

MILITARY TRAIL

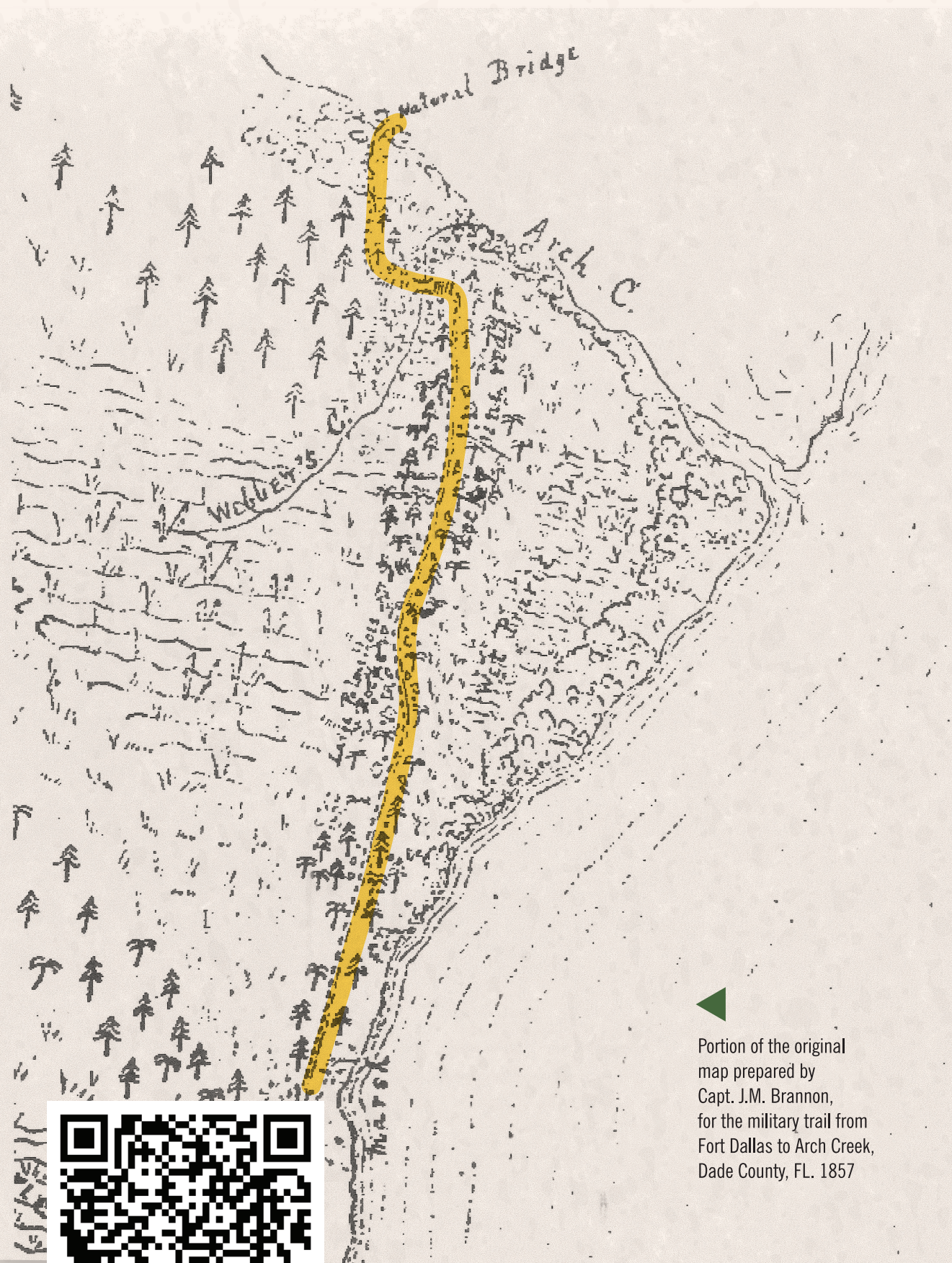
During the Third Seminole War (1855-1858), Captain Adner Doubleday and Captain John Brannan utilized the natural bridge to cross Arch Creek as part of the development of an expansion of military trail connecting Fort Lauderdale to the north, and Fort Dallas in Miami to the south.



▲ Adner Doubleday, circa 1865



▲ John M. Brannan, circa 1865



▲ Portion of the original map prepared by Capt. J.M. Brannon, for the military trail from Fort Dallas to Arch Creek, Dade County, FL. 1857



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The trail linked to an already-existing portion of a rock road that lead to Fort Capron, five miles north of Fort Pierce. In 1892, it became a part of the first county road, passing over the natural bridge and Arch Creek. In 1915, it was renamed, Dixie Highway.