

1770 Census Militia Opelousas, La.

MILITIA AT OPELOUSAS IN 1770

OFFICERS

Don Santiago COURTABLEAU, Captain, 48

Creole Antoine PATIN, 33

SOLDIERS

Francois MERCANTEL, 38 Italian

Joseph CRETEN, 40 Canadian

Jean ZERINGUE, 36 Creole

Andre DAVID, 21 French

Francois MANE, 48 Swiss

Andres de BRANDE, 50 French

Joseph LAURENT, 49 Creole

Andre BARRE, 25 Creole

Antoine PILET, 49 Creole

Pierre FONTENOT, 37 Creole

Antoine LANGLOIS, 19 Acadian

Claude GUILLORI, 17 Creole

Joseph CHEVALIER, 24 Creole

Gregoire GUILLORI, 58 Creole

Carlos COMEAU, 30 Acadian

Jean GUILLORI, 16 Creole

Noel SOILEAU, 25 Creole

Joseph VIGRA, 40 Canadian

Francois BABIN, 35 Acadian

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Joseph GUILLORI, 16 Creole

Louis GUILLORI, 15 Creole

Santiago LAFLEUR, 30 Creole

Charles JEANSONNE, 23 Acadian

Nicolas LAFONTE, 40 French

Pierre JOBERT, 36 French

Philippe LANGLOIS, 36 Acadian

Bartholome LEBLEU, 46 Creole

Joseph LA MIRANDE, 18 Creole

Luis de ROSIER, 30 French

Andres MONDON, 34 French

Jean DOUCET, 17 Acadian

Pierre MALLET, 26 Creole

Pierre DOUCET, 23 Creole

(torn) MULLE, 22 Creole

Philippe DU PLECHIN, 42

Creole Lucas OLIER, 35 French

Charles LEBEAU, 36 French

Joseph PENEL, 44 French

Jean LAFLEUR, 28 Creole

Francois PITRE, 23 Acadian

Joseph LAFLEUR, 46 Creole

Pierre RICHARD, 40 Acadian

(torn) dre BARRE, 25 Creole

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Louis RICHARD, 31 Acadian

Antoine BELLEROSE, 21 French

Victor RICHARD, 22 Acadian

Donto BELLO, 37 Italian

N. RIVAR, 45 Canadian

Amable BERTRAND, 31 Acadian

Augustin SOILEAU, 18 Creole

Antoine BOISDORE, 33 Creole

Jean SAUCIER, 28 Creole

Michel BRIGNAX, 27 Creole

Jean SOILEAU, 20 Creole

(torn) BULLI(?), 29 English

Sylvan SONNIER, 32 Acadian

Francis CABE, 25 Creole

Olivier SONNIER, 19 Acadian

Joseph CARREAU, 32 Canadian

Jean TISSON, 40 French

(torn) CHARANTE, 30 Creole

Jean TIGRE, 48 French

Michel COMEAU, 35 Acadian

Pierre THIBODEAU, 45 Acadian

Michel CORMIER, 26 Acadian

Francois VEILLANT -----

Joseph CORMIER, 30 Acadian

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NOTE: In obtaining the nationality of the militiamen, either the different captains or the copyist of these documents have made a few errors. The following names appear in the militia as having been born in Acadia: Roger, Gilson, Durio, Damour, Corsseau, Molay, and Rocq. These names do not appear in any of the documents, census, etc. of Acadia prior to the exile.

"For each parish, an officer of the army or militia, was named as civil and military commandant. He was in charge of the police of the parish and preserved the peace. It was his duty to examine the passports of all strangers, and to suffer no one to settle within his territorial jurisdiction without a permit from the governor. He tried civil cases when the object in dispute did not exceed \$20.00. In more important cases, he received and then sent all pleadings and the evidence, to the governor. He was ex-officio, a notary public, took inventories and passed sales, and executed judgements rendered in New Orleans against persons living in the country parishes.

" From "The Story of Ascension Parish, Louisiana," by Sidney A. Marchand.