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Department Commander.

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GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

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WITH ADDRESSES OF

R. B. BROWN - - - - - Commander-in-Chief
JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD - - - - - Department Commander

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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.
LANSING, JUNE 21, 1907.

HON. FRED M. WARNER, Governor of the State of Michigan:

Sir—I have the honor, in compliance with law, to transmit to you such portions of the transactions of the Grand Army of the Republic taken place in this Department during my administration as its Commander from June 15th, 1906, to June 12, 1907, as I deem of interest to that organization and the people of the State of Michigan.

Respectfully yours in F. C. and L.,
JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD,
Department Commander.

FIRST DAY—TUESDAY.

MORNING SESSION.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN.
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

BAY CITY, MICH., June 11, 1907.

The Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, convened in its 29th Annual Encampment, at ten o'clock a. m. in the Washington Theatre with Department Commander Joseph B. Griswold in the chair, in open session.

Department Commander—The mayor not being present at this time we will proceed with the regular order of business.

The Encampment was then opened in due form.

Prayer by the Department Chaplain:

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, Thou who art over all and above all, God blessed above. We adore Thee in all Thy greatness and in all Thy goodness. We thank Thee for that over-ruling Providence that has kept us under its care through the year that has gone by. We thank Thee that the officers of this present administration, with one exception, have been spared through the year and while we mourn the loss of one, we thank Thee for the sparing of so many; that our Commander and all the other officers have been kept in Thy hands of safety and divine love. We now meet not only to greet each other; not only to recall the memories of the past, but to acknowledge Thee as our Creator and our Master. We now invoke Thy especial divine blessing to rest upon our Commander in all his duties upon this and other days and bless these comrades now present that we may look to Thee for divine guidance as well as divine care. For our benefit, our welfare, we invoke Thy blessing. God continue if it please Thee to grant prosperity and unity and peace that rests over us at the present time. We thank Thee that Thou hast given us to rule over this nation a man of peace as well as a man of action and of war, if it becomes necessary. We ask Thee to watch over him and give him great strength and wisdom and grace and also upon all who are in legislative as well as executive positions in our administration. Bless us as a nation. Raise us up still higher to become a nation whose God is the Lord; whose symbol will be acceptable by all other nations and so rule over us that Thy will will be done and that Thy kingdom may come and that we may be prepared to honor and serve Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Department Commander—I now declare the Twenty-ninth Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic to be opened in due form.

Department Commander—The Adjutant General will call the roll of the Encampment. (A quorum was found to be present).

Department Commander—Comrades, unless there are objections, the rules governing the National Encampment will prevail as the rules of this Encampment. The first thing in order will be the report of the Credentials Committee.

Assistant Adjutant General—As chairman of that committee, I beg leave to report that the committee is still at work. A great many of the comrades are out of the city and as yet we have been unable to make a full report. I move you that the report, when completed, be accepted as the report of this Encampment without any further action. I make a motion that the report of the Credentials Committee, when completed, be accepted without further action. Motion seconded and carried.

ROLL OF ENCAMPMENT, 1907.

(Comrades whose names are preceded by an asterisk, thus (*), were present.)

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

*Joseph B. Griswold - - - - - Department Commander.
 *Riley L. Jones - - - - - Senior Vice-Department Commander.
 *O. Palmer - - - - - Junior Vice-Department Commander.
 *W. W. Root - - - - - Medical Director.
 *Wm. Putnam - - - - - Department Commander.

OFFICIAL STAFF.

*Fayette Wyckoff - - - - - Assistant Adjutant General.
 *Wm. B. Bostock - - - - - Assistant Quartermaster General.
 G. B. Allen - - - - - Department Inspector.
 Wm. F. Atkinson (deceased) - - - - - Judge Advocate.
 *J. K. P. McCullough - - - - - Chief Mustering Officer.
 W. S. Sly - - - - - Department Patriotic Instructor.
 *A. J. Ward - - - - - Chief of Staff.
 *A. B. Coffinberry - - - - - Senior Aide-de-Camp.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

*J. M. Greenfield - - - - - Flushing.
 J. N. Cox - - - - - Lansing.
 William Baird - - - - - Marine City.
 *Henry Spaulding - - - - - Hartford.
 *John G. Berry - - - - - Vanberbilt.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

*C. V. R. Pond, Lansing.	James H. Kidd, Ionia.
Byron R. Pierce, Grand Rapids.	*Louis Kanitz, Muskegon.
*Oscar A. Janes, Detroit.	S. B. Daboll, St. Johns.
Rush J. Shank, Lansing.	*Russel R. Pealer, Three Rivers.
*John Northwood, New Lathrop.	*Ethel M. Allen, Portland.
Washington Gardner, Albion.	*James Van Kleeck, Bay City.
Michael Brown, Big Rapids.	*Edward C. Anthony, Negaunee.
Henry M. Duffield, Detroit.	*D. B. K. Van Raalte, Holland.
*Henry S. Dean, Ann Arbor.	*E. C. Cannon, Evart.

JOHN A. LOGAN POST NO. 1, SOLDIERS' HOME.

Chartered December 9, 1887.

Membership 58.

Commander, Roda O'Mara.

Delegate.

D. D. Brown.

Alternate.

*James Anderson.

Past Commanders.

W. W. Fowle.
 *O. W. Hodges.
 James Wood.

John Heeny.
 Thomas O'Leary.

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

C. O. LOOMIS POST NO. 2, QUINCY.

Chartered January 22, 1876.

Membership 56.

Commander, A. J. Warner.

Delegate.

*C. W. Lake.

Alternate.

Geo. W. Dye.

Past Commanders.

*Wm. R. Whitney.
E. T. Hoyt.
K. B. Etheridge.
*C. V. R. Pond.
A. F. Turpening.

A. J. Warner.
O. D. Curtis.
L. D. Reynolds.
E. C. Chase.
D. H. Wood.

N. H. FERRY POST NO. 3, WHITEHALL.

Chartered May 27, 1877.

Membership 34.

Commander, Francis C. Hiscutt.

Delegate.

Sage A. Cathin.

Alternate.

Robert Nesbit.

Past Commanders.

John C. Deane.
Frederick Norman.
Allen F. Casselman

Girard A. Whitbeck.
James Dellabaugh.

PHIL SHERIDAN POST NO. 4, READING.

Chartered June 12, 1878.

Membership 20.

Commander H. H. Weaver.

Delegate.

R. D. Lane.
Gabriel See.

Alternate.

Zeladee Culver.

Past Commanders.

CUSTER POST NO. 5, GRAND RAPIDS.

Chartered September 27, 1878.

Membership 18.

*Commander, Robert Finch.

Delegates.

*Francis La Lone.
F. F. Snyder.
Thos. Dixon.
John Barrett.

Alternates.

E. M. Raymond.
Jos. Fox.
T. J. Odell.
J. Rathman.

Past Commanders.

Byron R. Pierce.
Wm. D. Frost.
Chas. P. Coffin.
Jos. O. Bellaire.
*W. B. Bostock.
A. W. Slayton.
C. W. Depple.
G. H. Chappel.
W. A. Clark.
Edward Racine.
J. A. S. Verdier.
*Jos. B. Griswold.

*J. W. McCrath.
John Schmidt.
E. H. Cummings.
G. W. Schwab.
Solon W. Barter.
*Theo. C. Putnam.
Jas. R. Stephenson.
*A. B. Coffinberry.
*Chas. S. Smith.
L. C. Read.
Thos. Peacock.
G. H. Sherman.

C. J. DICKERSON POST NO. 6, HILLSDALE.

Chartered February 26, 1879.

Membership 53.

Commander, D. F. Austin.

Delegate.

*Washington Whitney.

Alternate.

L. B. Wolcott.

Past Commanders.

F. K. Proctor.	C. H. Fairbanks.
Geo. Porter.	O. Hancock.
D. F. Austin.	Mark W. Paylor.
I. M. Fink.	O. C. Nash.
W. M. Taylor.	A. S. Thomas.
Nathan Randall.	

PHIL KEARNEY POST NO. 7, MUSKEGON.

Chartered July 31, 1879.

Membership 113.

Commander, August Flint.

Delegates.

*John W. Brakeman.
James I. Mather.

Alternates.

*Chas. P. Rose.
John Sprague.

Past Commanders.

William R. Jones.	John R. Bennett.
John Sturgeon.	Howard Bond.
Wm. Reynolds.	Henry G. Bigelow.
William H. Weselugel.	Louis Kanitz.
Chas. B. Mann.	John W. Eddy.
James Dean.	John G. Allport.
S. A. Aldrich.	Oscar Lyons.
Chas. Miller.	E. P. Watson.

CHAS. H. TOWNE POST NO. 8, ISHPEMING.

Chartered September 17, 1889.

Membership 20.

Commander, John Scott.

Delegate.

O. B. Robinson.

Alternate.

Francis V. Sauer.

*Past Commanders.***JOHN A. DIX POST NO. 9, HESPERIA.**

Chartered September 12, 1879.

Membership 38.

Commander, H. E. Waterman.

Delegate.

Wm. Rodl.

Alternate.

L. R. Miller.

Past Commanders.

Chas. Robbins.	W. H. Potter.
John B. Smith.	C. R. Reynolds.
A. H. Deitz.	John Hamblin.
Wm. Gilbert.	Lou Mullican.
Chas. Wilber.	

WILLIAM BELL POST NO. 10, DUNDEE.

Chartered October 16, 1879.

Membership 54.

Commander, Francis Miller.

Delegate.

A. T. Hecock.

Alternate.

L. B. Smith.

Past Commanders.

*D. S. Spears.	Joseph Hilton.
R. B. Davis.	M. V. Fox.
Wm. Laffin.	Geo. W. Jackson.
N. Carney.	H. C. Spaulding.
*Geo. W. Hurd.	N. Newell.
Horace Pulver.	

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

ROBERT'S POST NO. 11, BANCROFT.

Chartered March 16, 1880. Membership 18.
 Commander, E. J. Ewings.
Delegate. G. Pearsall. *Alternate.* Wm. Blair.
Past Commanders.
 W. W. Hunt. H. P. Wimble.
 H. H. Williams. C. Cole.
 G. Parks.

RYDER POST NO. 12, DEERFIELD.

Chartered April 9, 1880. Membership 21.
 Commander, E. E. Bornham.
Delegate. *Alternate.*

I. B. RICHARDSON POST NO. 13, HARBOR SPRINGS.

Chartered May 11, 1880. Membership 39.
 Commander, Chas. Tanner.
Delegate. George W. Dickerson. *Alternate.* Fred F. Main.
Past Commanders.
 Charles E. Judd. Eri D. Babcock.
 Geo. W. Dickinson. Chas. C. Newkirk.
 Stephen Manchester. Albert L. Hathaway.
 Geo. O. Richardson. Lorenzo A. Clark.
 Wm. H. Lee. Jos. N. Bradley.
 Fred F. Main.

GEO. H. THOMAS POST NO. 14, BENTON HARBOR.

Chartered May 24, 1880. Membership 82.
 Commander, A. H. Rowe.
Delegates. *Alternates.*
 *A. B. Howes. L. B. Tryon.
 *O. J. Bradley. J. M. Daigean.
Past Commanders.
 L. M. Ward. W. F. Kimball.
 L. Hemingway. John Clark.
 Henry Skelley. M. J. Vincent.
 Chas. A. Warner. A. A. Covell.
 John Scel. L. B. Kimball.

PAP WILLIAMS POST NO. 15, LUDINGTON.

Chartered May 26, 1880. Membership 57.
 Commander, *Robt. B. Patterson.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
 *Wm. H. Kimball.
Past Commanders.
 Wm. G. Hudson. Chas. Olson.
 H. C. Ransom. A. C. Hawley.
 J. E. Smith. G. M. Chase.
 J. Shackelton. S. H. Gleason.
 Wm. H. Kimball. Pelig Ewing.
 M. Brayman. *H. B. Smith.
 F. J. Dowland.

SEDWICK POST NO. 16, EVART.

Chartered August 24, 1880.

Membership 55.

Commander, *Daniel Farrington.

Delegate.

Haynes Wainer.

Alternate.

E. W. Delameter.

Past Commanders:

Orin Button.
Ed Cox.
G. W. Gardner.
W. S. Lewis.
S. E. Skutt.
O. M. Bush.
*E. C. Cannon.
S. E. Kirley.

*W. J. Manley.
A. A. Smith.
Chas. Coppins.
J. R. Foster.
H. S. Keath.
Jos. Powell.
D. E. Wort.

FAIRBANKS POST NO. 17, DETROIT.

Chartered May 9, 1881.

Membership 341.

Commander, Edward E. Thayer.

Delegates.

H. A. Backus.
*A. S. McWilliams.
*C. A. Bartlett.
*O. D. Kingsley,
John Moody.
*R. McWilliams.
*Sam B. Dixon.

Alternates.

E. Muffit.
J. J. Downey.
*J. D. Elderkin.
W. N. Stevens.
S. S. Russell.
M. Emmons.
W. C. Stilwell.

Past Commanders.

E. O. Durfee.
W. P. Sumner.
*Wm. Davey.
*W. Hart.
H. B. Eggeman.
G. L. Holmes.
A. V. Phister.
C. K. Radcliff.
D. G. Genny.
J. Gill.
B. R. Finlayson.
*T. Davey.
W. C. Claxton.
*D. S. Kimball.
H. B. White.

*D. G. Crotty.
J. Lachine.
A. L. Sawyer.
M. Green.
*Carl Engle.
M. P. Hatcher.
*J. Renton.
J. Reid.
J. T. Spillane.
*J. A. Lane.
C. J. Pierce.
S. Jasnowski.
*A. C. Blair.
C. W. Yates.

M'PHERSON POST NO. 18, TRAVERSE CITY.

Chartered May 21, 1881.

Membership 73.

Commander, F. D. Marvin.

Delegates.

*L. K. Cleveland.
*Harvey Curtis.

Alternates.

W. W. Dean.
C. A. Hannaford.

Past Commanders.

M. D. Morgan.
C. S. Vader.
D. G. Shorter.

Levi Soule.
O. P. Carver.
L. W. Lyon.

A. LINCOLN POST NO. 19, BANGOR.

Chartered May 20, 1881.

Membership 66.

Commander, J. C. Todd.

Delegate.

C. E. Schermerhorn.

Alternate.

W. L. Zook.

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Past Commanders.

G. M. Harvey.	A. Chapman.
C. C. Phillips.	Thos. Horton.
*O. A. Reynolds.	B. Merriman.
D. W. Hall.	

ELLSWORTH POST NO. 20, HARTFORD.

Chartered June 20, 1881. Membership 51.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Jessie Thomas.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Allen Olds.		Henry H. Woods.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
*Henry Spaulding.	H. L. Stratton.	
Eber Hart.	Allen Olds.	
M. C. White.	Daniel Pool.	
William Bennett.	John S. Heald.	
A. P. Shaw.		

A. W. CHAPMAN POST NO. 21, ST. JOSEPH.

Chartered July 18, 1881. Membership 57.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, W. A. Preston.	<i>Alternate.</i>
W. P. Ward.		Leroy Lameron.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
*J. J. Drake.	John Lane.	

WILLIAM PERROTT POST NO. 22, BUCHANAN.

Chartered July 11, 1881. Membership 27.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, John Shook.	<i>Alternate.</i>
William Conradt.		W. F. Hurlburt.

EDWIN COLWELL POST NO. 23, BLOOMINGDALE.

Chartered August 29, 1881. Membership 25.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, J. T. Robinson.	<i>Alternate.</i>
John Decker.		Charles Clark.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
James McDowell.	J. N. Edwards.	
Stephen Martin.	Geo. Wilson.	
Frank Cooley.		

COL. FENTON POST NO. 24, FENTON.

Chartered August 19, 1881.* Membership 59.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Ernest Winters.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*A. F. Andrews.		S. K. Freeman.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
*L. V. Curry.	V. C. Smith.	
A. H. Marsh.	William Butcher.	
J. M. Ripley.	Chas. Sadden.	

DAVID BECKER POST NO. 25, OGDEN CENTER.

Chartered August 20, 1881. Membership 41.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, *G. W. Wilt.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Luther E. Fry.		Geo. W. Scott.

Past Commanders.

J. F. Wotring.	*J. M. Robb.
G. W. Scott.	Robt. Service.
L. E. Fry.	*Geo. W. Dickerson.
*C. T. Cheney.	A. J. Hodges.
Amos Wilt.	*G. W. Hecket.
*Fred Bay.	*William Emmons.
*C. L. Blake.	*A. S. Bradley.

JOE HOOKER POST NO. 26, HART.

Chartered August 16, 1881. Membership 46.

Commander, S. D. Young.

Delegate.

W. A. Rounds.

Alternate.

S. Thorp.

Past Commanders.

J. A. Collier.	Geo. F. Dennison.
Casper Rechter.	B. F. Archer.
H. A. Waldron.	W. J. McRae.
J. H. Slater.	J. W. Montgomery.

BUENSIDE POST NO. 27, DECATUR.

Chartered September 19, 1881. Membership 43.

Commander, H. B. Myers.

Delegate.

A. Turner.

Alternate.

G. W. Owen.

Past Commanders.

G. W. Lusk.	L. D. Roberts.
W. H. White.	C. W. Willson.
R. Colbetzor.	

A. L. CARVER POST NO. 28, HEMLOCK.

Chartered August 2, 1894. Membership 21.

Commander, James D. Smith.

Delegate.

*John Wendt.

Alternate.

Edwin Goodspeed.

Past Commanders.

T. M. Champlin.	*Calvin Sylvester.
*Charles Burnham.	Jedd Bennett.
A. T. Cooper.	

CHAMPLIN POST NO. 29, GRAND RAPIDS.

Chartered September 9, 1881. Membership 42.

Commander, E. F. Covell.

Delegate.

Edward Pyard.

Alternate.

Wm. W. Reed.

Past Commanders.

Eber Rice.	Hiram Madden.
Samuel White.	Alvin D. Porter.

GARFIELD POST NO. 30, COLMA.

Chartered October 10, 1881. Membership 22.

Commander, W. Wood.

Delegate.

C. H. Sim.

Alternate.

P. O. Bowe.

Past Commanders.

W. A. Baker.	J. A. Brown.
S. Clark.	Geo. Garrett.
A. Newton.	

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

BROADHEAD POST NO. 31, PAW PAW.

Chartered October 21, 1881. Membership 41.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, *John Reed.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

	*H. A. Chapin. J. F. Bullard.	B. F. Heckert. Daniel Spicer.

FABBAGUT POST NO. 32, BATTLE CREEK.

Chartered November 3, 1881. Membership 98.

<i>Delegates.</i>	Commander, W. R. Wickham.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

	C. E. Manchester. Geo. W. Warner.	*Horace Hayes. *C. H. Browning.
	A. W. Alvord. A. Griswold. *J. W. Taylor. *Wm. A. Vickery J. G. Bohnett. S. M. Holton.	Wm. Dowsett. R. M. Bellinger. S. S. French. G. M. Hodges. A. B. Simpson. A. S. Parker.

COL. MYRON BAKER POST NO. 33, MORENCI.

Chartered December 29, 1881. Membership 37.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Wm. Onweller.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

	*John D. Hanna. U. Smith. Fred Denson.	Alfred B. Whitney. Geo. N. Chappell. Fred B. Sheffield.

W. G. EATON POST NO. 34, OTSEGO.

Chartered November 10, 1881. Membership 27.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Oliver Wise.	<i>Alternate.</i>

ZACH. CHANDLER POST NO. 35, SOUTH HAVEN.

Chartered November 30, 1881. Membership 82.

<i>Delegates.</i>	Commander, James Martin.	<i>Alternates.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

	*H. P. Barnum. G. L. Green.	B. F. Dean. Martin Miner.
	*T. Biddle. Herrick Hodges. L. K. Jillson. J. S. Donahue. *W. S. Bradley.	J. S. Hicks. Geo. O. Chapman. Jos. Martin. A. N. Cook. H. J. Dodge.

GEORGE L. MEAD POST NO. 36, BERRIEN CENTER.

Chartered December 29, 1881. Membership 16.

<i>Delegates.</i>	Commander, Henry Hess.	<i>Alternates.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

	B. H. Rutter. M. J. Nelson. S. L. Snavley. P. E. O'Brien.	M. A. Hand. *J. K. P. McCullough. J. H. Booth.

STANTON POST NO. 37, STANTON.

Chartered November 30, 1881.

Membership 30.

Commander, John Lorson.

Delegate.

F. M. Warner.

Alternate.

*John Hall.

Past Commanders.

H. H. Hinds.
 J. A. Crocker.
 J. T. Pickard.
 T. M. Smith.
 T. S. Finch.

Edson Pickill.
 F. M. Warner.
 J. A. Kellogg.
 H. V. Hallett.

SAGINAW POST NO. 38, SAGINAW.

Chartered December 14, 1881.

Membership 73.

Commander, Joseph Seeman.

Delegate.

Theo. S. Hill.

Alternate.

Wm. J. Doxsee.

Past Commanders.

*W. G. Gage.
 E. S. Pease.
 E. F. Guild.
 H. Coleman.
 *C. H. Peters.
 *D. K. Halsey.
 *Jas. T. Hale.
 *T. T. Hubbard.
 *Riley L. Jones.
 *Wm. H. Presser.
 *Robert Dederick.
 *Henry Fiegl.

D. F. Leonard.
 *Wm. S. Little.
 Hugh McLean.
 *Gordon T. Converse.
 *Samuel Kitchen.
 *Wm. W. Morgan.
 *M. E. Keller.
 *Fayette Wyckoff.
 *O. S. Bishop.
 Chas. P. Colon.
 P. J. Sensabaugh.
 C. F. Schuetler.

KILPATRICK POST NO. 39, BERRIEN SPRINGS.

Chartered February 15, 1882.

Membership 31.

Commander, Mendell Wells.

Delegate.

Alonzo Slade.

Alternate.

R. Shriber.

Past Commanders.

Rosco D. Dix.
 D. G. W. Ganzler.

W. H. Miller.
 S. E. Hadlock.

A. S. WILLIAMS POST NO. 40, CHARLOTTE.

Chartered February 8, 1882.

Membership 108.

Commander, G. B. Allen.

Delegates.

*Seth Robins.
 *Nelson Drake.

Alternates.

Jasper Braden.
 Chas. B. Church.

Past Commanders.

D. B. Ainger.
 *Wm. Jordan.
 Lewis A. Snell.
 *J. D. Butler.

S. W. Harmon.
 Joseph Shaw.
 *Wm. M. Beckman.
 *Thos. J. Snow.

E. P. CARPENTER POST NO. 41, CHELSEA.

Chartered February 13, 1882.

Membership 35.

Commander, G. J. Crowell.

Delegate.

A. U. Chapman.

Alternate.

E. R. Doane.

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Past Commanders.

T. E. Wood.
J. F. Harrington.
E. Gorman.
Rush Green.
J. A. Palmer.

E. L. Negus.
L. Reilly.
A. W. Morton.
A. Steger.
Wm. Yocum.

CHAS. T. FOSTER POST NO. 42, LANSING.

Chartered February 2, 1882.

Membership 195.

Commander, John A. Marvin.

Delegates.

*Wm. A. Bolter.
*Lister J. Kenney.
Marion F. Buck.
John A. Wardell.

Alternates.

Chas. T. Lord.
L. L. B. Hunt.
E. H. Scutt.
John Oatley.

Past Commanders.

Rush J. Shank.
Wm. L. Reed.
Frederick Schneider.
Theo. E. Potter.
*Edwin R. Havens.
*James M. Slocum.
Frank M. Howe.
*Wm. C. Nesen.
Addison S. Boyce.
James H. Baker.

I. N. Ashley.
Lyman S. Russell.
Richard Dobson.
*Allen S. Shattuck.
*Wm. W. Cook.
Geo. J. Foster.
Seymour Foster.
Geo. W. Stone.
Lewis A. Miller.

SCOTT POST NO. 43, BLISSFIELD.

Chartered February 16, 1882.

Membership 51.

Commander, *N. T. Stoner.

Delegate.

*David Lamley.

Alternate.

Horace Wood.

Past Commanders.

John Rentz.
Peter Fisher.
Frank A. Sperry.
Geo. F. Ford.
W. H. Colyer.
*H. H. Wilber.

Jas. K. Crane.
Henry Rouse.
Horace R. Wood.
Wm. Ten Eyck.
*Edwin Youngs.

ANSON SANFORD POST NO. 44, SANFORD.

Chartered September 23, 1889.

Membership 13.

Commander, John M. Howe.

Delegate.

Gerdon Longenbarger.

Alternate.

Edward Francis.

Past Commanders.

John W. H. Brooks.
Hiram G. Thorington.
John Verity.

Leonard Pawling.
*John F. Briggs.

WOODBURY POST NO. 45, ADRIAN.

Chartered February 13, 1882.

Membership 112.

Commander, *Wm. Jibb.

Delegates.

*Frank M. Buck.
*John B. Davis.
*George Durfee.

Alternates.

Hope Welch.
William Gunbert.
Asa Aldrich.

Past Commanders.

*Geo. R. Cochrané.	S. E. Graves.
*Willard Sterns.	*D. B. Morgan.
Geo. W. Westerman.	Peter A. Beck.
*B. F. Mattern.	*W. T. Bradley.
Samuel Patten.	Geo. Austin.
*Stewart Ballon.	John B. Allen.
*B. F. Graves.	L. O. Salsbury.
*Fred J. Buck.	*Henry Mickley.

JACOB G. FRY POST NO. 46, GANGES.

Chartered February 26, 1882. Membership 12.
 Commander, H. H. Goodrich.

<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
H. C. Dow.		Geo. Clapp.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
G. T. Clapp.		G. D. Deane.
W. H. Dunn.		W. H. Hess.
H. C. Dow.		J. P. Eddy.

W. C. GILBERT POST NO. 47, DOWAGIAC.

Chartered March 11, 1882. Membership 35.
 Commander, J. R. Edwards.

<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

EDWARD POMEROY POST NO. 48, JACKSON.

Chartered March 9, 1882. Membership 200.
 Commander, C. H. Haskins.

<i>Delegates.</i>		<i>Alternates.</i>
Thos. Daniels.		Hiram Bailey.
*Dan Beardsley.		Sam'l Raven.
*DeLos Ellis.		O. W. Pierce.
J. A. Gifford		Jacob Dawson.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
T. H. Williams.		J. L. Sample.
*A. D. Welling.		S. B. Davis.
A. Dorr Blakeman.		*D. J. Willson.
*O. F. Kaywood.		J. D. Jewell.
*Albert Dunham.		Geo. Cottrill.
W. E. Morris.		*W. W. Hitchcock.
*Geo. S. White.		*H. H. Allen.
*M. S. Redfield.		Wm. H. Porter.
*W. W. Hitchcock.		

WADSWORTH POST NO. 49, LAWRENCE.

Chartered March 16, 1882. Membership 28.
 Commander, Chas. Cook.

<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

JOHN T. REYNOLDS POST NO. 52, PENTWATER.

Chartered November 18, 1887. Membership 20.
 Commander, T. O. Gardner.

<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
D. B. Gardner.		J. H. Beckwith.

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Past Commanders.

T. O. Gardner.
W. A. Clark.

O. M. Inman.

PHIL M'KERNAN POST NO. 53, MASON.

Chartered April 8, 1882.

Membership 35.

Commander, W. J. Adams.

Delegate.

*Hugh Blakely.

Alternate.

Fred Hines.

Past Commanders.

T. M. Saraw.
Hugh Blakely.
G. L. Barnaby.

S. C. Parker.
E. S. Baldwin.
C. C. Freeland.

O. P. MORTON POST NO. 54, MANTON.

Chartered April 15, 1882.

Membership 17.

Commander, A. A. Clawson.

Delegate.

R. A. Corey.

Alternate.

Ellis Bradburn.

Past Commanders.

Hera Ellsworth.

Edward Morgan.

CAPT. H. BARROWS POST NO. 55, ARMADA.

Chartered June 4, 1895.

Membership 23.

Commander, Homer A. Sperry.

Delegate.

Amos Finch.

Alternate.

Marion Bates.

Past Commanders.

Peter B. Cade.
Homer A. Sperry.
Marion Bates.
L. J. Compton.
A. S. Hathaway.

Frederick Klusendorf.
Amos Finch.
William Hamlin.
Wm. B. Hamilton.

C. J. BASSETT POST NO. 56, ALLEGAN.

Chartered April 25, 1882.

Membership 76.

Commander, John S. Curtis.

Delegates.

*James C. Leggett.

*Robert Foster.

Alternates.

Mortimer Culver.

Louis Belinger.

Past Commanders.

W. W. Warner.
N. W. Houser.
Geo. Cady.
J. W. Eley.

A. C. Esterbrook.
B. D. Pritchard.
L. W. Belinger.
Parley Main.

THOMAS MANNING POST NO. 57, MARCELLUS.

Chartered May 19, 1882.

Membership 83.

Commander, R. T. Streeter.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

G. W. ANDERSON POST NO. 58, DE WITT.

Chartered April 25, 1882.

Membership 15.

Commander, Thos. H. Baldwin.

Delegate.

*John Siple.

Alternate.

J. R. Beadle.

Past Commanders.

Allen Dryer. G. W. Stimson.
H. E. Howell.

A. COLVIN POST NO. 59, GOBLEVILLE.

Chartered May 22, 1882. Membership 27.

Delegate. Commander, L. S. Lee. *Alternate*
Past Commanders.

DEWEY POST NO. 60, LESLIE.

Chartered May 25, 1882. Membership 47.

Delegate. Commander, *A. A. Lumbard. *Alternate.*
C. F. Medsker. *James Coon.
Past Commanders.

L. S. Rice. W. D. Longyear.
H. Laberteaux. R. C. Bishop.
J. B. Scovel.

C. F. DOORE POST NO. 61, GAYLORD.

Chartered May 19, 1882. Membership 15.

Delegate. Commander, N. L. Parmeter. *Alternate.*
L. W. Lyon. *Geo. H. Smith.
Past Commanders.

*Wm. H. Smith. L. W. Lyon.
Orson Higley. Benj. F. Ordway.
Philip Sparr.

JEWELL POST NO. 62, CEDAR SPRINGS.

Chartered June 3, 1882. Membership 28.

Delegate. Commander, J. T. Pomeroy. *Alternate.*
Philo Borst. Silas T. Church.
Past Commanders.

D. G. Dove. J. D. Jackson.
L. Bearss. *Miles Mulford.

G. K. WARNER POST NO. 63, EAST TAWAS.

Chartered June 20, 1882. Membership 37.

Delegate. Commander, F. E. Hayes. *Alternate.*
Reuben Wade. Amos Lake.
Past Commanders.

L. B. Smith. Wardwell Chase.
J. E. Hill. J. M. Walker.
Geo. Hills. S. C. Williams.
B. F. Oakes. Wm. Youngs.
F. E. Haines.

FRANK GRAVES POST NO. 64, NILES.

Chartered June 19, 1882. Membership 34.

Delegate. Commander, A. E. Dodge. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

W. J. MAY POST NO. 65, JONES.

Chartered July 24, 1882.

Membership 25.

Delegate.

David Houser.

Commander, S. P. King.

Alternate.

Samuel Sherry.

Past Commanders.

Luther Kinney.
D. Trattels.
A. D. Congdon.
A. P. Beeman.

T. P. Ayers.
I. S. Pound.
L. H. Scott.
H. H. Bowen.

STEVENS POST NO. 65, EAST JORDAN.

Chartered December 4, 1882.

Membership 24.

Delegate.

Aldrich Townsend.

Commander, J. H. Kocher.

Alternate.

Ira Miles.

Past Commanders.

J. W. Rogers.
L. C. Madison.

Wm. Jaquays.
Geo. J. Bowen.

U. S. GRANT POST NO. 67, BAY CITY.

Chartered June 12, 1882.

Membership 66.

Delegate.

*August Meisel.

Commander, Wm. Hubbard.

Alternate.

Wm. Clark.

Past Commanders.

*H. C. Green.
*Frank Berdan.
*C. L. Collins.
*Pat. Gibbons.
*James Van Kleeck.
*J. P. Day.

*L. McHugh.
*Chas. Gossler.
*S. Wilhelm.
*M. J. Borland.
*O. F. Kellogg.

SHIELDS POST NO. 68, SHELBY.

Chartered June 27, 1882.

Membership 33.

Delegate.

B. B. White.

Commander, A. H. Towne.

Alternate.

Daniel Thurston.

Past Commanders.

Phil Penfield.
W. P. Shafer.
William Beaman.
Wm. H. Barry.

F. A. Pitts.
G. W. Carroll.
J. D. Randall.
Burr Pittinger.

DWIGHT MAY POST NO. 69, MIDLAND.

Chartered June 29, 1882.

Membership 48.

Delegate.

*Robt. Clark.

Commander, Wm. Patterson.

Alternate.

F. E. Butters.

Past Commanders.

J. W. Snell.
Geo. H. Richardson.
Alton P. Beardsley.
True Hart.

T. B. Main.
Wm. L. Stearns.
Henry Northway.

ED. M. PRUTZMAN POST NO. 72, THREE RIVERS.

Chartered September 7, 1882.

Membership 45.

Commander, Geo. A. Book.

Delegate.

Jackson Young.

Alternate.

A. W. Snyder.

Past Commanders.

W. H. Bumphrey.
James Bouton.
S. M. Snyder.
Jeff. P. McKey.
W. C. Parler.

James L. Haines.
*Russell R. Pealer.
A. A. Udell.
*Bishop E. Andrews.

A. B. STURGIS POST NO. 73, STURGIS.

Chartered September 1, 1882.

Membership 32.

Commander, A. A. Wilbur.

Delegate.

O. D. Russell.

Alternate.

H. E. Pierson.

Past Commanders.

E. S. Amedon.
Daniel Berger.
J. H. Whitmer.
L. J. Twitchell.

E. B. Cooke.
P. H. Van Vleck.
H. L. Anthony.
E. Zeigler.

STERLING POST NO. 74, WAYLAND.

Chartered August 31, 1882.

Membership 31.

Commander, Chas. B. Brown.

Delegate.

Cyrus R. Hollister.

Alternate.

J. W. P. Allen.

Past Commanders.

Peter Ross.
Solomon S. Fox.
John H. Peck.
John W. Moore.
Frank E. Pickett.
James M. Potts.

Jerry H. Sargent.
Albert W. Nash.
Varsol P. Fales.
Isaac N. Hoyt.
David Knowles.

WETZERWAX POST NO. 75, GRAND HAVEN.

Chartered September 13, 1882.

Membership 40.

Commander, Anthony Boet.

Delegate.

A. M. Van Wormer.

Alternate.

C. N. Dickerson.

Past Commanders.

C. E. Soule.
C. N. Dickenson.
Joseph Palmer.
Eugene Gardner.
G. A. Farr.

William Walters.
Orson Vanderhoef.
Wm. Kefgen.
Philander Palmer.

JOSEPH R. SMITH POST NO. 76, MONROE.

Chartered September 12, 1882.

Membership 52.

Commander, Adam Lahr.

Delegate.

J. Sorter.

Alternate.

L. Wade.

Past Commanders.

Geo. Spaulding.
H. Beisal.
C. L. Peck.
H. E. Austin.

F. B. Nelson.
C. Gruner.
J. Collins.
Wm. Hogans.

FRANK HICKS POST NO. 78, DANSVILLE.

Chartered September 18, 1882.

Membership 27.

Delegate.

W. W. Raymond.

Commander, *A. L. Crossman.

Alternate.

William Cooper.

*Past Commanders.*Andrew Beers.
O. L. Lathrop.

C. F. Patrick.

ORCUTT POST NO. 79, KALAMAZOO.

Chartered September 20, 1882.

Membership 131.

*Delegates.**W. C. Shook.
Morris Kent.
S. H. Darrow.

Commander, Enoc Shaffer.

*Alternates.*David C. Oakes.
Chas. L. Leathers.
*Chas. Forbes.*Past Commanders.*Geo. M. Buck.
Wm. F. Sherman.
Delevan Arnold.
J. D. Turner.
Freeman Hall.
F. D. Root.
*C. E. Foote.
F. P. Muhlenberg.Jas. E. White.
P. H. Burke.
Geo. F. Larned.
John D. Sumner.
H. P. Shutt.
E. S. Bissell.
Chas. Prange.
Geo. Clark.**HARLOW BRIGGS POST NO. 80, HOPKINS STATION.**

Chartered September 25, 1882.

Membership 29.

Delegate.

*Wesley McBride.

Commander, A. P. Varney.

Alternate.

Harrison Miller.

Past Commanders.

*John Hoffmaster.

D. S. Halstead.

COL. JEFFORDS POST NO. 81, NASHVILLE.

Chartered September 19, 1882.

Membership 36.

Delegate.

S. B. Preston.

Commander, G. W. Perry.

Alternate.

G. J. Long.

*Past Commanders.*E. F. Evans.
Geo. Williams.
Alex. Brown.
E. D. Williams.W. S. Hecox.
R. C. Smith.
Wm. Boston.
A. R. Williams.**WM. A. KENT POST NO. 83, GREENVILLE.**

Chartered October 6, 1882.

Membership 52.

Delegate.

R. H. Stevens.

Commander E. W. Blanchard.

Alternate.

Wm. Deary.

*Past Commanders.*John Avery.
E. F. Graybill.
O. B. Green.
E. W. Blanchard.
A. J. Cole.
C. O. Jennison.C. N. Herriman.
H. M. Caukin.
*L. W. Sprague.
O. W. Green.
A. H. Bennett.
O. J. Cary.

COL. BAKER POST NO. 84, KALKASKA.

Chartered October 9, 1882.

Membership 58.

Commander, John E. Rainbow.

Delegate.

William Lewis.

Alternate.

Willard R. Parker.

*Past Commanders.*Daniel P. Beebe.
James Harriott.
Jos. A. Mowbrey.
James Greacan.
Jas. M. Flagg.
John Lewis.W. W. Whipple.
W. H. Bockes.
James W. Mosher.
W. J. Wilson.
Chas. H. DePuy.
James M. Steel.**CHAS. WOODRUFF POST NO. 85, THREE OAKS.**

Chartered October 16, 1882.

Membership 26.

Commander, C. H. Davis.

*Delegate.*Dwight Warren.
Isaiah Rynerson.*Alternate.*

Chas. King.

*Past Commanders.*Fred F. Sovereign.
Wm. W. Smith.**GEN. LYON POST NO. 86, MANCELONA.**

Chartered October 10, 1882.

Membership 24.

Commander, H. C. Merdon.

Delegate.

James Blair.

Alternate.

Thomas Hazen.

*Past Commanders.*H. B. Hudson.
I. O. Lyons.
J. W. Wallace.David S. Davis.
D. W. Lazell.**JOS. WILSON POST NO. 87, LOWELL.**

Chartered October 16, 1882.

Membership 56.

Commander, Benj. Morse.

Delegate.

F. B. Hoffman.

Alternate.

H. W. Booth.

Past Commanders.

S. B. Hicks.

Leonard H. Hunt.

CORBIN POST NO. 88, UNION CITY.

Chartered October 17, 1882.

Membership 55.

Commander, Henry Seymour.

Delegate.

*C. B. Lowell.

Alternate.

John D. Parks.

*Past Commanders.*L. L. Harsh.
R. M. Simmons.
M. F. Buell.
O. N. Dennison.
M. A. Merrifield.J. M. Wells.
D. E. Youngs.
C. M. Hall.
M. E. Blair.
G. M. Blakewell.**RANSOM POST NO. 89, FLUSHING.**

Chartered October 18, 1882.

Membership 23.

Commander, Chester Felton.

Delegate.

*G. W. Darling.

Alternate.

C. H. Penoyer.

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Past Commanders.

*J. M. Greenfield.	W. J. Ottaway.
S. H. Thomas.	Cyrus Phelps.
C. H. Adams.	Albert Crosby.
*W. V. Banning.	*C. M. Caldwell.
John Wheeler.	

