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CALDER, JENNETT, Albany Co. , N. Y. Widow. Memorial, now of Quebec, 2 Mar. 1786. Claim: 10 acres and a house. (A013/11/C1).

CALDERHEAD, WILLIAM, Norfolk, Va. Merchant in Norfolk until obliged to withdraw in his schooner Speedwell (lost her in storm off mouth of Potomac while on passage to George's Island, Md.); also bought sloop Thomas to carry his goods away (she was detained throughout summer 1776, then kept afloat with greatest difficulty until arrival in N. Y. , and finally sank at Redhook). Memorial 1 July 1789. Claim: Half schooner Speedwell of 45 tons; sloop Thomas, 40 tons; sloop Parnel with cargo of molasses and hides scuttled by H.M. S. Fowey; one eighth part of schooner General Matthew lost in H. M. Service; rum and molasses lost at distillery in Norfolk. Evidences: Deposition 19 Jan. 1780 N. Y. by Thomas Calderhead that he arrived in Va. from Glasgow in 1775 and lived with claimant, his brother, until they were obliged to withdraw and take refuge in British fleet; party of Americans under Maj. Eppes came to Norfolk and destroyed it. Deposition 25 Jan. 1788 Caswell Co. N. C. by Alexander Rose that before war he kept a store in Orange Co. , and did business with claimant. Certificate 17 Sept. 1784 that the Thomas was formerly property of Joseph Scott, sold by order of Lord Dunmore. Deposition 1 July 1789 London by Thomas McCulloch, late of Gaspare, Va. , that claimant owned schooner Speedwell with Daniel Fraser; she was lost because of signals given in Dunmore's fleet. (A013/2/355-392).

CALDWELL, JOHN, Cherry Valley Twp. , Tryon Co. , N. Y. Memorial, now of Montreal, undated. Claim: 50 acres and a house. (A013/11/C1).

CALDWELL, ROBERT, White Creek, Albany Co. , N. Y. Driven from property and joined Army at Skeenesborough in 1777. Memorial, now of New Carlisle, Bay of Chaleur, 13 Mar. 1786. Claim: Cost of fines and imprisonment; leased land; cattle; a negro. Evidences: Depositions 13 Mar. 1786 by Samuel Hindman of Bay of Chaleur and David Scott of New Carlisle that each was neighbor to claimant for several years before war and there was always plenty at his table. Deposition same date by William Tyler, Lt. in late Provincial Regt. of King's Rangers, now of New Carlisle, that he knew claimant to have two horses when they made a journey together, summer of 1776; next saw him Aug. 1777 at Gen. Burgoyne's camp where his negro Prince was employed to drive a team of oxen. (A013/11/C1).

CALLAHAN, PATRICK, Penobscot. In 1782, retired with family to British lines at Penobscot and purchased lot near Fort George; took down his house a few days before the evacuation to bring it with him to N. B. , but there was no room in the transports and he was unable to pay freight.

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n Boston. At evacuation of
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900 acres at Westminster
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then by William Paterson

June 4 Apr. 1777 and
1778. Claim: 19 years
more, cattle, etc.

was used to the law
hearing him

considerable property which was confiscated when he joined Army Nov.
1776 after having been confined at Albany and Hartford Gaols at own ex-
pense. Memorial by attorney 25 Mar. 1784 London. Claim: Loss of
emoluments for seven years; house in Stake St., N. Y. C., house in
Beaver St., N. Y. C.; one third of two houses and lots in Albany.
Evidences: Copy will of Benjamin Hilton dated 25 Oct. 1775. Deposition
22 Sept. 1788 Albany by Matthew Visscher that he witnessed will. Depo-
sition 14 Jan. 1784 N. S. by Patrick Conroy and Edmund Butler that they
well know claimant. Deposition 1 Nov. 1787 N. Y. C. by Henry Tin Eyck,
Gysbert Marselis, and John Price that they have appraised claimant's
estate. Letter 23 Sept. 1788 Albany from Mary Hilton to son, the claim-
ant: she is pleased he and his family are well but is sorry that Susan has
no time to come and see her. John and his family are well as is Talmage
and family. The writer has moved from Kinderhook home to Albany.
Claimant must come and settle his affairs himself or they will not be
settled. Letter from claimant 2 Nov. 1788 Cornwallis that he has sacri-
ficed his best days for loyalty. (A013/13/249-262).

HINDMAN, SAMUEL, Black Creek, Charlotte Co., N. Y. Freeholder
there who joined Army July 1777 at Skeenesborough as Lt. Memorial 13
Mar. 1786 New Carlisle, Bay of Chaleur. Claim: 268 acres; house,
etc. Evidences: Deposition 13 Mar. 1786 by Robert Caldwell, settler at
Carlisle, that he knew claimant to have had a good farm though he was
never at his house. (A013/13/263).

HITCHCOCK, SAMUEL, Fredericksburg, N. Y. Carpenter and joiner;
fled to N. Y. Oct. 1776 leaving wife and family, served in King's Rangers,
and was in several actions with them. Discharged because of poor health,
lived on L. I. receiving no Government assistance; during two years of
that time had to support aged and infirm father; was unable to ply trade.
May or June 1783, returned to Fredericksburg to collect debts, but was
threatened and obliged to leave. Memorial 20 Feb. 1786 Digby, N. S.
Claim: Framed dwelling house; cattle, etc. Rejected.
(A013/25/291-294).

