

(Yeah.)

To Canada. And that' when they commissioned him as a major was over there, you know.

(Yeah)

And imagine he went to Canada through the winter time and back afoot. See, he didn't go horseback. He went afoot.

(How did he ever do it?)

Well, they knew how.

(They must have. Of course they were sturdy people, healthy people.)

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Well, they knew how to preserve themselves. They could get out there in all kinds of weather. He knew how to find the proper kind of a shelter to get in to stay overnight or day or two, let the weather break. They travelled with the stars, the sun and the moon. That was their compasses. They knew which way to go and how to go.

(Let's see. What army did Major Lowrey serve with?)

He served with the southern.

(The southern. That' what I had--)

All of'em. See they was all with the South.

(That's what I was thinking.)

My grandfather, Charles Lowrey, he was a captain. And he had one brother that was a captain and he had another brother that was a colonel. They was all in the southern army.

(Now, let's see. I've read in one of the old Cherokee History books. Now there was a Lowrey. Two or three different Lowreys mentioned in there. And I think one of 'em led one group of the Cherokees on removal. If I'm not mistaken. Either that or he signed some papers about something.)

That was Major George Lowrey. He signed more treaties and more--had more