

AN HISTORICAL MONUMENT.

Centennial Anniversary of the Battle of Bennington.

THE MEMORIAL DEDICATED WITH IMPOSING CEREMONIES.

An Immense Crowd in Attendance--Eloquent Oration by Edward J. Phelps--President Harrison Greedy With Shouts of Applause--The City Gaily Decorated--Triumphal Living Arch--Patriotic Songs by One Hundred Ladies.

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BENNINGTON (Vt.), Aug. 19.--An immense crowd was here to witness the dedication of the Bennington Monument. The procession passed under a triumphal arch at the junction of Main and North streets. It was a living arch, made of young ladies, who sang patriotic hymns as the procession passed beneath, and on its top stood a living Goddess of Liberty. Every building was adorned for the occasion with bunting and flowers.

President Harrison reviewed the procession. He received much applause from those present.

Grouped about the monument and stand at its base were the different commands of the parade, and thousands of people listened to the address. General Veazey, President of the day, made the introductory address.

After prayer, Governor Page made the address of welcome.

In an eloquent speech Governor Prescott of New Hampshire, President of the Monument Association, presented the monument to the Governor of Vermont. Governor Page accepted the gift in a brief address.

Music followed, and then Hon. Edward J. Phelps, orator of the day, was introduced. His oration and somewhat lengthy address was received with great applause.

In his oration he said substantially: "Vermont consecrates to-day her first historic monument, but it is not hers alone. New Hampshire and Massachusetts, who fought with her and for her in Bennington, have joined in erecting this memorial to common history. And you are here represented by a splendid delegation to share in the triumph of its completion, and to give to the occasion by the distinction which it confers, the dignity and more generous grace. The day has still larger significance. It is truly fortunate. It marks not only the anniversary of the battle of Bennington, but the consummation of this structure of the exertions of fifteen years, but likewise the centennial of the entrance of Vermont into the Federal Union. A high and glorious day for the Chief Magistrate of the Nation should be our most honored guest. In this scene party differences are forgotten, and only Americans, and in the locality to that great office and respect for the incumbent who fills it so well, we this day are on the President's side."

President Veazey introduced President Harrison who arose amid cheers and shouts of "What's the matter with Harrison?" "He's a hero!"

The President said in substance: "There are several obvious reasons why I should not attempt to speak here. A great audience is here, and it is uncomfortable to stand in the open air. I have just listened to a scholarly review you have just issued which led to this assemblage, and to those lessons which you must suggest to every young American, and to patriotic men of Vermont honored by his State, by the Nation, by the profession to which he can do honor, by Vermont, and it doesn't seem that these good sentences into which he has gathered thoughts of preparation, should be marred by my presence. I can only say I have no further preparation for a speech to-day than this cordial welcome you have extended me, which makes it unnecessary for me to say anything more than the most grateful acknowledgment of it. Perhaps I may be permitted as a citizen of a Western State to give tribute to Vermont. Perhaps I may be permitted to bring to you a tribute of their appreciation of the history of this State. Other colonies staked their liberty on an issue with the assurance that they had secured their rights and liberties were theirs, and the inhabitants of New Hampshire grants alone fought with the inhabitants of Vermont, and I know whether when liberty was achieved their homes would be assured them by victory. They had grave reasons to fear that the Government to whom they had recognized the claims of New York upon their homes, and yet through all this struggle, though the assurance was given, Vermont took a glorious part in securing the independence which was the ultimate security of the homes of her people. It is a glorious and unmatched history. The message of Indiana, and of all States, is worthy Vermont. She has kept faith unwaveringly from Bennington to this day. She has added illustrious names to our roll of warriors and statesmen. Her representation in Congress, as I have known it, has become conspicuous for its influence, and has the same influence been without reproach to any man. We have occasionally come to Vermont with call that did not originate with our own people, and those calls have always been answered with the same conservation of duty as your own. I found, when the difficult task of making a cabinet was conferred to duty that had characterized their fathers, even in their vision of lifting up their heads in faith, that God would bring them through it."

"We are to-day approaching the conclusion of a summer of extraordinary fruitfulness. How insignificant the stores gathered in Bennington in 1777 compared with those stores, bursting with plenty to-day. We ought to be a grateful as well as prosperous people. The European delicacies offer a ready market for all our cereals, and we shall grow richer as they take food from our storehouses. But after all, it is not considerable of wealth that tells the greatness of this country. Vermont has not been one of the rich States in gold or silver, but she has been wrought out of the strife of European wars, and she has saved her country on which the security of our country rests." [Applause.]

