

State is plain, practical men, devoted men, who know and mingle with the people as one of themselves. We want no more English airs, no arrogance of demeanor among neighbors. Tell Robert Craig to bring his fiddle, as we expect a good time generally. Tell Black Tom to come by all means.

WILLIAM PRICE.

PRICE'S HALL, STAFFORD COUNTY, VA., December 23, 1787.

COL. LUKE ALLEN:

I invite you and other friends to my house on Christmas day to eat turkey and oysters. I have a barrel of peach brandy five years old, and I hope you will invite your Baptist friends to be sure and come, as I expect to leave for my new plantation in Kentucky about the 20th of January. Our Baptist friends and the Episcopallians (that is, members of the Episcopal Church) are very unfriendly, and this hatred has been greatly aggravated since the close of the late war for independence. With a few illustrious exceptions, such as Bishop White, old Dr. Duche and Gen. Henry Muhlenburg, most of the clergy of the British church had no sympathy with the people in the recent struggle for freedom. Most of them, with an obstinacy characteristic of hypocrites, would not pray for our beloved leaders, and would insist on reading the prayer for the British King whenever they performed divine service. It is perfectly natural for the Baptists to dislike such lordly pretensions and to despise a people who aim to copy the aristocratic airs of a church stained with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus. Such a church is not suited to a liberty-loving people. Any church polity or doctrine that conflicts with the free spirit of our country cannot escape general condemnation. No form of church government that does not fall in with the prevailing principles and tastes of a freedom-loving people can ever prosper in our country. We love liberty too well for such creatures to ever succeed in establishing again by law the religion of British Kings.

Thy old comrade,

WILLIAM PRICE.

HEROISM OF COL. PRICE AT STONY POINT.

FORT STONY POINT, July 17, 1779.

TO MAJ. JAMES CLUKE,

Dear Major: I wish that God would heal your wound and I could once more see you among your brave comrades. On yesterday evening, July 16, after marching over the roughest country I ever saw, through deep swamps and narrow roads, we got within a mile of this fort, which is on the west bank of the Hudson River. It was of vast importance to our enemies, and had been strengthened by every means of art that lay in their power. At night our heroic commander, Brigadier Wayne, came among us and told us that everything depended on secrecy, and, says he, "I want you men who belong to the regiments of Col. Butler and Col. Fleury to march with unloaded muskets and fixed bayonets; I will lead you myself," said he. The river had flooded the swamps waist deep, but when we saw our brave General go forward, we sprang forward, and our advance of twenty men at once attacked the double palisade. When the red-coated sons of bitches shouted in great alarm, "Here comes the damned rebels, shoot them," he was soon knocked on the head, but a terrible fire was opened on us as we advanced through the swamps. The guns from the fort spattered mud on us as well as dirty water. Their grape and canister did not damage more than to spatter mud and water on our clothes. About this time our brave General was knocked on the head in the right temple by a spent ball. I instantly raised him up. "March on, Lieut. Price; carry me to the fort; I will die at the head of my men." We bore him forward until we got near the center of the fort, and both commands met, when the shout of victory rent the air. Our victory was complete; we carried everything so rapidly that our enemies were surprised. We lost about sixty men. Joseph Campbell, of Fredericksburg, was killed; also Private Clow and Richard Clymer was killed. He was from Philadelphia, was a brave Dutchman, deeply religious. I hope he is safe in heaven. Hoping that you will soon recover from your wound, I am your friend,

WILLIAM PRICE.

