

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Petitioner relating to Kingston (a Negro slave) VAS2058

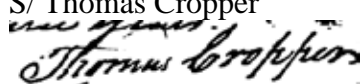
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[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)] under the name Juniper Marshall

The deposition of Thomas Cropper aged about sixty-eight years being sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God deposes and sayeth that during the revolutionary War he lived in the neighborhood of Chincoteague in the County of Accomack. This deponent was well acquainted with Captain William Underhill who commanded a Galley called the *Accomack* stationed at Chincoteague. This deponent was also well acquainted with Jenifer Marshall who was an officer on board said Galley either a sailing Master or Lieutenant which of the two offices this deponent is not positive Jenifer Marshall filled – This deponent was also well acquainted with a black man named Kingston who were longing to Jenifer Marshall aforesaid & this deponent thinks that Kingston served as a hand on board said Galley. This deponent thinks that there is little doubt but that Jenifer Marshall & his men Kingston both served on board the said Galley fully 3 years. Given under my hand September 2nd 1830

S/ Thomas Cropper


I certify that it does not appear from the Records of this office that a Military Land Bounty Warrant ever issued to Juniper Marshall –
Land Office September 23rd 1830 W. Selden, R. L.

State of Virginia Accomack SS

Be it remembered that William Welburn¹ of Accomack aged about sixty-eight years this day personally appeared before me David Watts a Justice of the Peace for said County and made oath on the Holy Evangelist that during the Revolutionary War he resided in Chincoteague in said County where the Galley called the *Accomack* belonged to the Navy of the State of Virginia and commanded by Captain William Underhill was usually stationed. The deponent was frequently on board said Vessel and was acquainted with her crew of Officers & men and was well acquainted with Juniper Marshall of Accomack who was sailing Master of said Galley, the whole of the time of the knowledge of the deponent in relation to her. The deponent also sayeth that the said Juniper Marshall had with him during said time his Negro man Kingston, who served as one of the foremost hands on board said Galley. The deponent cannot speak with

¹ Probably the same man as [William Welburn S7856](#)

certainty of the length of time. The deponent knows the said Juniper Marshall & his Negro man Kingston to be engaged on board said Galley from the time the said Galley was built until she was finally dismantled & laid up near the close of the revolutionary War & the deponent thinks the period was three years

S/ Wm Welburn

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wm Welburn". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ Wm Welburn".