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WEAR OUT. Wear out !" but never let the rust Of idleness correde the trust Your Maker gave : your part to play In the great drama of "To-day" s to deal justly; aid the weak; Ever for right and freedom speak : Keep burning clear Truth's beacon light That its soft radience through the night. Be to the lost on life's bleak moor, Like Bethlehem's star, that shone of yore Guiding the shepherds on their way. To where the child-redeemer lay.

"Wear out!" 'tis nobler far to bear On breast and brow the marks of care Sears of life's conflict, bravely fought. l'atents of peerage, fairly bought; Titles to claim in the fair clime' . Of these who worship Truth sublime E'en if your feet have never itol-The narrow path that leads to God, Avoid, as death, the scorner's seat. With contrite heart, and teareful eye. stand still while the elect pass by ! "Wear out!" though stern your features grow Though raven locks be turned to snov. On to the front Enor laggard be, -With stardy blog's comes victory

shame on the weak, the nerveless hand. That cannot grasp Truth's shining brand. That shrinks when from fall freedom's tower The toesin sennds the trial hour; That fails when justice calls to go With battle-axe and "bended boy And prove, upon his native sod," It's featly to man and God!

Miscellancous. GENERAL SHERMAN'S MEMOIRS.

noirs, which will shortly be issued, in two volumes. He is a racy and vigorous widest attention. The following paramost populous and wealthy portion of the sorts. would-be Confederacy, and demonstrating A NEGROE'S FIRST SIGHT OF GENUINE the hollowness of that institution by pen ctrating its very centre, the Southern Conigress. War Department, newspapers, and were sending forth frantic appeals to the obstruct his march, remove all subsis-

depot of prisoners.) day's march and camp; would pro- en therefor. This time he wanted to and then visit every plantation and from which he could see the whole ROCKERS.

on all sorts of beasts, which were at with the Yankees. Snelling inquired once taken from them and appropri- all about his uncle and the family. ated to the general use; but the next asked my permission to go and pay lay they would start out again on his ancle a visit, which I granted, of foot, only to repeat the experience of course, and the next morning he dethe day before. No doubt many acts scribed to me his visit. The uncle ommitted by these bodies of forag- find his nephew in the ranks of the have since heard of jewelfy taken and Snelling came back, having ex- Close by, in the corner of a fence, when the necessity is great, and the form women, and the plunder of atti- chaiged his tired horse for a fresher was a group of men standing around numerous, they formed confederacies to

cles that never reached the commis-one out of his uncle's stables, exsary: but these acts were exceptional plaining that some of the "bummers" and incidental. I never of any cases of murder or rape; and no army could have fairied along sufficient food and forage for a march of 300 miles, so that foraging in some shape was necessary. The country was sparsely settled, with no magistrates or civil authorities who could respond to requisitions, as is done in ill the wars of Europe, so that this system of foraging was simply indispensable to our success. By it our men were well supplied with all the essentials of life and health, while the wagons retained enough in case, army! On the 21th we renewed the of unexpected delay, and our ani-

mals were well fed. Indeed, when we reached Savannah, the trainswere pronounced by experts to be the seen with any army. I have seen much skill and industry displayed by these quartermasters on the march in trying to load their wagons with corn and fodder by the way without losing their place in the column. They would, while marching, shift the loads of wagons. so as to have six or ten of them empty. Then, riding well ahead. they would secure possession of certain stacks of fodder near the road.

