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From files of George Richard Chamberlin**

**PENSION APPLICATION<sup>1</sup>OF  
JOHN<sup>2</sup> AND PATIENCE (WHITING) CHAMBERLIN  
Application No. W 14461**

Massachusetts 270.88

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John Chamberlain of Plymouth in the State of Mass who was a private in the company commanded by Captain Partridge of the regiment commanded by Col. Hawes in the Mass line for 6 months private.

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Inscribed on the Roll of Mass at the rate of 20 Dollars – Cents per annum to commence on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1831.

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Certificate of Pension issued the 16<sup>th</sup> day of Jan<sup>y</sup> 1834 and sent to J.H Loud, Plymouth, Mass.

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Arrears to the 4 <sup>th</sup> of Sep, 1833	\$ 50.00
Semi-anl. Allowance ending 4 Mar 34	<u>10.00</u>
	\$ 60.00

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Revolutionary claim  
Act June 7, 1832

Recorded by George Taylor Clerk  
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<sup>2</sup> Line of descent: John (5), Phillip (4), Thomas (3), Thomas (2) and Thomas (1). Born 22 January 1755, Plymton, Plymouth Co., Massachusetts. Died 14 September 1834, Abington, Plymouth County, Massachusetts. Information by James Baldwin Parker.

Massachusetts 3537

Patience Chamberlin widow of John Chamberlin who was a pensioner under the Act of 31 and who died on the 14<sup>th</sup> September 1834 of Plymouth in the State of Mass who was a private in the company commanded by Captain Partridge of the Regt. Commanded by Col. Hawes in the Mass line for 6 mos.

Inscribed on the Roll of Massachusetts at the rate of 20 Dollars – Cents per annum to commence on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1836.

Certificate of Pension issued the 18<sup>th</sup> day of July 39 and sent to J. H. Loud, Plymouth, Mass.

Arrears to the 4 <sup>th</sup> of Mar	\$ 60.00
Semi-annual allowance ending	<u>10.00</u>
	\$ 70.00

Act July 7, 1838

Recorded by (undecipherable) Clerk  
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**AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN CHAMBERLIN**  
**August 27, 1833**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
County of Plymouth s.s.

On the twenty seventh day of August AD 1833 personally appeared in open Court before William (sp) Esq, Judge of the Probate of Wills and for the County of Plymouth now sitting in Scituate in said County John Chamberlin of Abington in said County of Plymouth and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, aged seventy eight years, who being duly sworn according to the law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an Act of Congress passed June 17, 1833.

That in the latter part of the year 1775, or first of the year 1776 – I cannot now positively say which – I entered the service of the United States as a Private in the company commanded by Capt. Fish (or, Fisk) of Duxbury, Col. Carlton's Regiment and marched to Roxbury near Boston, where I served three months. The British were even then in the possession of Boston and remained there so long as I remained in that service – No events of a published nature took place that I now recollect – Our duty was to keep guard, etc – At the expiration of three months I was discharged and (sp) home. – Afterwards in July 1776 – I again entered the service in Capt. Partridges Company and Col. Hawes Regiment and went thru Trenton to Rhode Island – where I remained three months, and performed duty as a private soldier. The British had not then taken possession of Rhode Island – but were then daily expected to arrive – Our duty while on the Island was to keep guard and watch the arrival of the enemy. Having served three months I was discharged and returned home.

I was afterward drafted to do duty in what was called the second expedition – I was attached to Capt. Sampson's Company and Col. Carlton (or, Cotter's) Regiment – And I marched from Plymouth to the vicinity of Rhode Island – where I remained performing duty in various ways for one month – We were in expectation of going onto the Island and under preparation for this event – but, were prevented by the weather – the enemy was then in possession of the Island.

In the spring of 1777 or 78 – I cannot remember which, I was again drafted to go to New York in the eight months service – but my situation was such that I could not go and hired a man by the name of Hooper – who is now dead, to perform that service as my substitute. He performed the service for eight months for which I paid him one hundred dollars in addition to publish pay.

I was born in Plympton in the County of Plymouth on the second day of January 1755 – and resided there except when in the published service until after the close of the Revolutionary War – I then removed to Abington in said County where I have resided ever since.

