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It is also earnestly recommended to the State of Delaware to immediately raise, arm, equip and Accoutre for the Field, one Battalion of Infantry, consisting of nine Companies of sixty four rank and file each, and a Corps of Horse consisting of thirty-two Troopers, to be officered in the manner aforesaid. It is also earnestly recommended to the State of Maryland immediately to raise, arm, equip and accoutre for the field two Battalions of Infantry, consisting of nine Companies of Sixty-four rank and file each, and a Corps of Cavalry of sixty-four Troopers, to be officered in the manner aforesaid. And it is further recommended to the States of Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Maryland to cause the said Troops as soon as raised, armed, accoutred and equipped as aforesaid, to be marched by Detachments or otherwise to such place or places as the Commander in Chief shall direct. To remain in service for and during the space of three months from the time of their respectively rendezvouzing at the place or places directed unless sooner discharged by Congress or the Commander in Chief, and to be subject to the Orders of the Commander in Chief. And be it Ordained by the United States in Congress assembled, that the Troops aforesaid shall receive the same pay, rations and subsistance as the Troops of the Army of the United States.

Extract from the Minutes.

CHAS. THOMSON. Sec'y.

"In the House of Assembly,
"Saturday, P. M., June 16, 1781.

"On motion,

Resolved, That the President be requested to issue his orders forthwith directing that the first class of the Militia, as they stand classed in the Militia law, hold themselves in readiness to march on the shortest notice to such place or places, as the Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army shall direct, within the States, as directed by the aforesaid law.

Resolved also, That he be requested to write to the Board of War, informing them that this State have it not in their power to arm, equip, and accoutre the regiment of Militia required of them by congress, in their resolution of the 31st of May, and that he request the said Board of War to lend this State as many arms and accoutrements as will be necessary for the purpose aforesaid.

Extract from the minutes.
Sent for concurrence.

JAS. BOOTH,
Clk of Assembly.

Copied from "Minutes of the Council." Page 640.

Amer. Archives 4th ser. v 2. 172.

FIELD OFFICERS, FOR NEW-CASTLE COUNTY, DELAWARE.

On Monday, the 20th of March, agreeable to appointment, the Captains and Subaltern Officers of New-Castle County (Delaware) met at Christiana Bridge to choose commanders, when the following gentlemen were chosen, viz: For the Upper

Division, James McKinley, Esquire, Colonel; James Latimer, Esq., Lieutenant Colonel; Thomas Duff, Esq., Major. For the Lower Division: Thomas Cooch, Esq., Colonel; Samuel Patterson, Lieutenant Colonel; Gunning Bedford, Major.

Amer. Archives. 4th ser. v 2 660.

Newcastle, Delaware, May 20, 1775.

This day, agreeable to appointment, the Captains and Subaltern Officers of Newcastle County met at Christiana Bridge to choose Commanders, when the following gentlemen were chosen, viz:

For the Upper Division.

James McKinley, Esq., Colonel;
James Latimer, Esq., Lieutenant Colonel;
Thomas Duff, Esq., Major.

For the Lower Division.

Thomas Gooch, Esq., Colonel;
Samuel Patterson, Lieutenant Colonel;
Gunning Bedford, Major.

Amer. Archives 4th ser. v 2. 704.

Kent-County upon Delaware, May 25, 1775.

The Militia Officers of above twenty Companies, chosen in the several Districts throughout the County, met together at Dover; and that the business of the day might be conducted with order and regularity, they chose Captain John Haslet, Chairman, and Lieutenant Mark McCall, Clerk.

The following Association was then drawn up, and unanimously approved and subscribed, viz:

"We, whose names are hereunto written, Military Officers, duly elected and chosen by the good people of the several Hundreds and Districts of the County of Kent upon Delaware, pursuant to the direction and recommendation of the Committee of Inspection for said County, do hereby jointly and severally, for ourselves and each of us, solemnly promise and engage, by the sacred ties of honour and love for our Country, that we and each of us will, to the utmost of our abilities, well and faithfully execute the important offices conferred upon us by our fellow-subjects, and in our military and in every other capacity, at the risk of our lives and fortunes, defend the liberties and privileges of America, as well natural as constitutional, against all invaders, or such as may attempt any the least violation or infringement of them.

And we do further, in manner aforesaid, promise and agree, that we, and each of us, will subject ourselves to such pains, penalties, military punishments, and disgrace, as Courts Martial, to be constituted from time to time of the officers of our own body, shall or may inflict on any of us offending against the rules of military discipline, or contravening, in word or deed, the true interest of America, or the spirit and principle
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Excerpts from a

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF ACCOUNTS.

