

SCOTS IRISH BECAME THE BACKBONE OF AMERICAN MORALITY

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It is a hardy race the Scots. "It believed in prayer and it believed in work. It had faith and it could fight. It came to these shores, and we find it in New Hampshire, in Pennsylvania, in Virginia and in the Carolinas. It was at Cape Breton and at Quebec. It was in the Continental Congress, and in the Continental Army. It was in the infant navy and in the adult navy. It sailed with Preble and it fought with Decatur. It was with Farragut at Mobile and roved with Semmes on strange seas. It gained the victory at Kings Mountain and saw the surrender at Yorktown. It helped to make the constitution and did more than its share in winning the west. It was with Stonewall Jackson at Chancellorsville, and with George H. Thomas at Chickamauga. It triumphed with Grant and surrendered with Lee. It believes in the family and in the home, in the church and in the school and where Presbyterian and representative government in the church and in state is part of its religion. It is for the Sabbath that God ordained. It is mighty nearly the elected crown of American Citizenship yet vaunted not itself.

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