

State of Pennsylvania  
County of Huntingdon, etc.

On this thirteenth day of August  
in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred & thirty three personally  
appeared in open Court before the  
Honorable Thomas Burnside, Esquire  
and his Associates, Judges of the Court  
of Common Pleas of said County of  
Huntingdon now sitting, Lemuel Root, a resident  
of Antis Township in said County of Huntingdon & State  
of Pennsylvania, aged sixty nine years, 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832  
- That he entered the service of the United States under  
the following named Officers and served as herein stated.  
That in the fall of 1779 when between fifteen and sixteen years of  
age and residing at the best in Massachusetts which is about  
fifteen miles from Springfield in Massachusetts I volunteered  
to serve in the Army of the United States, and served therein  
for a period of three months returning home again in the  
winter of 1779-80. After thus agreeing to volunteer I  
went to Springfield Massachusetts where I together with a  
number of others were inspected. I was then placed in a  
Company commanded by a Captain whose name was  
White and under him was marched from Springfield  
to Albany, and then from Albany to Schenectady. From  
Schenectady we were marched towards Fort Stanwix  
and remained stationed for some length of time on the  
Mohawk River. We remained on the Mohawk  
River until the winter of 1779-80 was pretty far  
advanced & it became very cold weather, we then were  
discharged & returned home. I understood at that time  
that we were to act, after marching from Schenectady,  
in company with other American troops against  
the British & Indians on the Canada Frontier, & that we  
were to have advanced to or beyond Fort Stanwix, but