

Friend or Foe: Researching Colonial Ancestors During the American Revolution

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Researching Patriots of the Revolution

Basic Steps of Military Research

Why research a veteran?



How old was your veteran?

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

Patriotic Service

Acts of Patriotic Service

- These acts cannot be self-serving
- Service could only be rendered to the Patriots
- This can be one act or a series of actions demonstrating loyalty to the American cause

Examples of Patriotic Service

- Signing oaths of allegiance to the new government
- Rendering aid to wounded (nurses and doctors)
- Furnishing supplies
- Lending money or munitions
- Ministers giving patriotic sermons
- Paying supply taxes
- Defenders of forts and stations
- Members of Continental Congress, State Conventions and Assemblies
- Membership in committees during the war (ex. Committees of Correspondence, Inspection, and Safety)
- Boston Tea Party participants

Patriotic Sermons

- Religion provided a moral sanction for opposing British rule
- Ministers of the Church of England are not eligible – they swore an oath to support the King

Sermon from Rev. Samuel Langdon

Rev. Samuel Langdon – president of Harvard College preached in Watertown, CT, May 31, 1775 (one month after the Battles of Lexington and Concord):

"We have lived to see the time when British liberty is just ready to expire—when the constitution of government which has so long been the glory and strength of the English nation is deeply undermined and ready to tumble into ruins—when America is threatened with cruel oppression and the arm of power is stretched out against New England, especially this colony, to compel us to submit to the arbitrary acts of legislators who are not our representatives, and who will not bear the least part of the burdens which, without mercy, they are laying upon us" (Thornton, John Wingate. *The Pulpit of the American Revolution: or the Political Sermons of the Period of 1776* Boston: Gould and Lincoln, 1860, pg. 235).

Oaths of Allegiance

- 18th-century oaths were seen as "sworn promises"
- Most colonies required an oath of allegiance by free males over the minimum age (varied from over 16 to 21 years)
- Prisoners of war and enslaved persons were exempt from taking an oath of allegiance.
- Women were not required to take an oath of allegiance unless required in other circumstances (ex. in New York to file a lawsuit)
- Some colonies allowed Quakers to affirm allegiance (Connecticut, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont)

Oath of Allegiance Example

- *“I, -----, do swear (or affirm) that I renounce and refuse all allegiance to George the Third, King of Great Britain, his heirs and successors, and that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the commonwealth of Pennsylvania as a free and independent state, and that I will not at any time do or cause to be done any matter or thing that will be prejudicial or injurious to the freedom and independence thereof, as declared by Congress; and also that I will discover and make known to some one justice of the peace of the said state all treasons and traitorous conspiracies which I now know or hereafter shall know to be formed against this or any of the United States of America.”*
 - Oaths of Allegiance During the American Revolution 8 May 2021, Sons of the American Revolution (SAR)

Oaths of Allegiance

Minimum Age Requirements

- Connecticut – Office holders and freemen (over 21)
- Delaware – White males over 21
- Georgia – All men over 16
- Maryland – Free males over 18
- North Carolina – Free males over 16
- Pennsylvania – White males over 18
- Rhode Island – Men above 21
- South Carolina – Free males over 16
- Vermont – Freemen (over 21)
- Virginia – Free born males over 16 (except indentured servants)

Supply Taxes

- Congress has no authority to levy taxes. Money and supplies were requested from the states.
- Taxes went towards raising supplies, paying troops, building ships, providing clothing, raising bounty money, providing relief for families of soldiers in service.
- The laws that were passed to levy taxes **must state in the statute** that they were addressing a request of the **Continental Congress and/or to support the war or achieve independence.**
- Each state has different tax assessments that were levied. Consult the DAR and SAR guides on which taxes count for patriotic service.

Types of Civil Service

- State Officials – Provisional or new state governments
- County and Town Officials
 - Examples: Selectman, Judge, Sheriff, Justice of the Peace, Town Clerk

Town Record Minutes

- Record the business of the town, including elected officials
- Town records date back to when the town was first incorporated

19 Mar 1782

Ebenez^r Russell Esq^r chose Moderator

Voted that a Guard.. of Twenty Men be.. Raised for the Defence of this Town.. and that an Officer be appointed in each Society, and to Rais their proportionable part of the Men by Inlistment, and chose L^t Jacob Bunnell, L^t Edw: Mulford & Ensⁿ Allen Smith for the purpose.. and to Command the Guard, each one his proportionable part of the time, and to take their Instructions from Col: Edw: Russell: and that they Receive the same pay & Rations as the soldiers in the Continental Army.. and to be allowed one shilling p^r Day for billiting themselves

8 Apr 1782

themselves

8 Apr 1782

it being Represented to the Meeting that two Men, was this Towns Proportion to be procured for the Continental Army.. Voted a Com^{tee} be appointed to hire the Two Men on the Towns cost, for one Year, and chose Farrington Harrison & William Whedon granted a Tax of one penny on the pound.. and chose Pennock Howd, Ephraim Baldwin and James Smith Collectors Collectors

Chose John Baldwin Ju^r Collector of the 2^d Tax.. in the room of Timothy Bradly who refused, and s^d Baldwin also refused & paid his Fine; .. Meeting then chose Obediah Tyler in his room

11 Nov 1782

Chose Papillion Barker Collector of the 2^d TownTax, in the room of Obediah Tyler who Refused & paid his Fine

18 Nov 1782

mad Choice of Ebenez^r Palmer to Collect the 2^d Town Tax... in the Room of Papillion Barker who refuses

[] Dec 1782

Ebenez^r Russell Esq^r chosen Moderator

Edw: Russell Clerk

made choice of Ephraim Parrish, C^t Sam^l Russell, Will^m Munro, Sam^l Ford, Jonathan Russell, C^t Timothy Hoadley & Jesse Street Select-men

Chose Deaⁿ Elnathan Beach Town Treasurer

Ephraim Parrish, Sam^l Hoadly, Roger Tyler Ju^r & Stephen Williams Constables, and also Ruben Rose Constable & to Collect the State Tax

