

Fort Fidius.

11<sup>th</sup> July 1794.

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Enclosed is a duplicate of my letter to you of the thirtieth of last month.

I have not yet received the money from the Supervisor although I have sent to him precisely for it - it had not then come to hand.

I have to inform you that the notes of the Branch Banks of Baltimore and Charleston have been counterfeited in this State - this will subject the troops to another inconvenience; and place me in a very precarious situation - I do not know the marks by which they may be detected - and I may unknowingly take them in exchange for large notes. If the money could be obtained immediately from the Bank in Charleston, by bills of exchange, it would obviate these difficulties.

I am with great esteem

Sir

Your most obedient  
humble servant

Wm. Freeman



Joseph Howell Esq  
A. S. W

11 July 1794

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William Freeman

Boston March. 16. 1785

Dear Sir,

Annex'd is an additional list of Peirce's  
Certificates, which please to examine & inform me  
whether any of which are counterfeit

[Here follows the list]

I am this moment favour'd with yours  
of March 7<sup>th</sup> I find one of the Certificates is counter-  
feited; The Bill for 400 dollars is sent in and paid by  
Mr Russell, but you can remit him Mr Kings draft who  
has rec<sup>d</sup> for it the three hundred & ninety Dollars you  
sent me & the matter will stand right, Mr King will deli-  
-ver you the 72<sup>5</sup> lawful which ballances our acct.

Adieu I shall write you again soon

Col. Hodgdon

Yours in haste  
E. Gerry

Boston, March 16, 1785

To Samuel Hodgdon

Dear Sir:

Annexed is an additional list of Pierce's certificates, which please to examine & inform me whether any of which are counterfeit—

[here follows the list]

I am this moment favored with yours of March 7 & I find one of the Certificates is counterfeited—The Bill for 400 dollars is sent on and paid by Mr. Russell, but you can remit him Mr. King's draft who has received for it the three hundred ninety dollars & the matter will stand right. Mr. King will deliver you the 72.5 which balances our account.

Adieu. I shall write you again soon—Yours in haste, E. Gerry

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Office of Army Accounts

New York June 28<sup>th</sup> June 1866

Sir

In answer to your several queries contained in yours of 22 Instant to Mr. Piene I have to inform you that Mr. Hodgson brought several certificates of final settlements to the Office, then at Philadelphia to be examined, which appeared by the original register to be counterfeit in all their contents, except the paper, that they were examined by me in the presence of Mr. Hodgson and the gentlemen of the Office immediately on their being produced - And further that I thought it my duty to detain those certificates until the arrival of Mr. Piene who was then on his circuit thro' the Southern States, but being informed by Mr. Hodgson they were received of a person well known by him, and that no injury would arise to the United States by their being delivered to him, they were returned - As Mr. Piene was absent when this transaction happened he has directed me to answer your letter to him.

Yours &c

J. Howell

Joseph Ward

Office of Army Accounts, New York

June 28<sup>th</sup> 1786

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Yours, Joseph Howell

Circular

New York, October 30 1886

Office of Army Accounts.

Sir

I enclose you will receive my further register of certificates issued - I have to request that you will draw attention to the reason to believe that John P. Fulton has prepared counterfeit certificates with same number marks and descriptions with the genuine ones signed by me, and that he has so well imitated my signature that it is almost impossible to detect them. I am therefore apprehensive that the loan officers may by their carelessness have imposed on, & have therefore to request that your attention to the detecting any person who shall offer such certificates for the payment of interest and that you will see if on the back of some of these there is not marked in small figures the number of the certificate in Fulton's hand in which case you may be <sup>very</sup> probably certain that the certificate is a bad one and will require the strictest attention that it be the persons through whose hands the same has passed should be known.

For Loan Officers of the  
different States }

✓ A. H. -  
 ✓ M. J.  
 ✓ A. J.  
 ✓ N. Y.  
 ✓ P. V. M.

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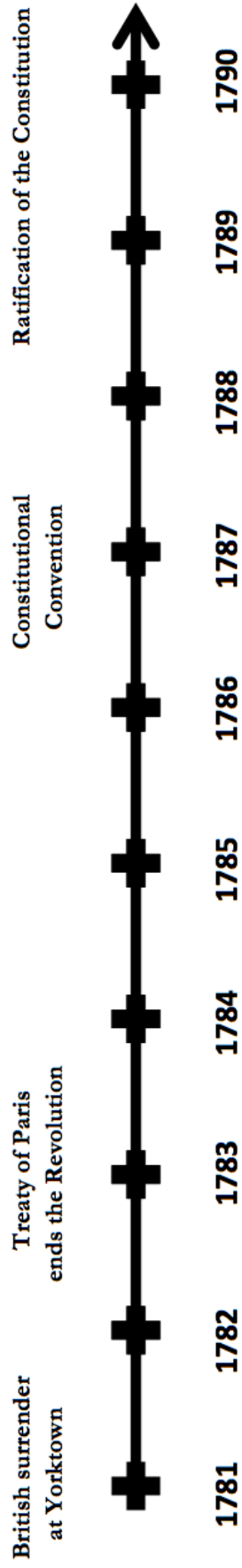
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Sir

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**Document A**

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**When was it written?**

**What is the author warning about?**

**What does the author recommend be done?**

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