

# Basics of Early New England Research

*Class 4: Researching Colonial and  
Revolutionary War Soldiers*

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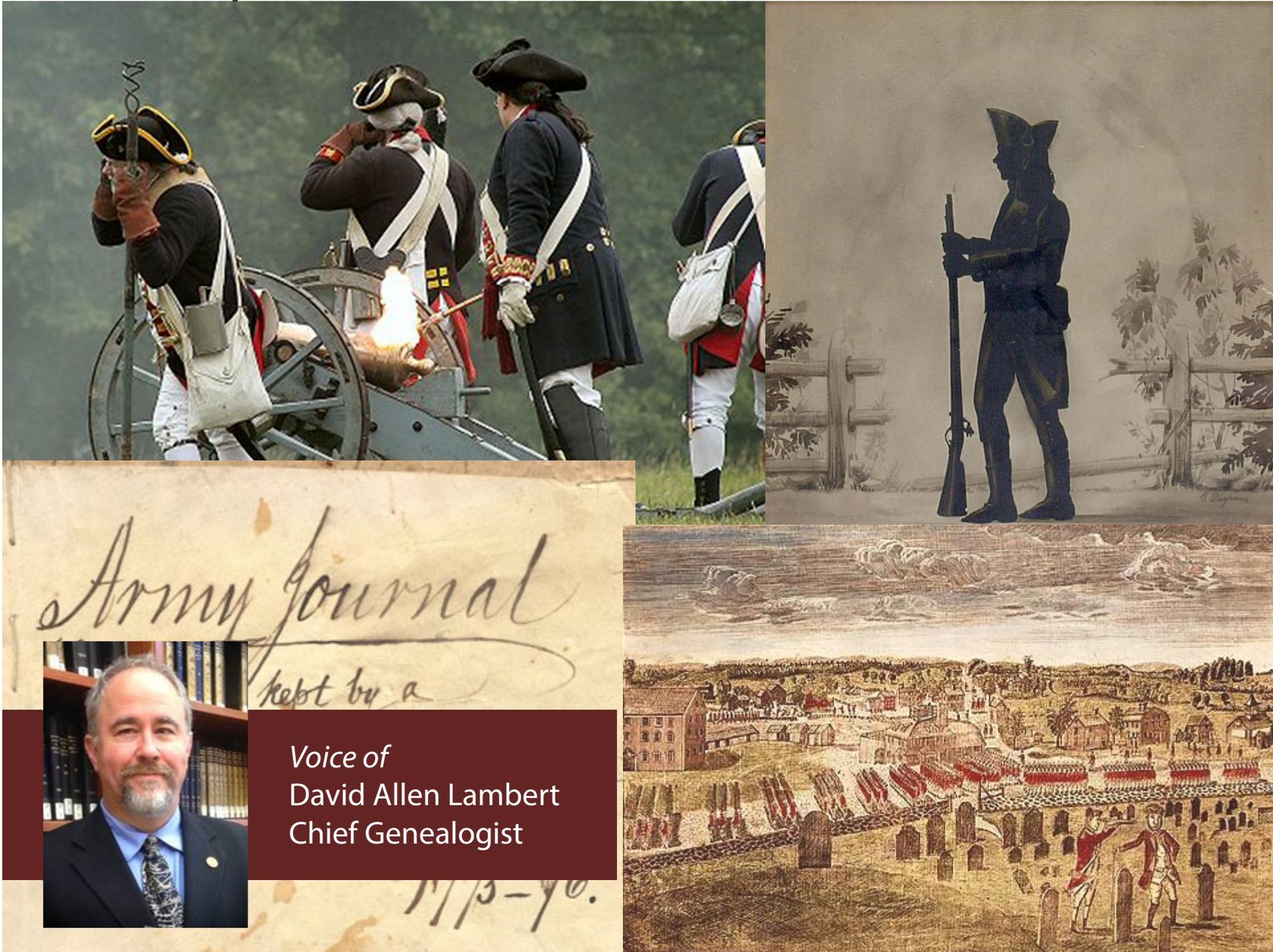
# Meet today's presenter



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# OVERVIEW

- **Presentation (60 mins.)**
  - Colonial wars
  - Revolutionary war
- **Q&A (30 mins.)**



*Voice of*  
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# Why research a veteran?

- Allows you to access more biographical data than found in most primary sources
- Occupation, age, locations, and vital record substitutes can be found in service and probate records
- Answers the questions of why your ancestor may have moved or travelled to another location

# Colonial Wars



# How old was your Veteran ?

- Drummer Boy
- Student Soldier
- Married with Children
- Seasoned Veteran
- Senior Soldier

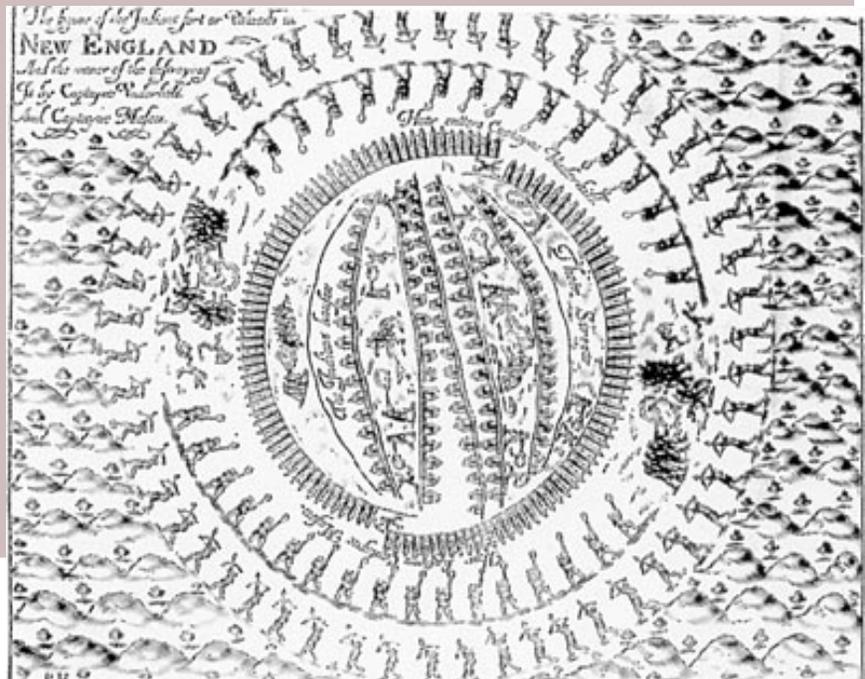


# What colonial wars occurred during his lifetime?



# Pequot War: 1636-1638

- Expansion into Connecticut
- New England settlers and Pequot Indians
- Major battle: Fort Mystic May 26, 1637



# King Philip's War: 1675-1676

- First full-scale New England war in the 17<sup>th</sup> c.
- Metacomet (aka) King Philip and the Wampanoag Indians
- Plymouth Colony, Rhode Island, Western Mass., and beyond



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The list of Captain Johnson's Company

<p><u>Prosbury.</u>                  Henry Bowen.                  John Watson.                  Wm Lincoln.                  Nod Lamb.                  John Jett.                  Ouziphiny Stanley.                  Naach Morris.                  Wm Dauphry.                  Joseph Good.                  Saml Gardiner.                  Nathl Wilton.                  John Hubbard.                  Tho: Baker.                  wanking.                  Thom: Chowny.                  John Corbin.                  John Nowell.</p> <hr/> <p><u>Dorchester.</u>                  Henry mawley man.                  Hopskill Humphrey.                  John Spurr.                  Ebenezer Hill.                  Nicholas Wymouth.                  John Plunkett.                  Charles Caban.                  Tho: Grant.                  Tho Davenport.                  Robert Stanbur.                  wanking.                  Henry Withington.                  George Minster.                  Naach Ryall.</p>	<p><u>Milton.</u>                  John Hannow.                  Obadiah Wharton.                  Joseph Tucker.                  Boy: Crand.</p> <hr/> <p><u>Brimley.</u>                  Ebenezer Owen.                  Saml Baff.                  Wm Sables.                  Tho: Holbrook.                  Rich: Thayer.                  Martin Saunders.                  Francis Naff.                  Jacobus Nilsy.                  Henry Barlot.                  Tho: Copeland.                  James Atkin.                  Jonathan Pitcher.</p> <hr/> <p><u>Weymouth.</u>                  Wm: King.                  Jones Humphrey.                  Joseph Richard.                  Abner Dugland.                  John Whitmarsh.                  Zechar Gurnay.                  Edward Ringman.                  John Reed.                  James Reed.                  John Lovel.                  Witt miltis.                  John Holby.                  John Burrit.</p>	<p><u>Hingham.</u>                  Boy: Daboy.                  John Jacob.                  John Langdon.                  Edward Wilber.                  Tho: Thaxter.                  Ebenezer Land.                  Saml Lincoln.                  Ephraim Land.                  Joshua Lord.                  John Ball.  <del>Wm</del>                  Wm Huxford.                  Francis Gardiner.                  Nathl Bousley.                  Nathl Nichols.                  Humphrey Johnson.                  wanking Wm Woodcock.</p> <hr/> <p><u>Hill</u>                  George Searcy.                  John Dymouth.                  Joseph Dwyer.                  Wm Chamberlin.                  Christoph: Whason.                  Naach Prince.                  Naach Cole.                  Henry Chamberlin.                  75 appeared                  8 appeared not</p>
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Pratt, Joseph	100	104a								

To the Honored Governor & 28a  
 Council.

Your poor petitioner being a stranger in the  
 country, and having no friends to speak to your  
 Honors in his behalfe; by reason of sickness hee  
 is compelled to petition your Honors for a  
 dismission from this present service, in which hee  
 voluntarily undertook, & cherefully underwent for  
 the space of ten weeks; but now is so much  
 afflicted with paines in his bones, in his  
 head; that hee is scarce his own man much  
 less able to doe the country service, which  
 willeth & dehveth the Countreys good &  
 your ~~owne~~ health.

John Broughton

At a meeting of the Commission of the United  
 Colonies, by adjournment in Boston. Novemb. 2. 1675. 39

How as much as the Narraganset Indians are deeply affected in the  
 present bloody outrages of the Barbarous Natives, that are in open  
 hostility with the English, this appearing by their harbouring the  
 actors thereof, poisoning & murthering their women, children  
 & wounded men, & detaining them in their custody, not with-  
 standing the covenant made by their sachons to deliver them  
 to the English, and as is credibly reported they have killed and  
 taken away many cattle from the English their neighbours  
 and did for sundry dayes seize & keep under a strong guard Mr  
 Smiths house & family, and at the news of the victory that  
 the Indians had over the English at or near Hadley did in  
 a very reproachfull & blasphemous manner triumph and  
 rejoice thereat. The Commission do agree & determine  
 that besides the n<sup>o</sup>. of Soldiers formerly agreed upon to be raised

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List of the names of <sup>the</sup> Souldiers returned as Impressed for  
 & service of the Country out of Essex.

from from Nicolai Hutchins Samuel Takbox Samuel Beaudy M <sup>o</sup> Crizey	Henry Rich Samuel Feajly Clemont Ringer Sam Hunt J <sup>o</sup> Dhemas J <sup>o</sup> ...	J <sup>o</sup> Knollyn J <sup>o</sup> Ogan J <sup>o</sup> ... J <sup>o</sup> ...	Tho Thoep Pimel ... J <sup>o</sup> ... Samuel Hill
Andrew ... Jonathan ... Samuel ... Isaac ... J <sup>o</sup> ... Isaac ... Henry ... Robert ... Tho ...	W <sup>m</sup> ... Tho ... W <sup>m</sup> ... J <sup>o</sup> ... J <sup>o</sup> ... W <sup>m</sup> ... J <sup>o</sup> ... W <sup>m</sup> ... J <sup>o</sup> ...	Tho ... J <sup>o</sup> ... Rich ... Rich ... George ... Peter ... Benj ... W <sup>m</sup> ... Samuel ... Tho ...	from ... Joseph ... J <sup>o</sup> ... J <sup>o</sup> ... Edw ... Sam ... J <sup>o</sup> ... W <sup>m</sup> ... George ... J <sup>o</sup> ... J <sup>o</sup> ... J <sup>o</sup> ... J <sup>o</sup> ...
from ... Jeremiah ... Samuel ... Charly ... J <sup>o</sup> ... W <sup>m</sup> ... W <sup>m</sup> ... Samuel ... Laura ... J <sup>o</sup> ... Phillip ...	from ... Joseph ... Joseph ... Joseph ... Jacob ... J <sup>o</sup> ... Thomas ... Hugh ...	Tho ... J <sup>o</sup> ... J <sup>o</sup> ... Tho ... J <sup>o</sup> ... J <sup>o</sup> ... W <sup>m</sup> ... Samuel ... J <sup>o</sup> ... Simon ...	from ... from ... J <sup>o</sup> ...