HOWELL COBB'S PLANTATION. The afternoon was unusually raw removed two days before from Millen, cannoneers preparing to fire, and and cold. My orderly was at hand he returned to Louisville on the 29th, cautioned the officers near me to with his invariable saddle-bags, which where he found the left wing. Here scatter, as we would likely attract a contained a change of underclothing, my maps, a flask of whisky, and his horses, and, receiving orders from of smoke, and, watching close, caught bunch of cigars. Taking a drink and lighting a cigar, I walked to a row of negro huts close by, entered one and content of the sight of the ball as it rose in its flight, all the fighting he wanted, he produced from Gen. Slocum the assistance to one negro huts close by, entered one and found a soldier or two warming themselves by a wood fire. I took the least their place by the fire, intending to the 2d of December, the remainder at right angles. Some one called to wait there till onr wagons had got up, and a camp made for the night. I on toward Millen. Near Waynes. fellow understood his danger the ball

was talking to the old negro woman, when some one came to me and explained that, if I would come fur-ther down the road, I could find a ta, thus keeping up the delusion that and literally carried away his head, plained that, if I would come furbetter place. So I started on foot. and found on the main road a good double-hewed log-house, in one room of which Col. Poe, Dr. Moore, and and Brier Creek were spirited, and cluded to get out of that railroadothers had started a fire. I sent produced a good effect by relieving cut. Meantime, Gen. Mower's diback orders to the "plum-bushes' to bring our horses and saddles up to this house, and an orderly to conthat flank, he turned south and folduct our head-quarter wagons to the same place. In looking around the room I saw a small box, like a canille-box, marked "Howell Cobb," and, on inquiring of a negro, found that we were at the plantation of Gen. Howell Cobb, of Georgia, one of the leading rebels of the South, Gen. Howard was south of Ogeechee then a General in the Southern Army, and who had been Secretary of the posite Scarboro'. Gen, Slocum was pushing forward reconnoisances at ev-United States Treasury in Mr. Buat Buckhead Church, four miles north ery available point. of Millen, with the Twentieth Corps. fiscated his property, and found it The Fourteenth (Gen. Davis), was at rich in corn, beans, pea-nuts, and Lumpkin's Station, on the Augusta orghum molasses. Extensive fields were all round the house. I sent whose plantation it was, and instructed him to spare nothing. That night

YANKEES.

Georgians to rise and crush the invader, and became conscious that an old from Richmond, to organize a large negro, with a tallow candle in his cavalry force with which to resist siege, I instructed Gen. Howard to cence from his route, and thus starve him hand, was scanning my face closely. our progress. out. But the intrepid General kept the I inquired," What do you want, old even tenor of his way, varied only by man?" He answered, "Dey say you digressions to capture such places as the is Massa Sherman." I answered that capital of the State and Millen, the great | such was the case, and inquired what he wanted. He only wanted to look that could not, I felt assured, exceed at me, and kept muttering, "Dis nigger can't sleep dis night." I asked the fine depot ger can't sleep dis night." I asked the fine depot Gen. Howard, with The skill and success of the men in him why he trembled so, and he said of the feating forage was one of the features of this march. Each brigade were in fact "Yankees," for on a great which and success of the men in him why he trembled so, and he said damage done, and then resumed the hard at work on the bridge, which alone will make the institutions of the army as marshalled for they finished that night, and at sun. ollecting forage was one of the fea- that he wanted to be sure that we tures of this march. Each brigade were in fact "Yankees," for ou a four main roads. The Seventeenth former occasion some rebel cavally company of foregrees, usually about body out on light blue every case. It company of foregrees, usually about body out on light blue every case. company of foragers, usually about had put on light-blue overcoats, perfifty men, with one or two commissions soluting Yankee troops, and many on the 5th of December, I reached least of the Organical without. singled officers selected for their hold- of the negroes were deceived thereby. and enterprise. This party himself among the number-had would be dispatched before daylight shown them sympathy, and had in with a knowledge of the intended consequence been unmercifully beatreed on foot five or six miles from be certain before committing himself the route traveled by their brigade, so I told him to go out on the porch, farm within range. They would usu- horizon lit up with camp fires, and ally procure a wagon or family car- he could then judge whether he had riage, load it with bacon, cornincal, ever seen anything like it before, turkers, chickens, ducks, and every- The old man became convinced that thing that could be used as food or the "Yankees" had come at last. forage, and would then regain the about whom he had been dreaming main road, usually in advance of all his life, and some of the staff offitheir train. When this came up, cers gave him a strong drink of whisthey would deliver to the brigade ky, which set his tongue going. commissary the supplies thus gath- Light. Shelling, who commanded my red by the way. Often would I escort, was a Georgian, and recogpass these foraging-parties at the nized in this old negro a favorite roadside, waiting for their wagons to slave of his uncle, who resided about come up, and was amused at their six mile off, but the old slave Hid drange collections-mules, horses, not at first recognize his young maseven cattle, packed with old saddles terrin our uniform. One of my staff and loaded with hams, bacon, bags officers asked him what had become of corn-meal, and poultry of every of his young master George. He did character and description. Although not know, only that he had gone off this foraging was attended with to the war, and he supposed him great danger and hard work, there killed, as a matter of course. His seemed to be a charm about it that attention was then drawn to Snell, attracted the soldiers, and it was a ingle face, when he fell on his knees umns had met with no opposition privilege to be detailed on such a and thanked God that he had found whatever. McLaw's division was party. Daily they returned mounted his young master alive and along falling back before us, and we occa-

