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New York

James Kennedy  
Edmeston in the State of New York  
who was a Private in the Army commanded  
by Captain Scott of the Regt. commanded  
by Col. Starks in the Months  
and for 8 1/2 Months

Enrolled on the Roll of New York  
at the rate of 28 Dollars 33 Cents per annum  
to commence on the 1st day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 18th day of March  
1833 and sent to H. W.  
Burlington

Amount to 1st of Sep. 1832 \$29.50  
Pensional allowance ending Apr. '33 14.16

\$ 56.66

{ Revolutionary Claim, }  
{ Act June 7, 1832. }

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**BRIEF in the case of James Kennedy**  
**of Edmeston in the State of New York**  
**(Act 7th June, 1832.)**

1. Was the declaration made before a Court or a Judge? *a Judge*
2. If before a Judge, does it appear that the applicant is disabled by bodily infirmity? *no*
3. How old is he? *Eighty two years.*
4. State his service, as directed in the form annexed.

Period.	Duration of Service.			Rank.	Names of General and Field Officers under whom he served.
	Years,	Months,	Days.		
In 1775 May 1	8			As a	Gen. Capt. Tom Scott, Co. Stark 1st Regiment. Capt. Zedy, of Danbury " " " "
			(over 7)		
			(over 7)		

3. In what battles was he engaged? *Brooklyn*
6. Where did he reside when he entered the service? *Coburn, Mass.*
7. Is his statement supported by living witnesses, by documentary proof, by traditional evidence, by incidental evidence, or by the rolls? *George Field, James Kennedy, V. H. Boy, James Co. by to Washington evidence*
8. Are the papers defective as to form or authentication? and if so, in what respect?

**I Certify** that the foregoing statement and the answers agree with the evidence in the case above mentioned.

*D. K. Smith* Examining Clerk.

To exhibition

In order to obtain the benefits of the provisions of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832

State of New York

Wesley County N. Y. on the 10th day of September 1832 personally appeared before James C. Maudsley Justice and one of the Justices of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the said County James Kennedy and being first duly sworn according to law upon his oath whether the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provisions of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832

That he was born in the town of Dorchestor in the State of Massachusetts in the year 1750 and that he is now 82 years of age that he entered the United States service in the year 1775 at the town of Colerain in the then County of Hampshire in the State of Massachusetts about the first of May immediately after the news of the Lexington and Battle he enlisted into Captains William Scotts company and William Scotts was his Lieutenant and the Company was now recruited and was marched to Cambridge near Boston and was there first in the British command and by Col. John Stark and was there stationed until about the middle of June and then

\* afterwards Genl Stark

Marched to Winter Point and then in the  
morning of the 17th of June was marched  
on to Bankers Hill and was in all of these  
engagements under Col. John Stark and was  
one of the best men that fought the Hill  
and there saw General Putnam in that  
engagement and ~~was there~~ was marched  
to Winter Hill under Col. Stark and when  
General Washington arrived in camp he  
was paraded and inspected by him and  
was then transferred to Col. Sargents Regiment  
and then was stationed in what was then called  
Linnards Point about one mile east of  
Cambridge Colledge and there kept Guard  
and watched the movements of the enemy  
and so served out the 8 months then time that  
he first enlisted for and was discharged at  
Linnards Point in the month of June in  
the year 1776 by Col. Sargent verbally  
and then returned home to Colrain as usual  
and there again the year next succeeded at  
the town of Cambridge in the new County of  
Washington and State of New York in the  
month of August he volunteered and  
went into Captain Dotys company of New  
York State Militia and Col. Van Cortt  
Regiments and was marched to Fort  
George at the Head of Lake George in

State of New York this was an an Allam  
made at this time that Sr. John Johnson  
came down from Canada and took his  
deposition that he formerly acted as  
Governor of New York, and was gone at  
this time in the service 5 or 7 days and then  
returned home to Cambridge aforesaid  
And then again the next year was called  
out again in the Militia under the name  
Captain Doty and the name Col. Van Bortels  
Regiment and was marched to Fort  
George again and there arrested in July  
this year at this time that Col. Warner  
Regiment was cut off in repeated <sup>in the English</sup> and  
was out at this time 5 or 7 days and then  
returned home again to the town of  
Cambridge aforesaid making in all 8 1/2 months service  
and that he does not know of any document  
or evidence nor any living witness by  
which he can prove his service by and that  
he never saw a written discharge from  
any officer and that he has no record of  
his age and from his bodily infirmities  
is unable to attend the courts

Since the War he has lived in the  
town of Canastota in the county of  
Madison and in the county of  
Otsego and in the town of Covertstown  
in the State of New York where he  
now resides and has for 39 years past

He hereby relinquishes every claim what  
ever to a pension or annuity except the  
pension and hereby declares that his  
name is not on the Pension Roll of  
the agency of any State

Subscribed and sworn to this year and  
day of June

Before me James  
C. Maudslop a Justice  
of Otsego County Courts

James <sup>his</sup> Maudslop  
Justice

We Prætor Jurato William Kennedy and  
Halcy Spencer — all residents of the town  
of Cambridge in the County of Essex and  
State of New York hereby testify that we  
are well acquainted with James Kennedy,  
who has subscribed and sworn to the above  
declarations that we believe him to be  
82 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  
and from his bodily infirmities that he  
is unable to attend the Court

Subscribed and sworn this  
15<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832. Prætor Jurato  
Before us James C. Kennedy  
Halcy Spencer  
State of New York  
County of Essex

\* attested by Seal of Court

December 14, 1939.

Myrtle L. Kealer  
4306 West 39th Street  
St. Louis Park Branch  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

BA-J/ILL  
James Kennedy  
S. 23739

Dear Madam:

The data which follow were obtained from the papers on file in pension claim, S. 23739, based upon service of James Kennedy in the Revolutionary War.

James Kennedy was born in the year 1750 in Dorchester, Norfolk County, Massachusetts; the day of his birth and names of his parents were not given.

While a resident of Colrain, Hampshire County, Massachusetts, he enlisted May 1, 1775, served as a private in Captain William Scott's company, Colonel Sargent's Massachusetts regiment, was in the battle of Bunker Hill, later was stationed near Cambridge College and was discharged after service of eight months; he returned to Colrain. Afterwards, the date not given, he moved to Cambridge, Washington County, New York. He enlisted there in 1780 and 1781, and served two short tours of seven days each as private in Captain Doty's company, Colonel Van Cortlandt's New York regiment, engaged in the vicinity of Fort George when attacks were made by the Indians.

The soldier resided in Cambridge, New York, after his service in the Revolutionary War and moved from there to Edmeston, Otsego County, New York.

James Kennedy was allowed pension on his application executed September 12, 1833, at which time he resided in Edmeston, New York. He had lived there for thirty-nine years.

The soldier made no reference to wife or children.

In September 1833, one William Kennedy was a resident of Edmeston, New York, and made affidavit in behalf of this soldier, James Kennedy; no relationship between them was stated.

In order to obtain the date of last payment of pension, name and address of person paid and, possibly, the date of death of this pensioner, you should address The Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, this city, and furnish the following data:

James Kennedy  
Certificate #4433  
Issued January 18, 1833  
Rate \$28.33 per annum  
Commenced March 4, 1831  
Act of June 7, 1833  
New York Agency.

Very truly yours,

A. D. HILLER,  
Executive Assistant  
to the Administrator.