

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Thomas Cray VAS3178
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[The following are from [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia](#) in three files. The file also contains what appears to be a petition by John Cray dated 2 January 1837 that is not legible enough for transcription.]

State of Virginia } to wit:
County of Mathews } [9 Sep 1832]

Personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for the foregoing County John Morgan [S5777] of the said County and State and made oath that Thomas Cray of that part of Gloucester County called Kingston Parish now constituting Mathews County, did enlist in the service of the United States about 7th February 1776, that he enlisted under Charles Tompkies [sic: Charles Tomkies W6304], that Tompkies did not go out to the North, that Thos Cray went out under Rheuben Lipscomb [sic: Reuben Lipscomb VAS950], that Lipscomb resigned his Commission during the year and he was then put under Henry Young [BLWt2466-300], that Thos Cray did serve his time of enlistment at the north and this witness understood that he did not return until Cornwallice came to York [sic: Cornwallis to Yorktown VA, 1 Aug 1781]



I William Diggs [William Digges S8327] of the County of Mathews & state of Virginia do hereby certify and declare that I was well acquainted with Thomas Cray formerly of that part of Gloucester County called Kingston parish now constituting Mathews County & the said Thomas Cray did enlist under Captain Charles Tompkins in the Continental line in the year seventeen hundred and seventy six or seventeen hundred and seventy seven and marched from the County and did not return untill the end of the war. As witness my hand & seal this the fifth day of March A.D. one thousand eight hundred and thirty four



This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War, 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, that a Certificate issued on the 20th day of Decem'r 1786, in the name of Thomas Cray as a Soldier of Infantry for £19.6.8, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to Wm. Reynolds and was given for services prior to the 1st January, 1782.

Given under my hand at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 14th day of March 1834.
Jas E. Heath AUDITOR.

To the Honorable Littleton Waller Tazwell [sic: Littleton waller Tazewell]/ Governor of Virginia
The Memorial of Edward Jarvis Thomas Jarvis Maria Jarvis Alec Jarvis Elizabeth Jarvis of the county of Gloucester and State of Virginia James Jarvis Alexander Cray John Cray Lydia Cray now Lydia Bussell[?] Francis Williams and John Williams of the County of Mathews and state of Virginia George Bailey Mary Bailey and Fanny Bailey of Norfolk Virginia that they are the heirs and only heirs of Thomas Cray that they claim to be entitled to Bouny Land in right of said Thomas Cray that said Thomas Cray was a resident of Kingston parrish then a Part of gloucester now constituting Mathews County that during

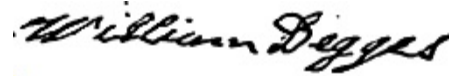
the Revolutionary War in the year 1776 or 1777 he enlisted under Captain Charles Tompkins as a soldier in the Countanental Line and served untill the end of the war as we all ways under stood and believed.

Your memorialists verly believed that Thomas Cray never received the Land Bounty to which he was entitled and pray that their claim to the same may be [undeciphered word] into by your Honour. In testimoney of the foregoing & all they have hereunto subscribed their names this the 16th day of July 1835

John Cray	Elaxanddar Cray	Francis Williams	James Jarvis
Elizabeth herXmark Jarvis	Alec hisXmark Jarvis	Maria herXmark Jarvis	
Edward hisXmark Jarvis	John hisXmark Williams	Thomas hisXmark Jarvis	

The deposition of William Diggs who says he is 7[?] years of age. William Diggs was well acquainted with Thomas Cray formerly of that part of gloucester County caled Kingston parrish now constituting Mathews County the said Thomas Cray enlisted under Captain Charles Tompkies in the year 1776 or 77 in the Countanantal Line and marched from this County to the north and served untill the end of the War given under my hand and sea this 21st day of July in the year 1835

William Digges



Rejected March 23 1840 DC [Gov. David Campbell]

The Deposition of Matthias Gayle sen'r [S16818] taken before Wm M. Brownly a Justice of the peace in and for Mathews County in the state of Virginia the 24th day of July 1835.

The deponent saith that he is seventy four years of age, that he was well acquainted with Thomas Cray formerly of that part of Gloucester County called Kingston Parish (now constituting Mathews County that s'd Thomas Cray enlisted (he thinks) under Capt Charles Tompkins in the year 1775 in the continental line as a soldier and marrched from this County to the North; that he has frequently heard the said Thomas Cray (after his return) talk of several engagements in which he fought, to Wit that of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] [undeciphered word] me, that s'd Cray told him that he served under General Washington while to the North and further that s'd Thomas Cray did not return untill the end of the War. Witness/ Tillidge Vaughan [?]

