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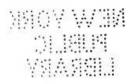
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INTRODUCTION

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE EMPIRE STATE SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION. NEW YORK, May 11, 1897.

A FEW years ago the suggestion was made to The Century Company by Mr. John Winfield Scott, a member of the Executive Committee of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, appointed a committee of one for the Executive Committee, that The Century Company should issue a book in which should be set forth in a manner attractive to young people "the principles contended for in the American Revolution, and a description of the institutions of the Government." The result of this suggestion was embodied in "The Century Book for Young Americans," the story of the trip of a party of young people to the city of Washington, written by Elbridge S. Brooks and richly illustrated from the great store of material which the publishers possessed. The book was issued in the autumn of 1894, indorsed by the National Society, and with an introduction by General Horace Porter, President-General. Its success has been great, both as a book for children at home and for supplemental reading in schools, and in 1896 it was followed by "The Century Book of Famous Americans," written also by Mr. Brooks, telling of the adventures of the same young people and their well-posted uncle on a journey to the homes of historic Americans, Washington, Hamilton, Webster, Clay, Jefferson, Franklin, Lincoln, Grant, and others. It was issued under the auspices of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

The same publishers purpose offering to the public a volume in which the story of the American Revolution, from Lexington to Yorktown, shall be told in such a way as will interest young readers, and, at the same time, possess valuable information for old as well as young in its descriptions of the historic scenes made famous during the struggle of our forefathers for their independence. The book will have a living and personal interest because it takes the form of a journey to each of these historic places by the same party of young people and their guide. The illustrations, which include many photographs taken especially for this book, will add both to the attractiveness and the value of the work.

The Empire State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution is not responsible for the statements in the book and has no pecuniary interest in its publication.

Individually, I take pleasure in commending the volume both in its scope and execution.

CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW,

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Dear Sira:

On July 22d, 1697, the following resolution was adopted by the Empire State Society, Sons of the American Revolution:

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In pursuance of the foregoing resolution, we beg to advise the Gentury Company that we have examined the advance excets of the book, and, in accordance with the authority delegated to us, authorize the publication of the work under the suspices of the Empire State Socsety of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Yours very truly

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