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Historical Information

James Culbertson was the quartermaster at Staunton (Augusta County, Virginia) between 1779 and 1782 and supplied provisions for the British troops (Convention Army) who surrendered at Saratoga, New York. Culbertson also supplied provisions to Count Pulaski's regiment for its journey to the Carolinas and Georgia. In 1782, Culbertson was removed from office because he was unable to account for money that had been loaned to him.

Scope and Content

Quartermaster at Staunton records, 1779-1782, consist of correspondence, 1779, 1782; Convention troops accounts and receipts, 1779-1780; and Pulaski's Legion accounts, receipts and returns, 1779-1780.

Correspondence, 1779, 1782 includes Correspondence, William Green Munford to James Culbertson, 1779 Oct 3, discusses monthly returns of receipts issues, accounts, vouchers, and expenses for salting and packing provisions. Correspondence, Frances Tate to Capt. James Culbertson, 1782 May 1, discussing the settlement of accounts.

Convention troop accounts, 1779 Feb-Oct, include Accounts current, Francis Tate with James Culbertson 1779 Feb-Oct, ; and Vouchers wanted to complete the accounts of Capt. James Culbertson, 1779 Feb-Oct.

Receipts, 1779-1780, consist of receipts for provisions and services for the use of Convention troops quartered in Staunton. Receipts include date, amount, provision/service, and signature of recipient. Includes receipts for clothing, foodstuffs (cheese, corn, flour, meat, salt), grain (barley, buckwheat, oats, rye), hay, livestock (cows, horses, oxen, pigs, sheep), saddlery, whiskey, wood, writing paper, and other miscellaneous items. Also includes receipts of services including delivery of provisions, driving cattle, hauling materials, loading and stacking hay, lodging, making bags for grains, milling grains, pasturage, shoeing horses, slaughtering cattle, stabling horses, and transporting provisions to barracks in Albemarle Co. Also includes returns of forage, receipts, and vouchers.

Pulaski's Legion accounts and returns include Account of purchases made for General Count Pulaski's Legion for their march to Charleston, 1779 Apr; Return of necessary articles wanted for the independent Legion for their march to Georgia, 1779 Apr 9; and a Return of horses purchased by James Culbertson for the use of General Count Pulaski's Legion for their march to Georgia, 1779 Apr 12, which includes the name of the seller, residence, color of horse and amount paid. Pulaski's Legion Receipts, 1779-1780, consist of receipts for Count Pulaski's Light Dragoons for their march to Georgia, and include receipts for clothing (boots, breeches), foodstuffs (butter, corn, flour, meat, salt), grain (oats, rye), hay, horses, saddlery, whiskey, wood and for other miscellaneous items such as curry combs, horseshoes, and wagons. Also includes receipts for services such as hauling, loading, and lodging.

Other Descriptive Data

These records are part of the Auditor of Public Accounts record group (R.G. 48)

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