



Independent Day
Friday July 4th 1800

This day the Comp'y paraded at 9 clock complete in Uniforms, Arms and Accoutrements, to celebrate the glorious Anniversary of American liberty. The citizens committee of arrangements having requested that the company do the escort duties of the day, the Captain, in compliance of their request gave the necessary orders. The Roll was call'd at 10 clock, then march'd from the parade thro the Town and repair'd to Union Hall where the citizens had assembled; and after partaking of refreshments escorted the procession to the Meeting house of the second Parish; where a truly elegant and spirited Oration was delivered by Mr. David Hale, after which escorted the procession back to Union Hall and the Comp'y march'd to Columbian Hall and partook of a sumptuous entertainment provided by Mr. Cutter after dinner the usual number of Federal toasts were drunk; and several patriotic songs were sung accompanied with the band of musical joy brightening the countenances of all; and the alacrity with which they repair'd to their arms at the sound of the drum, even that the duty of the Soldiers was not forgotten, even in the arms of Baachus.

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March'd to Union Hall and after firing a Federal
salute dismissed at 5 Clock PM
Wednesday Sept. 10th 1800.
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accoutrements complete. March'd thro the Town and
at 12 Clock pass'd Backcove Bridge encamp'd
upon the heights of Backcove, and here partook of
such fare as the knapsacks & canteens afforded
several Gentlemen of the Town were present after
dinner the usual number of Toasts were given.
Under Arms again at 3 Clock and returned
to Portland perform'd the various Military duties
and dismissed at 5. The Captain however previous
to the dismissal inform'd the Company that the
term of their engagements with the President this day
expired, & wish'd that they might associate anew.
In consequence of this it was Voted unanimously
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