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HENRY BRIANCE, Senr. of Montgomery Co. in the state of Illinois who was a private in the Company commanded by Captain **HARRIS** of the Regiment commanded by Colonel **POLK** in the North Carolina line for 18 months & 20 days.

Inscribed on the roll of Illinois at the rate of 62 dollars 22 cents per annum, to commence on the 4th day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 14 day of August 1833 and seal Killpatrick, Hillsboro.

Arrears to the	4 of Mar 1833	124.44
Semi-anl. Allowance ending	4 of Sep 1833	31.22
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		155.66

Revolutionary Claim
Act June 7, 1832

Recorder by **WILLIAM** R. Palmer, clerk,
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State of Illinois
Montgomery County

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace in and for the said County, **HENRY BRIANCE** Sr who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the period mentioned below and in the following grades;

For two months and twenty days he served under Captain **JAMES HARRIS** and Colonel **THOMAS POLK** in Mecklenburg County North Carolina as a volunteer private.

For three months I served under the same captain and Colonel **ALEXANDER**'s regiment in the same county and state also as a volunteer private.

For three months I served under Captain **JOHN HARRIS** in Colonel **DAVIES** regiment in the same county and state also as a volunteer private.

For ten months I served under Captain **THOMAS SHELBY** in Colonel **WILLIAM POLK**'s regiment under General **SUMTER**, in the same county and state and in the state of South Carolina, in the year 1781 as a regular soldier, a private.

Making in the whole eighteen months and twenty days and for such service I claim a pension. It may be proper to state that the last detachment under General **SUMTER** in which I served ten months was also called State troops, they were not what were termed Continental troops.

HENRY BRIANCE

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25th of March 1833.

GEORGE H. ANDERSON Justice of the Peace

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State of Illinois
Montgomery County

Personally appeared before me the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace in and for the said County, **JOHN PURVIANCE** of the county of Sangamon and the state aforesaid, aged 70 years, or upwards, who being duly sworn deposed and saith that he knew the above named **HENRY BRIANCE** Sr, who has subscribed and sworn to the above affidavit, in the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War and that he knows the contents of the said affidavit to be true. He further States thus; the ten month service spoken of above and & was State troops instead of regular, although they were under regular officers. After they entered the service, to wit, General **HENDERSON** and General **GREENE** having served under General **SUMTER**, and further this deponent saith not.

JOHN PURVIANCE

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25th of March 1833.

GEORGE H. ANDERSON, Justice of the Peace

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Then **JOHN MYSENHAMER** and **ALEXANDER SCOTT**, personally known to me as credible and responsible citizens of this County, personally appeared before me and made oath that they have been acquainted with **JOHN PURVIANCE**, whose affidavit appears above, for many years, one of the affiants, upwards of 30 years, and that said **JOHN PURVIANCE** is, and has been, reputed a person of entire credibility and responsibilities.

ALEXANDER SCOTT
JOHN MYSENHAMER

Sworn to unsubscribe before me this 25th of March 1835.

GEORGE H. ANDERSON, Justice of the Peace

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State of Illinois
Montgomery County

I **HIRAM ROUNDTREE** Clerk of the Court of County Commissioners for said County do hereby certify that **GEORGE H. ANDERSON**, whose name is subscribed to the three foregoing certificates of affidavit, of the person therein named, to wit:

1st **HENRY BRIANCE**;
2nd **JOHN PURVIANCE**;
3rd **ALEXANDER SCOTT** and **JOHN MYSENHAMER**

is and was, at the time of signing his name thereto, an acting Justice of the peace in and for the said County, duly commissioned and sworn into office, and that therefore full faith and credit are due to all the acts of the said Justice of the Peace, in this his official capacity.

In testimony whereof I have here unto set my hand and seal of office at Hillsboro this 25th day of March in the year are Lord 1833.

HIRAM ROUNDTREE [ROUNTREE]

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State of Illinois
Montgomery County

Court of County Commissioners
Special September term 1832

On this 18th day of September A. D. 1832 personally appeared in open court before the County Commissioners of the county of Montgomery in the state of Illinois, now sitting **HENRY BRIANCE** Sr a resident of the county of Montgomery in the state of Illinois aged 72 years and nearly six months who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, to wit:

He entered the service in Mecklenburg County in the state of North Carolina under Captain **JAMES HARRIS** Under Colonel **THOMAS POLK** in the month of February in the year 1777 as he believes. That he served near three months and was thereupon discharged by his captain and Mecklenburg County aforesaid. He marched through various parts of North Carolina during his tour. He entered the service as a volunteer. He was not engaged in any battles. He recollects the name of one Major **WHITE**

He again entered the service, in the same County under the same Captain under Colonel **ALEXANDER**, the next July following after his discharge from the last service as a volunteer. He marched against the Indians, the Cherokees, General **RUTHERFORD** commanded in this as also the other campaign. He served three months. He was in no battle and there was no regular officer in that campaign.

