

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Lowell VAS985

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[From [rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

This is to certify, that it appears from a list in this office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia __ Line as settled their accounts and received certificates for the balance of their full pay, according to an act of assembly, passed the November session 1781, directing the Auditors of Public Accounts to settle and adjust the pay and accounts of said Officers and Soldiers from the first January 1777 to 31st December 1781, (see Hening's Statutes at Large, vol. 10, p. 462,) that a settlement was made on the day of 28th in the name of April 1784 as Thomas Lowell as Steward and evidence of the indebtedness of the State to him was £111.17.2, delivered to Colonel Cropper but as the original settlements or copies thereof or not to be found in this office, the term of service embraced therein cannot be stated.

Given under my hand at the First Auditor's Office, Richmond, this
20 December 1851.

S/ Ro Johnston
First Auditor

[No Seal of Office]

To the Governor & Council of Virginia

The Heirs of Thomas Lowell who was a Steward on board the *Diligence* Galley in the Virginia State Navy as will fully appear by the list of officers and his settlement with the State Auditor after the War was over and here with enclosed duly certified by the Auditor.

Respectfully claim the Bounty land for his services do said Grade of Officer for a service of three years as you will find he received £111.17.2 delivered to Colonel Cropper who served throughout the Revolutionary War

Vy Respectfully
S/ J. B. White, Attorney
December 27, 1851

[Note: Page 4 of this file contains what appears to be a list of the officers who served aboard the Galleys *Diligence*¹ & *Accomack* during the revolutionary war but the quality of the image as posted online renders it substantially illegible so I have not attempted to transcribe it. The list does appear to contain the name of Thomas Lowel [sic] as Steward, Clerk.]

¹ *Diligence*. Coggins:102, VANavy:157, ND8:1046, ND9:853, row galley of the VA Navy, Capt Johannes Watson, from May 1777 to 1780. Selby:255, Jefferson hoped to make the galley serviceable for the Chesapeake Eastern Shore in 1780. <http://www.awiatsea.com/Other/Hough%20List%20C-D.html>