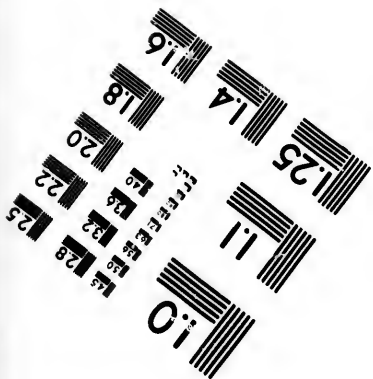
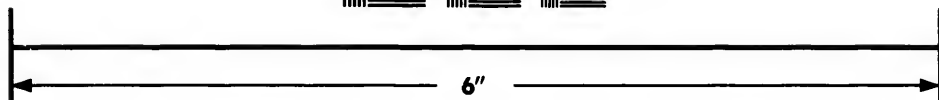
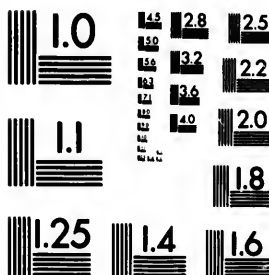


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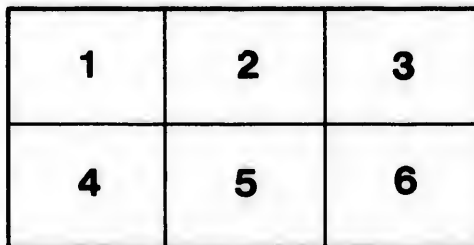
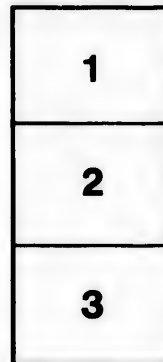