Chose Willford Johnson, Tim^y Bradly, Farrinton Harrison, Ephraim Foot, Sam^l Frisbie, John Barker, Will^m Munro, James Hoadly, Isaac Palmer, Josⁿ Bartholomew, Pennock Howd, Jonathan Townner Ju^r Sam^l Page, Rufus Linsley, Asahel Palmer, Israel Linsley, Jonaⁿ Hoadley, Dan^l Foot Harrison, Edw: Mulford, Ebenez^r Russell Ju^r [] Jacob Barker, Jared Harrison, Tim^y Harrison Ju^r Joseph Willford, Jacob Bunnell, Peter Tyler, Charles Ford, Josiah Fowler Ju^r, and Jacob Frisbie Surveyours of Highways

Revolutionary War Resources

What Revolutionary War Records are available

Publication	What is it?	Where to Find Online
United States Revolutionary War Compiled Service Records, 1775–1783 NARA Microfilm publication M881	Abstracts of information about soldiers from muster rolls, pay rolls, and other documents	FamilySearch.org Fold3.com Ancestry.com
Revolutionary War Rolls, 1775–1783 NARA Microfilm publication M246	Images of muster rolls, payrolls, strength returns, and other personnel, pay, and supply records	FamilySearch.org Fold3.com Ancestry.com
Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty-Land Warrant Application Files, 1800–1900 NARA Microfilm publication M804	Images of documents assembled during the process of applying for a pension or bounty land	FamilySearch.org Fold3.com Ancestry.com

Useful Resources

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

A handwritten entry from the Lexington Alarm Roll. The text is written in cursive and includes the following information:

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
Lexington Alarms; Vol. 13, page 43
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1840 Census of Pensioners

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

STOUGHTON			
Rebecca Littlefield	-	-	75
Anna Kieth	-	-	88
Thomas Curtis	-	-	83
Elizabeth Williams	-	-	92
Amos Guild	-	-	87
Silence Holmes	-	-	82
Benjamin Bisbee	-	-	80
Relief Harris	-	-	74
Lemuel Smith	-	-	81
Asa Waters	-	-	80
Chloe Drake	-	-	77
Samuel Wales	-	-	80
Rebecca Littlefield.			
William Curtis, jr.			
Thomas Curtis.			
Elizabeth Williams.			
Amos Guild.			
Silence Holmes.			
Benjamin Bisbee.			
Relief Harris.			
Jesse Pierce.			
Asa Waters.			
Benjamin Drake.			
Samuel Wales.			

Case Study: From Published to Primary Sources

Mass. Soldiers & Sailors

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

Poor, Jonathan, Newbury. Captain of a company of militia, Col. Samuel Gerrish's (2d Essex Co.) Regt., which marched on the alarm of April 19, 1775; service, 6 days; also, Captain; return of militia officers who joined Col. Jedediah Huntington's Regt., dated Roxbury Camp, Dec. 22, 1775; ordered in Council Feb. 3, 1776, that said officers be commissioned; also, Captain; list of officers of companies under command of Col. Huntington which reinforced the army; commissioned Feb. 3, 1776; also, copy of a return of said Poor's co. [year not given]; copy of a receipt dated Newbury, march 18, 1777, signed by men belonging to said Poor's co., for wages for 6 weeks service, appears on reverse of return; also, Captain, 1st co., Col. Daniel Spafford's (7th Essex Co.) regt. of Mass. militia; list of officers to be commissioned in said regiment; ordered in Council June 26, 1777, that said officers be commissioned; reported commissioned June 26, 1777.

Looking for the Sources

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Muster Roll Index Microfilm

Massachusetts Muster Rolls
(index file cards) of the
Revolutionary War, 1767-1833
259 Microfilms

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[Massachusetts. Secretary of State](#) (Main Author)

[Massachusetts. State Archives](#) (Repository)

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Lexington Alarm Roll
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Regt., _____
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militia which marched
under the command of*
Lexington Alarms; Vol. 13, page 43
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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)

Lexington Alarms; Vol. 13, page 43



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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^e alarme on F^riday under y^e
Command of Capt. Jonathan Poor of Said town of Newbury in y^e County of Essex
and Colony of y^e Massachusetts Bay & in y^e Second Regiment of Militia of Said County
When off Sam^l Gerrish Esq^r was Col^l to Defend this Countenants from y^e invasions of
the Ministerials Troops

Jonathan Poor Captain

Names	Miles to y ^e place	Days	L	S	D	y ^e	Newbury
Jonathan Poor Captain	86	6	1	12	11	0	
Moses Jeffrey 1 st Lieut ^t	86	6	1	4	6	0	
Simcon Hale 2 ^d Lieut ^t	86	6	1	2	2	0	
Benj ⁿ Todd Sergeant	86	6	0	17	6	0	
Paul Blumer Sergeant	86	6		17	6	0	

Citing the Published Source with the Primary Source

Jonathan Poor “Newbury. Captain of a company
of militia, Col. Samuel Gerrish’s (2d Essex Co.)
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1775; service, 6 days”^[1]

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1906243] Online:

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Repository: Massachusetts State Archives.

Going Beyond Abstracts and Dissecting Pension Files

Genealogical Abstracts
Of Revolutionary War
Pension Files

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Abstracted by
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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Whitney, Joshua

S. 37349

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Joshua Whitney Pension File

Joshua Whitney of Boston 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 ^{Massachusetts Line} the army, and the Brigade was
commanded by General Patterson from the time I ~~entered~~
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 ~~seventeen~~ hundred & eighty three, signed
by Major General Henry 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.

