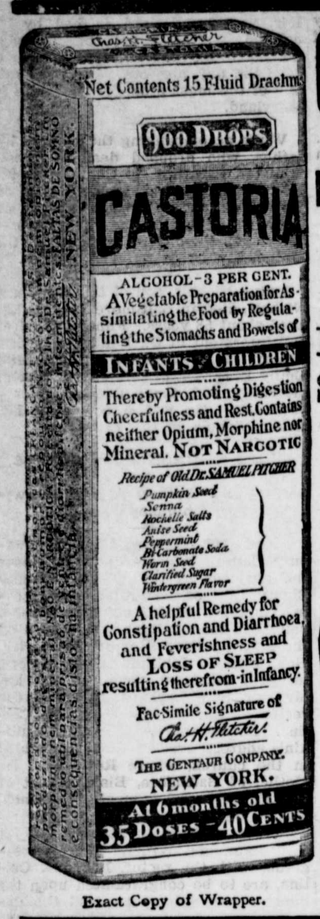

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The fragrant inspiration of his thought,
And poured it forth where I could breathe it yet
From rose geranium and mignonette!
Yet I forgot the intimate spell of these
In the enchantment of the trees—old trees!

I have loved many a meadow daisy pied—
Childhood's Elysium in the summertide—
And made a little song about a star
That is no lovier than the daisies are;
But when young maple leaves turned, one by one,
Their shimmering silver linings to the sun,
I joyously renounced all other ecstacies
In the keen rapture of the trees—old trees!

I have loved sloping hillsides when May came
With waxen rhodendron and the flame
Of scarlet columbine and Indian plume,
With young green on the brier and new bloom;
Then paused where one great tasseling chestnut stood,
A towering sentinel to guard the wood,
And knew I loved it more than all of these,
Because one must look upward to old trees!

MEMORIAL DAY

THIS DAY TO BE OBSERVED IN CHESTERTOWN NEXT MONDAY IN A MOST FITTING AND APPROPRIATE MANNER

On next Monday, May 30, Memorial Day will be celebrated in an appropriate manner in Chestertown, which will be a fitting tribute to those who have helped to make our nation the free and great nation it is today. The American Legion, composed of men who served their country on the firing lines or in the training camp, is behind the movement, which is not only confined to Kent county but extends to uttermost parts of this country.

Memorial Day! What is it? Memorial Day is a day for memory and for tears. A mighty nation will, on this day, bend above its honored graves and pay to noble dust a just tribute of its devotion.

On this day we should recount the story of our country's life—tell of the lofty deeds of the years that have passed—tell of the toil and suffering, the defeats and victories of heroic men—of men who have made our country what it is today.

On Memorial Day we should, in imagination, see the first ships whose prows were gilded by the western sun and feel the thrill of discovery as a new world was revealed to wondrous and adventurous eyes. We should feel, in part, the hardships that were endured as our forefathers skirted the ocean's billows and braved untold dangers to found this great nation. We should see how, separated from the distinctions and cast of the Old World they governed themselves and set an example in free government which has for a century and a half been the marvel of the world. We should see the human tide that flowed on, unchecked, until Thirteen Colonies were flung along the eastern seaboard.

On Memorial Day we should tell how these Thirteen Colonies—tired of paying an inglorious tribute to a corrupt and an unjust king—threw off the yoke of oppression, issued the Declaration of Independence—the chart and compass of human freedom—and then copied with their swords what they had written with their pens, until all men were equal on the American Continent. This Declaration of Independence uncrowned kings and wrested from the hands of titled tyranny the sceptre of usurped and arbitrary power.

On Memorial Day we should tell of the Second War with England, which was fought for the rights of America on the seas of the world. We should remember the brilliant achievements of our little army and navy against superior forces, and of our conflicts against the merciless savages of the frontier—which neither the deeds or the victories of the past or the future can ever dim. The Revolution gave us a free land and the War of 1812 gave us a free sea.

We should, on this day, remember our war with Mexico, when a handful of brave and fearless men conquered a nation, and, leaving out of the question the justice of the cause, we cannot but admire the indomitable courage of our troops. History may furnish a parallel, but it does not show a record of more daring deeds.

Our resources were boundless and our future seemed secure—but it was not so.

The hardy pioneers moved toward the Great West and beneath their ringing strokes the forests disappeared, the great plains were crossed, the mountains were conquered and the foot of victorious adventure pressed the shores of the Pacific.

We should then tell—each in his own way—of the fraticidial strife which rent this nation in twain and threatened to throw the government from its power. We should remember the heroic sacrifices which each side—believing itself to be right—made for what it believed to be justice. We should tell how peace finally came and how the sections of the country which had been torn by strife were finally welded into an unbreakable and unperishable union which time may strengthen but can never destroy.

On Memorial Day we should tell how Spain dared to impress the yoke of Old World oppression upon the reluctant brow of the New World and how that sinister challenge was met by the sword, and how Cuba, free from beneath the iron heel of the oppressor, was given the right to govern herself in her own way.

We should be thankful, on that day, for the nearly quarter of a century of peace which intervened before again the Sword was unsheated against the Old World tyrant. Nearly all of us living at this time know and appreciate the dull work of the men in the training camps and of the valorous deeds of that thin, khaki line across seas which planted itself in the path of the invader and destroyer of all that is sacred to the human race. The deeds of courage which our men performed upon the crimson fields of those countries which were so hard pressed will never grow dim with the years, but will grow brighter and brighter until history will be searched almost in vain to find a parallel.

And, finally, let us think of all our soldiers of all our wars; of those who returned and received the plaudits they so justly deserved; of those whose scars give to modesty a tongue; and of those who sleep in unknown, unmarked graves, who live only in the memories of those who hear in happy dreams their footsteps of return.

Our flag, for which our heroes fought in all the wars, is the emblem of human rights. It means that this country has been dedicated not only to freedom, but it means that all—weak and strong—must obey. It shields and canopies the mansion and the hut. It was given to the air in the Revolution's darkest days and it represents the suffering and the glories of the past and the hopes of the future.

Memorial Day is sacred to the great, heroic host who kept this flag above our heads. These brave men fulfilled the prophecies; brought to pass the dreams and hopes of the ages. Words, after all, are but barren sounds, and on Monday, Memorial Day, we can but stand beside their graves—the nation over—and in the hush of silence feel what speech has never told.

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