



# Loyalists of Chaleur Bay



**Cass, Josiah** of Rupert (Reupert), Charlotte Co.

**Memorial** 1786 Gaspee Dist. 1786. He was driven from home and joined Burgoyne's Army at Castleton in July 1777. He retired to Canada with Lieut-Col. Peters' Co. which consisted of old men and gentlemen. Because of sickness, he has been unable to submit his claim previously.

**Claim** for 340 acres in Rupert; 1,360 acres on and near Lake Champlain.

**Evidences:** the claimant is unable to obtain affidavits from his father-in-law Joseph Pomeroy of Suffield, CT, or from Daniel Smith and Amos Curtis of Rupert. Deposition by John McAtkin, settler at New Carlisle, Bay of Chaleur, that he lived at Rupert before the war and had often heard the claimant's name mentioned as a surveyor in good circumstances, but is not personally acquainted with him.

*American Migrations*, Vermont section, page 150

See also: [Biography website](#)

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## A NEW CLAIM

228. Evidence on the Claim of Josiah Cass, late of Charlotte County, N. York Province.

[Quebec,]  
[31st July,]  
[1787.]

Claimt. Sworn:

Says that in 1783 he lived at Machick, that he made out his Claim, but believes that it was not sent to England, being too late.

[(6).]

He is a native of Connecticut. In 1775 he lived in Charlotte County as a Farmer. Says he never signed any association to the rebels or took any oath to them. Once he was obliged to march a few miles with the Militia, but made his escape. He joined the British Army under Genr. Burgoyne in 1777, and did duty with Colonel Peters' Corps until the convention, when he came to Canada. He lived five years at Machick & now resides at New Carlisle. He has 3 sons who were soldiers in Sir John Johnson's Corps all

the war.

Property.--

340 acres of Land in Keepport. Produces deed dated 8th April, 1775, from Jonas Powers to Joseph Pomeroy in consideration of £20 N. York Cury. Conveys two lots in Keepport & the 3rd Division Lot with the remaining undivided right.

Says that Joseph Pomeroy was his Father in Law. To avoid its being seized by his creditors, he gave to Claimt. He cannot say who is in Possession. Says the consideration is nominal & thinks he could have sold these 340 acres for £232 Cury. He had a House, Stable & Barn on it. About 40 acres were improved.

[Dis'd]  
[In Vermont]  
[(7).]

He cannot say who is in Possession of this, but he cannot say that J. Pomeroy is not in Possession.

[Proof required  
of loss.]  
[No. 2]

3 rights of Land, one in Bradport, one in Shoram, and one in Smithfield, Vermont.

Produces deed dated 8th April, 1775, from Roger Rose to Claimt. in considn. of One Hundred Pounds, Conveys these 3 rights.

These were grants under N. Hamps. Govt. They were Wild Lands. He pd. the price. He claims £100 H. Cury. He cannot tell in whose possession this is. Swears to all his personal property being taken by the rebels.

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Produces Certificates from Jepa. Hawley that Claimt. had an allowance of £52 pr. an., 13th May 1784.

Certificate to his having taken the oath of Allegiance, 16th July, 1777.

Signed P. Skene.

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Before Commissioner Dundas, **page 328.**

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