
A FEMALE SOLDIER.

Hannah Snell was born at Worcester, England, in 1723. At twenty, being an orphan, she married a Dutch sailor, who soon abandoned her. Without any resources, she took the strange resolution of putting on male attire and enlisting as a soldier. After a few months, the arrival of a recruit from Worcester making her fear detection, she deserted, and enlisted as a marine on board one of the vessels of Admiral Boscawen's fleet, bound for the East Indies. She manifested her activity, presence of mind and courage during many tempests and in several engagements. At Pondicherry she was dangerously wounded, and to avoid discovery, extracted the ball herself. After having been exposed to many dangers, she returned to England, where her adventures soon became known. The government gave her a pension of £20. She ended her days in an inn, near Wapping.
