NATIONAL PATRIOTISM!

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Washington was indignant at the cruel exposure of his comrades to such a deadly fire, as he saw them sacrificed to the willfulness of their commanding officer. At length General Braddock was himself so severely wounded he had to be carried from the fight and Washington was left to give orders. Now his military genius shone resplendant as he galloped through the disordered ranks of his men, his tall commanding figure even in the smoke of battle presenting a constant target for the enemy's sharp shooters. His soldiers were falling on all sides around him in the agony of death wounds, yet he still spurred his horse over the plain, striving in every nerve to reverse the tide of battle. His horse at last sank to the groung from exhaustion, and Washington was thrown among the wounded and the dead. Seizing a riderless horse he sprang upon his back pressing on pointing with his sword, and sending out his reassuring tones amid the panic stricken ranks to rally them. Again his horse fell and Washington sprang into the vacant saddle of another steed while the bullets of his foes fell around him like hail stones. Four bullets passed through his coat, and well did he know what a mark he was for the Indian rifles. Providence spared his life for while ⅓ of the entire American and British forces fell upon that bloody field of death and ⅔ of the 87 officers were killed or wounded, Washington remained unhurt.

Amid the wild carnage about him, the thunder of the artillery, the roar of musketry, mingling with the piercing war whoops of the painted savages, with his men continually falling like the melting of frost work, Washington did not lose his calm self possession. With firmness and unequaled daring he tried to over come the panic and to stimulate his men to continued resistance. But in vain, the wrecked army rolled tumultuously towards the Monongahela River and over it, in a rapid and disastrous retreat to their own settlements. It is told of Washington, that as he rode about through the disordered ranks of his men during this engagement, an old Indian chief took deliberate aim at him several times to kill him and bade his warriors do the same. Finding their shots failed to strike Washington, they ceased, believing that he was especially protected by the "Great Spirit."

Years after, this same chief came a long distance to pay deference to the White Man so guarded by his "Great Spirit" that could not be killed in battle.

With Washington's self command and imperturtable coolness in danger, sometimes he exhibited an impetuosity akin to recklessness, in desperate emergencies. Among other heroic deeds recorded of him, when his forces were disheartened, weary and greatly outnumbered at Princeton he exhibited a daring which seemed to be the inspiration of a lofty enthusiasm. Quietly trying to escape under cover of the night from the over whelming army of the British, he suddenly met 3 regiments of the enemy marching out of the town in the early morning hours.

It was imperatively necessary to break up these opposing regiments, or to be himself, with his followers, utterly routed. Doubtless we all remember his personal valor in this crisis. The English gave battle at once to the Americans, and seeing his soldiers wavering and about to break ranks, Washington instantly seized a standard and plunging the spurs into his horse he dashed right into the thick of the fight exposing himself to an almost certain and speedy death. He shouted in his own deep earnest tones "follow your General." The conflict was sharp and deadly but Washing succeeded in literally forcing his way through the enemies lines and at last reached Morristown where he wintered his almost exhausted little army of patriots.

We will only touch upon his devotion in sharing the suffering and poverty of his army that memorable winter at Valley Forge. In all—the Americans numbered in their motley array about 11000 men, 2000 of these entirely bare-footed and half naked; in the latter part of December, these suffering soldiers stacked their arms on the frozen ground in the open fields, and began to hunt for materials to erect some kind of huts to partially shelter them from the cold storms of winter. Hundreds had clothing so torn and worn out that in marching their cold muskets rested upon their naked shoulders, their poor tired feet often bleeding from cuts received in plodding over the sharp clods of frozen ground.

Wearily and painfully, harnessed in pairs, they would drag the logs they had cut from the forest trees to build rude huts for their shelter. Before these were ready they were obliged to lie around their camp fires with only their poor blankets wrapoed around them, to shelter their half famished bodies from the chilly blasts of winter. Gradually huts were built, and our brave heroes crept in, some being unable to come out for the want of clothing, and there they would spend weary days and nights in suffering upon their beds of straw. As the weather became more intense, they did not dare to lie down to sleep for fear of freezing, but snatched what sleep they could sitting up around their fires. Washington was wrung with anguish at the pitiable condition of his army; later on, Congress was able to send better supplies of food and clothing, but that hard winter brought to many fatal sickness from want and exposure.

Still there was no repining, and suffering was endured with more than Spartan fortitude, and Washington's faith remained unshaken that Independence would at last be ours.

Tossing the Historian says that "Frederick the Great" of Russia declared of this epoch. "The achievements of Washington and his little band of patriots between the 25th of December 1776 and the 4th of January 1777 were the most brilliant ever recorded in history."

