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DOCUMENTS

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.

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 counties, 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 Blyes, 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 an 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-

quired 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 hills, 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 in the evening; marched three miles north, (at J. Owen's farm,) and 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 rates 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 Brown
 Seldon Simms
 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.

Captain Smith Crawford	1	William Hickman	39
Lieutenant William Mothershead	2	William C. Shaw	40
Ensign Samuel Ferrel	3	Allen Hixon	41
1st Sergeant Ryland Shackelford	4	Samuel Hill	42
2d Sergeant John Morrison	5	David L. Ferril	43
3d Sergeant Thomas Young	6	William Crockett	44
4th Sergeant Franklin Jessee	7	Adam Pulliam	45
1st Corporal Thomas Ellis	8	James Munkers	46
2d Corporal John Shackelford	9	James Shackelford	47
3d Corporal Alexander Wells	10	George Jeffers	48
4th Corporal Elijah Smith	11	Winfrey E. Price	49
Alfred Wrightsman	12	Thomas Peabley	50
Fountain Posey	13	John Ledgerwood	51
James K. Reed	14	Daniel Singleton	52
Edmund Brock	15	Samuel D. Hulst	53
Thomas Rose	16	James Faubion	54
Redmond Munkers	17	William McConnel	55
Westly Munkers	18	Pleasant Thomas	56
Milford Gilmore	19	John Ellington	57
Robert Gilliam	20	Jeptha Todd	58
Adam Means	21	Samuel Wilson	59
Ward Estes	22	Thomas Johnson	60
Henry Estes	23	William Sharp	61
Marrel Jones	24	Isaiah Faubion	62
Isaac Best	25	S. R. Beacham	63
Robert Gilmore	26	Garret Todd	64
Thomas J. Young	27	Elisha Williams	65
Elias Anderson	28	Josiah Sumner	66
Joseph Walker	29	Martin Noland	67
John Morris	30	William Horton	68
Arthur Gorr	31	Thomas L. Holland	69
John Harrington	32	Owen Thorp	70
Richardson Moss	33	Edmund L. Little	71
James Reynolds	34	January Springer	72
John Cooper	35	Robert Shearer	73
Terra Smith	36	William C. Haul	74
Robert Carrol	37	James Duncan	75
Solomon Munkers	38	Gipson T. Owens	76

Leonard Woody	77	Solomon Sinklear	91
John W. Hrrris	78	James Whitlock	92
David Gentry	79	John Baker	93
John Holland	80	Jackson Gordon	94
William Boydston	81	William A. Brackenridge	95
Henry Boydston	82	William Huff	96
Grandison Everett	83	Wilson W. Williams	97
Robert Young	84	William Wood	98
George Butler	85	Noah Hickman	99
Robert H. Brooks	86	Thomas E. Sloan	100
William Van Brooks	87	Henry Hart	101
George W. Campbell	88	Potter Harrington	102
Elijah Peabley	89	C. Gilliam	103
Jehoyda Duncan	90		

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, 1840.

SHUBAEL ALLEN,

Colonel and Commandant 28th Regiment Missouri Militia.

No. 3.

1836.

THE UNITED STATES,

To George Wallis & M. Arthur, Dr.

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, Dr.

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
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	\$97 50
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I do hereby certify that the above services were performed, as stated in the above account of James T. V. Thompson, and agreeably to contract made with him.

ASHBY PETERS,

Quartermaster 28th Regiment Missouri Militia.

LIBERTY, (Mo.), February 17, 1840.

No. 5.

THE UNITED STATES,

To Andrew Gartin,

Dr.

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
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	\$95 00
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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.