



Postcard Circa 1907

Land Deed Written by former landowner Dr. Roderick Terry

1. That the said Newport Historical Society and its successors and assigns shall forever preserve, keep and maintain the said premises as a memorial or monument to the memory of those who fought in the American-Revolutionary War and as a place where the public may enter, view and study the battle field on which our soldiers fought, be enlightened in the battles thereon fought, and in American history.
2. That said premises shall always retain the name of "Butts Hill Fort".
3. That said premises shall never be used as a means of obtaining pecuniary gain or profit.
Dr. Terry gave instructions:
4. I further provide that in the event that said Newport Historical Society shall at any time fail to preserve, keep and maintain the said premises as aforesaid or shall violate or fail to observe and carry out any of the foregoing conditions, then in that event the said Newport Historical Society shall forthwith stand seized of said premises to the use of the State of Rhode Island, in which State of Rhode Island the title to said premises shall forthwith vest; and I hereby grant and convey to said State the right to re-enter and take possession of said premises for any breach of the foregoing conditions by the said Newport Historical Society, said premises to be held, kept and maintained by said State of Rhode Island for the uses and purposes aforesaid; and the Attorney General for the time being of said State or any other proper officer representing the said State shall have the right and authority to take possession thereof to the use of the State and may also be any appropriate remedy either at law or in equity, enforce the provisions of this deed.
These provisions continue to control the property to this day!

By 1934 the Butts Hill Fort was overgrown and the State of Rhode Island took over the property. By 1968 the State transferred the property to the Town of Portsmouth for one dollar. Much of the land around it has been developed. Water towers, Portsmouth High School and the Wind Turbine all surround it. The earthworks are being eroded by vegetation. I'm not sure of the effect of the vibrations from the Wind Turbine The isolation of the spot seems to encourage vandalism. It is neglected, yet it is a site we should honor as we remember those who gave their lives for us to have a free country.



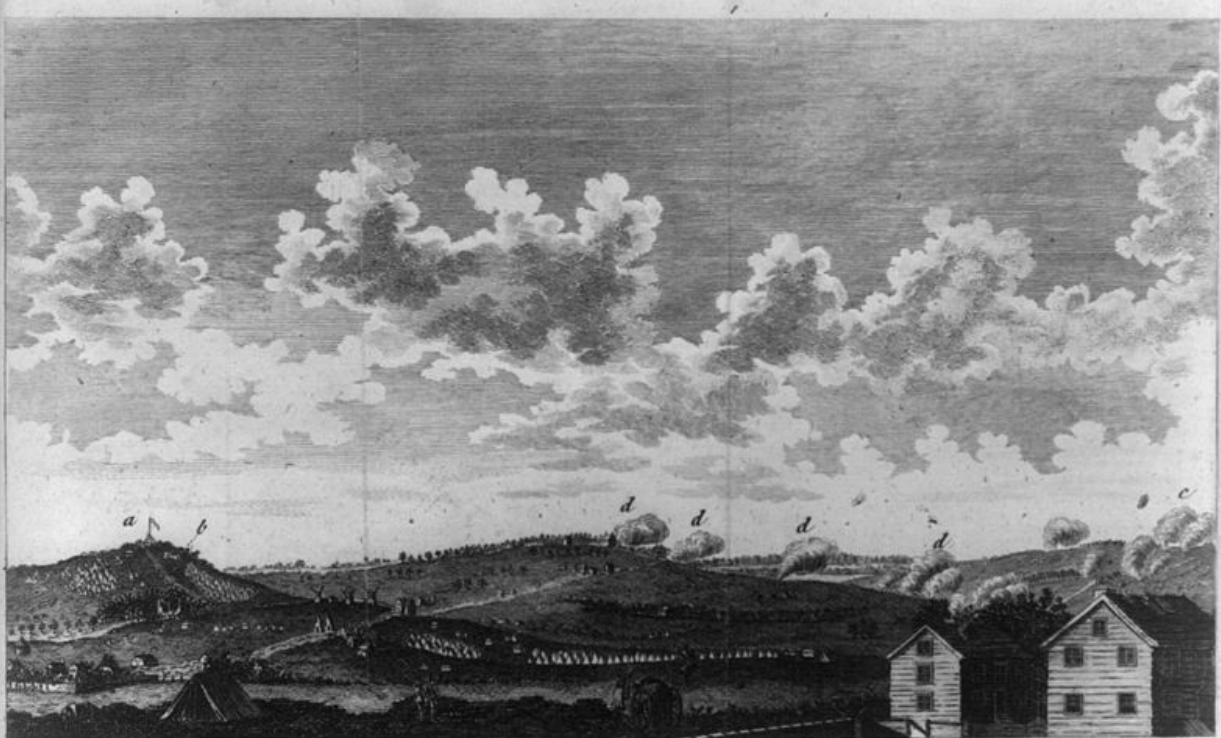
View from Fort Butts Date “Unknown”

