

## Vale of White Horse Yeomanry Cavalry, Berks

*Discovered in Barrington documents within the British Library*

*Western Manuscripts ADD MS 73763*

I (A.B.) do sincerely promise and swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to his Majesty King William. So help me God.

### Muster Roll of the Vale of White Horse Yeomanry Cavalry, Berks

*(The men below signed up between July 25 – Aug1, 1831 - apart from 2 noted)*

William Keppel Viscount Barrington	Captain
Edwin Martin Atkins	Lieutenant
Richard Wheeler Crowdy	Cornet
Joseph Dawson	Quarter Master
Bay Smith	Serjiant ( <i>sic</i> )
Thomas Bennett	Serjiant ( <i>sic</i> )
Charles Hawtrey	Corporal
John Corton	Corporal
William Scarsebrook	Trumpeter
William Addison	
George Ferris	
William Wilson	
John Puzey	
William Tarrant	
George Canfield	
Richard Plummer	
John Batt	
Thomas R. Reynolds	
John H. Mantell	
John Windows	
Roger Calvert	
Thomas Wilson	

George Mantle  
George Fidel  
Henry Lewis  
Charles Myers  
Thomas B. Myers  
William Scarsebrook  
William Luker  
E. Meare  
M. Weeks  
John Vines  
John Haines  
Robert Calvert  
John Spakman  
John Grove  
William Gould  
James Badcock  
Thomas Goodman  
Henry Wilson  
Henry Fairthorne  
Sam Giles  
Giles Young  
Thomas Leaver  
Aaron Tarrant  
Joseph Curtis  
John Frampton  
Benjamin Kent  
John Streat (*Sept 6<sup>th</sup>*)  
Thomas Tucker (*July 29<sup>th</sup> – resigned Sept 6<sup>th</sup>*)  
Robert Waiman  
Thomas Humfrey  
Thomas Brown  
James Lawrence  
William Stutland

Joshua Patient  
James Heath  
John Sluleup  
Thomas Anne  
Henry ??  
Thomas Clark

The above mentioned William Keppel Viscount Barrington and Edwin Martin Atkins, severally took the foregoing oath of allegiance the 2<sup>nd</sup> August 1831 before me William Bennett. One of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the county of Berks

The above mentioned Richard Wheeler Crowdy took the foregoing oath of allegiance the 31<sup>st</sup> day of July, 1831, before me, William Bennett.

The above mentioned James Heath, Thomas Anns and Henry Maskelyne severally took the foregoing oath of allegiance the 31<sup>st</sup> day of July 1831, Before me, R.W. Crowdy, Cornet

The whole of the above named members of the Troop (except the above named Richard Wheeler Crowdy, Edwin Martin Atkins, James Heath, Thomas Anns and Henry Meskelyne severally took the foregoing oath of allegiance on the days set opposite to the respective names, before me, Barrington – Captain.

#### **Other papers found in ADD MS 73760**

Military equipment sent to Lord Barrington dated March 25<sup>th</sup> 1831, sent to the 5<sup>th</sup> unit of the Vale of White Horse Yeomanry. The items listed are clothing and wearing apparel amounting to £452.5.0 sent by the military supplier Holt & Plush of No 20 Sackville Street, London.

There follows in August of the same year items mainly relating to Swords, belts and swivels added to the former amount.

By the 12<sup>th</sup> October, 1831, Mr Weare of Holt & Plush state,

My Lord. We now enclose the remaining part of the account for the outfit of the White Horse Vale Yeomanry, agreeable to your Lordship's request. We are sorry that Mr Tarrant's suit does not fit him. If your Lordship will permit the tailor at Shrivvenham to alter them, the amount can be deducted from the account.

The final letter from Holt & Plush provides the answer as to how the cost of equipping the Yeomanry is being met by government. In a letter dated 26<sup>th</sup> November 1831, they state,

My Lord. We beg to acknowledge the receipt of your Lordship's favour and to inform your Lordship that the amount of £452.5.0 is the first bill, the amount of the latter is £477.0.11 and therefore consider your Lordship has made a mistake taking the first bill in lieu if the last sent. We have therefore not presented it. Waiting the favour of your Lordships's reply.

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Lord Viscount Barrington  
To Holt & Plush  
Sackville Street

1831  
March 25<sup>th</sup> The Equipment of 50 Men of the  
of White Horse Yeomanry each  
consisting of as under —

- 1 Scarlet Jacket
- 1 Plain new trousers
- 1 Shawl coat
- 1 Stock of black
- 1 Blackened shoe
- 1 Pair Spurs
- 1 Girdle
- 1 Plain Seal's Wig
- 1 Pair plain shoes
- 1 Pair Mill stockings
- 50 Suit of for man £ — 448 —
- 2 strong packing cases for caps — 1 — 6
- 2 Boxes packing for black — 6 —
- Packing for 50 Hats & Bracons — 13 —
- 100 Buttons & Buttons — 6 — 6
- 100 Pairs Spurs — 3 — 6
- 100 Law for shoes of 100 Pairs — 1 — 10 — 6

£452.5.0

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Lord Barrington  
To Holt & Plush  
Sackville Street

To account delivered — 452.5.0 —

1831  
Aug 1<sup>st</sup> — 50 Scarlet Belts 2/6 — 8.8 —

50 Board Knobs — 2/6 — 7 —

100 Sword Buckles 7/4 — 8.17.4 —

100 Sword belt Straps  
Sackville — 10.7 —

£477.0.11

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London 15th October 1751  
My Lord

We now send the remaining part  
of the account for the outfit of the  
Wotton Vale Troop, agreeable to your  
lordship's request. We are sorry that Mr  
Redgrave did not get him - if your  
lordship will permit the tailor at Stroudham  
to take them, the amount can be deducted  
from the account.

We are  
Your lordship's  
very obedient servants  
John Puck

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10.20 Whitehall Street  
26 November 1751

My Lord

We beg to acknowledge the receipt of  
your lordship's favor. We inform your lordship that  
the amount of £252.5.0 is the first bill the amount  
of the latter is £247.0.11 therefore consider  
your lordship as made a mistake taking the first  
bill in lieu of the last sent - we have therefore  
not presented it - wishing the favour of your  
lordship's reply.

We are  
My Lord's  
Your very obedient  
John Puck