J. N. PENOYER POST NO. 90, SAGINAW. W. S.

Chartered November 14, 1882. Membership 48.

Commander, *Henry Vance.

Delegate.

J. H. Levenworth.

Alternate.

* Wm. Aharnes.

Past Commanders.

*O. F. Mosier.	J. H. Wellington.
Albert Trask.	C. F. Brand.
N. S. Wood.	*N. B. Kinsey.
*C. A. Beelman.	*J. P. Shermann.
Fred Wellington.	G. R. Grout.
*C. P. Burdick.	*E. St. John.

WM. D. WILKINS POST NO. 91, ST. LOUIS.

Chartered October 25, 1882. Membership 30.

Commander, *L. B. Longwell.

Delegate.

*Geo. Wood.

Alternate.

J. J. Marhoff.

Past Commanders.

A. B. Darragh.	Henry Davison.
*Peter Shook.	J. N. Robinson.
L. W. Beach.	L. B. Longwell.
H. W. Forney.	Willard Gray.
C. H. Crandall.	L. L. Cornell.
*Chas. Morrow.	*H. E. Histed.

WALLACE POST NO. 95, FLAT ROCK.

Chartered December 9, 1882. Membership 39.

Commander, *Lawrence Fustel.

Delegate.

*F. M. Reide.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

J. M. Van Riper.	J. R. Brown.
S. F. Smith.	W. B. Littlefield.
*Albert W. Wagar.	C. Strewing.
B. Parish.	

CARTER POST NO. 96, UNION.

Chartered December 21, 1882. Membership 13.

Commander.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

JOHN J. BAGLEY POST NO. 97, HERSEY.

Chartered December 27, 1882. Membership 12.

Commander, L. F. Corey.

Delegate.

Geo. I. Hale.

Alternate.

I. N. Owens.

Past Commanders.

M. A. Lafler.
Wm. B. C. Pitts.
Wm. D. Lovell.

M. A. Corey.
P. A. Hall.

WILLIAM SANBORN POST NO. 98, PORT HURON.

Chartered December 30, 1882.

Membership 60.

Commander, Harvey Hyde.

Delegate.

E. G. Spalding.

Alternate.

L. B. Rice.

Past Commanders.

E. S. Post.
L. A. Sherman.
*E. S. Pitit.
Geo. W. Howe.
W. H. Brown.
L. D. Kinney.

C. W. Higgins.
C. V. W. Brokaw.
J. W. Burns.
G. B. Windover.
A. S. Welsher.

M. W. DRESSER POST NO. 100, LYONS.

Chartered January 10, 1883.

Membership 29.

Commander, T. H. Steadman.

Delegate.

*Alfred S. Bennett.

Alternate.

John Ashley.

Past Commanders.

Ezra N. Thayer.
*B. H. Stevens.
Geo. W. Terry.

J. R. Dougherty.
Chas. W. Lung.

MOSES WISNER POST NO. 101, ITHACA.

Chartered January 13, 1883.

Membership 56.

Commander, K. P. Peet.

Wm. Sell.

P. D. Pittit.

Past Commanders.

N. C. Sutliff.
*W. H. Beasley.
Wm. L. Phillips.
*E. B. Killee.
Thomas Crofford.
John Barnes.
A. W. Russell.

James Donaldson.
E. F. Doty.
*J. B. Yarbough.
Israel Sayles.
G. W. Todd.
Wm. Stahl.
W. J. Clark.

ELI P. ALEXANDER POST NO. 103, WILLIAMSTON.

Chartered January 16, 1883.

Membership 39.

Commander, Richard Wiggins.

Delegate.

Wm. L. Robinson.
H. M. Bigelow.
Mathias Coad.

Alternate.

R. Wiggins.
Chas. E. West.
Milo Vannetter.

Past Commanders.

GEO. A. WINANS POST NO. 104, OVID.

Chartered February 8, 1883.

Membership 39.

Commander, W. G. Hunter.

Delegate.

W. B. Parker.

Alternate.

Paul Wilber.

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Past Commanders.

W. G. Hunter.
John A. Hubbell.
A. R. Doyne.
Luther Stone.
John Ling.

S. B. Southworth.
Cyrus Sherman.
Hiram W. Treat.
Chas. Cowan.

WORTH POST NO. 105, TEKONSHA.

Chartered February 15, 1883.

Membership 14.

Commander, Wm. Gribbens.

Delegate.

C. H. Mills.

Alternate.

R. Elon Eldred.

Past Commanders.

Willard Whitney.
William Gribbens.

Wm. H. Davis.
Geo. Blashfield.

TIM LEWIS POST NO. 107, DIMONDALE.

Chartered March 17, 1883.

Membership 31.

Commander, Albert Shotwell.

Delegate.

Chas. H. Holcomb.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

Andrew Pray.
N. P. Bateman.

O. G. Andrews.

EARL HALBERT POST NO. 108, GRAND LEDGE.

Chartered March 15, 1883.

Membership 37.

Commander, Andy McKelvey.

Delegate.

*E. O. Russell.

Alternate.

August E. Elliott.

Past Commanders.

J. S. Holmes.
E. Wallace.
W. D. Southworth.
H. L. Bigelow.
B. F. Sanborn.

E. J. Wells.
A. G. Kennedy.
Henry Newsom.
Oliver Wright.

BUTTERWORTH POST NO. 109, COLDWATER.

Chartered March 9, 1883.

Membership 143.

Commander, Heseekiah Sweet.

Delegates.

Edwin E. Lewis.
C. W. Bennett.
H. Timerson.

Alternates.

Steuben Filkins.
Andrew Pander.
J. F. Burns.

Past Commanders.

H. A. Reynolds.
Geo. H. Turner.
Henry Firth.
H. C. Simons.
L. A. Dillingham.
*Alfred Milnes.
B. K. Robbins.

C. W. Bennett.
T. S. Osborn.
Chas. R. Thompson.
F. D. Newberry.
H. H. Benson.
B. F. Rolph.
Geo. A. Russell.

DE GOLYER POST NO. 110, HUDSON.

Chartered March 12, 1883.

Membership 32.

Commander, *J. K. Perinan.

Delegate.

E. H. Eastman.

Alternate.

Geo. Swift.

Past Commanders.

R. A. Beach.
J. H. Dwyer.
Fred Barkway.

J. K. Periman.
C. H. Eastman.
*Edwin Camp.

J. B. BRAINARD POST NO. 111, EATON RAPIDS.

Chartered March 14, 1883.

Membership 143.

Commander, Henry B. Olmstead.

Delegates.

*B. K. Crandall.
*Amos Topliff.
J. R. Norton.

Alternates.

*John Thompson.
L. D. Rodman.
Gilbert Van Norsdall.

Past Commanders.

*Geo. Norton.
*H. B. Olmsted.
*W. D. Brainard.
*Eli Cook.
Geo. Noble.
*Jasper Rolph.
*Ross West.

*D. M. Braman.
*James Umborgan.
*L. W. Fowler.
*H. J. Milburn.
*Alonzo Cheney.
*C. B. Fowler.
*J. J. Holmes.

JOHN CRYDERMAN POST NO. 112, MULLIKEN.

Chartered March 16, 1883.

Membership 13.

Commander, Pomeroy Canfield.

Delegate.

W. W. Thompson.
L. H. Wilcox.

Alternate.

L. D. Fisher.

Past Commanders.

MILES POST NO. 113, ST. CLAIR.

Chartered March 15, 1883.

Membership 13.

Commander, David P. Ingles.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

JOHN GILLULY POST NO. 114, FOWLerville.

Chartered March 22, 1883.

Membership 44.

Commander, *W. M. Horton.

Delegate.

*Marion Benjamin.

Alternate.

Sanford E. House.

Past Commanders.

D. C. Carr.
Wm. M. Horton.
G. D. Hamilton.
*Louis Cabley.
A. H. Smith.

W. P. Stowe.
O. P. Showers.
*C. E. Dunston.
Geo. L. Fisher.

ELLIOTT POST NO. 115, WHITE PIGEON.

Chartered March 23, 1883.

Membership 10.

Commander, Daniel Saunter.

Delegate.

*C. H. Farnham.

Alternate.

Adam Kline.

Past Commanders.

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

D. G. ROYCE POST NO. 117, BYRON.

Chartered March 22, 1883.

Membership 18.

Commander, L. C. Kanouse.

Delegate.

*J. Schweikert.

Alternate.

R. Patterson.

Past Commanders.

E. D. Welch.
H. L. Bishop.
*G. LaDue.

L. C. Kanouse.
*Wm. Close.
M. D. Comstock.

H. H. NIMS POST NO. 118, LEXINGTON.

Chartered March 31, 1883.

Membership 18.

Commander, M. J. Dowling.

Delegate.

*R. Papst.
Oliver Yake.
L. M. Brown.

Alternate.

M. A. Dowling.
Fred Keener.

Past Commanders.

BAXTER POST NO. 119, CHARLEVOIX.

Chartered March 28, 1883.

Membership 36.

Commander, Geo. W. Cook.

Delegate.

Edward H. Green.

Alternate.

M. J. Stockman.

Past Commanders.

E. H. Green.
C. H. Whitford.
E. B. Hodge.
Robert Miller.

H. Berdan.
J. G. Reed.
W. H. Collins.

WADELL POST NO. 120, HOWELL.

Chartered April 5, 1883.

Membership 49.

Commander, E. D. Sargent.

Delegate.

E. B. Smith.

Alternate.

A. J. McKean.

Past Commanders.

G. W. Axtell.
R. E. Parshall.
Frank Jordan.
Marshall Borden.
Geo. Barnes.

*John McGiving.
R. D. W. Woodworth.
Asa Parshall.
Calvin Wilcox.
M. W. Dickinson.

PAP THOMAS POST NO. 121, CHESANING.

Chartered April 6, 1883.

Membership 16.

Commander, *S. B. Vannocker.

Delegate.

*Samuel W. Heald.

Alternate.

*A. H. Beers.

Past Commanders.

Nathan R. Jersey.
*John Marshall.

*A. J. Wilson.
*H. T. Weaver.

CARVER POST NO. 123, FRANKFORT.

Chartered April 7, 1883.

Membership 18.

Commander, C. C. Forney.

Delegate.

E. Z. Guild.

Alternate.

Wm. H. Wood.

Past Commanders.

John Hallabaugh. John S. Perry.
N. A. Parker.

FITZGERALD POST NO. 125, HASTINGS.

Chartered April 11, 1883. Membership 57.

Commander, *W. H. Garrison.

Delegate.

Thomas Heany.

Alternate.

B. F. Gaskel.

Past Commanders.

Baker Shriner.	Wm. Beam.
J. W. Cutler.	Geo. Ingram.
H. H. Trask.	Frank A. Standley.
Hiram Palmater.	Jos. C. Wardell.
M. B. Todd.	W. F. Hicks.
H. Marble.	Oliver Greenfield.
Travers Philips.	D. E. Birdsall.

DAN S. ROOT POST NO. 126, BELDING.

Chartered April 14, 1883. Membership 33.

Commander, Frank R. Chase.

Delegate.

Charles Ashby.

Alternate.

Geo. F. Brown.

Past Commanders.

B. F. Tower.	Frank R. Chase.
W. R. Olds.	J. H. Heeney.
C. M. Slayton.	

"BILLY" BEGOLE POST NO. 127, MAPLE RAPIDS.

Chartered April 15, 1883. Membership 27.

Commander, J. E. Jones.

Delegate.

Robert Anderson.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

Robert Anderson.	Dennis Wright.
Geo. A. Archer.	Perry S. Percy.
Thomas Anderson.	J. A. Knickerbocker.

B. G. HUTCHINSON POST NO. 129, FOWLER.

Chartered April 21, 1883. Membership 10.

Commander, _____.

Delegate.

W. H. Buck.

Alternate.

C. Wellyoung.

Past Commanders.

F. A. Stowe.	Jesse Evarts.
M. B. Drake.	Wm. M. Young.
W. E. Hamilton.	W. J. Hammond.

HENRY M. LIDDLE POST NO. 131, COLON.

Chartered April 21, 1883. Membership 33.

Commander, E. Kemmerling.

Delegate.

Bruce Wilcox.

Alternate.

Emanuel Smith.

Past Commanders.

E. P. Wellsley.	H. H. Ward.
W. H. H. Godfrey.	W. T. Renner.
John L. Lytle.	John Hall.
William Boughton.	John Anderson.
Charles Clement.	

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JOHN MEGARRAH POST NO. 132, PORTLAND.

Chartered April 27, 1883.

Membership 51.

Commander, J. D. Woodbury.

Delegate.

Dell Wade.

Alternate.

Wm. G. Minor.

Past Commanders.

*E. M. Allen.

M. J. Whitney.

*H. W. Holcomb.

H. C. Glines.

Vincent Taylor.

W. R. Norwood.

J. C. Blocksten.

H. Outwater.

John W. Van Horn.

*Wm. G. Miner.

SAMUEL JUDD POST NO. 133, NEWAYGO.

Chartered April 27, 1883.

Membership 20.

Commander, J. H. Edwards.

*Delegate.**Alternate.**Past Commanders.***FRED W. WALKER POST NO. 134, MT. MORRIS.**

Chartered April 27, 1883.

Membership 10.

Commander, *John Hughes.

*Delegate.**Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

*W. O. Boughton.

Wm. Barber.

E. F. Lamb.

*M. W. Fairbanks.

D. Douglas.

A. Herrick.

J. C. C. Stephens.

E. Bache.

BARTHOLOMEW POST NO. 136, NUNICA.

Chartered May 11, 1883.

Membership 14.

Commander, E. R. Porter.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

James Stevenson.

James Wildy.

Past Commanders.

J. A. Bond.

A. G. Hayward.

John Castle.

T. W. Dandy.

E. Barden.

John Howard.

H. E. Plant.

John Eckhoff.

WELCH POST NO. 137, ANN ARBOR.

Chartered May 8, 1883.

Membership 53

Commander, *Robt. L. Warren.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

Geo. D. Grose.

*John A. Cushing.

Past Commanders.

Henry S. Dean.

Robt. Campbell.

*J. Q. A. Sessions.

Fred Pistorins.

J. M. Perkins.

Harrison Soule.

W. H. Jackson.

H. J. Pierson.

N. P. Jacobs.

A. F. Martin.

Chas. H. Manly.

Silas P. Hill.

*W. R. Childs.

E. M. JOHNSON POST NO. 138, FERRY.

Chartered May 18, 1883.

Membership 12.

Commander, J. H. Critchet.

*Delegate.**Alternate.*

Past Commanders.

P. W. Parish.

T. P. Landon.

HOBACE S. ROBERTS POST NO. 139, ALPENA.

Chartered May 23, 1883.

Membership 34.

Commander, Frank White.

Delegate.

*John C. Viall.

Alternate.

Frank Hassell.

*Past Commanders.*J. J. Potter.
C. M. Demming.
C. B. Gruly.Frank Hasell.
J. N. Kelly.
Samuel Malcomson.**BEERS POST NO. 140, TECUMSEH.**

Chartered May 18, 1881.

Membership 63.

Commander, John D. Shull.

Delegate.

Wm. Smith.

Alternate.

A. Morhman.

*Past Commanders.*Jas. Karnes.
Elwill Camborn.
H. J. Sweet.
Geo. Swarts.
J. W. Wightman.
Miles Baldwin.
S. P. Hosmer.
G. S. Van Tyne.A. W. Slayton.
Lemers Barnes.
W. P. Smalledge.
Chas. Davis.
I. N. Ingersoll.
*H. W. Stevens.
L. B. Thompson.
*Elmer Wilson.**A. MACOMBER POST NO. 141, LAKEVIEW.**

Chartered May 25, 1883.

Membership 30.

Commander, Hiram Cornwell.

Delegate.

C. S. Vining.

Alternate.

Harmon Rossman.

*Past Commanders.*O. A. Adams.
John W. LaRue.
C. S. Vinning.Leonard Rossman.
C. M. Moon.
B. S. Vest.**WHITESIDES POST NO. 143, CARO.**

Chartered May 25, 1883.

Membership 12.

Commander, Lyman C. Grady.

Delegate.

E. D. Shader.

Alternate.

Chas. Alexander.

*Past Commanders.**N. M. Richardson.
Alex. Reynick.
Geo. W. Baslow.
D. M. Macomber.Jas. A. Connor.
A. C. Spaulding.
R. M. Ross.
J. P. Westfall.**TURBILL POST NO. 144, LAPEER.**

Chartered May 29, 1883.

Membership 48.

Commander, *O. S. Church.

Delegate.

*E. A. Weston.

Alternate.

Geo. Barber.

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Past Commanders.

L. W. Hinman.
C. V. Austin.
J. E. Mapes.
*Herman Dockham.
Robt. King.
W. P. Grover.

G. W. Cranston.
*F. McElroy.
Louis O. Brient.
Geo. B. Farquharson.
Peter Bessette.

GOV. CRAPO POST NO. 145, FLINT.

Chartered June 7, 1883.

Membership 142.

Commander, Thos. A. Willett.

Delegates.

*Silas Collins.
*Chas. Baker.
*A. D. Luce.

Alternates.

M. P. Cook,
E. A. Jennings.
John McKercher.

Past Commanders.

O. F. Lockhead.
*M. C. Barney.
*Chas. L. Bentley.
O. S. Thomas.
Paul Countryman.
John W. Begg.
*Frank E. Willetts.
Ed. C. Marsh.
*Chas. W. Austin.

J. R. Benjamin.
*Geo. H. Hilton.
*Joseph Rush.
Geo. E. Newell.
*Geo. Rabb.
James H. Failing.
Wm. M. Wheeler.
*Jas. W. Van Tassel.

CAPT. WILSON POST NO. 146, WALDEON.

Chartered June 8, 1883.

Membership 11.

Commander, *W. B. Moore.

Delegate.

*Chas. H. Gorsuch.

Alternate.

John Hoghlin.

Past Commanders.

A. Gibbs.
C. H. Gorsuch.

S. W. Ycagley.

DICK RICHARDSON POST NO. 147, PONTIAC.

Chartered June 11, 1883.

Membership 69.

Commander, S. J. Cloonan.

Delegate.

Thomas Wyckoff.

Alternate.

*Moses A. Moon.

Past Commanders.

Wm. H. Morgans.
John Benjamin.
D. Judsen Hammel.
D. S. Howard.

S. S. Mathews.
L. D. Van Kleeck.
B. J. Fuller.
Lucine Loorie.

DALEYGREEN POST NO. 149, HOLTON.

Chartered June 13, 1883.

Membership 21.

Commander, H. W. Crawford.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

RALPH ELY POST NO. 150, SHEPHERD.

Chartered June 12, 1883.

Membership 22.

Commander, J. B. Northrop.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

HENRY RICE POST NO. 151, SEBEWA.

Chartered June 16, 1883. Membership 8.

Commander, Sam Bigham. *Alternate.*
Delegate. G. E. Friend.
Past Commanders.
 Sam Bigham. J. M. Bradley.
 G. E. Friend.

WILLIAM MOYER POST NO. 152, ALMA.

Chartered July 11, 1883. Membership 45.

Commander, Geo. Willard. *Alternate.*
Delegate. Chester Walker.
 *Geo. McCurdy. *Past Commanders.*
*John Greig. L. Stevens.
V. M. Wilson. Francis Hawley.
Ezra Robinson. J. W. Holmes.
E. N. Chadwick. Henry Wise.

HIEL P. CLARK POST NO. 153, SARANAC.

Chartered July 2, 1883. Membership 30.

Commander, W. H. Pinckney. *Alternate.*
Delegate. Samuel Bevese.
 John P. Anderson. *Past Commanders.*
W. M. Davenport. Nathan Hubble.
E. P. Gifford. Eustis Hull.
H. A. Harton. Marshal Tanner.
F. T. Haskin. A. W. Knee.

A. G. GALBRAITH POST NO. 154, DECKERVILLE.

Chartered June 29, 1883. Membership 14.

Commander, L. M. Taylor. *Alternate.*
Delegate. Robert Lee.
 James Lane. *Past Commanders.*

GREGG POST NO. 155, HOMER.

Chartered July 11, 1883. Membership 11.

Commander, Nathan D. Burton. *Alternate.*
Delegate. *Past Commanders.*

CHAS. E. GRISSON POST NO. 156, ST. JOHNS.

Chartered July 5, 1883. Membership 64.

Commander, W. M. Leland. *Alternate.*
Delegate. Geo. W. Liby.
 H. M. Estis.

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Past Commanders.

John W. Bradner.	J. L. Ring.
W. N. Stocker.	S. B. Daboll.
W. F. Tromp.	H. S. Hart.
M. A. Kniffin.	J. E. Stone.
O. E. Wilson.	D. S. French.
N. S. Parmalee.	

ALBERT ANDERSON POST NO. 157, CASSOPOLIS.

Chartered July 6, 1883. Membership 19.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Norris Richardson.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*H. C. Walker.		Thos. M. Seares.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
M. A. Abbott.		Jas. M. Shepard.

COLONEL ELY POST NO. 158, ELM HALL.

Chartered July 10, 1883. Membership 32.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, August Wisner.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*C. M. Guild.		A. N. Morton.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Seneca Sly.		C. A. Button.
Geo. Rockafellow.		J. W. Fullerton.
N. K. Strayer.		C. E. Prime.
C. M. Guild.		James Toy.
*A. N. Maston.		

HILL POST NO. 159, MIDDLEVILLE.

Chartered July 11, 1883. Membership 14.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, D. W. Johnson.	<i>Alternate.</i>
J. W. Gould.		J. C. Boose.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
A. A. Tewksbury.		H. B. Carveth.
D. W. Johnson.		J. S. Johnson.
Wm. McConnell.		J. W. Gould.

HENRY F. WALLACE POST NO. 160, CORUNNA.

Chartered July 12, 1883. Membership 37.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, *Wm. E. Jacobs.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Daniel Munger.		Simeon Anthony.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
L. H. Wilcox.		A. Adams.
Geo. Morean.		Ed. Conley.
G. W. Mattoon.		Carl Pelton.
*J. C. Thomas.		Andrew Porter.
J. J. Peacock.		Philip Kline.

F. U. FARQUHAR POST NO. 162, DETROIT.

Chartered July 20, 1883. Membership 19.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, John McCredie.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

EDWARD DWIGHT POST NO. 163, VERMONTVILLE.

Chartered July 30, 1883.

Membership 42.

Commander, H. H. Brown.

Delegate.

William Wright.

Alternate.

I. C. Norton.

Past Commanders.

J. N. Hawkins.

C. F. Fuller.

D. M. Purchis.

C. S. Snell.

F. M. Potter.

GEN. WOOL POST NO. 164, MORLEY.

Chartered August 2, 1883.

Membership 22.

Commander, D. C. King.

Delegate.

*Felix Ludington.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

Chauncey Blossom.

O. S. Palmer.

R. D. Williamson.

Wm. A. Eddy.

F. E. Russell.

O. COLGROVE POST NO. 166, MARSHALL.

Chartered August 4, 1838.

Membership 75.

Commander, Chas. F. Walter.

Delegate.

*C. J. Lane.

Alternate.

W. C. Hunt.

Geo. Herrington.

Geo. F. Waltz.

Past Commanders.

Epheram Marble.

Henry A. Clute.

Henry H. Miller.

John Cuzzins.

Arthur Phillips.

S. B. Thompson.

David Walkinshaw.

MURRAY POST NO. 168, MAPLE CITY.

Chartered August 11, 1883.

Membership 25.

Commander Abner S. Fritz.

Delegate.

N. W. Harrington.

Alternate.

John Dayo.

Past Commanders.

Marvin LaCore.

N. W. Harrington.

J. W. Dickerman.

Wm. Bickle.

A. S. Fritz.

John Dayo.

Chester McIntyre.

LUMBAR POST NO. 170, PETOSKEY.

Chartered August 11, 1883.

Membership 75.

Commander, Wilbur F. Lawton.

Delegates.

John Keep.

Alternates.

Solomon R. Davis.

Geo. H. Smith.

Thos. B. Hamilton.

Past Commanders.

Jos. A. C. Rowan.

Edwin F. Dunton.

Ora E. Clark.

H. A. Crull.

Louis A. Labadie.

Alex. Worden.

V. A. Baker.

Levi B. Rogers.

Chas. B. Henika.

Albert L. Ruch.

Jas. Buckley.

Thos. Keyes.

*Melvin Burch.

Edward W. Tracy.

Horace Pardee.

DECATUR BELDING POST NO. 172, NORTH STAR.

Chartered September 25, 1895.

Membership 10.

Commander, W. E. Robertson.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.

JULIUS T. BARETT POST NO. 173, CARSON CITY.

Chartered August 22, 1883.

Membership 44.

Commander, G. D. Van Dusen.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
 A. R. Isham. Jas. F. Fillmore.
Past Commanders.
 C. H. Morse. Alex. McCuaig.
 Geo. W. Garner. A. J. Chambers.
 L. M. Lyon. Geo. R. Gibbs.
 E. M. Howell. G. D. VanDusen.
 W. A. Sweet. C. A. Hamlin.
 *Jas. F. Fillmore.

E. B. SILES POST NO. 174, HANCOCK.

Chartered August 30, 1883.

Membership 28.

Commander, Graham Pope.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
 Chas. Smith. A. J. Scott.
Past Commanders.
 A. J. Scott. Amos Jachnig.
 W. H. Mascn. H. B. Rogers.
 Geo. Johnson.

C. F. SMITH POST NO. 175, ESCANABA.

Chartered September 1, 1883.

Membership 16.

Commander, Emil Glasser.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
 Maurice Boyl. Richard Roberts.
Past Commanders.
 A. H. Rolph. John G. Walters.
 Norman A. Eddy. Samuel Atkins.
 John Power.

MONTCALM POST NO. 176, STANTON.

Chartered December 6, 1895.

Membership 21.

Commander, Asa Morse.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.

CHAS. S. TRAVERSE POST NO. 177, CAPAC.

Chartered August 17, 1883.

Membership 22.

Commander, Fred Ross.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.
 A. C. Fairbrother. *Ezra S. Frantz.
 R. C. McNaught. *Wm. C. Huggett.
 Andrew Curry. A. A. Smith.
 Chester Williams.

TOM CUSTER POST NO. 178, SHERIDAN.

Chartered August 29, 1883.

Membership 19.

Commander, Lorenzo Allen.

Delegate. C. D. Harris. *Alternate.* W. H. Jones.

Past Commanders. Samuel Sage. D. A. Pond.
Daniel Fero. C. D. Harris.

DEWITT C. RUSSELL POST NO. 179, BRIGHTON.

Chartered August 30, 1883.

Membership 24.

Commander, G. J. Baedcke.

Delegate. Wm. W. Pentin. *Alternate.* H. P. Martin.
G. V. Baedcke. Daniel Smith.
Mart Featherly. Thos. Stoken.
James Shanks.

Past Commanders.

CARPENTER POST NO. 180, YPSILANTI.

Chartered August 30, 1883.

Membership 63.

Commander, Clinton S. Barrett.

Delegate. S. A. Ferguson. *Alternate.* H. S. Boutell.

Past Commanders. E. P. Allen. D. W. Shipman.
J. O. Chapman. J. H. Woodman.
S. B. Merness. *H. S. Boutell.
J. F. Wise. A. D. L. Kinsley.
Jerome Allen. J. C. Tuttle.
Engene Holbrook. Frank Joslyn.

HEBER LE FAVOUR POST NO. 181, MILFORD.

Chartered September 3, 1881.

Membership 107.

Commander, J. F. Beaumont.

Delegates. *James Taylor. *Alternates.* Chas. Beechizer.
*Geo. W. Ormsby. Marcus Clay.

Past Commanders. Walter Crawford. Robt. F. Potts.
Lyman Cate. Geo. W. Sturdevant.
John W. Stevens. Joseph Allen.
*C. D. Stevens. Judson Fielden.
Silas Bullard. H. Walter Nichols.
Willis L. Smith. *Spencer D. Lee.
*Alex. J. McCall. H. A. Rexford.
Andrew Muir.

HENRY DOBSON POST NO. 128, FREMONT.

Chartered September 18, 1883.

Membership 72.

Commander, M. D. Cole.

Delegates. Chas. S. Adams. *Alternates.* B. F. Preston.
J. R. Penny. Geo. Mills.

Past Commanders. C. R. Rathbone. A. M. Phelps.
E. E. Giddings. F. A. Bacon.
Daniel Squiers. S. G. Allen.

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J. B. McPHERSON POST NO. 183, HOLLY.

Chartered September 20, 1883. Membership 20.
 Commander, D. W. Thompson.

<i>Delegate.</i> Wm. Highfield.	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i> Dwight Hathaway.
	Silas Fletcher. *D. W. Thompson.	Frank Downey. L. M. Newell.

JOHN BROWN POST NO. 184, DETROIT.

Chartered September 24, 1883. Membership 17.
 Commander, Geo. W. Moore.

<i>Delegate.</i> Benj. Williams.	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
	Samuel Smith.	Isaac Fielder.

HACKETT POST NO. 185, BRONSON.

Chartered September 25, 1883. Membership 46.
 Commander, Geo. H. Bolton.

<i>Delegate.</i> Miles L. Whipple.	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i> C. W. Albertson.
	Charles Hamilton. John Taggart. Henry Lilly. David Gibbs.	*Frank E. Hadley. James P. Allen. Wells Knapp. Lyman Carpenter.

FRANK POWELL POST NO. 187, OXFORD.

Chartered September 27, 1883. Membership.
 Commander, W. O. Davis.

<i>Delegate.</i>		<i>Alternate.</i>
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GEO. C. WHITNEY POST NO. 188, HADLEY.

Chartered October 5, 1883. Membership 24.
 Commander, Lucius Sanborn.

<i>Delegate.</i> *V. A. Bailey.	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i> S. D. Gleason.
	*Geo. Thompson. J. P. Suiter. *N. N. Green.	Geo. A. Cramton. F. M. Goodale.

WALLACE BROWN POST NO. 190, BIRCH RUN.

Chartered October 12, 1883. Membership 24.
 Commander, John Irish.

<i>Delegate.</i> *William L. Moore.	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i> Benj. Fisher.
	W. H. Ferguson. John Cook. Wm. H. H. Douglas.	Victor B. Rottiers. *Richard M. Johnson. Milton Hadsal.

O. J. FAST POST NO. 193, MENDON.

Chartered October 19, 1883.

Membership 20.

Commander, Henry Huff.
Delegate. _____ *Alternate.*

JAMES BRADLEY POST NO. 194, CLIO.

Chartered October 28, 1883.

Membership 34.

Commander, Chas. Wolson.
Delegate. _____ *Alternate.*
 *A. D. Rundlet. E. E. Ormsby.
Past Commanders.
 Samuel L. Curry. J. W. Buffinn.
 W. H. Sargent. E. E. Eckles.
 W. H. Russell. Geo. Van Nest.

L. C. WOODMAN POST NO. 196, LAWTON.

Chartered October 28, 1883.

Membership 50.

Commander, Jerome Stone.
Delegate. _____ *Alternate.*
 William Stainlon. Chas. W. Pierce.
Past Commanders.
 Melvin Hayes. Smith Miller.
 Geo. Erwin. James H. Hall.
 George Beldon. Chas. Hooper.
 John Mahard. E. F. Newell.

JOHN TUCKER POST NO. 197, ORTONVILLE.

Chartered November 2, 1883.

Membership 18.

Commander, William Moore.
Delegate. _____ *Alternate.*
 *Geo. Brown. J. F. Wilber.
Past Commanders.
 Delos Adams. *Wm. H. Moore.
 J. R. Kipp. F. M. Jones.

JAMES STEDMAN POST NO. 198, REED CITY.

Chartered November 5, 1883.

Membership 24.

Commander, *J. C. Oliver.
Delegate. _____ *Alternate.*
 *S. V. Vanderhoof. L. Frink.
Past Commanders.
 S. C. Bratt. David Randall.
 Chas. Randall. W. W. Corbett.
 Daniel Donivan. Charles Williams.
 R. Russell. Jerry Mann.

PERRY BAKER POST NO. 200, CARLETON.

Chartered November 15, 1883.

Membership 18.

Commander, Geo. H. Post.
Delegate. _____ *Alternate.*
 Walter Viles. C. Spicer.
Past Commanders.
 H. D. Smith. John Baker.
 F. R. Hawley. J. Fahnestock.
 W. C. Watson.

MCGINLEY POST NO. 201, MANISTEE.

Chartered December 6, 1883.

Membership 30.

Delegate.

C. D. Gardner.

Commander, E. W. Muenscher.

Alternate.

T. P. Steadman.

*Past Commanders.*Geo. A. Hart.
Allen McKee.Wm. F. Brain.
J. F. Albro.**ALBERT NYE POST NO. 202, ROMEO.**

Chartered December 13, 1883.

Membership 27.

Delegate.

O. S. Perry.

Commander, Freeborn H. Price.

Alternate.

John J. Casey.

*Past Commanders.*E. R. Sanderson.
Freeborn Price.
O. D. Thompson.
S. Vandecer.William Smith.
O. S. Perry.
George A. Hines.**G. H. EWING POST NO. 203, STOCKBRIDGE.**

Chartered December 14, 1883.

Membership 24.

Delegate.

E. G. Pierce.

Commander, E. G. Pierce.

Alternate.

A. C. Norton.

*Past Commanders.*E. B. Parks.
*A. G. Miller.
F. A. Stephen.Lucius Bowdish.
W. H. Collins.**L. B. QUACKENBUSH POST NO. 205, OWOSSO.**

Chartered December 21, 1883.

Membership 77.

Delegates.

*C. Jackson.

Theron Gladden.

Commander, Duane C. Cooper.

Alternates.

H. C. Everett.

Wellington White.

*Past Commanders.*Chas. Freeman.
A. B. Crane.
*Julius Friescke.
Wm. H. Beatty.
O. F. Webster.
Chas. L. Paris.
J. H. Moyses.
*M. C. Dawes.*W. R. Smith.
Robert Gray.
*John Q. Adams.
Thos. M. Wiley.
Wm. Guipe.
J. J. Mackey.
S. W. Sadler.**MAJOR WEBER POST NO. 260, BELLAIRE.**

Chartered December 21, 1883.

Membership 38

Delegate.

John W. Elison.

Commander, Wm. J. May.

Alternate.

John Bush.

*Past Commanders.*Henry W. Stewart.
Roswell Leavitt.
Arthur Watkins.Silas York.
James C. Abbott.
Elijah Baker.

GEO. A. CUSTER POST NO. 208, GALIEN.

Chartered December 28, 1883.

Membership. 21

Commander, W. F. Swem. *Alternate.*
Delegate. *Past Commanders.*

ELI ALVORD POST NO. 209, MONTGOMERY.

Chartered December 27, 1883.

Membership 19.

Commander, Robt. Kelso. *Alternate.*
Delegate. E. A. Cahon. R. V. Braman.
Past Commanders. F. R. Fitzsimmons. C. J. Reynolds.
 C. W. Hall.

E. H. HOLLINGSWORTH POST NO. 210, ALBION.

Chartered January 4, 1884.

Membership 56.

Commander, Wm. M. Loder. *Alternate.*
Delegate. Jacob Mays. Samuel Horton.
Past Commanders. O. G. Hubbard. W. M. Loder.
 S. D. Wiley. Wm. Hastings.
 W. E. Bregette. F. E. Palmer.
 J. H. Perine. *H. F. Gilbert.
 C. F. Smith. J. O. Banks.

WM. H. BORDEN POST NO. 211, IONIA.

Chartered December 28, 1883.

Membership 114.

Commander, F. S. Hutchinson. *Alternate.*
Delegate. M. H. Amphlett. *Samuel Kelley.
 J. J. Hagerman. W. S. Sanderson.
Past Commanders. J. H. Kidd. J. L. Fowle.
 M. M. Currier. *M. L. Pike.
 James H. Laden. D. A. Jewell.
 *O. H. Perry. Chas. Eyster.
 C. A. Cornell.

JOS. B. MASON POST NO. 213, BELLEVUE.

Chartered January 4, 1884.

Membership 38.

Commander, A. W. Gibson. *Alternate.*
Delegate. *R. B. Bishop. Alex. McKenzic.
Past Commanders. J. A. Berchard. F. Hughes.
 L. B. Cook. R. B. Bishop.
 Alex. McKenzic. H. Dilno.
 G. F. Anson. Geo. P. Stevens.
 Wm. Hawley.

WM. RICHARDSON POST NO. 214, MILLINGTON.

Chartered January 4, 1884.

Membership 21.

Commander, *L. J. Beers. *Alternate.*
Delegate. *B. F. Crampton. B. B. Rearm.

Past Commanders.

*Samuel Atwood.	Alford Bingham.
Elijah Howard.	P. P. Cone.
Freeman J. Fittsworth.	Ruben Wilber.
Irving Van Wagner.	Wm. N. Storms.
*Wm. I. Markes.	Sheldon Webster.
*John A. Case.	*Wm. J. Hains.
Edward Caine.	

JOSEPH SMITH POST NO. 215, FULTON.

Chartered January 12, 1884.

Membership 26.

Delegate.

John Weaver.

Commander, J. N. Barker.

Alternate.

L. V. Lyon.

Past Commanders.

U. C. Case.	Warren Mullen.
Thos. Hope.	O. M. Gates.
Arthur Longman.	H. H. Kindig.
A. A. Holcomb.	

H. D. TERRY POST NO. 216, MT. CLEMENS.

Chartered January 7, 1884.

Membership 18.

Delegate.

*Gilbert LaCroix.

Commander, Jay F. Cotton.

Alternate.

James Wade.

Past Commanders.

Judson S. Farrar.	Geo. W. Robertson.
Wm. Jenney.	*James A. Price.
Samuel True.	M. L. Skillmann.
Rozell Widrig.	Edwin Tharrett.
Louis A. Allor.	August Steitzer.
Joseph Immen.	

W. B. WELLS POST NO. 218, LUTHER.

Chartered January 8, 1884.

Membership 45.

Delegate.

John Grier.

Commander, Wm. Judd.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

A. Woodruff.	A. Ferris.
A. A. Miner.	J. W. Nichoson.
G. Gundrum.	N. R. Menold.
Jobe Bremer.	

HENRY BAXTER POST NO. 219, JONESVILLE.

Chartered January 10, 1884.

Membership 7.

Delegate.

C. R. Fisk.

Commander, Martin Bliss.

Alternate.

Ely H. Reynolds.

Past Commanders.

S. J. Snook.	Wm. Cooley.
Dorr Darling.	

BRADLEY POST NO. 221, HARRISON.

Chartered January 16, 1884.

Membership 17.

Delegate.

Commander, H. W. Hughs.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

HENRY C. BEEBE POST NO. 223, RICHMOND.

Chartered February 7, 1884. Membership 24.

Commander, A. M. Keeler.
Delegate. J. C. Davis. *Alternate.* E. S. Hunt.
Past Commanders. Alex. Van Brocklin.
 Culver Patterson. S. H. Heath.
 A. M. Keeler. Cyrus Withey.
 James Quick.

RUDDOCK POST NO. 224, CHEBOYGAN.

Chartered February 8, 1884. Membership 49.

Commander, Geo. Brill.
Delegate. *C. S. Ramsey. *Alternate.* E. A. Bouchard.
Past Commanders. Philip O'Brien.
 Geo. P. Humphrey.
 John Baker.

GEO. MARTIN POST NO. 227, EAST PORT.

Chartered February 22, 1884. Membership 29.

Commander, Wm. Greenman.
Delegate. J. S. Arnold. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.

FAIRCHILDS POST NO. 228, GRASS LAKE.

Chartered February 22, 1884. Membership 20.

Commander, John E. Erwin.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.

HARVEY TUCKER POST NO. 229, MARINE CITY.

Chartered February 22, 1884. Membership 15.

