

SERVICE

NUMBER

Continental
Mass

Knowles, Isaac
Prudence

W. 26769

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6534

Maine

Isaac Knowles,
Private

Massachusetts line

In the army of the United States during the Revolutionary War.

Inscribed on the Roll of the District of Maine
at the rate of — 8 — Dollars per month, to commence on
the 27 of April 1810.

Certificate of Pension issued this of Feb'y 1819
and del'd R. C. Vose,

Arrears to 4th of Sep. 1810 4^{mo} 8/30 34.13
emi-anl. all'ee ending 4. March 1819 40.00

\$ 82.13

{ Revolutionary claim, }
{ Act 18th March, 1818. }

Chesterville,

Continue

Certif. sent R. R. C
Vose Esq. August 20, 1819
15 July 1820—

Maine 1775

Prudence Knowles,
widow of Isaac Knowles,

who died on the 4th of April, 1822;
of Kennebec co in the State of Maine
- who was a private in the company commanded
by Captain Cogswell of the Regt. commanded
by Col. Gerrish in the 11th Me. Inf.
twp 1 year 8 mos (Pri.

Inserted on the Roll of Maine,
at the rate of 66 Dollars 66 Cents per annum,
to commence on the 1st day of March, 1834.

Certificate of Pension issued the 19th day of July,
1837 and sent to Wm.
Mearns, M. Augustus, (Maine)

Arrears to the 1st of March, 1837, \$394.96
Semi-annual allowance ending 4 Sept " 33.33

\$ 433.29

{ Revolutionary Claim,
Act July 4, 1836,
Section the 3^d }

Recorded by S. A. Elliot Clerk
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts

I Isaac Knowles, aged sixty six years, a citizen of the United States, born in the state of New Hampshire, but now resident in Chesterville in the District of Maine, upon oath testify and declare that in May 1775, I enlisted as a private soldier in the war of the revolution, against the common enemy, upon the resolution continental service, for the period of eight months, in the first eight months since, in Capt Thomas Longwell's company and Col Ganish's regiment; afterwards Col Baldwin's regiment, Massachusetts troops on line - this period I fully served out, and reenlisted at Brookline, Massachusetts - in January 1776, as a private soldier, in the same company, and regiment, then commanded by said Col Baldwin for the period of one year. This period I also fully served out and again enlisted as a private soldier, at Trenton New Jersey in January 1777, for the period of six weeks, in the same company and regiment. This period I also fully served out and took my final and honorable discharge from the army at Amboy New Jersey in February 1777 - my discharge is lost and not in existence to my knowledge - I was in the battles, at Bunker Hill, White Plains, Red Bank, Trenton, and at Princeton - The above facts together with the depositions hereunto annexed are all the evidence of my service, now in my power to furnish - From my reduced circumstances in life I am in need of assistance from my country for support. And I hereby relinquish all my claim to every pension heretofore allowed me by the laws of the United States, if any, but I am not to my knowledge born on any pension list whatever. I request that I may be placed upon the pension list for the District of Maine -

his
Isaac X Knowles
mark

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Memorandum of

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

On the twenty seventh day of April A.D. 1818, Isaac Knowles above named, after having been carefully examined, made oath to the truth of the foregoing declarations by him signed, the same having been first distinctly read to him -

Before me,

Nathan Weston

Chief Justice of Court C.

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House of Representatives Jan 22. 1819

I Certify that Isaac Moore & Phillip Moore within named, are in my ^{opinion} credible witnesses - they are inhabitants of the same County with me and I have always understood they were persons of credibility -

Joshua Gage

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State of Maine.

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KENNEBEC COUNTY, ss.

