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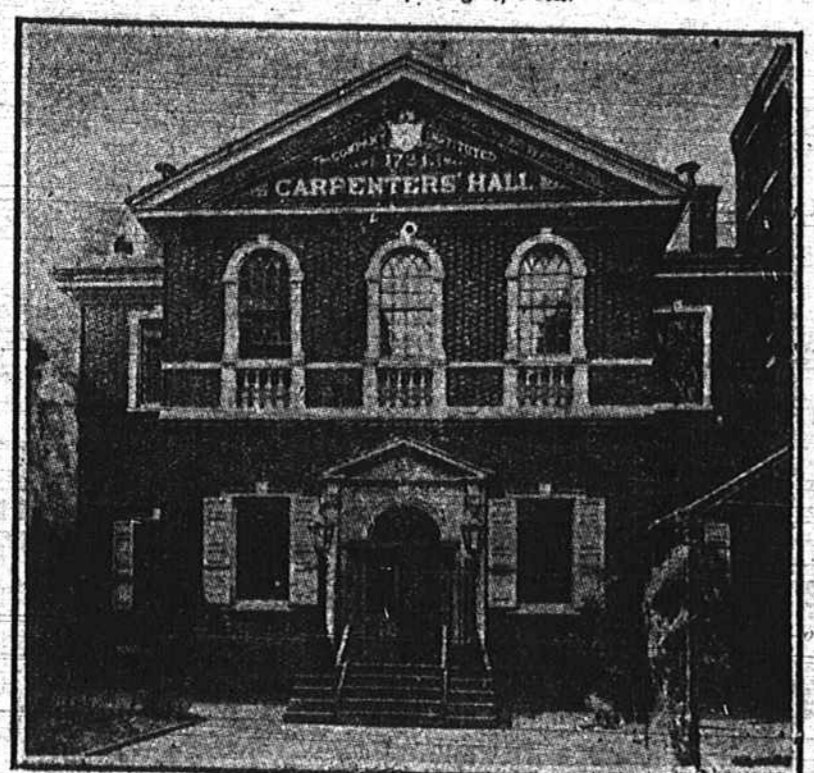
In Lafayette Square, nearly opposite the White House, is the imposing bronze and marble memorial to Lafayette and his compatriots who served in the Revolutionary War.

The Color Bearer

By Lucretia Macy Gardner

"I'm a roll for Widow James' kid at Bluff Ledge! 'Taint often a parcel comes by express for that chap!"

and his speech for the little cripple at Bluff Ledge was the longest that he had made for many a day.



CARPENTER'S HALL, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

"Shame about that little fellow, I declare! He's so cute with his hands; seems though he makes up for his little shriveled legs,"

"Don't you fool yourself into thinking that, Si; why, Jim says he's as keen as a whetstone, and a reg-lar good American, allers readin' about the soldiers that died for the country, and—"

"At that moment the door flew open, and shouts of 'Come aboard!' greeted the newcomer, a young fellow, slight and narrow-chested, in contrast with the sturdy skippers, but peculiarly lithe and alert.

"What kind?" thundered the voice of the young skipper. "I don't know as he's to blame because some fool chaps nearly burned him to death seven years ago to-morrow, setting off their firecrackers, and never—"

"I know all about it, but I'm bound to have this flag for this Fourth of July, and not the next. We've been told to go through fire and water for Old Glory, you know, and the Petrel and I'll let water."

"You won't think of goin' sech a fool trip, Jim? It won't be no sea fur Bluff Ledge before another forty-eight hours,"

"Your boat'll be smashed to smithereens, boy!" said Si. "You can't do it, never!"

"No, Jim, you sit still," suggested Dick's mother. "I've got some hot coffee for you and a piece of steak; the other men will see to the flag."

"You're awful resky, and the game ain't with the candle; the wind's dead ahead!" shouted Captain Brewster.

"I'm goin' into the tower to watch him as long as I can. Ef there ain't a lot of grit in that small parcel, then my name ain't what it is! But, I tell you boys, Jim's goin' to ketch it!"

"Twan't no use talkin' when Jim's jaw is set that way, we'd might as well save our powder, but he was clean crazy!"

