

# Militia of Maine Roster of Officers

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### Summary Information:

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### Biographical/Historical Information:

The Militia of Maine had its beginning with the first settlers. After the Revolution (1775-1783), the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of which Maine was then a part had a militia system, requiring every able-bodied citizen to enroll in a militia company. As the population increased, the number of militia companies increased until in 1843 there were 641 companies enrolled. The State was divided into military areas similar to the Army Areas into which the United States is now divided for military administration of the Department of the Army activities. There were nine of these divisions, and Belfast was in the 3rd Division.

### Scope and Contents:

Contains a list of officers in various Regiments in the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigades of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Division of the Maine Militia. Column headings are: No. of Commission; Names; Rank; Date of Rank; Place of Abode; Date of Discharge; No. of Discharge. Some pages removed and others written on at later dates, used to practice handwriting, or drawn in. One such addition reads "Charles E. Crawford Belfast Maine 1874." Includes Regiments in Waldo, Hancock, Penobscot and Aroostook counties.

### Arrangement:

In order by Brigade and Regiment.