

oppressive Acts of the British Parliament; untill a Reconciliation between Great-Britain and America, on Continental Principles [which we most ardently Desire] can be obtained: And that we will, in all things follow the advice of our Committee respecting the purposes aforesaid, the Preservation of Peace and good order and the safety of Individuals, and Private Property.

JAMES CLINTON

ROBERT BOYD Jun^r

JOHN NICOLL

JOHN NICOLSON

NATHAN SMITH

SAMUEL BREWSTER”

and many others.

* On the 20th September 1775 he was commissioned a Captain in the Second [reorganized] Regiment of Ulster Militia [Colonel James Clinton and subsequently Colonel James McClaughry]. In 1777 he was a member† of the Committee of Safety of the Precinct.

He was connected with Captain Thomas Machin in the construction of the Boom and Chain which were placed across Hudson's River at Fort Montgomery and also of those at West Point.

The following bills were for the Boom and Chain at Fort Montgomery :

* Commission owned by (67) Wm. L. Nicoll^e.

† “Bager's Orange County,” 1846-7, p. 623.