Approved in Council, Wednesday, February ye 3rd 1779.

No. 4.	To Major James Raymond as pr Acc't for Pay & Rations as Major of the W. Battalion, Reported avers ^d by the Auditor.	£ 115:
No. 20.	To Capt. Cord Hazzard for Pay & Subsistence of his Independent Company	£ 276: 8: 8.
No. 21.	To Capt. John Carson for Pay & Subsistence of his Independent Company	£ 143:10:10.
No. 26.	To Capt. Nathaniel Waples as pr Acct. for Services in Militia	£ 7: 2: 6.
No. 27.	To Capt. Mark McCall for Services in the Militia &c Balle of Pay Roll as pr Acct. Balle	£33: 9: 4 £ 34:19: 4
No. 30.	To Capt. Isaac Carty for Expenses for his Troop &c.	£ 21: 3: 9.
No. 31.	To Wm. McClay for spirits furnished Col. Bedford & Major Bryan when on Duty with ye Militia.	£ 10

Your Committee do also report that having examined an Acc't of John Bullen, Commissary of Purchases and Issues for that part of the Whig Battalion stationed at Dover in Kent County they find a Ballance remaining in the hands of the said John Bullen and due to the State the sum of Thirty six pounds fourteen shillings and three pence.

JOSHUA CLAYTON.
RICH'D LOCKWOOD
SIMON KOLLOCK
PETER HYATT
JOHN BANING.

The Joint Committee of Accounts Report that they have examined the following Accounts referred to them & find due to the Persons herein after named as follows, viz:

Drawn for To Capt. Isaac Carty for sundry Expences of his Troop
of Horse £ 170:16: 9.

In the House of Assembly, Saturday, A.M. June 5, 1779. ;
Read, Examined and agreed to.

NICHAS. VAN DYKE, Speaker.

In The Council, Decemr 16th 1779. P.M.
Read, Examined and agreed to.

JOHN CLOWES, Speaker.

The joint Committee of public Accounts appointed by the General Assembly of the State of Delaware in October 1781 having examined the Accts referred to them beg leave to make the following Report,

That it appears to the Committee that there is due from this State the Sums following, viz:

Alld No.	1	To Capt. Rhoad Shankland for escorting 51 Prisoners landed at Lewes by } the Continental Frigates.....	£ 22: 7:
Alld	2	To Ensign Charles Kidd—for his Acct.....	13: 7: 6
U.	3	To Lieut. Caleb Bennett.....	7:10: 6
	4	To Mary Price—for making Overalls.....	1: 7: 8
	5	To Rachel Perry—for Ditto.....	1:18: 9
	6	To Sarah Davis—for Ditto.....	1:18: 6
U.	7	Captn Joseph Caldwell for entertaining Capt. Dellanors Compy } guarding Prisoners.....	£ 8: 6:10
		Ditto for appretending & taking to Goal } 4 prisoners—see the Presidents letter } 1:19:11	£ 18: 0: 9
No. 7 Allowed			18: 0: 9
		Ditto for expense taking up 2 Prisoners 5:0—	5:0
		Ditto for Ditto 9 Do	2:15:0
All. U.	8	Mann & Jury for Waggonage.....	22: 6: 0
Alld U.	9	Richard Boyard for Ditto.....	24:14:
Alld U.	10	Charles Doney Ditto.....	50: 6: 4
Alld U.	11	George Robinson Ditto.....	3:10: 6
Alld U.	12	William White— Ditto.....	65: 4: 9
Disallowed to	13	Captn James Moore for Fees of ? in Phila. for a Soldier.....	4: 2: 6
	14	Jacob Moore, Esq'r. Atty at Law.....	150:
	15	Richard Basset Do.....	100:
U.	16	To James Cooper on Acct. for a Sick Soldier } for Samuel Davis..... £ 2:17	
Disallowed		for Doctor Patterson 15	
		for Wm. Grahams..... 10	4: 2
Alld U.	17	John Hall for boarding & Nursing a Soldier.....	10: 3: 6
Allowed U.	18	John Dawson Goaler—for subsisting a Soldiers.....	3: 1: 6
	19	James Adams (Printer for the State.....	26:11:
Allowed	20	John Bell for 150lb salt port to a Continental Schooner.....	5:10:
Allowed	21	Daniel Cumings for Expence of Presidt & Seery.....	8: 8:
U. 22 Alld		To Captn Silas Snow (Whilst a Prisoner).....	520: 7: 7
U. 23 Allowed		To Wm. Carpenter & John Cook for Beef.....	37: 6
U. 24 Allowed		To Benjm Williams for Sundrs for Militia.....	146:13:
U.	25	To John Polk for Captn Smith's Comy.....	8:10: 6
26 Allowed		To Thos Irons & Andrew Lackey for Powder &c Bot by them, from John Bell.....	2:16:
Allowd 27		To John Gordon for Lead.....	1: 5: 6
U. 28 Allowed		To Benjamin Crook for 4 Cord Wood for Prisoners.....	1:10:
U. 29 Allowed		To Lieut. James Reed for Guarding 2 Prisoners.....	1:16:
U. 30 Allowed		To Doctor Charles Ridgely.....	61: 4: 9
	31 Alld	To Thomas McKean, Esq'r. for 133 Days service in Congress being until 13 June 1781.....	133: 0: 0
	32 Alld	To Nicholas Van Dyke, Esq'r. for 89 Do being until 2nd Nov'r. 1781.....	89: 0: 0
U. 33 Alld		To Jonathan McKnatt & others for Guarding Prisoners.....	18: 9
U. 34 Alld		To Captn Simon W. Wilson for escorting prisoners & expense.....	3: 2: 6

