## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

## Bounty Land Warrant information relating to John Pitt VAS207 Transcribed by Will Graves

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## [From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

Auditor's Office Richmond 21 June 1821 Sir

In answer to the inquiry contained in your letter to Doctor George Scherer [?] of where the records of the revolutionary war are I have to state that shortly after the close of the war all the papers that had been deposited in this office relative thereto were sent to Washington and destroyed by the burning of the War & Hill I think in the year 1807

There is in this Office a book containing imperfect list of such of the Officers and soldiers of the revolutionary war as received Certificates for the balance of their full pay agreeably to and Act of Assembly passed 1781. On reference to which it will appear that the following Certificates issued –

William Underhill Captain Navy – received by Colonel Cropper on 19 April 1785 for £250.3.8					
Johan Watson	[?] do	do	himself	do	250.3.8
John Harriss	Lt.	do	Col. Cropper		145.6.0
John Pitt	Surgeon	do	do		70.16.6

There is Deposited in the War [indecipherable word] at Washington a Copy of the book from which the above memorandum was taken – possibly they may be enabled to give you some further information than above is how of our all the information that can be furnished from this Department

I am Respectfully &c S/ Fre: M. Allen

## Accomack County to wit

I Thomas Cropper aged 68 do hereby certify and declare that I was very well acquainted with John Pitt deceased late a Surgeon on board the "Accomack" armed vessel belonging to the Virginia State Navy during the war of the Revolution – the said John Pitt & myself were raised in the same neighborhood, and from my own knowledge and distinct recollection, I certify that he was a surgeon on board the said vessel from the time she was first put in service until the time of his death which happened in the year 1779 – Given under my hand this 29<sup>th</sup> day of December 1830

S/ Thomas Cropper