104 Wm Kemble servant to Jno Clarke  
 Exchil. Hulman  
 make Rowley servant to Hen Smith  
 Alexander Boyde  
 Jno Casey servant to Tho Hardin of study house

J men granted  
 Jacobson

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The names of those who were slain & wounded  
 of Capt. Nath: Davenport

Talbot: Davenport  
 Capt Thos Almon  
 Georg Howard of Louton & men slain  
 Jno Hagar of Water Down

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Sam Swain of Cambridge  
 Sam Read of Cambridge  
 Sam Hooker of Amherst  
 Nath: Haly of Water Down  
 Jas: Leard of Water Down  
 Tho Beoms of Louton  
 Abra: Temple of Louton  
 Jaim: Butcher of Redding  
 alth: Symon of Coburn  
 Jno: Galt of Woborn  
 Raibury Snow of Woborn

11 men wounded

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The names of those sent to prison  
 of Capt. Davenport Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> 1675

# King William's War: 1689-1697

- Glorious Revolution of 1688; England declares war on France 1689
- Areas of New York, Maine, and New Hampshire
- Sir William Phips led attack on Port Royal, Acadia
- Failed attempt to capture Quebec



# Sir William Phips' Expedition October 1690



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To his excellency S<sup>r</sup> William Phips Knight Governour of the Massachusetts Bay &c in New-England; and Honourable, Counsell, and to the worshipfull R<sup>e</sup>presentatives, sitting now in generall Court.

The Humble petition of Edward Willy in behalfe of himselfe, soldiers, and Seamen, concerned with him; in the voyage to Cannada.

Humble sheweth unto yo<sup>r</sup> excellency and Honor, that in the said voyage yo<sup>r</sup> petitioner in the River of Cannada coming home; did with his company and journey aboard the botch stratornities; meet with a French barque, bound to Quibbeck; which was attacked and brought a prize, unto the Honourable Sir William Phips, who then was in the river, who ordered Roger Stanor his boat swaine, to command her, in her voyage, with whom my Ensigne and four soldiers being aboard; came to the Isle of Shoales, where she was run ashore, though the lardo (excepting salt) most part, with the rigging saved, but imbrilled by the Command<sup>r</sup>; and no pail to the value of Twenty Shillings came to the hands of yo<sup>r</sup> petitioner, or those concerned in taking her; either of what was botwixt rocks, or in hold; The Ensigne and soldiers losing their cloaths, and armes, and ever since receiving no satisfaction for them by armes, or what was brought from the Isle of Shoales to Boston; which was Two hundred and Thirty odd barrells of ff Lowe, and powder, with some of the ships armes; and other things, to what value yo<sup>r</sup> petitioners know not, was committed to the dispose and care of Major Elisha Hutchinson, for the use of the Country and all others concerned. and yet no satisfaction given yo<sup>r</sup> petitioner, for one Majesty of what was in her, brought hither, which yo<sup>r</sup> petitioners humbly suppose to belong to them.

yo<sup>r</sup> petitioners Therefore humbly prayeth, that you will order; that the proportion of what the said goods was sold for, may be delivred unto yo<sup>r</sup> petitioners, or some other person, for the use of him, and others concerned with him, and other guns (or fire-locks) may be ordered, the men who left them; in the service of the Country on board the said prize.

and yo<sup>r</sup> Petitioners, shall as in duty bound, for yo<sup>r</sup> Excellency; and the Honourable. Generall Court ever pray.

E. Willy

# Queen Anne's War: 1702-1713

- England at war with France
- Raids by French and allied Indians from Canada into Northern New England communities. Attack on Deerfield, 1704
- St. Augustine attacked 1702 and 1704
- French naval action Charleston in 1706



The Humble Petition of Elizabeth Riley <sup>formerly</sup> ~~Wainford~~ Wainford,  
to the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Council & Representatives Assembled at Boston July 30<sup>th</sup> 1701

Humble sheweth that my Son Nicolas Wainford served his Majesty five  
Weeks, one week under Lov<sup>t</sup> Francis Perkins, & about one month under  
Cap<sup>t</sup> James Frey of Andover, about three yeares past, & have not Received  
the wages due to me for sd service: I desired Cap<sup>t</sup> Frey to take up the money  
for my use, but hee deferred Demanding of it, untill the Commission<sup>s</sup> of War  
who were at that time Employed: their time was expired, that Cap<sup>t</sup> Frey could not get  
a Discharge for me: these are therefore humbly to crave, that the Commission<sup>ers</sup>  
of War may be Commissioned to Grant sd money, when Cap<sup>t</sup> Frey doth make  
It appear what time my Son served his Majesty & yett Petition shall  
over pray.

Elizabeth <sup>her</sup> E Riley  
mark

Dated in Rowley July 26<sup>th</sup> 1701

In the House of Representatives,  
July 30<sup>th</sup> 1701 Read.

In the House of Representatives,  
Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> 1701.

In Answer to the Petition above written Resolved  
That the sum of thirty shillings be Allowed unto the Petitioner  
out of the publick Treasury in consideration of her S<sup>rs</sup>  
Service as above.  
Nehemiah Jewett: speaker,  
Sent up for Concurrence.

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A List of Soldiers Names Detach<sup>d</sup> by me  
 Under named, according to his Ex<sup>ty</sup> the Govern<sup>r</sup>  
 order, and posted at her Maj<sup>ty</sup>es fort in the  
 Town of Dunstable, who entered into pay the  
 25<sup>th</sup> December 1702

William Tynq Liev.  
 John Bowers Serg.  
 Jos: Butterfield Drummer  
 John Spalden  
 John Cunningham  
 Jos: Hapel  
 Gener<sup>l</sup> Spalden  
 Daniel Galucie  
 Paul Fletcher

The names of the  
 soldiers of the  
 1st Regiment of  
 the New England  
 Militia  
 1702

Thomas Linn

Jonathan Tynq L<sup>td</sup>

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A<sup>t</sup> Acco<sup>t</sup> of what it may Cost, to finish all  
 y<sup>e</sup> Works on Castle Island, excepting y<sup>e</sup> Long Room  
 & Demi-Bastion toward y<sup>e</sup> South point of y<sup>e</sup> Island;

Imp<sup>d</sup>. to finish all y<sup>e</sup> remaining platforms, & Car-  
 riages, every where both in y<sup>e</sup> upper & lower  
 Fortification . . . . . 100. 1 -

2. to finish y<sup>e</sup> South Curtain, make y<sup>e</sup> Bulwarks  
 on each side of y<sup>e</sup> Armoury for y<sup>e</sup> Commander  
 & y<sup>e</sup> Armourer, y<sup>e</sup> Lieutenant, & to put a new pump  
 in y<sup>e</sup> Well &c. . . . . 183. " -

3. to make y<sup>e</sup> Vaults in two more of y<sup>e</sup> Bastions  
 y<sup>e</sup> one for a prison, & y<sup>e</sup> other for Stores, abt. . . 70. " -

4. to make y<sup>e</sup> Guardhouse at y<sup>e</sup> S E flanker, abt. 50. " -

5. to do y<sup>e</sup> remaining Earth & Sods work with  
 palisades may Cost abouts . . . . . 80. 1 -

6. to cover y<sup>e</sup> 4 Centry boxes w<sup>th</sup> lead, at least. 20. " -

7. for provision, & incident charges abt. . . 50. " -

£553. 1 -

Boston July 22<sup>d</sup> 1703  
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Wolfgang Riemer

In the House of Representatives  
 July 20<sup>th</sup> 1703. Read

Expenses

An a comp<sup>t</sup> of funeral Charges &c of John Brabrook a  
 Soldier under ye Command of Cap<sup>t</sup> Will<sup>m</sup> Tyng who Deceased  
 March 31<sup>st</sup> 1764/5

To Dressing his lower leg &c	£	8	8
To Nursing & Charges when sick	"	12	"
To funeral Burial Viz grave Cloth & Drink	"	6	"
To ye Coffin & Grave	"	18	"
		50	"
Ephraim Wilder	2	6	"
Joseph Wilder			

Commission Officers of the Land Forces in the Intended Expedition to Nova Scotia and Acadie, Divided into two Regiments, with the number of Soldiers in each Company, at their first Parade in Halifax. All the Commissions bearing Date the 23<sup>rd</sup> of April 1707. Except Major Walton's Lieut. and Ensign, those two, the sixth of May.

John March Esq. Command. in Chief.

Field Officers.

1 <sup>st</sup> Regim.	Colonel. Thos. Mainwaring.	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Col. John Wentworth
	Lt. Col. Samuel Appeltan.		Lt. Col. John Walton
	Major Tho. Walton.		Major Robert Spue.
			Walton. Dep. Maj. to comd.
	Col. Comp.		Col. Comp.
36	Matthew Perkins. Lt.		Samuel Chesley. Lt.
	Abraham Tilton. Ens.	60	Thomas Tibbets. Lt.
	Lt. Col. Comp.		Joseph Hilton. Ens.
46	Isaac Appletan. Lt.		Lt. Col. Comp.
	Edward Wade. Ens.	100	Nicholas Eason. Lt.
	Maj. Comp.		Jon. Cadworth. Lt.
	James March jun. Lt.		Major Comp.
	Hugh Dix. Ens.		Barackia Davis. Lt.
W. A. Grand.	Nathan Holmes. Cap.	48	Isaac Newell. Ens.
	Thomas Dowell. Lt.	W. A. Grand.	Stephen Otis. Cap.
19	Arthur Mason. Lt.		Samuel Sprague. Lt.
	Richard Gridley. Cap.	60	Thomas Dalke. Lt.
2	Richard Flood. Lt.		Thomas Nichols. Cap.
44	Jacob Whitton. Ens.		Thomas Bonlede. Lt.
		44	Samuel Barnard. Ens.
3	Joseph Boynton. Cap.		Samuel Frothingham. Cap.
	Thomas Gage. Lt.	3	Isaac Williams. Lt.
50	Joseph Gerbett. Ens.		Miller Frost. Ens.
		41	Thomas Westone. Cap.
4	Theoph. Burril. Cap.		John Osgroft. Lt.
	John Poole. Lt.	52	Calco Symon. Ens.
45	Hannania Hutchinson. Ens.		