The skipper of the Petrel was fully aware of the dangers that were before him. He stowed the roll carefully away, covered it with an old 'oller,' lighted his pipe, set it firmly between his lips, then gave himself to the battle with the wind and wave.

It needed skilful management to go up alongside of the Petrel; but, after frequent attempts Jim was pulled aboard, drenched to the skin, and holding the roll in its covering.

"What in creation is this? Are you wild to start out in such a gale?" was the first question after the Petrel had been fastened to the life-boat.

"No, you don't!" they shouted, "he was coming all right, Dick, but we helped him along."

Dick trembled as he attempted to undo the hard knots. "Here, lad, take my knife—there's no time to lose—here now!"

The boy's eyes sparkled, his breath came in quick gasps as the whole glory of the Stars and Stripes lay before him. Tenderly his little hands traced the outline of the stars on their blue background, while the weather-beaten seamen, with Jim in their midst, and the delicate little woman looked on in admiration.

"Now I'll fetch a pole, and we'll hang it, Dick."

"The Petrel's seen seas before; anyway I'm going to try to reach the Ledge; the wind may fool all of us, and go down."

The gray heads shook dubiously, and blurt Captain Brewster said, "Another Declaration of Independence, by vum!" as Jim strode out into the night.

The next morning found him in his 'sow-wester,' and cap drawn over his short, curly hair, preparing for the expedition. He had hoped to leave the wharf before the usual flow of skippers should be settled in front of the fish-houses, but that was the very day they chose to be down early.

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Little money, much squint.

INTERESTING STATE NEWS

Column of Current Events Caught in Every County From Coast to Mountain Cap.

The Seminoles Security Co. Trouble. Taking the testimony of trustees and officers of the Seminoles Security Co. will commence on July 12.

Mills Subscribe to Stock for Car Line. The directors of the Pelzer Manufacturing Company have decided to subscribe 25 cents per spindle to the capital stock of the Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson trolley line.

Erects Her Own Monument. Sue Peters, the coliced woman who holds the distinction of being the only person from Sumter to attend the Paris Exposition, has had her own monument erected in Walker cemetery.

It was a very jolly wrecking-party that stood in the little, low room, while Jim, bashful and conscious, exclaimed, "I have brought you something for your Fourth, Dick, and, thanks to these men, I've got here before sunset."

"Mrs. Sue Peters, wife of Andrew D. Peters and mother of Walter D. born 1855. An earnest Christian, faithful wife and loving mother.

Two Native Sons Get Jobs. Claude I. Dawson of Anderson has been appointed by the president to be consul at Puerto Cortez, Honduras.

Dispensary Auditor West Resigns. After a service of three years as State dispensary auditor, W. B. West has sent in his resignation to Gov. Ansel.

Col. Edwin E. Cox Resigns. Col. Edwin R. Cox, of Darlington, has tendered his resignation as commander of the Second Regiment, South Carolina National Guard.

Mail in South Carolina. There are in this State 750 rural letter carriers who handle 100,000 pieces of mail matter per day, from 354 postoffices.

Pellagra Claims Two More Victims. Miss Mary Stelling is the second victim of pellagra to die in Columbia. Miss Stelling died Sunday afternoon.

Variety of News Briefly Stated. W. W. Ball of Columbia has been appointed a member of the board of trustees of the South Carolina Industrial school at Florence to take the place of Dr. T. A. Crawford, who resigned.

The Florence city council has let the contract for the erection of the new city jail, which is to cost \$8,750.

S. B. Aiken, of Greenville, has been awarded a lieutenancy in the army, which is annually awarded the graduating class at the Virginia Military Institute by the secretary of war.

The Tri-State Aerie of the Order of Eagles, in Convention at Brunswick, Ga., decided hereafter to hold but one annual Convention of the three State aeries and the organization perfected was made permanent.

CONGRESS ADJOURNS;

\$1,055,000,000 SPENT

New Record of Expenditures, Despite Efforts For Economy.

MANY NOTABLE BILLS PASSED

More Administration Measures Were Enacted Than Ever Before in One Session—Taft Explains Signing Rivers and Harbors Bills.