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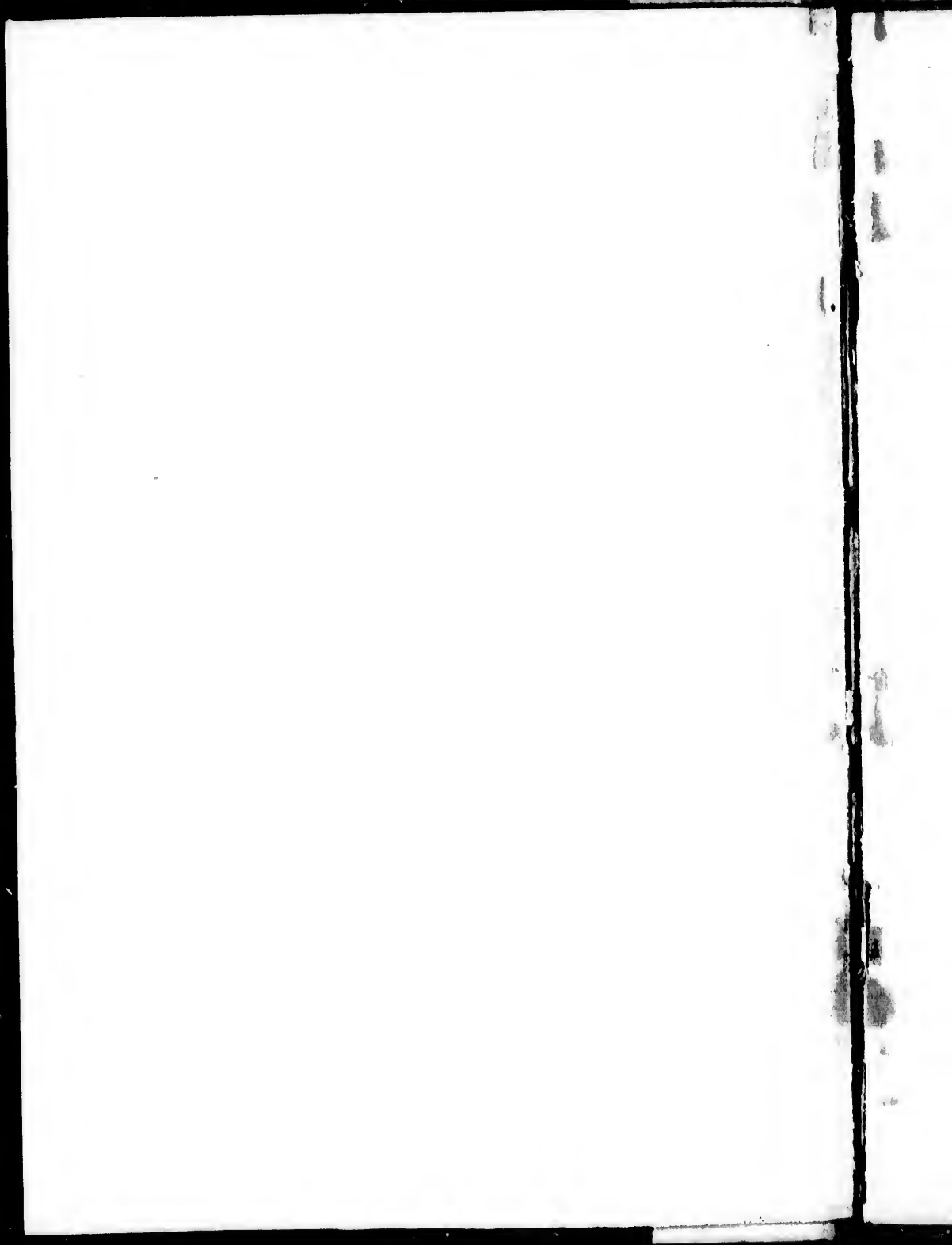
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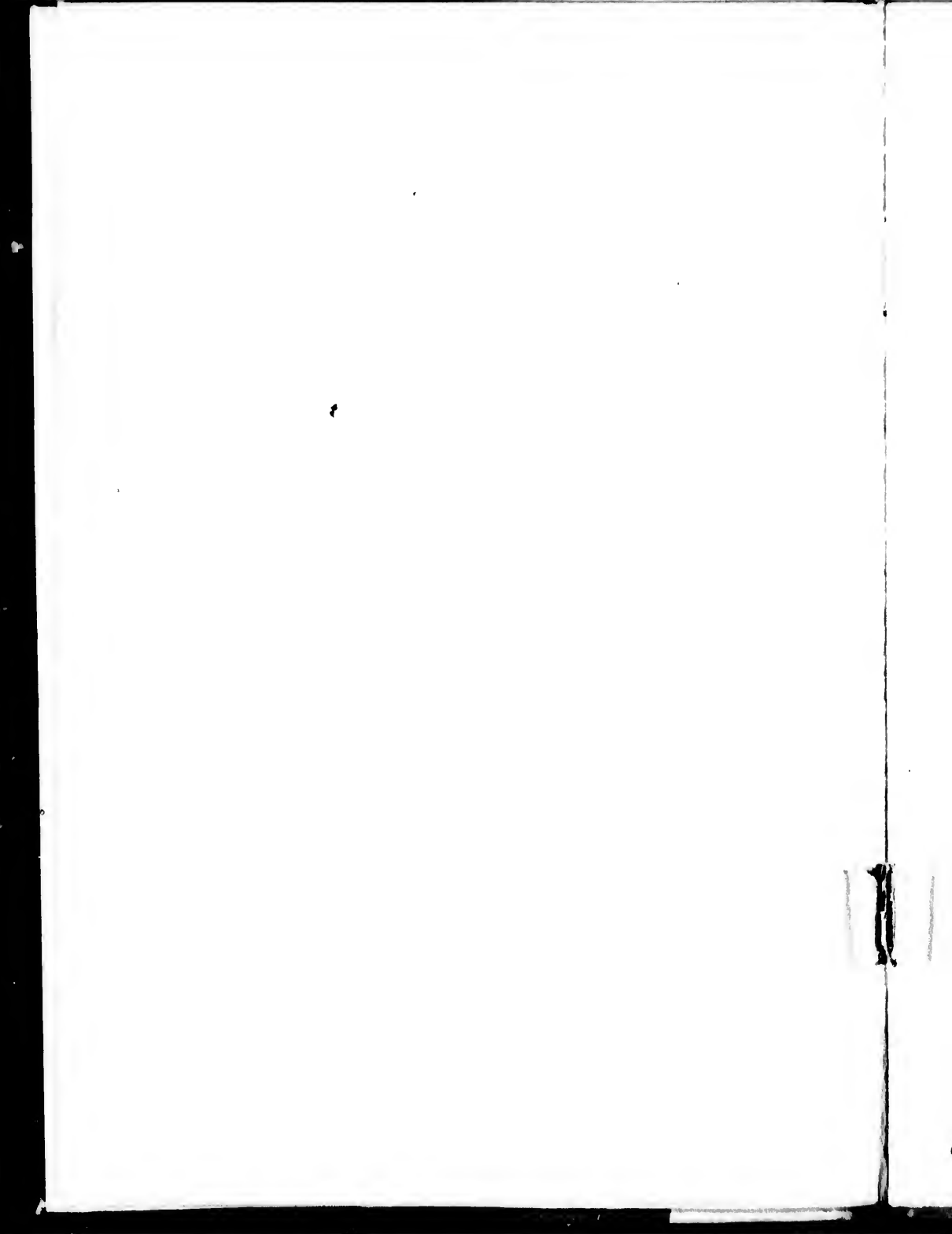