Hardly can it be said-*truthfully* of any that "he never loses his self control," but of Washington it is true. In no emergency did he ever yield to unbridled emotion and in thus ruling his own spirit, he was "greater than in taking a city." His generosity and heroism inspired his writing to the Governor of Virginia, when hostile Indians were constantly adding to the dangers and sufferings of frontier life and indeed throughout the colonies "Your Honor may see to what unhappy straits the distracted inhabitants and myself are reduced. I am too little acquainted with pathetic language to attempt a description of the people's distress though I have a soul sensible of wrong and swelling for redress" and again he wrote "The suffocating tears of the women and moving petitions of the men melt me into such deadly sorrow that I solemnly declare if I know my own mind I could offer myself a willing sacrifice to the butchering enemy provided that would contribute to the people's ease." What spirit could be more sublime; and unequivocally attest that true patriotism was the crowning virtue of our Washington's character; for his country—he proffered his *life*, and his fortune; and his example is amost precious legacy to his fellow citizens. During the sessions of the Mother's Congress in washington—that gifted, true hearted woman" Margaret E. Sangster" told her auditors that biography was most profitable reading, and the life of Washington, is a book of such value that we can not exhaust its interest. He goes not stand alone among our sons of freedom and many other patriots have a right to our grateful homage, still is Washington justly entilted to be 1st in the hearts of every citizen of this mighty Republic.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

John W. Davis
versus
George Davis, Hester Mary Davis, Mary E. Davis, Richard T. Turner, Jr., administrator of Samuel Davis, deceased.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, No. 1,250 Equity.

THE object of this suit is to procure a decree for the sale of certain real estate in Kent county, in the State of Maryland, which the late Samuel Davis, late of Kent county, died, seized and possessed.

The bill states that the said Samuel Davis was in his lifetime indebted unto a certain John W. Davis, of the city of New York, in the State of New York, the sum of five hundred dollars on a certain promissory note, dated the 27th day of December, 1895, with interest from January the 1st, 1896. That the said Samuel Davis being so indebted, as aforesaid, and also to divers other persons in large sums of money, and having real and personal estate of much value, departed this life on or about the 19th day of May, 1896, intestate and leaving no children. But leaving a widow, Mary E. Davis, of Kent county, and one brother, Thadeus C. Davis, of the State of New York, as his heirs at law.

And that after the death of the said Sam'l Davis the said Thadeus C. Davis departed this life intestate, leaving no widow nor children, but leaving George Davis and Hester Mary Davis, children of his deceased son, George Davis, his only heirs at law, both of whom are infants under twenty-one years of age, and who reside in the State of New Jersey, and upon whom devolved the interest of the said Thadeus C. Davis in the real and personal estate of the said Samuel Davis.

The bill further states that administration of the personal estate of the said Samuel Davis was granted by the Orphans Court of Kent county, Maryland, unto Richard T. Turner, Jr., of said Kent county, who possessed himself of the same and applied it to the partial payment of all the debts of his estate including that due John W. Davis. That as said personal estate so applied was insufficient for the payment of all the just debts of the said Samuel Davis.

And that the said John W. Davis and other creditors are entitled to have the balance of their claims paid out of the real estate of said deceased, and that the plaintiff may have such other and further relief as his case may require.

It is thereupon this 26th day of March 1897 ordered by the Circuit Court for Kent county in Equity that the plaintiff by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in said Kent county once a week for four successsve weeks before the 26th day of April, 1897, give notice to the George Davis and Hester May Davis, non resident Defendants of the object and substance of this bill, and warning them to appear in this Court in person or by solicitor on or before the 12th day of May next to show cause, if any they have, why a decree ought not to be passed as prayed.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county letters testamentary on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of

SARAH A. HANDY,

late of Baltimore City, Maryland, deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 14th day of September, 1897, otherwise they may be excluded bylaw from all benefits of said estate. All indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber.

Given under my hand this 9th day of March, 1897.

PHILIP G. WILMER.
March 13, 1897—4t. Executor.

No. 1,240 Chancery.

Order Nisi.

Henry Parr, Trustee,
versus
George C. Walls.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, in Equity.

ORDERED, this 6th day of March, 1897, that the sale of the property mentioned in these proceedings made and reported by HENRY PARR, Trustee, under a Deed of Trust from George C. Walls to him, dated the 3d day of February, 1897, be ratified and confirmed unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 15th day of April next;—Provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, Maryland, once in each of two successive weeks before the 29th day of March next.

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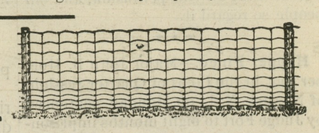

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