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I John Burnell of Gorham in the County
of Cumberland & Commonwealth of Massachusetts
do depose & say that Joshua Whitney served in the
same Brigade in the revolutionary war to which
I belonged; that I several times saw him during
the time I belonged to said Brigade & I have no
doubt of his said Whitney having served the time
stated by him in his declaration by him signed on
the other side hereof. Said Whitney to the best of my
knowledge & belief is a man of truth & veracity
& is in reduced circumstances in need of
need of assistance from his country for support
In presence of Joseph Adams, John Burnell
mark

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Cumberland Co. June 9. 1818 Then before me the
subscriber one of the Justices of the Peace for said County
personally appeared John Burnell above named &
being duly sworn made oath to the truth of the forego-
ing affidavit by him signed by his mark of
a cross in my presence

Joseph Adams -

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 Buxton — 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. Carris

U. S. Dist. Judge

SCHEDULE of the family residing with me Joshua Whitney who, by occupation am a ~~Sabotier~~ 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. Carris

U. S. Dist. Judge

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

Sworn to
Jan'y 3. 1821

Before

Albion H. Parrie
U. S. Dist. Judge

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

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 —

NAMES.	AGES.	Capacity of each to contribute to their support.
Huldah —	28	a daughter who takes care of the family
Almira —	16	not able to support herself now
Samuel —	24	a son lately returned from Canada sick & unable to keep himself
Abigail Beecher	12	Grand children whom I have to support now living with me
Mary Beecher	9	
Samuel Beecher	5	
Sworn to Before Albion H. Parrie U. S. Dist. Judge		

Joshua Whitney Pension File

J. R. CHACE, POSTMASTER

I. A. BALL, ASSISTANT POSTMASTER

United States Post Office

SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

June 18, 1924.

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Commissioner of Pensions,
Bureau of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Would you kindly send me an abstract of the pension application of one Joshua Whitney of York County, Maine? It is found by examination of the Pension Roll for 1835, (Senate Documents, First Session 23rd Congress, Maine Pension Roll page 85.)

His age in 1819, at which time he was placed on the Pension Roll, is given as 59 years, which would give the date of his birth as 1760.

The above mentioned Pensioner is my great grand father, and I desire this to establish my eligibility to join the Sons of the American Revolution.

Thanking you in advance, I remain

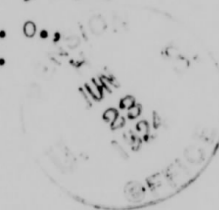
Very respectfully,

Elmer E. Farn

Carrier # 24, P. O.,
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NAME WHITNEY, Joshua

AGENCY OF PAYMENT Maine

DATE OF ACT 181 8

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DATE OF DEATH Feb. 25, 1832

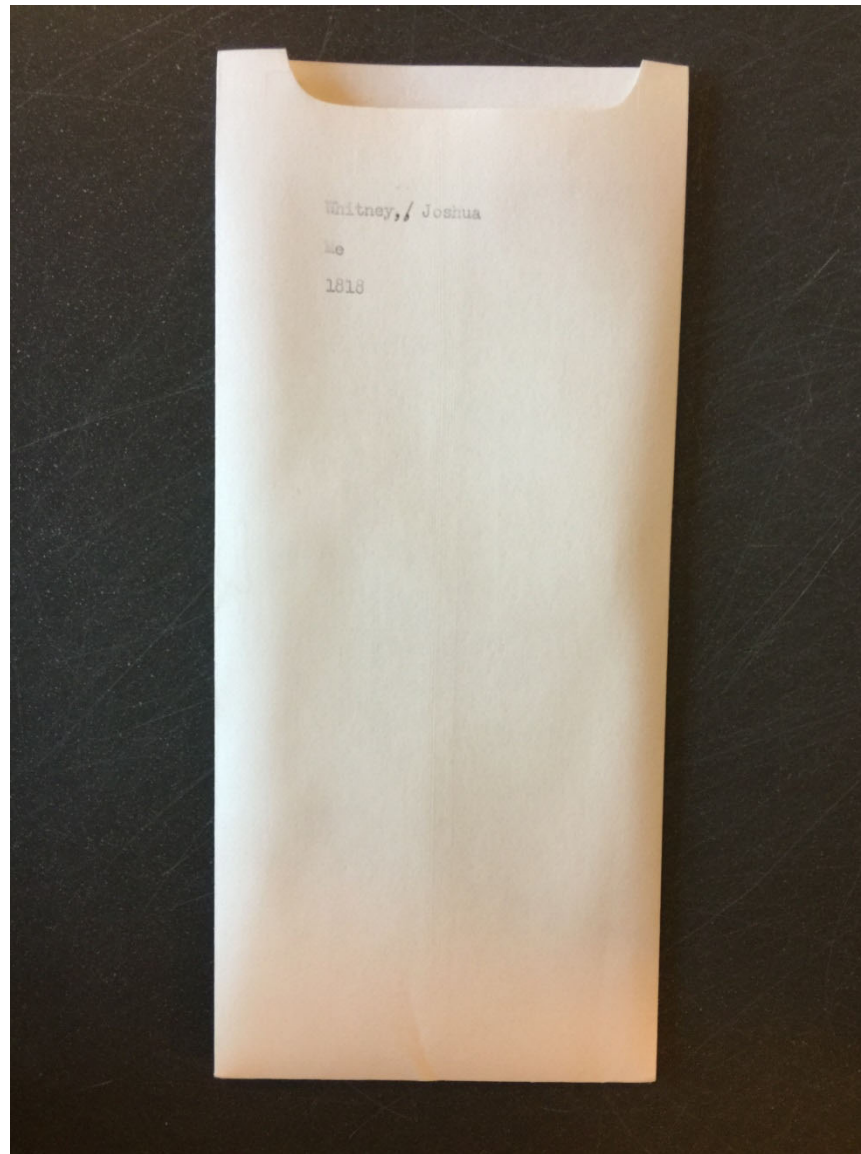
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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

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FORM
GSA DEC 69 **7068**

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War Department.