THE DELAWARE STATE IN ACCT. WITH HENRY DARBY SUB LT. NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

	£	S	d
Dr. To a Gun and Accoutrements Purchased as pr Rect. and delivered to Brigadier Genl. Samuel Patterson.....	4	12	3
To my Pay and Subsistance from the 25th of May 1778.....			
Cr. By Fines received of Captn Isaac Alexanders Compy.....	24	7	6
By do received of Capt. Isaac Granthams Compy.....	98	17	6
By do received of Captn Isaac Lewis Compy.....	18	7	6
By do received of Captn Walter Carsons Compy.....	133	10
By do received of Captn Morton Mortons Compy.....	29	12
By do received of Captn Alexander Thompsons Compy.....	16	2	6
By do received of Captn William McClays Compy.....	444	15
By do received of Captn Joseph Isreals Compy.....	181	17	6
By Cash received of Robert Wallace Colector of White Clay Creek Hundred being the 3/ in the pound Tax for those above 50 years of age as pr acct inclosed }	35	16	6
	£ 983	6	6

Christiana Bridge January 25th 1780 I do Certify that the above is a Just and true State of all the Money received from the Delinquents in the Militia of the 2d Regt of New Castle County Commanded by Coll. Gunning Bedford.

Henry Darby Sub Lut N. C. Co.

On the back of the paper:

Account of Fines—	Militia Fines
Received by Henry Darby	rec'd by Henry Darby.
Sub Lt. N C Co	New Castle County.

DELAWARE STATE IN ACCT. WITH HENRY DARBY SUB LEUT OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

	£	S	d
Dr To my Pay & Rations &c from May 25, 1778.....	4	12	3
To a Musket purchased and delivered to Genl Saml. Patterson.....			
Cr By Fines Received of Captn Thompsons Company.....	4	10	0
1781 By do of the Exrs. of Thomas James Esqr. on acct of the said Company one of the returns Could not be found amongst his papers.....	11	12	6
1781 By Fines Received of Captn. Alexrs. Company.....	10	10	0
1781 By Do of Isaac Lewis Esqr. on acct of said Compy as pr. his letter of this date.	13	17	6
By Fines of Captn Isaac Lewis Company.....	9	15	0
1781 By do of Isaac Lewis Esqr. on acct of his own Company as pr. his letter of this date.....	8	14	6
By Fines Received of Captn Morton Mortons Compy.....	15	0	0

1781	By do of Robert Bryan Esqr. on acct. of said Compy and he refusd. to recover any more fines told me I <i>might</i> make use of his name on the occasion.....	14	12	6
	By Fines of Captn Isaac Granthams Compy.....	67	2	6
	By Cash of William Carson as Private in Said Comy.....	3	15	0
1781	By do of Robert Bryan Esq on acct of said Compy with the same remark as before mentioned.....	28	0	0
	By Fines Received of Captn John Clarks Compy.....	30	0	0
	By do. for which I have no voucher.....	94	2	6
1781	By do. of Robert Bryan Esqr on acct of said Comy with the same remarks as before mentioned.....	57	15	0
	By Fines Received of Captn Walter Carsons Comp.....	38	5	0
1779				
March 27	By do of Major James Black Esqr on acct of said Comy.....	12	15	0
1781				
January 24	By do of do do.....	85	10	0
	By Fines Received of Captn Reads Company.....	61	2	6
1779				
April 2	By Cash of Major James Black Esqr on acct of said Comy.....	90	15	0
1780				
March 6.	By Cash of do do do.....	55	17	6
1781				
Jan. 24	By Cash of do do do.....	297	0	0
	By Cash of the Colector of White Creek Hundred.....	35	16	6
		£ 986	8	6

By Order of the Assenbly of the Delaware Sitting at New Castle January 26th 1781 I rendered an acct Amounting to £983:6:6, which money I have still in my hands as the Assembly then did not receive it.
Henry Darby.

