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Benjamin Whitcomb's Rangers

This quarterly, published 1978, discusses the life of Major Benjamin Whitcomb. He achieved the rank of Major primarily because of his numerous experiences serving in war. Whitcomb's first experience was with the French & Indian War and then not to long after a war versus Montreal. In 1772, Whitcomb was made Justice of the Peace in Gloucester County. He then enlisted in Bedel's regiment and appointed 2nd Lieutenant and then promoted to 1st Lieutenant. Whitcomb was also part of one of the "most notorious" scouting missions as a Ranger and Scout, which made his name very well known. The quarterly also makes mention of Whitcomb's Rangers, which is a nonprofit education organization that accepts donations for appearances made. Unfortunately, Major Benjamin Whitcomb passed away in 1828 and was buried next to his wife, who predeceased him in 1823.