Loyalists papers

Descriptive Summary

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Biographical/Historical Note

During the Revolutionary War, those who remained loyal to England were labeled as "Tories" or "Loyalists." While some Loyalists were pardoned after pledging allegiance to the new country and joining Georgia militias and legions, all others were found guilty of treason. The Confiscation and Banishment Act of 1782 allowed the legislature to seize the property of all Loyalists, including the property of those who had fled the state.

Scope and Content Note

This collection consists of two documents. The first is a statement of Georgia Loyalists, telling of their misfortunes and petitioning for assistance. It includes a description of the Revolution in Georgia, Georgia’s agricultural resources and produce. The second item is a list of people who were banished and whose estates were confiscated. Most of the people listed are South Carolinians, although some are Georgians.

Index Terms

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**Container List**

Item 1: A statement of Georgia Loyalists, telling of their misfortunes and petitioning for assistance, undated (13.0 p.)

Unsigned. Tells history of the Revolution in Georgia, Georgia's agricultural resources and produce.

Item 2: "...Names of persons who are Banished, their Estates Confiscated & Amerced, Obnoxious, &c.", undated

Unsigned. Most of them South Carolinians, some Georgians.