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The Levers

In making this petition to the Royal Governor and Council, Peter Lever stated that he had worked for his brothers in the forks of the rivers for several years, and that he was desirous of obtaining 100 acres of land for him and his brother Christian who was not yet of age. He wanted the land in the forks of the Broad and Saluda Rivers near his brothers. The Governor and Council ordered separate warrants of survey for Peter and Christian. I can find no record of a land survey for Christian Lever. 26

Samuel Leaber (Lever) petitioned the Governor and Council for 100 acres of land on October 20, 1752. On April 9, 1753, a plat for 100 acres of land in Amelia Township was signed for Samuel Leaber. The Royal Grant was signed on July 4, 1754. A Samuel Liber received a grant for 300 acres of land in Craven County on May 7, 1774. 27

John Lever received a warrant for 100 acres of land on April 6, 1773, and the land was laid out for him in the forks of the Broad and Saluda Rivers on April 14, 1774: bound on all sides by vacant land. The Royal Grant was signed on May 7, 1774. 28

George Lever had two tracts of land laid out for him on Campen Creek, Ninety-Six District, on July 12, 1786: one plat was for 200 acres and the other one for 57 acres. 29 This is probably the same George Lever recorded in the old Lever Bible owned by Royal Lever. The George Lever, recorded in this Bible was born on December 11, 1764; his wife, Magdalene ←

26-C.J. March 2, 1748/49.

27-C.J. October 20, 1752. C.P. Vol. 12, P. 66, 1753. C.J. July 4, 1754; May 7, 1774.

We can't be sure that Samuel Leaber was Samuel Lever.

28-C.P. Vol. 16, P. 338, 1773. C.J. May 7, 1774.

29\_ S.P. Vol. 15, Pp. 89, 142, 1786.

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Chapman was born on October 22, 1768, and they were married on October 15, 1787. Twelve children were born to this union.

Christian Lever, brother of Peter Lever, served in Captain Morrison's Company, Colonel Chevillettes Regiment, in the expedition to Fort Prince George, 1759-1760, in the Cherokee War. On June 27, 1760, Captain John Morrison, commanding a company of Provincials under Colonel Montgomery, was ambushed on the west bank of the Little Tennessee. Captain Morrison and a number of Provincials were killed. An unanswered question: Were Peter and Christian Lever killed in this ambush?

George and Jacob (John?) Lever served in the militia under Colonel Philemon Waters. In addition to his militia service, Jacob Lever furnished provisions to the troops: beef valued at 7 pounds, 13 shillings, 8½ pence, sterling on the following occasions, January 13, 1782, for the use of Colonel (Jonas) Beards' troop at Twelve Mile Creek; a small heifer requisitioned by Captain John Thompson for Colonel Brandon for the militia in the public service, May 10, 1782. The receipts for the beef used by Colonel Beard's troops were signed by G. Dreher. For his military service Jacob Lever claimed 30 pounds, current money, and was paid 4 pounds, 5 shillings, 8½ pence, sterling.

George Lever claimed 47 pounds, 10 shillings, current money, and was paid 6 pounds, 15 shillings, 8½ pence sterling for his militia service

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30-Cherokee War Records, S.Dept. Archives and History. Ramsey, History of South Carolina, Vol.I, Pp101-102.

31-Revolutionary War Records, S.C.Dept. Archives and History.

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