Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Solomon Powell and Hancock Chambers VAS254

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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

I certify it appears from a list of such of the names of the seamen of the Virginia State Navy as received Certificates for the balance of their full pay agreeably to the Act of Assembly passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 27th day of April 1785 in the name of Solomon Powell Seaman for £78.13 – which certificate was delivered to Colonel John Cropper

Given under my hand in the Auditor's Office this 8th day of March 1831

S/ Jas. E. Heath, A. P. A. [alter of public accounts

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State of Virginia City of Richmond

The deposition of Scarborough Bloxam1 aged about 77 years who deposeth & saith that he entered on Board the Galley Accomack as a Midshipman – before the Galley was launched and continued in that Capacity until the Galleys Deliverance & Accomac were dismantled and laid up that he was well acquainted with Hancock Chambers and Solomon Powell who were Sailors own Board the Diligence and entered among the first who enlisted & continued in the service until the Galleys were laid up and dismantled and were inhabitants of the County of Accomack & the deponent saith not.

[Paper damaged and signature obliterated]

[date partially obscured] March 1831

S/ J. McKildar [?], JP

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1 Scarborough Bloxsom W5842
To the Governor & Counsell of Virginia

The Heirs of Solomon Powell who was a Q. Master has been allowed Land Bounty as seaman for a Service of three years in the Virginia State Navy (which settles the question of time) it only remains to show his grade of office which will more fully appear by reference to the enclosed List officers duly certified by the the Auditor of the State. As all the rest of the officers of the Galley have been allowed bounty land according to their grade, it is confidently expected that the said Solomon Powel will be allowed the adition between that of a Seaman, and that of a Quarter Master as the accompanying List of Officers furnishes the proof Conclusive

Very Respectfully Submitted/ J. B. White

In Council, 24th March 1831

It is advised that Solomon Powell be allowed Land Bounty for three years service as seaman in the Virginia State Navy if not heretofore allowed [Gov.] John Floyd

Attest/ J. W. Pleasants

A Warrant No. 6871 for 100 acres issued to the heirs of Solomon Powell on the 26th March 1831 & deliv’d to Col Joynes [Levin Joynes BLWt1163-500] Atto[ney] in fact.

A Copy from the Records of the Virginia Land Office

Teste, S. H. Parker Reg. L. Office

We the subscribers hereby acknowledge the receipt of a month pay of John Teackle paymaster to the Diligence & Accomack Galley’s

Richard Parker. Lieut [R81]
Laben Bailey. Master [Laban Bayly R1]
Thos. Parker. Midshipman [Thomas Parker]
Jacobus White. Carpenter
Leavin Bird. Pilot
Thomas Lowell. Steward Clerk[?]
Jacob Philips. Boatswain [Jacob Phillips VAS177]
James Rolley. Guner mate
Sathel Simpson. Master att arms [Salathiel Simpson]
Addam Romas. Carpenters M’t [Mate] [Adam Romas]
Solomon Powell. Qu’r Master
Simon Stevens. Cook
Wm Phillips. Seaman [William Phillips VAS180]
Southey Bailey. d’o [VAS933]
Levi Annis. d’o [W5624]
John Hornsby. d’o [VAS1612]
Tyrer Hammons. d’o
James Roberts. d’o
Isaac Fisher. d’o [VAS1986]

This is to certify, that the foregoing is a true copy of a paper, to be found in the first Volume of “Papers concerning the State Navy” on file in this office, Division G. No. 4. Given under my hand in the Auditors office Richmond Virginia, the 22d December 1851 Ro Johnston/ First Auditor
Dec’r 27th 1851. Advised to be rejected

Allowed as Q M in the S Navy for a service of 3 years deducting what may have been heretofore granted

J B Floyd [Gov. John B. Floyd]