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*Bills, John E.
Mary*

W. 25,243

B.L.M. 26322-160-66

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Virginia 23569

John E. Bills

of ~~West~~ in the State of ~~VA~~
who was a ~~Gen~~ in the ~~Army~~ commanded
by Captain ~~Smith~~ of the ~~1st~~ commanded
by ~~---~~ in the ~~VA~~
line for 15 months

Inscribed on the Roll of Virginia
at the rate of ~~50~~ Dollars ~~4~~ Cents per annum
to commence on the 4th day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 28th day of July, 1847
and ~~...~~ - ~~...~~ - ~~...~~ - ~~...~~
Allen - ~~...~~

Amount to the 1st of Sept 1833 125 -
Semi-ant. allowance ending 1st Mar 34 25 -
7 150 -

{ Revolutionary Claim, }
{ Act June 7, 1832. }

Recorded by ~~...~~ Clerk
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Paid at the Treasury under the
Act of April 1832 to amount
of ~~...~~ to 4 Sep 1842.

Act of ~~...~~ of Sep 1844
Letter to James (Mary) Dec 18 1846
" " Hm J. Brinkhoff Jan 16 47

State of Virginia
Hardy County
Personally appeared before me the subscriber one of the Justices of
the Peace in and for the County and State of Virginia, Jesse C.
Bells, aged 70 years who being first duly sworn according to Law
doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain
the benefit of the provisions of the Act of Congress passed the 4 Day
of June 1832 That he entered the service of the United States under
the following name Officers and served as Private, First about
the 1st of the Fall of the year 1819. Appiant was drafted for a Term of
Six months and placed under the command of Captain Henry Enock
John Jr. Lt. (of the County of Hampshire) the Company numbered
10. Company and marched by the nearest and best Road to a Fort
called Jackson Fort. (Now called Waverburg) At the Fort Appiant joined
his company having obtained leave from his Captain (Who was Appiant's
uncle) to do so at the Fort the Command of Captain Enock was taken
over and ordered to change the frontier both up and down the
Ohio River in the Service Appiant was engaged during his Term of
Six months at the Expiration of this Term the Appiant volunteered
for a further Term of Six months Appiant's uncle being determined
to stay and continue in the Service Appiant concluded to stay also
and volunteered as a fore said. During this Last Term Appiant was ap-
pointed by his Captain a Sergeant and was principally engaged in
opening Stryke and to keep the Books of the Spungy Artillery
in the Service Appiant was engaged and served his last mentioned
Term of Six months when he was honorably discharged having
served Twelve months. This Appiant then returned home to the
County of Hampshire. That in Fall of 1822 Appiant was again
drafted and as well as Appiant he collects for a Term of Three
Months the Company numbered ^{Company} at ~~Hampshire~~ and was placed un-
der the Command of Captain Joseph Berry. ... Hornbush Lt.
We were marched to the Barracks near Winchester where we
were engaged in guarding the British Prisoners stationed at that
Place until we received orders to march with the Prisoners
to Shepherdstown when we delivered the Prisoners to the Mer-
chant's Troop. On the night of this service two of the British
Soldiers fell to Death it being an extreme cold night.

After this service we were again marched to the Barracks where
we remained guarding the public property until the expiration
of my term. When this affair was discharged having served
three months, this affiant Nelinquishes every blame what ever to a pen-
sion or annuity except the persons and he declares that his name is
not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any State
Sworn and subscribed this 7 day of December 1838

John E. Bills

I was born in the County of Hampshire in the year 1763
I had a sword of my age but the scabbard in which it was kept
has been taken to the Western Country
I was living in Hampshire County and now live in Hardy
County in the Division of the County of Hampshire
I was Drafted twice and Volunteered once
I was acquainted with Capt James Marshal and Capt Pook in
the West, I recollect Capt Holms and Captain Roberts at the
Barracks,
I did receive two Discharges but have lost them the first was
signed by Capt. Pook and the last by Capt. Joseph Berry

I refer to Jacob Wetteman and Daniel Wetteman who can
testify to their belief of my being a soldier of the Revolution

John E. Bills

We Jacob Wetteman and Daniel Wetteman residing in the coun-
ty of Hardy hereby certify that we are well acquainted with John
E. Bills who has subscribed and sworn to the above Declarations and
that we believe him to be 70 years of age that he is reputed and
believed in the neighborhood where he resides, to have been a sol-
dier of the Revolution and that we concur in that opinion
Sworn and subscribed this day and year afore said

Jacob Wetteman
Daniel Wetteman

H. 445

Virginia Wheeling
Mary Bills
Widow of John C. Bills

Date of death not on a B

who served in the Revolution-

ary war, as a private

Inscribed on the Roll at the rate
of 50 Dollars 00
Cents per annum, to commence
on the 3d February, 1853.

Certificate of Pension issued
17th day of August 1854
and sent to

D. R. Neal
Parkersburg Va.

Recorded on Roll of Pensioners under act
of July 8, 1858, Page 121. Vol. C

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(Second application of Mary Bell for the renewal of D.E. Bell's pension)
State of Virginia

Wendover County Court,

I James Lee Gantt, Clerk of the County Court of said County certify that the following is a true transcript of a true copy of the marriage of John E. Bell and Mary Bell made to the Clerk's Office of said Court by the Rev. Valentine Pinn, and now of record in said Court.

