

believe in my mind in his High Commission of peace and
under the Doctor's hands in the most complete way con-
sistent for at least 12 months, and by means of which
he is rendered totally incapable of supporting his family con-
sisting of eight or ten small children. That he has
neither the Negro nor land in his own right, and no
means of supporting them, only by his own personal
labour, & industry, which he is unable to pursue long
because of his illness. That in

regularly received the annuities allowed by law, but has
never been able to draw, or receive one farthing before
the passing of the law, in March 1780, or that he might
have been entitled to before that time. Your Petitioner
therefore prays, that your Honourable House would
vouchsafe to direct such payment, or compensation
to be made to him for the affliction & distress which
he suffered by the aforesaid wounds, and to enable him
in this manner, to support his wife & family, with
whom he is by no means able to do, being enfeebled, & wholly
incapable by the said wounds.

And your Petitioner, as in duty bound will pray

Joseph Reed

In the House of Representatives November 26th 1795

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of
Joseph Mead. Report

That they have considered the Allegations therein set forth, and find them to be true, That on considering the Affidavit and Certificate with the Petitioner's discharge which accompanies said Petition it appears that he has suffered much with the Wound he received and is thereby totally disabled from supporting his family by his personal Labour. That he is in very indigent circumstances with a helpless family which he cannot support although he has drawn the Annuity due to him by Law since the year 1786. Your Committee therefore recommend that he be allowed the Arrear of Annuity due by the Resolution of the Legislature of March 1786. And that the Treasurer be directed to pay to the said Joseph Mead twenty six pounds five shillings, it being the arrear of Annuity due to him before the Revolution of

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Resolved

Resolved that this House do agree to the Report

Ordered that the Report and Resolution be sent to
the Senate for their concurrence.

Speaker of the House

John Langford Secy. Clk

The Union of Joseph was humbly thought
that your Father was a resident of this place before
the 1st January 1780 and after the fall of Fort Mifflin
he became a Refugee with Col. Benjamin Clevins
under whose flag he fought at the battle of Red Bank
Mountain and was there wounded by having his
right breast g. 7th Oct. 1780. And from thence he
was conveyed with the wounded to the Quaker
Hospital and lay there under the Doctor's care
a twelve months, Under which Circumstances
your Father's wife, not being able to draw
any support from the public until the year 1780

To the Honourable the Speaker, and Members
of the house of Representatives.

The Petitioner doth ^{humbly} shew

That your Petitioner was a Resident at this date he
for the 1st January 1775 and after the fall of Charle-
ston he became a Refugee with Col. Richardson Charlis
(under the name of Jaught at the battle at Kings Moun-
tain and was there wounded by having his right
breast ^{broken} Oct. 1780 (and from thence he was
conveyed with the wounded to the Turkey Meadows
and lay there under the Soldiers upward of twelve
months, under such circumstances your Petitioner
suffers, not being able to draw any support from
the public untill the year 1786.

Your Petitioner therefore humbly begs leave
to lay his case before your Honourable House,
hoping that you will allow him his annuity
from the time of his being wounded to the year
1786. or grant him such other relief as you in
your Wisdom shall see proper, and your
Petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray &c.

January 5th 1790.

Jeph Reid