Commander, Wm. Kiddle.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders. Isaac Colby.
 John W. Oakley. Emulus Adam.
 Wm. Baird. Geo. Hornbusel.
 Ira Marks.
 Henry Manchester.

EDDY POST NO. 231, PLYMOUTH.

Chartered February 22, 1884. Membership 10.

Commander, Walter Kenster.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.

MILO WARNER POST NO. 232, CASS CITY.

Chartered February 27, 1884. Membership 15.

Commander, J. M. Fenn.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.
 Geo. S. Farrar.

OSCAR BARTLETT POST NO. 233, WALES.

Chartered February 4, 1884.

Membership 21.

Delegate.

*Wm. Baldock.

Commander, *Henry Maurer.

Alternate.

Chas. W. Fritz.

*Past Commanders.*William Grunwell.
Elihu Ackerman.
*Wm. Smith.
B. M. Jenne.Henry Mauer.
H. C. Mudge.
*Newell Bowers.**O. H. READ POST NO. 234, HUBBARDSTON.**

Chartered March 4, 1884.

Membership 28.

Delegate.

*William Kemp.

Commander, E. H. Smith.

Alternate.

William Brown.

*Past Commanders.*E. H. Smith.
A. A. Moore.
H. W. Brownne.
E. C. Read.J. A. Churchill.
H. W. Hitchcock.
A. S. Harris.
Henry Grove.**WALTER CLIFFORD POST NO. 235, BOYNE CITY.**

Chartered March 20, 1884.

Membership 21.

Delegate.

Geo. Heaton.

Commander, John A. Newvill.

Alternate.

A. E. Martin.

*Past Commanders.*John A. Newvill.
John Jones.F. M. Gates.
Wm. Mears.**PETER A. WEBER POST NO. 237, ROCKFORD.**

Chartered March 20, 1884.

Membership 23.

Delegate.

E. W. Pain.

Commander, Chas. A. Jaqua.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*E. C. Watkins.
D. L. Reynolds.
G. A. Sage.
Chas. A. Haner.A. L. Picket.
C. F. Sears.
James Eadie.**RANDALL POST NO. 238, COOPERSVILLE.**

Chartered March 13, 1884.

Membership 15.

Delegate.

Henry Ferguson.

Commander, Hiram Ames.

Alternate.

Geo. Haas.

*Past Commanders.*John Jackson.
Ezekiel Jewell.John Cavney.
Eli Karney.**BYRON STODDARD POST NO. 239, CONCORD.**

Chartered March 27, 1884.

Membership 12.

Delegate.

Commander, A. V. Dean.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

MARVIN POST NO. 240, GRAYLING:

Chartered March 20, 1884. Membership 24.
 Commander, *O. Palmer.
Delegate. *Daniel S. Waldron. *Alternate.* Wm. Batleson.
Past Commanders. O. Palmer. Dell Smith.
 *A. L. Pond. Wm. Woodburn.
 A. C. Wilcox. W. S. Chalker.

LEONARD MAUCH POST NO. 241, WOODLAND.

Chartered April 2, 1884. Membership 16.
 Commander, Alson Hill.
Delegate. Z. A. Cornell. *Alternate.* Geo. Van Aman.
Past Commanders. D. B. Kilpatrick. John H. Rogers.
 J. M. Reiser. Nathaniel Whiting.
 Joshua Dillenback. J. H. Landis.
 A. W. Dillenback. Harrison Long.

FRANK MASON POST NO. 242, ATHENS.

Chartered April 5, 1884. Membership 22.
 Commander, H. T. Watkins.
Delegate. Chas. C. Seavey. *Alternate.* Wm. H. Wilson.
Past Commanders. B. F. Taylor. Jas. Oldacre.
 Herman T. Watkins. Joel Lee.

FIGHTING DICK POST NO. 243, SPARTA.

Chartered April 5, 1884. Membership 10.
 Commander, W. L. Van Antwerp.
Delegate. A. Grawn. *Alternate.* Calvin Crain.
Past Commanders. A. B. Cheney. A. Grawn.

JOSEPH MASON POST NO. 248, WACOUSTA.

Chartered April 25, 1884. Membership 22.
 Commander, L. F. Conrad.
Delegate. Luther F. Conrad. *Alternate.* Geo. W. Watson.
Past Commanders. Quincy L. Taylor. Henry M. Burnes.
 Geo. W. Watson. Chas. F. Andrus.

WA-BU-NO POST NO. 250, MT. PLEASANT.

Chartered April 24, 1884. Membership 62.
 Commander, H. E. Deuell.
Delegate. W. A. Carnahan. *Alternate.* James Hoag.
 *Chas. J. Jeffords. Amos Wooden.
Past Commanders. John A. Harris. *Warner Churchill.
 H. E. Deuell. Samuel R. Morrison.

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J. T. JONES POST NO. 252, HOWARD CITY.

Chartered April 29, 1884. Membership 50.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, L. L. Church.	<i>Alternate.</i>
John C. Salmon.		John H. Engle.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Geo. M. Doty.		O. J. Knapp.
C. Walling.		J. A. Dockeway.
J. N. Clark.		

LONSON POST NO. 255, MAYVILLE.

Chartered May 29, 1884. Membership 26.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, *A. L. Bryant.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Wm. Graubner.		Robert Fox.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
A. B. Markham.		*Geo. Richards.
*J. R. Perry.		*Geo. Pierce.
F. C. Michael.		F. H. Kitchen.
*J. W. Janes.		

WM. M. FENTON POST NO. 256, ST. IGNACE.

Chartered June 21, 1884. Membership 21.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, P. D. Bissell.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Jessie Warren.		J. B. Tawlyn.
H. B. Cornell.		S. A. Snyder.
W. H. Cushing.		

A. STEWART POST NO. 259, LITCHFIELD.

Chartered June 24, 1884. Membership 33.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, L. A. Howard.	<i>Alternate.</i>
H. H. King.		G. W. Dobson.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Wm. Shepard.		Cor. Hadley.
Frank Barber.		E. A. Shattuck.
Chas. P. White.		Wm. Van Giesen.
O. H. Chapman.		

CORY POST NO. 261, WAYNE.

Chartered July 12, 1884. Membership 34.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Duffy Duqnett.	<i>Alternate.</i>
S. L. Howard.		Frederick Shannon.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
F. Walden.		J. M. Orr.
Leroy Adams.		S. R. Kingsley.
A. S. Hill.		Robert Bird.
A. W. Thompson.		Joseph Smith.
Peter Bird.		R. Monroe.

A. C. VAN RAALTE POST NO. 262, HOLLAND.

Chartered July 17, 1884. Membership 39.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, P. H. McBride.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

GEN. HARKER POST NO. 263, VANDERBILT.

Chartered July 7, 1884. Membership 19.

Commander, *John G. Berry.

Delegate.

A. Van Auken.

Alternate.

E. W. Caldwell.

Past Commanders.

N. C. G. Ashley.

Royal Stone.

T. C. Woodin.

G. C. Crisey.

W. H. Claspill.

JACKSON COREY POST NO. 264, WOLVERINE.

Chartered June, 1904. Membership 9.

Commander, O. M. Corey.

*Delegate.**Alternate.**Past Commanders.***LYON POST NO. 266, MENOMINEE.**

Chartered August 2, 1884. Membership 35.

Commander, Chas. H. Jones.

Delegate.

Ira Carley.

Alternate.

A. W. Bill.

Past Commanders.

A. Whitehorn.

A. B. BeDell.

B. T. Phillips.

J. C. Sherman.

M. C. Caughey.

M. Durocher.

Andrew Gram.

Ira Carley.

A. B. Wells.

MARK THOMPSON POST NO. 269, PLAINWELL.

Chartered August 6, 1884. Membership 49.

Commander, O. Tomlinson.

Delegate.

Chas. Macomber.

Alternate.

John H. Madden.

Past Commanders.

Chas. Mason.

John B. Swan.

Chas. Adams.

H. S. Stratton.

W. D. Talbot.

B. L. Kahler.

John H. Madden.

Arthur Hazelwood.

F. A. BUHL POST NO. 270, ECORSE.

Chartered February 27, 1890. Membership 18.

Commander, J. R. Warner.

Delegate.

*Sylvester Hall.

Alternate.

Joahim Theeck.

Past Commanders.

John Hills.

*John Conard.

*Lewis Montry.

Euphratus Ross.

BOYS-IN-BLUE POST NO. 271, MECOSTA.

Chartered August 15, 1884. Membership 18.

Commander, Chas. Hinman.

*Delegate.**Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

MAJOR FOX POST NO. 272, CHASE.

Chartered August 22, 1884. Membership 10.
 Delegate. Commander, J. J. Tanner. Alternate.
Past Commanders.

LUCIUS TAYLOR POST NO. 274, MILAN.

Chartered September 1, 1884. Membership 31.
 Delegate. Commander, Chas. A. Heath. Alternate.
*W. P. Draper. Past Commanders. Morris Vincent.
*A. D. Jackson. *James E. Johnson.
John Steidler. D. Case.
Amos Wisdom. S. H. Evans.
Wesley Robison.

LEWIS CLARK POST NO. 275, OLIVET.

Chartered September 8, 1884. Membership 17.
 Delegate. Commander, Myron A. Hance. Alternate.
Wm. Green. Past Commanders. M. A. Hance.
Geo. W. Keys. N. D. Lamphear.
Geo. Galusha. James H. Bosworth.
W. E. C. Wright. Geo. W. Sweet.
Lester B. Taggart. Chas. H. Wilson.
S. K. May. Henry Ramalie.
Wm. Rogers.

BRADFIELD POST NO. 276, ADA.

Chartered September 8, 1884. Membership 16.
 Delegate. Commander, Wm. Grant. Alternate.
Past Commanders.

H. S. BURNETT POST NO. 278, WEST BAY CITY.

Chartered September 12, 1884. Membership 16.
 Delegate. Commander, *E. T. Carrington. Alternate.
Past Commanders.
*W. I. Lee. Geo. A. Allen.
*A. W. Dorland. *H. H. Aplin.

PERKINS POST NO. 279, SPRING LAKE.

Chartered September 16, 1884. Membership 9.
 Delegate. Commander, E. J. Pruijn. Alternate.
Past Commanders.
C. P. Brown. M. T. Reed.
Geo. Valmer. S. S. Rideout.

AMOS E. STEELE POST NO. 230, NORTH MUSKEGON.

Chartered September 17, 1884. Membership 17.
 Commander, G. R. Kinsman.

Delegate. *Joseph Wixson. *Alternate.* Nelson Norton.
Past Commanders.
 Chas. E. Storrs. B. L. Andrews.
 Joseph Avery. Zoar H. Bates.
 James E. Sovacool. M. Stilson.

MORGAN PARKER POST NO. 231, PETERSBURG.

Chartered October 18, 1884. Membership 21.
 Commander, J. M. Elder.

Delegate. *T. Benningstall. *Alternate.* F. Beinhart.
Past Commanders.
 H. J. Benningstall.

SAMUEL W. GRINNELL POST NO. 233, SUNFIELD.

Chartered October 23, 1884. Membership 21.
 Commander, William Edwins.

Delegate. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.
 E. W. Taylor. A. Kreamer.
 Geo. Richards. I. Eldred.
 S. York. C. Richards.
 B. Peabody. L. M. Peck.
 T. Lusk. F. Linhart.

HENRY H. KNAPP POST NO. 234, DAVISON.

Chartered October 16, 1884. Membership 22.
 Commander, Wm. N. Monroe.

Delegate. John O. Harrow. *Alternate.* Howard Gattermeyer.
Past Commanders.
 L. D. McAllister. J. Cooley.
 Wm. M. Knapp. Alex. Campbell.
 L. G. Adams. C. B. Smith.
 A. A. Elmore. A. A. Conger.
 B. F. Sanford. S. G. Comstock.
 J. Cottrell.

COL. STEWART POST NO. 235, TUSTIN.

Chartered October 28, 1884. Membership 19.
 Commander, J. W. Loomis.

Delegate. John Byers. *Alternate.* Geo. Schloppi.
Past Commanders.
 R. H. Jones. John Stansell.

FRANK FOWLER POST NO. 236, FIFE LAKE.

Chartered October 28, 1884. Membership 28.
 Commander, H. E. Davis.

Delegate. *W. E. Clarke. *Alternate.* M. Bryant.

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Past Commanders.

Geo. Hart.
A. M. Wansey.
Miles Bryant.

D. McAley.
W. E. Clarke.

B. F. CHAPIN POST NO. 287, CHESHIRE.

Chartered November 9, 1884.

Membership 16.

Delegate.

Commander, G. W. Lewis.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

R. C. Harmon.
W. G. Rowe.

W. H. Stout.
S. S. Stout.

JOHN H. ANDREWS POST NO. 288, LACOTA.

Chartered March 3, 1890.

Membership. 22

Delegate.

Commander, D. A. Beebe.

Alternate.

Samuel Johnson.

H. P. Gillispie.

Past Commanders.

E. Deming.
L. Dalrymple.
Zenoa Woody.

O. P. Carmon.
H. P. Gillespie.

HENRY C. PRATT POST NO. 289, MACKINAC ISLAND.

Chartered December 2, 1884.

Membership 14.

Delegate.

Commander, Edwin M. Coates.

Alternate.

Dan. B. Mills.

Geo. E. Rogers.

Past Commanders.

Wm. P. Preston.
Theodore Rieths.
Andrew Chapman.
Benoni Lachance.
P. McCormick.

John McWebster.
Patrick Kerrigan.
Wm. Marshall.
Gregory Lambert.

ANDREWS POST NO. 294, BIG RAPIDS.

Chartered January 15, 1885.

Membership 95.

Delegates.

Commander, *E. C. Moore.

Alternates.

John Fenning.
Malery Ford.

John Cole.
N. Nicholas.

Past Commanders.

D. E. Stearns.
Geo. M. Davidson.
W. D. Moody.
Geo. G. Jenkins.
A. B. Knapp.

W. A. Whitney.
W. Miller.
F. O. Vandersluis.
Geo. M. Gotchell.
M. Brown.

E. H. BRONSON POST NO. 295, GALESBURG.

Chartered February 7, 1885.

Membership 25.

Delegate.

Commander, A. A. Russell.

Alternate.

A. E. Stafford.

Andrew Allen.

Past Commanders.

A. A. Russell.
A. E. Stafford.

R. B. Mason.

CHAS. BROWN POST NO. 296, ALASKA.

Chartered March 2, 1885. Membership 7.
 Commander, Wm. A. Rowland.
Delegate. Elisha Parker. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.

SIMON MALLISON POST NO. 298, PIERPORT.

Chartered March 7, 1885. Membership 23.
 Commander, Joshua L. Bradford.
Delegate. W. W. Meddaugh. *Alternate.* Geo. E. Hill.
Past Commanders. J. L. Bradford. L. C. Long.
 C. W. Perry.

GEN. SIL POST NO. 299, CRYSTAL VALLEY.

Chartered March 8, 1885. Membership 10.
 Commander, T. T. Jones.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.

ALBERT JACKSON POST NO. 300, MARQUETT.

Chartered March 7, 1885. Membership 30.
 Commander, *E. C. Anthony.
Delegate. Addison A. Cole. *Alternate.* W. W. Walker.
Past Commanders. R. R. French. Chas. D. Blanchard.
 A. O. Kruger. P. C. Beanston.
 John Dooley.

ORIN WHITCOMB POST NO. 302, BYRON CENTER.

Chartered March 30, 1885. Membership 32.
 Commander, J. B. Morse.
Delegate. N. L. Thomas. *Alternate.* Joe Pattingall.
Past Commanders. Lyman Havens. W. D. Moontan.
 L. L. Hickox. W. Colley.
 A. A. Palmer. D. S. Irwin.
 A. M. Green. R. F. Hanes.
 N. F. Cooper.

BURSONS POST NO. 303, SCHOOLCRAFT.

Chartered April 16, 1885. Membership 13.
 Commander, Frank Carlton.
Delegate. Ed. Monroe. *Alternate.* E. J. Vreland.
Past Commanders. John Gilchrist. M. S. Burson.
 Jacob Bauer. Albert Wager.
 Will Fauckboner. Will Snyder.
 Albert Cornell.

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MILTON WILLIAMS POST NO. 304, CLIFFORD.

Chartered April 23, 1885. Membership 13.
 Commander, John Van Etten.
Delegate. George. Niles. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.
 Harrison Bradshaw. *W. Montgomery.
 Geo. Irwin. John Herenden.
 A. W. Cline. D. Asletien.

BACON POST NO. 305, FENWICK.

Chartered April 30, 1885. Membership 8.
 Commander, S. G. Wheaton.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.

D. D. DONNELLEY POST NO. 307, SAGINAW.

Chartered May 5, 1885. Membership 39.
 Commander, *John Morean.
Delegate. *Geo. Brinningstahl. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders. Rolander Witz.
 *E. B. Metcalf. John Still.
 John Turner. *J. W. Budd.
 J. W. Starr. J. H. Guily.
 E. S. Cooper. *V. D. Starr.

M. E. ROGERS POST NO. 308, IMLAY CITY.

Chartered May 9, 1885. Membership 12
 Commander, W. Harwood.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.

WALTER ORR POST NO. 132, SCOTTS.

Chartered June 27, 1885. Membership 9.
 Commander, C. T. S. Cook.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.

HENRY DAGLE POST NO. 313, SOUTH BOARDMAN.

Chartered July 22, 1905. Membership 12.
 Commander, A. O. Clark.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
 H. D. Lathrop. D. F. Gorman.
Past Commanders.
 John Dagle. N. O. Clark.

WILTSIE POST NO. 314, SALINE.

Chartered June 12, 1885. Membership 9.
 Commander, E. W. Hunt.
Delegate. *Alternate.*
Past Commanders.

CHAS. E. WENDELL POST NO. 316, GRANT.

Chartered July 30, 1885. Membership 26.
 Commander, F. M. Jackson.

G. J. HUDSON POST NO. 317, MATTAWAN.

Chartered August 17, 1885. Membership 18.
 Commander, L. G. Hunt.

Delegate. F. Hickman. *Alternate.*

F. Hickman.

Past Commanders.

Albert Newkirk.
 H. Freeman.
 W. H. Glidden.

L. G. Hunt.
 J. M. Davidson.
 B. F. Morris.

ALLEN M. HARMAN POST NO. 318, NORTHVILLE.

Chartered August 22, 1885. Membership 39.
 Commander, Thos. Calhoun.

Delegate. *Geo. F. Goodale. *Alternate.*

*Geo. F. Goodale.

James Calhoun.

Past Commanders.

B. G. Webster.
 H. O. Ward.
 James Taylor.
 *S. J. Lawrence.
 O. B. Moore.
 E. K. Simonds.
 Henry M. White.

T. P. Banks.
 E. K. Starkweather.
 J. W. Dolph.
 Andrew Houk.
 James Hamilton.
 M. S. Nichols.

J. B. SACKETT POST NO. 320, PRAIRIEVILLE.

Chartered August 31, 1885. Membership 17.
 Commander, F. A. Blackman.

Delegate. John H. Freeman. *Alternate.*

John H. Freeman.

John P. Hart.

Past Commanders.

Geo. Norwood.
 N. H. Orr.

Mark Norris.

GEO. J. LEIGHTON POST NO. 321, SPRINGPORT.

Chartered September 1, 1885. Membership 15.
 Commander, Dewitt C. Faxon.

Delegate. H. B. Yoxheimer. *Alternate.*

H. B. Yoxheimer.

Past Commanders.

A. W. Soul.
 Ben Evins.
 Adam Craver.
 Wm. Malcom.

S. D. Curtis.
 Geo. Harris.
 John Orrison.
 H. B. Yoxheimer.

WILLIAM KEBBY POST NO. 323, ASHLEY.

Chartered September 14, 1885. Membership 15.
 Commander, N. B. Bowker.

Delegate. Thomas Brown. *Alternate.*

Thomas Brown.

Geo. W. Harris.

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*Past Commanders.*Nathan Roof.
N. B. Bowker.David Duncan.
O. J. Sprague.**W. B. STUART POST NO. 324, CRYSTAL.**

Chartered September 12, 1885.

Membership 10.

Commander, Chauncy Pickell.

O. D. JACKSON POST NO. 326, POTTERVILLE.

Chartered September 25, 1885.

Membership 22.

Commander, N. O. Merritt.

Delegate.

Asa P. Goodwin.

Alternate.

Geo. Mauk.

*Past Commanders.*J. M. Henderson.
James Smalley.
Geo. Mauk.
A. P. Goodwin.N. O. Merritt.
Geo. Carneoney.
Frank Milbourn.**MYRON HAWLEY POST NO. 328, NAPOLEON.**

Chartered October 1, 1885.

Membership 12.

Commander, Murray W. Hess.

Delegate.

L. A. Palmer.

Alternate.

I. L. Hawley.

*Past Commanders.*Wm. R. Fuller.
Murry Hess.
I. Kilburn.
Edwin Price.
John Garlinghouse.
I. L. Hawley.A. P. Morris.
James Henderson.
L. A. Palmer.
V. Watson.
Wm. Drew.
L. M. Jones.**COL. H. H. JEFFORDS POST NO. 330, DEXTER.**

Chartered November 5, 1885.

Membership 11.

Commander, Chas. F. Bates.

*Delegate.**Alternate.**Past Commanders.***C. E. HILTON POST NO. 336, EAST GILEAD.**

Chartered January 21, 1886.

Membership 13.

Commander, Geo. O. Bixler.

Delegate.

Henry A. Kinsey.

Alternate.

Chas. Miller.

*Past Commanders.*J. W. Parker.
C. W. Spade.
C. H. Brooks.Samuel German.
Jack Kanouse.
Myron Aldrich.**ALBERT SPERRY POST NO. 337, RAVENNA.**

Chartered January 29, 1886.

Membership 13.

Commander, F. D. Hoogstraat.

Delegate.

John Gilbert.

Alternate.

Henry Walker.

Past Commanders.

Albro Enos.
Henry Hull.
Fred Plumhoff.
James E. Noble.

Henry Walker.
John E. Hodgis.
Isaac R. Franks.

W. S. HANCOCK POST NO. 339, CLARE.

Chartered February 12, 1886.

Membership 20.

Commander.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

MATHEW ARTIS POST NO. 341, DAY.

Chartered March 10, 1886.

Membership 14.

Commander, Abner B. Byrd.

Delegate.

Alternate.

L. B. Stewart.

John Harris.

Past Commanders.

B. E. Curtis.

DICK WHITEHEAD POST NO. 342, TWIN LAKE.

Chartered March 17, 1886.

Membership 12.

Commander, Chas. L. Buzzell.

Delegate.

Alternate.

A. H. Van Antwerp.

James Wooding.

Past Commanders.

Fred J. Clark.
Geo. D. Thompson.
Geo. H. Buzzell.

James Gardner.
Geo. A. Stearns.
James Armstrong.

E. H. LINCOLN POST NO. 343, SAULT STE. MARIE.

Chartered March 10, 1885.

Membership 16.

Commander, James A. Troutt.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commander.

Wm. P. Spalding.

JOHN W. FURDY POST NO. 346, HAMILTON.

Chartered March 11, 1886.

Membership 10.

Commander, O. Hoard.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

Ben. Laberge.
John C. Holmes.

W. W. Burnett.
H. L. Beach.

BILLY CENSON POST NO. 347, BRECKENRIDGE.

Chartered March 16, 1886.

Membership 37.

Commander, *Barney Swope.

Delegate.

Alternate.

James Toles.

L. E. Hackett.

Past Commanders.

W. H. Weed.
*Randolph Root.
Thos. Holton.
Charles Rooks.

P. P. Vannorman.
J. B. Holbert.
Chas. Wolverton.

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S. D. HAIGHT POST NO. 348, SCOTVILLE.

Chartered March 27, 1886.

Membership 38.

Delegate.

E. W. Loomis.

Commander, Jasper N. Clark.

Alternate.

R. E. Smart.

*Past Commanders.***M. H. WHITNEY POST NO. 350, SAND LAKE.**

Chartered April 9, 1886.

Membership 25.

Delegate.

Henry Bennett.

Commander, Wm. Slaight.

Alternate.

Joseph Myers.

Past Commanders.

*Wm. Rascol.

*Geo. H. Godfrey.

F. W. Hicks.

James Scutt.

GEO. ALLEN POST NO. 351, COVERT.

Chartered April 15, 1886.

Membership 12.

Delegate.

T. P. Randell.

Commander, Theo. B. Randell.

Alternate.

Ben. Smith.

Past Commanders.

Jacob Gunssul.

Geo. W. Morgan.

Osmer Letson.

T. P. Randell.

COMSTOCK POST NO. 352, MANCHESTER.

Chartered May 18, 1886.

Membership 31.

Delegate.

Commander, James Keley.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.***JAMES F. COVELL POST NO. 354, PALO.**

Chartered May 16, 1886.

Membership 19.

Delegate.

Caleb Richardson.

Commander, Henry Barrows.

Alternate.

Benj. S. Everest.

Past Commanders.

B. S. Everest.

Geo. Prankard.

John W. Howarth.

Ira S. Jeffers.

Chas. M. North.

Caleb Richardson.

F. B. MYERS POST NO. 357, GAGETOWN.

Chartered July 14, 1886.

Membership 10.

Delegate.

Theo. Burden.

Commander, C. F. Stearns.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

R. S. Brown.

L. Mathews.

E. Robertson.

W. J. Brown.

W. J. Williamson.

BOWLEY POST NO. 358, CLAYTON.

Chartered July 12, 1886. Membership 19.

Commander, H. F. Yarick.

Delegate. Ezra Bertram. *Alternate.* Byron Beach.

Past Commanders.

*D. H. Warren.	John Wirts.
*A. E. Terwilliger.	Wm. Hinds.
B. F. Rockwell.	J. C. Gambee.
*Ralph Taylor.	S. Spencer.
Milton Townsend.	D. B. Wisner.

CORBETT POST NO. 360, PALMYRA.

Chartered July 14, 1886. Membership 27

Commander, Squire Johnson.

Delegate. *Robert Bailey. *Alternate.* Geo. Southwick.

Past Commanders.

*M. T. Cole.	*John Bittey.
*Jared B. Bailey.	*Richard Bailey.
E. Lewis.	John Patterson.
W. H. Colwin.	*Geo. Southwick.

KILBOURN POST NO. 361, SHERWOOD.

Chartered September 27, 1886. Membership 18.

Commander, Henry Runyan.

Delegate. *Alternate.*

Past Commanders.

C. B. HUBBELL POST NO. 364, COLEMAN.

Chartered October 28, 1886. Membership 17.

Commander, Fred Hanley.

Delegate. Calvin Ritch. *Alternate.* T. N. Drake.

Past Commanders.

W. H. Saxton.	*H. Samson.
J. F. Koontz.	D. A. Curtice.
J. Kellogg.	*E. N. Carley.
F. Hanley.	

CALDWELL POST NO. 365, LAKE CITY.

Chartered November 18, 1886. Membership 23.

Commander, M. D. Richardson.

Delegate. Herman Staphan. *Alternate.* Samuel A. Gray.

Past Commanders.

*M. D. Richardson.	N. Shults.
L. Klingensmith.	B. F. McManus.
Wm. H. Miller.	H. S. Lamb.
Wm. Bartholomew.	S. A. Phillips.

GORDON POST NO. 366, WHITE CLOUD.

Chartered July 18, 1886. Membership 24.

Commander, Wm. Kimball.

Delegate. *Alternate.*

Past Commanders.

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

F. VEENFLEET POST NO. 369, REESE.

Chartered November 18, 1886. Membership 13.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, *Thos. Gulliver.	<i>Alternate.</i>
John M. Weaver.		Wm. H. Lindsay.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
*D. Cole.		E. Shook.
*J. G. Van Buren.		Jas. M. Higgins.

NOBLE POST NO. 369, GLADWIN.

Chartered January 3, 1887. Membership 24.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Henry Medill.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

W. B. HAZEN POST NO. 370, WEST BRANCH.

Chartered January 18, 1887. Membership 18.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, John Smith.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Robert A. Babcock.		
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
James E. Horton.		E. J. Goodell.
Benj. B. Priest.		

A. H. FENN POST NO. 371, FENNVILLE.

Chartered February 3, 1887. Membership 19.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Isaac Lameroux.	<i>Alternate.</i>
W. H. McCormick.		
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
A. Turrell.		Robert Rouse.

E. P. CASE POST NO. 372, BENZONIA.

Chartered March 5, 1887. Membership 35.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Zenas E. Clark.	<i>Alternate.</i>
C. C. Judson.		E. D. Manies.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
L. P. Judson.		J. C. Van Blaricom.
Jos. Montgomery.		Wm. A. Joy.
Roswell P. Reed.		I. P. Covey.
H. M. Stanley.		D. W. Phelps.
John W. Van Durnan.		

S. E. DOWNER POST NO. 374, PARMA.

Chartered March 9, 1887. Membership 13.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Chas. Adams.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Emory A. Miller.		F. W. Sedgwick.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
John P. Baker.		W. A. Matson.
O. A. Rogers.		Geo. Schwab.
H. C. Anderson.		Frank Gorton.
Frank Hoag.		

WM. P. EVERETT POST NO. 377, ROCHESTER.

Chartered April 1, 1887. Membership 30.
 Delegate. Commander, Henry L. Wood.
 Past Commanders. Alternate.
 W. C. McGowan.

HATHAWAY POST NO. 378, PEWAMO.

Chartered April 1, 1887. Membership 10.
 Delegate. Commander, John P. Miller.
 Past Commanders. Alternate.
 W. C. McGowan.

CHARLES BRADFORD POST NO. 379, BANNISTER.

Chartered March 23, 1887. Membership 9.
 Delegate. Commander, Wm. H. Morrison.
 Past Commanders. Alternate.
 H. Manning. H. Gillaman.
 Edward Bensinger. John Riley.
 R. R. Smith.

JOHN STOCKTON POST NO. 380, NEW HAVEN.

Chartered April 23, 1887. Membership 8.
 Delegate. Commander, Geo. W. Dingman.
 Past Commanders. Alternate.
 L. Lutenbacher. J. E. Carl.

U. O. BRETZ POST NO. 382, LAKE ODESSA.

Chartered April 27, 1887. Membership 37.
 Delegate. Commander, C. J. Yager.
 Past Commanders. Alternate.
 S. J. Justice. H. H. Bosell.
 Wallace Lovewell. Martin Cox.
 Edwin Tirman. A. A. Walters.
 John Bishop. Wm. Fink.
 Thos. Leak. S. H. Mallery.
 Abel Bywatters.

C. B. WHEELER POST NO. 383, MARTIN.

Chartered May 19, 1887. Membership 8.
 Delegate. Commander, W. D. Stayman.
 Past Commanders. Alternate.

DETROIT POST NO. 384, DETROIT.

Chartered May 21, 1887. Membership 115.
 Delegates. Commander, Arba M. Seymour.
 Alternates.
 *Wm. C. D. Lowrie. Alvin S. Clark.
 *Wm. Winslow. Frank R. Ring.

Past Commanders.

Henry M. Duffield.
Thos. A. Wadsworth.
Marvin Preston.
Sidney B. Dixon.
Oscar R. Looker.
Robert Gibbons.
James N. Cox.
Wm. S. Green.
Wm. T. Gage.
Chas. E. Foote.

S. M. Kent.
Jacob Bristol.
Edward S. Jameson.
A. H. Heath.
Lewis H. Chamberlin.
*Frank C. Trowbridge.
Chas. G. Hampton.
Thos. S. McGraw.
Alex. W. Blain.
Oscar A. Janes.

CHAS. GRIFFIN POST NO. 386, FARWELL.

Chartered July 21, 1887.

Membership 25.

Commander, Chas. Clark.

Delegate.

L. Richards.

Alternate.

B. P. Mount.

Past Commanders.

J. H. Wood.
W. Glass.

Wm. H. Ford.

WM. THURKETTLE POST NO. 388, ALLENDALE.

Chartered August 12, 1887.

Membership 11.

Commander, Asa L. Porter.

Delegate.

John Rogers.

Alternate.

A. Perkins.

Past Commander.

C. S. Knapp.

AINSWORTH POST NO. 392, RANSOM.

Chartered January 26, 1888.

Membership 16.

Commander, W. L. Mapes.

Delegate.

*W. H. Palmer.

Alternate.

Edward Burt.

Past Commanders.

G. W. Hile.

MICHIGAN POST NO. 393, DETROIT.

Chartered April 4, 1888.

Membership 19.

Commander, John H. Hendley.

Delegate.

*Fred Kraft.

*Alternate.**Past Commanders.*

Jos. Doherty.
John Griswold.

John Boylan.
Chas. Kaufman.

A. P. EARLE POST NO. 394, WEXFORD.

Chartered April 15, 1888.

Membership 21.

Commander, J. J. Carl.

Delegate.

L. A. Crittenden.

Alternate.

E. Cerey.

Past Commanders.

John Pall.
*E. Bowerman.
A. Pringle.
Bruce Stewart.

*Wm. J. C. Davis.
*J. S. Walling.
N. Hanna.
A. F. Hopkins.

A. B. WATSON POST NO. 395, GRAND RAPIDS.

Chartered November 15, 1888.

Membership 88.

Commander, Wm. Walker.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Past Commanders.

W. T. Johnson.
J. M. Wood.
C. H. Fox.
J. H. Bowers.
R. H. Lee.
D. Z. Cline.
C. M. Runyan.

J. R. Wyckoff.
J. S. French.
Geo. R. Phillips.
C. S. Wilson.
J. Whinnery.
D. Delano.
C. A. Beebee.

GEO. WARD POST NO. 398, BEANT.

Chartered January, 1889.

Membership 19.

Commander, Geo. Rinenburg.

Delegate.

Alternate.

*Henry Passmore.

Chas. Cogswell.

Past Commanders.

*W. DeClarence.
John Boone.
Alva Nichols.
Daniel Thompson.
*Michael Cummings.

N. B. Richardson.
Perry Crane.
Geo. Rinenburg.
Willis Dibble.

WOOLSEY POST NO. 399, NORTHPORT.

Chartered January 19, 1889.

Membership 13.

Commander, Ishmeal Comstock.

Delegate.

Alternate.

John Scott.

John Thomas.

Past Commanders.

Wm. H. Porter.
John Scott.

John Thomas.
Wm. B. Green.

BURLINGAME POST NO. 402, AKRON.

Chartered April 23, 1889.

Membership 8.

Commander, *John Paul.

Delegate.

Alternate.

L. C. Wilbur.

L. L. Davis.

Past Commanders.

John Graham.
*E. G. Mathews.
Leonard James.
*E. A. Dickey.
John E. Evans.

J. B. Going.
*Geo. J. Dart.
Wm. Gardner.
John Rothermel.

J. AND A. RYDER POST NO. 404, NEWBURG.

Chartered May 18, 1891.

Membership 12.

Commander, Willard Sherman.

Delegate.

Alternate.

Wm. D. Toles.

Jas. King.

Past Commanders.

H. D. Bassett.
C. G. Brown.
Chas. Westfall.

Fred Smith.
E. C. Bassett.

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

CHAS. A. PRICE POST NO. 406, FERRINTON.

Chartered May 13, 1903. Membership 17.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, R. S. Cushman.	<i>Alternate.</i>
M. G. Howell.		A. C. Gillett.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
T. B. Musser.		Geo. W. Groom.
J. S. Wright.		

W. W. CHAPIN POST NO. 407, AUBURN.

Chartered July 14, 1891. Membership 13.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, S. E. Hill.	<i>Alternate.</i>
E. J. Buzzard.		
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
J. C. Rowden.		*Henry Hopler.
*John Wilber.		*James Davis.

GEN. W. T. SHERMAN POST NO. 410, VASSAR.

Chartered June 29, 1891. Membership 58.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Wm. Hulburt.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Nathan Clark.		*Lewis McCallum.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
*Chas. E. Murry.		R. Hawley.
Jared Downer.		*O. B. Randall.
Henry Adams.		

WILLIAM GOODMAN POST NO. 412, BURNIPS CORNERS.

Chartered August 1, 1891. Membership 8.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, A. Walker.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Nicholas Matzen.		John Smith.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

A. W. BRINDLE POST NO. 413, WYANDOTTE.

Chartered August 1, 1891. Membership 11.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, W. W. Bishop.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

ROBT. ERWIN POST NO. 416, BROOKLYN.

Chartered October 30, 1891. Membership 20.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, John W. Worden.	<i>Alternate.</i>
James M. King.		Geo. Stacy.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

B. J. WADE POST NO. 417, HARBOR BEACH.

Chartered January 21, 1892. Membership 11.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, William Whaling.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Wm. McMillan.		

A. P. MERRILL POST NO. 419, BAY CITY.

Chartered February 19, 1892. Membership 23.
 Commander, *Geo. W. Butterfield.

<i>Delegate.</i> William Durand.	<i>Alternate.</i> Horace Mooey.
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
*M. M. Andrews. A. J. Cook. *H. E. Meeker. Orrin Bump.	*Geo. P. Cobb. *L. G. Wilcox. *J. W. Knaggs. *Israel Youngs.

WM. H. DUMPHY POST NO. 424, YALE.

Chartered January 27, 1893. Membership 19.
 Commander, Chas. Moutney.

<i>Delegate.</i> Miles Simmons.	<i>Alternate.</i>
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

STEPHEN MUNGER POST NO. 425, FREELAND.

Chartered August 2, 1893. Membership 9.
 Commander, Geo. W. Haviland.

<i>Delegate.</i> Ambrose Purchase.	<i>Alternate.</i> E. Braley.
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Henry Manwell. A. McGuire. Jefferson Chapman.	J. B. Alexander. Peter Doran.

P. O'CONNELL POST NO. 426, IRON MOUNTAIN.

Chartered August 3, 1893. Membership 10.
 Commander, J. W. Burbank.

<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

JOHN RITCHIE POST NO. 430, BURT.

Chartered July 14, 1896. Membership 13.
 Commander, David McNalley.

<i>Delegate.</i> *John Davis.	<i>Alternate.</i> W. W. Webster.
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Thomas Boodger. *John Jackson. Sidney Carlton.	Jos. S. Phillips. *Jesse L. Van Sickle.

MARINE CITY POST NO. 432, MARINE CITY.

Chartered September 19, 1896. Membership 11.
 Commander, W. H. Scott.

<i>Delegate.</i> John Minnie.	<i>Alternate.</i>
<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Max Bates. Edward J. Hill.	Chas. F. Farmer.

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

O. M. POE POST NO. 433, DETROIT.

Chartered November 18, 1896.

Membership 51.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Geo. W. Clement.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Jacob Hamburger.		Cor. O. Dwyer.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
*John Devlin.		Wm. N. Siggins.
H. F. Serrine.		Jas. M. C. Miller.
Chas. F. Jones.		E. H. Davis.

MCCOOK POST NO. 434, McBRIDE.

Chartered February 24, 1897.

Membership 22.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Frederick Neff.	<i>Alternate.</i>
Geo. Carpenter.		Albert Bush.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
Louis Perkins.		M. J. Christian.
Myron Dean.		

F. A. DANIELS POST NO. 437, NEW TROY.

Chartered June 29, 1897.

Membership 11.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, John A. Cox.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

H. P. NILES POST NO. 438, NEW LATHROP.

Chartered July 22, 1897.

Membership 9.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, *John Northwood.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Geo. Jacobs.		Wm. Hubbell.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
*Batus Snyder.		*J. Douglass.
S. D. Wilson,		*John Spears.
*James Smith.		*C. A. Petty.

SPENCER POST NO. 439, POSTORIA.

Chartered July 17, 1897.

Membership 11.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Josiah Tompkins.	<i>Alternate.</i>
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	

STEELE BROS. POST NO. 441, MASON.

Chartered December 31, 1897.

Membership 38.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, John G. Snook.	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Henry I. Northrop.		Jared B. Smith.
	<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
J. A. Sherwood.		*N. Templer.
T. Bortles.		*L. H. Ives.
Frank Lester.		H. O. Call.
*W. W. Root.		

