

**John McCord Lamoreaux Requests For Land 1812  
Memorials 1812, 1817 & 1831**

Introduction - Part 2 of 2 includes  
1812 & 1815 petitions up to page 5  
Arranged by date

*These memorials all seem to be concerning requests for land  
in Ontario, Canada, based on his service in the war of 1812.  
These pages appear to be part of Isabelle Cluff's work. akrc  
My notes are in [ ] brackets.*

1. 1812 Nov 23 Scarborough in part 1  
A Memorial asking for land in Upper Canada dated 1812  
one page - includes copy of page
2. 1815 Nov 27 York in part 1  
A Memorial from **John's** Lt Col swearing to his service  
one page - includes copy of page
3. 1831 October 1 York page 2-7  
A Memorial or petition of **John Lamoreaux**,  
dated 1831, referring to the former petition.  
3 pages+ my intro - includes copy of page
4. 1831 Oct 5, 6 & 13, York page 8-10  
seems to be the cover page for the last 3 pages [+ annex] with  
dates & notes of what is being done about the petition. one page - I  
divided it into two - includes copy of page
5. Questions and comments page 11

*[Original spelling is retained, with some explanations.]*

*[Note the habit of writing the first word of the next page at the bottom right side of the page.]*

*[The numbers at the top right of each page was probably Isabelle's numbering.]*

*[Note: Highlighting and underlining are mine. My notes are in italics. akrc]*

## John McCord Lamoreaux Requests For Land 1812

**York 1 October 1831** - 3 pages + my introduction  
This page is my introduction.

**John Lamoreaux Petition** - York 1 October 1831  
Asks again to be considered for a land grant.  
Tells of being thrown into a fire.

- a petition of John Lamoreaux referring to the former petition. There is an annex mentioned in the text.

a note on the side of petition,  
Probably Isabelle's hand says:

**On file at the Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa**  
**"Canada land petitions"**  
**(RG1, C3, vol 292 L17/7**  
**Military document of John Mc Cord Lamoreaux**

There is an annex mentioned - where is it?

1815 Nov 27 York

1815 Memorial from **John's** Lt Col swearing to his service seems to be the annex?? Were there others?

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York 1 October 1831 - page 1

1 Oct 1831

To His Excellency Sir John Colborne  
K.C.B. Lieutenant-Governor of the Province  
of Upper Canada Major General Commanding  
His Majesty's Forces therein &c  
&c

The Petition of John Lamoreaux,  
of Scarborough, a Sergeant in the late  
3rd Regiment of York Militia  
humbly sheweth

That your Petitioner is a  
natural born subject of His Majesty and  
removed from New Brunswick to this Province  
in the year 1808.

That in the year 1812 he  
petitioned for a grant of Land, as a  
settler, but the petition does not appear  
to have been ever acted upon.

That, by a <sup>surgeons,</sup> Surgeons Certificate,  
your Petitioner was exempted from  
serving in the militia during the late  
war, in consequence of an accident;  
but your Petitioner, did not, however,  
avail himself of the exemption, but  
served during great part of the war.

That he was frequently employed during  
the war in hunting up, and apprehending  
militia deserters, and  
served faithfully on such duty, as  
appears

On file at the Public Archives of Canada  
Canada Land Transactions  
(RG1, C3, vol. 292, L17/7)  
From Dorothy Milne

## John McCord Lamoreaux Requests For Land 1812

7 [Number at the top right of the page.]

To His Excellency Sir John Colbourne H.C.B. [or MCB or ???] Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada Major General Commanding His Majesties Forces therein etc... etc... etc...

The Petition of **John Lamoreaux** of Scarborough, a Loyalist in the late 3<sup>20</sup> or 3<sup>00</sup> Regiment of York Militia

Humbly Showeth

That your petitioner is a natural born subject of His Majesty and removed from New Brunswick to this Province in the year 1808. -

That in the year 1812 he petitioned for a grant of land, as a Settler, but the petition does not appear to have been ever acted upon.

