

GENERAL RICHARD MONTGOMERY,—HIS
ATTACK ON QUEBEC,—HIS TOMB IN
NEW YORK.

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ON the second Sunday of July, 1875, was buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Brooklyn, Samuel Priestly Taylor, Organist, aged 96 years ; and in his interesting biographical memoir, we read that "when General Montgomery was buried in St. Pauls Church, New York, (July 8th, 1818,) Mr. Taylor played the organ."

What a suggestive record is this, the single life time of this gentleman, carrying us back to three years after the declaration of independence, and recalling to our memories, the brave and lamented Montgomery ; how few of the busy thousands who daily press along Broadway, New York, think of the perils and hardships of that winter campaign, and the attack on Quebec one hundred years ago.

If as Thomas Campbell sings,

"To live in hearts we leave behind,
Is not to die."

Then in every community where patriotism and bravery are to be found, Richard Montgomery and his associates still live ; seeing that the hundredth Anniversary of Montgomery's death is near at hand, and that it is 57 years since the "Mr. Taylor played the organ" on the occasion of his remains being interred at St. Pauls Church, it may be well to notice the event.

The hardships and sufferings of that band of heroes, appear almost incredible, yet Judge Henry, who at the close of the last century, was president of the second judicial district in Pennsylvania, was one of the soldiers in the expedition, and has left us an exceedingly lucid and interesting narrative.

About the middle of August, 1775, a committee of Con-