GEO. B. MUIR POST NO. 443, ROSE CITY.

Chartered April 8, 1898. Membership 18.

<i>Delegate.</i> L. F. Billman.	Commander, Wm. A. Bates. <i>Past Commanders.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i> James Dobson.
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WASHINGTON POST NO. 444, CADILLAC.

Chartered April 14, 1898. Membership 26.

<i>Delegate.</i> H. A. Spencer.	Commander, C. C. Dunham. <i>Past Commanders.</i> D. E. Cook.	<i>Alternate.</i> N. H. Badger.
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E. H. GIBSON POST NO. 445, GOWEN.

Chartered April 29, 1898. Membership 19.

<i>Delegate.</i> I. F. Dodge.	Commander, W. H. Allen. <i>Past Commanders.</i> C. A. Peasley. Eli Bowen. V. W. Leland.	<i>Alternate.</i> J. W. Munsell. Geo. S. McClellan. D. Bonesteel. Ed. Bradshaw.
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J. B. SWEETLAND POST NO. 446, EDWARDSBURG.

Chartered July 21, 1899. Membership 17.

<i>Delegate.</i> B. F. Thompson.	Commander, Calvin A. Steuben. <i>Past Commanders.</i> W. W. Sweetland. B. F. Thompson.	<i>Alternate.</i> John Jones. Avon Dever.
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P. M. ANGUS POST NO. 450, STANDISH.

Chartered November 11, 1899. Membership 7.

<i>Delegate.</i>	Commander, Dewitt C. Hallock. <i>Past Commanders.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
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GEN. I. C. SMITH POST NO. 451, REED CITY.

Chartered April 28, 1900. Membership 23.

<i>Delegate.</i> Irvin S. Miner.	Commander, *Geo. H. Gilbert. <i>Past Commanders.</i> *Isaac Grant. *Aretas Corwin. David J. Zook. John H. Freeland. *"Ren" Barker. Jos. H. Andrews.	<i>Alternate.</i> Thos. A. Ball. Homer Spencer. James L. Dearin. Livingston Hall. Anthony Wise. Nathaniel Clark.
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TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

H. W. LAWTON POST NO. 452, SAMARIA.

Chartered June 23, 1900.

Membership 30.

Commander, *A. M. Alberts.

Delegate.

*Philander Karr.

Alternate.

Henry Niswander.

*Past Commanders.*A. J. Teall.
Philander Karr.

Geo. F. Harmon.

HARLOW PELTON POST NO. 453, KINGSTON.

Chartered July 21, 1900.

Membership 21.

Commander, Arthur B. Payne.

Delegate.

*Ben S. Franklin.

Alternate.

Walter B. Nedrey.

*Past Commanders.*Walter B. Nedrey.
W. C. Lockwood.Geo. E. Parker.
*J. B. Hickey.**JAMES A. SAXTON POST NO. 454, CENTRAL LAKE.**

Chartered July 17, 1900.

Membership 14.

Commander, D. W. Sage.

Delegate.

A. J. Drake.

Alternate.

S. Fuller.

*Past Commanders.*D. C. Morrison.
W. Mohrman.A. J. Drake.
W. H. Easton.**JOHN HUNTER POST NO. 455, MONTROSE.**

Chartered November 21, 1900.

Membership 24.

Commander, James Persons.

Delegate.

C. P. Miller.

Alternate.

*W. C. Bouck.

Past Commanders.

*David Cross.

*James E. Barnes.

STANSELL POST NO. 456, SOUTH LYON.

Chartered February 22, 1901.

Membership 26.

Commander, Lyman A. Sayles.

Delegate.

Harrison Olsaner.

Alternate.

Eugene Donovan.

*Past Commanders.*L. S. Allen.
A. C. Washburn.

C. Calkins.

J. M. POND POST NO. 460, SAUGATUCK.

Chartered February 9, 1903.

Membership 26.

Commander, Judson Doud.

Delegate.

J. C. Bartholomew.

Alternate.

C. Whitney.

Past Commanders.

J. C. Bartholomew.

C. Whitney.

GEORGE BOYD POST NO. 461, SELMA.

Chartered August 8, 1903.

Membership 16.

Commander, R. C. Norris.

Delegate.

*Geo. W. Wheeler.

Alternate.

James Mansfield.

Past Commanders.

Amos Merrill.

John H. Wheeler.

Department Commander—If the Senior Vice-Commander will take the chair the Commander will read his address.

Senior Vice-Commander R. L. Jones assumed the chair.

COMMANDER'S ADDRESS.

Grand Rapids, Mich., June 11, 1907.

Comrades—At the Twenty-eighth Annual Encampment, one year ago, you selected me as your Department Commander. I entered upon the administration of the office with some misgivings. My predecessors were men who had distinguished themselves in military and in civil life. Several had achieved national reputation, and each had been active and prominent, not only in Grand Army circles, but in the affairs of this commonwealth of Michigan. To follow such a *coterie* of officials, and to succeed, would require my best efforts, and to meet the expectations of my comrades was highly improbable.

I have enjoyed the work. I have visited a number of the Posts, and have met many of the "old boys" in their home camps. I have been received everywhere, not only with respect and consideration, but with that cordiality and comradeship that is so comforting and cheering to a visiting official.

I find, for the greater part, our comrades, "dwell together in harmony"—but there are a few Posts in which bickerings and contentions exist. This is unfortunate, and should not obtain. Friendship, charity, loyalty are the three cardinal tenets of our Order. The friendship that binds us together as comrades, the charity that is not easily provoked, and the loyalty that should enable us to overlook and forgive each other's weaknesses and foibles in our devotion to the Order that is so dear to us all.

In some localities there are two Posts where only one should exist. Both Posts are weak. One might be vigorous, if they were united.

My comrades, settle your differences, draw closer together as age advances, and let no internal dissensions mar the harmony that should cement us as brothers. Honest differences of opinion will arise, but remember that a majority rules and that the perpetuity of our Order is of greater importance than any personal grievance.

The report of the Assistant Adjutant General shows that during the year ending December 31, 1906, we have sustained a net loss of 14 Posts and 498 members, as follows:

Number of Posts in good standing December 31, 1905.....	340
Number of members.....	11,566
Posts gained during the year.....	10
Posts lapsed during the year.....	24
Members added by reinstatement or muster.....	1,032
Members lost.....	1,530
Of this number, the loss by death.....	445
Loss from other causes than mortality.....	53

Comparison—While our death rate has been greater, from a decreasing membership, and eight more Posts have surrendered their charters, we have lost less in membership by 218 than last year.

The number on the suspended list is too large. The report shows 1,634 on this roll at the close of the year. The attention of the Posts in this department has been repeatedly called to Sec. 4, Art. 4, Chapter 4, of "Rules and Regulations," which specifically provides that a member one year in arrears for dues shall be notified of the fact, "and on failure for two months thereafter to pay such dues, he shall be dropped from the rolls unless relieved from such payment." It is believed that a large majority of these suspended members could be reinstated by a little effort on the part of the Posts, and remission of a portion of the accumulated dues. I bespeak your earnest endeavor in this direction.

Every man who was a soldier in the union army during the great civil war should be a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, until he joins his comrades in the "Land O' the Leal."

SOUVENIR MEDALS.

Past Department Commander Cannon recommended, in his address, that the Denver souvenir medals remaining undistributed be offered as prizes to the Posts showing the greatest increase in membership during the year. This suggestion was carried out, but it appears from the returns that but few Posts entered the contest with any enthusiasm. Where interest was shown, the results have been satisfactory, and 165 medals have been distributed to 64 Posts.

I had hoped that, with the cooperation of Post Commanders, an increase in our membership could be shown during my term of office. This has not been accomplished. There has been, however, an increase of members received by muster and by transfer, over last year, of 95.

FINANCES.

As the years go by, our financial condition becomes more precarious. It is unfortunate that in the early history of our Department greater economy was not exercised and a sinking fund established that would have been of incalculable value as our membership decreases.

The report of last year shows a deficit of nearly one hundred and fifty dollars. But for the interest received on the Alger fund, and on the general fund deposited in bank, the deficit would have been \$236.52.

Our financial condition at present is as follows:

Cash in general fund.....	\$1,645 73
Cash in Alger fund.....	1,000 00
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I do not see how our department expenses can be curtailed. The strictest economy has been practiced in every department. The Commander has paid his own expenses, when visiting outside Posts, in every instance except one. The Owosso comrades, whose invitation he accepted, reimbursed him. The Department Commander should not be compelled to pay his own expenses when away on business connected with the Grand Army.

I see no way to avoid the continuous and steady depletion of our general fund other than in increase in the per capita tax, and I recommend that this

tax be increased to 12½ cents per half year, 25 cents per annum. Five cents a year is but little additional for each comrade to pay, but it will materially increase our income.

INSPECTION OF POSTS.

The question of an annual inspection of the several Posts has repeatedly been brought before you.

My immediate predecessor, Commander Cannon, recommended a general inspection, but the reports of the Department Inspectors show that the order was ignored by many of the Posts, as had been the case repeatedly in former years. I decided not to order such inspection, but to leave the matter discretionary with the Posts. Many of the Posts did hold inspections, and, whenever requested, assistant inspectors were detailed for the purpose.

MEMORIAL DAY.

This day was very generally observed by the Posts in our Department. General order No. 8, issued from national headquarters concerning its observance, was supplemented by an order from our own headquarters, and sent to every Post in this Department. The thirtieth day of May is preeminently *the old soldiers' day*. It is a sacred day to us, and we are grieved to see that, by the thoughtless and by the younger generation, it is so commonly devoted to games, sports and public amusement. Let us do all in our power to discourage this desecration of the day, and make it, as it was intended to be, a sacred memorial to our dead comrades, marked with a "white stone."

PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTION.

This work, under the direction of the Department Patriotic Instructor, and carried out under Post Instructors, is a growing one, and is one of the important, if not the most important of our Order. Post Patriotic Instructors—this having been the first year that the Posts have assumed this work—have been somewhat handicapped for want of specific instructions, no duties being assigned them. For several years the Department has given prizes to the pupils of the schools for the best essays upon subjects designated. This was not done this year, for the reason that for the last two years the awards have been won by the same school, indicating that but few schools have interested themselves in the contest, and in the hope that the Department Instructor would devise some better plan whereby to stimulate the patriotism of the rising generation.

At the last National Encampment, held at Minneapolis, our rules and regulations were amended so as to provide for the election of Post Patriotic Instructors, the election and installation to take place at the same time that the other officers were elected and installed. Either through neglect, or lack of information, more than one hundred Posts in this Department have failed to report to the Assistant Adjutant General the name of their Patriotic Instructor. We construe this to mean that none has been elected. This work is of the greatest importance, and should not be neglected. Every Post should elect a Patriotic Instructor. The comrade selected should be an enthusiast; a man who is in touch with the youth in his locality; who will see that every school is visited; that every pupil listens to some recital of incidents connected with the great civil war; that at least once each year

every child in this state of Michigan has brought to his attention the struggles through which this county has passed that it might become great; the sacrifices in blood and treasure that have been made to preserve it, and the *patriotic duty* of the coming generation to perpetuate it.

THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

To this organization the Grand Army owes a debt of gratitude beyond computation. But for the Woman's Relief Corps, that has been so helpful to us in every way, very many of our Posts that now are active and prosperous would have lapsed and surrendered their charters long ago. There are now existent in this Department three corps whose Posts have lapsed, and which report to the Department Commander annually. I see no reason why the Woman's Relief Corps should not exist as a perpetual organization long after the Grand Army of the Republic has become but a part of history, and the last soldier of the civil war lives only in the memory. My thanks are due, and they are hereby extended to Mrs. Redner, Department President, for the interest she has manifested in our work, and for her efforts to make the year a successful one for the Grand Army of the Republic.

THE LADIES OF THE G. A. R.

This auxiliary to our Order, although differing somewhat in organization and personnel from the Woman's Relief Corps, has the same purposes and aims, viz.; to assist the Grand Army in its work, to keep alive the memories of the great civil war, and of those engaged in it, and to inculcate loyalty and patriotism in the hearts of the youth of our land and of the generations to come. I bespeak for the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic your hearty support.

THE SONS OF VETERANS.

Upon whom should fall the mantle of the old soldier if not upon his son? Societies of the descendants of those who fought in the war of the revolution exist in all parts of our land, and their members are proud of the heritage bequeathed them. In a hundred years from now, your lineal descendants should be equally proud of the name they bear, and that it appears among those enrolled in the army that saved the nation in its dire extremity, when its autonomy hung in the balance.

Let us encourage this organization that its members may inherit the same fraternity, charity and loyalty that characterizes the Grand Army.

FORTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The Fortieth National Encampment, held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in August last, like its thirty-nine predecessors, was a notable event. Extreme care had been taken by the Citizen's Committee for the comfort of the veterans and to guard against accident. Red Cross ambulances—automobiles—were everywhere present, and nurses and assistants were on duty night and day. No one was allowed to suffer for want of attention. Michigan's part in the proceedings and in the parade was a source of pride to the Commander. Led by the splendid band of Aberdeen, South Dakota, Michigan received her share of enthusiastic recognition as our column marched through the crowded streets.

Our thanks are due A. A. G. Wyckoff for the commodious and convenient headquarters he had provided.

FORTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The next, or Forty-first National Encampment, will meet at Saratoga Springs, New York, on September 9th. Headquarters for this Department have been secured at the United States hotel. The rooms are on the ground floor, and are easy of access.

The Business Men's Association of Saratoga has entered into a contract to furnish accommodations, with board, for from \$2.00 to \$4.00 per day, and rooms from 50 cents to \$1.00. Board and lodging, in rooming and boarding houses, at \$1.50 to \$2.00 per day. Free lodgings are guaranteed to 11,000. Ample provision seems to have been made for the accommodation of visitors, and I hope that Michigan will be strongly represented in the parade, and take an important part in the proceedings of the encampment.

During my administration three Past Department Commanders have gone to their long home—Comrade Aaron T. Bliss, Comrade Russell A. Alger, and Comrade William Shakespeare. Comrade Bliss had represented his district in the U. S. Congress, and had been twice elected governor of this Commonwealth. Comrade Alger had been Governor of the State, Secretary of War in the Cabinet of President McKinley, and, at the time of his death, was a U. S. Senator from Michigan; but Comrade Shakespeare gave more and endured more for his country than either of them, the seven wounds he received at Jackson, Miss., in '63, causing him continuous suffering through all the intervening years until his death in January last.

Comrade William F. Atkinson, Judge Advocate of this Department, died at his home in Detroit on May 4th. Comrade Atkinson enlisted in 1862 at 18 years of age, and was mustered out at Houston, Texas, in May, 1865, as Captain of Company K, Third Mich. Infantry. As an official on the staff of the Department Commander, he has been loyal, pains-taking and efficient. I hereby express my deep sorrow in the loss of so good a friend.

As these comrades were distinguished in the Grand Army, I recommend that suitable memorial resolutions be passed by this encampment concerning them.

THE SOLDIERS' HOME.

Living in close proximity to it, I frequently visit this retreat. It is indeed a *home* for our disabled comrades, a "snug harbor" for our storm-tossed and wrecked marines.

Under the efficient administration of Col. Turner, aided by his able Adjutant, Major Taylor; the professional skill and kindly attention of the surgeon and his assistants; and under the general supervision of such comrades as comprise the Board of Managers, it could not be other.

The committee appointed to inspect it has performed that duty and will report to this encampment.

PENSIONS.

Our thanks are due the Fifty-ninth Congress of the United States for the passage of the service pension act in February last. Under this law every honorably discharged soldier who has reached the age of 62 years is entitled to \$12 per month; \$15.00 at 70, and \$20.00 at 75 years of age.

It is presumed that many of you have already reaped the benefit of this act, and we owe a debt of gratitude to Past Commander-in-Chief and his collaborators, for their indefatigable efforts to secure its enactment. No country in the world has ever shown such appreciation of its volunteer soldiers as has the United States of America—our country.

LEGISLATION IN MICHIGAN.

Such an immense number of appropriation bills, carrying such large sums of money, were introduced in the present legislature that our Committee on Legislation did not think it best to push any measure in the special interest of the old soldier.

The amendment to Act No. 85, of the Public Acts of 1899, relative to the employment of honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, etc., and known as House Bill No. 129, has been urged by comrade Anthony and others.

It would seem that Michigan should erect, on the Capitol grounds, a fitting memorial to her soldiers of the civil war.

I hereby express my sincere gratitude to the several officers of this Department for their loyalty to me, and for the fidelity with which each has discharged his duty. It has been extremely gratifying and pleasing to me that I have at all times received the cordial support of every official. But especially am I indebted to Assistant Adjutant General Fayette Wyckoff. But for his intimate knowledge of the affairs of the Department, his efficiency, and his willingness to assist me at all times, my administration would have been a failure, or fraught with extreme difficulty. If any measure of success has attended the past year's work, it is due, in a large degree, to the loyalty and efficiency of the official staff, to whom, as individuals, I extend my thanks.

My comrades, I shall hand the gavel of the Department Commander to my successor with some regret. I have enjoyed the work of the past year. The universal kindness extended to me has been a great source of pleasure. The new acquaintances I have made, and my new relations with my old ones, will live in my memory while recollection endures.

May this Order continue until the last member of the last Post responds to the call of the Great Commander, and when some kind hand has placed the floral wreath upon his resting place, in living remembrance of what he did for his country in her hour of greatest peril, then, and not 'till then may "FINIS" be written to the history of the Grand Army of the Republic.

JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD,
Department Commander.

Department Commander—I have the pleasure of introducing to you the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Comrade R. B. Brown, of Zanesville, Ohio. (Great applause.)

And your Adjutant General, Comrade O'Neil. (Great applause.)

Senior Vice-Commander—Comrades, you have heard the report of your Department Commander. If it is agreeable it will be referred to the following committee:

O. A. Janes, Post No. 384; E. C. Cannon, Post No. 16; James Van Kleeck, Post No. 67.

The report was so referred.

The Officer of the Day reported that the mayor of the city was waiting at the door. For the purpose of receiving the mayor an informal recess

was taken and the Officer of the Day was directed to escort him to the platform.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME BY MAYOR HINE OF BAY CITY.

Gentlemen, I am late for some reason or other but nevertheless I am glad to be with you. It affords me great pleasure to address such an assembly as is here today in this opera house. I am glad, as mayor of Bay City, to have the honor to address you men who fought for our country. (Applause.) If it were not for these men who are sitting here now this country would have been cut up the same as it is in the old country. We have one piece there and one piece here. We have a man acting as president of this country at the present time who is equal to any man that ever filled the chair at Washington. I am not going to make any speech. I am simply going to welcome you to the city of Bay City in the name of all the people and I hope you enjoy yourself while here. Have a good time. The city is open to all of you and there will be no restrictions. I hope that you will enjoy yourself and if you can ever do so come back again. Come back again sometime. Gentlemen, I thank you. (Applause.)

RESPONSE OF DEPARTMENT COMMANDER GRISWOLD.

In behalf of my comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I thank you for this cordial welcome to your city. I understand you have just entertained a very large convention. But that convention was made up of young men. We are of the older class; some of us have been swept away this year and our numbers are getting smaller and smaller each year. We are meeting here for the purpose of renewing our past experiences. You don't know how much a meeting of this kind means to us. I thank you sir, again. Comrades I am about to pin on the vest of the mayor of Bay City the badge of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic.

The Encampment badge was pinned on the mayor by Department Commander Griswold.

Department Commander—Comrades, I want to introduce to you Commander Brown to whom perhaps more than any other man connected with the Grand Army of the Republic is due the Service Pension Bill. (Great applause.)

ADDRESS BY COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF BROWN, OF ZANESVILLE,
OHIO.

Department Commander and Comrades—There has never been a time in the forty-one years since the close of the war of the Rebellion when the G. A. R. stood so high in public esteem as in 1907. From the first citizen in the land, Theodore Roosevelt, down to the humblest citizen, none of you men have seen a more profitable year than 1907. I thank you for this cordial greeting. It is a great honor to look into your faces. I have heard the very stirring address of your Department Commander and want to talk with you a little about the practical things of this organization we all love so much. I am proud of the man who wears the five pointed star of the G. A. R. It is not the question of sentiment; neither is it the matter of choice. It is a matter of duty that rests upon every man who bore an honorable part in the great struggle. When you stood on the mustering line and with uplifted hand swore before Almighty God that you would defend the constitution of the United States and obey the orders of the President and all lawful citizens—that you would defend these United States against all comers whomsoever you took the obligation that rested upon your souls from that day until he joins the Great Army. I challenge the right of any man be he of high or low station to ally himself to any better organization than our own. (Applause.) Every president from Abraham Lincoln to Theodore Roosevelt, save one, has worn the five pointed star you all value so highly. Grant, Garfield, Harrison and McKinley, you will pardon me, they were all born in Ohio. Two members of the Supreme Court, the chief tribunal of the world, wore it. It has only recently disappeared from the Cabinet Board. A large number of men with this badge are in the lower House of the United States and some of them are in the Senate, and none of them wear it more worthily or more proudly than your own Washington Gardner, of Michigan—formerly of Ohio. We measure results in this life by what we accomplish. According to the report on the 31st day of December, 1906, Michigan had five less posts and 162 less members than on the 30th day of June, 1906. This ought not to be. Seven hundred thousand survivors of the War for the Suppression of the Rebellion still live within the borders of the Great Republic. You have twelve thousand in round numbers. I know of no reason why it should not be eighteen thousand, yes, twenty thousand in Michigan. We have got to have them. Go back to your homes again and recruit new life. Go to the comrades of the old line; get them to join the Grand Army of the Republic; beseech them to come in. For there will come a time in the history of the families when children or grandchildren will be put to blush at the enquiry why was not your father or grandfather a member of the G. A. R. Was there a reason? There is. God pity the man who is lost to the opportunities and the duties of this life. God pity the man who has lost the spirit of fraternity, loyalty and charity, who allows himself to sit in idle indifference. The 59th Congress of the United States has been very responsive to the sentiment you have so carefully and with great dignity formulated, when they passed the Macomber Bill. You have put a roof over every soldier from Portland, Maine, to Portland, Oregon. You have now before you the best pension law that this country has had since the days of 1862. Out with the man who would join the Grand Army

of the Republic for the purpose of getting a pension. Out with the man who would join the G. A. R. for any selfish purpose. But my heart goes out to the man who rises to take his place here where duty calls and moves on and moves on and on to the end. You men who fought in the thick of battle, do you remember when you told the comrade next to you that should you die in battle you trusted and hoped he would not forget to inform the folks at home—your mother and your father and perhaps your children. It was a sad moment for you, wasn't it? And some of you said "Don't forget the girl I left behind me, will you boys?" How many of you can give the first ten names on the muster roll of your company? Those who stood in the days of 1860 the G. A. R. seeks to keep alive. We don't want any bitterness or any wrath but we do want charity and loyalty and fraternity. I know there are some of our number who are not as strong on their feet as once they were. Don't point with the finger of scorn at the drunken old reeling wreck, but put your arms around him and try and get him to lead a better life. All of us have our faults. Probably this is the only fault he has, and a little talk from you may bring gladness to his heart and he may have greater courage to throw this off and his home will be a better one both for himself and to all concerned. Let the watchword become, "Go with Us and We will do You Good." If any comrade in your ranks who has passed into the rapid march of the west has forgotten his manhood as to make himself less a man, I beg of you, in God's name, go to him. Put your protecting arms about him. Say to him "Come, go with us and we will do you good." Let that be the watchword of the Grand Army of the Republic and next year we shall number twenty, yes thirty thousand more for I am glad to tell you that today we are 1,022 stronger than we were a year ago. We are a growing army. Don't for a moment think that the men who saved this Republic are men of an obsolete class. God has blessed you as men have never been blessed. There never can be another G. A. R. for you have taught the nations of this earth the ways of peace. Great as you are with all your guns and warships and the army at your command, infinitely greater are you as a nation for peace. These great differences are now being settled in an amicable manner at the Hague. While your country has been threatened with war, you have taught the nations of the earth that war is a serious, serious thing. God bless the Grand Army of the Republic for its majesty and dignity in the days of peace. Let us with heads erect and eyes to the front march to the West, every man giving the last drop of his heart's devotion to the great Republic we all served so well, and when our name shall be signed to the muster roll and we shall look back upon the scenes of this earth then we shall come to know in the fullest and in the broadest measure the glory which enshrines the deeds of the Grand Army of the Republic. (Great applause.)

Department Commander—Comrades, I take pleasure in introducing to you, Comrade O'Neil.

ADDRESS BY COMRADE O'NEIL.

Department Commander and Comrades—I assure you, comrades, that it is a great pleasure for me to be present with you on this occasion. I remember that in 1889 I had the pleasure and honor of standing on this very platform in the presence of the Department of Michigan. I shall not forget the talk of your then Department Commander who was then going out of office. He made a very stirring address and he was none other than Hon. Washington Gardner, who is sitting behind me here. (Pointing.) Now, comrades, I am glad to be with you. I think, however, that something has been going on since I saw you last. There are not so many of you as there used to be. Now you boys of Michigan have to grow old. You ought to remain young. You have been doing in the Department of Michigan a great work. I have become very deeply attached to your Adjutant General. He is a fine fellow and you should keep him as long as you can. He is whole-hearted and genial and the right man for the place. I hope you will not be so unfortunate as to lose him in time to come.

It was my fortune during the war to serve at least in sight of and with some of the brave boys of Michigan. I remember how heroically and how determined the Michigan men in the Battle of Chickamauga stood for what was right. We are living in an age, comrades, when the memories of the past bring to us thoughts of the future. But for you, this country of ours would not be enjoying the prosperity and the glory that it is at the present time. But for your service, this flag of ours would not be so proudly hailed abroad. But for you, Dewey could not have sailed on that morning in Manilla Bay and planned the blockade in that foreign land. But for your service, this country would not be what it is today, and how much glory can be assigned to the soldier who in the hours of our Nation's peril, left his home and all that was dear to him and went forth to suffer the fate of his comrades, bleed if it need be and die if it need be for Old Glory. I am glad, my comrades, that I have lived until this time when we can take into our hearts every comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic. I wear on my person the badge of other organizations. But to me, as the Commander-in-Chief has said, the G. A. R. button and the five pointed star is the most highly prized one of all. It means honorable service in a right and just and righteous cause. It means honorable discharge.

Comrades, I am not going to detain you. I could talk here all morning on things that interest you as well as myself and I wouldn't know when to stop, but I know you are here for business. I am glad that I am able to get to the Department of Michigan. You did not serve in the same company or regiment that I did because I served with the best men. You served in the next best and you all served in the best and I have not very much respect for a man who did not serve in the very best regiment. But, comrades, we all fought for the same cause and all of us did what we thought was our duty at that time. May God bless the Department of Michigan, these splendid officers and these magnificent comrades. Go forward and do good. Go back to your homes, as the Commander-in-Chief has said, and each one of you become a recruiting officer. Get them all in, don't miss anybody. There should not be a decrease in the Department of Michigan. Let me excite you a little. Over in Ohio we show an increase of

680. Over in Wisconsin we show an increase of 1,135. Way out in Alaska and Washington out on the Pacific Coast, we have an increase of 764 in that Department. Comrades, it shows what work will do. You can't do this sitting down. It means work, earnest work, good hard work. There is not a comrade sitting here who can't go back to his home and bring in a comrade within the next six months who has either been suspended or who has never belonged to the Grand Army of the Republic. Comrades, won't you do it? If every comrade in the state of Wisconsin can do this there is no reason why it can't be done in the State of Michigan. If every comrade in Michigan will do this Michigan will be the banner state and not Wisconsin. Comrades, with all my heart I thank you. I congratulate you. I believe that you will become earnest recruiting officers and that you will bring into the Grand Army of the Republic these men who stood by us in other days. May God bless you and the officers of the Department. I thank you. (Applause.)

Department Commander—The next thing in order will be the announcement of some of the committees.

The Committee on Resolutions: Comrade Henry S. Dean, Post 137; C. L. Collins, Post 419; D. B. K. Van Raalte, Post 262.

The Chair—The Department Commander recommended that the following be appointed on the deaths of our Department Commanders and I have assumed that this would be agreeable to you and have appointed the following committees:

Committee to draft resolutions on the death of Comrade Alger: Comrades C. V. R. Pond, Post 2; J. H. Kidd, Post 211; Wm. Jibb, Post 45.

Committee to draft resolutions on the death of Comrade A. T. Bliss: Comrades Washington Gardner, Post 210; Wm. G. Gage, Post 38; John Northwood, Post 438.

Committee to draft resolutions on the death of Comrade Shakespeare: Comrades R. R. Pealer, Post 72; E. C. Anthony, Post 300; C. E. Foote, Post 79.

Committee to visit the Woman's Relief Corps: Comrades E. Mallery, Post 382; C. V. R. Pond, Post 2; Louis Kanitz, Post 5.

Committee to visit the Ladies of the G. A. R.: Comrades V. H. McBride, Post 262; S. J. Lawrence, Post 318; J. M. Greenfield, Post 89.

We will now listen to the report of the Senior Vice Commander.

REPORT OF SENIOR VICE COMMANDER.

BAY CITY, MICH., June 10, 1907.

To the Department Commander, Officers and Comrades of the Department of Michigan, G. A. R.:

According to custom, I submit my report for the year ending this date. I have endeavored to perform the duties assigned to me to the best of my ability. If anything has been lacking, I trust the Comrades will attribute it to an error of the head, and not of the heart. My heart has been in the work. I accompanied the Department Commander and the Department of Michigan to the National Encampment at Minneapolis and performed such duties as were assigned to me to the best of my ability. In the absence

of the Department Commander I represented the Department at the funeral services of our late Department Commander, A. T. Bliss. There were present Comrades Palmer, Junior Vice Commander; Wyckoff, Assistant Adjutant General; McCulloch, Chief Muster Officer, and several Past Department Commanders. We attended private services at the residence, public services at the Masonic Temple and accompanied the remains to the cemetery. I have visited a few Posts and used my best endeavors to secure the reinstatement of suspended members and securing recruits, with some measure of success.

I wish to thank the comrades for the honor conferred upon me and the uniform courtesy with which I have been received during my term of office, regretting that I could not have been of greater service.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

RILEY L. JONES,
Senior Vice Department Commander.

Report received and referred to the following committee: R. L. Warren, Post 137; Albert Dunham, Post 48; L. W. Sprague, Post 83.

Department Commander—We will now listen to the report of the Junior Vice Commander:

REPORT OF THE JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER.

GRAYLING, MICH., June 10, 1907.

Fayette Wyckoff, Assistant Adjutant General, Department of Michigan,
G. A. R.:

Sir—I have the honor herewith to submit my report as Junior Vice Commander of the Department of Michigan for the year ending June 12, 1907.

My duties have been exceedingly light, but well filled with pleasure, as I have met my comrades in many parts of the state, and have found the Posts generally in a prosperous condition, except that the "Grim Reaper" is fast hastening in his work, though many comrades who had dropped from our ranks are returning, and others are being recruited.

By direction and courtesy of the Commander, I was present with his staff at the unveiling of a soldiers' monument at Ionia, in July, and at the National Encampment in Minneapolis, and at the funeral service of Past Department Commander, Aaron T. Bliss, at Saginaw, details of which will be fully given in other reports.

Thanking all my comrades for the honor conferred upon me a year ago, and for the uniform courtesy extended throughout the year, I am, sir

Very respectfully yours, in F. C. and L.,

O. PALMER,
Junior Vice Commander.

Department Commander—This report will be referred to a committee consisting of the following: Comrades M. D. Richardson, Post 365; Fred J. Buck, Post 45; Allen Shattuck, Post 42.

Department Commander—The report of the Department Chaplain will now be in order.

DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN'S REPORT FOR 1906.

To Fayette Wyckoff, Assistant Adjutant General, Department of Michigan, G. A. R.:

Dear Sir and Comrade—My report for 1906, as Department Chaplain, is compiled from 314 reports received from Posts, exhibiting the following summary:

Number of Posts that observed Memorial Sunday.....	300
Number of sermons preached to these Posts.....	300
Number of veterans who delivered sermons.....	21
Number of Sons of Veterans who delivered sermons.....	29
Number of veterans present at these services.....	7,009
Number of Posts that observed Decoration Day.....	306
Number of veterans present at this observance.....	10,234
Number of cemeteries in which graves were decorated.....	1,037
Number of graves of comrades decorated.....	23,795
Number of graves unmarked by proper headstones.....	2,822
Number of schools participating in Decoration Day.....	614
Number of scholars present and participating.....	31,509
Number of other organizations participating.....	289
Number of public addresses delivered.....	271
Number of veterans who delivered addresses.....	49
Number of Sons of Veterans who delivered addresses.....	36
Number of Posts owning burial plots.....	187

Both Memorial Sunday and Decoration Day were very unpropitious—cold and rainy—detracting unusually from the attendance, interest, and ordinary success of the observance of these great days in many places, and the usual pleasure and satisfaction of Posts and people in these observances.

Of the 314 reports only one states a failure, on account of rain, to decorate the graves in their jurisdiction. A remarkable showing under all the circumstances.

Post 32, Battle Creek, held Memorial services in their new hall, May 30th, for the first time. Post 173, Carson City, says "They had an unusually happy and successful observance of Memorial Day; no public sports or games allowed, places of business closed, and citizens generally attended the services." Thus making it a truly well deserved sacred day. Post 180, Ypsilanti, says "Our Post and citizens had the grandest Decoration Day services we ever enjoyed. At least 4,500 persons were present at the decoration of soldiers' graves."

Post 205, Owosso, reports "Memorial day services, both on the 27th and 30th of May, as very fine, and unusually instructive to the large audiences

present. We have no cause to feel discouraged here. Our whole city is with us; and the city government has paid all expenses for several years. The United States flag floats over our soldiers' lot the whole year."

Post 330, Dexter, declares that "Memorial Day exercises were pronounced by all as the best ever held since the organization of our Post."

Post 337, Ravenna, says "Memorial Day services have always been a success here. It is our most successful holiday; but our numbers are so small that the Relief Corps is our main support."

Post 360, says "As the years go by, we see that the day grows more and more sacred."

Post 410, Vassar, has erected a monument on their burial lot costing \$1,375 and paid for mostly by the Post and Women's Relief Corps.

Post 453, Kingston, on Memorial Day, presented both of their public schools, aggregating 500 scholars, with new National flags.

Post 456, South Lyon, by hard work secured ground and put up a soldiers' monument costing \$350, which they dedicated on Memorial Day.

Could all of our old and worthy comrades not of the Grand Army of the Republic see, as they ought, the great benefits of this organization, both to the living as well as the memory of the dead—indeed to our whole people in the lessons it teaches, the examples it sets in many ways, and the great influence it exerts for our nationality in the uplifting of the character of our citizenship of every class and country; would they only consider that in all probability, but for the existence, spirit, and purposes of the Grand Army of the Republic, their own names and services, and memories and graves might be forgotten, and some become unknown, unvisited, unmarked and undecorated—perhaps some of them be laid like paupers in the Potters-field—and many of them die and be buried without any soldierly services or recognition of any kind, uncared for, living or dead, we say would they only think of this, and try to realize it, we believe they would hasten to join our ranks before it is too late, and assist and encourage us in sustaining and executing the grand objects of our Order.

While some of our Posts are dying out, and our personalities, like our Posts, cannot grow younger, and the inevitable time approaching when the Grand Army of the Republic as a massive and distinguished organization must cease to exist; yet its having existed will constitute one of the most honorable eras, and celebrated events in the memory of our people, and history of our country.

Therefore it will be *an added honor* to the name and record of every soldier to have belonged to it, and have it said of him that he was faithful and true to his old comrades to the last, in perpetuating their memory, and honoring their services, by planting the flag of our country each year over their graves.

In this service, however, a great change must occur. Many of our Posts are now small, feeble, scattered, and old, and unable longer to perform the work of Memorial Day, and are surrendering it into the hands of others. These Posts have long held on more tenaciously to life than they otherwise would, out of the loving and sacred responsibility and duty connected with Memorial Day. It has appealed to their lives, and memories, and experience, and loyalty to their comrades, in a way nothing else could, rendering them persistent in their efforts. This of itself has been a strong motive for continued organized existence.

But that existence and leadership is now passing away from them into the hands of loyal patriotic people among whom they dwell, who sympathize with them, and with the perpetuation and purposes of our greatest National

day, and who must assume the responsibilities and duties of the occasion. All our people are interested, if not connected in some way, directly or indirectly, with the history and life of the greatest fraternal organization that ever existed in this or any other country, wielding a mighty influence over its character and destinies not to be effaced by the tenure of its organized existence, or the life of its integral parts.

To aid in this transfer of active observance of Decoration Day more successfully, and raise up from among the young those who shall become loyal to the old soldiers when they are gone, why not bring in the boys, as well as the girls, into prominent and active service on that day—for instance, placing the little flags on the soldiers' graves, at the same time the girls place the flowers. This would be a practical lesson they will never forget, nor soon depart from. *If we do not learn them to do it, who will?*

Finally, while enjoying so bountifully the rich and proud heritage of peace, liberty, and prosperity, succeeding the fearful sacrifice we have suffered, may our people *never become blind* to the scenes of the past in the great panorama of the vital struggle for the Nation's life—scenes made lurid by the destructive fires of war and battle—nor *deaf to the voices* that utter their lessons and warnings from those bloody and fearful scenes—voices made audible, and agonized, by the groans of the sick, wounded, and dying; and the cries and tears of the widowed and fatherless, stricken and bereft of their human aid, comfort and support.

WILLIAM PUTNAM,
Department Chaplain.

Lansing, June, 1907.

Department Commander—I will appoint the following committee on the Department Chaplain's report: Comrades L. G. Wilcox, Post 419; W. D. Brainard, Post 111; L. H. Ives, Post 451.

Department Commander—We will now listen to the report of the Medical Director.

Comrade Shattuck—I move you that this encampment take a recess until 1:30 o'clock this afternoon.

Comrade Van Raalte—Comrades, if you insist upon that motion, then I want to make one suggestion, and that is that the chairman of the different committees come to an understanding. I think these reports can be made out during the recess.

Department Commander—I wish you would wait. I think these other reports will be very short.

Comrade Shattuck—I withdraw my motion.

REPORT OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR,
DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN G. A. R.
MASON, MICH., June 4, 1907.

Fayette Wyckoff, Assistant Adjutant General, G. A. R., Lansing, Mich.:

Comrade—I have the honor to submit my report as Medical Director of this Department for the year ending December 31, 1906.

On October 31st of last year I dictated a circular letter which was submitted to the Department Commander and yourself for approval. It was printed and sent out with General Order No. 6 to the various Posts of this Department.

The report of the Post Surgeons are much more complete than in former years, but are yet far from being what they should be in that respect.

Number of Posts in this Department in good standing, December 31, 1906.....	326
Number of Posts that made no surgeon's report.....	127
Number of deaths of soldiers reported not members of the G. A. R.....	71
Number of reports received from Post Surgeons or Adjutants..	199
Number of death during the year.....	445
Number who presumably died of wounds received in the service..	13
Number who presumably died of disease contracted in the service	85
Number who presumably died from other causes.....	347
Number of ex-soldiers or marines treated free of charge.....	51
The reasonable money value of such service.....	\$476 40
Number of patients treated free of charge who were members of the families of ex-soldiers or marines.....	52
The reasonable money value of such service.....	\$313 50
Money value of medicines and surgical appliances furnished by physicians, posts or relief corps or by other organizations or comrades.....	460 90
Total money value of above mentioned service and supplies..	\$1,250 80
Number of deserving sick or maimed not receiving pensions....	14
Number of ex-soldiers or sailors in almshouses.....	3

The following is the name and location of the State and National Soldiers' and Sailors' Home for the care of ex-union soldiers and sailors of this Department including their wives and widows:

Name, "Michigan Soldiers' Home."