I have no documentary evidence to prove any of the services as above stated – and know of no man living except (undecipherable) who can testify to any part of the above services.

And I hereby relinquish all claim to a pension or annuity whatever except the present and declare that my name is not now on the Pension Roll of any agency of any State. I am known to Hon. Aaron Hobart, late member of Congress, Jared Whitman, Esq., James Bates, Esq and other citizens of Abington.

John Chamberlin

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.  
Attest Jacob H. Loud, Register

I Melancthon G. Wheeler a Clergyman residing in the Town of Abington and Minister of the Parish to which the said Chamberlin belongs – and Asaph Dunbar an inhabitant of said Town and neighbor to said Chamberlin do certify that the said Chamberlin has had the reputation among his neighbors of having been a soldier of the Revolutionary War – and in this opinion we fully concur – and from our knowledge of his character we have no doubt that the statement by him given above is just and true.

Melancthon G. Wheeler  
Asaph Dunbar

Plymouth s.s. August 24 1833. Personally appeared the above named Melcancthon G. Wheeler and Asaph Dunbar and made oath to the truth of the above statement by them made. It being my very inconvenient for either of them to appear in open court is the cause of them making oath to the same before a Justice of the Peace.

Before Jared Whitman, Jus. Peace

**AFFIDAVIT OF PATIENCE CHAMBERLIN**  
**April 2, 1839**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Plymouth County s.s.

On the second day of April in the year eighteen hundred and thirty nine personally appeared before the Court of Probate for the County of Plymouth, Patience Chamberlin a resident of Abington in said County of Plymouth, aged eighty two years, who being first sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress, passed July 7<sup>th</sup> 1838 entitled “ An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows”, that she is the widow of John Chamberlin who was a private soldier in the war of the Revolution. That he obtained a pension for his services in the war of the Revolution under the act of Congress passed the 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832. For proof of his services she refers to his declaration and documents connected therewith. She further declares that she was married to the said John Chamberlin on the nineteenth day of February in the year seventeen hundred and seventy eight, that her husband the aforesaid John Chamberlin died on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of September eighteen hundred and thirty four: that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January seventeen hundred and ninety four and at the time above stated.

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Patience X Chamberlin  
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Sworn and subscribe on the day and year above written.  
Willus (sp) Wood, Judge of Probate  
The County of Plymouth

Plymouth s.s. I Jacob H. Loud, Register of Probate for said County do hereby certify that the Hon. Willus Wood is Judge of Probate for said County and that the above is his true signature.

In testimony whereof I have here unto set my hand and the seal of the said County this sixteenth day of April 1839,

Jacob H. Loud

EXTRACT OF MARRIAGE RECORD

“The following twenty two marriages consummated by the Rev. Mr. Howland.

John Chamberlin to Patience Whiting, February nineteenth one thousand seven hundred and seventy eight.”

I certify that the above is a true copy of the Record with the exception of the date, which is expressed on the Record in fair legible figure as follows: February 19, 1778.

Lewis Bradford, Town Clerk of the Town of Plympton in the County of Plymouth and Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

I, Lewis Bradford above name, depose and say that I hold the office of Town Clerk in the Town, County and Commonwealth aforesaid, and that the Town Records of said Town are in my custody, and that the above is a true extract from the Records of said Town of Plympton with the exception above named as certified by me.

Plympton  
March 29, 1839

Lewis Bradford  
Town Clerk of Plympton as above stated.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Plymouth s.s.

March 29, 1839, then the above named Lewis Bradford who is Clerk of the Town of Plympton appeared and made oath that the above deposition by him subscribed is true. I further certify that I believe said Bradford to be a man of truth and a responsible witness.

Before me Wm. H. Soule  
Justice of the Peace

Plymouth s.s

I Jacob H. Loud, Register of Probate for said County do hereby certify that Welcome Young and Willima H. Soule, Esquires are Justices of the Peace in and for said County and that the signature to the annexed papers purporting to be signed by them are true and genuine signatures.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Court of Probate for said County this sixteenth day of April 1839.

Jacob H. Loud