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**2 Feb 1777 (Virginia Gazette)**

“Fredricksburg, Jan. 6, 1777.

Deserted from my troop of light horse, about the 1<sup>st</sup> of November last, GEORGE WEST, 5 feet 11 inches high, very slender made, born in Hanover, has dark hair, and is 18 years old. JAMES McCALLION, upwards of 6 feet high, born in Newcastle, Pennsylvania, has dark hair and blue eyes, stoops in his shoulders, and is 24 years old. The said McCallion, I am informed, has enlisted under one **Robert Poythress**, who was recruiting for the Georgia service under capt. Scott. I therefore forewarn the said Scott or Poythress from carrying him out of this colony, and will give TWENTY DOLLARS reward to any person who will secure the said deserter and deliver him to general Lewis, or his Excellency the Governour in Williamsburg, and TEN DOLLARS reward for securing West, on delivering him to either of the above mentioned gentlemen.  
Richard Call.”