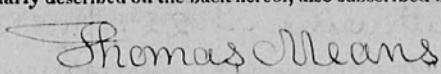


UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.**DISTRICT OF MAINE, ss.**

At a District Court of the United States begun and holden at Portland within and for the District of Maine, on the first Tuesday, being the sixth day of June and by adjournment from day to day, on the ninth day of June . . . in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty, before the Honorable ALBION K. PARRIS, Judge of said Court.

ON this ninth . . . day of June . . . in the year above written, personally appeared in open Court, the same having "the power of fine and imprisonment," and being a Court of Record for said Maine District, Thomas Means . . . aged sixty four . . . years, resident in Freeport . . . in said District, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows, viz. as a Private . . . in the company commanded by Capt. George White . . . in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Francis . . . in the line of the State of Massachusetts on the Continental Establishment, as is more particularly mentioned and described in his original declaration, made on the 28th . . . day of April . . . A. D. 1818, and on which said declaration his Certificate of Pension, numbered 6930 . . . was granted. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818; and that I have not since that time by gift, sale, or in any manner 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 18th day of March, 1818: 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; that my occupation and ability to pursue the same, together with the number and other particulars of my family, are in fact and in truth as is particularly described on the back hereof, also subscribed by me.



Sworn to and declared, on the ninth
day of June . . . A. D. 1820.

BEFORE Albion K. Parris

{ U. S. District Judge for the
District of Maine.



SCHEDULE of the real and personal estate, (necessary clothing and bedding excepted) belonging to me the subscriber, viz:

Real estate — I have none.

Personal estate — one cow — one old horse — six sheep — one pig — a few necessary and very ordinary articles in the house, where I live by suffrage — I have no income — and am in debt one hundred and fifty dollars.

Thomas Means

Sworn to Before

Abram H. Barris
U. S. Dist. Judge

SCHEDULE of the family residing with me Thomas Means, . . . who, by occupation am a laborer. . . which I am not able to pursue by reason of age and the asthma —

NAMES.	AGES.	Capacity of each to contribute to their support.
Wife Eleanor	63	in comfortable health
Samuel	20	able to support himself
Catharine	22	not healthy — quite feeble

Thomas Means

Sworn to

Before

Abram H. Barris
U. S. Dist. Judge

J. Thomas Meanes of Freeport in the District
of Maine being fifty one years old do testify and
say that I enlisted in the year ^{in the continental service} 1776 in December in
the company commanded by Capt. George White
Capt. Francis' Regiment and marched to Boston
damaged and forced them untill the port was
evacuated, from thence marched to New Bedford
and was in the Battle there; and then
marched to New York State and served there
and other places, three years. was at the Battle
of Monmouth, at the Storming of the Fort at Stony
Point. And when my term of enlistment was out I
was discharged and now produce the Certificate.
Being now advanced in years, and in several
circumstances I am in need of assistance from
my country under the provisions of the law of Congress
Paid March 1818.

J. T. Meanes

District of Maine &c. Portland April 28 1818.
I William Hasty of Scarborough in said District
being of lawful age do testify and say that I
am knowing ~~that~~ the within named Thomas means
was in the Army of the U.S. on the continen-
tal establishment in the revolutionary war for
the term of three years; that I was there a few
^{saw} and him at various places. and have no doubt
of the truth of his statement being true

Wm Hasty

April 28 1818 I Joseph Chute of Windham in
said District being of lawful age do testify and say
that I was in the Army of the revolution. and
do attest to the truth of the facts in Wm Hasty
affiant above.

Joseph Chute

~~Swear~~ to before

Abram K. Parvis

Judge U. S. A.

Thomas Means a Corporal in the 11 Massachussets Regt
Is permitted to pass from his present quarters, to his place of
Residence in the State of Massachusetts Bay, the Term of
Enlistment being expired, it is expected that he may
arrive, provided he behaves decently, He
has been a very serviceable Soldier in his Regiment.