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New England Province of the Massachusetts

An Account of Cap<sup>t</sup> Thomas Larimores Company Mustered  
for her Mat<sup>y</sup> Service the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December Anno Dom 1702 & put  
On board her Mat<sup>y</sup> Ship the *Cyclops* for Jamaica & Spiced wine  
& Disbanded the Seaventh of November 1703 In the second year  
of her Mat<sup>y</sup> Reign over England &c

Persons Names.	Time of entry.	Time of discharge.	Number of Days	Pay	Wages	Expenses
Cap <sup>t</sup> Tho <sup>s</sup> Larimore & 2 Ser <sup>ts</sup>	19 <sup>th</sup> October 1702	7 <sup>th</sup> Nov <sup>r</sup> 1703	304	- 7 <sup>s</sup> 6 <sup>d</sup>	144	-
John Ayres Lieut <sup>t</sup> & 1 Ser <sup>tt</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> Dec <sup>r</sup> ditto	Go	342	- 3 <sup>s</sup> 4 <sup>d</sup>	57	-
Jos <sup>s</sup> Wells En <sup>s</sup> & 1 Ser <sup>tt</sup>	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup> 6 <sup>d</sup>	12	15
Nath <sup>l</sup> Frost	Go	Go	342	- 1 <sup>s</sup>	17	2
John Draton Ser <sup>gt</sup>	Go	Go	342	- 1 <sup>s</sup>	17	2
Cha <sup>s</sup> Finlock	Go	Go	342	- 1 <sup>s</sup>	17	2
Sam <sup>l</sup> Thallo	Go	Go	342	- 0 <sup>s</sup>	0	11
John <sup>h</sup> Milborn } Corp <sup>s</sup>	Go	Go	342	- 6 <sup>s</sup>	0	11
Edw <sup>d</sup> Ward }	Go	Go	342	- 6 <sup>s</sup>	0	11
Sam <sup>l</sup> Green Drummer	Go	Go	342	- 4 <sup>s</sup>	5	14
Ben <sup>l</sup> Pickering	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
Alex <sup>s</sup> Osburn	Go	Disch <sup>d</sup> 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan <sup>r</sup>	55	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	-	9
John Woodwell	Go	7 <sup>th</sup> Nov <sup>r</sup> 1703	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
John Inyell	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
William Collins	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
Math <sup>s</sup> Maybey	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
Francis Fowler	Go	Disch <sup>d</sup> 30 <sup>th</sup> August	279	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	5
Josh <sup>s</sup> Gustine	Go	7 <sup>th</sup> Nov <sup>r</sup> 1703	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
Sam <sup>l</sup> Johns	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
Sam <sup>l</sup> Willies	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
Jos <sup>s</sup> Wright	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
William Carter	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
John Martine	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
Sam <sup>l</sup> Brown	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
William Beach	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
Nathan Busdell	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
James Mearster	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
William Wisc	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
Sam <sup>l</sup> Ralph	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
Adam Mannies	Go	Disch <sup>d</sup> 9 <sup>th</sup> Sept 1703	205	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
John Gladloch	Go	7 <sup>th</sup> Nov <sup>r</sup> 1703	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
Josh <sup>s</sup> Davies	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
Thomas Kempton	Go	Go	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17
Sam <sup>l</sup> Hobbs	Go	Disch <sup>d</sup> 16 <sup>th</sup> March	105	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	-	17
Jos <sup>s</sup> Parker	Go	Disch <sup>d</sup> 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	143	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	-	13
Francis Clarke	Go	Disch <sup>d</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec <sup>r</sup>	205	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	-	17
Edw <sup>d</sup> Page	Go	Disch <sup>d</sup> 20 <sup>th</sup> June	200	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	-	1
John Wallis	Go	7 <sup>th</sup> Nov <sup>r</sup> 1703	342	- 2 <sup>s</sup>	2	17

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# A Muster Roll of Capt. David Pigeons

Company of *New-England Troops*, During its being at *Annapolis Royal*, in Her Majesty's Service, from the 10th. of *October 1710.* to the 10th. of *October 1711.*

Mens Names	The Time of Death, or Defertion.	Num-ber of Days in Her Majesty's Service	How much Due to Each of them Computing Ser-vice at 12d. for 100 Days	Ditto in New-England Money at 50 per Cent. Ex-change.			What Each Man Receiv'd of Sir <i>Charles Hobb,</i> <i>New-England Money.</i>			What Each Man Receiv'd of Commissary <i>of Foxcroft, &amp;c. New-England Money.</i>			What Each Man Receiv'd of <i>Mr. John Berland, New-England Money.</i>			Total Received in New-England Money.	Received more than Wages came to, New-England Money.	Wages Remaining due in New-England Money.			
				l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.				l.	s.	d.
<i>Sec. servt.</i> Elisha Johnston ✓		365	27 7 6	41	1	3	1	5	4	2	13	10	1	0	0	3	19	2	37	2	11
Nathanael Johnston ✓	Run Mar. 6	167	12 10 6	18	15	9	0	0	0	2	8	10	1	0	0	3	8	10	15	6	11
<i>Comp. servt.</i> John Stockbridge ✓		365	18 5 0	27	7	6	5	7	10	4	16	0	1	0	0	11	3	10	16	3	8
Moses Stockbridge ✓	Run Jan. 24	106	5 6 0	7	19	0	0	0	0	3	7	11	0	0	0	3	7	11	4	11	1
<i>Drawn</i> Isaac Parker ✓		365	18 5 0	27	7	6	0	0	0	2	11	11	12	0	0	14	11	11	12	15	7
Joseph Cockery ✓	Dec. April 12	184	6 2 8	9	4	0	1	15	1	3	2	5	0	0	0	4	17	6	4	6	6
Jonathan Eaton ✓	Dec. Mar. 26	167	5 11 4	8	7	0	0	12	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	1	17	0	6	10	0
Daniel Patton ✓	Run May 1	203	6 15 4	10	3	0	1	0	2	2	15	6	0	0	0	3	15	8	6	7	4
Samuel Woodbury ✓		365	12 3 4	18	5	0	0	4	2	2	4	1	1	0	0	3	8	3	14	16	9
William Hopkins ✓		365	12 3 4	18	5	0	4	10	8	2	0	0	0	0	0	6	10	8	11	14	4
Thomas Blancher ✓		365	12 3 4	18	5	0	0	15	8	2	8	9	0	0	0	3	4	5	15	00	7
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Robert Vernon ✓	Dec. May 9	211	7 0 8	10	11	0	4	0	0	2	1	9	0	0	0	6	1	9	4	9	3
Barnabas Cook ✓		365	12 3 4	18	5	0	0	13	8	2	3	2	1	0	0	10	17	7	14	8	2
William Johnston ✓		165	12 3 4	18	5	0	5	17	4	4	0	3	1	0	0	10	17	7	7	7	5
Joseph Hill ✓	Dec. Jan. 26	108	3 12 0	5	8	0	3	1	4	1	4	11	0	0	0	4	6	3	1	1	9
Samuel Speer ✓	Run Mar. 26	157	5 11 4	8	7	0	0	0	0	0	13	6	0	0	0	13	6	7	13	6	6
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 Neat Pay of this Company **l. 185 07 07** **173 12 06**

**Memorandum,**  
 Since making up the above Account Major **Balscarene** Claim's a Debt Due to Capt. **Pigeon** from **Nathanael Johnston** 12, s. And from **Elisha Johnston** 12, s.

**Memorandum,**  
 Col. **Vetch** Claims a Debt due to him from this Company for Slops, &c. issued to them, Amounting to **l. 39 17 3.** but hath not Produced any Vouchers to his Account.

**Memorandum,**  
 Stoppages to be made out of the Pay of the several Men that Deferted, (viz.) **Nathanael Johnston** **l. 15 06 11.** **Moses Stockbridge** **l. 4 11 01.** and **Samuel Speer** **l. 7 13 6.** Amounting to in all **l. 27 11 06.**

Examined,  
**John Netmaker** Secr.  
**James Pemberton.**

# King George's War: 1740-1748

- Key battle: Fortress Louisburg on Cape Breton in modern day Nova Scotia, 1745
- 1748, return of fortress to French control



# French and Indian War

- “Seven years war” over boundary disputes between English colonists and French
- Recapture of Fortress Louisbourg in 1759
- Many British soldiers would later fight against the crown in Revolution



### A MUSTER-ROLL of the Company in His MAJ under the Command of *Thomas Sanders*

Men's Names	Quality	Of what Town	Names of Fathers & Masters of Sons under Age and Servants	Time of Entrance in the Service		Until what Time in the Service		Whole Time of Service		Province Arms	The whole of Wages due to each Man						
				Months	Days	Months	Days	Weeks	Days		Weeks	£	s	d			
<i>Thos Sanders</i>	<i>Capt</i>	<i>at L5</i>	<i>6 months</i>	<i>June</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>January</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>29</i>			<i>36</i>	<i>5</i>					
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<i>Robt. Rutherford</i>	<i>Sailor</i>	<i>at 50</i>	<i>48</i>		<i>23</i>		<i>11</i>	<i>29</i>			<i>18</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>6</i>				
<i>Ruben Pitcher</i>			<i>Discharge</i>		<i>23</i>	<i>Novem</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>A</i>		<i>12</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>1</i>				
<i>Joseph Peow</i>				<i>Decem</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>January</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>4</i>		<i>3</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>7</i>				
<i>George M. Henry</i>				<i>June</i>	<i>23</i>		<i>11</i>	<i>29</i>			<i>18</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>6</i>				
<i>Joseph Sanders</i>					<i>23</i>		<i>11</i>	<i>29</i>			<i>18</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>6</i>				
<i>Jacob Newbury</i>					<i>23</i>		<i>11</i>	<i>29</i>			<i>18</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>6</i>				
<i>Fredrick Knott</i>					<i>23</i>		<i>11</i>	<i>29</i>			<i>18</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>6</i>				
<i>Romulus Negro</i>					<i>23</i>		<i>11</i>	<i>29</i>			<i>18</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>6</i>				
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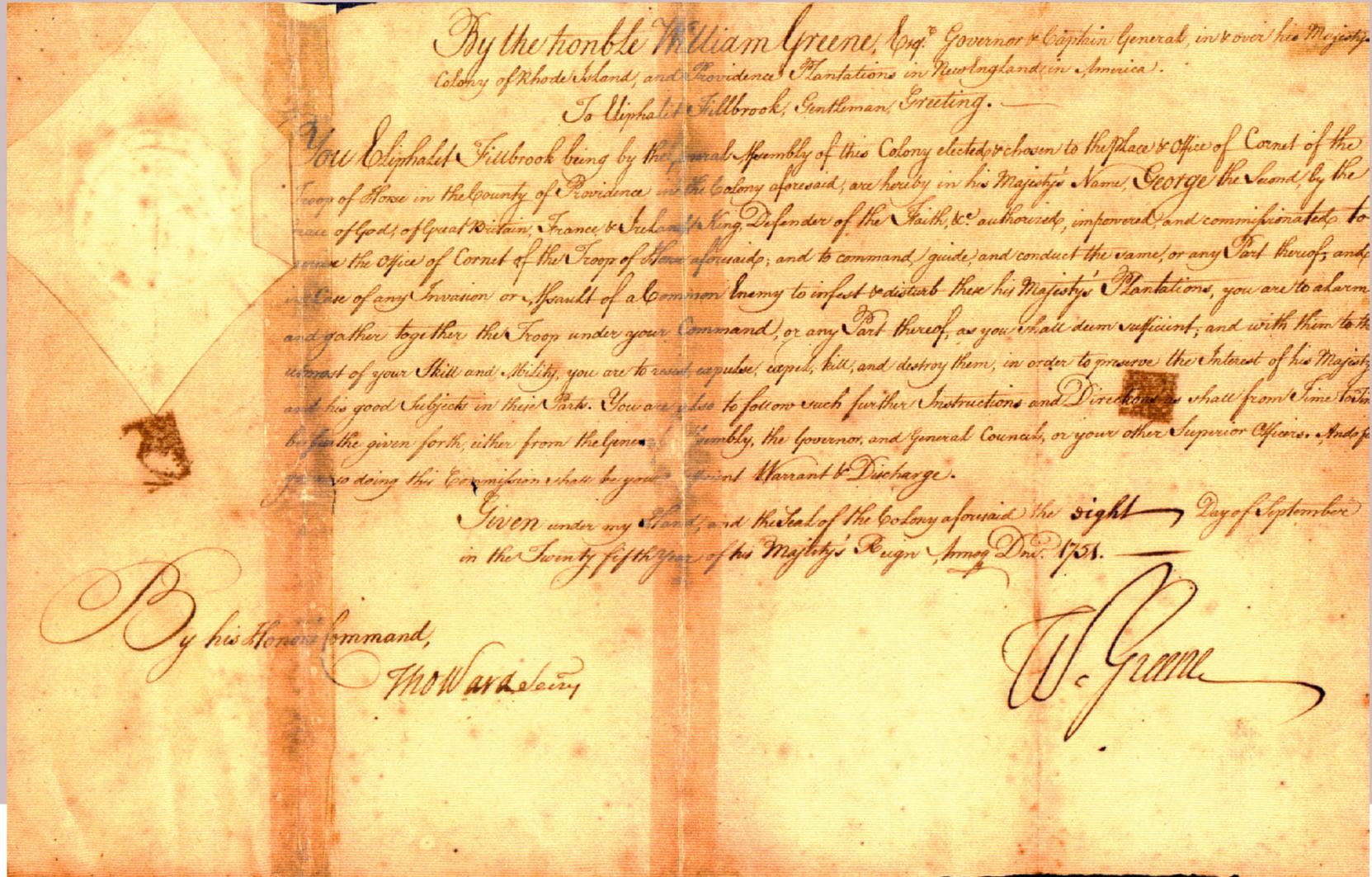
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- What might be in the attic?
- Ask relatives
- Museums and archives
- Ebay or Auction catalogs



# Military Commissions



Tip

# Examine Probate Inventories

# Inventories & Family heirlooms?



An Inventory of the Goods  
of the Estate of Samuel Ward Esq  
late of Westbury deceased taken  
by us the subscribers this 3<sup>d</sup> Day of May 1776  
at the West Meeting Room