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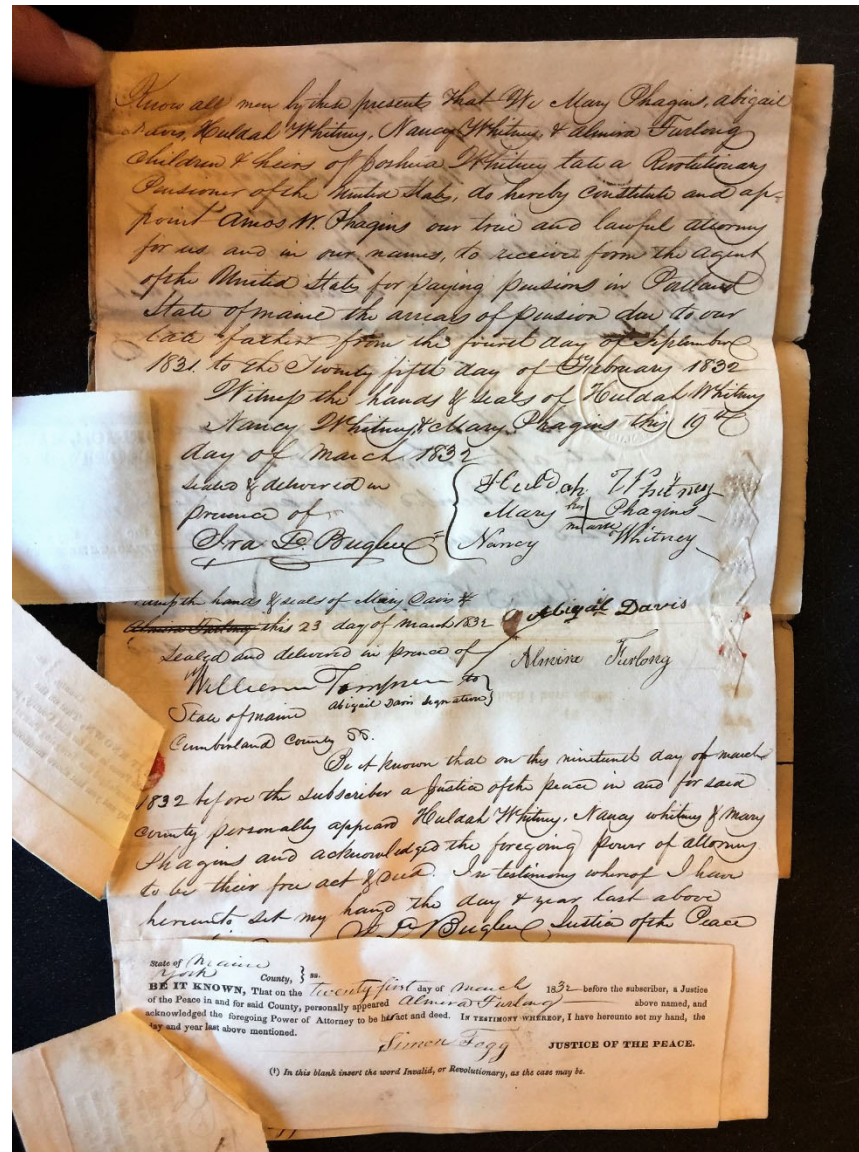
I CERTIFY that, in conformity with the Law of the United States, of the 18th March, 1818,

Joshua Whitney late a *private*
in the Army of the Revolution, is inscribed
on the Pension List, Roll of the *District of Maine*
Agency, at the rate of *eight* dollars per month, to com-
mence on the *thirteenth* - day of *April* one thousand
eight hundred and *eighteen*

GIVEN at the War Office of the United States, this *7th* day of *October* - one thousand eight hundred and *nineteen*

W. L. Calhoun
Secretary of War.

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Researching Loyalist Soldiers of the Revolution



Loyalist Military

By far the most significant contribution of the Loyalists during the American Revolution was on the battlefield. Loyalists, in one form or another, served in virtually every engagement of the war.

At the outbreak of the war the British Army was like many in Europe at the time: small, but very professional. During times of war it was expected to expand with the raising of new regiments, both at home and in the colonies. The American Revolution was no different.

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Loyalist Muster Rolls

During the American Revolution, muster rolls were prepared by the commanding officer of each company of a regiment for the express purpose of paying the officers and soldiers. For the British, they were prepared about once every 182 days. Loyalist rolls were to have been made out once every 61 days, although there were exceptions, especially during the southern campaigns.

Only those regiments that received pay and clothing for their services were mustered. As a result, there is an absence of muster rolls for many of the militia and other irregular units that served during the war. Rolls do exist for some of the militia units that were in pay for a part of their service, however, such as some of the North and South Carolina militias. For a better understanding of the different types of regiments, or establishments, please see [Not All Loyalist Regiments Were Created Equal](#).

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Queen's Loyal Rangers Effective Roll 1 May 1781

Effective Roll of the Corps of Royalists Commanded by John Peters Esqr

1st May 1781

Captain John Peters Esqr.	at Quebec by leave
Captain Justus Sherwood Esqr.	On duty at St. Johns
Captain Zadock Wright Esqr.	Prisoner with the Rebels
Captain Franciss Hogle Esqr.	
Lieutenant James Parrot	
Lieutenant John Dulmage	
Lieutenant Phylo Hullibert	
Lieutenant Gershom French	Engineers employ
Lieutenant Titus Simmons	
Lieutenant David McFall	at Quebec
Ensign John Peters, Junr.	
Sgt Jonathan Fulford	on Secret Service
Sgt Elihu Northrop	In the Engineers employ
Sgt John Hard	On duty at St. Johns
Sgt John Beach	
Sgt David Williams	In the Engineers Employ
Sgt Duncan McGregor	Nouvelle Beauce
Cpl Samuel Smith	In the Engineers Employ
Cpl John Brooks	do
Cpl Robert Perry	do
Cpl David Crowfoot	On Comd. at St. Johns
Cpl Oliver Sweet	do

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Garrit Miller	discharged
John Wright	
Peter Foster	
John Buttler	
John McMaugh	
James Adams	
James Gavin	Sick in Quarters
Phylo Hard	

Great Britain, British Library, Additional Manuscripts, No. 21,827, folio 278.

