

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jesse Power (Powers) S35030

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District of Maryland Saint Mary's County to wit –

On this 12th day of May 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Associate Judges of the first Judicial District of Maryland personally appeared Jessie Powers aged about 57 years a resident of Saint Mary's County Maryland who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval Service of the United States in the revolutionary war.[]" That he the said Jesse Powers enlisted in Charles County Maryland in the Company commanded by Capt. John Mitchell of the Maryland line in August 1780 for three years; was marched to Annapolis and was placed under the command of Capt. Alexander Trueman of Col. Adams' [Peter Adams'] Regiment also of the Maryland line. That he continued to serve in the said Corps or in the service of the United States until the __ month in the year 1783 when he was discharged from service at Frederick Town Maryland by Capt. Gaither [Henry Gaither]. That he was in the battle of the Siege of York – was on board the Sloop *Porpus* [*Porpoise*?]¹ in her fight down the Chesapeake Bay under the immediate command of Capt. Revellee [Francis Reveley?] acting as Marine Officer – and was wounded in the knee – that after the Siege of York he marched to Charles Town in South Carolina. And that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support – and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said Services. Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid

S/ J. R. Plater

¹ The following record from the "Naval Records of the American Revolution, 1775-1788" MAY relate to this vessel:

1781 **Porpoise. Maryland sloop. Guns: 10. Crew: 18.**
Jan. 1 Bond: \$20,000. Master: William Weems. 1st mate: John Mullikin, Baltimore. 2d mate: James Houston.
Bonders: William Weems [Baltimore, Md.]. Charles Wallace, Annapolis [Md.].
Owners: John Davidson, Charles Wallace [Annapolis]. Stephen Steward, Baltimore. Robert Morris [Philadelphia], Pa.
Witness: None.

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<https://books.google.com/books?id=8qJLAAAAYAAJ&pg=PA419&lpg=PA419&dq=Sloop+Porpoise+Maryland&source=bl&ots=f5M4o8U7xW&sig=W2ctPKP5i-3mKRxkD1N6qPeRupg&hl=en&sa=X&ei=eifNVISNAoecNpTygJAE&ved=0CCgO6AEwAg#v=onepage&q=Sloop%20Porpoise%20Maryland&f=false> [viewed 1/31/15]

State of Maryland, First Judicial District viz.

On this 11th day of August 1820 Jesse Power personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record having unlimited original Jurisdiction with authority to fine & in prison for the said Judicial District, Jesse Power aged about 59 years and a resident of St. Mary's County one of the Counties that is included in said district who being 1st duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows he enlisted August 1780 in Capt. John Mitchell's Company of the 1st Maryland Regiment and in 1783 he was discharged at Frederick Town Maryland, he was at the siege of York, that he made his 1st application for a pension from the United States on the 12th of May 1818 and the number of his pension certificate is 7678. – And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled “an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war” passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed. His family is a wife about 35 years old – 3 children all females one 21, one 18, and 10 years old.

A Schedule of my property my necessary bedding & clothing excepted viz.: 2 mares one six & one fifteen years old, 2 Colts, one three months, the other one one year – two months, 5 head of horned cattle, one [indecipherable word]² pigs, 3 shoats, one cart, 3 pots, 5 pewter basons, 1 dozen pewter spoons, 1 dozen earthen plates, 2 ploughs, 2 axes, 1 pair of wedges, 2 tables, one chest, one trunk, 3 boxes, four old barrels, 6 hoes, spider, pan & pot & Tea Kettle. I received as a pension from the State of Maryland \$40 a year.

I am indebted in the sum of \$46.60. There is from \$13.66 or 80 due to me

S/ Jesse Power

Auditor's Office Annapolis January 23rd 1819

I certify that it appears that the Pay Roll of the Troops in the Maryland Line that Jesse Powers a private was Discharged on the 19th July 1783 and received arrears of Pay from the 1st August 1780 to the 15th of November 1783.

S/ R. Loockerman, Aud. Genl.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 12th, 1818, for service as a private for 3 years in the Maryland Continental line.]