To 1 Large Mahogany Table & Box	1.10.0	03
To 1 smaller Ditto and Paper Cloth	0.5.0	
To 1 Mahogany Tidy Table	1.0.0	
To 1 Mahogany & Cherry lined Japan Stand		
To 2 Sliders	0.8.0	
To 1 Mahogany Tea Chest	0.10.0	

# Confirm Published Sources

- Don't re-invent the wheel!
- What has been published?
  - State-by-State Lists
  - Local Histories
  - Online resources when available

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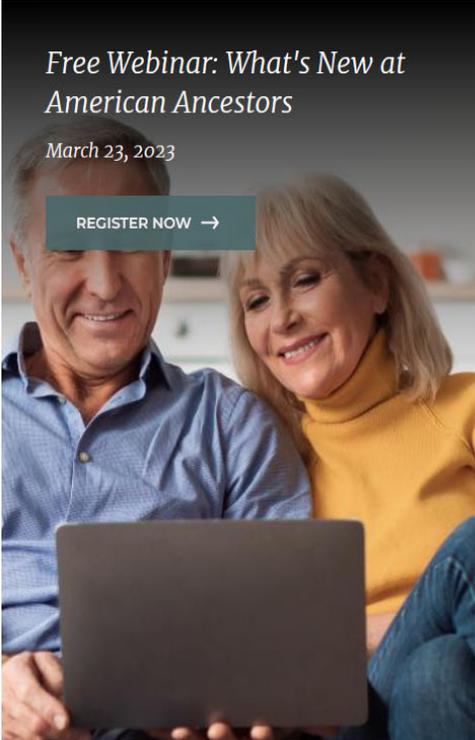
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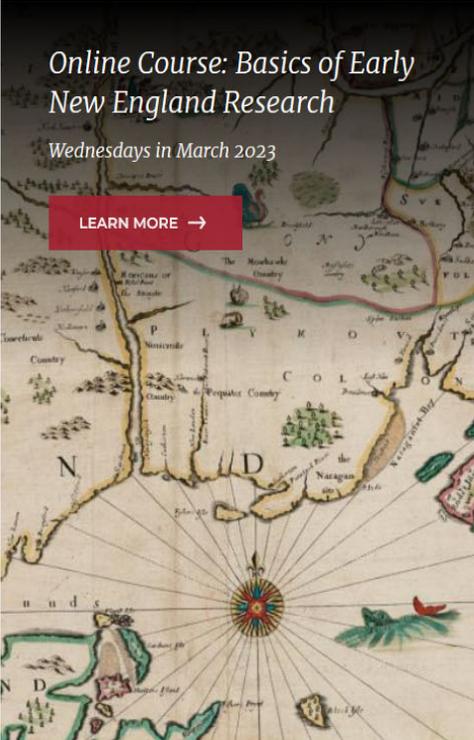
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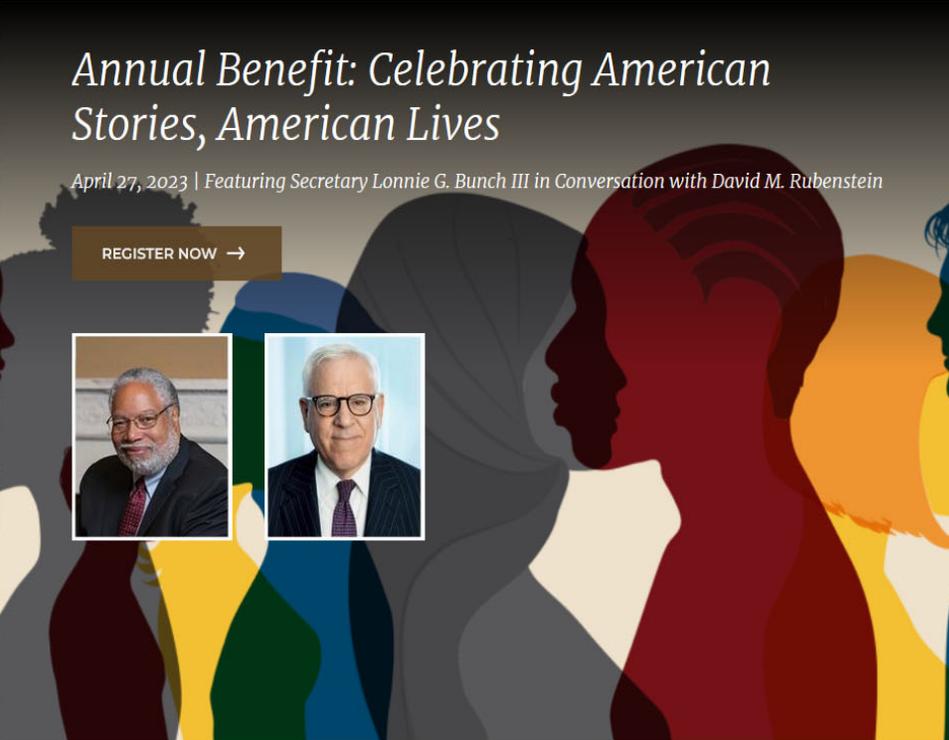
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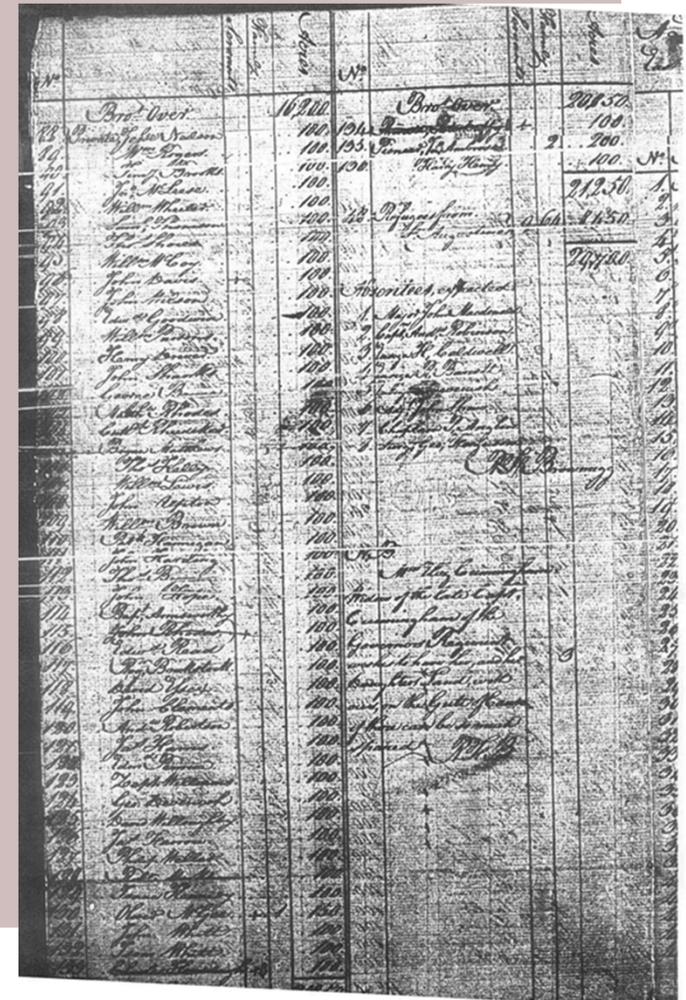
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Tip

Locate the Primary source  
of the Muster Rolls

# Seeking the Primary Source

- Locate source book or online
- Consult in person or digital copy
- Inquire the size of the document

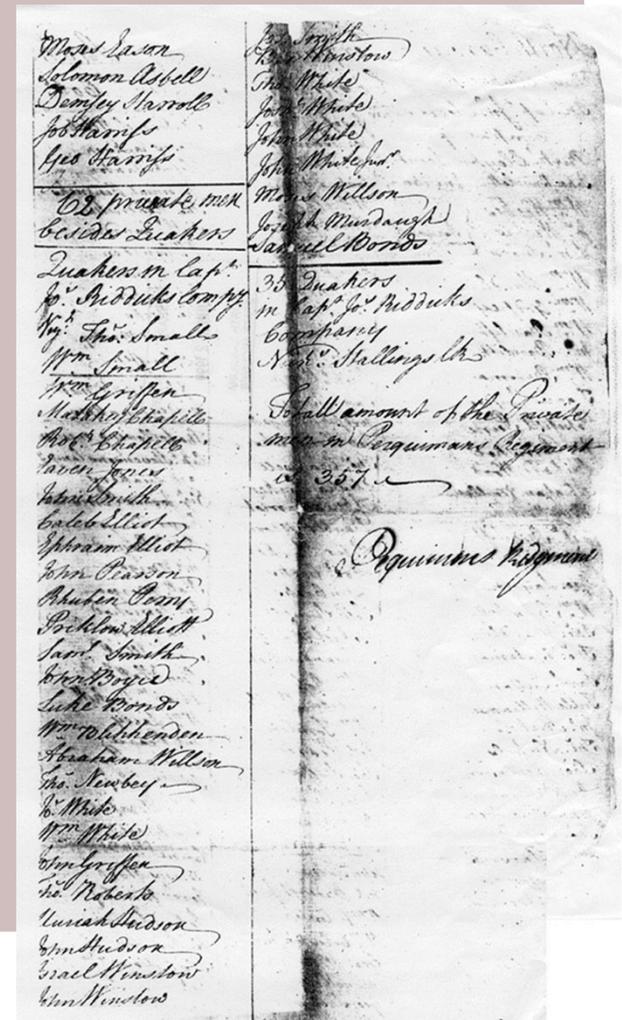


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Adopt your ancestor's  
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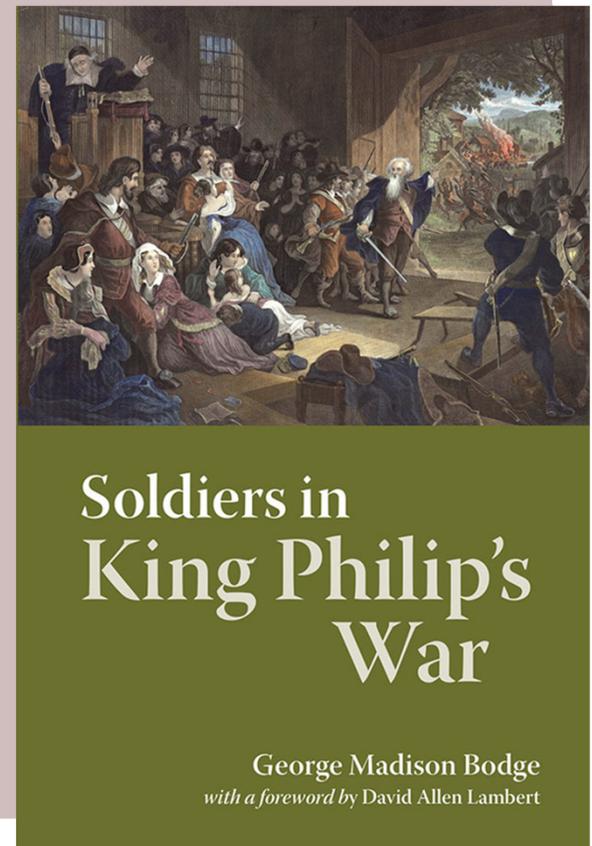
# Adopt your ancestor's regiment

- Research each individual
- Look for additional MSS
- Who were the officers?
- Did they fight together again?



# Published Resources: Musters Rolls and military histories

- Compilations of Colonial soldiers
- Published histories of battles and wars
- Hereditary Society publications



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**1638** : Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company

**1927** : National Society Women Descendants of A. & H. A. C.

**1893** : General Society of Colonial Wars

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**1896** : National Soc. of Colonial Daughters of the 17<sup>th</sup> Century

**1896** : Order of Founders and Patriots of America

**1898** : National Society Daughters and Patriots of America

**1987** : Continental Society Sons of Indian Wars

**1988** : Continental Society Daughters of Indian Wars



# QUESTIONS?

# American Revolutionary War

## **Determine if he fought – Too young or Too Old ?**

- Ages not listed, no town given
- Age range of typical soldier, 18-35
- Average birth year 1735-1760
- Extremes early 1700s & late 1760s

# Family Relics in the Attic

- Letters
- Diaries
- Paintings
- Guns & Swords
- Discharge Papers

BY HIS EXCELLENCY  
GEORGE WASHINGTON, Esq;  
General and Commander in Chief of the Forces of the United  
States of America.

