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RELATING TO

THE CLAIMS OF WALLIS AND ARTHUR, AND OTHERS,

FOR

Compensation for rations furnished to, and the use of wagons, &c. by, the Missouri volunteers, who were called into the service of the United States, in 1836, against the Sac and Iowa Indians.

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LIBERTY, Clay Co., Missouri,
February 18, 1840.

HONORED SIR: In the month of July of 1836, the Sac and Iowa Indians located on our frontier became very troublesome to the frontier citizens; so much so, that the commander-in-chief of our State ordered the raising of 200 mounted volunteers, who were raised and mustered into service, and continued patrolling the frontier 18 days, under the command of Col. Shubael Allen, of our county. Provisions for the campaign being first necessary, the colonel concluded to let the furnishing of rations to the lowest bidder. The undersigned, who now address you, were the lowest bidders; and had necessarily to expend a great deal of money for the purchase of the rations necessary, which they calculated the General Government would replace in a very short time. But, owing to the neglect of some of the officers, no action of Congress has yet been had on the subject; owing, we suppose, to a neglect in forwarding the report of the campaign. We have suffered great inconvenience for want of the funds expended; and have earnestly to request you would examine the report of Col. Shubael Allen, (who has sent this day all the papers belonging to the campaign to you,) and use your exertion in having an appropriation made for their speedy payment; and, by so doing, you will confer a lasting favor on your friends addressing you, as also a number of your constituents, soldiers, interested therein.

Very respectfully, your obedient servants,

MICH. ARTHUR,
GEORGE WALLIS.

[Hon. L. F. Linn, U. S. Senate, Washington City, D. C.

Blair & Rives, printers.]
BRIGADE ORDER.
JULY 2, 1836.

SIR: In obedience to the orders of the commander-in-chief, requiring me to order out a sufficient force, and cause to be removed out of the limits of the State any Indians that may be found roaming within my command, you are hereby required forthwith to detail from the 28th regiment, that you have the honor to command, two captains, two lieutenants, two ensigns, one adjutant, and two hundred privates, which you will cause to be organized into two companies, which will constitute and form one battalion of mounted riflemen; and of which force you will assume the command, and repair to the frontiers of Clay and Clinton counties, and to the frontiers of which counties you will confine your operations, and cause to be removed and driven from the limits of the State all Indians that may be found roaming therein, and within the limits aforesaid—peaceably if you can, and forcibly if you must. You will cause the troops to be well mounted on good horses, armed with rifles, and each man to have fifty ball-cartridges, suitable to the calibre of his gun, and each man to be supplied with twenty days' rations. You will remain in service a tour of twenty days, if you shall find it necessary to do so, in carrying into effect the duties enjoined by this order. You will promptly report your proceedings therein, from time to time, as you may believe will conduce to the welfare of our frontier citizens.

Very respectfully,

WM. P. THOMPSON,
Brig. Gen. 2d Brigade 1st Division Missouri Militia.

JNO. H. MOREHEAD,
Aid-de-camp.

Col. Shubael Allen,
Com'g 28th Reg't Missouri Militia.

In pursuance of the foregoing order, I, Shubael Allen, commandant as aforesaid, at sunset, on the 8th of July, [assumed] the command of the troops raised for service against the hostile Indians supposed to be roaming in parties in Clay, Clinton, and Ray, as well as Carroll county, in this State. On that day I mustered into service the quota of men required as per order—say, two companies of one hundred men each, besides commissioned officers. Captain David R. Atchison, commandant of the Liberty Blues, with a portion attached to his command, to make the one hundred men; Captain Smith Crawford commanded the other company of volunteers, of the same number. The field and staff officers will stand as follows, which belong to my command:

Shubael Allen, colonel commanding.
William Todd, adjutant.
Ashby Peters, quartermaster and acting commissary.
Clayton Tillery, sergeant-major.
Ware S. May, surgeon.

Believing, at the same time, that it was all-important for the ease, convenience, and (more important) for the safety of the troops, in case of engagement with a band of hostile Indians, that we might possibly meet, (as we had reason to suppose we might fall in with, from reports,) I re-
required the quartermaster to procure two baggage-wagons, for the purpose of conveying all articles that we would have, such as blankets, saddle-bags, and clothing, suitable for the tour of twenty days. I also took an expression of the troops in what manner they wished to be supplied with provisions; and it appeared unanimous that the same should be supplied by a contractor. This, no doubt, was the best policy. 1st. We would be so far from settlements, it would not be possible to keep supplies; or at least one-half of my command would be on furlough after provisions. In this case, the balance might be placed in imminent danger. 2d. Then to pack that quantity of provisions, or the weight, this hot weather—I question if but a small portion of our horses would have been able to perform the tour; and, quite possible, a portion would have been lost entirely. Under this consideration, I auctioned the contract off to the lowest bidder. There were four bidders; and Michael Arthur and George Wallis were the lowest bidders, at 19 cents per ration per day for each man. Sunday, the 10th of July, my command rendezvoused at Smith’s mills, fifteen miles from Liberty. Valued horses and other property; and, on inspection, found all my command armed and equipped, and well mounted on good horses, competent for the tour of duty. Took the line of march three miles north, (at J. Owen’s farm,) the valued baggage-wagons. You will see, from the document attached, (marked No. 1,) a list of the names of the men under the command of David R. Atchison. Also, a document, (marked No. 2,) the names of the states under the command of Smith Crawford. Also, from document No. 3, you will see the account of M. Arthur and George Wallis for supplying the troops with rations, amounting to $783 18; which is correct, and agreeably to contract. Also, document No. 4, the account of J. T. V. Thompson, amounting to $97 50. Also, document No. 5, the account of Andrew Gartin, amounting to $95. All of which accounts are correct.

