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Bounty Land Warrant information relating to William Lowrie (Lowrey, Lowry) VAS986 [vsl 7VA](#)

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

Land Office Virginia

I certify that a Land Warrant No. 3285 for one hundred acres in favor of William Lowry of the State Navy issued from this Office bearing date the first July 1784, and that no other Warrant has been issued for the service of the said William Lowry. As witness my hand this 15th December 1830

S/ W. Selden, R. L. C.

The deposition of William Lowry [sic] of Northumberland County Virginia taken before William Hudnall a Justice of the peace for the aforesaid County

The deponent saith that sometime about 1778 or 1779 that he enlisted under Captain John Thomas in the Virginia state Navy that he entered the Galley *Protector* commanded by the said Thomas where he continued about six weeks: he was then transferred to the Ship *Dragon*¹ where he continued as a Seaman about two years, he was then transferred to the brig *Jefferson*² and continued on board in the same capacity until she was burnt by the British at Chickahominy Ship yard; that he was then transferred to the land service in which he continued until the defeat of Cornwallis at which he anticipated he was afterwards transferred to the lookout boat called the *Liberty*³ commanded by James Banks of Hampton & continued until the close of the War. The

¹ Ken Kellow has a wonderful article on the *Dragon* posted at <http://www.awiatsea.com/sn/va/Dragon%20Virginia%20Navy%20Ship-Galley%20Callender%20Markham%20Singleton%20Travis%20Chandler%20Joel.html>

² *Jefferson*. Coggins:102, Paullin:407, 411, Dandridge:186, brig in VA Navy, 14 guns, Capt Richard Barron, 1779, sent to Chesapeake Bay, May 1780. VANavy:154, 174, Davies XX:143, Capt Willis Wilson? sank it near Jamestown in Jan 1781. GMB:35, mentioned as repairable in May 1781 for defense of Hampton, VA. Silverstone:20, VA brig. <http://www.awiatsea.com/Other/Hough%20List%20J-K.html>

³ Ken Kellow lists several boats by this name as being in the service of Virginia during the Revolution:

1. Liberty. Coggins:102, ND4:672, ND5:1298, ND6:245, 728, 1227, 1409, ND7:994, brig in VA Navy, 1776, Capt George Goosley, and Capt Thomas Lilly, brig remained in commission until 1787. ND9:210, ND10:728, 917, in 1777 Capt Thomas Herbert. VANavy:154, it captured British ship *Jane*, armed vessel *Ida and Ann*, ship *Portland*, and vessel from Ireland *Liberty*. Coggins:100, VANavy:163, ND7:850, 1053, sloop in VA Navy, 1776-77, Capts Walter Brooke and William Ivey. It captured the British vessels, *Lark*, *Oliver*, *Susannah*, and the sloop *Speedwell*. The *Liberty* was re-rigged as the schooner *Hornet*. C34. Silverstone:20. Coggins:102

2. Liberty. ND5:1051, ND6:1479, ND7:1196, ND8:1016, VANavy:152, boat, sometimes schooner-rigged, Capt James Barron, which captured in 1776 the British troop transport *Oxford* and the British sloop *Dorothy*, and in 1779

deponent further saith that he at first enlisted for three years, at the expiration of which he enlisted for the war; that he served 18 months over three years, & was honorably discharged which discharge has been lost. Given under my hand 16th of October 1830.

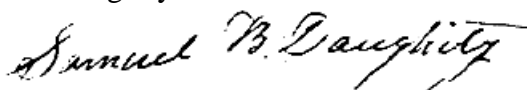
S/ William Lowrie, X his mark

Northumberland County Virginia

The deposition of Samuel B Daughity of lawful age taken before Thomas H Harvey a Justice of the peace for the aforesaid County

The deponent saith that he is the son of James Daughity deceased who was a Lieutenant in the Virginia State Navy of the revolution, & that he has frequently heard his father say that William Lowrie served under him as a private in the Virginia Navy in the revolutionary War. Given under my hand November 8, 1830

S/ Samuel B. Daughity



The deponent saith that William Newby, John Mahorn & George Mahorn were also on board the said Galley *Protector* as Marines on board the said Vessel, & were transferred to the ship *Dragon* at the same time that Midshipman Eskridge & others were, when they continued to act as Marines until they were discharged at the expiration of their enlistment, which was for three years at which time they were honorably discharged.