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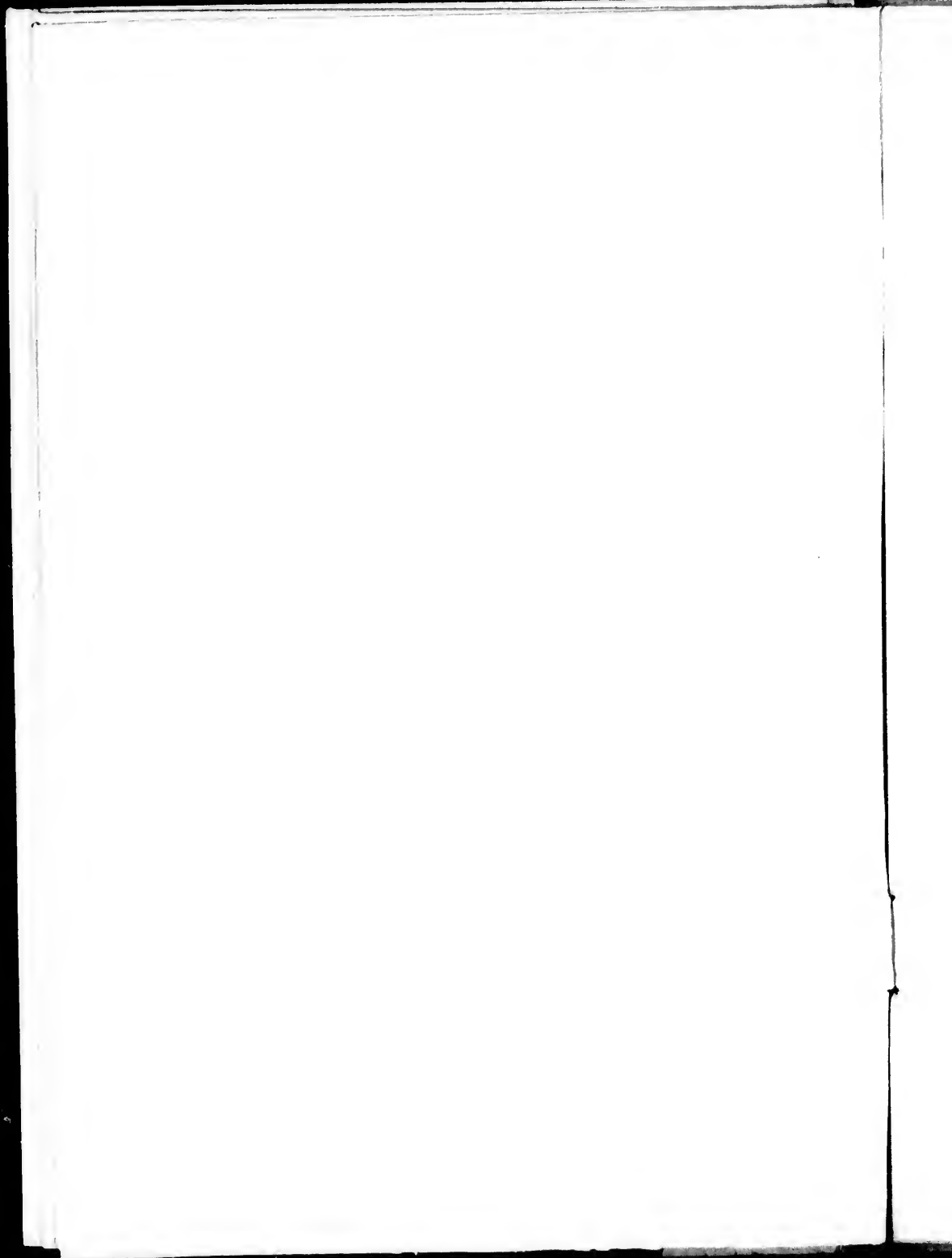
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*To the Commissioners appointed by Act  
of Parliament for enquiring into the  
Losses and Services of the American  
Loyalists.*