THESE are to CERTIFY that the Bearer hereof  
*Christopher Walker Soldier*  
in the ~~1st~~ *1st* Connecticut Regiment, having faithfully  
served the United States *from April 8<sup>th</sup> 1777 to*  
*June 4<sup>th</sup> 1780* — and being inlisted for the War only, is  
hereby DISCHARGED from the American Army.

GIVEN at HEAD-QUARTERS the *8 June 1783*  
*G. Washington*

By HIS EXCELLENCY'S  
Command,  
*A. M. Bull*

I do Hearby Certify that Moses Jackson a Soldier  
from Shanidder County hath served his tower of duty  
under Major Welch in Colo Edmonds Bridgement and  
general Stephens Brigade given under my hand  
This 5<sup>th</sup> day of october 1781  
*J. Mansfield*

Adjutant,  
for Six  
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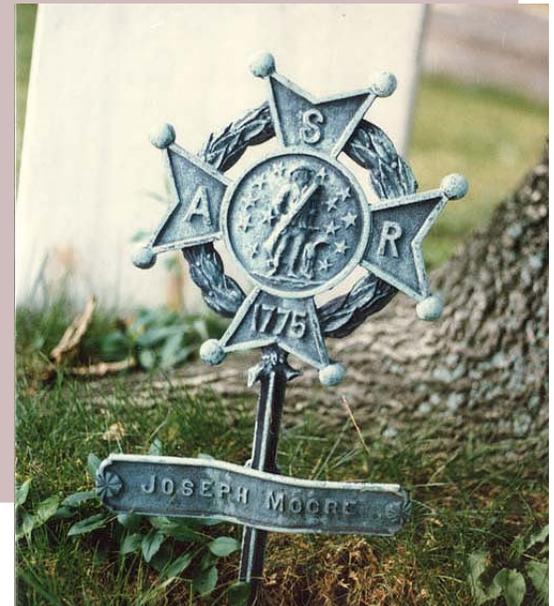
# Oral Family Traditions

- 1775 to 2023
- Lost in translation
- Preserving stories
- Confirming stories with primary sources
- Hero or Deserter?
- Proving or disproving Grandma



# Cemetery Clues and Pitfalls

- Is there a gravestone for your vet?
- Cemetery and burial records
- Transcribed gravestones
- Where is his spouse buried?
- Is there a flag marker?
  - S.A.R. marker on the right grave?



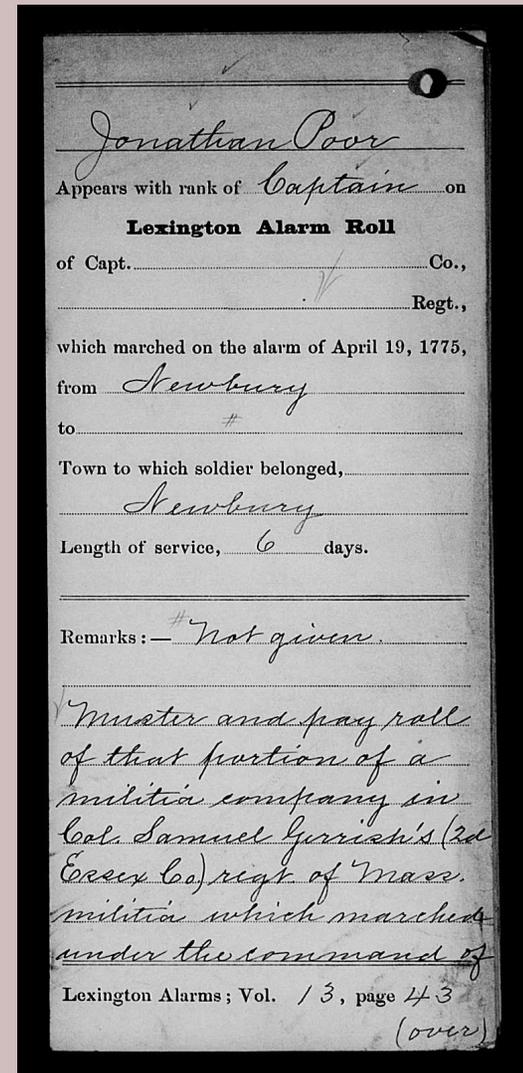
# Forgotten Images

- Do you have an image of your soldier?
- Did your veteran live into the 1830s?



# Useful Resources

- Muster rolls
- Pension files
- Quartermaster rolls
- Journals and diaries
- Published genealogies
- 1840 Census
- Correspondence from officers
- Maps
- Town histories
- *TIP: Adopt the regiment!*



# **Going from Published Accounts to Muster Rolls**

# Mass. Soldiers & Sailors

The following is his Revolutionary War sketch from *Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors in the Revolutionary War* (12:559).

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Language: English

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References: (Digital Collection) [Massachusetts, Revolutionary War, index cards to muster rolls, 1775-1783](#)

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# Capt. Jonathan Poor

*Jonathan Poor*  
Appears with rank of *Captain* on  
**Lexington Alarm Roll**  
of Capt. \_\_\_\_\_ Co.,  
\_\_\_\_\_ Regt.,  
which marched on the alarm of April 19, 1775,  
from *Newbury*  
to \_\_\_\_\_  
Town to which soldier belonged,  
*Newbury*  
Length of service, *6* days.

Remarks: — *Not given*

*Muster and pay roll  
of that portion of a  
militia company in  
Col. Samuel Gerrish's (2d  
Essex Co) regt of Mass.  
militia which marched  
under the command of*

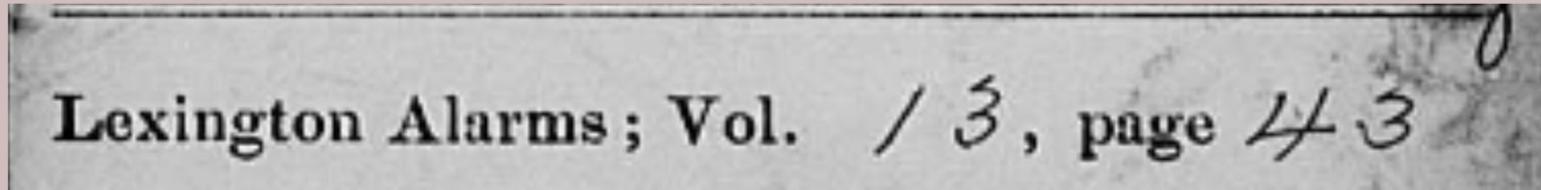
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*Capt. Jonathan Poor  
in response to the alarm  
of April 19, 1775.*

*Part of company allowed  
travel from home and  
return. — 86 miles travel  
allowed said Poor;  
reported returned home.*

*(New form per order)*

# Capt. Jonathan Poor



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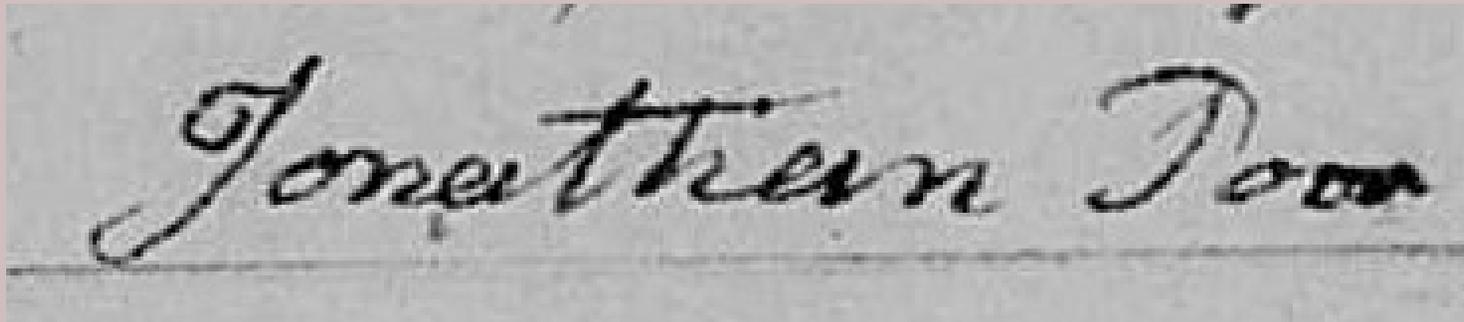
# Capt. Jonathan Poor

The Role of What Parts of the Company that Marched from Newbury 43  
 on the ~~19th~~ Nineteenth of Aprill 1775. on y<sup>e</sup> alarm on F<sup>ri</sup> Day under y<sup>e</sup>  
 Command of Capt. Jonathan Poor of Said town of Newbury in y<sup>e</sup> County of Essex  
 and Colony of y<sup>e</sup> Massachusetts Bay & in y<sup>e</sup> Second Regiment of Militia in Said County  
 When off. Sam<sup>l</sup> Gerrish Esq. was Col<sup>l</sup> to Defend this Contenant from y<sup>e</sup> invasions of  
 the Ministers troops

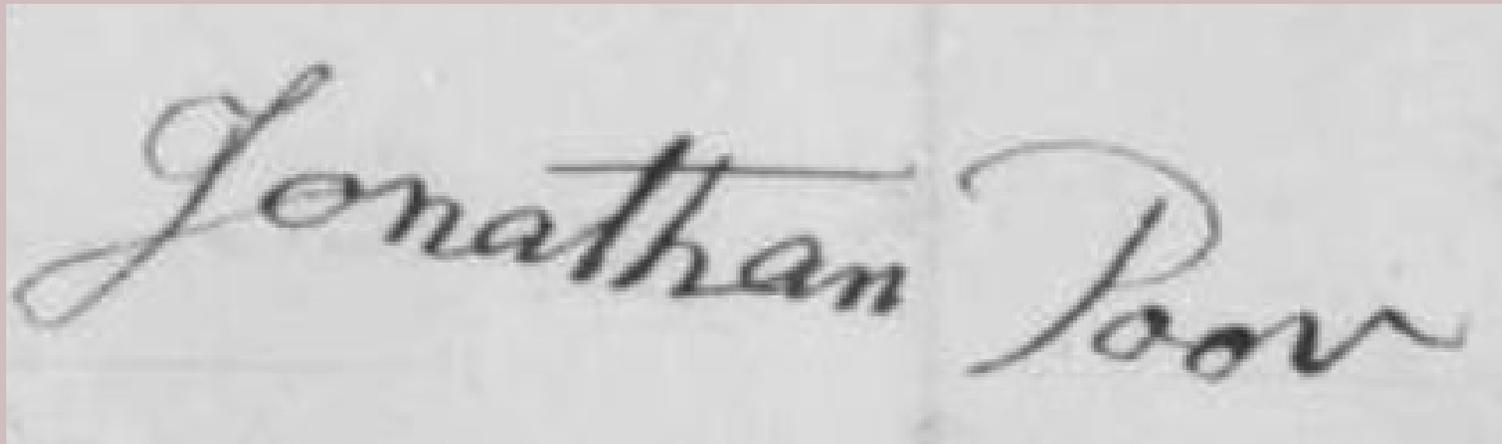
Jonathan Poor Captain

Names	Miles	Days	L	S	D	Y	
Jonathan Poor Captain	86	6	1	12	11	0	Newbury
Wesley Jeffrey 1 <sup>st</sup> Lieut <sup>nt</sup>	86	6	1	4	6	0	
Simon Hale 2 <sup>d</sup> Lieut <sup>nt</sup>	86	6	1	2	2	0	
Wesley Todd Sergeant	86	6	0	17	6	0	
Paul Blumer Sergeant	86	6		17	6	0	

# Capt. Jonathan Poor



Jonathan Poor

A close-up photograph of a handwritten signature in cursive script. The name 'Jonathan Poor' is written in black ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper. The signature is positioned above a faint horizontal line.

Jonathan Poor

A photograph of a handwritten signature in cursive script, similar to the one above. The name 'Jonathan Poor' is written in black ink on a light-colored paper. The signature is positioned above a faint horizontal line.