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Butler's Rangers List of Prisoners

A List of Prisoners with the Rebels, Privates in Lieut. Colonel BUTLERs Corps of Rangers

John HOVER	Said to be in New York
Henry HOVER	do
Redman BERRY	do
Thomas SILKS	do
Jacob BOWMAN, Senr.	do
Frederick FRANCK	do
Adam BOWMAN	do
John LORD, Junr.	not known whether they have joined the Southern Army or not
Richard McGINNIS	do
Jacob BRUNNOR	do
Nicholas PHILIPS, Junr.	do
John PHILIPS	do
Nicholas PHILIPS, Senr.	do
John ACKER	do
Aron HOGHTALIN	do
Oldrick SHULT	do
John S. YOUNG	do
Thomas WOOD, Volunteer	Said to be in New York
Jacob KEMPLE, Private	do

Walter BUTLER Capt.

Quebec 30th Octr. 1780

Great Britain, Public Record Office, War Office, Class 28, Volume 4, page 12.

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Butler's Rangers/Indian Dept. Skirmish at Sandusky, Ohio

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Camp, Upper Sandoski, June the 7th [1782]

Sir,

I am happy in having the pleasure of acquainting you with our success on the 4th & 5th inst.

On the 4th about 12 Oclock the Enemy appeared about two Miles from this, Capt. CALDWELL with the Rangers and about 200 Indians, marched out to fight them and attacked them about 2 Oclock,

the Enemy immediately retreated to a Copse of woods at a little distance where they made a stand and had every advantage of us, as to Situation of ground people possibly could wish for as there was but a small neck of woods that we could get possession which when we once gained the action became general and was dubious for some time till we obliged them to retreat about 50 Yds after which were able to cover most off [sic-of] our men,

the battle was very hot, till night, which put a stop to firing, both partys kept their ground all Night.

On the 5th at day break, we again commenced firing which we kept up pretty briskly till we found the Enemy did not wish to engage us again.

We kept firing at them when ever they durst show themselves, they made two attempts to sally but were repulsed with loss,

about 12 Oclock we were joined by 140 Shawanese and had got the Enemy Surrounded, but through some mistake of the Indians there was one pass left unguarded, through which they made their escape

Ward Chipman Fonds (MG 23 D1)

- Ward Chipman (1754-1824) a lawyer, judge and Loyalist.
- Chipman settled in Nova Scotia in July 1783. With the creation of New Brunswick in 1784, he was appointed Solicitor General of the new province.
- Ward Chipman Papers (MG 23 D1) covers the years 1751 to 1844. Business records and papers relating to the Loyalists and to the boundary commissions.
- These records refer to Loyalists who eventually settled in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward Island. They include some **muster rolls of soldiers** of British regiments and black members (slaves or free individuals) of Loyalist regiments

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- The Ward Chipman Fonds database provides access to over 19,000 references to the Muster Master's office sub-series (1777–1785), contained in volumes 24 to 27 of the Ward Chipman fonds held at LAC.
- Abstract, Account, Casualty returns, Correspondence, Land grant, Muster rolls, Provision lists, Return of prisoners, Return of settlers



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Ward Chipman, a prominent lawyer, judge and Loyalist, was born on July 30, 1754, in Marblehead, Massachusetts and died on February 9, 1824, in Fredericton, New Brunswick.



The coming of the Loyalists, 1783,
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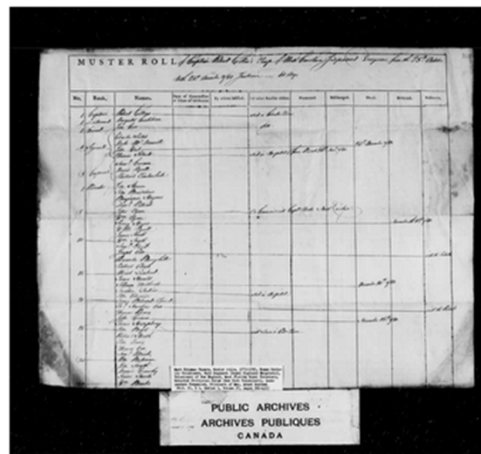
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Given Name(s): Uriah
Surname: LAMBERT
Group/Regiment: North Carolina Independent Dragoons
Type of Records: Muster roll
Year: 1781
Volume: 27

MUSTER ROLL of Captain Robert Collins's Regt. of West-India-Indians, from the 25th October

At the 25th November 1781. Fort Mifflin. — 61 Pages.

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No.	Rank.	Names.	Date of Commission or Time of Indulgence	By whom Indulged.	For what Reason absent.	Promoted.	Discharged.	Dead.	Defted.	Prisoners.
1	Captain	Robert Collins			at the 25 th Nov.					
1	Lieutenant	Augustus Buckle			do					
1	Ensign	John Cox								
4	Private	Charles White								
		Rich ^d M ^r Bennett								
		John West								
		Thomas White			at the 25 th Nov. from Private 20 th Nov. 1781.			25 th November 1781.		
3	Private	John Cox								
		David Ryall								
		Richard Cumberland								
1	Private	John Cox								
		John Broadbent								
		Benjamin Rogers								
		John White								
5	Private	John Cox			On leave with Capt. White 25 th Nov. 1781.					
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		John Cox								
		John Cox								
		John Cox								
10	Private	John Cox								
		John Cox								
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Ward Chipman Papers, Muster rolls, 1775-1783, Roman Catholic Volunteers, 8th Regiment (Royal Highland Emigrants), Volunteers of New England, West Florida Royal Foresters, Detached Provincial Corps (New York Volunteers), Independent Companies, Prisoners of War, Armed Boatmen (Ms. 25, v. 1, Series 1, Volume 27, pages 280-413)

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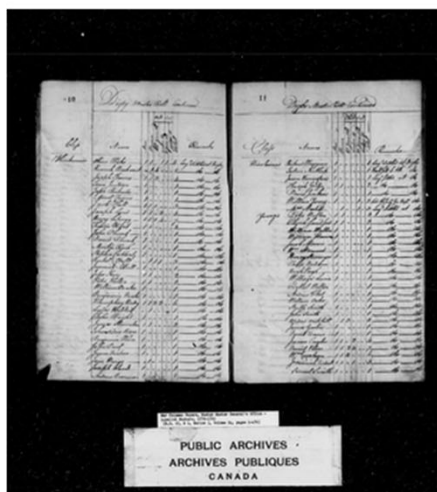
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Item: Joseph SANDS



