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DAVIDSON, George

Boston 1768 – Pacific Ocean 1800

Topographer and draughtsman on the *Columbia*, a ship owned by Joseph Barrell of Boston which made a voyage to Canton in the period 1790–93. In 1799 he took command of the *Rover*, intending to repeat the trip, but he was drowned in a storm in the Pacific Ocean. He was the son of Alexander Davidson, a merchant seaman from Aberdeen who emigrated to Boston. An unpublished memorandum by George's daughter, Mary, Mrs Stowell, is in the archives of the New England Historic Genealogical Society (MSSL 1511).

Bibliography

Groce & Wallace 1957

Pastels

J.2594.101 SELF-PORTRAIT in blue uniform, silver buttons, white rolled collar, red lining, white stock, tan waistcoat, pstl, 30.5x23 ov. (Concord Antiquarian Society, inv. P10709. Don Cummings E. Davis 1886). Lit.: Massachusetts historical records survey, 1939 FARL. φ

