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HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO, COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP  
TAX LIST FOR 1808

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A manuscript in the library of the Historical and Philosophical Society of Ohio that is of especial interest to genealogists is a small handmade booklet marked "COLUMBIA 1808." Inside, on the front cover is written:

"Duplicate of County and State  
Tax for Columbia Township Hamilton  
County State of Ohio for 1808  
Examined by the Commissioners  
August 18th 1808."

Inside, on the last page, is written:

"Lewis Drake

You are hereby authorized to collect from  
each person mentioned in this duplicate  
the respective Sums annexed to their  
names as Witness our hands this [18th]  
of August 1808

(Signed) Jacob Felter ) Commis-  
John Riddle ) sioners  
Zeb<sup>n</sup> Foster )

Test  
Tho. Rawlins  
Clk to Comms

to be collected at 6 p. cent"

The 342 names of residents of the township are beautifully written and the spelling is as correct as we know them. This is in sharp contrast to most of the early records which were poorly written and whose names usually were spelled phonetically, causing much confusion.

The paper in the little booklet is handmade but by an unskilled papermaker who was not able to produce a smooth even sheet. There is no watermark to identify the papermill, but at that date it could have come either from the mill in Kentucky or some eastern mill.

Lewis Drake (born 1784, N. J.; died 1834, Columbia twp.) was an early pioneer of the township which, because of his education and integrity, he served in many offices. Eleven children handed the name down through the generations to the present day. One of the family homesteads is that handsome house on the Batavia road just out of Newtown, known as the Drake House.

Lewis Drake collected \$263.75 for the county and \$217.72 $\frac{1}{3}$  for the state. Of this he received 6% as his compensation. The highest tax was paid by George Riggle who paid the county \$7.30 and 80 cents to the state. Oliver Spencer paid \$4.85 and \$2.94. Samuel Hilditch, a proprietor of Columbia, paid \$4.20 and \$1.40. Benjamin Smith paid the county \$3.70, but nothing to the state. Jonathan Seaman paid the county \$2.70, but \$3.72 $\frac{1}{2}$  to the state. Aquila Norris paid the county a mere 10 cents and 15 cents to the state. The lowest was paid by Joseph Clark, nothing to the county and only one cent to the state. However there were some who did not pay one or the other. Considering the difficulty of earning cash money in those pioneer days, this is a very revealing document from the economic point of view.

TAXPAYERS IN COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP  
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

1808

|                       |                   |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| James Abel            | William Armstrong |
| Marget Agnew          | Ralph Autor       |
| William Aldrich       |                   |
| Jacob Allen           | James Baxter      |
| Joseph Allen          | John Beasley      |
| Samuel Allen          | Joseph Beazely    |
| James Andrew          | James Beck        |
| John Andrews          | Samuel Betson     |
| Abner Applegate       | Thomas Betson     |
| John Armstrong        | David Black       |
| Col. John Armstrong   | Enoch Blazedale   |
| N. Shephard Armstrong | David Blue        |
| Rachel Armstrong      | Peter Bockover    |

Phineas Bowers  
William Bradrick  
Elis Bramble  
Labin Bramble  
Jeremiah Braun  
Jonathan Broadway  
Ira Broadwell  
Johana Broadwell  
Ruth Brown  
William Brown  
Nathaniel Bryant  
Thomas Burnet  
Israel Burrows  
William Butler

James Campbell  
John Carson  
Eli Casson  
John Caster  
Abel Casto  
Bethuel Cavalt  
Chenemiah Cavalt  
Jonathan Cavalt  
Andrew Chalmers  
Abraham Clark  
Ichabod Clark  
John Clark  
John Clark (2)  
Jonathan Clark  
Joseph Clark  
Joseph Clark (2)  
Niniad Coleman  
William Columbian  
Stephen Conklin  
William Connett  
Samuel Cooper  
William Cooper  
Jac. Cox  
Jacob Cox  
Uriah Craig  
Jos. Crane  
Felix Crisman  
Peter Crist  
Joseph Crossly  
Robert Crossly  
Ross Crossly

William Darling  
Thomas Davidson  
Jonathan Davies  
William Davies  
James Downey

