as quartermaster.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court before me this 17th Jan'y 1835

John Hay Judge of Probate

Sam Mitchell ^{must be} Brother

State of Illinois }
 St. Clair County SS } I John Hay Judge of the Court of Probate for and within the said County & State aforesaid (it being a Court of Record) do hereby certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of the said Court in the matter of the application of the Revd. Edward Mitchell for a pardon. I further certify that there is annexed to this, a certificate of Samuel Freeman taken in Virginia. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand (having no Clerk) and affixed the seal of said Court at Belleville this Seventeenth day of January A.D. Eight hundred and thirty five, and of the Independence of the United States the fifty ninth.

John Hay



State of Illinois }
St. Clair County } On this Eighth day of June A. D. 1850
personally appeared before William H.
Underwood, judge of the Circuit Court of St. Clair County,
state of Illinois, ^{a jurist called Ann Mitchell} Nancy Mitchell, a resident of St. Clair
County, Illinois state, aged Eighty five years, who being first
duly sworn, according to law, does, on her oath, make the follow-
ing 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 Edward Mitchell who was a
revolutionary prisoner of the United States, resided near
Belleville in the County of St. Clair and State of Illinois,
drew his pension from the pension agent at Mount Carmel
in the State of Illinois for the last time in the month of
March A. D. 1837, to the best of her recollection.

She further declares that she was married to the said Edward
Mitchell on the twenty sixth day of August in the year
Seventeen hundred and Eighty four; that her husband the afores-
aid Edward Mitchell died on the third day of December
Eighteen hundred and thirty seven; that she was not married
~~to any other person during the term of her marriage~~
place previous to the first of January, seventeen hundred and
ninety four, viz: at the time above stated. She further swears
that she is now a widow, and that she has never before made any
application for a pension.

Sworn to and subscribed, on the day and year above written,
before

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th Ann Mitchell
day of June A. D. 1850 at her dwelling house in St. Clair county Illinois;
which I hereby certify that she cannot allege cause from bodily infirmity;
Wm. Underwood, Judge of St. Clair Circuit Court, Illinois.

My Grand Edward Mitchell my Father resided
at his death upon his farm five miles east of this
place.

He died 3^d December 1837

My Mother has resided since the death
of my Father upon the farm owned since the death of
Father by D. Mitchell & with my Mother & law &
Sister in one mile distant.

The following is taken from my Father
old family Bible by myself and copied into my
new Bible.

Edward Mitchell was born 3^d August 1768

Nancy Haily was born 25 Sept. 1763

Edward & Nancy Haily were married 26 Aug. 1784

My Mother has been called by the family since
my recollection Ann, and usually sign her
name Ann. While the older members of
the family called her Nancy. She is called
and more familiarly known as Ann.

Hellville, St. Clair County Ill.

18 June 1858

Subscribed & sworn to before me
this 19th day of June A. D. 1858.

Wm. H. Underwood

Judge of St. Clair Circuit Court,
Illinois

December 5, 1839.

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Mrs. Lois E.B. Smith
118 North Main
Salt Lake City, Utah.

BA-V/CG *am*
Edward Mitchell
W.23991

Dear Madam:

The data which follow were obtained from papers on file in pension claim, W.23991, based upon service of Edward Mitchell in the Revolutionary War.

Edward Mitchell was born August 3, 1760, in Hanover County, Virginia. Names of his parents are not shown.

He volunteered in the year 1775, in Hanover County, Virginia, served six days as private in Captain Samuel Meredith's company; volunteered in 1775, or 1776, was appointed ensign in Captain Dabney's company of Virginia minute men, but was never called into active service; volunteered in May 1776, served as private and corporal six months in Captain John Winston's company, Colonel Samuel Meredith's Virginia regiment; in 1778, he moved with his father to Botetourt County, Virginia, where he was called out against the Indians, served six days in Colonel Skillern's Virginia regiment, and was stationed at Colonel William Christian's ten days; in 1781, he was appointed quartermaster, served sixty-five days in Colonel Crockett's Virginia regiment, and in an engagement at Allamancee Creek, New River, and in the battle of Guilford Court House, North Carolina.

Allamancee
In December 1781 he moved to Maryland where he lived five or six years; in 1818 he left Botetourt County, Virginia and moved to St. Clair County, Illinois, where he was residing when allowed a pension on his application executed January 17, 1835. He was referred to as Reverend.

He died December 3, 1837, at his home in St. Clair County, Illinois, about five miles from Belleville.

Edward Mitchell married August 26, 1784, in Charlestown, Maryland, Ann or Nancy Hally, who was born September 21, 1763. Place of her birth and names of her parents are not shown.

Soldier's widow, Nancy Mitchell, was allowed pension on her application executed June 8, 1850, at which time she was residing in St. Clair County, Illinois.

In 1850, their son, James Mitchell, was residing in Belleville, Illinois, and was a Minister of the Gospel there. He stated that after the death of his father, their farm was owned by a Dr. Mitchell, and that his brother-in-law and sister lived near by, their names not stated, nor was the relationship of Dr. Mitchell stated.

In 1835, soldier's brother, Samuel Mitchell stated in St. Clair County, Illinois that he was aged twelve years in 1776, when soldier first entered the service, and in 1849, he stated in Grant County, Wisconsin that he witnessed the marriage of Edward. They were both Ministers of the Gospel.

No further family data are shown.

In order to obtain the date of last payment of pension, the name and address of person paid, and possibly the date of death of Nancy Mitchell, widow of Edward Mitchell, you should address the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, Records Division, this city, and cite the following data:

Ann or Nancy Mitchell, widow of Edward Mitchell
Certificate #3322
Issued September 21, 1850
Rate \$51.66 per annum
Commenced March 4, 1848
Act of February 2, 1848
Illinois, Springfield, Agency.

Very truly yours

A. D. HILLER
Executive Assistant
to the Administrator.