

In Brasher's Journal, February, 1777, appears the following new catechism :

Q. " Who is the most ungrateful man in the world ?"

A. " Governor Skinner."

Q. " Why do you call him Governor ?"

A. " Because when Lord and General Howe thought that they had conquered the Jerseys they appointed him Lieutenant Governor of that State. Skinner assumed that title over one-tenth part of the said State and continued his usurpation for six weeks, five days, thirty-six minutes, ten seconds and thirty-one hundredth parts of a second and was then deposed."

Q. " Why is he called ungrateful ?"

A. " Because he has joined the enemies of his country and enlisted men to fight against his neighbours, his friends and his kinsfolk ; because he has endeavoured to transfer the soil that gave him bread from the rightful possessors to a foreign hand ; and because, to gain present ease and transitory honours, he would fasten the chains of slavery on three millions of people and their offspring forever."

The answers to these questions clearly show the opinion which patriotic Jerseymen held of General Skinner and of the efforts which he had already made to restore them to their allegiance to England.

In Rivington's Army List of 1778, as found in the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, we find the first complete roster of the officers of the six battalions of the New Jersey Volunteers. This probably shows the state of the organization in the early part of summer of that year. The compilation has been carefully made, the spelling of the names corrected, and it is now set forth in proper official style.