Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to George Brown VAS2693 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[The following are from bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

To The Honerable Littleton Waller Tazwell [sic: Tazewell]/ Governor of Virginia The memorial of Joshua G. Brown of North Carrolina Worner Brown James Brown and Bengamin Brown of the County of Mathews & state of virginia Nancy Brown Guardian for George Brown and Robert Brown of the County of Mathews and State of Virginia.

Your memoralists humbly petitioning State that the said Joshua G. Brown resides in North Carrolina and said Worner Brown James Brown and Bengamin Brown Resides in Mathews County Virginia and said Nancy Brown Guardian for George Brown and Robert Brown resides in Mathews County virginia that the said Joshua G Brown is the son of George Brown and said Worner Brown James Brown Bengamin Brown George Brown and Robert Brown is the children of George Brown the son of said George Brown that they are his only heirs that they Claim to be entitled to Bounty Land in right of the said George that said George Brown was a resident of Kingston Parrish then a part of Gloucester County virginia that during the Revolutionary War in the year 1776 or 77 he enterd the state service in the navy of virginia that he enlisted on board the Galley Henry under Capt Robert Tompkins [R102] in the Capacity of a midshipman untill 1778 and afterwards under Capt Thomas Lilley [sic: Thomas Lilly VAS923] on board the Gloucester Galley and served in the same Capacity untill the end of the war or as long as the Navy was in service as your memorialists are informed and verily believe.

Your memorialists verily believe that George Brown never received the Land Bounty to which he was entitled and pray that their Claim to the same may be inquied into by your Honer. In testimoney of the foregoing facts they have hereunto subscribed their names this 1st day of April 1835

[signed] Nancy Brown/ James Brown/ Warner Brown/ Benjamin Brown

I Matthias Gayle [S16818] of the County of Mathews and state of Virginia do hereby certify and declare that I was well acquainted with George Brown formaly of that part of Gloucester County Caled Kingston parrish now constituting mathew County he the said George Brown enlisted on board the Galley Henry under Capt Robert Tompkins in 1776 or 77 in the Capacity of midshipman and served in said vessel until 78 and was removed to the Gloucester Galley under Capt Thomas Lilley and Continued in the virginia Navy three years as witness my hand and seal this 15th day of May 1835 witness [two illegible signatures]

I Isaac Smith [S11427] of the County of mathews and state of Virginia do hereby certify and declare that I was well acquainted with George Brown formaly of that part of Gloucester County Caled Kingston parrish now constituting mathews County he the said George Brown enlisted on board the galley Henry in 1776 or 1777 under Capt Robert Tompkins in the Capacity of Midshipman and served in said vessel until 1778 and afterwards on board the Gloucester Galley under Cap Lilley and Continued in the virginia Navy three years as witness my hand and seal this 15th day of may 1835

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Witness John N. Sale Jno Borum Junr Wednesday 10th September 1777.

Ordered that the Publick Stores deliver to George Brown One hundred Gun flints and two hundred and fifty pump locks for the use of the Henry Galley. From page 282.

Wednesday the 8th day of July 1778.

Ordered that the Keeper of the Public Store deliver to George Brown and Richard Epperson Midshipmen on board the Gloster each four Shirts, one hat, a suit of Cloaths, a pair of shoes and two pair of trowsers on their paying for the same.

From page 424.

Thursday the 3rd day of September 1778.

Ordered that the Keeper of the Public Store deliver Mr. George Brown two Waistcoats, two pair of Stockings and one pair of Shoes on his paying for the same. From page 462

The forgoing are truly extracted from the Naval Journal./ Jas. E Heath/ Aud Office May 22 1835