

having been made fully acquainted with plans by which West Point could be seized by the British troops, Arnold, of Washington's Army, having turned traitor to his cause. Major André, who to the last maintained a character for personal bravery, terminated his life as a spy, whilst Arnold, after doing his best to deliver his country into the hands of their enemies, escaped death by placing himself under the protection of the British flag. Major André's body, after lying interred near the scene of his sad fate for forty years, was at last given over to his countrymen, and now finds a resting place among the great and the good of Great Britain in Westminster Abbey.

The neighbouring district of TARRYTOWN and IRVINGTON is rich in associations of that greatest of American authors, Washington Irving. About half-a-mile above Irvington, on the right hand side of the river, may be seen, peeping through the bower of trees that nearly hide it from view, the charming stone cottage, called "Sunnyside," the home of Washington Irving, and the place where most of his novels were written. The cottage was from time to time increased and improved whenever Irving had the means to do it, and it has now become naturally one of the chief objects of interest in the neighbourhood. Many other beautiful estates are to be seen around, and if time is a matter of no moment, we can well advise the traveller to stop here and spend some hours.

Half-way between Irvington and Tarrytown, and quite close to the river, we pass by a conspicuous house of white marble, built by the late