The deponent further saith that he does not know of a single individual alive who served with him or either of the above named individuals. Given under my hand October 16th 1830

S/ William Lowrie, X his mark

The deposition of William Lowry of Northumberland County Virginia taken before William Hudnall & Jos. C. Edwards Justices of the peace for the above County to be laid before the Executive Council of Virginia

the British tender *Fortunatus*. Coggins:102, ND10:40, 325, 628, ND11:1171n, armed boat in VA Navy, Capt James Barron, 1776, 1777. Dandridge:186 shows a schooner. ND5:758, C305, one *Liberty* Capt was Richard Taylor, VA Navy, Mar 1776. C198, another *Liberty* Capt was Alexander Masinburg/Massenburg of VA, Jul 1776. Eller:201, sold in 1789. Possibly Paullin:518, served 1776-1777.

3. Liberty. Dandridge:186, sloop in VA Navy. Eller:173, this may have been the sloop purchased in 1776 for Potomac defense. C165, Capt Aaron Jeffries, Nov 1776. Eller:201, disposition unknown.

4. Liberty. Appeals Case 105, FordXII:1087-1089, VA schooner, Capt Middleton Belt, owner John Harper & Company, was captured in June 1779 by a VA Tory Goodrich privateer, but Capt Belt ran the schooner aground in Currituck Co, NC, where it was captured by local NC militiamen and subsequently looted by local persons while under guard of the militia.

5. Liberty. M880:3, Eller:180, 184, 196, VA/MD schooner, Capt Brumagham, moving supplies on the Chesapeake during Yorktown, Oct, 1781.

6. Liberty. VANavy:167, NR:373, LCP:152/153, VA LM privateer whaleboat, 1 swivel gun, 20 musketmen, Capt John Young, Apr 1781. RM8:361, this may be the vessel to remain in the Virginia Navy in June 1783. Paullin:416, retained as revenue cutter in 1783.

7. Liberty. ND1:410, Eller:174, 181, 184, ship, Capt Outram, loaded in York River with tobacco from VA merchants to go to Europe, 1775, later purchased for defense of the York River, Capt Thomas Lilly. ND4:204, 569, 672, ND6:1409, VA cruizer for York River, Capts George Goosley, Thomas Lilly, active in 1776. Eller:201, disposition unknown. Eller shows a sloop, a schooner, and a brig, all named *Liberty*, in the VA Navy, plus the sloop re-rigged as a schooner and named *Hornet*. There is one extra vessel below. Silverstone:20.

<http://www.awiatsea.com/Other/Hough%20List%20L.html>

The deponent saith that sometime about 1778 or 1779 that he enlisted under Captain John Thomas in the Virginia Navy. That he entered the Galley *Protector* commanded by said Thomas, immediately after his enlistment, he saw on board the said *Protector* Lieutenant James Daughity who was the first Lieutenant on board the said Vessel *Protector*. That the said Daughity served three years in the State Navy as first Lieutenant before he was discharged from the service at which time he was honorably discharged.

The deponent saith that Edwin Eskridge⁴ was on board the above said Galley *Protector* as midshipman on board the said vessel & that in a short time he was transferred to the ship *Dragon* commanded by John Calender [sic, the *Dragon* was commanded by Capt. Eleazer Callender] where he continued to act as midshipman until his time of enlistment expired which was three years at which time he was honorably discharged.

The deponent saith that William Hughes was on board the said Galley *Protector* at the time of his going on board the said Vessel where he acted as gunner on board said vessel. That he was transferred to the ship *Dragon* at the same time that Midshipman Eskridge was, where he continued to act as gunner until the period of his enlistment expired, which was for three years, at which time he was honorably discharged.

The deponent saith that John Flynt was also on board the said Galley *Protector* at the time of his entering on board of her as a Marine that he was transferred with midshipman Eskridge & others to the Ship *Dragon* where he continued to serve as a Marine until the term of his enlistment expired which was for three years at which time he was honorably.
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⁴ VAS3521; [VAS367 Presley Neal \(Neil\) & R98 John Swope \(Swoope\)](http://www.awiatsea.com/sn/va/Dragon%20Virginia%20Navy%20Ship-Galley%20Callender%20Markham%20Singleton%20Travis%20Chandler%20Joel.html): but see, <http://www.awiatsea.com/sn/va/Dragon%20Virginia%20Navy%20Ship-Galley%20Callender%20Markham%20Singleton%20Travis%20Chandler%20Joel.html> ; [R60 Theophilus Field; S5766 Thomas Mitchell](#) and [S7352 Joseph Ranger](#) where he is listed as Edward Eskridge.