1775, April 24. Power to enlist 56 "able-bodied and effective" men given to John Stratton; commission as Captain for Stratton upon completion of the enlistment. Signed by Jos. Warren. 2 p
In Committee of Safety, Cambridge, April 24, 1775.

To John Stratton Gent—

Sir,

You are hereby empowered immediately to inlist a Company, to consist of able-bodied and effective Men, including Serjeants, as Soldiers in the Massachusetts Service, for the Preservation of American Liberty; and cause them to pass Muster as soon as possible.

Jos Warren Chairman.

Received June 17, 1775.
WHEREAS you have this Day received Orders for enlisting 56 Soldiers, including Serjeants, for the Massachusetts Service, for the Preservation of the Liberties of America: You are hereby acquainted that the Commission of a Captain in said Service shall be made out for you as soon as you have compleated the said Inliftment, and you will also be allowed to nominate 2 Subalterns to serve under you, who will receive Commissions accordingly, if the Committee shall approve of them.

By Order of the Committee of Safety,

[Signature]
Chairman.