Given under my hand the 13th Day of Decr. 1777

Moses Knapp Major
Commander Mass. Regt

To the Honorable Albion K. Paris Esq; judge of
the U. S. District Court for the District of Maine.

We the subscribers inhabitants of the Town of Damariscotta
in the County of Lincoln, being well acquainted
with Major Thomas Means of said Damariscotta, are of opin-
ion that he is a proper subject for the pension granted
to those soldiers who served in the Army of the U. S. in
the revolutionary war - Major Means by hand
industry and good economy was formerly a man
of handsome property, and had no misfortunes await-
ing him would have disdained to call on his country
for support, but being now reduced to want by
an accumulation of misfortunes he is compelled
to ask as a right the sum which the liberality of the
Government has bestowed on those soldiers who have
fully served in the revolution - Should he show his
services and establish his claim, of which we have
no doubt, his situation ~~be situated~~ not only claims
relief, but compensation -

Tuftonport April 12. 1882

Cornelius Dillingham Silversmith
of Damariscotta
William Pote

Samuel Holbrook Pest Master
Joseph Lufkin

Jacob W. Mitchell

Jacob Johnson

Amos Clark

Geo Bartot

George Norton

George Rogers

Nathaniel May

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.
DISTRICT OF MAINE, ss.

At a District Court of the United States begun and holden at
Portland — within and for the District of Maine, on the
Tuesday being the day of
and by adjournment from day to day, on the second
day of May three in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and twenty, before the Honorable _____,

Ashuridare Judge of said Court.

ON this second — day of May — in the year above written, personally appeared in open Court, the same having "the power of fine and imprisonment," and being a Court of Record for said Maine District, Thomas Means — aged sixty eight — years, resident in Saco — in said District, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath ~~desires that he be saved in the Revn-~~

day of March, A.D. 1818, before John C. Frémont, Notary Public.

was granted. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818; and that I have not since that time by gift, sale, or in any manner 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 18th day of March, 1818: 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; that my occupation and ability to pursue the same, together with the number and other particulars of my family, are in fact and in truth as is particularly described on the back hereof, also subscribed by me.

Thomas Means

Sworn to and declared, on the 2^d
day of May A. D. 1828 }

BEFORE

Ashur Ware { U. S. District Judge for the
District of Maine.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.**DISTRICT OF MAINE, ss.**

At a District Court of the United States begun and holden at
Portland — within and for the District of Maine, on the
~~Tuesday being the~~ ^{day of}
~~and by adjournment from day to day, on the~~ ^{day of} ~~second~~
~~day of May~~ ^{three} in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and twenty, before the Honorable ~~_____~~,

Ashur Ware Judge of said Court.

ON this second — day of May — in the year above written, personally
appeared in open Court, the same having "the power of fine and imprisonment," and being a
Court of Record for said Maine District, Thomas Means — aged
sixty eight — years, resident in Saco — in said District,

who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath ~~depose and swear in the Room~~
make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the
Act of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and the 1st May 1820 that he the said Means
enlisted for the term of one year on the first day of January in the year 1775 in
the state of Massachusetts in the Company commanded by Capt. Williams,
in the regiment commanded by Colonel Phiney in the line of the State
of Massachusetts in the Continental establishment: that he continued
to serve in the said corps till the 15th day of December 1777 when he was
discharged from the said service in Sheldsboro' in the State of New York.
That his name has been placed on the pension list and drafted therefrom
on account of his poverty. And in pursuance of the Act of the 1st May 1820

to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States, in the
Revolutionary War," passed on the 18th day of March, 1818: 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; that
my occupation and ability to pursue the same, together with the number and other particulars of my
family, are in fact and in truth as is particularly described on the back hereof, also subscribed by me.

Thomas Means

Sworn to and declared, on the 2^d
day of May A.D. 1820 }

BEFORE

Ashur Ware } U. S. District Judge for the
District of Maine.

