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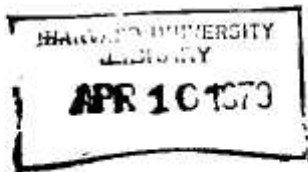
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TO
MY DEAR NEPHEW,
BUSHROD C. WASHINGTON,
OF CLAYMONT.





BLACKBURN COAT-OF-ARMS.

PREFACE.

THIS story, with its characters and episodes founded on fact, was written by the great-granddaughter of Colonel Blackburn, aide-de-camp to General Washington during the Revolutionary War. Colonel Blackburn's daughter, Annie, married Judge Washington. His nephews married her nieces, and one of these nieces, Jane Blackburn, was owner of Mount Vernon and mother of John Augustine Washington, who owned the historic mansion until it

passed into the hands of the Association of Women who have taken the task of preserving the shrine for the nation. Furthermore, the two sisters of the author married the great-great-nephews of General Washington.

An *edition de luxe* of "Miss Washington of Virginia" was published at the expense of its author, and sold at the Chicago World's Fair, for the benefit of the Continental Memorial Hall of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The sum donated from these sales, made under the personal supervision of Miss Floride Cunningham, the niece of Miss Pamela Cunningham, first regent of the Ladies' Mount Vernon Association, was the first offering towards the building fund of the Continental Memorial Hall.

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