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**PENSION APPLICATION<sup>1</sup> OF  
JOHN<sup>2</sup> AND MARY (CHENEY) CHAMBERLAIN  
WIDOW OF JOSIAH CHAMBERLAIN  
Application No. W 17608**

Windsor, Vermont 1876

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Mary Chamberlain widow of Josiah Chamberlain, decd who died on the 18<sup>th</sup> of April 1819 of Windham Co in the State of Vermont who was a private in the company commanded by Captain Parsons of the Regt commanded by Col. Tupper in the Mass line for 6 months.

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Inscribed on the Roll of Windsor, Vt at the rate of 20 Dollars 00 Cents Per Annum to commence of the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1831.

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Certificate of Pension issued the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 1838 and sent John Phillips, Marlboro, Vt

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Arrears to the 4 <sup>th</sup> of March '38	\$ 140.00
Semiannual allowance ending 4 Sept	<u>10.00</u>
	\$ 150.00

Revolutionary claim  
Act July 4, 1836  
Section the 3<sup>rd</sup>

Recorded D. Davison, Clerk  
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<sup>2</sup> Line of descent: John (5), Josiah (4), Jacob (3), Jacob (2) and William (1). Born 7 February 1750/51, Roxbury, Massachusetts (baptism. 17 February 1751, Dedham, Massachusetts) Died 18 April 1819, Marlboro, Windham, Vermont. Information by James Baldwin Parker.

**AFFIDAVIT OF MARY CHAMBERLAIN**  
**November 10, 1837**

State of Vermont  
Marlboro Probate District s.s.

On this tenth day of November A.D. 1837 personally appeared before the Probate Court for the District of Marlboro aforesaid it being a court of record, Mary Chamberlain of the Town of Marlboro, county of Windham and State of Vermont, aged eighty three years who being duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit provision made by the act of Congress passed July the 4<sup>th</sup> AD 1836 and the act explanatory of said act passed March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1837, that she was married to Josiah Chamberlain then of Petersham in the State of Massachusetts who was afterwards I think in the year 1781 or 1782 he enlisted in the Revolutionary service of the United States for three years, he then lived in New Marlboro, Massachusetts. I think he enlisted into Captain Parson's company who then lived in Brookfield (Mass) into Colonel Tupper's regiment and served in said Revolutionary War until he was regularly discharged. I think he was in the service about two years. I think he enlisted in the spring of the year and returned home in latter part of the winter. I had three children by him when he enlisted, he was stationed for the most part of the time at West Point, he went from there to Washington with the regiment while he was stationed at said West Point he came home once on a furlough. When he was at West Point he had been gone more than a year when he come home on a furlough. Had a regular discharge when he returned from the service. I have frequently seen it but I do not know where it is now. He served as a private during said time. I do not recollect the General he served under. I was married to the said Josiah Chamberlain in the Town of Hudson, Mass and lived in said Hudson about one year when we moved to New Marlboro, Mass where we lived when he enlisted. After my husband returned from the service we lived a number of different places, in 1804 we moved into the Town of Marlboro, Vermont where I have lived ever since and that I have no documentary evidence in support of my claim but refer to the record of Massachusetts which are at Burlington as I have been informed.

I further declare that I was married to the said Josiah Chamberlain on the 19 day of June AD 1777 that my husband the aforesaid Josiah Chamberlain died at said Marlboro, April 18 AD 1819 and that I remained a widow ever since and was a widow on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of July AD 1836 and remain a widow as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed.

Mary Chamberlain

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written, Before me  
Asa (sp), Judge of Probate

**AFFIDAVIT OF EBENEZER CHENEY**  
**November 24, 1837**

I Ebenezer Cheney of Newton in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts do testify (uddecipherable) that Josiah Chamberlain late of Marlborough in the County of Windham, State of Vermont at the time of the revolutionary war resided in the Town of New Marlborough, County of Berkshire and Commonwealth aforesaid, and while resident in said New Marlborough he enlisted as a common soldier in the army of the Revolution for three years being the last three years for which enlistments were made – I believe he served for his years or more and until he was regularly discharged – I have been acquainted with said Chamberlain from the time he commenced his apprenticeship in the Town of Newton, where I reside, at the trade of a carpenter and have always understood and believed that he faithfully discharged his duty as a soldier according to the terms of his enlistment till he was regularly discharged. I further testify that said Chamberlain was married to my sister Mary Cheney then of Newton in the year 1777. I was present at the wedding and that said Mary Cheney, my sister, is the present Mary Chamberlain of Marlborough in the County of Windham and State of Vermont aforesaid, and that she is now the widow of said Josiah Chamberlain and that they lived together till the decease of the said Josiah Chamberlain.

Eben' Cheney

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Middlesex s.s.

November 24, 1837 then the above named Ebenezer Cheney personally appeared and made oath to the fact of the foregoing deposition by subscribed before me

Amos Allen, Justice of the Peace

**ABSTRACT OF MARRIAGE**  
**August 7, 1837**

This may certify that I have examined a list of Marriages solemnized by Revd Jonas Merriam found among the "Records of the Town of Newton and among other I find the following, "1777. June 19<sup>th</sup> – Josiah Chamberlain of Petersham to Mary Cheney of Newton"

The above quotation is a correct copy of Newton Records, hereby certified by the subscriber

Elijah F. Woodward, Town Clerk

Newton 4th August 1837

Middlesex s.s  
Newton, 7<sup>th</sup> August 1837

Then personally appeared the above named Elijah F. Woodward and made oath that the above certificate by him subscribed is true.

Before me Eben' Cheney, Justice of the Peace