Thomas Means the grantor named in the original Deed
that means to the copy of which this is annexed, do testify &
say that the sole or conveyance to said Thos Means is by me
made in said Deed, was a naked & barefeide sale & the full conseruation
here to me, that said Thos Means is next to the last ty post
of this State immediately after the execution of said Deed & has not
retrieved it, which I suppose is the reason, why he has neglected
to sent his Deed or record it, the said not being under my control
a copy was obtained in this present State, It is a common occurrence
that grantors neglect to sent their Deeds or record them.

Thomas Means

swoon before me July 16 1823

D Granger jurpman

I Daniel Granger of Laco in the County of York & State of Maine
do testify & say that on the 16th day of May 1822, Thos Means
of said Laco personally appeared before me; who was then &
ever since have been a Justice of the peace in & for said
County duly commissioned to act as such; & witness'd
that the Original Instrument, of which the annexed is a
true copy; was his free act & deed

D Granger

State of Maine

York July 17th 1823 Personnally appeared Daniel
Granger above named & made oath to the truth of the
above declaration, by him subscribed
before me Geo. Martin jun^r; Notar of the
Peace -

Jere Bradbury Clerk of the judicial Courts in
for the County of York State of Maine do hereby
certify & make known that Daniel Granger and
George Shuster whose signatures are attached to the
Certificates are justices of the peace in & for said
County duly commissioned to act as such & that
full credit is due to their official acts

In testimony whereof I have
hereunto subscribed my Name &
affixed the seal of said Court.

Jere Bradbury Clerk of the
Jud. Courts the 2d of York

KNOW all Men by these Presents,

THAT I Thomas Meares of Saos in the County
of York - a State of Maine Gentleman

in consideration of the sum of forty Dollars in hand
paid by *Thos Meares Jr* of said Town.

the receipt whereof *I* do hereby acknowledge, do hereby give, grant, bargain, sell
and convey unto the said *Thos Meares Jr*

heirs and assigns forever a certain tract or lot of salt
Marsh situated in said Saos as is bounded
as follows viz beginning at the rear Wall at
a certain Pitch Pine tree adjoining said
Marsh and Marsh formerly belonging to
Thomas Westerly to a ditch by said Ditch
to Marsh formerly belonging to Thomas
and Ditch a Marsh Northly to Creek there
Northly about six rods to an old ditch
thence South to a Birch Stake thence east
to the said Creek at the rear Wall, thence
southerly by said rear Wall to the first
mention'd bound - five acres more or
less as may be found within said bounds

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, the aforesigned and bar-
gained premises, with all the privileges and appurtenances thereof, to the said *Thos Meares Jr*

his heirs and assigns, to *him &* their use and behoof for-
ever—And *I* do covenant with the said *Thos Meares Jr* his
heirs and assigns, that *I am* lawfully seized in fee of the premises; that they are free of
all incumbrances; that *I* have good right to sell and convey the same to the said
Thos Meares Jr

to hold as aforesaid. And that
I will warrant and defend the same to the said *Thos Meares Jr*
his heirs and assigns forever, against the lawful claims and demands
of all persons.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, *I* the said *Thomas Meares*

have hereunto set my hand and seal this *fifteenth* day of *May* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty *twelve*

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED,

IN PRESENCE OF

Thomas Meares *Bray*

Cyrus Meares
Thos Staples
York ss. May 16th 1822 Personally appeared
the above named *Thos Meares* and acknowledged the above instrument to be his free act and deed. Before me,

Dane Gough
examined & compared
by me

D. Gough just peace

John Granger JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

Name.

Thomas Means, Jr.

Private *Restored*1 year -

Aged 68 years by occupation
a Farmer unable to pursue
the same by reason of old age
and bodily infirmities. Wife 66
years a very feeble woman, a
sister aged 65 years, out able to
support herself.

Schedule dated 8 June 1820.

Real Property, 4 acres of marsh
land. Personal property, 1 yoke
oxen, 2 cows, 6 sheep and a few
articles of household furniture.
Real and personal property valued
at ————— \$125. 00.