On the back of the paper:

Acct of Militia Fines Received by Henry Darby Sub Lt. N. C. from Coll Gunning Bedfords Regt of New Castle County.

THE DELAWARE STATE

To Saml West Lt of Kt County Dr.

1778			
July	To writing 30 advertisements.....	2	Days
	8 days attendance on election.....	8	
	8 days attendce on class'g the Comps of M in the 1st Batt. for Kent.....	8	
	3 days att. at Dover at different times to meet Sub. Lts on business.....	3	
Augst	To my attendce at New Castle with the Govr and Council.....	5	days.....
	{ To a Man and Horse to go down to Kent for the Sub. Lts.....20 drs Contl..... }		
	{ to 3 Quire paper at 15/ }		
	To mak'g out the returns of batt. for to be Comd, 1 day;.....	1	
1779			
Febry	{ To receiv'g the 1 return for the Captus of the Several Comps and mak'g the returns out to the Justices of the Peace.....2 days..... }	2	

will oblige the inhabitants in this State to provide suitable fire Arms, attend Muster & Review Days, turn out in defence of their Country when necessary, and that every Fine be immediately Collected.—

And your Petitioners will ever pray—

SAM'L CAMBELL.
RICI'D HUMPHRIES
ROB'T BRYAN. Jnr.
JACOB COLESBURY
WM HALL
ABR'M CARTY
ALEX'R REANLDS
THOS. PERKINS
JOSEPH ENGLAND
SAM'L EVES
JNO. STOCKTON, Jnr.
JAS. BOOTH
WM. ALLFREE
ALEX'R PORTER
GUN: BEDFORD
THOS. KAIN
MORTON MORTON
WM. ROBESON
HUGH GLASFORD
JNO. CLARK.
JNO. CRAWFORD
JNO. GARRETT.

DAVID FINNEY
GEO. CRAGHEAD
GEO. EVENS
JNO. LEA
HENRY FORSTER
ROBT. BRYAN
ISAAC LEWIS
JNO. HYATT
A. MONTGOMERY
EVAN RICE
THOS. CLARK
ANTHONY DUSHANE
JAMES REED
JOHN CROW.
JACOB HOUSTON
WM. MOODY
GEO. PARKER
JOHN GOLDEN
PETER HYATT
GEO. MONRO
JOHN McWHORTER.

On the back of the paper:

Pet'n from New Castle County respecting the Militia Law. Jan'y 1781.
Read the first time.

To the Honourable the General Assembly of the Delaware State.

The Petition of Hugh Forsyth,

Humbly Sheweth that your Petitioner understands there are several Vacancies for Offices in the Delaware Regiment; That he has, for some time, been desirous of being in the service of his Country, and would therefore Pray, the Honourable House, for a Commission in the Regiment; Should he succeed He flatters himself, that his conduct will gain the Approbation of those whom it may Please to Concur in this Appointment.

HUGH FORSYTH.

Millcreek Hundrd.
February 5th 1781.

On the back of the paper:

The Honourable
The General Assembly
of Delaware State.

Petition from Hugh Forsyth Feb. 1781. Read the first time.

To the Honourable the Representatives of the State of Delaware in Assembly met.
June 6th 1781.

The Memorial of Samuel Davis of the Town of Lewes Pilot,
humbly sheweth,

That your Memorialist in the year 1776 inlisted in the service of the United States in the Delaware Regiment, & afterwards in the same year by permission of the Commanding Officer entered on board the Brig Lexington,—Commanded by Captain Barry in the naval Service; in which he continued until the Row Gallies and other vessels were laid up as Trenton, when he was discharged, & some time afterwards unfortunately fell into the hands of the Enemy & was carried to New York, and being in great Distress he entered on board a Refugee Boat with the intention of making his escape the first opportunity, but none offering before he was put on board a Prize, which he run on shore, your Memorialist was then carried as a Prisoner & confined in goal at Philadelphia, from whence the Chief Justice ordered him to be released no charge being brought against him.—

Your Memorialist further sheweth that the Pilots of this Place object & will not permit your Memorialist to have an equal Chance in piloting vessels up the River Delaware by which means your Memorialist with a large Family are in a likely way of suffering, he having no other means of subsistence.

