

demned to a shameful death ; therefore have I decided to leave the work of spying, since my usefulness has departed, and take up arms for the Cause."

"But Master Schuster?" I cried, still in a daze of bewilderment. "Will he enlist?"

"He proposes that Major Lee shall send word into New York that the Storks are alive, which will put an end to the charge of murder."

"How could the Britishers have suspected him? Surely he was careful enough not to have any hand in the matter, save to put himself in line to receive the reward in case we had succeeded."

"You were seen eating supper with him, and immediately afterward, so it is said by the British spies, visited him at his place of business. It caused suspicion when the frugal merchant spent overmuch money at the Black Horse Inn with two lads as guests. He, ever cautious, sought out this encampment immediately after