Dolts (names not given) \$0 on
————— \$66 00

Schedule under act Mar 1823
dated 2 May 1823 —

Real property, none
Personal property amounting to \$32. 50

Accounts for the decrease of
his property as follows
in May last he sold the 4
acres of Marsh lands for \$40.
to Thos Means Jr. for Cash
which has been appropriated
for his support since that
time. See authentication copy
of the deed filed with
dated 15 May 1822. The yoke
of oxen he sold for \$90 with
which he paid a note for
\$40 to J Thompson and also
an execution against him for
\$43. 13. in favor of the Dyre. he
sold them about one year ago.

\$32. 80
48.
\$80. 80

John Murphy Jr Esq

Portland

Maine

Restored 30 Augt 1823

I Stephen Googins of Lawful age
testify a say that I am well knowing
to the service of Thomas Meares as he
has declared, as I was in the same
Regiment and served in the ^{same} year
I was not present at time that he
was discharged as the Regiment was
divided and our duty at different places
and have no doubt but that he served all
the years according to his enlistment as
frequently saw him until duty separated us.

16 May 1818

Stephen Googins

Commonwealth of Massachusetts -
May 16. 1818. The above named Stephen Googins
personally appeared before me and made
oath to the truth of the above declaration
by him subscribed. one of the Justices of
the S. J. C. Commonwealth of Massa-
chusetts.

I John Waterhouse of Lawful age testify
and say that I served the service of the
United States in the War of the Revolution
in the year 1776 in Col. Phineas' Regiment
and served the over year, during the year
I was well acquainted with Thomas Meares
I do know that he was a Major commanding
officers in said Regiment during the year
I have heard his declaration on the first
page of this sheet & know it to be true &
that he had an honorable discharge

John Waterhouse

I Ephraim Ridder, of lawfull age testify
say that I belonged to Col. Phineas' Regiment
in the War of the Revolution 1776 that I do know
that Thos Meares was a Major commanding officer
in said Regiment during that year, being
from the same Town I knew him before the
war and have known him ever since. I
have heard his declaration on the first page of
this sheet & know it to be true

Ephraim Ridder

York Feb: 13rd 1819 personally appeared
the above named John Waterhouse & Ephraim
Ridder, and made oath to the several affidavits
by them subscribed before me D. Granger Justice of

Signed with the seal of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, 5th
June 1819, and certified to be a true copy by
D. Granger, Justice of the Peace.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, &c.

Be it known that on the sixteenth of May 1818
before me the subscriber one of the Justices of the
Supreme Judicial Court of the Commonwealth of Massa-
chusetts personally appeared Thomas Means of York
County of York and Commonwealth of aforesaid aged
sixty three years, who being sworn according to law
made oath to the truth of the declaration by him
subscribed on the other side of this leaf in order
to obtain the provision made by the late 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 -

From which declaration thus signed & sworn to
as aforesaid together with the affidavit of Stephen
Googins also sworn to before me as appears on the right
hand page of this paper. I George Thacher Justice
as aforesaid do hereby certify that it appears to my
satisfaction that the said Thomas Means did serve
in the Revolutionary war as stated in his said
Declaration against the common enemy. And
that he is in reduced circumstances and ~~is~~
~~in~~ need of the assistance of his country for
support. And I now transmit the proceedings
and testimony taken and had before me to the
Secretary for the Department of War pursuant to the
directions of the aforesaid Act of Congress. ;

In Testimony whereof I have here
to set my hand and have caused the
seal of said Court to be affixed to
fixe this thirtieth day of May
in the year of our Lord eighteen
hundred eighteen.

