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PEDIGREE OF THE POLLOK OR POLK FAMILY.

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Statement of Augustus Alexander.

Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, August 1, 1844.

I was acquainted with Col. Ezekiel Polk from my boyhood until he removed from North Carolina. I am now seventy-two years of age. I lived about one mile and a half of him during the whole time. Ezekiel Polk and my father were always intimate. My father was a signer of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. I never heard this charge of Toryism until I saw it in the Charlotte Journal. I was indignant when I saw it, and pronounced it then, and do now, a slander. He lived in Mecklenburg for many years after the Revolution, and stood high as a man of talents and stern integrity.

AUGUSTUS ALEXANDER.

Statement of Susan Alexander.

Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, August 1, 1844.

I have a good memory, and was an active person in the time of the Revolutionary War. I heard that Ezekiel Polk did take protection in order to protect his family and property from the ravages of the Tories. I have never heard the least suspicion of his bearing arms against his country or his intention to do so, and I certainly would have heard it, if it had been so. I have heard that he was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence in Mecklenburg, and believe him to have been a man of stern integrity and talents.

SUSAN ALEXANDER.

[Mrs Susan Alexander is the lady with whom Gen. Jackson and his mother stayed for several weeks, when driven by the British from the Waxaws.]