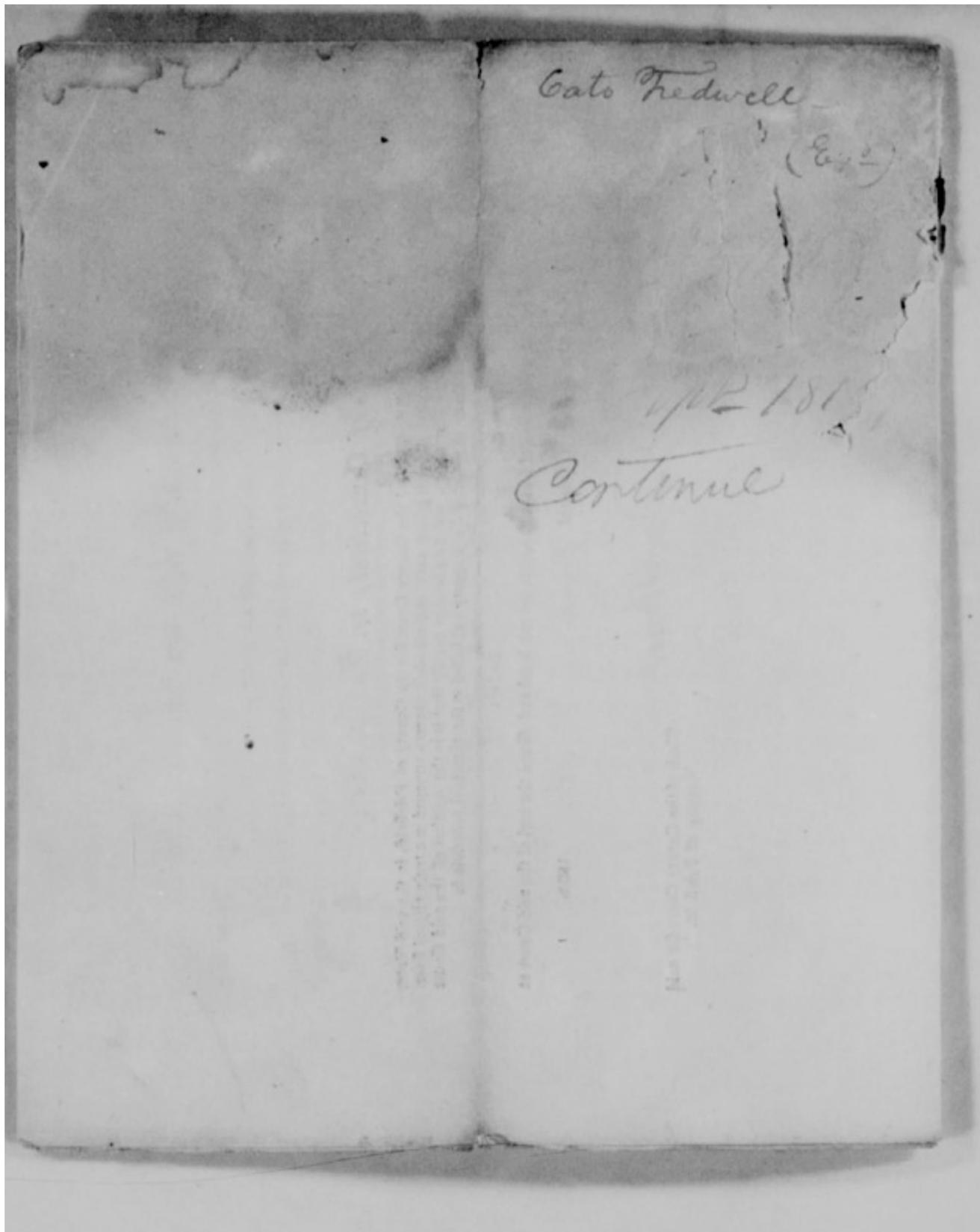


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Cato Treadwell

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At a County Court, held in and for the County of  
Fairfield in the District and State of Connecticut, on the 13<sup>th</sup>  
day of June 1820 the same being a Court of Record, and  
having a seal, by virtue of the laws of said State.

PERSONALLY APPEARED, in open Court, *Cato Fredwell* — a resident in the town of  
*Huntington* in the County of *Fairfield* — in said State, and exhibited and subscribed  
the following Schedule, and made oath — that the same is a true and perfect Schedule of all his intonse  
and property, (necessary clothing and bedding excepted) viz.

*I own one old log-house*  
*belonging to Israel Hawley in said*  
*Huntington* — 1 table — 1 plane chest — 6 old chairs —  
2 hammock — 1 shovel & tongs — 2 tin pails — 1 Porize pot —  
1 pr steel and — one old chest — 1 silver watch —  
1 saddle iron — 1 pr andirons — 1 bake-kettle — 8 earthen  
plates & spoons — 1 umbrella — sundry small articles  
consisting of broken crockery & furniture — 2 cider barrels  
1 half barrel — one ax — & one adg.