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The link above is the print out that Jim has that describes the “Project” by the Newport Collaborative Architects.

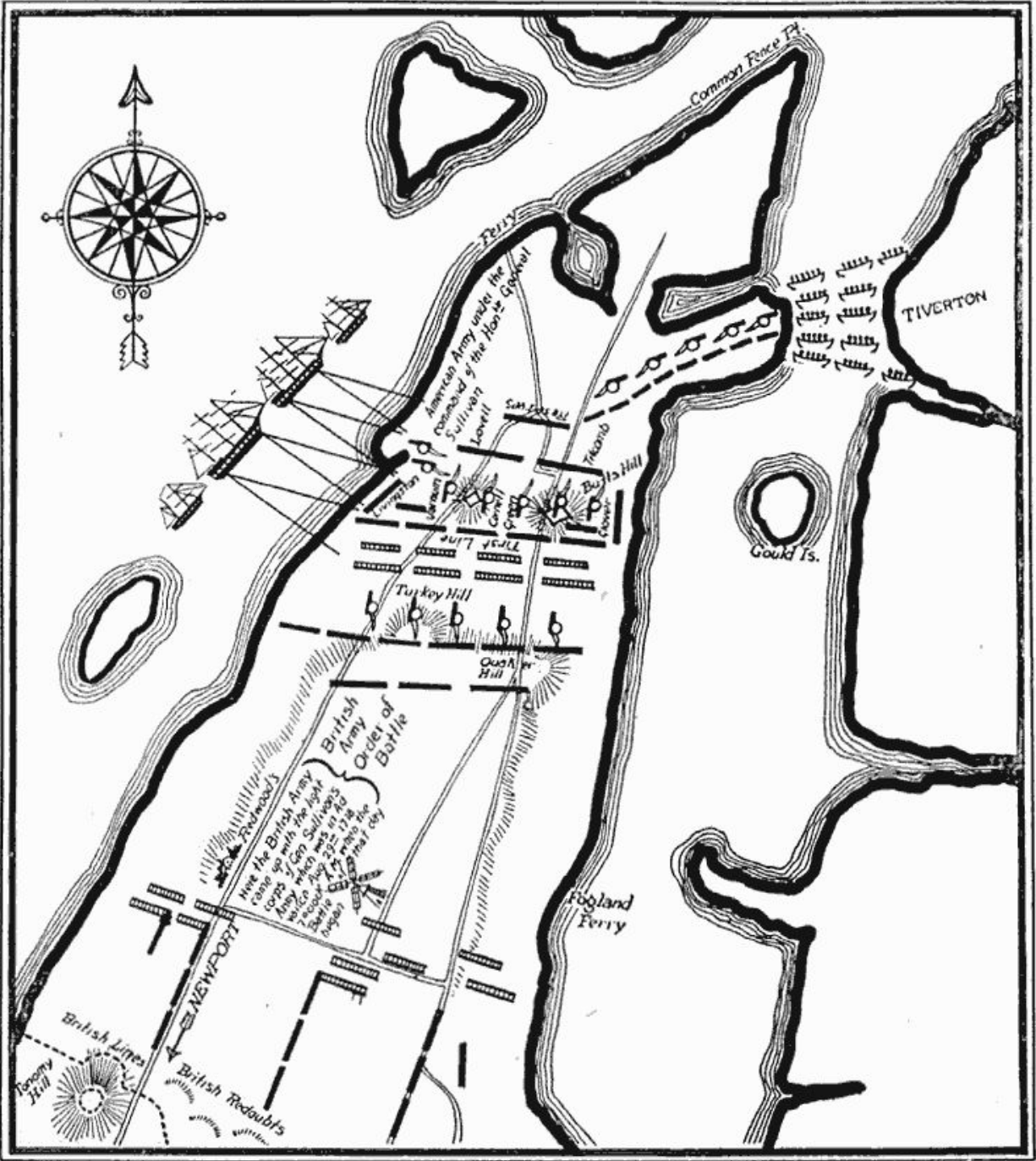
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*The link above is about the fortification located in middletown atop the valley on Vernon Street.



