

Easton March the 26th 1782

As you have ^{thought} proper to take down the Deposition
of Bidleman and Hains, in Isaac Clinkerpoole's
affair, I hope you will likewise send me a^t of
the Matter, which shall be in as few Words as
Possible. Prior to my mentioning any thing, to
either of the Parties (except taking their Bond
in Security) He became Indebted to me the sum
of six pounds Specie, for curing him of a sec.
Infection of the Venereal Disease: which is
my lowest price: and was the sum mentioned
by me to them. It was not my Business to
make them acquainted with it, untill I was
obliged to, by this unjust attack upon my
Character, as it would hurt my Business by
exposing private Disorders of my Patients &c.
As to my promising him an Exemption
from Exchange: The Words in my Letter to Col.
Shinnel concerning it were; That five or
six of the Hessians who were Married here,
were Desirous of Staying, if consistent with
his Instructions and the good of the Country.
This I likewise told them: But they being

germans, it seems have not attended to, or
understood. I shall waive saying any thing
of their Political Principles at present,
and remain your Humble servt.

And^w Ladies D. G. P.

Robt Lewis Esq^r

25 March 1782
Deposit
~~Abraham Henry Haines~~
Valentine Beidleman

Northampton County, Js.

On the Twenty Fifth Day of March in the year 1782 Before me Robert Levers Esquire One of the Justices in and for the County of Northampton Personally appeared Valentine Beidleman of the County of Sussex in the State of New Jersey Miller and in the Presence of Doctor Andrew Ladley who acts as a Comissary of Prisoners, voluntarily made Oath on the Holy Evangelists as follows to wit, that some time last Summer, he this Deponent was at the House of Doctor Andrew Ladley, he the said Valentine Beidleman William Henry Haines and Philip Michael having mercifully become Security to said Mr. Ladley as a Comissary of Prisoners in the Sum of Three Thousand Pounds Continental for the Appearance of Isaac Clinherfoos a Hebian Prisoner of War at any time when he the said Prisoner should be demanded and whilst this Deponent was at the said Summer time at the house of the said Mr. Ladley, a conversation arose between Mr. Ladley and this Deponent concerning the said Hebian Prisoner, and this Deponent says, that Mr. Ladley at that time said to him, that if he, meaning ^{Isaac Clinherfoos} ~~Isaac Clinherfoos~~ would give him, that is, Mr. Ladley, ^{Two half Doles} ~~Two half Doles~~ he the said Mr. Ladley would discharge him. That sometime last Fall, when Mr. Ladley was with this Deponent at Gershem Barnes's in Sussex County in the State of New Jersey, this Deponent further says, that Mr. Ladley again said to him, that if Clinherfoos would give him, that is, Mr. Ladley ^{Two half Doles} ~~Two half Doles~~ he Mr. Ladley would discharge him, meaning Clinherfoos, the Hebian Prisoner. Upon the Deponents being asked if Mr. Ladley only said, that he would try to get him, the Prisoner discharged, he the Deponent answered in the Negative, and said, that the Word were if he would give him Two half Doles he would discharge him. That afterwards at the House of one Junis Youngs in Jersey this Deponent and Mr. Ladley aforesaid were together, and then this Deponent says that Mr. Ladley informed him, that he had wrote to the Comissary General of Prisoners in behalf of Six or Seven Prisoners among whom Clinherfoos was one, that they might be exempted and permitted to stay in the Country. That the Deponent being asked if Mr. Ladley had ever acquainted him that Clinherfoos was indebted to him when he spoke of his giving the Two half Doles, he answered in the Negative, and declared he did not hear any thing like it mentioned. And further this Deponent saith not

Taken and Sworn
the day & Year aforesaid

Before
Robert Levers

And Dr. Lewis Int. M. J.

7th March 1782
Examination Isaac
Climberfuss -

Northampton County, fs.