> would have got the horse had he not. REHEL SCHEMES TO RESIST SHERMAN. Gen. Wheeler, with his division of

rebel cavalry, had succeeded in getting ahead of us between Milledge ville and Augusta; and Gen. J. W. Hardee had been dispatched by Gen. Beauregard form Hood's army to oppose our progress in front. He had however, brought with him no troops. Georgiaus (of whose State he was a native) to arouse the people, and march, and I accompanied the Twentieth Corps, which took the direct road to Sandersville, which we reachteenth Corps on the 26th. A brigade of rebel cavalry was deployed before the town, and was driven in and through it by our skirmish-line. I myself saw the rebel cavalry apply fire to stocks of fodder standing in the fields at Sandersville, and gave dwellings close by. On entering the town. I told certain citizens (who that, if the enemy attempted to carry

learning that our prisoners had been pet and battery. I could see the out of the necessities which cluster around where he found the left wing. Here scatter, as we would likely attract a he remained a couple of days to rest shot. Very soon I saw the white puff his horses, and, receiving orders from of smoke, and, watching close, caught me to engage. Wheeler and give him sight of the ball as it rose in its flight. boro' Wheeler was again encounter- (a 32-pound round shot) struck the ed, and driven through the town and ground, and rose in its first riochet, the main army was moving toward scattering blood and brains about. Augusta. Gen. Kilpatrick's fighting A soldier close by spread an overand movements about Waynesboro' coat over the body, and we all conthe infantry column and wagon trains vision of the Seventeenth Corps had of all molestation during their march crossed the canal to the right of the on Millen. Having thus covered Louisville road, and had found the line of the parapet continuous; so at and there paused one day, to commu- I accordingly made a camp or bivnicate with all parts of the army, ouac near the Louisville road, about five miles from Savannah, and proriver, with the Fifteenth Corps, op- ceeded to invest the place closely,

COMMUNICATING WITH THE FLEET AT · SAVANNAH. As soon as it was demonstrated road, about ten miles north of Mil- that Savannah was well fortified. word back to Gen. Davis to explain len, and the cavalry division was with a good garrison, commanded by within easy support of this wing. Gen. William J. Hardee, a competent Thus the whole Army was in good soldier, I saw that the first step was graphs, embodying incidents of his Fa- high bonfires consumed the fencehad largely subsisted on the country; fleet, supposed to be waiting for us sually interesting. While the armies of the teamsters and men, as well as our wagons were full of forage and with supplies and clothing in Ossa-

McAllister by storm. I knew it to

lieved it open and weak to the rear.

the campaign. Kilpatrick had al-

Bluff, or St. Catharine's Sound

where, on the same day, he had com-

ADDRESS ON THE G. A. R.

Delivered by Rev. G. W. Rumsey, before Phelps Post, G. A. E.

