

# Pulaski

Lundin, Leonard: Co-capt of the  
Revolution, The War for  
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"The people of Trenton had special reason not to forget the state of the country. The little town was crowded to the bursting point with sailors quartered there when the Delaware fleet was decommissioned in the closing weeks of 1777, and with a considerable body of cavalry. It had originally been Washington's intention to winter all his light horse in Trenton, but when Gen.

? Pulaski arrived with them at the beginning of January he found the village unable to contain his entire force.

The community never fully repaired the damages suffered during the period of Hessian

occupation; building materials and  
workmen were still scarce; and the provisions  
and fodder available in the  
vicinity had been almost  
exhausted by the needs of  
the heavy traffic in army  
supplies passing through the  
town in recent months.

Pulaski found himself  
obliged to scatter his men  
and horses over a territory  
extending as far away as  
Chatahoie, but enough of  
them remained in Trenton  
to brawl with the sailors,  
offer the inhabitants  
exhibitions of poor discipline,  
and consume the provisions  
grudgingly furnished by  
tradesmen who displayed  
no enthusiasm as to the  
value of the certificates  
they were given in payment."

Wash. Writings Vol-X. pp.  
232-3, 234-5, 304, 352;

Magnates of Trenton to W.  
Jan 2 - 1778 in W. papers  
Vol. 64 - Pulaski to W

H. Elsterloh Jan 14 - 1778  
to Lt. Col. John dauness  
yesterday & received a letter from  
general Polarity...

Polarity ✓

~~original:~~

Washington  
Papers Vol. 65  
Capt. Congt.  
Lett.

"he wishes above to have  
~~that famous Col. Covatch~~  
who served all last war  
with such a distinction  
with his own corps of  
2000 men under the King  
of Prussia who gave him  
the order of Pour le Mérite  
- here are officers and  
~~men who served~~  
~~under him, and he could~~  
get enough. Polarity  
wants him as his  
exercising master. He  
will be better for that  
than the French men  
we had (Covatch) who  
did never serve in  
light troops."

emrint tisztel a Katonai voltak  
A-ban, aris St. alatt szolgálatuk

Jan 9, 12, and 20, ibid. Vol. 67,  
Major Benj. Talmadge to W.  
Feb. 9, ibid. Vol. 67.

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