

18th Century Material Culture Male Shoes, Boots, & Gaiters



17th Century Shoes



English Embroidered Court Shoes
c. 1660 - 1670
(Victoria & Albert Museum)



French Embroidered Court Shoes
c. 1690 - 1700
(Metropolitan Museum of Art)

18th Century Shoes



Embroidered Shoes
Early 18th Century
(Victoria & Albert Museum)



European Leather Buckle Shoes

c. 1725 - 1740

(Metropolitan Museum of Art)



Blue Brocade Shoes
c. 1730
(Museum of London)



English Leather Buckle Shoes with Red Heals

c. 1740 - 1749

(Metropolitan Museum of Art)



English Leather Buckle Shoes
c. 1740 - 1755
(Metropolitan Museum of Art)



Pair of Black Leather Shoes for a Lay Figure used and made by Artist Louis François Roubiliac

c. 1750 - 1762

(Museum of London)



Tie Shoe of Peter Francisco
Enlisted in the 10th Virginia Regiment at the Age of 16
(Guilford Courthouse National Military Park)



Square Toe Gentleman's Buckle Shoes
Red Painted Wood Stack Heels



Shoe from H.M.S. INVINSIBLE,
Chatham Dockyard 1758



Shoe from H.M.S. INVINSIBLE,
Chatham Dockyard 1758



Shoe from H.M.S. INVINSIBLE
Chatham Dockyard 1758



Brass heel plate

Shoe quarter and brass buckle

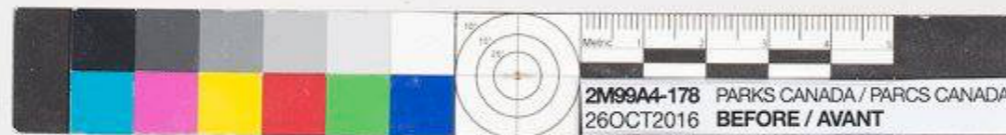


Welted cargo shoe

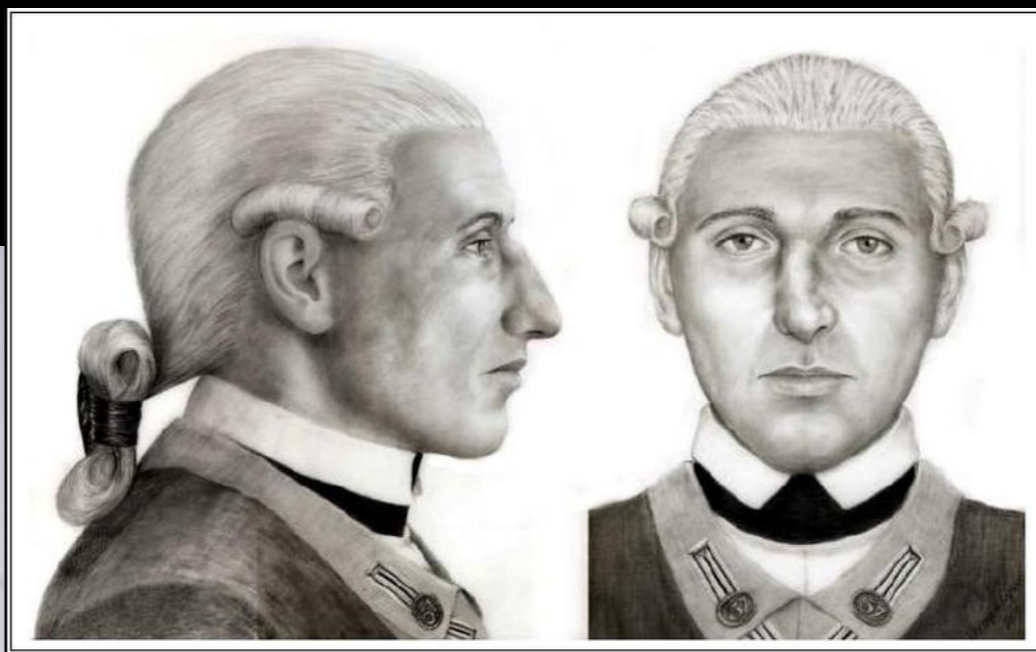
Welted Cargo Shoe, Buckle, & Brass Heel Plate

From the Wreck of the Machault Sunk in the 1760 Battle of Restigouche in the Bay of Gaspé in Quebec Province

c. 1755 - 1760
(Parks Canada)