The association of men for mutual in

provement and protection, is as aucient

s human nature. Anterior to the flood

when nature was in its early infancy, and men were few, they banded in union for

entertainment, instruction, profit and

pleasure. Hence at this early day, cities rose girdled with walls for their defense,

and arms were forged to give success t

tinctly drawn, for here each family is

deliniation of the same law of union. The families of God's ancient people were in the land of their bondage kept distinct.

but by an actual requirement of the author of their peculiar national and reli-

rails, kept our soldiers warm, and Gen. SHERMAN were out of the sight of the slaves, carried off an immense provisions; but, as we approached bow Sound. Gen. Howard had, some the nation in their progress through the quantity of corn and provisions of all most populous and wealthy portion of the sarts.

the sarves, earried on an immense the sea-coast, the country became nights previously, sent one of his more sandy and barren, and food best scouts, Capt. Duncan, with two men, in a canoe, to drift past Fort with little or no loss, we had traveled McAllister, and to convey to the fleet two-thirds of our distance, and I a knowledge of our approach. Gen. In due season the head-quarter concluded to push on for Savannah. Kilpatrick's cavalry had also been wagons came up, and we got supper. At Millen I learned that Gen. Bragg transferred to the south bank of the even Gen. Beaurigard from Mississippi, After supper I sat on a chair astride, was in Augusta, and that Gen. Wade Ogeechee, with orders to open comwith my back to a good fire, musing, Hampton, had been ordered there munication with the fleet. Leaving

> MARCHING TO SAVANNAH. Gen. Hardee was ahead, between Ogeechee Church, about fifty miles bank of the Ogeechee, and without from Savannah, and found there thrown up by McLaw's division; but he must have seen that both his an approach from the sea, but beflanks were being turned, and prudently retreated to Savannah without a fight. All the columns then pursued leisurely their march toward on his action depended the safety of the whole Army, and the success of more and more scarce, but rice-fields ready felt the fort, and had gone Savannah, corn and forage becoming beginning to occur along the Savannah and Ogeechee Rivers, which proved a good substitute, both as food and forage. The weather was fine, the roads good, and everything to the blockading fleet; but, at the call a more agreeable sensation than and trusted entirely to Gen. Hazen seemed to favor us. Never do I rethe sight of our camps by night, lit and his division of infantry, the Sec-The trains were all in good order, old division which I had commanded and the men seemed to march their at Shiloh and Vicksburg, in which I fifteen miles a day as though it were felt a special pride and confidence. nothing. No enemy opposed us, and we could only occasionally hear the faint reverberation of a gun to our left rear, where we knew that Gen. Kilpatrick was skirmishing with Wheeler's cavalry, which persistently followed him. But the infantry col-

as prisoners, who insisted that we martial enterprises, or to repel invasion. Would meet with strong opposition at Savannah.

In the Patriarchal age, the same features of society are exhibited to us, and tures of society are exhibited to us, and the same features TORPEDOES IN THE ROAD.

On the 8th as I rode along, I found column turned out of the main ers, usually called "bummers," for I host that was desolating the land, road, marching through the fields. have since heard of jewelty taken and Snelling came back, having ex- Close by, in the corner of a fence; a handsome young officer, whose foot had been blown to pieces by a torped do planted in the road. He was waiting for a surgeon to amount of his line for a surgeon to amount of his line for a surgeon to amount of his line for a surgeon to amount of his line, who marched out in defense of Lot, the kinsman of the patriarch is a ing for a surgeon to amputate his beautiful illustration of the use they leg, and told me that he was riding made of this law of union.