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Surname:	SANDS
Place:	Digby
Group/Regiment:	Loyalist
Type of Records:	Muster roll
Year:	1784
Volume:	24
Page(s):	10
Record Title:	Muster Roll of Disbanded Officers Discharged and Disbanded Soldiers and Loyalists Mustered at Digby the 29th May 1784.
Microfilm Reel Number:	C-9818
Reference:	MG 23 D1, Series 1
Item Number:	286

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10		Digby Muster Roll Continued					
Clap	Names	Age	Wages	Child	Ind.	Remarks	
Hinckman's	Oliver Hicks	1	1	1	1	1 day settled at Digby	
	Hannah Duckworth	1	4	1	5	do do	
	Joseph Thomas	1	1	2	1	do do	
	Leana Jackson	1	1	1	1	do do	
	John Richards	1	1	1	1	do do	
	James Turner	1	1	1	1	do do	
	Jacob Hall	1	1	1	1	do do	
	Joseph Lord	1	1	2	1	do do	
	Henry Ferguson	1	1	1	1	do do	
	Thomas Wight	1	1	1	1	do do	
	John Elumb	1	1	1	1	do do	
	David Elumb	1	1	1	1	do do	
	Martin Beach	1	1	1	1	do do	
	Stephen Tubberly	1	1	1	1	do do	
	Reuben Bell	1	1	1	1	do do	
	Jeremiah Bell	1	1	1	1	do do	
	John Keen	1	1	1	1	do do	
	Peter Hellen	1	1	1	1	do do	
	William Drake	1	1	1	1	do do	
	Benjamin Drake	1	1	1	1	do do	
	Thompson Wady	1	1	2	1	do do	
	Levin Wadsworth	1	1	1	1	do do	
	John Wright	1	1	1	1	do do	
	James Macmillan	1	1	1	1	do do	
	Thomas Biers	1	1	1	1	do do	
	Benjamin Allen	1	1	1	1	do do	
	John Paul	1	1	1	1	do do	
	James Fisher	1	1	1	1	do do	
	John Derge	1	1	1	1	do do	
	Joseph Ward	1	1	1	1	do do	
	Andrew Brownson	1	1	1	1	do do	
11		Digby Muster Roll Continued					
Clap	Names	Age	Wages	Child	Ind.	Remarks	
Hinckman's	Richard Waggoner	1	1	1	1	1 day settled at Digby	
	Isaac Northrop	1	1	1	1	1 day settled at Digby	
	James Harrington	1	1	1	1	1 day settled at Digby	
	Charles Griffin	1	1	1	1	2 do do	
	David Jenkins	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	William Young	1	1	1	1	2 do settled at Digby	
	John Smith	1	1	1	1	3 day settled at Digby	
	John Walker	1	1	1	1	2 do do	
	Elijah Sandford	1	1	1	1	2 do do	
	William Waller	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
Young's	William Hanson	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	John Morris	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	Wm Howard	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	Benjamin Young	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	Philip Northrop	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	Hugh Pugh	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	William Dunn	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	Bethel Melton	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	Andrew Fleet	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	William Cook	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	Abner Smith	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	John Smith	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	Widow Mutchill	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	James Goslin	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	David Traver	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	James Taylor	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	Daniel Viles	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	Wm. Cogswell	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	Jeremiah Smith	1	1	1	1	1 do do	
	Samuel Smith	1	1	1	1	1 do do	

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Loyalist and British Soldiers 1772-1784

- The *British Headquarters Papers, New York* (also known as the *Carleton Papers*).
- A collection of records kept by commanders-in-chief of the British Army in North America during the American Revolution.
- Over 30,000 pages that offer details of the military service, sufferings and forced emigration of Loyalists who "*were banished, had their property confiscated and lived under laws of proscription because they had adhered to a lost cause.*"

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Loyalist and British Soldiers 1772-1784

- The original *British Headquarters Papers, New York* (or *Carleton Papers*) are preserved at the National Archives in England.
- Library and Archives Canada owns a microfilm copy of the *Carleton Papers* (microfilms M-343 to M-369), which are not digitized and must be viewed at the archives.



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Regiment:	King's Florida Rangers
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Item: Edward SANDS (48518)

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American Loyalist Claims

- These records will often include evidence and "memorials" given by witnesses about a Loyalist's Claim.
- The listing of losses of both land and personal possessions. The associated documents relating to the claim are also provided in these collections.

Genealogical Details

- Name of the person or family affected for the purpose of the claim.
- Residence(s) of the individual or family
- Financial estimates of their losses.
- Actual documents to support the claim.
- Details of the Loyalist's life in America before, during and after the Revolutionary War.

Audit Office – (AO-12)

- This series consists of fifty-six volumes of claims for or against giving compensation.
- These claims were judged on the circumstances of the claimant and included the arguments for or against the claim being awarded by the commissioners.

Tip

AO-12 is consolidated and easy to read. However, these volumes will be more abstracted than AO-13 that contain the original documents.

Audit Office – (AO-13)

- These are the original papers for the actual claims in a collection of 141 boxes.
- These records contain the memorial by the claimant or their representative. Included are various certificates and documents relating to the claim including wills, deeds, and valuations of seized property. These claims were judged on the circumstances of the claimant and included the arguments for or against the claim being awarded by the commissioners.

American Loyalist Claims

- American Loyalist Claims, 1776–1835. AO 12–13. The National Archives of the United Kingdom, at Kew, Surrey, England.



UK, American Loyalist Claims, 1776-1835

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David

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Last Name

Mills

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About UK, American Loyalist Claims, 1776-1835

Historical Background

Following the American Revolutionary War (1775-1783), also known as the American War of Independence, British commissioners were appointed to examine claims of losses sustained by those loyal to the British crown or "Loyalists" during and following the war. Records in this database relate to Loyalist claims and cases heard by the American Loyalist Claims Commission.

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This database is a collection of records kept by the U.S. National Archives listing men who fought for the colonies during the war. Each record provides the soldier's name, category, rank information, and NARA microfilm roll number to aid the researcher in locating the original record. Images of the records are also included.

