The Feliciana Democrat.

History of the American Flag.

The first colors spoken of in connection with the American Revolution were significantly enough catitled "Union Flags." No account is given of the devices upon them. They are frequently spoken of in the newspapers of 1774.

The Connecticut troops fixed upon their drums in 1775, the motto *Qui Transtulit Sustinnet*, around it in letters of gold, literally—"God, who transplants us hither, will support us." This was the motto. Each regiment was distinguished by its color—blue, orange, &c.

July 18, 1776, General Israel Putnam—glorious "Old Put"—unfurled a flag at Cambridge, Mass., on the joyful occasion of the reception in that town of the Declaration of Independence, bearing the motto on each side, "An appeal of Heaven;" and on the other, "*Qui Transtulit Sustinet.*" This flag was flung to the breeze amid the roar of cannon and the shouts of the people. It is said at the time that "the Philistines on Bunker's Hill heard the cheers of the israelites (Israel Putnam,) and being fearful, paraded themselves in battle array." The flag was a red one—the signal of defiance or battle since the days of the Romans.

In september, 1755, Collonel Moultrie unfurled a large blue flag with a crescent in one corner. This was the first American flag displayed in South Carolina, and was used at the taking of Fort Johnstown, on James Island. The crescent is the emblem of sovereignty.

A standard, with a white ground, a pine tree in the middle, and the motto, "Appeal to Heaven," was adopted in October, 1785, as the flag of the floating batteries.

On January 2, 1776, the day that gave birth to the new American Army—the flag designated as "The Great Union standard," was hoisted. This was the basis of that of the present day.

In 1776 was adopted the standard to be used by the Commander-in-Cheif of the American Navy, "being a lively representation of the rattlesnake in the middle, in the attitude of striking." Underneath were the words, "Don't tread on me."

The same year the crusiers of the Colony of Massachusetts hoisted a white flag with a green pine tree, and the motto, "*Appeal to Heaven.*"

July 14; 1777, Congress passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the flag of the thirteen United States be thirteen stripes, alternately red and white, that the union be thirteen stars, in a blue field; representing a new constellation.

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The above resolution was made public September 2, 1777. According to Col. Trumbull the flag made in pursuance of it was first used at the surrender of Burgoyne, October 18 of the same year. This was a glorious beginning, truly, for this was one of the most important victories of the American arms during the Revolution.

The first change in the national colors was directed under the following enactment of Congress adopted January 13, 1794.

Be it enacted, &c., That from and after the first day of May, 1795, the flag of the United States be fifteen stripes, alternate red and white. That the Union be fifteen stars with a blue field.

This was the flag of the United States during the war of 1812–'14.

In 1798 the flag of the United States was again altered. On the suggestion of Hon. Mr. Wendover, of New York, a return was made to the thirteen stripes, as it was anticipated that the flag would become unwieldly if a stripe was added on the admission of each state, and moreover, by the plan proposed, the Union of the old thirteen States, as the number of States composing the Union would be represented by the flag of the United States. Mr. Wendover also proposed the arrangement of all the stars in the union into the form of a single star.

The resolution of 1818 was as follows.

Resolved, That, from and after the 4th day of July next, the flag of the United States be thirteen horizontal stripes, alternate white and red: That the union be twenty stars, white in a blue field.

And that, on the admission of a new State into the union, one star be added to the union of the flag; and that such addition should take effect on the 4th of July succeeding the admission.

The flag planted on the National Palace in the city of Mexico had thirty stars in the union. It is now deposited in the Department of State at Washington.

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