John Downey  
William Drake

Joseph Edwards  
Peter Edwards  
Isaac Elston  
Philip Evans  
Walter Evans

George Fenton  
John Fenton  
David Ferguson  
Hutson Ferguson  
Pleasant Ferguson  
Andrew Ferris  
Andrew Ferris & Co.  
Henry Ferris  
Isaac Ferris  
John Ferris  
Solomon Ferris  
John Fleak  
Peter Fleak  
Agnes Flinn  
David Flinn  
William Flinn  
William Francis  
Jonas Frazee  
Levi Frazee  
Maxwell Frazee  
Thomas Frazee  
Isaac Frazer  
Sarah Fred  
Coorod Funk

James Godfrey  
Catherine Goforth  
Robert Grary  
William Grary  
Samuel Gray  
Jacob Griffin  
John Griffin  
John Grooms  
George Gwinnup  
John Gwinnup

Joseph Hall  
John Hamil  
Thaddeus Handford  
Thadew Hanford  
Benjamin Harness  
Jonas Havans  
Phillip Highfield

Samuel Hilditch  
 Archd Hosbrook  
 C. John Hosbrook  
 Michael Hoover  
 Abijah Hubble  
 John Hubble Senr  
 John Hubble Jun.  
 Cornelius Hurly  
 Gilbert Hurly  
 Nehemiah Hurly  
 Robert Hurly  
 Thomas Hurly  
 Zachariah Hurly  
 Jonathan Hutchings  
 William Hutchings  
 Thomas Hutchinson

William Irwin

George James  
 John Johnston  
 Benjamin Jones  
 John Jones  
 Jonathan Jones  
 Phillip Jones  
 Samuel Jones  
 William Jones  
 Peter Julin

Jacob Keizer  
 William Kennedy  
 Mary Kitchell  
 Moses Kitchell  
 Jacob Knapper  
 Margaret Knapper

Benjamin Lambert  
 Mary Lambert  
 Samuel Lambourn  
 Esther Langdon  
 Oliver Langdon  
 Ezekiel Larned  
 Phillip Lawrence  
 Jacob Lecend  
 John Lemmon  
 David Leonard  
 Luther Leonard  
 Thomas Livingood  
 Frederick Long  
 Jacob Long  
 John Long  
 George Lovell

Peter Lyons  
 Silvester Lyons

Hamilton McAdams  
 John McAdams  
 William McAdams  
 Archd McCabe  
 James McClelland  
 Elenor McColloch  
 Patrick McCullom  
 David McGaughy  
 William McGee  
 William McIntire  
 John McKee  
 Samuel McKee  
 John McWhenehy  
 James McWhenny

John Madarile  
 John Maflet  
 John Man  
 Sarah Man  
 John Maphet  
 Jacob Marsh  
 Jeremiah Marsh  
 Samuel Marsh  
 Alexander Martin  
 George Martin  
 Moses Masters  
 Samuel Masters  
 James Matthews  
 Edward Meeks  
 Elizabeth Mercer  
 Jac. Miller  
 W. Henry Miller  
 William Miller  
 Abner Mills  
 Richard Morgan  
 Abner Moore  
 Cornelius More  
 Moses Morrison  
 Hugh Montgomery  
 Benjamin Muchmore  
 Daniel Muchmore  
 Thomas Muchmore  
 Samuel Muchmore  
 Joseph Mulford  
 Asahal Murdock  
 William Murphy  
 Seth Myrick

John Nash

William Neville  
Barnabas Niles  
Andrew Noe  
Jonathan Noe  
Aquilla Norris  
Samuel Nutt

Ezekiel Palmer  
Henry Parcel  
Job Parker  
John Patton  
Elizabeth Payton  
James Peets  
William Perry  
Andrew Peters  
S. David Peters  
Willis Pierson  
James Port  
Thomas Porter  
William Porter  
Rees Pritchard  
Andrew Pryer  
John Pryer

