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Women Contributed to Colonial Protest Against the British Government, 1754-1775

There were many women who contributed to colonial protest against the British government such as Queen Alliquippa and Nancy Ward. The most important personality in the era of British government was Sybil Ludington. She was born in 1761 in Duchess County, 1839 in Unadilla, New York. She was involved in the American Revolutionary War.

Between 21 o'clock and the dawn she rode in the darkness a distance of approximately 65 kilometers. "Pattern at Ludington's," she told the militia members on the farms. That night, she rode via Carmel to Mahopac, then to Kent Cliffs, and from there to Farmers Mills, where she made her way home. With a stick she drove her horse Star and knocked on the doors, with her father's musket she defended herself against a highwayman. As she drenched in rain and returned home exhausted, most of her father's 400 soldiers were ready to leave.

The men reached late to protect Danbury, however in the beginning of the Battle of Ridgefield. Men were capable to push Governor of the New York Colony, General William Tryon and his men to Long Island Sound. Sybil was later commended by General George Washington.

After the Revolutionary War Sybil married in 1784 the lawyer Edmund Ogden from Catskill. She played an important role in the history of British. The philosopher Martha Nussbaum reports from her childhood: "At that time I was completely taken prisoner by a children's book entitled Ride for Freedom. It was about a girl named Sybil Ludington, “I asked my parents to re-enact their story in the basement, and used various objects kept there as horses”. The story of Sybil Ludington has the enthusiasm for the American Revolution awakened in her. There were many personalities who contributed in the American Revolution.