The Voluntary Examination of Isaac Clingafoose a
Prisoner of War of Hlanau taken at Saratoga at the
Reduction of General Burgoyne and his Army by General Gates, as
follows, and first the said Isaac Clingafoose says, that the Prisoners
of Burgoyne's Army were stationed at Winter Hill about Three miles
from Boston, where this Examinant continued till about November
1778, which was near a year that the Prisoners being ordered to be
removed to Virginia, this Examinant, about the time the Prisoners
were to march to Virginia, in November 1778 left them and went
to Boston, and there carried working for different Gentlemen till
May 1779, - That one Mr. John Smith with whom the Examinant
worked at Boston, went with him to General Heath, who gave him
a Pass, which he says he lost with his Pocket Book. - That in May
1779 he left Boston, and worked at several Places about eight miles
from Boston for some small time, after which he left that Country
and came to Mansfield in Jersey, where not finding much work
he departed from thence and came to Valentine Beidleman, who
keeps a mill in Sussex County in Jersey, about a mile from Easton
in the month of August 1779 - and after staying with him abt,
a months half, he went from thence to one Henry Glaines in
Sussex County aforesaid, a near neighbour to said Mr. Beidleman
at which Glaines's he continued Ten months, ~~in which~~ Ten months
as ^{was expected} he married the Daughter of one John Werts in Philipburgh a
Town in Jersey, opposite Easton, and worked about from place to
place in that neighbourhood. - That this Examinant says, that
during the Ten months he lived with said Mr. Glaines Doctor
Andrew Sadley of Easton came over the Delaware River to Mr.
Glaines, and told Mr. Glaines he should not let the Examinant
go without acquainting him Mr. Sadley of it, which Mr. Glaines
told to this Examinant, upon which he came on this side Delaware
Sadley then told him he was the Company of Prisoners, and
that the Examinant must give Security, or he must put him into
Gaol - This happened a little before the year 1780,
he first the Examinant married - and the same day Mr. Sadley
put him into Easton Gaol, where he remained five days. On the
said Mr. Glaines hearing the Examinant was in Gaol, he came
to him with one Philip Michsel, and they enquired of him if he
was desirous to come out of Gaol, he answered he would if he
could - upon which they went to Doctor Sadley and offered to give
Security for his forthcoming, if he could be enlarged - But
Doctor Sadley requiring Three Securities, Mr. Glaines, Mr.
Michsel and the said Mr. Beidleman became his Securities,
and the Examinant was released from his Confinement -
From that time till the Spring 1781 the Examinant says
he had rest, and about that time Mr. Beidleman aforesaid
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went as this Examinant afterwards understood, he being then married, and asked Mr. Ladley, if he would not let the Examinant go, and Mr. Ladley answered Mr. Beidleman, as the Examinant has heard from Mr. Beidleman himself, that he Mr. Ladley would agree to let the Examinant go, if he would give him Two Half Doez, On which the Examinant says he asked about the neighbours, who informed him, that would not do, it would not clear him, after this Mr. Ladley hearing this Examinant was a Mason, he called for him and said he should work for him, and he worked for Mr. Ladley Four days. And then he would work for him no longer, because he had made a bargain with one Heeser in the Jerseys near Philipsburgh, who was building a House, to do mason Work for him, and thought in his mind to pay the Two Half Doez, and prevailed on Heeser and Haines to go over the River to Mr. Ladley and lend him two Half Doez and pay them to Doctor Ladley. Heeser and Haines told this Examinant they had been to Doctor Ladley and had offered him the two Half Doez on his account, Mr. Ladley told them he would not take them, but wanted the Examinant to work for them and told Heeser & Haines if the Examinant did not come the next day he would put him into Gaol. And told Heeser and Haines, that if he would come, as soon as he had got his House done, he would give the Examinant clear. Then Heeser said to this Examinant, he should wait till next year, and that the Examinant should go over and work for Mr. Ladley. And the Examinant says, he then came over to Passon, and worked for Mr. Ladley Twenty eight days ^{including the above third part} and a half, ^{for which Labour} working Twenty days as a Mason, & the Remainder as a Labourer. after which Mr. Beidleman asked Mr. Ladley if he would give the Examinant clear, Mr. Ladley said he had sent down for him and five or six more Prisoners who had worked for him, so clear. That about Two Weeks before last Christmas Mr. Ladley came to this Examinant to his Father in Law's at Philipsburgh, ^{at that time} that he should quarry Stone for him about Three or Four Hundred Loads, and that he must come the next day to Passon to let him know whether he would or no. That the Examinant came over to Passon, but Mr. Ladley was not at home, but the Examinant told to Mr. Ladley's Sister's Folks ~~he~~ could not live so without pay, and that he could not come. Upon which this Examinant says that Mr. Beidleman had informed him, that Mr. Ladley had told him Mr. Beidleman, that he should bring the Examinant over and take up to Passon and take up the Bond, and he Mr. Ladley would put the Examinant into Gaol. That this Conversation betwixt Mr. Beidleman and Mr.

Ladley was the week before last and further this
Examinant said not
Taken and acknowledged
the seventh day of march 1782

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Robert Levers

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25 March 1782
Deposition
Abraham Henry Laine

Northampton County, N.J.

On the Twenty Fifth Day of March in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty Two Personally appeared before me Robert Levers Esquire One of the Justices in and for the said County Abraham Henry Haines of Sussex County in the State of New Jersey Yeoman and in the Presence of Doctor Andrew Ladley who acts as a Commissioner of Prisoners, voluntarily made oath on the Holy Evangelists, as follows, to wit that sometime in the month of September last he this Dependent ^{in Company with George Plessor of Sussex County Yeoman} ~~was~~ at the House of the above named Doctor Andrew Ladley and spoke to him concerning Isaac Clinberfoos a Slesian Prisoner, and they acquainted Mr. Ladley that they would engage to see the money paid which had been asked for the discharge of Clinberfoos, that Mr. Ladley replied he did not want the money he wanted his Mason Work done upon which the Dependent asked how long that would be that Mr. Ladley made answer it would be up in eight or ten days, that this Dependent says he asked Mr. Ladley, if he would then clear him the Reply was, he would not stop him then no longer he might go work where he pleased. That ~~in the evening~~ after this Conversation Mr. Ladley told this Dependent that Clinberfoos was indebted to him, but did ^{not} mention any particular Sum or for what. That this Dependent upon his returning home told Clinberfoos who was then as lasten that he must go to work for Mr. Ladley, and this Dependent says he afterwards saw him performing Mason's Work at the House Mr. Ladley was then building. And further this Dependent said no more.

Taken & Sworn the
Day & Year above said }
Before
Robert Levers

Henry Haines