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By care oppressed, we long to rest
Where sorrows are unknown—
'Tis sweet to know, though life below
Is but a fleeting day
Of smiles and tears, and hopes and fears,
"This, too, shall pass away.

Sad mourner here, does life seem drear?
Have loved one's gone before?
Though life is gloom beyond the tomb
Friends meet to part no more;
Here, partings come; but in that home
There comes no parting day.
Though life below is full of woe,
"This, too, shall pass away."

Aged pilgrim lone, thou'rt journeying on
Toward a home on high,
Where fairest flowers, in Eden's bowers,
Shall never fade and die;
In this fair clime, no touch of Time
Takes youthful joys away.
Though sad and lone, and weary grown,
"This, too, shall pass away."

When life is past, we hope at last
To reach that heavenly shore;
And free from care, in mansions fair,
We'll dwell forever more.
In that blest home no sorrow come,
And we shall never say,
While with the blest we sweetly rest,
"This, too, shall pass away."

Hours With Men and Women of the Revolution.

TWIN SISTERS.

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On a pleasant day in early March, 1861, I crossed the Hudson River in a small boat with an expert oarsman, from the western shore of Tapaan Bay to the mouth of the Croton River. I was then on the quest for materials for my "Hudson from the Wilderness to the Sea," first published in the London *Art Journal*. We passed little squadrons of thin floating ice on the way, and tarried awhile at Croton (formerly Teller's) Point, visiting the pretty Italian villa and the vineyards of Dr. Underhill, where hundreds of tons of lucious grapes were raised every year. We then rowed up Croton Bay and passed under the drawbridge of the Hudson River Railway into the mouth of the Croton River. We found the current of the stream very rapid, for the tide in the Hudson was ebbing.

When nearly abreast the Van Cortlandt Manor House, the oarsman found it impossible to stem the current any longer, and as the water was too shallow to bear the boat to the right bank as I desired, I was landed on the rugged left bank. I clambered up the acclivity along the margin of a little brook, cheered by the notes of (to me) the first bluebird of the season, perched on a spray overhead. Following the post-road that skirted the elevated shore of the stream, I reached the ricketty "high bridge"—the famous "Croton Bridge" of Revolutionary times—at near sunset. It was a picturesque structure, spanning a rocky gorge, through which the Croton river was running rapidly. Near the bridge I obtained a charming view of the mouth of the Croton, with Dover Kill Island near, the broad Tappaan Bay and the blue hills in the distance beyond.

After making a sketch of the old bridge I strolled down the road on the right bank of the Croton, as it sloped toward the Hudson, and reached the Van Cortlandt Manor House at twilight. At its entrance gate I met Colonel Pierre Van Cortlandt, the proprietor of the estate, and accepted his cordial invitation to pass the night under his roof. I was kindly welcomed by Mrs. Van Cortlandt, a daughter of the eminent Professor T. Romeyn Beck of Albany. The house, yet preserved in its ancient aspect, is near the shore of what was once the upper part of the beautiful Croton Bay, in which vessels of considerable size often anchored, and which was the resort of vast flocks of wild ducks and shoals of shad. Early in 1841 heavy rains and melting snows caused the sweeping away of the great Croton Dam, and an immense volume of water released rushed riverward, carrying with it loosened earth sufficient to half fill Croton Bay and convert much of it into a shallow stream.

The Van Cortlandt Manor House was erected at the beginning of the last century by John Van Cortlandt, son of Stephen Van Cortlandt, the first proprietor of the great domain, whose father, Oloff Stevens Van Cortlandt, was a lineal descendant of the Dukes of Courland, in Russia. His ancestors, when deprived of their duchy, emigrated to Holland, whence Oloff came to New Netherlands in 1630, in the service of the Dutch West India Company. The family name was Stevens or Stevenssen, that of Van Cortlandt being only titular. The family became allied by marriage, in time with the Van Rensselaers, the Schuylers, the Bayards, the DeLeysters, the Livingstons, and other leading families in the province and State.

The Manor House was built of heavy stone, and the thick walls of the basement story were pierced with loopholes for the use of musketry, in defence. These still remain. The mansion commands, from its broad piazza in front, an extensive view to the southwest of Tappaan Bay and the rugged hills beyond. It is sheltered on the north by a high hill covered with sturdy forest trees.

