

NEWS DEPARTMENT

Marking the Spot Where Stevens Fell

On October 2, 1915, a granite monolith with a bronze tablet was erected to General Isaac I. Stevens on the spot where he fell in the Battle of Chantilly on September 1, 1862. A similar monument was dedicated to General Philip Kearny who fell in the same battle.

The ground on which the monuments were erected was given by Captain Ballard who owns the farm on which the battle was fought.

The inscription on the Stevens memorial is as follows:

"Here fell Major General Isaac Ingalls Stevens with the flag of the Republic in his dying grasp September 1st, 1862."

There were present at the ceremonies unveiling it: General Hazard Stevens, son of the hero honored, who was himself wounded in the same battle; Richard S. Eskridge and Captain Oliver S. Eskridge, grandsons of General I. I. Stevens, forty Union veterans, twenty Confederate veterans and sixty civilians.

The State of New Jersey some years ago created a commission to erect a statue and monument to General Kearny. The monument to General Stevens was erected by that commission assisted by General Hazard Stevens. This appropriate honor for Washington's first Territorial Governor by a commission of another state suggests once more that the State of Washington should take steps to erect a suitable statue of General Isaac Ingalls Stevens.

American Historical Association

The thirty-first annual meeting of this great organization was held in Washington City from Monday, December 27, to Friday, December 31. The programmes were rich and varied. Professor H. Morse Stephens discussed Nationalism and History in his presidential address. He was a worthy representative of the Pacific Coast, being of the faculty of the University of California.

The programmes did not contain topics this year bearing directly on the history of the Pacific Northwest.

Pacific Coast Branch

The Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association held its twelfth annual meeting at Stanford University on Friday and Sat-