

Neil Goodwin
Royalton Raid Research Collection
Doc 769-772

Introduction

This collection contains the research materials collected by Neil Goodwin of Cambridge, Massachusetts, when he was writing his book, *We Go as Captives: The Royalton Raid and the Shadow War on the Revolutionary Frontier* (Vermont Historical Society, 2010). The collection was donated to the Vermont Historical Society by its creator in 2016. It consumes four records center boxes (4 linear feet) and includes a FileMaker Pro database.

Historical Background

The “Royalton Raid” was an October 16, 1780, attack by the British army and their Mohawk allies on the widely scattered homesteads near the town of Royalton in the White River Valley of Vermont. Dozens of dwellings and barns were destroyed and much livestock was killed. Four settlers were killed during the raid. Twenty-seven prisoners were taken into Canada, most of who were allowed to return home the following summer as a result of the so-called Haldimand Negotiations.

Scope and Content

This collection contains the photocopies of primary and secondary sources, correspondence, and research notes assembled by author Neil Goodwin as he researched his book *We Go as Captives: The Royalton Raid and the Shadow War on the Revolutionary Frontier*, published by the Vermont Historical Society in 2010. The collection brings together a wealth of primary and secondary sources about the American Revolution from repositories in New England and Canada. Goodwin did research on American Indians in addition to the British military and the colonial militia.

The collection includes an extensive collection of printouts from the Haldimand Papers from multiple repositories.

The collection includes an extensive FileMaker Pro database of the contents of this collection plus additional materials not in these file boxes. About two-thirds of the records in the database have been annotated with the box and folder number where the document will be found in the paper collection. Because document box numbers had not been assigned to the collection at the beginning of the annotation process, the database uses box numbers 1 through 4 instead of Doc 769 through 772. The folders have been numbered continuously through the collection to further aid in direct access of the documents.

The database and necessary application is located on the reference desk #2 computer in the Vermont Historical Society library and may be accessed by researchers when the library is open to the public.

Organization

The collection maintains the organization that Neil Goodwin established when he transferred his files to the Vermont Historical Society. A few sections have been reordered in the inventory below to maintain the alphabetical order of the series, but the files are still in their original order in the boxes. Hanging files and dividers have been removed to save space. Mr. Goodwin's original folders and folder headings have been preserved. Some folder headings have been expanded for clarity.

Searching the Collection

An important element of this collection is a Filemaker Pro database created by the donor for his use while writing *We Go As Captives*. The author's database has been annotated with the box and folder numbers of items in the physical collection at the Vermont Historical Society when they could be identified by the processor. The database includes information about more primary sources than are actually included in the hardcopy collection, so not all database entries include box and folder numbers.

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