That, by a Surgeon's Certificate, your petitioner was exempted from serving in the militia during the late war, in consequence of an accident, but your petitioner, did not, however, avail himself of the exemption, but served during great parts of the war. That he was frequently employed during the war in hunting up and apprehending Militia Desarters [sic-deserters], and served faithfully on such duty, as

appears

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York 1 October 1831 - page 2

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appears by the annexed Certificate of Mr  
Chevalier, Surgeon, and of the  
Honble Genl Allan, then Colonel and  
Major of the York Militia. That  
Your Petitioner took several Prisoners  
in the course of the War, and brought them  
to the Garrison of York, where they were  
tried, and punished; and Your Petitioner  
has reason to believe that his vigilance  
and zeal in this service had the effect  
of deterring many others from deserting.  
That in this service Your Petitioner's life  
was often very much endangered, some  
of the Deserters being desperate Men, &  
making violent resistance, particularly  
on one occasion, when he was actually  
thrown upon a Fire, with a loaded Pistol  
and half a Barrel of Gun powder in his  
Pocket; and had not the War terminated  
favorably, Your Petitioner, from having  
by the above mentioned service, made  
himself many Enemies among the friends  
of the Deserters he apprehended, and the  
other disaffected Persons of his Neighbour-  
hood, he would undoubtedly have  
had to leave the Country.

That Your Petitioner having a  
large Family, & never having received any  
Grant of Land, and in the hope that  
Your Excellency will consider his Services

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[New page]

7a [Number at the top left of the page.]

appears by the annexed certificate of Wm Cheweath[?] Esquire, and of the Honorable Wm Allan, then Colonel and Mayor of the York Militia. That your petitioner took several deserters in the course of the War, and brought them to the governor of York, where they were tried, and punished, and your petitioner has reason to believe that his vigilance and zeal in this service had the effect of deterring many others from dissenting. That in this service your petitioner's life was often very much endangered, some of the dissenters being desperate men and making violent resistance, particularly on one occasion, when he was actually thrown upon a fire, with a loaded pistol and half a pound of gun powder in his pocket; and had not the war terminated favorably, your petitioner, from having by the above mentioned service, made himself many enemies among the friends of the dissenters he apprehended, and the disaffected persons of his neighborhood, he would have undoubtedly have had to leave the country.

That your petitioner having a large family and never having received any grant of land; and in the hope that Your Excellency will consider his Services

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York 1 October 1831 - page 3

*in the late war worthy of favorable  
consideration, humbly Prays Your Excellency  
will be pleased to extend to him the Royal  
Bounty of 200 acres of Militia Land as  
a Serjant employed on special Service  
during said war.*

*And your Petitioner will  
ever pray*

*John Lamoreaux*

*York 1 October 1831*

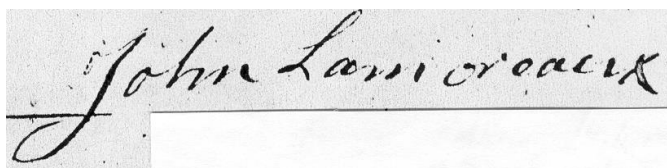
[new page]

7b [Number at the top right of the page.]

in the late war worthy of favorable consideration, humbly prays Your Excellency will be pleased to extend to him the Royal Bounty of 200 acres of Militia Land as a ?Serjant [Sergeant?] employed on special service during said war. \_\_\_\_\_

And your petitioner will ever ?fordy or fosay? \_\_\_\_\_

John Lamoreaux



York 1 October 1831

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[There should be at least one document annexed to the petition.  
Where is it?]

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[John Lamoreaux Cover Page?]

Oct 1831

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Sept 6 Dec 1831  
Decemina D. D. for 200  
acres of land on a grant  
of which every acre  
has been surveyed

J. M. Lamoreaux  
to the  
Hon. Secy of the  
War

Washington, 13th Decr. 1831.