The Memorial of Stephen Tuttle of  
Machche in the Province of Quebec,  
Surveyor of Lands, Humbly Sheweth,

That your Memorialist was one  
of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace  
in the County of Albany in the Pro-  
vince of New York, and a Deputy to  
Alexander Colden Esquire Surveyor  
General of said Province.—

That at an early period of the war  
your Memorialist furnished Arms,  
Ammunitions and Provisions to many  
of His Majesty's Loyal Subjects of that

Province in order to facilitate their joining the King's Army in Canada.

That your Memorialist for the purpose of procuring Money to relieve the distresses of the British and Loyalists which were Prisoners with the Enemy both before and after General Burgoyne's Convention sold his Negroes and Cattle.

That in consequence of your Memorialist's Loyalty and Attention to the British Government your Memorialist went to Canada, and was there employed in the King's Service, and was soon after proscribed the State of New York, his property confiscated, sold and converted to the use of said State, which property with the Monies advanced for the relief of Prisoners, and the other disbursements made for

the Service of Government amounted to about Two Thousand Five Hundred Thirty eight Pounds Sixteen Shillings New York Currency, being the Sum of One thousand Four hundred Twenty Pounds 1/ 6<sup>d</sup> Sterling as appears by the Account herewith delivered.

That your Memorialist has a large Family in the Province of Quebec, and is without the means of supporting them.

Your Memorialist therefore prays that his Case may be taken into Consideration in order that your Memorialist may be enabled to receive such Aid and relief as his Losses and Services may be found to deserve.

for Stephen Tuttle

Henry J. Jessup.

*No, 36 Suffolk Street, February 27th 1784.*

MASHICHE 26<sup>th</sup> October 1783.

A True Estimate of the Lands Goods and Chattles of Stephen Tuttle late of the County of Albany Esquire in the Province of New York lost by him in consequence of the late dissensions in America for his adhering to the Government of Great Britain and assisting their true Subjects when in distress &c.

To one Lott in the Kyadreosseras

35½ Acres situate on Hudson's River with a good dwelling House and Barn well furnished with Out Houses and a fine places for erecting Mills and about 66 Acres of improved Lands with a fine young Orchard. New York Currency. £1300 " "

To a small improvement bought

of Hugh Maloy. . . . . 30 " "

II

To 1050 Acres of Land lying in the N. E. branch of Hudson's River computed at $3/2$ p Acre	£168	"	"
To 210 Acres at the South Bay computed at $8/$ p Acre. . . .	84	"	"
To 250 Acres at the S. W. corner of the Artillery Patent . . .	80	"	"
To the Grass of 20 Acres of Meadow on the east side of Hudson's River . . . . .	40	"	"
To 5 Acres of Buck-wheat priced at . . . . .	20	"	"
To 18 Bushels of Potatoes planted computed . . . . .	22	"	10 "
To 2 valuable young Horses . .	45	"	"
To 20 good Sheep and 80 pounds of Wool $2/6$ . . . . .	26	"	"
To furnishing Arms and Ammunition for the Loyalists, 20 lbs of Powder, 30 lbs Bullets, 6 Guns 3 at 10 Dollars each . . . .	24	"	10 "
To Farming Utensils &c . . . .	30	"	"
To an Obligation for 100 white pine Logs . . . . .	12	"	"



To Household Furniture . . .	£35	“	“
To a Sett of Tools for a Turner .	2	“	“
To 10 Hogs 1½ year old fat 4 do 8 Months old . . . . .	34	“	“
To 4 Obligations to the amount of £200 New York Cury at 7 p Cent . . . . .	333	“	“
Liquors 6 Gallons of Wine at 10/ To 8 Gallons of French Brandy at 10/ p Gallon—To 12 Gal- lons Spirits at 8/ . . . . .	3	“	“
To Notes of Hand and Book Debts amount to . . . . .	8	“	16
To Fines at different times for not obeying to fight against the King . . . . .	226	“	“
To Expenses to Assist Scouters from the King's Army, and Britts and Loyalists when im- prisoned just before and after General Burgoyne's Conven- tion, 3000 Dollars for one ex- change for Silver: that for the purpose of raising this Sum of	40	“	“