I have, in conclusion, to state that the foregoing report was made out by me, and returned to the commanding officer; but through neglect, or some other cause, no action of Congress has ever been [had] on the subject, and individuals [are] very unjustly kept out of their money.

I do hereby certify all the foregoing report is correct. Given under my hand, at Liberty, Missouri, this the 18th day of February, A. D. 1840.

SHUBAEL ALLEN, Colonel, Com’g 28th Reg’t Missouri Militia.

No. 1.

The muster-roll of Captain David R. Atchison’s company of mounted volunteers, raised from the 28th regiment 2d brigade 1st division of Missouri militia, by order of the commander-in-chief, for the purpose of defending the frontiers, and removing the Indians from the limits of the State, to wit:

David R. Atchison, captain.
O. P. Moss, lieutenant.
A. Doughterty, 2d do.
Robert H. Burden, 1st sergeant.
Garret Long, 2d do.
John Strode, 3d sergeant.
W. A. Dunn, 4th do.
John Rogers, 1st corporal.
James Casey, 2d do.
Solomon Levi, 3d do.
Harris Thorp, 4th do.

PRIVATES.

William V. Hodges
George W. Hendly
Thomas Lanter
Langdon Searcy
Allen Sanders
Alexander W. Donaphon
Urah Haden
Peter H. Burnett
John Wallis
James V. Martin
Harvey Whittington
Anderson D. Edwards
William Estis
Waller Huffaker
James Roberts, jr.
Joel Turnham
Wiat B. Arnold
Thomas Turnham
Harrison Cowley
Frederick Kieser
Joseph Vrolett
Henry Owans
Arnold Chance
Joseph Baxter
James Y. V. Thompson
George C. Hall
Carroll Hughes
James Everett
Thomas Clark
Augustus S. Gunter
Richard P. Wood
William George
Anderson Everett
Josiah Lingenfelter
William Byrd
Samuel C. Hall
Rely Holmes
Absalom Maib
William George
Philip Wirt
Samuel Liggin
John Estis
John Long, jr.

John Davidson
Isam Owens
Henry W. Hanson
William T. Wood
John Pope Long
Abel H. King
John S. Campbell
Samuel W. Campbell
Simon P. Hudson
Nicholas Roberts
Thomas Stanton
Alexander B. Duncan
Ambrose D. Davis
Samuel Uttinger
Robert A. Ferguson
Boler Sublett
James Lyon
Doctor Smith
James Munkers
William Brown, sr.
Daniel Dearbourn
Adam Broun
Seldon Siftings
William W. McCulloch
Anderson Hamilton
George W. Voris
William B. Magill
George Wallis
Robert Bell
Harden D. Martin
Christopher Searcy
Thomson Burnham
J. Hancock
William Legerwood
Robert Walker
William Todd
Joel Estis
George M. Whitson
J. H. Powe
Archibald Bedford
J. White
C. S. Elliott
M. H. Elliott
Jonathan Owens  
David Holmes  
Samuel J. Vassar  
Edmund Roberts  

William Walker  
John Stone  
Jonathan D. Skeggs.

I do certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original roll, and of the company of mounted volunteers commanded by me, and mustered into service on the 8th day of July, 1836, and discharged on the 25th day of July, 1836.

DAVID R. ATCHISON, Captain.

No. 2.

Captain, Smith Crawford's company.

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I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true list of Captain Smith Crawford's company of mounted volunteers, who were mustered into service on the 8th July, and discharged on the 25th July, A. D. 1836.

Given under my hand, at Liberty, Missouri, February 17, 1836.

SHUABEL ALLEN,

Colonel and Commandant 28th Regiment Missouri Militia.

No. 3.

THE UNITED STATES,

To George Wallis & M. Arthur,

For supplying the mounted volunteers, under the command of Colonel Shubael Allen, of the 28th regiment Missouri militia, in the month of July of 1836—say 229 men, 18 days, equal to 4,122 rations, at 19 cents

$783 18

I, Ashby Peters, quartermaster for the 28th regiment Missouri militia, do hereby certify the above account of Wallis & Arthur, amounting to seven hundred and eighty-three dollars and eighteen cents, is correct; and that the rations above were furnished as called for, and of good quality.

Given under my hand at Liberty, Missouri.

ASHBY PETERS,

Quartermaster 28th Regiment Missouri Militia.

No. 4.

THE UNITED STATES,

To J. T. V. Thompson,

For one wagon and team employed eighteen days in the service of David R. Atchison's company, and under the com-
mand of Colonel Shubael Allen, in the year 1836, while engaged against the Sac and Iowa Indians, at $5.00 per day - $90.00
For repairs to wagon - 7.50

$97.50

I do hereby certify that the above services were performed, as stated in the above account of James T. V. Thompson, and agreeably to the contract made with him.

ASHBY PETERS,
Quartermaster 28th Regiment Missouri Militia.
Liberty, (Mo.) February 17, 1840.

No. 5.

The United States,
To Andrew Gartin,

For one wagon and team employed eighteen days in the service of David R. Atchison, and under the command of Colonel Shubael Allen, in the year 1836, whilst engaged against the Sac and Iowa Indians, at $5.00 per day - $90.00
For repairs to wagon - 5.00

$95.00

I do hereby certify that the above services were performed, as stated in above account of Andrew Gartin, and agreeably to the contract made with him.

ASHBY PETERS,
Quartermaster 28th Regiment Missouri Militia.
Liberty, (Mo,) February 17, 1840.