



GLOSSARY: Individual Stories Gallery

brigade	a large body of troops
disconsolate	sad, cheerless
forfeiture	the act of giving up property because of debt or punishment
infantry	soldiers equipped to fight on foot
inoculated	vaccinated
presume	to act with assumed knowledge
providentially	determined by Providence or a higher power
smallpox	a viral disease characterized by fever blisters on the skin which erupt and scar, ending in a (roughly) 33% fatality rate; since the development of an effective vaccine, there have been no cases worldwide since the 1970s