In conclusion the President thanked the audience for its attention. He was late in the afternoon when the President finished, and the literary exercises were brought to a close and a banquet was served to over 4,000 people. At the banquet in the afternoon President Harrison spoke again. He eulogized New England's character, which

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Strange Story Connected With the Drowning of Carl Schorr.

SUICIDED TO ESCAPE PROSECUTION FOR BIGAMY.

Governor Markham in Attendance at the Grand Army Encampment at San Diego--John G. Howell Field Without Ball to Answer Before the Superior Court for the Killing of Colvin--Eureka Visited by a Very Destructive Fire.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 19.--On July 24th last Carl Schorr, a mining prospector from Australia, was drowned while bathing in the ocean near the Cliff House in sight of his wife, to whom he had been married only a week. It was thought Schorr had been trying to find it. Today a woman who says she was Schorr's wife arrived here from Butte, Montana, and met Mrs. Schorr No. 2. Comparing their experiences, a singular story of the drowned man's duplicity was unfolded.

Mrs. Schorr No. 1 says she was married to Schorr ten years ago, and that they accumulated a little property in Butte. Her husband went to Australia, and last May wrote her to join him there. Instead of waiting for her he took passage for San Francisco. With him came a Miss Taylor, whom he married on reaching here. He expected by the time he reached San Francisco that the woman who would be on her way to Australia. Instead, she missed the steamer, and it is thought that Schorr, fearing prosecution for bigamy, committed suicide. The second wife gave all her money to Schorr, and is now left penniless.

Death on the Fall. BRADFORD (Pa.), Aug. 19.--Abson L. Pratt, a fireman on the Campbell lumber road, was killed to-day by a falling log, which fell on his head, and he was fatally injured. Pratt and Galvin, in making up the train, left one car at the top of a steep grade, placing a block of wood under the wheel to hold it while they prepared to start the engine. Two young men coming along knocked the block from beneath the wheels and the car started down the grade. One of the young men, who was standing by, had helped to start, but becoming frightened at the speed it gained he jumped and ran into the engine and the car also being wrecked. Galvin being fatally injured and Pratt instantly killed.

World's Fair Appointments. CHICAGO, Aug. 19.--Director-General Davis has nominated Chief Engineer L. W. Robinson, of the United States Navy, to be the Chief of the Machinery Department of the World's Fair. He also appointed Chief of the Horticulture Department of the American Florists' Convention in Toronto, and the horticultural resolutions warmly indorsing Thorpe.

The Illinois Steamer. ST. LOUIS, Aug. 19.--Dispatches from many points along the path of yesterday's storm in Illinois indicate that great damage was done to corn and other crops. Several people were injured and a few killed. The Illinois steamer and outbuildings were swept away.

Terrible Storm. WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.--The United States Consul at Martinique called the State Department to-day that a hurricane last night, August 18th, destroyed every building and many lives lost.

Two Women Hang Themselves. BUFFALO, Aug. 19.--In Erie County Jail yesterday two women hanged themselves with bed-clothing.

AMATEUR OARSMEN. RACING AT NAPA, SANTA BARBARA AND RED BLUFF.

NAPA, Aug. 19.--To-day's races were closely contested. The first race Rustic King won, Stonewall second. Best time, 2:42.

The second race Keepsake won, Lou Milton second. Best time, 2:32.

Third race, special, Beaumont won, Flora G. second. Best time, 2:25.

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The second race, trotting, was won by Ed G. in two straight heats, Excelsior second. Time, 2:50.

The stallion race was won by Rosewell, Corbett second. Best time, 2:30.

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First race, running, half mile and repeat, Jodie won, Best time, 6:50.

Second race, trotting, Lucy W. won in three straight heats. Best time, 2:39.

Third race, trotting, Biggs won, W. W. second. Best time, 2:29.

RATHER STIFF PRICES. SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 19.--The steamer George W. Elder, which left here last month with a cargo of 1,400 tons of wheat for Peru, arrived this morning, fifteen days from Callao.

Captain Lewis said that everything was quiet at the latter port, but there was a great demand for wheat and produce, their Chilean supply being cut off.

American flour was selling at the rate of \$2 a sack, and potatoes brought \$7, \$8 and \$9.

The arrival of the steamer at Callao on July 31st with her cargo of wheat was the signal for much roasting among the inhabitants, as no wheat had arrived there for twenty-five days.

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