HOARE, RICHARD; POTTS, THOMAS; CARD, JONATHAN; Yucatan,
Bay of Honduras, by Anthony Van Dam. Memorialist was native and re-
sident of North America who owned wharf at Collier's Hook fronting Rope
Walk, as well as store at Johnnie's Wharf on East River. His corre-
spondents in Yucatan, Maj. Richard Hoare and Messrs. Potts and Card,
sent him two cargoes of mahogany in 1772 and another Oct. 1774, but this
timber had been confiscated. Claimant went to Bermuda at the peace;
Card died in 1777 leaving son resident at Honduras; Potts and Hoare are
still at Yucatan. Memorial by Anthony Van Dam. Claim: 64,000 feet of

Deposition 22 May 1786 by Ezechiel Taylor, William Teller, Jr., and Jacob Fort of Half Moon District that they have appraised value of claimants' estate. Deposition 18 July 1787 Caldwell's Manor by Isaac and Edward Bryant that they resided a few miles from claimants in Albany Co. (A013/15/547-556)

SCOFIELD, JONATHAN, Sussex Co., N. J. Fled to N. Y. in 1778 and served as Pvt. at Lloyd's Neck. Memorial 22 Feb. 1786 Kingston, N. B. Claim: 212 acres and house at Heardin Colony; cattle; crops, etc. Evidences: Deposition 20 July 1786 N. Y. by Jonathan Salsbary and John Sutton that claimant's farm was confiscated and sold. Deposition 1 Feb. 1787 Kingston, N. B. by Anna, wife of John Addams, that her father, claimant, owned lands claimed for. (A013/20/73-76).

SCOTT, DANIEL, Rupert, Charlotte Co., N. Y. Joined Army in 1777 and served under Col. John Peters, in Sir John Johnson's 2nd Battalion, and in Maj. Jessup's Corps until 1783. Memorial 24 Feb. 1786 New Carlisle. Claim: House and 200 acres, etc. Evidences: Deposition 13 Mar. 1786 New Carlisle by Samuel Hindman and Robert Caldwell that they were neighbors to claimant, who was severely persecuted. Deposition 1 Apr. 1786 Rupert by Reuben Harmon and Samuel Pinney that they have appraised value of claimant's estate. (A013/15/557-559).

SCOTT, DAVID, New Perth, N. Y. He was driven from there, joined Army at Skeenesborough June 1777, and served as Pvt. Memorial 13 Mar. 1786 New Carlisle. Claim: 176 acres on lease for ever; house, etc. (A013/15/560-561).

SCOTT, DONALD & CO., Glasgow, Scotland. The company traded to America: its partners were Robert Scott, James Denistoun, Jr., and Richard Denistoun, merchants of Glasgow. Since 1783, had tried unsuccessfully to obtain restitution of losses through an agent in Va. Memorial 4 Nov. 1789 Glasgow. Claim: Lots and houses in Fredericksburg, Va.; two lots in Beaufort Town, Va.; lots and houses at Page's Store, Hanover Town, Va.; houses and store at Charlottesville, Va.; debts owed to company, etc. Evidences: Conveyance 3 Sept. 1772 from John and Peter Murdochs, Robert and Thomas Donalds & Co. of Glasgow to Robert Donald, Robert Scott & Co., house, storehouse, and land in Hanover Co., Va. Deposition 21 Nov. 1789 Hanover Co. by Thomas Foster and Joseph Brand, both aged over 40, that they have lived in Hanover more than 20 years and know claimants' property. Deposition 29 Jan. 1790 Glasgow by Richard Denistoun that he was company's factor in Hanover, obliged to leave there because of loyalty. (A013/33/124-152).

SCOTT, WALTER, warmly invited to join then taken to Hartford, paroled to go home and Army at Fort Edward in Memorial 24 Feb. 1786 (A013/15/562-563).

SCOUT, JOHN, Saratoga, join Army; served in Loy undated. Claim: Land [unsp]

SEABURY, DAVID, N. Y. C. N. Y. Aug. 1776; came to N. Memorial 10 Mar. 1784 Campbell on behalf of claim credit from Pa. and N. J.; de

SEAMAN/SEAMON, ADAM, of first taken up for loyalty: British. Claimant, advanced for himself and wife. He fled he bought a farm and remained arrested by Americans for de 1785 until 7 Aug. 1786; arriv Silvanus Seaman had purchase 1786 New Gaol, N. Y., 15 Dec Apr. 1786 St. John's. Claim a bakehouse, and 200 acres in Bedford Twp.; 1/4 share in American Army; sloop Dolph 1776 with cargo of pork and fi seized by Americans in 1776. Seaman. Deposition 10 Mar. Lyon, and Gilbert Lyon that t property. Bill of Indictment.

SEAMAN, BENJAMIN, Staten representative in N. Y. Gener part of his lands but has neve and son-in-law Christopher B 1784 London. Claim: Farm James Johnson, Laurence Hil Decker, and Isaac Lakerman; land on L. I. (A013/15/577-5