

thence marched in the night to Cobles Ford on the Brandywine
where we arrived just about day light, went across the Brandy-
wine to Reconnoitre, went up a hill, through a wood, & came
into the end of a lane, where we were fired upon by the British
from the Cornfields on both sides of the lane, we were
ordered to charge upon them, which we did, & had five or
six of our men killed, several horses & men wounded,
& I received a small wound in my left leg, supposed to be
with a Buckshot, which passed through my leg. In this
skirmish we took and brought off to the American
Army thirty seven prisoners - from thence were ordered
to march to Gills fording on the Brandywine where we
remained all day watching the ford to prevent the British
from crossing, until after night when we were ordered
to retreat, which we did to Blacug Hook, from thence to
Chester, from thence to Darby, from thence to the Common
at Philadelphia, from thence to the Trap on the Schuyl-
kill, where we lay some time & were engaged in reconnoitring
& cutting off supplies from the British - after we broke
up camp at the Trap, marched to the white Horse, where we
were joined some time after by Morgans Riflemen,
and Captain Lee's Troop of horse, where, and at the
Spread Eagle near Philadelphia we lay all winter,
(1777-78) - whilst we lay at the Spread Eagle ^{with} a man of
the name of Rankin from York Town, we were informed
was buying up flour & Bacon to convey to the British,
we pursued & overtook him close to the line of British
sentries, & took five waggons from him loaded with flour
& Bacon &c. - we were frequently in service in General
Patten & Smallwood's Brigades in Cases of emergency
After the British left Philadelphia in June 1778. we marched
from the Spread Eagle to Philadelphia, from thence to Trenton,
from thence to Hobbit Holly, in Jersey, where we got ahead of
the British, from thence to Monmouth, where a Battle ensued,
between the British & Americans, we were kept cutting off sup-
plies, taking up stragglers, & sometimes skirmishing, & not engaged
in the main Battle, from thence the British went to New York,
we went to Brunswick, where we lay some time, from thence
home, or it may be went from Brunswick to Trenton, lay some
time there & from thence home - The whole time of my service in
the foot & horse, I think was about twenty eight months, to wit
eight months in the foot service & twenty months in the Horse - That
he was Born in the Town of Lancaster and State of Pennsylvania
but cannot tell the year. - That he has no record of his age - That
when he entered the service of his Country, he was living in ^{Post}
Loyal Township in the County of Chester & State of Pennsylvania - Since
the Revolutionary war he has lived in Morgan Town in York County
Penn^a. from that went to York County near Albottown - from thence to
a place called Marsh Creek in said County, from thence to the County
of Huntingdon Penn^a & a place where he now resides, has resided since
since. He received an Emigrants Commission signed by General
Mifflin & also a Cornets Commission signed by the same person - they
had them many years after he came to Huntingdon County - they
are now lost & destroyed, or some how or other he cannot be found
That he is known by David R. Pater & Thomas Johnston Esq^r.
Citizens of his present neighborhood, whom he offers to testify as to
his Character for veracity, & belief of his services as a Soldier