*The SIEGE OF RHODE ISLAND, taken from Mr. Brindley's House
on the 25th of August, 1778.*

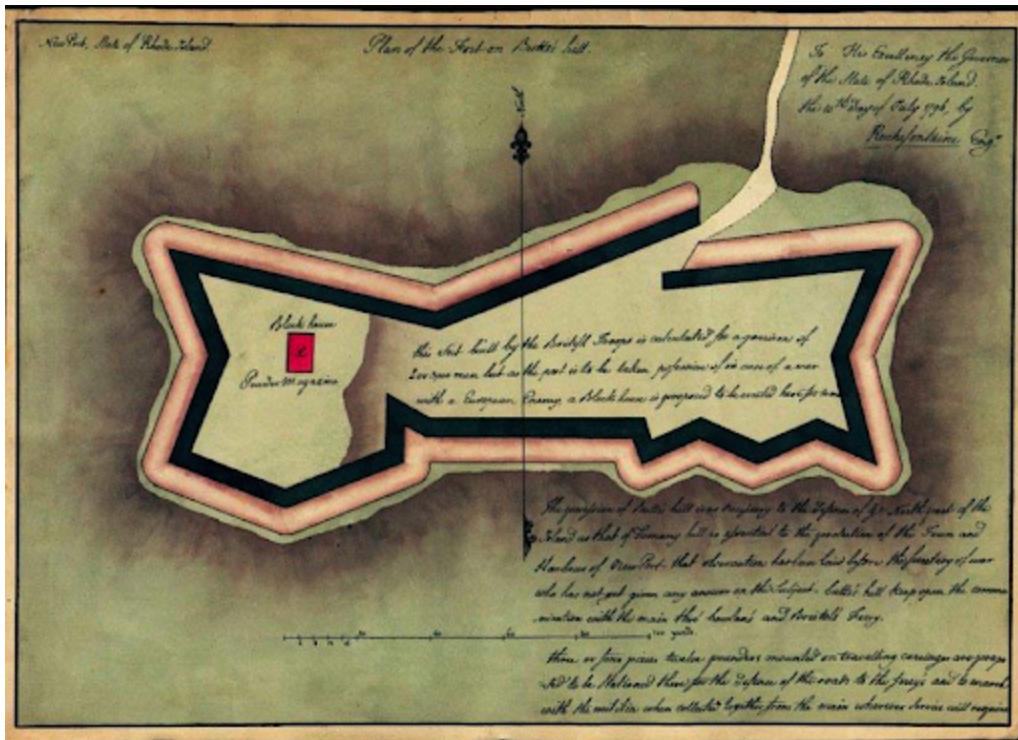
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Battlefield Map



Correlating Maps Maps can be used to determine location of building.



The red block represents the building that was once part of the Fort -Unreadable

GoatScaping

Farm: Laurel Hill MicroFarm

Location: Scituate

Estimations: Free

Setup: Day or Two prior to Goats arrival

Use solar electric fencing to herd the Goats into the right areas.

Projects:

Residential Projects- 10-14 Goats; Time Frame about 48 hours

Cost:

About \$450 for half day & \$550 for full 24 hour day

Larger Projects- 17-22 Goats; Clear $\frac{1}{8}$ acre of dense brush

Cost:

About \$400-\$500 per day. The longer the project, the lower the daily cost.

*Time frame is unknown or will be evaluated during the Estimate.