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Jamieson, Thomas, Sgt., Clark's Ill. Reg.
 Jamison, David, BW
 Jamison, George, Capt. McCutchen's Co., Augusta; mentioned as Sgt. in same county.
 Jamison, John, Captain Washington Mil. in 1776, E.
 Jamison, John, Washington Mil., rec. as Lieut. May 16, 1781, EP.
 Jamison, John, Capt. McCutchen's Co., Augusta.
 Jariott, John, IP.
 Jarman, Henry, Inf., nbl.
 Jarmin, Henry (Jermon) 4, 8 and 12 CL, 8 CL, also Jarmon.
 Jarnell, William, E.
 Jarr, John, 13 CL.
 Jarrald, John (Jarrell) 1 Va. State Reg.
 Jarrald, Solomon (Jarrell) 1 Va. State Reg.
 Jarrard, Moses (Gerrard) Sgt., 12 CL.
 Jarrard, William, Captain Berkeley Mil., E.

Preface

No claim of completeness or even approximate completeness is made for the present list of Revolutionary soldiers of Virginia. While much fuller in every way than any other list ever published, it is but tentative, and does not include all the lists of soldiers known to be in existence. Permission could not be gained for copying the rolls in the War Department in Washington, and this omission is a serious deficiency. And in addition to these lists, which were not obtained, though preserved amongst the archives of the Federal Government, it is believed that the researches still being conducted by the Virginia State Library will bring to light other rolls whose whereabouts can now be only guessed at, while from time to time regimental and company rosters may turn up in out-of-the-way places. The list, therefore, is merely the first stage of a work to be continued for many years and brought to a conclusion only when the sources of Virginia Revolutionary history shall have been completely explored, leaving no reasonable hope for further discoveries.

The vague and unsatisfactory nature of the estimates hitherto made of the number of Virginia troops in the Revolutionary War is largely due to the fragmentary condition of the records. The non-existence of regular military rolls among the archives of the State has left such estimates to be based upon the returns of the Continental line, which, for various reasons, have proved misleading. In the absence of proper records, the result has been that many people have believed that Virginia contributed but few troops for the war, while, on the contrary, probably no other State furnished more.

The Virginia forces in the Revolutionary War may be considered under four heads: (1) Continental, (2) State, (3) Militia and (4) Navy.

Virginia furnished fifteen regiments of the continental line, which were entirely in the service and at the command of Congress. Saffell publishes lists of several of these regiments, but not of all, and the number of men serving in them, first and last, can only be told by an examination of the rolls at Washington.

Besides this quota of regiments supplied by the State, other commands, raised mostly or wholly in Virginia, served in the Continental army, but, being congressional forces pure and simple, are not accredited to the State. Such were Nathaniel Gist's, Grayson's and Thurston's regiments of infantry, Moses Rawlings's rifle companies, Harrison's artillery, Bland's and Baylor's dragoons and Lee's and Armand's legions. Of these commands Gist's regiment is given in Saffell as from Virginia and is consequently included in this index; Rawling's rifle companies and Harrison's artillery, being made up of Marylanders in part as well as of Virginians, though accessible in Saffell, are not given in the index because of the impossibility of separating the soldiers from the two States. Pay rolls of Bland's dragoons, printed in