State of Pennsylvania
Bedford County ss

On this 5th day of August A.D. 1840, personally appeared before the Subscriber an associate Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of said County (the same being a Court of Record) Catharine Hanker, (formerly Catharine Filler) a resident of Colerain Township Bedford County aged about seventy four years, who 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 July 7th 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay & pensions to certain widows." That she is the widow of Frederick Filler who was a private in the army of the Revolution. and who enlisted in Frederick County, in the State of Mayland. That her said husband was sixteen years of age when he entered the army, and from Frederick County was taken to Hagerstown thence to Philadelphia. and that he served altogether in the war of the Revolution three years, but whether under one or two enlistments she cannot say. That during said time he suffered much from want of clothing being sometimes nearly naked, and that at one time his mother travelled from Frederick County to Philadelphia to take him clothes. During his term of Service he was once a prisoner, having fallen into the hands of the Hessians, at the battle of Brandywine, but he escaped from them after a short time, at a very great risk to himself. Applicant further states that from her advanced age she has forgotten many particulars of her said husbands services, which were at one time within her recollection, and that she has forgotten also the names of Officers of whom