He again entered the service in the same county and August 1788 under Captain **JOHN HARRIS** as a volunteer in Colonel **DAVIES** regiment. He marched through Mecklenburg and to the South Carolina line. He served three months in that tour but was in no battle. The whole Detachment was commanded by General **DAVIDSON**. There were no regular officers in the service. He was discharged in the same county again.

He again entered the service by enlisting in the same county for then months under Captain **THOMAS SHELBY** in February 1781. He belonged to Colonel **WILLIAM POLK**'s regiment under General **SUMTER**. He was acquainted with Colonel **HILL**, Colonel **WADE HAMPTON**, Colonel **RICHARD HAMPTON** and Colonel **MIDDLETON** during this ten months service. He was at the taking of **FRIDAY**'s Fort at **FRIDAY**'s Ferry. He was at the taking of **THOMPSON**'s Ford near to the **HIGH HILLS** of **SANTEE**. He was at the taking of the Fort at **ORANGEBURG**. He was at the Battle at the **JUNIPER SPRINGS**. He was at the battle near **BIGGIN**'s **CHURCH** near **MONCK**'s **CORNER**. He was at the Battle near the **STRAWBERRY PLAINS**. He was at the Battle at the **EUTAW SPRINGS**. He was at the Battle to miles below **Orangeburg** at a place called **MONROE**'s old field. He was acquainted with Colonel **WASHINGTON**, Colonel **LEE**, Colonel **MALMEDY**, General **MARION** and saw Colonel **WILLIAMS** and Colonel **CAMPBELL** but he had no acquaintance with them. He marched through South Carolina this campaign and was constantly under the command of General **GREENE** as chief. He received no discharge this campaign on account of being furloughed in the latter part of the service and was never again called. He has no documentary evidence or discharge. He knows of **JOHN PURVIANCE**, served with him, by whom he could prove his service if said **PURVIANCE** was here. He believes he lives in Sangamon County, Illinois.

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I **HENRY BRIANCE** do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or any annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Interrogatories propounded by the court to said **HENRY BRIANCE**.

QUESTION Where and in what year were you born?

ANSWER I was born in York County and Pennsylvania in the year 1760 on the 27th of March.

QUESTION Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

ANSWER I have none.

QUESTION Where were you living when called and the service where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

ANSWER I was living in Mecklenburg County North Carolina when I entered the service and during the whole Revolutionary War. I have lived in North Carolina and Illinois since the Revolutionary War. I now live in the county of Montgomery in the state of Illinois where I have lived for the last 14 years.

QUESTION How were you called and the service were you drafted did you volunteer or were you a substitute and if a substitute for whom?

ANSWER I was a volunteer and serve nine months as such and ten months as a regular.

QUESTION State the name of some of the regular officers who were with you scratch with the troops where you served such continental and military regiment as you can read collect and the general circumstances of your service.

ANSWER I served the first nine months in the militia, entirely six months under General **RUTHERFORD** and three months under General **DAVIDSON** against the Tory's and the Indians. I was acquainted with General **GRIMES** of the Rowan troops and my own Colonel named heretofore. I served the next ten months in the regular Army in Colonel **WILLIAM POLK**'s regiment. I was acquainted with Colonel **HILL**, Colonel **WADE HAMPTON**, Colonel **HENRY HAMPTON**, Colonel **RICHARD HAMPTON**, and Colonel **MIDDLETON**, and General **SUMTER**, Colonel **WASHINGTON**, Colonel **LEE**, Colonel **MALMEDY**, General **HENDERSON** and General **GREENE** and General **MARION**.

QUESTION Did you ever receive a discharge from the service and if so when was it given and what became of it?

ANSWER I received a discharge for my services in the militia but none for my services as a regular. I do not know what has become of my discharge.

QUESTION State the names of persons to whom you are known in your presence neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for velocity and good behavior your service as a soldier of the revolution.

ANSWER I am acquainted with Reverend **THOMAS POTTER** and **JOHN MYSENHAMER**, Esquire.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court this date above.

HENRY BRIANCE

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WE **THOMAS POTTER**, a clergy man residing in the county in Montgomery and the state of Illinois, and **JOHN MYSENHAMER**, residing and the same County and state, hereby certify that we are well acquainted with **HENRY BRIANCE** who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration; that we believe him to be 72 years of age; that he is reputed and believed in the neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the revolution, and that we concur in that opinion.

THOMAS POTTER minister of the Gospel
JOHN MYSENHAMER

sworn to and subscribed in open court this date above

And the said court hereby declare their opinion after the investigation of the matter and after putting the interrogatories prescribed by the War Department that the above named **HENRY BRIANCE** was a revolutionary soldier and served as he states. And the court further certifies that it appears to them that **THOMAS POTTER**, who has signed the preceding certificate as a clergyman, resident in the county of Montgomery and state of Illinois, and that **JOHN MYSENHAMER**, who has also signed the same is a resident in the same County of Montgomery and state of Illinois, and is a credible person, and that their statement is entitled credit.

I **HIRAM ROUNDTREE**, clerk of the County Commissioners Court for the county of Montgomery and state of Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings in the matter of the application of **HENRY BRIANCE** for a pension.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of Office at Hillsboro this twenty first day of September in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and thirty two.

