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Table listing names and amounts for the January 15, 1886 drawing, including The Bank of Key West, Two depositors, etc.

DRAWING OF FEBRUARY 12, 1886.

Table listing names and amounts for the February 12, 1886 drawing, including London, Paris and American Bank, Albert Leonard, etc.

DRAWING OF MARCH 12, 1886.

Table listing names and amounts for the March 12, 1886 drawing, including Isaac Lowber, Geo. Schwenk, etc.

THE "STAR-SPANGLED."

Circumstances Under Which Francis Scott Key of Baltimore Composed Our National Song.

It was the "Star-Spangled Banner" to be written? The writer (Margaret Armistead Baker, in the New York World) is enabled to give the following account as an established fact:

The night of Sept. 10, 1814, was a memorable one in the American history. The British fleet, consisting of thirty sail, appeared at the mouth of the Patuxent river with every intention of attacking the city of Baltimore. A short distance from the mouth of the river stood Fort M'Henry, commanded by Lieut. Col. George Armistead, U. S. A., a young man not over 34 years of age.

In sheer desperation the British again landed a force of men—in all about 1,200—but they were again repulsed by the intrepid fighting of Col. Armistead's men and finally beat a hasty retreat. The bombardment lasted about twenty-five hours, during which time from 1,500 to 1,800 bombs were thrown, but singularly to relate, they nearly all broke in fragments over the fort.

George Armistead was born in Newmarket county, Carolina, Va., on the 10th of April, 1780. He entered the army as a second lieutenant in 1799. He rose to the rank of major, 1813, and was brevetted lieutenant-colonel for gallantry at the capture of Fort George in May, 1813.

The incessant firing of bombs, the clash of musketry, the red glare in the heavens, the groans of the dying, the moaning of the wounded—such was the scene which the flag waved over which inspired Francis Scott Key to compose our national song.

"This song was composed under the following circumstances: A gentleman had left Baltimore, under a flag of truce, for the purpose of getting released from the British fleet a friend of his, who had been captured at Marlborough. He went as far as the mouth of the Patuxent and was not permitted to return, lest the intended attack on Baltimore should be disclosed.

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It was at this moment that Key, completely carried away by the excitement of the hour, wrote the "Star-Spangled Banner." In hunting for paper he could only find the back of several letters in his pocket, and it was as if on odds and ends this glorious song of liberty was written. In the meantime he had landed in Baltimore, where he completed his work, and the next morning he took his maiden piece to Judge Nicholson, his brother-in-law. The judge was so struck with its force and beauty that he had it sent immediately to the printer, and within one hour it was printed on hand bills and all over the city. Every one was wild about it, and it at once took its place as the song.

Around the border of the song, in the type of the day, was the legend: "Bombardment of Fort M'Henry." Below the song are the words: "Written by Francis S. Key of Georgetown, D. C." The Baltimore American of 1872, on the anniversary of the battle of North Point, republished the song which had been written just fifty eight years before. Samuel Sands, the printer who put the song in type, was living up to a few years ago and was the respected editor of the American Farmer.

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