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Pension Application of Jesse Cannon R19

VA Sea Service/ Half Pay

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Navy Journal.

Thursday October 16th 1777.

Johannes Watson is recommended to his Excellency the Governor & the Hon'ble the Council as a proper person to be appointed to the Command of the Deligence [sic: Diligence] Galley, Richard Parker [pension application R81] first Lieutenant & Jesse Cannon second Lieut of the said Galley. from page 300.

Thursday 31st day of December 1778

[Or]dered, that Mr Deforest deliver Lieutenant Cannon [edge of page]ur barrels of Bread for the Deligence Galley. from page 523.

Extracts from the Navy Journal.

Jas E Heath/ Aud[itor's] Off[ice]: Mar. 28, 1834

Tuesday the 8th day of June 1779.

Ordered that Mr. Ro Boush [Robert Boush] deliver Lieutenant Cannon for the Crew of the Deligence Galley the following Articles &c &c

from page 50 Extract from Naval Journal Bound in parchment.

Jas E Heath aud/ aud off: Mar. 28 1834

Friday the 17th day of December 1779

Ordered that a Warrant issue to Lieutenant Jesse Cannon for three hundred pounds on account, to furnish necessaries for the Accomack & Deligence, ordered to be stationed on the Eastern Shore. Extracted from papers concerning the Army of the Revolution Vo. 1st.

Jas E Heath/ aud/ Aud Off: Mar 28, 1834

Pension Office

Dec. 12th 1836

I certify that from an examination of the claim of the Heirs of the late Jesse Cannon, deceased, I am satisfied that he was a Lieutenant in the Navy of the State of Virginia; that he served as such until the reduction of said Navy in 1781; that he perished at sea, about the year 1792; that the case is embraced by the provisions of the act of July 5, 1832, entitled "an act to provide for the liquidating and paying certain claims of the State of Virginia:" that the claim should therefore be allowed at the rate of one hundred and eighty two dollars and fifty cents per annum from the twenty second of April seventeen hundred and eighty three, when the war terminated, to the first of January seventeen hundred and ninety one; and that the amount should be paid to the administrator, James Polk, of Princess Ann [sic: Princess Anne], Somerset County, Maryland.

[A letter from the Pension Office dated 13 Jan 1837 explains that the words "perished at sea" in the preceding were in error and should be replaced by the word "died."]

[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

[The following two documents are transcribed from legible copies in the federal pension application.]

State of Virginia

City of Richmond Ss.

The Deposition of Scarborough Bloxom [Scarborough Bloxsom, W5842], aged about seventy seven years; who deposeth and saith that he enlisted on board the Galley Accomack as a midshipman before the Galley was launched, and continued in that capacity until orders were received to dismantle and

lay up the Accomack and Diligence; that he was well acquainted with Jesse Cannon, who was second Lieutenant on board the Diligence, that he enlisted on board the Diligence when she first went into service, and continued in that capacity until the Diligence was ordered to be laid up and dismantled, and he received his discharge, and further this Deponent saith not.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the 8th day of March 1831.

Scarborough Bloxom

State of Virginia
City of Richmond Ss

The deposition of Scarborough Bloxom, aged about seventy seven years, who deposeseth and saith, that he enlisted on board the Accomack Galley as a Midshipman, before the Galley was launched, and continued in that capacity until orders were received to dismantle and lay up the Accomack and Diligence: That he was well acquainted with Luke Cannon, who was a Midshipman on board the Diligence; that he enlisted on board when the Diligence first went into service, and continued in that capacity until the Diligence was ordered to be laid up and dismantled. And further this Deponent saith not. Scarborough Bloxom

Sworn to and subscribed to before me the 8th day of March 1831.

Scarborough Bloxom

Auditor's Office, March 14, 1832

Jesse Cannon, a Lieutenant in the State Navy, rec'd. on the 13th Oct. 1783 a certificate for the balance of his full pay or depreciation amounting to £140.2.7; and on the 27th April 1785, he received another certificate for £268.12.0, which was delivered to Col Cropper [John Cropper, W3781].

Luke Cannon, a Midshipman, received on the 27th April 1785, a certificate for £41.6.6, for the balance of his full pay as Midshipman in the State Navy; which said certificate was delivered to Col. Cropper. There was another Luke Cannon [pension application S46373], a Lieut. and Quarter Master in the Continental Line, who received a certificate delivered to himself. Jas. E. Heath

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