

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Thomas Powell VAS258

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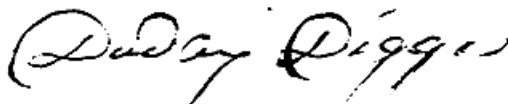
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[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

I do hereby Certify that Doctor Thomas Powell acted as Surgeon in the war of the revolution, a short time at Yorktown in the latter part 1776 he moved to Fredericksburg where he continued to act as Surgeon in the Army to the end of the war. Given under my hand this 12th day of September 1833

Teste: S/ Wm T. Mallory

S/ Dudley Digges¹



[Charles Y Kimbrough gave testimony on December 16, 1832 that the testimony of Captain Digges is entitled to credit; that he is understood to have been an officer of the revolutionary war.]

I William Stroud² aged 81 years do hereby certify that I was acquainted with Doctor Thomas Powell who was formally of York County his native place, and know that he enlisted early in the war (I believe in 1776) in the State service as a Surgeon or doctor and continued in service for some length of time, I am under the impression until the close of the war. I have no recollection what became of him after the war. I have heard that he moved and settled himself in some one of the upper counties of this State

S/ Wm Stroud



Frederick B Powell a citizen of Virginia and an inhabitant of Henrico County being first duly sworn according to law says that he is now in his 71st year, that he was born and bred the early part of his life in Williamsburg, that during the Revolutionary War, he was employed in the capacity of messenger and that he carried Dispatches, Letters &c from Gloucester County to Williamsburg and to other Posts, and from his employment and constant occupation in this character he became well acquainted with the Army: That among others who he was acquainted with, he well knew and remembers Thomas Powell who was a Doctor or Surgeon in the Army, that he lived in York Town at one period, & in Williamsburg and that he removes he thinks to Fredericksburg where he was some time, and that he does not know where he removed to from

¹ [Dudley Digges S8328](#)

² [William Stroud S6166](#)

thence, but that he was in constant habit of meeting with him until the war ended, that he served to the end of the war he feels confident, for he does not think he ever retired from the service.

S/ Frederick B Powell

To his Excellency the Governor &c of Virginia

The heirs of Doctor Thomas Powell pray an allowance of Bounty Land for his services from the year 1776 to the end of the War. They filed in support of their claim

1st The deposition of Cornet Dudley Digges of Louisa, a Revolutionary Officer of high standing, who states that he served from 1776 to the end of the War: By reference to Vol. 3 of documents lately bound by order of the Executive, it will be seen that Dudley Digges & Doctor Thomas Powell were both in service at Fredericksburg in 1780. This evidence coming from a gentleman of Mr. Digges standing it is hoped will be satisfactory, and especially as Mr. Digges served with him in the latter part of the War.

2nd. The deposition of William Stroud of Williamsburg who corroborates Cornet Digges' statement, substantially. The character of Mister Stroud is well supported, both by the Justice, and by John M Gregory Esquire of Williamsburg.

3rd. The deposition of F B Powell of this County who also corroborates the statements of Mr. Digges; and strong circumstances showing how he was acquainted with Doctor Powell's service. The credibility of Mr. Powell (who is disinterested) is well attested by the Justice; and he is well known in Richmond as a Gentleman of character.

4th. Sundry references to the records showing that he was in service in 1780 –

The strong & concurring testimony it is hoped well be entirely satisfactory
respectfully submitted

[this document is unsigned but probably was drafted and appears to be in the hand writing of John H Smith, Commissioner for reviewing claims and submitting a recommendation to the Governor and the Council of Virginia]