Under what may be termed the prowith the rest of his brigade-staff of the Seventeenth Corps, when a torpedo trodden on by his horse had exploded, killing the horse and literally blowing off all the flesh from not only from the Egyptians, their oppose of his legs. I saw the terrible pressors, but from each other, and this wound, and made full inquiry into not as the result of caprice on their part, the facts. There had been no resisance at that point, nothing to give had planted eight-inch shells in the road, with friction-matches to explode them by being trodden on. brought from the provost guard, armed with picks and spades, and reiterated the order, and could hardly help laughing at their step-

When they passed the highway through the sea, they did it by the same rules. made me angry. I immediately or- it was under the same requirements that dered a lot of rebel prisoners to be they entered the Land of Promise, and received, by lot, their appropriate place in the long-looked-for rest; the line armed with picks and spades, and bounding their appointed inheritance be-made their march in close order ing accurately defined. Nor is the Chrisalong the road, so as to explode their tian era less characterized by the same own torpedoes, or to discover and distinguishing marks. It has been, and dig them up. They begged hard, but is now, distinguished by its churches, each having a noble end in view, but sepments, few of which act as a unit, though ping so gingerly along the road, all are contemplating the achievement of where it was supposed sunken torpeworld of morals. Each worthy object has been, from time to time, singled out, and elevated to such prominence as to comthey found no other torpedoes tills they would secure possession of certain stacks of fodder near the road, or critis of corm, leave some men jin charge, then open fences and a road control to the first and the possession of the campaign of their frains, divert the campta wagons of column, and conduct their roads, load up, and region their place in column without follows and the standard rapidly to their forage, load up, and region their place in column without follows and the standard rapidly to their forage, load up, and region their place in column without follows and the standard rapidly to their forage, load up, and region their place in column without follows and the standard rapidly to their forage, load up, and region their place in column without follows and the standard rapidly to their forage, load up, and region their place in column without follows and the standard rapidly to their forage, load up, and region their place in column without follows and the standard rapidly to their forage, load up, and region their place in column without follows and the standard rapidly to their forage, load up, and region their place in column without follows and the standard rapidly to their forage, load up, and region their place in column without follows and the standard rapidly to their forage, load up, and region their place in column without follows and the standard rapidly to their forage, load up, and region their place in column without follows and their place in column without follows and the standard rapidly to their forage, load up, and the standard rapidly to their place in column without follows and the standard rapidly to their place in column without follows and the standard rapidly to their forage, load and worthy objects, which is good and the propose of the carriage and regions regarding, with name the standard rapidly to the near Fort McAllister. That night mend itself the support of the community

man when first he breathes in the world.

The wild man of the tropics, and he who is clad in the skins of beasts, at the arises out of a law of his own existence. It is this feature in society, which we

more fully of the design of the institut known as the G. A. R. lowed the movement of the Four-teenth Corps to Buckhead Church, north of Millen and near it. On Dec. 3 I entered Millen with the Seven-though support and it looked as though support with the entered support of respect, and it looked as though support was inevitable.

how few the advantages he has enjoye

general habits of life,
Indeed, order and regularity are amon orders with Gen. Slocum to press the send a division with all, his engineers to King's Bridge, fourteen and a half miles southwest from Savan-urence of these active business scenes cannot fail to keep the details fresh in the that could not, I felt assured, exceed 10,00 men. I caused the fine depot at Milen to be destroyed, and other like antinors where I found Gen. Howard, with Gen. Hazen's division of the Figure 11 feet and of our countrymen in the first great like into deeds of duty and tenderness to our maimed brothers, and the widows jamin's—a youth (Stanley);—Saul, (Jew-latter 11 feet assured, exceed where I found Gen. Howard, with the G.A. R. is noiselessly and cheed of duty and tenderness to our maimed brothers, and the widows jamin's—a youth (Stanley);—Saul, (Jew-latter 12 feet assured, exceed where I found Gen. Howard, with the G.A. R. is noiselessly and cheed of duty and tenderness to our maimed brothers, and the widows jamin's—a youth (Stanley);—Saul, (Jew-latter 12 feet assured, exceed where I found Gen. Howard, with the G.A. R. is noiselessly and cheed of duty and tenderness to our maimed brothers, and the widows jamin's—a youth (Stanley);—Saul, (Jew-latter 12 feet assured). spent the night at Mr. King's house,

