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The American army under Washington had their winter-quarters at Morristown and vicinity, on two different occasions. The first time was in Jan. 1777, immediately after the battles of Trenton and Princeton. The second was during the winter of 1779-80. The Pennsylvania line were also stationed here in the succeeding winter.

Washington's Head-quarters, Morristown.

Count Pulaski frequently exercised his corps of ~~cavalry~~ in front of the head-quarters. He was an expert horseman, and performed many feats of skill. He would sometimes, while his horse was on full gallop, discharge his pistol, toss it in the air, catch it by the barrel, and throw it ahead as if at an enemy. With his horse still on the jump, he would lift one foot out of the stirrup, and, with the other ~~firmly~~ foot in, bend to the ground and recover the weapon. Some of the best horsemen in the army, the Virginia lighthorse, attempted to imitate the feat. Once in three or four trials they would succeed in catching the pistol; none, however, were able to pick it up from the ground, but in their attempts got some terrible falls.