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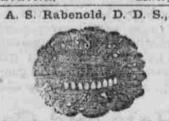
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upon the Union Shield, near which was the American eagle. Upon a ribbon was the motto of the corps-Conquor or Die. This flag (which I have seen and sketched) was made after the national banner of the United States-the stars and stripes was

adopted in June, 1777. Informed that Sergeant Ural Knapp, the robable last survivor of Washington's Life Guard, and Major Robert Burnet, one of the General's escort into the city of New York on the morning when the British evacuated it in November, 1783, were livng not far from Newburgh, on the Hudon, I made three attempts to yisit them. The first effort was a failure; at the second I had a brief interview with Major Burnet, and the last resulted in an interesting conversation with both of the veterans, on a pleasant September afternoon. I rode first o the residence of Major Burnet, whom I had seen on a hot evening in August. Approaching his house by a green lane, shaded by ancient willows planted by his own hand, I greeted the old patriot as he sat in his arm-chair just inside the wideopen front door of the spacious entrance hall of his dwelling. Seated there, I was entertained for an hour by his reminiscences of the old War for Independance. He gave me a graphic account of the great meeting of officers at "The Temple," on the camp-grounds of the Continental Army, not far from Newburgh, where, in a dignified address, Washington gaye a scathing rebuke to the unpatriotic and seditious spirit manifested by the famous New-

were the occasion of the assemblage. "Hashington entered the Temple must anded, after the officers were seated," said Major Burnet; "took a seat at one and of the long room, and in a few minutes he ose with a paper in his hand. Taking from his waistcoat pocket a pair of silverframed spectacles, he said, to his usual deliberate manner of speaking as he placed them before his eyes, 'You see, gentlemen. that I have not only grown gray but blind in your service.' These words powerfully touched every heart, and from that moment every soul in the room was loyal to the chief and the cause."

and his mother was a native of Irenand, one end of the table himself, and Lady He was a lieutenant of artillery, and was Washington at the other end. She was a in charge of a battery at West Point at the short, stout-built and good little woman. time of the discovery of Arnold's treachery. Before the guests sat down, the General He was afterward promoted to major, and standing, asked a blessing with selemn was one of the officers delegated to attend tones and closed eyes. Old Billy, Washthe meeting at "The Temple" just alluded ington's body-servant, whose head apto. He continued in the army under the peared like a bunch of white sheep's wool, immediate command of Washington, and was the chief walter on that occasion, and was one of the founders of the Society of moved with great dignity. In the evening the Cincinnati. When the Americans some of the young people of the village marched into the city of New York, ac- were invited in, and all indulged in inno companied by Washington on the day of cent amusement, particularly in dancing. the British evacuation, he commanded the until nine o'clock, when the company rear guard. He was also present at the broke up. Captain Colfax, who commandfinal parting of Washington with his offi- ed the Guard, was a guest at the dinner. cers at Fraunce's Tavern in Broad street. We all had a good time."

Sorgeant Knapp lived a short distance when he said: Major Burnet. While we were to "Oh, I forgot to tell you the best part of from Major Burnet. While we were to sonversation, the vanerable Sergoant, Burnet the story of the Christmas dimer at head-produced by birch bark tar, the use of produced by at a brisk pass. Quarters. There was a pretty and prous which is a professional seeres.

of jealousy in his tone, "See how carelessmore carefully."

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"Not long after the battle of Monmouth Court-house," he replied. "I joined the army when I was eighteen, and my first ward with General Wooster in the affair at Ridgefield, in Connecticut, where he was killed. Then I joined the light infantry Monmouth Court-house in New Jersey on that terrible hot Sunday in June, and was chosen a member of the Commander-in-

Chief's guard a month afterward." "Where did Washington reside at New Windsor!" I inquired.

"In a plam, old-fashioned Dutch farmhouse, built by the father of Simeon De-Witt," he answered. "It was not large. but comfortable in cold weather," he con-

ter?" I asked.