Welted Cargo Shoe, Buckle, & Brass Heal Plate
From the Wreck of the Machault Sunk in the 1760 Battle of Restigouche in the Bay of Gaspé in Quebec Province
c. 1755 - 1760
(Parks Canada)



Shoe, Private James Simpson



English Leather Buckle Shoes
Late 18th Century
(Metropolitan Museum of Art)



Leather Child's Buckle Shoes
Mid to Late 18th Century
(Colonial Williamsburg)



Swiss Leather Shoes
18th Century
(Metropolitan Museum of Art)



English Leather Shoes
c. 1780 - 1789
(Metropolitan Museum of Art)



Shoe Fragments Recovered from the Wreck of the General Carleton
1785
(Polish Maritime Museum)



Restored Bucked Shoe Recovered from the Wreck of the General Carleton
1785
(Polish Maritime Museum)



Restored Bucked Shoes Recovered from the Wreck of the General Carleton
1785
(Polish Maritime Museum)



Restored Bucked Shoes Recovered from the Wreck of the General Carleton
1785
(Polish Maritime Museum)



Male Shoe
1785
(Getty Images)



“American” Shoe
c. 1750 - 1820
(Winterthur)



“American” Shoe
c. 1750 - 1820
(Winterthur)



“American” Shoe
c. 1750 - 1820
(Winterthur)



“American” Shoe
c. 1750 - 1820
(Winterthur)



“American” Shoe
c. 1750 - 1820
(Winterthur)