ON this *fourteenth* day of *June*, 1820,
personally appeared ~~before~~ *in open Court before* ~~the~~ *Isaac Knevels*
the Circuit Court of Common Pleas, for the Counties of Lincoln, Kennebec and Somerset,
being a Court of Record for said Counties, proceeding according to the course of the common
law, having original jurisdiction, unlimited in amount, keeping a record of their proceedings, and
having the power of fine and imprisonment, *Isaac Knevels* aged
sixty eight years, resident in *Cheshamville* in the County of *Maine*
within said Circuit, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he
served in the Revolutionary war as follows, viz. in the Company commanded by Captain
Cogswell and Regiment commanded by Colonel *Baldwin*
of the line of the State of *Massachusetts* upon the Continental Establishment, for
the period of *one year and six weeks* having previously
served in *Cogswell's company and Garrison's Mass-*
achusetts Regiment eight months, and was in the
battles of *Marston Hill, Long Island, White Plains, and*
of Trenton, Princeton
that his original declaration was made before Judge *Weston* on the
twenty seventh day of *April* 1818; that he is now on the Maine
Roll, and that his pension certificate is numbered *634*. And I, the said *Isaac*
Knevels do further solemnly swear, that I was a resident citizen of the United States,
on the eighteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen; and that I have not,
since that time, by gift, sale, or in any manner whatever, disposed of my property, or any part
thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of
Congress, entitled, "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service
of the United States, in the Revolutionary War," passed on the eighteenth day of March, one
thousand eight hundred and eighteen; and that I have not, nor has any person in trust for me, any
property or securities, contracts or debts, due to me; nor have I any income, other than what is
contained in the schedule hereto annexed, and by me subscribed.



Witness

A. Weston

Isaac X Knevels

mark

The following is a Schedule of my whole Estate and income, necessary clothing and bedding
excepted, viz: *one acre of the value of \$1000 dollars*
Two sheep and four or five cows worth ten
dollars. Old household stuff, bed clothes necessary
bedding, not exceeding ten dollars in value
I have no debts due to me that can be collected
and I owe as much as twenty dollars. My
income from the above property does not exceed
five dollars a year. My son Samuel is under
obligation to support my wife and myself
but he being involved in debt is not able to
support us comfortably and we depend on
my pension. I am by occupation a farmer
but from age and infirmity I am unable to
labor, and have been some time under the
doctor's hands.

My family at home consists of myself
and my wife Prudence aged sixty seven
years, who is infirmly unable to labor, or to
dress or undress without assistance.

Except the foregoing, and my necessary
clothing and bedding I have no property
or income whatever.

Witness
N. Weston Jr.

his
Isaac H. Knowles
mark

Subscribed, sworn to, and declared
before the court and Scherlock on the
fourteenth day of June 1820

Before me

Nathan Weston Jr

C. J. C. C. P. H. S.

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Isaac Knowley

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655 Chestnut

Feb 1819.

Mar 1819

Robert F. (Mrs) Augusta

Maine

Gift from Mrs. etc.

Gift copy

Boston, June 9. 1837.

I, Louisa Drake, of Boston, in the County of Suffolk & Commonwealth of Massachusetts, wife of Samuel G. Drake, who is the grandson of Rev. John Tuck, do upon oath say that the original Ecclesiastical Records of the Parish in Ipswich in the State of New Hampshire over which the said John Tuck was Pastor are now in the custody & possession of my husband & have been for the past four years; that the said Records have the appearance of being genuine & are believed by me to be genuine & that the following entry in the handwriting of the said John Tuck is found, viz.

"1773, March 4th. Isaac Knowles & Prudence Locke were joined in marriage"

I have reason to believe that these records are authentic from the fact that they were given to my husband by his ^{father} ~~brother~~, now deceased,

who received them after the death of ~~her father~~, the
said John Tuck, & retained them in his possession
until his own death when they came into the
possession of my husband, the said Samuel G.
Drake.

Louise Drake

Attest, Saml P. Shaw

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Suffolk: June 9th A.D. 1837. Then personally
appeared the above named Louise Drake

and made solemn oath - that the foregoing
affidavit by her subscribed is true: &

I have reasonable cause to believe that
the said Louise Drake is a credible

witness.

Before me,

Edward Blake

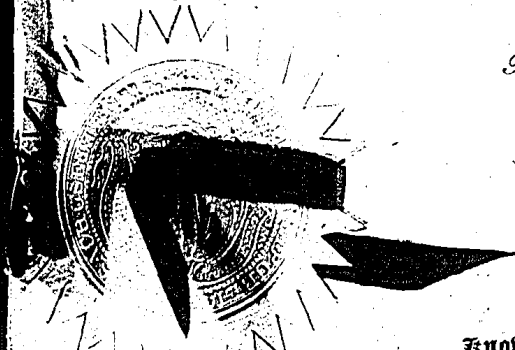
Justice of the
Peace.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.



