

**EXCURSION OF THE PUTNAM  
PHALANX TO BOSTON,  
CHARLESTOWN AND PROVIDENCE,  
OCTOBER 4TH, 5TH, 6TH AND 7TH,  
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 1859**

Published @ 2017 Trieste Publishing Pty Ltd

ISBN 9780649417032

Excursion of the Putnam Phalanx to Boston, Charlestown and Providence, October 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th, in the Year of Our Lord 1859 by Various

Except for use in any review, the reproduction or utilisation of this work in whole or in part in any form by any electronic, mechanical or other means, now known or hereafter invented, including xerography, photocopying and recording, or in any information storage or retrieval system, is forbidden without the permission of the publisher, Trieste Publishing Pty Ltd, PO Box 1576 Collingwood, Victoria 3066 Australia.

All rights reserved.

Edited by Trieste Publishing Pty Ltd.  
Cover @ 2017

This book is sold subject to the condition that it shall not, by way of trade or otherwise, be lent, re-sold, hired out, or otherwise circulated without the publisher's prior consent in any form or binding or cover other than that in which it is published and without a similar condition including this condition being imposed on the subsequent purchaser.

[www.triestepublishing.com](http://www.triestepublishing.com)

**VARIOUS**

**EXCURSION OF THE PUTNAM  
PHALANX TO BOSTON,  
CHARLESTOWN AND PROVIDENCE,  
OCTOBER 4TH, 5TH, 6TH AND 7TH,  
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 1859**



F91.297A41859

EXCURSION  
OF THE  
PUTNAM PHALANX

TO

*BOSTON, CHARLESTOWN AND PROVIDENCE,*

OCTOBER 4TH, 5TH, 6TH AND 7TH,

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 1859.



HARTFORD, CONN:

PUBLISHED BY THE PHALANX.

1859.

---

PRINTED AT HARTFORD, CONN.,


BY CASE, LOCKWOOD & CO.

---



Subz.  
Dr. Hall  
12-3-42  
46574

## PREFATORY.

HE Putnam Phalanx, desirous of putting in permanent form a Complete Record of their recent Excursion to Boston, Charlestown and Providence, confided the task of its preparation for publication to one who is not a member of their Organization. With him the labor has been one of careful collation and of furnishing such thread of narrative as was necessary to connect the various Addresses and more important Incidents of the Excursion, which were extensively reported in the Journals of the day. In a publication emanating from the Phalanx, it has seemed proper to avoid particular comment upon the performances of individuals, and generally to omit the enthusiastic encomiums of the press which were lavished upon the prominent members of the Organization. It is but simply just that the entire credit of these journeyings, and of the brilliant series of receptions, should be attributed to the Battalion as a body—not forgetting those courteous and hospitable friends in the Cities visited, whose unwearied efforts and attentions contributed so largely to the success, as well as pleasure of the Excursion.

Care has been taken to obtain revised copies of the Addresses from the various Speakers. The thanks of the Putnam Phalanx are respectfully and cordially tendered to Mrs. L. H. Sigourney, for the beautiful poem on *General Putnam*, and to George H. Clark, Esq., for the exquisite lines upon the affecting incident at Moosup—both of which were kindly furnished expressly for this publication.

R.

*Hartford, November, 1859.*





## GENERAL PUTNAM.



REAT Soul, and brave, 'tis good to think of thee,  
And with a filial reverence raise the veil  
From patriot valor, that ne'er fought of Fame  
Her clarion-payment.

See we not again,  
The unfinished furrow, the forsaken home,  
The flying steed, urg'd by thy sleepless heart  
'That throbb'd indignant o'er a smother'd sound,—  
The cry of *Lexington*?

'That echoed cry  
Rous'd a young nation from its lingering sleep  
To rush against the force of tyrant power,  
'Time-consecrated, and with sling and stone  
Defy the giant.

### Bunker Hill records

Thy stern o'er mastery of the battle-form,  
The deep memorial of thy dauntless deeds  
'That bore the spirit of a trampled land,  
Through this red preface of her liberty.

Hark!—from the heaving of yon burial sods  
Where sleep our Country's champions, comes a voice  
Demanding for thy name its just reward  
Too long withheld.—Of History it demands  
That lingering truth should light her lettered scroll,  
And summons tardy man to set thy fame  
In sculptured marble, that recording stars  
May read it clearly from their silver thrones,  
And living children from its tablet learn  
What patriot virtue means.

L. H. S.



## EXCURSION.



At a Special Meeting of the Putnam Phalanx, held at their Armory on the evening of September 18th, it was unanimously resolved that the Phalanx as a body should make a Pilgrimage to Bunker Hill, and a brief visit to Boston, Charlestown and Providence. *Quarter-Master* Strong proceeded to those places to make the necessary arrangements, and at a subsequent meeting, the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th days of October were selected as the time for the proposed Excursion. After due consideration, the Phalanx decided to invite but two persons to accompany them as Guests of the Battalion, viz: his Excellency Governor Buckingham, and ex-Governor Seymour, of Connecticut. To the great regret of the Organization, the Secretary received the following letters, respectfully declining the invitation:

FROM GOVERNOR BUCKINGHAM.

STATE OF CONNECTICUT, }  
Executive Department. }

Norwich, September 30th, 1859.

J. M. SEXTON, Esq.,

Sec. Putnam Phalanx,

Dear Sir: I have the pleasure of acknowledging your favor of the 28th inst., conveying the invitation of the Putnam Phalanx to be their guest during an Excursion to Boston and Providence, and beg you to assure that distinguished body that it would give me great