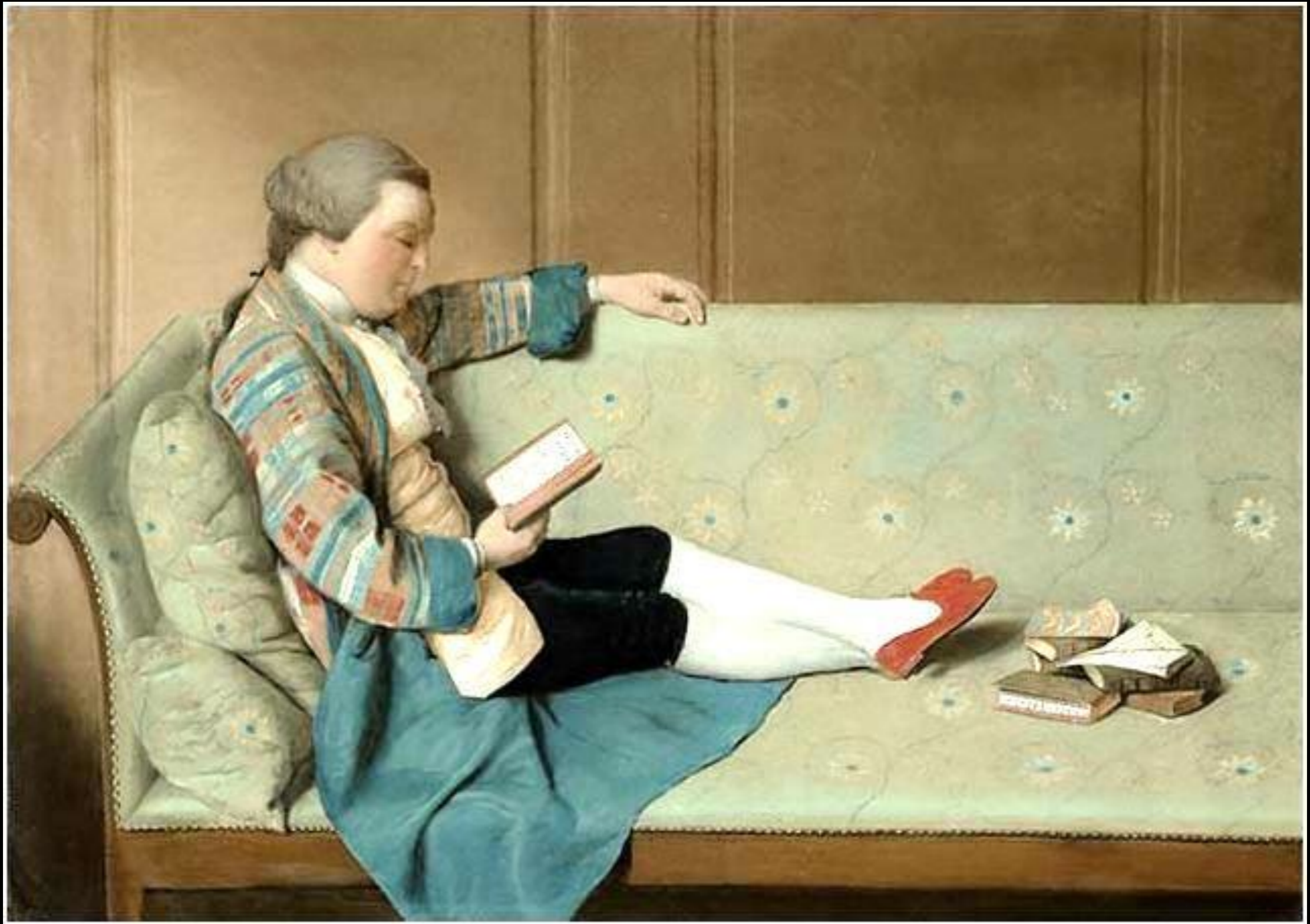
Mules & Slippers



Mules
1st Quarter 17th Century
(Metropolitan Museum of Art)



Gentleman's Mules
c. 1710 - 1720
(Victoria & Albert Museum)



John Farr Reading Horace's Odes
by Francois Vispre c. 1750
(Ashmolean Museum, Oxford)

Boots



English Riding Boots
c. 1710
(Museum of Fine Arts, Boston)



Postilion Boots with Iron Spurs inscribed 'DUSSAUSSOY ALION'
c. 1st Half 18th Century
(Christie's Auction House)



French or Italian Postilion Boot
c. 1770 - 1785
(Museum of Fine Arts Boston)



European Jack Riding Boots
c. 1700 - 1760
(Museum of Fine Arts, Boston)



Jack Boots
c. 1700 - 1720
(Snowhill Wade Costume Collection)



Jack Boot

c. 1700 - 1720

(Snowhill Wade Costume Collection)



Jack Boots
c. 1750 - 1760
(Snowhill Wade Costume Collection)



English Jack Boots
18th Century
(Metropolitan Museum of Art)



Jack Boots Once the Property of Thomas Lord Fairfax
(Virginia Historical Society)



Jack Boots Once the Property of Thomas Lord Fairfax
(Virginia Historical Society)



Jack Boots Once the Property of Thomas Lord Fairfax
(Virginia Historical Society)



Jack Boots Once the Property of Thomas Lord Fairfax
(Virginia Historical Society)



Jack Boots Once the Property of Thomas Lord Fairfax
(Virginia Historical Society)



Jack Boots Once the Property of Thomas Lord Fairfax
(Virginia Historical Society)



Jack Boots Once the Property of Thomas Lord Fairfax
(Virginia Historical Society)



Jack Boots Once the Property of Thomas Lord Fairfax
(Virginia Historical Society)



Cavalry Boots
18th Century
(Christie's Auction House)



Trade Card
c. 1757 - 1758
(Lewis Walpole Library)