Money said Stephen Tuttle sold his Negroes and Cattle . . . . .	£400	“	“
To 30 : 2000 Dollars at 20 for one exchange for Silver . . . . .	40	“	“
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	£3003	“	16 “
Deduct for the sums due on Mort- gages . . . . .	465	“	“
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Total Losses . . . . .	2538	“	16 “

A true Account of the Incumber-  
ances on the foregoing Estate of  
Stephen Tuttle, Esq<sup>r</sup> as follows, To  
wit : New York Currency.

One Mortgage to Derich Lefforts for*	£300	“	“
One ditto to Daniel Campbell Esq <sup>r</sup> for	125	“	“
And one Mortgage to Philip van Run- ster for £800 Congress Money that when payable was at 20 exchange for one of Silver Currency of New York equal to . . . . .	40	“	“
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	£465	“	“

\* Compare with name as given on page 16.

This last mentioned Mortgage was given for the purpose of raising Money to defray the Expences occurred to the said Stephen Tuttle by his having assisted Persons in Goal and in making their escape to New York &<sup>cc</sup>, which had involved him on that Account.

The foregoing is the best Account that can be made by said Stephen Tuttle of all his affairs in his present Circumstances.

STEPHEN TUTTLE.

HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, 2<sup>d</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1785.  
Evidence in the Case of Stephen Tuttle  
formerly of Albany.  
Claimant Sworn,  
Is a Native of New Jersey—at the  
commencement of the troubles he was

settled 47 Miles from Albany as a Farmer.—he was deputy Surveyor General of the Province and Justice of the Peace.—At the breaking out of the troubles in 1774 he was offered a Company in the Rebel Service which he refused. He steadily & uniformly acted a Loyal part, he never took any Oath to the Americans, altho' it was often tendered to him and threatned for refusal. General Arnold threatned to hang him for a Rebel. He joined the British on Lake Champlain in 1779. Prior to that he took every Opportunity of assisting the Loyalists and British Prisoners.—He would have joined General Burgoyne but was prevented by the Rebel Army.—He says he sent five Sons to serve in the British Army.—Says he has re-

mained in Canada with the British Army ever since.—He furnished arms & ammunition to the Loyalists early in the war. His Claim was carried home from Canada by Colonel Jessup in October, 1783,—he then resided 120 Miles above Quebec.—he saw the Account of the Act appoint<sup>d</sup> Commissioners to enquire into the Losses & Services of the Loyalists in the Quebec Gazette some days before.

Property.—All his Papers & Letters were lost on his way thro' the woods to join the British in 1779.

351 Acres 3 Miles below Fort Edward on Hudson's River, he bought this about 1773 of Derrick Liffords and Daniel Campbell for £700 New York Currency—there was very little clearance on it, he thinks he laid out

near as much in Improvements Sixty Six Acres were cleared, Swears he thinks he could have sold this for £1300 New York Currency.—

15 Acres an Improvement bought of Hugh Mollay adjoining the former—there was a House on it and the Lands all cleared—value £30 New York Currency.

1050 Acres in the North East branch of Hudson's River.—a Grant, and no Cultivation on it—the Grant was dated in 1769—values it at  $3^{\frac{1}{2}}$ <sup>d</sup> N. York Currency p Acre £168 N. Y.

210 Acres adjoining the South Bay 10 Miles from Skeenes borough was a Serjeant's Right last war, he gave £5 Currency for this—was not cultivated—admits that there was a Condition to cultivate—values it at £814 New York Currency.

250 Acres at the Corner of the artillery Patents purchased of one Gilchrist—he had a Lease for ever paying 6<sup>d</sup> per Acre for ever after 81 years—the Lease was dated in 1770 this never produced him any thing, but it was valuable Land.