"First in tents and then in huts." he replied. "The weather was very mild. The river did not freeze up at Newburgh until after New Year. The bay was as clear of A new organization of the Guard occur-red at Morristown, New Jersey, at the close only a few days before Christmas, Washwere increased and a part of the Guard as many of the water-guard as he might bottle. were mounted cavalry. Washington re. think necessary and attempt to bring off more than five feet ten inches, nor less Morris's House, on the upper part of York comfort to soreness, pains weaknessesthan five feet nine inches-"sober, young, Island, or General Clinton from the city. Hop Plasters. active, and well-made." Gibbs was yet He went with two whalehoats and a barge, their commander. He was succeeded at and twenty-five or thirty men, including

on?" I inquired. "We soldier's always called her so. She was a real lady if there over was one." he

answered. "Well, as I was saying, it was Lady Washington's first entertainment there. Power There was trouble at that time is getting poultry for headquarters, particularly turkeys, for the camp had lately been established, and the farmers in all directions soldiers. As I knew all the farmers in the pig pen. neighborhood, I was sent to procure poultry for this occasion. I had traveled far without success, when I called at the bouse of General James Clinton, who was then in the Northern Department. His wife Molly, one of the best of women, had the lay of the land. locked up several turkeys for her family's use, but gladly let me have three of them for the general, with which I returned to thunder bolts, too

headquarters." "Who were at that Christmas dinner?"

inquired. "I cannot remember all," he said. Sitting in silence for a while in summoning

mory to the front, he said: "There were two young French officer from Rochambeau's army at Newport; in rough weather, there would be no scarei-Governor George Clinton and his wife or ty of rolls. daughter; some gentleman and their wives from the neighborhood; Molly Clinton them with their wives. Colonel Hamilton, Washington's secretary, was at Albany, where he had married General Schuyler's burgh Letters, in the spring of 1783, which return until after the holidays. There says a punster. were about twenty at the table, which was sides poultry, there was beef and mutton, preliminary costs, including attorney fees, After dinner spiced wine was passed around, followed by pies, pudding, apples, canvasback suit. nuts and cider. I was detailed as a sergeant, to take charge of the Life-Guard Hand, which played lively tunes during the the dining-room.

"On such occasions Colonel Hamilton generally sat at the head of the table, but Major Burnet's father was a Scotchman, now being absent, the General presided at

Major Burnet was then eighty-soven Sergeant Knapp gave me many other inyears of age. He had soon what few men teresting reminiscences of his life as a in modern times had beheld, namely, the guardsman, and I lingered until the sun living representatives of seven generations had set and the twilight was feat deepening. I bade the venerable patriot farowell,

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homeward. The Major said, with a trace little girl in the village, named Anna Brewster, then in her teens, but less than three ly that man rides; he will have a fall yet feet high. She refused Lady Washington's that will kill him. I ride as well as he, but invitation to the dinner because she supposed it was given only to gratify the curi-I bade Major Burnet farewell, and ar- osity of the other guests. She soon found Anna Brewster was the smallest woman is

I was invited to ride in a barouche with Sergeant Knapp and the orator of the day. The Sergeaut and I were invited guests. battle was at White Plains. I was after- He had a conspicuous seat on the platform, and when the orator had finished his address I was invited to introduce the venerable guardsman to the people? The audiunder Lafavette, fought in the battle at for the hero by hurrahs which almost brought echoes from Beacon Hill and the Storm King, looming up from the Hudson not far off, on the crests of which Sergeant Kuapp had seen signal fires blazing during the old War for Independence. And when, an hour later, the last survivor of Washington's Life Guard arose at the public banquet to depart, with a solemn but firm voice he invited the whole company to his tinued, "and there General and Lady that time, when he was a little past ninetyfuneral. Just four months to a day from Copyrighted, 1888, by Funk & Wagnalls. | Washington lived and entertained company from some days before Christmas in and many who were at the feast were clares a "wise saying." I found it verified 1780 until the spring of 1781. That house mourners at the burial. His remains were in my attempts to obtain an interview with stood in the village and was pulled down interred near the tall flagstaff at Washingthe latest-known survivor of the famous many years ago. Great officers of the ton's headquarters at Newburgh. Over corps known as "Washington's Life army with their wives were entertained them stands a chaste mausoleum of brown Guard," which was formed in the spring of 1776, of trustworthy men of the Conti-"How were the Guard housed that win-burgh Guards, in the early summer of 1800. BENSON J. LOSSING, LL. D

-The value of a remedy should be esti-

-Once used always used-they afford suck

their commander. He was succeeded at near the close of 1779, by William Colfax, of New Jersey, the grandfather of the late Vice-President Schuyler Colfax.