Another object contemplated by istitution, is to make men social and. humane. Who has not more than once lamented the social distinctions which hesitation to assault and carry Fort moral or intellectual worth, but which est on the mere circumstance of proper be strong in heavy artillery as against ty or connections. Who has not seen those who would rank high, when morals or attainments, are considered, who have been were fitted to adorn; because they were not rich, or had no connections who were How often do we find such bound with the menial's chain, and compelled to further down the coast to Kilkenny them, are mere intellectual dwarfs; whos moral beauty bears no better comparison with that of their menials, than the pre-

time, I was not aware of this fact, Comrades! you well remember th time, when, by the mass of our citizens you were locked upon with strong susp ond of the Fifteenth Corps, the same your right to freedom, were all questioned. but to-day, from obscurity you step into publicity. The Government begins to feel that the permanency of her institutions depends largely upon the co-operation of the G. A. R. The bone and sination of the G. A. R. The bone and sin-ew, the muscle and courage, that bring while we watch their graves with tearful victory, are within this organization. And as the soldier becomes humane and

> fan itself in the breeze of every yet with great propriety may we cast our

be buried than the history of the past can To the valor and patriotism of the 6 A. of citizen soldiers, this organization is established as a monument to defend the ty and protection for the living heroes. The blood of Pennsylvania has crimsoned almost every battle-field, and her men gious existence. When they left the took no mean position in the history of place of their oppression, they were required to do so by families and by tribes.

and orphans of those comrades who died in defense of the nation's flag—the wards

mighty cannon, and small arms were locked in deadly combat; a time, when the best blood that ever coursed a nation's

If in any employment or enterprise, those engaged in it are unable to show some worthy object which is contemplated by them, they have but small claim on the indulgence or the world to which they appeal for countenance and support. But in so far as the object they have in view is worthy and Important, by so much may they look for sympathy from those to whom they make their appeal. Having said thus much, in this place, of Having said thus much, in this place, of the past, we are now prepared to speak

The first advantage arising from this society, of which we shall speak, is the practical knowledge it gives its members in the manner and art of doing business and acting in the enjoyment of respect, and free from fear and embarrassment The Post room is such a place. Here all those distinctions which obtain in society without are dissolved. Here all meet with equal interest, and enjoy equal re-spect. No matter how humble the cir-cumstances of a "comrade" may be, or Ife is here regarded as a comrade and a brother, and as such he is protected and

respected; his opinions are weighed, and his judgment is honored. In a word he ind the fiery hurricane of battle. is made to feel that he is a MAN. He is not made to cower and feel abashed under some rude rebuff, or to close his lips unlattered, but always triumphant. Their der the unmannerly sneer of an amused and promiscuous assembly. Under such circumstances, the most timid finds that arms in that perilous gloom, and re-gilds he can learn as well as others, and confidence in one's self gives courage for more public action when circumstances demand it. All business in the Post room is class try's annals golden. sified and arranged in the beautiful order and every proceeding is forwarded with the most exact harmony, so that the least attentive comrade cannot fail to have deeds of daring, unknown but to com-rades, unchronicled but by angelic hands, were worthy the prowess of Sparta's Lemore or less method incorporated into his

the first principles taught by the Order. The rotation which is demanded by the institution in conferring its offices, cannot fail, sooner or later, to call out the talent fail, sooner or later, to can out the talent of its members, in one or another active business department of a deliberative or incorporated body; while the constant reincorporated body are reincorporated body and reincorporated body are reincorporated body are reincorporated body are reincorporated body are reincorporated by

ent glory of the remotest star with the cloudless noonday sun. munication with a vessel belonging

intelligent, the greater is the assurance we will rejoice that it is ours to aid their living representatives. those who were maimed and bruised by the war; to assist those who were left the strife; to assist the orphans of our comrades, who went down in battle and Political creeds are foreign to its objects. the lines of demarkation are more dis-

will look after the interests of us and parent as its priest and prince, at one time. These appear singly in carrying forward their immediate interests. But ood citizens. The G. A. R., has a highopen, when the soldier approached with conorable intentions and an unblemished history. This institution is struggling to provide for the orphan who has been left homeless, and is the only representative of the old army. The political tongue of

alive the spirit that prompted them to offer their lives in defense of imperiled liberty.

