

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts<sup>1</sup> relating to Thomas Prince SC3958  
Audited Account No. 6134A

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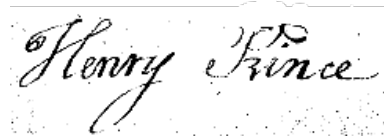
Petition of Henry Prince Heir at capital all of Thomas Prince praying payment of Commutation  
Rejected  
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To the Honorable the President and Members of the Senate the Speaker and Members of the  
house of representatives of the State of South Carolina

The petition of the Subscriber humbly Sheweth that his brother Thomas Prince was at the  
battle of Stono [Stono Ferry, June 20, 1779]<sup>2</sup> in this State in the Revolutionary War was a  
Lieutenant in Capt. John Bowie's Company of South Carolina infantry, that in the action he was  
wounded by the british – from there he was taken to the hospital in Charleston where he died of  
his wound leaving no family – that your Petitioner is his only Surviving brother therefore prays  
that you would grant to him the Sum Commutation heretofore allowed his brother Officers of the  
Same Company and as in duty bound he will ever pray.

S/ Henry Prince



Abbeville, 12 October 1823

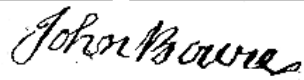
I John Bowie, do hereby certify that the above named Thomas Prince was a second Lieutenant in  
my Company of State troops during the Revolutionary War, or until he received a mortal wound  
of which he died. To his merits as an Officer, and his bravery as a Soldier, I cheerfully bear  
testimony. As an Officer, he was intelligent, active & enterprising – As a Soldier he was

<sup>1</sup> The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The "SC" file number shown on this transcript has been assigned by the administrator of this website for indexing purposes only and is not an officially recognized file number. The number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.

<sup>2</sup> [https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_stono\\_ferry.html](https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_stono_ferry.html)

indefatigable, patient & brave. At the battle of Stono he received a wound from the enemy of which he subsequently died in the Hospital at Charleston.

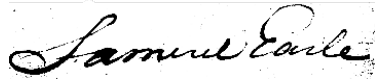
S/ John Bowie<sup>3</sup>



Pendleton 13<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1823

When Lt. Prince was wounded and from that time until he died I was Ensign in Capt. Bowie's Company and do most alternately concur in the above certificate.

S/ Samuel Earle<sup>4</sup>



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The Petition of Henry Prince Heir at Law of Thomas Prince deceased (formerly an Officer [in] the Service of South Carolina) praying payment of Commutation due said Thomas Prince

Rejected

Claims

[p 5: Repeat of the petition and supporting affidavits set forth above except Samuel Earle's affidavit is slightly different as set forth below:

At the time, When Lieutenant Prince was wounded and from then until he died I was Ensign In Capt. Bowie's Company & do orderly concur in the above certificate.

S/ Samuel Earle

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Report of the Committee on Claims on the Petition of Thomas Prince

Agreed to 15 December 1823

S/ WDM

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The committee on Claims to whom was referred the Petition of Henry Prince Heir to Thomas Prince praying payment of Commutation – beg leave to report

That they have had the same Under Consideration. And find that the Petitioner had a Brother who Served in the Revolutionary War as a Lieutenant under Capt. John Bowie and was in the Battle at Stono where he received a Wound, all of which he died. That the Petitioner is the only Surviving Brother and he thinks therefore, entitled to the commutation that his Brother had he survived the revolution Would have been entitled to – But your Committee are not Satisfied as to the time & services performed by the Deceased (Mr. Prince) Under whom the Petitioner claims and as they doubt very much the propriety of Granting commutation to collateral Heirs They would beg leave respectfully to recommend that the prayer of this Petitioner be not Granted.

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<sup>3</sup> [John Bowie SC12](#)

<sup>4</sup> [Samuel Earle S21174](#)

S/ John R Griffin, Chairman

December 11<sup>th</sup>, 1823

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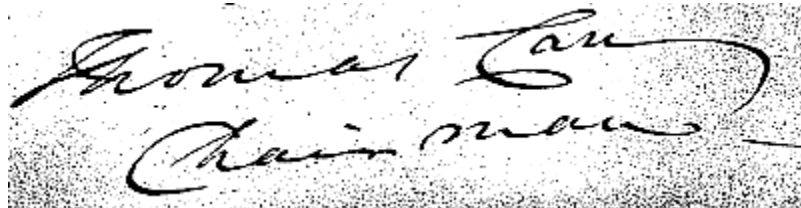
The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the Petition of Henry Prince Heir at law of Thomas Prince deceased formerly an Officer in the service of South Carolina, him praying payment of Commutation due said Thomas Prince.

Beg leave to Report.

That they have had the petition, under consideration and recommend that the prayer thereof be not granted.

S/ Thomas Can [? Carr or Cau??]

Chairman

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Thomas Can" on the top line and "Chairman" on the bottom line. The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, textured background.