Col. William Price died at his residence, six miles west of Nicholasville, Ky., October 10, 1808. When the war of 1812 was declared, June 18, James C. Price, son of the old Revolutionary patriot, raised the following company attached to the Fifth Regiment Kentucky Volunteer Militia:

Price, James C., captain.	Dedman, James.	McGrath, Terrence.
Caldwell, Wm., lieutenant.	Dougherty, John.	Neal, George.
Bourn, Daniel, ensign.	Easily, Pleasant.	Nelson, Thomas.
Price, Wm. E., 1st sergt.	East, Elijah.	Netherland, John.
Richardson, D., 1st sergt.	Edwards, Thomas.	Organ, William.
Shanklin, John, 3d sergt.	Elkins, Benjamin.	Overstreet, William.
Scott, John, 4th sergt.	Farrow, John.	Polly, John.
Caldwell, Nath., 1st corp.	Forsee, Stephen.	Ramsey, James.
Ficklin, John, 2d corp.	Frost, James.	Rice, George W.
Williams, Ellsha, 3d corp.	Gilman, James.	Rice, Joseph.
Smith, Solomon, 4th corp.	Goin, John.	Richards, Alexander.*
Barr, George.	Haggard, John.	Richardson, Robert.
Bennett, James.	Hicks, James.	Scott, Joseph.
Birke, Benjamin.	Hicks, William.	Scott, Jr., Joseph.
Brice, John.	Hughes, Charles.	Taylor, John.
Brooks, Thomas.	Hushman, Mathias.	Underwood, Edmund.
Brown, Samuel.	Keene, William S.	Walker, James.
Buskett, David.	Killender, Jacob.	Ward, George S.
Carlton, George.	Kinnard, Edward.	Ward, William.
Carlton, Isaac.	Krickbaum, John.	Webber, Benjamin.
Carlton, Noah.	Lewis, William.	Welch, Alexander.
Conner, Rice.	Lillard, Thomas.	Woodson, Obediah.
Cooley, Reuben.	Lincoln, George.	Young, Joel.
Corman, John.	McConnell, Mathew.	Young, Richard.

John Corman, who was a native of Wayne County, Penn., born in that State in 1792, was the first man in Price's company to fire a gun in the battle of Raisin; he killed an Indian and a British soldier early in the morning. He died in 1876, leaving many descendants in Jessamine County. He was a brave man, and a worthy man in all the relations of life.

Capt. Richard Hightower, of the Seventeenth Regiment, commanded another company from Jessamine County in the war of 1812:

Hightower, Richard, capt.	Dyne, Andrew.	Murrane, John.
Graves, Thos. C., 1st lieut.	Emmerson, William.	Murrane, Mark.
Pleasants, Lucius C., sergt.	Farrow, Isham.	Murrane, William.
Segar, Benjamin, sergt.	Fisher, John.	Pagget, James.
Denilness, Jesse, sergt.	Fowler, James.	Pagget, Thomas.
Acton, William.	Fowler, Thomas.	Pogue, John.
Alison, John.	Gentry, Zebedee.	Prewitt, Edmund.
Andrews, Robert.	Gohagen, William.	Price, John.
Barton, Karshell.	Goodlett, William.	Ralston, Alexander.
Bates, Alfred.	Grindstaff, Isaac.	Reed, Adam.
Black, Beverly A.	Gugsley, James.	Reed, Robert.
Blythe, William.	Hanley, Thomas H.	Scroggins, William.
Byron, John.	Hobson, Bennett.	Shaw, John.
Camp, William.	Hope, George.	Shimp, George.
Carter, John.	James, Samuel.	Shover, Simon.
Casey, Joshua.	Johnson, William.	Smith, Richard.
Cesgar, Thomas.	Lane, John.	Stewart, Rice.
Childers, Thomas.	McCardy, David.	Sumerfield, Ephraim.
Clark, Thomas.	McDaniel, William.	Thompson, James.
Cooly, John.	McKenzie, John.	Tiller, John.
Cook, Mathew.	Martin, James.	Walker, Jeremiah.
Craig, Walter.	Mathews, Philip.	Webb, Adam.
Davis, William.	Maxwell, John.	White, Charles.
Delaney, Willis.	Mayfield, Sutherland.	Williams, Silas.
Denore, Baldwin.	Morgan, John.	Winchell, Peter.
Dobbs, John.	Murphy, David.	Wood, John.

*Died in Garrard County, Ky., in 1864, eighty-seven years old.