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# Going beyond Abstracts and Dissecting Pension Files

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Of Revolutionary War

Pension Files

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Virgil D. White

Virgil White Pension Abstracts

Joshua, CT Line & Green Mtn Boys, S41326, BLW #2354-200-31 May 1790 assignee Theodosius Fowler, sol appl 30 Mar 1818 at Addison in Addison Co VT, in 1820 sol was aged 70 & he stated he had 4 daughters living with him; Mary 34, Amy 27, Huldah 19 & Nancy aged 16 also a son George aged 13, sol d 23 Mar 1821 at Bridport VT

Joshua, Cont & MA Lines, Electy, W8308, sol m Electy Sartwell 30 Oct 1794 both were of Langdon in Sullivan Co NH, sol appl 23 Jul 1832 in Allegany Co NY a res of Pike NY, sol had enl at Worcester MA, sol d 8 Dec 1849 & his wid appl 7 May 1850 at Pike which was then in Wyoming Co NY & she was t age of 73 yrs, sol had orig appl 13 Jul 1818 in Allegany Co NY at which time he was age of 59

Joshua, MA Line, S37549, he appl 13 Apr 1818 at Buxton in York Co MA (ME) aged 57, in 1820 sol had children at home; Huldah 28 who took care of the family, Almira 16, Samuel 24 who had lately returned from Canada & grandchildren with him were; Abigail Beecher 12, Mary Beecher 9 & (cont next page)

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(continued) Samuel Beecher aged 5, a daughter Mary was married in 1820 but her husband wasn't named **WHITNEY**, Joshua, MA & NH Lines, Betty or Betsey, W15863, sol was b in 1754 in Westbury MA & he lived there until age of 14 then moved to Grafton MA where he lived when he enl & about 1782 he moved to Henniker in Merrimack Co NH where he lived when he appl 29 Aug 1832, sol m Betty or Betsey Wood 17 Jun 1778 at Harvard in Worcester Co MA & she was b 19 Apr 1755, he appl 29 Aug 1832 at Henniker NH & he d there 2 Feb 1835 & his wid appl there 2 Nov 1837 children were: Samuel b 17 Jun 1779 & d 6 Jul

## Joshua Whitney Abstract



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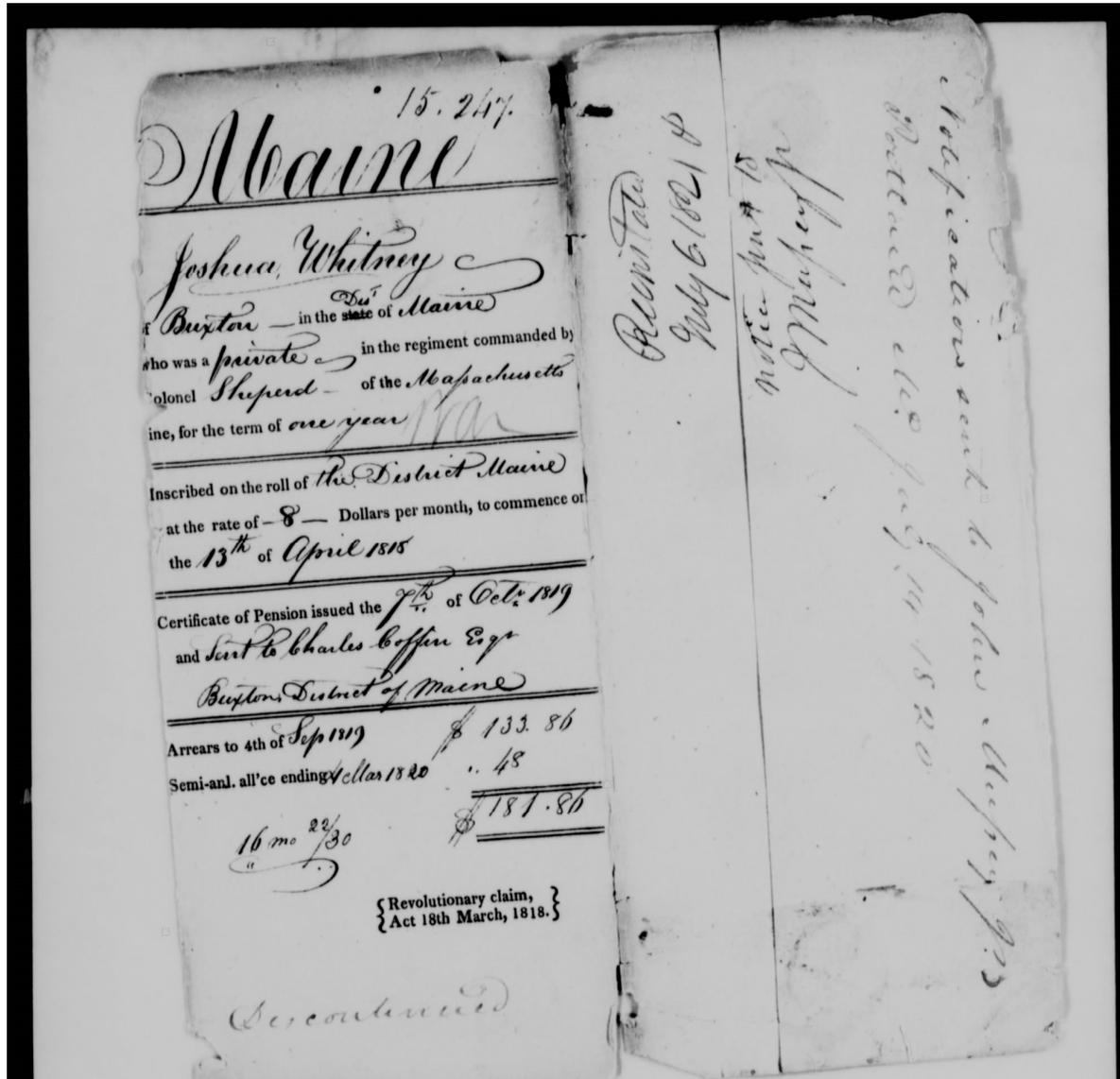
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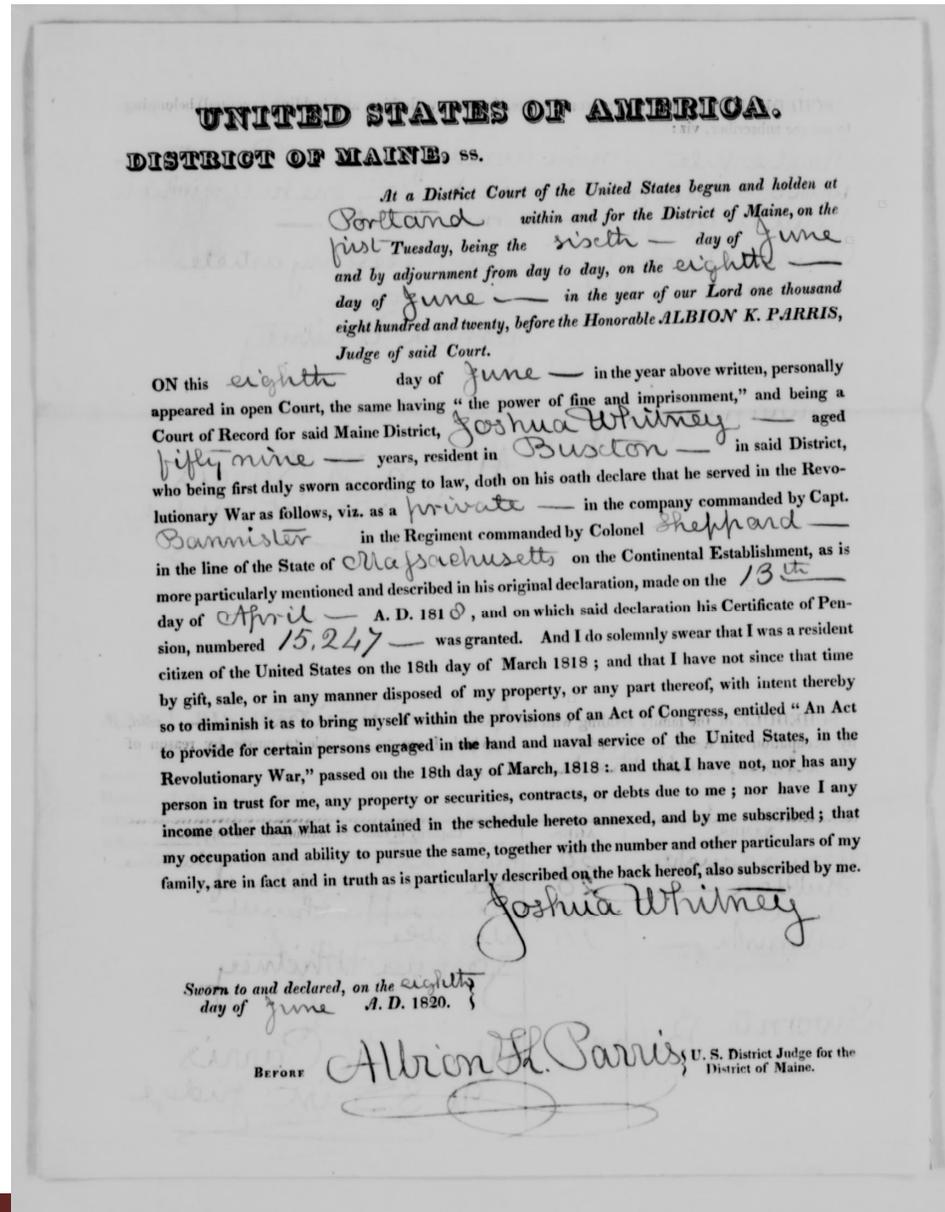
# Joshua Whitney Pension File

Joshua Whitney of Praxton in the County of York and Common-  
 wealth of Massachusetts, aged fifty seven years, on oath testify and  
 say, that I enlisted a private in the Continental Army of the Revolution  
 in the first part of the month of January in the year of our Lord  
 seventeen hundred & eighty two, the day of the month I do not  
 recollect. The Company I enlisted into was when I enlisted com-  
 manded by Capt. ~~Blanchard~~, the same Company while I was in  
 it was commanded by Capt. North, and afterwards when  
 I was discharged from the army was commanded by Capt.  
 Blanchard. The Regiment was commanded by Col. Shepard  
 the whole time I was in <sup>the</sup> army, and the Brigade was  
 commanded by General Patterson from the time I ~~enlisted~~  
 the army till I was discharged from the same at the close  
 of the war. I received my discharge from the army at the  
 close of the war on the twenty eighth day of Oct. in the  
 year of our Lord ~~eighteen~~ <sup>seventeen</sup> hundred & eighty three, signed  
 by Major General ~~Thomas~~ Knox. Which discharge is lost.  
 I further on oath declare, that from my reduced cir-  
 cumstances, I need the assistance of my Country for support  
 and am a citizen of the United States.

April 13. 1810  
 Joshua Whitney.