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Personal Property.—Hay on the	
Ground, destroyed by the Ameri-	
cans . . . . .	£16 “ “
5 Acres of Buckwheat on the Ground	20 “ “
18 Bushels of Potatoes planted . .	22 “ 10 “
2 young Horses taken by the Amer-	
icans . . . . .	45 “ “
20 Sheep at 9/ . . . . .	9 “ “
14 Hogs at . . . . .	34 “ “
Farming Utensils . . . . .	30 “ “
Furniture . . . . .	35 “ “
Tools . . . . .	2 “ “

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£213 “ 10 “

Liquors taken by the Rebels . . .	£11 " 6 "
Expence in furnishing Arms and Ammunition for the Loyalists . . .	24 " 10 "
States debts due to him . . . . .	571 " "

He owed to Americans £465 there were Mortgages on the Estate. And about £20 to Friends to Government. All his property is sold under Confiscation—he believes his debts were paid out of it. Fines for not fighting against the King £40 Currency. Says he lost the use of his right arm by Cold in going thro' the woods to join the British. Certificate to his being considered a Loyalist in 1777 by the Rebels from General Arnold. Certificate from Thomas Mann High Sheriff of Gaspee—formerly Ensign in Loyal Rangers.—To Loyalty and having assisted Loyalists in distress.



Place—Deputy Surveyor of Lands. He had 20 Sh: Currency p Diem when employed and thinks it was worth £150 Currency p Annum to him—Appointment by Alex<sup>r</sup>. Colden produced dated 15<sup>th</sup> June 1768.

Witness—John Leonard Sworn. He travelled as a pedlar in New York Province about 1775, he always heard M<sup>r</sup>. Tuttle consider'd as a Loyal Subject, he has been in his House and he lived in a good Stile.

3<sup>d</sup> Decem<sup>r</sup> Claimant delivers in an Account of different Articles furnished British Soldiers & Loyalists as follows.

Account of Sundries expended by Stephen Tuttle formerly of Albany in the Province of New York for and in support of His Majesty's Troops &

other Loyalists during the Rebellion  
in America.

- To supplying a Party of Men about 36 in  
number with provisions and other ne-  
cessaries, they being obliged to hide  
themselves in the woods for more than  
3 weeks until I got a Pilot to take them  
to Canada . . . . . £70 “ “
- To supplying a number of British Sol-  
diers from August to November in  
1777 prisoners in the City Hall and  
Fort in Albany with Provisions and  
other Necessaries . . . . . 120 “ “
- To assisting private Expresses from Can-  
ada to the British Army and my riding  
3 days and nights in getting Intelli-  
gence for Serjeant Major Kelly and  
supporting him and his Company . . . 15 “ “
- To taking out of Jail and forwarding to  
New York about 30 British Soldiers  
and finding them Provisions, Money  
and other Necessaries as also a num-  
ber of others to Canada and providing

Guides and every thing necessary for  
 their support as also my constant at-  
 tention to give whatever intelligence  
 I possibly could to the British for  
 which I was forced to sell my Negroes  
 and Cattle on purpose to raise money  
 to answer the above ends . . . . £235 “ “

New York Currency . . . . £440 “ “

Capt. Jonath Jones—Sworn

Claimt: was a near Neighbour of  
 M<sup>r</sup>: Jones's in Albany County and be-  
 lieves he was a Steady Loyal Subject  
 to Great Britain, and he was of use in  
 assisting Loyalists in the Country—  
 he cannot say whether he was at any  
 great expence on that account.

He was a Deputy Surveyor which  
 was an advantage to him. He re-  
 members his property near F<sup>r</sup>: Ed-  
 ward there was a house on it, and

considerable Improvements—he thinks the property might be worth £1000 Currency—has always understood that there was encumbrances on it.

When Witness left the Country Mr. Tuttle had considerable Stock—but cannot speak to the particulars of his Loss—

HALIFAX 21<sup>st</sup> Feby. 1786.

Further Evidence on the Claim of Stephen Tuttle.

Edmond Butler, Witness Sworn,

Says he lived 36 Miles from Claimant—he was always reported to be a true Loyalist, he remembers he gave all assistance to Loyalists and British Soldiers.

He had some Sons, one of which went to serve in the British Army, believes the others were young.

In 1778 he went to Quebec as he could not live at his own home.

Property.—Recollects his House and Farm at Fort Edward, it was a good House, and Barn, and in an improving Farm,—but he cannot speak to particulars.

When he lived in Albany in 1781, he understood that Tuttle's Property was disposed of.

Recollects he was a Deputy Surveyor.



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