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one Benjamin Caton was granted to Mary Caton in Kent County on November 7, 1797. [Ref: DK-530]. (Name was also spelled "Caten").

CATON, John. Captain. Served in a Kent County Company, 1747-1748, in King George's War against Canada. He was a captain of a company of militia at Tidberry, in Kent County, upon Delaware, in 1756, in the French and Indian Wars. One "Jon Caton," also spelled "John Caten," was a captain of militia on an April 25, 1757 list. "John Caton" was a captain of militia in Upper District of Mother Kill Hundred, Kent County, on March 29, 1758. [Ref: DA-8, 12, 13, 14, 15, DM-46]. One "John Caton" died testate in Kent County and his will was probated on August 19, 1769, naming his wife Elizabeth, brother Benjamin, sisters Esther Pearce and Jenat Chaplin, stepson William Betts, and nephews James Caton (son of brother Benjamin), and John and Sampson Williamson. Elizabeth Caton may have married William Carpenter later. [Ref: DK-243, 244]. One "John Caton, Sr." died testate in Kent County and his will was probated June 4, 1744, naming his wife Agnes, sons Thomas, John Jr., Benjamin, Robert, and daughters Margrett, Sarah, Betty, Ester, Jennett, and granddaughter Susannah "Caten." [Ref: DK-101].

CATON, Robert. Private. Served in Capt. Charles Pope's Company of the Delaware Regiment of Continental Troops. Enlisted January 16, 1776, and was on duty (in quarters) at Lewis Town on April 11, 1776. [Ref: DA-51].

CATTS, William. Corporal. Served in Capt. Nathan Adams' Company, Delaware Regiment of Continental Troops. Enlisted on January 20, 1776, and was on duty (in barracks) at Dover on April 12, 1776. [Ref: DA-52].


CAZIER, Levi. Private. Served in Capt. Samuel Smith's Company, Delaware Regiment of Continental Troops. Enlisted on January 17, 1776, and was on duty (in barracks) at Dover on April 12, 1776. [Ref: DA-54, 56]. (Name also spelled "Cozier").


CHANCE, Alexander. Captain. Served as a lieutenant in Capt. Edward Fitzrandolph's Company in New Castle County, in 1747-1748, in King George's War against Canada. [Ref: DA-7]. He was also captain of a
company in Apoquinamink Hundred, Lower Regiment, New Castle County, 1756, during the French and Indian Wars. [Ref: DA-11, DM-46]. One "Alexander Chance, yeoman," died testate in Apoquinamink Hundred and his will was probated on January 12, 1773, naming his wife Elizabeth, sons Edmund and John Chance, daughter Mary Allfoard, grandsons John Chance and Thomas Allfoard, and his granddaughter Elizabeth Fields. [Ref: DN-71].

CHANCE, Lydia. See "John Rees," q.v.


CHAPLIN, Jenat. See "John Caton," q.v.


CHEICK, John. Private. Served in Capt. Samuel Smith's Company, Delaware Regiment of Continental Troops. Enlisted on January 16, 1776, and was on duty (in barracks) at Dover on April 12, 1776. [Ref: DA-54].


CHILDS, Thomas. Private. Served in Capt. Joseph Vaughan's Company, Delaware Regiment of Continental Troops. Enlisted on January 20, 1776, and on duty (in barracks) at Dover on April 12, 1776. [Ref: DA-57, DA-59]. (Same source spelled his name "Thomas Childes").

CHIPMAN, James. Lieutenant. Served in Capt. John Haveloe's Company, Northern District of Broad Kill Hundred, in the regiment of Sussex County, 1756, in the French and Indian Wars. He was reported "dead" on the muster roll of March 18, 1758. [Ref: DA-13, DA-15].

CHIPMAN, Peris. Private. Served in Capt. John Caton's Company on April 25, 1757, in the French and Indian Wars. [Ref: DA-14]. "Peres Chipman" witnessed the will of Benjamin Chipman in Kent County on April 19, 1772. [Ref: DK-267]. One "Paris Chipman, blacksmith," died in Sussex County and his will was probated September 14, 1781, naming his wife Judah, sons Draper and Paris, and daughters Sarah, Betsey, Kezia, Lovey, Milley, and Memory Chipman. [Ref: DS-139].

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REES, Evan. Captain. Served in a company in Mill Creek Hundred, Upper Regiment, New Castle County, 1756, during the French and Indian Wars. [Ref: DA-11, DM-45]. An "Evan Reece (Rice)," farmer, died in Mill Creek Hundred and his will was probated December 21, 1742, naming wife Katrina, sons Evan, William, and Thomas, daughter Sarah Wallace, and his granddaughter Rachel Wallace. [Ref: DN-33].

REES, John. Lieutenant. Served in Capt. Robert Blackshire's Company in Kent County, 1747-1748, and served in King George's War against Canada. [Ref: DA-8]. "John Reese" was a lieutenant in Capt. David Clark's Company in the upper part of Duck Creek Hundred, in Kent County, upon Delaware, in 1756, during the French and Indian Wars. [Ref: DA-12]. One "John Rees" died testate in Little Creek Hundred and his will was probated on June 4, 1769, naming his wife Esther, his sons John, Jeremiah, Thomas, and David, and his daughters Mary Griffith, Lydia Chance, and Sarah Rees. [Ref: DK-242].

REES, William. Ensign. Served in Capt. Robert Blackshire's Company, Kent County, 1747-1748, in King George's War against Canada. [Ref: DA-8]. One William Rees died intestate in Kent County and Martha Rees and James M. Gardiner were named as administrators on June 17, 1784. Later account showed Martha Rees married Thomas Skillington. [Ref: DK-359].

REF, Nils. Soldier. Served in New Sweden in 1654, and paid various sums by Director Rising. [Ref: DJ-726]. (Name also spelled "Raf").

REGESTER, John. Private. Served in Capt. John Caton's Company on April 25, 1757, during the French and Indian Wars. [Ref: DA-14]. One "Jeremiah Register" died testate in Murderkill Hundred, Kent County, and his will was probated April 11, 1774, naming a son John (among others). [Ref: DK-288].

RENCH, Sarah and James. See "Levin Cropper," q.v.

RENIERSE, Renier. Soldier. Planter in Delaware who paid his quit-rent to the governor in 1668. One "Reyner Reyniessen" received a patent to land on June 22, 1668. [Ref: DP-28, DY-132].


REYNERS, Herman. Soldier. Planter in Delaware who paid his quit-rent to the governor in 1669, having received a grant to a house and lot in New Castle, April 8, 1669. [Ref: DP-27, DY-158].

REYNOLDS, James. Private. Served in Capt. David Hall's Company, Delaware Regiment of Continental Troops. Enlisted February 20, 1776,