

service in the Army of the North, successively under the command of Major-Generals Philip Schuyler and Horatio Gates. When Lieutenant-General John Burgoyne descended from Canada into the province of New York, in the summer of 1777, the Fourteenth Regiment of Albany County militia opposed the advance of the enemy by destroying bridges and hindering in other ways his progress southward on the roads on which he was moving. At Bemus's Heights and Freeman's Farm, in October, it participated in the engagements which seriously dispirited his forces, and caused their surrender at Saratoga (Schuylerville), on October 17, 1777. While Burgoyne's forces lay near Bemus's Heights, it is said, a scouting party of Hessian troops took possession of the old block-house at Schaghticoke, from which they made forays for food for themselves and horses upon the neighboring homesteads and barns.

When Colonel Peter Yates, on June 22, 1778, succeeded to the command of the regiment, William Kittle (Ketelhuyn) was then a private in Captain Gerrit Teunise Bratt's company. As a member of the company, afterward commanded by Captain Cornelius Vandenburg, he was in active service from July 23 to October 13, 1779; from May 17 to June 7, and from October 11 to November 12, 1780; and also from October 10 to November 24, 1781. His patriotic kinsmen also acquitted themselves with every evidence of valor and faithfulness in various conflicts with the forces of Great Britain.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Adam Kittle (Ketelhuyn), private in Captain Walter Vrooman's company in the second regiment of levies for the defence of the frontiers, May 11, 1780, Lieutenant-Colonel John Harper commanding; and in Captain Lawrence Gross's company in the regiment raised for the immediate defence of the state of New York, April 27, 1781, Lieutenant-Colonel Marinus Willett commanding.

Benjamin Kittle, private in Captain Cornelius Doty's company, in the Sixteenth Regiment of Albany County militia, under Colonel Lewis van Woert, April 4, 1778.

Daniel Kittle, private in Captain Jacob van Allen's company, in the Eighth (First Claverack) Regiment of Albany County militia, under Colonel Robert van Rensselaer, February 25, 1778; and in Lieutenant Teunise Swart's company in the Second (Schenectady) Regiment of Albany County militia, Major Jellis J. Fonda commanding.

Henry Kittle, private in Captain John A. Hardenbergh's company in the regiment of levies under Lieutenant-Colonel Frederick von Weissenfels, July 10, 1782; and in the same company in the regiment of levies commanded by Colonel Albert Pawling.

Joachim Kittle, private in Captain Lawrence Gross's company in the regiment raised for the immediate defence of the state of New York, April 27, 1781, Lieutenant-Colonel Marinus Willett commanding.

John Kittle, private in Captain Luke Schermerhorn's company in the Fourth (Second Rensselaerswyck) Regiment of Albany County militia, April 1, 1778, under Colonel Kiliaen van Rensselaer.

John Kittle, private in Captain Isaac P. van Valkenburgh's company in the Seventh (Kinderhook district) Regiment of Albany County militia, under Colonel Abraham J. van Alstyne, April 2, 1778.

John Kittle, private in Captain Jacob van Allen's company in the Eighth (First Claverack) Regiment of Albany County militia, under Colonel Robert van Rensselaer.

John Kittle, private in Captain John A. Hardenbergh's Regiment of Ulster County militia, under Colonel John Cantine, February 21, 1778, and killed in August, 1781.

Nicholas Kittle, private in Captain Evert Vosburgh's company in the Seventh Regiment of Albany County militia, Colonel Abraham J. van Alstyne commanding; also a private in Captain Luke Schermerhorn's company in the Fourth (Second Rensselaerswyck) Regiment of Albany County militia, under Colonel Kiliaen van Rensselaer; an ensign in Captain Lambert Boghardt's company in the Seventh (Kinderhook district) Regiment of Albany County militia, under Colonel Andries Witbeck, from 1775, and then under Colonel Abraham J. van Alstyne in 1778; and also an ensign in the First New York (Line) Regiment, Colonel Goose van Schaick, commanding.

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