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Indiana

John M. Coonick  
of the State of Indiana  
who was a private in the Company commanded  
by Captain *Blinn* of the Regt. commanded  
by Col. *Forster* in the *War of 1812*  
for *18* months from  
176 -

Inscribed on the Roll of *Indiana*  
at the rate of *10* Dollars Cents per annum,  
to commence on the *15th* day of *March*, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the *11th* day of *Sept*  
*1835* and *1st* of *Sept*  
*Cosmopolitan* *Ind*

Arrears to date of *Sept 1832* *10.00*  
Semi-ant. allowance ending *4 March 1835* *20.00*

Let 30.00

{ Revolutionary Claim,  
Set June 7, 1832. }

Recorded by *Samuel S. [Signature]* Clerk  
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*Mary*  
2222  
M.A. 1111  
Catherine Mc Cormick  
widow of John Mc Cormick  
of  
who served in the Revolutionary  
war, as a Private

W. to Pen. act July 17. 49

Inscribed on the Roll at the rate of  
40 Dollars  
Cents per annum, to commence on  
the 4th day of March, 1848.

Certificate of Pension issued the  
3rd day of Nov. 48  
and sent to  
Hon. C. J. Morehead  
Frankfort,  
Ken.

Recorded on Roll of Pensioners under act  
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Catherine McComick  
widow of John McComick  
of Polk Co. Ga.

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Eliza Vance  
Cannonsville

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State of Indiana  
Fayette County

On this day fifteenth day of September in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open court before the honorable ~~Sherrill~~ ~~the~~ ~~presiding~~ ~~judge~~ ~~thereof~~ and Edward Uebbt and William Miller ~~Esqs.~~ ~~two~~ ~~associate~~ ~~judges~~ of the circuit court of the county of Fayette now sitting John McCormick a resident of Harrison Township in the said county of Fayette and State of Indiana aged seventy eight 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 act of Congress passed June 4<sup>th</sup> 1832 -

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated:

That on or about the last of April or first of May in the year 1776 at the ~~mouth of the~~ <sup>Molachucky</sup> ~~river~~ <sup>in what is now called</sup> East Tennessee he entered into the service by volunteering into a company commanded by Capt. James Robinson for an indefinite period - that immediately after he joined said company they were <sup>employed</sup> on to the waters of Molachucky and ~~then commenced~~ <sup>in</sup> erecting a fort, but before the same was completed they were driven from their works by a body of Cherokee Indians and immediately retreated to a fort on the Chataga river where they found that several families had assembled for protection - In about a week or ten days after arriving at this fort it was attacked by a body of about three hundred Cherokees who were succeeded in repelling after about one or two hours fighting - After which battle we remained in the fort until some time in the latter part of September or first of October when we were again marched on to the Molachucky, where we joined some Virginia troops commanded by Col. Christie and some St. Charles troops commanded by Col. Williams, to the former of which commands this applicants company was attached - From thence they marched to the Cherokee towns on the Tennessee river five of which towns, together with all the corn, beans and other ac-

