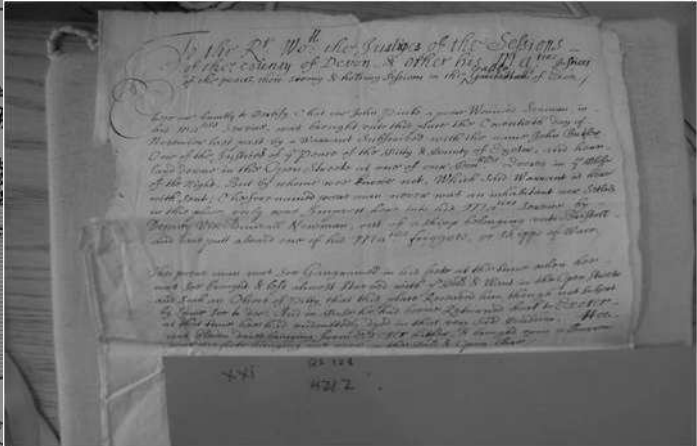# Matthew Neufeld, SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellow: Pain for the State: responses to sick and hurt servicemen in English society, 1650-1720

The research undertaken during this fellowship will produce a series of case-studies on the treatment of sick and disabled servicemen, placing local and central responses to sick and injured men within broader attitudes towards disability and relief. I have gathered materials related to the relief of disabled veterans and on local responses to sick and injured seamen from 1650 to 1690. On the basis of this research I have written an article on casualty care in coastal communities during the Anglo-Dutch wars. I will next produce studies on the impact of casualty care during Anglo-Dutch wars on local efforts to relieve disabled veterans, and on casualty-care entrepreneurship along the coast during the Second Dutch War. Subsequent research will focus on the care of sick and wounded mariners during the 1690s and War of Spanish Succession.

John Pinkie's War
Devon RO QS 128/42/2, Easter 1668
In this petition the corporation of Dartmouth requested compensation for paying for the care of wounded sailor John Pinkie; the request was refused.

John Evelyn
Commissioner for Sick and Hurt mariners and Prisoners of War, 1664-67 and 1672-74

Future research will situate the rise of state power directed towards population welfare with the practice and administration of British naval medicine and Prussian military medicine, 1650 to 1750.