Your Memorialist therefore prays the Honourable House to take the same into their Consideration & grant him such redress in the premises as to them shall seem meet and your memorialist as in Duty bound
will pray &c.

SAML. DAVIS.

On the back of the paper:

Petn June 1781.
Of Saml Davis.

Read the first time.
Read the second time.

Memorial of Samuel Davis.

To the Honorable the Representatives of the State of Delaware now in Assembly met
Octr 24th 1781.

The Remonstrance of David Hall Colo. of the Delaware Regiment of Foot
in the service of the United States

humbly sheweth

That whereas your Remonstrant being in a bad State of Health was under the Necessity of leaving the Army for the Recovery thereof in which State he continued for

**"NOTES" MADE BY ELAEZER McCOMB, AUDITOR OF ACCOUNTS,
WHILE SETTTLING CLAIMS WITH THE COMMISSIONER ON THE
PART OF THE UNITED STATES.**

By the Resolution of Congress of January 10th 1776 Colonels are entitled to 6 Rations Pr. day, and by this Resolution of September 18th following Rations received in money are to be pd. at 8d each.

Colo. Haslet's amount is settled at 6 dollars pr. week—	
Should be 28/ differences in Drs. 34 90—68—or.....	£ 13: 0: 8
no. Rec. Colo. Bedford's at 5 dollars should be 23/4 diff.....	10:17: 4
Major McDonough 4 Dollars, should be 18/8—diff.....	3:10:10
Montgomery, Chaplain, 2 dollars—should be 9/4—difference.....	4:11:10
Bail, Quarter Mr. 2 dollars—should—9/4—difference.....	5:10: 8
Tilton, Surgeon J 2 Dollars—should be—9/4—difference.....	4: 9: 0
Holland, Adjutant—charged 4 dollars pr. week for subsistence and Ensign, & Adj. Quere whether he was entitled to subsistence as well as pay for 2 offices—if not his subsistence at 2 drs. should be 9/4—difference.....	18: 0: 0
Gilder, Surgeon's mate, 2 drs. should be 9/4—difference.....	8: 4
In Capt. Stidham's Pay Roll No. 9 there is an overcharge of.....	5: 7
In Capt. Stidham's Pay role No. 10 deduct for errors—.....	19: 3
In Capt. Stidham's subsistence roll No. 11—.....	
Capt. subsistence is charged £18:12:10—.....	
16W—4 days—at 20/—	

N. B. The Regiment was mustered 12th April 1776—a contract for supplying it took place the 8th of May following—Quere are officer entitled to an allowance of 20/ pr. week, to the time of muster or to the time the contract took effect? or only to the time of the last enlistment.

In Capt. Stidham's Clothing Account No. 12—86 Shirts are charged at 10/43—should be (see Resolution of Congress October 12, 1775) at 1 1/2 dollars makes..... 36: 5: 7
Difference is £6:14:5 Call upon Capt. Stedham.

In Capt. Caldwell's Company No. 13 an overcharge of.....	3: 2
In Do Do Do No. 14 the same as Capt. Stidham's No. 12	
In Do Do No. 15 see note on Capt. Stidham's No. 11	
In Capt. Hall's account No. 16—an overcharge of.....	2:10: 0
In Capt. Hall's acct. No. 17—an overcharge on Shirts.....	6:14: 5
Also an overcharge of Balance pd. Taylor.....	20:17:0 1/2
In Capt. Hall's Pay Role appendix No. 17—overcharge.....	3:17:11
In Do Do subsistence No. 18—overcharge.....	7:10: 6