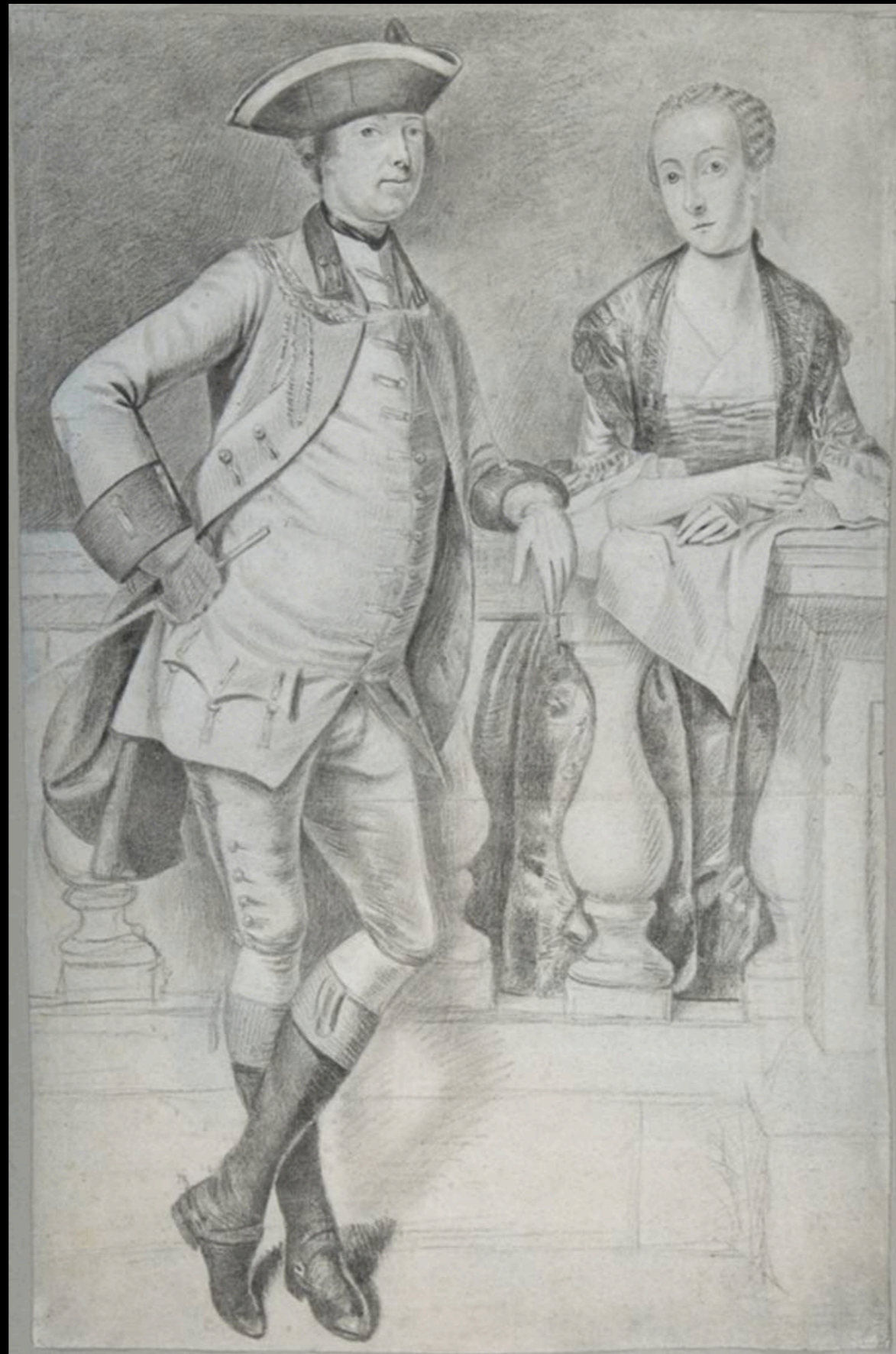
Trade Card
c. 1757 - 1758
(Lewis Walpole Library)



John Pritchard,
BOOT MAKER & C^o.
In York Street
Covent Garden
LONDON.
Partner with the Late
M^r. Rogers, Maiden Lane.

Machinist's Log

Trade Card
c. 1763
(Fitzwilliam Museum)



A British Officer Wearing Boots with Spurs
by Arthur Devis c. 1760
(Metropolitan Museum of Art)

Gaiters



Leather Gaiters (Part of Accessories for a Lay Figure Used by Artist Louis Francois)
c. 1750 - 1762
(Museum of London)



Linen / Hemp Canvas Gaiters
(Fort Ligonier)



Probably English, Brown or Drab Wool Kersey Civilian Gaiter
18th Century
(Textile Conservation Center, London)