Our duty now is to care for the widows

which shines in the crown of our old Commonwealth. Their children are the special objects of battle of life is our deepest solicitude, and others may think of our Order, you, comour most carriest thought. Their fathers and we marched side by side through Virginia, slept side by side under the same blanket, are out of the same haver—

were identified in the same life. It becomes us, therefore, to feel a grow-The work is great in all its bearings upon the world. We are to prepare these orNOTES ON THE INTERNATIONAL LESSONS.

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We became familiar with the Philistines, while studying the death of Sam-

son. Here we meet them again. It is probable that this is the same period of oppression. It continued 40 years. We have the record of its beginning in Judges xiii: 1, and of its end in 1 Sam. vii: 13. According to this view, Samson's life was in part contemporaneous with both Eli's and Samuel's, and his judgeship with the first 20 years of Samuel's prophetic min istry. If he was born about the time the oppression began (Judges xiii: 1-5); com menced his exploits about the age of 20 veins, was poured out to quench the thirsty jaws of death. Men, emerging from scenes like these, well know the depths of that inspiration which nerved them to action, and which still lingers the consecrated alter of their hearts; them to action, and which still ingers upon the consecrated altar of their hearts; men, with such a record, will stand by the orman, and carry him through the two fairest epochs of human life, viz: Childhood and Youth. So that, when the childhood and Youth. So that, when the hand of the Philistines." The work which years of responsibility come, these orphans will be prepared for the oncoming emergencies. Great is your mission, Comrades, and may you feel, while you stand pointing these untutored minds through the flight of years to respectability and honor, that the eyes of one of the most noweful learned and wealthy no gested to Samuel the propriety of making nost powerful, learned and wealthy na- gested to Samuel the propriety of making ions on the globe, are resting upon you. | an instant and powerful effort to throw You may never be permitted to shine off their yoke. The judgeship of Samson, on this supposition, filled the 20 years behere conduct of Sate, but himmery on this supposition, filled the 20 years behaves of the rising generation, who will tween the first and the second battle at spring up in mighty phalanx and call you blessed.

Mizpeh: that is, the first part of the un defined period during which the Ark redefined period during which the Ark remained at Kirjath-jearim; (1 Sam. vii: 2). The battle, of which our lesson speaks, occurred at the close of the first half of

the period of Philistine domination. It

emotions thrill again the bosoms of mothers. The old fire, kindles afresh on the was begun by Israel, and perhaps at the nearthstones of fathers' hearts. Old mem-suggestion of Samuel; although it is more hearthstones of lathers nearts. Our memories that cluster about the images of the loved and lost; sacred memories that nest the tenderly in saddened hearts, grow greener to-night in the presence of the living representatives of Pennsylvania's the Lord (the prophetic communications G. A. of Union Defenders. The great heart of our great Communication is the lord of the prophetic communications made through Samuel) was delivered to heart of our great Commonwealth itself, swells with tender pride and conscious the whole nation. The scene of the battle power, as she beholds the tendrils of af- was a spot near the western entrance of fection that bind together in a common Beth-Horan, called Aphek, but in later brotherhood the survivors of those who stood undained in that bristling line of victory—known as Eben-Ezer (Stone of victory-known as Eben-Ezer (Stone of mortal heroes, that rolled back in blood from her borders the tide of desolation Help). It was situated in the limits of They carried her standard through the carnival of death that reigned on a hun-Mizpeli (1 Sam. vii: 12). The conflict ended in defeat for Israel, with a loss of about 4,000 men. The elders at once held reunions re-awaken the lofty impulses that nerved their hearts and steeled their a council and determined to bring the ark down from Shiloh and place it in front of their army. It is probable, from verse 4, the dazzling page that makes our coun-Well may Pennsylvania be proud of the and Phinchas, or at least that it was exerecord of her soldier citizens. Among them were her beardless boys, whose It was a superstitious act. They may have had in mind Numbers x: 35, or, just as likely, the fact that their enemies had onidas, or the heroism of England's Sidthe images of their gods on the field of ney. The enthusiasm of chivalric valor burned as brightly under the plain blue garb of the boys who went forth from Pennsylvania homes to die for land and liberty, as it did under the iron jackets and burnished panoply of the knightly followed the Creek relationship in the displayed the show and stolid, but obstinate courage of the Philistines.

