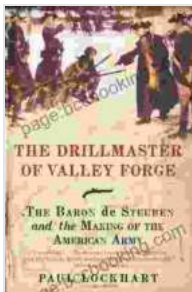


The Baron De Steuben And The Making Of The American Army

Frederick William Augustus, Baron von Steuben, was a Prussian Army Captain who volunteered to fight for the Americans because of his high moral character and strong sense of justice.

When he arrived in America in 1777, the Continental Army was about to disband because of its lack of proper training and discipline. George Washington tried to train the men himself, with little success.

Von Steuben was appalled by what he saw. He said that the American soldiers were "a mob of ragamuffins."



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Von Steuben set to work to reorganize the army. He introduced a strict training regimen that included drilling, marching, and target practice. He also taught the soldiers how to fight in a European style of warfare.

In a few months, von Steuben had transformed the Continental Army into a disciplined and effective fighting force. The army went on to win a number of important battles, including the Battle of Saratoga.

Von Steuben's contributions to the American Revolution were immense. He is considered to be one of the fathers of the United States Army.

The book, "The Baron De Steuben And The Making Of The American Army," tells the story of von Steuben's life and his work in America. The book is a fascinating read for anyone who is interested in the American Revolution or military history.

Von Steuben's training methods were based on Prussian military tactics, which were considered to be the most advanced in the world at the time.

His methods included:

- **Drilling:** The soldiers were drilled in close formation so that they could move and fight as a unit.
- **Marching:** The soldiers were taught to march in formation so that they could move quickly and efficiently.
- **Target practice:** The soldiers were taught to shoot accurately so that they could hit their targets.
- **Cavalry tactics:** The soldiers were taught how to fight on horseback so that they could be more effective in battle.

- Artillery tactics: The soldiers were taught how to use artillery so that they could support the infantry.

Von Steuben's methods were very effective and the Continental Army quickly became a more disciplined and effective fighting force.

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Von Steuben's legacy is immense. He is considered to be one of the fathers of the United States Army.

His training methods are still used today by the American military.

In addition to his military achievements, von Steuben was also a strong advocate for education and citizenship.

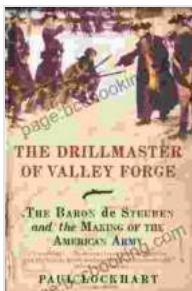
He helped to found the first American military academy, and he also wrote a number of books on military tactics and citizenship.

Von Steuben was a true patriot and a man of great vision. His contributions to the American Revolution and to the United States Army are immeasurable.

Here are some additional facts about Baron von Steuben:

- He was born in Magdeburg, Prussia, in 1730.
- He served in the Prussian Army for 17 years.

- He volunteered to fight for the Americans because he believed in the cause of liberty.
- He arrived in America in 1777 and was appointed Inspector General of the Continental Army.
- He trained the Continental Army in Prussian military tactics, which transformed it into a disciplined and effective fighting force.
- He served as Inspector General of the Continental Army until 1783.
- He helped to found the first American military academy, the United States Military Academy at West Point.
- He wrote a number of books on military tactics and citizenship.
- He died in Steubenville, Ohio, in 1794.

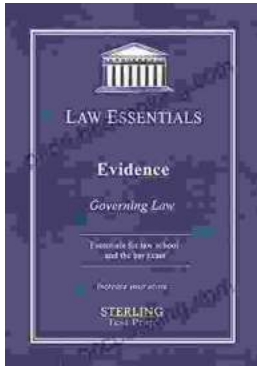


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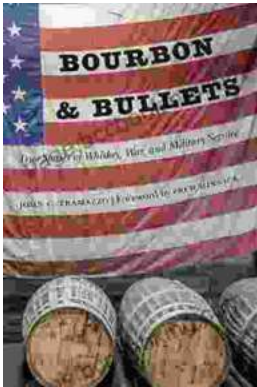
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