Sylvester Ralston  
Jackson Rambo  
Jesse Reagan  
Reason Reagan  
Thomas Reagan  
John Reed  
Joseph Reeder  
Henry Rhoda  
George Riggle  
H. John Robertson  
Simeon Rogers  
Daniel Ross  
Nathaniel Ross  
Benjamin Rue  
Thomas Rue  
Thomas Russel  
Jacob Rybolt

Joseph Sampson  
John Seaman  
Jonathan Seaman  
William Seamon  
S. Francis Settle  
John Sharp  
Ludwick Sharr  
Hezekiah Shaw  
Isaiah Shaw  
Michael Shedrer

Samuel Shepherd  
Abraham Smith, Senr  
Abraham Smith  
Benjamin Smith  
Charles Smith  
Constantine Smith  
James Smith  
Jeremiah Smith  
John Smith  
Jno Smith  
Jonathan Smith  
John Smith Esqr.  
W. John Smith  
Jacob Snyder  
Oliver Spencer  
Thomas Stacy  
Warren Stacy  
John Stephens  
Joseph Stewart  
Elijah Stites  
Hezekiah Stites Senr  
Hezekiah Stites Junr  
C. Miranda Stites, Admr  
Thomas Stites  
William Stuart  
Lydia Stump  
William Stump

Conrod Teague  
James Thomas  
Enoch Thompson  
William Thompson  
John Tingley  
Joseph Totton  
Samuel Totton  
Martha Townly  
Thomas Townson  
Isaac Turner

Henry Ulley

Jonah Venderwert  
John Vanhorn  
Jacob Varner  
Leonard Varner

Daniel Ward  
Elijah Ward  
Isaac Ward  
Joseph Ward  
Lewis Ward  
Nehemiah Ward

Stephen Ward  
 Uzal Ward  
 David Walker  
 William Walsworth  
 R. David Walton  
 John Ware  
 Jonathan Warring  
 John Watson  
 Abraham Wells  
 Danforth Wetherby  
 John Whitcomb  
 Moses Wilkinson

Marsh Williams  
 Benjamin Winnings  
 John Winnings  
 James Witham  
 Morris Witham  
 Daniel Woodward  
 Mary Wolverton  
 Isaac Woolery  
 John Wooley  
 William Worthington  
 Abraham York

## THE HENRY TUCKER STATION

Hamilton County, Ohio

Due to the alertness of Mr. C. Earl Dubbs, member of the Historical and Philosophical Society of Ohio, we are able to establish definitely the data on Henry Tucker, who, in 1793/4, built Tucker's Station in the Glendale area of the Mill Creek valley. He had come from his native New Jersey with John Tucker and John Weaver in 1792 to Columbia, the Major Benjamin Stites settlement.

Joining forces with Luke and Zebulon Foster, Jonathan Pittman and James McCashen, Henry Tucker took up land in the northwest corner of Section 4 of Springfield township and here built a stockade to protect settlers against the Indians.

Mr. Dubbs overheard a contractor telling his barber about some old grave stones he had seen when surveying land near the B. & O. Railroad, near where Springfield Pike crosses the Glendale-Milford Road, preparatory to bulldozing the site the following week. Immediately Mr. Dubbs inquired for the exact location of these headstones, hunted them up, copied the inscriptions and on May 9, 1959, with Mr. John A. Diehl, another member of our Society, took photographs and checked the inscriptions again.

"In memory of Henry Tucker who departed this life Sept. 28th 1844 Aged 84 years, 2 months and 28 days. He was one of the first settlers of Ohio."

"In memory of Mary Tucker, wife of Henry Tucker, who departed this life December the 16th 1848, aged 88 years and 11 days."

"In memory of Peter, son of Manning and Rebecca Tucker, who died October 21st 1833/8, aged 5 years 8 months and 8 days."



Headstone of  
Mary Tucker



Headstone of  
Henry Tucker

Mr. Diehl also took photographs of the old barn with its brick and stone foundation and superstructure of hand-hewn timber.

The site of the old Tucker family burial ground in a short time will be the center of an industrial development. No Indians—but modern warfare to be feared. Wouldn't Henry Tucker be surprised to learn that his two-dollar an acre land now brings over \$10,000 per acre?

Thanks are due to Mr. C. Earl Dubbs for the information and to Mr. John A. Diehl for the photographs.