

# Freedom Protected...

Washington spent long hours writing his 19-page FAREWELL ADDRESS, which was published in September, 1796, six months before he left office. Helped by Hamilton, Washington explained what he had done as President, set forth those principles of good government America might wisely follow, saying . . . "Observe good faith and justice toward all nations. Cultivate peace and harmony with all . . ." Significant passages from this Address are shown below and on the opposite page.

## Friends and Fellow Citizens

The quotation which you will find in this ~~farewell~~ address, was composed and intended to have been published in the year 1792; in time to have appeared to the Electors of the President <sup>of the United States</sup> ~~of the United States~~, the determination <sup>of the former President</sup> ~~of the former President~~ <sup>to resign</sup> ~~to resign~~ <sup>before the election</sup> ~~before the election~~ <sup>was made</sup> ~~was made~~; but the solicitude <sup>of a former President</sup> ~~of a former President~~ <sup>who were apprised of the situation</sup> ~~who were apprised of the situation~~, and whose judgment I did <sup>not</sup> ~~not~~ <sup>think</sup> ~~think~~ <sup>it prudent</sup> ~~it prudent~~ (particularly in one who was <sup>my confidential</sup> ~~my confidential~~ friend) that I would <sup>not</sup> ~~not~~ <sup>surpass</sup> ~~surpass~~ my determination, added to the peculiar situation of our foreign affairs at that epoch <sup>in</sup> ~~in~~ <sup>1792</sup> ~~1792~~.

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"In contemplating the moment at which the curtain is to drop for ever on the public scenes of my life, my sensations anticipate and do not permit me to suspend, the deep acknowledgments required by that debt of gratitude which I owe to my beloved country for the many honors it has conferred on me, - for the distinguished confidence it has reposed in me, - and for the opportunities I have thus enjoyed of testifying my irrevocable attachment

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"the guardian of our common rights - and the patron of our common interests - and wisely containing within itself a provision for its own amendment, as experience may point out its errors, seems to promise everything that can be expected from such an institution; - and if supported by wise Councils - by virtuous conduct - and by mutual and friendly allowances, must approach as near to perfection as any human work can

The Constitution, which had so recently been adopted, Washington found workable. He thought it approached... "perfection."

He cautioned young America to fulfil . . . "all engagements . . ." because "honesty will forever be found to be the best policy."

That we may fulfil with the greatest exactitude all our engagements: foreign and domestic, to the utmost of our abilities whenever, and in whatsoever manner they are pledged: for in public, as in private life, I am persuaded that honesty will <sup>be found</sup> to be the best policy

Washington did not believe this country should be involved with foreign nations. Such alliances could lead only to war.

which ultimately terminate - but easy indeed is it to foresee that it may involve us in disputes and finally in War, to fulfil political alliances. - Whereas, if there be no engagements

America was to . . . "never unsheath the sword except in self-defense." Washington prophesied that if this nation could remain at peace for 20 years it need fear no other worldly power.

found policy and our essential interests. - That we may be always prepared for War, but never unsheath the sword except in self defence so long as Justice and our essential rights, and national respectability can be preserved without it - for without

He warned public servants of their trust; also cautioned the people to keep faith in their government.

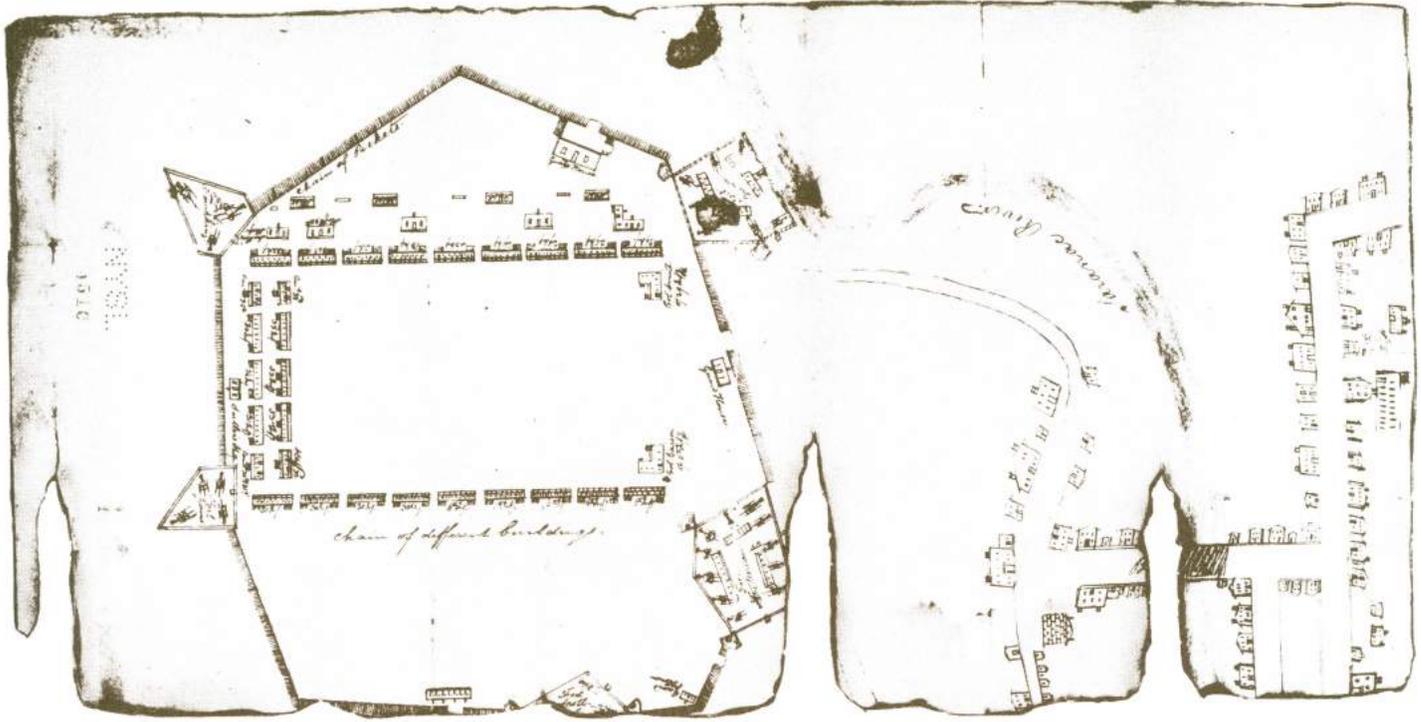
The measure - If public servants, in the exercise of their official duties, are found incompetent or pursuing wrong courses discontinue them. - ~~If they are with~~ ~~that practice in office, let them be more ex~~ ~~actly guarded in their conduct~~ ~~and~~ ~~Laws~~ have made provision, but do not withdraw your confidence from them - the