HIRAM ROUNDTREE

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State of Illinois
Montgomery County

Personally appeared before the undersigned an acting Justice of the Peace for said county the within named **HENRY BRIANCE** Sr who being duly sworn deposed and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollecting he served not less than the periods mentioned below, and in the following grades:

For eight months and twenty days I served as a volunteer in three separate tours.

For ten months I served as a regular soldier.

Making the whole eighteen months and twenty days and for such service I claim a pension.

HENRY BRIANCE

Sworn to and subscribed before me this twentieth day of December, A. D. 1832.

GEORGE H. HENDERSON, Justice of the Peace for Montgomery County

State of Illinois
Montgomery County

I **HIRAM ROUNDTREE**, clerk of the County Commissioners Court for the county aforesaid do hereby certify that the above name **GEORGE H. HENDERSON**, Esquire, whose signature appears to the above certificate of affidavit of the therein named **HENRY BRIANCE** is and was, at the time of signing his name thereto, an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County, duly commissioned and sworn into office and that, therefore, full faith and credit are due all the acts of the said Justice of the Peace in his official Capacity.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office at Hillsboro this twenty ninth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two.

HIRAM ROUNDTREE

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In reply to your request of _____, received _____ for a state of the military history of **HENRY BRIANCE** a soldier of the REVOLUTIONARY WAR, you will find below the desired information as contained in is (or his widow's) application for pension on file in this Bureau.

S. F. 32133

DATES OF ENLISTMENT	LENGTH OF SERVICE	RANK	OFFICERS UNDER WHOM SERVED		STATE
			CAPTAIN	COLONEL	
FEB 1777	2mo 20day	Private	JAMES HARRIS	THOMAS POLK	NC
JUL 1777	3mo		JAMES HARRIS	ALEXANDER	
AUG 1778	3mo		JOHN HARRIS	DAVIES	
FEB 1781	10mo		THOMAS SHELBY	WILLIAM POLK	

Battles engaged in: FRIDAY'S FORT, EUTAW SPRINGS, MONCK'S CORNER
 Residence of soldier at enlistment: Mecklenburg Co., NC
 Date of application for pension: September 18th 1832
 Residence at date of application: Montgomery Co., IL
 Age at date of application: b. March 27th 1760 in York Co., PA

Remarks: There is no data relative to family. For date of last payment of pension and last known residence of soldier you should apply to the auditor for the Int. Dept., U. S. Treasury Dept., citing the following data: **HENRY BRIANCE**, Certificate No. 19678, issued August 14, 1833, at 62.22 per annum, from MAR 4th 1831 under act of June 7th 1832, Illinois Agency.

Very respectfully,

Commissioners.

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Please to return
these papers
to Mr. B

Your ???

H. ROUNDTREE, Sr

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War Department
Pension Office

February 22nd 1833

SIR:

I return herewith the papers in support of the claims of the person whose name is hereto annexed.

These papers are in several respects defective. This case is accompanied by a brief. The objections are contained in the negative answers, in red ink, given to the questions.

Particular attention should be paid to the explanatory notes subjoined to the brief.

The extraordinary press of business in this office, arising from the great number of claims under the Act of June 7, 1832, has hitherto prevented us from attending to the applications sent by you. The investigation of the cases presented under this law has been difficult and laborious, and notwithstanding the greatest exertions have been made by this Department, an earlier attention to your business has been found impracticable.

The brief has been prepared to meet all cases, and thus to save excessive labor which would otherwise be imposed upon the office, and which would consume so much time as to render the delay two fold greater than it now is in the investigation of claims and writing letters. Each case is considered correct in all respects except in relation to those questions to which a negative answer is affixed. No other alteration or addition will be required.

I am, respectfully,

Your obedient servant.

J. L. EDWARDS

Honorable **JOSEPH DUNCAN**
House of Representatives

HENRY BRIANCE, Sr.

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[REPORT STATING DEFICIENCIES]

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Hillsboro, Illinois

May 15th, 1833

General **DUNCAN**,

Dear Sir,

Enclosed I send you the papers of **HENRY BRIANCE** Sr, again, please take the trouble to send them to the proper office.

I feel a delicacy in this giving you so much trouble, but Mr. **BRIANCE** is infirm, poor & really an object of charity.

I have had to do all his business here without expectation of reward. The other paper of Mr. **GORDON**, likewise please send on, he also is old & poor, in fact the whole of the business for the pension claimants in this county has been done by Mr. **ROUNTREE** [**ROUNDTREE**] & myself without charge.

I have been informed that you have the pension certificates of **JOHN LIGGET**, **EZRA BOSTICK**, & **THOMAS CRAIG** of our county & in consequence of leaving your memorandum in Washington, had forgotten their places of residence. If so, please forward them to me by return mail & oblige.

Yours Truly,

EPHRAIM KILLPATRICK

Honorable **JOSEPH DUNCAN**, present

Jacksonville
20 August 1833

Please to send your answer to the enclosed to **E. KILLPATRICK** at Hillsborough, Ill.

Your friend,

JOSEPH DUNCAN.

Major **J. L. EDWARDS**

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