

SERVICE

NUMBER

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Cobb, Samuel

S. 17359

Born in Del.

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McKinnon 22342
Samuel Cobb

of the State of Missouri
who was a Private in the Co. — command
by Captain Craven of the Regt. command
by — in the Virginia
line for 9 mo.

22342 of no

Inscribed on the Roll of Missouri
at the rate of 30 Dollars 80 Cents per annum
to commence on the 1st day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 17 day of Oct
1833 and sent to his
Chas. Kirtley, Columbia, Boone Co. Mo.

Arrears to the 1st of Sept 33 — 75.00
Pension allowance ending 4 Mar 34. 15.00

\$90.00

Revolutionary Claims
Act June 7, 1832

Recorded by *M. H. Palmer* **Clerk**
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Date of receipt in us.

State of - Missouri
County of Montgomery
Circuit Court of Montgomery

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John

Cobb of the County of Montgomery and
State of Missouri deposes and says that he
was in fact and believe I was born in
the State of Delaware in the County of a husband
and now about seventy two years of age. When
an infant my parents (moved to Augusta
County in the State of Virginia, where I
remained until the year after Colonel Lewis
engagement with the Indians at Point Pleasant
and now believe in the year 1775. When
I was 1776
he came a soldier under Captain Robert Cra-
ney and went with him to the fort in
Virginia called Friends fort, (Wilson's fort)
Westfall's fort & Appomattox fort & remained in
the service three months when I returned
to Augusta & remained there fall of 1776
in the next spring I again entered the ser-
vice under Captain George Meekins & went with
him to the fort on the west side of Monon-
gahela river & remained in the service three
months (more) when my time was out. I remained
at the fort until the end of the revolutionary
war during which time I served another
tour under Captain Joseph Gregory
After the war I lived a short time in York
river at a place called the big glades

in Maryland. I then moved to Cheat
river in Virginia in what is now Rance
county - remained there about 4
years & moved into Monongahela County.
I remained there about the same length
of time & then moved to Fleming County
in Kentucky & lived there about 22
years, & about 11 years ago moved to this
county where I have resided ever since.
In my first expedition under Captain Bran-
nery became a substitute in Augusta
County Virginia and took up the line of
march from that place I think in many
instances was at Colonel Abraham
Smiths, where our pack horses & flour was
furnished, here Abraham Smith joined
us as manager of the pack horses, went into
us to the forks in Cygon Valley & then re-
turned with the pack horses. From Smiths
we proceeded on our march & crossed the
two forks of Kanawha river, went thence
up Blacks gap on the divide between
Kanawha & the south branch of the
Potomac river, crossed that & the divide
between it & the north branch of the Potomac
crossed the waters of that high up,
when we passed up what was then called
the long settlement then crossed the Alle-
gheny Mountains into the waters of Cheat river
& to the Rev. Wilson's fort. We rested here one
day & the whole company was marched to the

upper or Warracks fort. Captain Brown on the
day after our arrival at the upper fort, mar-
ched back to the lower fort, dividing and
leaving a part of the company in each of
the four forts, marching after we left
Westfalls fort in the night, on account
of our number being lessened and for fear
of the Indians. I was stationed in Wilsons
fort & served the balance of my three
months there. In this company Henry Brow-
ning was Lieutenant & was left at one of the
upper forts. The captain staid at Warracks
fort & Ben Wilson who was then called
Colonel had the charge of the forts in which
I was stationed.

In my second expedition under George
Jackson, we started from ^{the west fort of the Little Rocky} Bull Run fort, where
I had went from Augusta & proceeded by
water in canoes to Morgans fort (now Morgans-
town) where we were joined by the Tugger
Valley company, then under Joseph Friend
who not having a full company went
back to Tugger Valley to raise the balance,
leaving his men under Captain Jackson.
Friend never returned to us. We proceeded
on from Morgans fort down to the new
town at the mouth of Washington river
with Colonel Zachariah Morgan, where
we were joined by General Clark with his
I now think about 1000 regulars. Here we
drew our best clothes, furs, fletting, ammuni-
tion, & provisions. Here we were divided in-

to fatigue companies ~~to take~~ flour boats
down to Fort Pitt, (now Pittsburgh). To this
we had much difficulty on account
of the river being low, particularly at
Braddock's riffle, ^{through} which it took us three
days to get the large flour boat & was
a testing trial. We remained in Fort Pitt
two days when we were moved about
three miles to McKays bottom at the mouth
of Whitey creek where we remained
about two weeks on account of the low-
ness of the water. Just before we left this
place three regulars I believe of Captain
Cheney's company went out to kill
squirrels, & while out got to shooting at
a mark, while they were thus engaged
I went to where they were shooting & we
were fired on by seven Indians as was
supposed from this sign, the three regu-
lars were killed & I alone escaped to the
camp. John McKay from whom the bottom
was named & who had lived there for some
time without being interrupted by the in-
dians, was suspected for harbouring these
Indians, and on the next day by the ad-
vice of Colonel Gibson, as was said, General
Clark had McKay taken up and sentenced
to receive on his bare back one hundred
lashes with the cat & nine tails, which I
saw inflicted, being detailed as one of the
guards on the occasion.

