

THE EVENING NEWS.

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FIRST IN THE

Market!

Some Contemporaries.
PENSION OFFICE RECORDS OF MEN
WHO LIVED TO BE A HUNDRED
AND OVER.

(CONCLUDED.)

Lemuel Cook of Cirendon, Orange County, N.Y., died May 20, 1830, aged 104 years. Born in 1726, as a waiter to his father, who was captain major of the regiment, and passing by water to New York City, thence to Croton and Peconic, and to Long Island, and thence to Shelter Island, and thence to Harlem, up the Hudson River to Lake George, thence to Crown Point, and so on to Lake Nas, at the latter place joining the army under General Montgomery; the fort at St. John's was captured. In 1751 he rendered, on his subsequent enlistment, service on the banks of the Hudson river near Croton river, Bedford, and West Point. He was at King's Bridge at the time of the battle of Long Island, which was followed by the evacuation of the city of New York, and at the end of the war joined our army, with a considerable body of Hessians troops. In 1833, he states that he resided thirteen years in Connecticut and thirty years in Niagara County, in the state of New York. He originally received a pension under the first act (1815), of Congress for revolutionary soldiers, which was claimed to have been for the "Inurgent law" of May 1, 1820, but he afterwards obtained another pension under a more general law of June 7, 1832. When on the 11th of May, 1832, writing from Lewiston, N.Y., relative to his former pension, he states that he had "lost all of my personal property and buildings by fire during the year 1812, and was away by them for fifteen months." "On being made acquainted with the Act of May 1, 1820, I formed the resolution not to apply for the benefit of any pension, as I was still engaged in my laborious occupation, and endeavor by dint of exertion to support myself and my wife, and to sustain the hope my claim on the Government for property destroyed by the enemy would be paid."

Daniel E. Bakerman, of Freedom, Cattaraugus County, N.Y., died April 18, 1839, at the age of 106 years. In his petition to Congress for a pension, he claimed to have rendered four years' service during the latter part of the war, and to have enlisted into the militia under Captain John Baker, of Colonel Willett's regiment.

George Roberts of Buncombe County, N.C., died January 1, 1843, aged 100 years, enlisted from Wilson County, N.C., in 1777, and was stationed at Old Store and Hanging Rock; at the latter place occurred a conflict with Tories and the British, and another while he was at the former, he was serving on the Catawba River, and at Charleston, S.C., and was in the battle at Ninety-six and suffered. Prior to 1820, he resided in North Carolina.

John Brooks, of Robeson County, N.C., was alive in the early part of 1801, and would be then 103 years old.

Was drafted into the service of that part of the British army which was in Robeson County, and was in the expedition to Wilmington, Charleston, and in the battle of Battle's Bridge and Camden, where he was taken and lost a prisoner until the close of the war.

Moses Jones, of Orange County, N.C., was alive in the early part of 1801, then ninety-nine years of age. Born in and enlisted from Orange County in 1780. Was present at the siege of Yorktown, which was followed by the surrender of the army under Lord Cornwallis.

John Jones, of Orange County, N.C., died March 28, 1839, aged 105 years, and entered the service from Fairhope County, Va., in 1781; he marched to Fredericksburg, and thence to Richmond, where discharged, after three months' service. Re-entered, in June of the same year, and discharged again, without returning to Fairfax County. Removed to Ohio in 1795, and had lived in Noble County since 1820.

Jared Farand, of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, died probably early in 1801, at the age of 102 years. Born in Norwich, Ct., he subsequently resided in Essex, Chittenden County, Vt., entering the service in 1776, and in the 1st Battalion, Regiment of Green Mountain Boys, was engaged in erecting forts, scouting and guarding the frontier, watching Tories and Indians. Was in the battle of Bennington, August 1777. Removed to Cuyahoga County, O., in 1821.

Peter Bashaw, of White's Creek, Davidson County, Tenn., died May 20, 1834, aged 100 years. Born in Davidson County, Vt., having removed to Davidson County, Tenn., in 1806. Enlisted in 1780, marched to Hillsboro, N.C., joining the army under General Morgan. And was in the platoon sent to the battle of Cowpens; to Charlotte, N.C.; joined the army at Richmond, Va., under Gen. Lafayette, and soon after the battle of Fallen Timbers. Washington, D.C., for the siege of Yorktown, which place surrendered with the forces under Lord Cornwallis. Detailed with others to guard the prisoners sent to England.

John Gates, of Turnbridge, Orange County, Vt., died Jan. 14, 1841, aged 101 years. Born in and enlisted from Barre, Mass., in 1781; was in the battle of Bennington, Vt., has also resided in the towns of Chelsea and Randolph, Vt.

Mathew Scary, of Martinsville, Henry County, Va., was alive early in 1801, then 100 years of age. Born in and enlisted from Orange County in 1782; he was stationed on the James River at Chuckatuck Mills, sleeping Hole Ferry, Suffolk Pitch Landing, etc. Removed in 1787 to Fluvanna County, Va.

Nathaniel Ames, of Dane county, Wis., died Aug. 27, 1832, aged 102 years. Born in Setauket, R.I., he entered the service at Fort Griswold, Conn., under Ledyard, and again in 1781, at Turnbridge, Vt., where it was employed in scouting parties, and was at Orangetown when Maj. Andre was hung. Has N.Y. and in 1832 removed to, or was living in Sieben, Oneida Co., N.Y., and was a minister of the gospel. In 1814 went to Racine, Wis., to live with his children.

The oldest marriage of a pensioner longest surviving and remaining a widow of a revolutionary soldier was probably Amy Spaulding, of Sullivan County, N.H., who died in 1839, aged 102 years. She was a widow of and married to Ebenezer Spaulding, January 16, 1777, he being an inhabitant of Camden, now Woodstock, Vt., and Lempster, both in New Hampshire. Spaulding enlisted and left his residence for Cambridge, Mass., on the 19th or 20th of April, 1775, and was present in the battle of Bunker Hill in the same year. His reason for service was in response to the urgent call for men to oppose the progress of the army under Gen. Burgoyne, and we do not know how long all after his return, he may have been an active participant in that engagement and victory over those invaders.

Here we have one pensioner who did not live to be 100, but 101, four who were 102 two who were 103, one aged 104, two who were 105, two 106, and one who lived to be 108—Correspondence to the Editors.

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