Location, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

MEN.

Number present in quarters.....	790
Number present in hospital.....	177
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Total present.....	967
Number absent with and without leave.....	248
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Total membership of men.....	1,215
Number of women present in quarters.....	64
Number present in hospital.....	28
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Total women present.....	92
Number absent with leave.....	22
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Total membership of women.....	114
Total number men and women present in Home.....	1,059
Total men and women absent with and without leave.....	270
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Total membership of Home.....	1,329
Increase of membership over the year 1905.....	50
Number of deaths for year ending December 31, 1906, men....	131
Number of deaths for year ending December 31, 1906, women..	6
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Total number of deaths for the year.....	137
Average of members, sixty-nine and one-fourth years.	
There is no state institution providing homes for the orphans or needy children of soldiers and sailors.	
Current expenses of the Home for the year ending December 31, 1906, \$150,000.00.	
The general government pays \$100.00 per annum for the support of each soldier who is a member of the Home, and present therein. The average number present at the Home for the year 1906 was 995, of whom 908 were men, so that the amount due from the United States was \$90,800.00 which is sent directly to the State Treasurer and is placed in the General Fund of the state. This left the cost to the state for the current expenses for the past year \$59,200.00, being less than \$60.00 for the support of one inmate for one year including women, for whose maintenance nothing is given by the general government.	
These statistics would have been more satisfactory had all of the Posts reported. One hundred twenty-seven posts made no surgeon's report.	
While this report is not absolutely correct, still I am of the opinion it is not far out of the way.	
There were fourteen deserving soldiers reported as not having pensions. Doubtless there are many more. By a late act of Congress every regularly discharged soldier will receive a pension; and we can congratulate ourselves that every soldier's name will be on the roll with a fairly liberal pension.	
The membership of the Department for the year 1906 is.....	11,068
Number of deaths during the year is.....	445

The death rate therefore is only a trifle over four per cent to the whole number. As near as I can ascertain the ages of the survivors of the Civil War will average about sixty-six and one-half years. Hence the death rate in our ranks is not above the table of vital statistics for men of that age; and from the fact that army service of from two to four years increased the physiological age of soldiers shows that those who now survive were the select, vigorous and stalwart men of that great army whose upright and consistent lives since then has added to their endurance, and upon this fact I congratulate my comrades who still uphold and protect the flag, with the well founded hope that they may live long to see the growing greatness of the nation that they made such great sacrifice to preserve.

In conclusion I would say—I fail to find words to express my appreciation of the honor conferred and kindness shown me by all my comrades especially the Department Officers with whom I shall always recall my associations with the most pleasant recollections.

And on my retiring from this office I say to you, one and all, God be with us till we pass through the gates into the great camping ground above.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

WILLIAM W. ROOT,

Medical Director.

Department Commander—I will refer this report to the following committee: Comrades Raab, Post No. 145; C. K. Browning, Post No. . . . ; J. G. Berry, Post No. 263.

Department Commander—The report of the Assistant Quartermaster General will now be given.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.

BAY CITY, June 12, 1907.

Joseph B. Griswold, Department Commander:

Dear Sir and Comrade—I have the honor to report the following amounts received and disbursed by the Assistant Quartermaster General, Department of Michigan G. A. R. from July 17, 1906, to June 12, 1907.

Received from Past Asst. Q. M. General E. J. Cox.....	\$1,755 71
Received from Asst. Adj. General Fayette Wyckoff.....	2,520 89
Received from sale of badges.....	16 75
Received from interest on general fund.....	58 67
Received from interest on Alger fund.....	39 10
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Total receipts.....	\$4,391 12
Total disbursements.....	2,745 39
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Balance on hand, general fund.....	\$1,645 73
Alger fund.....	1,000 00

One thousand five hundred dollars of general fund and \$1,000.00 of Alger fund is deposited in Holland City State Bank and drawing interest at four per cent.

An itemized statement of the receipts and disbursements is herewith attached and which will appear in the Journal when printed. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Yours in F. C. and L.,
WM. B. BOSTOCK,
Asst. Quartermaster General, Dept. of Mich., G. A. R.

DETAILED REPORT OF WM. B. BOSTOCK, ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL IN
ACCOUNT WITH DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN. G. A. R.

Date.	Receipts.	Amount.
1906.		
July 17...	Cash received from E. J. Cox, Past Assistant Q. M. General:	
	Balance General Fund.....	\$1,755 71
	Balance Alger Fund.....	1,000 00
	Interest on same from June 13 to July 17.....	8 33
	Cash and vouchers received from Fayette Wyckoff:	
	Vouchers 1 and 2.....	509 18
July 20...	Cash and voucher No. 3 received from Fayette Wyckoff.....	145 84
July 31...	Cash and vouchers 4, 5 and 6 received from Fayette Wyckoff.....	254 07
	Vouchers 7, 8, 9 and 10 received from Fayette Wyckoff.....	71 68
Aug. 24...	Received from sale of badges.....	16 75
Sept. 17...	Vouchers 11 to 16 inclusive received from Fayette Wyckoff.....	126 30
Dec. 20...	Vouchers 17 to 21 inclusive received from Fayette Wyckoff.....	89 14
Dec. 31...	Cash received from Fayette Wyckoff.....	140 00
1907.		
Jan. 15...	Cash received from Fayette Wyckoff.....	400 00
Jan. 24...	Cash received from Fayette Wyckoff.....	200 00
Jan. 31...	Vouchers 22 to 34 inclusive received from Fayette Wyckoff.....	278 99
Feb. 26...	Vouchers 35 to 38 inclusive received from Fayette Wyckoff.....	76 78
May 20...	Vouchers 39 to 47 inclusive received from Fayette Wyckoff.....	95 01
June 7...	Vouchers 48 to 50 inclusive received from Fayette Wyckoff.....	78 50
June 8...	Received from Holland State Bank, interest on General Fund.....	53 67
	Received from Holland State Bank, interest on Alger Fund.....	35 77
June 11...	Received from Fayette Wyckoff vouchers 51, 52 and 53.....	53 47
	Received from Fayette Wyckoff cash.....	1 93
Total receipts.		\$5,391 12

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

DISBURSEMENTS AS SHOWN BY VOUCHERS.

Date.	Disbursements.	Amount.
1906.		
June 30...	Fayette Wyckoff, last half of June salary, voucher 1.....	\$45 83
	Fayette Wyckoff, stamps, supplies, etc., voucher 2.....	13 35
July 14...	Fayette Wyckoff, first half of July salary, voucher 3.....	45 84
July 21...	C. W. Watkins & Co., premium on bond of Asst. Q. M. General, voucher A...	12 00
July 28...	Frank Battles, Q. M. General, per capita tax, voucher B.....	196 54
July 11...	Frank Battles, Q. M. General, supplies, voucher 4.....	27 00
July 21...	Fayette Wyckoff, Asst. Adjutant General, supplies, voucher 5.....	22 07
July 20...	Dyer-Jenison-Barry Co., premium Asst. Adjutant General's bond, voucher 6...	5 00
Aug. 2...	Chas. J. Strang, printing, voucher 7.....	4 75
July 31...	Fayette Wyckoff, last half of July salary, voucher 8.....	45 83
Aug. 1...	Jewett & Knapp, 30 bolts ribbon, voucher 9.....	20 00
Aug. 3...	Crotty Bros., record books, voucher 10.....	1 10
Aug. 15...	Watertown Cadet Band, services at National Encampment, voucher C.....	200 00
Aug. 18...	Headquarter rooms at Hotel Nicollet, Minneapolis, Voucher D.....	121 10
Aug. 15...	S. D. Pierce, decorating Headquarters National Encampment, voucher E...	15 00
Aug. 30...	Jas. K. Davidson Sons, 300 badges, voucher F.....	66 00
	Jas. K. Davidson Sons, Past Commander Badge, voucher G.....	35 00
Aug. 8...	Minnie Wyckoff, cutting 25 bolts ribbon, voucher 11.....	2 00
Aug. 22...	Fayette Wyckoff, first half of August salary, voucher 12.....	45 84
Aug. 31...	Fayette Wyckoff, last half of August salary, voucher 13.....	45 83
Aug. 24...	Fayette Wyckoff, meals at Minneapolis and returning, voucher 14.....	9 70
Aug. 31...	Fayette Wyckoff, expense at National Encampment, voucher 15.....	8 55
	Fayette Wyckoff, telegrams, stamps, etc., voucher 16.....	14 38
Sept. 17...	Fayette Wyckoff, first half September salary, voucher H.....	45 84
	C. C. Macomber, reporting proceedings Department Encampment, voucher I...	40 00
Sept. 29...	Fayette Wyckoff, last half of September salary, voucher J.....	45 83
Oct. 15...	Fayette Wyckoff, first half of October salary, voucher K.....	45 83
Oct. 31...	Fayette Wyckoff, last half of October salary, voucher L.....	45 83
Nov. 14...	Fayette Wyckoff, first half of November salary, voucher M.....	45 84
Nov. 30...	Fayette Wyckoff, last half of November salary, voucher N.....	45 83
Oct. 1...	Chas. J. Strang, printing special order No. 2, voucher 17.....	3 75
Oct. 13...	Fayette Wyckoff, office expense and postage, voucher 18.....	17 00
Nov. 14...	Fayette Wyckoff, railroad fare to Romeo and return, voucher 19.....	3 93
Nov. 26...	Fayette Wyckoff, office expense and postage, voucher 20.....	18 62
Dec. 15...	Fayette Wyckoff, first half December salary, voucher 21.....	45 84
Dec. 10...	Chas. Burrows, Q. M. General supplies, voucher O.....	46 53
1907.		
Jan. 2...	W. B. Bostock, Asst. Q. M. General, half of annual salary, voucher P.....	25 00
Jan. 24...	W. B. Bostock, Asst. Q. M. General, exchange on drafts, voucher Q.....	80
Feb. 2...	Jas. M. Greenfield, expense account, voucher R.....	7 78
	Henry Spaulding, expense account, voucher S.....	4 42
1906.		
Dec. 27...	Fayette Wyckoff, postage and office expense, voucher 22.....	17 70
Dec. 31...	Fayette Wyckoff, last half of December salary, voucher 23.....	45 83
1907.		
Jan. 2...	Fayette Wyckoff, railroad fare to Bay City and return, voucher 24.....	4 51
Jan. 3...	C. J. Strang, printing circulars, voucher 25.....	2 00
Jan. 12...	C. J. Strang, printing blank requisitions, voucher 26.....	5 25
Jan. 15...	Fayette Wyckoff, first half of January salary, voucher 27.....	45 84
Jan. 16...	Crotty Bros., copy and record books, voucher 28.....	3 75
Jan. 18...	Fayette Wyckoff, postage and office expense, voucher 29.....	9 25
Jan. 18...	Fayette Wyckoff, expense to Bay City to meet Committee, voucher 30...	5 26
Jan. 24...	Robt. Smith Ptg. Co., printing and supplies, voucher 31.....	86 12
Jan. 29...	W. S. Sly, Patriotic Instructor, postage stamps, voucher 32.....	3 25
Jan. 31...	Fayette Wyckoff, postage, voucher 33.....	4 40
Jan. 31...	Fayette Wyckoff, last half of January salary, voucher 34.....	45 83
Feb. 19...	Jos. B. Griswold, Department Commander, postage and messages, voucher T...	4 50
Feb. 26...	Chas. Burrows, Q. M. General supplies as per requisition, voucher U.....	37 30

DISBURSEMENTS.—Concluded.

Date.	Disbursements.	Amount.
1907.		
Feb. 1...	Fayette Wyckoff, expense to Grand Rapids and return, voucher 35.....	\$5 16
Feb. 12...	Capital City Democrat, printing, voucher 36.....	5 25
Feb. 15...	Fayette Wyckoff, first half February salary, voucher 37.....	45 84
Feb. 25...	Fayette Wyckoff, postage and office expense, voucher 38.....	20 53
Feb. 28...	Fayette Wyckoff, last half of February salary, voucher V.....	45 83
Mar. 15...	Fayette Wyckoff, first half March salary, voucher W.....	45 84
Mar. 25...	Chas. Burrows, Q. M. General, per capita tax, voucher X.....	193 69
Apr. 2...	Fayette Wyckoff, last half of March salary, voucher Y.....	45 83
Apr. 15...	Fayette Wyckoff, first half April salary, voucher Z.....	45 84
Apr. 23...	Fayette Wyckoff, expense to Saratoga and return, voucher A-1.....	37 45
Apr. 30...	Fayette Wyckoff, last half of April salary, voucher B-2.....	45 83
May 15...	Fayette Wyckoff, first half of May salary, voucher C-3.....	45 83
May 20...	Chas. Burrows, Q. M. General supplies as per requisition, voucher D-4.....	33 80
Mar. 7...	Crotty Bros., record books, voucher 39.....	1 00
Mar. 15...	Mrs. Etta Saunders, engrossing resolutions, voucher 40.....	3 00
Mar. 18...	W. S. Sly, Patriotic Instructor, postage, voucher 41.....	2 00
Mar. 25...	Fayette Wyckoff, postage and office expense, voucher 42.....	21 35
Apr. 5...	Fayette Wyckoff, expense to Bay City and return, voucher 43.....	4 76
Apr. 20...	Fayette Wyckoff, postage and office expenses, voucher 44.....	14 42
Apr. 23...	Ripley & Gray, printing circulars, voucher 45.....	1 25
May 4...	Fayette Wyckoff, expense to Grand Rapids, voucher 46.....	4 23
May 17...	Wynkoop Hallenbeck Crawford Co., printing rosters, voucher 47.....	43 00
June 3...	Fayette Wyckoff, last half of May salary, voucher E-5.....	45 83
June 4...	Fayette Wyckoff, postage and office expenses, voucher 48.....	25 15
June 6...	Robt. Smith Ptg. Co., printing and supplies, voucher 49.....	47 35
June 6...	Wynkoop Hallenbeck Crawford Co., printing and supplies, voucher 50.....	6 00
June 7...	Jos. B. Griswold, Commander's postage and telephone service, voucher F-6.....	4 00
June 7...	Wm. B. Bostock, one-half yearly salary and expense account, voucher G-7.....	26 40
June 11...	Fayette Wyckoff, office expenses, voucher 51.....	2 55
June 11...	Fayette Wyckoff, expense to Encampment, voucher 52.....	5 09
June 11...	Fayette Wyckoff, salary for last half of June, voucher 53.....	45 83
EXECUTIVE AND CREDENTIAL COMMITTEES.		
June 11...	Paid Henry Spaulding, expense account, voucher H-8.....	4 93
June 11...	Paid J. M. Greenfield, expense account, voucher I-9.....	1 40
June 11...	Paid D. J. Wilson, expense account, voucher J-10.....	3 15
June 11...	Paid A. B. Coffinbury, expense account, voucher K-11.....	3 81
Total disbursements.....		\$2,745 39

The committee on the report of the Assistant Quartermaster General will be the following: Comrades H. A. Chapin, Post 31; W. Davey, Post 17; W. S. Nesen, Post 42.

Department Commander—The Adjutant General's report will be somewhat lengthy and I think we will pass that for the present. The next thing is the Judge Advocate's report. I suppose there is no report inasmuch as the Judge Advocate has recently died and no successor has been appointed.

Comrade Van Raalte—Now, Commander and comrades, I hope we will take up the Assistant Adjutant General's report. It is now only ten minutes to twelve o'clock and I am sure we can get all through with this business in ten minutes.

Department Commander—Unless there is objection we will now hear the report of the Assistant Adjutant General.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN, G. A. R.,
BAY CITY, June 11, 1907.

Joseph B. Griswold, Department Commander:

Comrade—As required by the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic I herewith submit my annual report of the business transacted at this office for the last twelve months.

The report of membership covers the term ending June 30, 1906, and December 31, 1906, as follows:

	Posts.	Mem- bers.
Membership in good standing term ending December 31, 1905.....	340	11,566
Term ending June 30, 1906.		
	Posts.	Members.
Gained by muster.....	.....	120
Gained by transfers.....	.....	91
Gained by reinstatement.....	.....	159
Gained by reinstatement from delinquent re- ports.....	3	72
Total gain first term 1906.....	3	442
Aggregate.....	343	12,008
	Posts.	Members.
Loss by death.....	.....	236
Loss by honorable discharge.....	.....	21
Loss by transfer.....	.....	77
Loss by delinquent reports.....	9	126
Loss by suspension.....	.....	271
Loss by surrender of charter.....	4	47
Total loss first term 1906.....	13	778
Remaining in good standing close of term.....	330	11,230
	Posts.	Members.
Term ending December 31, 1906.		
Gained by muster.....	.....	129
Gained by transfer.....	.....	78
Gained by reinstatement.....	.....	291
Gained by reinstatement from delinquent re- ports.....	7	92
Total gain for term.....	7	590
Aggregate.....	337	11,820

	Posts.	Members.
Loss by death.....	.....	209
Loss by honorable discharge.....	.....	14
Loss by suspension.....	.....	273
Loss by transfer.....	62
Loss by delinquent reports.....	9	166
Loss by surrender of charter.....	2	28
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Total loss second term.....	11	752
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Number remaining in good standing.....	226	11,068

From these statements we make the following recapitulation:

	Posts.	Members.
In good standing December 31, 1905.....	340	11,566
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Total gains for the year.	Posts. Members.	
By muster.....	249
By transfer.....	169
By reinstatement.....	450
By reinstatement from delinquent reports..	10	164
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Total gain for the year.....	10	1,032
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Aggregate.....	350	12,598

	Post.	Members.
Total loss for the year:		
By death.....	445
By honorable discharge.....	35
By transfer.....	.....	139
By suspension.....	544
By delinquent reports.....	18	292
By surrender of charter.....	6	75
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Total loss for the year.....	24	1,530
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Number remaining in good standing.....	326	11,068
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Excess of loss over gains.....	14	498

Our Encampment coming as it does near the close of the first term the losses and gains as the case may be from December 31, 1906, to this date will be shown in the next annual report, and becomes the heritage of the incoming Commander.

The following Posts have been reinstated:

Posts 64, 269, 296 and 339.

The following Posts have been reported delinquent:

Posts 124, 130, 167, 174, 229, 272, 329, 339, 390, 436, 459.

The following Posts have disbanded and surrendered their charters:

Posts 93, 128, 135, 256, 408.

Many of the Posts have failed to properly observe the amendments adopted by the 39th National Encampment held at Denver relative to suspended and dropped members, and many Posts are reporting from term to term a large number of suspended members, for example one Post in December, 1904, reported a membership of 61 with a suspended list of 130. In December, 1905, they report 58 members and a suspended list of 134, while last December the report showed a membership of 54 in good standing with 134 still remaining on suspended list, or 2 1-3 members suspended to one in good standing, and I regret to say that there are other Posts nearly as bad. I know from my correspondence with these Posts that they cannot tell the exact conditions of their membership. The remedy for this condition is provided for in our Rules and Regulations. The attention of Posts is called to the same but no action is taken and the same condition continues. I presume that nine-tenths of these suspended members if asked as to their standing would say, "I expect I have been dropped," when the records show them only suspended. I have called attention to this hoping that some remedy for this can be provided or suggested.

By request from the Pension Commissioner for a list of all veterans of the Civil War who had died during the year, I prepared a blank and sent same to each Post with the blanks for the December report, 1906, of the 326 Posts, 106 reported the deaths as required, 218 not responding, this was a disappointment, I hoped to secure data so as to closely estimate the death rate among the comrades outside the Grand Army and not obtained in our semi-annual reports.

From the letters I have received and the work being done in many Posts I am led to believe that renewed interest is being taken in bringing in those outside our ranks, one comrade who is engaged most earnestly in this work and who alone has brought in 18 applications to his Post this year, said, it was never easier to secure recruits than now, all that seemed to be necessary was for some one to ask them. If every Post had one or more such recruiting officers our reports on membership one year from now would be a surprise.

FINANCIAL REPORTS.

The moneys coming into my hands during the year have been received from the following sources:

Per capita tax, first term.....	\$1,123 60
Per capita tax, second term.....	1,108 50
From sale of supplies.....	268 19
Reinstatement of delinquent Posts.....	10 10
From other sources.....	10 50
Total received.....	<u>\$2,520 89</u>

This amount has been turned over to the Assistant Quartermaster General in vouchers and cash and for which I have his receipts.

The cash receipts as shown above show a decrease for the year as compared with last year of \$93.61.

This falling off in our resources has a tendency to cripple the work of the Department. There is work to be done for the good of the order that cannot be done for lack of funds and without drawing upon our reserve funds, which at this time is not considered advisable.

VISITING POSTS.

I have visited a large number of Posts during the year, more than in any previous year. Some of the Posts visited were on the verge of disbanding, but have been persuaded to continue and in more than one instance their last report has shown an increase of membership. I am fully convinced that we need to get closer together by visiting from Post to Post. Large Posts at a common center can reach smaller Posts near by with advantage to themselves and benefit to others.

SUPPLIES.

There is on hand supplies valued at \$82.01, as shown by Exhibit A.

DEPARTMENT PROPERTY.

The inventory of Department property shows value of same to be \$130.00. See Exhibit B.

REPRESENTATION IN NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

This Department is entitled to twenty-two delegates and one delegate at large to the Forty-first National Encampment to be held at Saratoga Springs, September 9 to 14.

OUTPOSTS.

I cannot refrain from calling the attention of the comrades to this inviting field. These outposts could be organized with very little expense to the parent Post and be of lasting benefit to the comrades. I take pleasure in announcing that one outpost has been organized during the year. This was by Caldwell Post No. 365 of Lake City. The outpost is located at McBain and has twelve members.

At the last Department Encampment, Col. C. V. R. Pond introduced a resolution "Instructing the Assistant Adjutant General to secure from the late Supervisor of Census of this state the card records giving the names of the veterans of the Civil War living in the state and that the same be compiled in suitable form for printing" and made a part of the printed proceedings of this Encampment. Agreeable to the resolution, I wrote to the Secretary of State asking that the cards be turned over to this Department and inclosed a copy of the resolution as adopted by the Encampment. I waited some time and receiving no reply to my communication, I called upon the Secretary of State and was informed that he could not turn them over for publication, as it was against the law under which the census was taken. So that our efforts to secure a census of the soldiers and have the same published has not been a success.

SOLDIERS' BOUNTY.

In the early session of the present legislature, a joint resolution was passed, authorizing the Board of Auditors to examine and investigate and pay the claims for unpaid bounties. This has been interpreted by many to mean that all who had not received a State bounty should be paid, and I have received many inquiries in the matter. If a comrade is entitled to a State bounty (and they are very few) and he can prove that he never

received it and can establish his claim, he may receive a little benefit. I have yet to find the comrade that has been benefited. It looks to me like a little sop handed out to the old veteran without any seasoning or semblance of seasoning.

JOURNAL OF THE FORTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

I regret to report that the Journals of the last National Encampment have not been received by this Department. A letter to Adjutant General Jos. W. O'Neal on May 10th, asking why we had not received them brought this reply: "The matter is entirely in the hands of Gen. John Tweedale, who, after delays of various kinds, informed us about two weeks ago that the Journal was then ready to go into the hands of the printer. We are sorry for the delay, but have been powerless in the matter."

In conclusion, comrades, let me thank you for your many words of kindness and your forbearance with my shortcomings. And to you, Commander Griswold, I have no words to express my appreciation of the confidence and the honor conferred in appointing me your Assistant Adjutant General. To me, our relations for the year have been most pleasant, and I hope that this happy beginning may continue to the end of time.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

FAYETTE WYCKOFF,
Assistant Adjutant General.

Department Commander—I will refer the report to the following committee: Comrades F. R. Chase, Post 126; John Devlin, Post 433; G. W. Norton, Post 111.

Comrade Van Raalte—I move that we now adjourn until after the parade.

Department Commander—Immediately after the parade they are going to dedicate some guns in the park. I will entertain a motion that we adjourn until three o'clock, which is the time set on the general program.

Comrade Van Raalte—I move that we take a recess until three o'clock. Which motion was carried.

MEETINGS OF COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN, G. A. R.,
SAGINAW, MICH., June 15, 1906.

ROOM 6, BANCROFT HOUSE.

Pursuant to call of Commander Jos. B. Griswold, the Council of Administration met at 4 p. m. to consider such matters as might come before them. Present:

Jos. B. Griswold, Department Commander.

R. L. Jones, Senior Vice Department Commander.

W. W. Root, Medical Director.

Wm. Putnam, Chaplain.

Fayette Wyckoff, Assistant Adjutant General.

O. Palmer, Junior Vice Department Commander.

E. J. Cox, H. Spaulding, J. M. Greenfield, John G. Berry, Council of Administration.

Moved and adopted that the bond of the Assistant Quartermaster General be fixed at \$3,000.00.

Moved and adopted that the bond of the Assistant Adjutant General be fixed at \$1,000.00.

Moved that the Assistant Adjutant General be authorized to procure the usual bronze badge of the Department for use at the National Encampment at Minneapolis.

Carried.

Moved that the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to procure 2,500 white ribbon badges with the word Michigan printed on in black letters.

Carried.

The Adjutant General was instructed to have repairs made to the flags as may be necessary.

The matter of a band was discussed and the matter left in the hands of the Department Commander and his Assistant Adjutant General.

On motion, Council adjourned to meet at call of Department Commander.

FAYETTE WYCKOFF,
Assistant Adjutant General.

Approved:

Jos. B. Griswold,
Department Commander.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., January 31, 1907.

Pursuant to the call of Department Commander Jos. B. Griswold, the Executive Committee of the Council of Administration met in the office of the Department Commander.

Present:

Jos. B. Griswold, Department Commander.

Fayette Wyckoff, Assistant Adjutant General.

Wm. B. Bostock, Assistant Quartermaster General.

J. M. Greenfield, Henry Spaulding, Members of Executive Committee.

Meeting called to order by the Department Commander.

Moved that the dates for the Department Encampment be June 11th and 12th, 1907, and the place as selected by the Encampment, Bay City.

Carried.

Moved that the Department Commander be instructed to invite the Commander in Chief to visit the Department Encampment in June.

Carried.

Moved that the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to procure suitable quarters for the Department at Bay City.

Carried.

The Committee then proceeded to audit the books and accounts with the accompanying vouchers of the Assistant Adjutant General and reported that they found them correct.

The Committee examined the books of the Assistant Quartermaster General and vouchers accompanying the same and reported the same as correct to date.

The Assistant Adjutant General presented a list of delinquent Posts.

Moved and supported that Posts delinquent for one year or more be permitted to restore themselves to good standing by paying dues for one year.

Carried.

The distribution of the Denver Medals to the Posts as provided in General

Orders No. 4 was discussed. It was moved that the medals be awarded to the Posts having the largest net gain.

Carried.

Moved that the Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant General procure headquarters for the Department for the next National Convention to be held at Saratoga Springs.

Carried.

Comrade Bostock moved that the railroad fare and hotel expenses of the Executive Committee in attending at this meeting be paid.

Carried.

Committee adjourned to meet at call of the Department Commander.

FAYETTE WYCKOFF,
Assistant Adjutant General.

Approved:

JOS. B. GRISWOLD,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
IMPERIAL HOTEL, BAY CITY, MICH., June 10, 1907.

Pursuant to a call of the Department Commander the Executive Committee, Council of Administration, met to audit the books and accounts of the Assistant Adjutant General and the Assistant Quartermaster General, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before them.

Present:

R. L. Jones, Senior Vice Department Commander.

Fayette Wyckoff, Assistant Adjutant General.

J. M. Greenfield, Henry Spaulding, Members Executive Committee.

In the absence of Department Commander Jos. B. Griswold, the meeting was called to order, Senior Vice Department Commander R. L. Jones in the chair.

Minutes of previous meetings read and after the correcting of the dates for holding the Department Encampment from June 13 and 14 to June 11 and 12 the minutes as corrected were approved.

The Committee then proceeded to examine the books and accounts of the Assistant Adjutant General and reported that they find the same correct.

The Assistant Quartermaster General not having arrived the Committee on motion took a recess until 10 o'clock p. m.

The train being late the committee was not called to order until 11:30 p. m. when the following were found to be present:

Jos. B. Griswold, Department Commander.

R. L. Jones, Senior Vice Department Commander.

O. Palmer, Junior Vice Department Commander.

Wm. B. Bostock, Assistant Quartermaster General.

Fayette Wyckoff, Assistant Adjutant General.

J. M. Greenfield, Henry Spaulding, J. G. Berry, members Executive Committee.

The work of the Committee during the former part of the day was approved.

The Committee then took up the work of auditing the accounts of the Assistant Quartermaster General.

The hour being late and it appearing that the Committee would be unable to finish its work until very late, on motion a recess was taken until 8 a. m., June 11.

The Committee met at 8:15 a. m., June 11th, was called to order by Department Commander Jos. B. Griswold and at once proceeded with the unfinished work of the previous day.

The Committee finished the work of auditing the books and vouchers of the Assistant Quartermaster General and reported that the same were found correct in every detail.

Moved and supported that the Assistant Quartermaster General be authorized to pay the railroad expenses of the members of the Executive Committee and the members of the Credential Committee before closing his accounts.

Adopted.

It being time for the opening of the Encampment it was moved that the Committee do now adjourn.

Motion prevailed.

FAYETTE WYCKOFF,
Assistant Adjutant General, G. A. R.

Approved:
JOS. B. GRISWOLD,
Department Commander.

EXHIBIT A.

INVENTORY OF SUPPLIES ON HAND AT HEADQUARTERS JUNE, 1907.

66 Rules and Regulations at 3 cents.....	\$1 98
3½ Sets Rituals.....	1 75
11 Sets of Officers Cards.....	1 10
12 Service Books.....	1 80
163 Odes.....	82
300 Applications.....	1 20
41 Leaves of absence.....	62
198 Transfers.....	4 45
120 Discharges.....	2 70
2 Charters.....	50
1 Descriptive book.....	50
3 Blue books.....	2 25
20 Officers Badges.....	7 00
23 Membership badges.....	8 05
67 Rank Bars.....	14 07
358 Badge Ribbons.....	14 32
135 Buttons.....	8 10
4 Electrotpe of Badge.....	1 40
15 Orders on Quartermaster.....	4 50
17 Receipt for dues.....	5 10
1 Record Book.....	50
	\$82 01

EXHIBIT B.

DEPARTMENT PROPERTY ON HAND.

One silk flag.....	\$25 00
One Union Jack.....	10 00
One Department banner (silk).....	30 00
One typewriter (old).....	30 00
One letter scale.....	1 50
One Department seal.....	2 00
One numbering machine.....	10 00
One duplicator.....	2 00
One letter press.....	1 00
One copy pad bath.....	1 00
Two frames for Department Commanders photographs.....	14 00
One registration rack.....	3 50
	\$130 00

AFTERNOON SESSION.

June 11, 1907, 3 o'clock p. m.

Department Commander—The comrades will now come to order.

Comrade Van Raalte—I move that tomorrow morning at the hour of half-past nine we hold the election of the officers of this Encampment for the ensuing year.

This motion was supported and carried.

Department Commander—The report of the Patriotic Instructor comes next.

Assistant Adjutant General—I was informed this morning that the Patriotic Instructor was unable to be present, but that he had forwarded his report to me. I have not received it. If I should receive it before the close of the Encampment I will read it.

Report was afterwards read by Col. C. V. R. Pond and is given here.

REPORT OF PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR.

LANSING, MICH., June 10, 1907.

To Fayette Wyckoff, Assistant Adjutant General, Department of Michigan,
G. A. R.:

Dear Comrade—I have the honor to make the following report for the year ending June 11, 1907.

Patriotic instruction has become so important and its practice such a fact that the work of Patriotic Instruction in Department and Post has become now more practicable and easy than at first. One hundred and forty Post Commanders appointed and reported to me the names of comrades selected and installed as Post Patriotic Instructors. To them were mailed in care of the Commanders, instructions to guide them in performing work contemplated. Also blank forms for reporting to the Department Instructor were sent to each. Of these, barely a score have been returned, so that I am unable to make a tabulated report of the work done as contemplated by the National Department.

The main feature of the year has been getting the Post Instructors organized for duty in relation to the Department and to aid in local efforts in village, town and city, in conjunction with the W. R. C. and otherwise.

I feel confident that in each case, the Post Patriotic Instructor has looked after the observance of special days, and visited or assigned comrades to visit schools, the same as those who have reported to that effect.

Memorial Day was generally observed with deep interest and large audiences in attendance. Ministers taxing their best thoughts of mind and impulse of heart, to pay worthy tribute at the altars of religion, to the heroism of the men whose sacrifices were the means of securing to church and state the peace and prosperity enjoyed.

Throngs lined the thoroughfares, civic and military parades, bands and fraternities in uniform ranks, children by hundreds in conveyances or walking in line, served as escorts to the old guards as they marched with tottering steps down the street.

In some places school boards have neglected or refused to supply the schools with flags. They thought and even said "*We don't have to.*" They thought and acted differently as others have done when the boys in blue got after them.

The National Patriotic Instructor inaugurated a movement to have placed in school rooms and libraries, or other public buildings a memorial tablet costing \$130.00, containing Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. We know in several places the effort has been made to secure this tablet, with what success I am not advised. I especially urge upon Post Patriotic Instructors to take up this project, and enlist the schools, corps and others in the effort.

No contest was conducted this year by the Department, and we urge upon each Post Patriotic Instructor to have local contests and invite teachers and pupils to speak before the Posts at campfires and memorial services. The seed we are sowing will supply a harvest of patriotism to be reaped when we are gone.

In F. C. and L., I remain,

WINFIELD SCOTT SLY,

Department Patriotic Instructor.

Lansing, Mich., June 10, 1907.

Resolutions on the death of R. A. Alger were read by Col. C. V. R. Pond, Department Commander, Comrades of the G. A. R. of Michigan:

Your committee appointed to draft resolutions in memoriam of Comrade Russell A. Alger, deceased, submit the following:

In his official home in Washington, D. C., where as United States Senator, he was serving the people of his beloved State, there came to our comrade on the twenty-fourth of January, 1907, a summons (not wholly unexpected) that called for an eternal sleep. After fitting exercises by his official associates at our Nation's Capitol, the people of Michigan received at his home city, Detroit, on the Sunday following the remains of their dearly loved one, and on the next day, January 28, 1907, in a manner and followed by a concourse of people never to be forgotten because of its impressiveness, the body was given burial.

Comrade Alger was the first soldier of the Civil War living in Michigan to join the ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic, going to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1866 to be mustered in, returning to his state and organizing the order known as the first organization of the Michigan Department, of which he was the first Commander. In 1889 he was chosen Commander in Chief of our order.

The public life of Comrade Alger has passed into history, as a full written book, of most loving memories of a devotion to the trusts imposed and service rendered the people, unexcelled. As Governor of his State, as Secretary of War in the Cabinet of President McKinley during a most trying period, when a foreign foe necessitated our Nation's call to arms, as the chosen representative of the people of Michigan in the Senate of the United States, Comrade Alger's record stands as an emblem of purity.

Of his military record every veteran in the ranks of the Grand Army in Michigan is familiar. From a Captain of Cavalry through the grades to a Brigadier and Major General by brevet for gallant and meritorious service, Comrade Alger proved himself a brave and fearless soldier. With the scars of wounds received in battle his body was made the diploma of his worth as one of his country's defenders.

To us of the Department of Michigan, G. A. R., Comrade Russell A. Alger endeared himself in most unostentatious manner. His last official act at the close of the Legislature session of 1885 was as Governor to sign the bill which gave to us the Soldiers' Home of Michigan. You all remember that generous act at the Department Encampment held at Jackson in the years gone by, when he presented the Department with \$500, which placed at interest by your officers is now known as the Alger fund of \$1000. He was the friend of every honest soldier of the Union Army of 1861-65 and that is why we loved him living and today revere his memory, as in bivouac he rests on the eternal camping ground.

Therefore, Be it resolved, that this Encampment tender to the widow and children of our late Past Department Commander Russell A. Alger the sympathy of his comrades, in the great loss of so loving a husband and father and that the Assistant Adjutant General send a copy of this expression to Mrs. Alger.

C. V. R. POND,
WM. JIBB,
Committee.

Comrade Lawrence—I move the adoption of these resolutions by a rising vote.

Seconded and carried.

Officer of the Day—A delegation of ladies from the Woman's Relief Corps is waiting at the door.

Department Commander—I will appoint a committee consisting of Comrades Pealer, Allen and Cannon to wait on them.

The ladies were escorted to the platform by the committee duly appointed and were introduced in turn by Department Commander Griswold to the convention.

Department Commander—I take great pleasure in introducing to you Carrie R. Sparklin, the National President of the Woman's Relief Corps. (Applause.)

You know it is not good for man to be alone.

ADDRESS BY NATIONAL PRESIDENT WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, CARRIE R. SPARKLIN, OF MISSOURI.

Department Commander, officers and members of the Department of Michigan—I am a Missouri woman and you have to show those of us who come from Missouri, so I have come to Michigan to be shown the comrades of the Grand Army of Michigan and I want to assure you that I think you are a good looking set of comrades to meet. That much has been shown me. That is not all. The hospitality of the State of Michigan has always been shown to a Missouri woman and I appreciate it very much. When I was down in the Department of Texas, as you well know they are a small department, they were gathered down in front of the rostrum and as I sat down in the back of the room where they had their convention and looked around at that small band of comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic it reminded me of an old fashioned Methodist love feast and so I feel that the conventions of the G. A. R. and the Woman's Relief Corps are truly love feasts. At that time they talked of their past experiences and also formulated many plans for the future. I bring to you comrades today the greetings of one hundred fifty-five thousand loyal women. Your Department Commander has said that it is not good for man to be alone and inasmuch as we have jogged along with you for about twenty-five years we feel that we are married to you. We have gone along during all that time without a ripple of discontent and we are your auxiliary. Now, I am not going to take any more of your time, but say to you that as National President, I hope to see you all at Saratoga at my reception. I thank you for this courtesy and I hope I may be able to extend the hand of fraternity when I am there and when we meet at that place. I thank you gentlemen again for the courtesy extended. (Applause.)

Officer of the Day—There is a committee of Ladies of the G. A. R. waiting at the door.

Department Commander—Ask them to kindly wait a few moments until we get through with the delegation from the Woman's Relief Corps.

A motion was made that they be invited to take seats which was seconded and carried, whereupon the Ladies of the G. A. R. were permitted to take seats in the auditorium.

Department Commander—I take pleasure in introducing to you Mrs. Sarah L. Brown.

ADDRESS BY MRS. SARAH L. BROWN OF ITHACA.

Commander Griswold and comrades—It gives me unbounded pleasure to look into your faces once more. It has always been my pleasure to go before the Grand Army of the Republic and I will go ahead of our National President and I will say that you are the handsomest set of men that I have ever seen. I will put you ahead of Ohio and even Missouri. We women love the G. A. R. We have been associated with them for about twenty-five years. I think the G. A. R. showed wisdom when they made us their only auxiliary. They say that no man can serve two masters. You don't have to go very far back of that to say that no man can have two wives. The opening remarks of your Commander reminded me of a poem written by my husband. I hope you will not think me conceited in giving it to you.

I sometimes read a paragraph, in which I think is shown
The profoundest word of wisdom the world has ever known,
In which God said "It is not good that man should be alone."
But, imagining a moment that His work had been reversed,
He'd have said the same of women, if she'd been created first.
And I have often thought, and I think the same tonight,
The world would be a dreary world, man's plight a sorry plight,
If in making us a helpmeet, as you know the chapter tells,
God, instead of making woman, had created something else.

I know there is a legend that in an early day,
Down in an Eastern Garden, she led the man astray;
But knowing her as we do, we could not credit it,
If 'twere not plainly stated within the Holy Writ.
And according to our notion of the best domestic plan,
That he slept and let her wander was no credit to the man.
When she'd secured the apple, let that be wrong or right,
She showed her woman's nature, by giving him a bite.