George Thacher

I Thomas Means of Saratoga in the
State of Massachusetts of sixty three
years of age do certify a declare
that I served as a Non Commissioned
Officer in the War of the Revolution
as follows viz. I enlisted in Dec 1775
to serve one year from the first of
January 1776 in the company
commanded by Capt Clark Williams
& Capt Edward Birney's Regiment
in the Massachusetts Line, I marched
with said Regiment to Albany &
from thence to Bicaveroga and in
the latter part of that year I came to
with a part of the said Regiment to
a place called Kingsbury where I was
discharged about the first of January 1777
having served out the full term of service
I do not now recollect that I had a written
discharge. I have no Pension from the
United States I am a resident citizen of
the United States and from my reduced
circumstances I am in need of assistance
from my country for support

Thomas Means

May 16. 1810

SCHEDULE of the real and personal estate, (necessary clothing and bedding excepted) belonging to me the subscriber, viz:

Real estate — Four acres of marsh land in Saos
Personal estate — One yoke of oxen — two cows — six sheep — and a few articles of necessary household furniture — I have no income and am in debt sixty dollars

Thomas Means

Sworn to Before Albin H. Barris

U. S. Dist. Judge

SCHEDULE of the family residing with me Thomas Means, who, by occupation am a Farmer, which I am able to pursue by only part of the time

NAMES.	AGES.	Capacity of each to contribute to their support.
Wife, Loresas.	63	a feeble woman, unable to labor
Margaret --	50	a sister — dependent

Thomas Means

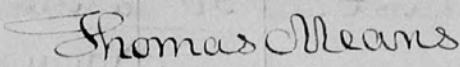
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U. S. Dist. Judge

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.**DISTRICT OF MAINE, ss.**

At a District Court of the United States begun and holden at Portland — within and for the District of Maine, on the first Tuesday, being the ~~nineteenth~~ — day of June and by adjournment from day to day, on the ~~eighteenth~~ — day of June . . . in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty, before the Honorable ALBION K. PARRIS, Judge of said Court.

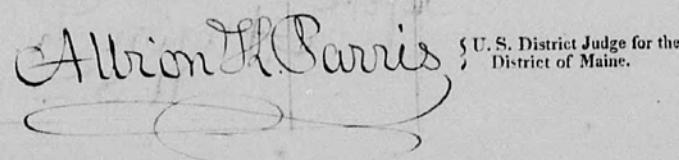
ON this ~~eighteenth~~ — day of June . . . in the year above written, personally appeared in open Court, the same having "the power of fine and imprisonment," and being a Court of Record for said Maine District, Thomas Means . . . aged ~~sixty five~~ — years, resident in Saco . . . in said District, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows, viz. as a private . . . in the company commanded by Capt. Hart Williams in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Shirley . . . in the line of the State of Massachusetts on the Continental Establishment, as is more particularly mentioned and described in his original declaration, made on the ~~sixteenth~~ day of April . . . A. D. 1810 , and on which said declaration his Certificate of Pension, numbered 7491 . . . was granted. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 ; and that I have not since that time by gift, sale, or in any manner 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 18th day of March, 1818 : 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 ; that my occupation and ability to pursue the same, together with the number and other particulars of my family, are in fact and in truth as is particularly described on the back hereof, also subscribed by me.