Bidding farewell to his people, Washington closed his Address, saying . . . "I leave you with undefiled hands - an uncorrupted heart. . . ."

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I see blessed amidst ~~the~~ tumults, which have harassed <sup>and agitated</sup> other countries; - I leave you with undefiled hands - an uncorrupted heart - and with ardent vows to heaven for the Welfare & happiness of that country in which I, and my forefathers to the third or fourth <sup>generation</sup> ~~ancestry~~ drew our first breath. -

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SKETCH of the Plattsburgh cantonment above, shows buildings, pickets and other defenses.

CONTRACT between Governor John Jay and Builders Hooker and Putnam calls for an arsenal at Albany.

to be paid as follows, that is to say the sum of one thousand Dollars as soon as the said Philip Hooker and Elisha Putnam shall have completed the digging the foundation or cellar for the said Building and the residue then remaining in equal and monthly payments, so as that the last payment thereof shall be made on the first Day of December next - But it is understood that the said

Section of east end

View of the South front 100 feet

View of West end 100 feet

Basement & first story plans

Scale

Design for the Arsenal to be built in water near front Albany to Hooker and Putnam 1799.

John Jay

P. Hooker

E. Putnam



Yankee Cavalry, driving the British from the mountains.



Gen. Drummond attempts to escape by the assistance of a Bear, but is surrounded & slain by the Yankees.



General Prevost, on a quick retreat, on a Prater of a Monkey on a Prater.



A Cuckoo, imitating the cry of a Cuckoo, to keep up with the Yankees.



A French Canadian, retreating on an Ass, & whipping up for dear life.



A Green-Mountain Boy, with his foot on the head of an Indian.



The falling Murre, flying the banner to the aid of battle, to avenge the murder of Hampton, Hays, & Grace, and the River Rags!



The voice of Chippewagon, the Prince Regent, in the mountains of the North, he has not yet been seen, and his voice is heard in the mountains.



Interesting Sketch.

Extracts of Letters Official.

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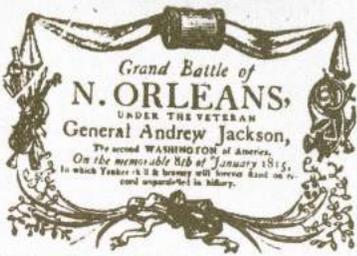
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BATTLE OF PLATTSBURGH, AND VICTORY ON LAKE CHAMPLAIN, In which 14,000 British myrmidons were defeated and put to flight by 5,000 Yankees and Green-mountain Boys, on the memorable Eleventh of Sept. 1814.

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BRITISH LION.



M'DONOUGH'S SHIP.



CAPT. DOWNIE.



GEN MACOMB.



GOV PREVOST.



GENIUS OF AMERICA.



OLD JONNY HULL.



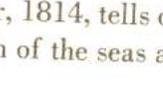
GOD OF WAR.



IN 30 MINUTES.



A FEW BRITISH GUN BOATS.



WITH PAIN AND DEATH.



GEN GEN OF CANADA.

Chain of our Union indissoluble!



UNITED WE STAND, DIVIDED WE FALL.

COLUMBIA, represented as surrounded by enemies.



Battle of Niagara!

AMERICA again victorious.

A British General, surrounded and taken by Yankee light horse.



Yord Castreagh, mounted on a Goat, in the attitude of delivering his life. Some say he was 'in the British mountains at Orient.



British Colonel in a fight, left his hat in the night. Knowing all the night, he was a laughing figure!



The Yankee Chief, in a fight, to keep up the spirits, he sang a song to the British.



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Impressive BROADSIDE, September, 1814, tells of the Battle of Plattsburgh. This battle won for America freedom of the seas and security for her sailors.