## Joshua Whitney Pension File





Joshua Whitney Pension File

SCHEDULE of the real and personal estate, (necessary clothing and bedding excepted) belonging to me the subscriber, viz :

Real estate — nine acres of land in Busseton — with a small poor house on it — one half of which land is very poor — a mere heath —

Personal property — a few necessary articles in the house — I have no income

Joshua Whitney

Sworn to Before Albion H. Parris U. S. Dist. Judge

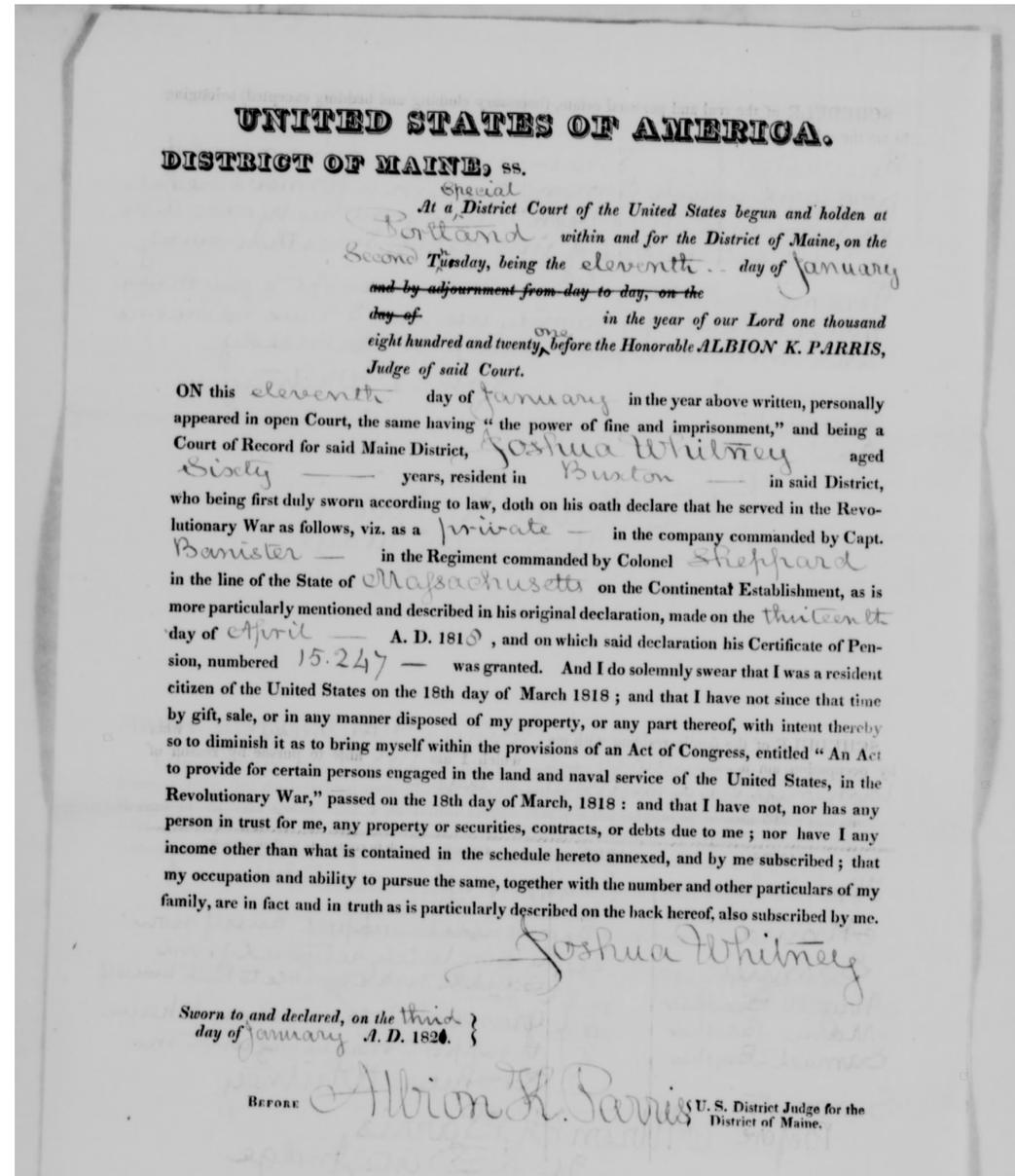
SCHEDULE of the family residing with me Joshua Whitney who, by occupation am a Saborer — which I am not able to pursue by reason of weakness, all the time

NAMES.	AGES.	Capacity of each to contribute to their support.
Mary a daughter	30	married with me part of the time
Huldah —	26	able to support herself
Nancy —	22	able to support herself
Almira —	16	also able

Joshua Whitney

Sworn to Before Albion H. Parris U. S. Dist. Judge

## Joshua Whitney Pension File



## Joshua Whitney Pension File

SCHEDULE of the real and personal estate, (necessary clothing and bedding excepted) belonging to me the subscriber, viz:

Real estate — I have none — nine acres of poor land which I mentioned in a former schedule in June last, has been taken from me by execution, in part satisfaction of just debts I was then owing.

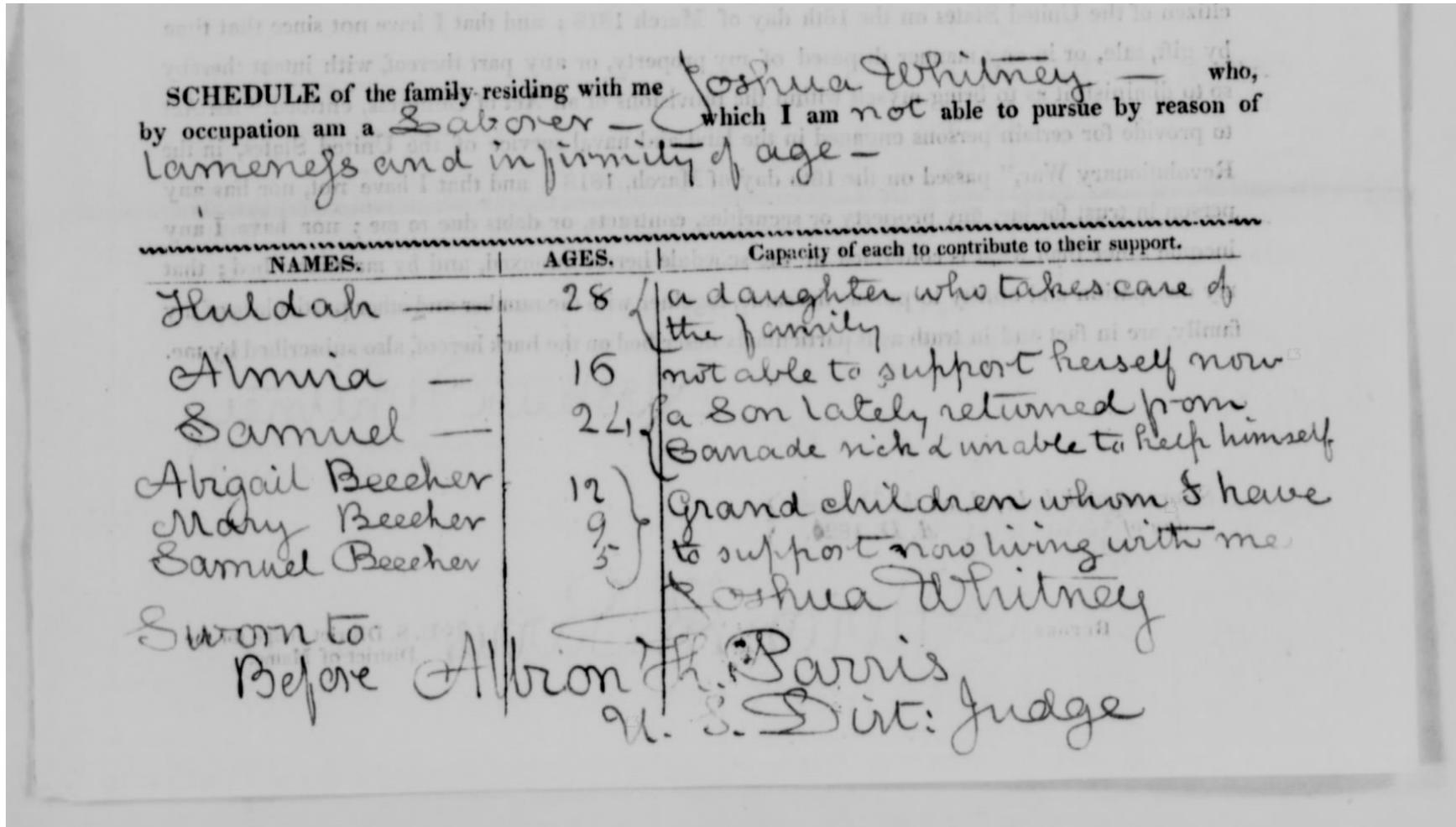
Personal estate — I have none, except a few mean house utensils for family use — I have no income and am still in debt and poor and needy.

Joshua Whitney

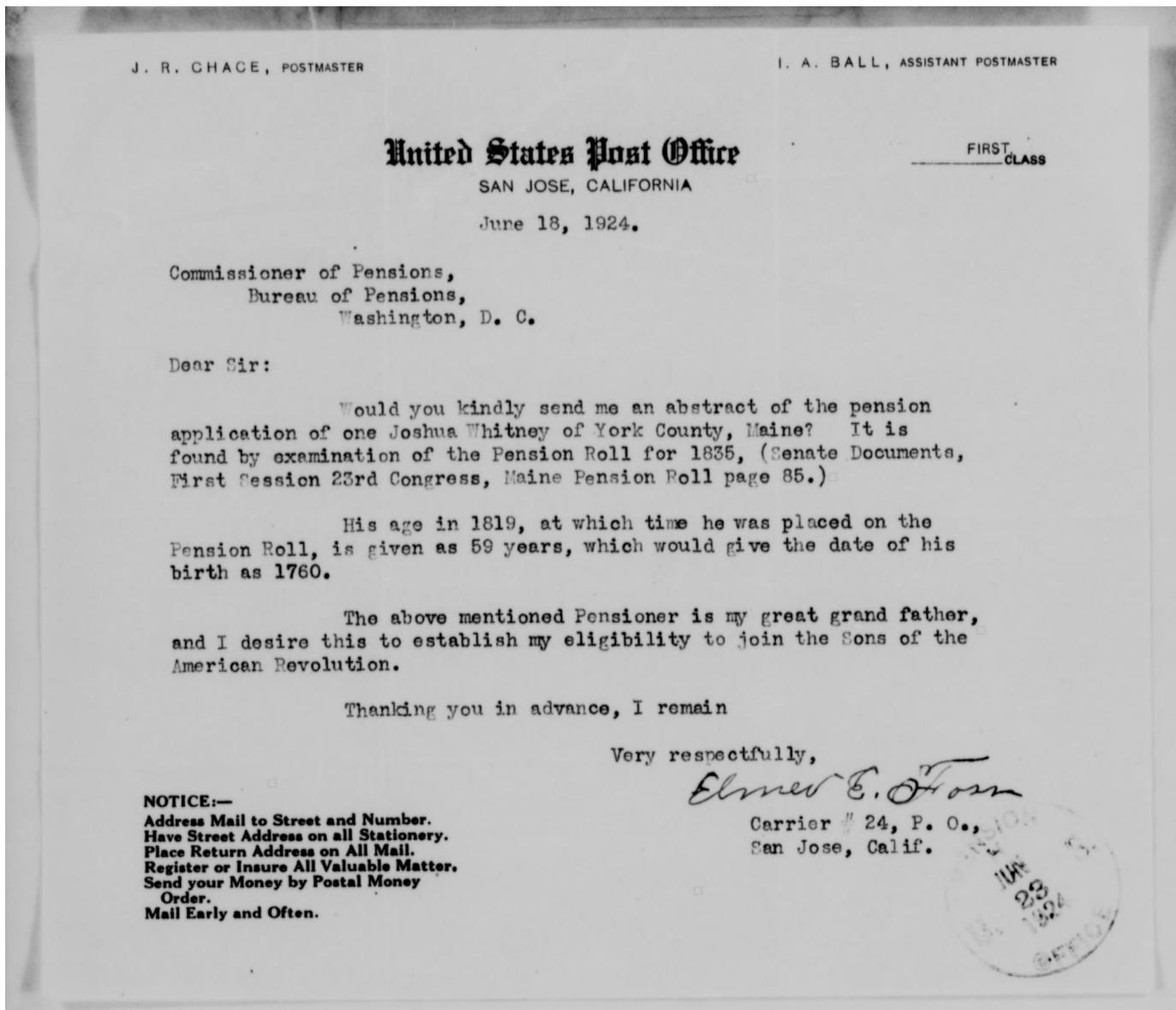
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SCHEDULE of the family residing with me Joshua Whitney — who, by occupation am a Laborer — which I am not able to pursue by reason of lameness and infirmity of age —