N. B. All Colo. Hall's accounts taken together amount to £ 1961: 1:5 1/2
Colo. Haslet's accounts charges as paid to him £ 2146:11:10 —
differ.....£ 185:10:4 1/2
In Colo. Haslet's Books Colo. Hall is also Creditted 35: 3: 6

remains for which Col. Hall is Dr. £ 150: 6:10 1/2

- 224—Must be explained & authenticated—particularly the last part of it.
- 225—Henry Darby's account for sundrys for his company to be consider'd with Colo. Haslets accounts.
- 229—for the passage of Neill's Soldiers to be settled with his Regiments accounts.
- 230—Dr. Way for Capt. McKennan—since the commissioners times for settling accounts expired
- 241—Wm. Riley's account for Thomas Colling's nursing and funeral expenses, ought to be paid by Colo. Vaughan, he having received in March 1777, pay for the month of October, Novembr. & December 1776, which it is supposed no Person has ever call'd out of his hands.
- 244—The Soldiers names and order for Confinement, and time when—wanted.
- 245—Thos Kean's charge for a Musket and Bayonet deliver'd Colo. Bedford in June 1776 is objected to—the Commissioner says the several States found Arms for their Troops at that time.
- 246—Capt. Lewis or George Latimer must be applied to to explain what service Bartlet's waggon halled from Duck Creek to New Ark in November 1777.
- 248—Referr'd to Clothing accounts—Colo Hall's Receipt for 34 Wool Hats, required.
- 255—See the note for 245.
- 256—Capt. Deall's receipt is required.
- Gen. Patt: vi373—3 orders of the President for charges of supporting & guarding Prisoners of War—their names are wanted, and account for the expenses & when not within the time of the Commissioner.
- 261—Nehemiah Nicols—There is no Resolution of Congress to authorize such a charge—he had better apply for a Pension.
- 263—Jacob Paulson for waggonage—to be settled with Militia accounts.
- 277—The same kind of service.
- 278—The same service.
- 279—a State charge.
- 275—Militia service.
- 274—a State charge.

276—John Bell's acct. of Linen—Colo Pope's Receipt is wanted.

Mem: Casar Rodney Esqr. is Cr. for £138:2:6½. Paid Capt. McKennan. He Rec'd this money as follows, viz:

From Wm. Polk.....	£ 15: 4: 3½
From Colo. Tilton.....	56: 5: 9 }
	66:12:6 }
	122:18 3
	£138: 2: 6½

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Sir:

Please to pay to Captn. William Hudson the 4 months wages due me from the State as a Fifer in the 2nd. Delaware Regiment and this shall be your receipt in full against your humble servet.

Archibd. Fleming.

Mr. James^r Tilton

Reccd. 1 May 1786 of James Tilton State Treasurer seven pounds nineteen shillings & 6 in full of the within order.
L 7.19.6.

Archibald Fleming has been paid twice for his services in Neall's Regiment
Quere:—If there are two of that name?

Thompson Phiddy has sworn twice and been paid twice for his servies in Neall's Regiment. Querre—Where is he to be found?

Vouchers for
Colo. Neills
Regiment,
Which appear to have paid twice
unless there was to persons
of the same name.

Enquire of Capt Moore.

To whom he dd. David Black's Certificate, and whether he be alive or dead—if dead when did he die, he is not Mustered after April 1779.

To whom did he deliver Jacob Cork's Certificate?
£22:5:8 too much was allowed him.

next meeting would levy a tax of one shilling and six pence in the pound from each taxable inhabitant, and also from the estates of non-residents, in addition to the tax necessary for current expenses of the County:

Signed by:

Geo. Monroe.
Morton Morton.
Wm. Hemphill.
Thos. Kean.
Geo. Evans.
Wm. Anderson.
John James.
Robt. Kirkwood.
David Howell.
John Hyatt.
John Taylor.
Wm. Read.
Wm. Clark.
John Jones.
John Evans.
Thos. Cooch.
David Finney.
Jas. Latimer.
R. Cantwell.
John Malcolm.
Geo. Craghead.
John Stapler.
Wm. Patterson.
Samuel Patterson.
Thos. McKim.
John McKinley.

A new Committee for Kent County was chosen at an election in the hundreds, on Aug. 14, 1775., namely:—

Caesar Rodney.	Edward Rees.
Wm. Meredith.	Isaac Carty.
John Dill.	Thos. Skillington.
Jas. Moor.	Silas Snow.
Jas. Tilton.	Ezk. Needham.
John Banning.	Wm. Jordan.
Wm. Killen.	Jas. Starling.
Vincent Loocherman.	Jas. Wells.
Benedict Brice.	Jacob Stout.
Benjamin Coombe.	John Bell.
Nathaniel Luff.	Edmand Stout.
John Clark.	Ridsen Bishop.
John Davis.	Jos. Gordon.
Rynear Williams.	John Gordon.
Elijah Morris.	Vincent Loocherman, Jr.
Bolitha Laws.	Jonathan Caldwell.
Benjamin Clarke.	Thos. Rodney.
Wm. Cullen.	

On Aug. 17th, they convened at Dover and chose Caesar Rodney as Chairman Mark McCall as clerk, and appointed as the Committee of Correspondence:

Thomas Rodney.
James Tilton.
William Killen.