Wendover County Court, This is to certify that on the 9th day of July 1818 I have solemnized matrimony between John E. Bell and Mary Bell. Witness my hand Valentine Pinnus Secy.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Court the 7th day of April 1854 and in the 78th year of the Independence
James Lee Gantt

State of Virginia
County of Wood

On this 16 day of May 1853, personally appeared before the County Court of the County and State aforesaid Mary Bills a resident of Wood County Virginia aged 65 years, who first being duly sworn according to Law, doth, on her oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the Act of Congress, passed on the 3^d of February, 1853, granting pensions to widows of persons who served during the Revolutionary War, that she is the widow of John B. Bills, who was a private in the army of the Revolution (as will more fully appear by reference to his declaration and proofs on file in his application for a pension under the Act of 7th June 1832, and which pension was paid at Richmond Virginia.)

She further declares that she was married to the said John B. Bills in Hardy County Virginia, on the 2^d day of July A.D. 1818, that her said husband, died at his residence in Wood County Va on the 9 day of July 1852, that she was not married to him prior to the second day of January 1800, but at the time above stated. she further declares that she is still a widow.

Attest

S. P. Neal

Samuel Emrick

her
Mary Bills
mark

I sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written

before J. Gibbons J. Peace

State of Virginia, County of Wood &c. I Henry H. Dils Clerk of the County Court in the County and State aforesaid do certify that J. Gibbons Esq before whom the foregoing declaration of Mary Bills was made & sworn to, and whose name is there subscribed, is and was at the date of the same, the presiding Justice in and for said County, duly commissioned and sworn, and that the oath of said Mary Bills was made in open Court - and further that the signature of the said J. Gibbons there annexed is genuine - ~~in testimony whereof I have hereunto~~
subscribed my name and affixed my official

& she had no means of ascertaining her present age - Seal this 18th day of May A.D. 1854
H. H. Dils

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Oct 21/55

Mary Belle
John C. Belle

Rev G. B. Neal Nov 17/55
Feb 12/95
Pastor
Chas. Carter
Miss

36322 of May
Rev. Neal

Feb 53-4445

W. 100
May 20/62
B. B. B.

M

G. B. Neal
Pastor
Neal


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State of Virginia
County of Wood

On this 15 day of April A.D. 1855, personally appeared before me a Notary Public within and for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia Mary Bills aged 68 years a resident of Wood County in the State of Virginia, who being duly sworn according to law declares that she is the widow of John E. Bills, deceased, who was a Revolutionary Pensioner under the Act of 1832, that she was married to the said John E. Bills in the year 1818, that her maiden name was Mary Neal, that her said husband died in the year 1852, and that she is now a widow.

For the proof of these facts she refers to her application for a pension under Act of 3rd ^{February} ~~March~~ 1853, upon which she obtained a pension.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which she may be entitled under Act of 3rd March 1855 never having received nor applied for bounty land under this or any other Act of Congress.

her
Mary  Bills

Personally came S. P. Neal and J. B. Bills residents of Wood County in the State of Virginia, who upon oath declare, that they are personally well acquainted with Mrs. Mary Bills, and saw her make her mark to the foregoing declaration, that they know her to be the identical person therein represented, and that she is now a widow.

"February" interlined before signing.
S. P. Neal, Not. P.

S. P. Neal
J. B. Bills

July 7, 1932.

Ella F. J. Tafe
437 South Hope Street
Los Angeles, California.

BA-J/ILL
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
John E. Bills
W. 25243

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to your letter requesting information relative to John E. Bills, a Revolutionary War pensioner.

The data furnished herein are obtained from the papers on file in pension claim, W. 25243, based upon the service of John E. Bills in that war.

John E. Bills was born in 1763 in Hampshire County, Virginia.

While residing in Hampshire County, Virginia, he enlisted in the early fall of 1779 and served one year as a private in Captain Henry Enoch's Virginia Company (said Captain Enoch being an uncle of the soldier); the first six months he was on duty up and down the Ohio River, and during the last half of said service, he was appointed a sergeant. He enlisted in the fall, 1782, served three months in Captain Joseph Berry's Virginia Company and guarded prisoners at Winchester barracks.

He was allowed pension on his application executed December 7, 1833, at which time he was residing in Hardy County, Virginia, a division from Hampshire County.

The soldier died July 9, 1852 at his residence in Wood County, Virginia.

John E. Bills married July 2, 1818 in Hardy County, Virginia, Mary Reel.

Mary Bills, the soldier's widow, was allowed pension on her application executed May 16, 1853, at which time she resided in Wood

County, Virginia, having lived there about seven years. She was then between sixty-five and seventy years of age, the date of her birth not stated.

In 1855, one I (or J)B. Bills resided in Wood County, Virginia, no relationship to the family shown.

Very truly yours,

A. D. HILLER,
Assistant to Administrator.