# Joshua Whitney Pension File



## Joshua Whitney Pension File



## Joshua Whitney Pension File

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AGENCY OF PAYMENT Maine

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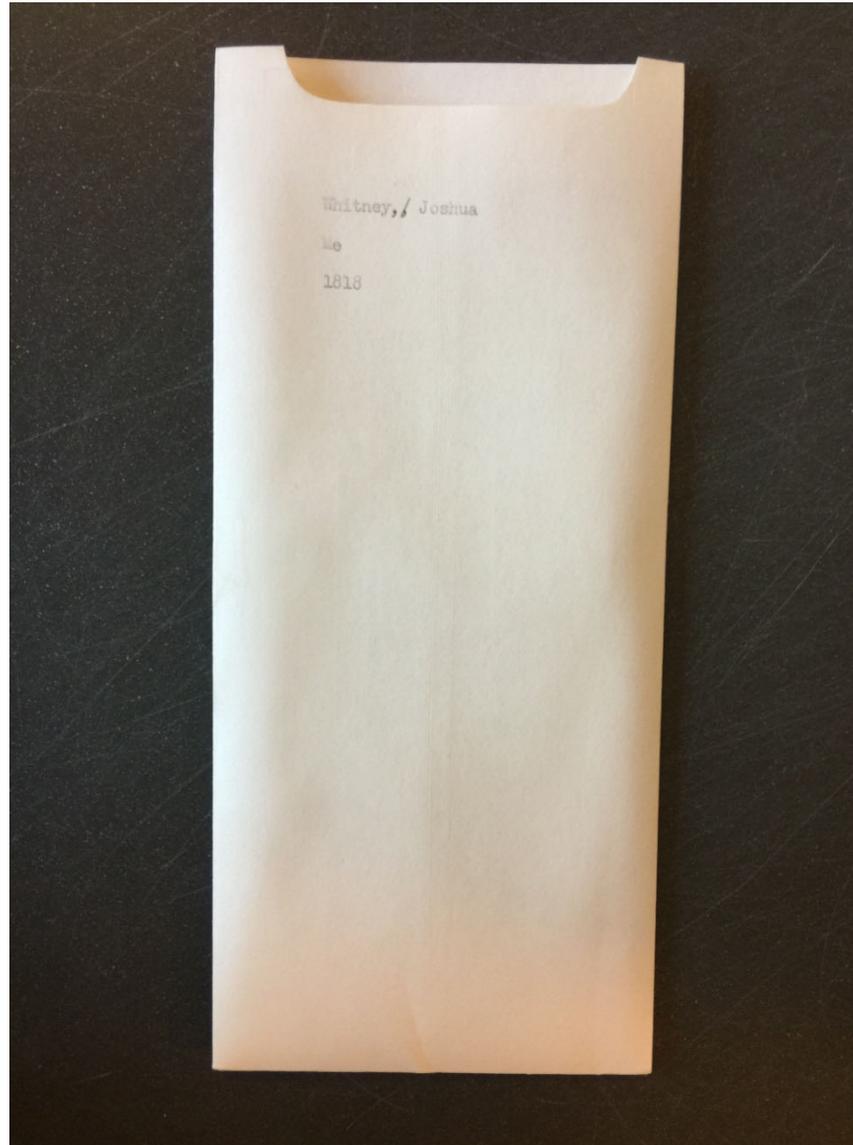
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DATE OF DEATH Feb. 25, 1832

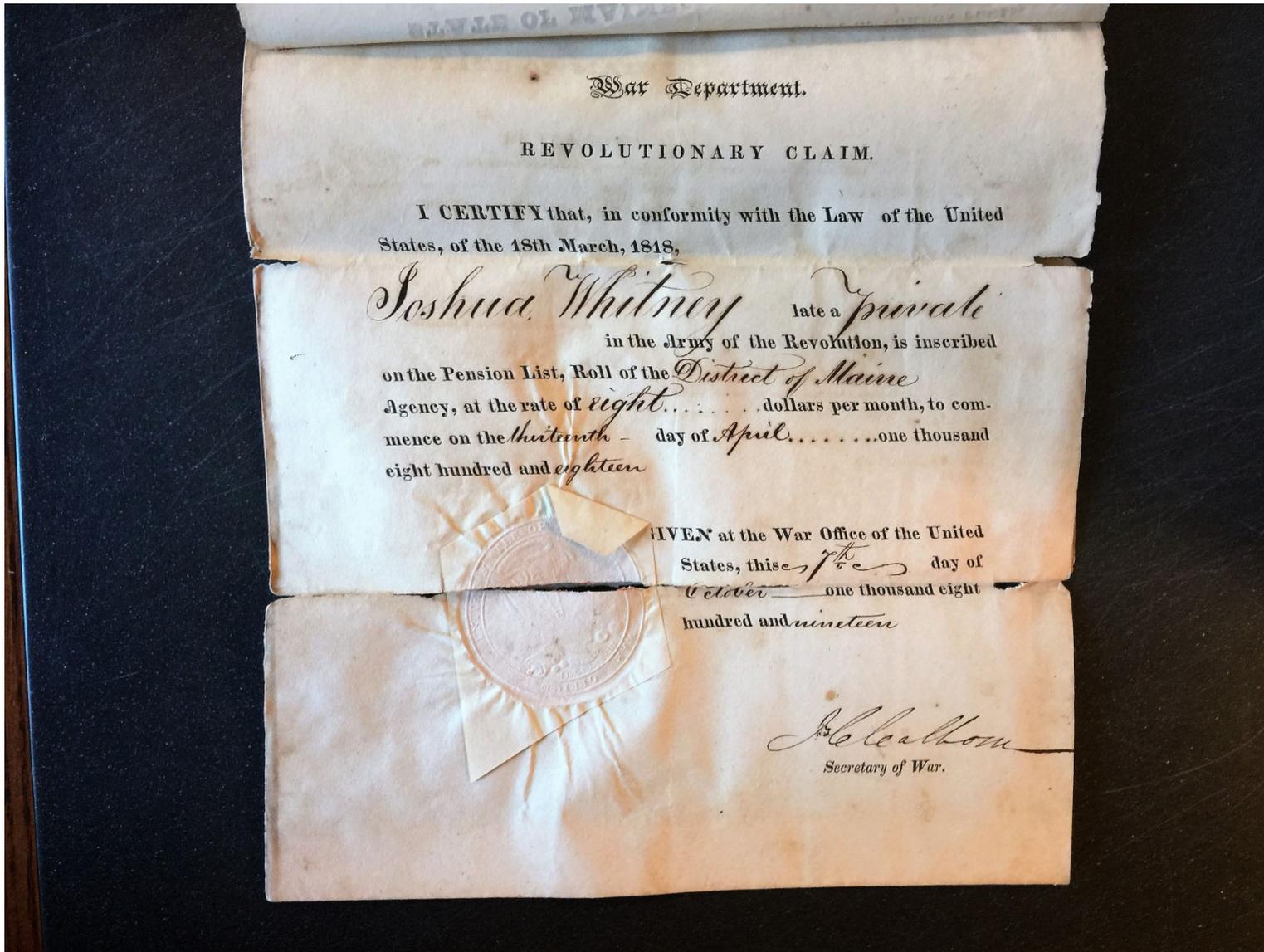
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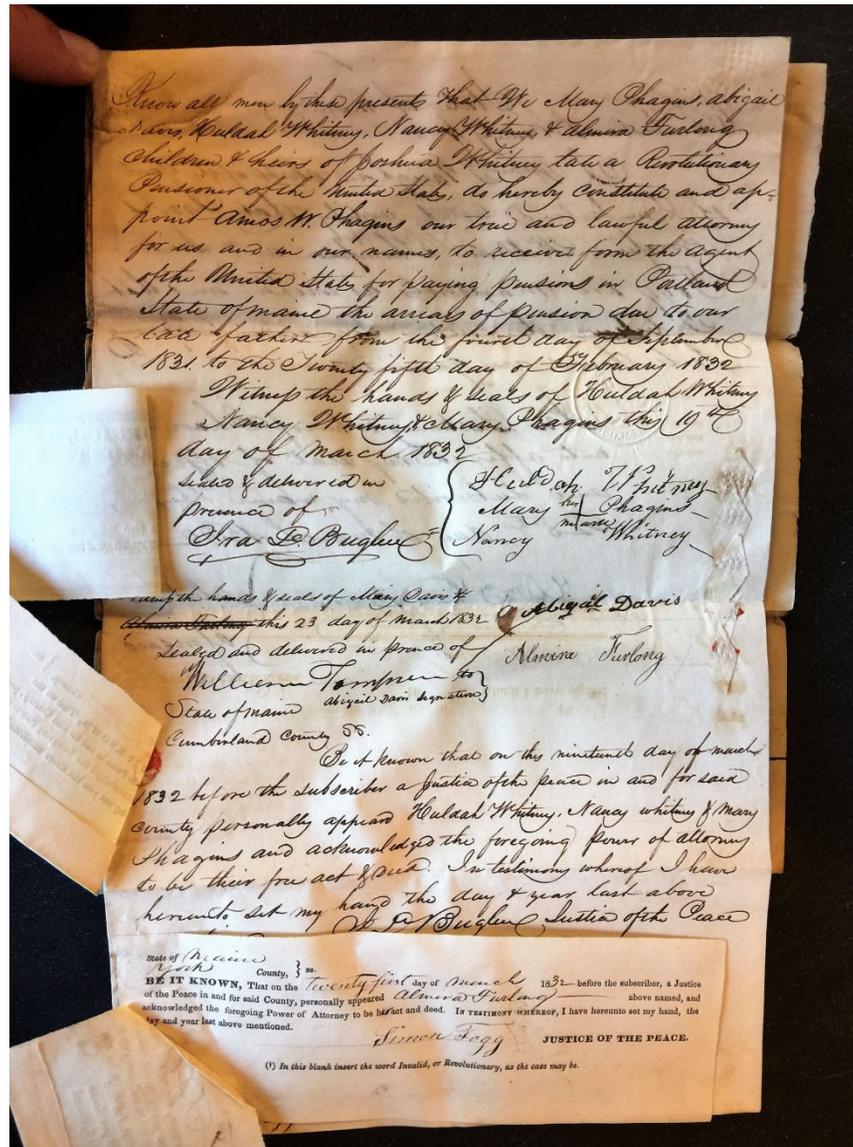
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# 1840 Census of Pensioners

by the Marshal of the District of Columbia, Territory of Kentucky, and to the Legislature of the State of Kentucky.

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**CENSUS OF PENSIONERS.**  
KENTUCKY—Continued.

Names of pensioners for revolutionary or military services.		Ages.	Names of heads of families with whom pensioners resided June 1, 1840.
<b>RUSSELL COUNTY.</b>			
Thomas Graves	-	77	Thomas Graves.
Isaac Sharp	-	85	Isaac Sharp.
Henry Law	-	80	Coleman Law.
Matthew Robertson	-	78	Matthew Robertson.
William Perryman	-	81	William Perryman.
Jordan George	-	76	Jordan George.
John Polly	-	80	John Polly.

- Revolutionary War pensioners and widows
- First census to give exact age
- Lists who veteran is residing with

# Daniel Frederick Bakeman



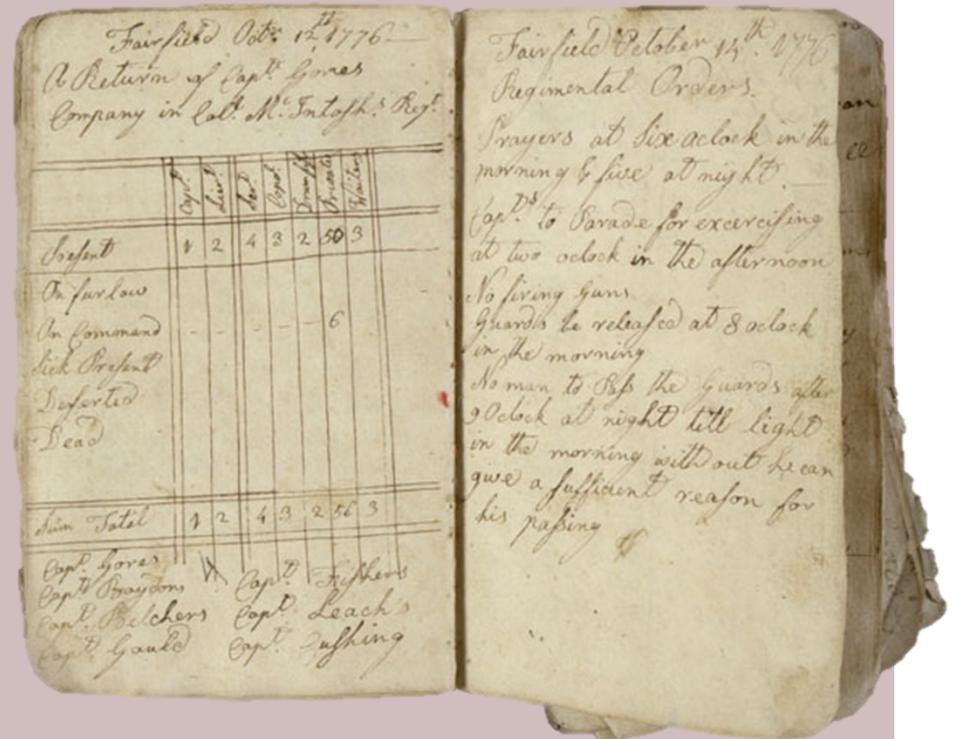
- Born: October 9, 1759
- Died: April 5, 1869
- Tryon Co., NY Militia, 1777-1781

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