From that day to the present, for man she's had a care,
And if she gets an apple, he's sure to have a share:
And further, we discover, she knows what she's about—
Man blunders into trouble she has to help him out.
And if once she was outwitted, it is no cause for sport,
For cajoling with a serpent is surely not her fort.
Now, in the sweetest gardens, or in the lowest slums.
She is apt to fight the serpent in whatever form he comes.

And although she's not an angel, much less a seraphim,
When compelled to meet the reptile she gets the best of him.
And now, without transgressing, she somehow has a plan,
To get the apple all the same, and give it to the man.
The roughest with the fairest go, the weak go with the strong,
'Twas ever demonstrated thus—that each to each belong;
Man goes upon his way and woman comes along.
And vice versa too, where'er in all the world is she,
There man is, or there he wants to be.

The world to man has ever been a world of grief,
 Except as she, in her divinity, supplied relief.
 Relief: 'Tis woman's watchword, and where'er she goes,
 She smiles away our sorrows and banishes our woes.
 And man, in all the struggles, failures, toil and strife,
 And dire emergencies, oft incident to life,
 To extricate himself may try—in brief—
 He simply reaches forth to woman for relief.

Department Commander—Comrades we have with us today the wife of your once beloved Governor and your Department Commander. (Applause.)

Mrs. A. T. Bliss—Comrades I hope I will not disappoint you because I am no speechmaker. I trust that you will have all kinds of success and I hope that I may never see the day when the Grand Army of the Republic has passed away.

Department Commander—Mrs. Udell, of Three Rivers, Past President of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Mrs. Udell—Another year has passed away and we are glad to be here again. It certainly is a pleasure for us to make the sacrifices we do to leave our homes and come here because we are more than repaid for doing it. We love the G. A. R. We promised to be true to you and we are doing it. We hope in the future to be just as true to you as we have in the past. We are the only auxiliary to the G. A. R. and we are going to stay steadfast to you. We can remember distinctly when you comrades marched off to save the flag. (Applause.)

Department Commander—I will now introduce to you Mrs. Eva A. Gray, of Grand Rapids, of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Mrs. Gray—Comrades I am glad to look into your smiling faces. I am not going to make you a speech. I am simply going to recite a little poem:

I fought under Lee and Stonewall,
 And I hated a Yankee like sin,
 But gimme my uniform, sergeant,
 I'm going to fight agin.

I took out my old gray clothes last night,
 I thought of the day they was new.
 And I looked at the holes in the left-hand sleeve,
 Where a minie-ball went through.

And I heard the band play "Dixie—"
 And I heard every note—
 And I thought of Manassas and Shiloh,
 And a lump came up in my throat.

Then I said "Go back to that old oak chest,
 There aint no more service for you;
 I'm going to fight on the side that's right,
 And I'm going to wear the blue."

There's jest one thought in every heart,
 One word in every mouth;
 For things is all so twisted round
 That there aint no North nor South.

I never thought it would come to this;
 It's strange, but I reckon its true;
 For its jest one country and jest one flag,
 And we're all a wearing the blue.

Department Commander—Mrs. Babbitt. You all know Mrs. Babbitt. Mrs. Babbitt—Mr. Commander and beloved comrades. This is the first time in all my life that I have looked into your faces although I have been President of the 27th Michigan Infantry and worked for the old soldier since 1861. I am very glad to meet you today. The Department President sends her best wishes and she has sent some flowers which are to be presented to you and your officers.

A committee of the ladies then pinned the bouquets on the officers on the rostrum and the remaining flowers were distributed throughout the assembly.

Department Commander—Mrs. Pond.

Mrs. Pond—You have listened to the remarks of my co-workers. The Department President asked me to speak last and to give you her report.

OFFICIAL REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

DOWAGIAC, MICH., June 8, 1907.

Department Commander, Grand Army of the Republic of Michigan:

Dear Sir—It gives me pleasure to furnish you through the courtesy of the committee of greetings to the Grand Army of the Republic a statement of the condition and the results of work accomplished during the past year by your Auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps.

While we cannot report a gain by new Corps organized; we can say that the interest is unabated as shown by the membership, and from everywhere over the State come the excellent reports of the observance of Memorial Day, more children taking part in the exercises than heretofore; this, together with the dedicating of several monuments where the money raised was through the direct efforts of the Woman's Relief Corps, have given new inspiration to our work.

Number of Corps in Department.....	222
Number of members in Department.....	8,602
Cash expended in relief by Corps.....	\$1,806 39
Estimated value of relief, other than cash.....	3,805 97
Total.....	<u>\$5,612 36</u>

Number of soldiers and families assisted.....	1,459
Cash expended from Department Relief.....	\$85 00
Cash in General Fund.....	663 98
Cash in Relief Fund.....	83 00

These figures seem large but cannot express all the good done by our earnest, loyal women—how the homes of many have been cheered, by thoughtful, loving acts, and where the gloom has been over shadowed by the bright flowers and tender words of sympathy.

We thank the Officers and members of the Grand Army for the courtesies extended to our organization, and pledge again our loyal support.

Yours most sincerely in F. C. and L.,
KATE M. REDNER,
Department President.

The Encampment badge was then pinned on the ladies by Department Commander Griswold, after which they retired.

Department Commander—We will now receive the Ladies of the G. A. R. I will appoint as such a committee Comrades Dean, Bostock and Greenfield. (The ladies were escorted to the platform amid applause.)

Department Commander—I take pleasure in introducing to you the Ladies of the G. A. R.

Mrs. Jameson—Commander and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: It seems strange for me to be introduced to you. The boys of Michigan know Mary Jameson. We had the honor and the pleasure of listening to the report of the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps. One of them said "We are the only auxiliary." Comrades, we are your only wives. My memory went back to the time of the war. We all had the same spirit then. I bring the greetings of the Department of Michigan, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. We are not so strong as our sister organization but we work just as hard for the old boys. A little incident came to my notice a short time ago which I wish to recite to you which will take you back to the war times and the many sorrowful things that happened. A young man by the name of Johnson living in Washington, New York, the only support of his mother. He wished to enlist. His mother wanted him to go and she didn't want him to go because he was her only support. One day he came from the field with his scythe over his arm and he said "Mother, I am going to go." He hung his scythe up and he said "Mother you leave that there until I return." He enlisted in a company formed of his neighbors and in the first engagement he was lost. They never heard of him again. His mother, in her sorrow, left the scythe hanging there. The tree grew and the scythe got tighter and tighter around the limb of the tree. At the present time it has grown into the tree. Every Decoration Day the G. A. R. go to that tree and decorate it with flowers and they hold a memorial service there. Comrades, that is some of the sorrow that the Ladies of the G. A. R. have encountered.

I will relate another incident that is a little more personal. A blind man and a little girl, the only two of a family when the brothers had enlisted. Each morning they would read the daily papers to see if the names of their brothers were among the missing. One of the mornings they noticed the names followed by the word "Missing." This little girl has grown up to be an old woman. She will never forget the look in that blind father's eyes on that morning. That little girl was myself and that blind man was my father and the missing boys were my brothers.

Department Commander—We will now listen to the President of the Naval Reserves:

President of the Naval Reserves—I am proud to say that the Ladies of the G. A. R. are the true friends of the G. A. R. and although we are small, as my sister has said, we do all in our power to help the old soldiers and shipmates and this afternoon I greet you all as brothers for you certainly all belong to us. I will say also all honor to the soldiers of 1861 and 1865. May the memory of their noble efforts be always kept alive. I thank you.

REPORT OF THE LADIES OF THE G. A. R.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE LADIES OF THE G. A. R.,
DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
BAY CITY, MICH., June 11, 1907.

Commander Joseph B. Griswold, of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic:

Dear Sir and Comrade—While the Ladies of the G. A. R. are not auxiliary to the comrades, their work is on the same lines and for the same purposes and for the good of all old soldiers and sailors or marines now living in the State of Michigan, their wives, their widows and their children, we wish to report in the same manner as the W. R. C. are in the form of doing, that

Cash received during the year from all sources.....	\$939 10
Disbursed in general form.....	452 68
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Balance on hand June 11, 1907.....	\$408 52
Cash paid out for relief.....	176 83
Relief extended, other than money.....	383 89
Flowers furnished to the sick, at the funerals of our dead comrades and sisters and strewn on the waters in loving memory of our sailor dead.....	500 00
For Michigan scholarship in the Memorial University at Mason City, Iowa, we have paid.....	50 00
Toward the erection of a pavilion at the Andersonville prison in Georgia now being erected by the Ladies of the G. A. R. at a cost of \$1,500.00, the State of Michigan Ladies of the G. A. R. have contributed.....	50 00

We are ready at all times with our hearts and hands, for we are the wives, the mothers, the sisters, the nieces of the Boys in Blue.

Respectfully submitted,

M. CELIA BARBOUR,

President.

AURILLA LEROY,

Secretary.

The Encampment badge was pinned on each one of the Ladies of the G. A. R. by Commander Griswold and the ladies were escorted from the hall.

Department Commander—We will now return to the regular order of business—The Committee to visit the Soldiers' Home.

Comrade O'Neil—I hope you will pardon me but your Adjutant General and the Department Commander and some of the other comrades have asked me to say a word about Saratoga Springs at which place the 41st National Encampment is to be held. I spent four days there. I want to tell you that in my judgment we are going to have the best reunion we ever held. We are not going to be crowded as we have been at other encampments and in addition to that in my judgment we are going to receive more for the

money than any place we have ever been. Through the influence of the Commander in Chief, the comrades living on the trunk line of the Association of Railroads and in the Central Passenger Association will receive a rate of one fare for the round trip, which is practically one cent a mile. (Applause.)

Department Commander—I want to say just one word in regard to my address this morning. I spoke of past Commander in Chief Tanner as having been instrumental largely in the passage of the Pension Law of February last granting to every soldier a pension of twelve dollars. I did that upon the report of the Past Commander in Chief. When I came to look the matter up I have heard from others—I want to say to you now that I have ascertained that our present Commander in Chief, Comrade Brown, was really instrumental in the passage of the bill.

Department Commander—We will now listen to the report of the Committee to visit the Soldiers' Home.

Report read by Comrade Jibb.

BAY CITY, MICH., June 11, 1907.

Col. Fayette Wyckoff, Assistant Adjutant General, Department of Michigan, G. A. R.:

Sir—Your Committee appointed to visit the Soldiers' Home beg leave to submit the following report:

The committee which was appointed to visit the Soldiers' Home at Grand Rapids attended to their duties as ordered by the Department Commander. On May 9, 1907, assembling at the Livingstone Hotel at 2 p. m. and to the exceeding great pleasure of your committee we were met there by our kind and genial Department Commander and under his escort we proceeded to the home. Arriving there we had the pleasure of first meeting the Adjutant who called Col. Turner, the Commandant (a very pleasant and competent officer). But he being very much indisposed we were left in charge of the Adjutant who could possibly have done no more than he did in taking us over and through every department of the entire home. No one had any idea that we were to be there on that day, so could certainly not have prepared for an inspection or investigation.

Every building and room was visited by us; all the different wards and companies; reading-room, library, dining-room, cooking and store-room, laundry, bath, barber, shoemaker, and tailor departments, toilet rooms, dispensary and hospital, in fact every place about the Home and buildings with the Women's annex. We desire to report that it certainly gives us pleasure to say to you at this time that in no instance could we discover anything or any place in all the surroundings of this beautiful home where we could see any chance to make even a suggestion for betterment in the way of cleanliness, in neatness in the rooms, bedding, cooking or kitchen, dining room or the service of the food itself in every particular being of the very best, and we assure you that the discipline and management, in every regard, by Col. Turner was of the very best. It was also evident in going among the "Old Boys" that the efficient Adjutant had the good will and respect of them all and while talking with the "Boys" there they said that at no time could they see any reason for complaint.

The water is splendid and of an abundant supply. Fire protection is ample; there being a good supply of hose attachments in all the halls in every building. The new hospital building is a very fine structure and finely arranged. There are now 156 male patients and 28 women. The surgeon in charge is a splendid, kind-hearted man and apparently very competent.

Also his assistant surgeon and trained nurses who see that each patient has the medicine and all the care prescribed by the doctor in charge. Everything was just as neat and clean as could possibly be made and perfectly free from any bad odor. But the "Boys" you are well aware are growing old and the terrible hardships which they endured in the army service is now telling its story and they are fast passing away. And they say there when one dies, "they have taken him across the bridge" as they have to cross a stream in going to the cemetery. There are now absent on leave 354 men and 26 women.

Miss Sollou is the matron of the Women's Department and has full charge. And from the report of Col. Turner, and in fact all the officers, she is a very efficient officer and just the person for the place, being a graduate and trained nurse, and we are fully satisfied that she could have no higher recommendation than that she received her instructions from your worthy Department Commander, J. B. Griswold. She was very kind in showing us through the entire building and all its surroundings and which, in the judgment of your committee, there could be no improvement in the care and kindness which the Old Ladies were getting, at least we were so informed by them.

They had just finished putting in a new refrigerator which they had made of cement, the work being done by the "Old Boys." It is the opinion of your committee that too much credit cannot be given Miss Sollou for her efficient work in her department. Captain Phillips is the present Quartermaster and from the mention of his name you will know that the "Boys" are well fed and clothed.

The number present at the time of our visit was 777 men and 83 women. Average number of inmates during the year 609. Average from January to March, 1,003. About sixty per cent are able to do detail work and about forty per cent are not able to do any work. Every inmate is subject to detail for one day's work once in three months and if for any reason they fail to answer to the detail they are required to pay into the treasury the sum paid to the person who does the work, all of which your committee consider just and right. The amount paid inmates for labor is from twenty-five cents to fifty cents per day according to the work and also what each one is able to perform. Such as kitchen work and nursing the sick in the hospital. Sergeants of the different companies receive \$12.00 and Corporals \$5.00 per month for their services. The average pension the "Boys" were getting was \$10.00 to \$12.00 per month. But since the later age pension law has passed the average now is \$12.00 to \$15.00 and there has several hundred left the home on that account as there was at one time 1,131 men and 111 women as inmates, now there are 777 men and 83 women.

There has been one rule adopted by Col. Turner which your committee feel fully satisfied is worthy of commendation, viz.: The Colonel, Adjutant, Surgeon and Engineer on every Saturday visit each room in and about the Home. The Colonel for the purpose of inspecting the clothing and bedding; the Adjutant to see if there is anything in or about the beds that should not be there; the surgeon as to the physical condition of all the inmates and the Engineer as to the heating and sewerage, all of which is most respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM JIBB,
EDWARD B. NUGENT,
EDWARD C. ANTHONY,
Committee.

Department Commander—I will appoint the following committee on that report: Comrades C. E. Foote, Post 79; F. R. Chase, Post 126; Grant, Post 451.

Comrade Devlin—I desire the privilege at this time of introducing a resolution that is of importance to every soldier in the State of Michigan and which will take up but a moment of your time. I desire to offer this resolution.

Resolved, That the Department Commander and the Adjutant be and they are hereby instructed to wire the House of Representatives at Lansing urging the passage of Substitute for House Bill No. 129, File No. 49, known as the Soldiers' Employment Law. Now, comrades, I don't know as I could make a more brief explanation than by reading to you a letter which was sent to the Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs of the Senate while the bill was pending in the Senate and so I will just read it to you so that you will understand the nature of the resolution that I offer for the benefit of the old soldiers of Michigan.

The letter is dated May 16th to the Honorable M. H. Moriarty, Chairman of the Military Committee of the Senate, Lansing, Michigan:

Dear Sir—We are instructed to call your attention to a very important amendment to Section 2 of your substitute for House Bill No. 129, File No. 49. An examination of the decision of the Supreme Court in the case of *Ellis vs. Council of Grand Rapids*, 123 Michigan, page 567, will show that unless Section 2 of the bill is amended to include the Public Departments it would be of little value to amend Sections 1 and 3 of the act. We assume that the original intent of the law was to include all those who were employed in such Departments. We are advised that you are a friend of all of those who honorably served their country in its day of need and that you are ready and willing to do all in your power for the old soldier. The time is rapidly approaching for Memorial Day, May 30th, when all over the State and the nation the old soldiers will turn out to honor their dead. You and your associates upon the committee in the Senate can do a great and lasting service by amending Section 2 of the substitute bill to include Public Departments. We, therefore, on behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic and the organization of Veterans sincerely ask you to do this and have the bill reported out and passed by the Legislature before Memorial Day, so that official notice can be made and the exercises of that day concluded by kindly expressions of those of you and your associates.

Hoping for your favorable action and hoping for your hearty cooperation in this cause, we are,

Very respectfully, etc.

I wish to say something to you in regard to the scope of the bill. We have a law in Michigan that old soldiers shall be preferred, everything else being equal, in employment. But the supreme court of the State in this case that an amendment should be made to Section 2 of the act to include Public Departments and all of the people who are employed in all the municipal departments of cities or in the State House at Lansing are entirely excluded from the law. At the present time the bill is in the hands of the House of Representatives. I have a letter here in answer to my letter written by the Chairman of the Military Committee, Hon. M. H. Moriarty. The letter follows:

SENATE, LANSING, MICH., May 20, 1907.

Mr. John Devlin, Detroit, Michigan:

Dear Sir—I have your letter of the 16th and will say that I have drafted a substitute for the bill you mentioned in your letter and will endeavor to get it through the Senate tonight.

M. H. MORIARTY,
Chairman, Military Committee of the Senate.

At the present time it is before the Committee on Ways and Means and I wish this Encampment would do all in its power to work for the bill because I understand there is an effort on at Lansing to smother the bill. I wish you would adopt these resolutions so that our comrades will get the preference in these positions. I trust, comrades, that you will pardon me for intruding upon your time just now. (Applause.)

Department Commander—Comrades, you have heard the resolutions. What is your pleasure?

The resolutions were duly adopted.

Department Commander—Are there any further communications? We are now under the head of Communications.

Comrade H. J. Milburn; Post No. 111—I have a short resolution I would like to offer.

The resolution offered by H. J. Milburn of J. B. Brainard Post, No. 111, Eaton Rapids, Mich., was unanimously passed by the Post April 2, 1907, viz.:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Post that the Department Encampment, G. A. R. of Michigan, to be held at Bay City, Michigan, June 11 and 12, 1907, be and is hereby requested to pass the same, asking Congress to pass a law granting to all survivors of the late war of the Rebellion, who were honorably discharged, who served 90 days or more, or who were discharged for wounds or disability, a pension of \$1.00 per day the rest of his life, and all widows to be pensioned at \$12.00 and make those now drawing less at \$12.00 per month, nothing herein to prohibit those widows drawing higher rates according to now existing laws and that all Examining Pension Boards and Special Examiners be abolished and the money so appropriated be paid direct to the soldiers and the widows.

H. B. OLMSTED,
Commander.

W. D. BRAINERD, Adjutant.

Moved and supported that the resolutions be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

Carried.

Department Commander—Anything else under the head of Communications?

Commander in Chief Brown—When the pension committee representing the National Encampment called upon the President of the United States we discussed this very matter of the widows, and when your Committee was in the Speaker's room of the capitol after having talked the matter over at some length, Mr. Speaker said "Brown, the widows appeal to me very strongly." We have the pledge of the President of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, a number of Senators and

Representatives that the pension of the widows will be increased to twelve dollars per month. The 41st Encampment will undoubtedly put that duty upon the next Commander-in-Chief and the Pension Committee and if I am living next winter I want to go to Washington to be there at the finishing up and see that every widow is on the rolls at twelve per month. (Applause.)

Department Commander—We would like to hear the report of the Committee on the report of the Committee to Visit the Soldiers' Home.

The committee reported unanimously in favor of adopting the report. Seconded and carried.

Comrade Foote—I have a resolution which I desire to read.

Whereas, Certain unfavorable comment has been made against the Soldiers' Home, and its management, by certain members of the legislature and whereas all the managers of that institution are comrades who have the best interests of the old soldiers at heart, who know their wants and needs.

And, Whereas, We are informed that certain legislation is contemplated by the legislature which in our judgment would disrupt and embarrass the present very able management of the Home, destroy discipline and upset the present rules:

And, Whereas, The present very able committee on Soldiers' Home have examined said Home and all its details and have made to this Encampment a very flattering report as to its conduct and management.

Therefore, Be it resolved, That we believe that no legislation or change in the working of the Soldiers' Home should be taken without first consulting this Department through the Department Officers. We therefore advise that no legislation be made which will in the least disturb the present excellent management of the Soldiers' Home. We have the utmost confidence in its present management.

The resolution was adopted unanimously.

Department Commander—Any communications or resolutions?

Comrade Kanitz—I move you that a copy of the resolution just passed be sent under the seal of the officers of this Department to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate.

Carried.

Department Commander—Any reports of committees?

Comrade Foote—I have another short resolution that I desire to read. under the present ruling of the G. A. R. a comrade who has once been commander of a Post and moves to another state cannot hold that office. This resolution that I am offering does away with that.

Whereas, Comrade Henry P. Barnum, having served a full term as Post Commander in the Department of Illinois and also as Senior Vice Commander of that Department and is now a member of Post No. 35, South Haven, Michigan, therefore be it

Resolved, That he be recognized in this Department as a Past Post Commander and a Past Senior Vice Department Commander.

It was moved and supported that this resolution be adopted.

Carried.

Comrade Browning—Is that an individual affair or is it policy for us all? I stand exactly in that position myself.

Comrade Foote—It is an individual affair.

Comrade Browning—I wish it could be a universal affair.

Comrade Shattuck—I think this is a matter that pertains to the National Encampment. I move you that we make that a resolution and instruct

our delegates to the National Encampment to look after it there. Make it a universal rule throughout the United States.

Department Commander—It is the rule of the National Encampment but it can be made a personal thing in each case.

Comrade Shattuck—That is all right.

Comrade Spaulding—I move you that the name of Comrade Browning be included in this resolution.

Department Commander—All those in favor of including Comrade Browning in this resolution say—

Comrade Browning—I am a Michigan soldier. The whole time I was credited to Michigan and served in a Michigan regiment and was honorably discharged as a member of a Michigan regiment. After the war I went east. I was elected a Post Commander and served for one year and a half. Since that time I moved back to Michigan and I would now like to belong to the Michigan Encampment.

Department Commander—All those in favor of it say aye.

Carried.

Department Commander—I have known Comrade Browning since he was in the cradle. We were in the cradle together.

Comrade Chase—The committee on the Assistant Adjutant General's Report beg leave to recommend the adoption of the report.

Carried.

Comrade O'Neil—I want to say to the comrades of Michigan without any desire to flatter this Department but I am in constant correspondence with the various Adjutant Generals and I want to congratulate you upon the splendid Adjutant General you have in this Department. Comrade Wyckoff is one of the very best and I congratulate you upon his splendid service and the work that has been done in the G. A. R. during the past year. I know a great deal about it because I have been in correspondence with him.

DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES TO 41ST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

Assistant Adjutant General—This Department is entitled to twenty-two delegates and one delegate at large making twenty-three delegates to the National Encampment to be held at Saratoga, and the same number of alternates.

Comrade Pealer—In behalf of the Committee on Resolutions on the death of Past Commander Shakespeare I beg to submit the following:

BAY CITY, MICH., June 12, 1907.

Department Commander—Your Committee report the following:

Whereas, Divine Providence has sounded taps and has taken from amongst us, our beloved Comrade, William Shakespeare, who was our Department Commander for the year 1898, therefore

Resolved, That it is fitting, that the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, testify to the many good qualities, of our distinguished comrade, who as a soldier in the great War of the Rebellion, served his country with great credit, from the date of his enlistment, April 12, 1861, until he received the seven terrible wounds through his body, at the battle of Jackson, Miss., July 11, 1863, which few could have survived and from which he suffered untold agonies, until he died. Through all these years

of suffering, he bore himself uncomplainingly and with great fortitude and cheerfulness.

He won a fair measure of success in business and attained honorable position in civil life and faithfully discharged his duties, as a citizen and official, notwithstanding his sufferings from his wounds.

Resolved, That the Department of Michigan, G. A. R. in encampment assembled, tenders to his bereaved widow and family, its sincere sympathy and condolence.

Resolved, That the Department has sustained an irreparable loss, in the death of our loyal and devoted comrade and past Department Commander, William Shakespeare and his memory will be fondly cherished, as long as the Department exists.

R. R. PEALER,
C. E. FOOTE,
ED. ANTHONY,
Committee.

Comrade Peeler—I move the adoption of the resolution.
Carried.

Department Commander—The Assistant Adjutant General has a communication which he would like to read.

Assistant Adjutant General—The Bay county delegation is requested to meet at the hall of your Post tomorrow morning at 8:30 o'clock sharp. Also Comrade James Van Kleeck is going to present a flag to the high school of the West Side at eight o'clock tomorrow morning. All comrades are invited to be present.

Department Commander—All comrades are invited to witness this flag presentation by Comrade Van Kleeck at eight o'clock at the West Side High School. Is there anything else along the line of communications and reports of committees? If not the next order of business is new business. Someone suggested that the report of the Department Mustering Officer had not been received.

Assistant Adjutant General—The Chief Mustering Officer not being present I wish to say a few words. He told me this noon that his report had been left with the stenographer and he did not receive it. He has, however, promised to have it put in the Journal without being read to the encampment, leaving it, I suppose, to the Adjutant General at his discretion as to whether or not it was proper.

REPORT OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER.

LANSING, MICH., June 10, 1907.

Fayette Wyckoff—Assistant Adjutant General:

Dear Sir—I have the honor to submit the annual report of my office. No new Posts have been mustered into this Department during the year. There was no other business, to my knowledge, to be reported on.

The days of additions to our Department of new Posts have gone by. We cannot expect to muster many, if any, more new Posts but we can gather up now and then a veteran and muster him into our Posts already organized; but that is all.

With thanks to the Department Commander for the honor conferred in naming me the Chief Mustering Officer, I am,

In F. C. and L.,
J. K. P. McCULLOUGH,
Chief Mustering Officer.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

BAY CITY, MICH., June 12, 1907.

Joseph B. Griswold, Department Commander:

Dear Sir and Comrade—We, the members of the Executive Committee of the Council of Administration, respectfully report that we have carefully examined the books of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, and also the vouchers showing the receipts and disbursements of their said offices during the year, and find the same to be correct.

There was on hand in the general fund at the commencement of this administration the sum of.....	\$1,755 71
Received from all sources during the year.....	2,635 41
	\$4,391 12
There has been disbursed as follows:	
Assistant Adjutant General, salary.....	\$1,100 00
Assistant Quartermaster General, salary.....	50 00
Expenses at Minneapolis Encampment.....	336 10
Per capita tax to National Department.....	390 23
All other expenses including postage, office supplies and badges and all other incidentals.....	869 06
	\$2,745 39
Total expenditures.....	\$2,745 39
Leaving balance on hand.....	1,645 73
	\$4,391 12
Total.....	\$4,391 12

Alger Fund:	
Received from former administration.....	\$1,000 00
Received interest on same.....	39 10
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	\$1,039 10
Transferred to general fund.....	39 10
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Balance.....	\$1,000 00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

JAMES M. GREENFIELD,
HENRY SPAULDING,
Executive Committee, C. of A.

Comrade Pierce, Post No. 140—I want to say one word to the Department in regard to Post Patriotic Instructor. I found that our school board had formulated plans for the coming year and it was impossible to bring anything new before them.

Comrade Willett, Post No. 145—As Commander of Post I made the appointment, under instructions, from the Patriotic Instructor, and he went to work with the board and he reported to me, as Commander of the Post. He reported that over six hundred children had listened to patriotic instructions and there were not a dissenting vote in the school board or any of the school teachers in regard to the matter and the surrounding schools in our county were in the same condition. Wherever they could not get a soldier to address them there were others who were glad to do it. I have heard from other counties even way up north and wherever they went out and did not say to the school board you must do this and you must do that they were met with a warm reception and the time was given for the instruction and I tell you it was one of the grandest days that we ever had in Flint. (Applause.)

Department Commander—Those of you who heard the address of the Department Commander this morning will probably remember that the National Encampment has provided for the office of Post Patriotic Instructor and that it is the duty of every Post in this Department to appoint a Post Patriotic Instructor and elect him. It is the duty of the Post. We expect every Post to perform that duty and there will not be any trouble about the execution of his duties or the treatment he will be accorded from every school in the State of Michigan.

Comrade Thompson—Suppose you appoint one and he does not do anything?

Department Commander—Appoint another one.

Comrade Mallory, Post No. 382—I was elected Post Patriotic Instructor of my Post. I went to work and gave them what little instructions I had. We succeeded this year in getting out in line three hundred and sixty children. I did not know what course to pursue but went to the schools and told the children such stories as I remembered of what we had to endure in the 60's and I got them interested. When I saw that they didn't have the stars and stripes in the house I did some scolding. I said to the board on an occasion of this kind that they had better get the building a flag; if they didn't I would see to it that they didn't get their primary school money.

I don't know whether I did right or not but I notice that they got the flag. (Applause.)

Comrade Copley, Post No. 114—At the last annual meeting of our Post an instructor was appointed. Soon after I wrote the Department Commander for instructions and he answered that he was very glad that we were interested in the work and that as soon as he received some he would send some on to us. Now I believe there should be some public and patriotic instructions for our schools and I think they should come from the fountain head.

Department Commander—They will be out next year. It is not thoroughly organized yet.

Comrade Pealer—I move you that the Department now receive invitations for the next annual meeting of the Department.

Comrade Hamburger, Post No. 433—I want to say to you that we are not ready at present for that. A great many of our delegation from Detroit will not be here until some time today. We have not met yet.

Department Commander—We have a communication here from Detroit.

Comrade Hamburger—We are not ready to present it yet.

Department Commander—It is now in the hands of the Adjutant General.

Comrade Hamburger—I do not know whether the committee is ready but if they are I have no objections.

It was moved that the question as to next place of meeting be postponed until tomorrow morning.

Comrade Willett, Post No. 145—I did not understand that it was to fix the time so much as it was to receive invitations, communications or petitions (whatever you might call them) from any city that desired to have the encampment there next year.

Department Commander—That was the idea. They would be referred to a committee.

Comrade Pealer—I made that motion for the reason that I thought it would be a good idea to do so when we have a large crowd here. Tomorrow we are going to settle the question of officers for the ensuing year and after that the crowd will go away.

Comrade Devlin—When I left Detroit I understood that an invitation was to be extended on the part of the city of Detroit to have this convention meet in Detroit next year. That was my impression. If the Commander of the Detroit Post is present I think he ought to speak at this time and tell us whether the Detroit boys want us there. I think that would settle the question so far as the delegation from Detroit is concerned.

Comrade Dean—I had the pleasure of meeting Comrade Janes last Thursday and he expected to be here this morning. He will be here this evening loaded down with invitations I know for Detroit which I believe every comrade will respond to. It will only take him about two minutes and a half to fix it up. I know he has invitations from the Board of Trade, the Common Council and everyone else. They promised to decorate Detroit and fix things up in nice shape. I hope this matter will be postponed until he gets here. You will remember that Comrade Janes has lost his chief clerk and he is a very busy man.

A motion was then made that the matter be laid on the table. This motion was carried unanimously.

Comrade Carrington—We are going to have a camp fire here tonight. As chairman of the committee, I have instructed the guards to let no one in except the old soldiers and members of the Woman's Relief Corps. If

I were to let the doors open tonight there would be no room for the old soldiers because the boys in the town would fill up this floor.

Comrade Fee, Post No. 98—I would like to suggest a slight change and I think then we will all agree with Comrade Carrington. A great many of our comrades have their wives or friends with them and I think it ought to be fixed up so as to read "Ladies accompanied by members of the G. A. R."

Department Commander—I would not entertain any motion of that kind because Comrade Carrington is the "boss."

Comrade Carrington—There will be no trouble about that. My only object was to keep the boys and the crowd from town out.

The committee on the Medical Director's report reported and made a motion that the report be adopted. This motion was carried unanimously.

Comrade Richardson—Your committee on the Junior Vice Commander's report recommend the adoption of the report.

Carried.

Comrade Richardson, Post 365—I wish to ask one question for information. The Post to which I belong has an outpost. We have no report from that outpost; no report from them concerning Memorial Day. They met Memorial Day and decorated the graves just the same as we did but they made no report unless they reported to you.

Department Commander—They are an outpost under your jurisdiction and you must see to it that they report to you.

Comrade Cook—I move you that we now adjourn until tomorrow morning at 8:30 o'clock.

Carried.

SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Wednesday, June 12, 1907, 8:30 o'clock a. m.

The Department Commander—The Chaplain will invoke the divine blessing:
The Department Chaplain:

Almighty Father, in Thy care we have rested safely through another night, and we welcome this day under the blessing of God's providence. Grant Thy blessing upon our Commander; upon every officer of this Department. Upon all these comrades here and those who are away at their homes. Grant Thy blessing upon our organization in all its splendor and grandeur throughout our land. Make it still a power for good and for patriotism. Grant that Thy presence may be with us through all our duties of life; give us strength and wisdom and guide us. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Department Commander—There are still some committees that have not reported and we will listen to the report of the Committee to Visit the Woman's Relief Corps.

Comrade Allen—The committee appointed to visit the Woman's Relief Corps have performed that duty. We assure you that we have met with a royal welcome. The chairman of the committee met an old sweetheart of his which added to the occasion. I am glad to bring back their best wishes. (Applause.)

Comrade McBride, Post No. 262—Your committee authorized to call on the Ladies of the G. A. R. beg leave to report that they have performed that duty. They found the ladies in must excellent condition and full of patriotism and we bring back with us their best wishes to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Department Commander—The report will be received and placed on file.

Comrade Northwood—I beg to submit the resolutions drafted by this committee on the death of Hon. A. T. Bliss.

BAY CITY, MICH., June 11, 1907.

Joseph B. Griswold, Department Commander, and Comrades—Your committee appointed to draft resolutions on the death of Past Commander A. T. Bliss would respectfully submit the following:

Whereas, Since the last session of our State Encampment death has removed from our midst Past Department Commander and Comrade Aaron T. Bliss. Therefore be it,

Resolved, By the 29th Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, in session assembled, that in the death of Comrade Bliss the Department has sustained an irreparable loss and all comrades a true and constant friend, the State and the Nation a faithful and efficient public servant, and society an upright, useful citizen;

Resolved, That the sympathy of this Department be and are hereby

extended to the widow of our late comrade, and with them the assurance of the high regard entertained for her by all the comrades of this Department.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Mrs. Bliss by the Assistant Adjutant General.

WASHINGTON GARDNER,
WM. G. GAGE,
JOHN NORTHWOOD,
Committee.

Resolutions adopted.

Comrade Janes submits report of Committee on Department Commander's Address and recommends that the sum of thirty-five dollars be appropriated for a badge and that it be presented to Department Commander Griswold.

This motion was supported and carried.

Report of Committee on address of Department Commander.

BAY CITY, MICH., June 12, 1907.

To the Department Encampment, G. A. R. of Michigan:

Your committee appointed on the report of the Department Commander, reports as follows:

We recommend the adoption of the report and earnestly call the attention of the comrades of the Department to the suggestions made therein about suspended members and patriotic instructions in our public schools.

In view of a possible deficit in the finances of the Department each year, after using all possible economy we recommend the adoption of the suggestion made by the Commander that the yearly per capita tax be increased five cents per member, making the tax 25 cents per member instead of 20 cents.

Respectfully submitted.

O. A. JANES,
E. C. CANNON,
JAMES VAN KLEECK,
Committee.

Comrade O. A. Janes submits report of the Legislative Committee. Dr. J. B. Griswold, Department Commander, G. A. R., Michigan:

Sir—The legislative committee appointed by you report that there has been only one matter referred to that committee by this encampment one year ago, and that was in reference to the employment of ex-soldiers and sailors in public departments and public works.

Your committee find that some years ago an act was passed by the legislature which in part preferred ex-soldiers and sailors of the War of the Rebellion for employment in public departments and municipal corporations, but we found that it was inadequate to meet the object designed in this: That Section 1 of the Act provided that in every public department and all public departments in all municipal corporations and upon public works of the State of Michigan honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines of the late rebellion shall be preferred for appointment and employment, age, loss of limb, or other physical impairment which does not in fact incapacitate shall not be deemed to disqualify them, provided, however, that the applicant shall have been a resident of the State for at least five years and of the county in which office or position is located, for at least two years and possesses other requisite qualifications.

Now this section does not provide for the employment of such ex-soldiers and sailors in the public departments of the State and your committee presented to the present legislature an amendment of that section to include the public departments of the State, and also to include the ex-soldiers and sailors of the Spanish War and the Philippine insurrection.

Section 2 of said act provided that no veteran holding an office or employed in the public works of any city or town of the State shall be removed or suspended or shall, without his consent be transferred from such office or employment except after a full hearing before the mayor of such city or before the common council of such town, and at such hearing the veteran shall have the right to be present and to be represented by council. Such removal, suspension or transfer shall be made only upon a written order of the mayor or common council.

A recent decision of our supreme court has held that this section applies only to those employed upon public works and not to those employed in public departments. So that it protected only a very few of such persons coming within the purview of this section, because they are too aged to be employed on public works.

Your committee presented an amendment to this section to include all those employed in every department of the State as well as county, city, township and village, and upon the public works of the State and in all counties, cities, townships and villages of the State, and provides that no removal or suspension or transfer of those employed in the public departments of the State shall be had only upon a hearing before the governor of the State.

Section 3 was also amended so as to provide a penalty clause for any violation of the preceding sections and also giving to the ex-soldiers or sailors the right of mandamus in event that any violation of this act should be attempted by the authorities and also to be entitled to an action for damages in any court of competent jurisdiction for any illegal removal.

This bill as thus amended was passed by the present senate as I am informed by the chairman of the committee to whom it was referred and is now before the committee on state affairs of the house of representatives, and as yet we are not informed of its passage by the house. If it is not already passed only a few days remain before final adjournment of the legislature and we are fearful that it will be pigeon holed and the law will not be amended as designated to the benefit of the veterans.

No other matters were presented to your committee, but your committee, knowing that several years ago this encampment passed a resolution calling for the erection of a monument by the State of Michigan to the soldiers and sailors, and an effort was made to secure an appropriation for such purpose. A design was agreed upon for a monument costing \$250,000 and the Senate passed the act making this appropriation, but the committee on ways and means of the House of Representatives refused to report out the measure and pigeon holed it so that it died and the monument was not erected. The chairman of your committee endeavored to see if an appropriation could not be made at this session of this legislature for such monument, but he found a divided opinion among the legislators as to the kind of a memorial to erect. Many of the members were in favor of a memorial building in connection with the addition to the capitol building, while others were in favor of a shaft, but they thought it would be unwise to present the measure at this time for the reason that there was such a large demand for appropriations calling for public buildings and other measures demanding a vast amount of money that it would fail. We did not press the matter

at this session, but in view of the fact that there seems to be a difference of opinion among the members of the legislature, as we found at this time, and also when it was before the legislature some years ago in regard to whether it should be a shaft or memorial building, it seems to your committee that it might be wise for this encampment if it desired to have the matter of an appropriation presented again to the legislature to designate what kind of memorial it desired.

There was a matter placed in the hands of the chairman of the committee from a Post in the northern part of the State asking legislation exempting ex-soldiers and sailors from taxation on property to the amount of \$1,000. This matter not having been passed upon by the encampment, your committee did not feel like taking up the matter before the legislature.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

O. N. JANES,
E. M. ALLEN,
Committee.

The report of the committee was accepted and adopted.

Department Commander—Comrades, the hour has arrived that you set for the election of officers. Before we take up that business I would like to hear from Col. Janes a moment in regard to the place of holding the next State Encampment.