[U.S., Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty-Land Warrant Application Files, 1800-1900](#)

This data collection contains an estimated 80,000 application files from officers and enlisted men who served in the Revolutionary War in all branches of the American military: army, navy, and marines. The files that make up these records consist of 10" x 14" cards or 10" x 14" envelopes that can contain documents relating to an application for a pension or bounty-land warrant by a Revolutionary War veteran, his widow, or his heirs. The files can contain a wide variety of records submitted to support an application. Information of genealogical interest includes the application itself, which can provide the soldier's name, rank, unit, time of service, age, date of birth, residence, and sometimes birthplace.

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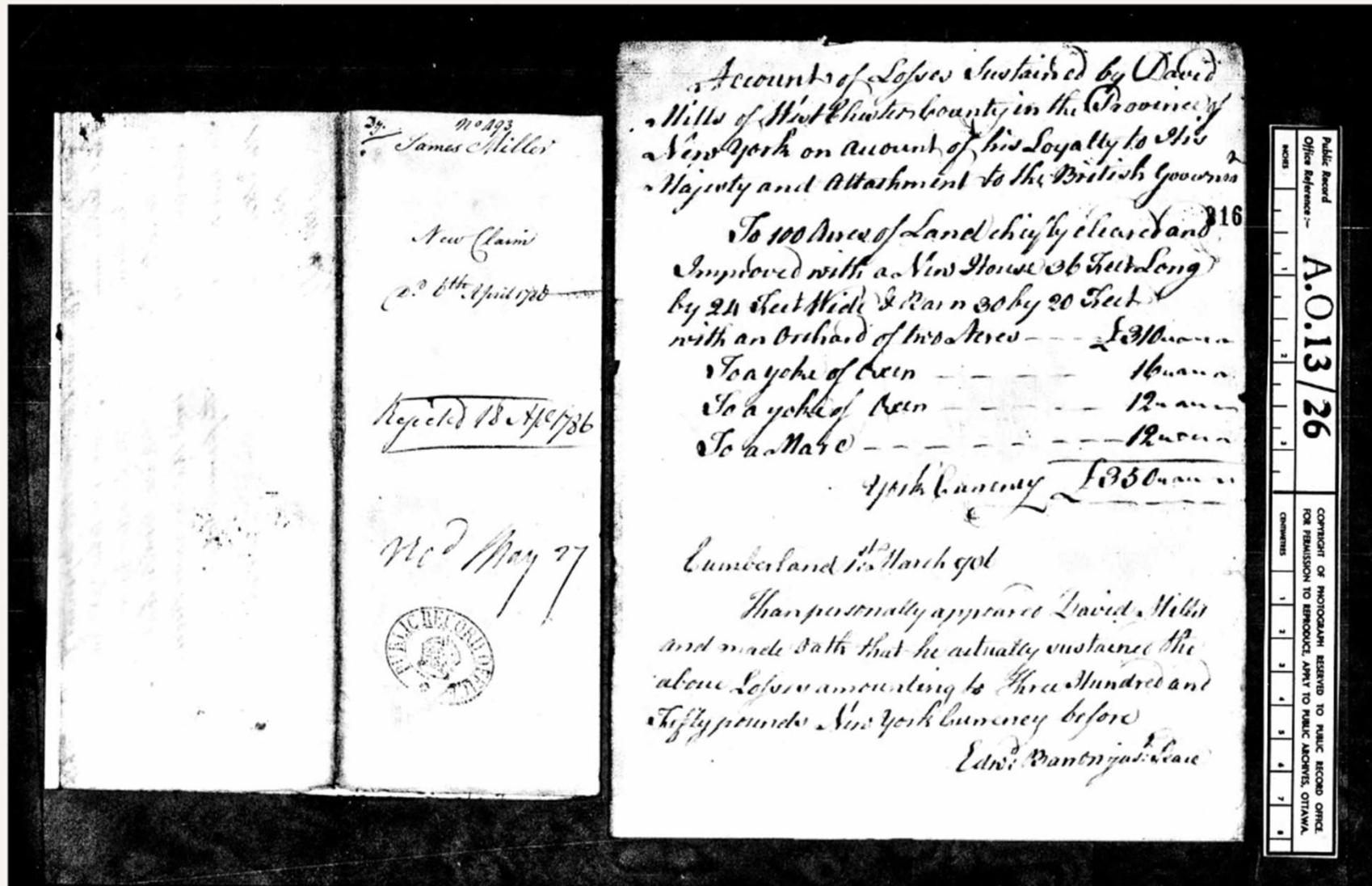
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joined the British Army, viz., in Septem^r, 1777; he marched with them to New-York in June, 1778. He was taken as a Captain of marines on board of the privateer sloop Jenny of New-York.

3. Joseph Moffat.—He joined the British army when in Philad^{ia}, marched with them to New-York, and was taken on board a schooner, prize to the Privateer Bayard of New York.

4. John Connel.—Formerly a schoolmaster near Concord in Chester County, from whence he came and joined the British Army when in Philad^{ia}—marched with them to New-York, and was taken on board the Privateer Intrepid.

5. Joseph Paxton.—He is a freeholder in Bucks county, joined the British Army when in this city, and was taken prisoner in the Fort at Stony Point.

6. Jacob Gatcheus.—Captain of the Enemy's Privateer Impertinent. He was an Inhabitant of Philad^{ia}, and went with the Enemy to New-York in June, 1778.

7. Samuel Saunders.—Pilot in the above Privateer, & joined the Enemy with Gatcheus.

8. Jas. Thompson,
9. Charles McClain,
10. John McDonald. } —They respectively joined the British Army when in Philad^{ia}, went with them to New-York, and were taken as privates on board the Enemy's Privateer Impertinent.

11. Zachariah Hutchins—of Philad^{ia}—went about 2 years ago to Virginia, perhaps longer, & was taken on board the Impertinent as a Prize-Master.