At the time of my visit there was a broad lawn at the front, and a path led through the old garden to the ancient ferry house, a building occupied during the Revolution as a guard-house. The Baron de Kalb was stationed there in 1778, and in the winter of 1782 a detachment of New York levies, having just returned there from a scout to Morrisania, were surprised at a barn near the ferry house by some of the enemy's cavalry. One of the "Continentals" was killed: the remainder escaped on the ice. The broad entrance hall of the mansion was adorned by the horns of stately stags, killed on the manor when wild deer roamed over the domain. The rooms were enriched with many family portraits, ancient and modern, and other works of art, and the library displayed many precious mementoes of the colonial and Revolutionary period, sufficient to hold the attention of the curious antiquary for days.

On the morning after my arrival at the Manor House Mrs. Van Cortlandt invited me to visit aged twin sisters living at the Croton, about two miles up the river. She kindly accompanied me to introduce me to the nonagenarians—they were over ninety years of age. On the way we drove into the beautifully situated cemetery of the Van Cortlandt family, on a summit of the hill west of the mansion. It commanded an extensive view of the Hudson southward, with the entire range of the Palisades from Piermont to Hoboken.

At a little west of the cemetery, at the neck which connects Croton Point with the main land, is the site of the old fort or castle of Kitch-a-wan (the original name of the Croton River) was pointed out. It is said to have been the oldest Indian fort south of the Highlands. It was built by the Sachem Croton, and there he gathered his parties for hunting or for war. At a little east of the site of the fort we came to Kitch-a-wan burying ground, in a beautiful nook at the entrance to "Haunted Hollow," concerning which old superstitions supplied many weird stories of early times. The people believed that they saw in the groves and glens the forms of the departed red-men whom they called the Walking Sachems of Teller's Point.

Only one of the twin sisters could be seen—Mrs. Miriam Williams—the other, Mrs. Eunice McCord, being too feeble in mind and body to receive visitors. Their maiden name was Teller, and they had long been widows. They were descendants of Andrew Teller, who in 1671 married a daughter of Oloff Stevenson Van Cortlandt, and a sister of the first proprietor of the Van Cortlandt Manor. "Teller's Point" received its name from a descendant of his who occupied it.

The memory of Mrs. Williams seemed to be but very little impaired by age, her recollections of her childhood and early womanhood being very vivid. She well remembered incidents connected with the encampment of the American army at Verplanck's Point, in the fall of 1782. She and her sister were then twelve years of age. She remembered seeing Washington ride up to the gate in front of their house one day, with a single attendant, dismount and ask her father, who was standing near, for some food, as he had been detained on business below. The twins were standing at the door as the General entered the house, and placing his hands on their heads said:

"You look as much alike as two eggs; may you have long life."

"The wish of the great man has been granted," said Mrs. Williams, "for we have lived long. We were ninety years old last August. We had very little in the house at that time wherewith to entertain such a guest. My mother could set upon the little table only some cold ham, fresh rye-bread, sweet butter, a bit of cheese and some cold water. We children were peeping through the open door into the room, and I remember as well as if it had happened yesterday seeing General Washington, before sitting down to partake of the simple meal, place one hand on the table and closing his eyes ask a blessing. Father meanwhile, stood with his head uncovered in the further part of the room. And here," said Mrs. Williams, "is the very table at which General Washington stood and asked a blessing," pointing to a small oval table standing near her.

"You seem to have much bodily strength and good health," I remarked, "for a woman so old."

"Yes," she answered; "sister and I have never had any dangerous sickness. We were married when we were quite young; have always lived prudently and generally happy lives; always had plenty of sleep, and were no gadabouts as most women are nowadays. Why, you'll hardly believe me when I tell you that neither of us was ever more than five or six miles from where we were born. The Tellers are a strong-bodied and long-lived people."

The story related to me a few hours later was a confirmation of the assurance that the Tellers possessed great bodily vigor.

"Do you remember the French army encamping near here the same fall when you saw General Washington?" I inquired.