By His Excellency **EDWARD EVERETT**,
Governor and Commander in Chief in and over
said Commonwealth.

To all whom it may concern:



Edward Everett

Know Ye, That *Edward Blake Esq.*
is a Justice of the Peace for the
County of *Suffolk*.

in the said Commonwealth, duly constituted and commission-
ed, and that to his Acts and Attestations, as
such, full faith and credit are and ought to be given in and
out of Court; that the within Attestation is in due form,
and by the proper Officer.

In Testimony Whereof, I have caused the Public
Seal of the Commonwealth to be hereunto affixed, this
nineteenth day of *June*, A. D. 1837,
and in the *sixty first* Year of the Independence of
the United States of America.

By His Excellency the Governor.

John O. Bigelow
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

DECLARATION

In order to obtain the benefit of the third Section of
the Act of Congress, of the 4th July, 1836.

State of Maine.

Hancock County, ss.

On this *sixth* day of *February* A. D., 1837,
personally appeared *before Nathan Weston, Chief Justice of the*
Superior Judicial Court of said State
Pendance Knowles formerly Pendance Locke
a resident of *Christerville* in the County of *Hancock* and
State of Maine, aged *Eighty four* years, who, being first duly sworn
according to law, doth on her oath, make the following declaration, in order to
obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress, passed July 4th,
1836; That she is the widow of *Isaac Knowles, late a revolutionary*
warrior of the United States, for a particular
account of whose services, she refers to the
war department, where his pension was established.
The said Isaac Knowles was a resident in
said *Christerville*

She further declares, that she was married to the said *Isaac Knowles*
in *on the ninth* day of *February* in the year seventeen
hundred and *Seventy three*; that her husband, the aforesaid *Isaac*
Knowles died on the *fourth* day
of *March* 1822; and
that she has remained a widow ever since that period, as will more fully appear by
reference to the proof hereto annexed.

Pendance *J. Knowles*
in witness whereof

Sworn to and subscribed, on the day and year above written, (the applicant
from age and infirmity being unable to attend in person)
Before me,

Nathan Weston, Ch. Just.
S. J. C.

April 27, 1939

The Quartermaster General
Memorial Branch
War Department
Washington, D. C.

BA-J/ANF
Isaac Knowles
W. 26789

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your request for information in regard to Isaac Knowles who served as private in Captain Cogswell's company, Colonel Baldwin's and Gerrish's Massachusetts regiment, in the Revolutionary War. With your request was enclosed a letter addressed to your office, from Mrs. Ralph Conant of Augusta, Maine; this letter is returned herewith.

The data which follow were obtained from papers on file in claim for pension, W. 26789, based upon service of Isaac Knowles in the Revolutionary War.

Isaac Knowles was born in Rye, New Hampshire. The date of his birth and names of his parents are not given.

Isaac Knowles enlisted sometime in May, 1775, place not shown, served eight months as private in Captain Thomas Cogswell's company in Colonel Gerrish's Massachusetts regiment, and was in the battle of Bunker Hill. He enlisted in Brookline, Massachusetts, sometime in January, 1776, served one year and six weeks as private in Captain Thomas Cogswell's company in Colonel Baldwin's Massachusetts regiment, and was in the battles of Frog's Point, White Plains, Trenton and Princeton.

He was allowed pension on his application ex-

cutted April 27, 1818, at which time he was sixty-six years of age and was living in Chesterville, Kennebec County, Maine.

Isaac Knowles died April 4, 1822.

Isaac Knowles married in Epsom, New Hampshire, March 4, 1773, Prudence Locke.

The widow, Prudence Knowles, was allowed pension on her application executed February 8, 1837, at which time she was eighty-four years of age and a resident of Chesterville, Maine.

Reference was made to the following children of Isaac and Prudence Knowles: Betsey, the eldest child, aged sixty-three years in October, 1836, and then the wife of John C. Knowles; and Samuel L. Knowles who was forty-three years of age in 1837.

The application for headstone for Isaac Knowles is returned herewith.

Very truly yours

A. D. HILLER
Executive Assistant
to the Administrator