I. The bringing of the news to Shiloh; fighting was done and the result known. Jealous eyes no longer gaze upon the assemblings of the G. A. R. Its deeds of charity, its discharge of duty, its devo-tion to the sacred trust reposed in its and Ahimaaz (2 Sam. xviii, 19-31); and members, by the last whispered words of Asahel (2 Sam. ii: 18). The distance from the dying, have silenced detraction, have commanded respect, have won the confidence of the best men and swomen of The battle began, probably, in the forcnoon and continued into the afternoon. t is evident that the courier reached Shiioh before dark; vs. 13, 16. His tunic (or onter garment) was rent, and his hair

dismay. Thus silently he proclaimed the sad news as he ran, + all day. They througed the southern gate and watched for the messenger who swamps and tangled fens; in the unknown no doubt is there that they shared in the confidence of the army that the Ark hovering about us, touching with loftier sentiment the hearts, filling with nobler port was good or bad; but as he swiftly hey bade us care for their loved ones at approached them, their strained eyes could detect the rent garment and the dust-besprinkled hair. And when he faira higher existence. They were ours in tribulation, and their children shall be told the tale, their wild cry, arose as the ment, of grief and despair, such as foleyes, we will guard the pathway of their lows the announcement of any great castricken in a moment from the height of anticipated victory to the nethermost As the annual time for the distribution of flowers approaches, let us hasten to akin to this revulsion and sorrow of heart, was felt through the North after the first defeat at Bull Run. Sharon, to bring its rose; and to the Alpine bowers, that the wild honeysuckle

II. The effect upon Eli; verses 14-18. Blind, helpless, left behind by the people who rushed to the south gate, Eli sat on loved the ark of Jehovah above all earthquickened by the gain of his lost sense of Benjamin. How slowly the day passed! Will the people never return from the gate, whither hours ago be heard them urrying? Thinking thus for the hundredth time, the old priest starts. Oh near Priest or Levite, and asks: "What meanoth the noise of this tumult?" Just daring valor. You cannot conceive of an then the messenger comes up. He speaks interest so grand or so sacred, but its as an eye-witness. He breaks the news very life depend upon the success of our boys in blue. The General Governlast. Israel has fleil before the enemy with great slaughter-that is bad enough: all coming time to the gallantry of the two sons are dead-this, is a heavy blow to his loving heart, but the Lord has prepared for it. But the ark of God is taken." The man speaks it slowly and softly; but the sentence strikes Eli as a very thunderbolt from heaven. "No word of a Philisting could have slain him more powerfully; neither can you say whether his neck or his heart were first

ally fall into the treasury of these com-rades, and it will be like seed east into proken." From his official chair, "richly fertile soil, which bringeth forth an huncarved, superbly ornamented, high and To the comrades of the Order, we may without a back," he falls backward, and is dead. It almost makes one weep to think of such a death for a man "nihety and eight years old." Poor Eli! he of its designs and principles, is correct. weakness. So strongly were his sensibilples—to make them the rule of your lives. You need not to be told of the manner, nor the authority, by which these princi-ples are enforced. It is enough for us to the news of the capture of the Ark provsay: You have recognized their heavenly origin, and your own good sense not only over-indulgence or sad neglect of his fam-