ticles of powder we entirely destroyed after which we were dis-  
missed (but received no written discharge as he this appli-  
cant recollects) and returned direct to the Long Island where  
this applicant again immediately volunteered into a com-  
pany commanded by Captain Shelly (whose Christian  
name was James as well as he can recollect) for no sta-  
ted period and was stationed in Fort Henry at Long Island  
with some other volunteers the Captains of whom he does not  
at this day remember but all of which troops were under  
the command of Major <sup>Anthony Pellegr</sup> ~~Shelly~~ who was the father of  
this applicants captain - At which fort we remained sta-  
tioned until about the middle of February following when  
he was discharged, but whether he received a written discharge  
or not he does not now remember, but if he received one  
it is long since lost - From thence this applicant emigra-  
ted to Bedford county in the state of Pennsylvania at which  
place some time about the latter part of the summer or be-  
ginning of the fall, <sup>(he thinks)</sup> in the year 1780 <sup>(he thinks)</sup> he entered into a  
company commanded by a Captain ~~H. Ball~~ <sup>H. Ball</sup> (whose name  
was he thinks H. Ball) for three months to protect the set-  
tlement from Indian depredation - This company was em-  
ployed in scouting about the ~~country~~ <sup>country</sup> in the neighborhood of  
Bedford, but this applicant did not march with them, he  
having been retained by Colonel Robert Culbertson (the com-  
mandant there) as a centry in the town - This applicant served  
his ~~three~~ engagement of three months and was discharged but he  
whether his discharge was in writing or not he does not remem-  
ber but if it was it is lost - At the time of this applicants  
service at Bedford there were no other militia troops, nor  
any regulars on duty - But a short time before or after this  
time of duty applicant does not recollect which he remem-  
bers a company of militia commanded by Captain ~~Deale~~ <sup>Deale</sup>  
and a company of regulars commanded by a Captain whose name  
he believes was Boyd, and these companies became engaged  
with a party of Indians in Frankstown Valley and were soon  
by defeated leaving many dead on the battleground amongst  
whom this applicant thinks were the above named Captains.





I removed into the county of Fayette Indiana where I have since resided and where I now reside -

Question 4. How were you called into service were you ~~sub-~~ drafted, did you volunteer, or were you a substitute? and if a substitute for whom

Ans. I volunteered as I have in my declaration about ~~that~~

Question 5 State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such continental and militia regiments as you can recollect, and the general circumstances of your service

Ans. - There were no regular officers with the troops with which I served on the waters of Tennessee - I volunteered to protect the inhabitants of the frontiers from Indian depredations. The Indians were supposed to be & I believe were allies of the British and carried on a continual warfare in that part of the country named above by me. I knew the regiment of N. Carolina militia commanded by Col. Williams & the Virginia Regiment commanded by Col. Christie to the latter of which regiments my company was for a while attached. - During ~~my~~ about the time of my service at Bedford I knew a company of regular troops which was commanded by a Capt. Boyd (I think was his name) who was defeated as above in my declaration is stated. - The general circumstances of my service are in my declaration correctly stated -

Quest. 6 Did you ever receive a discharge from the service and if so by whom was it given & what has become of it

Ans. - I am not certain that I ever did receive a discharge - there is a faint impression on my mind that I did for the last term on Bolton & Tennessee but if I did it is long since lost -

Question 7 State the names of Persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity, and for their belief of your services as a soldier of the revolution



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Ans. I name the ~~John Late~~, Samuel  
Drennen Boaz Sharp and Genl. Jonathan Wilcox  
and Judge Mett a member of this court -  
and John Late Esq. reside of this county

We Samuel Drennen - ~~John Late~~ residing in the  
vicinity of  
John McCormick above named and in Fayette county  
& John Late  
residing in the same neighborhood <sup>of county</sup> hereby testify hereby  
certify that we are well acquainted with John McCor-  
mick who has subscribed & sworn to the above  
declaration. That we believe him to be seventy eight  
years of age, that he is reputed and believed in the neigh-  
borhood where he resides, to have been a soldier of the  
revolution and that we concur in that opinion -  
sworn & subscribed the day and year aforesaid  
Attest my hand well lth.

Samuel C. Drennen  
John Late

And the said court do hereby declare their opinions after  
the ~~investigation~~ investigation of the matter and after perusing  
the interrogatories proposed by the War Department that the  
above named applicant, was a revolutionary soldier and  
as he states and that further testified that it appears to them  
that there is no delinquent residing in the neighborhood of the  
said applicant and that the said Samuel Drennen and  
John Late are residents in the neighborhood of the said  
applicant and hereby do propose and that their statements  
are entitled to credit