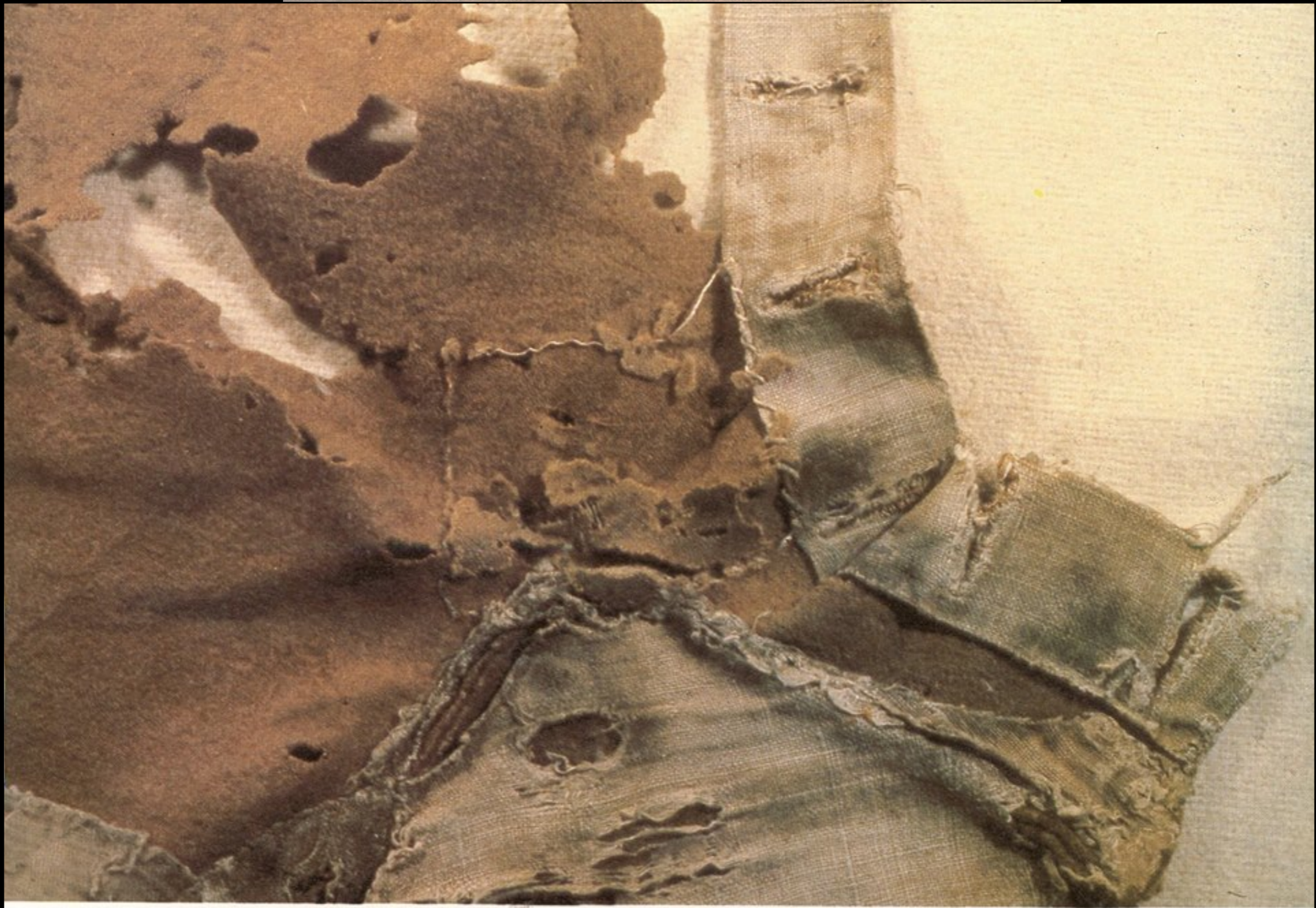
4 *Inside of gaiter vamp showing linen lining and bone button at the instep.*

Probably English, Brown or Drab Wool Kersey Civilian Gaiter
18th Century
(Textile Conservation Center, London)



3 *Outside of gaiter fragment after washing.*

Probably English, Brown or Drab Wool Kersey Civilian Gaiter
18th Century
(Textile Conservation Center, London)



5 *Inside of gaiter showing reinforcement patch and sewing thread.*

Probably English, Brown or Drab Wool Kersey Civilian Gaiter
18th Century
(Textile Conservation Center, London)



Firewood Gathering
by George Morland Late 18th Century
(Bonhams)



Firewood Gathering
by George Morland Late 18th Century
(Bonhams)



Detail: Leather Boot Top Gaiters from the "The Death of General Wolfe"
Leather Boot Top Gaiters from the 7 Years War Period
Reproduction Gaiters from the Shoemaker's Shop in Williamsburg