Col. Janes—Comrades, I have been delegated by the Business Men's Association and Convention Association of Detroit to present to you their compliments and ask that you hold the next Department Encampment of 1908 in the city of Detroit. (Applause.) I have here an invitation from the mayor of the city of Detroit on behalf of the city of Detroit to the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, an invitation to hold its 1908 meeting in our city. Every delegate to a convention expects to combine business with pleasure. The city of Detroit has earned the reputation of being a convention city. It affords ample facilities for conventions having hotels enough to accommodate conventions of any size. Its location on the beautiful Detroit river gives ample opportunities for those who seek pleasure on the water. I claim that Detroit has a right to press its claim as the convention city.

DETROIT, MICH., June 5, 1907.

Dear Sir—On behalf of the city of Detroit, I extend to the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, an invitation to hold its 1908 meeting in our city.

Every delegate to a convention expects to combine business with pleasure. The city of Detroit has earned the reputation as the "Convention City." It affords ample hotel facilities and has public halls adapted for conventions of any size. Its location on the banks of the beautiful Detroit river makes it possible to reach countless resorts and beauty spots on Lake St. Clair and Lake Erie, within a few hours ride. Palatial pleasure steamers, that are a revelation to the eyes of the easterner, and one continuous source of wonder to the far westerner, ply the waters of the river and lakes in every direction. Innumerable inland lakes, famed for their fishing, may be reached by the interurban lines. Truly, Detroit has a right to press its claim as the "Convention City."

Chevalier de Cadillac, more than two hundred years ago, founded Detroit,

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and remarked in his memoirs that the people who would one day live in the mighty city, which, in his prophetic vision, he saw on the banks of the river, would be a happy people. Cadillac foresaw truly. In Detroit life is worth living. We invite you to try it a week. Perhaps some will be tempted to make it a permanent home. However, you will be welcome whether you stay a week or a life time.

Respectfully,
WM. B. THOMPSON,
Mayor.

Hon. J. B. Griswold,
Commander Michigan Department, Grand Army Republic,
Bay City, Michigan.

I also have one from the Detroit Board of Commerce, signed by its president and extending a hearty invitation to come.

DETROIT, MICH., June 10, 1907.

Hon. J. B. Griswold, Commander, Michigan Department, G. A. R., Bay City, Michigan.

Dear Sir—In behalf of the members of the Board of Commerce, I wish to extend to the Michigan Department of the Grand Army of the Republic a cordial invitation to make Detroit the place of your next Annual Encampment. In doing so I am sure I voice the sentiments of the citizens of Detroit generally. The fact that this city has six Posts of the Grand Army, besides the Relief Corps and auxiliaries, and that here is located the monument which commemorates the valor of soldiers from the whole State, might be urged as an additional reason why the Michigan Department should, once in a while, gather here. Should the determination of your comrades favor this choice, you may be assured of a hearty welcome.

Yours very truly,
LEM W. BOWEN,
President.

And another from the Secreatry of the Detroit Convention and Tourist's Bureau.

DETROIT, MICH., June 4, 1907.

Hon. J. B. Griswold, Commander Department of Michigan, G. A. R.:

My Dear Sir—In behalf of the commercial and business interests of the city of Detroit, I desire to extend through you an invitation to the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, to hold its encampment in 1908 in the city of Detroit. This city has always been very patriotic in all of its undertakings, and the young soldier boys here today together with the staid old business men unite in inviting you veterans to give us a visit next year, at which time every endeavor will be made to make your stay as pleasant as it is within our power.

We feel certain that the old soldiers of the good old State of Michigan will be glad to come to Detroit, and the residents here will do their best to make their stay very pleasant. You will be provided with certain entertainment that we cannot forecast, but which will be the very best at our command.

Trusting that we will have the pleasure of entertaining the G. A. R. boys in 1908, I beg to remain,

Yours very truly,
 MILTON CARMICHAEL,
 Secretary and manager.
 Detroit Convention and Tourist's Bureau.

Now I desire to say that the Encampment of Michigan was held in the city of Detroit at the time I had the honor and pleasure of being your Department Commander. It has not been held in Detroit since. Now come to Detroit in 1908 and let us show you what Detroit can do to entertain the old boys of Michigan. I move you that Detroit be the next place of meeting.

Moved and supported that Detroit be the next place of meeting.

This motion was unanimously carried.

Comrade Lawrence—Comrades, as Detroit has been chosen as the next meeting place, I withdraw the name of Wm. Davey for Junior Vice Commander. We do not want the earth. We want you to come to Detroit and we will show you a good time. (Applause.)

Department Commander—The time has come for the election of officers.

It was moved and supported that five comrades be appointed as tellers.

The following comrades were appointed: Albert Dunham, Post 48; D. K. Halsey, Post 38; Wm. B. Bostock, Post 5; A. J. Ward, Post 262; S. J. Lawrence, Post 318.

Comrade Kanitz—I move you, sir, that the nomination speeches be limited to five minutes and the seconding speeches to one minute and a half.

Seconded and carried.

Department Commander—We will now proceed to the election of a Commander. As the districts are called for, and you have a candidate you will place his name in nomination.

Comrade Graves, Post No. 45—Commander and comrades of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic: I desire to place before you at this time the name of one of our comrades for the position of Department Commander. He is at the present time a resident of Lenawee county. He has been a resident of that county almost all his life. He was born in New York but brought up in Michigan. He was a boy and a young man in Michigan. He went out in 11th Michigan in Company "F" and helped to make the name of Michigan illustrious. He served in that regiment three years; was wounded twice, and that regiment you will remember went through a hard fought battle in the 14th Army Corps of Cumberland. Comrade Jibb was in Company "F" under the leadership of that eminent commander and in getting up the hill in that contest his brother was shot down by his side. A few moments later the flag staff was shot down. A color-bearer was killed and a few moments later another color-bearer was killed. Then Comrade Jibb took the colors and carried them to the front and for that act he received the commendation of his officers. I cannot spend the time here today, comrades, to tell you of his army record. It is sufficient for me to say that on every occasion he was ready and willing to do his duty with as much credit as any soldier who went out of Michigan. Today we present his name to you for the position of Department Commander. He was deputy sheriff of our county for a number of years. Afterwards was elected to the State Senate and served one term. Since that time he has been in the West and returned again to Lenawee county to reside but

a few short years ago. I call your attention more especially, comrades, to his record as a Grand Army man. I say to you that he stands the peer of any Grand Army man in the State of Michigan. A patriot, enthusiastic in the work of the Grand Army and always has been. Comrades, he will devote a great deal of his time to visiting the Posts. He is Commander of our Post and has filled it with credit to himself. I want to say to you comrades that he is a man who would fill the position of Department Commander to the credit of everyone in the State. I want to say to you that we are in a critical position. I heard yesterday from the Commander in Chief that we needed more men to fill the places of those who are dropping out. When he has closed his year you will say "Well done, good and faithful servant, you have done your duty well." Give him an opportunity and he will do as much good for the G. A. R. as he did in the 11th Infantry and as he is doing in every walk of life. I want to say just a word to my friends over in Saginaw. Saginaw has had the office of Department Commander twice—Comrades Bliss and Northwood—from Saginaw. We have never had a Department Commander that I know of. I ask you to vote for Comrade Jibb for Department Commander. (Great applause.)

Comrade Wilcox, Post No. 419—It gives me pleasure, comrades and commander, in looking over this audience, to know that they are going to act in as sane and intelligent manner as they have always done. The Grand Army of the Republic has always held a high position in this State. This is due in no small measure to the fact that they are very careful as to who shall be their officers. It gives me pleasure, gentlemen, to say to you that the Tenth Congressional District and the Saginaw District feel that they are presenting a man for your consideration for this position that is the peer of any comrade in the Grand Army of the Republic. Comrade Gage, of Saginaw, has been selected as the choice of my district and other districts as Commander of this Department. He is well known. He was a candidate for the position a year ago. Stood second on the list. Comrades, he was kind enough to withdraw in favor of the present Commander. It was largely through that action that the present Commander was selected. He is an old soldier. He is a gallant soldier. It is not necessary to go into his career in the Army. He did his duty as a soldier and as a man and bears an excellent reputation as a citizen of this State. He is a good citizen and an earnest, honest, hard working man. He is at the present time occupying the position of judge of his circuit and he is filling that position with credit to himself. I want to say to you, comrades, that if Comrade Gage is selected for your Commander you will make no mistake. As I said before you will make no mistake. I know you will make no mistake anyhow for whoever you select will be a good man for the place. None, however, will give better satisfaction to the organization.

Comrade Stevens, Post No. 140—Comrades, in order to successfully sail your craft you have got to see that your jib is all right. We feel that our Jibb is ready to take hold and carry us successfully through another year, and I, therefore, second the nomination of Wm. Jibb for Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade Lawrence—I have had the pleasure of knowing Comrade Jibb for some time. In behalf of the Grand Army Posts of the southern part of our county I second the nomination of Wm. Jibb. So far as any man being a peer in the State of Michigan I think all the boys are peers. When Wm. Jibb takes the position of Department Commander for the coming year he will do the same as he has done through life. He will take it with a

will, with a determination to help the Grand Army of the Republic and fill the place with credit to you and to himself.

Comrade Janes—Commander and comrades, I am informed that Comrade Jibb is going to devote his time during the year to visiting Posts and for that reason I support Comrade Jibb for the place.

Comrade Foote—You comrades who have been in the habit of attending encampments for years past do not need an introduction to Comrade Jibb. You know how enthusiastic he has always been. You know how he stands in his own home and I believe that he will fill the position with as much credit as he has those which he has filled at home. In behalf of the delegation from Post No. 79, Kalamazoo, I heartily support the nomination of Wm. Jibb. (Great applause.)

Comrade Wilcox, Post 67, Bay City—We repeat the action of a year ago. And now on behalf of the Posts of the Eighth District I withdraw the name of W. G. Gage in favor of Wm. Jibb. (Great applause.)

Comrade Pond—I move that the rules be suspended and that the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of this encampment for Comrade Jibb for Department Commander.

Seconded and carried.

Assistant Adjutant General—In conformity with the instructions of the Department I now cast the vote of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, for William Jibb for Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Department Commander—I declare William Jibb to be elected Department Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, for the ensuing year.

It was moved and supported that two comrades be appointed to escort the newly elected Commander and Comrade Gage to the rostrum.

The chair appointed Comrades Van Raalte and Kanitz to act in this capacity.

Department Commander—While the committee is out looking for Comrade Jibb, we will proceed with the selection of a Senior Vice Commander.

The Assistant Adjutant General will call the roll.

Comrade Carrington, Post No. 278: It is the custom and the courtesy of the State Encampment to select a Senior Vice Commander from the city in which the encampment is held. We have a number of good men for this position in Bay City and it is hard to pick out the best man. I have been instructed to nominate E. B. Nugent for the position. There is no better soldier in the State of Michigan. I move that the rules be suspended and that the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of this encampment for Comrade Nugent as Senior Vice Commander.

Seconded and carried.

Assistant Adjutant General—Agreeable with instructions I cast the vote of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, for E. B. Nugent for Senior Vice Commander, for the ensuing year.

Department Commander—I declare E. B. Nugent to be elected Senior Vice Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Michigan, for the ensuing year.

Comrade Van Raalte—Your committee has performed its duty and is pleased to present to you our future Commander, Comrade Jibb, and Comrade Gage, of Saginaw. (Applause.)

Department Commander—I take pleasure in presenting to you Comrade William Jibb, your newly elected Department Commander. (Applause.)

Comrade Jibb—Department Commander, officers and members of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, it would take me some time, comrades, to put into words and frame it into sentences to thank you as I feel today. I am proud of the honor you have conferred upon me. I shall try my best during the coming year, as I have always done in the past, to do my duty to you and to make my administration a success in every way, shape and manner. Now, comrades, this is no time or place for speech-making. You have your work before you, but I want to say this to you, it will be my pleasure and I consider it my duty to visit just as many Posts as I can get to and talk to you at your homes. I want you, as the comrades have said, in the coming year to boom the G. A. R., and see that every comrade in the State of Michigan is a member of the Department of Michigan. I will do my level best to make that my object. I have nothing to do but to visit the old boys, and nothing gives me greater pleasure in life and I shall be around to see you at your own Posts and rooms and at your campfires. I thank you again for the honor conferred. I will try and be Johnny on the Spot. I thank you.

Department Commander—I desire to introduce to you Comrade Gage, of Saginaw.

Comrade Gage—Department Commander and comrades: I had prepared a neat, little talk, but in your wisdom you have taken a different course, so I am afraid it will not do now. I never could understand why the G. A. R. would bring out a fellow who got licked. I suppose they want to see how badly his eyes are swollen and what kind of bruises he has got. Now if that is what you are looking for you will be disappointed for I haven't got any of them. I want to say that as a charter member of Post No. 38 of this Department, and I think every comrade of that Post will bear me out in this, that I have always been in the front in that organization. I feel from the bottom of my heart as the Commander in Chief has said—that although he belongs to a number of organizations, none have a warmer spot in his heart than the G. A. R. I desire to thank you for the courtesy extended. I want to thank those who stood by me from my home town as well as in other sections of the State and I desire now to state to you that I am entirely satisfied with your choice and I believe that you acted wisely. I am glad that Comrade Jibb is elected. (Great applause.)

Department Commander—We will now proceed with the election of a Junior Vice Commander

Comrade Brainard, Post No. 111—I want to nominate a comrade for Junior Vice Commander who is a member of a Post for twenty-four years. We have as many delegates to the State and National Encampments every year as any other Post in the State. We have thirteen or fourteen here today. We are here every year. I think the Assistant Adjutant General will bear me out in this statement. I place in nomination Comrade Henry J. Milburn for Junior Vice Commander. Mr. Milburn is from Eaton Rapids, Post 111.

Comrade Pond—Commander and comrades: I don't believe anyone could sit on this platform and look into your faces and say that your decision in these matters was not for the best interests of the Department. We have acted wisely this morning in the selection of your other candidates and I know that you are going to act wisely all the way through. You have carried out the wish of the Commander in Chief in placing a man at the head of this order who will have the time to visit the Posts. You have made a very good choice in deciding upon Detroit as the next meeting place.

There is a cry in the southern part of the State which we should not ignore. I have been travelling over counties of the southwestern part of the State. I have heard a man mentioned there. I said to the members over there—"Aren't you going to Bay City to attend the encampment." They said "There is no use of going; we never get recognized at these encampments." I want to present to you the name of a man who has been with us every single encampment and doing God's service for us at all times. I nominate Henry Spaulding of Hartford.

Comrade Shattuck, Post No. 42—I have been asked to present the name of a candidate who was in the first Battle of Bull Run. He is a member of the old Third Michigan Infantry. He was at Appomattox. He is a charter member of the Post at Muskegon. He has been an enthusiastic and earnest worker of the Grand Army of the Republic. I present the name of Daniel G. Crotty of Fairbanks Post, Detroit.

Comrade Cook, Post No. 42—I rise, sir, to support the nomination of one of the best candidates that has been presented to this convention. On behalf of myself and the comrades sitting around me here, I desire to second the nomination of Henry Spaulding of Hartford.

Comrade Andrews, Post No. 72—We have done well in selecting our Department Commander for next year. We have likewise done well in selecting the Senior Vice Commander. Let us continue the good work and do the same in the selection of our Junior Vice Commander. In behalf of the entire delegation of the Fourth Congressional District of Michigan, I take pleasure in supporting the name of Comrade Henry Spaulding for Junior Vice Commander.

Comrade Foote—The same words that I said in favor of Comrade Jibb for Commander I say in regard to Comrade Spaulding for Junior Vice Commander.

Comrade Mallory, Post No. 252—In behalf of the Fifth District I am on my feet to support the name of Henry Spaulding.

Comrade Spear—I am no talker but I want to say that I have been very close to Comrade Spaulding for a good many years. In behalf of the second district, I want to support the nomination of Comrade Spaulding.

Comrade McCullough, Post No. 36—I wish to support the nomination of Comrade Spaulding and in doing this I voice the sentiment of a great many Posts.

Comrade Kent, Post No. 384—I knew Comrade Spaulding in the army. I have known him ever since he came out of the army. He is a straightforward man, a faithful man and will make a good Junior Vice Commander of this Department for the coming year.

Comrade Crotty—I withdraw my name for the office of Junior Vice Commander. We are all eligible. We are all members in good standing of the G. A. R. One is as good as the other. I have been a faithful member myself for the last thirty years. I hope to visit the Posts and attend these encampments for the next thirty years to come. Now the Department Commander was elected by a unanimous vote without a ballot. The Senior Vice Commander was elected in the same manner and now, comrades, I think the office of Junior Vice Commander should be treated in the same manner.

Department Commander—We will proceed to ballot for the office of Junior Vice Commander. It has been the custom in these elections for the comrades to get up and move about. Now, I ask you to keep your seats and the tellers will get to you.

Comrade Brainard—I rise to withdraw the name of Comrade Milburn. (Applause.)

It was moved and supported that the rules be suspended and that the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of the encampment for Comrade Spaulding for Junior Vice Commander for the ensuing year.

Assistant Adjutant General—As instructed I now cast the vote of this encampment for Henry Spaulding for Junior Vice Commander for the ensuing year.

Department Commander—I declare Henry Spaulding to be elected Junior Vice Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Michigan, for the ensuing year. (Applause.)

Department Commander—We will now proceed to the nomination and election of a Department Chaplain. The Assistant Adjutant General will call the roll.

It was moved and supported that the present incumbent, Wm. Putnam, be selected for the same position for the ensuing year.

Assistant Adjutant General—It is with pleasure that I cast the vote of this Department for Wm. Putnam, Post No. 42, for Chaplain of this Department.

Department Commander—I declare Wm. Putnam elected as Chaplain of this Department for the ensuing year.

Department Commander—The next thing in order will be the election of a Medical Director for the ensuing year.

Comrade McBride—There being no nomination I move that the rules of this encampment be suspended and that the Assistant Adjutant General cast the vote of the Department for Comrade W. W. Root, Post No. 451, for Medical Director.

Seconded and carried.

Assistant Adjutant General—In conformity with the instructions of the Department, I now cast the vote of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, for W. W. Root for Medical Director for the ensuing year.

Department Commander—I declare W. W. Root elected to the position of Medical Director for the ensuing year.

Comrade Root—I did not expect it. I did my duty to the best of my ability. Seeing there is no other candidate I accept it and I thank you for the favor shown me.

Department Commander—The next thing in order is the election of a Council of Administration.

Comrade Kanitz—I put in nomination the name of Comrade M. D. Richardson, of Lake City, Post No. 365, for member of the Council of Administration.

The name of George Raab, Post No. 145, was placed in nomination.

Comrade Kanitz named Steve Mallery, Post No. 382, for a member.

Capt. J. J. Drake of Post No. 21, was placed in nomination.

E. T. Carrington, Post No. 278, was presented.

Comrade Graves—I place in nomination the name of Henry Stevens, Post No. 32.

Department Commander—Our Council of Administration is entitled to but five members. If there is no objection, we will proceed to ballot.

Comrade Stevens—I withdraw my name.

It was moved and supported that the rules be suspended and that the

Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of the encampment for the remaining five candidates for the Council of Administration.

Carried.

Assistant Adjutant General—Pursuant to instructions I cast the vote of this Department for M. D. Richardson, Post No. 365; George Raab, Post No. 145; Steve Mallery, Post No. 382; J. J. Drake, Post No. 21; E. T. Carrington, Post No. 278, for members of the Council of Administration for the ensuing year.

Department Commander—Comrades, you have elected these comrades as Council of Administration for the ensuing year and I declare them elected.

Department Commander—This Department is entitled to twenty-three delegates to the National Encampment. The first thing in order will be the selection of a delegate at large. Each Congressional District is entitled to one delegate but there is only one delegate at large for the State. Don't get this mixed up with the other delegates.

The name of Comrade John Devlin was placed before the encampment as delegate at large to the 41st National Encampment.

It was moved and supported that John Devlin be the delegate at large of the encampment to the 41st National Encampment.

Department Commander—You have elected John Devlin as your delegate at large.

Comrade George B. Howe was elected as alternate delegate at large to the 41st National Encampment.

Comrade Nugent, the newly elected Senior Vice Commander, and Comrade Spaulding, the newly elected Junior Vice Commander, were introduced to the encampment, after which they took their seats on the platform.

Assistant Adjutant General—Yesterday I passed out to you comrades slips on which you were to place the name of your delegate to the National Encampment together with the name of the alternate delegate. You were to hold meetings in various parts of the hall and decide on these delegates and hand them in to me. Now I will read the names as they have been handed in:

DELEGATES TO THE 41ST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

- District No. 1, George S. Kimball, Post No. 17.
- District No. 2, E. K. Starkweather, Post No. 318.
- District No. 3, T. J. Snow, Post No. 40.
- District No. 4, Bishop E. Andrews, Post No. 72.
- District No. 5, P. H. McBride, Post No. 262.
- District No. 6, A. S. Shattuck, Post No. 42.
- District No. 7, O. S. Church, Post No. 144.
- District No. 8, W. I. Markes, Post No. 214.
- District No. 9, George W. Wheeler, Post No. 461.
- District No. 10, John G. Berry, Post No. 263.
- District No. 11, George H. Gilbert, Post No. 451.
- District No. 12, P. C. Beanston, Post No. 300.

Comrade Kanitz—I move you that the rules be suspended and that the delegates named be elected.

Supported and carried.

Assistant Adjutant General—I take pleasure in casting the vote of this

encampment for the comrades named as delegates to the 41st National Encampment to be held at Saratoga.

The following comrades from the twelve districts were elected as alternates:

- District No. 1, George L. Holmes, Post No. 17.
- District No. 2, J. K. Perriman, Post No. 110.
- District No. 3, L. T. Robbin, Post No. 111.
- District No. 4, John Hoffmaster, Post No. 80.
- District No. 5, Steve Mallery, Post No. 382.
- District No. 6, Wm. Horton, Post No. 114.
- District No. 7, J. F. Cotton, Post No. 216.
- District No. 8, F. C. Crowell, Post No. 38.
- District No. 9, Elijah Bowerman, Post No. 394.
- District No. 10, L. G. Wilcox, Post No. 419.
- District No. 11, Wm. Bartholomew, Post No. 365.
- District No. 12, Curtis Moore, Post No. 300.

The following additional delegates to the National Encampment were elected:

- David C. Oakes, Post No. 79.
 - D. C. Spears, Post No. 10.
 - James M. Greenfield, Post No. 89.
 - Albert Dunham, Post No. 48.
 - Wm. Smith, Post No. 233.
 - Samuel Lawrence, Post No. 318.
 - A. L. Bryant, Post No. 255.
 - Henry W. Sims, Post No. 67.
 - George M. Doty, Post No. 252.
 - W. S. Bradley, Post No. 35.
- The following additional alternates were elected:
- Oscar Palmer, of Grayling, Post No. 240.
 - L. H. Ives, Post No. 441.
 - Henry Maurer, Post No. 233.
 - W. W. Morgan, Post No. 38.
 - H. F. Yarick, Post No. 358.
 - H. C. Walker, Post No. 157.
 - Archibald Scott, Post No. 174.
 - Wm. E. Clark, Post No. 286.
 - John C. Rowden, Post No. 407.
 - John Connor, Post No. 270.

Department Commander—Comrade Dean has a report to make.

Your committee to whom was referred the resolution of J. B. Brainard, Post No. 111, beg leave to report as follows:

We concur in the suggestion in said resolution that widows be pensioned at \$12.00 per month and are advised by highest authority that action is being pushed with a view to the enactment of such legislation, another advance step in pension legislation.

In view of the pending of this action and the late passage of the service pension bill and the history of pension legislation which has been a step at a time we consider that it is not advisable for the Department at this time

to adopt said resolution and we therefore recommend that it be not adopted.

H. S. DEAN,
C. L. COLLINS,
D. B. K. VAN RAALTE,
Committee.

It was moved and supported that the report be adopted.

Carried.

Comrade Pealer introduced a resolution favoring the erection of a State soldiers and sailors' monument.

Resolved, That we the representatives of the Grand Army of the Republic in Annual Encampment assembled, respectfully favor the erection of the State soldiers and sailors' monument according to the design agreed upon and at the location determined upon by the State Soldiers' Monument Commission appointed under and in pursuance of Act No. 138 of Session Laws of 1901.

Comrade Kanitz—This matter has been before us for a great many years. I think something should be done. If you wait longer we will never get it. The time is ripe to do something and I am mighty glad that Comrade Pealer has brought this question up at this time before this Encampment.

Comrade Pealer's resolution was unanimously adopted.

Comrade Dean—I desire to offer a resolution tendering the sincere thanks of this encampment to the people of Bay City for the manner in which they have entertained us during our stay in their city and also a vote of thanks to the local G. A. R. for the splendid manner in which they have conducted the proceedings of the encampment.

Adopted by a rising vote.

Comrade Dickinson—Next Friday, the 14th, is Flag Day. I would like to make a suggestion—that every comrade have a flag in front of his house. Tell his neighbors to do the same and tell his children why it is there.

Department Commander—Remember the 14th day of June and hang out the flag and every time you see one take off your hat.

It was moved and supported that the officers be installed.

Department Commander—Colonel Pond because of his seniority is the installing officer.

The officers were duly installed by Col. Pond.

The Department Commander appointed Fayette Wyckoff his Assistant Adjutant General and Geo. R. Cochrane his Assistant Quartermaster General.

Department Commander Jibb—This is the proudest day of my life. In accepting this gavel I desire to inform you that I take it with the spirit of fraternity, charity and loyalty to help the Grand Army of the Republic. I want to try to help every comrade of the Department. I want to thank you, comrades, again and I say to you as I said before I am going to put my whole heart and soul into this work this year to help build up the Department of Michigan. (Applause.) To the Council of Administration elect and the officers elect I desire to thank you. Meet me at my headquarters in the Imperial Hotel at two o'clock. Please be prompt. You will find when I say that I am going to be there at two o'clock I am going to be there at that time. It will not be in ten minutes after for I have no more right to take up your time than you have to take up mine. That is the way I have of doing business.

A committee from the Woman's Relief Corps from Lenawee county, the home county of the newly elected Department Commander, came before

the convention and presented him with a large bouquet of roses and carnations, and wished him success in the administration of his duties as Department Commander.

Department Commander Jibb then made the following speech of thanks:

One may have friends all over the country but there are no friends, my comrades, like the home friends. They are certainly the most dear to us, and when we know we have the support of our home friends, we certainly have a great deal. Ladies, I wish to thank you from the bottom of my heart for your expressions of support and I assure you that it will be my aim to do everything in my power for the Woman's Relief Corps of Lenawee county and the State at large. These flowers mean a great deal to me. They are beautiful but they are no more beautiful than the ladies.

The encampment badge was pinned on the ladies by Department Commander Jibb.

After singing two stanzas of America, the Department Chaplain invoked the divine blessing, and the 29th Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, came to a close.

FAYETTE WYCKOFF,
Assistant Adjutant General.

GENERAL ORDERS.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
LANSING, June 21, 1906.

General Orders No. 1, Series 1906-07.

At the 28th Annual Encampment held at Saginaw on the 14th and 15th of June, 1906, I was elected Commander of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic. I hereby assume command, mindful of the responsibilities of this high position, and realizing that my administration can only be made successful by enlisting your cordial encouragement and assistance, I ask the support of every comrade.

The following staff appointments are announced:

Assistant Adjutant General, Fayette Wyckoff, Post 38, postoffice address, Lansing, Mich.

Assistant Q. M. General, Wm. B. Bostock, Post 5, Grand Rapids.

They will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

Headquarters will be as heretofore in the Capitol Building, Lansing.

All official communications should be addressed to the Assistant Adjutant General at the above named headquarters.

Private communications to the Department Commander should be addressed to Grand Rapids, Mich.

Post Commanders are requested to recommend a comrade for appointment as Aide-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander.

Additional officers and delegates and alternates to the National Encampment will be announced in future orders.

JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
LANSING, MICH., July 3, 1906.

General Orders No. 2, Series 1906-07.

1. At the 28th Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, which convened at Saginaw, June 14th and 15th, 1906, the following comrades were elected to the offices hereinafter designated:

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,

Joseph B. Griswold, Post 5, Grand Rapids.

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,

Riley L. Jones, Post 38, Saginaw.

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,

O. Palmer, Post 240, Grayling.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR,

W. W. Root, Post 441, Mason.

DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN,

Wm. Putnam, Post 42, Lansing.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

J. M. Greenfield.....Post 89, Flushing
 J. N. Cox.....Post 174, Hancock
 William Baird.....Post 229, Marine City
 Henry Spaulding.....Post 20, Hartford
 John G. Barry.....Post 263, Vanderbilt

2. The following additional appointments on the Staff of the Department Commander are announced and will be obeyed and respected:

DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR,

G. B. Allen.....Post 40, Charlotte

JUDGE ADVOCATE,

Wm. F. Atkinson.....Post 17, Detroit

CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER,

J. K. P. McCullough.....Post 36, Lansing

DEPARTMENT PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR,

W. S. Sly.....Post 42, Lansing

CHIEF OF STAFF,

A. J. Ward.....Post 262, Holland

SENIOR AIDE-DE-CAMP,

A. B. Coffinberry.....Post 5, Grand Rapids

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION,

J. N. Cox.....Post 174, Lansing
 J. M. Greenfield.....Post 89, Flushing
 Henry Spaulding.....Post 20, Hartford

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION.

O. A. Janes.....Post 384, Detroit
 Wm. J. Mears.....Post 235, Boyne Falls
 E. M. Allen.....Post 132, Portland

COMMITTEE TO VISIT STATE SOLDIERS' HOME.

Edward B. Nugent.....Post 67, Bay City
 Wm. Jibb.....Post 45, Adrian
 E. C. Anthony.....Post 300, Marquette

3. The following appointments as Aide-de-Camp to the Department Commander are announced:

R. A. Babcock.....Post 370
 Eber Rice.....Post 29
 C. J. Lane.....Post 166
 M. D. Brainard.....Post 111
 Thos. B. Main.....Post 69
 A. C. Estabrook.....Post 56

4. The following comrades were elected Representatives and Alternates to the Fortieth National Encampment to be held in Minneapolis, Minn., August 13th-18th:

REPRESENTATIVES.

E. B. Fenton (at large).....Post 384, Detroit
 Geo. L. Holmes.....Post 17, Detroit
 Albert Dunham.....Post 48, Jackson
 Milo Thompson.....Post 111, Eaton Rapids
 Henry Spaulding.....Post 20, Hartford
 Harmon W. Holcomb.....Post 132, Portland
 C. Wilcox.....Post 120, Howell
 E. V. W. Brokaw.....Post 98, Port Huron
 W. H. Stocker.....Post 156, St. Johns
 G. W. Wheeler.....Post 461, Cadillac, R. F. D. No. 2
 H. H. Aplin.....Post 278, Bay City
 Andrew Curtis.....Post 294, Big Rapids
 P. C. Beanston.....Post 300, Marquette
 M. M. Andrews.....Post 419, Bay City
 J. W. Brakeman.....Post 7, Muskegon
 Wm. Smith.....Post 233, Lamb
 David S. Howard.....Post 147, Pontiac
 H. A. Chapin.....Post 31, Paw Paw
 Roda O'Meara.....Post 1, Soldiers' Home
 Andrew J. Ward.....Post 262, Holland
 Lucius M. Church.....Post 252, Howard City or Morley
 Chas. J. Pierce.....Post 17, 237 Woodward ave., Detroit
 A. L. Bryant.....Post 255, Mayville
 Isaac Grant.....Post 451, Reed City

ALTERNATES.

J. R. Stephenson (at large).....Post 5, Grand Rapids
 W. N. Stevens.....Post 17, 447 Fourth ave., Detroit
 G. W. Hurd.....Post 10, Dundee
 William Vickery.....Post 32, Battle Creek
 U. P. Fales.....Post 74, Wayland

Frank R. Chase.....	Post 126, Smyrna
Frank E. Willett.....	Post 145, Flint
Geo. W. Howe.....	Post 98, Port Huron
Geo. W. Stimson.....	Post 58, Merle Beach, R. F. D. 13
Elijah Bowerman.....	Post 394, Sherman
L. G. Wilcox.....	Post 419, Bay City
John Greig.....	Post 152, Alma
James N. Cox.....	Post 174, Lansing
P. H. McBride.....	Post 262, Holland
R. L. Warren.....	Post 137, Ann Arbor
A. H. Rolph.....	Post 310, Escanaba
Wm. Bassett.....	Post 419, Bay City
Geo. Clark.....	Post 79, Kalamazoo
Robt. King.....	Post 144, Lapeer
W. H. Morgan.....	Post 147, Pontiac
Wm. Bouck.....	Post 455, Montrose
John Cole.....	Post 294, Big Rapids
John Devlin.....	Post 433, Detroit
C. C. Dunham.....	Post 444, Cadillac

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS.

5. Blanks for the semi-annual reports of Adjutants and Quartermasters were sent to all Post Adjutants with an urgent request that they be filled out and sent to headquarters immediately after the last meeting in June. Only 147 have been received. The Adjutant General has issued a call for the reports from the Departments to be sent in not later than July 20th. It will be impossible for the Assistant Adjutant General to comply with this demand unless Posts which have not sent in their reports do so without further delay.

6. Post Chaplains are required to make reports after each Memorial Day. The Department Chaplain reports that a large number of Posts have failed to send in their reports and requests that those that have not done so see that their reports are forwarded at once.

7. The Fortieth National Encampment to be held at Minneapolis, August 13th-18th, is close at hand.

Minneapolis is an ideal convention city. Is within easy reach. Railroad rates are very low, and the Department Commander earnestly desires that the Department of Michigan shall be second to none in the Annual Parade.

OFFICIAL ROUTE.

8. Headquarters' train will leave Grand Rapids at 2:00 p. m. Monday, August 13th, via the Pere Marquette R. R. to Chicago; leave Chicago via Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul R. R. at 8:00 p. m. from Union Depot, corner Adams and Canal streets.

A cordial invitation is given to all comrades and their friends to join this special headquarters' train. No changes after you are seated on the train. No local stops to take on or deliver passengers, but a speedy and through train is provided. Full particulars as to itinerary, railroad fares, etc., will be given in later orders. Pullman sleepers will be run from Grand Rapids and Chicago. Double berth from Grand Rapids, \$3.50; from Chicago, \$2.00. For further particulars address H. J. Gray, district passenger agent,

Grand Rapids, or Robert C. Jones, passenger agent, C., M. and St. P. R. R., Detroit.

Begin to make your arrangements early. Where it is possible, comrades are invited to take the train at Grand Rapids. Where it is more convenient for you to do so, join us at Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Union Depot, corner Adams and Canal streets, Chicago, at 8:00 p. m., Monday, August 13th.

The Department of the Woman's Relief Corps and delegates will accompany this train. It is expected that a first-class band will accompany this train and enliven the way with patriotic airs.

HEADQUARTERS.

9. Michigan Headquarters in Minneapolis will be at the Hotel Nicollet, consisting of the ordinary and Parlors A and B. Let every comrade and citizen feel that this is headquarters for our State, and each is invited to make it his.

Come in and register immediately on arrival in the city.

DELEGATES.

Delegates will please inform the Assistant Adjutant General at Lansing at once whether or not they expect to attend, so that alternates may be notified if necessary.

FREE QUARTERS.

Free quarters at Minneapolis will be furnished for Posts and comrades who make application at least thirty days in advance of the date of the Encampment. The local committee will furnish a cot or mattress to those asking for free accommodations. Those asking for quarters should bring their own blankets, pillow and towels.

The school buildings, as well as others which will be used, are well ventilated and have lavatory accommodations. Arrangements are being made so that those occupying school buildings may obtain breakfast in the vicinity.

Application for free quarters should be made to Wallace G. Nye, Secretary G. A. R. Committees, 533 Andrus Building, Minneapolis, Minn.

As the time is short send your applications without delay.

It is with profound sorrow and a deep sense of pain that we announce the death of the devoted wife of our Commander in Chief, James Tanner, which occurred in Helena, Montana, July 1st, 1906. The Commander in Chief was engaged in the duty of inspecting the departments of the northwest, accompanied by his devoted wife, when the accident took place that suddenly and without warning, deprived him of the companion of many years of pleasure and usefulness.

This Department is helpless to relieve the great burden of sorrow that has come to our honored chief, but we do extend our hands in sympathy and bow our heads as we mourn with those that mourn.

Official:
FAYETTE WYCKOFF,
 Assistant Adjutant General.

By Command of
JOS. B. GRISWOLD,
 Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
 LANSING, July 12, 1906.

General Orders No. 3, Series 1906-07.

1. The Fortieth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic meets in Minneapolis, Minn., the week of August 13, 1906.

2. The official route as selected is via the Pere Marquette railroad from Grand Rapids to Chicago, and from there over the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad to Minneapolis—an all-rail route and no changes going. Train will leave Grand Rapids at 2 p. m. Monday, August 13, and Chicago at 8 p. m., arriving at Minneapolis Tuesday morning at 8 a. m. in plenty of time for every detail of the encampment.

Round trip rates from some of the principal points are as follows:

Detroit.....	\$13 45	Grand Rapids.....	\$11 60
Saginaw.....	13 70	Ionia.....	13 05
Lansing.....	12 25	Bay City.....	13 95
Port Huron.....	14 50	Big Rapids.....	12 70
Belding.....	12 30	Reed City.....	14 85

And proportionately low rates from all points in the State. Purchase your tickets via Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad, Michigan Headquarters train.

3. The Department Commander urges all Department Officers, Delegates, Alternates, members of the Department Staff and Comrades with their friends and others who contemplate visiting the great Northwest at this time to accompany him on this train.

4. Comrades and all on the line of the Michigan Central, Michigan Southern, Wabash and Grand Trunk railroads should buy their tickets via the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad from Chicago and take this special Michigan G. A. R. train.

Standard sleeping cars from Grand Rapids, \$3.50 for double berth. For reservations apply to H. J. Gray, D. P. A., Grand Rapids, or Wm. B. Bostock, Assistant Q. M. General, Federal Building, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Sleepers from Chicago, \$2.00 for double birth. For reservations from Chicago apply to Robert C. Jones, Michigan Passenger Agent Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul R. R., 32 Campus Martius, Detroit.

This route was selected by the Department because of the facilities offered not only for getting to Minneapolis but for return: Four trains daily from Minneapolis and choice of any route over the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul returning to Chicago.

Comrades should avail themselves of this opportunity to visit the great northwest. Railroad rates will never be lower.

VALIDATION OF TICKETS.

5. Tickets must be validated before returning. Joint agencies for validating tickets will be established in Minneapolis at the court house (main floor) Third street. Office hours: 6:30 a. m. to 11 p. m. every day of the week, including Sunday.

At St. Paul the office will be in room 156 Brown & Bigelow Building, East Third street, near Union Depot.

A fee of 25 cents will be charged for validating tickets.

EXTENDED RETURN LIMIT.

6. By deposit of ticket with joint agent at Minneapolis or St. Paul not earlier than August 15 or later than August 31 and payment of fee of 50 cents at time of deposit an extension of return limit may be obtained to September 30, 1906.

7. A meeting of the Representatives and all who are entitled to seats in the National Encampment from this Department will be held at Headquarters room, Hotel Nicolett, on Tuesday evening, August 14, at 8 o'clock for the transaction of such business as may properly come before them and to receive the Encampment Badges.

8. All desiring accommodations should write to Wallace G. Nye, Secretary G. A. R. Committee, 533 Andrus Building, Minneapolis, Minn., stating what kind of accommodations are wanted, the time they will be occupied and the price you desire to pay.

Free quarters to comrades desiring them, but they must furnish their own blanket, pillow and towels.

9. Comrades A. B. Coffinberry and Frank R. Chase are detailed as assistants at Headquarters in Minneapolis.

10. The committee have prepared a fine program for the week. Tuesday is the Naval Veterans, Ex-Prisoners of War, Civic and Military Parade Day, with many receptions, reunions and excursions, with campfires in the evening.