The uniform of the corps consisted of a gave entertainments occasionally. Were blue coat with white facings, white waist-coat and breeches, black stockings and black half-gaiters, and a cocked ha with blue and white plame. Their flag was of white silk, on which was painted one of the Guard holding a horse, and in the act of receiving a banner from the Genius of Liberty, personified as a woman leaning upon the Union Shield, near which was the

-What you need is a medicine which is pure, efficient, reliable. Such is Hood's Sarsaparilla. It possesses peculiar enrative

wardrobes are rather too heavy for spring -It doesn't necessarily follow because a

-To the best of our knowledge and be liet, Jawg, the tri-sickle-ist is a sort of

at the approach of a storm, and then the -You are mistaken, Cholly, Cutting editorials are never written with pen

work is done with the shears. steamers are usually well fed. Even if, as you suggest, the baker should be taken sle

(who, you know, was the mother of De. place of iron and steel, and now the rail-Witt Clinton), and the staff officers, two of road sandwichlis made of pasteboard, instead of terre cotta paste, as heretofore. -The man who fell off the fence lote the

-TwoSt. Louisites have engaged in litiga set in the biggest room in the house. Be- tion over the ownership of a duck. The were \$48. It promises to be an expensive

-A woman in Boston had to have bee tongue silt the other day on account of a cancer. It was at first feared that she feast; and so I saw all that was going on would lose the power of speech, but she in the room, for we were stationed in the has since fully recovered and can now talk

> lug to get in the last word. -Cmaha is to have a corn palace this summer. A site has already been selected and the managers are now trying to degide whether the contract for building majerial shall be awarded to Chicago or St. Logis

-A pathetic story of a starveling comefrom the West. The low comedian of a stranded road company, after wandering around Kansas City for several days withfood, went to the post office, and, to say his appetite, asked permission to link the stamps. He couldn't chew Kansas beef, he said, as he had pawned his teeth; con-

text-style fabrics. -The census of England and Wales re-

cords 7,838,000 woman as wage sarners.

It was dark when I left the old guards man's door, and I rode back to Newburgh geant Knapp afterward. It was at a celebration at Newburgh of an historical event. There was a civic and military procession.

mated by its curative properties. Accordice as in May. The water-guard boats ing to this standard, Ayre's Sarsaparilla is

Drug Store.

-To be candid with you, Clara, we think

had been robbed of their fowls by the bad man is a slovenly writer that he wields a

amateur lawn-mower. -Stealing eggs is no great crime after all. The man who does it is simply getting -Some people are so timid that they bolt

knives, occasionally on rural papers the -Yes, Angelius, passengers on the ocean

-Ic the onward march of civilization paper fuls and car wheels have taken the

brambles was much nettled by the occurdaughter only ten days before, and did not rence. "We hope thistle be appreciated."

passage through which each guest went to on different subjects in two languages at the same time. She is unable to sleep, however, as both of her tongues are strly

-You may be right, Marion, but we take exception to the statement that the "great majority of society women" like nruled rose-colored note paper. Outside of McAllister's four hundred the ladies generally prefer a check.

sequently he was compelled to gum it. -Sermons should be put upon the list of

rived at the house of Sergeaut Knapp just out her mistake, for Lady Washington as he had alighted from his horse. He left called at her mother's house, and little the steed in care of a laborer and invited Anna was afterward very often at headme into his dwelling. I felt sure that he quarters. When she grew to full womancould tell me more about events at Wath- hood she was only a yard high. She lived Ington's headquarters at New Windsor, a maiden until she was seventy-five years than any other living person, and with old, and then died. Perfect in form, sweet very little preface, after we were seated, I in temper she was beloved by everybody. "Were you with Washington all the time America." he was at New Windsor?" "Certainly," he replied; "I was one of the Guard, and I believe I am the only one lu the light of the full moon. I met Ser-"When did you join the Guard?" asked.