John Banning.
Vincent Loocherman.

COMPILED LIST OF "EXPRESS RIDERS." 1776—1783.

- | | |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Alison, Joseph | 6. Dawson, John |
| 2. Cole, Edward | 7. Dayet, Adam |
| 3. Cowan, Joseph | 8. Eagan, I. |
| 4. Cox, Nicholas | 9. Finley, James |
| 5. Crampton, John | 10. Stevenson, Ryner |

This Stone
Covers the remains
of DOCTOR JOHN MILLER
Eldest Son of the REV. JOHN MILLER
He departed this life
February 28th 1777
In the 25th year of his age.
Returning from the American Army
In the State of New Jersey
He was seized at Darby
With the fatal disease
Occasioned by the Exposure
and Hardships of Military Life
At that perilous and doubtful period
Of the Revolution.
He was eminently patriotic,
Zealous and Active.
His amiable manners,
His virtues and talents made him
Be greatly beloved and respected,
And rendered his death a severe loss
To his Family, his friends,
And his Country.

The above is a copy of the inscription on Doctor John Miller's Tombstone in the Presbyterian Graveyard at Dover, Delaware.

Monday, July 17, 1775,

Ordered, That a deputy muster master be appointed for sd department.
Mr. Gunning Bedford elected.

Wednesday, February 28, 1776.

Resolved, That the deputy muster master general, Gunning Bedford, Esqr. be directed to repair forthwith to his post in the northern army in Canada and that he muster the troops once in every month, and make returns to congress and the commanding Officer.

Tuesday, June 18, 1776.

Resolved, That Gunning Bedford, Esqr. deputy muster master general, be promoted to the rank of muster master general, and that he be directed immediately to repair head quarters at New York.

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NOTES COPIED FROM THE "TRANSACTIONS" OF LODGE NO. 18, FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS. ESTABLISHED IN THE TOWN OF DOVER, IN THE COUNTY OF KENT ON DELAWARE, ON WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 11 ANNO DOMINI 1775. ANNO MASONRY 5775.

Transactions of Jan. 9th 1776.

David Hall jun. of Lewis Town petitions Lodge for Initiation.

May 14, 1776.

Petition of John Perkins, a Lieut. in the Delaware Regiment of Continental Troops is rec'd. Being deemed a case of emergency he being about to join the main Army is made an E. A.

Petition of John Harney, also a Lieut. in the Del. Troops is rec'd., and E. A. degree conferred.

Petition of Cord Hazard, an Ensign in the Del. Troops is held over to next meeting. Lodge adjourned to meet on Sat. 18th inst.

May 18, 1776.

Capt. J. Caldwell is made a M. M.

" David Hall " " " " "

Lieut. Perkins is passed a F. C.

" Harney " " " " "

Ensigns Hazard and Vaughan are Entered.

Lieut. Perkins is raised to the degree of M.M.

" Harney and Vaughn " " " " "

June 15, 1776.

John Willson, Ensign. James Tilton, Surgeon. Lewis Howell, Lieut. William Popham, Lieut. all of the Delaware Regiment petitioned the Lodge and Entered.

Geo. McCall, Jonathan Caldwell, John Hagan, Jonathan Perkins, and Ginnathan Harney, David Hall, Robert Graham, Cord Hazard, and William Vaughan, all in the service of the Continent and about to join the main army do severally apply for certificates, which the Secretary is directed to make out at once and fix the seal of the Lodge thereto.

Aug. 9, 1776.

Lieut. Wm. Popham, about to join his Regiment is passed and raised.

Lieut. Howell, being in Philadelphia requests a certificate be given him, that Lodge No. 4 of Phila., may Raise him.

Lodge Room Dover Feb'y 12, 1777.

Whereas the Unnatural and Cruel War, in which the Continent is now engaged with the despotic King of England, who is endeavoring to deprive the Inhabitants of this land of their inestimable and just rights and privileges, have necessarily called away many of the members of this body from their respective Habitations, and also the Worshipful Master and some of the other officers of the Lodge to oppose the forces of the Enemy, which has heretofore prevented this body from meeting since the 2nd Tuesday in Nov., whereby the lodge has fallen some small time into neglect. Now to remedy the same—Etc. etc. &c.

Transactions of May 24, 1777.

Simon Willmore Wilson having rec'd a Commission in the Continental Army desires a certificate to the effect that he is a M.M.