From Littleton bottom we started down to
Wheeling fort & when we reached we reach-
ed fort ~~Wheeling~~ thirty miles below
Petersburg, I with ~~three~~ others was detailed
to remain for an artillery man, who
reached us on the second day & on the third
we proceeded to Wheeling. We staid
two days at Wheeling then crossed over
to the island just below the fort, where
we intended to kill the six remaining
beavers we had. The boats crossed over leav-
ing a few men out to start the beavers
in the snags in the river. They were started
in above Wheeling creek, & the men strip-
ped & started in after them. And from the
hallowing & noise of the men the beavers
became frightened & swam down the river,
came out ~~on the~~ same side below the
creek, & the men being stripped & unable
to follow them through the matted they
made their escape & we saw no more
of them. Now the time of the British ex-
ploit but General Clark by much per-
suasion prevailed on us to accompany
him as far as the mouth of Little Kan-
awa to guard the boats through the lay-
ers of the Ohio which form the narrow
neck of the river there, was considered a
dangerous place. At the mouth of the
Little Kanawa such of us as wished it

were discharged and went home, a few
proceeding with General. Clark to the
falls of the Ohio among whom were Lieut
Colonel Morgan and Captain Sirr. When
on my third tour, I volunteered out
Thomas Mitten for a, it was called on
the west fork of Mingoahela river un-
der Joseph Gregory who was called
captain & said he had a commission
but I never saw his commission it
was doubted by some whether he had
one, but being young and care less about
that matter I never pestered myself
about it. Our whole duty this tour of
three months, making in my three tours
^{all as a private} nine months, consisted in guarding the
fort spying through the country &
guarding the people while they were at
work in their little fields. I will here
state that although I was in no general
engagement with the Indians, I had while
spying frequently to move from them.
I have no written record of my age nor
do I know of any in being. Nor is there
any one as far as I know in this country
or accessible to me by whom I can prove
the above service. I had a written dis-
charge from Captain Cravens that have
lost it. Colonel Morgan promised to write
discharges for his men when he got home

but he died shortly after he got home &
never received money from him. From
Oregon I received no discharge, I
have never, as I know of been placed
on any pension list, have received from
the United States no pay or pension
whatever for the above service & hereby
relinquish all right and title to the same
except what may of right claim un-
der an act "entitled An Act supplemen-
tary to an Act for the relief of certain
surviving officers & soldiers of the revolution
passed at the ^{session before the} last session of Congress.
Sworn to in open Court 6th day ^{of} May 1833

Jacob D. Sharp Clerk

State of Missouri }
County of Montgomery } ss.

On this ^{2nd} day of May 1833 personally
appeared in open Court before the Honorable
Phileas M. McBride Judge of the Circuit
Court within and for the County of Montgomery a-
foresaid now sitting Samuel Cobb a resident of
the County of Montgomery & State of Missouri aged
Seventy two years, who being first duly sworn
according to law, took an oath, make the
foregoing declaration, in order to obtain the ben-
efit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832
that he entered the service of the United
States under the officers in the above declara-
tion mentioned, & served as is therein stated.
He hereby relinquishes every claim what-
ever to a pension or annuity except the present.

WAR DEPARTMENT,

Pension Office.

Sir:

The evidence in support of your claim, under the act of June 7, 1832, has been examined, and the papers are herewith returned. The following is a statement of your case in a tabular form. On comparing these papers with the following rules and the subjoined notes, you will readily perceive that objections exist, which must be removed, before a pension can be allowed. The notes and the regulations will shew what is necessary to be done. Those points to which your attention is more particularly directed, you will find marked in the margin with a brace (thus: {). You will, when you return your papers to this Department, send this pointed letter with them; and you will, by complying with this request, greatly facilitate the investigation of your claim.

A Statement, shewing the Service of *Samuel Bobby*

Period when the service is rendered.	Duration of the claimant's service.			Rank of the claimant.	Names and rank of the Field of- Scars under whom he served.	Age at present, and place of abode when he entered the service.	Proof by which the declaration is supported.
	Years.	Months.	Days.				
1776.	3			priv	Cap. Bravens	72 years	
1777.	3				" Jackson	Augusta	Traditionary.
	3				Cap. Gregogay	had No	

I am, respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

J. L. EDWARDS,

Commissioner of Pensions.

September 30, 1938

BA-J/AWF
Samuel Cobb
S. 17359

Mrs. William M. Sweeny
126 Franklin Street
Astoria, Long Island
New York

Dear Madam:

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War record of Samuel Cobb who applied for pension while a resident of Montgomery County, Missouri.

The data furnished herein were obtained from papers on file in pension claim, S.17359, based on the military service of Samuel Cobb in the Revolutionary War.

Samuel Cobb was born about the year 1761 in Sussex County, Delaware. The names of his parents were not given. His parents moved to Augusta County, Virginia, when he was an infant.

While residing in Augusta County, Virginia, Samuel Cobb served in 1776, three months as a private in Captain Robert Gravens' Virginia company, and marched to the Forts in the Tygart Valley. He served the next spring, three months in Captain George Jackson's company, under Colonel Zachariah Morgan, and marched to the Falls of the Ohio. He served another tour of three months in Captain Joseph Gregory's company, dates of this service not given.

After the Revolution he lived at the "Big Glades on Yohogany River", then to Cheat River in Randolph County, Virginia, where he lived about four years, to

Monongalia County, lived about four years, to Fleming County, Kentucky, lived about twenty-two years, thence to Montgomery County, Missouri.

The soldier, Samuel Cobb, was allowed pension on his application executed May 6, 1833, then a resident of Montgomery County, Missouri.

The papers on file in this claim contain no discernible data relative to his family.

In order to obtain the date of last payment of pension, name and address of person paid, and possibly the date of death of this pensioner, you should apply to The Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, Records Division, Washington, D. C., and furnish the following data:

Samuel Cobb
Certificate #22342
Issued October 17, 1833
Rate \$30.00 per annum
Commenced March 4, 1831
Act of June 7, 1832
Missouri Agency.

Very truly yours

A. D. HILLER
Executive Assistant
to the Administrator