

**Transcripts of Documents of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment of York Militia  
During the War of 1812  
With a Microfilm Index  
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### **Introduction**

This is a transcription of documents from Volumes 16 and 17, two of thirty-nine volumes of pay records and accounts of the Upper Canada Militia during the time of the War of 1812. In 2012 [Collections Canada](#) published digital copies of the microfilmed volumes on their website.

These images were easier to see and work with than those transcribed from a microfilm viewer or photocopies, in 2010. In this edition, corrections were made, some additional documents were added, and the documents were indexed to the digital images online.

The transcribed documents included company and staff payrolls as well as returns of officers (documents 5 and 7), returns of horses (documents 26, 28, and 29), selection of flank companies (documents 113 to 115), recommended promotions (document 93A), and fines collected (document 10). Most documents had a stamped archival number but many documents appear to be missing from the set. Possibly these were documents that were no longer legible enough to microfilm. The documents were not always in numerical order on the microfilm. Documents were copied by hand during the war and there are multiple copies of some payrolls with different document numbers. Corrections and changes were made to the documents by the authors when this occurred. When there was more than one copy of the same document only one copy was transcribed and any significant changes between copies were noted in the transcriber's comments, in square brackets.

Some document titles included where the unit was stationed. Remarks on the documents may give insight as to what was happening in each company. The documents did not directly indicate that the men were at specific engagements but the remarks may have suggested that they were. Examples of this type of remark beside a man's name are "wounded" and "taken prisoner". Officers were required to sign for receipt of their pay on separate payrolls. There were sometimes additional documents covering the same pay period. Most documents were certified as true and signed by an officer but not necessarily in the same year as the payroll period.