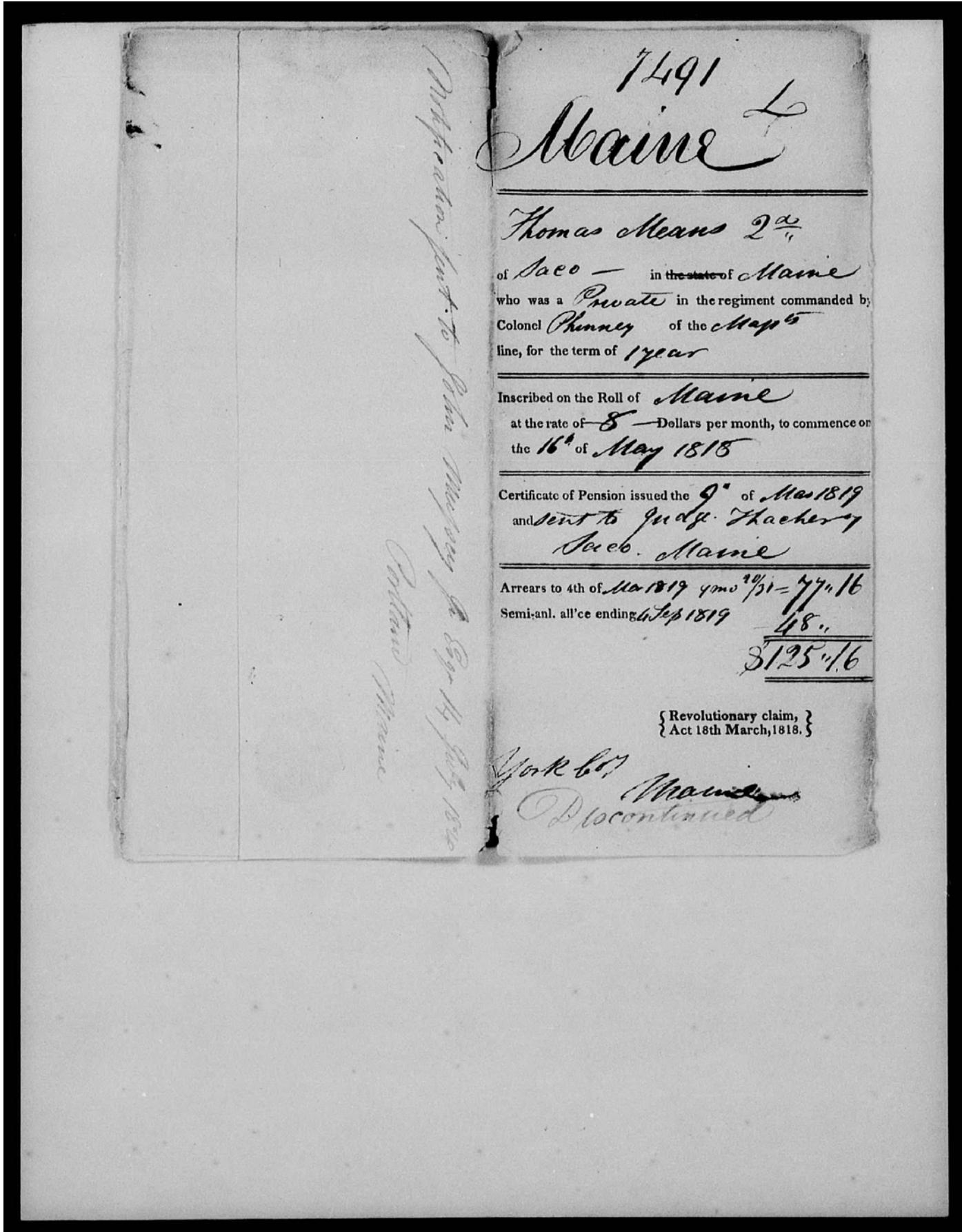


Sworn to and declared, on the ~~eighty~~
day of June A. D. 1820.

BEFORE

Albion K. Parries, U. S. District Judge for the
District of Maine.





SCHEDULE of the real and personal estate, (necessary clothing and bedding excepted) belonging to me the subscriber, viz:

Real estate — I have none
Personal estate — One cow, and seven sheep and a very little old furniture with which to keep house —

Since the exhibition of my first schedule the following changes have been made in my property viz. In May last I sold the four acres of marsh land mentioned in said schedule for forty dollars to Thomas Means just for cash, which has been appropriated for my support since that time. The yoke of oxen and ~~one~~ sold for about ninety dollars, with which I paid a note I owed to John Thompson for forty seven dollars and also an execution against me in favor of Thomas Dyer for \$43.13. I sold them about one year ago. I have no property except as above, nor any income or prospect of any —

May 2, 1823

Signed and sworn to

Before me

Ashur Ware S. J. of U.S.

SCHEDULE of the family residing with me Thomas Means who, by occupation am a Farmer which I am not able to pursue by reason of age and bodily infirmity

NAMES.	AGES.	Capacity of each to contribute to their support.
Wife — Dorcas —	66	a very feeble woman
Sister, Margaret —	61	not able to support herself

May 2, 1823

Signed and sworn to

Before me

Ashur Ware S. J. of U.S.