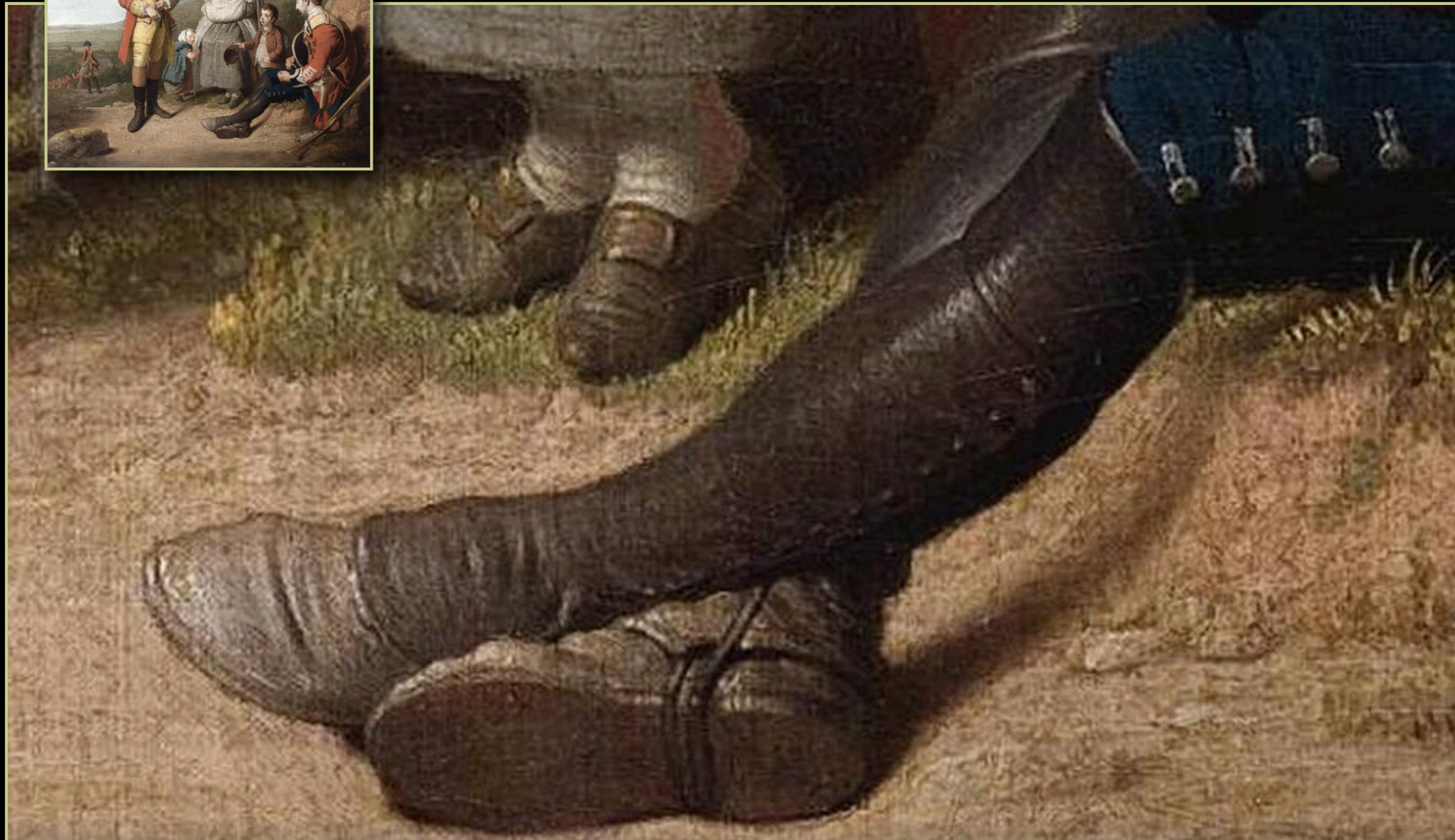
Detail: Leather Boot Top Gaiters from the "The Death of General Wolfe"
Leather Boot Top Gaiters from the 7 Years War Period
Reproduction Gaiters from the Shoemaker's Shop in Williamsburg



Recreated Boot Top Gaiters
(The Shoemaker's Shop - Colonial Williamsburg)



Recreated Boot Top Gaiters
(The Shoemaker's Shop - Colonial Williamsburg)



Detail: Shoes & Gaiters with Strap
“An Officer Giving Alms to a Sick Soldier” by Edward Penny
(Southey’s Auction House)

Miscellaneous



English Brass Shoe Horn
18th Century
(Victoria & Albert Museum)



Brass Shoe Horn
c. 1780
(John Philbruck Antiques)



Folding Wooden Boot Jack
18th Century
Estate of Tom Wnuck

Acknowledgements

The material contained within these slideshows is presented for educational purposes only. The 18th Century Material Culture Resource Center does not personally own any of the items depicted herein and is indebted to the countless museums, libraries, and private collectors who willingly share their collections with the public through the internet. Every attempt has been made to credit these organizations and individuals for their contributions as best as possible.

If there is a question you have regarding a particular item featured within a presentation, please contact the 18th Century Material Culture Resource Center and we will try to answer your inquiry as best as possible. If for any reason you feel there is any item that should not be presented here, or if there is an error in any listing, or if you know the source for any item whose credit is unknown, please inform us and we will make sure your concern is addressed as soon as possible.

Thank you!

- The 18th Century Material Culture Resource Center