

Alexander, Thomas (1727-1801)

Military diary. May 27-Oct. 31, 1758; Mar. 6-July 18, 1776

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The first section of the diary describes a march from Northampton, MA, to Lake George, NY, the unsuccessful attack on Ft. Ticonderoga under Gen. James Abercrombie, the subsequent retreat and the "Half-Way Brook Massacre." Thomas Alexander, of Northfield, MA, was ensign in the company of Salah Barnard, part of Col. Ephraim Williams's regiment. The second section describes the march of Alexander's company from Northfield to Quebec to join Gen. Richard Montgomery's forces, the retreat, and its attendant hardships. Thomas was captain of his own Northfield company, attached to Col. Elisha Porter's regiment.

Includes transcription; some material published in *History of the Town of Northfield* (1875)

Location: Alexander Family papers, Deerfield Families.