Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Thomas Cotten (Cotton) SC1583 Audited Account Microfilm file No. 1507

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[No.] 405 [Book] W

No. 51

18 August 1780 for

Pass for £24.14.3 1/4

Mr. Thomas Cotton [sic] his Account of Duty as Private in ye Militia Since the reduction of Charles Town [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780]; also for a Horse for Militia use in 1779, the whole Amounting to

[old South Carolina] Currency

Stg. [Sterling]

£29.14.3 1/4

"£35 old Currency included above, for a Horse, not certified["]

Ex^d. W.R. [Examined by W. R. [identity unknown]]

J. M^c. A.G. [approved by] John McCall, Adjutant General]

Received 18th August 1785 full Satisfaction for the Amount of the Within Account passed in an Indent No. 405 – W per Order

S/ Arthur Simkins

Pass for 24 Pounds 14/3 1/4 in [indecipherable word or abbreviation] S/RL £24.14.3 1/4

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State So Carolina

To Thomas Cotton [sic]

for Duty per Colonel Anderson's [Robert Anderson's] Return [not extant]

£173

a Horse per Account Audited

Currency

Voltus Junking,

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Stg. £29.14.3 ¹/₄

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Ninety Six District January 13th, 1786

Gentlemen,

Please Deliver to Arthur Simkins Esquire the Indents Due me by the Public of South Carolina also the Indents due to my son Samuel Cotton [sic] for which I delivered an attested order into the Auditor General's office, and Endorsed off my Indent the bounty to pay for 570 Acres Land in My own Name

To Peter Bocquet & James Mitchell

Esquires Commissioners of the Treasury

S/Thomas Cotton

Edgefield County} Thomas Cotton [sic] of Said County Came before me and Made Oath that he Never Gave any other order but the Above for his Indents, which he Assigned before me. Sworn this 13th January 1786

S/Wm Anderson, JP

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This Day came before me Thomas Cotton [sic] & made Oath that he had Horse Entered into the Service by Order of Major Hugh Middleton & that the said Horse was Lost on the said Expedition & that he Never Received the horse nor Any thing in consideration for the said Horse & that the appraisement was Lodged with Captain Benjamin Hatcher & the said appraisement was Lost – the Horse was Entered by order of Major Middleton on the 3rd day of December 1779 & done at the Two Sisters – Sworn to before me this 16th Day of June 1788 S/ Solomon Pope, JP

S/ Thomas Cotton

Van Swearinham [sic] & Joel McClendal [sic] being Duly Sworn says that he was well Acquainted with the Above Mentioned Horse the property of Thomas Cotton [sic] & that they believe him to be of the Value of 35 Pounds Currency. Sworn to before me this 16th day of June 1780 a

S/ Solomon Pope, JP

S/ Vann Swearingen S/ Joel McClondon