

Georgia. To the Honorable the President, and the rest of
the Members of the Continental Congress, now
Sitting at Philadelphia.

The Memorial of Sundry Freemen, Inhabitants of the
County of Wilkes and State aforesaid.

Your Memorialists anxious for the
Safety of the united States, and willing to contribute all
in their power to the Support and Maintenance of
civil Liberty, beg leave to present their Memorial
to your Honorable Body, which from your known
Attention to the public Peace, and the civil Rights
of Mankind, your Memorialists flatter themselves
will meet with your ~~most~~ ^{most} ~~kind~~ ^{kind} Consideration.

It is with the highest Pleasure and
Satisfaction, your Memorialists are led to mention
the great Attention, your Honorable Body has already
paid to the Safety and protection of this infant State,
in granting us so many Battalions and other Forces,
as appeared necessary for our Defence. Your Mem-
orialists are inclined, it was with an Intention of our
further protection, that your Honorable Body were
induced to raise Nathan M. Smith, then Colonel of
the first Georgia Battalion, to the rank of Brigadier
General, in the Army of the united States, and this with
the ~~page~~ ^{page} and Approbation of the Delegates of this
State, then Members of your Honorable Body.

But your Memorialists would beg leave to repre-
sent that the Gentlemen Delegates were in this Instance

greatly mistaken, as to the true Interest of their Country, — and that they acted without any advice or Instructions from their Constituents, who never thought Mr. McIntosh capable of discharging so important a Trust, or remarkable for his warmth and Real in the American Cause.

Your Memorialists cannot but declare, that it is with great uneasiness, they see a man, without any Merit, or experienced whatever, raised to so conspicuous a Station in the Army, whose Connections and Relations for the most part are open and avowed Enemies to the United States, and have caused great Discontents in this State by their Conduct; Your Memorialists would take the Liberty of mentioning some of them.

The General's Brother W^m McIntosh was some time since entrusted with the Command of the Troops of Horse, raised for the Defence of our Frontiers, but resigned his Commission on Account of the Clamours of the people: the Men under his Command were always uneasy, and frequently deserted, so that by some means or other a large Tract of Country on our Southern Frontiers was evacuated, and several thousand head of Cattle were driven by our Enemies across St. Mary's River into East Florida.

Your honorable Body are well acquainted with the traitorous Conduct of his Brother George McIntosh, and it is not long since a Relation of his, one Alex^r Bailey was detected in carrying Advice to East Florida, and passing to St. Augustine to apprise our Enemies of an intended Attack on that Province. —

The General has also a Nephew of the Name of Mr. Intosh now among the Indians, who has been remarkably active against us; and the Gentlemen who shift Shive, together with George M. Intosh, are connected with the General by the Ties of Consanguinity. — As the General abounds with such Connections, your Memorialists can not but labour under the ~~greatest~~ ^{most alarming} Apprehensions for the Safety of this State, and the Dangers to which our Inhabitants may be exposed, thro' the perfidy of pretended Friends.

Your memorialists must also remark, that on several Occasions, they have observed a great Aversion in General M. Intosh to comply with the Requests of the Executive Authority of this State, not to mention his evasive Conduct in refusing to call a Council of War at Sunbury, agreeable to their Request, which in the End was productive of a Duel between him and our late President, in which the latter received a mortal Wound to the great Loss of the Public.

His Behaviour with respect to his Brother, George M. Intosh, has given us a fresh alarm; our late Assembly ordered that he should be sent to Philadelphia with such Evidence as had been procured against him; Mr. M. Intosh desired a little time to prepare himself with some Cloaths and other necessaries for the Journey; which was granted him thro' the mediation of the General his Brother, who tampered and

made use of every Species of low Cunning, both with the Governor and Council; and even attempted to persuade them, they might chuse whether they would send his Brother to Philadelphia, or not. The Governor and Council for several weeks past have frequently demanded his Body to be delivered to the Sheriff, but the General by sundry evasions, hath put it out of the power of the Executive Authority to comply with the orders of the Legislature, in sending him to your honorable Body; insomuch that we are not without our fears of being under a military Government, and subject to the Dictator of a prejudiced and suspected Office.

Your Memorialists must assure your honorable Body, they have not set forth ought in Malice, but entirely from Motives of self preservation and the good of the American Cause. Your Memorialists therefore hope your honorable Body will take the premises into Consideration, and order, as soon as possible, the Removal of General McIntosh from among them, as your Memorialists are thoroughly convinced, it will lightly discourage our Enemies in East Florida and be a more deadly Stroke to Treason in this State than any other can be; and grant the such other Relief, as your honorable Body shall seem meet.

Dated at Wilkes County, 5th Day of July one thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Seven.

John Lindsay	Thos Brantley	William Wiggins
Geo Bagley	John Cook	95
John Hard	John Michael	
Frederick Williams	Joseph Walker	
William Smith	David Wilder	
George Rymond	Elyseus Wilder	
James McLean	Benjamin Bonnell	
Benj. Bailey	John Cook	
Edw. Lusk	Joseph Wilder	
John Linbury	Thos Smith	
Wm Linbury	John Carter	
Isaac Richardson	Ezekiel Miller	
Henry Duke	Richard Holman	
Henry Williams	Joshua Miller	
Benjamin	Solomon Bantick	
Richard Smith	Joseph Miller	
Daniel Barnett	J. A. Bonnell	
John Burck	E. D. Leeds	
John Hill	James Brantley	
Charles Gordon	Benjamin Brantley	
George Gyles	Harris Brantley	
Charles Hurd	Thos Smith	
John Phillips	Rich. Wesley	
Isaac Hill	Nat. Smith	
Demay Phillips	Sam Jones	
Douglas Hill	Sam Bishop	
David Holman	Stephen Bishop	
Abraham Holman	James Davis	
Elijah Hill	William Wilder	
Thos Cook	William Wiggins	