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INTRODUCTION.

The difficulties appearing to the mind of the Editor of this memorial of GEN. GRANT, as the work went on, were not only great, but numerous. So new and strange were the emergencies of the war, and so wonderful the development of GRANT's military genius, and character, that the whole country was constantly taken by surprise. This gave rise to a great deal of jealousy on the part of his military associates, whom he outranked, as well as on the part of their friends who were in the government's employ, and who felt themselves masters of the civil conduct of the war. A very mixed history was the consequence. It became almost impossible to discriminate between the truth and falsehood of the record. This led to a long and careful examination of the facts, and the result has been the adoption of the text of the *press* as the safest guide for a memorial volume. When the work of arrangement was accomplished, it was found that in most cases the press accounts were not only accurate but remarkably well written, better than they could be if rewritten, and therefore they have been extensively adopted verbatim. The dedication of the work therefore should be to the PRESS OF THE UNITED STATES. From some papers

more than others the copy has been literally taken. Among these are the New York Times, New York Herald, San Francisco Chronicle, Baltimore American, Philadelphia Times, Boston Journal, Boston Daily Advertiser, Boston Post, Boston Globe, Boston Evening Traveller, and extensively from the Boston Herald, containing a very able and accurate article written by Capt. F. H. Buffum, to whom especial thanks are returned for opportunities for examination of his original notes and data. Another of the comrades of General Grant has been elected President of the United States—General Benjamin Harrison, who served so faithfully in the war and subsequently with such marked success in the legislative department of the government, —like his illustrious grandfather, has been chosen by the people to preside over the nation for the next four years. He brings to the position the valuable experience of both father and grandfather, which, added to his own, cannot fail to satisfy a grateful people, who are marching on under the banner of such civil progress in government as the history of the world has never before witnessed.

The Editor, with the assistance of Miss A. A. Chevallier, has endeavored to make this volume a most proper and interesting one for libraries for the public, as well as for soldiers of the Grand Army who desire to get, in a condensed form, the account of the battles in which they were engaged, and in which their lives were also imperiled.

S. M. A.

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BIRTH PLACES

OF

Grant, Lincoln, and Harrison.

I.

THE lives of great men, entwined as they have been in the past, with all the progressive principles of successive nationalities, would seem in the present and future generation to have a broader and more general influence than in ages gone by. Until the present century most of the valuable work of statesmen and military generals has been carried forward to the masses by tradition, who now, through the skill and activity of the press, read and think for themselves. If there is not so much personal reverence and respect for individual accomplishment as in the past, there is now certainly more general appreciation of distinguished truth in whatever form it may be brought home to the common mind, and thus it can be carried forward in the future with more signal universal effect through all the spheres of human progress. Most of the great generals and statesmen of the world have either come up from the people through humble life of hardships and suffering, or if born in affluence have been, from one cause or another, subjected to want and suffering, which has developed great and good principles