*Cato Fredwell* —

District and State of Connecticut, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That in the County Court, held in and for the County of Fairfield - in the District and State aforesaid, on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 1820 the same being a Court of Record, and having a Seal, under the Authority of said State, personally came and appeared in open Court, Cato Fredwell aged 57 years resident in the Town of Huntington in the County of Fairfield in said State, and being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his Oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War, as follows:

I was enlisted about the year 1780 according to my best recollection by Capt. Gray at Stratford in said County of Fairfield, and from thence went onto the highlands near West-point, and was enrolled in Capt. Wright's company in the Regiment commanded by Col. Swift, and continued my faithful service in said Regiment until the close of the war, comprising the term of three years, when I was honorably discharged and not having my discharge in consequence of the vessel I was on being destroyed by fire soon after the war, with my property, my home being burnt up, and for the particulars and circumstances relating to my former reference may be had by reference to the original declaration at the Secretary of War's Office on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818.

that the original Declaration made by him, for the purpose of obtaining a Pension, under the Act of Congress of the 30<sup>th</sup> of March, 1818, was dated the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March 1818 that in pursuance thereof he was entered in the List of Pensioners, and received a Pension Certificate No. 8502 And I do further solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States, on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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 herein annexed, and by me subscribed. And I do further declare that my occupation is that of a day-labourer

and that I have a family residing with me viz. my wife Margaret aged 59 years, who has had a shock of the numb palsy about two years ago, and ever since has been unable to do much labour, and that I am indebted ten dollars

all which is subscribed by me the day and year aforesaid.

Cato Fredwell

Sworn to, and declared in the Court aforesaid. Whereupon said Court is, on satisfactory proof exhibited in Court, of opinion that the total amount in value of the property contained in the aforesaid Schedule is fifty one Dollars and one Cent, and doth order these proceedings to be entered in the Records of said Court.

T. J. Davis Clerk

State of Connecticut, ss. *Fairfield County*

I DAVID BURR, Clerk of the County Court for the County of Fairfield, in the said State, do hereby certify that the foregoing oath and schedule thereto annexed are truly copied from the records of the said Court, and I do further certify that it is the opinion of the said Court that the total amount in value of the property exhibited in the aforesaid schedule is

*Fifty one* Dollars *& one Cent.*

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Court at Fairfield, this *13<sup>th</sup>* day of *June* A. — 1820.

*David Burr*

Clerk of the County Court for said  
County of Fairfield.

*District and State of Connecticut, ss. Fairfield, June 13<sup>th</sup> 1820*

I ROBERT FAIRCHILD, Chief Judge of the County Court for the County of Fairfield, in said State, do certify that *David Burr, Esq.* is the Clerk of said Court, duly appointed and sworn; and that the said Court is a Court of record, made so by the statute laws of said State; that it proceeds according to the course of the common law, has a jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount, with the power of fine and imprisonment, and keeps a record of its proceedings.

*Robert Fairchild*

Chief Judge of the County Court for  
the County of Fairfield.

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Department of the Interior  
PENSION OFFICE

Washington, D.C. August 4 1884

Return this letter with your reply

Sir

Yours of the 23<sup>rd</sup> ult is received claiming in behalf of Isaac Lewis Treadwell, as the heir of Gato Treadwell, who was a Soldier in the war of the Revolution from Connecticut and a pensioner, the reversion of the pension to which <sup>it is alleged</sup> the widow of the above Soldier was entitled up to the day of her decease in 1861 -

Gato Treadwell was allowed and paid a pension from 1818 to the day of his death, and if his surviving widow Eliza was entitled to a continuance of the pension which she neglected to <sup>establish</sup> claim during her life time, there is no law existing that will give the right to their children or other heirs to claim the same after her decease -

Your attention is invited to the enclosed printed circular that refers to the law preventing the favorable consideration to a pension after the decease of a Revolutionary Soldier + his widow

July 17, 1935

Cato Tredwell-S.35358

The data which follow are obtained from the papers on file in Revolutionary War pension claim, S.35358, based upon the military service in that war of Cato Tredwell, a free man of color.

Cato Tredwell (the name also appears as Treadwell) was born and reared in Fairfield County, Connecticut. The date of his birth and the names of his parents are not shown.

Cato Tredwell enlisted at Stratford, Fairfield County, Connecticut, sometime in 1780, served as a private in Captains Joseph Allyn Wright's and Peter Robertson's Companies, Colonel Heman Swift's Connecticut Regiment and was discharged at the close of the war in 1783. It was stated that he was known in the army as Cato Freeman.

He was allowed pension on his application executed March 23, 1818, at which time he was aged fifty-five years and resided in Huntington, Fairfield County, Connecticut.

In 1820, soldier referred to his wife, Margaret, as aged fifty-nine years. There are no further data in regard to her and no reference was made to children.

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This history to be furnished  
if ever called for.  
It was written just to have a  
record of negro soldiers.

END OF TREADWELL'S PENSION FILE