"Oh, yes," she said. "They came from the south. They crossed the river at King's Ferry, and marched by our house. They encamped at Cromford, below here. I remember how afraid and yet delighted sister and I were as we watched them from our window as they passed by. We never saw so many soldiers, nor such glittering uniforms as some of the officers wore; and we never heard such drums beat. We were bewildered with the show, and dreamed of it many nights afterwards.

I said fargwell to the venerable woman on whose head the hand of Washington had been laid, and to whom kind words had been uttered by his lips. At her carriage in front of Mrs. Williams's house I parted company with Mrs. Van Cortlandt, and soon afterward rode to the house of a friend about two miles further north. With a neighbor of his we climbed to the top of Prickly Pear Hill, the summit of which, five hundred feet above the river, was quite thickly strewn in some places with a species of cactus bearing that name, from which the eminence derived its title.

From that elevation we obtained a most extensive view of the lower Hudson and its shores, and a cluster of localities of the most stirring events of the old War for Independence. That pinnacle Washington made his chief point of observation while the American army was encamped near, in the fall of 1782. There Washington and his officers and Rochambeau and his French officers had viewed the scenery together with profound admiration. At one sweep of the vision might be seen the lofty crags of Highlands and the Fishkill Mountains stretching eastward, with all the intervening county adjacent, to Peekskill, Verplanck's Point and Stony Point, the theatres of important military events during the War of the Revolution, then drawing to a close. Before them was Haverstraw, near which Arnold and Andre compotted; Teller's Point, off which the Vulture lay when Andre went to meet Arnold, and from which she received a cannonading that drove her down the river; King's Ferry, where the American armies crossed and recrossed the Hudson and Andre made his way to the eastern shore; Tarrytown, where he was captured, and the Long Wharf at Piermont, near Tappaan, where he was executed. All these, with the villages on the eastern bank of the Hudson from Cruger's to York Island, might be seen.

As we were looking at Teller's Point, projecting far toward the western shore of the Hudson, I remarked that I had a most interesting interview at Croton that morning with a member of the Teller family, a woman ninety years of age and possessed of exceedingly great physical vigor.

"One of the twin sisters?" said one of the gentlemen. "I never knew a Teller who was not possessed of an abundance of bone and sinew. Have you ever heard the story of Fishkillbully who encountered a young daughter of a Teller living in this neighborhood?"

"I have not."

"Oh, you must hear it. That Teller had two buxom daughters, a little more than twenty years of age. It is said that either of them could lift a barrel of cider. Their father was noted for great strength and also for wrestling and pugilistic skill. One day at the close of the Revolution a large, rough-looking man came to the door of Teller's house—an old-fashioned double door—and leaning on the under one, the upper one being open, asked one of the daughters within, in a rude manner.

"'Is Bill Taller home?'

"'My father is not at home,' answered the girl. 'What do you want of him? I attend to his business when he is away.'

"'You can't 'tend to 't this time, anyhow. Nobody but Bill Taller himself can,' said the gruff man.

"'Come in and tell me what your business is,' said the girl, as she opened the door.

"The man went in and she closed it after him, leaving the upper door still open.

"'Now tell me,' said the daughter, 'what your business is and see if I can't attnd to it.'

"'No, you can't I tell ye,' grow ted man. 'I'm Puttle of Fishkill, the boss rastler up there. Maybe you've hearn on me. They tell me Bill Taller is the boss rastler down here, and I'm come down to find out who's the best rastler.'

"'Oh, if that's all the business you have' said the spirited girl, 'I can attend to it at once,' and seizing the man by his coat collar and the seat of his breeches she threw him over the door into the grass before it.

"The man picked himself up, and looking in astonishment a few moments at the girl, who was standing in the door with arms a-kimbo and smiling placidly, he sneaked off without uttering a word.

"'Any more business to be attended to?' asked the girl in a provokingly pleasant voice. The man was too crestfallen to tarry a moment. He joined some companions at the river, who were waiting for him to return with Teller and give them the excitement of a tussle.

"'Didn't you see Teller?' asked one of the company.

"'Naw, I didn't,' said the fellow, in a tone of supreme disgust; 'I see one of old Taller's gals, and that's all I want to know.'"

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—A Richmond, Mich., woman lost her watch a few says ago. She could not find it, but wherever she went she heard that watch tick. This derved her on to greater efforts, and she turned the house upside down in her search—and then found the watch in her bustle.

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