State of Indiana  
County of Fayette

On this 23<sup>d</sup> day of July, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty five, personally appeared before me, John B. Tate, a Justice of the Peace within and for said County, duly authorized to administer oaths for general purposes therein, Catherine McCormick aged Eighty Six years, a resident of Fayette County, in the State of Indiana, who, being duly sworn, according to law, declares that she is the widow of John McCormick, deceased, who was a private in the Virginia Militia, as she has been informed and believes, in the War of the Revolution. That she cannot give the name of the Captain, Colonel, or other officer under whom her late husband, John McCormick, served, nor can she state the time or place at which he engaged in the service, the length of time he served in the army, or the time and place at which he was discharged; but for information relative thereto, and for proof thereof, (so far at least as the same may amount to proof,) she herein refers the department to the application and evidence filed therein by her late husband in the year 1833, and by virtue of which he was placed on the Pension roll January 31<sup>st</sup> 1833, as she believes.

She further states that she was married to the said John McCormick on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of March A.D. 1785, by one John Whisney, Esq. and that her name before her said marriage was Catherine Drennon, that her said husband died on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D. 1837, and that she is now a widow.

She further states that she now knows of no public or private record of her marriage with the said John McCormick; and for proof of her said marriage with, and the death of her said husband she herein refers to her application, together with the documents and evidence therewith, filed in the department in the summer of 1844, by virtue of which her name was afterwards entered, and is yet continued on the pension roll.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which she may be entitled under the act approved March 3<sup>d</sup> 1855.

Attest  
Elizabeth

Catherine McCormick  
her mark

We and each of us, namely Newton Cloypool and Amos R. Edwards, residents of Fayette County, in the State of Indiana, upon our oaths declare that the foregoing declaration was signed and acknowledged by Catherine McCormick in our presence, and that we believe from the appear-

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(Seal)

It is remembered that amongst the Records of the Fayette County Probate Court at the term of July, A.D. 1844 - appears the following writ: At a term of the Fayette County Probate Court, begun and held at the Court house in Connersville, in the County of Fayette and State of Indiana, before the Honorable Justice Wright, Sole Judge of said Court, On the seventh, Monday and Tuesday second day of July, in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty four, and continued from day to day before the same Judge until Thursday, the fourth judicial day of said term -

Matter of Catharine M. Corwinick  
Ex parte -

} Application &c.

And now at this day comes into Open Court, the said Catharine M. Corwinick, in her own proper person, and makes and files the following Declaration and Evidence in order to obtain a pension writ:

"Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7<sup>th</sup> July, 1838 - Entitled 'An Act Granting help / pay and pensions to Certain Widows -'

State of Indiana }  
Fayette County } 35  
On this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, A.D. 1844, personally appeared before the Hon. Justice Wright, Sole Judge of the Probate Court of the County of Fayette, in the State of Indiana in Open Court, Catharine M. Corwinick aged twenty five years, who first being duly sworn according to law doth in her Oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the Act of Congress passed July 7 1838, entitled 'An Act granting help / pay of pensions to Certain Widows.'

That she is the widow of John M. Corwinick, late a resident of the County of Fayette, and State of Indiana, deceased who was a revolutionary pensioner of the United States from the day of 18 until the period of his death reference being had to the Records, Documents and papers on file at the War Office of the United States as

evidence of the facts as above stated - She further declares that she was married to the said John M. Cornick on the twenty fourth day of March in the year seventeen hundred and eighty five, that her husband the aforesaid John M. Cornick died on the eighteenth day of April 1837, that she was not married to him prior to his being the Service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January seventeen hundred and seventy four, viz, at the time above stated.