Washington, D. C.—The first regular session of the Sixty-first Congress adjourned sine die at 11 o'clock p. m. after having passed more general legislation than any preceding Congress in many years.

Despite the efforts for economy on the part of President Taft and all the members of his Administration the total of appropriations is about \$1,055,000,000, or \$10,000,000 in excess of those passed at the last session.

The galleries at the closing session were crowded with spectators. There was a strong feeling of satisfaction and a feeling of summer draperies and un-

IMPORTANT LEGISLATION BY CONGRESS JUST ENDED.

Washington, D. C.—The important measures passed by Congress at the present session were:

The Railroad bill, extending the regulative powers of the Government further over the common carriers.

The Postal Savings Bank bill.

The creation of a commission to inquire into stocks and bond issues of railroads.

The creation of a Bureau of Mines, for which \$502,200 is appropriated.

Granting the President authority to withdraw from entry certain classes of lands in order to perfect the Administration's conservation policy.

The building of two first class battleships and several smaller naval vessels.

The granting of separate Statehood to Arizona and New Mexico.

To further perfect laws in regard to the use of safety appliances on railroads.

The creation of a commission to secure facts to enable the effecting of economy in Federal departments.

To suppress the "white slave" traffic.

An appropriation sufficient to meet the needs of the Tariff Board in its efforts to ascertain the difference of the cost of production at home and abroad.

The reorganization of the lighthouse service.

The issue of \$20,000,000 certificates to further irrigation work.

An act to prevent the sale of misbranded and adulterated Paris green fungicides and insecticides.

An act providing regulations designed to prevent collisions between vessels.

An act to authorize agricultural entries on coal lands.

An act providing a tariff system for the Philippines.

An act amending in many important respects the act providing for the Government of Hawaii.

An act fixing gold coin as the medium for paying the public debt of the United States.

ROBBERS KILL TWO IN STREET

Pursuers Shoot One, Another Kills Himself.

Three Poles Fell Lynn Shoe Manufacturer and Policeman and Run With Bag Containing \$5000.

Lynn, Mass.—Three Russian Poles, who are believed to have come here from New York recently, shot and killed Thomas A. Landregan, a shoe manufacturer, and Patrolman James H. Carroll on the street in the heart of the shoe district about 9 o'clock a. m.

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10,000 Jewelry Workers Laid Off.

Providence, R. I.—A shutdown varying from five to two days during the months of July and August was announced by more than 100 jewelry factories in this city, Pawtucket, Attleboro and North Attleboro, Mass., and other near-by places.

Gaskell Starts From Seattle. Seattle, Wash.—Maharajah Sir Sayajji III, Gaskell of Baroda, one of the richest potentates in India, left here for New York and Boston.

Hoke Smith to Run Again. Atlanta.—Hoke Smith announced his candidacy for Governor against Governor Brown, who beat him last election after Brown had been removed from the Railroad Commission by Smith, who then was Governor.

Boy Suicide Saves Examiner. Worcester, Mass.—Suicide by hanging, no criminal homicide, is the finding of Medical Examiner C. S. Knight, of Westboro, who performed an autopsy on the body of John Newman, the Cambridge boy who was found dead at the Lyman School For Boys at Westboro on June 7.

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LATEST NEWS.

BY WIRE.

Oklahoma to Disfranchise Negro.

Oklahoma City, Okla.—Governor Haskell issued a proclamation calling a special election for August 2 to vote on the "grandfather clause" constitutional amendment, which his opponents say, will disfranchise the negro.

Mrs. Sarah A. Edwards Dead. Los Angeles, Cal.—Mrs. Sarah A. Edwards, whose son, Dr. W. Edwards, is President Taft's brother-in-law, died here seventy-nine years old. The President was the guest of the Edwards family during his recent visit to Los Angeles.

Gets \$17,500 For a Leg. New York City.—Alice Philpot, a waitress, recovered a verdict in the Supreme Court for \$17,500 damages against the Fifth Avenue Coach Company for the loss of a leg.

For Iron and Steel Inquiry. Washington, D. C.—A thorough investigation of conditions prevailing in the iron and steel industry will be made by the Bureau of Labor. The Borah resolution, instructing that such an inquiry be made, was passed by the Senate.

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