Also Geo. Rowan having rec'd a Commission desires a Certificate, and Peter B. Fury is appointed Sec'y in his stead.

June 10, 1777.

Dr. Thomas Parke, about to join the Continental Army desires a certificate to the effect that he is a M.M.

June 18, 1782.

David Hamilton,
William Evans,
Henry Woodrow,
John Graham,
William Mann,
Robert Wilson,
William Johnson,
Samuel Cairns,
Robert Henderson,
John Lawson,
William Finley,
Abel Glasford,
John Chapman,
William Bunker,
Thomas Adams,
Abraham Short,
Andrew Smith,
Thomas Nesbett,

James Regan,
Alexander Duncan,
David Smith,
Abraham Mackey,
William Mackey,
Nathaniel Wilson,
Angis Martin,
John Mackey,
Thomas Bell,
John Morton,
James Clark,
Thomas Williams,
William Simonton,
George Pratt,
Richard Patterson,
William Ross,
Thomas Megary,

At a Meeting of the President and Privy Council of the Delaware State, at Dover, the 9th Day of Novem'r Ao. Do. 1778, and continued by Adjournment till the 11th following, inclusive.

Present

His Excellency Ceasar Rodney, Esqr. President & Commander in Chief.

George Evans,
Gunning Bedford,
Thomas McDonough,
George Latimer,

Esquires, Members of the Privy Council.

In Pursuance of an Act of General Assembly, intituled, "An Act for Establishing a Militia within this State," His Excellency the President appointed, with the advice and Approbation of the Privy Council, Nehemiah Delaplain, of the Town of Newport in New Castle County to be Commissary General of Military Stores and Provisions for the State, with Power to appoint two Deputies, one of which shall reside in the County of Kent, and the other in the County of Sussex.

Extract from the Minutes of the Board,

JAS. BOOTH, Sec'y.

By virtue of the powers and authority delegated by the Honorable Major Genl Green Quarter Master Genl of the Army of the United States &c.—

I do hereby nominate and appoint you Peter Wade to act and do and perform all and singular The business of a Deputy Quarter Master at the Post of Newark in the Delaware State, to hire teams & inlist Drivers with the priviledge of Purchasing Horses either fit for the Saddle or Draght, Waggons, Harness of all kinds, Canvas and Coarse linnens, & such other articles as you may from time to time be instructed to purchase by the Quarter Master Genl &c., together with all kinds of grain, hay &c. suitable for

forage for Horses, taking care at all times to guard against impositions, or clashing with other quartermasters, and to purchase on the most reasonable terms possible, for which you are to be allowed Captns pay & Rations, and any extra ordinary expence when travelling.

Given under my hand at Wilmington the tenth Day of January 1779.

Frans Wade, D.Q.M.Genl.

Newark

New Castle County

I do certify the above to be a true copy from the original.

P. Wade

On the back of the Paper:

Copy.

Peter Wades Comis'n as Deputy Quartr Master.

Copy Commission Peter Wade filed March 31st, 1779.

His Excellency Caesar Rodney, Esquire, President, Captain-General and Commander in Chief of the Delaware State.

To Isaac Carty, of the County of Kent, Esqr.

I do Hereby appoint you to take into your Care the Continental Buildings or Stables erected at Duck-Creek Cross-Roads in the said County of Kent; hereby investing you with full powers, and requiring you, to do and perform the Duty annexed thereto, agreeable to the Directions of a late Act of General Assembly of this State in that Behalf provided, until my further Pleasure be made known therein: Given under my Hand as Seal at Arms, at Dover, the Eighth Day of July in the year of our Lord One Thousand and Seven Hundred and Eighty.

CAESAR RODNEY.

On the back of the paper:

Isaac Carty, Esquire appointed to the Care of the Continental Buildings at Cross Roads.

We, John Brinkly, Charles Green, Garret Sipple, in the County of Kent on the Three Lower Counties on Delaware, Prisoners of War to the King of Great Britain &c. we its Gentlemen upon our Word & Honour & Pledge our Honor that we shall not write or cause to be Wrote or inform upon any subjects nor neither we shall not lift arms against the King of Great Britain nor any of his subjects nor his allies untill we are properly exchanged & if not exchanged within Twenty days after this Date we shall deliver up our selves to the Commissary Genl of Navall Prisoners at New York. Witness our Hand and Seal the 4th day of June one thousand seven hundred and eighty one.

Witness Joseph Milbourn?

Nathan Adams

(SEAL) JOHN BRINKLY

(SEAL) CHARLES GREEN

(SEAL) GARRETT SIPPLE