Catharine M. Cornick & her said  
Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written in Open Court before me. W. H. Green Clerk of the Pugette County Court, and ex-officio Clerk of the Pugette County Probate Court -

At the same time and place personally appeared in Open Court Samuel Downing of lawful age, who on being duly sworn upon his oath makes the following statements, viz: -

My name is Samuel Downing, and I am the brother of Catharine M. Cornick, the above applicant for a pension - I am now seventy years of age, was not present at the marriage of my sister Catharine to the late John M. Cornick, I was at the time of the marriage a small boy - know that the said John M. Cornick now deceased, and the said Catharine, who makes the above declaration lived together as husband and wife up to the time of the death of the said John, which took place about seven years ago last April as witness believes - know that the said John deceased and the said Catharine reared up a large family of children - witness always understood that John M. Cornick drew a pension before his death - further testify that Catharine has not married since the death of John M. Cornick, but that she still remains the reputed widow of the said John - don't know that there were kept any family records of the marriage aforesaid - (Signed) Samuel Downing

Sworn to and subscribed in Open Court this 25<sup>th</sup> day of July 1844 - W. H. Green Clerk. Pugette County Probate Court -  
And at the same time and place came Abraham Boye of

And at the same time and place came Abraham Woods of

lawful age, who being duly sworn in Open Court in this behalf upon his Oath makes the following statements, viz:-

I am fifty nine years of age, and a resident of the County of Fayette & State of Indiana who have resided for thirty years, I have been personally acquainted with John M. Cornick now deceased for fifteen or twenty years before his death - I have also been acquainted with Catharine M. Cornick the present applicant for a pension for several years - I know that the said John and Catharine lived together as husband and wife, and that they were reputed as such - Also know that they raised several children - I do not precisely know what time John M. Cornick died - Further says that Catharine M. Cornick the present applicant is still the reputed widow of the said John M. Cornick deceased - and that she has not married since the death of the said John as witness believes - Witness says that John M. Cornick was a Revolutionary pensioner before his death -

A. Woods

Subscribed and sworn to in Open Court this 25<sup>th</sup> day of July  
A.D. 1844 - Wm. Ginn Clerk. H.C. P.C.

At the same time and place personally appeared in Open Court Elisha Vance of lawful age, who on being duly sworn upon his Oath makes the following statements, viz:-

"I am about forty three years of age, and have been a citizen of the Town of Coopersville, in the County of Fayette for about eighteen years during the most of which time he had been acquainted with the family of the late John M. Cornick or a portion of it - I was well acquainted with John M. Cornick up to the time of his death - Witness knows that the said John was a Revolutionary Pensioner of the United States - Witness for some years before the death of the said John was in the habit of receiving his Pension papers for the purpose of drawing his semiannual payments - Witness frequently had the pension Certificate of the said John in his possession - Witness knows that Catharine M. Cornick the above applicant for a pension is the reputed widow of the said John M. Cornick, and yet remains unmarried

June 9, 1931

Mr. Shuler McCormick  
321 American National Bank Building  
Vincennes, Indiana

Rev. & 1812 Wars Section  
MCS:MLB

Dear Sir:

You are advised that it appears from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, W. 9557, that John McCormick was born near Winchester, Frederick County, Virginia, August 30, 1754. *with m*

While residing on the Holston River, he enlisted in April or May, 1776, served one year as a private in Captain James Robinson's company, Colonel Christie's Virginia regiment, and Captain James Shalby's company under Major Anthony Bledsoe in the Virginia troops, and was in the battle with the Cherokee Indians and aided in destroying several of their towns. While residing in Bedford County, Pennsylvania, he enlisted in the summer or fall of 1780 and served three months in Captain McCall's company under Colonel Robert Culbertson in the Pennsylvania troops.

He was allowed pension on his application executed September 15, 1832, while a resident of Harrison Township, Fayette County, Indiana. He died April 18, 1837. *thru*

Soldier married March 24, 1785, at Friend's Cove, Bedford County, Pennsylvania, Catharine Brennan (Drenning).

She was allowed pension on her application executed July 25, 1844, while a resident of Fayette County, Indiana, aged seventy-five years. *then m. 1835-6*

They reared a large family of children, no names stated except Lewis W. of Connersville, Indiana, in 1848.

Very truly yours

E. W. MORGAN  
Acting Commissioner