State of Pennsylvania }
Bedford County }

On this 10th day of March 1834 before
the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in & for said County person=
ally appeared Jacob Hoyer, a resident of Napier Township
in the County of Bedford & State of Pennsylvania aged eighty
two years & upwards, 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

On the first of July 1776 he was drafted as one of the militia
of York County Pennsylvania, from which County he marched
on a tour of two months under Captain John Wright, Lieutenant
John Morgan, & Col. Michael Swope, That they marched from
York County to Philadelphia, when they were put on board
a Sloop & sent to Trenton, whence they marched to Amboy,
and from Amboy to Elizabeth Town. When their Two months
were about to expire when they marched to Newark, and
enlisted into the flying camp. When applicant joined the
flying camp their Officers so far as he recollects them were
Captn John Ewings, Major Baylie, Col. Swope & Brigadier
Genl. James Ewings,— That from Newark they were marched
to Bergen town opposite to which the British Fleet was then
laying, That they were marched from Bergentown up the
North River to the site of Fort Lee which this applicant
assisted to build— That they remained at Fort Lee until
a few days after the capture of Fort Washington when
they were ordered by Genl Washington who commanded in
person to evacuate the Fort, which they did after having
spiked the cannon, and leaving in it all their baggage
That from Fort Lee they marched across the Hackensack
river & destroyed the bridge after them over which they
had marched, Applicant remembers having seen the
British light-horse riding up & down the opposite side of
the river, trying to get over to them but they could not