African domestic ~~servants~~ whose fidelity on that and other occasions, at the close of the war, was rewarded by my Father, with Emancipation from Servitude and subsequent protection by ~~the~~ the Family.

The Company to which I was attached as a ~~private~~ Volunteer Soldier, left Litchfield on Horseback, passed over the smoking Ruins of Danbury, at ~~after~~ noon, and proceeded after the retiring Enemy towards Ridgefield: ~~before~~ ~~that~~ North of that Village ~~Enemy~~, ~~where~~ we were met by an American party, about sunset, bearing the mortally wounded body ~~remains~~ of General Wooster. We there encamped for the night ~~north of Ridgefield~~; before sunrise, we resumed our march over ~~the body~~ the remains of Enemies who had fallen, in the encounters of the preceding day, ~~a Skirmish at that place~~, ~~[illegible]~~ and overtook ~~we~~ ~~and~~ our Invaders at Willton, where a Skirmish ensued, in which I was a party; ~~Skirmish~~ As the Country had then become alarmed, and the Militia were on ~~all sides~~ collecting on all sides, continual skirmishes, between the Flank & rear guards of the British, ~~continued which~~ harrassed and impeded their march ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~. The Company to which I was attached ~~belonged~~, sustained some loss, principally in wounded Men, but the British suffered much ~~much~~ more, than they ever admitted, especially in Prisoners, who were compelled to submit in consequence of the ~~through~~ fatigues produced by their rapid flights ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~detentions of the Enemy~~, we were enabled to turn the front of the Enemy at Saugatuck Bridge, where ~~we~~ were met, by a small party under Genl. Jedh. Huntington, ~~at Saggan Saugatuck Bridge~~. Though our force was insufficient to arrest ~~their~~ Column of the Enemy, we compelled them to ford the River, breast high in water. Our last Skirmish, was near the heights of Comps, where we buried Mr. Paul Peck ~~[illegible]~~ an aged Land owner, of ~~the~~ Litchfield, whole life had been principally spent in pursuits of the Chace and whose activity and spirit had been manifested throughout the day, by frequent ~~repeated~~ discharged from ~~his~~ a long smooth Musket, which had been signalized for years in ~~during his long life~~, ~~[illegible]~~ pursuits of Game, on these Mountains.

From this Excursion we returned home, mourning the