

Francis M. Chase. from a late publication in the newspaper which remains unrefuted his character is implicated he is insolvent. is a violent Martin Jacobin. he is without education & does not possess talents. he holds the commission of major in the militia. while a platoon officer he was thought to possess some merit but since his advancement, that quality does not appear and I think I can with truth assert that he is not now generally esteemed a good or an intelligent officer. he rides and sets a horse very badly and his appearance is not ~~much~~ in his favor.

William D. Lawrence. is a young Gentleman of respectable character and connections. is related to the Lawrence family of Hudson, who are all Clintonians. he would probably be contented with a Captaincy & that appointment would be a respectable one.

Daniel Baldwin. If I do not mistake the man and ^{if} he is from this City I do not. he was formerly Captain of the State Prison Guard and turned out by the late Council for highly improper conduct. he is a violent Federalist. is lame. swalks with a crutch. sustains a bad character. his only merit is that he was a revolutionary officer.

Jean de La Croix. is a Frenchman. been in this Country a number of years. was formerly a Colonel in the French service and is a man of undoubted experience & military knowledge.

Samuel Waring. a worthy & respectable man. in his family. altho not ~~possessing~~ a man of literary acquirements nor military experience, yet, possessing a mind capable of acquiring knowledge. in short a man of good sense. in politics he is a Clintonian Republican & is the friend of our friends.

William Ogilvie, is the son of Judge Ogilvie. he ~~possesses~~ is a republican & a young man of considerable literary acquirements & rather superior intelligence. as considering his youth & want of experience, I should think the rank for which he applies is too high.

Peter Ogilvie Junr. the brother of William. quite a likely and intelligent young Gentleman and I think would make an excellent officer.

N.B. As the two Mr. Ogilvies are quite young, perhaps the grade of Captain would be as much as they could reasonably expect.

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Richard Platt. a revolutionary Officer. a federalist
not rich, but poor. personally a perfect gentleman.

Of the other Gentlemen applying for ^{Field} commissions, I am
unacquainted with them in the short time I have had
to prepare this paper. I have not been able to make
enquiry. probably they live in the country & you can
derive information relative to them at Washington.

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