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Petition of J. M. Lamoreaux  
for a Land Grant  
of 200 Acres  
in the  
Territory of  
Arkansas  
in the  
Year 1812

Sept. 6 Dec 1831  
Decemina D. D. for 200  
acres of land on a grant  
of which every acre  
has been surveyed

J. M. Lamoreaux  
to the  
Hon. Secy of the  
War

Reported to the Hon. Secy of the War  
for the information of  
the Hon. West. Land  
Council, and with a  
view to petition for a  
Land Grant in 1812.

J. M. Lamoreaux  
to the  
Hon. Secy of the  
War  
Washington, 13th Decr. 1831.

As we find that the petition was  
received and that, either in the payment  
of the money or for the reason  
during the late war, the former petition  
against the same land does not  
appear to have reached the office  
of the Secy of the War  
Sept 5<sup>th</sup> Golden 1831

J. M. Lamoreaux  
to the  
Hon. Secy of the  
War  
Washington, 13th Decr. 1831.

## John McCord Lamoreaux Requests For Land 1812

York 1 & 6 & 13 Oct 1831

7c [Number at the top right/bottom left of the page.]

[This appears to be the cover page of the petition. [I am not perfectly sure.]

It appears to be in three parts, or folds:]

[Part one]

Left most says: [6 lines with a 3 lined signature in the middle.]

York 6 Oct 1831

The concerned[?] for 200  
acres of land as a Sejierst [Sergeant?]  
of Militia serving during  
this late war

J.B ?

P. en [seems to be a signature]

U or M ?

?Nderifsner 13 October 1831

[Part two]

The middle section: [seems to be in three different hands writing here]

Petition of IIs 17

**Jhon[?] Lamoreaux** Vy 7 or is it pg 7

\_\_\_\_\_ [this is underlined/ separated from next line]

En. C. The Petition of

Njes 1812 to be

forwarded with

this U or M [same as other section?]

Gov House

1 Oct 1831.

Referred to the Surveyor

General to report hereon

for this information of

the Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Executive

Council, and with reference

To petition presented by

Petitioner in 1812.

By Command

E M Mahony

## John McCord Lamoreaux Requests For Land 1812

P. T. A.?

[Part three]

Right section of this page:

[Half of a legal size page - twice as wide as either other section of the page]

I do not find that the petitioner has received any land, either in payment of fees as a settler nor for his services during the late War. His former Petitions referred to by Your Excellency does not appear to have reached this office

YHG[?] 5 October 1831 [this looks like 1821 - I think it is 1831.]

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Tit of Survey - Gvt [?]

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## John McCord Lamoreaux Requests For Land 1812 Petitions obtained by Isabelle in Canada

*[I recently re-Received these from John Lamoreau in Oregon, Mar 2002,  
SO I am inspired to re-look at them. Good info!  
A "Lady from Arizona gave several documents" to him - when? They are Isabelle's.  
He sent me copies of what he has, akrc]*

Note from Isabelle Cluff:

"They are talking about York Co, Canada. Their land was in Ontario, and the area where they settled was later a section of Scarborough called Lamoreaux with a Post Office, school and church all named after them.

"Scarborough was in York County, Ontario (earlier called Upper Canada) The references to York Militia are the York Co, Ontario (Upper Canada) Militia (not to be confused with New York, USA)"

What large family does he have? Look at the family group record.

"In 1831 (when the above petition was recorded, John McCord and Abigail had 7 children (probably considered a big family especially if one was trying to plead for bounty land to support a family.)"

Is This all I have? - I have questions!!!

Canada was in the War of 1812 - Sounds like John didn't go fight - just maintained the home front???

When did **John** receive his land? When did his father, **Joshua**, receive his?

They are talking about York Co, Canada. Their land was in Ontario, and the area where they settled was later a section of Scarborough called Lamoreaux with a Post Office, school and church all named after them.