12. James Dawson,
13. Edward Holland,
14. John Shannon,
15. Charles McBride,
16. John Nardin,
17. Thomas Guthrey,
18. Robert Dodd,
19. William Hughes,
20. John Emes.— } Deserters from the State-Gallies of Pennsylvania,—joined the British Army or Navy at Philad^{ia} in 1777 and 1778, and were taken in different vessels belonging to the Enemy.
Has been tried about a fortnight ago by a court martial, &c.

If I can by any means gain intelligence of any other Traitors among the Prisoners it shall be communicated to the Council, and



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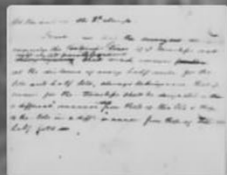
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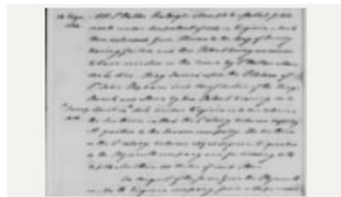
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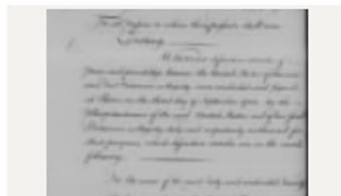
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- 1 The Excellency Donald McDonald Esq. Brigadier General of the Army and Commander in Chief in North Carolina
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- 4 Major Alexander McDonald Condraach,
- 5 Capt. Alexander McKay
- 6 Capt. John Duggan
- 7 Capt. James McDonald
- 8 Capt. Hugh McLeod
- 9 Capt. Hugh Morrison
- 10 Capt. John McDonald
- 11 Capt. Hugh McLeod
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- 13 Capt. Alexander McLeod
- 14 Capt. Angus McDonald
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- 16 Capt. James Meares of the Light house
- 17 Capt. John McLeod
- 18 Capt. Tho. Mier
- 19 Capt. John McHenry
- 20 Lieut. John Murchison
- 21 Kenneth McDonald Aid de Camp to Genl McDonald
- 22 Murdoch McLeod Surgeon
- 23 Adjutant General John Smith
- 24 Donald McLeod Quarter Master
- 25 John Pittman Chaplain
- 26 Turguard Campbell late a delegate in Provincial Congress - Try and Confidential Emisary of Governor Martin

Loyalist Army Prisoners to Philadelphia

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A List of Prisoners in the hands of the Congress belonging
to the Corps of Rangers Regulars and their Families

Peter Simcock Esq^r Cap^t in the Corps of Rangers
Lt Bowen

Privates of the Corps of Rangers taken on the Susquehanna Jan^y 1778

Philip Buck	Edward Hicks
Jacob Bummer	Edward Hicks Jun ^r
Frederick Berry	John Hoyer
Frederick Frank	Jacob Bowman Sen ^r
Oldrich Shall	John & Youngs
Nicholas Phillippe	Thomas Jeths
Nicholas Phillippe Jun ^r	Adam Bowman Jun ^r
John Phillippe	

Richard M^r Ginnis taken at M^della in October 1778

John Harris taken in October 1778

Lugh Lord } taken on the Delaware October 1778

John Jones } taken on the Delaware October 1778

Jacob Anguish Jun^r taken at Foga October 1778

Sagoylus M^r Parkimer Jane Caty Lawrence Mary Jacob and Nicholas
M^r John Ford & Parkimer

M^r Rob^t Lebridge - M^r Lathrige and four small Children

M^r Henry Harris - M^r Bare Abby John Timothy William Peter Warrick & Caty Jun^r

Cap^t John Johnston M^r Johnston and M^r Elizabeth Powell

M^r John Younger - M^r Younger and four small Children and his Mother Jun^r

Lewis Clement - M^r Clement John Samina Jacobus and Hannah Clement

M^r Rob^t Pichens - M^r Pichens Robert Easter and Edward Pichens

Henry Winters - Nicholas Winters

M^r N^o Willard - M^r Willard and John Willard

M^r M^r Cannon - M^r Jean M^r Cannon and three small Children

Geo. Howe - M^r Howe and Children

Mohawks Such Persons men Women and Children of the Mohawks as

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Prisoners of Butlers Rangers

A List of Prisoners in the hands of the Congress belonging to the Corps of Rangers Loyalists and their Families

*Peter Westbrook Esq Cap in the Corps of Rangers
Lt Bowen*

<i>Privates of the Corps of Rangers taken on the Susquehanna Jan 1778</i>	
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<i>Jacob Brunner</i>	<i>Edward Hicks Jun</i>
<i>Nedman Berry</i>	<i>John Hoyer</i>
<i>Friedrich Swank</i>	<i>Jacob Bowman Jun</i>
<i>Oldrich Shutt</i>	<i>John & Young</i>
<i>Nicholas Phillips</i>	<i>Thomas Sells</i>
<i>Nicholas Phillips Jun</i>	<i>Adam Bowman Jun</i>
<i>John Phillips</i>	

Richard M Gervis taken at Hradella in October 1778
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Hugh Lord } Taken on the Delaware October 1778
John Jones }
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 M John for } Harbimer
 M Rob Lelridge M Lelridge and four small children
 M Henry Harris M Jane Abby John Timothy William Peter Barant & Cady Harbimer
 Cap John Johnston M Johnston and M Elizabeth Powell
 M John Young M Young and four small children and his Mother and
 Lewis Clement M Clement John Samina Jackson and Hannah Clement
 M Rob Pichens M Pichens Robert Easter and Edward Pichens
 Henry Winters Nicholas Winter
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Loyalist Prisoners taken (1776)

Adopting the Regiment

Consider Adopting the Regiment or Crew

Consider using the steps you have learned and examine the pensions and stories of those men who served with your ancestor. The details in the diaries, letters, and pensions of his fellow veterans may add more detail to the story you know from researching his records.



Overview of the best approaches for adopting a regiment or company

- Determine your limits and set goals!
- Utilize social media to attract assistance and find other descendants.
- What is your final product of your research on this “adoption”?

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Jonathan Doan Carpenter

Newbury

Wm. Turner
E. Markweather (Cousin)
Michael Farley In Co
Hale

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