

Paris June 27

Dear

William Warrick Jr. Esq

Post Office

Augusta

Me

I, Seth Shed, aged seventy seven years, of Norway in the County of Oxford, widow of Lemuel Shed, late of said Norway do hereby on oath testify & say for the purpose of obtaining the grant of land contemplated in a Resolve of the Legislature of the State of Maine, passed at their last Session for the benefit of certain officers & soldiers of the Revolutionary war, & their widows, that the said Lemuel was my lawful husband at the time of his death which was in June AD 1818 - that he was born in Lunenburg in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, & was then & continued to be a citizen of Massachusetts up to the time of his death, altho he removed to the "District of Maine" between forty & fifty years ago; that during said war he was out in the service of the United States during several periods - that at some time between the years 1775 & 1778, the said Lemuel, at Leominster in said Commonwealth, he enlisted as a soldier in said service, to serve during the war, and continued to serve until the close of the war - he served a part of the last mentioned period in Col. Tupper's Regiment, & was then transferred to Col. Michael Jackson's Regiment in the Massachusetts line, called the Eighth Mass. Reg. and at the close of the war he received an honorable discharge from his Colonel, in writing, which has long been lost - he was discharged at New Windsor, 1783 (1783) I think - but it was not till the war was over. His name & service without doubt, may be ascertained by reference to the Massachusetts Rolls. He died at said Norway, as aforesaid, in the then District of Maine. Capt. Seth Morse of Paris, Benjamin Hole of Watford, & one or two others would be able to prove the service of said Lemuel, and that he enlisted & served during the war. I further testify, that neither the said Lemuel, nor myself, nor any other person or persons claiming under him or me, has ever received any grant of land or money, from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and

that I am justly entitled to a grant of land under said Resolves. My said husband made arrangements to apply for a pension & did apply - under the U.S. Law of 1818 - and Judge Parry adjudged him entitled - but the said Lemuel died before any adjudication was had on his case at Washington - and no further proceedings were had - the papers in that case may be at Washington & I would fully prove the service as aforesaid.

Ruth Shed

Oxford Co. May 30. 1835. Personally appeared the above named Ruth Shed, & made oath that the foregoing declaration, according to the best of her recollection, knowledge, & belief, is wholly true.

Before me

Stephen Emery, Justice of the Peace

Oxford Co. May 30. 1835. I the subscriber hereby certify, that the above named Ruth Shed is satisfactorily proved to me to have been the lawful wife of the above named Lemuel Shed - and is now his widow - And I further certify, that I am personally acquainted with her & with the persons to whom she refers for proof in her declaration - and I do not doubt the truth of the declaration aforesaid.

Stephen Emery, Judge of
Probate in Oxford County.

The Hon. Thomas Crocker, Member of the Hon.
Council, now at Chicago, will please act as atty.
to said Ruth Shed, relative to this application for
June 22. 1835

Ruth Shed by
Stephen Emery.

283.
Ruth Shed widow
of Lemuel Shed.
application for land.

Recd June 23^d 1835,
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At a Recd. of 10th Regt.

Received \$24. in fees

of Land. from Map 1st 7

Rejected.

Wm: S. Emery,