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Historical Information

The claims were made in response to an act passed by the General Assembly in May 1782 (chap. 10) to ascertain the losses and injuries sustained from the depredations of the enemy within the commonwealth. The act required counties to hold special courts or to appoint members of the court to collect information and proof of the various losses and injuries sustained during the Revolutionary War. The proceedings or reports and the supporting documentation were to be submitted to the governor and council, to be laid before the next general assembly.

Scope and Content

Prince Edward County (Va.) citizens' claims of property lost to British army, 1782, includes inventories made by citizens of Prince Edward County that record a listing of their property they claimed was confiscated or destroyed by the British army under the command of General Charles Cornwallis in 1781. Information found in the inventories include name of property confiscated or destroyed, value of each piece of property, and name of individual making the claim. Examples of property found in the claims include slaves, horses, furniture, liquor, food, and vinegar.

Index Terms

Corporate Names:

Prince Edward County (Va.) Circuit Court.

Subjects:

Personal property -- Virginia -- Prince Edward County.

Slaves -- Virginia -- Prince Edward County.

Geographical Names:

Prince Edward County (Va.) -- History -- Revolution, 1775-1783.

Genre and Form Terms:

Claims -- Virginia -- Prince Edward County.

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