

Henry Black, and which was within the command
of Colonel John Piper of Bedford, that he done duty
in said company during said summer & fall for
a period of not less than three months: That in
the spring of the year one thousand seven hundred & seven-
ty eight, he again enlisted in the Company of the said
Captain Black, and remained under his command during
said season for a period of not less than six months,
during which season and the preceding one, whilst in said compa-
ny, they were principally engaged on scouting parties thro
and in the neighborhood of Frankstown township in said county,
watching the movements of the Indians, & endeavour-
ing to prevent them from committing depredations
on the defenceless inhabitants: That early in the spring
of the year one thousand seven hundred & seventy nine, de-
ponent again enlisted at Frankstown township in the county
aforesaid in a Company commanded by Captain William
Simonton, which was under the command of the said
Colonel John Piper of Bedford, and done duty therein
during the year last aforesaid, for a term not less than
nine months, the service for which time consisted in
going on scouting parties, and taking every measure
& precaution their officers deemed advisable to prevent
the savages from murdering and plundering the inhabit-
ants on the frontiers: That in the spring of the year
one thousand seven hundred & eighty he again enlisted
at the place aforesaid, in the said Company commanded
by Captain William Simonton, and served in said
Company in such sort of service, as he done the
preceding years, for a period of not less than six
months. That during the said five years of the Revolutionary
war, the services which he performed did not in all amount
to less than twenty seven months, and that his memory
does not now enable him fully to state, whether the com-
panies he served in were designated by the name of volun-
teers, militia or Continental troops: That the only
witnesses he knows of who can testify to his services, are
John Patton Esquire formerly Sheriff of said county, and
John Dean Esquire, both residents of said county of Huntingdon.
That he could procure his clergyman to come with him to court, the said