Wednesday the parade of the Grand Army of the Republic will take place, beginning promptly at 10 a. m., followed by receptions and campfires in the evening.

Thursday and Friday the business sessions of the Encampment and conventions of other societies will be held.

11. Members of the Staff and Commanders of Posts will report to Comrade H. J. Ward, Chief of Staff, upon arrival at Minneapolis, for instruction and assignment in the parade.

12. All comrades are requested to take part in the great parade on Wednesday. The line of march will be short and over smooth paved streets to inspiring music.

13. The following additional appointments on the Staff of the Department Commander are announced:

B. O'Dell.....Post 31, Paw Paw
 Henry S. Kelley.....Post 14, Benton Harbor
 Lester J. Kinney.....Post 42, Lansing
 Henry W. Simms.....Post 67, Bay City
 E. S. Post.....Post 98, Port Huron
 James Donaldson.....Post 101, Ithaca
 Eli Cook.....Post 111, Eaton Rapids
 L. C. Kanouse.....Post 117, Byron
 John Greig.....Post 152, Alma
 W. H. Amidon.....Post 168, Maple City
 John T. Beaumont.....Post 181, Highland
 D. E. Stearns.....Post 294, Big Rapids
 J. M. Henderson.....Post 326, Potterville
 N. Shults.....Post 365, Lake City

By Command of
 JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD,
 Department Commander.

FAYETTE WYCKOFF,
 Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
 LANSING, September 24, 1906.

General Orders No. 4, Series 1906-07.

1. Accompanying this order are General Orders Nos. 1, 2 and 3, issued by National Headquarters. These orders contain the names of the National officers elected and appointed at Minneapolis, also the amendments to Rules and Regulations as passed by the 40th National Encampment. These orders should be carefully preserved for future reference.

2. The 40th National Encampment held at Minneapolis, August 13 to 18, has passed into history, as have all the previous Encampments, as a notable event in the annals of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The arrangements for entertaining the Encampment were as perfect as experience and foresight could make them. Not one word of complaint for lack of accommodations was heard, but the wants of all had been most liberally provided for by the local committee and citizens. The ladies of the local Woman's Relief Corps are especially mentioned for their untiring efforts in providing the comrades, while waiting for their turn to move in the parade, with hot coffee and sandwiches without stint, the coffee being made in one of the cities' steam fire engines. The providing of wooden benches for the comrades to rest upon while waiting was also an innovation, and was appreciated by the comrades. The organizing of the "Red Cross" Corps and its very efficient service with its flying automobile ambulances cannot be too highly commended.

The great parade was the most interesting feature of the week's encamp-

ment; the Department of Michigan forming the 18th division. It is with pleasure that the Department Commander recalls the appearance of this Department. The old martial spirit was in every form and step, and the applause with which Michigan was greeted the entire length of the line was most enthusiastic. Although the weather was very warm, no comrade from our Department was overcome by the heat. The Department Commander wishes to thank each individual comrade who took part in the parade. This Department was also fortunate in securing the services of the Cadet band of thirty-four members, of Watertown, South Dakota, who not only dispensed fine music on the parade but on several occasions furnished the headquarters at the Nicolett Hotel with many delightful selections.

Michigan can also boast of having one of the oldest if not the oldest comrade in attendance at the Encampment. This was Comrade Horace Wilder, 91 years old, and a resident of our Michigan Soldiers' Home. Comrade Wilder stood the journey going and returning with as little appearance of fatigue as comrades twenty-five and thirty years younger.

The official train left Grand Rapids at 2 p. m., August 13, over the Pere Marquette railroad, carrying the Department Commander and staff with comrades and friends from nearly every section of the state. At Chicago we were joined by the Department President of the Woman's Relief Corps with her staff, and comrades living along the line of the Michigan Central, Lake Shore and Grand Trunk railroads. From Chicago the trip to Minneapolis was made over the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad, and after leaving Chicago the run to Minneapolis was made on fast time and without accident. At the depot the Department and comrades were met by the Department band and escorted to headquarters at the Nicolett Hotel where everything was in readiness for us.

The campfires held at the auditorium on Tuesday and Thursday evenings were notable events and the patriotic spirit of forty and more years ago was emulated and given free expression in speech and song. The meetings of the encampment proper were held on Thursday and Friday. These meetings were largely attended and much business of interest to our order transacted, which will appear in the journal of the proceedings soon to be published. By Friday evening many of the comrades and visitors had started on their homeward journey, carrying with them happy recollections of the Encampment and warm greetings and kindly treatment accorded them by the beautiful and thriving city of Minneapolis.

3. The Department Commander recognizes his indebtedness to the members of his personal staff. To Assistant Adjutant General Fayette Wyckoff, who had preceded the Department to Minneapolis, made ready headquarters and was on hand with the band to welcome headquarters train, also for his untiring seal during the entire Encampment; to Assistant Quartermaster General W. B. Bostock and Chief of Staff A. J. Ward for efficient service; to Comrades Coffinberry, Chase and Spaulding, who assisted in the registration and made all welcome at headquarters, and to every comrade who by his presence with the Department aided in making the Department of Michigan a power in the Encampment.

4. Michigan was also honored by the election of Comrade E. B. Fenton, a member of Detroit Post No. 384, as Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, this being the second time this office has come to our Department.

5. The report of our trip and the encampment would be incomplete, did we not pay a tribute of praise to the Department President of the W. R.

C., Mrs. Redner, and the other members of that noble order, who by their cheerful presence on the journey and at headquarters contributed largely to the pleasure of the occasion.

"May they always be with us."

INSPECTION.

6. The usual annual Post inspections have not been universally observed, and in many cases is a matter of form, with but little if any resulting benefits. If the Department was able to pay the expenses so that the inspection could be made by one or two persons in a district and thus be uniform and thorough, these annual examinations would be of benefit to the Posts and Department, but as at present conducted, they are valueless in accomplishing the end desired. The Department Commander using the liberty given him by the Rules and Regulations, will not order a general inspection. Any Post, however, that may desire to hold an inspection, may do so, and on request the Assistant Adjutant General will make the proper order and detail.

DENVER MEMORIAL MEDALS.

7. There being quite a number of these beautiful souvenirs still undistributed, by recommendation of Past Department Commander E. C. Cannon, adopted at Department Encampment, they will be distributed among the Posts of the Department as awards for increased membership. They will be awarded as follows: To the Post reporting the largest increase in membership during the present term, ten medals; to the two Posts having next largest gains, eight medals each; to the three next largest, six medals each; to the next four largest, five medals each; to the five next largest, three medals each; to the ten Posts showing the next largest gain, two medals each; and to the next fifty Posts showing gains, one each.

It being understood that these medals shall be distributed by the Posts to the members who have been most earnest and faithful in securing new members and working for the interest of the Post and comrades. The award to individuals should be by vote of the Post. The award to Posts will be made on the basis of the reports for the term ending December 31, 1906.

SUSPENDED MEMBERS.

8. The attention of Post Commanders is called to Sections 3 and 4 of Article 4, Chapter 5, Rules and Regulations.

Many Posts of the Department have a large list of suspended members, some have been suspended for a number of years. Sec. 4 requires that a member having been suspended six months "shall be notified thereof in writing by the Post Quartermaster, and on failure for two months thereafter to pay such dues, he shall be dropped from the rolls, unless relieved from such payment." This is obligatory and should be observed by the Posts.

The same section further provides that "A comrade may be reinstated in the Post from which he has been dropped by making a written statement to that effect, and on receiving a majority vote of those present at any regular meeting, upon payment of not exceeding one year's dues."

"A dropped member on being reinstated shall not be reobligated."

A written application asking to be reinstated is all that is necessary, and a majority vote makes it very easy for a dropped comrade to again become an active member. Personal solicitation on the part of comrades should result in a material increase in our membership from this source alone.

In a large majority of cases it would be well to remit the dues of suspended members and let them start out even again. The finances of the Post would not suffer by so doing, and many good comrades might be saved to the order who would be future contributors to the Post funds. It is believed that with proper effort every Post may make a net gain on its next semi-annual report. Let every comrade work to this end.

By command of

FAYETTE WYCKOFF,
Assistant Adjutant General.

JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
LANSING, November 22, 1906.

General Orders No. 5, Series 1906-07.

1. The suggestions of the Commander-in-Chief in general orders that have been sent to the Posts should receive more than passing notice. The subject of recruiting and reinstatement of suspended and dropped members is to be the watchword of his administration. Let all Post officers and comrades unite in carrying out the wishes of the Commander in Chief, and the result will be a substantial increase in our membership.

Many Posts have fallen into the error of suspending and dropping members without giving them due notice in writing, as required by rules and regulations. The attention of Post officers is called to the following:

"A member cannot be either suspended or dropped unless he has been duly notified in writing, and then by vote of the Post. See Sections 3 and 4, Article 4, Chapter 5, Rules and Regulations."

"The spirit of our order should be more in favor of removing, so far as consistent, the obstacles to reinstatement which beset the paths of many of our worthy comrades who have been suspended and dropped."

ELECTION OF POST OFFICERS.

2. The time for the annual election of officers draws near. Due notice should be given, and the election held at the first regular meeting in December.

At the same time Posts will elect Representatives and Alternates to the next Department Encampment, the basis of representation being one Representative and one Alternate for each fifty members in good standing, or major fraction thereof, as shown by reports of June 30, 1906.

Every Post is entitled to one Representative and one Alternate.

"Credential" blanks for names of Representatives and Alternates, also names of all Past Post Commanders in good standing, are being sent to the Posts. Also a blank for Post officers elected and appointed, which should be filled out and sent to the Assistant Adjutant General immediately after election.

INSTALLATION.

3. Post officers will be installed at the first meeting in January, or at a special meeting, which may be called for that purpose. The Senior Past Post Commander present will be the installing officer unless some other comrade has been detailed by the Department Commander, by request of the Post.

The installing officer must assure himself that all semi-annual reports and the per capita tax have been forwarded to Department Headquarters before proceeding with the installation. He will also see that the Quartermaster has filed his bond. A blank bond is sent with other blanks.

The installation of Post Officers should be made as interesting as possible, and where practicable be made public and in connection with the Woman's Relief Corps. Invite all veterans to attend these exercises. At such meetings the opening and closing of the meeting will be informal.

POST PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR.

4. Amendment to rules and regulations adopted at the Fortieth National Encampment held at Minneapolis, Minn., August 16-17, 1906:

"That in each Post of the Department there shall be appointed by the Post Commander an officer to be known as Post Patriotic Instructor, who shall, through the Post Commander, make a report upon forms obtained from the Assistant Adjutant General of the Department, within thirty (30) days after receiving notice from the Department Commander, and forward the same direct to the Patriotic Instructor of the Department, who shall in turn make a report to the National Patriotic Instructor thirty days prior to the meeting of the National Encampment."

Post Commanders will appoint a Post Patriotic Instructor, and the same will be installed at the annual installation with the other appointed officers, as provided in Section 1, Article 7, Chapter 2, Rules and Regulations, as recently amended. Their rank will be designated by one gilt bar upon the rank strap.

Post Patriotic Instructors on retiring from office (either by resignation or expiration of term of office) shall file all instructions, information and papers with their successors. Their reports will be made under the same rules governing those of Inspectors and Surgeons.

5. Blank forms A and B, for Adjutant and Quartermaster's report for the term ending December 31, will be forwarded to Post Adjutants at once. These reports should be made out and forwarded immediately after the last meeting in December, accompanied with the per capita tax of 10 cents per member. Reports must contain the name of every comrade gained or lost during the term, with company and regiment. Reports are not complete without these names. Adjutants will see that these are entered under the proper headings.

The National Countersign will not be sent until after the receipt of the reports.

A few Posts who did not send in their reports for the term ending June 30 will include them with these reports.

6. A blank for the names of those who have died during the year is being sent to the Posts. The Commander and Adjutant will see that the blank is filled out and returned with annual reports. As the Commissioner of Pensions has asked for a list, the names of all old soldiers who have died

will be given, keeping those who were members of the Post and those not members separate.

7. Attention is called to the circular letter of the Medical Director accompanying these orders. Post Surgeons will comply with the request of the Medical Director. Blanks for report of Post Surgeons accompany these orders.

SPECIAL DISPENSATION.

8. In order that the Posts may take advantage of and receive as many additions to their membership as possible during the next month, special dispensation is granted to all Posts in this Department, to receive and muster recruits at the same meeting that their application is received until December 31, 1906.

It is hoped that the Posts will take advantage of this special dispensation and make extra efforts to increase its membership, and win some of the medals offered as prizes in Paragraph 7, General Orders No. 4, Current Series.

In this connection the Department Commander calls the attention of the comrades to Paragraph 8, General Order No. 4, Current Series, relative to suspended and dropped members.

9. The following additional names have been appointed as Aides-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Paul Dubie, Post 1.	William Dickinson, Post 120.
Thos. D. Nelson, Post 8.	J. T. Bassett, Post 130.
John B. Smith, Post 9.	Chas. Clement, Post 131.
Robert Patterson, Post 15.	Thomas Dolan, Post 162.
Geo. Chapman, Post 24.	William Guipe, Post 205.
J. D. Butler, Post 40.	A. S. Horner, Post 234.
A. D. Welling, Post 48.	Geo. M. Doty, Post 252.
Homer H. Sperry, Post 55.	Joseph A. Dockeray, Post 252.
W. C. Shook, Post 79.	John Still, Post 307.
Clark M. Hall, Post 88.	Thos. Calhoun, Post 318.

By command of

JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD,
Department Commander.

FAYETTE WYCKOFF,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
LANSING, MICH., March 19, 1907.

General Orders No. 6, Series 1906-07.

General Orders Nos. 6 and 7, from National Department, accompany this order.

DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT.

The Twenty-ninth Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, will be held in Bay City, June 11 and 12, 1907.

The comrades and citizens of Bay City have entered earnestly upon the work for entertaining the Encampment. All committees have been appointed, and a fine program is being prepared.

Commander-in-Chief R. B. Brown and Adjutant General Jos. W. O'Neill have promised to be present and will speak at the campfire.

Further information relative to the encampment will be given later in general orders.

Application has been made to the Michigan Passenger Association for the usual reduced rates on the railroads.

Let every comrade who is a delegate and all members of the encampment make early arrangements to be present.

There will be business of importance to come before the encampment.

DELINQUENT POSTS.

The following Posts have failed to send in their reports for the second term, 1906:

- Post 124—Constantine.
- Post 130—Edmore.
- Post 167—Elsie.
- Post 174—Houghton.
- Post 229—Marine City.
- Post 272—Chase.
- Post 329—Sumner.
- Post 339—Clare.
- Post 390—Edmore.
- Post 436—Martinsville.
- Post 459—Otter Lake.

These posts will understand that unless their reports and the per capita tax are forwarded to Department Headquarters they will be refused representation in the Department Encampment.

The following Posts have disbanded and surrendered their charters:

- Post 135—Centerville.
- Post 408—Grand Rapids.

OUTPOSTS.

Post 365 of Lake City has organized the first outpost in this Department.

There is opportunity for many Posts to follow this example and increase their membership.

In General Orders No. 4, current series, records of the Denver Souvenir Medal was offered to Posts making the largest gains in membership during the term ending December 31, 1906.

Reports are now in so that the awards will be made in a few days. Eighty-two Posts show net gains of from one to eighteen members, two Posts making gains of eighteen members each, viz.: Post 45 of Adrian and Post 365 of Lake City.

This good work could be duplicated by many Posts by putting forth the proper effort. Try it, comrades.

The comrades are to be congratulated on the passage by the last congress of the Service Pension Law, thereby increasing the pensions of a large number of our comrades. This legislation is the result of the persistent and united

effort of the Grand Army of the Republic. It would seem that every veteran receiving the benefits of this new law, who is not a member of our noble order, should show his appreciation and sense of gratitude for the benefits received by associating himself with the comrades who have for these many years worked for his benefit.

Memorial Day is fast approaching. Let every Post take early action for its proper observation.

IN MEMORIAM.

Once more the fell destroyer has entered our ranks and taken our esteemed comrade and Past Department Commander, William Shakespear, from among us.

He died at his home in Kalamazoo, January 31, 1907. His funeral was held under the auspices of Orcutt Post No. 79, of which he was an honored member. Past Department Commanders, representatives of the Department and members of his own regiment were present from different parts of the State.

Comrade Shakespear enlisted at the very beginning of the war, April 12, 1861, in Co. K, 2d Michigan Infantry, was appointed First Sergeant of his company March 1st, 1863. In the engagement at Jackson, Miss., July 11, 1863, he was supposed to be mortally wounded, receiving seven distinct wounds and both thigh bones being broken. These wounds, after forty-three years of intense suffering, caused his death.

General Shakespear was a true and loyal member of the Grand Army. The cause of the old soldier was his, and many times has he stood for the rights of his comrades to his own personal loss. A man of warm and generous impulses, decided opinions, good judgment and integrity, he was ever an example of good citizenship and the ideal comrade.

Our sincere sympathies are extended to his bereaved family.

By command of
JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD,
Department Commander.

FAYETTE WYCKOFF,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
LANSING, MICH., April 23, 1907.

General Orders No. 7, Series 1906-07.

Accompanying this is General Orders No. 8 from National Headquarters, conveying instructions of the Commander in Chief as to the observance of Memorial Day.

It is expected that every Post in this Department will consider it a privilege, as well as a duty, to carry out this order, and the grave of every soldier who took part in any of the wars in which this country has been engaged, will be decorated with our usual floral wreath.

“I sometimes think that never blows so red
The rose, as where some buried Cæsar bled.”

And no flowers are more expressive or more fragrant than those we scatter over the resting places of dead comrades on this the Nation's Holy Day. All animosities engendered by the Civil war have long ago ceased to exist in the hearts of the old soldiers. Wherever, in any of our cemeteries, a Confederate soldier is known to be buried, let there be placed on his grave also a floral offering, as a token of forgiveness and a tribute of respect to a brave man.

Let us observe this the fortieth Memorial Day fittingly; let us assemble in our Post rooms and with our country's flag and solemn music march to some suitable place and hold public services where possible, as an example to the youth of this commonwealth, a revered testimonial of our loyalty to the country and to the memory of those who fought to maintain it in its entirety.

The Commander-in-Chief directs that: “In accordance with a time-honored custom, Posts attend divine service on the Sabbath preceding May 30th. Let this be followed as an evidence of our belief in the ‘Divinity that shapes our ends’ and controls the destinies of nations.”

Post Commanders will observe that part of General Orders No. 8 relating to patriotic instruction in the public schools, and make such details as are necessary, so that every school may be visited by one or more of our comrades. Make the fortieth anniversary a red letter day in the annals of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic.

The Thirtieth National Encampment directed that the address of President Abraham Lincoln at Gettysburg be read at all Memorial Day exercises held under the auspices of the Grand Army of the Republic. Those having charge of the exercises will comply with the directions of the National Encampment.

Post Chaplains will promptly forward to the Department Chaplain a full report of the exercises of their Posts in connection with Memorial Day.

By Command of
JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD,
Department Commander.

FAYETTE WYCKOFF,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
CAPITOL, LANSING, May 8, 1907.

General Order No. 8, Series 1906-07.

1. As previously announced, the Twenty-ninth Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, Grand Army of the Republic, will be held at the Opera House in Bay City, June 11 and 12, 1907.

DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS.

2. Headquarters will be opened in the Imperial Hotel, corner Fifth and Jefferson streets, at 10 a. m., June 10. The Executive Committee of the Council of Administration will meet at 1:30 p. m. to audit the books of the Assistant Adjutant General and the Assistant Quartermaster General. The Council of Administration will meet at 4 p. m. to consider such matters as may properly come before them in connection with the encampment.

3. The encampment will open at 9:30 a. m., Tuesday, June 10, in the Opera House. Delegates should arrange to reach Bay City in time for the opening session. As trains on some of the railroads do not arrive in Bay City until noon, it is hoped that as many as can will plan to be there on Monday evening and be present at the reception to the Commander-in-Chief on Monday evening and then be ready for the opening Tuesday morning.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE.

4. The following comrades are appointed as Committee on Credentials: Adjutant General Fayette Wyckoff, A. B. Coffinberry, Post 5; Dan J. Willson, Post 48, and _____ . The Credential Committee will meet in the Circuit Court Room in Court House, at 2 p. m., Monday, June 10, and will continue in session until the opening of the encampment, when they will be found at the Opera House.

Delegates and members of the encampment will report with their credentials to the Credential Committee and receive the delegates' badge. Delegates must report in person. Alternates will be entitled to badge only in the absence of the regular delegate.

5. Comrade P. H. Gibbon is hereby detailed as Officer of the Day, and Comrade Sam M. Catlin, as Officer of the Guard. These officers will report to the Assistant Adjutant General at 8 a. m., June 11, for instruction. The Commanders of the several Posts will furnish sufficient detail for guards during the encampment. Guards are requested to appear in uniform.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS.

6. Accommodations will be ample for all. The following list of hotels and rates are given for your information:

Republic Hotel, \$2.00 to \$3.00 per day. American plan.

Imperial Hotel, \$1.50 to \$2.00 per day. American plan.

Colonial Hotel, \$2.00 per day. American plan.

Congress Hotel, \$1.50 per day. American plan.

Lefevre Hotel, \$1.00 to \$1.50 per day. American plan.

Forest City Hotel, \$1.00 per day. American plan.

Portland Hotel, \$1.00 per day. American plan.

Madison Hotel, \$1.00 per day. American plan.

European Hotel (new), rooms, 50 to 75 cents. European plan.

Roneck Hotel, rooms 50 cents, 75 cents and \$1.00 per day. European plan.

Arlington Hotel, (West Side) \$1.00 per day. American plan.

New Clifton Hotel, (West Side) \$1.00 and \$1.25 per day. American plan.

New Wenona, (West Side) \$1.00 per day. American plan.

Elmer, (West Side) \$1.00 per day. American plan.

Many boarding and private houses will be open to receive guests at very moderate prices.

GENERAL INFORMATION.

The Bureau of Information will be found at the Court House, where those desiring will be assigned quarters.

Those wishing to secure accommodations can write to the hotels direct or to Comrade H. E. Meeker, chairman of the committee on hotels and

boarding houses. In writing be sure and designate whether hotel or private house is desired.

7. The registration will be at the Court House, where all comrades are requested to register. This includes visitors as well as delegates.

All comrades, who can, whether members of the encampment or not, are invited to be present and enjoy the reunions and the interesting and entertaining exercises that the loyal people of Bay City are so elaborately providing. The ladies will serve a free lunch on June 11 and 12 in U. S. Grant Post Hall for all visiting G. A. R. comrades and their wives or ladies.

The following program will be observed:

MONDAY, JUNE 10.

Evening—Reception to Commander-in-Chief R. B. Brown, Department Commander Jos. B. Griswold, the National President of the W. R. C. and others—to which all are invited.

TUESDAY, JUNE 11.

10 a. m.—Business session at the Opera House.

Afternoon—At 1:30 will occur the Grand Parade. All comrades able are requested to participate. Posts will bring their colors. The line of march will be very short. Immediately after the parade the encampment will resume its sessions.

Immediately after the afternoon session, unless otherwise ordered, the delegates from each district will assemble to select representatives to the National Encampment.

Evening—Campfire with addresses from Commander-in-Chief Brown, Adjutant General Jos. O'Neill, Department Commander Jos. B. Griswold, the National President of W. R. C. and others.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12.

9 a. m.—Resuming business session, election of officers and delegates and installation of officers will occupy the greater part of the day.

In the afternoon the citizens will give the Commander-in-Chief and officers of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. and others an auto ride around the city.

TRANSPORTATION.

The Michigan Passenger Ass'n have granted a rate of one fare plus 25c for the round trip, except that from points from which the regular one-way fare to Bay City is less than \$1.00, the additional 25c will not be required. Tickets to be sold going June 10, 11 and 12, limited to return to and including June 14th, 1907.

 MEMORIAM.

It becomes our painful duty to announce the death of Judge Advocate Wm. F. Atkinson, which occurred at his home in Detroit, May 4th, 1907. Comrade Atkinson entered the service as Corporal in Company C, Twenty-second Michigan Infantry, promoted to Sergeant, wounded and taken prisoner at the battle of Chickamauga, September 20, 1863, escaped from prison January 19, 1864, Commissioned Second Lieutenant, 1864. Commissioned Captain Company K, July, 1864. Judge Advocate, Third Division, Fourth Army Corps, July, 1865. Discharged at Victoria, Texas, May 25, 1866. Was also with his regiment in the battles of Nashville, Tenn., and Atlanta, Ga. Comrade Atkinson was a member of Fairbanks Post No. 17 of Detroit, and a Past Post Commander. In his death the Department loses a most efficient officer and the Grand Army a most earnest and loyal member.

The books of the Department will be closed June 6th. Posts desiring supplies must order before that date, as orders received after that will not be filled until after the close of the encampment, about June 15th.

Blanks for the first semi-annual report will be sent to the Adjutants of Posts about June first.

Official: FAYETTE WYCKOFF, Assistant Adjutant General.	By command of JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD, Department Commander.
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Correction—In the Department Roster for 1907 through an error the name of E. B. Fenton, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, was omitted. This is to be regretted.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
 CAPITOL, LANSING, May 29, 1907.

General Order No. 9, Series 1906-07.

1. Blank forms A and B for the first semi-annual report, term ending June 30th, also blanks for chaplain's Memorial Day report, are sent with these orders. Post Commanders will see that adjutants and quartermasters fill out these reports at once after the last meeting in June, and forwarded with the per capita tax of ten cents for each member in good standing to the Assistant Adjutant General, Lansing, Mich., not later than July 10th. Make all drafts, postoffice orders and express orders payable to the Assistant Adjutant General, G. A. R.

Attention is called to the fact that the red figures on the reports must not be changed. To avoid errors the adjutant and quartermaster should compare the reports with the last report sent in, a duplicate of which you have on file, and see that no names are duplicated that have been previously reported. These reports are for the first six months of the year, and only changes occurring during that time should be reported.

Many errors are made by deducting dropped members from the members in good standing. This cannot be done. Quartermasters are requested to be sure that their figures are correct and that the "cash balance on hand" is correctly stated.

2. Post chaplains, or, in the absence of the chaplain, the adjutant will fill out the chaplain's Memorial report without delay and send the same to Rev. Wm. Putnam, Department Chaplain, Lansing, Mich.

Promptness in making out and forwarding all reports will enable the Department officers to complete their work and forward same to National Department without delay.

FLAG DAY.

3. June 14th is Flag Day. Let every American citizen and especially every comrade publicly recognize the day by displaying the national colors on their homes and places of business. Patriotic Instructors can do much to influence the schools and the public in the observance of the day.

4. In compliance with General Orders No. 8, the Department Encampment convenes in Bay City, June 11th and 12th. This is a reminder. Let every delegate and member of the encampment be present. The citizens and comrades of Bay City are most generously preparing to give the Grand Army a royal welcome. The presence of Commander-in-Chief R. B. Brown and Adjutant General O'Neill should bring many comrades to welcome them to our State.

By command of

JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD,
Department Commander.

FAYETTE WYCKOFF,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
LANSING, MICH., September 24, 1906.

Special Order No. 1.

AARON T. BLISS.

1. With profound sorrow, the Department Commander announces the death of Past Department Commander Aaron T. Bliss, who died in Milwaukee, Wis., on the morning of September 16th, 1906.

Comrade Bliss was born in Smithfield, New York, on May 22, 1837. He enlisted as a private in Company D, 10th New York Cavalry. A year later he was commissioned as Captain for gallant conduct on the field of battle; was captured at Reem's Station, Va., during the Wilsons famous raid, and for six months was held as a prisoner of war. He escaped from prison at Columbus, S. C., Nov. 29, 1864, reaching the union lines near Savannah, December 16, 1864, in a nearly starved condition. He spent three years and five months in the service of his country.

In the fall of 1865 he settled in Saginaw and there commenced his successful business career.

His public career has been equally conspicuous. He has served his city

as alderman, supervisor and member of the board of education. Was elected State Senator in 1882, and was a member of the Fifty-first Congress, 1889-90. In 1900 he was elected governor of the State and served two terms.

As a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, his service to his comrades has been proverbial. A charter member of Penoyer Post No. 90, he was one of its most active members; served as Post Commander in 1885-86, 1888 and 1893, and was elected Department Commander in 1897, serving his term with honor.

His record as a soldier and citizen is a most honorable one. His hand and purse were ever open to the needy, and his loss will be greatly deplored.

The funeral services were held at his home on September 19th, and were attended with military honors. The comrades of the Grand Army turned out in large numbers to bear testimony to his worth, and escort the remains to their last resting place.

The Department Commander desires to testify to the sterling worth of Comrade A. T. Bliss. As a comrade, as a friend and as a citizen, and on behalf of all the comrades of this Department, extended to his bereaved widow most heartfelt and sincere sympathy.

When the bugle sounded the taps over the final resting place of our comrade in the city of the dead, the last rites were closed over the mortal remains of one who was true to country and to comrades and whose good name will be cherished in fraternal memory.

As a tribute of respect to our departed comrade, it is recommended that Post charters be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days.

We are also advised of the death of

R. W. JACKLIN.

Major R. W. Jacklin died in Detroit, September 14, 1906.

Comrade Jacklin has been an enthusiastic and faithful member of the Grand Army of the Republic since its organization. He first became a member of Post 93, located at Waterville, Minnesota. He came to Detroit and was transferred to Fairbanks Post, No. 17, in 1886; was one of the charter members of O. M. Poe Post, No. 433, organized in November, 1896, and was elected its first commander in 1903; was transferred to Detroit Post No. 384, and was an active and honored member and at the time of his death was chaplain of his post.

His military career was a most honorable one. He enlisted in Co. B, 16th Michigan Infantry, as First Sergeant, February 1, 1862, was promoted Second Lieutenant, May 18, 1862; First Lieutenant and Adjutant, November 1, 1862. Taken prisoner at Spottsylvania Court House, May 8th, 1864; recaptured by General Custer's Brigade, May 9th, 1864. Made Captain June 22, 1864, and commissioned Major of his regiment, May 8th, 1865; Brevet Major U. S. Volunteers, March 13th, 1865, for gallant and meritorious service. Discharged July 1, 1865.

He has been honored in public life also, and in whatever position life's duties called him, he has filled them with that spirit of fidelity that characterized his service in defense of his country's flag.

The record of his life is made up and no words can add to the splendid

page. Noble and brave, true and faithful, tender and loving always, a noble example of a true comrade, and a manly man.

We mourn his loss.

The funeral services were conducted by Detroit Post No. 384, on Monday, September 17.

All honor to the many comrades fast passing from among us.

By command of

JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD,
Department Commander.

FAYETTE WYCKOFF,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
CAPITOL, LANSING, January 25, 1907.

Special Order No. 2, Series 1906-07.

Press dispatches bring the news of the sudden and unexpected death of U. S. Senator Russell A. Alger. Comrade Alger was the most distinguished member of the G. A. R. in the Department of Michigan. He was its first Commander, and in 1889 was elected Commander-in-Chief of the order. Besides his distinguished military service during the civil war, he has been Governor of this commonwealth, secretary of war in the cabinet of President McKinley, and at the time of his death, was serving his second term as United States Senator for Michigan.

Notwithstanding his active public and business life, he has been loyal to and has taken an active part in the work of the Grand Army of the Republic since its organization. His ear has been always open to the appeals of our needy comrades, and his hand as ready to administer to their necessities. While the State of Michigan will miss him as a prominent and trusted official, his party as a leader and wise counsellor, we, his comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic mourn as those who have lost a friend and brother. The funeral will be held at his late home in the city of Detroit on Monday, January 28th. The Department of Michigan will be represented by the Commander and his staff.

As a tribute of respect to our distinguished comrade it is recommended that Post charters be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days.

By command of

JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD,
Department Commander.

Attest:

FAYETTE WYCKOFF,
Assistant Adjutant General.

OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR,
DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN, G. A. R.,
MASON, MICH., November 21, 1906.

CIRCULAR LETTER TO POST SURGEONS.

Comrades—Owing to the fact that in the past the reports of the Post Surgeons have been incomplete and imperfect, and to correct these errors, I make the following suggestions. Of the 346 Posts of this Department 138 have made no Surgeon's report. I have reason to believe in many cases there have been deaths and relief extended that have not been reported. In view of these facts, and that these errors may be corrected, is the object of this circular.

Every good soldier should be ready to discharge every known duty. It is the duty of the Post Surgeons to report all deaths during the year ending December 31st, including all relief given to needy soldiers, sailors, and their families, by the Posts, Relief Corps, Women of the G. A. R., or any other auxiliary society. The amount of relief given last year was very small, and compared very unfavorably with some of the other departments. Let us see to it, and put ourselves on record, as exercising more benevolence towards the needy ones of our comrades, excepting no compensation, only the satisfaction of making their condition more comfortable and happy.

I would suggest to the Commanders and Adjutants of the various Posts that they aid the Surgeon in making his report. See they are made full and complete for the year ending December 31st, and made as soon as possible after that date. Let us make better showing than previous years, and we will be better able to appreciate the great tenets of the Grand Army of the Republic,—Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

After these suggestions I shall expect to receive the Surgeon's report from every Post in the Department, even though there are no deaths or relief or aid given. The statistics will not be complete without these facts.

Yours faithfully in F. C. and L.,

WILLIAM W. ROOT,

Medical Director, Dept. of Mich., G. A. R.

Approved by order of
JOS. B. GRISWOLD,
Department Commander.

STATUTE LAWS.

[Laws of Michigan affecting veterans passed by the Legislative Session 1907].

Grave Marker. Act No. 275, Session Laws of 1907.

AN ACT to provide for furnishing, at public expense, suitable markers for the graves of honorably discharged soldiers, sailors or marines, who served in the army of the United States.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Section 1. The common council, board of trustees or township board of every city, village or township in this State shall, upon the petition of any five reputable freeholders of any such city, village or township, procure for and furnish to said petitioners at the expense of such city, village or township, some suitable and appropriate metal marker for the grave of each and every honorably discharged soldier, sailor or marine who served in the army of the United States and who is buried within the limits of said city, village or township or within the limits of any cemetery belonging to any such city, village or township, to be placed on the grave of such soldier, sailor or marine for the purpose of marking and designating said grave for memorial purposes.

Sec. 2. In all petitions to such common councils or boards, the petitioners shall set forth the names of all such soldiers, sailors and marines, whose graves have not been appropriately marked as contemplated in this act, and the number of such graves at the time of petitioning.

Approved June 12, 1907.

Burial of Soldiers and their Widows. Act No. 330, Session Laws, 1907. Amendatory to Act 170, Session Laws, 1885.

AN ACT to amend section one of an act to provide for the burial of the bodies of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors or marines, or the wives or widows of said soldiers, sailors or marines in this State, who shall hereafter die without leaving means sufficient to defray funeral expenses.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Section 1. Section one of Act No. 39 of the Public Acts of 1905, entitled "An act to provide for the burial of the bodies of certain honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines, or the wives or widows of said soldiers, sailors or marines, in this State, who shall hereafter die without leaving means sufficient to defray funeral expenses," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the board of supervisors of each county in this State to appoint in each township and ward, in their respective counties, a suitable person other than those designated for the care of paupers and the care of criminals, whose duty it shall be in this township or ward, to look

after and cause to be interred in a decent and respectable manner in any cemetery or burial ground in this State, other than those used exclusively for the burial of the pauper dead, at an expense not to exceed forty dollars, the body of any honorably discharged Union soldier, sailor or marine, having served in the army or navy of the United States during the Civil War or the late war with Spain, or the wives or widows of such soldiers, who shall hereafter die not leaving means sufficient to defray the necessary funeral expenses. Such person so appointed shall receive two dollars for each such burial attended, to be paid in the same manner as the other expenses authorized by this act and shall hold his appointment so long as he serves to the satisfaction of the board of supervisors; and whenever any vacancy occurs from any cause, it shall be the duty of the board of supervisors to fill such vacancy by the appointment of another suitable person.

Approved June 18, 1907.

Public Employment. Act No. 521, Session Laws, 1907.

AN ACT to amend sections one and two of act 205 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to prefer ex-soldiers for public employment," being sections 1,690 and 1,691 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by act 85 of the Public Acts of 1899, and to add two new sections thereto.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Section 1. Two new sections are hereby added thereto and sections one and two of Act 205 of the Public Acts of 1897, entitled "An act to prefer ex-soldiers for public employment," being sections 1,690 and 1,691 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, as amended by Act 85 of the Public Acts of 1899, are hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. In every public department, and all public departments in all municipal corporations, and upon the public works of the State of Michigan, honorably discharged Union soldiers, sailors and marines of the late Rebellion, and the soldiers, sailors and marines of the late Spanish-American war shall be preferred for appointment and employment; age, loss of limb or other physical impairment which does not, in fact, incapacitate, shall not be deemed to disqualify them: *Provided, however,* That the applicant shall be of good moral character and shall have been a resident of the State for at least two years and of the county in which the office or position is located for at least one year, and possesses other requisite qualifications.

Section 2. No veteran or other soldier, sailor or marine as indicated in the preceding section holding an office or employment in any public department or public works of the State, or of any city, town or village of the State shall be removed or suspended or shall, without his consent be transferred from such office or employment except after a full hearing before the Governor of the State, the mayor of such city or before the common council of such town or village, and at such hearing the veteran shall have the right to be present and to be represented by counsel. Such removal, suspension or transfer shall be made only upon a written order of the Governor, mayor, or the common council.

Sec. 3. A violation of any of the provisions of this act, by a person having the power of appointment to a position, under him, in either of the departments mentioned in section one, shall be deemed a misdemeanor

and upon conviction thereof in any court of competent jurisdiction shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty dollars, and not more than one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed ninety days or by both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 4. In case the application of any such soldier, sailor or marine, shall be rejected by the person having the power of appointment to the position for which he has applied, he shall be entitled to remedy therefor by mandamus to enforce the provisions of this act.

Approved June 28, 1907.

STATE BOUNTIES.

JOINT RESOLUTION.

Directing the Board of State Auditors to investigate and examine the claims of union soldiers in the war of the rebellion for bounties under the laws of this State.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That the Board of State Auditors be and they are hereby authorized and required to investigate all claims made by any honorably discharged union soldier who served in the war of the Rebellion, for any bounty provided for in or arising under any law of this State; and if the Board of State Auditors, upon investigation of the claim of any such honorably discharged soldier, shall determine that the claim is well founded in law and in fact, said board is hereby authorized and directed to draw its warrant on the State Treasury for the payment of such amount as they shall find to be due and payable.

SPECIAL SESSION 1907.

ADMISSION TO SOLDIERS' HOME.

To amend section 11 of Act No. 152 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to authorize the establishment of a home for disabled soldiers, sailors and marines in the State of Michigan," said section being Compiler's section 2,062 of the Compiled Laws of 1897 and having been last amended by Act No. 25 of the Public Acts of 1901.

The People of the State of Michigan enact;

Section 1. Section 11 of Act No. 152 of the Public Acts of 1885, entitled "An act to authorize the establishment of a home for disabled soldiers, sailors and marines in the State of Michigan," said section being Compiler's section 2,062 of the Compiled Laws of 1897, and having been last amended by Act No. 25 of the Public Acts of 1901, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 11. All honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the army or navy of the United States, in the late war of the Rebellion, in the Mexican war, the Spanish-American war or the war in the Philippines, and who are disabled by disease, wounds or otherwise, and who have no adequate means of support and by reason of such disability, are incapable of earning their living, and who would be otherwise dependent upon public or private charity, shall be entitled to be admitted to said home, subject to the rules and regulations that shall be adopted by the board of managers to govern the admission of applicants to said home: *Provided*, That no applicant shall be admitted to said home unless he served in a Michigan regiment or was accredited to the State of Michigan, or was a resident of the state of Michigan for at least five years next preceding the date of his application for admission to said home.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

Approved October 24, 1907.

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